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Important excerpts from the Post-Budget Virtual Meeting of National Federation held on 05/02/2025

Representatives from 25 States attended today's extremely important Meeting of the National Working Committee, which validated the relevance and objectives of the meeting.

i) Andhra Pradesh, ii) Arunachal Pradesh, iii) Assam, iv) Bihar, v) Chhattisgarh, vi) Goa, vii) Gujarat, viii) Haryana, ix) Himachal Pradesh, x) Jharkhand, xi) Karnataka, xii) Kerala, xiii) Madhya Pradesh, xiv) Maharashtra, xv) Sikkim, xvi) Meghalaya, xvii) Nagaland, xviii) Odisha, xix) Punjab, xx) Rajasthan, xxi) Telangana, xxii) Uttar Pradesh, xxiii) Uttarakhand, xxiv) West Bengal, xxv) Delhi - NCT

The meeting was presided over by our National President, Shri Kacham Krishnamurthy Ji and conducted by Working President, Shri Onkar Nath Jha Ji.

While speaking on the Union Budget, all the Speakers addressing the meeting criticized the Union Finance Minister for not taking a positive stance on the interests of more than five lakh Dealers who provide foodgrains to 81 crore beneficiaries of the Country.

While addressing the meeting, National General Secretary, Shri Biswambhar Basu first of all paid tribute to the deceased kumbh pilgrims in Prayagraj on behalf of all the Dealers' families of the Country and the Federation.

A Hunger Strike by Shri Ambika Yadav, a Veteran Fair Price Shop Dealer of Dist. Nalanda in Bihar for an indefinite period with effect from 28th January 2025 to establish the Demand of Monthly Income Guarantee of Rs 30,000/- (Rupees Thirty-thousand) only and to consider licenses to the Dealers' families on compassionate and medical grounds without any age-bar and indefinite strike organized by all FPS Dealers of Bihar to fulfill the legitimate demands of the Dealers of the State in Bihar is going on. While supporting the strike, the General Secretary expressed surprise over the State Government not showing any positive attitude towards the demands of the Dealers and appealed to the State Government to hold talks with the agitators. It has also been decided, that if the State Govt. of Bihar does not pay any heed to our Bihar Dealers, the National Federation will have no other alternative but to get involved in the Bihar State movement. Jb. Ramzan Ali Ansari Senior Vice-President has been requested to keep vigil on the development of the movement and to suggest what action is to be taken by our National Federation, as early as possible.

He said that today we are still facing problems like (1) not implementing the paperless order despite it being issued, (2) not paying the previous dues of PMGKAY, (3) not resolving server network issues,(4) not renewing the electronic weighing machine, (5) not paying additional Margin, (6) not resolving the problem of underweighting, (7) not resolving Door Step Delivery issues, which the State Governments are not solving on purpose or the corrupt system is not allowing it to happen, which is regrettable.

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He said that if the Public Distribution System is abolished on the disturbing observation of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, then our weapon of fighting will be snatched away from us, we have to save the Public Distribution System at any cost.

He said that under the Price Stabilization Fund announced in the Budget, emphasis will also be laid on selling Bharat Brand Atta, Rice and Pulses through Fair Price Shop Dealers at subsidised rates for additional income.

The National General Secretary stressed that no Dealer of the Country should be disappointed. He informed that due to our continuous and tireless efforts, he has been informed that there are ways to increase the Budgetary allocation. For this, we will need to get questions tabled for by the Honorable MPs of Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha within 12th February, which will have to be done by our leaders at any cost.

He said that the Public Distribution System will not be allowed to end at any cost and if needed, we can also knock the doors of the Honourable Supreme Court, and for this, purpose we will have to be prepared mentally and financially.

In the meeting, many States including Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Assam, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Odisha, Punjab, Telangana, West Bengal, Delhi and others advised the top leadership of National working Committee in the States to start a series of State level meetings and strengthen the Organization along with spreading the information about the activities of the Federation at the grassroots level, which was accepted.

The National General Secretary put forward several suggestions in today's meeting which were accepted unanimously:-

1. State Office Bearers whatAapp Group should be formed in all the States, in which Shri Biswambhar Basu should be included.
2. State level meetings should be organized in all the States within a month or two.
3. All States should work towards collecting funds for economic support,
4. All States should organize preparation of National Movement during the 2nd part of Budget Session from 10th March to 04th April 2025. During this period 10th -13th, 17th-21st, 24th-28th March and 1st to 4th April 2025, Parliament will function and all the Leaders have been requested to get in touch with their Hon'ble MPs with Our Questions.
5. Shri Basu also directed all States to gather information about how much foodgrains did the Government save after the introduction of e-POS and why the benefit on account of savings of foodgrains is not being given to the Dealers of the Country?



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6. Photo copy of PHH Ration Card from each & every Shop and the relevant Aadhar Card and WhatsApp No. Should be collected and preserve the same and send the same when requested by the Federation. The list of Beneficiaries should only be sent to the Head Office Immediately.

7. Smt Sarlimda Kharluki, Secretary of Meghalaya of our Fedaration brought to the notice of the General Secretary to take up the matter with the Union NCT Govt. regarding release of funds by Govt. of India for payment of margins to the FPS Dealers under the continuity sponsored scheme-4048 which the FPS Dealers have not received till date.

8. To maintain liaison with the Members of Media House and to hold Press Conference.

9. Shri Basu sought information about which States are providing what item(s) apart from NFSA and at what price and this information should be given to the Committee Head office within 28th February, 2025.

As per schedule, on 20.01.2025 at 05-10 pm at 6. Krishna Menon Marg, the official residence of Hon'ble Home Minister, a discussion was held with Shri Amit Shah Ji. A Delegation comprising 7 (seven) Office-bearers of National Federation under the leadership of our Chief Advisor & Hon'ble MP Prof. Saugata Roy ji.

The outcome of the meeting was most appreciable and the Hon'ble Home Minister to consider our Deputation within 15/20 days.

NITI AAYOG Giving an important information, he said that many important points are being considered by the NITI AAYOG, which includes (1) increase in Margins, (2) taking per kg cash collection directly from beneficiary (3) purchasing food grains Suggestions such as reducing the working days are being considered.

He said that the Federation's delegation meeting and discussion with the Hon'ble Union Home Minister & Cooperative Minister, Shri Amit Shah Ji on 20th January 2025 have given good indications to the Federation, which can increase the income of the Dealers from various sources. We are waiting for his invitation / call again.

In today's meeting, States like Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Odisha, Jharkhand informed about the financial crisis faced by the Dealers' due to non-payment of the outstanding Margins amount and urged to put pressure on the Central Government in this regard.

He clearly said that you should support the Federation financially, the Federation will continue to struggle to protect your livelihood. Not only financial support, you have to keep the organization united till the grass root level, only then, we will be able to pressurize the current Government and get our demands accepted, for this he also called upon people to raise their voices through the Media and put forth their problems. He said that the leadership of the Federation is trying to meet His Excellency the President and the Honorable Prime Minister and put forth their problems and try to find a solution for them.

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Today's meeting was addressed by Shri D.N. Patil, Shri Dharnidhar Bora, Shri Shishpal Godara, Shri Rewadhar Brijwasi, Shri Saurauh Gupta, Shri Hasmukh Dharmani, Shri Pusika Aomi, Smt. Sarlinda Kharluki, Shri Joseph Viegas, Shri Karamjit Singh, Shri Sewaram, Shri Vijay Ghritalhare, Shri Girish Tiwari, Shri Harsh Oberoi, Janab Mohammad Ali, Shri Naikoti Raju, Shri T. Krishnappa, Shri Ramdev Sinha, Shri Gunjan Bora, Shri Raj Kumar Mittal, Shri Onkar Nath Jha and Shri Kacham Krishnamurthy who gave their feedback on the Union Budget and suggested the future strategies.

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