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To,

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**Subject: Ongoing strike of nurses in the state of Kerala**

Hon'ble Madam,

Greeting from the Trained Nurses' Association of India (TNAI)!

A writ petition number 527 of 2011, was filed by TNAI in the Supreme Court of India on November, 2011, to issue guidelines for safe guarding the interest of nurses working in hospitals/clinical establishments, and to improve their working condition.

The Supreme Court gave a judgment on 4.2.2016 and directed the Central Government to look into the grievances by forming a committee within four months.

In compliance with the Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment, the Government of India constituted a committee on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. TNAI was one of the members in the committee. The result of many meetings and deliberation brought out the recommendations. The copy of recommendations were sent vide letter no. **(F.No. Z-29011/15/2013-N dated 20.09.16)** to all the Principal/ Health Secretaries of all the state and UT's for formulating the legislation/guidelines to be adopted in respect of the nurses working in the private hospitals/ institutions.

In this regard Kerala state government shall have to act to implement the given recommendations in the form of legislation. The delay in taking any action in the direction has caused considerable

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distress among nurses who were hoping for change in their working conditions. This forced to commence strike for availing the benefits.

We are sure that you would understand the anxiety and mental trauma the nurses suffer due to poor working conditions and low salary paid to them, not commiserating to their educational status.

In the past also nurses in Kerala have had spate of strikes on the same issue. Hence we request you to take up this issue on priority basis and take steps to avert the strike which the nurses are planned to start from 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

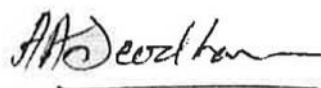
Being a welfare association, TNAI is deeply concerned about the welfare of nurses, the public, and specially the ailing patients.

Once again, TNAI urge you to take the recommendations for legislative outcome expeditiously and include the President of the Kerala state branch of TNAI for constructive inputs.

Thanking you

With kind regards

Yours sincerely



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