

Tea workers' body seeks amendment of Plantation Labour Act

From our Correspondent

TINSUKIA, March 23: A two-day National Working Committee meeting of Indian National Plantation Workers Federation (INPWF) affiliated to INTUC is being held in Tinsukia on Thursday and Friday.

Addressing media persons on Thursday, the national president PA Joseph said amendments to the Plantation Labour Act 1951 was the need of the hour and some proposals would be discussed in order to bring uniform living wages for all plantation workers across the country.

Chaired by PA Joseph, the press meet was addressed by former MP Pawan Sing Ghatowar, senior vice-president, Ramen Pandey, INTUC president West Bengal, in presence of a host of State and national leaders and former MLAs of Tinsukia district Rajendra Prasad Singh, Dileswar Tanti and Raju Sahu of Chabua among others. More than 300 delegates from the States of Karnataka, Kerala, Tripura, West Bengal and Assam are participating in the meet. As many as 31 leaders from all plantation-growing States will address the open meeting.

Joseph pointed out that tea, coffee, rubber and cardamom plantations in India were once most coveted employment with attractive wages and other benefits but now employees were being denied such benefits and privileges primarily because of the outdated Plantation Labour Act. He stated further that the meeting would adopt a 12-point proposal to be incorporated in the Plantation Labour Act as amendments and would request the Government of India for immediate reconstitution of the Act. They even threatened to initiate vigorous agitation in front of Parliament if the demands were not conceded.

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