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Memo No. 128 A., dated 29 11/16 Copy with copy of the letter No. 2885 dtd. 22.01.2016 alongwith its enclosure received from Home Department forwarded to the President, UCCl, BBSR /AIEBA, BBSR /RCCI, Rourkela /OYEA, Cuttack & Hon. Secretary, NOCCI Balesore for information and necessary action.

To

Ministry of Home Affairs 2016 North Block, New Delhi. Qale... January, 2016 Section Marked de Centrel Diary No......Date... The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of all

State Governments/Union Territory Administrations

Sub:- Observance of silence on 30th January in the memory of those who gave their lives in the struggle for India's freedom.

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to say that on 30th January every year, two minutes' silence is observed at 11:00 A.M., throughout the country, in the memory of those who gave their lives in the struggle for India's freedom.

The following standing instructions have been laid down for observance of this day:

(i) Silence should be observed and work and movement stopped for two minutes throughout the country at 11:00 A. M. on 30th January every year.

Wherever available, the commencement and termination of the two minutes' silence period should be indicated by sound of siren or Army guns. Sirens should be sounded from 10:59 hrs till 11:00 hrs and after two minutes, all clear sirens should again be sounded from 11:02 hours till 11:03 hours. This procedure may be adopted where sirens exist.

(iii) On hearing the signal (wherever available), all persons would stand up and observe the silence. It would be more effective if people could gather at one place for observing the silence instead of each person standing in his room or at any other place. However, effort need not be made to assemble at one place if it involves serious dislocation of work.

(iv) At places where no signal system is available, suitable instructions can be passed on to all concerned for observing the silence for two minutes at 11:00 A.M.

Territories are, therefore requested to take necessary steps to ensure that the In the past, it has been observed that while two minutes' silence is observed in some offices, the general public goes about its occupation in the ordinary course, The State Governments/ Union

Martyrs' Day is observed with due solemnity and with better public participation. For this, they are requested to take the following steps:-

- (i) Instructions may be issued to all educational institutions in the State/ Union Territory and Public Sector Enterprises under them for observance of the Martyrs' Day with full solemnity and in a befitting manner. Speeches and talks connected with the significance of the day, particularly mentioning the role of freedom fighters in the freedom of India may be made. The theme of talks and speeches could also deal with the duty and the moral obligation of every citizen to preserve, protect and enrich the hard-earned freedom and to promote a sense of national integration and commitment to common goals and ideals.
- (ii) Field publicity units of the States/Union Territories may hold programmes and/ or films/ documentaries with the basic themes of Indian Freedom Movement, the role of the martyrs in the Freedom Struggle and national integration.
- (iii) Various Chambers of Commerce and Industry in the States/Union Territories may also be requested to ensure proper observance of the Martyrs' Day by their members and affiliated associations and organisations.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy, for information, to the Secretary to the Governors/ Lt. Governors of all States/ Union Territory Administrations.

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