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Dear Comrades,

**OBSERVE WOMEN’S DAY ON 8TH MARCH 2013**

The International Women’s Day is observed throughout the world on 8th March of every year. This year in India, the day will be observed amidst increased voilance on women being reported from every state without any exception.   The awareness and willingness to fight against this crime was demonstrated by tens of thousands of students and others for days together in the Capital. The anger and anguish of the countrymen and women was demonstrated by millions throughout the country in the aftermath of the tragic incident of the brave young woman who had been a victim of brutal gangrape on a moving bus  in the heart of the capital. That was  not an isolated incident nor the last one. In fact more and more of such heinous crimes are being reported every day and no place in this country can be identified as safe place for women.  Sexual assault on women is now the fastest increasing crime in India.

Though the Justice Verma Committee constituted by the Government to look into all aspect and suggest remedial measures, submitted its report in record time and the Government promulgated an ordinance to counter such menace, there is no downtrend of the crime.  It is essential for the government at the Centre and the states to put into place required measures to prevent violence against women. Such measures should include steps to ensure security, easy access to time-bound justice, punishment to officials for non-implementation, referring all pending cases to fast track courts and reformed, stringent laws against sexual assault and sensitization of law enforcing personnel.  It is in this back ground, the Confederation of Central Government Employees and Workers decided to call upon all its affiliates to observe the Day with various programmes.  The Circular issued by the Confederation is enclosed.

            In the Income Tax Department, almost 25% of the personnel are women working in various cadres and places.  The Income Tax Employees Federation request all the Circles and branches to observe the day on the line  suggested by the Confederation viz. holding conventions/seminars/meetings at all places and take a pledge to fight for a safe, secure and dignified life for all our mothers, sisters and daughters.

            With revolutionary greetings,

Yours fraternally,

(**KP Rajagopal**)

Secretary General