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IndustriALL Global Union calls on Government of Mauritius to guarantee living wages of women cleaners at government-run facilities

Dear Prime Minister.

I am writing this letter to you as the General Secretary of <u>IndustriALL Global Union</u>, which represents more than fifty million workers in mining, energy and manufacturing sectors, in more than 140 countries, including Mauritius, to express our deep concern for the welfare of seven Mauritian citizens that are on hunger strike from Monday 16 October 2017 to draw attention to the dire situation of women working as cleaners in government-run facilities.

Reeaz Chotoo, President of the Confédération des Travailleurs du Secteur Publique et Privé (CTSP), and Jane Ragoo, General Secretary of CTSP and Executive Committee member of IndustriALL Global Union, together with five women cleaners have gone on hunger strike to draw attention to casualization through labour contractors paying these women poverty wages of USD 43 a month.

Numerous attempts to address the matter with several government ministers have not received the attention required to address this unsustainable situation for workers that deserve a living wage.

Therefore, IndustriALL Global Union urges you to intervene immediately to resolve the situation before the health and welfare of our comrades are further compromised.

I anticipate your prompt action and reply.

Sincerely yours,

Valter Sanches General Secretary