

Feb.13

Nationwide Workers Rally



Protest in front of HQ of JR East (Oct.16, 2009)

Stop massive unemployment! Revive militant labor movement!

Reinstate 1047 national railway workers!

Stop total outsourcing of inspection and repair work !

Fight against rationalization and establish rail safety!

Saturday, February 13, 2010 1 pm

Tokyo Yoyogi Park B Section, Open-air Stage

Demonstration to JR East Company (Shinjuku) after the rally

Sponsors:

National Railway Motive Power Union of Chiba (Doro-Chiba)

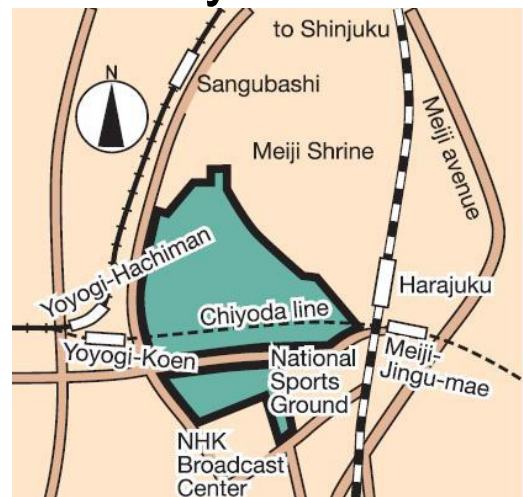
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We stand firm! We continue fighting!

On February 16, 1987, the privatized companies, Japan Railways (JRs), refused to accept 7,628 workers of the former Japan National Railways (JNR). All of the rejected were the members of the unions that opposed the privatization of the JNR. It was a blatant unfair labor practice; the dismissed 1,047 workers are still fighting for their reinstatement.

After 23 years, the hidden fact is becoming apparent at long last. At the Tokyo District Court, a former JNR executive uncovered the fact that the names of the rejected 12 Doro-Chiba members were originally in the list of the expectants. Matsuzaki, who was taking control over the predecessor organization of Japan Confederation of Railway Workers' Unions (JRU) at that time, strongly pressed JNR and the government not to employ those workers. He urged, "Reject and expel the members of Doro-Chiba and National Railway Workers' Union!"

The division and privatization of the JNR was a decisive and historic attack on workers; far more than ten million workers became "irregular workers" after that and lots and lots of people are now deeply mired in poverty.

The bright future of all workers lies in the victory of the struggle of the 1,047 dismissed workers. Therefore we continue fighting for reinstatement until we fight out the division and privatization of JNR.

East Japan Railway Company (JR East) is now entirely outsourcing, inspection and repair jobs of railroad cars. The full-scale outsourcing of maintenance or track has already been forcibly conducted. Moreover, the conductors and station personnel are replaced with extremely low wage irregular workers who have no right. Now, broken rails and defects in cars are frequently discovered. If we ignore such things, rail safety will totally collapse and another Amagasaki or Uetsu-line rail accident is inevitable.

The working environment of Japan has been rapidly deteriorated—job security has completely collapsed. The dispatched workers are getting fired every minute and they are driven to the depths of poverty. More and more people join the ranks of the working poor. Our whole society—social security, health care, education and everything—is on the verge of collapse, and JR companies are still attempting to force numerous workers into irregular workforce.

Furthermore, the officials of almost all labor unions are caving in. We have to bring a definitive end to the present situation. We, sponsoring unions of this rally, will continue fighting with firm determination.

Let's raise our angry voice and revive militant labor union! All workers, now is the time to unite not to allow reactionary revision of the Constitution, job cut and and privatization by the DPJ /Rengo government!

Withdraw dismissal of the 1047 JNR workers!

**Stop total outsourcing of
inspection and repair work!**

**Fight against rationalization and
for rail safety!**

Abolish workers dispatch law!

**Win a victory in the Spring
Labor Offensive in 2010!**

**Absolutely No to *Doshusei*
(Wider Area Local Government
System)—privatization and
firing of 3.6 million public
workers!**



International Workers Solidarity Rally (Nov. 1, 2009)

Crush DPJ / Rengo administration with its plan of constitutional revision by the power of national railway workers, Sanrizuka farmers and people of Okinawa!