

WREU MUMBAI DIVISION CELEBRATES COM. UMRAOMAL PUROHIT'S 83RD BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

On 1st March, 2011, WREU Mumbai Division, organized various programs to celebrate 83rd Birth Day of Com. Umraomal Purohit, President, WREU/AIRF & General Secretary/HMS. A large number of railwaymen and activists of WREU participated in all the programmes with enthusiasm. The details of these programs are as under:

BLOOD DONATION CAMP AT DADAR

In the morning, at 10 am WREU BCT Division organized a Blood Donation Camp at Dadar Station (W.Rly.) in association with Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Blood Bank, in which 156 blood units were collected. The Camp was inaugurated by Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary, WREU in presence of Shri Jairam Khursija, Sr. DEE(P) BCT, Shri Panwar, DPO-BCT, Smt. Meenakumari, Sr.DMO-LPL and Headquarter Office Bearers and Divisional Office bearers of WREU. Com. Mahale, Divisional Chairman, welcomed the guests by offering them bouquets.

Com Bhosale in his inaugural speech, gave a brief account of the non-bargaining activities conducted by WREU and Maniben Kara Foundation. All the officers appreciated the activities conducted by WREU and extended full support of the administration. A team of Youth Wing and Women Wing made arrangements for conducting the Camp under the guidance of Com. Prashant Kanade, AGS/WREU, Com. Anil Gaonkar, Vice Chairman, BCT Division and Com. P.Rajan, Jt. Div. Secretary of WREU-BCT. On this occasion, a Pocket Calendar, designed and printed by the Youth Wing of BCT Division, was released.

FRUIT DISTRIBUTION AT JAGJIVANRAM, HOSPITAL

As a part of celebration of 83rd Birth Anniversary of Com. Umraomal Purohit, Women Wing of WREU-BCT and DRM JRH Branch distributed fruits to about 300 indoor patients in Jagjivan Ram Hospital, Mumbai Central. Smt. N. S. Hiwale, Smt. Neela Mecwan, Smt. Pankaja Kumar, Smt. Yashoda Hegde, Smt. Nisha Singh and Smt. Sneha Madhvi met each and every patient in the Wards and distributed fruits to them and wished early recovery.

INAGURATION OF OFFICE OF WESTERN RAILWAY CONTRACT EMPLOYEES' UNION

On 1st March, 2011, Com. Umraomal Purohit, President, WREU/AIRF and General Secretary/HMS declared open the Mumbai Office of Western Railway Contract Employees' Union at Platform No.1 of Dadar Station (Western Railway). On this occasion, Com. J. R. Bhosale, General Secretary/WREU, Com. Suryakant Bagal, General Secretary, State HMS, Vikas Gupte, Treasurer, Prashant Kanade, AGS, D. Y. Mahale, Div. Chairman, P. Rajan, Jt. Div. Secy, Anil Gaokar, Vice Chairman of WREU-BCT and comrades from suburban branches of WREU were present.

In his inaugural address, Com. Umraomalji called upon the contractual employees to unite and fight for their legitimate and just rights, under the banner of this union, which is functioning for the last 20 years and had achieved a lot for protecting their rights. He briefly narrated about the achievements of HMS and AIRF for improving their working conditions. He also mentioned about the efforts made by AIRF for regularizing 3.5 lakhs casual labours working on India Railways at one stroke. Com. Bhosale congratulated the team of BCT Division for organizing contract labours working on Western Railway.

Com. D.Y. Mahale read out the names of the activists of this union depot-wise and unit-wise and appealed contract workers to approach them in case of any need. Com. Milind Raut and Rajesh Choudhary, Secretaries of this Union, are giving their voluntarily service for contractual workers in Mumbai area. Com. Vivek Kamble, Zonal Youth Convener and his youth team and a team of Women Wing of WREU-BCT under the leadership of N. S. Hiwale, worked day and night for renovation of the office and motivating contract employees.

BIRTH DAY FUNCTION OF COM. UMRAOMAL PUROHIT AND J. R. BHOSALE

Headquarter Office Bearers, Divisional Secretaries and Chairmen and Secretaries of all the Divisions of WREU of Non-Divisional Branches and WREU activists of BCT Division with great fanfare celebrated Birth Anniversary of their beloved leaders - Com. Umraomal Purohit (83rd) and J. R. Bhosale (69th), on 1st March, 2011 in the function organized in Jagdish Ajmera Sabhagrih, Grant Road, Mumbai.

All the leaders one after another congratulated and wished both the leaders by offering garlands, bouquet and mementoes to them. In their speeches, they praised the hard work done by Com. Umraomalji and Bhosaleji, due to which, the organizations they lead are well known and respected not only nationally but also internationally. They all wished both the leaders long and healthy life for years to come.

On this occasion, Com. Umraomalji thanked one and all, who made arrangements not only for celebration of the birthday but also for other activities undertaken by BCT Division. He shared some of the memories of his trade union life and thanked all for their active cooperation without which it was not impossible to achieve the goals and to fulfill the dream of upliftment of working class in general.

Com. Bhosale also expressed his happiness and assured that under the leadership and guidance of Umraomalji and with the co-operation of his colleagues, he will continue to work hard for improving the working conditions of railwaymen.

Com. Mahale, Com. Prashant Kanade, Com. PrakashSavalkar and the entire team of BCT Division made all the arrangements including distribution of sweets and cake to all who were present in the birthday function.