

# *Indian workers and students launch strike to protest privatization*

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New Delhi, January 9 (RHC)-- In India, hundreds of thousands of unionized workers and students took to the streets on Wednesday for a strike to demand a rise in the minimum wage and to protest the privatization of natural resources.

Many students are also boycotting classes in solidarity with violent attacks on students at Delhi's Jawaharlal Nehru University, who blamed the attack on a right-wing student group linked to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's ruling BJP party.

One of the protest organizers, Rajbir Singh, told reporters: "Today, the whole of India is observing a shutdown. All the banks of the country are shut. This is against the central federal government's privatization and anti-employee policies."



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