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KEA IN THE NEWS

TWO BANDHS IN A WEEK TO COST KARNATAKA Rs. 4,000 CRORE **BANDHS NOT THE ANSWER, SAY INDUSTRY CHIEFS**

The Times of India Bengaluru, edition has published the above news report stating that "Captains of industry have frowned on the two bandhs called this week – one on Tuesday and another on Friday – over the Cauvery water dispute, saying strikes are not the answer but only result in inconvenience to the public and huge monetary losses for the state. Industry bodies have pegged losses for the two bandh days at Rs 4,000 crore and point out that it may cripple the economy, which has just recovered from the pandemic and hurt its chances of becoming a \$1 trillion economy anytime soon" Bandhs will also hurt the credibility of Bengaluru and Karnataka as it will reflect on international orders and commitments, the statement of Mr. B C Prabhakar, President KEA is reported as under:

"Bandhs hurt the livelihood of people. They can never be an option for any issue, be it sentimental or political. While we truly believe in the cause and sentiment behind the Cauvery issue, bandhs are not the answer. Let there be protests but not a bandh."

1. The Times of India

[Two bandhs in a week to cost Karnataka Rs 4,000 crore. Bandhs not the answer, say industry chiefs | Bengaluru News - Times of India \(indiatimes.com\)](https://www.indiatimes.com/Bengaluru/Two-bandhs-in-a-week-to-cost-Karnataka-Rs-4,000-crore-Bandhs-not-the-answer-say-industry-chiefs/Bengaluru-News-Times-of-India/indiatimes.com)

2. A clipping of a news report published by the Times of India is given below:



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