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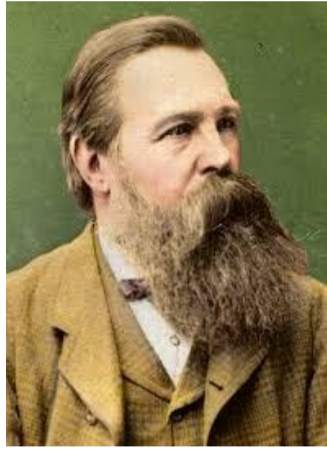


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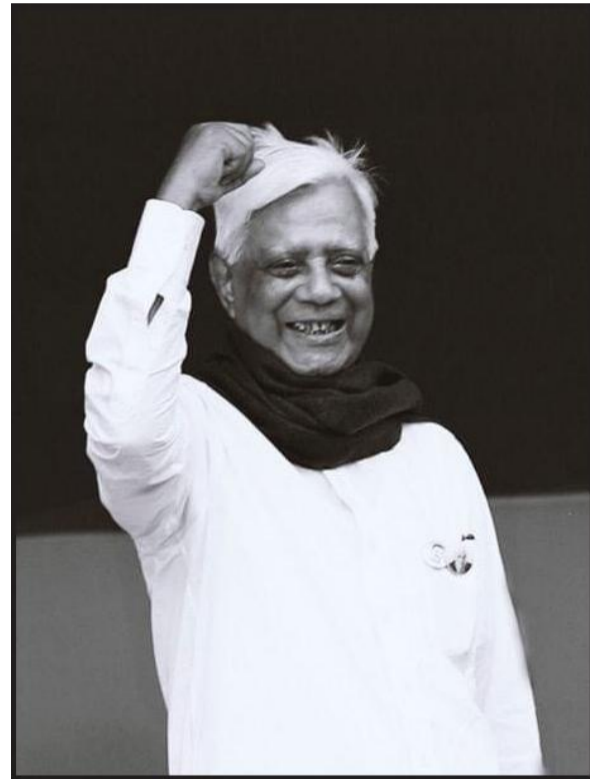


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"...the bourgeoisie exploits the proletariat in every conceivable way for its own benefit! ...to the manner in which the bourgeoisie as a party, as the power of the State, conducts itself towards the proletariat. Laws are necessary only because there are persons in existence who own nothing; and although this is directly expressed in but few laws, as, for instance, those against vagabonds and tramps, in which the proletariat as such is outlawed, yet enmity to the proletariat is so emphatically the basis of the law that the judges, and especially the Justices of the Peace, who are bourgeois themselves, and with whom the proletariat comes most in contact, find this meaning in the laws without further consideration. If a rich man is brought up, or rather summoned, to appear before the court, the judge regrets that he is obliged to impose so much trouble, treats the matter as favourably as possible, and, if he is forced to condemn the accused, does so with extreme regret, etc., etc., and the end of it all is a miserable fine, which the bourgeois throws upon the table with contempt and then departs. But if a poor devil gets into such a position as involves appearing before the Justice of the Peace - he has almost always spent the night in the station-house with a crowd of his peers - he is regarded from the beginning as guilty; his defence is set aside with a contemptuous "Oh! we know the excuse", and a fine imposed which he cannot pay and must work out with several months on the treadmill. And if nothing can be proved against him, he is sent to the treadmill, none the less, "as a rogue and a vagabond". The partisanship of the Justices of the Peace, especially in the country, surpasses all description, and it is so much the order of the day that all cases which are not too utterly flagrant are quietly reported by the newspapers, without comment, ... The working-man knows too well, as learned from too oft-repeated experience, that the law is a rod which the bourgeois has prepared for him; ...Since, however, the bourgeoisie cannot dispense with government but must have it to hold the equally indispensable proletariat in check, it turns the power of government against the proletariat and keeps out of its way as far as possible."

(The Condition of the working class of England)

RED SALUTE Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury



Condolence message from Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C) to BASAD (Marxist) on demise of Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury

Dear Comrades,
On behalf of SUCI (Communist), I convey my heart-felt condolence to the profoundly grief-stricken leaders, cadres and supporters of BASAD (Marxist), at the demise of Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury, founder General Secretary of BASAD (Marxist) and a renowned revolutionary leader of Bangladesh.

It is known to many of you that Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury started his revolutionary political life in India. He was living in Kolkata in undivided British-ruled India with his elder brother. Just after adolescence, he, in his early youth, came in contact with the great Marxist leader and thinker and Founder General Secretary of SUCI(Communist), Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, in 1951. Inspired by his teachings and having received revolutionary training under him, Comrade Haider devoted himself wholeheartedly to revolutionary struggle forsaking all attractions of a conventional life.

While in India, he had

participated in many anti-Congress mass movements, faced police atrocities and was sent to jail on quite a number of occasions. He played a commendable role in the working class movements, movements of the poor peasants and agricultural workers, youth and cultural movements as well as in

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Comrade Provash Ghosh,
General Secretary,
SUCI(C),
offering floral tribute to
Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury,
at
Shibpur Party Centre,
West Bengal,
on 7 July

Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury
Founder General Secretary of BASAD (Marxist) & a renowned revolutionary leader of Bangladesh

MEMORIAL MEETING

19 JULY, 2021: 4 PM: KOLKATA

Main Speaker: **Comrade Provash Ghosh**, General Secretary, SUCI (Communist)
President: **Comrade Asit Bhattacharjee**, Member Politburo, SUCI (Communist)

Meeting will be live telecast in the
LIVE 'Movement News' and in
YouTube 'SambobadiDristikone'

SUCI (COMMUNIST)

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anti-communal movements. In the process, he developed as an able organizer. He also played an important role in building SUCI (C) organization in Delhi and Haryana.

Though he did not have opportunity to receive formal education, he, imbued with the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh as well as fervently inspired by the living association with the great leader, acquired remarkable ability in elucidating Marxist philosophy, in correctly analysing national and international situations, in conducting attractive discussion on Art-Literature-Culture, as well as developing revolutionary party, class and mass fronts, generating tremendous attraction towards revolutionary ideology and revolutionary party among the youth and rousing people with penetrating appeal to acquire higher values and human essence as well as enlivening their conscience.

His only mission in life was to spread the revolutionary ideology of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought, build up the revolutionary party and develop revolutionary movement. In pursuit of that mission, he went to Bangladesh, his birthplace, in 1972 and braving all difficulties and odds, conducted an exemplary struggle all alone to inspire many intellectuals, bright students and youth as well as poor toiling masses, and in the process founded BASAD (Marxist), the only genuine revolutionary party on that soil.

In later days, he was afflicted by many diseases. But ignoring all such ailments and overcoming age-related physical and mental limitations, he relentlessly conducted his revolutionary life struggle till he breathed his last.

Having acquired nobler feelings of heart, higher knowledge and a very bright revolutionary character based on the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, he had earned high esteem and reverence among many people in Bangladesh and India.

As a true proletarian internationalist, he played a significant role in propagating and spreading Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought in many European and Arab countries, and in developing anti-imperialist movement.

Possessing a noble character and high cultural standard, inspired by the

teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, this revolutionary fighter had infinite love for the exploited people, had unquestioned allegiance to Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought and proletarian internationalism, was tempered in fighting against obstacles, and was unflinching in his commitment to revolutionary ideology and revolutionary work. He was very affectionate and endearing to the juniors. He had no self-conceit, was averse to self-projection and very modest.



BASAD (Marxist) leaders offering revolutionary tribute with tears to Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury in Dhaka on 7 July

We gratefully remember his valuable role in advancing revolutionary movement in India.

Our Party is of firm opinion that BASAD (Marxist), the true revolutionary party of Bangladesh, would, with an object to fulfil the dream of departed Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury, unwaveringly hold aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought and proletarian internationalism and move forward in building and strengthening movement against the national bourgeoisie and world imperialism.

Our Party also strongly believes that the bond of solidarity and fraternity between BASAD (Marxist) of Bangladesh and SUCI(Communist) of India, both of whom believe in proletarian internationalism, would remain intact and be further cemented in the days to come.

Red Salute Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury, a life-long revolutionary!

Long Live BASAD (Marxist)!
Long Live Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought!
Long Live proletarian internationalism!
Long Live Revolution!

On behalf of our Party, we offer Red Salute to you all.

With revolutionary greetings
Provash Ghosh
General Secretary
Socialist Unity Centre of India
(Communist)

7, July 2021

HOMAGE TO COMRADE DHURJOTI DAS read out at his Memorial Meeting on 9 July 2021

Comrade Dhurjoti Das, member of the Central Committee and Odisha State Secretary of SUCI (Communist), breathed his last on 24 June 2021 at 2.45pm at Calcutta Heart Clinic and Hospital at the age of 67 years due to metastatic hepatocellular malignancy. Despite best possible efforts by the team of doctors, nurses and other medical staff, his precious life could not be saved. The sudden and premature demise of Comrade Dhurjoti Das is a rude shock to the revolutionary movements in the state of Odisha and also in our country.

From childhood, due to the political background of his family, Comrade Dhurjoti Das had an imprint of the noble ideology of SUCI (Communist), particularly through his eldest brother Comrade Durgapada Das. But he came in close contact with the revolutionary thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, an eminent Marxist thinker and founder General Secretary of SUCI (Communist) in 1968 at Rourkela during his school days through close association of Comrade Tapas Dutta, departed Central Committee member and former Odisha State Secretary of SUCI (Communist) as well as an eminent sculptor and respected revolutionary leader. Within a short period of time, Comrade Das decided to dedicate his entire life to the struggle for the emancipation of the working people and other exploited masses. Beside Comrade Tapas Dutta, in his upbringing as a dedicated revolutionary, he was also inspired by Comrade Provash Ghosh, our beloved General Secretary of the Party.

Comrade Dhurjoti Das started his political life as a sincere activist of All India Democratic Students Organization (AIDSO). In 1969, he played an active role at Rourkela in the historic movement initiated and steered by our Party and AIDSO on the demand of constructing Talcher-Bimlagarh railway link. Since then he plunged himself headlong in the vortex of students' and mass movements and never looked back. He disowned the path of academic careerism, lure of any lucrative job and embraced the noble life of a communist revolutionary. The ideology of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought guided the course of his illustrious revolutionary life struggle which spanned for over five decades.

In 1970, Comrade Das actively associated himself with the statewide movement in Odisha for installing a second integrated steel plant in the state. Our Party played a commendable role in this movement. From 1970 to 1972, Comrade Das led many students' movements in Rourkela and appeared as a prominent student leader there. In 1973, he was deputed to Sambalpur to build up organization in the western districts of Odisha. In 1974-75 he played steering role in organizing and leading several students' movements in Gangadhar Meher College of Sambalpur. In course of such movements, Comrade Dhurjoti Das emerged as a prominent and beloved student leader in Sambalpur and other adjacent districts. In the process, many students were attracted towards the revolutionary students organization AIDSO. A good number of them attended the historic All India Conference of AIDSO at Cuttack in the year 1974 which was graced by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great leader of the proletariat and other distinguished personalities like Shri Nabakrushna Chowdhury and Comrade Subodh Banerjee. In 1974-75, Comrade Das was in the thick of the historic J.P movement that swept across many states including Odisha. During the movement, he was arrested under 'Maintenance of Internal Security Act (MISA) in 1975 at Sambalpur and imprisoned for 20 months during the period of 21 months long national emergency clamped down by the then Congress government at the centre to crush the mounting militant mass democratic movements across many states of the country.

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HOMAGE TO COMRADE DHURJOTI DAS

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The long imprisoned life told upon his health condition to a good extent.

Comrade Dhurjoti Das was elected as the Odisha State President of AIDS0 in the year 1977 and the State Secretary of the organization in the year 1983 in the All Odisha Students

sections of the people and SUCI(Communist) came to the limelight as the only dependable left organization to lead militant mass democratic movements on the edifice of higher ethics and culture.

Along with organizing and leading series of students' movements, Comrade Dhurjoti Das under the guidance of Comrade Tapas Dutta moved across the state

re-elected in the same position in the second and third state conferences of SUCI(Communist) held at Angul and Bhubaneswar respectively and continued to remain so till he breathed his last. He was elected to the Central Committee of our Party in the 3rd Party Congress held in 2018. During this long period, he was at the centrestage of innumerable

subjects and was also a good mass orator. He contributed immensely to the publication of Party literatures, particularly the works of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh in Odia language and also in the publication of The Odia Party organ. He had the quality of composing poems, songs and stories. He also contributed greatly in renovating the Party press for publication work.

Throughout his life, Comrade Dhurjoti Das devoted himself untiringly and incessantly for the cause of the advancement of working class revolution. A broad hearted, courageous with deep tender feeling for the common people and a revolutionary blended with many more qualities is no more.

The sad, sudden and untimely demise of Comrade Dhurjoti Das is a big loss for the cause of revolutionary movement in the state of Odisha and also for our country. The Odisha State Committee of SUCI(Communist) pays respectful tribute to its departed State Secretary Comrade Dhurjoti Das and observes one minute solemn silence in paying respect to his five decade long memorable contribution in strengthening SUCI(Communist), the genuine communist party on the soil for accomplishment of anti-capitalist socialist revolution in our country and emancipation



Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI (Communist), addressing on-line memorial meeting of Comrade Dhurjoti Das on 9 July.

Conferences held at Sambalpur and Bhubaneswar respectably. Guided by Comrades Tapas Dutta and Provash Ghosh, in 1980, he spearheaded the historic All Odisha Students' movement which originated from Sambalpur but eventually turned into a statewide mass movement involving all cross sections of the people. The then state government implicated him and a few other student leaders in false murder cases to crush the movement. In 1984, Comrade Das was in the leadership of All Odisha Students' movement in the aftermath of ghastly murder of 14 engineering students of Burla. In 1983, our Party under the leadership of Comrade Tapas Dutta organized one month long historic bicycle procession covering all the districts of Odisha demanding permanent solution of flood, drought and cyclone. In this movement Comrade Das played a commendable role.

Through all these students' and mass movements, AIDS0 emerged as a formidable revolutionary students' organization in Odisha, acclaimed not only by the students but all

to organize different sections of the downtrodden masses and played an important role in building up the revolutionary organization of SUCI (Communist) in the state alongwith his compatriots. In this struggle, Comrade Das played a notable role in expanding our Party and the mass organizations in the districts of Sundargarh, undivided Bolangir, undivided Sambalpur, undivided Koraput, Mayurbhanj, Angul, Keonjhar, Jajpur, Kendrapara, undivided Puri and also in many other parts of the state.

In 1987, he was elected as the member of the Odisha State Committee of SUCI (Communist) in the first state conference held at Cuttack. In 2008, he became the state secretary of our Party after the sad demise of Comrade Tapas Dutta. Subsequently, he received Staff Membership and elected the State Secretary in 2009 and thereafter

with the movement against the Baliapal Missile Range project in Balasore district. Our Party all along had to fight resolutely against the parochial and communal forces in different parts of the state to forge unity of the working people.



Comrades Bishnu Das, Odisha State Secretariat member, SUCI(C) and Shankar Dasgupta, General Secretary, AIUTUC, at the memorial meeting of Comrade Dhurjoti Das.

Comrade Dhurjoti Das was in the forefront of all these battles.

He was an avid reader of literature besides his cultivation of political and philosophical works. He possessed the quality of theoretical articulation of different

of the exploited working people.

Red Salute
Comrade Dhurjoti Das
Long Live
SUCI (Communist)
Red Salute
Comrade Shibdas Ghosh

Government allocates 78,000 tons of rice from FCI to Distilleries at subsidized rates

As per the information available, the Central Government has decided last month (15 June 21) to give 78,000 tons of rice from the Food Corporation of India (FCI) to the distilleries for the production of Ethanol for blending in the petrol (E-20 fuel) during the year 2020-21 at much subsidized rate of Rs 20 kg against the Economic Cost of the rice to FCI is Rs.37.26 per Kg. It means a loss of Rs.17.26 per quintal of rice to FCI. This is a huge loss to public exchequer by giving direct subsidy to the distilleries. 8 distilleries from Punjab, Haryana, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh have already contracted for procuring 66,000 tons of rice from FCI from which 3 crore liters of ethanol would be manufactured. Not only that. The BJP-led Central Government had decided to give a loan of Rs12,500 crore to distilleries. According to a media report, "the Food Ministry has given in-principle approval to 185 sugar mills and standalone distilleries to avail Rs 12,500 crore of loans for capacity addition of about 468 crore litre of ethanol per annum as part of its efforts to achieve 20 percent blending with petrol. In the last two years, 70 ethanol projects were sanctioned loans of Rs 3,600 crore. It is also extending financial assistance by way of interest subvention for 5 years at 6 percent maximum rate of interest against the loans availed by sugar mills/distilleries from banks for setting up their projects". The main argument put forward by the central government is that petrol would be cheaper after blending with ethanol. This is a misleading argument. Petrol price is rising astronomically not because of higher production cost but due to imposition of hefty excise duties and VAT added by the central and state government. Excise duty on petrol has been raised from Rs 9.48 per litre in 2014 to Rs 32.90 a litre on 21 July. VAT on petrol has been raised from 20% in 2014 to around 30% in 2021. Taxes make up for 55.95 per cent of the present retail price of petrol as calculated on 5 July 2021. This means that if the price of petrol is Rs 100 per litre, taxes levied by the Modi government and state governments' together account for Rs 55.95 per litre. The BJP-led central government collected Rs 3.89 lakh crore in excise duty in 2020-21, a 62 per cent growth from Rs 2.39 lakh crore collected in 2019-20. Bulk of this increased revenue is from taxes and cess on petrol. So, the very argument of the central government that petrol would be cheaper after blending with Ethanol is far from truth and purported to divert the attention of the people from the real cause of the abnormal spurt in fuel price.

Second point is when the common people are forced to buy rice at an

average price of Rs.57 to 65 per kg in the retail market, why rice is offered from government stock to distilleries at Rs.20 per kg? Why cannot the central government offer the same rice to the common people at this abnormally reduced price? According to CMIE survey conducted in April 2021, around 97 percent of households' incomes have declined since the beginning of the pandemic last year. The Global Hunger Index-2020 report has placed India 94th position among 107 countries. When people are hungry and there is excess stock of rice at the disposal of the government, what prompts the BJP government to be benevolent to the distilleries?

Before seeking an answer, another related fact is to be taken note of. As per estimates of the Union Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, about 35 lakh tons of sugar will be diverted for ethanol production in the next sugar season, that is, October 2021 to September 2022. This, it is claimed, will go a long way in improving the financial conditions of the sugar mills. Further, the BJP government raised the price of ethanol extracted from sugarcane last year with a view to, what it said, giving "relief to the sugar sector, which has been affected by a persistent glut in the sugar market". If there is persistent glut, how is that price of sugar in retail market is soaring? Who is reaping this super-profit other than the powerful sugar lobby by squeezing people's pocket? So all relief is to the owners of sugar mills and sugar-Kulaks while common countrymen are back-broken by spiralling price-line.

Notable is another fact. According to the list of 418 distilleries, almost all privately owned, slated to receive financial assistance in order to expand their production infrastructure for generating ethanol from food grains including rice, more than 70 are located in Uttar Pradesh. Moreover, Uttar Pradesh is the largest sugar-cane producer in the country. The bulk of the sugar mills are in the private hands. And the BJP-ruled Uttar Pradesh would go to polls early next year.

So these measure of extracting ethanol from rice and sugar as well as granting substantial loan to the distilleries is nothing but another instance of how the policies of the BJP-government are premised on just one motto-'Make the rich richer, the poor poorer. Help the corporates, neglect the downtrodden. Subsidize the capitalists, withdraw subsidy to the wretched millions.' (Source- Free Press Journal 20-10-20, The New Financial Express, 30-10-20, 20-11-20, The Wire 06-07-21, Business Standard 29-05-21, Economic Times 31-05-21)

Precipitated Krishna River Water Conflict

Once again the conflict over Krishna River Water has been fomented in the narrow political interests of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh governments. There have been speeches, statements, arguments and counter arguments from the ruling and opposition parties of both the states, to stoke regionalism. Police forces of both the states have been deployed at Srisailem, Nagarjunasagar, Pulichintala Projects. Krishna River Water Management Board (KRWMB) is already there to resolve such conflicts amicably and above it 'Apex Council' also exists. But without properly taking permissions from them, both the state governments went on with their constructions to utilise Krishna River water.

Apart from the sanctioned drinking water from Pothireddypadu Head Regulator of Srisailem project to Chennai via Telugu Ganga project, and irrigation water from Nagari and Handri-Neeva, Government of Andhra Pradesh started Rayalaseema Lift Irrigation Scheme (RLIS) to draw 3 TMCs more. On the other hand, Telangana Government started work on – 1. Lifting water from the barrage near Alampur and diverting to Palampur, Kalvakurthi projects, 2. Construction of Pulichinthala Left canal scheme, 3. Sunkesula lift irrigation scheme, 4. Bheema flood canal scheme, 5. Nagarjuna Sagar tail pond lift irrigation scheme.

In the aftermath of the bifurcation of united Andhra on 18-19 June 2015, a meeting of Secretary, Central Water Resources Ministry and the two chief secretaries of both the states was held in which the 811 TMCs of water allocated to the erstwhile united AP state by the Krishna Water Dispute Tribunal (KWDT) headed by Justice Brajesh Kumar in 2010 was redistributed with 512 TMCs were allocated to AP and 299 TMCs to Telangana. Both the states would have to use the amount of water available in Krishna River as per this distribution ratio. And utilisation of this water is to be made with the permission and under the supervision of KRWMB. But both the states have been utilising water and taking up new constructions without consulting KRWMB.

In the same way, all new constructions on Krishna and Godavari rivers would require permission from Apex Council. This Apex Council is constituted with Central Minister of Water Resources Ministry as the president, the Chief ministers, ministers of state water resources department, and officers of both the states as members. Yet both the states are going ahead with new projects without taking any permission from this Apex Council. Central government remained a mute spectator instead of resolving this conflict.

So, the Central as well as both the state governments are indulging in destroying the amity between the people of the two states by fomenting discord. In AP, on the one hand unemployed youth and students are raising their demand to fill all the 2.35 lakh vacancies lying in government departments while on the other hand, people are protesting against the rising prices of petrol, diesel, cooking gas, and clamping of hefty house tax, garbage tax and house site tax. In Telangana, the anti-people policies of the ruling TRS party is getting exposed day in and day out. With the resignation of Mr. Itela Rajendar, ex-minister in TRS government, the Huzarabad assembly constituency is going for by-elections. In this condition, this Krishna River water conflict has been raked up to whip sectarian passion.

It is, therefore, incumbent on all right-thinking people of both the states to pressurise their respective governments to resolve the issue amicably with the help of Apex Council working under Central Government Water Resources Ministry and also with Krishna River Water Management Board. Both the states should follow the established international and national standards in the preservation and distribution of water. Protecting the rights of people living up and down the catchment area, the water is to be utilised for producing drinking water, bettering irrigation and generation of electricity in order of priority. In the same way no new projects should be built which will imperil the already existing projects. The State Secretaries of SUCI (C) of both Telangana and Andhra Pradesh have appealed to both the state governments to resolve Krishna river water dispute with the Apex Council under the leadership of Central Water Resources Ministry by following above measures. There ought not to be any precipitated discord among the common toiling masses of the two states equally pressed under the grinding wheel of ruthless capitalist exploitation.

Tribal activist Stan Swamy's death raises a host of questions

The circumstances leading to the death of Stan Swamy have shown once again how in India today fascist autocracy has been baring its fangs keeping a facade of democracy. Stan Swamy, an 84 year old octogenarian Jesuit Father and a tribal rights activist who was suffering from Parkinson's disease, a progressive neurological condition, for last few years was arrested by the National Investigative Authority (NIA) under the UAPA (Unlawful Activities Prevention Act), on 12 October 2020 from his residence at Ranchi and since then had been in jail custody for the last eight months. While in detention in Taloja Prison in Navi Mumbai which like all other prisons suffers from chronic overcrowding, he got infected with corona virus and also fell victim of age-related amnesia. On 4 July, as he fell unconscious, was he taken to the nearby Holy Family Hospital, where he was put on ventilation. Incidentally, the next day had been fixed for court hearing of his case. But he longer needed the much awaited bail as he passed away on 5 July.

Just two months back he was seen on the social media, making a fervent appeal with folded hands for an interim bail to a High Court judge. He had reportedly urged that without immediate medical attention, his life would end. However, both his appeals for a bail and specialised medical attention at a suitable hospital outside jail were turned down as the NIA was reportedly not convinced about seriousness of his illness despite the fact he was incapable of taking solid food and could only have fluid with the help of straws and sipper cups. But as he was not given the straws and sipper cups, he practically went without food. Also, as his vision was poor, he was using high-powered glasses. But when he was taken into custody, the glasses were missing for reasons unknown. The authorities did not arrange a fresh pair of glasses knowing fully well that he remain almost blind without spectacles.

Democratic-minded right-thinking people round the world have been dumbfounded to have witnessed the whole sequence of events that adds a vicious chapter in the history of human rights violation. UNO, European Union and other organisations as well as individuals, both in the country and outside, have unequivocally expressed indignation at the sort of cruelty and inhuman

treatment meted out to Swamy. Even there is a globally accepted convention that during any war, any injured or ailing enemy soldier in captivity ought to receive necessary medical attention for their safe-keep. Soldiers taken captive during Second World War were also allowed access to what would ensure their health and hygiene. But in 'civilized' India, suspect in custody is denied rudimentary care and virtually pushed to death. The family members and friends of those co-accused with Father Swamy in the Bhima Koregaon-Elgar Parishad case have called the death of Father Stan Swamy "an institutional murder" and said that they feared the health and lives of others lodged in jail as well. Thus, Father Swamy's pathetic death in custody leaves a host of questions to be answered.

Arrest of Father Swamy under UAPA was stated to have been to "prevent unlawful acts". Draconian though it is, this was a law that had been as per procedure passed in the Parliament. It might give an autocratic right to the administration to detain anyone without trial but is it that UAPA also confers on the authorities the right to transgress the rudimentary norms of legal procedures and deny the detainees their basic rights to life or a least humane approach? Suspects are not proved guilty. Why then they should be treated like declared criminals sentenced jail term? What is then the propriety of law and civility? NIA arrested Swamy only a day before filing its chargesheet. This showed it didn't need him for custodial interrogation. Therefore, investigative integrity wouldn't have been threatened had Swamy received bail. NIA stoutly opposed bail pleas of an 84-year-old with serious medical conditions, and one who was jailed when a pandemic was raging. Is this not a grave injustice? The principle remains - granting of bail depends on the judge who hears the case. As a result, bail becomes the mark of the civility of the criminal justice system. When the system ensures that an octogenarian is denied bail repeatedly despite being sick and infirm, does it not advertise its own uncivility? Rightly observed one media that "the law on bail cannot be an excuse to strip prosecutors and judges of their own humanity. Unfortunately, with an overzealous prosecution, a timid judiciary and an

indifferent citizenry that has normalised judicial delays as a matter of course, this is exactly what has happened in this case. There is no milder way of putting this - irrespective of any crime he may or may not have done which will now forever remain inconclusive."

Evidently, in so far as legal procedures are concerned, let alone legitimacy as per prescripts of jurisprudence, none was followed in this case. Neither was Swamy subjected to proper examination, nor was a charge sheet filed, or evidence of his guilt submitted before he was arrested. All this bid evil for the country and its functioning of the executive administrative as well as legal apparatus. Though the bourgeois government parrots an oft-repeated phrase that India's democratic and constitutional polity is complemented by an independent judiciary, a range of national and state level human rights commissions to monitor violations, a free media and a vibrant and vocal civil society, it cannot be ruled out that many others in the country would not meet the same fate as Father Swamy. Reminded of the lines of Rabindranath Tagore's famous poem 'Question':

"I have witnessed how perfidious aversion in the villain shadow of night
Strikes the helpless,
I have witnessed how the irreparable crime of the mighty condemns
The verdict of Justice to shed mute and secret tears.
I have witnessed striplings and boys - maddened - rush
And fruitlessly dash their heads against a rock before dying.
Throttled, my voice and my flute is deprived of songs,
The new-moon prison
In a chasm of nightmare has blotted out my world.
Therefore, tearful, I ask :
Have You ever forgiven them, have You loved them -
Those who pollute Your air and extinguish Your light ?"

A consensus of viable resistance to autocratic policies of the ruling dispensation by conscientious citizens can alone prevent recurrence of such occurrences. (Source: NDTV 06-07-21, Indian Express 06-07-21, scroll.in 06-07-21, Times of India 07-07-21, ABP 08-07-21)

FUTILE ATTEMPT OF BJP GOVERNMENT TO JUSTIFY ASTONOMICAL RISE IN FUEL TARIFF

With both Petrol-Diesel prices conveniently passing century mark entailing phenomenal spurt in general price line that is wreaking havoc in people's life, there is a growing resentment against the BJP government for being an indulgent onlooker to such growing plight and misery of the countrymen. Earlier, the BJP government was attributing the progressive hike in fuel-kerosene-LPG tariff to upswing in the international crude market which, it argued, was pushing up cost of procurement as, to fulfil the domestic needs, India has to import 80 per cent oil, But that argument fell through as the international crude price is hovering around \$74 per barrel much lower than what it was seven year back when the BJP government assumed office. Even in October 2018, one litre of crude cost Rs 38.97 while in July 2021, it has come down to Rs 35.73. That means though international crude price has dropped by Rs 3 in last 21 months, retail price of petrol-diesel has gone up by around Rs 20. Earlier the crude price dipped below \$20 per barrel but the BJP government instead of passing on the benefits to the common people went on raising excise duty and cess on oil to mop up Rs 3.72 lakh crore in the last financial year 2020-21. The second argument floated by the government was that this additional revenue is being used for people's welfare projects and developmental activities. But that too in no time proved spurious. Now the ruling circle has come out with another reason. It says the present and the next governments have a bill worth Rs 1.3 lakh crore to pay on redemption of oil bonds. Oil bonds were issued in lieu of cash subsidy to oil marketing companies (OMCs) in former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh's UPA era, and also during Atal Bihari Vajpayee's NDA rule. These sovereign oil bonds, issued in favour of oil companies- Indian Oil Corporation, HPCL and BPCL, were transferable, allowing these

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Stock Market boom is no indicator of revival but a sign of ailment of economy

When economy is in doldrums with all major parameters like GDP, Index of Industrial Production (IIP), inflation, unemployment, job loss, consumption expenditure per household and poverty level are at all time low, there is a sharp and persistent rise in the two benchmark indices of secondary stock market in India, the Sensex of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) and the Nifty 50 of the National Stock Exchange (NSE) have been rising sharply. Indian stock market that started rallying since couple of years amidst acute economic crisis, continued during first phase of pandemic when economic conditions were harsher due to the nationwide lockdown, are still booming steadily while economy is in more peril during the second wave of the pandemic. Noteworthy is the fact that the quarters of vested interest are trying to show this upswing in the stock market indices as a mark of reviving economy. The various economic bodies and rating agencies are also busy in projecting how much the economy would grow in the coming years because of the recovery measures undertaken by the BJP-led central government. But the common pauperizing people wonder what relief is being brought to them by these jumping indices and how can a claim of economic recovery be made when with every passing day, rich is becoming richer and the poor poorer.

In fact, there is no connection between economic recovery and spiralling of secondary stock market indices. Let us explain briefly. When a company raises capital by issuing equity shares, those shares are being subscribed (means bought) at the determined price by many investors, mostly the corporate bigwigs, moneyed individuals and Mutual funds, Pension funds etc. This sale and purchase of new shares (called Initial Public Offer or IPOs) takes place in the primary market of the stock exchange. Once listed, these shares are then traded in the secondary market of the stock exchange. This trading means a section of the holders of the shares sell them to another section of interested buyers. The current price is determined based on speculation about the future demand of the shares. The buyer's calculation is the share he is buying at a particular price would be in demand in future. If there is demand, the price would go up. So he would be able to sell

his holdings at the higher price and book profit. On the other hand, the seller's assumption is that the demand as well as price of the concerned share would fall and hence it would be profitable to sell (technically said offloading) them now. This is how the trading in the secondary stock market takes place. Speculation, it is relevant to point out, is a part and parcel of capitalism, now sunk in a growing insurmountable crisis endemic of the system. More acute is the crisis, more flourishes the speculation.

Now, the secondary market indices comprise of a basket of select shares which are traded (means change hands through buy and sale) frequently. Though there are many stock exchanges, maximum transactions take place in Bombay Stock Exchange and National Stock Exchange. Sensex (Sensitive index of Bombay Stock Market comprising 30 shares) and Nifty-50 (Basket of 50 shares of National Stock Exchange) are the two indices of highest reckoning in the speculative stock market. Up and down of these indices indicates average rise and fall of the values of the constituent shares. Domestic and foreign investors (through the route of Foreign Institutional Investment-FII route) are mainly trading in these shares. Now if more money is pumped in to chase the given baskets of 30 or 50 shares, the value would automatically go up. For example, if Rs 3000 chase 30 share basket, the average price would be Rs 100 per share. But if 30 thousand rupees chase the basket, average price per share would shoot up to Rs 1000. There is a term called 'market capitalization' which is often referred to in the parlance of bourgeois economics. This figure is arrived at by multiplying the number of outstanding share of a company by the current market price of the shares. So if there are 1000 shares of a company listed on the secondary market of the stock exchange and the quoted market price of that share on a day is Rs 50, then market capitalization of that company on that day is Rs 50,000 (1000 x 50). So, more is the infusion of money in the stock market, more would be the market capitalization figures. And the economists, commentators and financial experts tutored in bourgeois economics are prone to project this market capitalization figure as 'soundness' of a company which might be

otherwise sick in terms of profits from productive investment (industries, realty, commercial ventures etc.). Even by market, they, in their write-ups and columns, often cleverly refer to stock market and not the common market to confuse people.

But why are there is an increased inflow of money in the secondary stock market? Because, the monopoly houses and corporate sector, who are reckoned in bourgeois economics as investors or in the language of the BJP Prime Minister, 'wealth creators', are shying away from productive investment as the market for selling industrial or consumer goods is squeezing consequent to rapid fall in the purchasing power of the common people assailed by non-availability of means of income. But they cannot keep their surplus capital idle as their sole objective is to anyhow reap maximum profit by deploying their capital. So, in the period of ongoing recession, they are diverting a sizeable part of the heaps of idle capital accumulated in their hands in speculative market for easy returns.

While Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) have been playing a major role in massive influx of foreign capital into the Indian stock market, the current boom in the

market is also attributable to sizeable infusion of funds by Domestic Institutional Investors (DIIs) viz. mutual funds, insurance companies, banks etc.. Banks, which are extremely stressed with NPA (Non Performing Assets or defaulted loans) problem are also found inclined to more and more investment in speculative stock market in order to partly fill their treasury from non-credit sources. By progressively bringing down interest rate on the false pretext of providing cheaper loan to the industrial houses and corporate sectors for productive investment which, as mentioned above, is ruled out in sinking capitalism today, the government is also encouraging people to take more exposure in stock market either directly or through the conduits of Mutual Funds and Insurance Plans. Even the government which earlier parked the Provident Fund and Pension Funds in government securities (G-Secs) is now shifting those funds to stock market to boost artificial stimulation. So, the boom of the stock market is artificial and has no connection with general economy. It is no indicator of health or revival of the economy but bears sign of serious ailment, if not a collapsing condition. We appeal to the thinking people at large not to be swayed by the misleading propaganda of the ruling quarters and those on their pay-roll about fictitious claim of economic revival by pointing at climbing stock market indices.

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companies to raise immediate cash at the time. The government, being the issuer, would bear the interest payments and redemption at maturity. The government has a liability to pay Rs 20,000 crore in the current fiscal year 2021-22 in the form of bond repayment and interest on the outstanding oil bonds. While for the next six years, it is stated that the government has a total debt obligation worth Rs 1.30 lakh crore. But, according to the budget documents, oil bonds worth Rs 41,150 crore are due for maturity between 2019-2024. Ambiguity galore!

Total cost of refined petrol which reaches the pumps for sale is estimated to be around Rs 40.12. Balance Rs 60 (meaning 1.5 times the cost of production) constitutes excise, road cess, VAT, dealer

commission etc.) In 2014 when the BJP government took over, total excise and road cess per litre of petrol was Rs 9.20. Now it is Rs 32.90. It only bears the mark of how 'patriotic' and 'pro-people' the BJP government is. While launching GST with much fanfare, the BJP Prime Minister said that there ought to be 'one tax for one nation'. But petrol-diesel-kerosene--LPG were kept out of the ambit of GST for reasons only the government can say. If 12% GST were imposed on Rs 40.12 (base price), a litre of petrol would have cost Rs 44.93. Even if 28% GST were applied, the retail tariff of petrol would have been Rs 51.35 per litre. Same is true for diesel also. But then how can that be if the government turns out to be a virtual swindler of public money through savage fiscal policy? (source: Financial Express-11-07-21 and ABP 15-07-21)

US-backed coup attempt in Cuba

Cuba, situated barely 90 miles away from the US, has been a thorn in the side of the US imperialists since socialism was established in that country following revolution led by Fidel Castro in 1959. The US imperialists have used every means at their disposal short of all-out war to strangle the Cuban Revolution: economic sabotage, trade embargo, bacteriological warfare, the economic blockade (which has cost Cuba an estimated £70 bn) and repeated attempts to assassinate Fidel Castro. In March 1960, US President Eisenhower gave his approval to a CIA plan to arm and train a group of Cuban refugees to overthrow the Castro government. The invasion (known as the Bay of Pigs Invasion) took place on 14 April 1961, during the term of President John F. Kennedy. About 1,400 Cuban exiles disembarked at the Bay of Pigs, but failed in their attempt to overthrow Castro. Brave Cubans defended with all their might the revolution and the dignity of life socialism has achieved. In spite of the heinous attacks of the US imperialists and their allies to completely destroy socialism, Cuba, after demise of Castro in 2017 continues to be socialist in terms of basic class character and emotion among the Cubans about socialism remains very high.

As is known to all, there is a six-decade-old draconian US blockade, tightened multiple times by the Torricelli Act, the Helms-Burton Act and further exacerbated by the Trump administration in the midst of the pandemic. The U.S. blockade or economic sanction is essentially an act of war aimed at destroying Cuba and its socialist reconstruction. Current US President Joe Biden shows no signs of ameliorating the blockade. This web of restrictions under the blockade regime prevents countries from trading with Cuba if they seek trade relations with the US. The pandemic has worsened the situation further. Though the intensity of the infection has not been very high, travel restrictions during the pandemic have devastated Cuba's tourism sector, a major driver of the economy. Moreover, one of the country's key exports, sugar, has also witnessed a poor harvest this year amid the pandemic. As a result, there is a depletion of stocks of food items, medicines and other basic needs. Even electricity generation is affected. Cuba, whose doctors and free healthcare system, are in finer fettle than many other affluent

countries despite the ravages caused to the economy by the prolonged U.S. blockade. Cuba has a long and heroic track record of shipping medical aid including doctors to other nations. By end March 2020 when covid 19 was spreading fast, Cuba had despatched medical teams to over

blockade stated: "In the last four years, the Government of the United States has added more than 240 coercive measures against the Cuban people and its Government which remain in effect. These measures are not mere actions to tighten the embargo, but new methods, some of them

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI (C), issued the following statement on 13 July 2021:

We vehemently condemn the chaos and unrest precipitated in socialist Cuba by the planted agents of U.S. imperialism. We recall the US imperialists consider Socialist Cuba as a danger because of its inspiring resistance to US domination and plunder in Latin American countries, and how the US imperialists conspired several times to eliminate Socialist Cuba by military intervention and economic blockade.

We congratulate the Cuban people for resisting and foiling the conspiracy and urge upon them to protect hard-earned socialism in their country.

We also fervently appeal to all anti-imperialist, peace-loving, democratic-minded people of the world to unitedly raise their voice of protest against the sinister imperialist machination to destabilize a socialist state and stand firmly in solidarity with the Cuban people.

In India, our Party would organize demonstrations in all capital cities on 14 July in protest.

59 affected countries including Lombardy region, the epicentre of the epidemic in Italy. Under the blockade regime, US pharmaceutical companies are debarred from selling vaccines to Cuba. But Cuba has developed its own vaccines against Covid-19. Both Abdala, and Soberana 02 in tandem with Soberana Plus, show an efficacy rate of over 90%. The vaccine research has not generated one dollar in profits; all of it was conducted for public good under Cuba's socialized health care system. Yet Cuba needs syringes to administer the vaccine! And, due to the blockade, the country cannot buy them from US. Cuba solidarity activists in Canada and the US are stated to have launched a campaign to raise funds to make up for a shortfall of 20 million syringes. This is but one example of the innumerable hardships imposed by the blockade that affect every aspect of life, from food production to medical care to combating climate change. Difficulties have been compounded by the pandemic, which in Cuba like everywhere, has made it unsafe to perform many necessary jobs.

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unprecedented, that have escalated the economic war against Cuba to extreme levels, as seen in the shortages that are part of daily life for every Cuban." Only the US and Zionist Israel opposed the resolution, which for the 29th time left the US isolated on this question, with 184 countries voting to end the blockade. Yet, the blockade was not withdrawn by the Pentagon rulers.

This time, the US imperialists who have long been making efforts long to topple the socialist Cuban government jumped upon the idea that if a bogey of shortages of essential goods and customary lack of individual liberty in socialism could be raised, some commotion might be created in the country. So they resorted to their trademark policy of precipitating disorder in other countries by pressing their infamous global espionage agency, the CIA, and other agents into action with a view to engineering coup d'état and appointing their pliant regimes. Sympathizers of exiled right-wing group Cubalex, members of a dissident artists' collective who made headlines spearheading a broader protest movement in Cuba in recent years and other so-called 'manufactured' rebels against the government

trained up, funded and armed by the US imperialists were posed as aggrieved Cubans staging popular movement against the government. On 11 July, a few thousand so called rebels and dissenters were found indulging in vandalism, looting and shouting anti-socialism slogans. Immediately the US rulers and their allies like Brazilian President Bolsonaro came out to express "solidarity" with the protesters and said the country is under a "cruel dictatorship." US ruling lobby also intended to help the distressed and aggrieved Cuban people. Pointing to the stage-managed protest demonstration, a section of the US ruling clique called for direct US intervention. Miami mayor Francis Suarez has been more explicit on this suggestion. "The people of Cuba," he said, need "some sort of international help," including intervention from the US in "some form or fashion, whether it's food, medicine, or militarily." By intervention, it can be easily understood, what they meant was orchestrating a coup followed by a counter-revolutionary upsurge.

Anyone who thinks US intervention would lead to better outcomes and not vastly worse ones cannot spared of having lost touch with reality. To see what kind of government US meddling would produce, look at neighbouring Haiti, whose president the US Marines removed in 2004. Anyone who believes US intervention in Cuba would bring about a stable, prosperous liberal democracy first needs to explain why Haiti is wracked by dystopian levels of poverty, inequality, corruption, and political violence. America's forever war in Afghanistan has been going on for almost two decades. The waves of bloodshed and chaos caused by the 2003 invasion of Iraq are still with us. Syrian war is another case in point. So, believing in 2021, that intervening in Cuba would make things better is a chilling testament to the blinding power of autocratic fascist ideology. If the US government truly want to help the Cuban people, there is an easy and obvious way: end the sanctions. Every single one of the shortages that protesters are talking about has at least been worsened by the US embargo.

So in response to the planted unrest, President Miguel Diaz-Canel addressed the nation in a TV broadcast and blamed the US for the turmoil. "The US is pursuing a "policy of economic suffocation to provoke social unrest in the country", he mentioned clearly. A

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minority of counter-revolutionaries were fomenting unrest, he added. Cuban He further said that the protesters were mercenaries hired by the US to destabilise the country, and called for his supporters to go out and defend the revolution - referring to the 1959 uprising which ushered in Communist rule. He called on the people to come into the streets.

"We know that there are revolutionary masses confronting anti-revolutionary groups. We will not accept that any mercenaries and sell-outs of the U.S. empire will provoke destabilization in our people," Foreign Minister Bruno Rodriguez also held US-financed mercenaries for the chaos. Rogelio Polanco Fuentes, a top official in the Communist Party of Cuba, compared the protests to the US-

backed demonstrations in 2019 against Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro, a Cuban ally.

Significantly, the capitalist media have turned their focus on anti-government demonstrators in Cuba, which the New York Times claimed to number in the "thousands," in a country of 11 million people. How many thousands, if there were really that many, is not, however, stated nor have been there any videos of such-sized crowds. A video uploaded by the Cuban foreign minister showing government loyalists marching and shouting "These streets belong to

Fidel (Castro, the late Cuban revolutionary leader)". The anti-Cuba bias is manifested in another way: the media's failure to address the root cause of the shortages of necessities faced by the Cuban people. Late on the night of 11 July, multiple videos were posted on twitter by Cubans of thousands of revolutionaries taking the streets in Havana and around the island, chanting "I am Fidel."

All Indians having a glorious anti-imperialist tradition stand in solidarity and fraternity with Cuban people and Cuban socialism. US imperialists! Hands off Cuba.

OBSERVANCE OF ALL INDIA PROTEST DAY AGAINST US-BACKED COUP ATTEMPT IN SOCIALIST CUBA ON 14 JULY



Kolkata



Andhra Pradesh



Chennai



Bangalore

Prime Minister harps on vaccination drive but where is supply of doses

The Covid 19 vaccination drive at civic and government-run vaccination centres in Mumbai remained suspended on 10 and 11 July due to shortage of vaccines, as per notification by the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC). The civic body said that the vaccination drive would resume once it received a fresh stock of vaccines. Likewise The Gujarat government had also suspended vaccination drive for two days on 9 and 10 July apparently

amidst shortage of doses. The BJP-led state government, however, has not spelled out why the health department has halted the vaccination in the state.

It bears recall that the BJP-led central government informed the Supreme Court in an affidavit that 51.6 crores vaccines would be supplied to the states from January to July 2021. But as per statement of the health ministry issued on 12 July, supply of only 39.49 crores has

been confirmed. In other words, 12 crore more doses would need to be arranged for in the 19 days left of the current month. On the other hand, the centre last month informed the states that altogether 12 crore doses (as against 51.6 crores) would be given to them by July end. Further, the central government submitted to the Supreme Court that 135 crores vaccines would be made available from August to December. This was 81 crores less than 216

crores the centre promised in its first press conference. Given the current figure, how would that commitment be made? How would 94.4 crore of adult population would be fully vaccinated? No one knows! But the Prime Minister is exhorting people to be vaccinated and be insulate against the predicted third wave. very difficult to reconcile between promise and performance!

(Source: The Hindu 09-07-21, ABP 12-07-21, 13-07-21)



Construction Workers' Union affiliated to AIUTUC organized a March from Bhiwani, Haryana to Singhu border, Delhi, on 6 July in support of the ongoing historic peasants' movement.

AIUTUC extends full support to Defence Production workers' protest against Black ordinance

In a statement dated 1 July 2021, AIUTUC condemned and protested the anti-worker sinister move of the central government at the behest of the corporate billionaires, extended full support to the Defence Production employees and workers and demanded of the government to withdraw forthwith

the draconian Ordinance and refrain from corporatization of the ordinance factories. AIUTUC also called upon the working people of the country to stand by the Defence Production employees and workers to build up mighty movement against the draconian move of the government.

Comrade Chandidas Bhattacharjee, burning an effigy of Prime Minister Modi in Kolkata on 7 July as part of the week-long protest programme against astronomical rise in fuel prices including LPG, soaring prices of all essential items, condemning tragic death of Stan Swamy in custody and in demand for release of political prisoners



SUCI(C) strongly condemns promulgation of draconian 'Essential Defence Services Ordinance' (EDO) to ban strike in ordnance factories against corporatization

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI (Communist), issued the following statement on 3 July 2021:

The Central Committee of SUCI (Communist), vehemently condemns the most draconian 'Essential Defence Services Ordinance' promulgated by the central government, to snuff out all India strike being resorted to by the workers and employees working in the ordnance factories across the country on July 26th, 2021, in opposition to the move of the govt to first split the factories into seven corporations and then corporatize the same. Bleak future is staring in the eyes of not only 76,000 employees employed in 41 ordnance factories across the country, but also future generations of youth who are already faced with unemployment. "The ordinance aims to sound the death-knell for the legitimate right to strike earned by the working class through innumerable blood sained battles and reduce them to voice less servitude to the profit hungry monopolies and multinationals.

The SUCI (C) further condemns the severe punishment contained in the ordinance for the employees going on strike or to those who 'instigate' the employees to go on strike, with no less than 2 years of imprisonment.

The SUCI (C) expresses total support to the strike call given by the unions on 26 July 2021, demands of the government to reverse the decision to corporatize the ordnance factories and withdraw the draconian defence services ordinance. We call upon the entire working class to unitedly bring pressure upon the government to retract its anti-people, anti-working class measures.

AIDSO demands scrapping of unscientific mixing of Modern Medicine with AYUSH

In a statement issued on 10 July 2021, AIDSO, strongly opposed the government decision to allow MBBS interns to opt for the subjects of AYUSH (Ayurvedic, Yoga, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy) in their one-year compulsory rotational training. This type of mixing of the MBBS curriculum with the AYUSH system,

as part of the prescripts of National Medical Commission, is completely different from the curriculum of modern medicine and is hence unscientific, anti-student and harmful to the medical science, public health delivery system and society as a whole, AIDSO stated. AIDSO demanded immediate withdrawal of this heinous policy.

AIMSS, Bangalore, observing ALL India Protest Day on 13 July against steep rise in prices of fuel, LPG price and essential items and demanding of the government to make suitable preparations for thwarting covid 3rd wave. A memorandum was submitted to Additional District Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District



Demonstration in Agartala, Tripura against exorbitant rise in petrol-diesel-LPG and Kerosene prices Agartala on 5 July near Indian Oil Company office.

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