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SUCI(Communist) severely condemns barbarous killing of 14 innocent civilians by Special Security forces in Nagaland

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C), issued the following statement on 06-12-21:

The Central Committee of Socialist Unity Centre of India (Communist) severely condemns the barbarous killing of 14 civilians and injuring 11 by the Special Security forces in Nagaland's Mon district in three consecutive incidents of firing on Saturday. The first firing which killed six civilians, occurred when army personnel mistook as insurgents the coal mine workers returning home in a van singing songs on Saturday evening. The very security forces which were meant to provide security to the people are taking away their lives.

This type of savagery could occur because of the Armed Forces Special Powers Act that was brought by the earlier Congress government and was utilized by the BJP government which recently extended it in Nagaland in June this year. We have been demanding since long that this act be repealed. This act instead of helping to counter the insurgency is rather creating panic in the people and endangering the lives of innocent civilians. It is an attack on democratic civil rights of the people of Nagaland particularly and other areas brought under this act.

The Central Committee demands of the government to mete out severe punishment to the special security officers of the armed forces deputed in that area who are responsible for this unprovoked firing. We also demand that Rs10 lakhs to be allotted to each family of the victims and adequate compensation to the injured. We call upon the people to raise their voice of protest against this heinous act and demand immediate withdrawal of this act.

Message of Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(Communist) to the delegates of 3rd All India Youth Conference organized by AIDYO

Comrade President, members of the Presidium and Comrade Delegates of the 3rd All India Youth Conference,

First of all I, on behalf of the SUCI (Communist), founded by the foremost Marxist Thinker of this era Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, convey my revolutionary greetings to you. You have assembled here from every corner of this vast country, surpassing many hurdles, to discuss the problems confronting the youths and to chalk out appropriate programmes to build up

history, a society is faced with ever increasing, ever deepening all out crises as a result of which the endless burning problems of life plague the common toiling people, whose historic duty is it to save the people from the most painful sufferings? It has been and it is only the task of the youths, who are worthy of name. One becomes worthy of being called a youth not merely by age; it is



Comrade Prativa nayek, General Secretary, AIDYO, on the mike. Seated among others are Comrades K Radhakrishna, Polit Bureau member, SUCI(C)(4th from right) and Ramanjanppa Aldalli, President, AIDYO (5th from the right)

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countrywide youth movement.

It is known to all that when someone is found being drowned in a river, who comes forward and jumps to save him is only a daring youth; when a fire breaks out endangering a locality with rapidly spreading flame, it is only the undaunted spirit of the youths, who, risking their lives, dive to douse the fire and protect the lives of the affected people; again when there is a devastating natural calamity threatening the existence of human lives, only courageous youths take initiative to rescue the affected people.

Similarly, when at a particular stage of

determined only by his or her firm commitment to the society and revolutionary ideology, by his or her undaunted courage, by his or her indomitable spirit, by his or her high sense of morality and unwavering determination to brave all odds and obstacles to fight against all oppressions, exploitations, repressions and injustices.

Now, what is the present situation of our country and

what should be the bounden duty of the youths, which the present All India Conference of AIDYO is to analyse to determine its duty?

We are observing in our country that the ruling exploiting class as a part of world imperialism-capitalism, is faced with problems created by itself, i.e. continuous 'shrinking of market' because of rapid fall of purchasing power of the people due to maximum exploitation to extract maximum profit, is resorting to closing down thousands and thousands of industries, retrenching crores of workers and employees at a

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AIUTUC Calls for making countrywide two days' General Strike a total success

In a statement issued on 7 December 2021, Comrade Shankar Dasgupta, General Secretary, AIUTUC announced whole-hearted support to the call given by the Central Trade Unions to observe countrywide General Strike on 23 and 24 February 2022 in protest against the anti-worker, anti-people and pro-monopoly draconian policies, enactments and sweeping measures to implement them.

While calling upon the countrymen to make the strike call a total success, AIUTUC, a constituent of the Joint Platform of the Central Trade Unions, reiterates that only protracted, united powerful movements of the common people in general and working people in particular can bend down the arrogant fascist government and resist its mounting onslaughts on the working people.

AIKKMS supports two day's All India Strike call given by Central Trade Unions

Comrade Satyawan, President and Comrade Sankar Ghosh, General Secretary respectively, of AIKKMS issued the following statement on 4 December 2021:

The Central Trade Unions have given call for observing two day's All India general strike on 23 and 24 February 2022 to resist the anti-worker pro- monopoly policies of the central BJP government. The struggling peasants across the country firmly stand by the fighting workers.

AIKKMS is lending its whole hearted support to this strike call and urges upon the people to come forward to make the general strike a total successful.

Long live Peasants-Workers unity.

Message of Comrade Provash Ghosh

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time when many more crores of young people are unemployed. We know that the multinationals and monopolists need maximum profit instead of marginal and average profit, according to the law of monopoly capitalism. To satisfy the greed for maximum profit, monopolists perpetuate maximum exploitation. They squeeze out even the last drop of blood of the workers to quench their thirst for profit. Ruling national and provincial bourgeois parties and governments led by them are all obedient servants of the monopolists and multinationals and hence are very much busy to serve their masters. Permanency of job is being abolished, contractual system is introduced with low wage. There are outsourcing and reduction of manpower in the name of downsizing production to anyhow earn some money while thousands and thousands unemployed youth particularly from rural areas are compelled to become migrant workers only to face inhuman exploitation to anyhow eke out a living. Lakhs of posts are lying vacant in government and private sector industries. Many industries, banks, post offices, roads, railways, airports, which were developed by public money, are now handed over at cheap prices to multinationals and monopolists in order to satisfy their greed for maximum profit.

You will be astonished to know that India's richest 1% hold more than 4 times the wealth held by the bottom 70% of the country's population. As a result, 83 crore Indians survive on less than Rs. 20 a day. During CORONA pandemic, billionaires earned more billions and the poor became poorer. During this time, even the number of middle class is reduced from 9.9 crores to 6.6 crores; that means 3.3 crores of middle class people joined the forces of proletariats or semi-proletariats.

With much pain, we observe everyday thousands and thousands are dying out of starvation and being denied medical treatment and thousands more are committing suicide out of frustration. Hundreds and hundreds of children are collecting food from dustbins. They are born on the street and even die on the street. Some of them even do not know who their parents are. In the darkness of night, another painful dark picture surfaces. A growing number of housewives and daughters are compelled to be in flesh trade to somehow feed hungry children and bed-ridden elders. Women-trafficking has become a

thriving business. Is this that India for which our revered freedom fighters fought and embrace martyrdom?

There is unbridled freedom of the capitalists to exploit the people and subject them to complete slavery, to crush the common people by the capitalist exploitative machine. Parliamentary election is a sheer deception only to place or replace their bourgeois servants in governmental power according to their necessity. Long back, parliamentary democracy has been reduced to fascist autocracy under the garb of 'democracy'. Dissent of opinion and voice of protest are suppressed, agitations and movements are ruthlessly crushed by fascist state. Leaders of bourgeois parties are corrupt, fraudulent; they deceive the people with false promises; they increase their wealth by looting public money, through bribery and from covert payments from their masters. All have witnessed how due to criminal negligence by the Central BJP government, lakhs of people have died of Covid 19 pandemic. Even hundreds of dead bodies were found floating in the river and buried without cremation. The government is continuously slashing education and health budget and increasing military budget. Is this the freedom which was aspired for by our countrymen at the time of freedom struggle?

It is known to all that privatization and commercialization are being resorted to for providing scope for capitalists to earn profit and close the doors of education to children of common people. Moreover, in the syllabus, history is replaced by mythology and science is replaced by metaphysics and pseudo-science to destroy scientific bent of mind, reasoning faculty while encouraging religious blindness, obscurantism, medievalism in order to engender fascist culture. Rulers are encouraging and fomenting communalism, casteism, parochialism, racism and are fuelling and inciting riots to divide the common people, to break their united struggle and to divert their attention from the real problems in life. Was it the dreams of pioneers of Renaissance for future India?

There is also an ill-motivated design to consign to the abyss of oblivion the names and fame of the great pioneers of Renaissance and freedom movement and pollute the younger generations by demoralization, selfishness, individual-centric interest, consumerism, vulgar sex culture, addiction to alcohol-drug-opium, thus

dehumanizing the younger generation. As a result, the entire society has almost become devoid of moral values, decomposed and rotten; love-affection-tender feelings are dying out. There is no peace in family life, sons and daughters are driving out their old helpless parents to lament in the streets or at best send them to old age homes to count their days. There is another horrible picture. Every day, every hour hundreds of women including teenage girls, even women of ninety years and 3-year old children are raped, gangraped, and murdered. Such bestiality cannot be seen even in the animal world. None is born as rapists; these rapists are the products of this monstrous capitalism, the worst enemy of mankind.

Can this inhuman conditions be allowed to continue? Where lies the solution of all these unbearable problems of life?

Solution lies in politically educating the exploited people, organizing, uniting and involving them in movements and struggles against capitalism and its subservient state and governments. It is very much encouraging to note that accumulated grievances of the exploited people are coming out like volcanic eruption in the form of mass movements even without call of any party or any eminent leader. The recent mighty movement of the peasants and its glorious victory proves what miracle can be done by sustained, year-long, determined movement braving attacks, defying biting cold, scorching heat, heavy showers, thick fog and sacrificing more than 700 lives by the peasants who were hitherto considered as unconscious, backward, lethargic, inert. This movement has compelled a self-conceited arrogant fascist government to bow down and concede to the main demands of the peasants.

Everywhere, there is discontent among the people. They desire protest, they desire movement, they desire change. There are many sparks flying around us; at any moment, at any place these can kindle a conflagration.

Occasionally some immediate demands can be achieved, partly or fully, by a movement. But the root cause of all problems of life will remain intact and generate more acute problems unless capitalism-imperialism is overthrown by a proletarian revolution led by the working class party armed with revolutionary ideology of Marxism-

Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought. Accordingly, when a proletarian party organizes and joins any movement, its objectives are not merely to achieve some immediate demands, but to impart revolutionary political, cultural education when flashes of rudimentary consciousness gleam in the minds of the people, to turn the movement into a school of political education and thus pave the ground for revolution. It is to be remembered that the oppressed people themselves cannot acquire revolutionary politics from within the movement. It is to be introduced by revolutionaries.

Who can undertake this historic duty to educate, politicalize, organize the exploited people for struggles, for revolution to overthrow capitalism-imperialism, the worst enemy of mankind? It is only and only the youths, who are real youths, full of courage, selflessness, high moral and indomitable, undaunted spirit and are imbued with the revolutionary teachings of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought.

Will the youths gathered here respond to the crying need of the hour? The success of the conference lies there. Comrades, rise up, give up your petty bourgeois mentality and mode of life, do not keep yourselves fenced off from oppressed people; mix with them only to upgrade them, not to degrade yourselves. Come out boldly, courageously, spiritedly with full vigour. Enrich your knowledge, release your self-initiative and enhance your ability as propagandists, organizers and agitators.

Let me remind you of the clarion call given to the students and youths by Great Marxist thinker and leader of proletariat Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, where he said, "At every stage of development of the society, in every country, it is the students and young people who come forward, being influenced by and imbued with the revolutionary ideology and being completely dedicated. Go to the masses, rouse the masses, organize them in thousands and help them in creating their political power. Then the time comes for the masses for action - that we call revolution."

Real success of this All India DYO Conference lies in responding to this historic call. I hope that surely you will respond.

My Red Salute to all of you!

Long Live AIDYO!

Long Live Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought!

In memory of Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury, Founder of BASAD (Marxist)

Provash Ghosh

[First and Second instalments of the English translation of the valuable speech delivered online in Bengali by Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C), on 19 July 2021 in memory of Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury, Founder of Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal-BASAD (Marxist) and a life-long revolutionary, who passed away on 6 July 2021 in Dhaka due to multiple diseases at an age of 87, were published in the Proletarian Era dated 15 November and 1 December 2021, respectively. The Third and final instalment is published here. Responsibility of translation error and inadequate expression, if any, lies with the Editorial Board of Proletarian Era.]

Operation of dialectical process depends on how far comrades have been able to grasp Dialectical Materialism

“I have high regard for Comrade Haider. What he has said a little earlier has deepened my respect further. I believe there ought not be any question as to whom he, as leader of the party, likes more and whom he likes less. Party leader should have love, affection and comradely feelings for all. But its expression does differ from comrade to comrade. It is never one and the same for all. Rather, comrades who are found to be lagging behind need more attention and affectionate help. A question arose about Comrade Haider that he used to be more affectionate to a select few. I had pointed this out as one of his deficiencies among many adorable qualities. Affection grows based on the qualities of the comrades. But one needs to know where and how much restraint needs to be observed while expressing that affection. He showed some deficiency in this regard.” I have already narrated earlier the incident of Purandarpur panchayet in Birbhum district where he reached at dead of night risking his life. It was not necessary. Here he lacked rationality in his expression of emotion for me. I had repeatedly pointed this out to him. In any case, let me continue reading my speech. “In India, there was no question about Comrade Shibdas Ghosh that he loved one more and others less. I hope there is no question about me on this. Then why did such a question arise about Comrade Haider? He needs to seriously ponder over this. There should be evaluation of qualities and deficiencies of all comrades. According to Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's teachings, evaluation of a comrade should be done collectively, not based on one's individual impression. It is more important for a leader of the highest rank. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh was not a product of any individual struggle. He was product of a collective struggle. He, in course of struggle, emerged as the best personified expression of the collective

leadership. He expressed collective thinking in a best way in best form. This best personified expression develops based on a leader's contradiction of ideas and opinions with the comrades and the committee he or she is at the helm of. I do not expect that right now, this contradiction in your new party will exactly be based on dialectical process. Operation of dialectical process depends on how far the comrades have been able to grasp Dialectical Materialism. At least, a uniformity must be arrived at through debates and discussions. In one of my discussions, I had, as per my understanding, opined that it is most difficult to read a person. Unless one has deep realization of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought, has a long experience of revolutionary movement based on that, has been able to acquire proletarian culture in such a way as to be impersonal in one's attitude and is able to attain the standard of accepting collective decision happily, it is extremely difficult to correctly appraise or read another person. And even that appraisal needs to be verified through collective discussion. Whatever little I could see in your party, everyone has his own personal impression about every other person. I cannot claim that our Party also is totally free from that feature. A section of our senior comrades in higher bodies is mostly free from that. Please keep in mind that it is extremely difficult to read a person. No machine is available for this purpose. You need to attain that higher standard of being impersonal in your approach with high proletarian culture and evaluation through a definite collective process that I have detailed above. ‘I know him or her, I have understood him or her, I can make out what he or she is saying or doing’-such tendency of taking individual reading exists among some of our comrades because it permeates into us from the society. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh taught us not to take such individual reading or form any individual opinion based on that. He himself never did this. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh used to say that he did never take any individual

reading. If he had any question about anyone, he used to ask others, get properly informed and then tried to understand whether he was correct or not about his observation. His objective was to verify whether he had committed any mistake at the outset. I had said in the meeting held yesterday that during the lifetime of Haider, another comrade could assimilate and exhaust all his qualities and then become a leader higher than him. This is the teaching of Marxism.”

Quality of a leader is manifested in acceptance of others from core of heart

In that meeting, a question was raised as to who would succeed Comrade Haider. I told them: “We never knew who would succeed Comrade Shibdas Ghosh as the leader of the leaders in our Party. Similarly, we never wracked our head to guess who would succeed Comrade Nihar Mukherjee. Similarly, in India, no one is bothered to surmise who would come after Provash Ghosh. But there is existence of such thoughts in your party. This is not in accordance with Marxist outlook. If one leader is absent or passes away, the remaining leaders would decide the question of his or her succession. Whoever is competent among them would come into the leadership. As regards due competence of a leader, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh said in a discussion that it is not that important whether a leader at any level is elected or not.

Manifestation of quality of a leader is testified when one is acceptable to others from the core of their heart, whether that person earns genuine respect of all. Organizational post is immaterial in this regard. He further said that once he suddenly discovered that he himself had emerged as the leader of those under whom he used to work and whose directives he followed meticulously. When had he so emerged as their leader was neither known to him nor to the others. Such did not happen through adoption of any resolution or by way of an organizational decision. He never questioned their competence.

Never did he allow such thoughts to creep into his mind. There were debates on many issues of works. But he urged all to believe that he had become leader because he never thought of becoming so. This teaching of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh is a very valuable lesson for us.

Relationship between leader and led should be dialectical, not blind

You have problems while entering into contradiction with Comrade Haider. He has inspired all of you to leave family and fully dedicate yourselves to develop revolutionary movement. This is the reality. He used to know your family problems, personal problems, love relationships, contradiction between spouses, misunderstanding and contradictions among comrades, mistakes and shortcomings in works and guided you in every respect. Based on that, you have all developed a high respect, emotion and obligation towards him. And because of that, a section of you believe that Haider Bhai cannot commit any mistake. Just now, I have said that wisdom of any leader is the product of a collective struggle. What is individual leadership? An individual leader is a concrete and personified expression of collective leadership. Some of you think that whatever Haider Bhai is saying or doing are all correct. He can commit no wrong. This is blindness. If this blindness is not eradicated in time, it might engender blind opposition at one time. Among another section, there are some other views about Haider Bhai. They are in a dilemma whether to speak those out or not. ‘There is so much of contribution of Haider Bhai in my life. He is so knowledgeable, so many struggle he had conducted, how can I tell him that he is wrong on this particular point?’—such is the nature of hesitation. But the unspoken questions get accumulated in mind in the form of questions. Gradually small grievance turns into big grievance and is then manifested in the form of blind opposition. I have been witness to how Comrade Haider used to argue and debate

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Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury

Evaluation of a comrade should be done collectively, not based on one's individual impression

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with our great leader Comrade Shibdas Ghosh at whose advice he came to Bangladesh risking his life. He also had seen how I used to argue with our great leader. There are many comrades in the Central Committee and State committees of our Party in India whom I have helped in developing a revolutionary political character. In fact, I only inspired them to leave family and engage wholeheartedly in revolutionary politics. But they never hesitate to argue and debate with me on points, even express difference of opinion with me, based on Comrade Shibdas Ghosh Thought. This dialectical relationship is the kernel of revolutionary organization.”

It is extremely difficult to notice quantitative change

I want to dwell on another problem of Comrade Haider in this memorial meeting. There is no doubt that Comrade Haider was very intelligent and very sharp. But he often failed to locate that someone notwithstanding being apparently obedient to him, allegiant to the party and participant in party activities was degenerating within, subtly practising cunningness and shrewdness. It is extremely difficult to detect such camouflaged deception. I have already told that it is easier to notice a qualitative change. But it is immensely difficult to detect subtle cleverly disguised quantitative change. Because of that, some persons of Bangladesh who were once helped by him and his struggle, later turned individualistic and even built a career. I had stated these two shortcomings of him in the meetings held in Bangladesh. One was in regard to his emotional bonding which I have referred to earlier. Comrades of India have also seen that his emotion towards certain comrades was so much that often rationality ceased to operate. Emotion is an immense force. He used to have affection for everyone. But in certain cases, if he thought that the comrades concerned possessed many laudable qualities, his affection sometimes was so overwhelming as to cross desired limits. Even the greatmen also have some shortcomings despite a host of qualities. Comrade Haider was very simple-natured. And he also believed others credulously. Many a times, he failed to notice hidden cunningness,

crookedness or shrewdness germinating in someone. Even if one says that Stalin had failed to understand Khrushchev, that does in no way undermine Stalin's greatness. If Stalin's authority is de-recognized, it would be tantamount to our losing all identity. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh was a worthy continuer of great Stalin. Then only are we, the followers of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh Thought. How could Khrushchev or Deng Xiaoping cause so much of damage? I am not saying all these to justify the limitations of Comrade Haider. I am drawing attention to all these aspects to emphasize on the correct methodology of evaluation.

Relationship between two fraternal parties should be dialectical

Another thing I said in the concluding part of my speech in Bangladesh meeting. “Your party and our Party has a dialectical relationship which Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had elaborated in his classic work, ‘Why SUCI(C) is the only genuine communist party in India’. If the opinion of our Party is correct, you would support that. If we commit any mistake, you would help us by pointing that out. If you commit a mistake, we shall help you as a fraternal party. It can so happen that SUCI(C) is degenerated and BASAD (Marxist) is only upholding the banner of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought. We shall learn from you and you will also learn from us. You will learn both from our successes and failures. Similarly, we shall learn from your successes and failures. This is the dialectical relationship.” This relationship is still in existence. This speech of mine delivered in the year 2017 was well-accepted there.

Question of succession in the party and setting up party centres

I had touched upon another point there. That was whether they would start having party centres at that time. I can say from my experience that unless there is an impersonal leader and other inmates also possess a particular standard, centres face problems as our experience speaks. According to me, condition for starting a party centre has not matured in Bangladesh. When one leader there raised a question on this issue in the party and started arguing on that, all

other important discussions dealt in my speech were relegated to the back. The very purpose of the meeting was jeopardized. That leader came to meet me in Kolkata also. I told him no such centre existed in our Party in its earlier stage. All members of our the then Central Committee used to stay separately. Only Comrade Shibdas Ghosh and Comrade Nihar Mukherjee stayed together. Others like Comrades Subodh Banerjee, Pritish Chanda, Rathin Sen, Manoranjan Banerjee lived at different places. I told him this quoting the names of the leaders. Collective life comprises all things, covers all aspects of life. Centre also is a part of the collective life-only that much. He then raised another question. Who would succeed Comrade Haider? He told me that instances of announcing the name of the successor in advance are there in the Marxist movement. I asked him, where was such instance? Nowhere it had happened. I asked him whether Marxist movement is a monarchical system that claimant of the throne would be known beforehand? Even in bourgeois politics, such prior announcement of successor does not take place. Of course, now in certain cases the progenies of a leader are catapulted to leadership. He took the discussion on establishing party centre or mess to such a level that in the entire party, this became a useless subject of debate. When he raised the question of successor, I could guess he was aspirant for that position.

Change and development are contingent upon maturing of internal contradiction

In this hard, arduous and determined struggle of Comrade Haider, there were successes as well as some failures. There were definite reasons behind the failures. There are instances of failure of our teachers as well. What was Comrade Haider compared to them? You need to examine all these issues based on this yardstick. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had created Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury. Could Comrade Haider create another Comrade Haider if he so wanted? Whatever I have learnt, whatever little I am able to contribute are all due to the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. Can I, Provash Ghosh, create another Provash Ghosh if I

so decide? Again, in course of struggle, there can emerge a leader far surpassing me. Creation of a leader or development of a revolutionary depends on the contradiction between external and internal. Howsoever forceful might be the external condition in favour of change or development, the desired change would not come by unless the internal contradiction within a human being, endowed with the power of thinking, matures. So the question why could Comrade Haider not create another leader like him ought to be understood based on this Marxist concept. Comrade Haider had to do lot of works singlehandedly. It was not that he had with him a band of competent cadres and organizers. It is true that he had many emotionally charged vibrant youths with him. All of them remember him with deep respect after his demise. Many of them, as you have heard, repented by saying that ‘I failed in my struggle. Please forgive me Haider Bhai.’ This painful feeling is with many of them. Same is true for building up a revolutionary party. Since BASAD (Marxist) could not yet develop the necessary struggle, one particular leader had weakened the party by raising such pointless questions for the last two years. So, the struggle which was released by the party workers for building up the new party and which Comrade Haider was helping, was disturbed. I do not want to take any name here.

Flowering qualities of Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury

At the last phase of his life, Comrade Haider was afflicted by various diseases. He was also considerably aged. He had a bypass heart surgery, suffered from cancer, met with a road accident and fell unconscious, had a mild brain stroke which disrupted blood circulation to the brain and finally had an attack of pneumonia when he was in the death bed. That is why, we have said in our homage that “ignoring all ailments and overcoming age-related physical and mental limitations, he relentlessly conducted his revolutionary life struggle till he breathed his last”. Comrades of India are also aware how lucidly he could explain very difficult and complex theoretical questions. Discourses he had flowed out of his heart. So, those used to touch the hearts of others and awaken their conscience. Day and night, he used to have valuable discussions with the comrades, supporters and sympathizers. Had he seen any new comrade at Kolkata office of our Party, he had enquired about the

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Appeal of AIKKMS to the peasants and the toiling people across the country

Dear friends,

This is a glorious moment in the history of democratic movement in India. The struggling peasants, sacrificing seven hundred precious lives and braving all sorts of oppression and suppression of the central BJP government, are able to make the multinationals, both domestic and foreign, as well as their servitors bow down before them. The central BJP government is forced to accede to almost all the demands of the peasants, fighting for the last one year. This is a great victory. It has created a conviction among the suffering toiling people that a barbaric, fascist regime can be forced to bend if they can wage a united sustained, organized determined and death defying struggle. No doubt this example will inspire all sections of the toiling masses in their struggle against the ruthless capitalist oppression and exploitation. We salute the epoch-making struggle of the valiant undaunted peasants.

But the attacks of crisis ridden capitalism-imperialism will continue. Hence, the people are to organise larger and intensified struggles in future until capitalism is overthrown through revolution and a new social order free from exploitation of man by man is established. It is a reality that this movement has made everyone realize that the monopoly houses and multinationals are the real enemies of the people. The Modi-led BJP government is merely a political agent of theirs. Though this realisation is in its primary stage, it is bound to develop in the days to come and give birth to revolutionary consciousness among the masses following a prolonged and arduous effort of a genuine revolutionary force. This is the teaching of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great leader of the proletariat. Now the workers and peasants of our country are fighting against the attacks of the monopolist sharks and multinationals unitedly. This workers-peasants unity will be strengthened more and more with every passing day and will pave the way for a greater and nobler struggle in future. At this moment of rejoice, we appeal to the people to come forward and organise themselves in different struggle committees to take forward their just struggles further.

Long live workers-peasants unity. Long live Revolution.

With greetings,

Satyawan
President

Sankar Ghosh
General Secretary

09-12-21

AIKKMS, All India Committee



Comrade Satyawar, President, AIKKMS, (second from right) with Shri Rakesh Tikait, leader of Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU), (3rd from right) after meeting of Samjukt Kishan Morcha following victory of historic peasant movement



Jubilation at Delhi border after victory of year-long magnificent peasant movement

Comrade Mubinul Haider Choudhury

Comrade Haider relentlessly conducted revolutionary life struggle till last breath ignoring all serious ailments

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name and other whereabouts of that comrade to get acquainted with him or her. This he used to do of his own. One of his important qualities was that he was always eager to learn. He always thought of applying whatever he had learnt from Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. This was his sole absorption. You know my knowledge regarding theatre, music or sports is limited. My interaction with Comrade Haider was mainly on politics and organization. As regards Culture and sports, his discussion partner was Comrade Manik Mukherjee. As Comrade Shibdas Ghosh could wander at ease in any branch of knowledge and epistemology, Comrade Haider also tried that way. In this respect, he was ahead of me. Whenever he used to come to Kolkata, he enquired what were the new publications of our Party, collected those for his possession and reading.

Any comrade could enter into a debate with him. If anyone could point out any of his mistakes, he happily accepted that. He was very simple and liberal-minded. His feelings of heart were of very high standard. In the later period, he used to stay at Shibpur Party Centre when he came to Kolkata. I had noticed that there also, he used to keep himself busy in discussion with this or that comrade. In every respect, he was a very lively person. His allegiance to Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought was unquestionable. He was unwavering and firmly determined in shouldering any responsibility to uphold the cause of proletariats, revolutionary movement and revolutionary party. He had an insatiable thirst for knowledge and had depth of knowledge as well. His nobleness of mind, magnanimity, indomitable courage and vigour to overcome insurmountable obstacles, aversion to boastful self-conceit, modest behaviour with and hatred-free tolerance of those opposed to him, were some of his rare qualities. In a word, as an ardent student of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, he could attain the height of a rare revolutionary character. There was an indelible mark of his character on whoever, literate or illiterate, had once come in contact with him, had heard his discussions and had witnessed his demeanour and

conduct. This was possible because the teachings, character and memories of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh were in his flesh and blood. The mortal remains of Comrade Haider are no more in existence. But the reminiscence of his noble character and noble struggle as devout student of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh would remain ever alive in both Bangladesh and India and inspire the newer generation.

Comrade Haider had attended our 3rd Party congress. He suddenly observed from a distance that one comrade from Delhi was in tears. He went to him and had a discussion with him. Then he told me to have a talk with him. I told him that I needed to be prepared for the next session. He rebuked me and said that I ought to talk to that comrade right then. Later, I could realize how correct he was. Such was his intuition and sense of timely action. Whenever he used to come here, he enquired about our Party organization even to the minutest details. He tried to reactivate old contacts. But such a comrade of extraordinary mettle lost the ability to spontaneously take part in discussions, of late. There developed a problem with his memory. At this stage, he used to read out written speech and note down the points to be discussed. Such was never his practice earlier. When I spoke about his mental limitations, I meant this only. These limitations had surfaced only after being afflicted with so many serious diseases including brain problem and that too, at an age of 87. There is no scope for viewing such constraints of his later life otherwise.

Last days of a noble revolutionary

I once told him that "we all had read 'Pather Dabi' (Demand of the road) by celebrated litterateur Saratchandra. You are like Sabyasachi, the central revolutionary character of that novel." You might remember that in the concluding chapter of that novel-the revolutionary organization that Sabyasachi had developed was getting dismantled, a few had turned traitors, good organizers were arrested, many were killed by the British police and many became frustrated. It was a stormy night. The whole earth was trembling. Defying such an inclement weather,

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Comrade Mubinu Haider Choudhury

Noble character and noble struggle of Comrade Haider would remain ever alive

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Sabyasachi was leaving. He avoided main roads to evade arrest and was wading through thorny bushes. Lightning was showing him the way. A tiny boat was anchored at the bank of a turbulent river. He was to travel in that boat. I told Haider that he was Sabyasachi because he was struggling even with a broken health. In the third Party Congress of ours, he, in his speech, exuded confidence that he would live for few more years because he was doing regular physical exercise. When he left Kolkata for the last time, he told me that he would come again. But that did not happen. I was very hopeful that he would come again to see us. He went back to Dhaka on 13 March and met with an accident on 14 March. He had fractures at several points and became totally disabled. Immediately after receiving the news, we sent Dr Shubhankar Chatterjee to Dhaka so that he could be brought to Kolkata for treatment. But we did not get that opportunity. If he could be transported to Kolkata, perhaps we could lessen his sufferings and enable him to live for some more time.

We shall remain ever remorseful for that. There is no consolation for this pain and bereavement. What a tremendous pain he had to bear with silently. I only told him over phone that he needed to fight against all his ailments and sufferings, pains just like what Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had done in 1972. He replied that he was trying that only. I have heard that when he was in a room after being discharged from hospital, there was a photo of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh in front of him as source of inspiration. This was how he carried Comrade Shibdas Ghosh in his heart.

Strengthening revolutionary movement based on Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought would be worthy tribute to Comrade Haider

At the end, I would like to tell you all in this meeting that the entire humanity is now ridden by a grave crisis in every sphere of life. Such crisis did not arise earlier. 1% of the rich in India owns 73% of country's wealth. The richest 1 per cent has captured 38 per cent of wealth growth at the global level. Millions are unemployed. A few more millions are jobless. Every

day, thousands are losing life because of starvation and absence of medical treatment. Outbreak of corona pandemic could have been averted if China would have suspended all international connection by land, air and water with Wuhan at the very moment the virus was detected there, Wuhan is the Chinese hub where many of the Multinationals have their manufacturing units and commercial enterprises at Wuhan. Many organizations have outsourced their work to Wuhan at cheaper rate. So, they did not cut connection with Wuhan from their commercial interest. So, the pandemic spread to all other countries. Such has been the criminality of China, now an imperialist country after capitalist counter-revolution, as well as the profit-greedy Multinationals. Over a crore of people have died because of the pandemic. More might die in future. In our country also, death toll has crossed several lakhs as per official notification. Unofficial figures would be far more. If all the countries would have pooled their resources together by curtailing military budget and hefty administrative expenditures as well as seizing the fabulous money plundered by the Multinationals and took a united initiative to combat the pandemic by combining the efforts of all scientists and doctors, arranged all necessary medical assistance and medicines, this painful death of so many millions would not have taken place. Now there is a keen competition as to who would first discover the preventive or curative medicines, who would pocket how much money and who would keep patent of which drug or vaccine.

The giant pharmaceutical companies with their respective bourgeois governments in tow are busy reaping fabulous profit at the cost of death and distress of the global populace. The whole capitalist-imperialist world is facing acute economic crisis endemic of the system and this would intensify in the days to come. There is no respite for capitalism from this. In the political sphere, bourgeois democracy in all countries has turned into fascist autocracy. All the bourgeois political leaders are criminals, downright anti-people, out and out power-greedy and totally subservient to ruling capitalism. They have no ideology, no principle,

no ethics, no morality whatsoever. You have seen what a skirmish took place in USA during the last Presidential election. It was just like the clashes between two clubs in various localities on this or that issue. The defeated US President was bent upon not leaving the chair even though poll verdict went against him. What a farce! They are totally bereft of any scruple or human value. Earlier, Rabindranath, Saratchandra, Premchand, Nazrul, Subramania Bharati and such others were the last representatives of humanism in our country. In Europe also, there were Romain Rolland, Einstein, and Bernard Shaw as the last representative of humanism who supported Soviet Union. Though Bertrand Russel was not communist, he stood by the liberation movement of Cuba and Vietnam at the fag end of his life. Russel held US as war criminal. Where are those characters today? On the other hand, the giant communist leaders like Lenin-Stalin-Mao Zedong-Shibdas Ghosh are no more to guide the communist movement.

Imperialism-capitalism are destroying the moral backbone, sense of values and human essence of the young generation. Bourgeois rulers are making the youth indulge in drinking of alcohol, drug addiction, sex-perversion and all kinds of filthy activities. Rape, gang rape, violence and murders are rampant. Women trafficking has now become a roaring trade. Child Labour is virtually legalized. Marx had said almost 175 years back that the capitalist owners give that much of wage to the workers as was necessary for the survival of theirs and their families. That is no more in vogue. Now there is no job. Where is the scope for the workers to bargain? So, there is nothing as need-based wage today.

Family life, social life are all collapsing. There is no semblance of progress anywhere. Racialism has again raised its ugly head in US. Africa has become victim of brutal imperialist attack and aggression. Religious blindness and fanaticism are rising in various countries. Imperialism-capitalism is destroying rational mindset and scientific thinking. All these evils and aberrations bred by dying capitalism are abounding because of sad dismantling of socialism and mighty socialist camp which hitherto acted as bulwark against imperialist-capitalist machination. This is the global situation we are in. History has enjoined us the task to hold aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought and proletarian internationalism. For successfully discharging this historic responsibility, we need in India, in Bangladesh and in all other countries many characters like Comrade Mubinu Haider Choudhury who can brave all odds courageously and with firm resolve to spread the illumining ideology of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought and develop revolutionary movement. If we can do this, then only our tears for and remembrance of Comrade Haider will be worthy. With these words, I pay my revolutionary tribute to Comrade Mubinu Haider Choudhury with whom I was bound by profound affection and comradeship for long 70 years.

Red Salute to Comrade Mubinu Haider Choudhury!

Red Salute to Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, Our leader, teacher and guide and great leader of the proletariat!

Long live Proletarian Internationalism!

Long live Revolution!
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Demonstration against Black Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2021 in Pratapgarh, UP, on 29 November 2021 by district SUCI(C)

People's outrage bursts forth against disastrous K-rail Silverline project of CPI (M)-led government in Kerala

Thousands of people hailing from almost all the districts of Kerala joined a protest march in front of the state secretariat in Thiruvananthapuram on 27th October 2021. Organized by the state level 'K-Rail Silver line viruddha janakeeya samithy' (anti-K-Rail Silver line people's struggle committee), they registered their vehement protest against and expressed anguish over the ill-conceived mega project 'silver line' of the Kerala government. Along with the affected people who will be displaced from their land and livelihood if the project gets materialized, hundreds of environment activists and public figures participated in the march. The movement was raised to such a height that its impact was tremendous rousing more and more people to express their support to it. Sensing the public mood, even the leader of opposition in the Kerala state assembly, various opposition party leaders and the also president of the Kerala BJP could not but declare their solidarity with the cause of the movement.

The previous CPI (M)-led government led by Mr. Pinarayi Vijayan had mooted the proposal to construct a semi-high speed railway line from the southern-most district Thiruvananthapuram to the northern-most district Kasaragod. They floated a joint venture company 'K-Rail' with the Railway board and Kerala government as partners for implementation of the project. This particular project was named 'Silver line' as it was conceived as a standalone railway project on standard gauge (width between rails being 1435mm) not connected with the broad gauge line (width 1676mm) of the southern railway. Transport and environment experts started questioning the viability such a project right from the beginning. But once re-elected, the CPI (M) chief minister Pinarayi Vijayan asserted that they have received people's mandate to go ahead with the project. So he declared that the new CPI (M)-led LDF government would carry out the project ignoring anything that might happen and whoever might oppose it. The catchword that the government and its associated were vociferously airing was that the travel time between the end stations could be reduced to 4 hours instead of the present 12 hours. They also estimated that the total daily passengers would be around 80,000 in 2025 and would shoot upto

1,60,000 in 2052. Their argument has been that this silver-line project would be a welcome substitute of the existing passenger vehicles using fossil fuels resulting in reduction of carbon emission by 351940 tons per year. But the basic traffic study was not published until the pressure from public and experts became formidable. Again, what they published, of late, was found to be devoid of any scientific merit.

A French company SYSTRA was entrusted the job of preparing



the detailed project report (DPR). Even though the DPR was prepared and discussions initiated with international lending agencies, it was not made public. A rapid environmental impact assessment study also was conducted dubiously by a firm widely believed to be without sufficient professional competence. From the limited information available from the website of K-Rail, the EIA report and the statements of authorities, it became gradually clear that the proposed 529.13 km long track would be upto a height of 8 meters on the embankment, pass through many tunnels and newly constructed bridges at an estimated cost of Rs 64,000 as per calculation in 2019.

Experts in traffic and transportation engineering have sought an explanation as to how this stand-alone railway line would solve the transportation problem in Kerala. Since it would not be connected to the interstate railway line and existing broad gauge line, the utility will be meagre. In fact, Southern railway has already announced that the speed of trains running on the existing tracks would be increased to 160 kmph by 2026 by modernizing signal system and laying additional track adjacent to the existing line wherever necessary. The necessity of this mega project by spending such an enormous money through loans just for extending the speed by just 40

kmph also remains unexplained.

What agonized the public in general and environmentally sensitive intelligentsia of Kerala is the environmental havoc this project would be going to produce on the ecologically fragile land which Kerala has become recently. Kerala is like a long narrow strip with the average distance between the Western Ghats on the eastern side and Arabian sea on the western side being around 50-60 km. The rain water takes as short as 4-6 hours to

reach Arabian sea from the far East. So the embankment of height around 8m and length 292.45 km would essentially act as a barrier across the flow of water. Naturally there would be flooding on the upstream side of the embankment. This massive embankment would divide Kerala land into two parts all along the length making it almost difficult, if not impossible, to cross from one side to the other. K-Rail authorities say that there would be underpasses at every 500m intervals. In the event of heavy rain including cloud bursts which have become common in Kerala now, these underpasses would be like orifices for water flow.

lakhs, the Niti Ayog had estimated the cost to be as high as Rs.1,26,000 lakh crores. That raised a question whether the projected cause was deliberately shown to be less than 50%. Considering the present market rates, some quarters fear that the final cost would exceed Rs 2,00,000 lakh crores that too if completed within the stipulated time. But the CPI (M) government still sticks on to the old figures obviously to get sanction from the central government. 90 percent of the cost is expected to be met by borrowing from international lending agencies like JICA, ADB, WB etc. The claim that the K-rail, once operationalized, would meet cost of running from its own revenue generation projection, is also flawed. The project completion time, expected number of passengers, traffic volume etc. are not based on credible scientific analysis. Hence, these are all imaginary figures. Ultimately the huge burden of repaying the huge loan will be on the future generations. This again is against the concept of sustainable development.

Most prominently, the issue of eviction and rehabilitation is tormenting the affected people. It was stated earlier that the total land to be acquired would be 1383 hectares out of which 1198 hectares are private lands. Though the project managers assure that the maximum width of land to be acquired is 25m, transport and engineering experts question it considering the height of embankment and the speed of the train. The authorities have kept it secret as to how much land would come in the buffer zone where the landowners would be restricted to carry out their own activities. Lately reports are coming that owners of land 100m away from the stipulated route are denied permission for building new construction.

There were multiple evictions in recent years in Kerala for the so-called developmental activities. In the case of national highway development, Vallarpadam container terminal construction etc., the people have seen how the authorities forcibly grabbed the land and bulldozed the properties of the evicted people. It has now become a duty of the evicted people to produce all the documents prescribed by the authorities and run from pillar to post to get the meager compensation for their loss. Is it not the responsibility of any civilized government with minimal

Though the project managers projected a cost of around Rs 60,000

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Our Party is committed to make this just struggle victorious

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compassion to treat the evicted people with respect and rehabilitate them comfortably as they have sacrificed their land for social development?

Under these circumstance, people started getting organized by forming struggle committees. Our Party, SUCI(C), took a leading role in the formation of such committees all along Kerala. Around 200 local level committees and 11 district struggle committees have been formed and the process is continuing. And there emerged a democratically formed state level struggle committee enjoying the confidence of all sections of affected people. Umpteen number of protest programmes were organized in almost all parts of Kerala. As the culmination of these initial activities, the Secretariat March was announced and people turned up in thousands. Through this March people gave a powerful warning to the state government that going ahead with this anti-people project would be detrimental.

Dr. Geevarghese Mar Coorilos, Metropolitan of Niranam Diocese of

Malankara Jacobite Syriac Orthodox Church while inaugurating the March said that this project would not be for development but for appropriating the share of plunder of public money.

M.P. Baburaj president of the state struggle committee presided over the function. A large spectrum of prominent political leaders and activists including V. D Satheesan opposition leader of Kerala legislative assembly, Kodikkunnil Suresh Member of parliament, Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan, Dr. M.K. Muneer, K. Rema, K.P A Majeed, Mons Joseph, Anoop Jacob, N.A. Nellikkunnu, Kuruntholy Moideen, Najeed Kanthapuram all members of Kerala legislative assembly, Muslim league high power committee member Sadikh Ali Shihab Thangal, BJP Kerala state committee president K.Surendran, environmental activist C.R. Neelakantan, Mini.K.Philip, member state committee SUCI(C) and many others were present. Comrade S. Rajeevan member state secretariat of our Party and the general convenor of the struggle committee welcomed the gathering and gave a

thorough analysis of the project, its ill-effects and the necessity of prolonged movement.

This ill-conceived project once again proved the pro-monopoly inclination of the present the CPI (M)-led LDF government of Kerala. Like any other bourgeois government, they are creating avenues for profitable investment by the big monopoly houses and multinationals at the cost of the people's interest. They are least bothered to look after the real needs of the people and are least concerned about pressing environmental issues. Even after the strong resentment from the people, the government is all set to go ahead with the land acquisition procedures

on the pretext of social impact survey. It is pathetic that they did not learn any lesson from the Singur-Nandigram movements which unseated them from power in West Bengal.

After the great victory of the long hard struggle of the peasants against the Black Farm Laws and move to totally privatize electricity sector by the BJP government at the centre the enthusiasm among the struggling people and their committees leading them have multiplied manifolds and they are preparing for another long and spirited struggle. Our Party with all its strength is wholeheartedly with the people and committed to make this just struggle victorious.

Human Rights snatched away on Human Rights' Day

Movement for Secular Democracy (M.S.D.), a Gujarat - based organization of conscientious persons, observes 10 December as 'International Human Rights Day' every year since 1998. This year Police refused to give permission for the Public program organized by it on that day arguing that "If you are celebrating the Day then we can allow, but not for protest."

It is crystal clear that 'International Human Rights Day' is

observed with the purpose of tolling the bell for the Human Rights yet to be achieved and preserve the hard-earned human rights. But this is considered by the administration as "anti-government".

This is also denial of human rights. MSD strongly condemned this attitude and registered its opposition. MSD also appealed to the like-minded citizens to remain awake and united against such moves in Gujarat.

3rd AIDYO Conference held with firm resolve to build up powerful youth movement

The third All India Youth Conference of AIDYO was held at Study Centre of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought at Ghatsila, Jharkhand on 11 and 12 December 2021. It began with garlanding of the statue of Shibdas Ghosh, the great leader of the proletariat, by Comrades K. Radhakrishna, Saumen Basu and Chandidas Bhattacharjee, all Polit Bureau members and Comrades Arun Singh, Central Committee member of the SUCI(C), who were invited as honoured guests. Also paying floral tribute to the great leader were

Comrades Jaison Joseph. Organisation General Secretary, Ramanjanappa Aldalli and Prativa Nayak, President and General Secretary respectively, of the AIDYO. Then Martyrs' Column was garlanded by all. The organization flag was hoisted of Comrade Ramanjanappa. An exhibition was inaugurated by Comrade Chandidas Bhattacharjee. Over 500 delegates from 18 states and 3 Union territories attended the conference. Delegate Session began with inaugural speech by Com Arun Singh. Main resolution was moved

by Comrade Niranjan Naskar, secretariat member and seconded by Comrade Amarjit Kumar.

The six other resolutions adopted were on (i) hailing the glorious Peasants' Struggle against corporatisation of agriculture, (ii) COVID pandemic and the role of the government. (iii) against Privatisation of PSUs and Railways (iv) opposing menacing rise in alcoholism, drug addiction and atrocities on women, and (v) taking pledge to fight attack on democratic rights. A 81 member strong All India Committee was formed with

Comrade Niranjan Naskar as National President and Comrade Amarjit Kumar as General Secretary. The session concluded with an inspiring speech by Comrade Radhakrishna with a call for building up a powerful youth movement based on Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought and strengthen AIDYO throughout the country.

A rally in celebration of the victory of the year-long historic Peasants Movement was taken out on 12 December 2021 in which all the delegates participated.



A section of the delegates of 3rd AIDYO Conference at Ghatsila, Jharkhand, on 11 and 12 December 2021



Augury of 'victory march' in celebration of the victory of the historic peasant movement in Ghatsila after AIDYO conference

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