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# Brutalities on kashmir during one year

The fascist Modi government on August 5th 2019 abrogated Articles 370 and 35A, which had given it special status when joined India. What followed was a tight lockdown, restrictions on people's movement, a communication blockade and mass arrests. Clamped a psychological war on people, by suspending mobile phone services and Broad band internet services in Kashmir. Prior to this act, Modi government deployed heavy armed forces throughout Kashmir. Before one year, Kashmir assembly was dissolved and Centre took control and put the governance in the hands of dictatorial bureaucracy and armed forces. With the abrogation of special status, the dictatorial bureaucracy has become very crude & cruel. The entire J&K has become a concentration camp, obviously, J&K is the most militarized place in the world. Putting the people in jail en masse, political leaders and workers of all parties put behind bars. Some selected persons which have pro-people thinking have been put in detention and house arrest, resulting a political vacuum. Fascist Modi and his gang boasted this as an achievement in their major plan of New India (Hindu & Corporate India). By doing all this, Modi government is paving foundation for entering the corporates like Ambani for loot of resources in Kashmir. The abrogation is nothing but an invasion on Kashmir. Bifurcating it into two parts without peoples' consent and representation which will be in the control of armed forces forever.

Kashmir economy was destroyed and people's livelihood has gone away due to continuous curfews and Lockdowns. Suspension of high-speed internet killed many businesses, hundreds of Whats App accounts, which could not be updated were deleted. Hotel workers, boat drivers, street vendors suffered a lot. The families of 26000 tourist taxi operators collapsed due to complete blockade. Handloom weavers suffered severely, due to deplorable conditions and migrated to other places. 2.5 lakh artisans are in doldrums. The entire carpet industry collapsed and the State incurred a loss of Rs.1600 crore. The well-known Kashmir's apple crop is in a devastated condition. Manufacturing and construction sectors lost Rs.4095 crores, forcing 70,000 people out of work, agriculture and allied sectors lost Rs.4591 crores and 12000 jobs lost. Tourism took the biggest cumulative hit of Rs.9191 crores and 74,500 jobs lost. There are about 10 lakh students could not attend schools, collages due to prolonged curfew and Lockdown. Basic health, education and welfare services suffered a lot and the economy has been in a state of complete collapse. Chamber of commerce & Industry of Kashmir declared that the State incurred a loss of Rs. 40,000 crore and 4.9 lakh jobs lost. Since last August the government sacked 1200 health workers. The saffron gangs hoaxing with development in Kashmir. But the reality is quite contrary. After the abrogation of special status, the Modi govt. had sacked many employees in many departments with a conspiracy to fill the vacancies with their puppets. There has been no development and only retrenchment since last August.

Prominent personalities and retired Jurists opined that supreme court has become a formal instrument without any tangible results to the people and serving the interests of Modi government. Human rights violations blatantly occurring in Kashmir. Compulsory takeover of property of residents of Mizoram happened in the past, now happening in Kashmir for the usage of armed forces in the name of curbing militancy in the valley. Children also have been keeping in police stations. Accessibility of communication is a fundamental right nowadays. This right is denying in Kashmir blatantly. Heavy security has been clampdown snuffed out any chance of protests.

The fascist Modi government has approved amendments to the law to allow markings of "strategic areas" where the army could carry out unhindered constructions and related activities. The government planned to alter the demography of Kashmir from Muslim majority to Muslim minority. The government have a conspiratorial plan to fill or appoint to the important political and constitutional posts as their choice. Kashmir Hindus also feeling insecure due to the domicile law. Due to new domicile law, the employment and businesses will go to out siders who will become residents of Kashmir. The government has said that permanent residents will get the domicile certificate based on their PRCs, the order has sparked fears of a National Register of Citizens in Kashmir, but the officials feared that some records could have been lost due to a number of reasons, including floods and fires. The new domicile

law will take away Kashmir's lands, resources, jobs and businesses. Security forces have stopped handing over the bodies of local militants to their families to prevent emotional gatherings, which they said motivated the youth to join militancy. Here, people has a tradition of attending funeral cremations without discrimination of any religion. This tradition is following in Kashmir since very long time. The people of Kashmir are real secularists. The armed forces are picking up Kashmir youth killing them and declaring as terrorists. This is all due to create fear among the youth.

US house panel expressed a deep concern and sent a letter to external affairs ministry over the situation prevailing in J&K. Human rights Watch, Amnesty International and UNO committee expressed deep concern and asked the Indian courts and Human rights institutions to intervene in the matter over human rights violations in Kashmir since abrogation of special status. The notorious fascist Modi and his gang did not heed the words of those institutions. They heed to the dictates of their bosses Trump and Ambani, Adani. The officials of police and military in Kashmir acting as political leaders and giving derogatory statements to malign Kashmir movement as Pakistan instigated terrorism. Prior to the abrogation of special status in Kashmir, the political leaders of all parties parted with the Indian ruling classes. In Kashmir, now the situation is in a state of political vacuum. The political leaders were made politically unemployed. They are in a state of mind boggling dilemma or in a position of "what is to be done". It is the occasion for all groups of rank and file to unite with people, to do so, they will get some respect.

Before abrogation of special status, National Conference, PDP etc... parties became ruling elite and exploited the Kashmir resources in unison with the Indian ruling classes. Now BJP, RSS saffron gangs will replace local ruling elite and become new ruling establishment. Fascist Modi hoaxing with development and implementation of reservations like that of remaining India. It is a myth. Plundering the resources and suppression of people is a reality. To carry forward their plan, Manoj Sinha the RSS element and a puppet in the hands of Modi has been appointed as a new Lt. Governor for Kashmir.

Modi, Amit Shaw, Rajnath singh, Ajit Doval, Mohan Bhagavath, Ram Madhav, Vijay Kumar, Dilbagh Singh (DGP, Kashmir), Bipin Rawat, intelligence officials and top brass of military officials are the real culprits, terrorists and traitors. These are real enemies of entire Indian population.

Kashmir problem is the question of nationality. The fascist gangs of war mongering, frenzy, saffron vigilante groups which in the service of comprador bourgeoisie and imperialism are propagating "Indian nation, Indian culture, one nation, one market" etc.... In this emphatic hoax, the Indigenous people, Dalit, women, Muslim and working class and their culture will be obliterated by war mongering, frenzied groups through the process of transforming India, digital India, self-reliant India, New India etc...

Nationalities came into existence during bourgeoisie revolutions as a historical process especially in Europe. Strong national sentiments developed among people due to

the economic interest with the development of capitalism. People with common language, culture, economy, geography, lifestyle and other such things consider themselves as a nationality. It has been proved that anything against this is only to fulfill vested interests. Boasting of one nation, one culture is a myth, that is to be deceive the people and with their sentiments. Actually, the corporates need a larger market to fulfil their super profit interests. These traitors trumpeting national sentiments for the benefit of the corporates of Indian and Foreign.

In Russia, through revolution in 1917, nationalities got independence from ruling classes by overthrowing age old rotten system in the leadership of proletariat. Now in Indian context also, the Kashmir people should unite with Indian proletariat, oppressed classes and revolutionary forces to root out the age old semi-feudal and semi-colonial rotten system to accomplish real freedom.

Democrats, Intellectuals, Writers, Artists, Civil rights activists, Students should support the Kashmir Nationality struggle and unite with the movement for the save of democracy in India.

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# Corona epidemics and wars will continue as long as the pandemic imperialist system continues.

Destructive to humanity, environment, society and culture, which is on the death bed should be abolished. The imperialist puppet, fascist Modi regime which is a part and parcel of the capitalist-imperialist system must be abolished. Everyone must be ready to make the democratic revolution a success.

- political commentator

We know that the corona virus broke out in China on December 31, 2019. On January 30, the World Health Organization (WHO) warned the governments of all countries about the danger. In our country Modi & Company did not give attention to it. He plans to invite his boss, World Terrorist Trump, to India and do his foot service. They invited Trump in February

2020 and acted accordance with their slave instincts. The entire state machinery was brought into Trump's service. Hundreds of crores of rupees were spend. Neither the central government nor state governments have taken action to combat the virus since the WHO warned on January 30. Modi government had not make for arrangements

emergency hospitals, Bureaucracy, masks, sanitizers, PPE kits, Ventilators, special teams. Modi himself immersed in the foot service of Trump.

On March 24, Modi abruptly announced lockdown. Nearly 25 crore migrant workers have faced severe difficulties. The lives of small traders, small shopkeepers, artisans, and small employees working in the town were shattered. In rural areas, agricultural activities have come to a standstill. Workers, poor, middle-class peasants seemed to be struck by lightning.

Instead of bringing the medical and other departments needed by the people into the field, they brought the police into the field, by doing that once again they proved their fascist nature. They gave authentic powers to police to control people everywhere. With this, the police cracked down on the people everywhere. Those scenes are still witnessing on TV.

Migrant workers suffered untold hardships during the lock-down period. There was no food, no water, and the transportation system to travel to their villages was shut down. Helpless migrant workers were killed in accidents, as they left for their villages on foot. Twenty Bihar laborers were killed in the middle of the way in Maharashtra while traveling along a railway track without knowing the track knowledge. Hundreds died in such accidents. Modi, on the other hand, acted as a juggler calling people make sound with claps and Mahabharata war ended in 18 days and our war on COVID should complete on 21 days. The entire medical and health sectors

have been handed over to corporate companies. There is no medicine and treatment for people in government hospitals and poor people have no accessibility to corporate hospitals.

During 2014-19, Modi's demonetization, implementation of GST, handing over of state-owned enterprises to corporates, rising non-profiting assets in banks and other issues have

slow down the country's economy. In 2019, the same measures accelerated. Abolished job security, social security, minimum facilities for workers. He also abolished the minimum rights of workers. Unemployment has risen. Demand fell and growth slow down. The GDP rate also fell. Even high-ranking officials (Arvind Panagariya, Urjit Patel) whom he had specially selected on this team also distanced with him and resigned from the posts.

Ten Public sector banks were merged into four larger banks which are to be given to foreign investors. Statutes were made to take away insurance companies and public enterprises so chiefly by ARCs (Asset reconstruction companies) which have larger share of foreign capital. In this way Modi's government changing the economy more favorable to corporate sharks through modifications to insurance Act and other changes to the economy. On the other hand, he is further enhancing fascism in vicious ways across the country.

In Kashmir on August, 2019 the BJP government had revoked its autonomy and imposed a fascist rule which amounts to lockdown in the state. Canceled mobile services, internet services. 10 lakhs of troops



were deployed, thousands were arrested, custodial deaths and tortures were constantly on the rise. No one was allowed to enter into Kashmir. This is all being implemented as a part of a scheme to hand over Kashmir to corporate companies. The UN panel also said that human rights abuses were rampant in Kashmir.

Attacks took place on students and faculty of Jawaharlal Nehru University in Delhi. Again, cases were filed against them. Earlier, student hostel fees and other fees were drastically increased. In the direct guidance of Amit Shah (hangman) police attacked universities and turned them into police

camps. Jamia Millia, JNU, Aligarh Muslim University, Jadavpur University, Hyderabad University, Poona Film institute, Science and Research Institutions have all come the control under Intelligence Police. The attack on the student and youth was intensified. Many students are absconded. being The government is going to make fundamental changes in the 🕬 education system and

introduce policies that will increase religious bigotry and corporate devotion in the name of a new education system. People with RSS ideology are being appointed as Vice Chancellors of Universities in India. Actually UGC was running under the control of the Home Ministry.

Earlier, 12 people like revolutionary poet Varavararao, Saibaba, Sudhabhardwaj, Anand Tel Tumde, Vernon Gonsalves, Sudhir Dawley, Shoma Sen and Gautam Navalkha were arrested and jailed with the intention of silencing them. There is no evidence for the cases laid against them. These cases are fabricated with no prima fascia evidence not withstand in courts, which according to the notorious laws made by the government, media revealed this fact and the notorious act of the government. The government have no courage to carry on trial and put them in jail without trail.

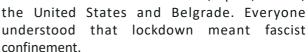
Protests erupted across the country with the drafting of the CAA and NRC laws amid the bankrupt economy, student outrage, workers' outrage, peasant protests and employee unrest. First, it is started in Assam, then latter spread to other regions. The movement spread across Delhi, Calcutta, Bombay, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Chennai, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. Muslims, Hindus, Dalits, tribals, farmers, students, intellectuals and democrats etc. participated in this protests. The

government brought the fascist lockdown down in April as people prepared for another major nationwide movement. This is still causing outrage among the people.

#### **Lockdown - Detention**

Fascist rulers of all nations proclaimed lockdown in the name of the corona virus. Countries like Cuba and South Korea do not follow such practices. Awareness of the dangers of the corona virus in these countries has been largely averted through contact tracing, testing, and treatment methods. It is known that the virus was eradicated in Vietnam. Even if the rulers plunder the wealth of the country to the

corporates, the inner purpose of the lockdown is to keep the people quietly in their own homes. People all over the world are beginning to realize that lockdown means fascist confinement. Concerns have begun around the world against lockdowns. Concerns have also been raised against the lockdown in Bulgaria, Brazil, Venezuela, Spain, France,



Without giving medical priority at this difficult time of which people are still reeling under the fear of the coronavirus and hardships of lockdown, the Modi government has repealed more than 15,00 laws, including those that got from historic struggles. These laws seem to be a nuisance to corporate profits! These include labor laws, welfare laws, environmental laws, and the education system. Ordinances amended the labor laws. The laws are being enforced in Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Gujarat, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Rajasthan. With the abolition of trade unions, working hours were increased from 8 to 12 hours. The issue of minimum wages was set aside. Working overtime without payment. Factories are also left to the whims of the owners to meet the minimum requirements such as latrine facilities, canteen and drinking water facilities. The Telangana government is also pursuing fascist methods of exploitation and repression against the teachers, working class and the peasants. Instead of increasing the government income by imposing taxes on big financial institutions, the Telangana government imposed austerity cuts on employees' salaries. In the states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu, liquor



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and brandy were sold to generate revenue without any shame. The rest of the states have followed suit.

The Modi government is talking about getting education, medicine, business everything online. Poor sections will distance themselves from education through online education. It is a conspiracy to control the student's minds. Students become more distant from society and become like robots. Technology corporates, on the other hand, increase the exploitation and wealth. In the name of the 4th Industrial Revolution, the Modi government has hatched a scheme to put wealth and technology in the hands of the upper classes of society through artificial intelligence, internet of things, cloud computing, etc. Numerous reports have revealed that the wealth of one per cent of the people in the country is 4 times more than the wealth of 70% of population

A new intelligence network is being setup to increase fascist methods. It is made up of 10 central intelligence agencies. For this network Rs. 2800 crore has been allotted. It includes Central Intelligence, RAW, NTRO, NIA and others. Collects information from telecom, tax records, bank, immigration, FIRs from local police station. The thoughts and movements of the whole people are being constantly monitored. Anyone should be arrested, imprisoned and killed in the name of encounter by using 'treason' weapon.

In the police system, vicious police officers like Ajit Doval and Vijay Kumar are being portrayed as role models. The Kashmir DGP, the Delhi Police Commissioner and the Uttar Pradesh DGP are also in the same way, 1000 encounters took place in a time span of 2 years.in Uttarpradesh, so the situation would be understandable. In Chhattisgarh, Bastar IG Sundaraj and the district police chiefs are also implementing same brutal measures on the people.

The Information Act has been put in no use condition. UAPA has been made more stringent. More powers have been given to NIA. Anyone can be declared a terrorist and have their assets confiscated. Vijaya Malya, who damaged RS. 25,000 crores to the country and Neerav Modi, cheated RS. 1600 crores from banks have been providing royal facilities in England. The government could not bring these two culprits to our country. Criminals are provided with royal facilities and patriots are putting in jails in the fascist rule.

Supreme Court and High Court judges have become shareholders in corporate companies. They joined with the ruling class. The courts have become unjust courts. They are made to do whatever Modi says. Modi government has sacked more than 100 high ranking officials, because they did not heed to

the tune of Modi. They displayed some self-respect and critical to the Modi's acts. Gujarat cadre IPS officer IG Sanjeev Butt has been sentenced life imprisonment by showing decades old trivial case on the dictates of Modi and Amit Shaw. This is because Sanjeev Butt exposed the Modi's role in Gujarat massacre. Leading lawyer Prashant Bhushan has criticized the Supreme Court for acting irresponsibly in a public interest litigation. Supreme Court Judge Arun Mishra was outraged and threatened to punish him with contempt of court. The courts were made in such a filthy way.

#### The real face of self-reliant India

In the case of economic reforms, 339 public sector undertakings will be privatized, the finance minister said as part of the package. Last year, some companies along with public sector companies raised Rs. 75 lakh crore profit. They say they will privatize companies in the steel, petroleum, gas, electricity, mining, defense and electricity sectors

The minister said the FDI in the defense sector was increasing by 74 percent and the sector would be corporatized. Industries such as arms production and research fall into the hands of foreign financial investors.

In 2018-19 the BPCL attained a turnover of Rs. 3.39 lakh crore and achieved a profit of Rs. 50,557. It has 12,000 permanent workers and 20,000 contract workers. Aramco (Saudi Arabia) Rossnect (Russian) Exon Mobil (America) in alliance with Indian Reliance company should enter into BPCL as shareholders. A stake of 52.96 percent and management should be handed over to these companies. Mechanisation should push workers out. Sophisticated and skilled labour will bring from outside. In this process Self-Reliant India will finish and Reliance company do rise.

The Modi government has decided to give 109 trains to private operators. In Hyderabad, the KCR government gave the Metrorail to private companies and increased the charges drastically. The railway sector employs millions of people. Millions would be unemployed if they switched to the private sector. At present the railway system continues with 15 lakh employees.

Modi government proposed to hand over 41 coal blocks to private corporates. This will result in the loss of a few thousand jobs. The working class went on a three-day nationwide strike to protest against anti labour attitude of Modi.

Government has approved the environmental Impact Assessment - 2020. This allows industries to be established without the need for any environmental clearance. The Modi government has

hatched a scheme to further destroy the environment.

According to ILO figures, 40 crore people are working in the informal sector in India. Majority of these people's difficulties are increasing due to lockdown. Under these circumstances, the government has increased petrol and diesel prices. With the international price falling to \$ 25 a barrel, the central government has increased their tariffs and imposed a burden on the people.

The government has announced Rs. 92 lakh crore in the name of Garib Kalyan Yojana. This includes those already announced under the Rural Rojgar Yojana in the budget earlier. Payments under the Prime Minister's Kisan Yojana are Rs. 97,000 crores. These are also said to be in conjunction with those announced earlier in the budget. Actually, they announced Rs. 73,000 crores only. We also know how far this will be materialised. This is only 0.6%

of GDP. These also will not go directly into the hands of the people. This money will deposit in banks.

For micro, small and medium enterprises (merchants), Rs. 5, 94,000 crores have been announced The original was actually Rs. 25,000 crores as announced. These will be also deposited in banks. What austerity measures have banks

implemented in lending to small businesses

Everyone knows that. There are also many irregularities in the government's decision to grant loans without a guarantee. So getting loans in this field is not that easy. Therefore, it would be beneficial for such businesses to defer interest-free loans and GAT for up to one year.

The government announced that Rs. 40,000 crores will get rural employment sector in addition to the prior allotment. It depends upon state governments budget allotments. It is also a myth.

For cash supply Rs. 5,70,000 crores will be released. This is also a blatant lie. Modi and Nirmala together lied that the total under various schemes was Rs 20 lakh crore, which would be 10% of GDP. In fact, what was announced on this occasion was Rs. 1,81,000 crores only.

As announced in the last budget, the RBI announced that some of the old schemes would be combined to Rs. 20 lakh crore. Modi can be given first place in the world in false campaigning. Even if a Nobel Prize is announced for this, it is certain that

Modi will get the Nobel Prize for his services to the imperialists.

Modi has only one scheme (yojana) that is Corporate welfare scheme (corporate service jojana). Modi announcing schemes and slogans, with false propaganda, he is misleading the people. Modi has only one scheme that is Ambani welfare scheme. Profits are only for Indian capitalist firms like Ambani and Adani and foreign imperialist companies.

# The ongoing deep crisis in the world economy - fascism, war

The world economy was of little use to society when capitalism was in its infancy. Later with the advent of machines and technology the production increased. For-profit investment robs the workers of the surplus value of the day-to-day and increases wealth immensely. Capitalist countries like Britain, Japan, France etc. invaded backward countries like India and China and plundered resources and wealth.

Capitalism has increased unemployment, reduced the purchasing power of the people and made capitalists unable to sell produce. their economic crises started. Marx, Engels told that the capitalist economy was outdated. Profit was not from coming out machines. Profits are getting from workers

labour force which is exploiting on various forms. Marx, Engels called the workers to unite and overthrow the capitalist system by force and take over the state machinery and transform society into communism.

Crisis is not solved in capitalism. Free trade capitalism became monopoly capitalism. It is popularly called as imperialism. It is in the form of multinational corporations and imperialist institutions. The conflicts among them were not resolved, they escalated further and were temporarily resolved through world wars, achieving relative stability in the economy. The global economy has been in crisis since the 1970s.

Capitalists are withdrawing from production and accumulating money for money. The first stage of capitalism was money-commodity-money'. Now the equation has become money to money'.

There has been no real growth in the world economy since the 1970s. Problems such as economic stagnation, inflation, unemployment, and rising economic inequality have led to crises in all walks of life. They are manifested in the form of



economic crises, financial crises, political crises, cultural crises, environmental crises and social crises.

Capitalism must be constantly expanding every second. If it is in the stagnant condition it will lose its existence. Because it needs profits. These exploitative methods were brought to all the countries of the world in the name of globalization. These policies are being implemented in the name of development. This, in addition to exploiting the surplus value of labor, is increasing global warming due to natural disasters. The water is getting polluted. Many scientists and intellectuals are concerned that humanity is in danger on Earth. Economists, scientists and celebrities who once supported capitalism say that capitalism is no longer useful. There are many struggles being waged against imperialism

In brief, while the covid-19 crisis cannot be said to be coming at a particular time, it is neither an external force nor an unforeseen event. It is the result of this imperialist system. Capitalism today is facing a recession in production and investment, based on historically unprecedented low interest rates, extraordinary accumulation of wealth in the hands of a few, large amounts of debt, drained world investment, and monetary investment speculation. Inequalities in wealth and income have risen to unprecedented levels. What is happening is that the earth is being made without a suitable place for man to live, damaging the global environment. The global monopoly capitalism has become the main carriers of the new epidemic. Governments are enforcing large-scale financial sanctions in the form of neoliberalism and neo-fascism.

The global economic growth rate and debt during this crisis period are as follows. World economic growth is \$ 28 trillion. World debt rose to \$ 84 trillion. Debt is projected to grow to \$ 257 trillion by 2020. This is going to be 322% of global GDP.

Global GDP growth slowed to 3.9 per cent last year, from just 2.9 per cent in the previous year. Although the US grew at 2.3 per cent, Britain and France at 1.3 per cent, Japan at 1 per cent, Germany at only 0.5 per cent and China at 6.1 per cent of GDP growth, it has been very slow compared to growth since the 1990s. Thus the world economy is mired in a deep crisis

While the GDP growth rate in India was 7 per cent in the first quarter of 2018-19, it was only 4.1 per cent in the third quarter of 2019-20. This means that for seven consecutive quarters, the growth rate has been low, pushing the economy into recession, falling from 7.1 per cent to 4.1 per cent.

The growth rate has been below 1 per cent since the lockdown came into effect in the country from April 2020. Attempts by the government to lift lockdowns and boost economic growth are currently leading to severe exploitation and repression of the people.

Modi and his team are also shouting that the corona crisis should be turned into an opportunity to change the unfavorable situation in other countries. This is of no use to the public. The opportunities they say are useful only for corporate companies in the country, foreign imperialist multinationals. However, fulfilling the desire of the US and India to divert US investments in China to India will not be easy. Attempts to relocate investments to Vietnam in the past have failed. This is because the availability of raw materials required for production in China is high. Raw materials in Vietnam and India are not found at that level. The owners of comprador bourgeois companies acknowledge that the technology used to process raw materials in India is nasty, that foreign companies in China do not come to India and set up plants in the manufacturing sector due to problems such as the unavailability of skilled manpower and lack of infrastructure as desired by foreign companies. All foreign investment in India does not enter the manufacturing sector. Majority of foreign investment goes into share market. The Self-reliant India' and 'Make in India' slogans given by Modi do not materialized.

Lockdowns during this corona period in the imperialist countries around the world led to a negative growth rate in GDP. New technology, wars, are trying to solve the financial crisis by pushing the financial burden on the working class. That is why there are serious attempts to implement fascism around the world.

Today the contradictions between the imperialists are intensifying. America, as the leader of imperialist camp and in the name of suppressing terrorism, it has created a non-existent enemy and waged war on many countries. Created conflicts between nations and sold arms. The United States, Russia, China, France, and Britain are leading the way in the production and sale of weapons. The world's defense budgets have grown at a ten-year high of 4.2 percent.

Today there is contention between the US and China in matters such as Investment, technology, influenced regions, political influence. China, like the United States, has a trade surplus and lends to many countries.

As of February 26, 2020, China had lent \$ 1.5 trillion to 150 countries, according to the Harvard Business Review. It is lending to African countries, and Latin American countries. It is importing cheap raw materials from those countries and exporting the

manufactured goods to other countries at high prices. Now China is importing raw materials from the world to fulfil imperialist aspirations. It is importing more processed rare earth metals which are useful in electronics and weapons industries and try to show dominance over other imperialist forces.

The South China Sea has oil and gas reserves. 30% of global trade takes place through this region. There is an atmosphere of competition and conflict between the US and China for dominance in this region. American companies have invested in China and set up plants there. Chinese companies have invested in America. Today the economies and investments of many countries are mixed. Continue to exploit according to their shares. Compete for supremacy. Under such circumstances, the BJP and saffron gangs are propagating, "Buy only the goods of our country's companies, buy the goods made in our country." There is not a single company with investments in our country. All existing companies are comprador companies. All of these are stuck with imperialist investment and technology. Modi is only a servant to them. The United States ranks first and China second in the arms budget.

Under these circumstances the corona virus was rampant. The US-Trump has accused China of creating it and leaving it to the world. The Military Olympics in October 2019 were held in Wuhan. China has accused the United States of leaving the virus in Wuhan through players, claiming it was an American creation. Some scientists say it may have been born out of abrupt changes from a previous virus. However, the imperialists have caused many viruses in the past due to natural disasters, social destruction and biological nuclear tests. It was born as well. The imperialists are to blame for the birth of this virus.

Trump has said the WHO is pro-China and is threatening to pull out. Trump has said that the G-7 is outdated, that other imperialist countries have not sided with him, that the G-11 should be set up, and that India, led by broker Modi, should be included. Negotiations are underway to set up a fund in the European Union countries to combat the corona but unable to reach a common agreement. The economies of Spain, Greece, Italy, Portugal and Eastern Europe have already been hit. All these countries are stuck in a debt trap. Unemployment has peaked. Political instability continues. In the meantime, people around the world have defied law and order in 150 cities around the world in protest of the assassination of black George Floyd. Since hundred days above the protest rallies are contnuing in US. They demanded that the police system be abolished and that they themselves take responsibility for the protection of the people. Blacks and whites October 2020

all participated in these concerns. Idols of those who had previously traded in slaves were dismantled. Trump blasts that left-wing activists are behind these concerns.

Companies in Germany and France in Europe are plotting how to make a profit from the crisis. All capitalist countries have failed to cope with the covid-19 crisis. Because, education, health, welfare departments are all in the hands of private capitalist companies. Conflicts between imperialists are usually not resolved. They seek a solution through wars.

### Crisis cuts on the working class, the middle class and its consequences:

In capitalist-imperialist countries, large monetary investment companies have become increasingly profitable. As a result, workers' incomes fell. Income cuts heavily on middle classes. Employees lost earnings in the form of austerity measures, pensions, bonuses, and salary cuts.

In the name of modernization, in the name of outsourcing, they are continuing their economic and systemic attacks on the working class in a variety of ways. At the time of the corona crisis, there is a risk of further cuts on workers and the middle class. Wage cuts, cuts in unemployment benefits, cuts in welfare schemes such as education, healthcare and other facilities will further aggravate the plight of the people. This situation is likely to prepare the working class for militant struggles.

#### India-China border clashes

Let's look at the economic and political interests behind this.

America has emerged as a world hegemonic power in the world imperialist system since the collapse of Soviet imperialism after 1990. Has been waging wars for almost 25 years and subduing the nations of the world. Occupied some countries exclusively assassinated the leaders of some of the countries that opposed him. The U.S. still has troops in 200 places around the world. As a result, the U.S. economy has been steadily declining since 2010. The US is unable to control its lending to some countries through the World Bank. Its political reputation is steadily declining. In military terms it is still a superpower. The political decisions it took are failing.

Under such circumstances China (post-Mao (1980)) transformed into capitalist system in the name of market socialism. Especially after 2000, it joined world institutes like WTO and attracted investments and technology from other countries. Over the past 10 years China has emerged as the second largest economy after the United States. It emerged as a new imperialist power, competing with other imperialist powers in all spheres. As a global terrorist, the United States has taken steps to control China. US planning to damage One Belt-One Road initiative which connected 170 countries as world business platform for china.

The trade war between the US and China has been going on since 2018. Trump failed miserably in America because of the corona virus crisis. The American economy plunged further into crisis. At this point America wants to provoke wars and sell weapons and outdated technology to solve the crisis to some extent. Prior to that it formed the Quad with the United States, Japan, Australia and India. The US plan is to turn the Pacific-Indian Ocean region into a war zone and reap its benefits. As part of this, puppet Modi is ready to do whatever America says. In 2019, the Chinese company Huawei unveiled 5G technology. The company has received 40 percent of its earmarks worldwide. India has also ordered for 5G. This angered the United States, which imposed sanctions on Huawei, accusing it of leaking national secrets to the Chinese government. With over 50 crore middle class users, India is the largest market for software in the world. Trump laid out a plan to hand it over to American software companies. The Indo-China border clashes were created as part of this scheme. Prior to this incident, Modi government invited private investment in to BSNL and forced the 90,000 employees to take voluntary retirement. By doing so, creating opportunities for Reliance company and foreign companies.

Suddenly a drama of tension began on the India-China border. In short it brought 20 soldiers to their deaths. After that a patriotic play was played. The anti-China campaign began, with Chinese objects burned and prohibited. Again on June 23 our Foreign Minister sat down with China and Russia and gave a conciliatory statement. At the same time Modi goes to Ladakh as a movie hero and warns China. Media praised Modi for bringing Ajit Doval into the field, talking to Chinese military officials and forcing troops from both countries to withdraw. Can this hero negotiate in advance and save the lives of our soldiers! The scene is set for a "patriotic" play if there are sudden clashes on the border, killing 20 people and injuring a few more.

Modi faltered at the All-Party Conference and said that no one had occupied our territory. "This extrapatriot" boasted that no one had the courage to look down on India, provoking mania. Trump snorted from there to accompany Modi. China's 59 apps have since been banned. In the same context, the American company Google entered India. Domestic comprador Reliance Company decided to do business with it. They have announced that they will bring 5G technology. On the same occasion, puppet Rajnath Singh proclaimed that enhancing Army capacity by

bringing S-400 missile from Russia and Apache helicopters from America. Soon 5 Rafael fighter jets were imported into the country from France. In this way thousands of crores of rupees of public money has been burned for the purchase of imperialist weapons. In this wave, ministers and top military officials pocketed hundreds of crores of rupees. At the same time Modi sticking with the Chinese FDI also.

In this way we want the military brethren to understand that they are sacrificing soldiers in the name of patriotism and fulfilling corporate interests. We make it clear that Modi and company are playing "patriotic" plays on the corpses of soldiers.

With the country's economy collapsing, Modi, who failed miserably in tackling the corona, tried to divert public attention by making patriotism into commodity to divert public attention. The opposition parties are not revealed the truth. They are trying to use this incident in elections to get benefit. The paid media has proven itself to be ready to serve the interests of corporates.

At a time when the world is reeling from the effects of the corona virus, millions of people are dying in our country, creating border clashes, killing some soldiers, inciting war hysteria, playing a patriotic drama, expelling Chinese software companies for American companies and Ambani without competition in the country is exposing their treason. All the people should openly declare that they are the real traitors. The Modi government decision have benefited Ambani and Adani and America capitalists.

People from all walks of life should openly declare that puppets Modi, Amit Shah, Rajnath Singh, Nirmala Sitharaman, Nitin Gadkari, Ajit Doval, Vijay Kumar, Ram Madhav, Mohan Bhagavat, Ambani and Adani are real traitors. All must unite to drive out these traitors from the country.

'The class which control the physical means of production will also be controlling the thought producing machinery (Media, tradition religion etc.) and propagate ruling class ideas as people's ideology'—Marx.

PM cares fund collected the money by force from employees, they took collection from china company Mavavoh. They are hiding the details of how much was collected and how much was spent. And this money was not even used for corona victims. It was reported in the media that he had ordered Gujarat companies to manufacture sanitizers in his favor.

The RSS and BJP, which are shouting patriotism, are raising funds from foreign companies. In 2018-19, the BJP will collect Rs. 2300 crore. The Vivekananda foundation set up by Ajit Doval is also

bringing in crores of rupees in foreign funds and playing patriotic drama.

What is going on in this country is open fascist repression, massive exploitation, the real aim of puppet Modi and their saffron gangs is to hand over resources and public assets to corporates in the name of development.

Even during the coronavirus, 4 or 5 youths are killed in Kashmir every day and declared them as terrorists. The brutal onslaught is going on Maoist party which is fighting for the people with great courage and stick to peoples cause. Assassinations took place in the name of encounters and prisons are filling in great numbers.

Intellectuals, students, middle class, progressive forces should realize the actual condition of the country. Now there is no parliamentary democracyit is only naked fascism. Realization of real condition will benefit the country.

The former home minister who started the 'Green Hunt' operation in this country is now posing as transformed intellectual, writing articles that all the systems in the country have become fascist and the courts have become puppets in the hands of Modi. It would be somewhat graceful to apologize to the public for making a fatal mistake by launching the notorious Laws and the Green Hunt operation during his reign.

The CPI (M) is running a fascist regime in Kerala. The CPM party is also implementing the same policies what Modi is implementing. Making attacks on people who oppose it. Killing the Maoists who sided with the people. Day by day the base of these fascist revisionists is weakening.

The CPI party is weakening day by day in squabbling and legal battles. You realize the facts. What struggles do you have when there is not even parliamentary democracy? The rest of the way is militant fighting alone. This is how people are left behind.

In the current situation, all parties' organizations and individuals have to take the side of the people, formulate a specific program wherever possible and fight militantly for its implementation.

- 1. 15 kg of rice and wheat per person should be given free to unorganized workers, street traders, farm laborers, the poor and the middle class. 5 kg of pulses should be given. For other needs the family gets Rs. Up to 10 thousand should be given.
- 2. The national employment guarantee scheme should be increased to 200 days and be expanded to other areas. The daily wage should be at least Rs.350.
- 3. Labor laws should not be amended. Must enforce the laws they have with their rights.

- 4. All poor and middle class farmer loans should be canceled.
- 5. Adequate funding for agriculture will increase employment in rural areas and increase demand in the economy.
- 6. Interest-free loans should be given to micro, medium and commercial enterprises. If the GST on these companies should be abolished for a year, the economy will pick up and demand will increase. The government should directly assist them. The government's decision to give through banks and NBFCs is to deceive them. Banks are in the grip of corporates.
- 7. 5% should be allocated for education and 20% of GDP should be allocated for medical sector. By doing this, job opportunities will increase.
- 8. Stop subsidies and tax cuts to corporate entities. The government should increase income by raising income taxes on them and raising corporate taxes. During the crisis, the imperialist companies and the comprador companies should be specially taxed.

Production is increasingly being socialized but wealth is accumulating in the hands of individuals. This conflict needs to be resolved. Wealth and natural resources should be equally available to all people. Equal distributions should take place. This is possible only under the leadership of proletarian class under the guidance of revolutionary communist party. In today's conditions the world working class, the people are moving in struggles expressing so much hope that socialist society will come again. This is possible only through a revolutionary struggle under the leadership of the working class.

The world imperialist system has been in crisis since before. The revolutionary situation is further exacerbated during the corona. The chances of some new revolutionary parties emerging from the struggles around the world are plentiful. Existing parties are likely to strengthen.

Internationally the working class continues to wage militant struggles. The working class is uniting and advancing as a strong trade union movement. Workers in European countries, including the United States, France, Britain and Germany, continue to fight militantly. This sequence needs to be taken further.

In India Philippines, Turkey and in other countries the Maoist parties are fighting for its expansion by forming alternative political systems. Intensifying class struggles and advancing a new democratic revolution and leading democratic movements. PLA-PLGAs have been set up to counter the government's fascist forces and advance the revolution.

In this context, the revolutionary parties must stay with the people educate and mobilize the

# Engels, an exemplary theorist that can not be seperated from Marx

Engels was a great teacher who led the world proletariat along with Marx and the theory of working class. He was from the capitalist class but adopted working class philosophy.

Engels was born on November 28, 1820 in the town of Barmen in the Rhine Province of the kingdom of Prussia (Germany). His father was the owner of a yarn industry. He wanted his son to become his heir. Engels went against his father's wishes. He opposed the rise of industries,

capitalists and their wealth. He mingled with the working class.

He provided the working class with the most incredible ideological weapons needed to change their

In 1842, Engels studied the conditions of the pre-industrial working class in England for 21 months. In 1845, at the age of 24, he wrote a book entitled 'Conditions of the working class in England'. He journeyed with the working class, made deep insights into their conditions and analyzed it in many of his writings.

He understood the historical role of the working class. Realizing the importance of economic foundation of the society, he encouraged Marx to study economics. The philosophical significance identified by Marx, coupled with Engels' historical vision contributed greatly to the theory of classical Socialism.

Engels, together with Marx in his book 'German Ideology' in 1844, outlined the historical materialist view, which was the philosophical basis of

Communist theory. Engels became a true social ally of the working class, proposing a theory that needed to radically change the society as a whole. He identified the working class as the driving force for social change.

The conflict of ideas between Marx and Engels contributed greatly to their mutual intellectual development and laid the foundations for scientific socialist theory. The First International formed with

the initiative and in the leadership of the two great thinkers contributed to the

formation of a broad communist community. With the common understanding of the two, Engels made some small changes to what was being prepared, and that was 'The Communist Manifesto'.

Engels described the necessity of proletarian revolution that abolishes the existence of classes in

his book 'Scientific Socialism' in 1880s.

Engels, the leader of the world proletariat, had direct contact with the working class struggles in Manchester

since its inception in 1847 until its end. He was an adventurer and warrior who was directly involved in the democratic revolution in Germany in 1848.

The works of Marx and Engels are authentic. Some of the writings bear the name of Engels. One such was the criticism of Duhring that was published with the name of 'anti-Duhring'. Duhring was a German scholar who condemned Marx in the name of classical socialist theories.

people into struggles. More people need to be brought into party structures. The youth must be moved towards militant struggles. PLGA should be strengthened. All struggles must be attempted to move towards the same goal. The Revolutionary People's Committee should be campaigning as the only alternative. Should be increased to their extent. You have to travel towards the goal no matter how many obstacles you encounter.

The working class around the world has a history of heroic struggles. Class struggle is the driving force of history. The same path must be taken today. How struggles erupted around the world after the assassination of George Floyd in America must take its spirit and step forward to build a socialist system that will stifle imperialism.

In our country people have a heroic struggle history. People are real makers of the history. The exploitative classes that resort to fascism and suppress public movements will only shine for a moment. Without drifting towards reformism and sticking on the program, with strong leadership, we can succeed revolution.

The path is thorny, complex and long but there is no other go. We should take the bright future into our hands by travelling in this way.

With liberated ideology, clear programme, unified and strong leadership, we will achieve the target and final victory. Fight bitterly, people are real heroes and victorious.

Engels thoroughly studied natural sciences, physics, chemistry, and mathematics. He measured false doctrines with scientific standards. In 1878, he wrote 'Socialism: Utopian & Scientific', describing classical socialism based on Marx's 'history of class struggles,' the relationship between capital and labor, and surplus value. It includes philosophy, natural science and sociology. He brought it as a little book called 'Science' in 1850.

Engels wrote a book entitled 'The Peasant War in Germany' about the historic German peasant uprising of 1525. Marx recognized the role of peasantry and Engels asserted that the German Revolution would succeed based on the support of the peasants.

There are some more noteworthy writings of Engels. 'North Star' of the Chartist Movement and the magazine of the Owenite imaginative Socialist Movement carried many of his articles. He as well wrote to the 'New Moral World' and 'New Reinish Zeitung'.

Engels wrote 'Dialectics of Nature' (1873-1886), which remains an incomplete work. It was first published in 1925 in Russian and German after his death. "To do labor is to create a human being. Nature is dominated by knowing and using natural resources properly" said Engels.

The best of the Engel's writings is 'Origin of the Family, Private property and the State'. It is a Marxist theoretical text that outlines the evolution of human society with proper evidence. Engels wrote the book in 1884 with the aim of developing a scientific understanding of the past and present. For the first time in history, he established that Morgan's evolution of family is as important to social evolution as the Darwin's theory of evolution to human evolution and Marx's theory of surplus value to economics. He said that maternal rights were the pre-eminence of paternal rights found in civilized societies.

Marx and Engels corresponded extensively in 1844-83. The 1,386 letters were later published in four volumes. The letters reveal their far-sighted understanding towards the society. The letters are beacons to understand the society.

Marx and Engels possessed profound scientific and political knowledge. Their writings were the most important in formulating the tasks of the world proletariat. The writings helped it understand the exploitive order and the way to overturn it. Both of them worked in the most industrious and zealous way. Their intellectual togetherness and friendship continued until March 14, 1883 when Marx went to sleep forever.

The speech of Engels 'at the graveside of Marx' is historical. He said 'the greatest living thinker ceased to think', 'his name will endure through the ages and so also will his work'. After Marx's death, Engels continued to guide the socialist movement in Europe. Engels was flexible in using the experience of science.

'Das Capital' is the greatest contribution of Marx. Only the first part of it was published when Marx was alive. Engels continued the work and published the second part in 1885 and the third in 1894. He put in very great efforts in continuing the historical work with the meticulousness in the first volume. The social knowledge given by 'Capital' is invaluable.

On July 14, 1889, Engels organized and led the Second International at the Centenary Convention of the Bastille of Paris. He confronted the racist ideologies and revisionist tendencies against Marxism. The class struggle in Europe owes to the struggles Marx and Engels made in the ideological and political spheres.

The world knows little about Engels' personal life. Engels was aware of the consequences of taking up a profession different from his family. "Being a bourgeoisie is a bad situation, the bourgeoisie is antiworking class' wrote Engels in a letter to Marx.

For 20 years, Marx took up the burden of his family, doing a job he did not want. He had a strong desire in shaping the theory of the proletariat. Engels believed in the doctrine of abolition of private property and sacrificed his inherited property for the benefit of the working class. Politically and ideologically, Marx worked with strong ideals, but never thought of fame.

Mary Burns, who loved and shared life with Engels died out of illness in 1863. Her sister Lizzie Burns became his second wife in 1864. In 1878, Lizzie too died of illness, leaving no children for Engels. In his ending years in 1893, he traveled to Germany, Switzerland and Austria to advocate the movement. At the age of 75, he suffered from throat cancer for months. Also with his growing age and poor eyesight, Friedrich Engels died on 5 August 1895 in London.

Engels, a proletarian and proletarian theorist, was a memorable figure. He was a leader of the world proletariat who taught the liberation of the working class in both theory and practice.

While the invention of kinetic materialism was proved scientifically, the law of social motion was proved a theory for practice. Engels established a position indistinguishable from that of Marx. He is one of the two pioneers in the progressive accumulation of knowledge in history and emerged as an exemplary theorist.

Message

# Let us mold the Party strong, secret and invincible to the enemy! Let us defeat the strategic 'SAMADHAN' scheme of the enemy through intensifying and expanding active self-defensive war! The CC of the CPI (Maoist) Calls the ranks of the Party and Revolutionary people!

#### Dear comrades, people!

It is 16 years by September 21st this year for our Communist Party of India (Maoist) that emerged as the assimilation of two important revolutionary streams in the leadership of the great leaders of Indian Revolution, the founders of our Party and teachers Comrade Charu Mazumdar and Comrade Kanhai Chatterjee, as the genuine continuation of all the revolutionary factors in the prolonged history of Indian Communist movement along with the great Naxalbari Peasant Armed Revolutionary upsurge and as the genuine proletarian vanguard of Indian Revolution. The Central Committee calls upon the ranks of the Party and Revolutionary people to celebrate the 16th Anniversary of the Party from September 21 to 27 in the rural, urban, plain and forest areas all over the country with revolutionary fervor and revolutionary spirit, to make success the campaign for the consolidation of the Party with the objective to defeat the strategic 'SAMADHAN' scheme of the enemy and strengthen the Party and to enhance the mass base all over the country and intensify and expand class struggle and People's War.

Seventy-nine comrades became martyrs in the past one year in the People's War going on with the aim to make success the New Democratic Revolution in our country to establish Socialism-Communism in the world. 16 out of them are woman comrades. Several successes we achieved owe to the dare, courage, firm will, dedication and sacrifices of the martyrs. On the occasion of the Party Anniversary, let us pay revolutionary homage to our beloved leaders and martyrs Comrade Charu Mazumdar and Comrade Kanhai Chatterjee and to the revolutionary men and women warriors who served the Party and the Revolution until their last breath. The CC pays revolutionary homage to the brave warriors who laid down their lives in the New Democratic and Socialist movements going on in the leadership of Maoist parties and organisations in various countries with the objective of making successful the World Socialist Revolution and the warriors who laid their lives in the various anti-imperialist nationality liberation struggles, democratic, progressive and patriotic movements. Let us imbibe the spirit of the ideals of the martyrs. Let us hail their selfless service and sacrifice and pledge to fight until the end in the path of revolution.

On the occasion of the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Party last year, the CC gave a call to the committees of all levels from the top to the bottom to take up the campaign of consolidation of the Party to develop theoretical, political, military, organizational and cultural level and Communist values in the Party, to rectify alien class tendencies and to lessen the losses to the minimum level with the objective of overcoming the difficult situation and advancing the revolutionary movement. The Party committees in various parts of the country launched the consolidation campaign as per this call.

The exploitive ruling classes of India unleashed a severe offensive in the name of Operation 'Prahar' as a part of the counter-revolutionary 'SAMADHAN' in the past one year in a bid to eliminate the revolutionary movement in the leadership of our Party. Our Party made efforts to fight back the offensive and went ahead in the tradition of sacrifices of the martyrs to advance the revolutionary movement. Let us have a look into the successes, failures and problems in this process in the past one year.

Party — Our Party had been continuing the campaign for the consolidation of the Party in the past one year and made efforts to avoid losses, to protect and to enhance the subjective forces by developing the mass base and to fight back the counter-revolutionary 'SAMADHAN' scheme of the enemy through intensifying-expanding the People's War. The crisis that came forth with COVID-19 that arose in the end of 2019 clearly showed that it was the creation of imperialists. The Party adopted appropriate tactics during the crisis and started to make efforts to consolidate the oppressed people.

As a part of the campaign for the consolidation of the Party, the various Special Areas/Special Zones/

States held plenums and Zonal/Divisional committees, Sub-zonal committees, ACs, GPCs and Party cells were reconstituted or relatively strengthened. We have been holding state level plenums in the specified time for quite some time as a part of consolidating the Party and the movement. During the past one year new members joined the Party. We built many Party Primary Units. The plenums reviewed the movements in the respective Special Areas/Special Zones/States and took up tasks. We strengthened unity in the Party. We are making efforts to reconsolidate the urban organisation in some places. Some states had various degrees of recruitment.

As a part of the campaign for the consolidation of the Party, we completed the first phase of reviews during the consolidation of the Part time Party committees and decided the targets for the coming one year. We held political classes on political and organizational subjects such as the history of the Party, history of China revolution, Maoist work style, work methods of the committees and political classes for the new comers into the Party along with the ranks of the Party in various levels. We are able to run the periodicals in the central and many state levels in maximum possible regular manner and are imparting theoretical and political education. We issued press statements and made clear the position of our Party on several political issues in which we exposed the exploitive policies of the comprador ruling classes and made efforts to mobilise the people into struggles. We are taking up regular functioning of the party committees from the top to the bottom, identifying the favorable and unfavorable factors and are taking lessons from losses. We are striving to mold the Party into a strong Bolshevik party and took up rectification campaigns in some places. We held political classes and rectification campaigns against the wrong trend of patriarchy in all levels of Party committees.

The process of investigation into the changing socio-economic conditions in the leadership of the Central Committee and the various SAC/SZC/SC of our Party, adopting appropriate tactics and applying and implementing in the concrete conditions of the respective areas is going on. This is contributing to build and develop the various people's movements.

**PLGA** – The PLGA forces in the leadership of our Party are making guerilla war to the best of their

strength with initiative, dare and courage and containing the enemy offensive. The TCOCs taken up in the past one year were successful in some places and failed in others. The government armed forces were eliminated or injured in a few big and medium kind actions and hundreds of small actions in the various guerilla zones and red resistance areas and seized arms from the enemy. The successes instilled self-confidence in the PLGA forces. The front line forces gained good experience. The people's militia became relatively active in certain areas. With the effort to intensify People's War-Guerilla war and people's agitations we could temporarily stop mining, project construction of the imperialist Multi-National Companies and infrastructure facilities such as roads and culverts to help these by the government in some places.

We took up Military Leadership Training Program (MLTP) for the PLGA forces in various areas and made efforts to enhance political and military efficiency. We trained selected sniper teams and communication teams. We held several military training camps for the three forces of PLGA on mine warfare and developed few special teams in utilizing booby traps and remotes.

In some places we made various kinds of primary improvised artillery arms, ammunition and equipment for those depending on the local resources and gained good experience. With the results from experimenting them on the enemy, the PLGA forces gained self-confidence.

**United Front** – In areas where we destroyed the power of the state through guerilla war and preserved and strengthened the mass base, Revolutionary People's Committees (RPC) are functioning in the village, area and some divisional levels apart from the DK Special Zonal RPC Coordination Committee. These committees are organizing the people and seizing the lands of the evil landlords, hierarchs and anti-people forces and distributing them to the landless and poor peasants. They are implementing agrarian revolutionary reforms and bringing forth an alternate development model. They are implementing cooperative and collective agricultural methods in many areas basing on the people. As a part of consolidation, representative's meetings of the RPCs and conferences of secret Revolutionary Mass

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Organisations were held and efforts were made to consolidate them. New leadership was elected.

The past one year witnessed large scale agitations of workers, peasants, women, students, youth, intellectuals, middle class and people of other oppressed classes, oppressed social sections and oppressed nationalities all over the country. The people of areas where our Party does not exist are expecting it. As a part of it, there is a relative rise in the initiative of our Party forces to an extent in building people's struggles and in the participation in people's struggles.

Worker's organisations formed forums for united action against the amendments of labor laws and privatisation by the bureaucratic governments, united the organised and unorganized workers and took up agitations in several areas. The workers of coal mines all over the country are fighting in a militant manner against the privatization of coal blocks and permitting hundred percent FDI in them by the central government. The farmers of the country came together in various forums of united front in various states and are taking up agitations demanding solution to the agrarian crisis. In some areas the landless farmers and poor farmers took up struggles for land. There were struggles of women and students. Unemployed youth organised and came on to the roads with demands such as employment and unemployment allowance.

Women, Dalits, tribal people, religious minorities and other such socially oppressed sections united in the leadership of United Fronts formed in various levels against mob lynching, physical attacks and massacres of the Brahmanic Hindutwa fascists and took up struggles. They opposed the undemocratic and Hindutwa judgment of the Supreme Court on the Ramjanmabhumi-Babri Masjid dispute. There were united struggles of students and teachers in various colleges and Universities across the country against the attacks of the Hindutwa fascist goons on the students and teachers of JNU in Delhi. Our Party forces participated in the countrywide militant people's movement demanding the annulment of CAA, NRC and NPR that became a challenge to the survival of the majority oppressed classes, oppressed social groups and oppressed nationalities of the country. We held people's demonstrations in the areas of the movement.

There were rallies in all the areas of our movement demanding the annulment of the Supreme Court direction to displace the tribal people from the forests, for the right to jal-jungle-zameenijjat, against the New Forest amendment Act-2019 that serves the interests of Multi-National Companies and Comprador Corporate Companies and tramples the right of the tribal people to live and against the dissolution of GO No. 3 that specifies the appointment of tribal people in the agency areas by the Supreme Court. There were pathalgarhi (erecting stones that suggest the right of the tribal people to the forest) agitation and struggles for acquisition of coffee plantations in various areas. People, especially the tribal people took up militant struggles against the forcible displacement by the governments for the mining, heavy projects, plants, dams and National parks of the comprador companies, against the open cast mines, to protect their cultivable lands and for the protection of environment.

Our Party firmly stood together with the progressive and democratic sections of the country in support of the Kashmiri nationality that took up struggle against the dissolution of Article 370 and 35A and crushing the autonomy of Jammu-Kashmir by the Brahmanic Hindutwa fascist Modi clique bureaucratically. There were several struggles in the leadership of the mass organisations of Telangana bringing forth the alternate path of 'democratic Telangana' for the people. The movement for special Kosala area is taking birth in Odisha. The aspirations of the people of Vidarbha, Bastar and other areas are leading to several new struggles.

There were democratic agitations in various states against the fascist repression, for the release of political prisoners, against the ban on open mass organisations in various states, against the conspiracies to ban them, the undeclared ban, the suppression of the voice of democrats and the amendment of cruel laws such as NIA amendment act, UAPA amendment act and RTI amendment act. Revolutionary forces were part of the extensive movement through the forums in various levels and in various forms against the illegal arrests of prominent social, democratic and revolutionary activists in the name of 'urban Naxalites' under the Bhima Koregaon conspiracy case, for their release and especially for the immediate release of VV and

Saibaba owing to their declining health and in mustering international support for the same.

There were militant people's resistance struggles against the fake encounters, atrocities and police camps in the areas of our movement. The people demanded punishment of the accused police. People's courts were held to investigate police agents, informers and Home guards and scores of them were given appropriate punishment.

New experience was gained in developing forums of United Front out of such people's struggles that took place in a large scale in various states. There was relative rise in mass base. New local leadership is coming forth.

Our Party made efforts in the political struggles against the ruling Modi clique's Hindutwa fascism in various states, against the psychological war of the enemy on the Maoists, the imperialist companies and the policies of comprador rulers in the revolutionary, democratic and cultural sectors. It mobilised thousands of people in large cultural programs such as 'Kala Gajjap' in Dandakaranya and tried to expose the exploitive, oppressive and repressive policies of the imperialists and their comprador rulers in the present COVID-19 crisis and their strategy of 'Operation SAMADHAN'. It filled revolutionary passion in the people. The process of training revolutionary artists in the fields of literature and art through workshops is going on.

Thus our Party adopted appropriate struggle and organizational tasks basing on the favorable aspects of the revolutionary movement in the past one year, relatively strengthened the mass base, Party, PLGA and United Front and tried to advance the revolutionary movement. It achieved certain successes in accomplishing these tasks in some Special Areas/Special Zones/States. However, these successes could not bring a considerable change in the difficult situation of the revolutionary movement. The Party became quantitatively and qualitatively relatively weak due to the shortcomings in secret method of work, arrests, martyrdoms, the passiveness of some, surrender and the political degeneration of some individuals out of nonproletarian tendencies. Due to severe repression and the weakness of our subjective forces, the Party is lagging behind in consolidating the successes and in utilizing the good chances from people's agitations. With the loss of subjective forces, especially talented comrades, the leadership forces did not develop and also were not developed to the mark thus creating limitations in mass work. Some of the areas of the movement shrunk. Some areas of the movement were vacated and temporarily retreated. However the movement is extending to new areas and is gaining momentum. The party is making attempts to meet the people amidst severe repression and to consolidate them through propaganda, struggle and serving the people. In places where the movement fell in a difficult situation, it is lessening the losses, enhancing the mass base and trying to strengthen the movement. There are certain positive results. On the whole the efforts and the results in the past one year helped the Party to face the enemy and sustain the revolutionary movement.

During this period, new camps of the special police, Commando and Para-military forces were set up and carpet security strengthened thus intensifying the enemy offensive. Intelligence enhanced through persons who degenerated and became traitors and technically through mobile towers, drones, satellite surveillance along with the informer-covert network. The enemy took up counter guerilla operations, made information based attacks and created loss to the revolutionary forces. The exploitive government machinery is trying to step into the strong areas of the movement. There is a rise in government reforms. The local exploitive forces are re-consolidating. The situation of the movement turned difficult. We are increasingly facing an unfavorable situation.

However, the objective conditions are favorable. Apart from the revolutionary masses well experienced in protracted class struggle in the various Special Areas/Special Zones/States of the revolutionary movement, the Party, PLGA and various levels of people's committees are leading the people. They have firm faith in the people, the line of the Party and the advancement of revolution. The people have enormous confidence in the Party. They are supporting the ongoing People's War in the leadership of our Party. They are mobilizing in a large scale in various political and economic struggles. In some places they are resisting the armed police forces and creatively participating in People's War. Mass work is going on in various sections. There are ample opportunities for rise in recruitment and development of leadership. Our Party must have the initiative in adopting appropriate tactics against the

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fascist enemy offensive, against imperialist globalization and the rising Hindutwa fascism and organise the people. The local party and people's committees must be made to function with initiative, in an independent manner and invincible to the enemy. We must develop enough efficiency, proper method of work and skill in making a study into the constantly changing conditions, creative formulation of tactics according to the concrete conditions and implementation of the same. We can thus advance in the revolutionary movement in the path of success. We need to concentrate on the following theoretical, political, organizational and cultural tasks for this purpose —

# 1. Party must be molded strong, secret and invincible to the enemy

Party is one of the three vital powerful magic weapons necessary to accomplish New Democratic Revolution and later advance towards Socialism-Communism. Revolutionary proletarian Party alone can efficiently utilize the two magic weapons, People's Army and United Front. It is essential that the Party as a militant organisation taking up armed struggle against a strong enemy with the objective of seizing state power stay secret right from the beginning. Therefore in the present condition of severe counter-revolutionary offensive, it is our utmost important task to mold the Party invincible, secret and militant so as to build, preserve and strengthen it and to provide leadership to the people. Secret methods of work and the rules of guerilla war have to be definitely implemented without any kind of exemptions in order to protect the subjective forces at all levels, especially the leadership. We must pay special attention to reduce losses. The Party Members among the various Mass Organisations, people's Militia, organs of people's political power, forums of United Front and other such committees in the rural, urban, plain and forest areas must work in a secret manner. We must learn secret method of functioning, become part of the organisations of the broad masses and advance towards the revolutionary goal hand in hand with them. We must gain hold on this. We must be always prepared to face the brutal offensive of the enemy who attempts to smash the secret party organisation and to tactically step out of it. We must enhance sacrificing nature in the party.

The Party must apply the theory of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism to concrete conditions, formulate tactics and implement the same with unwavering strong will. In order to utilize the crisis out of the present COVID-19 pandemic, it is necessary to mold the Party so as to work among the agrarian, industrial, service and all the sectors in the rural, urban and plain areas, among the workers, peasantry, middle class and other oppressed classes, the Dalit, woman, tribal, religious minorities and other oppressed social sections and lead the class struggle. We have to enlighten the front rank elements of class struggle and recruit them into the Party. Only thus we can establish proletarian leadership on the broad oppressed masses. For this purpose we have to make efforts in the light of the experiences we achieved in the earlier campaign to bolshevise the Party.

We have to pay importance not to quantity but quality to strengthen the Party – We must strengthen the Party Primary Units starting from the village/town/factory/college level and the various levels of committees in the Party and PLGA in order to creatively implement the tactics that our Party adopted for the revolutionary movement to overcome the difficult condition. We have to develop the Party units and committees so as to work in areas of extensive and strong carpet security in the areas of movement, to expand our strategic areas and to work among the broad masses. For this purpose we have to pay importance not to quantity but to enhance the quality of the Party units. Quality shall lead to quantity. If the quantity is tempered in class struggle quality shall develop. Class struggle advances thus in the process of quality to quantity and vice versa. Therefore we have to pay attention to develop the efficiency of the Party committees in political, theoretical, organizational, military and cultural aspects. We have to control passiveness, surrender and betrayal. We must solve the problem of composition in the Party committees. We have to pay importance to work among the broad masses in the plain areas, gain recruitment from them and thus bring about a gradual change in the composition of the Party committees. Similarly we must pay attention to develop efficient organisers and commanders so as to consolidate the successes we achieved and to utilize the opportunities. We must train them in implementing Maoist work style, work methods of committees and to transform the

unfavorable factors favorable. We must pay importance to quality and not numbers in joining new members into the Party and the PLGA. We must concentrate on these aspects in the campaign for the consolidation of the Party.

Party must work with a strategic perspective in any area - In any area the Party must work first in the path of Protracted People's War that teaches to initially seize area-wise state power in the rural areas and gradually encircle and seize the cities. Strategic areas must be selected in the rural areas for this purpose. We must take up propaganda and agitation according to the specific conditions of different areas. As Mao said, the foremost task would be to 'work in the ideological sphere and mold the opinion of the people in order to bring down a political power'. We must organise the working class, peasantry, middle class and all the oppressed classes, social sections and the people of the oppressed nationalities on immediate and protracted issues. In the process we must coordinate legal and illegal struggles. We have to build class struggle and organise people's committees, people's militia and people's army. We have to develop class struggle into people's resistance struggle. We have to formulate the strategic perspective to establish red resistance areas, guerilla zones, guerilla bases and base areas in the rural areas of all states and regions. We have to coordinate the rest of the areas with the strategic areas. We have to coordinate plain and urban movements. We have to implement this perspective with a firm will. We have to stick to the Party line and work in a creative, planned and decisive manner.

# We must intensify and expand guerilla war - Guerilla war shall be the backbone for all the people's struggles. We have to gain hold in coordinating both these. We must be more active and mobile in war. We must demonstrate initiative. We must develop preparedness. We must enlighten the people with revolutionary politics, organise them in the people's militia and bring them in a big way into the arena to resist the enemy. We have to concentrate on intensifying and expanding the guerilla war constantly in order to contain the aggressiveness of the enemy and on increasing the participation of the people and people's militia in guerilla war. We have to work with firm will to reach the specified aim. We have to always study the weaknesses of the enemy, take up small and medium kind guerilla actions with the tactics of

decentralization and give blows to the enemy. We must prepare special (sniper, booby trap and remote) teams extensively in PLGA. We must develop war efficiency and instill self-confidence in the three forces of PLGA. We have to catch hold of chances and take up limited centralized/big actions with full preparations. We must root firm will among the Party, PLGA, various revolutionary mass organisations and RPCs to defeat the enemy offensive. On the occasion of the upcoming 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of PLGA, we have to take up the campaign to consolidate the Party in PLGA.

- 5. We must contain non-proletarian tendencies Since the average theoretical level of the party is relatively low and due to the lack of enough theoretical, political training, non-proletarian trends are arising in the Party. One of the utmost important tasks in Party activities is to provide theoretical and political education which we need to impart in a time bound manner. In order to control the non-proletarian trends we have to efficiently utilize the weapon of self-criticism-criticism basing on the principle of unity-struggle-unity. We must thus shed the wrong trends in Party, PLGA and United Front committees.
- We must widen the people's struggles against Brahmanic Hindutwa fascism and unite them – The Brahmanic Hindutwa fascist Modi clique of our country is working as a comprador to the imperialists, especially the US imperialists and is facilitating the way for their exploitation and oppression. It is unleashing a severe fascist offensive on patriotic, secular, progressive, democratic, revolutionary and nationality liberation movements and those of Dalit, tribal, woman and religious minorities. Oppressed social communities such as Muslims, Dalits, tribals, oppressed sections such as women, students, youth, intellectuals and oppressed nationalities such as Kashmiri, Asomese, Naga and Manipuri, various patriotic, secular, progressive and democratic forces are uniting in various forums and are in struggle. It is essential to develop the leadership role of our Party as the vanguard of the proletariat. We have to understand the ongoing developments and provide appropriate forms of organization and struggle. We have to avail the new forms arising from the struggles. We have to develop all our Party units so as to act upon the calls of the Party. We have to take initiative in building and developing people's struggles, building broad united

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fronts to unite them, in strengthening ourselves in them and in expanding People's war by solidifying mass base. We have to strive to participate in the people's struggles as one among the people in the sectors the Party activists are working. We have to place the position of the Party towards such struggles before the people. We must make efforts to lead those struggles and give proper direction.

We must develop struggles in cultural, educational and intellectual sectors against the feudal, imperialist vicious culture – The Brahmanic feudal Hindutwa fascist culture and the imperialist anarchic, consumerist culture is polluting the youth of the country through TV, radio, internet and other such kinds of multimedia and is making them useless. These are saffronising the educational and intellectual fields. We have to expose this selfish, criminal evil culture with an aspiration of profits that is poisoning the minds of the people in various forms as a part of globalization. We have to take up various forms of organisation and struggle against the Hindutwa fascist offensive and develop class struggles in cultural, education and intellectual fields. We must develop genuine democratic culture.

We must build anti-fascist, anti-imperialist, anti-comprador bureaucratic bourgeois, anti-feudal United Fronts and strengthen the same – With the imperialist-capitalist economy falling in the mire of crisis, the decline of the economies in various countries with the spread of Corona virus and the bureaucratic imposition of lockdown brought the life of the people to a standstill and created enormous difficulties to the worker, peasant, middle class and other oppressed masses, especially the migrant laborers thus leading to the intensification of international and domestic contradictions turning the conditions favorable to revolutions. The struggles of worker, peasant and middle classes are going on in a militant manner. The imperialists and their compradors further intensified fascism to divert these struggles. Fighting back fascism became the immediate task of the oppressed classes, oppressed social sections and oppressed nationalities of the country. The Party must concentrate and make efforts to unite such various streams of struggle and build anti-fascist, imperialist, comprador bureaucratic bourgeois, feudal United Fronts and strengthen them. All these activities of United Front must contribute to further intensify and expand the armed struggle. For this purpose the understanding of the Party units, fractions and committees on tactical and strategic United Fronts must be developed. We have to unite friendly forces against the main enemies and develop movements and thus strengthen the people's democratic movements. We have to gain the friendly forces on our side. We must make daily assessment as to how many new forces we have gained.

At the same time we must not give way to sectarianism and narrow minded trends in the people's movements. We have to deal with a broad democratic perspective in the light of MLM theory. Basing on common decisions we have to play an important role in building and strengthening the people's movements. We have to develop the Party as an important force against imperialism and fascism fighting for nationality liberation, people's democracy and Socialism.

9. We must intensify, expand and consolidate the people's struggles going on all over the world against imperialism — As a part of intensifying, expanding and consolidating the proletarian, nationality liberation, New Democratic struggles and movements going on in a spate all over the world against imperialism and its puppets, we have to develop anti-imperialist struggles and movements in the country. We have to strengthen the anti-imperialist United Front and make efforts to build and strengthen such fronts in the international level.

We have to widely propagate MLM to eliminate the imperialist system. As a part of advancing the world proletarian movement against imperialism we have to expose the neo-revisionism of Prachanda-Bhattarai and Avakian. We have to extend support to the people's wars going on in various countries. We have to muster solidarity to the peoples' movements, rebellions, especially the nationality liberation movements. We have to strive to gain new sections towards communism.

#### Dear comrades, people!

COVID-19 pandemic became a major threat to the world humankind. Such viruses are attacking the humankind due to war mongering, profit aspiring imperialists and due to the destruction of environment by them. The inordinate crisis that arose in the world with the pandemic led to unprecedented intensification of the fundamental contradictions. Imperialists, comprador bureaucratic

capitalists and big feudal classes are severely trying to utilize the COVID-19 crisis in their favor. The exploitive governments are giving bail out packages to the capitalists and putting the burden of the crisis on the worker, peasant, middle classes and other oppressed people. Lakhs of people are dying out of the pandemic, hunger and suicide. This is leading to an upsurge of struggles of the oppressed nationalities and people all over the world. Progressive International was formed with the initiative of Berny Sanders in the US and Unis Veroufoukis in Europe. In our country the Brahmanic Hindutwa fascist Modi clique is utilizing the crisis, deceiving the people in the name of 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' on one hand and on the other intensified economic reforms in the interest of the imperialists. The government is instigating the crores of oppressed masses who became astray with the impact of Corona, with the boycott of China goods and anti-China and anti-Pakistan chauvinism to divert their severe anger and discontent. On the other it is collaborating with the Chinese FDI. This is more and more exposing the pro-imperialist, traitorous, anti-people policies of the Brahmanic Hindutwa fascist clique. The workers' organisations are getting down to struggles with their livelihoods falling in danger. Apart from the unemployed, lakhs of migrant laborers are coming on to the streets and are in struggle. With the intensification of agrarian crisis the peasantry is taking up the path of agitation. The decline of economic situation of the middle class is creating a situation for them to fight for survival. Struggles are going on in several places against the attacks of Brahmanic Hindutwa fascism on the entire oppressed classes, oppressed social section and oppressed nationalities. All this shows the most favorable situation for the advancement of the revolutionary movement. Let us efficiently utilize this favorable condition to overcome the difficult situation in the revolutionary movement and advance it. Let us mobilise the broad oppressed masses, become part of people's struggles and lead them. Let us develop them into resistance struggles and coordinate them with the PPW. On the occasion of the 16th Anniversary of the Party let us make success the consolidation campaign of the Party and consolidate-strengthen the Party. Let us mold it into a militant and organised one and that with proletarian iron discipline. Let us enhance the mass base all over the country and expand People's War

with the aim to defeat the strategic 'SAMADHAN' plan of the enemy.

#### Dear comrades, people,

Enlighten and organise the broad masses to implement the above mentioned tasks on the occasion of the 16th Anniversary of the Party. Propagate the successes of the revolutionary movement through pamphlets, posters, banners, brochures, booklets and cultural programs all over the country starting from the village/town/college/ factory level. Conduct rallies, people's' meetings, seminars, photo and art exhibitions in a big way. Stridently put forward that communism is invincible. Boldly and assertively state that the imperialists and all kinds of reactionaries shall ultimately collapse and the oppressed people of the world shall achieve the ultimate victory and that the success of New Democratic Revolution and World Socialist revolution is certain.

- ♦ Mold the party strong, secret and invincible to the enemy!
- ♦ Take up the entire activities of the Party with a strategic perspective!
- ♦ Intensify and expand the People's war-Guerilla war strengthening the mass base! Defeat the strategic 'SAMADHAN' scheme of the enemy!
  - ♦ Control non-proletarian trends in the Party!
- ♦ Expand and unite the ongoing people's struggles against Brahmanic Hindutwa fascism!
- ♦ Build and expand the struggles against the feudal imperialist vicious culture in the cultural, educational and intellectual fields!
- ♦ Build and strengthen anti-fascist, antiimperialist, anti-comprador bourgeois and antifeudal United Fronts!
- Intensify, expand and organise the people's struggles against imperialism going on all over the world!

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Revolutionary Greetings

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# 'PLGA is our teacher, our protector, it is us!'

### (On behalf of PM Neelima was interviewed with some PLGA members)

This year is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the People's Liberation Guerilla Army, PLGA. It is known to all that PLGA is the People's Army formed and working in the guidance of the CPI (Maoist). PLGA is described in many ways by many. But how does a member of PLGA describe it? This article tries to bring out the expression of a few members of PLGA about PLGA.

When asked, some of the interviewed PLGA

members said they came to know about the People's Army in its total sense after they joined it. At home they knew it as a squad and that it fights with the enemies and protects the people. After they joined PLGA, they said –

'I learned to read and write'; 'I started to know the

world'; 'I knew how to fight with the enemy'; 'I knew how to serve the people'; 'I learnt discipline'; 'PLGA is working for the liberation of the oppressed, so I shall also work to serve the people'; 'the PLGA molded me into a Professional Revolutionary'; 'I could overcome patriarchy in my ideas that the society imposed, I can now move around freely without inhibitions among men'.

The daughters and sons of the soil thus sprouted in the People's Army. Then they started to understand the politics of it. They said –

'PLGA is working in the guidance of the CPI (Maoist); 'it brings down the power of the village gentry'; 'It establishes people's power'; 'It protects jal-jungle-zameen, the mineral wealth and the natural resources'; 'PLGA drove out the forest looters and established the right of the people to forest'; 'it shall change the lives of the people'.

In the PLGA they saw a totally different social milieu. It is anti-feudal and is egalitarian in more than one aspect. This is how the comrades described the work style of PLGA –

'There is equality among men and women. There is no discrimination such as race and caste'; 'PLGA is training the people to fight against the exploiters'; 'The poor people are empowered with PLGA'; 'it helps the people in their agricultural work'; 'it stands

steadfast amidst severe enemy offensive; 'it shakes the enemy and contains them from attacking the people'.

The comrades are now very clear about the benefits out of the People's Army. They are confident that PLGA defends and protects and also betters the people's lives. They affirmed –

'PLGA defeated Salwa Judum. It gave a stiff

resistance to Operation Green Hunt and is now giving 'samadhan' (answer) to the strategic offensive SAMADHAN. Without this resistance the people cannot continue their agricultural activities'; 'the people give life to PLGA

and the PLGA gives life to the people'; 'the people can have no life, no land and no change without PLGA'; 'PLGA works under the Party that is our mother'.

'PLGA is not distant from the people. It is born, grows, protects and is protected by the people'; 'the people are enthused with the achievements of PLGA and are increasingly recruiting their children into the Army'.

We can understand how the PLGA members prepared for the sacrifice. They explained –

'I know that we cannot live without the Party and PLGA. So I am prepared to die for the people as a member of PLGA'; 'my parents know that without the Party and PLGA the people cannot have a better living and so they sent me into the people's army'.

Why do Maoists kill the police who also come from poor classes is a normally posed question by urban dwellers. This is what the PLGA members have to say about it –

'The police protect the exploiters that are the enemies of the people. We do not wish to kill them. But when they come to attack us on behalf of the exploiting classes we are forced to attack them'; 'this is class struggle and those who come in the way must be wiped out'; 'we do not make violence, but the question is if we want power, we will have to apply force'.

In an answer to the question that the people are caught between the police and the Maoists, the members of PLGA said –

'This is absolutely wrong. Who are the members of PLGA? It is we, we are the people here. PLGA is synonymous with the people'; 'the police massacred people in Sarkinguda, Edsametta during the BJP rule and in Tadiballa during the present Congress rule. The massacres were made because the people and the PLGA are one and the same'; 'war is inevitable to change the society'; 'the Maoists are not in the jungle, they are with the people'; 'the traitors who left the Party are making the ill propaganda but in fact the people wish the Maoists and the PLGA, the army of, by and for them; 'the government makes conspiracies to displace the people and suppresses the just people's movement; 'the Party and the PLGA gave land, cattle and life to the people. So why does the question of victimisation come forth?'

When asked which is important, politics or gun, they unwaveringly said –

'Politics is the guide. Guns help to achieve political power'; 'we can use the weapon only if we know politics';

The PLGA members are keen on strengthening the People's Army. They know how they can do it. They are optimistic when they said –

'We must strengthen the basic organisation among the people, the Party Committee. Militia, village protection squads and other such military units formed from among the people must function more actively. The RPC and Mass Organisations too must be strengthened'; 'the people's army shall strengthen only through the strength of the people'; 'in order to strengthen PLGA, we have to go to the core, that is the basic problem of the people's life'; 'repression leads to resistance, the youth will join PLGA on par with repression'; 'the PLGA is among the people, so it will strengthen according to the necessities of the people'; 'we have to overcome our weaknesses and shortcomings through which we can take forward PLGA with the aim to transform into PLA'.

#### A special note:-

A woman guerilla who joined the PLGA from a city said –

'I never imagined I would become a soldier. I still feel surprised about it. The military uniform, weapon, cap brought a total change in my life. I saw the character of a 'worker' in the guerilla life. I feel guerilla life as a gift. Initially I found difficulty in maintaining the timings that are very important in guerilla life, with my given anarchic urban life. But gradually I understood the politics behind the discipline and now I do not feel difficult. Moreover I feel passionate to follow the discipline. I am very impressed with the kind of equality among men and women guerilla members. I cannot imagine this type of democracy in the families in the ordinary society. I am happy that my journey is toward the attainment of people's power'.



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go away you shall be saved. Otherwise wait to see what happens. If the collector comes here tomorrow, you leave along with him'.

The police officer told them that they can go to Narayanpur to meet the Collector. But the people said,

'We will not go to Narayanpur. The collector must come here'.

In an answer to the police who said they are for the protection of the people, they said,

'You have not come here for protection. You shall commit atrocities on women. You shall arrest the people in the name of Naxalites. We shall live as we will come, more armed forces will come. You already were living until now. If you bring the camp, road

spoilt the environment and the lives of the people with the camps. Why do you come to village to village?

'All the laborers who came to work for the building must leave. Do not stay here. If you stay you shall die. Go away'.

The people's struggle went on for nearly two months. But the government did not vacate the camp. In the following months the PLGA wiped out four policemen in two incidents near Amdai and Tulada. It also seized their weapons that included AK-47 and In sass. The people continue to struggle with the PLGA in their support and the Party to guide them.

# Red Salutes to Comrade Srjana, A revolutionary of the first generation

Comrade Srjana laid her life in a courageous battle with the C-60 Commando force that encircled the squad in the forest of Seenbhatti village of Etapalli taluk of Gadchiroli district in Maharashtra on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2020. Comrade Srjana is one of the senior most comrades in the Party.

Comrade Srjana was born in a middle class family of Arky clan in village Gopanur in Bhamragarh tehsil in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra. Her parents named her Jaini. She has a younger sister and an elder brother. Comrade Srjana was engaged in agricultural labor work along with her family members since her childhood. When Comrade

Srjana attained adolescence her parents got her married to a cousin. The marriage was against her will and so she ran away from her in-laws' house. The husband and the in-laws got her back. The second time she succeeded and started a life of her own in another village with the help of relatives.

By that time the revolutionary movement entered the area and Comrade Srjana came in touch with the cadres of the revolutionary party. She initially became part of the Krantikari Adivasi Mahila Sangathan

(KAMS). She understood the way of emancipation of women from her activity in the organisation. Her raising consciousness made her join the revolutionary movement in 1988 summer. Initially she worked in Bhamragarh area of Gadchiroli district. She was later appointed in Perimili area where she became popular with the name Chinnakka. In 1991 she was transferred to the present Tipragarh area of North Gadchiroli Division.

Comrade Srjana was a steadfast communist. She unwaveringly stood amidst severe offensive of the enemy. 1991-94 was a testing time for the movement in the district. The Maharashtra government took up multi-pronged offensive on the revolutionary movement that was increasingly gaining the hearts of the tribal people. It made a 'special plan' in 1991 for the suppression of the movement. It took up several kinds of reforms. It formed a special C-60 Commando force in the district in 1992. Comrade Srjana stood firmly among the people and relentlessly strived to preserve the movement at a time when especially in Tipragarh area, in addition to the police attacks, anti-people

forces and informers were making large scale combings in a bid to eliminate the squad and to find out the Party funds stored in the forest.

The leaders of few squads left the movement unable to bear the attacks, joined the enemy and attempted to weaken the revolutionaries. Comrade Srjana had an active role in exposing their reactionary deeds among the people.

Comrade Srjana joined the first Platoon the Party formed in 1995 in the process of advancing the movement to a higher level. She gained good experience in the field of military after working for three years in the Platoon. She gained experience in

several ambushes in which the enemy forces were wiped out. She fought back the enemy in nearly 30 encounters in her long revolutionary life. In the encounter in which she became a martyr, she fought on par with the enemy and died heroically to protect her beloved cadres.

In 1998 she was transferred to mass work in view of the necessities of the movement and became part of the Kasansur AC. Since then she worked for nearly 22 years among the people in the area. She was

elected into the Divisional Committee in 2004. When the Gadchiroli movement developed into two divisions in 2006, Comrade Srjana became part of North Gadchiroli Division. She educated, mobilised and organised people into the Revolutionary Mass Organisations, Revolutionary People's Committees and PLGA. Martyr Comrade Ranita who gave a blow to the C-60 men before dying a heroic death and many other martyrs and activists were trained by Srjana.

Comrade Srjana became a member of the Regional Committee (RC) in 2009. She became part of the Unified Command formed in 2013 that coordinated organizational and military work and gained good experience in mass work and military work.

Comrade Srjana learnt to read and write only after joining the Party. Her subjective efforts led her to lead the movement in the status of RCM. Comrade Srjana discussed many complex problems of the movement to be solved in her committee. She placed them before the Party forums and took part in collective solutions. She identified and exposed the

# Jagan and Babu – the brigands looting the wealth of the people of AP

#### - Bhuvana Chandra

As parliamentary democracy 'shines' in Andhra Pradesh, people are confined to the vote box and the industrial, business and commercial heads of real estate, big contractors and small landlords are increasingly subjugating the state, causing mass exploitation and oppression. In distributing this predatory wealth, these brigand gangs are clashing with opportunistic alliances in the most bizarre and cheap fashion. This is seen in the form of clashes between the YSRCP, Telugu Desam, BJP, Jana Sena, Congress and other such parliamentary parties, which represent these cliques in political power. Particularly in 2014, N. Chandrababu Naidu, who

ruled the state since the formation of undivided Andhra Pradesh, and the present ruler Y.S. Jaganmohan Reddy have taken up the art of dictatorship, anarchism, and deception not only in pursuit of their own class interests, but also to make large sums of plunder.

Babu won the elections in the first assembly elections of Andhra

Pradesh in 2014 by luring the people with fraudulent promises, and once he came to power kept them aside. The waiver of the loans of farmers and DWAKRA was a mere act of consolation. While none of the election promises have been comprehensively implemented, he and his entourage have amassed thousands of crores of rupees in the name of capital Amaravati and Polavaram projects. Real estate merchants, mainly the associates of Babu filled their pockets from Amaravati lands and the big contractors did it from the construction of the Polavaram project. In fact, Babu could not complete the two projects that he claimed to be his eyes. However, he and his entourage benefited greatly from both of these. The sand mafia, mining mafia, liquor mafia, educational and medical corporations of the Babu clique sucked the blood of the people. They grazed the wealth of the state in an indiscriminate manner. All these brigands led by

Am aravathi

Babu, from the very beginning, used the constitutional machinery as a means of hoodwinking the people and perpetrating their exploitation and persecution. In particular, they hired IAS and IPS officers to act as their pawns in the bureaucracy. In return, the officials violated laws and unleashed indiscriminate violence on the people. On the day Babu took charge as the Chief Minister in 2014, the police killed three CPI (Maoist) cadres in a covert operation in Nallamala forest area. Since then various forms of state violence were perpetrated against the people until he lost power. The police shot down 20 ordinary workers but left free the

> contractors involved in the illegal export of sandalwood in a encounter. Initially Babu was in favor of BJP and opposed the demand 'special status' for AP. He enforced severe repression on those who fought for it. Later, Babu changed his stance, demanded special status and

once again showed his opportunistic nature, claiming to be the actual leader of the movement. In the Eastern Ghats, the police drowned the Maoist Partyled tribal peasant movement against bauxite mining carried out by Multi-National Corporations in blood. It shall not be an exaggeration to say that there was not a single oppressed class or section that was not tortured during Babu's rule (2014-2019). In addition to the violence to control the struggling people, he set up Janmabhoomi committees to unleash hegemony on the people of the countryside. These committees served as social prop for the Babu clique and galloped on the people. On one hand there was the fiasco of welfare schemes, plunder and persecution and on the other red carpet was laid for the Multi-National Corporations in a bid to increase the wealth of the state. However, since global capitalism is in a monetary and economic crisis, Foreign Direct Investment did not come in as

covert question that came forth in the division and demonstrated great initiative in protecting the Party.

Comrade Srjana who stepped into the path of the movement opposing patriarchy in the society, also worked in the Women's Sub Committee for a while.

Comrade Srjana is a revolutionary of the first generation who gained tremendous experience in enormous confidence of the Party, PLGA, cadres and all the sectors of the movement and gained people. Members of the various Party Committees, PLGA, RMOs and RPCs pledged to take forth the ideals of Comrade Srjana.

Red Salutes to Comrade Srjana.



Babu hoped. Babu did not get the opportunity to serve his imperialist masters.

The clique pushed Jagan, another capitalist and feudal gang leader who has been the main competitor for power and exploitation and persecution into a corner and left no space for his future prospects. In the April 2019 assembly elections, the people frustrated, exploited, persecuted and humiliated with the anti-people, destructive, road-roller regime of Babu voted him out of power and brought the YSRCP party and its leader Jagan of the big capitalist and big feudal classes to power. The people of our country in the 72 years of parliamentary democracy only have 'freedom' to choose one predatory class in the place of another that exploits and oppresses them.

In the April 2019 assembly elections, the Jagan-led YSRCP party won 151 seats out of the total 175. The TDP won 23 seats and the Janasena Party won one. The BJP and the Left did not win a single seat. People brought the YSRCP with a large majority, despite knowing that he made thousands of crores of money through illicit ways, that he acted as an unconstitutional power when his father late Y.S.

Rajashekhar Reddy was the Chief Minister and that demonstrated greed for power after the death of his father. This was mainly because people were against Babu and partly due to the illusions in the name of 'navaratnas', the welfare activities for the people created by Jagan during his long march and his deceptive pledge that he would not step back until achieving 'special status'. However, when the Modi-led BJP gained absolute majority in the parliamentary elections, Jagan showed the excuse, said that we cannot pressurise the Center for a special status right now, and stepped out of the demand. His promise of 'special status' proved to be a false statement. It has become a common affair in every election for some predatory gang coming to power based on some factors. As long as people continue to be politically backward and are satisfied for having a 'killer of sheep instead of a killer of cow' the situation shall continue. The only way to change this situation is to mobilize the working class in class struggle so that they are liberated from alienation of labor. Only then, the working class people shall destroy the dictatorship of the comprador, bureaucratic bourgeoisie, the big landlord and exploitive classes that are in the garb of parliamentary democracy and establish the genuine democracy of four revolutionary classes (working class, peasantry, petty bourgeoisie, nationalist bourgeoisie). They shall bring the dictatorship of revolutionary classes on the exploitive classes and attain real freedom.

It is 10 months since Jagan took over as chief minister. It would be foolish of anyone to think that the Jagan regime is different from the Babu regime. Whichever party comes to power either at the center or in the states, it shall act as the representative of the Comprador, Bureaucratic Bourgeoisie and the feudal classes and exercises its class dictatorship under the guise of Republic. Jagan's regime is no different. Since he took pledge as the Chief Minister on May 30, 2019, he is mainly sailing with the Brahminical Hindu fascist Modi-led BJP government at the Center and the MPs of his

party voted for the most undemocratic, anti-nation, anti-people, fascist laws (Article 370, Article 370, Triple Talaq, CAA, NPR and NRC) without recording any difference of opinion. He also approved the utmost undemocratic judgment of the Supreme Court regarding Ram janmabhoomi. Jagan's approval in these matters reveals his fundamental political attitude.

Now let us have a look into his administrative measures in the state.

1. Strengthening the bureaucracy, especially the police machinery – For the past 10 months, Jagan government has consolidated the 'bureaucracy', especially the police force, just like the previous governments. Jagan undertook many reforms in favor of the police system to mold it into his baton. He appointed the police and civil service officers who had served during the tenure of his father YSR in key positions. These officers unleashed key powers in the YSR regime, acted undemocratic and cruel in their pursuit of the interests of the predatory classes, especially the YSR associates and made crores of rupees through illegal and corrupt means. This is why these loyal agents were eager to reclaim their position when Jagan came to power. Jagan appointed them in key positions. In addition to this, he put the IAS and IPS officers most loyal to Babu in the 'loop lines'. He alleged a few with corruption and took action. This normal process happens whenever there is a change in the government in the current system of exploitation.

**2.** Reviewing the decisions of the past government – When Jagan came to power, he got down to review certain important decisions such as

power purchase contracts, Polavaram contracts, incentives given to Kiakar Company and the decision regarding the capital of the state taken during Babu's reign saying that the people's money was stolen and wasted. In fact, such reviews happen whenever governments in the center or states change. These reviews have so far revealed no criminals and no convictions. If such reviews were to take place based on facts, majority of the present-day parliamentary parties would have to be behind the bars. This is why these reviews are conducted formally. Their aim, however, is to undermine the financial resources of the earlier ruling elite and secure those resources in the hands of the new ruling class. This provoked Jagan to launch a review war on Babu. Right in the beginning of the review of power purchases, Jagan had to oblige the central government and higher courts that urged him to 'stop the review since such a review shall breach the confidence of the investors.' In the name of reverse tendering, in the case of the Polavaram contract he removed Navayuga company that Babu appointed and introduced Megha engineering company of his own. Jagan said that 625 crore rupees of public money had been saved through this move, but the people feel that the reverse tendering itself is a big scam. In the name of review, the Jagan government is pressurizing the Kia industry regarding the incentives given by Babu and has been blackmailing it to seize large-scale commissions. Alleging Babu and his followers for having done 'insider trading' the Jagan government approved the decision of three capitals in the name of decentralization of administration against the decision of the previous government. Accordingly, Amravati shall be the legislative capital, Visakhapatnam the executive capital and Kurnool the judicial capital. On this occasion, the Jagan government put forward another false claim that this 'decentralization would facilitate development other than governance'. In fact, the actual issue involved in the change of capital is to bring down the value of the lands illicitly acquired by Babu and his real estate merchants in the building of capital city in Amaravati and to acquire wealth for him and his real estate entourage in Visakhapatnam. The real estate vultures close to Jagan are already in Visakha. So in terms of the people, decentralization does not benefit in any way. Linking the decentralization of capital city and decentralization of development is a mere sham. The history of the ruling classes of our country is to fall like vultures on the sources wherever they exist and exploit them. There was never equality of justice and development of all the areas (including backward areas).

Therefore, the state should be divided into North Andhra, South Andhra, Rayalaseema, Palnadu-Velnadu areas, study the natural, geographical, economic and social conditions of the region and develop them according to specific conditions. This does not require the decentralization of governance. It requires honesty, integrity and will. However, the ruling classes of the country are keener in their interests than that of the people. They bring forth various kinds of deceptive arguments such as 'decentralization of governance and decentralization of development' in order to divert the people without solving the 'problem of unequal development of areas'. The Jagan government is also making a similar argument. There are unending debates in Andhra Pradesh over the decision of the three capitals. People are unable to come to an opinion. This is due to the undemocratic and authoritarian stance adopted by Babu and Jagan. At least now, the Jagan government needs to take the opinions of the people and, if necessary, review its decision of three capitals and make a decision acceptable to the people. The Assembly and Secretariat should be set up in Amravati in view of the current state of affairs and practical problems. Babu's romantic 'Capital Amaravati' should be built in an ordinary manner according to the economic conditions of the state. The High Court Headquarters should be set up in Kurnool, keeping in view the historic 'Sreebhag agreement'. High court benches should be set up in Amravati and Visakha. There must be a practical solution to the problem as soon as possible in view of the aspiration of the people.

3. Implementation of 'Navaratna' – During the election, Jagan promised Navaratna (Farmer assurance, Fee Reimbursement, YSR propaganda, Homes and Pensions for all the poor, ban on liquor and programs such as Arogya Sree, Jalayagnam and Amma odi regarding health, water and children) during his campaign. They were also included in their party's election manifesto. After the election, Jagan stated that the Navaratnas were his 'Gita, Quran, Bible' and got down to implement them. Anyhow, none of these schemes brings any qualitative change in the lives of the people. Moreover, such schemes are not new to the people. These are being implemented in all the states of the country in the past and even now. Some liberal democrats do not understand the nature and the objective of these welfare schemes politically and say that some of them are welcoming and acceptable. Such an attitude only serves the bourgeoisie.

These welfare schemes are, in fact, the left overs given to the people by the exploitive classes who are living by exploiting the people's labor. These

brigands drilled and seized maximum possible funds and are giving the left out part to the people with 'a broad heart' with 'utmost charity'. How much of this do the people actually receive? Half of it shall be over due to corruption of the officers. Now that the LPG policies are being implemented globally, imperialists and their puppets not only adopted the tactics of putting the people in the illusion of welfare schemes but also directed the respective governments to borrow loans above their capacity and to gradually put the burden of debt on the people. Jagan is strictly implementing these instructions. The state is already embroiled in two and a half lakh rupees of debts. In addition to this, the state government has increased the debt in the name of 'Navaratna' and is going to put the burden of debt on the people in the form of taxes. When people do not understand these facts, they fall into the delusion of welfare schemes. They cannot see the other side of Jagan. That is to increase the wealth of the state. This means to loot the wealth of the state for Multi-National Corporations and domestic corporates and help them mint extreme wealth. In a way, this is to increase the wealth of these exploitive classes in the name of increasing the wealth of the state. The exploitive classes blindfold the people with the 'welfare schemes' so that they do not understand this conspiracy. Jagan government succeeds in blindfolding the people with the deceptive 'Navaratna'.

4. Red carpet for multinational and domestic corporations – As soon as Jagan came to power, he stated that 'those who set up industries in the state must give more than 50 per cent jobs to the local people'. Though there was some talk that this might keep foreign and domestic investors away, Jagan, recently made an agreement with Anil Ambani and selected Reliance Group Chairman Parimal Natwani as a Rajya Sabha member from AP. With the implementation of the Navratnas in the state, the second phase of 'enhancing the wealth of the state' is about to begin. It means that the wealth of the state shall be looted for the foreign and domestic investors to increase their wealth.

5. Creating problems and pushing people into those — The exploitive ruling classes themselves create problems and push the people into those. The Jagan government seems to have been seasoned in this regard. Jagan suddenly announced that the public schools should teach only in English medium starting from the primary level. While some argue that this shall help the children of the oppressed sections to compete with the children of affluent sections in studies and jobs, some argue that this is unjust towards the mother tongue Telugu and that

Telugu must be the medium in public schools. Both sides speak only about the 'medium' and not any other problem. This is what the Jagan government needs. What is the attitude of this government or any other government towards the government schools and the children of the oppressed classes and sections? In fact, these governments and the exploitive classes that run them are keener on the corporate schools than in public schools. This is because corporate schools alone gain them money. They are not bothered about the future of the children studying in public schools. The public schools are decaying and the children of the exploitive classes and sections are being thrown into the streets. The decision of Jagan government to bring English medium in public schools is only an impractical, illusive decision mystifying all these failures. The government has to at least now change the decision, revitalize the public schools and give an opportunity to the children studying in the public schools and their parents to decide the medium of education. It would be dictatorial to implement only English medium. In addition to this problem, the government also combines the issue of capital city, turns them into incessant problems and makes the people go round the government. We have to fight back these conspiracies of the government.

Feudal dictator – For any government, the social system it represents is characterized by fundamental and economic characteristics. All the governments that politically represent the semi-colonial, semi-feudal social system in our country, or in particular in Andhra Pradesh, have the nature of enforcing dictatorship on the people on behalf of the exploited classes. These only provide symbolic freedom, equality and coordination for the people. They rely on their armed forces to the maximum extent to suppress the people. The present ruler of Andhra Pradesh Jagan is well experienced with this rule. The unilateral decisions he made over the past 10 months and his dependence on the police forces to keep people under control reveal his dictatorship.

As soon as Jagan came to power, he made agreements for bauxite exploration and unleashed unprecedented offensive on Manyam (the forest area of Visakhapatnam and East Godavari districts of North Andhra Pradesh). He appointed cruel police officers experienced in suppressing the revolutionary movement in a bid to eliminate the armed tribal peasant movement in Manyam. They are creating massacres with special schemes, deployment of thousands of armed forces in the areas of the movement and unceasing combing. Hundreds of people were arrested and there are fake encounters.

# Why the 'tensions' on India - China border?

-Neha

'Tension' erupted between India and China on the border and led to the second biggest incident after the 2017 Doklam episode. The incident brought forth once again not only the question of the areas along the border between the two countries but also the imperialist dimension.

According to the 'Agreement on Maintenance of Peace and Tranquility' along the LAC in India-China Border Area of 1996, 'combat aircraft (includes

fighter, bomber, reconnaissance, military trainer, armed helicopter and other armed aircraft) shall not fly within 10 km of the LAC. China has been developing infrastructural facilities along the border in Galwan valley in Ladakh.

India has been building a road from Dharchula in Uttarakhand to Lipulekh just 5 km short of the LAC. The road was made under the directions of the China Study Group and is funded under the India-China Border Roads.

There were reports in the media about 'tension' between the two countries in Pongang Tso, Galwan valley, Demchok, and Doulatbeg Oldi of Ladakh and Naku La of Sikkim since May. India stated that Chinese soldiers crossed 35 kms from the LAC and

that aircrafts too crossed the border. China blamed India for entering their territory in two places, Sikkim and Ladakh and asked it to 'immediately withdraw personnel across the line'. Then the Indian Ministry of External Affairs did not come out with any statement. Major General Naravane and Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria said that there were no contradictions as such and that they were monitoring the conditions and shall respond in the

necessary way. They specifically said that the aircrafts did not violate the rules.

According to them they are routine 'face-offs' and can be solved according to the protocol that was amended in the bilateral

meetings between the President of China and the Prime Minister of India in the past two years in Wuhan and Mamallapuram. Withdrawal of forces started after talks at Major General Level and Military officials. But there was a big scuffle on 16<sup>th</sup> June in the Galwan valley in Ladakh in which Commanding Officer of 16<sup>th</sup> Bihar Regiment Bikkumalla Santosh Babu of Telangana died along with 20 soldiers. India said that China attacked with stones and rods. Indian media reported the death

The Greyhounds police attacked the people's armed forces in Kondazarta in East Godavari district and killed three fighters of PLGA. Two activists were picked from Premalagondi and killed in fake encounter. Although the Jagan government stated that it suspended bauxite mining, the cases on thousands of adivasi farmers who participated in the movement continue. The police attacked the people fighting for capital in Amravati in an inhuman and anarchic manner. The High Court warned the government in this regard. While Babu built a 'baton system' at the village level in the name of janmabhumi committees, Jagan laid the foundation for the same in the name of 'volunteers'. Jagan showered extreme praise on the Telangana police officers who shot 'four convicts' involved in Disha rape case in a fake encounter. This shows his interest in 'extra-judicial police activity'. He chauvinistically dissolved the Legislative Council in revenge that it caused the postponement of the bill on 'three capitals'. Even if the TDP had a majority in the legislative council, and if they deliberately postponed the bill against the interests of the state, such a

dictatorial decision of a Chief Minister is uninviting. This is unprecedented in history. No one can expect right to Assembly, right to press and the democratic values that all citizens are equal before law under the rule of such dictators.

In the above circumstances, the people of Andhra Pradesh have a single crucial task. It is to build united movements against the anti-people, reactionary governments in power at the center and the state. These movements must be organized in a militant manner on vital issues such as Brahminical Hindu Fascism, displacement, land, democracy, irrigation, drinking water, education, health, high prices and employment, especially on the basis of assurances constituted in the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization -2013 Act. It is to note that today united movement is in the interest of the people. The united movement must be the fundamental task for intellectuals, democrats, institutions and parties that wish good to the people. The aim of the united movement should be to empower the people politically and make the new democratic revolution a success in India.

of 43 soldiers of China which the Chinese officials denied. They also said that it was unfortunate that the Indian soldiers died of the extreme cold weather and China is not to be blamed. While the present development indicates that the border has been trespassed by both sides the point of discussion is the reason for the present 'tension'.

The MEA came out with statements after the incident. It said it took up the issue and is holding talks with China. China said it 'reached an agreement' with India on the ongoing tensions. Chinese troops are still present on India's side of the LAC. India had been mobilizing troops in Uttarakhand and Arunachal Pradesh. So, what were the 'talks' before and after the incident about?

In order to understand the matter we need to see the issue in a larger perspective of international dimensions. China is a Social Imperialist country with the motive to gain hegemony on the world and India is bent on expansionism. China is in a trade war with the US and India is junior patner to the US. When it comes to take side India shall take the side of the US despite its membership in SCO and BRICS. We can say that the present incident is part of the contention between the two imperialist powers.

The Territory of Kashmir has also been a point of dispute between the two countries. China developed keen interest in the area as it started new projects. The China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) that is part of OBOR is being built through POK. But if India attacks POK, that would become dangerous to China. So China wants to pressurise India and facilitate Pakistan to confront India near the Siachen glacier and Karakorum pass. Pakistan is a strong ally to China.

The opposition flayed the government for 'hiding' what was actually happening at the LAC. The PM held an all-party meet, but he did not come out with realities. There were discussions between Modi and Trump on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Trump offered to mediate

and asked both sides to be peaceful. UN called to 'exercise maximum restraint'. Russia said, 'we consider that the two countries are capable of taking necessary steps to prevent such situations in the future'. It also made subtle attempts to ease the military tensions between the two countries.

It is a fact that China's military operations are on the rise on par with its economic activities. Power China, one of the biggest Chinese power companies, received a contract to build the Diamer-Bhasha dam which shall allow Pakistan to use the waters of River Indus for irrigation. In Hong Kong, China introduced a new national security law that gives it broader powers in the Special Administrative Region. China's claim for the South China Sea has become a point of contradiction with not only Philippines but also other countries. On the other hand, China announced tariff exemption for 97 percent of exports from Bangladesh. While China continues diplomatic relations with the neighboring countries, we also see it is getting visibly aggressive in the recent days. It would be too early to predict the impact of the present development on SCO and BRICS.

China is heading towards becoming a Global power by 2050. US is talking openly about building a coalition against China. We will have to wait and see how the inter-imperialist rivalry is going to take shape.

However, things are clear that the fundamental contradictions – between imperialism and the broad oppressed masses and oppressed nationalities; between the bourgeoisie and the proletariat in the capitalist, imperialist countries; and the contradiction among the imperialist powers are sharpening day by day. Imperialist crisis is leading to further unity of the proletariat of the world. Things are taking clearer shape for the unity and leadership of the world proletariat to bring down imperialism and establish people's power.

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poet Varavara Rao and Dr. G N Saibaba.

- 2) Immediate release of all activists and intellectuals who are charged in the fabricated Bhima Koregaon case.
- 3) Immediate release of all anti-CAA, NRC and NPR activists.
- 4) Immediate release of all political prisoners lodged in jails all over the country.
- 5) Repeal of all draconian laws including UAPA, PSA, NSA and others.

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#### 'SAMADHAN' onslaught in Telangana

The Indian ruling classes intensifying the SAMADHAN onslaught to root out revolutionary movement up to 2022. In Telangana, they extending communication, intelligence, deploying large security forces with an aim to root out leadership and squads with information based operations. The revolutionary forces escaped seven occasions from continuous combings with in a short span of time in Bhadradri Kothagudem, Mulugu, Jayashankar, Bhupalapalli, Komuram Bheem Asifabad, mancheriyal and Nirmal districts. Telangana and Chhattisgarh police jointly taking the operations in the form of campaigns. The police put observation on people and villages to get information of party organizers. The police have doing cardan and search operations, surprise attacks on villages and house searching to create fear among people. Without registering any cases the police forcing the people to attend the police stations and giving signatures. To destroy the class organisations, they are arresting the organisers and sending them to prison or in keeping in police stations on unlawfully. Some persons have been keeping in police stations with longer periods without declaring arrest. In recent times, the police took into custody 50 members unlawfully.

The leaders of Telangana Praja Fornt, Chaitanya Mahila Sangam, Telangana Vidyarithi Vedika, Democratic Student Union, Youth front and Virasam put behind bars. UAPA have been clamped upon them. NIA have opposing their bails and falls clamping cases in other states. The trials are not progressing. The government implementing reforms through police to punished persons' from the revolutionary moment. Besides, that the police took malicious propaganda on the party in the form of political and theoretical things attempting to stop the economic sources. The police took the psychological war on party and people in the larger strategic plan of "SAMADHAN".

The TRS government in Telangana become very dictatorial. Working class, Peasants, Petty bourgeoisie, Dalits, Women, Adivasi, Religious minorities, who are fighting the anti-people polices, facing severe repression. The government is trying is to root out the CPI (Maoist) who which have dedicated leadership to the people during every movement that backed by Maoists. The economic condition of state is in doldrums due to 12 years' anti-people policies.

Unemployment increased due to automation. As a result of that, the crimes in the form of robberies,

cybercrimes are increased. Employment opportunities decreased. Agricultural sector is in a serious condition due to negligence of the government. As a result of this agricultural workers are in migration. Workers jobs have lost due to privatization of public sector units. Unorganized and migration workers are increasing in numbers. Increase diesel and petrol gives lot of difficulties to common man. Handloom workers are in devastation. Corruption is a common thing in government machinery. Dissatisfaction and anguish among people gives fuel to the anti-government movements. people raised against issues like uranium mining, Privatization of RTC, education sector and against increased electricity charges. The government has no remedy to these problems, except repression.

In a political turmoil condition, the government has arrested mass organization leaders to remove the true leadership of people. In the context of covid-19 turmoil the government is thinking to crush the movement and leadership. The attitude of the government is cruel and callous.

In Mahaboob Nagar district, the Mass organisation leaders who stood against the uranium mining excavation keep house arrest and some were arrested anticipatory. Large member of security forces were deployed in agency areas to get away the people from forest area. The government took the 6<sup>th</sup> round Haritha Haram (green ring). Even though the peasants stood unitedly to fight against the government. The police unlawfully prohibited the mass organisation leaders from the site.

This act is null and void in the eye of law. It is also contrary to the UAPA amended 2010 Act. the prohibition should be finalised in tribunal.

In 2005 Justice TLN Reddy bench proclaimed the judgement disqualifying the government order prohibiting Virasam. Then, the congress government issued a GO lifting the ban on virsam. Article 19, of the constitution guaranteed the right to freedom of expression and protest etc. The exploiting ruling classes are even not respecting the laws made by themselves.

TRS government is irritating with different opinions. Freedom of expression is suppressing in a undemocratic way. The government is in a state of fear, that the youth should go to in the way of Maoism. That is why, the police is making concocted cases on youth of supplying the logistics' to the party ect. All the arrests have been done on UAPA act. continue 36 page....

#### people's resistance against deployment of police camps

#### Andhra-Odisha border

In Andhra-Odisha border area, there is a cut off area important to both revolutionary forces and government. It is situated in chitrakonda block of Malkanagiri district. The government in recent times forming new police camps in the strategy of carpet security to blockade the entire area. One camp named Onthalaguda, is being started. for this, the government started to build road and water facilities.



Prior to this the police contacted the village head and some agents, prepared them to that extent. By knowing these nefarious plans, 4000 people gathered and went to the camp place with traditional weapons. By seeing the masses, the police vacate that place and went away in vehicles to the nearby camp. Village head escaped from the village. People destroyed the boring machine which are using in road preparations. The roads are not for the usage of people. Those are strategical necessary instrument to plunder the resources and free movement of forces to suppress the people. After this incident Naveen patnaik government, formed a new camp by mobilizing large number of police on that area.

# Stiff sresistance against Potali police camp in Dantewada of Chattisgarh

In India, the economic condition of the people is worsening day by day due to economic policies, they employing. The economic burden of the people worsening by the displacement, unemployment, price increase. In this condition people raising everywhere against the governments.

In Maoist struggling areas the government planning to establish police camps in every village. The Chhattisgarh government is increasing the security carpet of the area with increasing police camps. November and December 2019 in Dantewada district 3 police camps have been established.

Potali panchayati people arranged a public meeting to take decision against police camps. They gathered and took opinion against camps, and sent a petition to the government with peoples demands to be solved immediately. They did not get any response from the government. Then people performed a mass protest rally at kuvakonda block Centre in which thousands of people were participated.

People expressed fears about camps, due to camp they will not go to forest for daily essentials, specifically women's security will put in danger. The police kill the people on the name of Naxalites. Which is happening in struggling areas, in the past, that kind of incidents took place in this area also.

Refusing the public demand. The government established a new camp in between Potali, Neelawaya and Burgum villages in a fertile agricultural land.

Arrangements were made to inaugurate the newly camps with thousands of police force. The acts of the government angered the people more. People also decided to go to camps in thousands with traditional weapons. People entered the inauguration place and asked the authorities that why they established police camps against the peoples' will. Police used batons upon people. Even though police could not succeed to stop the protest rally. The collector and SP went away from the camp area. People gave slogans against the government & police. 'Remove police camps' 'Down with police goons', 'down with Modi Fascism' like that. More than 200 people hurt in the baton charge. Due to all these obstacles the protest programme continued up to 4 days.

Social activists and journalists supported the peoples' mass protest which have genuine demands of saving peoples' fertile land and against police camps. After all this programme the police entered the nearby villages and ransacked the houses. Besides the police took propaganda against Maoist party. In the name of civic action programme, they put some goods in the hands of some people and make propaganda loudly. Road constructions took speedily for police camps. People have land on which police camps was constructed.

The journalists, activists and village heads filed a petition in the court, seeking cancellation of police camps. Even though, people could not get response from the government.

Once again people are ready to go in the way of protest and struggle. They are knowing the class nature of the government of

having Comprador bourgeoisie and foreign corporates whether it is congress or BJP no difference at all.

People's revolt against new police camp in Kadiyametta

'Repression leads to resistance' is a universal phenomenon. We witness this in innumerable facets of people's lives in relation to the concerned governments. When it is concerned to armed forces, it takes a more belligerent and strident form. The people's struggle against a new police camp in Kadiyametta is one such example.

Kadiyametta is a small village on the side of a stream in Narayanpur district. A new police camp was set up in the village in early 2020 as a part of the attempts of the state government for carpet security. At least 4 new camps have come up in the surrounding villages of Kadiyametta since the ending of 2017 apart from the already existing ones. All these camps surround the Amdai hill where the NIPPO Company took up mining of iron ore. Amdai is around 40 kms from the district headquarters. A road passes through this area that connects Narayanpur and Bijapur districts. The government is setting camps within short distances both to facilitate coordination of the districts and provide protection for mining which is also planned to be taken up in Tulada, another hill around 20 kms from Amdai towards the south.

One day the peaceful village Kadiyametta suddenly experienced the sound of heavy vehicles. As the people strolled out of their houses to see what the matter was, they found out that the police have come. And that they have come not to return but to stay.

The village falls under the purview of Revolutionary People's Committee (RPC) together

with some more villages. The people immediately contacted their leaders. Word soon made rounds over the villages and people started to discuss what to do. The leaders of the RPC and the Revolutionary Mass Organisations held meetings in the respective villages. The people were ready to confront the camp which they were sure would disturb their agricultural

work apart from their traditional hunting, festivals and so on. They mobilised near Kadiyametta and went to the police who were setting up tents to stay. The people asked them why they have come. They denied them water. They told them

they do not need the police and that the police would only suppress them. The police did not listen. The people returned home.

The people returned home but to come the next day in a larger number. The people of the villages in the neighboring RPCs too joined them. The movement started gaining momentum. The police would not leave. Then the leaders contacted the RPCs in the far by areas. Here too the people have been facing the wrath of new camps for the past three years. They held meetings in their villages and stepped into the struggle against the new camp in Kadiyametta. The people swarmed in thousands near the police camp. Women took the lead. A woman leader told the police with thousands chanting slogans supporting her —

'Why did you come here? Isn't it to start the Bodhghat project? If the dam comes thousands of people are going to be displaced. Who gave you the power to start the camp here? Did you take the permission of the Gram Sabha?'

The police officer tried to pacify the people saying that wherever the camp was set up the villages are being developed. She and the people retorted –

'What development will you do in our village? You came only to harass us. We do not need a camp here. Do not stay here.

'We are waiting for the Collector since yesterday. He did not arrive. If he does not come see what happens tomorrow. The camp shall be destroyed. Go away from here. We shall pack up for you. If you

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#### Support the struggle of the people in India!

A group of people gathered outside the indian embassy yesterday. There were songs played, a speech held and slogans shouted. Embassy staff came to the entrance to complain. We asked the staff to open the door to talk but they refused. Instead a hostile man came out as people were leaving and he took a photo. Comrades stopped him from taking more photos calling him a "hindu fascist". The embassy staff called the police and four cars came in high speed trying to find participants, but they couldn't

follow speech was held outside the embassy:"We are here today under the slogan Stop India's War on the People. Why do we use this quite broad slogan? Because we want to gather as many, people as possible against the Indian ruling classes and its government.

We want to be a part of a resistance against their furious attacks on the people. Conducting massacres has a political cost, but it is quite low if no one knows. Today, the dominant image of India is still "the world's largest democracy".

India is ruled by a Hindu fascist government that sells the country and creates ever-increasing poverty.

- -They propel fascist lynch mobs who murder, burn people alive with the rationale that they have damaged cows that are sacred to them.
- -They have passed a law saying that Muslim refugees cannot become citizens of India.
- -They are waging a war against the people of Kashmir and against the minorities in north-east India and against the adivasis in central India.

The war agianst the Naxalites is now being fought with 600,000 thousand troops.

- -These troops shoot at crowds
- -Conduct massacres
- -Shooting with artillery against villages
- -Rape and murder women The Indian state imprisons those who openly criticize them and defend the people. They have imprisoned many intellectuals and even music artists.

One of those they have imprisoned is Saibaba who played an important role in spreading international solidarity for the people's struggle in India. He was here in Sweden where we met him a few years ago.

Although he was wheelchair-bound, he traveled around different countries to talk about the struggle of the people. Saibaba is an incredibly knowledgeable and inspirational person and well known among anti-imperialist intellectuals in various parts of the world.

On May 9, 2014, he was arrested and is still being held under severe conditions and despite being severely ill.

Saibaba is a symbol of international solidarity.

Saibabai must be released!

# What then do the Naxalites say about this situation?

They say there is a lot of aggression from the ruling classes but that it expresses that the enemy is desperate.

They write, among other things, like this in a document from last year:

-Let us successfully fulfill our role in speeding up the mobilization and united struggles of proletarian revolutionary forces, oppressed nationalities and oppressed people in order to wipe out the imperialists and reactionaries all over the world!

-Let us mobilize lakhs and crores of oppressed people into the

Protracted People's War going on in the leadership of our Party and

expand the People's War all over the country!

How, then, do we relate to this strongest revolutionary struggle in the world?

The international support for the people's struggle in India today is rather weak. If we had 3-4 comrades who put their soul into the support work, we would certainly have a support work that very well would serve important political goals.

#### We should do it. Why?

- -Because their fight is a torch of hope that lights new fires.
- -Because their struggle is ours, because we are part of the same great anti-imperialist struggle.
- -For the international solidarity is strengthening the movement in India and giving hope to the comrades who are fighting huge enemy.



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# **COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MAOIST)**

## **Central Committee**

#### **Press Release**

September 3, 2020.

## New Delhi's Propaganda Conspiracy

We are condemning Modi government's brutal lie of "Ganapathy's surrender" story. This propaganda conspiracy has planned under the leadership of Modi, Amit Shaw with the help of Ajith Doval and Vijay Kumar of Indian brutal security machinery including Telangana SIB and chattisghar intelligence agency.

The entire Indian economy is in the grip of severe economic recession in the leadership of fascist Modi & gang. The severity of economy increased with the covid-19 pandemic. The sea of protests of people increasing day by day against Modi government. As per the Home Ministry strategy making 'New India' with finishing Maoist Party up to, 2022 also has been utterly failed. The Modi government failed in dealing with nationality problems like Kashmir and Naga, except deploying army. The Modi government jailed number of persons in the name of urban Maoists, with deferent opinions and social commitment. Vara Vara Rao, Saibaba, Anand Teltumbde, Sudha bardwaj, Shoma sen, Vernen Gonjalves, Arun Ferara, Rona Wilson, Surendar Gadling, Goutham Navalakka, Sudeer Dawle, Mahesh Raotu like social activist and prominent were jailed with concocted cases without trail. Against this fascist and brutal act, the Modi government facing the wrath of the people domestically and internationally. The warmonger and frenzied Modi & saffron gangs utterly failed in dealing with neighboring countries. Modi government utterly failed in solving the recent tussle in Galvan valley with China, which defamed the government at home and abroad. The government is in a desperate condition. The government doing malicious propaganda with concocted lies, along with fascist 'SAMADHAN' repression on our party and people. Despite all these things, our party and movement has been strengthening in some states like Telangana and elsewhere.

Comrade Ganapathy had voluntarily took the decision to quit the party's General Secretary responsibility two years ago due to age and common ailments. It is a common thing in everybody's life. It has no relation with this brutal lie. To deceive the people and sidetrack the entire population, Modi government maliciously propagating the com Ganapathi 'surrender story'.

In brief, the fascist Modi government which has saffron ideology been failed internally and externally in all fronts. To build confidence in the corporate forces and foil confidence of people upon our party, these traitors prepared this "high-tension surrender story". We are appealing the people to throw away these traitors from this Indian soil. The government is trying to defame our party's leadership internationally. Our central committee has committed to the peoples' cause and strong with lot of ideological and political experience. We are appealing working class, peasants, petty bourgeoisie, all democrats, prominent persons, progressive people, patriots, anti-imperialist forces to condemn the paid corporate media's cruel propaganda.

Once again, we condemning Modi government's brutal lie of surrender story. We are declaring that, we shall continue the fight against the ruling classes, under the leadership of our central committee with strong determination until the success of the revolution.

With revolutionary greetings

Abhay Spokesperson Central Committee

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The Two firing incients took place in the month of July. One firing took place on a local Maoist sqaund in Bhadradhri Kothadudam and another one in Komuram Bheem Asifabad district. One greyhound police was injured in Malletogu encounter. After these incidents Telangana DGP stepped in to these districts and motivated the police to curb the squads. He deployed experieenced retired police officers as special duty officers(SDO). In month of September police were started the false encounters. In four

encounters 8 comrades were martyred. Large number of people have been calling to the police stations, threatening with warnings and putting concocted cases and sending to jails.

Cordon and search operations are become everyday life of people and they are always in the grip of police control.

The immediate task of the revolutionary forces is to defeat the severe onslaught of Centre and state governments 'SAMADHAN' cruel suppression campaign .

# Release Varavara Rao immediately!

# Condemn the State's blatant and callous disregard for the health of the 80-year-old revolutionary poet!

# Demand the release of all political prisoners!

The Campaign Against State Repression (CASR) demands the immediate release of the revolutionary poet Varavara Rao who has tested positive for COVID-19. As per information received by family members, Varavara Rao's health has rapidly deteriorated over the last couple of weeks. This is also evidenced by his weakening physical state, incoherent speech and inability to independently perform daily or bodily functions. After persistent efforts of family members in highlighting his health condition, the jail authorities, who had denied these concerns, were compelled to shift Varavara Rao to JJ Hospital in Mumbai on July 13<sup>th</sup>. However, his health further worsened as hospital authorities failed to care for him. They even forcibly sent away his family for raising concerns about him being abandoned on a dirty and unsanitary stretcher. Today, he has tested positive for COVID-19 and has been shifted to Saint George Hospital, Mumbai.

The deliberate role played by the State in Varavara Rao's failing health in many ways captures the impact of the State's actions in the country-wide surge in COVID-19 cases. Instead of making arrangements for immediate medical care and treatment, the Taloja Jail authorities denied him medical care. Simultaneously, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) worked overtime to block all efforts for the release of those incarcerated under the Bhima Koregaon-Elgaar Parishad case despite the heightened threat of a COVID-19 infection in cramped jails. To be noted is that several of the undertrials are persons above the age of 60, suffering from co-morbidities and hence particularly vulnerable to a COVID- 19 infection. Besides Varavara Rao, these include Anand Teltumbde, Gautam Navlakha and Shoma Sen. What started as a witchhunt of activists in 2018 by the Maharashtra Police has now become an attempt at custodial murder by the NIA, jail and hospital authorities. This is a barbaric extension of the policy of branding voices of dissent as 'urban-naxals' and incarcerating them for long periods of time under fabricated charges facilitated by draconian laws. As the COVID-19 pandemic spreads faster and further into all parts of the country, the inhuman and over-crowded jails have been transformed into the gallows for those who the State seeks to silence.

In furtherance of these actions, the NIA has summoned several more persons including Delhi University professor Hany Babu and Hyderabad

based journalist Kranti Tekula to testify before them in Mumbai. That appeals for delay due to restrictions on travel and the imploding health crisis have been rejected reveals the base interests of this agency and its masters in the Ministry of Home Affairs. They intend to instil fear among the those daring to demand rights for the oppressed classes, castes and communities. The case of Dr. GN Saibaba, a 90% disabled wheelchair bound Delhi University professor, who continues to be incarcerated despite repeated appeals for parole is likely to develop similar to the case of Varavara Rao. Denial of reprieve to such persons render the Courts complicit in the custodial murder of activists, intellectuals, lawyers, journalists, poets and trade unionists. It must be reiterated that several anti-CAA, NRC, NPR activists arrested by the Delhi Police languish in jail despite appeals for their release. This policy of denying political prisoners medical care again manifests in the continued incarceration of peasant leaders Akhil Gogoi and Manas Konwar along with others who have tested positive for COVID-19 while jailed in Assam. All these bail applications are being denied by invoking the draconian Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA) and the NIA Act. The use of these draconian laws to incarcerate activists and deny bail despite the spread of COVID-19 within prisons is a blatant violation of the right to life of prisoners.

It is a truism that the BJP led Central Government and agencies like the NIA are using the Bhima Koregaon case as a tactic to suppress the voices that collectively oppose Brahmanical

Hindutva Fascism. At the same time, Hindutva forces accused of attacking Dalits, Adivasis, Muslims and the progressive and democratic sections of our society are shielded and protected. This makes it imperative for us to band together to resist the onslaught of Brahmanical Hindutva Fascism, demand the release of all political prisoners and demand medical attention to all persons

incarcerated in jails and prisons all over the country.

The Campaign Against State Repression (CASR) urges all the progressive and democratic sections of our society to unite and draw upon the broad masses in collectively resisting the fascist forces and opposing state repression. Let us demand:

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October 2020 People's March

Recently, Dublin-based poet Gabriel Rosenstock sent Srinagar-based artist Masood Hussain a poem in Irish and English, titled 'Flowers for Varavara Rao' – a tribute to



the ailing 81-year-old poet-activist who has been imprisoned since 2018, arrested in the Elgar Parishad case. All appeals to seek his release, on the grounds that keeping the undertrial octogenarian in prison during a pandemic when he is suffering from ill health is unethical, have been in vain, and it was only about a month ago that he was shifted to hospital for the treatment

of several serious conditions including COVID-19. The poem is Rosenstock's way of affirming his solidarity with a fellow-poet.

# Flowers for Varavara Rao

I send you invisible flowers Varavara Rao to perfume your cell And bring a smile to your lips That I will not see They may not last very long A few simple roses Varavara Rao to perfume your cell They may need some watering; Your jailers, have they any tears Invisible tears? You know full well it's not their fault.

This goes all the way to the top. Simple roses Varavara Rao to perfume your cell.

**Invisible** 

Prime Minister Modi, sniff the air What is the scent of freedom?

