

Workers of the world— unite!

Observe the 19th Martyrdom Anniversary of Comrade Rakesh Kamal on July 27th!

“The only response to counter-revolutionary violence is revolutionary violence.”
— **Comrade Charu Majumdar**

Struggling Masses,

Comrade Rakesh Kamal was the General Secretary of the Communist Party of East Bengal (Marxist-Leninist) (Red Flag) and one of the most important Maoist leaders in this country. On July 27, 2008, the state forces of the military-backed Fakhruddin-Moinuddin caretaker government murdered this revolutionary in the Raninagar area of Naogaon by staging a fake crossfire drama. Prior to this, he was arrested in Dhaka and subjected to enforced disappearance.

Comrade Dr. Mizanur Rahman (Tutu) was known by various names in the party, including “Rakesh Kamal” and “Rashid Anwar.” Born in Jhenaidah district, this comrade was involved in revolutionary politics from his student days. Later, after being admitted to Rajshahi Medical College, he was inducted into the committee of the Communist Party of East Bengal (M-L). He gradually transformed into a professional revolutionary. In the mid-1980s, he was inducted into the Party’s Central Committee. He led the political and organizational work of the party in the Rajshahi-Naogaon-Natore-Chapainawabganj regions. Assimilating the lessons of Comrade Charu Majumdar and the Naxalbari peasant struggle that arose under the inspiration of the Great Cultural Revolution, he played an important role in revolutionary practice in this country. Throughout the 1990s, he sharpened himself in theory and practice while simultaneously elevating the political, organizational, and ideological level of the party. Although the unified party split into different centers due to unresolved inner-party struggles, Comrade Rakesh Kamal, armed with Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, continued his brilliant role in the agrarian revolutionary struggle. Along the path of protracted people’s war, organization and struggle developed across various regions— including Pabna-Sirajganj-Tangail, Jhenaidah-Khulna-Kushtia, and Rajshahi-Natore-Naogaon-Chapainawabganj— aimed at seizing power for the workers, peasants, and oppressed masses. But just like the BAKSAL Rakhi Bahini in the 1970s, the killer RAB force drowned this revolutionary uprising in a sea of blood. Over a thousand party organizers, heroic guerrillas, and revolutionary masses, including leading comrades, were martyred. At this stage, Comrade Rakesh Kamal began the process of summing up the armed struggle of East Bengal, but the state’s killer forces murdered him as well. US imperialism and Indian expansionism are directly involved in these communist killings. Fearing the revolutionary uprising in this region, the local exploiting class, the state, and their foreign masters united. They engaged in an extreme war against the vanguard leadership of the working class. We have seen that after murdering the leadership, dramas of surrender were staged through

financial payouts and intimidation. At the same time, various items of propaganda are circulated to isolate revolutionaries from the masses. But none of this is new— in country after country, class enemies repeatedly make internal and external efforts to defeat the struggle of the masses to seize power through revolutionary ideology. As long as exploitation and inequality persist, the masses will continue their struggle at the cost of their blood, and through the rises and falls of the struggle, the masses will ultimately emerge victorious. Just as the exploiting classes use extreme nationalism, religious fundamentalism, and communalism as weapons to divide and mislead the masses, the state grows increasingly fascist day by day. The histories of India, the Philippines, Turkey, Peru, Nepal, and East Bengal prove this repeatedly.

Comrades-in-arms, in a semi-colonial, semi-feudal country like East Bengal, the liberation of the masses cannot come through so-called urban uprisings, elections, or reforms. Protracted People's War is our only path to liberation. Through his revolutionary practice and self-sacrifice, Comrade Rakesh Kamal made it clear that agrarian revolution stands at the center of resisting the aggression of all imperialisms including the US, as well as Indian expansionism, and implementing the program of the people's democratic revolution of workers, peasants, and the middle class. The struggle will advance through the preparation of guerrilla forces of landless-poor peasants and the elimination of class enemies to overthrow the authority of the exploiting class in rural areas. Aiming to establish bases, the state and reactionary forces— along with all political, administrative, cultural, and economic domains— must be dismantled to establish counter-revolutionary committees, governments, and people's power of the masses. By deploying Marxism-Leninism-Maoism as a weapon against all forms of right and left opportunism, and by advancing the activities of the party, army, and united front, a People's Democratic East Bengal oriented toward Communism and Socialism will be established.

Therefore, come— under the leadership of the working class, let the peasants, middle class, and oppressed nations and peoples rapidly unite and arm themselves. Let us uphold the red flag of thousands of martyrs including Comrade Rakesh Kamal, and make the agrarian revolution successful!

Long Live Marxism-Leninism-Maoism!
Eternal be the Teachings of Comrade Charu Majumdar!
Long Live Comrade Rakesh Kamal!

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