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63rd Party Foundation Day of SUCI(C)

Observance marked by solemnity resolve and people's warm acclaim

63 years back on this date of 24 April, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, one of the eminent Marxist-Leninist thinkers of the post-Lenin days, founded Socialist Unity Centre of India (Communist) (then called Socialist Unity Centre of India). He had realized it firmly that in absence of a genuine working class revolutionary party in the country the struggle, the sacrifice, the dreams, the Indian people undertook or cherished during the independence movement against the British imperialists were going to end in vain, the fruits of all these to be usurped by the Indian capitalist class who assumed power after independence. With a handful of revolutionary compatriots by his side, he released an intense all-out socialist movement covering all aspects of life on the edifice of noble ideology of Marxism-Leninism and higher proletarian culture and ethics, to build up this party bit by bit, as the genuine revolutionary party of the country. Led by him and following his untimely demise in 1976, by his worthiest compatriot and comrade, Comrade Nihar Mukherjee, that party has now grown into the most trusted force of people's movement all over the country fighting against the bourgeois parties as well as the social democratic ones, against all sorts of bourgeois-petty-bourgeois ideological traits including

economism, parliamentary illusions, as also against communalism-regionalism-casteism and all such enemies of mankind that disunite working people. At the same time, the party has



Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C) paying tribute to the great leader of the proletariat Comrade Shibdas Ghosh at the Central Office at Kolkata on 24th April.

grown into one of the leading forces in the world striving to develop a militant anti-imperialist movement over the globe against the most aggressive and arrogant war-monger imperialists, led by the US imperialism.

24 April, the foundation day of this party is observed each year, never ritualistically, but to recall and critically review the past and to pledge for continuing in the present and future the struggle that Comrade Shibdas Ghosh initiated and developed to a tremendous height and Comrade Nihar Mukherjee further stepped up, to strengthen the party into an invincible revolutionary force to lead people's class and mass struggles finally to accomplish the task of anti-capitalist socialist revolution in the country as well as to carry out its commitments to the world working class revolution on the strength of the proletarian internationalism. This year was no exception. In concrete shape, however, in view of the ongoing legislative assembly elections in different states (provinces) of the country, centralized programmes were split up into a series of observances held in different cities and towns. Members of the Polit Bureau and the Central Committee rushed across the entire country to address these meetings being held on a background in which everywhere, in every state common toiling people had increasingly been accepting the Party as their most trusted friend-philosopher-guide looking eagerly at its development and growth.

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Comrades Manik Mukherjee, Krishna Chakraborty and Ranjit Dhar, all members of the Polit Bureau, SUCI (C), addressing in Bangalore, Bhubaneswar and Patna respectively on 24th April

AIUTUC attends 16th WFTU Congress in Athens, Greece

When the working class, the world over, is under unprecedented attacks of capitalism-imperialism the 16th World Trade Union Congress at the call of World Federation of Trade Unions, held in Athens, the capital city of Greece from 6 to 10 April, 2011 has enthused the working people with new hope and aspiration. The Declaration that was adopted in the Congress which is known as Athens Pact categorically held that "the current 'war' conducted against the working class by the capital is not only economic and does not aim only at the greater and deeper exploitation of the work force. It is a generalized war, ideological, political, cultural, social and environmental one".

The Congress called upon the working class to wage a systematic, coordinated, sustained united struggle against capitalism-imperialism in all fronts - ideological, political and socio-cultural. The slogans like 'Down with social democracy', 'Down with reformism' rent the air throughout the opening session as well as the delegate sessions.

PAME, the National Trade Union Centre of Greece was entrusted with the task of hosting the World Congress. The host country shouldered this responsibility enthusiastically and the Congress was a huge success. The opening ceremony was held in a befitting manner, it was reminiscent of the glorious past of this world organisation of workers which was founded and formed 65 years ago under the guidance of Stalin, the great leader of the proletariat. In the opening ceremony the glorious history of WFTU was honoured with showing a video dedicated to the 65 years of struggle the WFTU has led.

The official opening of the Congress was declared by the President of the WFTU, Mr. Muhammad Shaaban Azous. The ceremony started with the salutations by Mr. Gr. Niotis, First Vice President of The Greek Parliament, Mr. G. Sgouros, Regional Prefect of Attiki, Mr. G. Kamiris, Mayor of Athens and Mr. V. Mihaloliakos, Mayor of Piraeus.

The opening ceremony was attended by thousands of workers. 880 delegates from 105 countries participated. The note of exuberance was felt throughout the opening session. The Stadium of Taek Kwon Do was full to its capacity. George Mavrikos, the General Secretary of WFTU, in his inaugural address emphasized on the guiding principles of WFTU with an assertive note, "We shall produce an open, class oriented democratic

Congress, all together workers, men and women, fighters from all the branches, all of us who have voluntarily joined the rows of the class struggle against capital and imperialism"

The venue was decorated with flags and festoons. Workers were spontaneously participating in songs that filled the arena with joyful enthusiasm.

The open session was followed by delegate sessions that were held on 7, 8 and 9 April, 2011. Almost all the delegates who took the floor during the sessions spoke against exploitative capitalist order throughout the world and strongly held that the problems facing the working class could not be resolved unless capitalism was overthrown. They also opined that the recent global financial crisis, which emanated from the capitalist economic system itself, was not of a temporary nature.

In this Congress All India United Trade Union Centre was represented by Comrade Krishna Chakraborty, its President and member of Polit Bureau of SUCI(C) and Comrade Sankar Saha, the General Secretary and member of Central Committee of SUCI(C). While addressing the Congress Comrade Krishna Chakraborty called upon the trade unions and the working class to relentlessly fight against social democracy and establish revolutionary leadership thereupon. The text of his speech is given below :

Speech of Comrade Krishna Chakraborty

Comrade President, Members of the Presidium and Delegates,

On behalf of our organisation, the All India United Trade Union Centre (AIUTUC), and the working class and other working people of India, I would like to convey my heartfelt fraternal greetings to you all.



16th WFTU Congress [Inset Comrade Krishna Chakraborty (Right) and Comrade Sankar Saha]

We are holding this historic 16th Congress of our beloved organisation, the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) almost immediately after waves of working class movements have swept over Europe starting from Greece to different parts of the continent of Europe; while millions of working class and other exploited people have burst forth in revolts in the Arabian countries. These are indeed historic events that need deep analysis with the sole aim of taking lessons from them. Time is very short. Within this allotted time, I would like to place the study of our organisation, the AIUTUC before you.

Though immediate causes for these movements differ from one country to another, the basic cause of these movements everywhere is one and the same - ruthless capitalist exploitation and the oppressive rule of the bourgeoisie. Comrades, you all know that only a few years back world capitalism was shaken to its very foundation due to a deep crisis that swept over the capitalist-imperialist world. Lenin showed that at the beginning of the last century, reaching its highest stage - imperialism-capitalism has become moribund and has entered into insoluble crisis. Imperialists are taking different measures to resolve the crisis - the latest being the policy of globalisation, but no measure of theirs could nor can solve the crisis. Crisis of capitalism is insoluble. Historically it can be resolved only in a revolutionary way - by overthrowing capitalism and establishing socialism.

But all the Marxist authorities have pointed out that revolution cannot come in one day; it needs

painstaking preparations by conducting protracted struggles of the working class and other exploited masses. But however big and militant the struggles may be, such movements will finally recede unless they are guided by the revolutionary line and revolutionary party of the proletariat. Today's trade union movement needs to take this revolutionary direction freeing itself from the pernicious influence of economism-reformism-legalism that social democratic forces have brought into the trade union movement. Comrade Stalin very correctly pointed out that to defeat capitalism we will have to defeat all shades of social democracy ideologically, politically and organisationally. And after Stalin our departed former President Comrade Shibdas Ghosh showed that today just like social democracy modern revisionism is causing immense harm to the working class movement; without thoroughly defeating modern revisionism of all shades working class movement cannot be given a revolutionary direction.

Another important lesson that we will have to take from these movements is that wherever there is outburst of massive people's movements, the imperialists, particularly the US imperialists, are interfering or even militarily intervening there. We will have to deeply understand that this is not only to extend their hegemony but also to mislead and ultimately suppress movements of the working class and other exploited masses.

The world has witnessed that imperialists all through have been pursuing war designs. Particularly

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Politics devoid of ideology-ethics-morality-values causes immense harm to the country

(Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI (C), at the Press Meet organized by the Press Club, Kolkata on 19 April, on the eve of West Bengal Assembly elections)

Speech of

Comrade Provash Ghosh

I thank the Press Club authorities for inviting our Party to present our views. At the outset, I would like to say that during this period of electioneering, one would have expected a healthy, decent and thought-provoking debate among the parties. But instead, we have been observing with grave concern that the election scene is marked by personal attacks, mud singling, cheap allegations and counter-allegations. All these are polluting the environment to a great extent. For quite a long time, the character of our body politics has been like this. During the days of freedom struggle, politics in our country had an ideological base, higher ethics and standard. At that time also, there were many parties, many views and centring round these, debates and polemics. But, the political arena was not a vitiated one like today's. Thanks to the 'good administration' of the parties ruling the country since independence, the country has degenerated in many aspects. In general, the political leaders are viewed as guardians of the countries. As the children of a family are reared and steered by the guardian, likewise people expect that those providing leadership in the socio-political field would guide them, particularly the youth with a higher ideology. What guidance has been provided by these leaders? If you find that we too are not projecting and honestly pursuing a higher ideology, do not spare us from being ruthlessly criticized. Because, politics devoid of ideology-ethics-morality-values causes immense harm to the country.

Our country is passing through an intense crisis in every walk of life. More the ruling party leaders are furnishing tall lists of 'development' brought about by them, more the society is being mired in graver and yet graver crisis. People find that so called 'development' is marked by unprecedented spurt in the prices of essential commodities throughout the country, including West Bengal, increased control and domination of the hoarders and black marketers, huge stockpiling of black money, closure of thousands of industries,

massive retrenchment and job loss, mounting unemployment and appalling rise in poverty. Starvation deaths, loss of life due to non-availability of rudimentary medical care and suicides by penury-stricken peasants and workers are increasing with every passing day. Women trafficking has assumed an alarming proportion. Millions of women are being sold and initiated into the flesh trade. There is mass exodus of rural poor to the cities. Destitute people are desperately moving from this state to that state like beggars. And



in many respects, West Bengal is topping the list.

Why are such things happening? What is the remedial course? What are the policy statements of various parties on these pressing issues? The political debates should have been conducted on these basic questions. And from those debates, people could decide as to who is right and who is wrong. But all political debates centring on elections have taken a completely different turn. This is by no means desirable. So, I have preferred to focus on this at the beginning.

Why does our Party participate in the elections? As a Marxist Party, we always say, and have been reiterating the same during this election also, that no basic problem of life can be solved through elections. Even if our Party would get a chance to form the government singularly, no basic change can be brought about. Because, through elections only the government changes, not the exploitative bourgeois system or state machine. For bringing about a basic change, it

is necessary to accomplish anti-capitalist revolution. We take part in the bourgeois elections as per Lenin's teachings. So long the people will harbour illusions about bourgeois parliamentary elections, get involved in the electoral process, nurture misconception about the parliamentary institutions, we, as a genuine Marxist Party shall have to participate in the elections, not for creating further illusion about the parliamentary system but to gradually free the people from all myths about the bourgeois

bureaucracy but on the organized people's movement. Guided by the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great Marxist thinker, our Party tried to implement this policy through the first United Front government of West Bengal in 1967. If the capitalist state opposes such pro-movement policy, that has to be thwarted by the strength of organized mass movement. In the process, the anti-people class character of the capitalist state and Constitution will be exposed and imperativeness of anti-capitalist revolution established.

There is a cry for change of government in West Bengal. We also want the CPI (M) government to go. Only for that sole reason, we have been supporting the Trinamool Congress (TMC). We have declared this earlier also. Our fight is against Congress, BJP and CPI (M). Based on our limited economic resources, we have fielded our candidates in 30 constituencies. We have called upon the people to support TMC in other constituencies.

I want to mention in this connection that CPI(M) was never a Marxist party. Abandoning whatever little leftism undivided CPI and later CPI(M) used to practice in the 1950s and '60s, they have been running the government in West Bengal in the interest of domestic and foreign capital just like Congress or BJP. They have been ruthlessly crushing democratic mass movements, the struggles of the workers and the peasants. CPI(M) has developed a vicious nexus of anti-socials-criminals-smugglers-hoarders-police-administration-big business-contractors-promoters-corporate sector. The criminals basking under the protection of CPI(M) and the police are carrying out heinous activities like killings, extortion, loot and plunder, cut-money collection and so forth. In the face of threat and intimidation, the people could not dare to protest. All appointments right from a peon to that of Vice-Chancellor, are decided at the CPI (M) state headquarters in Alimuddin Street, Kolkata. This time also in the students' union elections of Calcutta

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University, the CPI (M) leadership had used the Vice-Chancellor to get its students' wing grab seats by resorting to unscrupulous means. One cannot become vocal against them ((CPI(M), protest against their overlordism, unlawful activities and violence. We want that there be some respite from this strangulating situation. Only for that reason, we are extending support to TMC. We do not say, nor do we believe that if TMC comes to power, there will be all round prosperity in West Bengal. If TMC sincerely desires to run the government with due honesty—the word “if” being of course a big question—then it might be able to contain corruption to some extent in certain areas, restrain the police a bit from taking bribes, bring some relative neutrality in the police-administration, stop killings and contain political violence, put a rein on extortion and forced collection of levy and abate to the extent possible the reign of hoodlums prevalent now in this state. And let there be scope for the people to protest. Let there not be any more Singur or Nandigram. At least this much we expect; nothing more. They (TMC) cannot deliver anything more than this either. Once again I reiterate that this too is possible if TMC so desires honestly, because it is a big question.

There is something more to add in this connection. If the TMC leadership really takes steps to do these, it will face conflict with the industrial houses, black marketers and bureaucrats. Dr. Prafulla Ghosh, a Gandhite, was the first Chief Minister of West Bengal after independence. Many belonging to the present generation might not know his name. He had to quit because he wanted to take action against black marketers. The Prime Minister of the country was then Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru who once, during the days of freedom movement, promised that if he came to power, he would hang the black marketers on lamp posts. But, Dr. Prafulla Ghosh had to remit his office for expressing desire to bring the black marketers to book. The first Chief Minister of Orissa was Naba Krushna Chowdhury, another respected Gandhite leader of the Congress. He categorically announced that he would not be able to open fire on the agitating

peasants and hence gave up chief ministership. Such confrontations are inevitable. How does TMC face these confrontations, if arising at all, will have to be seen in the days to come.

I would like to mention another important point. The urge for a change of CPI(M) rule has not been created by any media or the intellectuals of Kolkata or the industrial houses. This urge has slowly grown in the course of prolonged democratic movement developed in this province for decades. Later, the heart-wrenching wail of mothers who lost their children, screams of women who were gang-raped in Singur-Nandigram had roused entire West Bengal, awakened the conscience of the intellectuals of Kolkata. From that point of time, the urge for a change gained tremendous momentum, found express manifestation in many ways. It may be added that prior to Singur-Nandigram, there have been sustained movements against CPI (M) rule at the initiative of our Party on various pressing issues of people's life. From 1977 onwards, only our Party has been conducting such struggles relentlessly. TMC was not born then. People of West Bengal know that as many as 159 leaders and cadres of our Party have been murdered by CPI(M). For 18 long years, we have fought against the CPI(M) government for reintroduction of English at the primary stage and ultimately forced it to concede to the demand. This was the first defeat CPI (M) suffered under pressure of democratic movement. We have built up movements on various other burning problems of people's demands and succeeded in wresting some of the demands. It is in this process that the urge for a change was slowly crystallizing in the minds of the suffering people. That urge was very pronounced after Singur-Nandigram. Congress which is now making desperate efforts to take advantage of this urge for a change obviously for reaping electoral benefits was nowhere near the scene then. At that time, CPI(M) was supporting the Congress-led government at the Centre. Let alone joining the Singur-Nandigram movements, Congress had not even protested against the barbarity CPI(M) unleashed to crush the

historic Singur-Nandigram struggles. In fact, the very policy of forcibly acquiring fertile agricultural land to serve the class interest of domestic and foreign capital that CPI(M) was implementing was a policy of Congress only.

Had not the CPI(M) withdrawn support from the previous Congress-led UPA-I government at the Centre, would Congress campaign for a 'change' in their electioneering? The sole objective of Congress is to secure its 'gaddi' (seat of power) at the Centre. For a long time, Congress had been in power at the Centre while CPI(M) had run the government in West Bengal. While CPI(M) had extended its support to Congress at the Centre, the Congress, in return, ensured that it ruled West Bengal undisturbed.

Congress is the most trusted representative of the ruling Indian national bourgeoisie. Rule of Congress means exploitative and oppressive rule of the domestic and foreign monopolists. Today, Congress is neck-deep in corruption. No less is BJP. Every day, newer scams and scandals are unfolding. Had not there been an exposure in the Wikileaks, one would not have come to know that as huge as Rs. 74,00,000 crores worth of black money has been generated in the country over these years. Despite directive from the Supreme Court, the central Government is trying to hide the names of the enormous black money holders. Why is it shielding the culprits? Because, Congress is a party of these wrongdoers and money launderers. That is the history of Congress. So, there is no question of our supporting this very Congress. That is why, we have been repeatedly telling that as Congress and BJP are representing domestic and foreign capital, the arch enemies of the people, at the Centre, so is CPI(M) in the state of West Bengal. From this perspective, all three of them are representatives of the main enemies of the people. For that reason, we are fighting all three of them in the elections, and set up candidates against them.

Let me now come to the question of doling out electoral promises. We do not dupe the people with deceptive slogan of so called development. We are building up democratic movements on

various legitimate demands of the workers-employees-agricultural workers-peasants-students-youth-women and other sections of the toiling masses. Some of the demands have been realized also. People know that ours is a Party of movement, of struggle. We try to wrest demands by organizing movements. And in the course of movement, we try to educate people about the art of building up united organized sustained mass struggles on burning issues of life as well as the anti-capitalist revolutionary struggle, instill in them higher ethics, morality and culture. This is how we are trying to create ground for bringing about anti-capitalist revolution through the process of developing class struggles and mass movements. Whatever may be the outcome of the coming election, whoever may come to power, our struggle on the burning demands of the workers-peasants and suffering masses will continue. If our candidates win the elections, they would fight for the people's cause inside the legislature, coordinate parliamentary struggles with the extra-parliamentary struggles. This is our promise. Our unity with TMC during the Singur-Nandigram movements developed centring on this people's movement only. Theirs is a Gandhite party while ours is a revolutionary Party based on Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought. Most of the people are aware that it is we who initiated the movements both in Singur and Nandigram. TMC joined later. Theirs is a big party, they command more strength, enjoy media support. Alone, we could not make these movements successful. So, our unity and alliance grew based on the necessity of these movements only and was functional till last parliamentary elections. After that, this alliance of movement of ours with TMC virtually became defunct. I have said this in my earlier press conference as well.

Before this Assembly election, TMC had three rounds of talks with us on seat adjustment. But while such talks were going on, they suddenly and unilaterally declared their candidate list. We did not get any advantage of seat whatsoever. Everyone is aware of that. But, as I had told earlier, we shall support TMC candidates solely from the

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Discipline, solemnity and resolve so typical of the party marked these observances and attracted and impressed people in addition. Here we briefly relate the reports of these programmes so far received till date.

State level observances of the Party foundation day included one at **Bangalore** in **Karnataka**. Here, a public meeting held for the purpose on 24 April with impressive turnout of comrades and members of public was addressed by Comrade Manik Mukherjee, member, Polit Bureau, SUCI(C) as also by Comrade K Radhakrishna, member, Central Committee and Secretary, Karnataka State Committee of the Party. Comrade BR Manjunath, member, Karnataka State Committee presided over the meeting. Comrade Manik Mukherjee also addressed the meeting held at **Kottayam**, in **Kerala** on 26 April. The meeting was presided over by Comrade CK Lukose, Central Committee Member and Kerala State Secretary of the Party and was preceded by a big demonstration of Party workers and supporters. Comrade Jaison Joseph, made the welcome speech. Comrade V Venugopal moved a resolution demanding immediate ban of Endosulfan, a dangerous pesticide throughout the country.

The Party foundation day was observed in **Haryana** through a well attended public meeting at Chhotu Ram Park Hall, **Rohtak** on 24 April. Comrade Krishna Chakraborty, member, Polit Bureau, addressed it as the main speaker. Comrade Satyawar, member, Central Committee and Secretary, Haryana State Committee also addressed it, with Comrade Anoop Singh, member, Haryana State Committee presiding over. Comrade Krishna Chakraborty also addressed the meeting in observance of the foundation day at Mukundapur in **Delhi** held on 24 April. Comrade Pratap Samal, Secretary, Delhi State Organising Committee and others also addressed the meeting which was presided over by Comrade Pran Sharma, member, Delhi State Organising Committee. Comrade Krishna Chakraborty then addressed the foundation day observance at **Bhubaneswar, Orissa**, on 28 April, which was presided over by Comrade Dhurjati Das, Orissa State Secretary and attended by other members of the state committee.

In **Patna, Bihar**, the foundation day was observed on 24 April through a meeting held at the IMA Hall, which was addressed by Comrade Ranjit Dhar, member, Polit Bureau, and was presided over by Comrade Shiv Shankar, State Secretary, Bihar.

In **Kolkata**, the Party Headquarters the foundation day was observed on 24 April through a public meeting held at the Indian Association Hall, a venue of many historic meetings of the distant and near past. Despite the bulk of party cadres-supporters-sympathizers being engaged in the ongoing gruelling election campaigns over the state, the meeting was massively attended. Comrade Chhaya Mukherjee, member, Central Committee, SUCI(C) addressed the meeting as the main speaker, while Comrade Chiraranjan Chakraborty, the Kolkata District Secretary of the Party, chaired the meeting.

In **Gujarat**, the Party foundation day was observed at different places. At **Ahmedabad** and **Surat** Comrade Dwarika Nath Rath, Secretary, Gujarat State Organising Committee, addressed the meetings held on 23 and 25 April respectively, while the observances at **Baroda** and **Tarasali** on 24 April, at **Ahua** on 26 April and at **Bhachau** of Bhuj district on 17 April were addressed by other members of the Gujarat State Organizing Committee (SOC).

On 24 April, as a part of the observance of the Party foundation day, the **Jharkhand** State Organising Committee organized a huge protest march towards the Rajbhaban at **Ranchi**, against the anti-people policies of the state and central governments, particularly water crisis, price hike, corruption, against demolition of slums and shanties and for immediate stoppage of eviction drive in slum areas all over the state and in demand of ownership of land to the people of these areas and such others. It ended in a meeting presided over by Comrade Hem Chakraborty, Secretary, Jharkhand SOC and addressed by Comrade Rabin Samajpati, member, Jharkhand SOC.

Party foundation day observances were, in several instances, preceded by quotation exhibitions from the rich treasurehouse of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh Thought, sale of party literatures as well as different

programmes of mass movements. The proceedings of the foundation day included garlanding the portrait of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great proletarian leader, rendering of the song on Comrade Shibdas Ghosh as well as the *Internationale*.

Gist of the Speeches of Comrade Manik Mukherjee at Bangalore and Kottayam

Addressing the gatherings, Comrade Manik Mukherjee discussed at length various issues concerning party building, life struggle and many developments of national and international importance. He explained that we have been observing Party foundation day every year on 24 April, not as a ritual but renewing our pledge to accomplish anti-capitalist revolution. It is a day we place before the people, particularly the working class, the role of our Party, how we are discharging our task, how we are translating the noble idea of Marxism - Leninism concretized in this soil by our beloved leader, teacher and guide Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. We are to place it before the people to judge whether we are moving in the right direction or we are drifting away. The people are the guardians. They will point out if we tread along wrong path. We will learn from the masses and correct ourselves if we are wrong.

The leaders during the founding days of our Party had to face a very difficult situation. There was already an established party going by the name, Communist Party of India (CPI) that had got the recognition of the International Communist Movement. Why was then a need for building another communist party? The answer was simple: CPI is a petty bourgeois party, a social democratic party. In any country, the emancipation of people can come only through proletarian revolution, by overthrow of capitalist system and that task can be fulfilled only by a genuine communist party. So, in India the absence of such a genuine communist party spurred on Comrade Ghosh to form a new communist party on the correct Leninist model. Another question we faced at that time from those closely connected with the freedom movement. They found that the undivided CPI played a very treacherous role and opposed our freedom movement, supporting the

British rulers, sometimes directly and sometimes indirectly. As a result, a large section of the patriotic masses had turned against 'communism'.

So, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh along with a handful of his revolutionary compatriots initiated a historic arduous struggle to build up a genuine communist party on this soil, and after fulfilling necessary conditions of party formation, he founded SUCI as genuine Marxist party upholding the nobility of Marxism-Leninism. As activities of CPI made patriotic people rather hostile to the word 'communist', we could not then take the name 'communist party'.

Explaining why undivided CPI or any of its subsequent factions failed to emerge as a real communist party, he said that many of their leaders, cadres and workers sincerely wanted to be communists, made sacrifices, gave up their career, tried to organize the workers and peasants in struggles and were ready to lay down their life also. But, still they could not become communists. Because, as Comrade Ghosh had shown, desire to be a communist is the initial and cardinal point. But, one should follow the scientific process of becoming a communist that Lenin enunciated. That process was missing. Hence, they failed to build a genuine communist party and could not become true communists

Comrade Ghosh showed that Marxism is a guide to action. So, simply by reading books of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin, and Mao one cannot become a communist. Lenin taught us that Marxism cannot be acquired without applying it in life. On the basis of this understanding Comrade Ghosh started collective life inside the Party. The essence of collective life lies in attaining uniformity in thinking, one process of thinking, oneness in approach and singleness of purpose on all questions concerning politics, economics, love, sex, personal relation, because, some sort of class outlook will be there in all these questions in a class divided society. Attaining uniformity in thinking means to separate out which idea is proletarian class idea and which is anything other than that of proletarian class, said Comrade Mukherjee.

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class outlook, it is not possible to conduct proletarian revolution, successfully. Thus in the essential process to become a communist, one must fight out bourgeois and petty bourgeois habits and ideas. Hence, to separate out the correct proletarian class ideas intense discussions, discourses formed an integral part of collective life of the Party. Through this process initiated and conducted ardently by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, he emerged as a great Marxist philosopher – the leader, teacher and guide of our Party. This is the correct Leninist method of party formation and real and concrete expression of collective struggle. In course of this all-embracing collective struggle, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh emerged as the leader of leaders of the Party.

Unlike in the past many people accept us as genuine communist party today. The erstwhile undivided CPI has undergone multiple split into CPI, CPI (M), many Naxal fractions, so called Maoists and many other splinter groups. Observing the politics and conduct of these parties, people do not consider them as communists at all. But it was a very difficult task to convince the people about this when our Party was founded.

Elaborating on the dismantling of socialism in former Soviet Union and other East European countries, Comrade Mukherjee said this very unfortunate temporary setback which occurred due to revisionist conspiracy aided and abetted by world capitalist-imperialist powers also reconfirmed correctness of Marxist philosophy and dangerous fallout of revisionist deviation. When the international communist movement faced this setback and counter revolutions occurred in one country after another, our Party armed with the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh and under the leadership of our beloved departed General Secretary Comrade Nihar Mukherjee stressed that there was no reason to despair. The people will again rethink. Today, the bourgeoisie is preaching that Marxism is rejected by the working class and Marxism has become obsolete. But very soon, the intense crises of capitalism will make the people believe that capitalism cannot solve their problems of life. Then people will again search for remedy. At that time we will have to explain

to the people that it is the revision of Marxism by revisionist Khrushchev and revisionist leadership of the former CPSU who rejected Marxism and accepted revisionism that ultimately brought on counter revolution. This is not the defeat of Marxism as is being made out but only validation of this scientific life philosophy.

Today, the world over, people are coming out in the streets against capitalist oppression, imperialism and imperialist aggression. People want to know how to get some relief and finally emancipation from this escalating exploitation. The same thing we are witnessing in India also. Now the situation is extremely favourable. If we can take full advantage of this opportunity unfolding before us, the revolutionary movement can surge ahead in bold strides. Now the frustration among people that we witnessed earlier is no more. The notions that 'Marxism has been rejected by the working class' and 'there is an anti-communist wave' have been defeated. It is a very opportune moment for us both nationally and internationally. The farsightedness of our Party has been vindicated again and again. What our Party leadership predicted in the light of Comrade Ghosh's teachings, are coming true. The Party decided to distribute the works of Comrade Ghosh — especially his enunciation of the phenomenon of modern revisionism, its genesis and how it changes the very class character of a communist party and how to fight it — among the communists throughout the world. By this effort since 1990s, we have achieved a lot. Many communist parties across the globe accept Comrade Ghosh as a great Marxist thinker and also hold him as a continuator of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao Zedong. They also acknowledge that his penetrating analysis of revisionism is a comprehensive one. With this alone revisionism can be fought and communist parties in different countries can be built up. In the 1990s our Party gave a call for a militant peace movement to counter attempts of the imperialists to precipitate wars as the mighty socialist camp existed no more. It was our party which gave a call to develop and coordinate anti-imperialist struggles in various countries to thwart imperialist machinations.

The struggle of the people in the Arab world against the autocratic regimes is worth noting. These regimes are collapsing one after another. In those Muslim countries even women in large numbers are out in the street, ready to sacrifice anything. Comrade Mukherjee said that he went to Istanbul and saw on TV a scene. A lady was rushing towards the police with a flag in her hands. She was shouting 'kill me, kill me. I am ready to give my life for the freedom of my country and my people. Not only one life, but two lives — one in the womb'. Unbelievable! How can this emotion arise? Let us not underestimate people's power. May be they are not politically conscious. In absence of proper political direction, such heroic struggles fail to reach logical culmination. Hence, the Party leadership is again and again calling upon us to shoulder higher responsibilities and discharge our duties properly".

Marxism is a science. Today, the objective condition is ripe for revolution, but the main deficiency lies in the subjective factor. Singur and Nandigram movements are cases in point. At the initiative of our Party, people's committees were formed and historic movements were conducted. People were willing to sacrifice everything, but their rights. Women were brutally raped and murdered, but the fighting spirit of the movement could not be dampened. These movements have become symbols of struggle of the peasantry and poor agricultural labourers not only in India, but all over the globe. In our country, wherever the powers that be try to usurp agricultural lands, people are bursting into revolt on Nandigram and Singur model. This shows that people are ready. In India, the correct revolutionary party with right ideology is also present. But the weakness lies in our strength and quality. The Party is again and again stressing that we need more executives — executives with necessary political and organizational abilities, communist character, with dedication and submission to revolution, class and the party. It is not far away when Indian people will revolt like the Arab and African people. On this day we must realize again and again why Comrade Shibdas Ghosh took so much pain, conducted such an arduous struggle to build up this

Party as a new and genuine communist party. He moved without food, proper clothing and with a lot of difficulty with only one dream that this Party will lead the Indian masses to emancipation, to revolution. Today that Party is big. Throughout India we are organizing class and mass struggles. But this is not sufficient. We must come forward, release our initiative.

In West Bengal we alone are not yet in a position to check the fascistic onslaught of CPI (M) on mass movements, the brutality, torture they unleashed on the people. To protect the mass and class struggles in the state, knowing fully well that Trinamool Congress is a rightist party, we joined hands with them. At a particular juncture when even a rightist party, despite serving in the ultimate bourgeois class interest, fights against the main enemy of the people, a revolutionary Party may forge an alliance with that party for the sake of movement and not for the sake of election. We did not go to TMC to get some seats in the Assembly, but to protect mass and class struggles in West Bengal. It is true today that TMC has gained popularity because of the movements and Mamata Banerjee has emerged as would be Chief Minister. Sensing her victory, the Indian bourgeoisie, the corporates decided to back her. But since they are opposed to us, they could not like our relation with her. So they coerced her to submit to their wishes. This development was reflected during the seat sharing process in the Assembly elections. She did not give a single seat to us. Only, in the two seats that we are winning since independence, she did not put up candidates of TMC, lest she would lose deposit. Out of the 14 assembly elections that have taken place so far, we have won 12 times from these two seats. Because of our commitment that for the sake of mass movements CPI (M) must go, we have not broken the alliance, otherwise the CPI (M) will take advantage — but we are contesting against Congress. It is negative polarization in the election today - because of the misdeeds of CPI (M) and not because of her good deeds. The same phenomenon we are witnessing throughout India. People have seen all the parties and are totally disillusioned. People want us to grow. But so long this

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objective of defeating CPI(M).

Whatever be the outcome of the elections, we shall continue to be in the path of movement as before. If returned, our candidates will highlight people's demands inside the Assembly, reflect the voice of democratic movement there. This, let me reiterate, is our promise.

We also conduct another kind of movement. With due solemnity, we observe the birth and death anniversaries of the luminaries of Indian Renaissance as well as the representatives of uncompromising revolutionary trend of our freedom struggle. Through this, we carry out the struggle for imbuing the youth with loftier human essence, morality and culture, for ensuring that their minds are awakened to social consciousness. We take this as a serious struggle. Abominable cultural degradation has become all-pervading in our country. It is eating into the very vitals of the youth's life. All ruling parties are swamping the entire student-youth community with the menace of liquor, gambling, on-line lottery, blue-film and all kinds of indecent and unethical livelihood that find roots in the decadent moribund capitalist order. The pernicious impact of this moral and cultural degradation is vivid in the social and political arena. Even family life is severely affected because of this. In this election also, the ruling parties are using the youths with lure of money and other benefits, not on the strength of any ideology. They are practically buying the youths with money power and engaging them in various immoral and criminal activities. So, we are pledge-bound to carry out this cultural movement to save the youth from plunging into the dungeon of degeneration. We promise that. With this I conclude.

Question-Answer Session

Q. CPI (M), BJP and some other quarters are accusing that TMC is exceeding the stipulated maximum limit of spending Rs 16 lakh per candidate during electioneering. What do you say about that?

A. Earlier also, allegations counter-allegations had been levelled against various parties that they are spending huge money. So is the case this time as well. I do not know who is spending what amount. But everyone knows that vote means

a competition among these contending parties over money spilling. These parties do not need to resort to street collections or door-to-door collections like us to raise funds. They are not dependent on public charity. Ours is the only party which not only solicits votes from the people but simultaneously approaches them for donating in the fighting fund as well. Whoever sees that becomes astonished. They do find our Party an exception in this regard and generously contribute to our fund. Coming back to the question, those accusing TMC of securing black money, are themselves spending no meager an amount. I can only say that for a long time, Congress has been running the government at the Centre. Likewise, CPI (M) is in power for a prolonged period in this state. BJP too had been in central government for quite some time. Even today, BJP is running some state governments. So in terms of money power, TMC is lagging far behind all of them. This much everyone knows. You too also know it. You are also aware that today vote is controlled by money power, muscle power, administrative power and propaganda power. That is why many of you tell us that since we do not seek finance from the business houses, how can we aspire to win elections?

Q. You are desiring defeat of the CPI(M) but without Congress. Do you think TMC can come to power without Congress?

A. I firmly believe that TMC could and even today can come to power without Congress. Had not Congress entered into a tie-up with TMC, it would have been rooted out. There is no place for Congress in West Bengal. I would say that TMC has committed a mistake by aligning with Congress. Had TMC totally depended on the people, on the rich heritage of Singur-Nandigram movements, there would have been torrents of overwhelming people's support behind them. No other force could dare to ask for any slice in the pie. Congress rather is trying to ensure that TMC fails to secure an absolute majority. That is why it has planted 'rebel' candidates as 'independents' in some of the constituencies. In the last press conference, I had provided you with a list of 46 constituencies where we have committed votes ranging from 5,000 to 20,000. I do not say that we can win these seats on our own. But,

if there is neck-to-neck fight in these constituencies, our committed votes would be the determining factor. TMC has fielded their candidates in all these constituencies. So, from the necessity of conducting political fight, we have to contest from such constituencies where organizationally we are relatively weak. Had we wanted, could we not set up our candidates in those 46 constituencies? But we have not. People are saying that TMC has done immense injustice to us. Yet, we have not fielded any so called 'rebel' candidate against them anywhere. We do not practice politics of falsehood, indulge in backstabbing. We move according to our political stand. Whatever we say, accordingly we act. There is no incongruence between our words and deeds. Ours is an absolute transparent consistent politics. But, Congress has fielded so many 'rebel' candidates masqueraded as 'independents' to defeat TMC. Congress leaders are saying in media glare that they would punish the 'independent' candidates. But the two Congress MPs instrumental behind planting these "independent" candidates are being hailed by the State Congress President himself as 'honoured' members. Even the Union Finance Minister has acknowledged that but for the favour of one of these two MPs, he could not have won in the last parliamentary election. He has even expressed his gratitude to the said MP for that. Don't you understand these games? Why is Congress doing all these? Only to ensure that TMC does not get an absolute majority. The Congress leaders want TMC to be dependent on them for ministry formation in West Bengal as Congress is dependent on TMC at the Centre for running the government. So they want that TMC secures less number of seats. CPI (M) too wants that and there is an understanding between Congress and CPI (M) on this question. We have stated this earlier also. Now it is up to TMC to decide what it would do. We are nobody to determine their political line. Let TMC do whatever it deems proper.

Q. If TMC forms the government and Mamata Banerjee herself calls upon SUCI (C) to join the same, what would you do?

A. I have answered this question earlier. First of all, I do not think

she would make any such request. Because of fundamental differences that we have with them on many basic issues, neither can they ask for our participation in the government nor can there be any consideration on our part. This is well high clear from her approach towards us on the question of seat adjustment also. The industrial houses and bureaucracy want that the strength of SUCI(C) be reduced. In my last press conference, I had mentioned that in 1977, Jyotibabu (Jyoti Basu, former Chief Minister of W.B.) had announced that no more would there be any breach of peace or chaos on account of movements because SUCI(C) was not a constituent of the Left Front. The same approach has been reflected by TMC towards us on the issue of seat allotment this time. So, TMC would want us in the cabinet—such thinking has no basis whatsoever. We shall carry on with people's movements on the street as before. I made it amply clear in my speech on 24 April, 2010.

Q. You are saying that you will not join the government. Will you then sit in the opposition?

A. Obviously, it follows so. We shall sit in the opposition. But if CPI (M)-Congress-BJP hatches any conspiracy to overthrow the TMC government, we shall oppose that.

Q. TMC was with you during Singur-Nandigram movements. How far are you getting them by your side in the movements now?

A. Up to one stage, they were with us in some of the movements. That was till the last parliamentary election. But, TMC has not been with us in any of the movements after that. Rather, TMC has opposed many movements including the strike in jute industry. They were not in the movement against ration scandal. They did not support Lalgarh movement nor did they oppose deployment and the atrocities of the joint forces in the Jungalmahal area. When we had called bandhs against the brutality of the joint forces in Lalgarh and later in protest against the barbaric killings of Netai village, they did not support those bandhs.

Q. Congress has fielded candidates in both Joynagar and Kultali. Will you have any problem because of that?

A. We have always been winning those two seats by fighting them. There has not been a single

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election when either Congress or undivided CPI or CPI (M) was not against us.

Q. You have been saying that because of pressure from the industrial houses, TMC has not given you many seats and tried to see that your strength does not go up in the Assembly. At the same time, you are saying that CPI(M) is a trusted party of the capitalists and hence it has to be defeated. Are not your statements contradictory?

A. Our analysis is very clear. Like Congress and BJP, CPI(M) also after being saddled in power in three states has faithfully served the industrial houses. Now, public support is behind TMC. So, the industrial houses have come forward to use TMC. TMC also in turn is welcoming that support to reap electoral benefits. So, like Congress, BJP and CPI (M), the industrial houses would seek to use TMC also to further their class interest. Also please bear in mind that even after TMC comes to power, the industrial houses will back CPI(M) also as the main opposition force, just like the way they are backing BJP at the central level. We know the politics of TMC. We are also aware of the role it plays in the arena of politics. We have opposed their alliance with Congress and their decision to join Congress-led ministry at the Centre. According to us, the stand they have taken in the Assembly election of West Bengal is aimed at appeasing the industrial houses and bureaucracy. Yet, in order to ensure that working class struggle and democratic mass movements get at least a breathing space and there is some respite from the strangulating situation obtaining at present, there is a need to end the rule of CPI (M). As per our earlier declaration, we are extending support to TMC candidates only for ousting CPI(M) from power.

Q. That means whatever role the industrial houses take, you would continue supporting TMC.

A. We shall continue fighting against the exploitation-oppression of the industrial houses. CPI(M) has worked in the interest of the industrial houses. So, we have fought against them. Let me repeat once again that whoever comes to power will have to either work in favour of the industrial houses or fight them. If TMC works in the

interest of the industrial houses, we shall have to fight them as well. But at this moment, it is necessary to support TMC for removing CPI(M) from power.

Q. Provashda, you have spoken about the various movements developed by your Party since 1977. We have also been witness to that. Through these movements, you have been able to reach out to the working people. Despite so much of struggle and dedication, how is it that the votes of the majority of the working people have gone to CPI (M) and the rightist parties and have not been cast in your favour?

A. We are building up movements and receiving tremendous response from the people. In this state, we were the first to call a general strike against the CPI(M) government. We have realized many demands. But what is essential for a genuine communist party in order to convert this rising mass support in favour of movements into electoral support in terms of ballot has not been achieved by us so far. We have not been able to build up innumerable politically conscious people's committees right from the grassroots level and adequate number of volunteer corps which will work as organized people's power both during conduction of movements as well as in the elections. Without that, transforming support for movement into support during vote is not possible. We have been lacking in that respect. You and your fellow journalists are well aware how money power, muscle power along with media power and administrative power operate during the elections. The domestic and foreign monopolists, big business houses muster all their resources to see that we do not win any seat. All ruling parties join hands to oppose us overtly or covertly in the bourgeois class interest. Earlier, on a number of occasions, media carried out news about our possible defeat in Joynagar and Kultali. It was also stated that we would not be able to poll more than 10% of the votes. Thus, there was deliberate attempt to confuse people. Yet we went on winning these two seats based on the unstinted organized support of the local peasants-workers-middle class. Apart from that, Congress and CPI(M) spend huge amount of money to dislodge us. Over and

above, there is no dearth of murder and terror, threat and intimidation. We have been winning these two seats overcoming all such stiff hurdles. When we shall be able to build up necessary bulwark against money-muscle-media-propaganda-administrative powers in other constituencies, we shall be able to emerge victorious in many other constituencies as well. But politically and organizationally, we have not yet been able to achieve that position.

Q. You are opposing the industrial houses and the corporate sector. Do you think there can be any development without corporate sector or solution to unemployment problem?

A. It seems I shall have to enter into a completely different discussion with you. The corporate sector is plundering the country, bringing it to the precipice of ruination. As time will not permit, I shall speak only few words on this subject. The corporate sector is not doing anything out of compassion. It is investing capital for the purpose of exploitation and earning maximum profit. Many contend that had not the British imperialists come to our country, there would not have been any development here. Likewise, a section feels today that without investment by the corporate sector, there will be no prosperity of our country. Both the arguments fall in the same category. Is the corporate sector solving unemployment problem or intensifying it? Market crisis, crisis

of great depression, retrenchment, closure, unemployment problem are all stemming from capitalism now in its death throes. Only by overthrowing capitalism can there be an end to all kinds of exploitation-oppression-discrimination. Only then can there be proper development of the people at large. Soviet socialism has amply proved that.

Concluding remarks by Comrade Provash Ghosh

We have always openly placed our political viewpoint. While sharing the same platform with Mamata Banerjee, I have said that she is a Gandhite and I am a Marxist. She thinks that social welfare can be brought about through parliamentary politics. But we think that real emancipation can come about only by accomplishing anti-capitalist socialist revolution. I have clearly highlighted this fundamental difference between our respective political lines. We do not practice the politics of duping people. Ours is not a politics to ascend to governmental power or increasing the number of MLAs or MPs by hook or by crook. Had we been in pursuit of that power politics, we could have responded to the repeated feelers sent by the CPI (M) leaders. Had we abandoned the path of movement, we could have substantially increased the number of our MLAs in this election by joining hands with Congress. But that is not our politics. I am ending with this. Thanks to all of you.

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parliamentary illusion remains, this development will happen. A revolutionary party will participate in elections. It will not get votes. But, if this illusion is broken, then people will support the revolutionary party. Only then the way is paved for revolution.

Capitalism cannot survive, whether capitalists introduce globalization, privatization or liberalization. No force can debar people from joining the movements, when leadership of SUCI(C) is established on movements, there will be tremendous surge of movements. We can overthrow capitalism and establish socialism. For this we must meticulously

pursue the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. We should enhance our struggle and try to become good communists and good disciples of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. We should go and live with the masses, learn from the masses, develop movements of the masses on the edifice of higher culture and struggle within the Party and develop working class character and rededicate ourselves to eradicating all old class hangovers. Consciously we must conduct this struggle. Then only the observance of 24th April will be meaningful. With this I conclude.

[Addresses by different Politbureau members on Party Foundation day will be published later.]

Message of solidarity to the Communist Party of Pakistan from SUCI (C)

To
The General Secretary
Communist Party of Pakistan

Dear Comrades,

We are extremely happy to learn that your party is going to hold its Eighth Party Congress on 11, 12 and 13th of April, 2011. I, on behalf of our beloved party, the Socialist Unity Centre of India (Communist), the working class and the toiling millions of our country, take the pleasure to send this message to you all comrades expressing solidarity with the struggle of your party for the emancipation of the working class and other exploited masses of Pakistan. We, at the same time, wish grand success of your party Congress and extend revolutionary greeting to all leaders and members of your party.

Comrades, you are holding your party congress at a time when the world is at cross-roads — when on the one hand, being faced with unprecedented crisis, the ruling capitalist classes of all the imperialist and capitalist countries are making severe attacks on the toiling masses, the toiling masses on the other, are bursting forth in protest movements against ruthless exploitation and oppressive rule of the capitalist class. The recent outburst of the working class and other exploited people of different countries of Europe and lately in the countries of the Middle East is a testimony to this fact.

Though these movements had tremendous potential to bring about fundamental changes in all these countries, it is very unfortunate to note that after achieving some immediate demands, these movements are dying down. This fact alone shows the correctness of Lenin's teaching that as without a revolutionary theory there will be no revolution so also without a revolutionary party there will be no revolution. Building of a genuine revolutionary party of the proletariat is of such immense importance. Your earnest struggle to build up a genuine revolutionary party of proletariat in Pakistan is a historic struggle which we hold with high esteem.

But comrades, to build up a communist party today is a most difficult task particularly after the fall of socialism in Russia, China and East European countries and crisis in world communist

movement. As Marxist we are to scientifically analyze the causes and draw proper lessons from these debacles of unthinkable dimension to tide over the present crises and carry forward the great banner of Marxism-Leninism, the cause of world revolution. It is our considered view that notwithstanding glorious victories of revolution in a good number of countries and tremendous advancement of world communist movement particularly after the Second World War, crisis developed due to failure to advance Marxism further as a science to keep pace with newer developments in life, lowering of ideological-cultural standard, development of mechanical relationship instead of dialectical relationship in the main and appearance of a new form of bourgeois individualism, i.e., socialist individualism, as all these in their cumulative effects gave birth to modern revisionism. Renegade Khrushchev, as a pioneer of this modern revisionism undermining Stalin, the great leader and authority of Marxism-Leninism, in the post Lenin period started the process of degeneration which ultimately led to counter revolution in Russia. Same misdeed was done by capitalist roaders Liu Shaoqi-Deng Xiaoping clique in China too.

In this connection we would like to tell you that while building up our Party Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the Founder General Secretary, SUCI (C) and a great Marxist thinker of this era, again and again emphasized the overriding importance of continuous cultivation of higher ideological-cultural consciousness by all the leaders and rank and file of a revolutionary party based on developed understanding of Marxism-Leninism. He also put great emphasis on attainment of higher communist culture as distinct from bourgeois humanism and individualism, which can only be achieved by freeing oneself not only from private property but also from private property mental complex in all spheres of life. He showed that the top most leadership of the party should be formed only with those who have been able to identify their personal interest with the interest of the working class, revolution and the party by conducting intensive socialist movement covering all aspects of their lives. This movement should be kept alive

embracing all the members of the party besides conducting ideological struggle to develop one process of thinking, uniformity of thinking, oneness in approach and singleness of purpose based on Marxism-Leninism. In the process of this struggle when organizational centralism of the party develops on the basis of ideological centralism and concrete conception of collective leadership appears in the highest body of the party through an individual then only a party truly achieves democratic centralism — the basic principle of a Leninist party. Today's communist movement cannot be developed and made victorious without ruthlessly fighting and defeating modern revisionism.

Comrades, we know in what adverse situation you are building up your party and the communist movement on the soil of Pakistan. But you know that in exploitative societies nowhere and never revolution grew and became victorious in favorable conditions. Rather, history shows that in all ages and in every country revolution grew and became victorious in adverse situations facing odds. But that has only made the revolutionaries more steeled and tempered. In these difficult days of yours we are very much with you. No doubt, the genuine communists of other countries will also be with you whenever they come to know about your struggle.

Today, the moribund capitalist system has created an all-out crisis — economic, political, social, cultural, ethical and moral. Crises of moribund capitalism are insoluble within its framework. Historically, these can be solved only in a revolutionary way by overthrowing capitalism and establishing socialism, which only the consciously organized proletariat can ensure.

After a period of confusions and disarray again the working class all over the world is surging forth. Their movements are growing irresistibly. Even in advanced capitalist countries waves of workers movements are shaking the foundations of imperialism-capitalism. Everywhere there is cry for change of exploiting social order. Objective situation is prepared, need of the hour is maturing of the subjective condition, that is, emergence of powerful working class parties

armed with Marxism-Leninism. We hope through these movements communist consciousness will gradually go up and gain further momentum and revolutionary movements will grow and finally become victorious.

In these critical hours of the world communist movement, genuine communists of all the countries need to establish close ties and relations. We are fully aware that people of Pakistan and India bear the common heritage of glorious anti-imperialist struggle, we fervently hope that the working classes and all exploited people of both the countries will close their ranks and cement their unity through their common struggle against world imperialism-capitalism under the great banner of Marxism-Leninism-Proletarian Internationalism defeating all heinous conspiracies and obstruction of the ruling classes of both India and Pakistan.

Comrades, again we convey our heartfelt fraternal revolutionary greetings to all the delegates of your Party Congress and wish it a grand success.

Comradely yours,
Provash Ghosh
General Secretary,
Socialist Unity Centre of India
(Communist)

Reply from the Communist Party of Pakistan

Dear Comrade Provash Ghosh
General Secretary
Socialist Unity Center of India
(Communist).

We highly appreciate and are greatly thankful for this profoundly pedantic and Marxist erudite, warm fraternal message of yours to us at this occasion of the 8th party congress of CPP.

More importantly at times of very bleak, complex and antagonizing situation, we communists are drawn at the alter of radical elimination by the maverick gang-hoes of imperialism and its multi-polar cronies, your this letter of solidarity and greetings is a great source of encouragement, strength and oxygen for us in these dire conditions of suffocations. Comradely greetings and hope for furthering of our fraternal relations.

Imdad Qazi
Deputy General Secretary
Communist Party of Pakistan

WFTU Congress **Working class called upon to wage all out struggle against capitalism-imperialism**

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after the dismantling of the MIGHTY SOCIALIST PEACE CAMP which was acting as a powerful deterrent to this war design, the imperialists, particularly the US imperialists, have taken menacingly to belligerent postures. Now to start a war they have no dearth of excuses. The working class cannot forget for a moment that though their main aim is to capture market another objective of theirs is to suppress revolutionary movement wherever it develops. The working class, therefore, will have to build up powerful anti-imperialist militant peace movement, and by joining hands with other anti-imperialist forces, foil this design.

The unrest that is growing among the working class and other exploited masses in different countries today shows undisputedly that the situation everywhere has become unbearable. Moribund capitalism has created an all-out crisis – economic, political, social, cultural-ethical and moral. It is destroying whatever great, noble and lofty are there in the society. It is now a dying civilisation. Society is crying for a new civilisation which the working class alone can ensure. At this juncture the working class of all countries will have to play the decisive role that history has bestowed on it.

After the fall of the socialist state in the land of Great Lenin and Stalin the imperialists and capitalists tried to create doubts in the minds of working class about the possibility of any more socialist revolution. Marx and Engels showed that revolution does not take place because of anybody's liking or disliking; it is a historical process of development of society

when a system becomes old and moribund it has to go yielding place to a new one that grows within its own womb. Moribund capitalism has to yield place to socialism one day. When it will come, that depends on the consciousness and revolutionary organisation of the proletariat. Failure of the socialist system in Russia is not the end of history. All the previous socio-political-economic systems took long to replace the old. The socialist system which ends exploitation of man by man cannot but take longer time. The first revolt of the working class that failed in the Paris Commune did not put an end to the onward march of proletarian revolution. Taking lessons from the failure of Paris Commune when Lenin organised revolution in Russia, that brought about a new world and a new civilisation. After its fall the working class is struggling to take lessons from it. Taking lessons from it when the working class will make the final onslaught on the rule of capital the world will become red. No power on earth can stop it. The working class should believe in it and shall march on forward to victory.

WORKERS OF THE WORLD,
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WORLD PROLETARIAN
REVOLUTION

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TRADE UNIONS

In the concluding session Comrade Muhammad Shaaban Azous, and Comrade George Mavrikos, were reelected as the President and Secretary General respectively of the Organisation.

SUCI(C) severely condemns brutal police firing at Jaitapur

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C), had issued the following statement on 20 April, 2011 :

We strongly condemn the unprovoked police firing on peacefully protesting villagers in Jaitapur in Ratnagiri district of Maharashtra in which one person was killed and many others received grievous injuries. The villagers were justly voicing their protest against installation of a nuclear power plant which was posing severe danger to their lives. We have been emphasizing again and again that taking recourse to nuclear power generation in utter disregard to the dangerous fallout and associated hazards is nothing but playing with the life of the common people and hence ought to be resisted with all strength by all sections of well-meaning people. Our Party has been opposing such pernicious proposals right from day one of their mooted and could successfully stall establishment of such a plant at Haripur in West Bengal under pressure of organized people's movement.

We hail and extend full support to the fighting people of Jaitapur and demand of the government to immediately give up the policy of nuclear power generation and abandon the proposal of setting up nuclear power plant in Jaitapur. We also demand stringent punishment of the police personnel responsible for opening up indiscriminate firing on the agitating villagers as well as adequate compensation to the family of the deceased and those having sustained serious injuries on account of this brutal police action.

SUCI (C) strongly condemns brutal killing at Dhanbad

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C), had issued the following statement on 28 April, 2011:

The way the BJP-led Jharkhand Government, in the name of undertaking anti-encroachment drive, is evicting tens of thousands of poor slum dwellers residing there for the last 50-60 years and turning them into street beggars with the ulterior motive of handing over the vacated land to the promoters and contractors for illegal construction, is brazenly cruel and inhuman that has few parallel in the history of brutal crushing of people's movement in India by the power that be.

We have been shocked to know that during this drive, the Jharkhand government has killed two innocent persons including a child in Ranchi a few days ago and yesterday the police have fired nearly thousand rounds from AK-47 rifles on the agitating people killing six and severely injuring sixteen more at Dhanbad. We strongly condemn this brutal killing and demand of the Jharkhand government to —

- i) Immediately stop this unjust eviction;
- ii) Pay adequate compensation to the families of the dead and the injured persons;
- iii) Undertake all responsibilities including financial responsibility of proper treatment of the injured; and mete out stringent and exemplary punishment to the guilty police officers.

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