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Explosive economic crisis grips Europe and USA

Ruling bourgeoisie attempting to avert mass upsurge by misleading people towards deceptive bourgeois election politics

The economy of the western world is tottering on a wobbly foundation. The much-trumpeted 'free market economy' is now enslaved in a market crisis created by its own laws. After unfolding of sub-prime crisis in US that spread throughout the world in no time like a prairie fire and triggered overnight collapse of giant financial institutions, banks and insurance companies, it is sovereign debt crisis that has gripped entire Europe. Worst among them are Eurozone countries which have euro (€) as their common currency and sole legal tender. Things have come to such a pass that even a bailout money of as high as 110bn-euro (\$148bn, £95bn) and subsequently a further 109bn-euro package agreed last summer by the creditor countries and international agencies are proving too short to touch even a fringe of the crisis. Worst at this moment is the condition of Greece. With a sovereign debt mountain of about 340bn euros (£297bn; \$478bn), Greece might well go broke and be forced out of Eurozone. If Greece defaults, Portugal, Spain and Italy, the third biggest economy in Europe, as also Ireland could follow in no time. Greece's public debt is 144 per cent of GDP, Ireland's 95 per cent, Portugal's 93 per cent, France's 82 per cent, and Spain's 61 per cent. But the providers of bailout packages have sent stern warnings to the governments of Greece and Italy that they must bite the bullet of a decade of austerity in the form of imposing heavier burdens on the working people by freezing their wages, increasing the working hours, halving retirement benefits, deep cuts in public spending, sharply raising taxes etc. or leave the Euro. Obviously, the people of Greece and other Eurozone nations have expressed strong wrath and indignation at this monstrous proposal since it would further erode their already declining

livelihood. A spate of militant protest movements has rocked country after country across entire Europe. Workers, students and toiling people in general have come out on the street in mounting anger as stringent socio-economic austerity measures are being adopted by the governments. People have very legitimately raised a question that when all the economic policies have been framed to benefit only 1% of the rich and affluent, why should the rest 99% afflicted by rising poverty, soaring inflation, growing unemployment, massive job loss, wage freeze, withdrawal of various social security measures and increased taxation bear the brunt?

Why should the axe fall on them and not those who have been architects of such an economic disaster? On the other hand, the apprehension among the ruling circle is that if Greece leaves Eurozone, the very zone will collapse entailing a bigger crisis. The defenders of decadent moribund capitalism, caught in its own web, are nonplussed to find any way out and we know they cannot.

Accentuating crisis of capitalism

Because, the economic crisis hanging over Europe is not just because of some exclusive faulty

policies of the governments there or non-performance of euro. It is manifestation of the insoluble crisis of world capitalism that exploded with all virulence in the US in 2008 and is intensifying further in Europe, bursting the myth created about omnipotence of capitalist globalization or so called 'free market economy'. It may be recalled that after dismantling of the mighty socialist camp due to revisionist conspiracy aided and abetted by the capitalist-imperialist bloc, the bourgeoisie introduced the doctrine of globalization with much fanfare. By globalization, the imperialist-capitalist rulers generally meant a

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SUCI(C) demands immediate roll-back of draconian hike in petrol price and calls upon the countrymen to observe all-India resistance day on 31 May in militant manner through strikes, road-blocks, rail-roko and all other recognized means of democratic movement

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI(C), has issued the following statement on 25 May, 2012 :

We demand immediate roll back of the steepest ever hike in petrol prices by the Congress-led UPA government on deceptive pretext and bypassing parliament clearly at the behest of the ruling capitalist class. Projecting 'under-recovery or the price differential between international and domestic sale prices as per most unjust 'import pricing parity policy' as loss of the oil behemoths due to spurt in import cost of crude and making that a plea for this draconian increase is a palpable fraud committed on the common people reeling under unprecedented fiscal savagery and soaring price line. We call upon the countrymen to rise up in protest and observe 31 May, 2012 as all-India resistance day in a militant manner through strikes, road-blocks, rail-

roko and all other recognized means of conducting democratic struggle so that a powerful sustained democratic movement surges forth and the government is compelled under pressure of movement to yield to the demand for immediate roll back of the cruel hike. We also demand of both the central and state governments to withdraw forthwith all unjust and atrocious duties and cess imposed on petrol-diesel-cooking gas as well as other petro-products. We also strongly oppose the reported move by the central government to shortly decontrol retail tariff of diesel and cooking gas and urge upon the people to be in readiness mustering all strength under their command to foil that heinous attack as well.

We also strongly criticize the most cunning move on the part of the BJP, another trusted representative of the ruling

monopolists, to make a show of protest by dishing out the gimmick of calling Bharat bandh on 31 May since they, too, during their tenure, followed the same policy and pitched for expedient de-regularization of fuel-prices. Fighting people should not fail to take note of this shrewd attempt of the BJP to pretend opposition to petro-price rise for reaping electoral mileage and hide their rabid anti-people pro-capitalist character. The call given by the CPI (M), CPI to observe the same 31 May as protest day is also nothing but a face-saving device since both of these parties have consistently been skirting the path of developing a countrywide mighty long-drawn left-democratic movement against the anti-people policies of the government and thereby virtually playing second fiddle to the oppressive ruling capitalist class and its subservient government.

Crisis not just of Eurozone, Euro or Sovereign Debt but of Moribund Corrupt Capitalism

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sustained spurt on a global scale in economic activities comprising large-scale export and investment in finance capital, installation of huge production units and marketing of commodities cutting across national borders. Gigantic multi-national or transnational corporations were viewed as the chief carriers of this capitalist globalization. The age old word 'market economy' was presented anew with a prefix 'free' to denote as if a completely new system had come down from heaven for deliverance of the toiling masses. Apologists of capitalism-imperialism claimed that spate of globalization would give fillip to free market economy and mark a new chapter of history through freeing production from all controls which *ipso facto* would usher in rapid industrialization and solve all economic problems entailing eradication of all woes and constraints of the people at large. When asked how globalization would increase the purchasing power of the people, exponents of free market economy argued that if there would be more accumulation of wealth, governments would earn more tax revenue from the wealthy segment. And that increased revenue would then be redistributed to the people at large so that they too could prosper as well. This they termed as 'inclusive growth' or 'trickle down effect'. And boastfully they claimed that 'capitalism only can bring peace, prosperity and happiness to the people'.

But what they did not divulge was that in capitalist economic law, the entire production system is run from the standpoint of the interest of the capital or capitalists. Maximization of profit and not meeting the needs of the society is the motive of production. And this maximum profit accrues in the hands of the few owners of the means of production (industry or land) only by ruthlessly exploiting the working people, denying them their legitimate due and squeezing out even the last drop of their blood. Wealth accumulates only from this profit. Globalization or free market economy, whatever renaming takes place — capitalism remains capitalism. So, remain operative its basic operative laws. And the more capitalism, thrashing in its death throes, prolongs its moribund existence, the more it would breed crisis, become increasingly oppressive, utterly corrupt and despotic. People are now realizing from experience what lurked

behind the canorous coinage of the term 'free market economy'. The very slogan of economic reforms and globalization was a camouflage to remove all obstacles that stood in the way of minting maximum profit by the capitalists-imperialists. Setting up of Special Economic Zone, abolition of the concept of permanent employment, introduction of contract labour system, forcible acquisition of farmland and triggering eviction from home and hearth, switching to contract farming and curtailing social security benefits, spree of privatization of key areas like health, education, power, water supply, sanitation and civic amenities, allowing price fixation of all essential commodities starting from food articles to fuel—these are all products of the policy directive of 'free market economy', 'globalization' or 'economic reforms' whatever name one likes to call it by. What have all these brought in their wake? Increased wealth to the handful of capitalist owners and their lackeys and rising penury and misery to the toiling multitude.

Because, as per law of capitalism, more the accumulation of wealth, more pauperized is the toiling masses. More they are pauperized, more plummets their purchasing power. More is dwindled their purchasing power, more is the shrinkage of market causing industries and establishments to close down entailing spiralling unemployment and retrenchment. This further contracts the market, brings in demand recession. So, the very claim that "decontrol would fuel industrialization" was a hoax. On the contrary, in a situation of demand recession, the capitalist owners waving banner of globalization and reforms shifted from productive investment to rampant speculation and increased militarization. Even that was not enough. They attempted to artificially stimulate the demand of consumer goods by offering cheap credit or loan. "If you have urge, go splurge"—this was the slogan with which the people at large were lured to avail loans. Even that euphoria over 'credit-driven revival of market' was short-lived as dipping income of the loan takers caused massive repayment default. So, the banks, insurance companies and financial institutions who, besides working as windows to this cheap credit also indulged in massive speculation with the loan instruments, suddenly found their

money wiped out. Sub-prime crisis and the concomitant global economic meltdown as well as present sovereign debt crisis have all sprung from this credit-driven economy. Then the governments came forward to rescue these banks and other financial institutions as well as large corporates going bankrupt in the process of operation of this credit-driven economy coupled with widespread speculation, through fatty bailout packages financed by heavy drawing from the public exchequer at the cost of public welfare and limitless market borrowings. By undertaking huge and unprecedented bailout packages for those very corporates who in the first place caused the financial meltdown, developed countries incurred huge amounts of debts surpassing their GDPs. The total potential federal government support could reach upto \$ 23.7 trillion. This credit-driven economy assumed such a proportion that even countries began to run the national economy based on market borrowings. Repayment of one loan was through availing of a bigger loan. The entire thrust was on seeking loan without caring for the capacity to repay the loan. This caused huge, if not unmanageable governmental deficits in so many countries. In the process of mitigating corporate insolvency, what has been triggered is sovereign insolvency. This is the vicious cycle of capitalism. Globalization or free market economy has only accentuated this process. The entire capitalist world, developed or underdeveloped, is, therefore, plunged into an unprecedented economic crisis in the form of demand recession coupled with spiralling inflation and galloping unemployment which is strangulating people. GDP growth in the 27 countries of the European Union (EU) has fallen from 2.4 per cent in the first quarter of 2011 to 0.8 per cent in the last quarter, according to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Secretariat. 51 per cent of the youth between the ages of 15 and 25 are unemployed in Greece and Spain, 36 per cent in Italy and Portugal, 30 per cent in Ireland, over 20 per cent in France etc. No formula, no quackery, no stream of hard or soft remedial measures, no tall claim of resilience, no number of summits are in a position to salvage the sinking capitalist economy.

European Union and Eurozone—faces of murky capitalism

In this backdrop, if one looks at the current crisis of Europe and Eurozone, it would be clear to them that the same slogan of globalization or global integration of economy and so called radical reforms has invoked the catastrophe. People of Europe would recollect that when immediately after the Second World War, the European Economic Community (EEC) was established, the incumbent governments as mouthpiece of the respective ruling bourgeoisie held out many dreams to the people. Later, in 1992 by the Maastricht Treaty, the word 'Economic' was removed from the name European Economic Community and the European Union or EU was founded. The architects of EU also dangled the carrot of development and prosperity to the masses. The rulers of the 27 nations that currently comprise the EU held that through such consolidation the European Union would eventually merge into one huge state with the largest economy in the world accounting for a population of some 500 million, 30 per cent of the world's GDP and an even higher percentage of the world's trade. This way they would also be able to combat US domination. Hence bright days are ahead of the citizens of all these countries. Except Britain and Denmark, all other major powers joined EU. Afterwards, in 1999, the Euro was introduced as a common currency with the claim that it would bring new strength and opportunities arising from the integration and scale of the euro-area economy, making the single market more efficient. However, only 17 out of the 27 EU members agreed to have the euro as official currency. This group of 17 countries came to be known as Eurozone. The contention was that a single currency would make the euro area an attractive region for third countries to do business, thus promoting trade and investment. Prudent economic management would make the euro an attractive reserve currency for third countries, and give the euro area a more powerful voice in the global economy. Not only would the currency fluctuation risks and exchange costs be eliminated and the single market strengthened, the euro would also mean closer co-operation among the Eurozone

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Party Foundation Day observance in states

(Final instalment of Party Foundation Day coverage)

Ranchi, Jharkhand

SUCI(C) foundation day was observed at Ranchi, Jharkhand, with due honour. On the occasion, a mass meeting was held at All India Women's Conference Hall with Comrade Rabin Samajapati, the Secretary of the State Organizing Committee in conduction. Also present on the dais were State Committee members Comrades K P Singh, R S Sharma, Siddheswar Singh, Bimal Das, SitaramTudu, Ramlal Mahato, and Sumit Ray. Comrade Ranjit Dhar, veteran member, Polit Bureau, SUCI (C), addressed the gathering as the main speaker.

Comrade Ranjit Dhar's Speech

Comrade Ranjit Dhar said in his speech: The independence movement of our country reached its final phase about the time of the Second World War. The whole of India turned explosive with a series of incidents; the "Quit India" call given by Gandhi against the British and his call to the people with the slogan "Kareng Ye Mareng"; the Azad Hind Fauz under Netaji's leadership gradually advancing; the firing unleashed on freedom fighters within the jail and such others. In the erstwhile East Bengal, even in our small home town, we would witness almost every day, strikes organized by school and college students, rallies, attacks on police stations, setting fire to foreign liquor shops, police firing, curfew, and finally on 29 July, 1946, the strike called by All India Post and Telegraph employees, and the naval strike of Bombay (present Mumbai). All these incidents caused the British rulers and the Indian capitalist class to be terribly frightened. They realized if such events continued and if with the help of the compromising Congress leadership some solution is not reached then in the end the leadership of independence movement might get out of their hands. So the British all in a hurry transferred power and the regime of Indian capitalism was established.

Comrade Ranjit Dhar went on to say that today capitalism is facing an all-out crisis. Whichever way we may look at, only lamentations can be heard. The scope of education is being closed for the common people, proper treatment is out of their reach, unemployment is rampant, jobs are not available, price of commodities is skyrocketing; out of sheer desperation

even a mother is being compelled to sell her dear child. Gravest of all such problems is that of culture. Extreme individualism is engulfing the entire society. Not just in the country, society or neighbourhood even within a family everyone is only looking after his own interest. So you can see there is no peace.

Capitalism is responsible for all this. So long as capitalism persists, such problems will aggravate further still. So a change is essential. Such problems cannot be resolved through a change in the government only. Revolution alone is the solution. But 'I want revolution' this thought by itself does not signify a revolutionary consciousness. The expression 'I want revolution' concretely means I try utmost to strengthen that party of the proletariat which will organize revolution. It is because as Lenin said 'Without a revolutionary party, there can be no revolution'. We are proud of the fact that we are soldiers of the party that the great Marxist thinker Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had built up through arduous struggle with just a handful of compatriots. Comrade Dhar pointed out that the thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh have spread out not only in all corners of our country but also have reached many a country abroad.

Comrade Ranjit Dhar continued: on this auspicious occasion of the party foundation day, apart from appraising the current national and international situation we also attempt to evaluate how far we have been able to develop ourselves as Marxist revolutionaries. Many of you participated in the historic Delhi March on 14th of March this year. No other leftist party, alone or jointly has ever organized such a gigantic, lively and disciplined rally in the heart of the capital. People from different corners of the country had rushed up to Delhi to register their protest. All must have noted that the language of this protest signified something different. An unexpected natural calamity had destroyed all arrangements made by the volunteers. Those thousands of people having arrived in Delhi from the remotest parts of the nation, utterly exhausted as they were and sleepless, half-fed or nearly without food for two to three days at a stretch – instead of complaining about inconveniences, they had extended their hands in getting things back to normalcy. This, simply unprecedented, was possible only because of their commitments and emotions towards the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh and the movement. With inspirations from

such a rally, movements based on the burning problems of our life must be developed. How severe is the scarcity of water resulting in what inhuman hardship in this terrible heat while the less said the better about the condition of roads and streets, unhygienic drainage and sanitation, combined with extreme apathy of the government regarding health and education — on all such issues develop movements right from the block level. However a few teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh must be borne in mind at the same time.

First of all, we shall have to acquire proletarian culture. We shall have to accept collective life, collective work and way of thinking — however difficult it may be. Our love, affection, approach towards our children and in all other aspects of life — it has to be checked whether proletarian culture is being reflected or not.

Secondly, the correct methodology for a proletarian class party has to be followed in conducting party organization and activities. Just as every member has the right to express one's own opinion and arrive at a decision through arguments and discourse, similarly once a decision has been taken, to adhere to it happily is the correct organizational process in proletarian class party. Besides, never should the object of a discourse be to impose one's own opinion on others. Instead, to find the truth, the correct attitude should be to accept even the slightest element of truth contained in the argument placed by others.

Thirdly, the relation among workers and between leaders and workers in the party should be dialectical. All should free themselves from blind and mechanical behaviour. Way back in 1948 Comrade Ghosh had pointed out the harmful effects of mechanical relation between the international leadership and the communist parties of different countries. All this has been vindicated later on as bare truth.

Fourthly, it should be borne in mind that a man howsoever great he may be is a man of virtue and vice in combination. Someone may be helped to be rid of the vice if his virtues are nourished and not by instigating his vices. Also if each of us stop thinking about ourselves and leave our affairs to be decided by



Comrade Ranjit Dhar addressing Party foundation day meeting in Jharkhand

others, then only we can move forward in our struggle to free ourselves from the influence of individualism. These are some of the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, as I have understood, Comrade Dhar submitted. There are many such teachings to be absorbed.

Today, said Comrade Dhar, we are faced with a golden opportunity. Each of the other political parties has been unmasked. People today are disillusioned about even those parties that claim to be Marxists-like the CPI and the CPI(M), not to speak of the marked bourgeois parties like the BJP, Congress, RJD, Samajwadi Party, JMM etc. The so-called leftist parties are also serving as agents of capitalism. In Nandigram –Singur people had witnessed how the true face of the CPI(M) was revealed. Also the party which is named as Maoist on paper, though they are given wide publicity by the media, have no connection whatsoever with the life of the common people. Besides this, revolution in this country cannot occur by imitating China as the so-called Maoists propound. Revolution cannot occur in any country through imitation. The particular line of revolution of a country has to be determined on the basis of the specific situation thereof. Moreover, this era is one of 'imperialism and proletarian revolution' as enunciated by Comrade Lenin. So there can be nothing called Maoism. It is true that Mao has enriched the Marxian epistemology while organizing revolution in his country. This is why, we call his thoughts – thoughts of Mao just as we say Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's Thought.

Comrade Ranjit Dhar concluded by saying that if we could develop ourselves on the basis of the thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh and move forward then revolution would not be far off.

Guwahati, Assam

In Guwahati, Assam the 64 Foundation Anniversary of the Party SUCI(C) was observed in a meeting held on 24 April, at Guwahati District Library Auditorium. It was

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Comrade Shibdas Ghosh Thought is the most enriched understanding of Marxism-Leninism

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presided over by Comrade Bhupendra Nath Kakati, member, Assam State Committee of the Party, Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya, member, Polit Bureau addressed the meeting as the main speaker. We reproduce English rendering of his speech, marginally edited.

Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya's speech

Comrade President, comrades and friends,

We have assembled here today on the occasion of the 64th Foundation Anniversary of our Party SUCI(Communist). Unquestionably, this is a very significant date. It was on this date at the historic Foundation Convention of the Party under the leadership of the great leader Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, one of the eminent Marxist philosophers of this era, that SUCI(C) adopted the base political line of anti-capitalist socialist revolution for the country and since then on that base political line the Party has been carrying on relentlessly class and mass struggles throughout the country with its strength growing every day as students, youth, workers, peasants and middle class people join the Party in course of those struggles. Each day, the situation proves and confirms how correct is that base political line of the Party. The Foundation Day is thus a day for us to take pledge to further skip up those struggles, to further strengthen them.

But this year, the Day is being observed in a grief-stricken ambience within the Party in Assam. Comrade Kalyan Chowdhury, Central Committee member and Secretary, Assam State Committee is no longer among us; he breathed his last on 30 March last. Despite his very serious health condition, unflinching he used to be present with us on the Foundation Anniversary meeting every year. We miss him. But I have mentioned in his Memorial meeting and I would like to repeat it, that we possess the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh on how to confront such situations of great grief and bereavement. And if, with our pledge to build up ourselves as genuine communist characters on the strength of thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, we can interweave and merge our lessons from the exceptional life struggle of Comrade Kalyan Chowdhury, our own life struggle will be further invigorated and be still more living. I submit this appeal to you at the outset.

As indicated above, the significance of this date lies in determining the strategy and tactics of our future struggles on the basis of analysis of the national and international situations prevailing now, when we are observing the Day. Strategy and tactics are two very familiar terms in Marxism. Correct realization of strategy help to correctly give effect to tactics; and correct practice of tactics brings development in correct realization of strategy. So, the two are interrelated and interactive. And revolutionary movement must advance through proper coordination of the two. This necessitates that, from time to time, we undertake analysis of national and international situations from Marxist standpoint.

The prevailing international scenario presents an alarming face. Capitalist-imperialist countries of the world are bogged in a tremendous crisis. After the second world war, there emerged a mighty socialist camp covering one-third of the world and including the then Soviet Union, China and a number of East European countries. Within a short span, they recorded such extensive and intensive development in different fields of social and economic activities that astounded the rest of the world. The Soviet Union, under the leadership of the great proletarian leader Stalin, even took some such steps that resonated traits expected to be found before stepping onward to communism; though the 19th Congress of the CPSU held under Stalin's leadership also reaffirmed that it was impossible to reach communism till socialism was established in most of the countries of the world. Amidst such a situation the modern revisionists assumed leadership and power in one socialist country after another, relentlessly carried on anti-Marxist campaign and activities leading ultimately to counter-revolutions and debacle of the socialist camp. The world capitalism-imperialism, its protagonists and apologists, the bourgeois *pundits* all rejoiced and ridiculed, crying aloud: Alas! What a state communism has befallen in! Communism is proved a failed theory! Capitalism is proven the only system to prevail! The world has become unipolar, a single global village! The panacea of globalization-liberalization would lead it to prosperity and peace.

Imperialist countries like USA, UK, France, Germany and others who headed this hate campaign at that time, are now tottering from the

unassailable economic crisis inherent to their system. They stand completely clueless to get over it. Once the US imperialism reigned so aggressively that the European countries had to agglomerate into the European Union to protect their interests. Now the almighty US imperialism, as well as the emergent EU, all are gripped by a tremendous market and debt crisis. USA has now turned into the largest debtor country; European countries, big or small, and one after another, are close at the heels of the USA. Industries are gasping from market crisis; production is being cut down. And the entire burden of this crisis is being thrust upon common people. Stimulus for fraudulent, debt-stricken, profit-hungry mono-polists are being provided at the cost of people's money cruelly through so-called 'austerity measures' which are only slashing the allotments for social welfare measures for people. Unemployment, soaring price, total insecurity of life and livelihood, a total moral-ethical bankruptcy and degeneration – all this have plagued people's life in every capitalist-imperialist country, not excluding the former socialist ones like Soviet Union, China and others who have joined the bandwagon of exploiting – oppressing capitalist-imperialist camp through counter-revolution. Globalization is truly working; a single tremor of crisis in one country is instantaneously sending irresistible shock waves through the entire capitalist-imperialist world bringing unfathomable plight in people's life.

The great proletarian leader Lenin showed that the world capitalist market had a relative stability till the second world war. After the second world war, Stalin, the great proletarian leader succeeding Lenin in USSR, affirmed that with the emergence of the mighty socialist camp and independence of the former colonies and semi-colonies from the clutches of the imperialists, that relative stability was lost. Shortly after Stalin's pronouncement, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh further categorized that the crisis has deepened to become a daily, rather hourly affair. Today, capitalism-imperialism can no longer conceal their crisis from the eye of world, nor can get over it through any and every measure. Unable to do so, the capitalist-imperialist rulers are bending upon might, the military might and militarization of their economy. States invest people's money in military-industry complex. With

that monopolists, the war-barons and war-merchants produce and sell arms and arsenals and fetch huge profits. The economy is thus artificially stimulated. And for this, to keep the stockpile of arms and arsenals continuously booming with newer and newer additions, governments, the war-merchants and the ruling class, constantly need to keep a war ambience alive with even occasional regional and local wars taking place here and there. This was why even in the world without the socialist camp, there was no peace and the war-monger imperialists headed by the US imperialists have been launching one war after another: Kosovo, Somalia, Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and so on.

The erstwhile socialist countries like those of east Europe, which have become capitalist through counter revolution are also not freed from this crisis. Workers, peasants and common toiling people of these countries, unable to withstand the increasing unemployment and plight, are rushing to western countries allured by their apparent affluence, only to be disillusioned soon. In China, the land of the great leader Mao, now turned capitalist, the bourgeois protagonists claimed and still claim phenomenal economic growth and manifold rise in GDP under the newly founded capitalism. Along with it, a recent campaign in China suggests that a military coup is being hatched surreptitiously. Why should there be a coup, had the country been growing phenomenally and people are happy with that? The fact is, the situation is becoming terribly wretched inside the country. I had a chance to visit the country for a few days recently. So I could see it there, what people from outside are not at all aware of, because Chinese media do not allow to propagate those. Industries are closing down each day and everywhere in the country. Thousands of workers are losing jobs. They are rushing around the land or abroad in search of jobs. With them are joining thousands of peasants whose land has been forcibly grabbed by the government at the behest of the capitalists of the country and abroad. These are causing serious resentment and wrath in people, who are gradually coming up to wage fight against eviction, unemployment etc.. Establishments that came up under social ownership are being handed over to the capitalists at throw-away prices. As in India, in China too women trafficking has assumed a

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World Communist movement to be freed from revisionism-reformism and bourgeois individualism and be revived

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menacing form. The situation has come to such a pass that even the bourgeois media can not help but admit the economic crisis.

In one word, the whole capitalist-imperialist world is sitting on a volcano. Crisis is burning them out; on the other hand, people's resentment and movement thereupon are adding fuel to the fire. Exploited people are coming out of their shell of inaction and submission. Unthinkable a few days ago, people in USA are asserting they are 99% against 1% exploiters! They are staging Occupy Wall Street for days and months together! They are vociferously and doggedly protesting the war policy of their rulers, are demanding withdrawal of occupying US troops from Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere. Intense anti-war mind-set of American people, over and above their wrath and indignation from the economic crisis and plight, took toll in the presidential election in the USA, throwing Bush out of power and bringing in Obama with a high expectation. But well within his term, following the same policies of serving the monopolists at the cost of people, Obama too has to confront people's indignation, rising with each passing day. Their brethren in European countries, large or small, powerful or weak, are also taking to streets in hundreds of thousands, confronting police on this or that issues, often expressing solidarity and fraternity with people of other countries. A surge of massive people's movement has also swept across the Arab world of West Asia and North Africa. There too people mute and numb for long have burst out in anger and protest, and in a few cases like in Egypt, Tunisia have even been successful in bringing down some despotic rulers.

So you see, not just in the western world including the USA or Europe or the Arab world, everywhere, there seems to be no country left out, people are fighting tooth and nail for survival and well-being. In India, Pakistan, Russia or China or for that matter virtually any and everywhere people are coming out in struggles. With or without delving into its proper significance, they are even crying aloud against capitalism, raising slogan "Down with capitalism-imperialism". They are rising vigorously against the war-policy of the imperialists. They are even ready to lay their lives for the sake of movement. Undoubtedly these countries are pregnant with revolution. At least, it must be



Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya

concluded that the objective condition for revolution is fast being created in these countries. But the glare and glory of these people's movements are shadowed by hard facts; at some stage or other, these movements are slowing down, losing their way and crying for leadership. And it must not be missed, that in many, if not most cases, not only the leadership is incorrect or wrong; it is often being usurped by the reactionaries posing as friends of people. Taking advantage of this, the rulers are often finding it easy to smash these movements with promise. In many other cases, they are successfully leading people astray and drag them into the labyrinths of parliamentary politics, election battles.

Impact of the surge of people's movement reached India too. On this or that occasion with this or that demand people are coming out to streets, from Kashmir to Kerala, Assam to Gujarat, looking for a change. Mention may be made, in particular, of West Bengal, a state in eastern India, where people from their indomitable desire for a change have finally thrown CPI(M) out from the governmental power to place the regional Trinamool Congress (TMC), a bourgeois party itself, in power. At that time, to put an end to the 34 year long misrule of CPI(M), which was marked by growing fascistic attack on mass movements and an oppressive suffocating atmosphere in all fields of life, our Party took the line of combining into an alliance with the TMC, pointing out at the same time that no political party serving the ruling capitalists can really bring any fundamental change to people's life; rather they would tend to take worse and fiercer line to crush people's movement. The immediate goal was achieved; CPI(M) was ousted, TMC formed the

government. Today what do people of West Bengal see for themselves? Within this very short span of their rule, TMC has exposed their real face and people have already started to lament for supporting it unquestioningly. Even the intellectuals who supported TMC and its leader Mamata Banerjee to oust CPI(M) are again coming down to streets raising slogans: People did not vote you for this sort of change.

The reality then is: people everywhere around the world are frantically looking for a change, for emancipation from the present exploitative system. They are desiring for revolution. So much so that, even the bourgeois reactionaries, making use of people's longing for 'revolution' are confusing, cheating people by using the term 'revolution' on this or that pretext. The objective condition for revolution thus appears to have arisen in this country or that. But still there is no revolution taking place. It is the teaching of the great leader Lenin that 'there can no revolution without a revolutionary party and there can be no revolutionary party without a correct revolutionary theory'. To accomplish revolution then, along with the objective condition, the subjective condition is to be fulfilled. People must become class conscious on the basis of higher understanding and realization of Marxism-Leninism. For this, what is required is emergence of respective genuine revolutionary party in each country, that too, on the basis of higher understanding and realization of Marxism-Leninism of the day. Today, the new ruling capitalist class of the former Soviet Union, or for that matter the capitalist rulers of any capitalist

country of the present world, can not be overthrown on the strength of the understanding of Marxism that worked during the November Revolution of 1917. It requires that the understanding of Marxism must be raised to a higher level, a task that only the genuine communists can accomplish. In case they fail, fascism will take over in the same way as the utterly reactionary Nazis, led by Hitler usurped power with the slogan of national socialism, when the German communists failed to prepare themselves for the seizure of power. The reality over the world thus demands that the communist movement be revitalized on the strength of higher understanding of Marxism-Leninism.

It is true that the world communist movement has been terribly weakened since it fell into the grip of Khrushchevite modern revisionism. It brought debacle in Soviet Union, China and East European countries. And it rose only from within the communist parties. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh pointed out that in the period of socialist construction, if there was no serious blunder form the leadership, socialist economy was sure to advance because of the very inherent objective law of the socialist system. But it would not generate the cultural and political inspiration among the workers so vitally necessary to carry forward the advancement unhindered. Rather, with the enhancement of production, there might be a tendency of a new type of economism, of hankering for 'material incentive' and 'benefit' for one's own self, to grow among the common workers, breeding a typical individualistic and opportunistic trend in them. Hence an intense

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Police Stops Anti-NATO Protest March in Kolkata, but rallies held in other cities of India

Comrade Manik Mukherjee, General Secretary of the International Anti-imperialist Coordinating Committee has issued the following communiqué on May 19:

Demonstrations and rallies held under the aegis of the International Anti-imperialist Coordinating Committee (IACC), the All India Anti-imperialist Forum (AIAlF) and the Socialist Unity Centre of India (Communist) (SUCI-C) and protesting against the NATO Summit in Chicago on May 20-21 and the concurrent G-8 summit were held in different cities, including Delhi, Patna, Rohtak, Allahabad and others of India on

May 19 voicing solidarity of the people of India with the anti-imperialist fighters all over the world who are protesting on these issues in different countries. Of these, in Kolkata in West Bengal thousands of protesters were debarred from holding the demonstration by a massive deployment of police who encircled the demonstrators and physically prevented them from proceeding. This action came in the wake of a much publicized visit of the US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and her meeting with the Chief Minister of the TMC-led government.

Marx's prognosis about inevitable doom of capitalism is vindicated

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states for a stable currency and economy to the benefit of us all.

However, nothing but a fiasco has been the result of all these consolidations as the capitalist economic law, the contradictions among the capitalists over market grabbing and the accentuation of market crisis of capitalism with every passing day — all remained in vogue. It is becoming increasingly clear to people that the EEC was formed not for the good of the people but on account of emergence of a new contradiction among the capitalist-imperialist forces in the post-War situation when one third of the world turned socialist causing further shrinkage of global capitalist market. Britain and France, along with the Dutch, Belgian and other powers, were war-ravaged and had largely lost their traditional markets in the colonies and semi-colonies in Asia and Africa. Germany, Italy and Japan were even more devastated and humiliated. The USA, on the other hand, least affected by the war and, on the contrary, reaping good fortune through liberal sale of arms to the warring European countries, shoved back Britain and France and others to assume the status of most dominant imperialist superpower. They jumped upon the opportunity to establish their neo-colonial domination over the economically weaker countries of Asia-Africa-Latin America, often with military might and intervention-subversions. At the same time, they pushed ahead with liberal export of their finance capital, often in the name of aids and loans to the war-ravaged European countries avowedly for peaceful reconstruction of their economies and protection from further advent of socialism-communism. In order to compete with the US imperialism, the lost-glory, yet aspirant European imperialists-capitalists decided to reduce their mutual contradictions over market and instead have a kind of combination to pool their strengths through creation of common market, joint policies, tariff-free trade and also a common currency. This way, they felt, they would be able to consolidate and strengthen their states and private monopoly capitals and could also explore and extend their own spheres of influence, all with the sole motive to fight out the irreconcilable market crisis.

However, that wild dream of the European monopolists did not materialize for obvious reasons.

Even over this question of common currency, member countries of EU could not be unanimous as they too had conflicts and contradictions within particularly among UK, Germany and France. It ought to be kept in mind that the EU is a Union of the ruling classes of the different European countries, floated, given shape to and trumpeted about by the ruling bourgeois parties of those countries. Conflicts and combinations, contradictions and unity involved in these developments are only to be viewed as frantic attempts of those capitalist countries of Europe, from big imperialists to weaker, relatively backward capitalists, to tide over their acute economic crisis. This was the objective of forming EEC and later EU by the ruling monopolists of the European countries. Even the myth of Euro was also short-lived. Initially, the Euro showed firmness and gradually became so strong as to challenge the supremacy of the dollar. Alongside, the European big powers like Germany and France as well as smaller countries like Greece also started basking in the dream. It may be pertinent to mention that it is the large corporations, especially of Germany, the dominant EU power, and of France which had derived the greatest advantage from EU and euro to expand and exploit the markets of other members. But the smaller member countries are chafing under Eurozone rules, having found that the so-called level playing field, the equal opportunity is anything but equal. On the other hand, the ease of monetary transaction through common currency prompted the ruling class of the Eurozone countries to lavish spending by resorting to unlimited market borrowing without caring for productive investment, job creation and creating permanent sources of income for the people. So, when the sovereign debt crisis gripped them, they threw up their hands and began knocking at the doors of others to rescue them by agreeing to stringent conditions of austerity, a euphemism for severe economic attack on the common people. It is also worth noting that the English-speaking corporate media, using the countries' initials, call these countries Portugal, Ireland, Greece and Spain "the PIGS". This is meant as a snide insult to serve the corporate lie that the workers in these countries are lazy and greedy and thereby caused the problem. This slander is a conscious attempt to drive a wedge between the

workers in Northern Europe and those in the Mediterranean countries. The bleeding people of Portugal, Ireland, Greece and Spain are now realizing this harsh truth. Also the citizens of relatively less affected countries like France and Germany are wondering why they are asked to adopt the practices of penances to bail out other defaulting nations! The panacea of globalization, the omnipotence (!) of free market economy, formation of EU with much fanfare, introduction of euro as the saving grace — nothing would stem the rot. This crisis of capitalism is insoluble. The capitalists are trying to somehow stave off one crisis only to tumble in another bigger crisis. For example, already an apprehension is expressed that even if by hook or by crook, a temporary breather is brought about, this crisis is bound to get further accentuated in 2014 when many of these countries currently bailed out by the European Central Bank would have to start repaying over \$ 1.3 trillion worth of credit packages they have received. In other words, the days in store are going to be more harrowing. It is worth recalling that when capitalism was advancing and growing in the early and mid-19th century breaking the feudal shackles, Karl Marx, based on scientific analysis showed that according to the social law, a day would come soon when this very capitalism mounted on exploitation of man by man would plunge into crisis after crisis and inch towards inevitable doom.

Outraged people dethrone existing governments

So, there is groundswell of people's resentment against bailout of defaulting corporates under the garb of fiscal stimulation and so called austerity measures at the cost of security of people's life. People are on the streets, organizing massive strikes, road blockades, militant demonstrations and waging pitched battle with the police. Even the suffering citizens of USA, known to be the locomotive of capitalism-imperialism, began participating in large number in the street agitations against the government's huge bail out packages for the financial tycoons and behemoths as well as the policy of precipitating war in foreign land. Later when sovereign debt crisis broke out in Europe and US government too was found to be running on huge borrowing, they escalated their opposition by

coming out in mighty 'Occupy Wall Street' movement the wave of which soon engulfed entire Europe. "We Are The 99% that will no longer tolerate the greed and corruption of the 1%".... "Banks got bailed out, we got sold out — such have been the slogans chanted and displayed on placards and banners held by the protesting toiling people of US. Voicing similar demand, oppressed millions of entire Europe have embarked on a huge movement with the slogan, "No to austerity, priority to jobs and growth." Even in capitalist Russia and China, where one-party dictatorial bourgeois rule has been clamped after counter-revolution, large demonstrations and street fights against capitalist oppression are reported.

The ruling bourgeoisie has been smelling danger in this spontaneous people's upsurge. Despite adopting stiff coercive measures and also trying to disrupt people's fighting unity by whipping up chauvinism and racist hatred thrusting the blame for people's growing hardship on other factors, the ruling class and its subservient governments have failed to quell the protest which is gaining momentum with every passing day. They apprehend that if not abated, this upsurge might well snowball into a higher form of movement posing threat to the very capitalist system. So, being aware of the fact that the parliamentary illusion still prevails among the larger section of the toiling masses, the ruling capitalists are, therefore, trying to tacitly divert this rebellious mood of the people towards that end as if a change of government would bring the desired relief and succour. It is true that people have been giving vent to their ire by inflicting electoral defeats to all the ruling incumbents in the turmoil-stricken Western world. Earlier, Bush was trounced by Obama in USA, Blair had to go in UK. Now, those in Europe, particularly Eurozone, advocating imposition of austerity measures on the plea of mitigating sovereign debt crisis are being crushingly defeated. In France, President Nicolas Sarkozy and his right-wing party was dethroned by Francois Hollande of the Socialist party. Germany's sitting Chancellor Angela Merkel's party suffered a stinging defeat in elections in the country's most populous state of North Rhine-Westphalia, the center-left Socialist government of Jose Socrates in Portugal was voted out of power in June, 2011. A center-right government in Denmark lost

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Overthrow of Capitalism needs enrichment, development and creative application of Marxian science

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power in September, 2011. In November 2011, the ruling Socialist Party was virtually wiped off the map by opposition Conservative party in Spain. And Socialist Pasco party and the conservatives of New Democracy (ND), the two constituents of Greece's coalition government were virtually routed in the elections held in the previous month. But as none of the parties got majority and talks of forming a coalition has failed, the country is slated to go for elections again this month and as per indications, the leftist Syriza party has a fair chance of winning the polls.

Bourgeois conspiracy to arrest people within vote-politics

These electoral reverses of incumbent dispensations no doubt manifest people's outright rejection of the policies of the respective governments and hence does have a brighter side. It is also true that banners displayed in the people's growing agitations say "It is not faults within the system but it is a faulty system – capitalism". Clearly, the people are yearning for change, aspiring for a better, nobler human life free from exploitation and oppression. But, it would be disavowal of the objective reality if it is presumed that the oppressed people have been able to correctly understand the exact character of capitalist exploitation in its entirety. Even the bourgeois ploy to arrest them within the confines of parliamentary vote politics is not exposed to them. Aggrieved people every time expect that a change of government through ballot would bring the desired change. But, they find things not changing but deteriorating irrespective of who is in governmental power. Bush or Obama, Blair or Cameroon, Sarkozy or Hollande, Merkel or her *bête noir*—it makes no difference to people. Why? Because, change of government, as every student of political science knows, does not mean change of state. Government is a caretaker of the state, bound by the system to serve the given economic base. It is through the government that the state policies are implemented. So, people find only the government in front of them as the perpetrator of injustice and oppression while the capitalist system and capitalist-imperialist state remains obfuscated. The government changes through

elections but the state remains unscathed. That is why, it is said that the government is temporary but state is permanent. In all capitalist-imperialist countries, it is the oppressive capitalist system and coercive capitalist-imperialist state which incessantly breeds and nurtures exploitation, oppression, fraudulence, corruption and discrimination. Moreover, in course of diluting bourgeois parliamentary system, gradually stripping it of its essence to suit its own class need, the bourgeoisie round the world has also succeeded in almost wiping out the multi-party system and free contest among all in the elections and in its place establish two-party system thereby restricting people's electoral choice within two forces of its own choice. This is how people are duped time and again, failing to understand that the string is pulled by the class from behind and pliant media and other propaganda machinery are pressed into all out service to hoodwink them. Recent experience of Egypt and Tunisia as also USA or UK is a glaring example where people find no improvement in their condition after change of government.

Emancipation is contingent upon correct grasp of Marxism-Leninism

So, it ought to be understood that the question of emancipation from this ruthless exploitation is inseparably linked with the question of overthrowing capitalism, the root of all evils, from the state power through revolution. But this revolution would not come by *suo motto* but in course of fulfilling certain historically determined conditions. The objective situation is undoubtedly ripe for revolution. But what is wanting is fulfillment of the subjective condition. As great Lenin had shown, revolution needs a revolutionary theory, a correct base political line and a revolutionary party. It is the revolutionary party which would lead revolution by providing correct theoretical guideline and pursuit of correct base political line. So, emergence of correct revolutionary party on the Leninist model of party formation must emerge in every country, lead the class and mass struggles to their logical culmination and thereby act as midwife of revolution the objective condition is pregnant with. But what is posing hindrance to and hence delaying this desired emergence of genuine

proletarian revolutionary party with sufficient struggle to make an impact is the prevalence of various revisionist-reformist-constitutional thoughts. So, these hurdles need to be overcome and a crushing blow has to be dealt to all these reactionary thinking debilitating the working class movement from within and thereby serving the class interest of the ruling oppressive bourgeoisie. At the same time world communist movement which did suffer a setback because of attack of revisionism from within and dismantling of mighty socialist camp because of revisionist conspiracy aided and abetted by world capitalism-imperialism needs to be revived and rejuvenated. But that would need new revolutionary theory based on enhanced, enriched and creative understanding as well as application of Marxism-Leninism to provide correct analysis of the emerging situation and the appropriate way of fighting the newly evolving problems, phenomena and malice hindering revolution. Theoretical formulations of great Lenin through creative application of the science of Marxism in the then changed situation marked by advent of imperialism could successfully accomplish first ever working class revolution in Russia in 1917. Similarly, through creative application of Marxism-Leninism in the concrete conditions of China, Mao Zedong propounded the theory of people's democratic revolution in a semi-feudal, semi-colonial country pointing out that in the contemporary world situation, even a bourgeois democratic revolution would have to be led by the working class. But, today when socialism has suffered a temporary reversal, confusion about the practicality of socialism is reigning high, the menace of individualism has reached a dizzy height and the international communist movement is in a big disarray, the old formulations would not suffice to revitalize the communist movement, form genuine revolutionary party and fight out all kinds of reactionary bourgeois infiltration in the realm of thought and culture. Marxism-Leninism has to be developed and enriched, its understanding must be brought to a new height so as to give birth to new theory to guide revolution. Realizing this imperative need, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, founder General Secretary, SUCI(C) and one of the foremost Marxist

thinkers of the era, had in course of his exhaustive penetrating analysis of the changing situation shown that in absence of the continuous struggle to constantly upgrade ideological standard and to adopt required theories and correct approach in conducting this ideological struggle, both Soviet and Chinese leadership could not free the society from the evil effects of bourgeois individualism as a result of which the very sense of individual freedom and liberty as well as emancipation of the individual was reduced to individual privilege seeking and vulgar individualism. This disturbing phenomenon was termed 'socialist individualism' by Comrade Ghosh who also showed that this slip to bourgeois individualism and privilege seeking mind has brought in a tendency of new type of 'economism' hankering for 'material incentive' and 'benefit'. So, as against the erstwhile concept of 'subordinating individual interest to social interest,' to become a good communist, there ought to be a struggle for complete identification of self-interest with social interest. Unless this struggle is released in right earnest and pushed forward through continuous self-criticism, rectification and elevation, one cannot attain the character of a good communist and the revolutionary party of the proletariat cannot prevent degeneration into reformism-revisionism causing harm to world communist movement. It is from this enriched understanding of Marxism-Leninism that Comrade Shibdas Ghosh elaborated the concept of democratic centralism, the kernel of a genuine communist party, as a proper blend of ideological centralism and organizational centralism. This is the Thought, the new theory which ought to lead to reinvigoration and revival of world communist movement today and guide the aspired fulfilment of subjective condition of revolution. Toiling people round the world need to imbibe this truth and pave the path of their emancipation from the gruelling capitalist oppression accordingly. We fervently appeal to our fighting brethren of Europe, America and Asia to lead their struggles to victory following the historically determined course as contained in the revolutionary ideology of Marx-Engels-Lenin-Stalin-Mao Zedong-Shibdas Ghosh Thought.

Indian revolution depends on how fast SUCI(C) establishes necessary ideological and organizational leadership over movements

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struggle against private property and private property mental complex was and is to be conducted by conducting life-struggles covering all aspects of life including sex, with a view to enhancing the cultural-ideological standard of the masses in socialism. The problem was recognized by Stalin leadership in the 19th Congress of the CPSU. However, in absence of such a struggle continued to desired height, modern revisionists such as Khrushchev, putting on their cloak of communists, could confuse people easily. A few years back from now, Nina Andreeva, the only dissenting voice in the Central Committee of the Russian Communist party visited India on our invitation. As she came to know of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's analysis and warning she said: We had become a sort of complacent; we thought we had achieved everything. It is astonishing how Comrade Shibdas Ghosh could diagnose the problem from this afar, which we could not realize right from within the country, even within our party.

Comrade Shibdas Ghosh was also the first Marxist philosopher who pointed out that this new form of economism, and socialist individualism developed thereupon, have become a great obstacle in the way of identification of individual interest with social interest in socialist countries, in the way of developing complete dedication in people to the cause of both 'spiritual' and 'material' progress of individuals, of their own country as also to the cause of world proletarian revolution. Without this there remains every possibility of bourgeois sense of right raising its ugly head and from there, of giving birth to revisionism and finally helping in 'restoration of capitalism', such was the warning Comrade Ghosh gave. He emphasized that this should be the higher understanding of Marxism-Leninism in the present days. The Chinese leadership, in his opinion, while fighting individualism, moved very close to grasping the root cause of the problem, though not succeeding in providing a clear and precise theoretical basis of the problem. Subsequent events prove how correct were Comrade Ghosh's opinions.

Inside capitalist world, the reigning capitalism today has thoroughly exposed how menacing

individualism has become. It is shattering families, social life; it is drying up moral and ethical values. It is causing such moral degradation that even a child of three is murdered without any prick of conscience; killing has become an everyday affair in society. And it takes place in all capitalist countries. Once Stalin said that what would be the situation in future, say after two decades, in any country, that can be ascertained on the basis of what is appearing and what is disappearing, that is on the basis of which phenomena are repeating frequently and which are diminishing in occurrence. Failure to make people conscious of the above understandings could only make road for Khrushchev's and Deng Xiaoping's to sneak into the power. Now, when a rebellious outburst against capitalism is taking place virtually all over the world, and if communist movement is to be rejuvenated and revitalized, people must be made conscious of what should be the highest understanding of Marxism-Leninism, how can that be achieved and how can revolutionary culture, values and characters be developed on its basis. This is the call of the hour.

Hence, it is clear that Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's thoughts are there for us to acquire and assimilate this higher understanding of Marxism-Leninism of this day. It has also devolved upon our Party, upon us to carry these thoughts and understanding to the fighting people of the world. To accomplish this task successfully in the best possible way, it is imperative that the SUCI(C) grow fast and vigorously on the Indian soil. So it must be realized that on the emergence of the SUCI(C) hinges how successfully and with what minimum hazards the imminent tasks may be accomplished. The massive historic Parliament March on 14 March has proved SUCI(C) as an all India force to stand for the cause of toiling people. On this occasion of the Party Foundation Day, come, let us take pledge to make SUCI(C) emerge with still more desired and required strength and power.

Cuttack, Odisha

SUCI(C) Foundation Day was observed at the Saheed Bhawan, Cuttack, Odisha on 24 April by the Odisha State Committee of the Party. Comrade Soumen Bose,

SUCI (C) strongly condemns the decision of the Government of India to cut its crude oil import from Iran to curry favour with the US imperialists

Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI (C) has issued the following statement on 16 May, 2012 :

We strongly condemn the decision of the Congress-led UPA government to cut its crude oil import from Iran by 11%. This is nothing but an act of abject surrender to the pressure of the US imperialists who are now employing all possible tactics to bully Iran to submit to their diktats. We demand immediate reversal of this decision and warn the government of the dire consequences of increasingly tilting towards US imperialism in subservience to the class interest of the ruling Indian monopolists aspiring to become a regional superpower in connivance with the Pentagon regime. People of India will surely rise against this evil design of the government to curry favour with US imperialism, the worst enemy of mankind today.

SUCI (C) strongly reacts to the Andhra Pradesh Railway accident and urges upon the Railway ministry to give up nonchalant attitude towards passenger safety and take effective step with due seriousness to stop recurrence of such mishaps taking heavy toll of innocent lives

Strongly reacting to the accident of Bangalore-bound Humpy Express at Penukonda in Andhra Pradesh on the early morning of 22nd instant causing death of at least 25 passengers and grievously injuring many more, Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary, SUCI (C), in course of a statement issued on 24 May, 2012 said that it is shocking to find occurrence of large-scale railway accidents at regular intervals in the recent years resulting in loss of hundreds of precious human lives, mostly due to utter disregard of the all-important question of passenger safety on the part of the railway authorities. We observe with great indignation that in spite of frequent recurrence of such accidents, the railway authorities continue to betray nonchalant attitude towards the question of assigning prime importance to the safety aspect. The Congress-led UPA government particularly the railway ministry under it, it is worth mentioning, had given a lot of promises of bringing about marked improvement in the safety standards by installing latest anti-collision devices and revamping the signal system coupled with adopting other necessary steps to contain, if not totally remove possibility of human error. However, during its tenure, the number of life-taking accidents has gone up substantially showing that all the promises are relegated to naught and let alone any improvement, things are moving from bad to worse making railway travel a virtual nightmare.

While demanding a high level enquiry into the accident, adequate compensation to the victims and severe punishment to officials or employees, if any, found to be responsible for the accident, Comrade Ghosh urged upon the railway ministry to come out of its shackles, rise up to the occasion and take all necessary steps to introduce a full-proof mechanism to avert such accidents in future.

member Central Committee and the West Bengal State Secretary was the main speaker, and Comrade Dhurjati Das, Odisha State Secretary SUCI(C), presided over. Comrade Bose drew attention of the assembly to the fact, through long arduous struggle on the strength of Marxism-Leninism- Shibdas Ghosh Thought, SUCI (C) has emerged as the most trusted force of the toiling people. The successful Delhi march of 14 March last, bears testimony to the growing support of the toiling

masses to the Party round the country. This support has to be given an organizational step to intensify democratic mass movements, the party would release in the country on the burning problems of life. It is only by strengthening this Party and the mass and class struggles being conducted under its leadership that common people of the country will find the correct course to free themselves from the shackles of capitalist exploitation in every sphere of life.

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