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On Some Invaluable Teachings of Great Mao Tse-tung

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Comrades,

Our party is observing the 25th anniversary of the passing away of Comrade Mao Tse-tung and studying his theoretical works. Now, is it a formality? No. We cherish the memory of Comrade Mao as a great Marxist authority, as the architect of the Chinese revolution and as the leader of the world communist movement after the demise of Stalin who upheld revolutionary Marxism-Leninism and fiercely fought against Khrushchevite modern revisionism not only on a global scale but also in China by organising the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution of China.

Many of his teachings are of great value for world communists in general, but are more relevant for our party which is the vanguard of the Indian revolution, and especially because they show that there is uniformity in the way of thinking and approach to many issues between the Communist Party of China and our party founded by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. I am referring to the uniformity in the method of approach, which is common to all genuine communists, without regard to the stage of revolution being Socialist in our country while it was New Democratic in China. So, while studying Comrade Mao Tse-tung's works, we should concentrate on what is useful and relevant in it for advancing the cause of our revolution. Our party as the vanguard of the Indian working class, as also its leadership, must shun all uncritical, abstract and pedantic way of studying them which are purposeless and empty. Even the most significant of Comrade Mao Tse-tung's teachings are many. I cannot even touch upon these here. So, I shall limit myself to only a few of them which show his unparalleled role.

Firstly, Comrade Mao Tse-tung's contribution to developing the theory of the Chinese revolution. We communists know that in order to organise revolution, the primary struggle is to develop an all-embracing and integrated ideological viewpoint, or revolutionary theory,

by applying the Marxist-Leninist science in the conditions of a particular country in such a creative and concretised manner that this theory takes the appropriate concrete form suitable for the revolution of that country. Developing the revolutionary theory of a country is a matter of great wisdom and experience in all realms of thought and activity.

Comrade Mao Tse-tung's theoretical works show in what a rich and extensive form he developed this theory through a thorough study of all important European and ancient Chinese philosophies, political history of the great nations, economics, military science, art and literature and how especially he studied ancient Chinese history. The entire body of this revolutionary theory is called Mao Tse-tung Thought which has not only concretised but definitely elaborated and thus enriched certain important aspects of Marxism-Leninism such as the Leninist concept of united front, the role of the peasantry and especially the poor peasantry, the form of the cultural revolution under socialism, etc. Comrade Mao Tse-tung's contribution to all these domains, and his guiding role both before and after the Chinese revolution fully vindicates Lenin's words that "Without a revolutionary theory there can be no revolutionary movement." They vindicate also Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's elaboration that "... by revolutionary

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Comrade Nihar Mukherjee Condemns Terrorist Attack

Comrade Nihar Mukherjee, General Secretary, SUCI issued the following statement on 11.9.01 :

No word is strong enough to condemn the terrorist attack with hijacked planes in New York and Washington killing thousands of innocent people and injuring countless.

This has nothing to do with the genuine anti-imperialist struggle, rather this can be used by the Bush administration against the growing anti-imperialist struggle world over.

We express our deepest sympathy to the families of those killed and those who are injured.

We share the sorrow and griefs

Keep Vigil On US Military Machination

The killing of thousands of innocent lives and injury to innumerable others in the incidents in the USA on 11th September are to be condemned in most unequivocal terms. We share the sorrow and grief of thousands of families of American people who lost their beloved ones.

Class conscious revolutionaries, politically aware anti-imperialist fighters are always opposed to terrorism as a form of struggle, as it not only kills innocent people, but also hinders the growth of well-organised politically conscious and ethically imbued sustained mass struggle by diverting people's attention to the self-defeating adventure. Terrorism is the product of despair and frustration. It provides a handy tool to the imperialist-capitalists to intensify the ferocious attacks upon mass struggles on the plea of 'fighting terrorism'.

While condemning this terrorist act, one cannot forget how the USA, the most barbaric terrorist imperialist state, murdered millions of people including old men, women, and children, destroyed thousands of villages, towns, agricultural fields, industries, hospitals and educational institutions in its war on all revolutionary struggles, freedom movements in Asia, Africa, Latin America, Europe during last few decades. In its wanton attack against the people of those countries it did not even hesitate to use napalm bombs, biological weapons, depleted uranium, etc. It imposed inhuman economic blockades for years together against countries opposing it, including socialist Cuba. Even today, thousands of children are dying in Iraq without baby food and medicines due to such economic blockade.

US imperialism is the worst enemy of mankind. It is endangering the world peace, freedom and sovereignty of other countries. US imperialism and its allies are plundering the backward countries by entangling them in the shackles of globalization. It is fomenting religious fundamentalism, racism, zionism and ethnic hatred to divide people's democratic unity and engage them in fratricidal conflicts. In fact, Islamic fundamentalism, its leader Osama bin Laden and Taliban forces are product of US imperialism used by it against all progressive democratic struggles in Middle East and elsewhere. So, it has earned the wrath of all the oppressed people of the world. That is why, people of different countries are striving hard to develop united

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Build up leadership 'from the masses, to the masses'

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theory Lenin did not mean just the political programme and policies of a party, he actually meant a complete epistemological category ... covering all aspects of life." History has proved that without this revolutionary theory developed by Comrade Mao Tse-tung there would not have been the Chinese revolution, socialism in China, growth and development of the Communist Party of China as a great party and all-out flourish of the Chinese socialist society.

I shall discuss the second question very briefly — Comrade Mao Tse-tung as the real organiser of the CPC. Obviously, it is a broad and vast subject, but I cannot go into it fully. I shall discuss here only one striking aspect of it. Forming a communist party in semi-feudal and semi-colonial China was not only difficult but was perceived generally as almost an impossible task because the then China was ruled by different imperialist powers and the local feudal warlords in league with them each with their separate armies, because all social and political questions were settled militarily, for there was no democracy even in the bourgeois sense and no political party was allowed to function, because there was no extensive and well-connected system of communication which could be utilised for integrating the revolutionary movements in different regions of such a vast country and because, most important of all — the number of industrial proletariats were not much in strength, only a few thousand workers in the occupied cities. It was a predominantly peasant country. What a task to organise a proletarian party under these conditions! Without the solution of these practical problems, which Comrade Mao Tse-tung alone ably accomplished, the CPC would have been impossible to build. On the other hand, mechanical understanding of the Marxian science and insufficient grasp of these peculiarities of China's condition explain certain damaging tendencies in the highest leadership of the CPC, combated by Comrade Mao ceaselessly almost from the beginning: blind following of the directives of the Comintern, 'right' deviation of uncritical reliance on the 'nationalist' bourgeoisie, 'left' deviation of exclusively relying upon and untimely organising the city workers for starting the revolution from the cities. These deviations disorganised, demoralised and decimated the CPC in the cities

whereas in the countryside, especially under the guidance of Comrade Mao Tse-tung in South China, it was fast growing through peasants' struggles and particularly by organising and reuniting from the poor peasantry. But no other leader except Comrade Mao Tse-tung convincingly and clearly derived this lesson from these experiences that, in China, "Without the poor peasants there would be no revolution." He showed brilliantly that while China's proletariat was "the basic motive force" of revolution, its poor peasantry was its "biggest motive force". Not only that, its social position and class character makes the poor peasantry, objectively, "the main contingent of China's revolutionary forces." But he added that although the party of the proletariat may have in it members of other class origins — "From the very day they join the party they must abandon their former class stand and take the stand of the proletariat." What a wise grasp and solution of the concrete problems of revolution! What a depth of understanding of Marxism-Leninism! The theory of New Democratic Revolution was accepted by the CPC since its inception and so was known to all its topmost leaders. But dogmatic understanding of it prevented them all to see its concrete significance and way of realization in the Chinese soil while Comrade Mao grasped it creatively — that is the "revolutionary" role of the poor peasantry. Without Comrade Mao the CPC could not become a great and iron-disciplined Communist Party with its greatest number of cadres coming from the poor peasantry.

Thirdly, even the very little I discussed should make it absolutely clear that the Chinese revolution and its party would have been impossible without the leadership of Comrade Mao. Every revolution produces its leader. But proletarian revolutionary leaders are qualitatively different from the leaders of bourgeois revolutions. But this distinction is not clearly understood even by many communists and this has been the case with the character of Comrade Mao Tse-tung's leadership also. This is why I would like to mention here Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's elaboration on it. Because, it has a bearing on a critical period of the emergence of Comrade Mao Tse-tung. "The emergence of Comrade Mao Tse-tung as the great leader of the Chinese Revolution is no doubt a historic event", said Comrade Ghosh. "But, strangely enough, most of the

communist parties of the world, not excluding the CPC, have failed to grasp the significance of the personified expression of the collective leadership of the Chinese Revolution in the person of Mao Tse-tung. ..." He said also, that "... the collective knowledge of the party ... can never be abstract but concrete; therefore he emerges as the thinker, the leader, the teacher and the guide in whom this collective knowledge of the party is concretised and personified in the best way. ... Mao Tse-tung is the thinker and the leader of the Communist Party of China. This is exactly what we call the true form of collective leadership ..." The point is clear, I think. You should understand, however, that while developing collective leadership in such a concrete and personified form cannot be done by any individual, and that it is a collective struggle of the entire party to develop it, each cadre and leader too, has his own role, a great role, in it, which is limitless. Comrade Mao Tse-tung fulfilled his historical role unwaveringly and uncompromisingly. It is thus that he emerged as the leader, teacher and the thinker of the party by conducting an arduous struggle to uphold the cause of revolution.

To have a glimpse of it, in brief, you will have to understand the peculiar phenomenon that the Shanghai and other 'occupied' city-based party led by the topmost leadership and the South China-based party led by Comrade Mao were actually two different parties methodologically but both being nominally the same CPC. You can see it by carefully reading Comrade Mao's own works. In this circumstance, Comrade Mao conducted a relentless ideological struggle against the left and right deviationist top leadership to establish the correct revolutionary line. In its course, he was twice expelled from the CC and once, as late as in 1933, from the politbureau. In the culmination of this long struggle, when the march of events exposed the deviationist top leadership and fully vindicated Comrade Mao, and the majority of the party rank rallied behind him, persuaded completely, did he become Chairman and the real leader and authority of the party in 1935.

There is yet another most educative and instructive aspect of the teachings of Comrade Mao Tse-tung from which we have to learn greatly. Comrade Mao Tse-tung was a true son of China, a true leader of the Chinese people and was a true

communist who had deepest roots in the best traditions of China. But what distinguished him most in all these was his concern for the people. Many incidents of his life and many of his writings bear it out, from which I want to place before you only one. "If we only mobilise the people to carry on the war and do nothing else, can we succeed in defeating the enemy? Of course not. If we want to win, we must do a great deal more. We must ... solve the problems facing masses — food, shelter and clothing, fuel, rice, cooking oil and salt, sickness and hygiene and marriage. In short, all the practical problems in the masses' everyday life should claim our attention. If we attend to these problems, solve them and satisfy the needs of the masses, we shall really become organizers of the well-being of the masses, and they will truly rally round us and give us their warm support. Comrades, will we then be able to arouse them to take part in the revolutionary war? Yes, indeed, we will." This is what Comrade Mao Tse-tung said to the comrades of the Kiangsi liberated area in 1934 and surely not to comrades of non-liberated areas.

Everywhere our comrades are working among the masses, in towns, cities, slums, villages, etc., and building up movements on legitimate demands, we should become, as in the words of Comrade Mao Tse-tung, "Organizers of the well-being of the masses" at the same time. Even in the traditionally organized belt of the party where we had been acting all along in this spirit, we should beware that this attitude is not slackened.

To the communists the real meaning of going to the people means to educate the people and to learn from them at the same time. Mao explained this by saying: "In all the practical work of our Party, all correct leadership, is necessarily, 'from the masses, to the masses'. This means: take the ideas of the masses (scattered and unsystematic ideas) and concentrate them (through study turn them into concentrated and systematic ideas), then go to the masses and propagate and explain these ideas until the masses embrace them as their own, hold fast to them and translate them into actions and test the correctness of these ideas in such action ..." To put it more precisely Mao said: "We must teach the masses clearly what we have received from them confusedly." I urge you all, comrades, to acquire this kind of mass life and be equal to this task about which, I must

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The Second SAARC Trade Union Conference

The 2nd Conference and Seminar of the Trade Unions of the countries belonging to SAARC held on 9-12 August, 2001 in New Delhi under the auspices of the WFTU-Asia Pacific Regional Bureau unanimously resolved the following :

1. The Trade Unions affiliated to WFTU and its friendly organisations functioning in various countries of SAARC regions would organise a massive demonstration of workers in Nepal during the forthcoming Apex Meet of the Heads of the States of SAARC countries to launch protest against respective governments' apathy and negligence towards Informal Sector Workers in particular and pursuit of the policy of globalization, in general.

2. The 15th November, 2001 will be observed as DEMAND DAY of Informal Sector Workers to press and highlight their Common Charter as adopted in the seminar, throughout the SAARC regions through demonstrations, rallies and meetings and such other programmes appropriate to the respective countries. A Common Charter of Demand which, inter alia, includes provision of special security, job security, fair wage, full work and adequate legislation for unorganised workers will also be submitted to the national governments as well as to the SAARC Secretariat during this period.

3. The third week of January, 2002 will be observed as a PROTEST WEEK against attacks on employment and workers' hardwon rights as well as on the demand of rejection of the policy of LPG (Liberalization, privatization and globalization) being pursued by national governments defying public opinion and workers' opposition. The decision of launching the aforesaid action programme is in fact a clear reflection of united will of 150 delegates, of whom around 50 were from outside India, i.e. from Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka. WFTU affiliates from India,

i.e. AITUC, UTUC-Lenin Sarani, UTUC and TUCC participated. Some other Industrial Federations and CITU also participated. Representatives of Trade Union International and Public Service Employees and of teachers affiliated to WFTU were also present. On behalf of UTUC-LS a ten-member delegation comprising representatives from Central and State Organisations as well as from the Industrial Federations participated in this conference under the leadership of Comrade Ashutosh Banerji, the President of UTUC-LS.

'The seminar on Informal Sector : Trade Unions and ILO Standards' was inaugurated at Gandhi Peace Foundation Hall on 9th morning by Mrs Mary Johnson, Director, ILO, Delhi Office. The inaugural session was addressed among others by the WFTU president K L Mahendra, Deputy General Secretary Deb Kumar Ganguly and SAARC Co-ordination Committee convenor Comrade Nurul Islam from Bangladesh. In it a paper was submitted by UTUC-LS Secretary Comrade Sankar Saha on the subject of unorganised workers.

The Drafting Committee

included Comrades Sankar Saha and Achintya Sinha from UTUC-LS.

Apart from panel speakers more than 24 delegates from India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh participated in the discussion. From UTUC-Lenin Sarani, Comrades Sanat Dutta (West Bengal), K. Radhakrishna (Karnataka), S. Sundaresan (Kerala), S.P. Mohanty (Orissa), Anil Tyagi (Maharashtra) and Satyawan (Haryana) also took part in the discussion and dealt

upon various aspects related to social development and peace. Comrade Ashutosh Banerji, President, UTUC-LS was elected to the Resolution Committee to prepare the Conference Declaration which was unanimously accepted by the delegates amidst cheers. Lastly, the Conference elected a 19-member SAARC Co-ordination Committee with Comrade S. R. Sengupta as its Convenor and Comrade Achintya Sinha of UTUC-LS as one of its members' among others.

Teachings of Mao Tse-tung

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admit, we are lagging behind.

As I have told at the very beginning, there are many more teachings of Comrade Mao Tse-tung that need be studied and restudied. You all know that from its inception, our party has always regarded Comrade Mao Tse-tung as a great Marxist authority after Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. You also know that at a critical juncture of history when modern revisionism was sweeping the world communist movement and the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution was organised by Comrade Mao Tse-tung to combat this danger from corrupting the CPC and the Chinese socialist society, and when revisionists everywhere including parties like the CPI(M) and the CPI in our country were vilifying both the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and Comrade Mao, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh welcomed it as "magnificent". Comrade Ghosh said : "That this struggle concerning

ideological questions of fundamental nature should involve not only the leaders but also the rank and file, the class and the masses. We are glad that in the Cultural Revolution of China, this principle finds its first concrete application in the history of the international communist movement." All this should help us orient our critical study of Comrade Mao's works especially when the present situation demands continuous upliftment of ideological level of understanding of party comrades and when the party leadership is continuously stressing upon intensification of inner party ideological study and struggle. I hope that this study will not be formal nor remain half-hearted but shall be taken up by all of you, collectively and individually with the critical and creative revolutionary attitude.

**Long Live
Comrade Mao Tse-tung !**

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Polytechnic Students Achieve Victory in AP

The polytechnic students in Andhra Pradesh snatched a significant victory by thwarting the decision of AP State Board of Technical Education (BTE) to cancel C-90 Scheme. BTE's decision would hamper the career of thousand of students and go against the natural principles of justice.

The Polytechnic C-90 Scheme Students' Association, led by the AIDS0 launched the movement. A protest dharna was held on 14th August before the office of the BTE, Hyderabad. A protest demonstration was organised on 20th August at Indira Park. Later a protest rally was held mobilising the entire students belonging to C-90 Scheme on 4th September in the capital city.

Finally, a picketing was held before office of the BTE on 7th September last. On agitating students' demand the Secretary of the Board had to meet them and assured that as soon as the government gave permission, a special notification would be issued to conduct examinations for C-90 Scheme students.

A students' delegation led by Comrade S. Govinda Rajulu, President, state AIDS0 and Comrade K. Satyanarayana, Joint Convener, Polytechnic C-90 Scheme Students' Association met the concerned Minister demanding to give at least three chances to appear in examinations for C-90 Scheme students and allow them to do it in changed syllabus. The Minister conceded the demands.



A view of the Polytechnic C-90 students' demonstration in Hyderabad

Mao Tse-Tung Remembered at Ghatsila Study Centre

9th September, the 25th Memorial Day of Mao Tse-tung, the great Marxist leader, was observed on the day at the Study Centre of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought, Ghatsila.

Red Flag was hoisted in the morning by Comrade Sukomal Dasgupta, member, Central Committee. He then placed floral wreath at the foot of the statue of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great Marxist thinker of the era. Homage was also paid by Comrade Malay Bose, In-charge, the Study Centre.

The meeting, in memory of Mao Tse-tung, was held at the Common Room of the Study Central in the evening addressed by Comrade Sukomal Dasgupta. The inmates of the Study Centre were present.

Comrade Dasgupta said that in 1976 the world proletariat lost two of their great leaders. One was Comrade Shibdas Ghosh the founder General Secretary of our party, our leader, teacher and guide and one of the foremost Marxist thinkers of the age. The other was Comrade Mao, the great leader and teacher in the world communist movement, the architect of revolution in China, a foreranking leader in the battle against modern revisionism since the demise of great Stalin.

Comrade Dasgupta said: Mao Tse-tung accomplished New Democratic Revolution against imperialism-feudalism in China. The stage of revolution in India is anti-capitalist socialist revolution. Despite this difference there are many similarities between the movements in two countries.

In 1973, when the Communist Party of China was overwhelmingly strong, Chou En-lai said in the Report to the Tenth Congress, conducted under the guidance of Mao, that in revolutionary movement the main thing is the correct ideological-political line. He said it is not primary as to how many members and soldiers and people does a party have at its back. Whether the main political line is correct — that is most important. If the line is correct then a party small today, will master strength one day.

But if the line is incorrect, even a powerful party one day will lose everything. See, such a big party, the CPC, which had accomplished revolution, but to them hugeness of strength is not something primary. To them, correctness of the line is most important.

On the other hand, during 1948, at the inception of our party, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh felt that the then undivided CPI, Socialist Party, etc., however much big, were wrong. On the basis of this realization with only a handful of compatriots, he dedicated himself with unflinching devotion to expand the revolutionary organization. And today SUCI has been building up mass and class struggles almost all over India.

While fighting the adversities in the revolution of China, Mao Tse-tung gave the call to go against the current. He advanced the revolution fighting both the left and right deviations.

Comrade Shibdas Ghosh taught — there cannot be any word like 'impossible' in the dictionary of the revolutionaries. Whatever is necessary for revolution will have to be done — question of success or failure comes afterwards — but a revolutionary cannot stay away from work.

Comrade Dasgupta also explained that this is wrong to conclude that Marxism is a failure because of setback in communist movement.

Finally he said, today a great potential has opened up before the party, both at the national and international level. To translate it to reality, we will have to rise up to the occasion. For that we will have to deeply involve ourselves in the rectification elevation struggle, now going on under the leadership of our beloved General Secretary Comrade Nihar Mukherjee, to release the two-fold struggle — one to fight the enemy within and the other to build up mass and class battles.

Here lies the real purpose of observing Mao Tse-tung memorial day.

The meeting ended with the *Internationale*.

Protest March against Rail Fare Hike in Patna

Patna District, SUCI took out a protest march and burnt effigy symbolising the NDA-led Central Government in protest of the rail fare hike decision.

The protest march started from Gandhi Maidan and culminated at the railway station premises where Comrade Arun

Kumar Singh, member, Bihar State Committee, in his address called upon to build up movements against fare hike. Others who addressed were, Comrade Jiyuddin Ahmed, Vaidyanath Sharma, Raghunath Gandhi. The proceedings were conducted by Comrade Shival Prasad.

Voice from America

International Action Center on Events of September 11, 2001

Released from New York City

Everyone here has been deeply affected by today's events. The International Action Center extends its most heartfelt sympathies and condolences to all those who have lost loved ones today as well as the thousands of workers who were in lower Manhattan today.

While at this moment thousands of families are in mourning for the death and injuries of loved ones, the Bush administration is taking advantage of the tragic human toll to strengthen the forces of repression while intensifying the Pentagon's war drive, especially in the Middle East.

Arab and Muslim peoples in the United States are reporting that they are facing racist harassment in their communities, on their jobs and at mosques. Anti-Arab racism is a poison that should be repudiated. We call on all people who oppose racism to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Arab-American community in the face of this reactionary frenzy.

After the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City in 1995, the U.S. government and media were quick to speculate that Arab and Islamic organizations were responsible; but as everyone now knows, extreme right-wing Army veteran Timothy McVeigh was to blame.

New War Danger

The International Action Center urges all anti-war activists and progressive people to remain on the highest alert in opposing the Bush administration and the Pentagon's plans to use this crisis as the springboard for a new round of aggression in the Third World, especially against the people of the Middle East.

In August 1998, the Pentagon delivered murderous cruise missile air strikes against a pharmaceutical plant in Sudan without any evidence, supposedly in retaliation for the bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Kenya. The cruise missiles destroyed the Al Shifa Pharmaceutical factory that provided most of Sudan's medicines. Thousands of African people perished as a direct result of the Pentagon's bombing.

President Ronald Reagan ordered the invasion of Grenada in the Caribbean shortly after a truck bomb exploded at a U.S. Marine Corps base in Lebanon in 1983. Under Bush senior, over 2,000

Panamanians were killed in the middle of the night on Christmas Eve in 1989 under the pretext of the war on drugs.

In 1986, after pointing a finger at Syria, Iran and several Palestinian organizations for an explosion at a discotheque in Germany, U.S. aircraft bombed Tripoli and Benzagi in Lybia. Hundreds of civilians, including children, died in their sleep as the U.S. Air Force carried out this nighttime sneak attack.

We ask activists and the people of this country to be ready to protest new Pentagon aggression in the coming period.

The Bush administration will use this current crisis as a means to justify a further expansion of the Pentagon's war budget at the expense of money for housing, education, health care, jobs and other human needs.

Danger of More State Repression

Throughout the country, the military, FBI and local police authorities are now sealing off large urban areas, blockading bridges, tunnels and roads, and mobilizing a massive presence of police and the National Guard. All this reveals an advanced stage of planning for domestic repression that can be used against the progressive and labour movements, and the Black, Latino, Asian, Arab and other oppressed communities.

All the more reason to resist the current efforts to strengthen police measures under cover of the present crisis.

Build Solidarity

The people of New York City and the country cannot allow the Bush administration and the Pentagon to play on their genuine feelings of shock and disbelief to stir reaction and strengthen the forces of repression. This will not help the working and oppressed people of this or any country.

The only way to respond to today's events is to extend solidarity to the families and friends of those who perished or who were injured at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; build global solidarity with people around the world struggling against war, poverty and exploitation; and deepen the movement to protest new Pentagon aggression.

Palestine

Stop this Barbarous Attack !

Of late the media has been highlighting news about violent 'confrontations' between Palestinian people and Israeli forces, about bloodshed of civilian people, especially of Palestinians. In the name of fighting terrorism the Israeli Zionist butchers have been conducting missile attacks, targeting Palestinian leaders in their homes, cars and offices. In this way more than 40 picked and chosen Palestinian activists and leaders have been assassinated, including Abu Ali Mustafa, the General Secretary of PFLP (Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine) and a top PLO official in his office in Ramallah on August 27, not to speak of the countless bystanders, especially innocent children and women who got killed in this way. Besides, in such missile attacks several police outposts and other administrative buildings in Palestinian administrated areas have been razed to the ground. At the same time Israeli forces have resorted to most wanton demolition of civilian homes on one plea or another, and have not hesitated to subject civilian homes to continuous shelling and even bombing attacks. Several towns in Palestinian administrated areas were recently subjected to raids with tanks, helicopter gunships and bulldozers and came under military occupation, to mention but Beit Jala and Jenin.

Israel has portrayed such barbaric aggression as a message to Arafat to round up Islamic militants responsible for suicide bombings in Israel and said these were 'measured' steps against terrorism. Measured steps indeed! In fact, the war waged by the Israeli Zionist gangsters against a people whom they had driven out and deprived of their right to their homeland decades ago for the illegal expansion of Israel, is nothing but a measured stepping up of the persecution of Palestinian people, a measured stepping up of the already savage repression of their protests and struggle for their legitimate, internationally recognized and UN-endorsed rights. It seems this war waged by the US imperialist-backed Zionist rulers is also a measured implementation of a most diabolical plan.

Long back, time and again our party cautioned about the imperialist-Zionist conspiracy. Even before the Camp David Summit that floated the proposal of a fractured or rump Palestinian state, as against a full, independent state, our party, guided by the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, voiced the apprehension that the way things were going, all the Palestinians would get was some kind of a semi-autonomous authority with a view to contain and ultimately liquidate the PLO. Because the then militant anti-imperialist struggle of the Palestinian people led by the PLO and its growing impact on Arab people and Palestinians in other countries, proved a stumbling block for the US imperialists who aimed at establishing complete domination over the oil resources of the Arab countries by using Israel as a springboard. Again when highlighting the tragedy that had befallen the Palestinian people whose rights were trampled for

decades, who suffered persecution, massacre and treachery, being driven out of one country after another, our party expressed deep anguish at the fact that the world, that the socialist camp — much weakened by revisionism — instead of rising to the occasion remained dumb spectators at that time, and even the Chinese leadership having become revisionist after the death of Mao failed to organize the international working people to stand at the side of their Palestinian brethren and unleash a worldwide struggle in defense of the legitimate right of the Palestinian people. This tragic turn of events could happen because, apart from some weakness from which the PLO leadership was suffering, the out and out revisionist line of the Soviet leadership not only weakened the struggle of the Palestinian people but virtually backstabbed their cause. Still then, despite all these glaring defects, as long as the Soviet Union existed the very presence of the socialist camp acted as a deterrent, to some extent, against imperialist aggression. But after dismantling of the Soviet Union, and most virulent attack on Iraq, Arab nationalism that had once stood behind the Palestinian cause, completely surrendered to US imperialism. Some countries, like Egypt had done earlier, surrendered lured with sops, others became complete stoogies. In that situation, the US imperialists, taking advantage of some weakness of the Palestinian leadership succeeded in arm-twisting the PLO under Arafat into the disastrous Oslo agreement in 1993. They did so with a view to contain, to split and ultimately liquidate the PLO. Thus we find the Zionist fascist ruling clique in Israel completely flouting with impunity even the minor concession it had to make in the Oslo agreement.

Not to speak of withdrawing its

occupation forces from the West Bank as stipulated, the Zionist fascist rulers, instead, insisted on guarding the borders of the Palestinian administrated area in Gaza Strip and the few enclaves in the West Bank, denying the Palestinians even free exit or entry from and into their semi-autonomous enclaves. Worse still, the Zionist butchers have been blockading them arbitrarily for any length of time on this plea or that, in total violation of the agreement, leaving Palestinians unable to market their produce, to go to work or buy raw materials etc. Apart from this, not to speak of dismantling the illegal Jewish settlements in Gaza Strip and West Bank, the successive governments in Israel, whether Likud or Labour, have gone on building ever newer settlements at an increasing pace, luring Jewish settlers with tax exemptions and all kinds of facilities, and turning these into real military outposts connected straight with Israel through a network of newly built highways, bypassing the Palestinian areas. For that they have seized hilltops, the most fertile lands and orchards and kept total control over the water resources, which are also diverted to irrigate land in Israel while the Palestinians enclaves are left high and dry. Moreover, as revealed during the investigations into the massacre of praying Muslims in a mosque in Hebron, West Bank, some years back, by a gun toting Jewish settler who killed more than 50 and injured over hundred, the Israeli army is under standing orders not to take any measures against settlers who attack Palestinians.

Yet despite such despicable treatment of the Palestinians, who suffer endless humiliation, discrimination and political, social and economic oppression, the Israeli Prime Minister General Sharon, last year when still in opposition, accused the then Labour government of being 'too soft' with the Palestinians. It may be mentioned in this context that it was his provocative visit to the Al Aksa mosque in East Jerusalem last September and closing of the tunnel, resulting in the high number of deaths of Palestinians not to speak of the injured, that triggered not only the protest movement and rebellion — the 'intifada' of the Palestinians in demand of their legitimate rights, but has given a fillip to extremist forces, especially the Islamic militants, the Hamas, and a spurt of their terrorist attacks which no

democratic minded person can support as these hit the people and create disunity. Yet clearly, Sharon's savage repressive measures and aggression are bound to provoke extremist forces and attacks, providing him with a plea to carry out not only more brutal repression but implement step by step the diabolical plan to contain, divide and smash the Palestinian resistance. The Zionist fascist rulers, under Sharon, are doing so in the name of security for Israeli people while in reality pushing them into ever increasing insecurity without the least compunction.

Their conspiracy is also glaringly illustrated centering round the question of Jerusalem, which was left out from the Oslo agreement to be settled later. For ages Jerusalem had been the political, religious and cultural center of the Palestinian people. In the war of 1948, US backed Israel occupied West Jerusalem, under the control of Jordan, and in the 67 war Israel snatched and annexed East Jerusalem, under the control of Palestine, along with the West Bank and Gaza Strip, etc. To this day, despite worldwide condemnation Israel has refused to comply with UN Security Council resolution, demanding withdrawal from occupied territories. But in order to rob the legitimate claim of the Palestinians to Jerusalem of all demographic and geographical justification, Israeli Zionist fascists have all along been building illegal Jewish settlements in a ring around East Jerusalem, completely cutting off any link with West Bank Palestinian areas, and changing the demographic character at the same time. For this purpose they also resort to ethnic cleansing by different means to rob Palestinians of their residential status in Jerusalem, and herding more and more people into the ghetto-like enclaves. After the recent suicide bombing by Islamic militants in Israel the Zionist fascist rulers have taken complete control over East Jerusalem, seizing the main headquarters of the PLO and closing many other offices in and around Jerusalem, besides demolishing many homes of Palestinian civilians, and confiscating others for military purposes. All these come as direct challenge to Palestinian claims and rights, in pre-emptive strikes.

Yet when all the Palestinians demand is Israel's compliance with international law, how can Israeli

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US Preparing for Biological Warfare

After crushing Iraq in the Gulf War in 1990, the USA, which unilaterally, caring little for an approval from the UNO, launched the horrendous military attack against this small oil rich Middle East country on the allegation of its forcible occupation, unjust however, of Kuwait, forced Iraq to allow a UN alias US team of experts to inspect the country's defence sites, factories, offices or laboratories to ensure that its rulers are not engaged in producing chemical weapons of mass destruction. The US imperialist rulers out of their vile inimic stance against Iraq hawked through their most powerful global media network that Iraq was engaged in developing lethal chemical weapons. However, in spite of repeated inspections by this US-led team of experts over a long period of time when no clue of conducting such chemical weapon-building programme could be discovered in Iraq, the latter demanded cessation of such inspection any further. For the country alleged to the world body that in the name of inspection what the US agents in the team were doing was to subvert the country's sovereignty thereby putting its territorial integrity into jeopardy. That it was not a mere allegation but an admitted fact was proved by the revelations from none else than the UN General Secretary, Koffi Annan. Moreover, it is recorded in history that after every futile inspection when Iraq refused to allow any further team, the US imperialists, the self-imposed world police, swooped on it in air raids destroying cities and killing civilians in hundreds thus compelling the country brutally to comply with the so-called UN injunction.

While taking recourse to such brutal attack against Iraq, the USA continued to make vociferous claim that they wanted to free the world from lethal chemical mass destructive weapons, to make the earth safe against any biological warfare, to turn the globe into a peaceful haven for humanity; but that Iraq stood in the way of achieving these objectives. So it must be decimated with pounding bombs regularly to dispel possibility of its indulging in such chemical weapons programme. But this self-proclaimed world police and 'champion' of world peace has been pitifully exposed when the *New York Times*, a leading newspaper of that country disclosed to the horror of the people of the world that the US administration had persistently remained engaged since 1997 in a series of projects to produce biological weapons and that Pentagon, the US military headquarter, had already secretly built a germ factory capable of producing huge deadly bacteria to kill millions of people. The projects on this germ warfare began during the President Bill Clinton's rule and were expanded under the present president George W. Bush's regime. Noticeably, both these rulers had either launched and continue to launch attack on Iraq on regular interval for its alleged involvement in developing such weapons. What queer hypocrisy! Their pretentious accusation against a country for committing a crime is the real perpetration in their own case! It is horrifying, as reported by the *New York Times* that at Camp 12 of Nellis Air Force Range the Pentagon

scientists have constructed a 50-litre cylinder capable of cultivating germs. This way the peddlers of world 'peace' serve the humanity indeed!

What is more, the US imperialists have been pursuing such covert biological initiatives in simple violation of the 1972 Convention on biological weapons by which the countries were bound by prohibition of producing these germ weapons. Notably, the USA was a prominent signatory to this Agreement. Not only this, to carry out this heinous conspiracy against the mankind, this imperialist state, the USA, has even refused to sign a recent draft agreement adopted to strengthen a convention against biological weapons despite incessantly mauling other countries on mere suspicion of their alleged involvement in such programme. Indeed, the imperialists never respect their own commitment to international community in fulfillment of their own vile interests.

After the disclosure of such nefarious activities, the White House lords insisted that all the researches on biological warfare conducted by the military and CIA scientists were "purely defensive". It is a blatant lie. In fact, whenever the imperialists produce or forge such lethal weapons they offer such trash argument. They made nuclear bomb, missiles of different ranges providing this alibi, but they themselves became the unilateral user of these weapons against other countries. Actually, to camouflage their demonic design of producing military wares to save their economy as well as to dominate the world

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fascist Zionist rulers get away with such arrogant flouting of world opinion, violation of each and every UN resolution, international law, and basic human rights and dignity, depriving a whole people from their right to their own homeland? Israel can get away with it because it has become the outpost of US imperialism in this oil-rich region. The US imperialists are posing as if they were neutral and in search of peaceful settlement. But Israel understands very well that the USA are fully supporting it, rather without US support it can't make any move and would never dare to act in this way.

Today when Israel is waging all out war against the Palestinians, shelling and bombarding civilian homes, and using US supplied missiles to assassinate Palestinian people in their homes, offices and cars, the US imperialists have threatened to apply sanctions against Israel if it doesn't stop it. But how sickeningly hypocritical this criticism is, becomes even more clear from the very fact that USA and Israel conduct regular secret joint military exercises. According to the Israeli Press, one of these joint exercises in Sept. 2000 was devoted to plans for Israeli re-conquest of enclaves transferred to Palestinian administration. US marines provided training in weapons that Israel

flexing their muscles the imperialists carry out their weapon-forging programmes, plain and simple. It is with this same design and motive that the imperialist countries in general and the US imperialists in particular have been presently engaged as also in the past in producing as also applying such perilous weapons not excluding their chemical varieties. Not to speak of the dropping of atom bomb on Japan during the Second World War, the memory of the people is not too short to forget the dropping of Napalm Bomb, a pernicious chemical weapon, on Vietnam by the US imperialists in the sixties of the just preceding century, reducing the whole agricultural land of that tiny South-east Asian country to barrenness, affecting the innocent people's health with lasting corrosive diseases, even cancer, deformity etc., and finally killing them premature. We have very recently experienced even deadlier weapons used by the

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lacked and American fighting techniques'. (Noam Chomsky: *Hegemony and Survival*)

Today when Palestinian people have come under such renewed aggression, become the victims of war crimes, of state terrorism, the crying need of the hour is people's solidarity and support for them throughout the world. People everywhere must compel their government to stand up against this murderous war against a whole people that has undergone ordeals as few have in modern times.

It is a matter of shame that the BJP-led government in our country is totally trampling underfoot the great anti-imperialist tradition of the people of India that has long supported the cause of Palestinian people. It is true that under Congress rule when India was in the non-aligned movement its anti-imperialist foreign policy was pursued in the bourgeois class interest and to derive maximum benefit from bargaining between the socialist and imperialist camp. Thus, it did not stand in bold defense of Palestinian cause and started paying more and more mere lip service. But the BJP has made a complete turn about and closely aligned itself with US imperialism. It is entering into partnership with USA and going whole hog in support of US imperialism and fraternizing with Zionist fascism in the name of fighting terrorism. More than that, India has started to closely collaborate with Israel in the military field, involving arms sales, equipment upgrades, transfer of technology and joint weapons development programmes, not to speak of a multi-billion dollar defense agreement. There have been reports of Mossad, the Israeli intelligence agency's involvement in Kashmir even before Israeli foreign minister Shimon Peres said in Hyderabad (Jan. 2001) that his country was willing to co-operate with India to fight terrorism. These developments, trampling the heritage of anti-imperialism, are a matter of deep shame and concern for all freedom loving, democratic minded people of India and need to be resisted at all costs.

The silver lining on the dark horizon is the fact, that even today humanity is not dead and there are countless voices and forces across the globe protesting against this war waged against and injustice heaped on the Palestinians, and trying to unite people to help the Palestinian cause.

International News

Fury in the Balkans

Even as George W. Bush readied his triumphant visit to US occupation troops in Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, thousands of youths set back his agenda when they attacked the US, German and British embassies in Macedonia's capital of Skopje on July 24. They were protesting NATO complicity in the assault on their country, which borders Kosovo and used to be part of Yugoslav federation.

NATO — especially Washington and Berlin — for years has armed, supplied and trained the right-wing Albanian chauvinist gang that goes by the names KLA in Kosovo and National Liberation Army in Macedonia. The KLA/NLA is attacking and murdering Macedonians with the goal of establishing a "Greater Albania".

For a decade relentless anti-Serb and anti-Milosevic propaganda blamed the former Yugoslav president for every Balkans ill. NATO even used its kangaroo court in The Hague to charge him with war crimes.

Who then is responsible for the near civil war in Macedonia? Slobodan Milosevic is out of power and in jail.

The reports from Macedonia today bear an uncanny resemblance to those from Kosovo three years ago. And this in spite of the fact that the Macedonian government has been compliant to US and NATO's wishes for years. It was one of the first of the Yugoslav republics to allow a US base on its soil. NATO is supposed to be its friend.

Some friend. Macedonian government spokesperson Antonio Milosovski was being super cautious when he said, "NATO is not our enemy but it is a great friend of our enemies who are attacking the future of our country."

Speaking of moves by US envoy James Pardew and Francois Leotard of the European Union, Milosovski added: "The activity of international representatives in the Republic of Macedonia and the actions of the paramilitary organisation are very well-coordinated." (*Los Angeles Times*, July 25)

Pardew and Leotard said they were shocked, utterly shocked, by these charges. An unnamed Western diplomat — likely one of them — told the media, "I think we're in a period of hyper-nationalism. They're lashing out at the entire international community. That's very damaging to negotiations and very dangerous for the people of this country."

"Hyper-nationalism" seems to

mean a small nation's resistance to being completely overrun by predatory imperialism. That's what Yugoslavia was guilty of. For the NATO leaders, Milosevic's real crime was being president during 78 days of heroic Yugoslav resistance.

The "hyper-nationalism" charge sounds like a threat. It sounds like 1998. The US and NATO may claim they are "honest brokers" between the KLA gang and the Macedonian government, but thousands of Macedonian youths are perfectly correct to consider them liars. NATO intervention in the Balkans has brought neither peace nor stability but more war, and the Macedonian youths deserve every solidarity in their struggle against it. (An Editorial dated August 2 in the *Workers World*, New York)

Pickets demand 'US out of Colombia'

By Brenda Sandburg,
San Francisco

Protesting against US intervention in Colombia, several hundred people marched in San Francisco, July 21. Chanting "Plan Colombia, we say no, the phony war on drugs has got to go!" and "USA out of Colombia," demonstrators marched more than two miles from 24th and Mission streets to the Civic Center.

A member of the Committee for a New Colombia spoke on behalf of the student movement in that country. "Even though they have been threatened, murdered, disappeared, they are going to continue fighting no matter what," she said. She read a letter from a friend in Colombia who said the country is "struggling in the extremes of hunger, misery, poverty and social injustice that have characterized capitalist societies of the so-called Third World. ... Today we say from the universities, from the streets, from the countryside that we will rather die than be a defeated people."

Alicia Jrapko from the International Action Center said the US ruling class has a long history of intervention against governments that stand up for their sovereignty and independence. "For over 40 years, the socialist country of Cuba has been a constant target of US military and economic attacks and now they are trying to do the same thing to the popular movement in Colombia and to the neighbouring country of Venezuela and its president, Hugo Chavez," she said.

"We have to stand in solidarity with the Colombian people and

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US imperialists on Yugoslavia in 2000. The US-led NATO used Depleted Uranium shells during its bombardment on this small east-European country as it refused to give into the US desire of plunder the country's rich minerals. Depleted uranium is a by-product of the process of uranium enrichment that is done either for nuclear fuel or weapons production. Exposed to the horrors of radioactivity, people of Kosovo have been dying of Leukaemia at an abnormally high rate, among others.

Is it not glaring from this that it is the imperialists especially the US imperialists who are the sole culprit to not only produce and use chemical weapons but even the nuclear ones

as well? What is a cruel farce is that by applying such lethal weapons when they destroy the country, kill the people and maim them in millions, these imperialist rulers still want the people of the world believe that they are the upholders of human rights instrumentalising which they often pounce upon other countries of their dislike with threat of punishment for their alleged violation. Is it not time for the peace-loving people of the world to stand on the firm ground of unity and expose the double standard and hypocrisy of these imperialist rulers and launch the protracted movement to force these enemies of the mankind to stop producing all the mass destructive weapons including the biological weapons?

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mass struggles against this enemy of mankind. It is heartening to note that thousands of retrenched workers, unemployed youths and poverty-stricken people of America are also on the street in their struggles against the US exploiters. In fact, they are also joining in global massive protest movement against WTO, World Bank, IMF and G-8. So, while US imperialism is the enemy of mankind, common people of America are the fraternal ally in the struggle against it.

People of America and other countries who are shocked and expressing their indignation against

defend their right for self-determination," Jrapko said. "It is not the role for us here in the United States to tell the people of Colombia what form their struggle should take. Our role is to wage a struggle against US foreign policy, which is the number-one problem of the people of Colombia and all of Latin America."

The demonstration was called by Juntos, a coalition of people opposed to US militarization around the world. The Committee for a New Colombia was one of the most active organizers of the demonstration. Other groups included the International Action Center, Witness for Peace, School of the Americas Watch, Global Exchange, the FMLN, Workers World Party, Freedom Socialist Party and others. Russ Redner of the International Treaty Council gave the opening talk at both the beginning and closing rallies.

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terrorism should remain vigilant, lest the situation should be exploited by US imperialism to further stimulate its military machinations, including NMD and others in the name of national security. Not only that, the US rulers and their counterparts in other imperialist countries, who are increasingly finding themselves the target of people's wrath, hatred and agitation in countries around the world, are going to seize on this incident to divert people's attention to terrorist crimes and hide their own nefarious machinations and intrigues against the democratic rights and sovereignty of people of all countries, especially Asia, Africa and Latin America. The rulers of all these other countries, who are in league with the imperialists under cover of WTO, will also try whole hog to exploit the development to further curtail their own peoples' democratic rights, making the plea of eradicating terrorism. We are confident that the exploited people of all these countries would exercise utmost vigil in their struggle against the US imperialism and their cohorts.

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West Bengal up against Fee Hike

In the last budget, the CPI(M)-led West Bengal Government has announced to enhance fees in schools, colleges and universities. In tune with the attitude of the government and direction of the government appointed Ashoke Mitra Commission, the school and college authorities have imposed variety of fees to extort thousands and thousands of rupees from the students. The situation is further aggravated by the decision of the state government to curtail the grants of the universities which led them to further financial crisis, resultant fee hike and privatisation-commercialisation of education.

In order to resist this tremendous fee hike, privatisation and commercialisation of education the West Bengal State Committee of AIDS0 is waging an all out battle. Through an All Bengal Education Convention on 1-2 September last year, the 'Anti-Fee Hike Students Action Committee' was formed and this phase of movement had started. This year, against the government decision of fee hike, protest demonstrations, deputations, burning of the government circular on fee hike and budget curtailment, continued during the month of June and July. In July, in many colleges of West Bengal, anti-fee hike movement developed and fee-hike was thwarted in some colleges like Panskura, Dakshin Barasat and others. On 17-18 July, in front of all the universities of the state, student demonstrations had been organised. On 18th July, during the demonstration at the Burdwan University, police resorted to barbarous lathi-charge, injured and arrested a member of the State Secretariat and a member of the West Bengal State Committee of AIDS0 and many others, framed false charges against them. Even police pushed an AIDS0 worker, a girl student underneath a running bus and broke her leg, made her handicapped for the whole life. Such incidents occurred in other places also.

On 20th July, an All Bengal Student Strike was called by AIDS0. SFI resorted to threats, intimidations to force the students to attend classes on that day. On 20th July, the brutality they let loose at various college gates is beyond description. In front of the Calcutta University, the seat-of many glorious student movements, they inflicted barbarous attack on the picketeers of AIDS0, injured many and even in broad day light, in front of the

police, standing as mute spectators, they torn the garments of girl students and manhandled them in indecent manner. Same was the experience of AIDS0 volunteers, particularly girls in Singur and Nalikul in Hooghly district. In National Medical College, Calcutta, they brutally assaulted our comrades who had to be immediately admitted to hospital. In Hooghly, Coochbehar, South 24 Parganas and many other districts such attacks were inflicted

by police and criminals controlled by SFI. In spite of all these attacks, to the surprise of SFI, students at large came forward in voluntary support and made the All Bengal Student Strike a grand success.

Now a newer height, a state wide signature campaign among the students, with a 10 lakh target, is going on. Anti-fee hike Student Action Committees are being formed in thousands of institutions of this state. Thousands and thousands of

students are enlisting their names as volunteers. In institutions of national renown like Jadavpur University, Bengal Engineering College, Shibpur, Presidency College Calcutta anti-fee hike movement has taken the form of a battle under the leadership of AIDS0.

On 1st September the historic Students' Martyrs' Day of the Food Movement of 1959, a massive rally of 50 thousand students was held.



A part of Students' Procession (above) and Rally (below) on 1st September in Calcutta

Bihar School of Politics at Ghatsila

A School of politics was organised on 23-25 August, 2001, last at the Study Centre of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought, Ghatsila under the auspices of the SUCI, Bihar State Committee.

Party activists took part in the school of politics from different districts of the state. The participants were told to study individually and collectively the following works of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh 'Why SUCI is the only genuine Communist Party in India', 'What should be the style of work of the revolutionary workers' and 'Communist Code of Conduct'.

Comrade Amriteswar Chakraborty, Bihar State Secretary,

SUCI, hoisted the Red Flag. Comrade Ranjit Dhar, Central Staff, SUCI, placed wreath at the foot of the statue of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great Marxist thinker of this era, our founder general secretary, teacher and guide. Then Comrade Amriteswar Chakraborty and Comrade Hem Chakraborty, Secretary, Jharkhand State Committee, SUCI paid floral tribute.

Addressing the first session, Comrade Amriteswar Chakraborty, threw light on the importance of the camp. He told that the objective of the camp was not merely to know but to acquire a better understanding in the process of knowing and

applying it in our own life.

Comrade Ranjit Dhar, the main conductor of the camp, discussed in detail democratic centralism, ideological centralism and code of conduct of leaders and workers of a communist party on the basis of Marxism-Leninism and on the light of the experiences gathered by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh in the process of formation of the SUCI. He told that in the same process the thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh emerged and Marxism-Leninism became enriched.

At the last session of the camp, Comrade Dhar discussed the danger posed by capitalism-imperialism in

the present national and international situation. He made an emotional and serious discussion on the effect of globalisation, liberalisation, privatisation, sky-rocketing price hike, unemployment and cultural degradation of the common people. He stressed the need of body functioning and collective style of work through elevating the ideological and cultural standard of supporters, workers and leaders. He then urged the participants of the camp to build up a mighty mass movement against capitalism, the root cause of all problems.

The camp ended with the songs : Comrade Shibdas Ghosh and Internationale.

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