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If the Government can dole out billions of rupees to the profiteering capitalists, why would it not give the looted money back to the utterly ruined depositors?

— Comrade Provash Ghosh

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Comrade President, Comrades and Friends,

Inclement weather on the one hand, restrictions imposed by the doctors and limits prescribed by the state leaders — with all these together I shall try to say something on this historic day. How far shall I be able to, I do not know. Yet I shall try as much as I can.

Right now, several million people in the state of West Bengal have been tragically entrapped in the chit fund scam. Cheating by these chit funds has stirred not only this state, but the whole country as well. You are all aware what has happened. Our question is how could this happen? It is boasted that India is the largest democracy in the world. It has a powerful state machinery, has in its hand the legion of bureaucracy, has enough means to maintain law and order, possesses a strong judicial system and also has different wings like central IB, CBI, state CID and so forth to secretly collect information. Billions of rupees are spent on them. Those in power claim that their sole responsibility and declared objective is to provide safety and security to the life and property of the people. If that be and if so many investigating wings and punitive provisions be in place, how could an individual (owner of tainted Saradha chit fund) dupe and ruin so many million people? Who will provide the answer? Is it not the state that has to take the responsibility? Are not both the central and state governments equally accountable? Can the former CPI (M) government shun its responsibility? Everything happened right before their eyes. A businessman claimed that he would overnight turn rupees ten thousand into a lakh! Was it to be by magic

or sorcery? Are we to believe that the leaders and ministers knew nothing of it? In the face of these questions, they are now only shifting the onus on each other. In fact, there is a farcical competition between the former CPI (M)-led Front ministers and their present Trinamool Congress (TMC) counterparts as to who could excel whom in this blame game of shifting culpability onto other. We are of the opinion that all of them are equally responsible. They have knowingly allowed such a con game to run on. None of them can escape shouldering the responsibility.

Why didn't the government make the people aware?

Our question is, why did the Central Government allow these chit funds to operate? It is only but natural that the poor would seek howsoever a little more they can earn on their hard-earned savings. The government has steadily reduced return on the government savings schemes and allowed the private houses to take over the business and indulge in full-fledged cheating in the name of running chit funds. Did not the governments at the Centre or in the state know that it was impossible to multiply money at such a whopping rate in the normal way and hence the so called chit funds would indulge in open speculation and fraudulent trades entailing disaster to the innocent investors?

Why did they not warn the people through the media? Already it has come to light as to which party had inserted advertisements in the papers run by the money of these cheating funds, which leaders and ministers had attended the inaugural function of the dailies and journals run or graced the occasion

of launching of businesses and ambulance service by these cheater groups. More such revelations are in the offing. The former CPI (M) chief minister who went to a new business launch of such a 'cheat' fund owner now says that he did not know about source of funding of the business. This is clear today that the erstwhile CPI (M) government

was well aware of the shady activities of these 'cheat' fund groups and received favours from them. Again, in order to play to the gallery, it passed a law which, the CPI (M) leaders now say, was not given assent to by the central government. So, it remained pending for a long time crippling

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Red Salute Comrade Protiva Mukherjee



Comrade Protiva Mukherjee, member of the West Bengal State Committee of the SUCI(C) and an eminent mass leader, breathed her last after a prolonged illness on 17 May at the Calcutta Heart Clinic and Hospital at the age of 77. At the news of her demise, Party leaders including Polit Bureau members Comrade Ranjit Dhar and Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya, Central Committee members Comrade Debaprasad Sarkar, Comrade Soumen Basu and Comrade Chhaya Mukherjee,

West Bengal State Secretariat members and representatives of different zonal committees, as well as Prof. Dhruvjayoti Mukhopadhyay, Chairman of the Governing Body of the Calcutta Heart Clinic and Hospital and the staff of the clinic paid their floral tributes to the departed leader.

Thereafter, on 18th May afternoon, in order that party and frontal leaders, workers, supporters and the masses of her admirers from far away districts as well as Kolkata may pay their respects, the mortal remains of Comrade Protiva Mukherjee were laid in open draped in Red Flag and bedecked with flowers in front of the central Party office. Along with comrades, friends and common people paying floral tributes, leading representatives of different political parties including CPI(M), CPI, RSP, Bolshevik Party, CPI-ML (Liberation) and others as well as important leaders of the ruling TMC and ministers of the West Bengal government paid their tributes; a condolence message from the West Bengal Chief Minister was handed over by a member of the Cabinet on behalf of the CM. Among others placing floral tributes, there was Dr A B Dutta, the eminent physician. Finally, on behalf of Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary of the SUCI(C), floral wreath was presented by Comrade Debaprasad Sarkar. Also Polit Bureau members Comrade Ranjit Dhar, Comrade Manik Mukherjee and Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya paid their respects. At the close of the proceedings, the last journey started from the central Party office with the mortal remains of the deceased leader in a disciplined procession that proceeded towards the cremation ground of south Calcutta, with the participants solemnly singing the *Internationale* and the song on Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great proletarian leader

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Congress, CPI (M), TMC — all responsible for chit fund scam

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them from taking action against the 'cheating' funds. Notably, the Congress-led UPA-I central government was then running with the support of the CPI (M). Why then did the CPI (M) leaders not pressurize the central government to prevent such a grim devastation? What prevented them from organizing movement involving the masses? Because, they had friendly relation with the chit funds. The former land and land revenue minister of the CPI (M) government has correctly washed the dirty linen in public by saying that the CPI (M) was no clean either. After the government overturned, as the anti-socials had leaned towards the TMC, so also did the owners of these chit funds. The present TMC chief minister of this state says that they went to the function of the chit funds because they were invited. Similar is the version of the CPI (M) chief minister of Tripura. They did not ascertain the antecedents and character of the hosts who invited them. Do they think that people are so fool as to accept whatever trash they dish out? Can a leader accept such invitations by any unknown person without ascertaining the purpose, without caring to find out what benefit the inviter intends to reap from his or her presence? Does anyone respond to invitation without verifying all these? An organization invites the chief minister for inaugurating an ambulance service. Is it not incumbent on the invitee to check what type of activities the inviting organization is engaged in? It is now over 2 years that the TMC is running the government. Previously, the CPI (M) ruled the state for 34 long years. What the CPI (M) leaders were doing then? There is, of course, a difference between these parties. The CPI (M) leadership is much shrewder, much cunning. Compared to that, the TMC leadership is blunt and hence gets caught so easily.

We firmly hold that both the central and state governments will have to take the full responsibility of shoving these millions of people into grisly destitution. Since the corporate sector, monopolists-capitalists are in the throes of loss, the central government has given away Rs.5, 50,000 crore to them as dole from the public exchequer. Notwithstanding running a budget deficit of more than Rs.5, 00,000 crore, the central government had no problem in doling an equally hefty sum to the monopoly houses. How munificent the central government is towards the corporate

sector! Can't this very government provide a few thousand crores of rupees to the utterly ruined depositors of chit funds? Is it not its moral obligation? The present state government also is capable of giving this amount of money. It is this state government which, simply from narrow electoral interest, is giving away hundreds of thousands of rupees to the Imams as allowance, donations to the clubs, for this or that award. Why should not the ruined chit fund depositors be compensated for their loss by the government? Let the governments slash the defence budget, police budget, reduce the salaries and allowances of the ministers, bureaucrats, MLAs and MPs to arrange necessary funds for rescuing the depositors. If this is not done, the ruined people would have no alternative but to commit suicide. The chief minister has said, 'Let bygones be bygones'! What a hearty gesture towards the ruined and distressed? One, who has been devastated, rendered to beggary, is advised to wait and keep patience, maintain peace! What shall I say of such a mindset?

CPI (M), on the other hand, has been waylaying with keen eyes on the upcoming panchayat elections hoping that this chit fund scheme would bring tide in the dried canal of their support bank. This is what is going on. You have certainly noticed that the ruling bourgeoisie which only the other day upheld the TMC as the 'messiah of West Bengal' by giving it wide publicity in the media has come to realize that the TMC would not be its cup of tea for long. To the ruling class, CPI (M) is much more dependable and efficient. Hence, it is the same media which is trying to bring back CPI (M) to the fore. As the power of central government is alternately shared by the Congress and the BJP, similar attempt is being made to alternate the power of the state government between two such parties or combinations. And how the CPI (M) leaders have rectified themselves through 'rectification movement' is evident from the talks and utterances, manners, behaviour and conduct of their leaders and cadres. Have they confessed any wrong and fault? Have they really rectified themselves in any sphere? As long as they were in power, so long they had the corrupt nexus police-administration-criminal in their grip and enjoyed backing of moneybag, the CPI (M) leaders hit the soil cavalierly, swooped on the mass movement with fascistic attack, unleashed a reign of terror and fierce onslaught on the people.

And now ousted from governmental power, the same heroes have been holed up waiting for return of the good days. Notably, whatever wrongs, injustices, atrocities, hooliganism, goonies the CPI (M) had resorted to, are now indulged in by the TMC in the same manner, albeit under the garb of 'change'.

Another point I shall raise here. All these ruling party leaders say that in absence of suitable law, they are constrained to take any action against Saradha company. An avowed loyal to law indeed! They hold the plea that they are waiting for the Centre to frame law but the Centre is delaying the matter. As a result, years have rolled by and what was to happen has happened. But let me ask, do you care for any law to crush the democratic mass movement? Few days back our student organization held an agitation movement at Medinipur against complete mismanagement in holding examinations for recruiting primary teachers. Do you know what charges have been slapped on our DSO activists after arrest? Charges of molestation of women! You can see for yourself how the ardent (!) devotees of law act. There is a demonstration against chaos in conducting primary teachers' test, the demonstrators are taken into custody and then implicated in charge of molestation of women! After the TMC came to power, it is we who first organized rally against abolition of pass-fail system up to class VIII. I say that school students did join the rally on demand of education. Suddenly rumours were spread in the air that the DSO workers had kidnapped the students of a school and took them to the rally, which is totally baseless. But following orders from a TMC leader, the police swung into action, arrested DSO workers and implicated them in false charges. In such cases, the police do not care for any law. During CPI (M) regime, there was a little jostle between our workers and the police in course of a mass law violation movement. Immediately, many of our arrested workers were implicated in 'attempt to murder' cases. These cases have been continuing for over 15-20 years causing immense harassment of the activists of democratic mass movement. So many opposition workers have been killed in the name of encounter. In compliance with the orders of the owners, many innocent struggling workers are put behind the bar slapped with false charges. At the

behest of the capitalist owners and their pliant leaders, the police in this country first arrest the participants of mass movements and then decide which Act is to be applied to teach them a good lesson. They are indeed great worshippers of law! No doubt about that. Hence, in absence of appropriate (!) law, the police is utterly helpless in taking action against the oppressive owners, blackmarketeers, fraudsters and robbers.

Wherefrom come the piles of money into the coffers of the big parties and their leaders?

All of you know that since long all the big political parties, their governments and leaders in this country have been thriving on money power. These monies are supplied by the monopoly capitalists, big businesses, blackmarketers, smugglers, women traffickers, and along with them these unscrupulous chit fund operators and such other shady businesses. All the leaders of the vote-based parties, whether it is the Congress, the BJP or any other bourgeois outfit, are involved in financial scams. Come to CPI (M)! Do you know how much money CPI (M) owns? From its own submission to the Election Commission, it has been revealed that in terms of wealth, CPI (M) ranks only below the Congress, the BJP, and Mayawati's BSP. Have the porters or daily wage earners provided this huge sum of money? Where does this fund come from? Is it that difficult to guess? Election today means money power, muscle power, media power and administrative power.

Democracy today is no more 'by the people, for the people, of the people'. It is, 'by, for and of the money power, muscle power, administrative power, media power' notwithstanding all chanting in the name of people. Simply fraudulence is going on in the name of democracy. The position of the bourgeoisie of our country is the same as that of the bourgeoisie of the whole world. A competition, as though, is going on among the bourgeois parties on gulping of money. The Congress would exceed the amount the BJP could usurp. What CPI (M) had amassed over the 34 years might well be surpassed by the TMC during its stint of twenty four odd months. Again, there are some leaders who pretend that they are spotless; they do not commit sin by touching money! But the 'celebs'

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surrounding them are licensed to plunder in any way and to any extent. However, the 'honest' leaders merrily plead unawareness of this loot and plunder as if they move with their eyes shut. Common people out of confusion think that be that as it may, the leader concerned is no doubt 'honest'! Only his or her underlings are corrupt. I come to know that the TMC workers in the village areas are contending that if CPI (M) could plunder over the 34 years, why should not they now? Plundering money this way has become somewhat a right now! The 'great' democracy of our country nowadays props on extortionists, promoters, land mafiosi, contractors, criminals and police. Vis-à-vis this, think of what a sublime and higher standard of politics were upheld by the leaders of stature like Deshbandhu Chittaranjan, Lala Lajpat Rai, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Netaji Subhas, Bhagat Singh, Surya Sen and the likes! What low of politics has been stooped to by the present-day greedy leaders hankering for 'seat of power' only!

Once, this bourgeois democracy emerged in Europe by fighting against feudalism. Large industries were set up in place of hitherto existing small and cottage industries. Self-sufficient localized market was replaced by newly emerging integrated national market. These newly set up big industries needed huge workforce free from all bondages. So, arose the question of freeing the serfs from the tentacles of feudal bondage. In order to use the natural resources, there was necessity for cultivation of science and technology. That was the era of rising capitalism which fostered social progress. Pioneers of Indian renaissance like Rammohan and Vidyasagar were fascinated by that. It was this juncture of history which marked advent of the word 'civilization'. Concept of modern civilization emerged from Europe. But great Marx showed that following inexorable law of history, capitalism would be plunged into crisis. Because, motive of production in capitalism is to earn profit, now-a-days maximum profit. And the capitalist owners cannot reap profit without depriving the workers from their legitimate wage. Capitalism needs market. It is not human society but human market which the capitalists are concerned about. The key word to them is

'market'. They are always in search of market which means buyers. Unless there are buyers, there is no market. In capitalism, human being is nothing but a raw material which is to be used for running the profit machine, squeezed for minting profit. Irony is that as a consequence of this squeezing, the number of buyers dwindles and market crisis ensues.

Farce of democracy continues, but the intellectuals maintain eerie silence

During the days of emergence of bourgeois democracy, Europe laid importance on human values. But when the same capitalism in course of development gave birth to monopoly capital, attained higher stage i.e. imperialism by giving rise to financial oligarchy through merger of industrial capital with banking capital and in the process creating finance capital for being exported to other countries with a view to plundering foreign market and by taking full control of share market, industrial production, and agricultural production, Lenin showed that earlier period of development of capitalism was over and its decadence had set in. The same bourgeoisie which during its period of rising held aloft the banner of democracy is now trampling every canon of democracy underfoot. Capitalism today survives on ruthless exploitation and oppression of the people of its own country as well as plunder of people of other countries. Do you find a Galileo, Newton, Shakespeare, a Shelley, a Byron, a Mill, Rousseau-Voltaire, Bacon, Feuerbach, Kant or Spinoza in Europe today? Once, Europe had produced these luminaries. Today Europe-America have been giving birth to people of perverted taste and depraved mentality who indiscriminately kill the school children, get involved in sex-perversion from school life itself, raise demand of live-together and

legalization of homo-sexuality. America and Europe today have become manufacturing houses of various deadly gases and weapons of mass destruction. How quickly can one lethal weapon kill human beings and in that too in maximum number—such has been their research objective today. What is the role of America and Europe, once known to be the citadels of bourgeois democracy, in the international arena today? In order to loot the oil resources of Iraq and establish their domination on it, America and Britain floated a false propaganda that Iraqi rulers were manufacturing weapons of mass destruction and if not resisted, they would ruin the whole world. Parliaments of both these countries approved such a fraudulent claim. Iraq was attacked, its sovereignty subverted. The world people know today that the charges levelled against Iraq by America and Britain were utterly false, fabricated. Still, based on such a concocted charge, sovereign Iraq was razed to the ground. Millions of innocent Iraqi citizens including women and children were killed; centres of education, hospitals, mosque, cities, villages, precious archeological sites were reduced to rubbles. Did the parliaments of any country including ours protest even a bit against this brutality? Where were the intellectuals? Had Romain Rolland, Barnard Shaw, Einstein, Rabindranath been alive today, would have they brooked such a felony? Would have Saratchandra, Subhas Chandra tolerated such savage an act? After Iraq, the America-Britain duo devastated Afghanistan, destroyed Libya and now has targeted Syria. But the intellectuals who are so big exponents of 'freedom and democracy' are maintaining eerie silence. They are unperturbed, having no feeling or conscience-pricking. The Bengali synonym of intellectual is "buddhijibi" meaning who are guided by their intellect

and intelligence. But these intellectuals are not steered by their intellect to protest against wrong and injustice, to stand by the course of social progress. They use all their intellect to earn money and fame. Even when some of them come forward to protest, they take every precaution to see that their professional life is not affected. Intellectualism par excellence!

However, it is these very intellectuals who, you will see, are ever prepared to take a snipe against Stalin, call him a tyrant. Before Second World War, the infamous Fifth Columnists (secret agent provocateurs) of fascist Germany spread their tentacles in many countries including Russia. In order to save socialist Soviet Union, Stalin booked them to justice and punished. It was a unique open trial unprecedented in history. He asked the foreign statesmen to send their representatives, to depute lawyers to witness the trial. Whoever was present at the trial and followed the proceedings were unanimous in holding that due justice was meted out. Rabindranath, Saratchandra, Subhas Bose were alive then. None of them said a single word, never raised any question against this historic Moscow Trial. It was because they had realized the justifiability of the trial. Are we to believe that the present-day intellectuals are superior to the above luminaries of yester years? Let me ask them, who started First World War or the Second World War? Was it Russia or the imperialists? Who created Hitler – Soviet Union or capitalism? Who destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki? Was it Soviet Union or the US imperialists? Who launched grisly attack on Vietnam? Prior to that, who had invaded Korea and China? Answer is one and only one –the US imperialists, self-styled champions of democracy. Where are our intellectuals? Let them speak out if they claim they are not vending their intellect to earn money, if they are honest! Let them protest against what is happening in Iraq even today, what is going on in Guantanamo Bay where, it will be less to say, savagery of the medieval age is in operation! In America, prisons are run by private businessmen on commercial basis. The government has handed over everything to these prison-owners. As you may be knowing, there is record number of prisoners in America and these prison-owners make them work round the clock.

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Party Foundation Day Observed at Andamans

At Ramkrishnapur in Little Andamans, 300 kms away from Port Blair, the capital, 66th Party Foundation Day was observed on 24th April by the Party workers and sympathizers. After garlanding the portrait of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the booklet titled *The great leader of the proletariat* was read out. Comrades Bablu Mitra, Bijon Mandal and Ajit Mahato briefly discussed the significance of the day and the task ahead of the Party workers there. Thereafter, the Party workers listened to the speech delivered by Comrade Provash Ghosh at the Shaheed Minar Maidan, Kolkata through mobile-microphone.

Parties subserving capitalist class interest are masked criminals and creating unmasked youth criminals

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This is what the 'free democracy' of the 'free world' is!

Who are giving birth to degenerated youth?

Look at our country. Rape, mass rape, child rape have become daily occurrences. Are these happening without any reason? Is anybody born as rapist? Did anyone experience such heinous acts in India three, four or six decades back? Admittedly, there were some instances of sexual aberrations then as well. But those were exceptional, few and far between. Did anybody come across any incident of brutal rape and murder of a 3-year old child or someone who is of grandmother's age? Who are these rapists? Who have created these depraved youths? Is it that they have been created by 'Almighty God' or they are products of this degenerated capitalist social system? Can the leaders governing the country shun their responsibility?

Capitalism is ruining human quality, human essence, and destroying people's conscience. Capitalist rulers are well aware that the millions of unemployed, retrenched workers and hungry people would raise their heads if they are imbued with correct revolutionary ideology, have their moral backbone firm and upright and possess finer human sense and conscience. So the capitalists are out to rob the people, particularly the youth of all these human traits and attributes. Hence, they are pushing the youth to liquor and drug addiction, gambling, *satta* (a crude form of gambling) and pervert cult of women physique, flooding the country with nude posters, obscene cinemas and blue films through television, internet and mobile phones. Simultaneously, they are conspiring to efface the memories of the greatmen, men of wisdom and revolutionaries and instead projecting film stars and cricketers as characters worth following. On the plea of augmenting government revenue, there is tall order of opening liquor shops in every nook and corner. This very plea was once made by the erstwhile CPI (M) government. Now the TMC government is also doing the same thing. Such is the attitude of all the ruling political parties and their governments. These very political parties are producing criminals. They are shorn of any ideology, logic, or sense of morality. Leaders of these parties do not want their

workers to pursue any ideology, cultivate any logic or bear any morality. Because, in that event, these leaders would face trouble with many a question and fail to hold onto their positions. It might well lead to their being overthrown from leadership. So is the sinister attempt to destroy logical bent of mind, blunt thinking faculty and turn human beings into robots, machines. This is the grave conspiracy of capitalism, conspiracy of the Congress, the BJP, CPI (M), TMC and all the parties subserving the bourgeoisie. You would notice that many workers and cadres of these parties behave like hooligans on the streets. They consume liquor to the brim, become drunk and even tease the girls with the slogans of *Bande Mataram* or *Inquilab Zindabad* on the lips. They sponsor many clubs in the localities and flood them with money so as to use them during the elections. It is in this manner that these parties have been building up an army of unemployed youths bereft of human qualities and conscience. Exactly this was what Hitler and the Nazis did. Nazis tempted the youth with lure of lucre, various other facilities and privileges in exchange for providing all kinds of criminal and anti-social services, engineering riots and committing murders to smother the opponents. The same is happening in this country also. At times of polls, these forces of hired unemployed youth casts false votes, capture booths, rig the polls, intimidate the opponents, beat them and even, if so needed, kill them. This is the duty assigned to them. In return, they are licensed to extortion, inebriation, rape, hooliganism or any other rowdy acts throughout the year. They are free to do whatever they like. This is the way, these parties and leaders are fighting (!) criminalization of politics! Actually, they themselves are masked criminals and creating unmasked youth criminals. If not all, a section of leaders and activists of these parties are actively engaged in all this. They have built up a nexus with the police. So the police cannot act against them. On the contrary, a section of the police themselves is involved in boozing and raping. If some honest officers try to act otherwise, the seniors would hold them back. Without caring, if the few upright officers still remain honest and non-pliable, their promotions are withheld or they are given punishment postings.

CPI(M) is mainly responsible for destroying morality in West Bengal

In this regard, the CPI (M) is far ahead of others. After coming to power in West Bengal 36 years back, the first thing the CPI (M) did was to establish its all-out hold on all the departments of the government. Through this, the CPI (M) leaders ensured that the relative autonomy of the government-administration is curbed and it virtually becomes an appendage to them. Thus, a message was spread that tailism of and blind obedience to the ruling party, remaining silent onlooker to all its misdeeds, was the only way to survive, no matter what does one's conscience say and how far scruple and justice are trampled underfoot. Thus, it struck a severe blow to the moral fabric of the society. No other party could do so earlier. The TMC is a regional bourgeois party and hence it is not expected to bear higher morality and culture. But the politics that CPI (M) pursues in the name of 'leftism', even 'Marxism', did never carry any semblance of morality or culture either. By pursuing an utterly narrow sectarian nepotistic politics bereft of any ethics and morality, the CPI (M) has strayed away a large section of youth and students into the morass of filth. The CPI (M) preached to the youth that they could do any wrong, stoop to any level for the sake of the party and its electoral interest. They could drink to the brim, commit robbery, tease and molest women, become real estate promoter and evict poor people from their land. So long they carried the banner of the CPI (M), mobilized masses in the meetings and rallies and secured funds for the party, all your sins would be overlooked. If such a party gains strength and casts influence, the outcome ought to be ruinous. Exactly that has happened. Since the 1960s of the last century, we have been alerting the youth and students of this unethical unscrupulous politics of the CPI (M). That is why, you would notice that immediately after the change of government, those marked criminals, anti-socials and extortionists of the CPI (M) took no time to switch over to the ruling TMC and find no difficulty to carry the TMC flag now. As a sequel too this devious politics, the state of West Bengal has come to such a pass. The TMC started from where the CPI (M) ended. There is apparently a saner section in the society who admits that 'what is happening does not

augur well'. But if one asks them what prevents them from coming forward in protest, they would argue that such was not being possible because the prevailing situation is hostile. No one lends hearing to the virtuous talk. Hence, they have been trying to stay safe. Such an argument in defence of inaction despite acknowledging the need for the same is nothing but self-deception, chopping of conscience. Vidyasagar once stood alone against the entire Hindu society. Those who fight for truth begin alone and if necessary, sacrifice life as well. This is why they are great. Today, there exist in our country a large number of educated people, a band of so-called honest persons who lead a cowardice life, timidly submit to even what they do not like just for securing or retaining job, avoiding transfer or getting promotion. A section virtually stoops to sickening sycophancy or appeasement to have all this. They feel that when they are earning money, enjoying privileges and getting promotion in service, what is the point in inviting trouble. Seldom are found a few bold courageous persons whom the people accept with respect.

My question is, was there no youth, no adolescent five or six decades back? Was there no attraction among the boys and girls? It must have been since it is human, a natural law of life. But the boys and girls had in them sobriety, sense of decency, tenderness and conscience. Conscience enjoined them that response to impulse or impulsive urge is no crude motor action but restrained or controlled by conscience. Rammohan-Vidyasagar awakened this social conscience through struggle against feudalism and medieval thoughts. Later, the freedom movement roused it further. Just pause and think! India was then in fetters of imperialist rule. Backwardness and denial of rudimentary facilities were galore. There were a very few number of schools and colleges. To go to a village school, the clothes had to be wound up above the knees during the monsoon. Schools were housed in bamboo-fenced makeshift sites. Yet, flames in the fields of knowledge-wisdom-literatures-culture were kindled all around. Emergence of a galaxy of luminaries illumined that period. And what is being produced in the country after independence by the grace of 'good' governance by the leaders? Produced are only a bunch of thieves, hypocrites and liar

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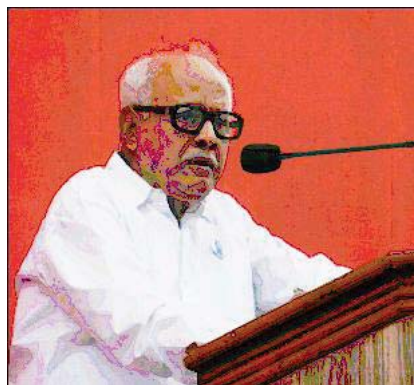
politicians. Bred are a legion of arch criminals, contract killers and women-traffickers, a bunch of crooks who trap young girls in fake love, abduct them, force them into sex and nudity in hotel rooms in camera and then sell those obscene photographs to make money, a horde of perverts who rape girl children and then hack them to death. The present 'democratic' India has become a labour-room of all such crimes. This is the mark of progress of the country. But prosperity does and has accrued to a blessed few. 55 Indian billionaire monopolists feature in the list of the richest persons of the world. 'Development' is showered on these moneybags, their coffer is swelling. On the other hand, 900 million out of 1200 million Indians are languishing in starvation or half-starvation. This is the score-sheet of progress!

Industrial production, according to official estimate, was 4.5% last year. This year it has gone down to as low as 0.6%. Manufacturing industry has come to a grinding halt. Mining production is stopped. IT sector is drawing a blank. American market is in recession, export opportunity is on the wane. Millions are retrenched from service. Many more millions are unemployed. In India, there is no way one can get to know the correct figure of unemployment. Because, ours is a 'divine' country, all our leaders are blessed sons of 'all mighty god'. What comes of their mouth is the 'gospel truth'. Though the compiled data underscores rapid slide of economy, the government does not acknowledge this. According to them, nothing but 'development' is taking place round the country.

Elections were recently held in USA. The only issue was which President elect would be able to provide jobs to the unemployed. This is glaringly indicative of the miserable plight of US economy. Nearly 14% of American people are out of employment. I came to know from yesterday's newspaper that about 50% of the people in New York City are half-starved. The ever-shining Sun of the British Empire has set and darkness has descended there as well. The economies of China and Germany are sinking. The Indian leaders say that there is no market abroad implying decline of export. The country is running with hefty trade deficit. The foreign exchange reserve has depleted considerably.

Hence is this crisis! But, they never explain what ails the domestic market of 1200 million people? What they do not spell out is that there is no buyer in the internal market. Why is there no buyer? Because, the people are pauperized, indigent, utterly ruined. Where would the buyers come from?

In the earlier days, rural people were reluctant to leave the village. We have experienced that in our boyhood. But nowadays millions of rural poor are deserting their village and flocking to the streets of the cities and towns across India to eke out a bare living. Estranged from parents, spouses and children, they dwell in the slums, on the



Comrade Provash Ghosh addressing at Kolkata

pavements. So many children are born on the pavement like cubs of stray animals and die within a few days. No one bothers to trace them. Has Manmohan Singh seen this India? Have the BJP leaders like Narendra Modi any account of this India? Have the CPI (M) leaders or TMC leaders any concern for these hapless have-nots? How can they because they are only engrossed in calculating electoral arithmetic, weaving newer trickeries to win more seats, and to use which unailing weapon to grab power?

If the central government could dole out 5,00,000 crore (50,000 billion) of rupees to the capitalists as fiscal stimulus, I demand they must pay at least Rs.20,000 crore to the poor. Do not the lives of the poor have any value? Leave alone loss, even slightest dip in the profit of the giant industrialists make nights sleepless for our leaders. If Tatas or Ambanis book a little less profit, these leaders are swamped by grave anxieties. But who cares when poor migrant workers from Murshidabad district of West Bengal die in accident at the construction of Noida near capital Delhi or when mining workers die in harness? After all, who are these

poor and what the hell is the price of their life: that's the way they think.

Government can change, but problems of life would not

People are frustrated. They ask what change has this change in government brought in its wake. We also say, there is no change in so far as the burning problems of life are concerned. Not that we are saying this now. Before the last Parliament and Assembly elections, we repeatedly drew attention to the fact that the government could change but the problems of life would not. On the eve of 2011

elections, I myself discussed about this at the Party Foundation Day meeting at this very Shaheed Minar Maidan. If necessary, I can read out the relevant portion from that speech of mine. The capitalist system is in vogue, labour-capital relationship is in operation, exploitation is mounting, black-marketing is soaring—in such a situation if any government really wants to fight against all these, rein in the

bureaucracy-adminis-tration-police a bit, arrest theft-corruption to some extent and tries to provide some relief to the poor, there is every possibility that the government might be toppled by the capitalist state and the capitalist rulers. Being fully aware of that, if a government firmly pursues the aforesaid course, it can to some extent thwart the mounting attacks on the people, ameliorate their problems a bit. But I was categorical in my address that we did not believe that the TMC would tread that path. The TMC would also run the government like the other bourgeois parties and the CPI (M). There would be no difference. I made it very clear then. I added that the CPI (M) was brutally crushing democratic movement with bullets and batons. The TMC, if it so desired, could lessen this attack to some extent. Mark the word "if". We emphasized that the TMC could do so if it wanted to. In spite of that, we extended our support to the TMC in the last assembly and parliament elections. Why we did so was also explained by us in the open meeting. In order to suppress mass struggles, the CPI (M) resorted to mass killing and mass rape in

Singur-Nandigram—something which even the Congress or the BJP governments also did not take recourse to suppress democratic movements. Such was witnessed in communal-ethnic riots.

In the circumstances, if CPI (M) had returned to power, attack and atrocities on the mass movements would have assumed yet a more grisly form. Having ruled the state uninterruptedly for 34 years with the blessings of the capitalist class and tacit understanding with the Congress, the CPI (M) was plagued with insolence, greed for power and a 'don't care' mentality. We wanted to strike a blow at that. Before Singur-Nandigram movements, we never raised slogan of overthrowing the CPI (M) government. We fought the attacks and atrocities of the CPI (M) government shedding our blood profusely, but did not demand ouster of that government earlier. This was the first time, we voiced that demand.

Another point I want to underscore here. It was our Party which initiated and developed the Singur-Nandigram movements. The media persons know it very well, but the media-owners never want to make it public. We organized both the movements. The people of Singur-Nandigram know this fact. But, we, on our singular strength, could not save those movements by repelling the savage attack of the CPI (M) government. The TMC is a party of the bourgeoisie, acceptable to the media. If the TMC joined the movements, it was expected that the media would give wider coverage and the whole country would come to know about these historic movements. Had we alone steered the movements, this would never have happened. The TMC wanted to join the movements for its electoral interest. Its objective was to use the anti-CPI (M) sentiment for reaping benefits in the hustings. As against that, our object was to protect the farmland of the peasants by launching powerful organized resistance movement and develop necessary political consciousness among the masses drawn into the vortex of movement, imbibe them with the necessity of mass struggles to wrest just demands. It is from this clear objective that we, at that time, formed unity with the TMC in the interest of movement. Even we, at the outset, did not opt for party to party unity but stressed on formation of people's struggle committees to lead the movements. Singur Krishijami Raksha CWmmi

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CPI (M) allowed Rightist forces raise head in West Bengal

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ingur Committee for Protection of Agricultural Land) and Nandigram Bhumi Uchhed Protirodh Committee (Committee for Resisting Eviction from Land) were formed on our proposal.

In continuity of Nandigram-Singur movements, came up the question of fighting assembly elections. Media highlighted the TMC only in connection with the Singur-Nandigram movements. We decided to have unity with the TMC in the election with a view to keeping the spirit of movement alive among the struggling people and defeat the CPI (M). But, our unity proposal was not without conditions. The TMC at that juncture was compelled to accept all our conditions. Among other conditions, we said that the TMC would not make any attack against Marxism-leftism during election campaign. Had we not imposed this condition, in the name of targeting the CPI (M), the entire campaign in both assembly and parliament elections would have been directed against leftism-Marxism. We could prevent it to some extent. We informed them that we would not join the ministry. Comrade Manik Mukherjee is present here. The TMC leadership urged him to join the government. But, he summarily rejected the proposal. Earlier, CPI (M) also offered us MLA, MP seats. Similar offer came from the TMC. Have we responded? No, we did not.

Alongside defeat to CPI (M), our objective was to expose the TMC

As we wanted defeat of the CPI (M), so also we wanted to expose the character of the TMC. We wanted people to get a proper feel of the TMC once it was in power. And, exactly the people are experiencing that now. Public talk doing the rounds is that the TMC is traversing the same path as the CPI (M). The TMC is following the same heinous course as was pursued by the CPI (M). The path treaded by the CPI (M) is utterly reprehensible to people even today. What heinous acts the CPI (M) leaders did during their rule makes no occasion for bringing a smile on their face any way. The present sordid state of affairs is an endowment of theirs only. It is true that even if we had not supported the TMC, it would have romped home in both assembly and parliament elections by outrageously maligning Marxism-leftism. It was the reality because such strong was the anti-CPI (M)

mentality prevailing in West Bengal at that time. Since the British rule, West Bengal was bastion of leftism. The Gandhites could never come to the forefront here. During 1950s and 60s, surges of militant left movement swamped this soil. Two United Front governments comprising the left-democratic forces were installed here in the 1960s. Who is responsible for allowing the rightist forces to raise their heads here? Only the leaders of Alimuddin Street (West Bengal State headquarters of the CPI (M) in Kolkata) can only claim full credit for that. This is the land where the rightists could never set their teeth in even during British imperialist regime, where living presence of Subhas Bose- Saratchandra-Nazrul roused everyone, where revolutionism had its citadel and where people were later deeply attracted toward communism following victory of Russian and Chinese revolutions. The CPI (M) leaders fully usurped this pro-left pro-communism mindset of the people here to expand their party influence. And the same CPI (M) leaders handed that very soil to the rightists on a silver platter. It is to their immense credit, no doubt. As against that, we, marshaling all our strength, have been holding aloft the banner of leftism and the noble ideology of communism. Our politics is not wholly and solely steered towards vote. What if we are defeated in the next parliament or assembly elections? Definitely we shall fight utmost for winning by organizing people. In spite of all-out efforts, we might lose. But would that stall our progress? Why is our Party growing by leaps and bounds? It is the illuminating thoughts of the great Marxist thinker Comrade Shibdas Ghosh that is creating waves of attraction towards us, imbuing people with revolutionary teachings. Can anyone resist truth from triumphing? We cannot be covered by threats of losing in the elections. We are in quest of real Man, Man with genuine feeling of heart, Man with living conscience. All the election-oriented parties view people merely as voters. On the other hand, we see them as oppressed suffering indigent multitudes, try to bring out their honesty and finer senses and rouse their conscience. The central ethos of our Party is to win people through ideology, honesty, decency and character. These are the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh.

Yes, we want fewer people, but better fewer, genuine human beings.

Today, we, if we so want, can fetch millions of rupees by bending ourselves to the quarters of reaction, open office after office in the various states, districts and localities, draw bunch of youths with lure of money. In that way, there might be expansion of the Party but it would not retain its revolutionary character, its distinct position of a genuine Marxist party led and guided by the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. Such a party would do no good to the exploited people but would only harm them. To us revolutionary ideology and morality is far greater. Based on that, we move with our heads high and hence are not purchasable. We do not resort to politics of trickeries, politics of slyness. We speak the truth, plain truth, straight from the shoulder. We do not hanker for any media publicity and hence beg at the doors. We have no link or connection with the industrial houses, the corporate sector or any high-ups. Our central Party office is now being rebuilt with generous contributions by our comrades, supporters and sympathizers. Since, collections so made are proving short of necessity, we are now appealing common people to donate. It is this way that we conduct our Party.

Let me call upon the people to ponder over a pertinent question. If you are overawed by the thought that 'everybody is bad', 'everything is bad', 'nothing positive would happen' and heave a deep sigh, what would you get by that except sinking in crass cynicism? Society is going down to hell. May be that someone is a little better off today in terms of food and shelter. But, what is the guarantee that tomorrow his son or grandson would not stray a way or not rape a child? Is there any assurance that he would not rape and murder a 60 year old lady? Given the obtaining situation, who can prevent this all-out degeneration? Do the intellectuals who deliver harangue on Rabindranath in the congregation ever care to think of it? Let me in this connection refer to a few observations by Rabindranath. Rabindranath who spent most of his life in composing songs and poems in praise of beauty of nature had at the fag end of life in 1937 wrote the following lines,

"Give me a voice of thunder,
that I may hurl imprecations
upon this cannibal
whose gruesome hunger
spares neither the mother
nor the child.
Ever'll linger in whose

pulsing blushes of shamed
tradition's throbs of heart,
when this age in chains of
silenced voice and dread
will silently fade out beneath
its own pyre."

The Crisis of the bourgeois civilization made Rabindranath restless

Who is this Rabindranath? Is it that person ever absorbed in capturing autumn, late autumn or spring in poetic verses? Why did Rabindranath who was opposed to armed revolution pen the following lines at the penultimate period of his life?

"Vipers are breathing poison
all around
Voice of peace, tender, will
sound a jesting whisper.
Before I'll take leave
I call out to all,
who, to take to fighting the
monster,
are readying themselves in
every home."

Rabindranath who mainly believed in 'art for art's sake' and hence did not get involved in the country's freedom struggle directly, said in his last birth day address titled "*Sabhyatar Sankat*" (Crisis in Civilization), "There came a time when perforce I had to snatch myself from the mere appreciation of literature. As I emerged into the stark light of bare facts, the sight of the dire poverty of the Indian masses rent my heart." Having lost faith in the bourgeois parliamentary civilization of the West, he said: "I had at one time believed that the springs of civilization would issue out of the heart of Europe. But today when I am about to quit the world that faith has gone bankrupt altogether." Are the so called devotees of Rabindranath who are overwhelmed with his compositions on spirituality and nature and wax eloquent about Western parliamentary democracy, familiar with the above observations of Rabindranath?

Why was Rabindranath like his contemporary humanists Romain Rolland, Barnard Shaw and Einstein totally downhearted about the western bourgeois civilization in the last leg of life, attracted towards Soviet socialism? Had this ever struck the so called admirers of Rabindranath of the day? Rabindranath said so many significant words about Russia. You know, Rabindranath wrote in his *Russiar Chithi* (Letters from Russia) that the concept of equality-

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fraternity-liberty which France could not get materialized on its soil was successfully implemented in socialist Russia. Rabindranath boldly stated that Russia was the only state on the earth which declared in the League of Nations for the first time that all weapons should be destroyed. No other state could say this. Rabindranath also acknowledged that visit to Soviet Union was the best pilgrimage of his life.

Rabindranath saw the reason of lasting hope and joy only in the Soviet

Many of you might not be aware what a significant comment Rabindranath made in 1939 about Soviet Union. When I read that, my respect for him increased manifold. Earlier also, I nurtured the belief that Rabindranath and Gandhiji did not exactly belong to the same genre, though both of them were exponents of compromising trend of Indian renaissance in the realm of culture and politics respectively. Gandhiji was honest but very conservative. He did not have the mind to accept new truth. It is true that Rabindranath could also not

come out of the barrier of traditionalism. But even within this limitation, he had eyes to see the new. In 1939, he wrote to poet Amiya Chkraborty: "When I observe such an immensely impenetrable helplessness, I instantly realize that until this civilization so ruthlessly turned against the weak, is uprooted, we can no more survive on the shreds of bread thrown from the dinner table of the rich with dire neglect. I found efforts for bringing about that change in civilization in Russia. ...Witnessing the new face of humanity in that hallowed land, its many shortcomings notwithstanding, I was elated and optimistic. Never did I find such a permanent fount of happiness and expectation anywhere in human history. I am aware that Russia has established this new era on the foundation of a tremendous revolution, but it was a revolution against the most cruel and powerful vice of mankind. To that extent, this revolution was a prescript for atonement for age-old sins... The new Russia is striving to uproot a huge deadly shell from the heart of human civilization and that is what is called greed. The yearning that

springs up by itself: May their sincere endeavour find success!" Please note that, according to Rabindranath, Soviet socialism was striving for uprooting a deadly shell from the heart of human civilization. What a profound realization of truth by a man like him! So long religious thought preached that sin, greed and jealousy are eternal. These would exist forever. Only, these have to be restrained by religion. Even bourgeois protagonists have said that these are unchangeable basic instincts which are to be kept under control. Marxism has for the first time said that these are no eternal mental traits nor did these exist in the society right from the inception. These all appeared at a particular period of social evolution for definite socio-historic reason and would also be eliminated following inexorable course of social transformation. The spiritual or mental world is superstructure of a given economic base and is subject to change. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had shown that inequality did not grow out of greed; rather class-divided society based on inequality gave birth to greed. Once class-division is abolished, greed also will

be wiped out from the society. Even not being a Marxist, Rabindranath could realize that the new socialist civilization of Russia was conducting a historic struggle to eradicate greed from the human society and he supported it with deep emotion and respect. Do the so called admirers of Rabindranath as well as intellectuals busy in spreading anti-Soviet canards loudly and vociferously have any acquaintance with this view of Rabindranath? Are they aware of history? When the Second World War was at its peak, Rabindranath was due for a surgical operation. Prashanta Mahalanabis, the renowned mathematician, was by his bedside. Rabindranath asked him how far the Soviet army had advanced. Mahalanabis informed that the Red Army was on the retreat. Rabindranath threw off the newspaper in anguish. Again, on the day of the surgery when he came to know that Soviet Army was marching forward to victory, his face became aglow in beaming joy. "They, only they would be able to save the civilization", commented he in ecstatic voice. What profound a confidence he reposed on Soviet

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Party Foundation Day observance in different states



Top Comrade Satyawan, member, Central Committee speaking at Ranchi, Jharkhand and below Comrade Rabin Samajpati at Jabalpur, M.P

Top Comrade C. K. Kukose, member, Central Committee speaking at Chennai, Tamilnadu and below Comrade Pratap Samal at M.P Guna-Gwalior, M.P

Vote-based parties fomenting divisive mentalities to keep people disunited

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socialism!

It is not that there was a radical change in his thinking during his last days. No, that was not so. He regretfully admitted in his poem *Aikatan* (Symphony) what he could not do and why he could not. He said that he could relate to the hills and mountains, stars, rivers, fountains and the variegated opulence of nature. But he could not reach out to the peasants, weavers, fishermen and such other sections of the toiling people who are running the civilization. He expressed that in poetic language as follows :—

Formidable most to approach,
as inmost he lives beyond
self, man,

... innermost of being.

Get to mingle your heart with
his, if you'll,

then can you get to plumb his
own.

Hither and thither I've
knocked in vain,

no response to be let in.

Fenced off by way of life

Honour bestowed distanced
me

into exile forever to a streak
of land.

I sit by a narrow window to
peer into life.

It is understandable with what pain and repentance he looked at his failure. He could correctly point out one of the reasons of his failure. That is, the 'barriers of livelihood' delineated by the affluence of his family. Another reason is that being unable to adopt a scientific bent of mind in his quest for truth, he had taken for granted that difference between mental and physical labour is perennial and hence an eternal truth of human civilization. Without persistence of this difference, civilization cannot run. That is why he said that, "if a section of people do not stay at the bottom, another section cannot be at the top.... Unless one is at the top, one cannot extend one's vision beyond the apparently set limits....the best intellectual crops produced by civilization have been during the leisure time.... I used to think that the utmost should be done to improve the education, health and comfort of those who are compelled to labour at the bottom of society not merely through circumstances (meaning not just for pecuniary condition), but by reason of their body and mind." That means, according to Rabindranath, these poor people are, physically and

mentally, are born only to serve the upper section of the society.

Honest humanists are stuck at one particular point

In another place, he had said: "the attachment to one's property is not a subject of argument: it is human nature. We want to express ourselves: this is a mode of self-expression....But for an ordinary mortal, personal property is the language of his individuality: he is struck dumb, as it were, if he loses it....private property will remain but the excessive individualism of its enjoyment will be circumscribed. What overflows these limits must be for the common good....In short, for oneself there must be something of one's own: everything else should be for others. A true solution is possible only by recognizing both self and non-self. When one of them is forgotten there is conflict with the law of human nature." You thus find that according to Rabindranath, as per necessity of civilization, class-division exists and will continue to be in vogue as a mark of difference between mental and physical labour and a section of the people "are compelled to labour at the bottom of society by reason of their body and mind". And, as a "language of individuality" or "mode of self-expression", "private property will remain". And that individual, after retaining what is needed by him, would distribute the rest to others. This has been the view of all the bourgeois humanists starting from Feuerbach to Gandhiji. But what prompted Rabindranath also to share that view? Answer has been provided by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. He had shown that, "Even freedom of the mind has its limits. These limits arise from two sides. One is the concrete surroundings. The other is the method of thinking, that is, the process through which one's mode of thinking has developed, in a manner known or unknown to one — that process limits freedom of one's mind or thinking."

Conspiracy is afoot to snatch the democratic right of the students

So, not only the hedges of livelihood, Rabindranath's own outlook also obstructed the path. He could not make this out. But it is also true that he was riddled with restlessness from the agony of failure, and as much as he realized his failure, he clearly gave vent to that. Here lies his greatness. Would those who are effusive in praise of

Rabindranath draw any lesson from this?

There is a section of intellectuals reared by the bourgeois class and government who preach many a sermon in mincing vocabulary. For instance, of late, they have recently unleashed a campaign that the students should not take part in politics and college elections should be banned. Those spearheading this campaign are, indeed, very wise. I shall now talk of some individuals and leave it to you to judge if they were men of wisdom or not. Hemchandra Ghosh was the supreme leader of Bengal Volunteers, a revolutionary organization during British rule. When he was a student of class eight, he went to a monk for taking to a life of an ascetic. The monk told him: "how is it that you desire to embrace asceticism when your motherland is in chains? Go back and work for the country." Do you know who this monk was? He was Swami Vivekananda. Vivekananda advised this boy of class eight to work for the country. Would the intellectuals so keen to keep students away from politics show guts to put Vivekananda in the dock? When in class eight, Subhas Chandra Bose organized observation of Martyr Kshudiram Day at the Ravenshaw College in Cuttack. He was inspired by Benimadhab Das, a teacher of eminence. Would the aforesaid intellectuals dare to prosecute Subhas Chandra and Benimadhab for that?

Most of those who valiantly fought the British force at Jalalabad of Chittagong (now in Bangladesh) under the leadership of legendary Surya Sen were all in their early teens. Shanti and Suniti, two class nine girl students of Coomilla district (now in Bangladesh) shot the then oppressive British police super to death. They were criminals in the eyes of the British rulers. Would the present-day intellectuals also hold them as criminals? Deshabandhu Chittaranjan Das gave the clarion call that "education can wait, but the struggle for *swaraj* (freedom) cannot." When there was an attempt to dissuade the students from politics on the false plea that 'study is the main pursuit of students', Subhash Chandra protested vehemently. He was categorical in saying that mere academic study cannot be the main pursuit of the students; they must join politics. In fact, he roused the students to join politics. Then Saratchandra was equally

categorical to observe that "age can never come in the way of one's taking up the cause of the country, not even the school students like you". Rabindranath said: Let your hatred set ablaze like dry grasses both who commits wrong and who tolerates it. Did Rabindranath say that one should realize this truth only after obtaining Post Graduate degree? Or, there are no wrong, no injustice, no exploitation or no repression to protest against in our country today? At what age did Kshudiram or Bhagat Singh come to politics? It is the hooligans of the ruling parties who are creating chaos and violence in the elections. The Congress did it in 1972, later it was the CPI (M) and now it is the TMC. Curiously enough, those who are indulging in violence are themselves raising the slogan of banning college elections. They are criminals. They do not want that the students participate in movements and cultivate healthy politics. And if elections are to be banished because of clashes and violence, then why college elections only, why not all other elections to be banned? Are there no violence or clashes during the panchayat, assembly or parliament elections? Let the sword of ban descend upon all these elections as well. But that would not be because, in that event, all these leaders would be out of employment! It needs to be recalled that in 1970-71, the CPI (M) began to grab the students' unions, not based on any healthy politics, ideological debate or logical persuasion but sheer muscle power. The same path was followed by the Congress after it captured power in 1972. Thereafter, CPI (M) continued it for 34 years at a stretch since 1977. Now, it has been the turn of the TMC to emulate its predecessors in this regard. In what way then are the common students responsible for this? Is politics per se responsible? Responsibility lies squarely on the ruling parties who have been perpetrating such fascist attacks to anyhow keep their absolute control on the colleges and universities. Voice needs to be raised against them. Why should the hard-earned democratic rights of the students be snatched away then?

I want to remind you of an event. You all know that at the diktat of the Central Government, the CPI(M) government immediately after coming to power in the state, abolished English from primary school level. Our Party fought against it for over 18 long

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years and compelled the government to reintroduce English. Who constituted the main force of this movement? It was the schools and college students. Eminent educationists-litterateurs-intellec-tuals like Dr. Sukumar Sen, Dr. Nihar Ranjan Ray, Dr. Pratul Gupta, Dr. Sushil Mukherjee, Premendra Mitra, Santosh Ghosh and others addressed several meetings and rallies of the students. Even on the advice of veteran litterateur Pramathanath Bisi a sit-in demonstration of ten thousand primary students was also organized. What would the present-day intellectuals say about those celebrities and intellectuals? Actually, it is a grave conspiracy to keep the students away from politics.

How to grab power is the sole religion of BJP

Comrades, Vidyasagar, Vivekananda and such other luminaries did not see the all-pervasive crisis of present-day. The tremendous crisis in the realm of ethics-morality today does give us a lot of pain. A highly-circulated Bengali daily has written that while one Narendra (Vivekananda) is venerated as one having shown the path to the world, another Narendra (Modi) is admired for guiding India. Just think who is being compared with whom! The country is in so pitiable a condition that not a single intellectual protested such a devilish comment. Notwithstanding our fundamental difference with Vivekananda on philosophical question, we have high regard for him. We are Marxists, while Vivekananda was a monist, believer in the monotheist Vedanta. Owing to time constraint, there is no scope in this meeting for an elaborate discussion. Otherwise I could have shown how the pious wishes of many great human-lovers and sympathizers of the poor had strayed away by surrendering at the altar of the monistic Vedanta. But I want to show how both RSS and Narendra Modi's party BJP are out and out opposed to the thinking of Vivekananda. Vivekananda had said: "If you want to be disciple, you do not need to know whether god Krishna was born in Mathura or Brajadhama or exactly on which date he narrated the Gita". In other words, he summarily dismissed the necessity to know the birthplace of god Krishna and other god-incarnates. On the other hand, the RSS-BJP in the name of locating the birthplace of Rama (principal character of Ramayana, the epic)

engineered communal riots round the country. Did Chaitanyadev, Ramakrishna, Vivekananda or other known great preachers of Hindu religion ever advise to demolish Babri mosque and build a Rama temple there? Were they not Hindus? Razing a historic monument like Babri mosque to rubble is akin to destruction of historic Bamian Buddha statues by the Talibanis. Had Vivekananda been alive today, would he have endorsed their action or risen in protest? Vivekananda held that to him, both god Krishna and prophet Mohammed were alike. Reflecting on the growing number of Muslims in the country, Vivekananda said that unable to bear with the tyranny and oppression of the Brahmins and landlords, the poor and lower strata of the Hindus embraced Islam. Vivekananda said: "If I had a son, I would not have given him any religious tutelage except practising concentration, one para of prayer and chanting *mantras*. Thereafter, in course of growing in age and listening to various opinions and advices, he would have been acquainted with something which to him would have been the truth. It is very natural that simultaneously with full freedom and without having any conflict, my son could be a Buddhist, my wife a Christian and myself a Muslim." This is Vivekananda. Had Vivekananda been alive today, would he not have given Narendra Modi and his ilk a good beating? You will be surprised to hear another startling utterance by Vivekananda. Reproaching the excess over temple, deity and paraphernalia of worship, he said: "Millions of rupees are spent opening and closing the gates of Kashi and Vrindavan temples...on the other hand, living gods are dying without food and education." Now think what would have been the reaction of Vivekananda at the way the BJP leaders were performing *Yagyas* (sacrificial rites) and collecting thousands and thousands of brick slabs from the religious Hindus to build Rama temple? No one, however, knows where have those brick slabs ultimately gone. This very Narendra Modi is tainted with blood, the blood of thousands of innocent victims of orchestrated pogrom. It is claimed that Gujarat, Narendra Modi's state, is riding the crest of development. Who are appreciating that? None other than the big monopolists. On the contrary, the poor there are pauperized, ruined. There are no jobs, no education, no medical treatment, even no potable water. The hands of the Congress are also

stained in blood of anti-Sikh riot. They do not understand anything else other than vote. The slogan of Hindutva is only for deriving electoral mileage. The CPI (M), it is learnt, has told that it would be benefitted if the BJP gives up Hindutva. True the CPI (M) might well be benefitted because no one knows which way would blow the electoral wind. Now the CPI (M) is moving with a tacit understanding with the Congress. Tomorrow if it is so necessary for electoral advantage, it might join hands with the RSS-BJP as it did in 1977. These parties can do anything "in people's interest". I say, if tomorrow someone tells the BJP that prime ministership is guaranteed to Narendra Modi provided he becomes a Muslim, he would have no difficulty to be compliant. Their actual religion is the hot seat of power and that power politics has no Hindu or Muslim orientation. Please note another aspect. Earlier, the Hindu society was stratified into four layers—*Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya and Sudra*. Now Indian Democracy has made that social stratification comprise eight to ten layers. Planning is on to find out how the Kshatriyas and Sudras could be further sub-divided into more strata. Similar divisions are made within the Muslims also. All such exercises are on for creation of vote-banks only. Once a new stratum is announced, its counter-stratum makes appearance the next very day.

I would like to add another point in this connection. Taking advantage of the wrenching poverty of the minority community, so called lower caste people and *dalits*, these vote-based hypocrites are carrying out an utterly deceptive activity centring on the issue of 'reservation'. Right from the inception, there is provision of reservation for the *dalits*. Even after six long decades, can it be claimed that there has been marked development of the backward tribal populace and they are no more tormented by penury, starvation, eviction from land, severe unemployment and loss of life in absence of medical attention? Rather, the spectacle is just the reverse. Similarly, is there any semblance of development of the so called lower caste people and the minorities? Only there has been emergence of a "creamy layer" among them who are enjoying all privileges. But the self-styled leaders of these backward sections of the people are rejoicing at that only and asking to vote either this or that party without caring to go deep

into the root of the problems. So long capitalism would exist, this appalling poverty, cruel deception, economic disparity, discrimination over caste-creed-religion-ethnicity would also persist. So is the necessity to rise above all divisiveness and sectarianism and unleash a powerful united struggle of all sections of the toiling masses against capitalism.

Religion can no more show way to well-being

I have something to say about the religious leaders also. As students of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought, we have already said that we do respect all religions and preachers of religion of yester years. We are aware that religious thoughts appeared in the slave-master society with a message of people's well-being. Both Christianity and Islam fought against the slave system. You can have reference of that in the works of Marx, Engels and Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. They have also shown that because of the historic limitations of that period, religions ultimately became weapons in the hands of the ruling classes to orchestrate their class oppression and exploitation. Same is the case today also. But there are two aspects. Does any religious scripture contain any discussion about the problems wrecking our life today? Has any religion thrown any light as to why there is price rise, retrenchment, unemployment, curtailment of democratic rights, problems of capitalism and imperialism, why is socialism needed, which party is correct, who is incorrect, what is colonialism, market crisis, imperialist war and such other modern day problems? Is it possible to do so? Only there are extensive discourses on the problems of that era. Secondly, are any of the religions today following whatever directives were there in the various holy scriptures about fighting against injustice and unfairness and for establishing the truth? If Vivekananda had witnessed the harrowing poverty people are grappling with and come across the cruel incidents of child rape and gang rape, would he have advised to meditate in a secluded *muti*? Or, would he have himself come out on the street demanding remedy? But have any of the religious organizations or the self-declared godmen raised any protest? On the contrary, the RSS has advised the women to stay indoors and not to cross the *Laxmanrekha* because the modern incarnations of *Ravana* are

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All great men hailed and extolled Soviet socialism

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lying in ambush. This is the edict of Hindu religion today. According to Islam, drinking and adultery are grave sins and liable to stringent punishment. In spite of it, are not such acts rampant among the Muslim minorities? Are the Islamic clergies becoming vocal against that or developing protest movements? Rather, wherefrom are the hefty finances arranged by the rich disciples for construction of gorgeous temples and mosques? Do the priests or clerics care to know how this huge wealth accrues to a few rich by squeezing the last drop of blood of the multitudes of poor? The US imperialists in connivance with the rulers of Saudi Arabia savagely destroyed the cities-villages-mosques-hospitals-educational institutes-agriculture-industry in Iraq, indiscriminately killed lakhs of innocent citizens most of whom professed Islam. But, did the clerics of holy Mecca make any protest? Had Hazrat Mohammed been alive, would he have allowed this? Was it that he would have advised not to get involved in all these troubles and instead pray *Namaz* at the mosques? Or would he have asked to keep *Namaz* pending and take up swords against the enemy? Would he not stand against the barbarism the Talibanis are indulging in the name of Islam? But religion is dispossessed of that strength today. This has been the fate of all religions as inevitability in course of history. Pardon me if I have injured religious faith of anyone by these words. The Marxist authorities have taught us and we also firmly believe that drawing inspiration from the courageous fights the great religious leaders had conducted against the wrongs and injustice during their time and the valiant struggles unleashed by the Renaissance stalwarts and bourgeois democratic revolutionaries in the later period, we are fighting against the oppression-repression of the present era based on the new ideology of Marxism. Today, not the religious preachers but we, the students of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought, are carrying the struggling legacy of the great men of earlier periods.

The bankruptcy of capitalism is glaringly manifest in the savage acts mentioned above. The entire capitalist world is mired in acute crisis. America is sinking. The 'Occupy Wall Street' movement continued for seven long months. Europe is turbulent with massive movements and strikes. Thank God there is no intelligent journalist in Europe to write that the ongoing

strikes are subversive of work and work-ethics. Otherwise, he would have been battered in Europe.

Capitalism is rotten, come forward to build up socialism

Please note that capitalism is outdated, outmoded, and rotten. When feudalism became decadent and moribund, capitalism appeared as a progressive force. Today, capitalism is in its death throes with festering sores all around its body. So we need socialism, need the scientific philosophy of Marxism. Soviet Union had heralded the new civilization based on Marxism. Great men like Romain Rolland, Bernard Shaw, Einstein, Rabindranath, Subhas Bose, Saratchandra, Premchand and others were greatly inspired and fascinated by Soviet socialism. The counter-revolutionaries in league with the imperialists have dismantled that socialism. Drawing appropriate lesson from this debacle, there ought to be renewed effort to bring back socialism. There is no other way to emancipation. Please bear in mind the invaluable teaching of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh that today no progressive movement can be developed, no social progress can be brought about by opposing Marxism and scientific socialism.

Except three or four states, this historic day of 24th April is being observed everywhere with due solemnity. Thousands of people have joined the observance programmes. You yourself are witness to this huge gathering here. Are you aware how this Party had started? Inspired by Marxism, a soldier of the revolutionary trend of Indian freedom struggle along with six of his revolutionary compatriots had one day begun the struggle for formation of this Party. There were no manpower, no money, no place to stay, no publicity but only firm resolve and determination. He could see that in absence of a genuine communist party on the soil, the Indian national bourgeoisie was set to be saddled in power through compromise usurping all glory of such a magnificent freedom struggle and great Renaissance movement. The undivided CPI, now split in many factions like the CPI, CPI (M) and various Naxalite groups, never grew as a correct Marxist party, never treaded along the correct Marxist path. As a result, like the social democratic parties of the Second International and the Menshevik party of Russia, undivided CPI also instead of a working class party grew as a petty bourgeois party. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had emerged as a great leader of the proletariat through an

arduous painstaking all-embracing historic struggle by drawing appropriate lessons from the life and struggle of all great men of this country as well as from the teachings of Marx-Engels-Lenin-Stalin-Mao Zedong. He has elaborated, enriched and developed Marxism and brought its understanding to a new height befitting to the time. And in the process, he has based on Marxian science left mark of creative contribution in the realms of epistemology-philosophy-politics-art-literature-culture. As one of his ardent students, I have tried to place some points before you today. I hope you will seriously ponder over these questions.

Strengthen SUCI(C)

Repeatedly, you have been duped. You would be duped again unless you cultivate politics. The ruling bourgeoisie and its subservient parties want that you remain averse to politics, ignorant and fooled so that they could push you to any direction they want. You would be made to move around the labyrinth of vote politics rallying behind either the Congress or the BJP, or the CPI (M) or the TMC. They all control the media and you get carried by the media reports. Have you ever thought why the media do not give our news? Would there be any noticeable coverage of this huge gathering of today? But everyone is bound to admit that our strength in West Bengal is only next to the CPI (M), the TMC and the Congress. Which party has a disciplined dedicated cadre force like ours? And this is what they are afraid of. This Party has been making rapid strides ahead without any media publicity and so as revolutionary party, we pose immense danger to them all. So I am renewing my appeal to you: please do not blindly run after this or that party or suffer from a mistaken notion that crowd pulling capacity of a party represents correctness of its politics and policies. Analyze every party, every force on the anvil of logic and reason with a cool mind. If a party does not pursue correct ideology or correct policy, what if it pulls a huge crowd? You have seen enough rallies of crowds behind them. If you think that we are treading the correct path, stand by us wholeheartedly, allow the honest boys and girls of your families to come out and join us. And always remain vigilant whether the leaders and workers of our Party are conducting as per the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. Unhesitatingly criticize us if you

find there is a mistake or deviation on our part. It is your responsibility not only to strengthen this Party but also to save it.

Build up people's committees in every locality, factory and institution. Just not be dependent on any party for help. Think yourselves of your problems and build up your own struggles for resolving the same. We shall help you with all our strength. Set up volunteer corps with honest courageous young men and women who would firmly stand against the dacoits and extortionists, protect the honour of the old and aged, thwart attacks on the women and face police atrocities during conduction of democratic mass movements.

You all are aware that as a revolutionary party, we always give immense importance on well-organized conscious democratic struggle of the masses. Earlier, during the Congress rule in the 1950s and '60s, we had developed many powerful class and mass struggles, either singularly or jointly with others. Later, even being a part of the United Front government, we had organized movements against some of the policies of the government. After the CPI (M) came to power in 1977, there was initially some illusion about them in public mind. So, we did not immediately launch any big movement. But in 1979, we first organized a massive demonstration before the governor's office on some burning problems of people's life. Hundreds of our workers were grievously injured in police action. We conducted a prolonged movement in demand of reintroduction of English at primary level. Thereafter also, we continued developing mass struggles on various demands. 150 of our workers including a few leaders were murdered by the CPI (M) and its police, hundreds more sustained major injuries and thousands were implicated in false cases. At that time, no opposition party was seen on the street. This time also, we wanted to defeat the CPI (M) in the interest of movement. We duly informed the TMC leadership that even if they are saddled in power, we shall continue our movements on people's demands. We waited for some time for people to be disillusioned about the TMC. Then, we have been the first to develop movement against the anti-people policies of the TMC government like abolition of pass-fail system upto class eight and such others. Apart from that, we have been building up people's struggles on various issues, both at state as well

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Comrade Protiva Mukherjee leaves a lot for the young to learn from her life-struggle

Comrade Soumen Basu in Memorial Meeting

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and the Founder General Secretary of the SUCI(C), of whom Comrade Protiva Mukherjee had been the ardent follower and unflinching disciple through her life.

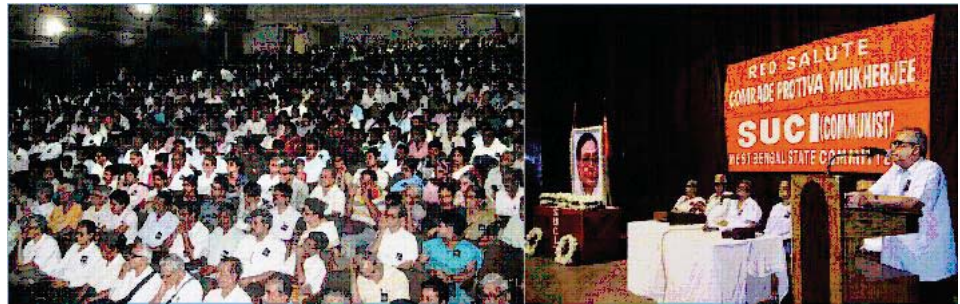
In fact it was in her teens that she came in contact with the thoughts and person of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, when she used to visit her brother Comrade Nihar Mukherjee, the departed General Secretary of the Party and the most worthy compatriot of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh at a Party centre in Kolkata. In no time, not only did she join the Party drawn, as if magnetically, by the personality and thoughts of the great leader and set out with her long unceasing life struggle, but also proved her mettle having been entrusted with greater and greater organizational responsibilities. These facts of Comrade Protiva Mukherjee's life and significant traits of her revolutionary characters that stand out as glorious instances particularly to those young comrades who have joined and are joining the Party in numbers in the present days, were brought out by Comrade Soumen Basu, Central Committee member and Secretary, West Bengal State Committee, in his narration at the memorial meeting on Comrade Protiva Mukherjee held on 24th May at the Calcutta University Institute Hall. In the meeting Comrade Debaprasad Sarkar was the President and Polit Bureau member Comrade Ranjit Dhar, and Central Committee members Comrades Gopal Kundu, Soumen Basu, Sankar Saha and Chhaya Mukherjee were present on the dais. The leaders paid floral tribute to the departed leader, Comrade Sankar Saha, also placing wreath on behalf of Comrade Provash Ghosh, General Secretary of the Party. Comrade Debaprasad Sarkar read out the homage of the state committee.

In his speech, Comrade Soumen Basu further added : At an early phase of her Party life, Comrade Protiva Mukherjee was given the responsibility of the KOMSOMOL, the young communist wing of the SUCI(C), whose members were tended with personal care by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh himself. This helped Comrade Protiva Mukherjee to develop fast as a revolutionary, who did not hesitate to dare the challenge of developing

the Party organization in Birbhum district of the state, a responsibility she was entrusted with in around 1956. She rapidly won admiration and love of the poorest of the poor, the peasants, sharecroppers, agricultural labours, *bidi* workers also the Santhal and other *Adivasi* populations. She carried the

thoughts, Comrade Protiva Mukherjee dared to take up and carry out the tasks assigned to her at a time when SUCI(C) was not much known to people. Today, the situation is far easier as the Party can now effectively lead class and mass struggles on the strength of the trust and support of the toiling

had a thorough discussion with them, at the end of which they decided to join the ranks of the Party activists shunning their criminal past. Her leadership and popularity, her organizational capability—all these led to her victory in elections to become a minister in the second UF



Comrade Soumen Basu addressing at Comrade Protiva Mukherjee Memorial Meeting on 24 May, 2013 at Kolkata

thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh so penetratingly to these downtrodden and organized them in such vein that these horribly exploited and oppressed masses rose up in mighty movements striking terror in the hearts of their exploiters and oppressors, the jotedars, the vested interests. Endearing to the exploited she came to be known as *didimoni*, the darling elder sister. In retaliation the police of the Congress government, at the behest of the jotedars, unleashed untold savagery on the poor and plotted and issued arrest warrant against Comrade Protiva Mukherjee. But people remained firm in their support and always saved their *didimoni* from the police designs and attacks. Of many such incidents Comrade Soumen Basu mentioned a remarkable one. In *Gangtia* village there was a *bede* community, a gypsy tribe which had once formed dreaded dacoit gangs feared by the jotedars. They came to learn that rich peasants were laying a trap of a meeting to murder Comrade Protiva Mukherjee. Comrade Mukherjee daring by nature had gone to that meeting where the conspirators tried to provoke her with insinuating questions. Suddenly the said *bedes* surrounded the meeting place and swiftly carried away Comrade Mukherjee still sitting on her chair. They reprimanded Comrade Protiva Mukherjee, which clearly vent out their extreme concern for safety of *didimoni*. Grateful then Comrade Mukherjee

government in 1969. Later she also assumed responsible positions in the KKMS and the All India UTUC and became President of All India Mahila Sanskritik Sangathan.

Comrade Soumen Basu concluded with the appeal that armed with Shibdas Ghosh

people it enjoys. It thus devolves on to all comrades, particularly the young ones, to take lessons from the life of Comrade Protiva Mukherjee and dare to build up Party organization in newer and newer uncharted areas. Only that would be the best way to pay respect to the departed leader.



AIMSS, Odisha, staged a women gathering at Ostapal Village of Jajpur on 21st May 2013 and raised the demand to give stringent punishment to the murderer of 'Biswakalpita', a +2 college girl. Eminent Advocate of Odisha High Court and the State Secretary of PUCL Mr. Guruprasad Mohanty, State President of AIMSS Mrs. Binapani Das, Vice-president Mrs. Chhabi Mohanty, Secretary and Mrs. Swayamprava Nayak, State Committee Member Mrs. Sasmita Sahoo addressed the gathering and called upon the masses to strengthen the movement.

SUCI(C) holding aloft the banner of movement

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as district levels. The media does not give any coverage of these movements. Only you will get this news in *Ganadabi*, our organ. In the coming days, we shall organize powerful movement on the chit fund scam and other burning issues. We sincerely hope that you all would extend all-out help and support. I make a fervent appeal to the honest rank of all parties including the CPI (M) and the TMC to join these movements.

Drizzles have started. So I do not want to prolong my speech. At the end, I would like to read out one appeal of our great leader Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. In 1974, he said: remember, those who can sacrifice at the initial stage for ideology and idea — they are not many people, they are always few people — young, bright and students. At every stage of development of the society, in every country, it is the students and young people who come forward, being influenced by and imbued with the revolutionary ideology and being completely dedicated, go to the masses, rouse the masses, organize them in

thousands and help them in creating their political power. Then the time comes for the masses for action — that we call revolution. Before that you will have to travel many a step, arduous and tortuous — painful but happier. I say this is the happier and honourable way...Here in this struggle you may die, but you will die with honour, raising your head high. You shall not die with humiliation just as cats and dogs die, rotting in the street. Remember, we are all mortal beings. So, if to die, don't die begging, don't die humiliating yourself. When to die, die with honour, and you have got only one surest way to live and die with honour, that is by taking active part in the revolutionary struggle of the masses to bring about a revolutionary transformation of the society."

This was the appeal of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. Please go back with this appeal in your heart.

Long live Revolution
Long live SUCI(C)
Red Salute to

Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the
great leader of the proletariat

Felicitation of seven AIDS comrades implicated in false 'attempt to murder' charges

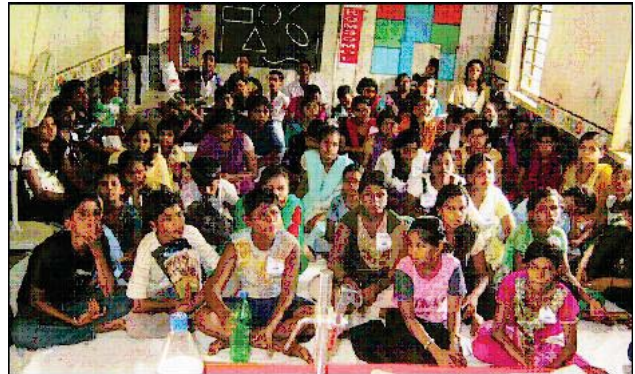
The seven AIDS comrades who were arrested from the spot after the Mass Law Violation on 14th May last in demand for reintroduction of pass-fail system upto class VIII, immediate stoppage of atrocities on women and compensating the common investors who have lost their life savings in the Saradha chit fund

scam, and were implicated in false 'attempt to murder' charge, were finally released on bail on 21st May. On 22nd May, they were felicitated on release at the Presidency Jail gate amidst slogans that democratic movement would never be curbed by slapping false charges on the participants of movements.

West Bengal SUCI(C) vehemently protests proposal to ban Mass Law Violation movement

In an all-Party meeting held in Kolkata on 25th May last, the proposal of the Kolkata Police Commissioner to temporarily ban Mass Law Violation movement and restrict meetings and processions was vehemently opposed by Comrades Swapan Ghosh and Manab Bera, both State Secretariat members of SUCI(C), who represented the Party there. They contended that while rising number of thefts, burglary, robbery, extortion, murder and rape are not viewed as problems of law and order, it is inexplicable how could the hard earned democratic rights to protest and dissent as well as time-tested means of democratic mass movements pose threat to law and order. Our party is of firm opinion that escalated burning problems of life would draw people more and more into the vortex of movement and when rule of law is turned into a farce, it becomes necessary to register protest by violating law *en masse*. Hence this is an utterly undemocratic sinister move on the part of the police-administration of the TMC government who, of late, has been found to put fetters on democratic struggles. Since Kolkata is the state capital, there will be many democratic movements and other agitational programmes from time to time.

In a joint statement issued opposing the above proposal of Kolkata police, Comrades Anshuman Roy, Niranjan Naskar and Sujata Banerjee, the State Secretaries of AIDS, AYDYO and AIMSS respectively conveyed their determination to build up mass struggles using all acceptable means including Mass Law Violation and hence would not abide by this undemocratic fiat.



Cuttack District Level KOMSOMOL camp was held at Baranga on 27th and 28th May 2013. The camp was conducted by Comrade Shankar Dasgupta, State Committee member of SUCI(C). Comrades Biswabasu Das, Cuttack District Secretary, Basant Nayak, Baranga Local Committee Secretary were also present. Delegates performed drama, mono-action, dance, songs etc. Parade, games and other activities were also organised in the Camp. The Camp was ended with the song on Comrade Shibdas Ghosh the great Marxist thinker of this era and the Founder of KOMSOMOL.



A three-day Brahmaputra Valley-based School of Politics organized by the Assam State Committee of the SUCI(C) was held at District Library Auditorium at Dhubri from 24th to 26th May 2013. Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya, Polit Bureau Member of SUCI(C) conducted the School dwelling on "Theory of Knowledge", "Dialectical Materialism", "Historical Materialism" and "How to be a Good Communist". More than 500 delegates participated in the School

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