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... Marxism-Leninism is the only revolutionary theory, the most scientific and the loftiest ideology of this age, which alone can free man from this crippled capitalist society and give birth to a classless new society free from all sorts of exploitation of man by man. And we all know that a revolutionary ideology and revolutionary theory always give birth to a higher cultural and ethical standard. It is impossible to organize revolution in any country unless the people of the country attain the minimum necessary cultural and ethical standard.... The essence, the living soul, the kernel of any great and revolutionary ideology of every age is ingrained in its higher cultural and ethical standard...the communists of today must assimilate the living soul or kernel of the proletarian culture — a much higher cultural-ethical standard and sense of values than even the highest of the humanist culture, ethics and sense of values the bourgeois revolution of that age could attain.

— Shibdas Ghosh

(‘Why SUCI(C) is the Only Genuine Communist Party in India’, SW Vol. II p. 251-52)

Observe 5th August Comrade Shibdas Ghosh Memorial Day in a befitting manner

SUCI (C) opposes the pernicious move to bifurcate Andhra Pradesh and calls upon people to thwart it by rising unitedly against it

On behalf of the Central Committee of SUCI(Communist), Comrade Pravash Ghosh, General Secretary, issued the following statement on 1 August, 2013 : —

We strongly oppose the latest decision of the Congress-led UPA to bifurcate the state of Andhra Pradesh which emerged out of a powerful Vishal Andhra Pradesh movement in the early 1950s, in a highly unjust and arbitrary manner thereby deliberately inciting serious divisiveness amongst the people of Andhra Pradesh which is totally uncalled for and having serious far-reaching consequences. The Central Committee of our Party has been emphatically stating that just as the people of all the new states carved out of other states in the post-independence period latest being the Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Uttarakhand, has brought not even an iota of relief from the ruthless capitalist oppression in every walk of life, the same would be the fate of the toiling multitudes of the proposed new state to be carved out of Andhra Pradesh as root cause of their immense suffering, rising penury and misery, is the exploitative capitalist system which would remain intact. Any split of the existing states and for that carving out of Telangana from Andhra Pradesh would only benefit a section of the power-hungry politicians, high-handed bureaucracy, police and administrative bigwigs who will rule the roost in the new states in an equally despotic manner and the wrenching problems of soaring price line, mounting unemployment, retrenchment and closure, rising pauperization of the peasants, abysmal corruption would continue to plague the toiling

masses as before besides forcing them to shoulder hefty additional financial burden.

This utterly mischievous move on the part of the ruling Congress to buttress the most heinous agenda of reaping electoral mileage in the coming parliamentary election based on revised electoral arithmetic would also give a dangerous boost to the ongoing secessionist-separatist forces rearing their ugly heads in various parts of the country and fomenting regional and fratricidal conflicts thereby seriously jeopardizing the growth and development of united democratic movements centering on the burning problems of life involving all sections of the toiling people irrespective of caste, creed, language, region, race, religion or ethnicity.

The Central Committee of the Party, therefore, makes fervent appeal to the people of Telangana region of Andhra Pradesh not fall in this vicious trap of the ruling capitalist class, give a clam and cool consideration to all the crucial facts and thwart this out and out divisive, deceptive and conspiratorial move by opting to remain united with the toiling people of Rayalseema and coastal Andhra and embracing the path of united powerful democratic mass movement to seek relief from the gruelling problems wreaking havoc in their life. Our Central Committee also demands immediate rescission of this pernicious decision and call upon people of the country including the people of Andhra Pradesh to raise the same demand in united voice.

What an audacity !

Narendra Modi boastfully justifies 2002 pogrom !

Tone and tenor of certain very recent utterances of Narendra Modi in an interview with Reuters as also elsewhere have evoked universal disdain and call for serious consideration. We feel we too cannot leave the task unattended to.

To start with let us see: What has Narendra Modi contributed to the Indian politics. However one may think about people's memory being short, none can forget that Modi was the man who started his ascent when as the chief minister of Gujarat he designed, monitored and successfully carried through a pogrom against the Muslim community in 2002. The pogrom was not just ghastly; it was government-engineered to such an extent which the country, perhaps even the world had not seen earlier. Pogrom involves, and the 2002 Gujarat pogrom also involved, indiscriminate killings, rapes, arsons, ravaging and looting of property, burning alive people begging for life. But just on the day before it started, on 27 February, Modi, reacting at the Godhra train-fire whose cause remains controversial even to date, desired in a high-power meeting to *teach the Muslims a lesson*, asked the *police to go slow* with the *Hindu backlash* that would come in sequel. He posted his men in the police control room, erased all official records of mobile calls, documents, meetings etc., manipulated posting of personnel in courts, advocates, public prosecutors or may be even others.

Everything happened in broad daylight; everywhere Modi in cut-outs loomed large. There were state-staged trials; in them there was no justice for the helpless innocent victims, no chance for that. Rather those trials were effectively oriented towards pronouncing killers innocent; mortally shaken victims were shoved into ghettos, called relief camps. Those actually relieved them from any worries about having any access to decent housing, employment or education or their demand for justice, only to languish without identity and basic facilities of life and with fear to persist and enough to prevent them from coming out to testify; still the eyewitnesses of brutality who dared, were threatened, assaulted, bribed; whereas palpably guilty miscreants were shamelessly acquitted to come out with all their venoms; journalists, human rights activists, critics were silenced, assaulted, even eliminated; for revealing how at the fateful high-powered meeting on 27 February Modi thrust his design that came out in reality from

the very next day. Haren Pandya a minister of the Modi cabinet was murdered mysteriously or Sanjeev Bhatt, an *Intelligence* official faced demotion-suspension and finally arrest; on the contrary, those keeping their mouths shut were rewarded; it reached such a low that some cases had to be transferred out of Gujarat. Yet things hardly changed. It was well known that everything went at the behest of the *Sangh Parivar* (RSS), the ideological-organizational mainstay of Modi's party BJP. Over and above that, Modi had the green signal from the senior national BJP leaders like LK Advani who had also been the Union home minister at the time of the horrid pogrom. Even Atal Vihari Vajpayee, who was and is often painted by the bourgeois media as an ideal prime minister having all the essential human qualities, did not care to raise any voice to stem the raging tide of genocide for long 45 days, property loss and above all creation of an ambience stinking with mistrust, hatred, brute killing spree towards a community, which included a population of most downtrodden, poorest of poor victims, shrunk with deadly fear, total insecurity, and absolute lack of faith on the government and its administration. Saner section of people wondered: what could be the cause. Not all of them missed, however, that after all, they were all faithful subservient to the real rulers, the ruling capitalist class. The latter remained unperturbed behind the curtain of smoke, blood, wails and posing of justice, because in fact disunity in people always helped them. So they did not at least disapprove division in people created by the pogrom; and naturally their subservient forces did not too.

People's opinion forced the Apex Court to frame the SIT

However, when despite the RSS posing Modi as their darling, the ruling class standing up behind him, and even the Congress playing along in tacit favour for him, the efforts to cover up the crimes of pogrom were falling through and pressure from the saner secular section of people from inside the country, and even outside, was running along and even were mounting silently, the Apex Court could not but make a move. It had to appoint a Special Investigation Team (SIT) in 2009, after 7 long years

enough for destroying or at least diluting the evidences. The SIT submitted its report on 12 May 2010. But the Supreme Court simply put it under wraps. The truth, however, trickled out in a sting operation. It showed that the SIT report strongly implicated Modi. There were charges of handling the criminal justice system with *political and communal agenda* 'weighed heavily'; of giving *inflammatory speeches* against the Muslim community, 'thoughtless' and 'irresponsible' on the part of a chief minister; of destroying and tampering with evidences and so on. There were yet no ripples to be seen in the pool. Everybody sat tight; the man who could be charged with initiating the worst genocide of the recent times and for that, should have been meted with strongest punishment, reigned supreme. One after another, he came 'victorious' through 3 Gujarat assembly elections (2002, 2007, 2012). Those were based on a highly communally charged vote in which the homeless, penniless, futureless minority community people continuing with the same plight for over a decade, found no point in taking interest. It was clear that a concerted effort was going on not only to make Modi look larger than life, but even to project a 'superman' image for him. The man who had perpetrated crimes that reminded the deadly Hitlerite fascist regime and who had been continuing to hold the same fascist grip on his state could make boastful claims of popular mandate behind him, no matter how it is achieved. And this was termed by the bourgeois media 'sweeping victory' of Modi.

Crimes were perpetrated; perpetrators and engineers were left unpunished; measures taken under people's pressure were diluted, dilly-dallied and finally done away with. At such a moment to put the last nail to the coffin, the SIT exonerated Modi and others for want of "prosecutable evidence" in early 2012, whereas there were vivid evidences of their crime, palpable to the naked eye as everybody had seen it, but those were not prosecutable, such was the legality, as it was made people to believe. The truth was finally shoved under the carpet, like many other cases of the past such as the Bofors case. But certain facts tormented right-thinking questioning minds. Was not the exoneration announced very close to the scheduled assembly election of Gujarat in 2012, thus handing over a

weapon to Modi to claim his innocence, an act he never failed to do since then? Could the SIT appointed by the Apex Court, an organ of the ruling class, make this about-turn without a go-ahead signal from the ruling capitalist class and their political managers the Congress-led central government in this case, which latter had been in complete disarray at that time from the series of serious scams including the 2G scam? What transpired between the leaders of that party Congress and the BJP in a meeting held on this background and about which the media were vociferously discussing that a deal had been reached? Why, since then the BJP refrained from seriously poking the Congress government on the floor of the parliament on thorough probe and punishment on the scams and the Congress did not raise a single word on Modi being given a clean chit?

Modi vends development, Gujarat slumps in human development index!

When despite all attempts to cover up the crimes with all-out backing from his party BJP and RSS as well as the ruling capitalist class and even tacit support from Congress, condemnation of the 2002 Pogrom did not wane inside and outside the country to the extent that some countries were not even ready to issue VISA to Modi, he took to trumpeting the drum of development, of course not withdrawing his communal agenda. His 'Vibrant', 'Globalizing' Gujarat started to shine with bright smart cities, glowing signs along the national highways, brisk activities in business centres and beaming population of the rich and the affluent middle class. But the same Gujarat stands at the 11th spot in the country in Human Development Index (2011). In ten years time, 37,248 people have committed suicide. Nearly 45% children below five are malnourished, girl infants as well as mothers' mortality is higher than in many states, even more than the national average. Acute shortage of ground water prevails in 14 out of 19 districts; more than 7 lakh cases of water-borne diseases have been reported in 2012; hardly any healthcare for the rural and urban poor contrast with modern sophisticated hospitals for the rich and affluent in major cities; cost of education, including price of text books, have turned exorbitant

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From the teachings of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh

On correctly guiding people's movements

(On the occasion of 37th death anniversary of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, Founder General Secretary, SUCI(C) and one of the foremost Marxist thinkers of the era, we give below a compilation of excerpts from his works on the imperativeness of guiding surging people's movement along correct path under correct revolutionary leadership so as to lead them to logical culmination. One would find his teachings so relevant and illuminating in the obtaining situation of the country as well as of the whole world)

...Those who are conversant with this history know it very well that people in this country have burst forth into fighting time and again. Even after attainment of independence ...in the whole of India, how many self-sacrifices, what amount of bloodshed there have been — how often workers, peasants, youth and students have laid down their lives! With what an intense urge for revolution, time and again, people of this land have come forward in the movements and have faced death! But what has been the outcome? All say now that it is reaction that has gained in strength. Repression is let loose, fascist attacks are unleashed on the democratic movements. Why this? How can it happen? Democratic movement should have by this time led to ending capitalism, should have unfurled the victorious banner of revolution. For, what was essential for the victory of revolution — the popular support, was provided by the masses. At the call of the leaders the youth came in thousands and plunged in movements craving for revolution. How then could reaction gain in strength? It is the revolutionary movement that should have gained in strength.... why does it happen? (Vol. III p.343)

Because, when the people jumped into the movement they did not do so on the basis of a revolutionary consciousness; they did not possess the consciousness, patience, dedication and mental make-up to pursue the day-to-day struggle to build up the revolutionary party, and to bring about revolution. But all the same, they did come in thousands to plunge into the battle. The climate of movement that developed based on a particular issue drew the people into the movement. But such a movement involving thousands of people does not develop often. When resentment builds up in the people, it eventually bursts out on any issue, whether there is any leadership or not. ...these spontaneous outbursts subside and peter out after a while. Another period of frustration follows. The people groan under oppression till they again burst out in another spell of spontaneous agitation. All the mass movements witnessed in our

country, except a very few, are of this character. (Vol. III p. 168-71)

And just when it is fizzling out, the leaders of these parties say, there is nothing left in the movement any more, nothing more can be done now, nothing more will come out....These leaders will capitalize on that and reap dividends in the elections. So, they go on stirring up the people into agitation with reports of how many people have fought in the movement how many have been killed, how intense the battle has been! That is sufficient, nothing else matters! This is what struggle is about! Such fights will recur and they will reap rich benefits in the ballot box! (SW Vol. IV p. 66-67)

Outburst of people's anger, whatever may be its magnitude, is not revolution. Agitation does not automatically usher in revolution. Revolution means a radical change of the present state structure, that means to overthrow the present state and replace it with a new state—with regard to the overthrow of a capitalist state we call it the establishment of a socialist state, thereby bringing about a total transformation of the present capitalist economic, social, political structure and in its place establishing a socialist structure. This is what we call revolution. This revolutionary change does not come about in a spontaneous way through outburst of people's accumulated grievances. History does not say this, nor does science. Such a concept is unhistorical, unscientific. Those who represent agitation to be one and the same as revolution in this way are either ignorant simpletons or else extremely sly, they are pernicious election mongering politicians. By conducting resentment-driven agitational movements and economism-driven movements, giving these a somewhat militant posture and thereby passing these off as revolution, they misdirect the preparation of the real revolutionary movement and obstruct the course of revolution itself. They create hindrance in the path of revolution. So, bear it in mind that agitation and revolution are not the same thing. Though not today, yet the very people ...will again burst into agitational movement as in the past. The people's anger will burst again

into a powerful movement. But in spite of having suffered the ensuing repression and having turned against the government they will again be drawn into the arena of election politics. Capitalism as it was, exploitation, unemployment problem as it was, the way in which the education standard was declining and the moral, ethical standard sinking lower day by day—will remain as they were. You will not be able to touch even the fringe of these problems. Notwithstanding a thousand and one sacrifices, you will not be able to organize revolution simply on the basis of grievance-driven agitational movement, self-sacrifice and martyrdom. To accomplish revolution, you will have to get organized on the basis of a definite, clear-cut political goal, that is to say, an organization capable of conducting the protracted struggle of politically conscious organized people will have to be built up. (SW Vol. IV p. 552)

This protracted people's war can never grow out of sporadic and spontaneous popular outbursts which flare up from time to time, but which lack the conviction of revolutionary political ideology or revolutionary theory. This can only happen if we can correctly guide the spontaneous movements that develop in the country based on the people's discontent, and thereby imbue the people with revolutionary consciousness and gradually build up the people's instruments of struggle.Without such ideological struggle the political consciousness of the people cannot be sharpened. (Vol. III p. 168-71)

The term 'ideology' covers a wide range. The morals and principles, ethics and culture — all these questions of a movement are covered by the term 'ideology'. There is a trend in the movements of our country that we will fight, we will raise slogans but we feel no need for restraint in our utterances, we feel no need to have any sense of ethics and culture, no business with politeness, no concern for sobriety and decent behaviour with others — this is causing immense harm... (Vol. III. p.450)

...bypassing the ideological struggle nothing can be achieved. 'Do something, whatever you can; we are with you' — if this be the attitude of the people, the country faces a bleak prospect. The inevitable consequence of this approach is the kind of struggle you have witnessed in the country from time to time....workers of this country have gone on strike and

have sacrificed their lives, so many people have embraced the gallows, so many barricade fights against the police have been put up...surges of democratic mass movements have come, so many times people braved brutal oppression by police and military let loose on the movements. But what has been the net result? The condition of the people has worsened day by day. We have not been able to advance a bit. And now some people are despondent that nothing at all is happening. There were all those fights, army was deployed, tanks rolled down the streets, people fought pitched battles with the police...Then why this despair again that nothing is going right, no struggle is coming up? Because, these struggles had the same character — sporadic and spontaneous. (Vol. III p. 173-74)

My question is: is this what leadership is about? But this is what is happening over and again in this country. This is what I call pure and simple demagogic leadership. Their objective is not to educate the people, but only to win cheap popularity. When people have to be taught about organization and inculcated with the ideology, when they have to be taught the tactics of the movement — how to fight, how to advance, how to retreat — at that very juncture, having aroused the people with harangue and winning cheap applause these leaders withdraw from struggle. This is the characteristic of our leaders. ...if the leaders cannot free themselves from all kinds of careerism and various tendencies of opportunism, people's revolutionary character, sense of discipline and political awareness cannot be distinctly forged. Therefore, to strengthen the leadership of the movement the trend of opportunism and careerism which has become vividly and increasingly manifest in the character of many a leader needs to be severely criticized — I believe so.

The parties which so long have been providing leadership to the movements in our country are basically election-oriented parties. Be these self-styled, fake Marxist-Leninists or bearers of Left or Right 'communist' flags, be they contenders of this ism or that ism — their bottom line is the same, they are absolutely election-oriented parties. (SW Vol. IV p. 66-67)

It is the people who suffer brutal repression, who die in police firing; the parties campaign against this and later capitalize on it during the

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hustings, win electoral victories, get garlanded and become ministers or occupy positions of power. This is the attitude of most of the parties about movement. (Vol. III p. 168-70)

...a genuine revolutionary party wants that through such agitational movements a measure of political consciousness of the people grows, that the political leadership of the people develops to an extent and the people's committees develop as instruments of struggle with political consciousness. Such people's committees would not be permanent bodies. In each movement, they would grow maintaining some level of consciousness, and then would disappear after the movement is over. Thus in each movement, if the people's committees grow with some revolutionary consciousness, the people would learn to guide the movement themselves, and to build up the revolutionary leadership. When the people are in the midst of movement, they may not have the wisdom, but they do have excellent fighting fervour and clarity of outlook regarding fighting. They do not become victims of the vices which easily creep into the leaders, penetrate into the parties. Along with this fervour, if they get equipped with political consciousness and wisdom they can themselves discern how far the movement could be pushed ahead and how to conduct them. When they are able to do it they can also see which of the parties in the leadership are truly guiding them ideologically and morally, are providing support to their plans. As this realization dawns, the pseudo-revolutionary parties will be isolated from the people. This is the approach of our party towards democratic mass movements.... (Vol. III p. 168-71)

As oppression increases, once in a while people burst out in movements, whether they have the correct realization or not. But because correct leadership is not there, organization is not there, because the people do not have the patience to analyze and understand, the movements cannot be freed from the character of spontaneity. (Vol. III p. 173-74)

After each movement a wave of frustration engulfs the people. Yet, the party which can provide the correct leadership does not yet have the strength to lead the movements, to control the movements, to guide them along the correct path. If it could do that, it could educate the people about the correct tactics and ultimate objective of the struggle, free them of frustration and steadily advance towards the goal of anti-

capitalist socialist revolution by building up the people's own instruments of struggle; (Vol. III p. 173-74)

It is imperative to pay attention to whether the base political line of the movement is correct, that is, whether it contains the strategy and tactics of the anti-capitalist socialist revolution. This apart, in order to identify the correct leadership in the movement, one has to find out which is the party or who are the forces truly interested in building up struggle committees of peasants and workers on the pattern of the Soviets through these movements as the instruments of people's struggles. And who are those who in reality create hindrance to the formation of these people's struggle committees under various pretexts, and in its stead want to mislead the people by passing off the expansion of the party's organizational strength and the tightening grip of the party over the people as the growth of the people's political power. Besides all these, for identifying the correct leadership in the movement, it has to be particularly noted that which among the different parties taking part in the movement is the party whose leaders and workers are reflecting, in their day-to-day political struggle, higher ethical, cultural and moral standard conducive to anti-capitalist socialist revolution. If a socialist social system based on scientific socialism is to be established here by overthrowing the present exploitative capitalist social system through revolution, it is incumbent on you to pay attention to these aspects in mass movements. (SW Vol. III p.524, 525)

Our party holds that no democratic movement in the present time can be democratic in the true sense if it is driven on by a strong anti-communist bias. A party may not be Marxist, it may not be communist, but if it is a communist hater, that party cannot be a truly democratic one in the present times. No party can be truly democratic today unless it is anti-imperialist. So, the parties that would come into this united front should have to be anti-US imperialist and in general be anti-imperialist, and should have an attitude at least sympathetic to the Marxist-Leninist, communist outlook. (SW Vol. IV p. 588-89)

Nobody can bring about a revolutionary change of society in the present era by going against Marxism, because in this era Marxism alone can show the path to emancipation. All other ideologies are nothing but ideological confusions. Hence that section of the

youth and the people who, by observing the severe distortion in the Marxist movement in the country, have turned away from Marxism-Leninism and leaned towards the Congress, are completely mistaken. Those who are distorting Marxism in this country in the name of Marxism-Leninism are responsible for this, not Marxism-Leninism itself. I would like them to reflect over this. In this situation it is their duty to free Marxism-Leninism from this distortion. I request them to consider what I just said. (SW Vol. IV p. 557)

Marxism-Leninism is the loftiest ideal, the loftiest ideology of this era. In this ideology are found the highest and the most advanced concepts of morality and ethics of this era. There is no higher ideology than this. (SW Vol. IV p.601)

...just to want revolution is no reflection of revolutionary consciousness. So also, to think about the working class, the proletariat, is no proletarian class consciousness. The correct revolutionary consciousness is the correct proletarian class consciousness, and the correct proletarian class consciousness is the correct proletarian party consciousness — which means, whether you have been able to recognize the genuine revolutionary party or not. (CW Vol. III p.391)

...extremely important criterion by which to judge the character of a revolutionary party... is whether or not (it has)... been able to project before the people and set before the mass movements of the country a guide to action on the basis of coordinated knowledge covering all aspects of life to develop the new outlook conducive to the revolution in our country, that is, the new higher cultural and ethical standard which is conducive to the growth and development of the proletarian revolution, by doing away with the old mentality still existing in the society — more particularly, whether or not the leaders as well as the rank and file of these parties,

who are the vanguard of this ideological-cultural movement, have, to start with, begun a struggle to pursue this new culture and ethics in their own life on the basis of this coordinated knowledge; in other words, whether they are at all striving for a cultural revolution as a prelude to the political revolution of the country. ... every genuine Marxist-Leninist knows that without integrating the political, economic, social and cultural programmes, revolution cannot be successful in any country....The essence, the living soul, the kernel of any great and revolutionary ideology of every age is ingrained in its higher cultural and ethical standard. That the communists of today must assimilate the living soul or kernel of the proletarian culture — a much higher cultural-ethical standard and sense of values than even the highest of the human culture, ethics and sense of values the bourgeois revolution of that age could attain —...without attaining the necessary higher cultural standard, that is the proletarian cultural standard, one can neither realize nor acquire the ability to appraise correctly the theory of revolution. This is why correct application or effective implementation of the revolutionary politics means bringing about revolutionary orientation of life itself by involving millions in the revolutionary struggle of the masses....those who really aspire to learn Marxism-Leninism — that you must learn this revolutionary theory only from those who are trying to conduct their life, or are still conducting and have become successful in this very struggle following the principles of Marxism-Leninism. Do not learn Marxism-Leninism from those who are still victim to the vile bourgeois culture in their conduct, taste, habits and behaviour in their personal life, because what they teach in the name of Marxism-Leninism is bound to be erroneous." (Vol. II p. 249-59, 267)



A massive demonstration held before Harichandanpur Tahashil, Keonjhar, Odisha organized by SUCI (C) and AIKKMS on 15th July, 2013, demanding allotment of patta to the peasants.

Comrade Sankar Saha at the 102nd session of International Labour Conference of ILO

Intervening in deliberations on various rights of the workers community particularly in the Plenary of 102nd Session of International Labour Conference (ILC) of International Labour Organization (ILO) was held in Geneva from 5 – 20 June, 2013, Comrade Sankar Saha, Member, Central Committee, SUCI(C) and General Secretary, All India United Trade Union Centre (AIUTUC), spoke before representatives of 185 countries on the repeated and systematic attempt to snatch away the fundamental Right to Strike. Placed below is the text of his speech delivered on 20 June, 2013

Dear Chair and Delegates,

I, Sankar Saha, Indian worker, refer to the systematic and organized attempt perpetrated the world over to take away the basic human right, i.e., the right to strike. Dear Chair, I am referring to globalization because it is the reality and has direct impact on rights and living condition of global workers. The system itself likes to disarm the workers' community to cripple them so that no effective protest could be there against the system that introduced globalization to extend lease of life to capitalism that in this era maximize profit by ruthless exploitation of workers. I emphatically express that under capitalist globalization entire world economy is sunk into ever deepen crisis which has brought entire Europe and the USA near collapse. The USA, the locomotive of capitalism, is today the highest borrower nation and lost its credit worthiness. Presently, its rate of unemployment has crossed 10 per cent, under unemployment almost 17 per cent, one out of 6 Americans lives below poverty level. Drastic cut in health care, education and social justice programmes etc. has made life unbearable to the average Americans. Such model of the leader nation is adopted by its followers – Greece, Portugal, Spain, Italy, France, UK etc. All the giants of Europe are either bankrupt or near bankruptcy. Germany, the so-called saviour of Europe is also

shaken by the crisis. European Union confirmed that Euro Zone will shrink in 2013. Asian giants are also shaken. Let us not talk about other developing countries where people are already groaning. All the National Governments adopted austerity measures and in turn ghastly attacks mounted on the working people by denying their hard won rights, cut in wages and pension, job losses, insecurity of jobs, downsizing, layoffs, high unemployment, withdrawal of basic civil services and to the contrary offering stimulus incentives, concessions or exemptions of tax to the corporates and monopolists, i.e., cheating those who are exploited for rewarding those who exploit. This is the global arrangement of free exploitation of finance capital on the common masses. While entire wealth is concentrated in microscopic few hands, more than 80% of the population is not covered by social security system.

Friends, globalization is not only exploiting economically but more shrewdly it is destroying the human civilization by degrading the entire society culturally, morally and ethically, promoting vulgarism, extreme consumerism, intense self-centredness and indifference to the social cause.

The system is averse to any form of protest action by the exploited masses of working people, not to speak of strike action. It is afraid of workers unity,

consolidation and struggle. The ongoing movement in Europe, America, Middle East, Asian countries and significantly the militant movement of the US working people – 'Occupy Wall Street Movement' – raising the slogan 'we are 99 per cent and you are 1 per cent', as they find in these struggle their death knell.

Dear colleagues, let us understand the situation. The workers want the right to work but not given. They want right to organize and collective bargaining but are denied. They want health care, shelter and old age benefit but are deprived of. They are not given wages and other benefits as collectively agreed upon. They do not get social security. Trafficking of children and women to make profit has become the order of the day. Migrant workers throughout the world are physically tortured and used as forced labour. Come what may, the system which is awaiting its own death any moment cannot withstand any agitation including strike.

Workers are taught that they have democracy and freedom as the employers have. But faced with inhuman attack and torture the workers recognize the necessity of strike action to save social interest and uphold values of democracy and humanity, the government that takes care of exploitative system will crack-down on the workers. Thus the myth of bourgeois



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democracy stands exposed. In reality the exploiters have the absolute freedom and democracy to exploit, none else. Without the right to strike, democracy has no meaning to the workers. Hundreds of rights in national and international laws will be meaningless if the right to strike is taken away. The situation reminds us the days of slavery when to strike work was a crime in that society.

Dear friends, the civilization, therefore, demands of the international fraternity of workers and of their sense of dignity and honour to realize the gravity of the situation and unite together to ensure freedom, democracy and right to strike which is the basic human right of workers in the given society. Thank you very much.

Ranchi Convention against rising crime on women



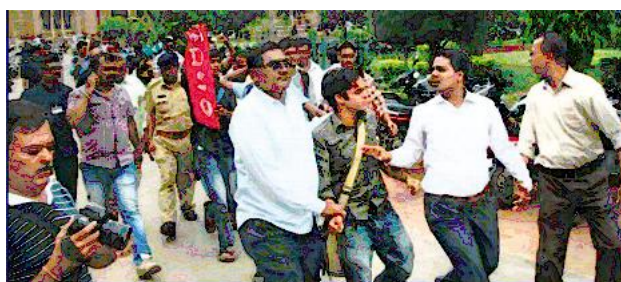
AIMSS, Jharkhand, organized a convention on growing crimes on women at Ranchi assembly hostel hall on 30th June which was inaugurated by Dr. Karuna Jha, well-known gynaecologist, and addressed by Professor Ashok Priyadarshi, ex-Head of the Department of Hindi, Ranchi University, and Comrade Chhaya Mukherjee, Member, Central Committee, SUCI(C) and General Secretary, AIMSS. A 27-member strong 'Nari Suraksha Samity' (Committee for protection of Women) with Comrade Keya De, AIMSS State President, as convener, was formed at the convention.

AIDSO also organized a rally at Ranchi on 17th July protesting against abduction and gangrape of four girl students at Pakur, Jharkhand.

JOINT ACTION PROGRAMME OF CENTRAL TRADE UNIONS

Nine Central Trade Unions including AIUTUC in a meeting held on 8th July, 2013 resolved to launch another phase of joint action through a slew of programmes against anti-worker policy of the central government. The action programme, among other things, includes a National Convention of Workers on 6th August, 2013 at Mavankar Hall, New Delhi, district level rallies, dharnas, satyagraha and state level rallies in state capitals in 2nd half of September, 2013 and Massive Rally (March to Parliament) in Delhi in December, 2013.

Successful students' strike at Vadodhara, Gujarat



Responding to the call of AIDSO and disdaining all threats and intimidation by the authorities, a section of the teachers and the student wings of BJP and Congress, the general students of Vadodhara M S University observed a total strike on 18th July against 100% increase of fees. Eight AIDSO activists were arrested by the police from the campus on the strike day. The success of the strike boosted the morale of the students and bore testimony of their growing support towards AIDSO as well as courage to stand firm against any anti-education step.

Modi ridicules-tramples rich heritage of the country ! None dare speak out !

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state-wide; drop-out, fall in the number of schools are rampant; crime rate is spiraling; the entire police-administration has been communalized, made corrupt and caste-oriented; Human Rights violation, custodial deaths, repression and harassment of right activists, police atrocities on common poor people, fake encounters are ever on the rise. Millions of workers in unorganized sectors like power loom sector, diamond sector, port, salt pan, sea food packing industries etc., are compelled to work in subhuman condition, without any minimum wage act, identity cards and any hygienic condition of work. Such a skewed development smacking of heartless capitalist exploitation of common people, naturally generates strongest resentment in the latter. It is with aggressive communal agenda that Modi diverts it and suppresses any protest.

This pro-monopolist, pro-rich development, avidly anti-worker, anti-movement stand of the Modi government and disunity of common people from piercing arch communalism has produced an environment, that domestic and foreign monopolists could only long for in their profit hunt. And Modi provided them with the perfect platform to open their heart for him and show it to the world in the Vibrant Gujarat summit of monopolists and industrialists of India and different countries. There, monopolists or their representatives from US, UK, Japan and China effusively eulogized Modi. Indian giants even were rushing forward to call Modi's leadership as "visionary, effective and passionate" (Mukesh Ambani), or the best leader Gujarat has had after Gandhi and a "role model" for other states to emulate (Anil Ambani), Ratan Tata regarding him "exemplary" and Mittal even finding prime ministerial material in him. So a new prime minister designate for the country was being put up in the show case. The main obstacle on his way was removed; with blessings and backing of the RSS and more particularly the ruling class and tacit understanding from Congress he had had the clean chit from the charge of engineering the Gujarat pogrom of 2002. Preparations were afoot to consolidate majority vote-bank waving the banner of Hindutva and anti-Muslim fanaticism. Media, the Fourth Estate is supposed to play the watch-dog of democracy. It performed its duty not only jumping upon the saucy, easily-sellable issue

of prospect and problems of projecting Modi as the prime minister, but also endorsing tacitly the dirty political game behind it which exonerated an arrogant unrepentant arch-communal leader from a heinous crime. For his benefit Modi had all these favours to give him a strong push from behind. Belying claims of Modi's brief-holders that he was treading a more moderate, more secular path, he emerged as further revamped megalomaniac tearing down any cover from his real face. He had become the darling of monopolists and the blue-eyed boy of the *Sangh Parivar*. So nonchalantly in his certain recent uttering referred to at the very beginning of this write up, he expressed in full bloom, his views he gave vent to from time to time.

The brute cunning face revealed again

In an interview with the Reuters (12 July 2013), asked if he thought he did the right thing in 2002, he answered unambiguously: "Absolutely". And since he did the absolutely right thing, and did not do anything 'wrong', he did not "feel guilty". What an audacity! The man, who from his chair of power designed, monitored and successfully carried through one of the ghastliest incidents of human history for which conscientious people not just of the country, but even outside it had condemned him and his act, now thumps on his chest boastfully to say that he had done absolutely right thing and nothing wrong and with that record he wants to usurp the rein of governance of the country. And that audacious comment is being highlighted in the media, none challenging or even questioning the audacity. Boosted up, Modi moves on further and to establish his innocence refers to the SIT report in which he was "given a thoroughly clean chit"! Does he think the entire country is numb and dumb as not to realize how the exactly opposite views in the SIT report were manipulated and altered subsequently in his favour at the behest of and under pressure from the powers-that-be? How could he be sure that people have already forgotten what they had seen 'live' on the small screen of TV how innocent human beings were being butchered or burnt alive? Then again, he said in that interview, in this impudent run of his chariot for arriving at power if some "*kuttey ka bachcha*" is run over, naturally he would be sad. Whom he implies other than the Muslim community to

be run over? And who does not know the unquestionable extremely derogatory connotation with which the phrase "*kuttey ka bachcha*" is used in India? A man of culture chooses his words carefully and befitting his character. Now Modi appears to be above all these. And in self-defence he picks up this phrase. It is well known that he does not mince words. So it merely reflects the level of cultural-ethical senses of his own as he derives it from the rabid anti-Muslim tone and tenor of the RSS.

Modi's feats did not end here. There were still more to come. People of the country are well aware that democracy and secularism were the two essential components, the two powerful pillars on which the Indian nationalist freedom struggle developed. Despite all its weaknesses, particularly in failing to accomplish its tasks uncompromisingly in respect of culture with a view to uniting its entire people into a homogeneous whole of Indian nation, this Indian freedom struggle, however, drew in the Indian people in millions to take part in it *rising above* the divisions and differences in religion, caste, creed, language, race etc.. Imbued with Indian nationalism they fought for the cherished dream of a modern nation, a secular democratic independent India. At the call of their leaders, the doyens of modern India, like Netaji Subhas Bose, Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh, Lala Lajpat Rai, Gandhiji and others they forsook their career, even did not hesitate to lay their lives in thousands. Their struggle, their sacrifice ultimately brought independence to the country making every Indian of independent India proud of inheriting the glorious heritage of that freedom struggle.

Modi obviously does not belong to this creed, just as his mentors, be it the Hindu Mahasabha of pre-independence days, or its descendants, the RSS and the BJP of the post-independence days. When asked in the same interview whether the real Modi was 'a Hindu nationalist leader or a pro-business CM', to save himself he skirted around. With all cunning he posed himself as 'I'm a Hindu nationalist because I'm a born Hindu', coupling Hindutva and nationalism together. Again on a later occasion, he used the phrase "*secularism ka burqa*", not using veil or curtain in place of '*burqa*'. Again here he cunningly ridicules secularism with a Muslim slant with the word '*burqa*'. One may wonder what will be the future of the country, if and when it falls in

the hands of a leader who defends himself with such cunning, and by that tramples upon the secular, democratic values that stemmed from the glorious days of the Indian nationalist freedom movement. He had his results, though! His words were enough to intoxicate the RSS-BJP activists to the extent of bringing them out on to the streets in a frenzy of rejoicing at their leaders stunning audacity. The signal was sufficiently ominous for the country as to where could these arch-communalists lead the country to.

Absence of strong left democratic movement made way for communalism to emerge after independence

The question is: how, in which course of history have we been brought to this present scene? Everybody knows, despite all weaknesses of the national freedom struggle, the divisive forces like Hindu Mahasabha or their counterpart Muslim League, which only disunited people on religion etc., could not make much room among people amidst the then currents of that struggle. Genuinely secular, democratic-minded people must have expected that after the independence the glorious legacy of that struggle would be upheld under the banners of militant left and democratic movement on burning problems of people's life. After all, in the newly independent capitalist state of India burning problems of people's life had started to aggravate every day every moment with intense capitalist exploitation right from the days of independence. Any united struggle of people on this was after all dangerous for both the ruling capitalists and their subservient agent Congress in governmental chair. And this was what made the ruling class extend their all-out backing and the Congress rule provide its umbrella of protection, to the newly born RSS to gradually step up their fanatic Muslim hatred as a piercing weapon to bring disunity among people. Had there been a strong countrywide left and democratic movement, people would have found their mainstay to fight against this vicious rabid communal politics of the RSS, continuously igniting communal tension and even riots here and there in the country aided and abetted by the Congress. But to people's dismay, the so-called Marxists like CPI(M)-CPI which vouched for fighting for people's cause, could only think of channelizing their

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Develop bulwark of fight against communalism from within united democratic movement

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popular support and people's resentment into gaining some seats in assemblies and parliament without taking on the exploitative capitalist system and without raising any effective intense battle against communalism. It was a blind alley. It led these parties only to gradually shun the path of movement and become totally subservient to the ruling capitalist class eager to enjoy power and pelf. The RSS, in turn found an open arena; silently spreading out their tentacles they accrued strength and finally rose to power in 1995 with the backing of the capitalist class as the BJP reached the seat of the central government. All through, they never forsook their main slogans and agenda of *Hindutva* and intense Muslim hatred, aided by and augmented with pro-monopolist agenda. Even this time while Modi has started to revamp heightened *Hindutva*, Rajnath, the BJP leader visiting the USA is busy assuring their rulers that the BJP brought to power, would not fall back from continuing the pro-monopolist policies of the Congress as also from maintaining perfect relation with the US imperialists. They even went to the extent of virtually begging the US rulers to grant Modi the VISA to USA, so patriotic and nationalist they are.

What is then the situation boiling down to? Modi, the chief architect of the 2002 Gujarat pogrom finds the RSS, the arch-communal force, throwing all their weight behind him to push him up the ladder of his political career; he sees the ruling monopolists showering unheard of qualitatives upon him; even the imperialists are keen on him. The media electronic or print are replete with Modi and Modi and Modi, hardly attempting, if at all, at any condemnation of his past, rather tacitly pushing up his arch-communal views giving them uncritical coverage. Emboldened with these added to his account, Modi spills venom at the Muslims, tramples the rich assets of our nationalist movement. Haughtily though, because the democratic-minded people of the country, even the world have still not withdrawn their condemnation of the 2002 pogrom, have not yet given its architect a clean chit; rather they still cast him aside, deny him access or acceptance.

Sadly enough, none of his customary parliamentary political oppositions seem to give out any

sign of concern. The Congress, another main bourgeois outfit of the country, now and then utter a few words on Modi keeping the forthcoming parliamentary election in view; but hastily they retract from there; meticulously they avoid reference to what Modi did in 2002 and how he got himself free of his 'sins'. After all the Congress themselves might have had a tacit role to play in his 'clean chit' this or that way. And in fact, lest that they missed the majority community vote-bank, the Congress had been continuing with, what has come to be known in the media as soft hindutva politics. Are the so-called Marxists also concerned at Modi's taking the stage by storm? Did not these forces once pose champion of leftism, even revolution? Do they not boast of their popular support time and often? Notwithstanding those, did and do people find them staging any serious active movement, a dharna, sit-in or their sorts against what Modi did and what he still boasts of? Do they find these so-called critics of communalism producing any in-depth write-up in their party organs on what danger Modi actually portends? Rather, from petty parliamentary considerations, if now they make combination with the Congress, then they call Bharat Bandh with BJP on this or that issue and end their responsibility to the people with that. Why do they fight shy of serious movements against Modi and his communalism, on field or in paper? Is it not because all these political outfits are tied to the same knot; they cannot but remain subservient to the ruling capitalist class for their existence; and it is the class itself that seems to have found their man in Modi and the RSS.

RSS-monopolists nexus vouches for Modi, casts spell of doom for the country

And that casts a spell of doom for the country. With Modi backed by the RSS set for assuming the governmental power of the country, it would not just have a brute audacious architect of a ghastly pogrom in the chair; it would also bring the dangerous nexus of the RSS-monopolists to rule over the country. As it is apparent none of the parties subservient to the ruling capitalist class would raise any finger to the danger, leave aside rise against it. Who is there other than people who can take up the cudgel? Neither do they stand any choice. Their day to day experiences are enough to make them realize how

Comrade Surendranath Maurya Passes Away

Comrade Surendranth Maurya, Member, UP State Organizing Committee, passed away at Calcutta Heart clinic and hospital, Kolkata, on 20th May last after prolonged grave illness. He was only 58. Comrade Mauraya was initiated into the Party in 1980 and since then he engaged himself in the struggle for developing himself as an able organizer of revolution. He was Secretary of AIKMS, Jaunpur District Committee and coordinator of anti-landgrab movement in UP. He used to wholeheartedly plunge into each and every democratic mass movement on the burning demands of life and inspired others to join the struggles. In his death, Party has lost one of the promising and dedicated leaders.



A memorial meeting was held on 25th May at the Hall of SB Degree College, Jaunpur. Those who paid glowing tribute to Comrade Maurya on the occasion were Comrades V. N. Singh, UP State Secretary, Dineshankar Dubey, Jagannath Verma, Bechan Ali, Pushpendra Viswakarma, all State Committee members, Jagdish Chandra Asthana, Jaunpur District Secretary and Shri Paras Nath Singh, former Principal of SB College and other leaders of various mass organizations.

Red Salute Comrade Surendranth Maurya

Comrade Saidur Rahman Khan Passes Away

Comrade Saidur Rahman Khan, an activist of our party in Barpeta district of Assam breathed his last at a Guwahati hospital on 16 July after a few days of acute illness.



Comrade Saidur Rahman Khan came across the thoughts of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great leader of the proletariat, when he had come to Guwahati for studies. Since 1996, he began taking part in socio-political programmes such as Netaji Subhas Bose Birth Centenary programme and then became an active party worker in building up movements against transport fee hike and such other anti-people policies of the government. Enthused by Comrade Asit Bhattacharyya, Member, Polit Bureau, SUCI(C), he devoted himself sincerely and wholeheartedly in party work. Whenever he was assigned any organisational assignment, he shouldered the task happily. Endearing to people, from elderly citizen to students-youths, he played a significant role in building up mass movement against the conspiratorial move to snatch away citizenship of millions of minority community people. Comrade Saidur Rahman Khan was elected member of the state secretariat of AIDS in 2007, and Vice-President only on 8-9 July last.

With demise of Comrade Saidur Rahman Khan, the Party has lost a sincere, promising worker.

Red Salute Comrade Saidur Rahman Khan.

capitalism is bleeding them white. Unbridled price-rise, absence and loss of jobs, steam-roller of black acts like AFSPA or others, limitless hypocrisy, double-dealing, arrogance of the powers-that-be, rampant corruption and shameless acquittal of branded and proven corrupt celebrities, inhuman atrocities upon women and children coupled with abject cultural-moral degeneration along with criminal callousness of the governments towards these – are not all these enough to prove how hostile, ruthless and devastatingly anti-people, unsparing to any and every community of people, the capitalist rule has become? To add to the woe, the class will be accompanied by a force like the RSS to make the rulers simply more ruthless and fearsome. So it would require a powerful massive yet organized countrywide democratic movement on the edifice of higher ideological-cultural-ethical

standards and uniting people cutting across all divisions and differences of religion, language, race, caste and such others to confront and combat the exploitative-oppressive capitalist system that spares no common man. From within such a movement, stemming from its higher cultural-ethical tone and tenor would emerge the most powerful bulwark against the fascist communalism that is tending to raise its head and spread its venom across the country. Only such a bulwark would provide the fire which communalism, the dreaded enemy would not be able to put out and would itself be burnt alive in it.

To accomplish this task people face the responsibility to stand up and step out. As the revolutionary Party of the country, SUCI (C) is striving hard to develop such a movement. It urges people to come forward to strengthen its endeavour to save the country from the imminent danger.

MSC organized 74 medical camps in devastated Uttarakhand

Medical Service Centre (MSC), a national-level socio-medical voluntary organization held till date, 74 medical camps in disaster-struck Uttarakhand. Over 7500 patients from over 300 affected villages and towns were examined; medicines worth about Rs.12 lakhs have been dispensed; logistic expenses till date have been around Rs. 9 lakhs, all through contributions collected by dedicated volunteers from concerned citizens across the country. The 4-member Survey Team surveyed the rural mountainous regions starting from Srinagar (Garhwal) on 23 June 2013, walking up to the devastated Chandrapuri. A 6-member Pilot Medical Team from various states to deal with problems of medicine, trauma & psychological trauma, led by Dr. Ansuman Mitra, Joint Secretary, MSC and In-charge, Disaster Response Cell joined from 28 June to first set up the Rudraprayag Base Camp which started operation from 29 June in front of the Vikas Bhawan, Main Market Complex, RPG town, the district headquarter. Mobile medical

teams have been moving out to the affected villages to care for the inhabitants of this part of the Garhwal region.

Prof. Vinayak Nerliker, Former HOD, Orthopaedics, Nasik Medical College & Vice President MSC joined to lead the exploration on 2 July 2013 for an Advance Base Camp which was set up on 6 July at Banswara-Bhiri, 5 hrs from RPG, which includes a diagnostic laboratory facility. Till date more than 68 volunteers, including specialists in paediatrics, paediatric surgery, critical care, and nurses, lab technicians and health workers from Kerala, TN, Maharashtra, MP, Gujarat, Punjab, Chandigarh, Delhi, UK, UP, WB and other parts of the country have been consistently rendering basic medical clinical, diagnostic and therapeutic services. Current assessment for follow up is being led by Dr. Anup Maity, General Surgeon & Vice President of MSC.

Our Party, SUCI(C) extended all necessary help and assistance towards organization of these medical camps.



Rudraprayag Base Camp

SUCI (C) protests cruel death of Bihar primary school children



SUCI (C) observed statewide protest day on 17th July against the heart-rending death of 27 children of Dharmasati primary school at Saran district after consuming poisonous mid-day meal. Comrade Shiv Shankar, Bihar State Secretary, has demanded an independent enquiry of the incident, stringent punishment of the guilty, a compensation of Rs 10 lakh to each bereaved family and best possible medical treatment of all the survivors at government expenses.



Comrade Manik Mukherjee discussing with representatives of Communist Party of France (ML) in Paris in June last.

PECOSE condemns the initiation of commissioning the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant

The People's Committee for Safe Energy issued the following statement on commissioning the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant on July, 2013

People's Committee for Safe Energy (PECOSE) condemns in strongest terms the Government's action of initiating the First Approach to Criticality of Unit-1 of the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Project, completely disregarding the people's sustained protests and their concern for safety. Serious and valid doubts about various safety aspects of the plant have been raised by several experts. The Supreme Court directive had clearly said that the AERB, NPCIL, MoEF and TNPCB would oversee each and every aspect of the matter, including the safety of the plant, impact on environment, quality of various components and systems in the plant before commissioning of the plant. But instead of addressing

these issues to ensure the safety and security of the common people, the Government simply brushed them aside and went ahead with commissioning the plant. AERB got around the Supreme Court Directive through a subterfuge. They went by the literal meaning of the Supreme Court Directive by only 'filing' a sealed Report to the Court on Friday afternoon, and before the court or anyone else could go through it, or take any action, NPCIL initiated the process of commissioning the plant. PECOSE had demanded that the commissioning of the plant should not start before a thorough review by an independent body of experts. PECOSE strongly condemns the duplicitous act of the NPCIL with total disregard to legitimate concerns of the inhabitants, and vows to stand by the people in their struggle for ensuring safety and security from the harmful effects of nuclear power plants.

Central force shot and killed SUCI(C) supporter during Panchayat Election

At Bapulirchok booth of Mayahauri panchayat under Joynagar police station, voting was going on peacefully on 19th July. But due to slow proceedings over 500 voters were in the queue even at 8 pm. Suddenly arrived a patrolling unit of Central Reserve Force and the armed policemen began indiscriminate lathicharge followed by most unprovoked firing on the voters killing Comrade Amal Halder, a very popular worker of our local Party unit, on the spot. The suddenness of the incident took everybody by surprise as none knew who called the police and why. Immediately Comrade Debaprasad Sarkar, Member, Central Committee, SUCI(C) along with Comrades Tarun Mandal and Tarun Naskar, local MP and MLA from our Party, rushed to the spot and took up the matter with the administration who denied having issued any order to the CRP for any action there. The Party demanded a judicial enquiry into the matter, exemplary punishment to the guilty police personnel and a compensation of Rs. 2 lakh to the poor family of the deceased and a government job to one of the family members. Party observed All-Bengal Protest day on 21st July on this ghastly killing.

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