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CALL OF HISTORIC MAY DAY

On May 1, 1886, armed goons employed by the owners brutally attacked the striking workers assembled at the Hay Market, Chicago, USA. The workers were demanding an eight hour working day. The savagery of the incident sparked off waves of indignant protest by workers all over the world. The government was ultimately compelled to concede this legitimate demand of the workers.

At that time, Frederick Engels was at the helm of affairs of the Second International. In 1889, the International, in a meeting under the leadership of Engels, called upon the workers to observe May Day on 1st May every year as the world working class solidarity day. At this meeting of the International, Engels declared that the May Day resolve of the working class must not be confined to the economic demands and trade union rights only, but the working class must also pledge on this day "to win political power in order to expropriate capital and convert the means of production into public property."

Since then, over the very many years that have passed, May Day has symbolized working class struggle,

an occasion when the revolutionary working class renews its pledge every year to not only fight the capitalist onslaughts on their life and living but also to steadfastly work towards putting an end to the capitalist order itself.

At present, the international working class movement is passing through a very complicated phase. With the fall of working class states in the Soviet Union and East Europe, imperialism-capitalism has been on the offensive in the present unipolar world with the USA as the sole global superpower. Globalization thrust upon the world by the imperialist countries has globalized the imperialist-capitalist exploitation and onslaughts on the working class. The total burden of world-wide

recession and intense crisis in imperialist-capitalist economy is being thrust upon the shoulders of the working class in a globalized manner. Whatever measures imperialism-capitalism adopts in a bid to mitigate the recession and intense crisis, are at the cost of the working class, the toiling masses. Onslaught in the form of lay-off and retrenchment, closure of mills and factories and wage cut has become the common characteristic feature in all imperialist-capitalist countries, including even the advanced imperialist countries like the USA, Britain, Germany, France and Japan. The working class movement against such attacks are getting intensified. Strikes, protest demonstrations and processions have become daily occurrences. The need is to develop these movements beyond the economic demands, to convert these into political movements against imperialism-capitalism towards proletarian

revolution.

Competition between imperialist countries over control of markets has intensified, leading to intense trade war between them. This intensification of contradiction between them has exposed the world to the heightened danger of imperialist war. The USA, as the leading and dominant imperialist power has officially declared its "right" to launch preemptory strikes against any country on the globe that it considers dangerous to the US security, that is, harmful to the interest of US monopoly capital, cooking up excuses at will to suit and 'justify' its evil design. After invading and laying waste Afghanistan to instal a puppet government there, the USA has now led an invasion of Iraq with Britain as its lackey, devastating that country and putting it under total US control. This has been done by the USA, which flaunts itself as the

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24 April Observed in States



Comrade Anil Sen, Member, Central Committee, hoisting Red Flag on 24 April at Central Office in Calcutta

This year 24th April marked the 55th foundation of our beloved party SUCI, the only genuine working class party on Indian soil, founded by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the great leader of the proletariat. This great occasion was observed throughout the country with due solemnity, while our party is amidst waves of class and mass struggles on the burning issues of people's life. On the historic day, at our Central Office in Kolkata, Comrade Anil Sen, member, Central Committee of our party, hoisted the Red Flag. Following it, he garlanded the portrait of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. Throughout the country, in over twenty states at party offices, party centres and important junctions Red Flag was hoisted and the portrait of the great Marxist thinker garlanded. Comrades wore the GS badge, portraying our departed leader,

teacher and guide. Foundation Day meetings were held preceded by the song composed on Comrade Shibdas Ghosh and followed by the *Internationale*.

Below we publish some reports of foundation day meetings received so far.

West Bengal

In West Bengal, 24th April was observed this year throughout the

state in a decentralized way, in view of the ensuing Panchayat elections. In Calcutta a public meeting under the auspices of Calcutta District Committee was held on that day at the University Institute Hall. Comrade Kalika Mukherjee, member, West Bengal State Committee presided over. Comrade Provash Ghosh, member, Central Committee and State Secretary, West

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Medical Bulletin Concerning Comrade Ashutosh Banerji

Comrade Ashutosh Banerji, Central Committee member of our party, has been suffering from complicated pneumonitis with jaundice since 18th March last. His condition has further deteriorated. Surgical intervention had to be made to stop internal bleeding. There are finds of multiple organ failure. Apart from the direct supervision by a panel of eminent medical specialists of Calcutta, Dr. F. E. Udawadia, pioneer of critical care medicine in India, was also consulted over phone at Breach Candy Hospital, Mumbai. Comrade Banerji continues to be in a very critical condition.

US barbarism in the name of liberating Iraq

The territorial occupation of the sovereign state of Iraq, after 21 days of deadly use of cruise missiles, depleted uranium bombs and other sophisticated weaponry has been announced by the US-UK imperial duo. The heroic people of Iraq, charged with their patriotic feeling, resisted the fierce aggression. But with a denuded defence power on account of an earlier war, sanction and voluntary destruction of missiles under direction of UNO, they could not overcome the brute force and murderous intent of the despotic invaders with cynical disregard of international laws and conventions and buttressed by the most formidable array of weapons including weapons of mass destruction. The brave Iraqis fought the enemy practically bare-handed. Pursuing the so-called theory of shock and awe, the US-UK army systematically targeted civilian population and within days, countless residential premises and habitats, hospitals, schools, were reduced to rubble killing thousands of innocent citizens including women, children and even patients. Water plants were destroyed to leave the people crying for a drop in the scorching summer, electricity-generators were stalled by missile attacks to invoke a pervading darkness. And this cowardly act was proclaimed as victory by the US imperialists and their British lackeys, agog with arrogance.

Post-invasion Iraq — a picture of disaster

What a toll this aggression has exacted from the common Iraqi people. Once the US marines made into the cities of Baghdad, Basra and others, the entire country was abandoned to worst lawlessness, wanton pillage and plunder ever seen in the history. Criminals and anti-socials set free by the foreign looters ran amok, ransacking and destroying even the historic Baghdad museum. The US army watched without any remorse the most uncivilized barbaric act of the looters carting away artifacts from some of the world's oldest civilization, priceless antiquities documenting development of human civilization in ancient Mesopotamia. Before the full horror of this desecration could be ascertained, Iraq's national library went up in smoke with huge lots of priceless books and photographs burnt out. Banks were looted, unruly mob ran away with household items, spree of theft and arson plunged the cities into new levels of anarchy. But the occupying troops remained unfazed, indulgent onlookers to the enormous crime being perpetrated before their eyes. Rather the US warlords sanctified this

descendence into chaos 'as an expression of freedom'. Donald Rumsfeld, the US Defence Secretary, observed that the Iraqis are now licensed "to make mistakes and commit crimes and do bad things," as such "staff happens" when there is "freedom untidy". A justification of rampant anarchy from the rulers of a country that holds aloft the flag of 'freedom' and civilization! What a shameless demonstration of hypocrisy by the US rulers. But this untidiness of Rumsfeldian freedom did not extend to the country's oil wealth as the same occupation army was very alert in protecting the oil fields and the building housing the old ministry. Oil matters, but the people of Iraq do not.

Pillage and plunder — US calls it liberation

The Bush-Blair brand of freedom is now baring itself. Battered faces of babies, broken limbs, torsos and charred bodies, fear oozing out of the eyes of terrorized citizens in riotous rush for food and water holding out the painful paradox of 'embedded' liberation. 'Liberated' Iraqis are now orphaned, burned and maimed, victims of worst psychological trauma. No wonder those who were initially

celebrating the freedom of Iraq, could soon see through the mask and discover the crass avarice masquerading as intent for liberation. The scope of US idea of liberation was strictly limited to the elimination of an inconvenient government and having in its place a pliant regime. Such naked has been the ploy that within Bush administration, dissents and rumblings are on the rise. Two of Bush's cultural advisers have resigned in protest against stripping of Baghdad Museum. Experts indicate that the looting was carried out by organized gangs who traffic in works of ancient art and treasure. "The question asked of American forces by everyone in Iraq is why did they protect the oil ministry and not this place... containing the property and heritage of mankind", asked the director general of the Iraqi Department of Antiquities. Further revelations have been too discomforting for the US war-maniacs. Members of US news media, travelling with the army, and the US soldiers have been caught red-handed with stolen articles, art-pieces, weapons and cash. The cash seizure from one soldier is about \$900,000. Reward for serving US warmongers. "This activity is clearly illegal," observes a high level US customer executive. "This is theft", says another US official, "we are there to liberate. This must cease." It is now clear to all including those who still nurture illusion about Western democracy, particularly the US and UK models, what a predatory spirit and avaricious intent have taken hold of the so-called "liberators" of the world.

The motive behind the invasion

Sovereignty of any country is bunk. So long as they toe US line, they remain civilized and democratic. Once anyone sounds a discordant note, he invites wrath and disaster. Such has been the case of

Iraq as well. So long as Saddam toed US line, he was a "civilized" leader. But from the day Saddam declined to bid for US rulers and instead took certain measures like nationalization of oil fields and choosing Euro as the petro-currency in place of dollar he fell from the grace and invited trouble. The US administration who first tried a military assault in 1991. Then it imposed worst economic sanction on Iraq devastating their economy and causing death to over 15 lakhs of Iraqi citizens deprived of food and medicines. And now this naked aggression! True US imperialists had a hawkish eye on Iraqi oil and water resources. But this was not the only thing. Apart from foisting a puppet regime to pursue its commercial interest, the US imperialists also want to have a permanent military base there to tighten its grip over the entire West Asia.

To this, they have now added one more agenda — destroy and reconstruct. First, they would mercilessly hurl bombs and missiles on an existing country, raze it to the grounds and then come forward to rebuild on the ashes of the demolished structure with the finance extracted from the devastated wretched citizens and oil resources. Victor's justice to the vanquished, the US variety! It is learnt from the US media sources that long before this unilateral aggression, the Bush regime had decided as to which US corporate would get the order for reconstruction of invasion-ravaged Iraq as they had cleared the names of US oil companies to take over the Iraqi petro-resources. Thus destruction and occupation of Iraq opened up a source of lucrative profit to the crisis-ridden US economy besides creating a temporary boom to its war industry.

The so-called plea to justify the barbarism

Despite the blatant

endeavours to sanitise the invasion so as to forestall global indignation and disapproval, the brutal faces and unparallel hypocrisy of US imperialists are visible again and again. The story of unearthing weapons of mass destruction is already proved to be of cock and bull origin. Hans Blix, the UN approved head of the UN inspection team to Iraq, has openly accused Bush-Blair of not being interested in finding WMD but having made up their mind to invade under that pretext. Today the US administration, being unsuccessful in "planting some WMDs only to be re-discovered later" has been saying that Saddam destroyed all such weapons before the attack. Then how was the invasion justified? They also sought refuge in the so-called theory of "clash of civilization" — a conflict between West Asian Conservatism (read Islam) and Christian universalization. This construct, inter alia, says "United States which has been a missionary nation, believe that the non-Western people should commit themselves to the western values of democracy, free market, limited government, human rights, individualism and the rule of laws". And so, "clash of civilization is the greatest threat to world peace." Thus US is justified in carrying "democracy and freedom" to Iraq akin to the way British imperialists had been on a "civilizing mission" to this sub-continent and Africa. The whole world particularly many of the people professing Christianity rejected this proposition as bogus and absurd.

After insisting for years that sanctions imposed did not affect the ordinary Iraqis, the Bush government is now citing their plight to demand sanctions end immediately so that Iraqi oil can be exported by US, the revenues used to defray cost of military occupation and US oil giants take lucrative upstream positions. The

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How safe are women in CPI(M) rule ?

In our issue dated 1st March, 2003, we reported the ghastly incident of loot and plunder of marriage parties and rape of the women members in Dhantala of Nadia district, West Bengal, as a sequel to a personal feud between two CPI(M) leaders. We also made a mention how the village headmen composed of CPI(M), Trinamul Congress and Congress tortured a house-wife, Khajema Bibi, in a medieval barbaric manner at Raousannagar village in Murshidabad district accusing her of adultery. The fragments of reports of a few more of innumerable ghastly incidents that took place thereafter are given below to show how alarmingly such savage crime on women simply inconceivable in a civilized society is growing in West Bengal with direct involvement of the leaders and cadres of the ruling party CPI(M) who masquerade themselves as Left.

“Two groups traded charges of molestation of women in Howrah on Saturday night resulting in arrest of 4 men including a CPI(M) leader from one group, a party activist from the other and a GRP constable. ... Those arrested include CPI(M) leader Ajodha Samanta and his brother Prosanta. ... Shankar and his brother-in-law Sanjib Majumder were also arrested, ... and if Ajodha is a member of Liluah Local Committee, Shankar’s brother-in-law, Sanjib is also a party activist.” (*Hindusthan Times*, 24.2.03) Be that as it may, the fact remains the same. Either one of the two CPI(M) groups molested female members of the opponent group or both of the two CPI(M) groups committed the crime.

But more serious is the gang rape of a CPI(M) woman wing activist by a CPI(M) local leader and his henchmen in Coochbehar on 22.2.03. Along with other dailies of West Bengal, *Ananda Bazar Patrika* dated 8.3.03 reports : “After Dhantala in Nadia, now the turn of Ghoksadanga in Coochbehar district. The member of the CPI(M)’s woman wing has been gang raped there in her own house. She herself has lodged FIR in the local police station. The police has informed that gang rape has been established on medical test. It is alleged that the incident followed a dispute with a section of CPI(M) leaders centring round her appointment to a post of a non-teaching staff in a local school. Police

arrested 3 CPI(M) activists. ...” However, the main accused Samiruddin Mia surrendered before the court on 10th February and two more were arrested. Before his surrender, Samiruddin was freely roaming about in and around Ghoksadanga before the very eyes of the police for a long 15 days although the ill-fated victim lodged FIR against the miscreants on the next day of the incident.

The State Woman Commission controlled by the ruling party CPI(M) persistently avoided to visit Dhantala nearly for two weeks and after much criticism from all quarters, some members of the Commission had to go there and they too couldn’t but to report that the criminals were keeping close company with the police instead of being arrested. However, the CPI(M) chief minister declared in the Assembly that out of 22 arrested, 7 were CPI(M) men, 6 from the Trinamul Congress and 1 from the Congress. What an even distribution made in proportion of strength of the parties in the House! In the mean time, in the case of the Ghoksadanga incident, the district secretary of the CPI(M) claimed that Samiruddin was innocent and was an ‘asset of the party.’ Although the whole media, political circles and the State Assembly were in intense turmoil unequivocally decrying the CPI(M) leadership, the chief minister-cum-home minister Buddhadev Bhattacharjee was conspicuously keeping mum despite repeated demands of his statement on

the incident from the Opposition. Only on 13th March that chief minister being severely cornered by the Opposition in the Assembly had to confess that his party woman had been raped at Ghoksadanga (*Anandabazar Patrika*, 14-3-03) although Anil Biswas, the state CPI(M) secretary and the party’s woman wing Ganatantrika Mahila Samity first denied the incident of rape and then repeatedly denounced the victim of her any relation with the CPI(M). In defence of the criminal act, Anil Biswas resorted to the nasty tactics of blaming the victim, accusing her of ‘questionable life-style’. As if any woman with supposedly questionable life-style might rightly be gang raped! It would not be out of place to mention that a few years ago when some local CPI(M) hooligans at Birati near Dum Dum, raped a few women living in a slum the leader of the Ganatantrik Mahila Samity, Sm. Shyamali Gupta, too, in defence of the rapists levelled the victims as ‘characterless’. That very Sm. Gupta, as reported in the media, was involved in women trafficking with notorious mafia don Rashid Khan of infamous Bowbazar blast case in Calcutta, and to silence resentment of the party supporters, she was temporarily suspended from the party and now she has been inducted in the highest body of the party — the Central Committee!

Reports of such incidents pour into the daily press on 13-2-03: “The whole of West Bengal is in spate of turmoil relating of occurrences of molestation of women. The main accused in Dhantala and Ghoksadanga incidents were activists of the CPI(M) — the leading ruling party in the state. Now it is seen that it is the CPI(M) who are being charged with atrocities on women’s modesty in Liluah, Dunlop, Khardaha, Balurghat, Basanti and Mayapur.” (*Sangbad Pratideen*, 13-3-03)

“It is alleged that the local CPI(M) leader Bikash Bagdi of Sekerdda village in Mohammad-bazar P.S. forcibly dragged away the 17-year old daughter of his neighbour and a CPI(M) supporter in the evening of last 17th February and raped her. The father of the ill-fated girl said they also worked for the CPI(M). That is why, the CPI(M) leaders of the village got together in a meeting and heard the case. It was at last decided that Bikash must marry the girl.” (*Bartaman*, 13-3-03)

Even front partner RSP accused the CPI(M) of gang-rape. Basanti under the Sunderban became restless centring round the looting of the house of a member of RSP-led primary teachers’ organization and member of local gram panchayat and raping of his wife. RSP men gheraoed the Basanti P.S. The local MLA and district secretary of RSP, Subhas Naskar claimed, ‘wife of our member of Aamghara Gram Panchayat has been raped. All the five youths committing the crime belonged to the CPI(M)’, reported *Anandabazar Patrika* and *Hindusthan Times* on 13-3-03.

“The police arrested two persons on Wednesday on a charge of killing a tribal woman after raping her in Monipukur village under Kushmandi P.S. of South Dinajpur. But the main accused, Taibul Islam, a CPI(M) leader, is still absconding.” (*Bartaman*, 14-3-03)

Severe excitement has engulfed Patulia, Khardaha in connection with allegation of a rape of a tribal woman. According to police sources, two persons have been arrested on the basis of complaint by the victim. The local people alleged, one of the arrested is an activist and member of the CPI(M). His name is Anwar Mondal. (*Anandabazar Patrika*, 13-3-03)

Six persons were arrested on the charge of molesting a women at Dangapara village in Malda.

Maldah police superintendent said that ‘CPI(M) sources admitted that the four men (out of 6 arrested) were party members’. (*Times of India*, 20.3.03)

“Again, a CPI(M) supporter has now been charged with rape in a village of Goara in Panduah, Hooghly district. It is alleged that a CPI(M) supporter named Kachi Malik (32) has raped a 7-year old tribal girl” (*Sangbad Pratideen*, 29-3-03)

“There seems to be something seriously wrong with the mindset of CPI(M) leaders and their cadres in West Bengal. After committing several rapes in Nadia, Coochbehar and Malda, ... cadres in Bhagawanpur in Midnapur east district went further: slashing parts of women’s (sic) body to teach her a lesson of her life. The horrendous Bhagawanpur incident shows how brutal and regimented that cadres have become in the Alimuddin Street’s influence. Pushpa Rani Patra’s body was slashed with razors after tying her to a tree almost stripping her. They also pierced her genitals with pins. What passes understanding is that this is almost the sole handiwork of women members of CPI(M)’s Ganatantrik Mahila Samity. ... She had refused to part with a portion of her homestead land for a village road. ... the new twist in the use of women cadres to inflict torture and indignity on another woman.” (Editorial in *The Statesman*, 5-4-03, referring to the incident that took place on 1-4-03. It was also reported in *Bartaman* on 3-4-03).

CPI(M) panchayat pradhan Habibuddin Sardar of Jamtala village under Bamangola P.S. at Malda district raped the wife of a sweeper on last 8th April in the panchayat office. The lady lodged a complaint with the police and tried to commit suicide, reports *Anandabazar Patrika* on 10-4-03.

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Bengal, was the main speaker. Expressing deep anguish and anger along with the people of the world over US-UK war of aggression and territorial occupation of Iraq, Comrade Provash Ghosh in course of analyzing the US imperialist offensive stressed that it was wrong to believe that US-UK imperialists had occupied Iraq solely for the sake of capturing oil resources, and that other countries without such important resources were safe from such US aggression. In this connection Comrade Ghosh pointed out the bankruptcy of bourgeois parliamentary democracy. American and British parliamentary systems are considered the model of bourgeois parliamentary democracy; yet these parliaments have unabashedly approved the naked US-UK aggression to trample down the freedom, democracy and



Comrade Provash Ghosh addressing on 24 April at University Institute Hall

sovereignty of Iraqi people. He stressed that it is alone Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought that can show the path to stop imperialist aggressions on freedom and sovereignty of countries

Highlighting the basic difference in politics between our party, SUCI, that in the interest of the people is engaged in the struggle for building up movements and the election-oriented mafia politics for the sake of power and pelf, pursued by the parliamentary parties like BJP, Congress, Trinamool, the known political outfits of ruling bourgeoisie as also the sham Marxist party CPI(M), which is entrenched in power in West Bengal, Comrade Provash Ghosh said: the CPI(M) is trying to wipe out our party through terror and murder. To this end a CPI(M) minister even convened a meeting of OCs from five Thanas in Raidighi (South 24 Parganas) on

April 15, directing them to back the CPI(M) mafias no matter what terror and violence they may unleash against the SUCI. What a reign of terror and murder they have let loose, especially in South 24 Parganas, in their attempt to wipe out our party! But all this has been in vein. Our party, SUCI, on the contrary, is growing stronger. Because this party, built and reared by Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, our beloved departed leader, teacher and guide, is of a completely different mettle.

Comrade Provash Ghosh recollected the intensive revolutionary struggle of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh in building up this party. He called on the party workers to deeply grasp and attune to the party's culture and ethics, to realize its political line and struggle as well as its history so as to achieve the ability of carrying forward, in the days to come, the task taken up under the leadership of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, and after his demise continued by Comrade Nihar Mukherjee, — the vision to build up this party as the exploited people's instrument of struggle for emancipation in the international as well as the national sphere. Elaborating certain aspects of this all-out political cultural struggle including the struggle to free oneself from the influence of bourgeois individualism, Comrade Provash Ghosh said that the necessary ideological standard to carry forward the task of the party cannot be attained bypassing the correct struggle. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh was not born as a great genius, it is in the course of historic struggle that he surpassed the ordinary standard and reached that lofty height.

That is why we also have to — from the philosophical point of view — grasp and acquire in practice the method provided by dialectical materialism with which Comrade Shibdas Ghosh analysed everything, or else the standard of analytical thinking, or capacity for independent judgement within the party cannot be raised nor dialectical relationship between leaders and cadres really established and against our wishes, some blindness towards the leaders would persist.

Comrade Provash Ghosh, reminding Comrade Shibdas Ghosh's teachings, said: what is the proof whether you have acquired true knowledge and wisdom? The more you do so the more broad-minded and generous you become, kind and compassionate towards people and the more dedicatedly you search for truth. Your dedication to

duty increases. Your heart aches for the exploited, hungry millions, for the oppressed women: their images haunt and torment you: you cannot remain quiet. You feel that you could have freed the millions and millions of people from the clutches of terrible distress and untold sufferings by organizing revolution. So it is your duty to organize revolutionary movement, to work for it. Your own mind will hold you guilty for not doing so. This is what is meant by being really cultured.

Ghatshila (Jharkhand)

The State level party foundation day was observed in Jharkhand at the Study Centre of Marxism-Leninism-Shibdas Ghosh Thought at Ghatshila. Comrade Ranjit Dhar, Central Staff of the party and member West Bengal State Secretariat was the main speaker. Comrade Hem Chakraborty, Secretary, Jharkhand State Organizing Committee presided.

In his speech Comrade Ranjit Dhar said, although there is difference in name and colour of different party flags there are only two types of parties. On the one side there are the parliamentary parties serving the interest of the owning class and on the other side the revolutionary party upholding the interest of the working class. Comrade Shibdas Ghosh built up the SUCI brick by brick through painstaking struggle as the only revolutionary party on Indian soil basing on the teaching of Marxism-Leninism. While building up the party on Leninist model in this age of utterly reactionary individualism he brought the Leninist understanding of formation of a revolutionary party to a new height. Comrade Dhar pointed out, the party which Comrade Shibdas Ghosh once built up in a remote corner of West Bengal has now spread over 20 states all over India. Whereas the so-called left parties including the CPI(M) and CPI are all serving the interest of the exploiting capitalist class for getting a share of parliamentary power and privileges. It is the SUCI alone which is trying its best to organize the toiling people

of India with the aim of accomplishing proletarian revolution. He reminded, only through strengthening this party founded by Comrade Ghosh on this day of 24th April fifty five years ago can the accomplishment of anti-capitalist socialist revolution be successful.

Referring to the war of aggression by USA and UK on Iraq he showed that for dismantling of the



(Above) Comrade Ranjit Dhar speaking, seated leaders of the state SUCI, Jharkhand. (Below) a portion of the assembly

world socialist camp, particularly the fall of the Soviet Union, the imperialists could not have dared to launch such invasions. Still this time the world wide intense anti-war sentiment of the common people even expressed inside America and UK is simply unprecedented. But these protests were to a great extent spontaneous and isolated. If these mighty protests of the common people could be transformed into an organized action and coordinated then it would have been difficult for the American and British imperialists to continue their war. It is on the basis of the realization of this necessity that under the leadership of our party anti-imperialist convention was held in Calcutta in 1995 and All India Anti-imperialist Forum was formed. From that convention it was urged to organize all anti-imperialist peoples in all countries of the globe and coordinate those anti-imperialist forums of different countries for building up world anti-imperialist forum in which the communists would work as the core. This aggression on Iraq proves beyond doubt how correct was our analysis and call.

Comrade Dhar concluded that only through crushing imperialism by accomplishing anti-capitalist socialist revolution in different countries can war and exploitation of

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man by man be put to an end for ever.

In the morning Comrade Hem Chakraborty hoisted the Red Flag at the Study Centre and garlanded the statue of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh. Comrade Malay Bose also garlanded the statue on behalf of the Study Centre.

Tamil Nadu

The Tamil Nadu State Organizing Committee held a public meeting at Thana Street in Purusaiwakkam in Chennai on the evening of April 24, 2003, to observe the 55th Foundation of SUCI.

Comrade Manik Mukherjee, Central Staff of the party and member of the State Secretariat, West Bengal, was the main speaker. Comrade S. Narayanasamy, member of the SOC, presided. Comrade R. Jeyapaul translated Comrade Manik Mukherjee's speech into Tamil. Comrade Mukherjee began his speech by saying that the 24 April marked not only a historic day for the party but also for the proletariat and toiling masses of the country as it was on this day that the instrument of their struggle for emancipation from capitalist exploitation came into being.

Tracing the history of freedom movement in India he explained why Comrade Shibdas Ghosh had decided to take up the task to build up a genuine communist party following the correct Marxist-Leninist process, once he realized that the CPI had failed in that task, and how he and a handful of compatriots had embarked

upon the arduous task, against all odds, and had succeeded in building up the SUCI as the genuine Communist Party on Indian soil. He pointed out the very many contributions of Comrade Ghosh to the enrichment of Marxism-Leninism. He also, in this connection, referred to Comrade Ghosh's caution in his *An Appeal to the Leaders of the International Communist Movement* in early sixties of certain trends that would lead to revisionism rearing its ugly head. Subsequent events had painfully proven what Comrade Ghosh had warned about was fully correct and the world saw the eventual dismantling of the socialist camp and the disastrous consequences that followed with imperialism being given a fresh lease of life.

He showed how imperialism, particularly US imperialism, was riding rough-shod over the sovereignty of countries, and how, unlike the time when a powerful socialist camp existed, to thwart its hegemonistic tendencies it did not hesitate to sweep aside the UN, the UNSC, and world opinion to attack one country after another on this plea or that.

He showed the deep crisis in the US economy, its dependence on the militarization of economy and for that matter, its insatiable appetite for war. He said that there was no room for frustration or pessimism because the world over people were coming out in protests against the policies of globalization and war, against the policies of the IMF and the World Bank, and even against their own

governments for falling line with the dictates of imperialism.

He observed that the SUCI had a role in such a situation in building up communist movement anew on the basis of a developed understanding of Marxism-Leninism because the teachings and guidance of Comrade Shibdas Ghosh is showing the correct path in doing so in the post-Lenin period after Great Stalin and Mao Zedong.

He spoke of the harm done by the revisionism in the world communist movement and in India, how the so-called communist parties had not only abandoned the path of struggle completely, confining themselves to parliamentary politics, but were taking steps to invite MNCs in states where they were in power, not hesitating to brutally suppress democratic and working class movements in order to gain the confidence of capitalist rulers.

He said it was necessary for all comrades to respond to the call given by the party to equip themselves and steel themselves in building up people's movements and people's committees to lead these movements to a successful culmination. He said it was not only the Indian proletariat that was reposing hope on the SUCI as the party fighting genuinely for its cause, but also other parties in other countries were looking to the SUCI for guidance. He said, it has become more urgent because the world anti-imperialist movement needed the correct leadership and it is to SUCI to take up this historic task.

Panchayat Election In West Bengal CPI(M) Maligns Leftism

Elections in this country have already been converted into a farce by the bourgeois parties. Hardly it is a fair and free adult franchise. In order to somehow grab power, indiscriminate use of money and muscle power, booth-capturing, terrorizing the voters, armed violence on the day of poll by these vote-catching parties have become a general spectacle. No more are the elections determined by mass opinion.

Even administration and police are no more neutral but openly collude with the ruling party or the principal opposition bourgeois outfits to manipulate the poll results. To this is added the media propaganda which through selective coverages and biased analyses including pre-poll survey, etc., work for polarization in a particular direction. This is the kind of democracy we are living in today. Gujarat went to polls following unprecedented pogrom and naked communal ranting. Hindu fundamentalists are brandishing swords and distributing tridents in brute demonstration of power. In reaction, Lalu Yadav in Bihar is wielding bamboo sticks with the same purpose. The oppressed and repressed people watch such parade of strength, flouting of democratic norms, subversion of constitutional rights and worst scrambling for power by the so-called champions of parliamentary democracy who trade in the hunger, destitution and deprivation of the exploited millions.

A new chapter is now opened by no one else but

the parties claiming to be left who as a hated social democratic force are now totally submitted to the interest of the ruling class. On the eve of the ensuing panchayat poll in West Bengal, CPI(M) is now out to rob the basic right of the citizens to elect and to be elected. Through terror and violence, they have prevented the Opposition candidates from filing nominations allegedly in more than 20,000 seats in a total of around 59,000. Over and above this, many of the Opposition nominees who could manage to file their papers, were forced to withdraw nominations. The CPI(M) sponsored hoodlums and anti-socials resorted to worst type of violence and intimidatory tactics to compel the Opposition either to leave the ground or stay out of fray. Even white cloth symbolizing widowhood were distributed in advance to the wives of the opposition candidates as a warning of possible consequences in case they fight the election. And when the issue of CPI(M) candidates returning unopposed in over one-third of the constituencies got nakedly exposed, the CPI(M) planted its own men as independent candidates to show that there would be contests and accused the Opposition of making false allegation. Why has the CPI(M) resorted to such most undemocratic and despicable act? Despite the advertisements given in the media at the cost of lakhs of rupees from the public exchequer to show what an unprecedented progress in panchayati-raj in the state of West Bengal under CPI(M) has been made, the CPI(M) is well aware that the reality is just the contrary. Rich has become richer and the poor further pauperized. The number of agricultural workers have gone up significantly, tax and cess burdens have increased manifold. BPL list has been manipulated to include even



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opposition to US action by the governments of France, Germany, Russia and other European countries, has also not been from any anti-war or anti-imperialist stand but from their respective imperialist aspiration to carve out own spheres of influence and share of Iraqi oil trade. Once the large scale military assault of US is over, they have started mending their relations with US in expectation of some partnership in the exploitation of the new protectorate, both in petro-commerce as well as rebuilding exercise. However, with US corporates cornering all orders and the US administration openly threatening France to face consequences of opposing US war initiative, the France-Germany-Russia nexus is talking of regrouping the NATO and insisting the job of reconstruction to be under UN supervision to mount pressure on US. Even Britain, the US ally in bypassing the UN to pounce upon Iraq, now being denied of any major order by US imperialists, is espousing UN role in rebuilding Iraq. This is typical of various imperialist super powers vying with each other for market and also collaborating at times to further common class interest. But the infringement on others' sovereignty and freedom would not stop at Iraq annexation. US imperialists have already given no veiled a threat to Syria. Others in the hit list include Lebanon, Iran, North Korea and possibly Saudi Arabia in the Middle East.

Nefarious design of US imperialism

It would be a great mistake to think that such belligerence is confined to some individual political touts of imperialism. This is the imperialist class design to stave off the severe economic crisis it is suffering from. With the rapid fall in the purchasing

power of the people even inside the US, attributable mounting unemployment, loss of job, tax-burden and soaring price, the domestic market is shrunk. Following dismantling of the USSR and other socialist states of East Europe, US imperialism spotted an expanding horizon. Immediately was coined the slogan of market economy and globalisation to counterpose socialist economy as if this would rid the world of all maladies. In fact, this was nothing but a new imperialist design to exploit the other markets unhindered through removal of trade barriers and other restrictions. This is not looting, as portrayed in the pathetic carts rumbling through the shattered streets of Baghdad, this is looting on a for grander, epic scale. US imperialism as the principal superpower in the unipolar world, wants to push ahead of others in capturing the markets of other countries under the garb of market-integration as well as subordinating others to its dictates through WTO, World Bank and IMF, if necessary through military intervention or escalated hostility. Alongside, US imperialism is continuing militarization of its economy so that the defence industries and allied sectors receive orders to get an artificial stimulation. Occasional wars and aggressions also help it releasing the stockpile of its arms as well as secure fresh order of defence equipment from other countries by demonstrating the superiority of its arms produces. But the other imperialist countries are also eager to further their economic and political aspiration through market grabbing and expanding spheres of influence. This has further widened the rift among the imperialist powers, particularly between US and others, which got reflected in the conflict between US and European Union, in the float of Euro as a common currency to take on the

domination of dollar and the opposition of France-Germany to US military action in Iraq.

Western Democracy — of, for and by the capitalists

As already shown, US imperialism has no alternative but to foster war. In September last, the national security department of Bush administration had decided that if any country is found inimical to US interest, Pentagon will unleash military assault on it to elicit obedience. "We will export death and violence to all corners of the world", exhorts Bush in worst display of brag and bluster. Once more it reaffirms the Leninist formulation that imperialism inevitably generates war. "The bourgeois politicians, pointed out by Comrade Stalin in his report to the 17th Party Congress of CPSU(B), "clutch at war as a drowning man clutches at a straw, that shows that they have got into a hopeless muddle, have landed into an impasse, and are ready to rush head long into the abyss." Militarization swallows the bulk of the governmental budget at the cost of the welfare of the people while at the same time it needs to sustain continuous tension, hostility and strife to engender local, partial or full-fledged war at the cost of the people of the nations. This accounts for the increasing fascistic trend, curtailment, if not robbing of democratic rights and sovereignty of the democratic institutions and dependence on military and bureaucracy. It also explains the subversion of all democratic norms in US, UK and their perpetration of invasion and aggression. This is the role of the so-called champions of US democracy is today. Surely, it does not represent the interest of common US citizens but caters to the class interest of big businesses and monopoly. The US Senate, in utter disregard of the mounting protest of US people against

war, endorsed Bush's invasion of Iraq. Similarly, the British parliament disdaining the British people's anti-war voice, approved Blair's proposal to join Bush in the attack. Those who cry hoarse about parliamentary democracy should see for themselves how in this era of moribund capitalism, the ruling bourgeoisie flouts every democratic principle and subverts the democratic institutions including parliamentary bodies. More will be economic crisis, more ruthless will be imperialism-capitalism. Same could be said about our country where the BJP-led government as well as those in opposition, essentially subservient to the ruling Indian bourgeoisie did not even condemn the US-led barbarous attack. Rather after much laborious consultation of the dictionary, they could select the word "deplorable" to include in their resolution on the Iraq-invasion so as to avoid the wrath of the US imperialists. But while rendering the resolution in Hindi, they coined "Ninda" to deceive the anti-war peace-loving people of India. What a praise-worthy effort by the BJP, Congress, CPI(M) leaders to arrive at a consensus in managing both the US Bosses as well as the internal constituency of own citizens.

Would imperialist onslaughts go unbridled

Does it mean that such barbarism and tyranny of imperialism-fascism would continue unabated? To seek an answer, we must turn to the lessons of history. As a fall out of the accentuated conflict between two imperialist groups over market, the first world war broke out in early twentieth century. Exploited common people witnessed a saga of utter destruction of life and property. The decaying face of capitalism was manifest with all virulence. Working people of the world could imbibe the correctness of Marxist ideology and began

to organize themselves to overthrow the exploitative capitalist order and the first anti-capitalist socialist revolution was successful in the Soviet Union under the leadership of Great Lenin. The nascent Soviet socialist state became the citadel of hope for emancipation and peace, for unhindered growth and development of mankind free from exploitation. But the fascists imperialists once again forced the world into another war. However the occupational aspiration of the Hitlerite fascism got a severe jolt from the USSR. The heroic Soviet people and the Red Army under the leadership and guidance of Great Stalin and inspired by the noble ideology of Marxism-Leninism inflicted a crushing defeat upon the fascist force and saved the world from a worst disaster. One-third-of the world embraced socialism after the Second World War and the emergence of a mighty socialist bloc proved to be a great deterrent to the imperialist ploy of generating war. When British and French imperialists backed by US regime threatened to attack Egypt following the nationalization of Suez canal in 1956, the USSR, still having impact of Stalinist principles, cautioned them of military intervention in case they escalate hostility to encroach upon the sovereignty of Egypt. Within four hours, the imperialist war-hawks retreated. The USSR and socialist bloc was a staunch supporter of all national liberation struggles and anti-capitalist revolutionary movements until the revisionists, who worked as agents of the imperialist camp, usurped leadership that ultimately led to the dismantling of the USSR and other socialist states. Had the socialist camp been in existence and followed the revolutionary line of Lenin-Stalin, could US imperialism dare to launch such aggressions against

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How safe are women ?

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Bartaman dated 27-4-03 reports, the local CPI(M) booth committee secretary in Bhukshadanga village of Purulia district had been raped almost every night since last August by the panchayat samiti president, of the CPI(M), Dhanu Rajak under the threat of murdering them all if they would divulge the crime. After a village veteran could know their plight and took them to the police station, the OC, instead of taking any case diary kept them arrested in the police station for two days on 22 - 23 March to pressurize them to hush up the case in lieu of Rs. 2 lakh from Dhanu Rajak. They turned down

with her mother and maintaining a handicapped brother in Dhadkha village under Bandwan block of Purulia district had been raped almost every night since last August by the panchayat samiti president, of the CPI(M), Dhanu Rajak under the threat of murdering them all if they would divulge the crime. After a village veteran could know their plight and took them to the police station, the OC, instead of taking any case diary kept them arrested in the police station for two days on 22 - 23 March to pressurize them to hush up the case in lieu of Rs. 2 lakh from Dhanu Rajak. They turned down

the nasty proposal. In the mean time, the whole episode came to the knowledge of the local people who have built up movement under the leadership of our party on the demand of immediate arrest of and severe punishment of the culprit as also punishment of the OC.

Denying authenticity of all these events, Anil Biswas, has said that the Opposition parties are falsely implicating his party in the rape cases to malign the image of the party before the panchayat elections and "a section of CPI(M) members, he felt, could even have been bribed to tarnish his party".(The

Times of India, 20-3-03). Alas! Partymen are taking bribe to backstab their own party!

Torture, molestation of helpless women here and there by the CPI(M) musclemen and all-powerful leaders are commonplace affairs in the state during the 26-years' rule by the CPI(M). But these were mostly individual crime and now a section of its rank-and file members has stooped so low that they don't spare even members of their own organizations while the leadership is frantically trying to shield the culprits and hush up the nastiest type of factionalism and group squabbles. Thus, outrage on women's dignity is growing alarmingly in West Bengal and it is observed that in most of the cases CPI(M) people are

involved. What does it mean as to the character and composition of the party which goes by the name of Leftism and Marxism? Has it any semblance of any good ideology even in the bourgeois sense? Has not the party turn to be a refuse of lumpens and rapists? Is not this degradation of culture and character in the party the concomitant result of the party's anti-movement role and practice of nasty bourgeois election politics? We appeal to the well-meaning members, sympathizers and supporters of the CPI(M) to seriously ponder over these questions to answer before their own conscience and realize whither their party leadership is leading them.

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Occupation of Iraq

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Iraq and other countries? US imperialism adopted similar invasionary tactics in Vietnam and expected to win through sophisticated defence capabilities and brutalized method of coercion. But the revolutionaries of Vietnam, guided by the revolutionary ideology of Marxism-Leninism under Ho-chi-Minh and backed by the socialist camp, fought the most ferocious US troops armed to the teeth for several long years and ultimately drove them out to establish united socialist Vietnam.

Marxism-Leninism — the only ideology to deter imperialist-fascist menace

Hope lies here. Those who were elated at the collapse of the USSR and were swayed by the imperialist propaganda of socialism being anti-freedom and undemocratic should now seriously review their opinion. Was the socialist system anti-democratic? Did it not guarantee all freedom and rights to the people marching towards progress and prosperity, liberated from the oppression and repression of capitalist system which protects the class interest of only a

handful of owners who trade and thrive on the exploitation of the millions? Now when one could see beyond doubt the real character of so-called democracy of the West, does not the yearning for a socialist system render through the heart?

It was extremely encouraging to see that despite absence of the socialist camp that prompted the US imperialists and its British ally to be so unrestrained in perpetrating war-crimes, the people of the world rose in protest, expressing indignation and outrage in no uncertain a term throughout the world, including the USA, UK and Australia. "This is a brutal war. It's unjust and illegal... It is not going to end with Iraq" — were the slogans raised in Washington DC demonstrations. "Occupation is a crime, from Iraq to Afganistan" was a recurring political theme during the protest in the US capital after annexation of Baghdad. Even such an outbreak of massive protest was not witnessed during Vietnam war. Despite all propaganda and fanning up of pent up national feeling, the Bush regime could not distract or disorient its own citizens. This is the silver-lining. What is needed is to

integrate and co-ordinate these spontaneous emotional outbursts into an organized anti-imperialist movement under a correct revolutionary leadership on the ideology of Marxism-Leninism.

It is only the ideal of Marxism-Leninism that can direct these movements to their logical culmination putting an end to imperialism-capitalism breeding all such menaces and posing a threat to human civilization. Even the patriotic people of Iraq in order to free their motherland from the occupation army and get emancipated from all kinds of exploitation would need to conduct their struggle under the guidance of Marxism-Leninism. This only can realize their dream of a free Iraq, free from exploitation and coercion.

The so-called imperialist superpowers dread most this organized people's upheaval on correct revolutionary principles as that sounds their death-knell. Emergence of people's superpower can only foil the imperialist conspiracies. All indications are towards that end and soon the whole world would witness a resurgence of anti-capitalist revolutionary movement. We must take a vow to accelerate that process.

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well-to-do CPI(M) leaders. Peasants are committing suicides being denied of remunerative price for their crops. Distressed sale of the harvests has been on the increase. Such is the rural scenario in the state today. There is an evil nexus of police-administration-rural bourgeoisie-ruling party-anti-socials and criminals in the villages today. This nexus is corrupt to the backbone and has been syphoning out most of the monetary grants to the panchayats. Also this nexus is used in crushing the legitimate democratic movement and class struggle of poor peasants and agricultural workers. It is being propagated that the peasantry not to rise in protest against exploitation and repression as the panchayat would solve all their problems.

CPI(M) leadership is aware of it. They also know that there is considerable erosion in their rural base. That is why, despite their tall claim of astounding success of the panchayat system they are unable to depend on the people. They are afraid if the rural poor is allowed to freely cast their votes, the CPI(M) candidates might be

trounced. And if they face setbacks in the panchayati votes that might affect their prospects in the next Assembly and Parliamentary polls. So they preferred to taking no chance and resorted to shameless terror tactics to refrain people from contesting them in the election or give verdict against their misdeeds. The consequences of such act would be ominous.

The opposing bourgeois parties like Trinamool Congress and BJP have sought intervention of the Central government as they fear a rout in the panchayat would threaten their very existence. Trinamool has even asked for invoking Article 356 to topple the state government. Paradoxically, the same Trinamool has tied up with the ruling BJP who had perpetrated worst crime and carnage in Gujarat to capture power and continue to foment communal sentiments and fundamental preachings as their main plank of politics. In order to contain one of the most undemocratic acts of the CPI(M) the Trinamool advocates another undemocratic measure of dislodging an elected

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Call of Historic May Day

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greatest democracy in the world, by flouting international public opinion and world-wide protests, including those in the USA itself, against this war. For long had the USA been making use of UNO as a rubber stamp to endorse its evil imperialist designs but this time even the fig leaf of the UNO has been dispensed with as it was proving to be inconvenient. Freedom and sovereignty of all nations are at peril since the USA is determined to decide who will rule which country and to invade any country at will to suit its purpose, thus plunging the world into the danger of war. It should be clearly understood that not only in the advanced imperialist countries but even in the less developed imperialist-capitalist countries, the economy is plagued with such crisis that militarization of the economy is being resorted to more and more to artificially stimulate the economy in a bid to mitigate the crisis. The ruling capitalist class of all such countries are pressed with the need to release their arms stockpile from time to time and for this they need local wars, limited wars. This has increased the danger of imperialist war all over the world, and this danger is ever present.

At this critical juncture, May Day assumes an even greater significance as the working class must respond to the globalized danger in a globalized manner, cementing and consolidating world-wide working class unity through concerted action against imperialist-capitalist onslaughts on their life and living, against imperialist wars and war-machinations, steadfastly upholding proletarian internationalism.

The main danger within the working class movement that is the hindrance to fulfilling this need of the hour, is revisionism. The revisionists are practising economism, reformism, legalism and opportunism within the working class

movement. They strive to keep the working class movement confined to securing just some economic demands and paint the rosy picture of ushering in millennium by means of reforms within the capitalist system. By legalisms they strive to keep working class movement confined within the bounds of bourgeois law, allowing the righteousness and legitimacy of working class movement to be sacrificed to maintain bourgeois law and order which are designed to safeguard and keep entrenched bourgeois class rule. They practise the opportunist politics of acting as agents of the bourgeoisie, in the working class movement, trying to convert the working class into an appendage of the bourgeoisie, a play thing in the hands of capitalist rulers. The characteristic feature of revisionism is that, like social-democratism of the past, it acts as the compromising force between labour and capital and blunts the class struggle of the working class against the capitalist rulers.

So, the working class has to fight out and defeat revisionism in all its manifestations ideologically and organizationally so that the working class movement is freed from revisionism and directed not only against the evil effects of capitalism like wage-cut, lay-off, retrenchment and unemployment but against the root cause of all such evils, the capitalist class rule itself. Stalin's profound observation that one cannot put an end to capitalism without first putting an end to social-democratism, that is revisionism — continues to provide the guideline before the international working class movement.

The immediate task facing the working class movement is to provide an effective deterrent to imperialist-capitalist wars and war machinations. It is to be noted that the people burst out into unprecedented world-wide protest against

the unjust invasion of Iraq by USA and Britain. But these protests were spontaneous. Imperialist war conspiracy can never be thwarted by such spontaneous protests, neither could it be done this time. For that, it was necessary to have organized anti-war movements comprising the broadest sections of the people under the banners of anti-imperialist platforms from country to country and by co-ordinating and integrating these, to give birth to world-wide organized anti-imperialist movement, a militant anti-war peace movement conducive to socialist revolution that can force the hands of imperialist-capitalists and thrust peace upon them, hastening their doom.

The crisis engulfing the imperialist-capitalist world is not only economic but all pervasive, covering the political, social, moral, ethical, cultural spheres as well. Under pressure of this all-out crisis, the working class is stricken with decadent and vile bourgeois culture, suffering from crass bourgeois individualism, utter selfishness and egocentricism which tend to make them devoid of any sense of social responsibility. The imperialist-capitalist rulers are conspiring to destroy the moral backbone of the working class and the youth

and pushing the youth to unethical means of livelihood, taking advantage of their helplessness. Pointing out this complexity of the situation, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the founder, leader and teacher of our party, the SUCI and one of the foremost Marxist thinkers of the era, repeatedly stressed that in such a situation, it is not enough for the anti-capitalist movement of the working class to be militant; to be effective, it must be based on the edifice of higher proletarian ethics and culture so that the working class, freed from the pernicious effect of vile bourgeois culture, can remould itself to become the medium of radical transformation of the society. Only in this way can the trade unions be developed as schools of Communism in the true sense.

On the historic May day, the revolutionary working class must take the pledge of building up world-wide militant, anti-imperialist peace movement conducive to socialist revolution, of waging all-out struggle to defeat revisionism of all shades, of intensifying anti-capitalist struggle on correct base political line on the edifice of higher proletarian ethics and culture, and in the process to develop the trade unions as true schools of Communism towards the goal of a classless society free from exploitation of all sorts, of emancipation.

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government through inappropriate intervention of the Central Government under pretext of a constitutional provision. Such administrative measure can never forestall infringement and attacks on democratic rights. The opposition of Trinamool-BJP combine and Congress to the misdeeds of CPI(M) is nothing but a reaction of being denied sharing the power in the panchayat.

Only organized conscious democratic movement of the poor peasants and agricultural workers on the edifice of higher proletarian ethics and culture can counteract such deadly attacks on the democratic rights and system and keep the panchayats under pursue to work in the interest of the people. With this clear principle and ideology, the SUCI has been building up democratic peasants' movement against all attacks of ruling capitalist class, its parties and subservient governments. SUCI is also participating in the panchayat election in West Bengal with the same mission braving all threats and murderous attacks of the CPI(M) and its government machinery.



West Bengal State Committee of AIMSS held a Citizens' Convention at Bharat Sabha Hall in Calcutta on 17.4.2003 against growing atrocity on women under CPI(M) rule. Leaders and distinguished speakers are seen on dais.

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