

# **BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT TO DEFEAT FASCISM**

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By the time this journal is out May Day would have come and gone. May Day is the international Festival of the Proletariat throughout the world. On this day the proletariat everywhere reviews its struggles, takes its lessons and determines its new tasks.

• Today in India, we are celebrating May Day in very peculiar circumstances. The revolutionary movement in India under the leadership of the CPI(ML) and other revolutionary groups has passed through many ups and downs. In spite of our failure in the beginning due to the "left-adventurism" of the leadership, we have been able to create certain pockets of resistance and a mass base for the party in certain provinces. In spite of the present split engineered by a handful of splitters, the party retains its base in all the states where the Party is at present functioning.

On this May Day, we pledge to uphold Marxism-Leninism-Maozedong Thought as our guide to action. We pledge to mobilise our people for the preservation of world peace, taking Soviet social imperialism as the chief source of war danger today. We will continue to reject the Parliamentary path peddled by the CPI and CPM, the revisionists and the neo-revisionists, who are faithfully serving the interests of the Soviet Union both in India and abroad. We pledge to pursue the path of people's War, based on Agrarian Revolutionary struggle as the only path for the complete liberation of the Indian people. We will continue to work for the unification of all genuine Communist Revolutionaries into a single party CPI (ML).

Today the revolutionary movement is facing many urgent tasks. War clouds are gathering over the world. Soviet social imperialism in its drive for world domination, has already forcibly occupied Afghanistan, and is feverishly preparing for new aggressions towards the south in order to out flank western Europe.

As of today, when the Soviet Union is already occupying a predominant position in the Indian situation, a pro-Soviet Indira Congress govt. in power in the centre, with CPI-CPM leadership occupying half the seats in the opposition, constitute a special danger of our country becoming a neo-colony of the Soviet Union and its war base for aggression in Asia. That is why our Party has declared that the Soviet Union and its allies-the Indira Congress, the CPI-CPM leadership and the pro-Soviet elements in other

parties constitute the greater danger and are greater enemies of the Indian people. Our party has to unite all the forces that can be united against these greater enemies, intensify the immediate struggles of the people by pursuing the path of united front, isolate the main enemy from issue to issue and finally defeat the enemies one by one.

Another most important problem that the revolutionary movement has to achieve is to mobilise the people to defeat the fascist forces and block the road to fascist dictatorship. With Indira Congress and its caucus back in power, which had already tasted fascist dictatorship, the danger of fascism is a real one. The PCC resolution has warned the country about this danger.

As a result of the long rule of the Congress and the short rule of the Janata in the interests of Soviet Social - imperialism, US imperialism, big bourgeois - big landlord classes, the economic and political crisis in the country is so deep that it can no more be solved under the present big bourgeois-big landlord constitution. Indira Gandhi's 20-point programme, or the CPI-CPM social reformism can never solve the present, economic and political crisis in the country. Only by ending the exploitation by imperialism, social imperialism big bourgeois-big landlord classes can the present crisis in the country be composed.

The net result of the policies of Indira Congress is going to further increase the exploitation of the above four enemies. It will only further increase the misery of our people, the dissatisfaction of the masses leading to an unprecedented people's upsurge.

In this situation, the Indira Congress govt. is bound to increase repression to suppress the people's struggles. The coming period is a period of growing people's struggles and growing repression in the country. In this process contention between the people and the Indira Congress govt. faced with growing opposition from the opposition section of the ruling classes and dissidents within its own ranks, is bound to resort to extreme forms of naked terror on the people i.e., imposition of fascist dictatorship.

The Tribal areas in Andhra, parts of Karimnagar district are permanently under Disturbed Areas Act. Police camps in Andhra, either in the forest areas or plain areas are still continuing. In these areas arrests, lathi-charges, false cases and torture of communist revolutionaries under the Congress regime have become a regular feature. Now the Congress (I) govt. in Andhra is armed with a special Goonda Act. The arrests of Vikram mem-

ber of A.P. State Committee along with Guruva Reddy and their inhuman torture by the police is only a pointer to the coming repression.

Mizos and Nagas are already under military rule. Now the Indira Congress has applied Disturbed Areas Act on Assam and is actually conducting a war on the Assamese people. It is a shame to see the CPI-CPM supporting this bloody repression on the Assam people by the Central govt.

These events clearly show one thing. Wherever the people clearly come forward in genuine struggle, the Indira Congress govt. is going to adopt bloody repression and if the situation so demands, the govt. is bound to resort fascist dictatorship.

## **How to defeat this onward drive towards fascism ?**

For some bourgeois intellectuals and our own splitters, support to anti-Indira Congress political forces, including the CPI-CPM, is a way of defeating fascism.

Our party has resolutely rejected this election path as a path for defeating fascism. The Janata Party a pro-US party, came to power in 1977 March with false promises on the wave of an anti-fascist struggle. Having come to power the Janata Party completely betrayed the interests of the people, adopted bloody repression to suppress the rising people's struggles. Because of this betrayal, the Janata Party, weighed down by its own contradictions began to disintegrate and was finally routed in the recent mid-term poll. After the elections, the Janata Party itself further disintegrated and broke into 5 parties. So the big bourgeois-big landlord opposition has completely weakened. Splintered groups are no more effective instruments of opposition to fascism, as far as election platforms are concerned.

Then how to defeat the fascist forces? How to block the road towards fascism by the Indira Congress govt.?

Fascism, authoritarianism or monopoly of power could be effectively defeated only by the advance of the Agrarian Revolutionary movement. The most urgent task of the party is to mobilise the people for Agrarian Revolutionary struggle.

In the coming state Assembly elections, where we are contesting or supporting progressives, and where we are not contesting, wherever units exist, we must actively propagate to the people that only Agrarian Revolution can liberate our people from all types of exploitation, and thus prepare the ground for further struggles after the elections.

After the elections in each state, in selected areas, we should concentrate to mobilise the people—particularly the workers, the peasants and the middle classes, into struggles on their immediate issues—economic and political. Throughout the selected area, and if possible on a state wide scale, we should run a vigorous political campaign on these immediate issues; combine these struggles with the propagation of revolutionary politics. In conducting these struggles, we should always try to draw the followers, cadres, and even mass organisations of other parties, including the CPI and CPM to conduct united front struggles. The aim should be to defeat the main enemy on that particular issue. On these issues, if we think that we should talk to the leaders of other parties, we should do so. But uniting with the people and the followers of other parties to conduct united front struggles is more important in building the united front.

We should be constantly trying to run united political campaigns on such issues as war and peace, Soviet aggression, particularly in Afghanistan, on Soviet domination in India and the efforts of the Soviet Union to convert our country into its neo-colony, and a powerful united Civil Liberties movement against growing repression in various parts of the country.

It is such united struggles which will lay the basis for general political united front against Soviet neo-colonialism or Soviet backed Indira's fascism. This is the only way to bar the road towards fascism.

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