



COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MAOIST) CENTRAL COMMITTEE

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**Condemn the massacres perpetrated by
the police, paramilitary and commando forces!**

**Make efforts till the last breath to realise the
aspirations of the Tadpal, Kassarur and Aipenta Martyrs!**

**Defend, consolidate and advance the
revolutionary democratic movement of India!**

Dear people,

Between 10 March to 27 April 2018, 58 revolutionaries laid down their lives in three massacres carried out by the police, paramilitary and commando forces in Dandakaranya. Ten comrades (seven women and three men) were massacred in Tadpal forests near Pujarikanker of Bijapur district, while 40 revolutionaries and villagers (22 women and 18 men) were mowed down on the banks of Indravati River in the Halbi Tumirigunda forest of the same district by C-60 commandos of Gadchiroli. Since this heinous crime was committed by the C-60 commandos, the incident was known by the Kassarur village on the Maharashtra side of the river. Soon after this incident, eight revolutionaries (six women and two men) were shot dead near Ilimed on Aipenta Hills of Bijapur district. A total of 35 female and 23 male comrades were massacred in these three massacres. Of the eleven comrades who were injured in the firing of the C-60 commandos at Kassarur, six were taken away by C-60 officer ASP Maheswar Reddy to Khandla Rajaram forest and shot dead. 24 comrades lost their lives due to drowning in the river during the Kassarur incident. Our CC is pays its humble red homage with bowed heads to all these martyrs. In addition to them, the police have killed tens of revolutionaries, revolutionary masses and activists of revolutionary organisations in other areas of revolutionary struggle in the country (Bihar-Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Odisha and Chhattisgarh) in encounters that took place in the last four months. CPI(Maoist) pays its red homage to each of the comrades who have given up their lives for advancing the revolution and reiterates its pledge to fight till the end to fulfil their aspirations.

The NDA government is very aggressively carrying out brutal attacks in all the states where the Maoist movement is active. After conducting 'Operation Green Hunt' for eight years, it is now implementing the 'Samadhan' strategy. Hundreds of villagers and tens of revolutionaries have been killed. In spite of this, the revolutionary movement has not only continued but is in fact spreading to newer areas. Worried by this, the government is preparing special 'Missions' every year and intensifying its armed offensive using modern weapons. Using helicopters extensively in various roles, it is introducing aerial attacks as well. The attack carried out jointly by the Indian Air Force, central paramilitary forces and the commando forces of Telangana and Chhattisgarh in Pujarikanker on Chhattisgarh-Telangana border is a proof of this. It is stepping up attacks by using UAVs widely. It is strengthening mobile network even in the forest regions. Moreover, it is making informers out of some unemployed lumpen elements of the villages, family members of those who have been punished by the people in the course of the movement, families of policemen and

reactionary tribal elders by enticing them with the promise of money, jobs and protection. The government forces are carrying out attacks and massacres by mainly basing themselves on the intelligence provided by such informers. The central government held a meeting with the participation of the army and top police, civil and judicial officers of the Maoist struggle areas in May 2017 in Delhi and chalked out the strategy of 'Samadhan' with the aim of wiping out the revolutionary movement. It set the deadline of making India Maoist-free by 2022. But the state governments, particularly the BJP government of Chhattisgarh is in a hurry to uproot the Maoists by 2019 itself. Maharashtra's BJP government too is participating in this race. The central government is not only giving the necessary funds to various states for this but is also providing additional paramilitary forces demanded by them. Unable to provide employment opportunities in any other field, the state governments are recruiting unemployed youths into government armed forces, giving them commando training and are increasing the size of these forces.

As a result, the areas of the Maoist movement are being crushed under the iron heels of the police. People's lives are in disarray and the oppression of the khaki goons is becoming more and more intolerable. Commando attacks on the villages are taking place on a daily basis. Forests are reverberating with the sound of the guns of the special forces in the name of combing operations. The Adivasis who venture into the forests in search of the means of livelihood are being killed by them. Women are being subjected to atrocities. It has become a common thing to destroy even the meagre property of the villagers. On 5 February, an Oraon youth Ramkumar who went to play in the forest of Koyanvase village of Gadchiroli that falls under the mining area was brutally killed by the C-60 commands. Adivasi peasant Sonsai (35) was burnt alive when he fell into the trap set up by the C-60 commandos as he went to hunt in the forest of Chinavedampalli village of the same district. Such incidents have become common occurrence in the lives of the Adivasis in the last one decade. Our Party appeals to the people to condemn and resist these attacks and defend the revolutionary movement by standing firmly on its side.

There is an integral link between the growing attacks, massacres and severe punishment of comrades incarcerated in the jails in the movement areas on the one hand and the economic crisis that is deepening throughout the world on the other. The exploitative ruling classes are in a hurry to loot the natural resources of the country on a large scale to come out of the economic crisis besetting the country and the world. Functionaries of central and all the state governments are competing with one another to frequent foreign countries within a short span of time to auction the country's resources. They are concluding tens of agreements with various capitalist, imperialist governments and multinational companies. They are busy in providing all the basic amenities to these foreign and domestic hawks in order to reap quick results as per the promises made to them. They are intensifying the attacks on the masses by using police and paramilitary forces to complete infrastructural projects. After Devendra Fadnavis became the Maharashtra Chief Minister, a security cordon has been laid around the forests and villages of Surjagarh Hills in Gadchiroli by deploying six camps of special paramilitary forces for the only purpose of facilitating mining activities. Iron-ore is being transported for the Lloyds Company in 400 vehicles once every week under heavy police protection. Almost all the mineral-rich areas of Bastar Range has been sold by the Raman Singh government in the last fifteen years to dozens of corporate houses including the Tatas, Jindal, Essar, etc. It has become a life-and-death problem for the people. They are putting up resistance against it by getting ready for tremendous sacrifice. It has become unavoidable for them to stop the government policies and police guns.

The exploitative ruling classes are wiping out the very signs of PESA and Gram Sabhas in the Adivasi areas. On the other hand, they are spreading illusions among the masses by repeating the sugar-coated mantra of "development". Modi, Raman Singh,

Devendra Fadnavis, Raghubar Das, Chandrababu Naidu, Pinarayi Vijayan, Naveen Patnaik and Chandrashekhar Rao are in the forefront of this. The rulers are least concerned about the burning problems of the country such as skyrocketing prices of the goods of daily need, growing unemployment, farmer's suicide, starvation deaths, atrocities and corruption scandals, etc. They are not bothered about the welfare of the people but only about the development of the ruling classes and the wealthy families. The ruling classes are undermining all the laws that they themselves had promulgated and are violating the civil and democratic rights. They are harassing, arresting and putting behind bars for long periods the democrats, intellectuals, human rights activists and well-wishers of the Adivasis under fabricated charges who take the side of the struggling masses by branding them as 'white-collar'/'urban' Maoists. The sentencing of Comrades G N Saibaba, Prashant Rahi, Hem Mishra, Pandu Narote, Mahesh Tirkey and Vijay Tirkey are an example of this. Recently, a few pro-establishment intellectuals of Maharashtra have labelled well-known advocate of Nagpur Surendra Gadling, a woman activist of Kabir Kala Manch Harshali and Dalit leader Sudhir Dhawale as the 'conspirators' behind Bheema-Koregaon. The police subsequently raided their residences and seized electronic devices from them. In this way, the police are gearing up to imprison them at any moment. Our Party strongly condemns these acts of state terror.

While the people are fighting these life-and-death problems on the one hand, the attacks of the Hindutva forces are intensifying in the country on the other. Hundreds of attacks have been perpetrated by these forces in the last four years, in which several Muslims, Dalits and Adivasis have lost their lives and many more have lost their property. People of all sections of the society are coming under Hindutva attack. In spite of this, the rulers have refused to resolve the problems of the people as they are only interested in the people's votes.

Dear people!

The spark of Naxalbari has become a prairie fire and has spread throughout the country. The exploitative ruling classes are unable to tolerate this. Particularly for the saffron terrorists in power, the country's Maoist movement has become unbearable. It is implementing its strategy against the movement in a very aggressive way exceeding the previous governments. In spite of this, the growth of political awareness, people's movements and democratic movements along with the revolutionary movement in the country have not allowed these oppressors to play their game of plunder as per their wishes. The people are fighting much more militantly than before. The People's Liberation Guerrilla Army (PLGA) is standing with the people and is fighting with renewed determination and dedication. Our Party is mobilising the masses and carrying out struggles by exposing the anti-people policies of the exploitative ruling classes from time to time. The masses in the areas of the revolutionary movement in particular are fighting with the spirit of self-sacrifice and courage to build a new democratic system in the country by forming people's governments in place of the exploitative government. Salwa Judum and Harnad Bahini were defeated. Thereafter the UPA government launched the war on people in 2009 with the strategy of Operation Green Hunt. But this too had to bite the dust and retreat after the Burkapal attack of 24 April 2017. The Union Home Minister had to acknowledge this defeat immediately even if in a muffled voice. The ruling classes have brought forward the 'Samadhan' strategy by talking big about a change of strategy. The people are acquiring many experiences in the course of defeating many enemy strategies through the people's war in the last fifty years as a part of the Indian revolutionary movement. Our Party appeals to the people that they fight back the new 'Samadhan' strategy by using this experience. We will not be able to safeguard the achievements of the last five decades of people's war if we fail to

defeat the higher-level enemy attacks by displaying a higher level of consciousness. Therefore, it is time to take forward the active self-defensive war with courage, determination and dexterity through tactical counter-offensive attacks by deeply studying the enemy and without giving scope for mistakes. Let us take lessons from the experiences of the immortal martyrs and continue the struggle for realising their ideals and aspirations.

Democrats, journalists, civil rights activists and students-youths,

You all had got mobilised on a war-footing and brought the facts to light against the massacre of 31 comrades by the Greyhound commandos of Andhra Pradesh Police at Ramguda of Odisha in October 2016. Massacres on an even bigger scale are being perpetrated today. Our Party CPI(Maoist) calls upon you to come forward to investigate these massacres immediately and to participate in the just struggle for the punishment of the perpetrators. You too are facing fascist attacks. You too are being arrested, denied bail and put behind bars for long durations. You too are being attacked and a few among you are being killed. In spite of all this, our Party has full confidence on you and believes that you will firmly stand by the people and the people's movements with conviction and courage. Your role in exposing and defeating Salwa Judum, Sendra and Harmad Bahini that were unleashed with the aim of spreading white terror among the masses is appreciable. You have valiantly struggled to expose Operation Green Hunt that was launched subsequently and forced it to beat an ignominious retreat. Our Party congratulates you for your efforts in the wake of your growing responsibilities in the Indian revolutionary movement. Our Party hopes that you will be active with ever more determination to face 'Samadhan' and resist the atrocities of the Hindutva forces in a conscious manner.

- ★ Condemn the ongoing state repression on the revolutionary, national liberation and democratic movements!
- ★ Expose the pro-imperialist and anti-people policies of the central and state governments!
- ★ Bring to light the facts behind Tadpal, Kassarur and Aipenta massacres and demand punishment for the guilty!
- ★ Organise memorial meetings and programmes in commemoration of Tadpal, Kassarur and Aipenta martyrs and hold high their sacrifice! Take pledge to fulfil their aspirations!

With revolutionary greetings,



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