

COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MAOIST)

Central Committee

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Objurgate the Fascist government for the death of Pandu Naroti in jail

The death of Pandu Naroti in Nagpur jail on 26th August 2022 nakedly shows the extent of cruelty and inhuman attitude of the Brahmanic Hindutva Fascist BJP Narendra Modi-Amit Shah clique in the country. The Central Committee of the Communist Party of India (Maoist) excoriates the 'murder' in the highest terms that could be used.

Pandu Naroti is a tribal villager of Gadchiroli who was arrested in a case along with five others including Dr. GN Saibaba. All the five were sentenced to life imprisonment. Human rights organisations have been fighting against the false case and the punishment. The condition of Prof. Saibaba is well known to all. While his health is severely deteriorating, Pandu Naroti of the same case lost his life out of swine flu. This is a clear murder of the human being who was in jail only by virtue of his birth as a tribal and also a gross violation of Constitutional democracy.

The sadism of the state administration can be understood from the fact that the family members of Pandu were not informed of his health when they wrote a letter to the jail authorities few days before his death. His lawyers had approached the court for urgent medical care in spite of which and the doctors' reference to a better hospital, he was deprived of better treatment. Health is a constitutional fundamental right of the citizens of the country. Even after his death they knew of it only through the newspapers. His lawyer Akash Sarote too was not informed. It needs to be reminded that Father Stan Swamy was denied a simple straw needed because of Parkinson's disease. Comrade Kiran in a jail in Mumbai was informed that his life partner Comrade Narmada suffering from higher stages of cancer in a hospice in the city was in her last stages but was denied by the authorities to meet her. He was taken only to see her dead body. Both of them were state level leaders of Dandakaranya arrested in 2019 June.

With this state of affairs of the courts in the country, all the Laws concerning democratic and fundamental rights of the citizens and the human rights commissions appointed by the governments are put to question. It is high time the citizens of the country react and react strongly against this uncivilized, tyrannical attitude of the Indian state. It is the need of the times to see that after the death of Father Stan Swamy last year and Pandu Naroti this year, Saibaba suffering with several vital ailments shall not fall into such a condition.

The CC appeals to all the oppressed classes, sections, democrats, patriots, well-wishers of the tribal people and the entire revolutionary, democratic, human rights, tribal organisations of the country and the world to raise voice in concern of the prisoners in Indian jails. It appeals to stress on this matter in the upcoming Action week from the September 13th to 19th called upon by the ICSPWI.

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