

COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MARXIST)

December 10, 2009

Dear Comrades,

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) conveys its warm fraternal greetings to all the delegates attending the 2nd Special Congress of the South African Communist Party and through them to the entire membership of the South African Communist Party.

The Special Congress of SACP is being held at a very crucial time. The entire world is reeling under the affects of the most severe capitalist crisis in the recent decades. Unemployment is increasing as many industries are closing. Job losses, worldwide, have further intensified income inequalities and poverty levels. The capitalist greed for profits has not only endangered livelihoods but is also threatening the very survival of life on planet Earth. Our struggle thus is not confined just to achieve some economic concessions but also save Mother Earth. Everybody is eagerly waiting for the outcome of the Copenhagen summit on climate change.

The crisis itself is a direct consequence of capitalism and imperialism and thus we cannot expect it to offer a real solution to either the present crisis or to the issue of climate change. This crisis, as Marx has explained, is inherent to the dynamics of the capitalist system that is based on human exploitation. No amount of tinkering with the system would save it from its ultimate demise. All the efforts carried out by capitalist governments across the world may only postpone this eventuality but can never prevent it. The real alternative to this crisis ridden system is socialism and this can be achieved through the struggles of the working class led by the vanguard communist parties.

Imperialism, is trying to come out of this crisis by shifting its responsibility and placing more burdens onto the shoulders of the working class and the people of the third world countries. This is reflected in the ongoing negotiations on the climate change and also in the Doha round of trade talks through which it is trying to prise open the markets of the third world countries to dump its agricultural goods. These attacks can be resisted only by mobilising large numbers of working people in the respective countries and also by developing South-South cooperation.

The government of our country is increasingly succumbing to the pressures of the US administration and has entered into a nuclear and also a strategic defence deal with the US. The government is also changing its stance on the carbon emissions, Doha trade talks to suit the interests of the imperialist forces. We in India, are waging continuous struggles against the moves of the US imperialism and its

efforts to rope in India as its junior partner.

The CPI (M) is watching with interest the struggles carried out by the SACP and its efforts to achieve the goals of National Democratic Revolution. We are also observing eagerly the struggles waged by the SACP for an enhanced role of the state in the economy, for better healthcare and against corruption. We are confident that the discussions and outcome of this Special Congress would certainly help in the further strengthening of the SACP and hasten the process of achieving its objectives.

The SACP has an inspiring history of struggle against apartheid and imperialism. Many valiant comrades have given their lives to achieve a society free from exploitation. We are confident that this Special Congress would be historic, by taking further the heritage of this glorious tradition.

Comrades,

Once again, we take this opportunity to convey our warmest fraternal greetings and express our deep sense of solidarity with the South African Communist Party and all the fighting people of the country. We wish the Congress all success and a happy new year to all.

COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PEOPLES OF SPAIN

SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY
Comrade Chris MATLHAKO
International Secretary

Dear Chris,

Regrettably, and due to difficulties and impediments of last hour, we could not, finally and like it was our desire, to be present in your 2nd Special National Congress. We regret it very sincerely.

I take advantage of this mail to transmit you our most fraternal greetings, and our best desires of success in your work, convinced that your Congress will represent a decisive contribution for the social justice, for the general well-being of the glorious South African people.

Fraternal greetings.

Pepe Cabo
Member Executive Committee PCE

KURDISTAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

To the 12th Special National Congress of the South African Communist Party
'South African Road to Socialism'

Dear comrades,

We salute you on your 12th Special Congress and express herewith our best wishes for a successful special congress. We look forward to strengthening and developing further relations between us, in joint international struggle against globalization of capitalism, and in favour of democracy, social progress, peace and socialism.

By sending you our greetings, we want to thank you for your consistent international solidarity with the Kurdish people.

The decline of the rights and lives of the Kurds and other oppressed ethnic groups in the Middle East and elsewhere around the world has become a permanent and profitable feature of modern capitalism. Imperialist powers have carved up the world in flagrant violation of traditional nations and ethnic homelands in order to facilitate their division of the world's wealth and the exploitation of the world's poor and working class people.

We believe that the acceptance of ethnic diversity, mutual solidarity and genuine protection for the rights of all cultures can only be achieved, by replacing the capitalist system with a democratic socialist order, built on shared wealth and full economic and political democracy. Only the United Socialist forces of the Middle East internationally based on equality and mutual respect can guarantee the human rights of the Kurds, Palestinians and other oppressed nationalities and ethnic groups.

Dear Comrades,

We are presently going through a critical period in the struggle for a political solution to the Kurdish question. After centuries of oppression, annihilation and denial of our identity, internal and external political developments offer us a new opportunity to move towards a political solution. In the last 31 years of our freedom struggle led by the PKK and Abdullah Ocalan the Kurdish people have brought Turkey to a crossroads. The 86 year history of the Turkish republic based on the state dogma of "one nation, one flag and one language", has started crumbling.

Our focus on Turkey has international importance, because Turkey will play a key role in the NATO's enlargement policy in Middle East as well as in the imperialist strategy of Afpak (Afghanistan-Pakistan). Thus the Kurdish freedom struggle has international importance. Turkey should not be allowed to play this role without facing its main internal problem. Without internal stability Turkey should not be allowed to influence the global and local strategies of global powers.

Therefore International solidarity with the Kurds is an international responsibility. A negotiated settlement between the Kurdish people and the Turkish state will stop further aggression in the Middle East.

We believe that the ongoing imprisonment of Abdullah Ocalan's by the Turkish government and the resistance waged from solitary confinement on the prison island of Imrali, must get your attention and that of the international community. Abdullah Ocalan was abducted in 1999 by the same western powers, who are trying to deepen the conflicts between the Kurdish and Turkish people.

Comrades, the desire of the Kurdish people is for the release of Abdullah Ocalan as essential criteria for peace. Abdullah Ocalan's influence in the Kurdish freedom struggle in Turkey is highly significant. We therefore welcome the international campaign "one million signatures for the release of Abdullah Ocalan, the legitimate leader of the Kurdish people" of the South African Kurdish Human Rights Action Group. The Kurdish problem in Turkey can be solved if Turkey would start to recognize the leadership of the Kurdish people. There is no other alternative to lasting peace, with the involvement of the leadership of the people. We understand this campaign to be a contribution towards peace in Turkey by South Africans and call on you Comrades, to support this significant initiative.

We believe that the People of South Africa and its political and civil organizations understand the situation of the Kurds, because of their own political and social struggle for the democracy that they enjoy today.

We wish you a successful 12th Special National Congress and remain at your disposal for the development of our comradely relations.

Comradely yours

Tahir Kamalizadeh

President of the Kurdistan National Congress