

# **Uphold the Spirit of Revolutionary Movement and Reject Desertion in the time of Repression!**

**Friends and Comrades,**

Today, we are passing through a period of increasing state repression intensified by the rise of Brahmanical Hindutva fascism. This state is using its institutional apparatus including the army and the paramilitary forces, anti-people legislations and judiciary to crush the struggles of the oppressed masses for their land, livelihood, dignity and liberation. It is determined to delegitimize and crush all voices of dissent. **We are at a turning point in history where the revolutionary struggles of the people are the only beacon of hope. At a time when the contradiction between the oppressor and the oppressed is stark, the praxis of revolutionary politics will guide us.** We should show the courage to stand uncompromisingly against the oppressors, expose the reactionary ideologies of the ruling classes and stand by the struggles waged by students, women, dalits, adivasis, oppressed nationalities, oppressed minorities and marginalised sexualities.

This state is using all means available to it to wage this war against the most oppressed people of this country. From Operation Green Hunt to introducing policies like Land Acquisition Bill while engineering attacks on oppressed minorities, implementing laws like UAPA and AFSPA and supporting private militias like Ikhwan in Kashmir, Salwa Judum and Ranvir Sena in the central heartlands, supporting Education Bills that scrap fellowships when education remains unaffordable for the vast majority, this war has now come to the streets. Structural violence is blatantly perpetrated with institutionalized impunity by the state on people from across caste, class, gender, religion and region. **The political ideological struggle against such forms of assaults on people can be strengthened only by a united and organised resistance.**

**In this present political situation, it is all the more important to practice revolutionary ideology.** A revolutionary ideology can be propagated only through a revolutionary organisation that maintains organisational principles and discipline. Without this, it will turn into mere rhetoric. In the time of rising fascism, we uphold the significance of a revolutionary ideology and organisation guided by the principles of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism. **Democratic Students' Union** upholds the banner of revolution and stands with all the struggles of the oppressed sections of society. **In such a time when revolutionary ideology is forthrightly standing against reactionary politics, and is fighting tooth and nail against the forces of fascism, degeneration in revolutionary camps is predictable and desertion is a path frequently taken amidst mounting state repression. This is visible to us with the resignation of some members of DSU at such a time.**

When a demand for enquiry on complaints of prolonged gendered oppression and sexual harassment was being made within the organization, some members refused to allow for an enquiry and attempted to scuttle all attempts to address the complaints. Over three and a half years, these complaints were being brushed under the carpet in the name of ideological differences. These members have now resigned. **DSU will ensure that the complaints are pursued till justice is delivered. We stand by the women comrades who have spoken out against harassment, asserted their right to be heard in the face of repeated intimidation and withstood humiliation all these years. We condemn and reject the allegation of slander made by those who have resigned against those who have stood by the complainants. And now, these individuals who have until recently claimed to stand against the repressive state apparatus are threatening an organization with “legal action”. This smacks of sheer hypocrisy. By taking the side of the ruling classes, resorting to false allegations and baseless lies, these opportunists are trying to coverup the fact of their complicity in defending the accused.**

**We reject factional politics that arrogantly silences women, shields sexual harassers and conceitedly slanders against the revolutionary movement in the name of ideological differences.** The long history of the active involvement of women from the most oppressed sections of society in the revolutionary movement at every level shows that the movement has grown along with the struggles of women. This uncompromising struggle strives to break the shackles of patriarchy in society. It is important for us to learn from their struggles braving all repression. The politics of the struggling masses has been built on the flesh and blood of hundreds and thousands who have laid down their lives with the spirit of revolutionary social transformation. **It is the spirit of this struggle from the flaming fields of Telangana, Srikakulam, Naxalbari, north-east to Kashmir that inspires DSU to fight for New Democratic Revolution.**

We appeal to **all democratic and progressive organisations, sympathisers, intellectuals and individuals** to stand in solidarity with us in the struggle for gender justice at a time of fascism when fear-mongering and psychological assault on democratic voices is an everyday occurrence. Let us unite to fight for a just and democratic society through radical social transformation. Naxalbari ek hi raasta!

**Fight against Factional Politics and take the path of  
New Democratic Revolution!  
Uphold Marxism-Leninism-Maoism!**

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