

# PROTESTS OF THE PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD

**IN FRANCE:** Opposing the enhancement of working hours from 35 w.hrs to 45 w.hrs or to 60 working hours in extraordinary conditions, protest demonstrations were held throughout France in 200 centres on 09-04-2016. The protest demonstrators even attempted for a sit -in protest in the premises of the house of the prime minister of France.

**IN USA:** Annoyed with the money politics at the Capitol Hill, people protested on 16-04-2016 in Washington.

**IN EGYPT:** Opposing the government handing over to disputed islands to Saudi Arabia, people protested at Cairo the capital of Egypt with placards on 15-04-2016.

**IN NORWAY:** Opposing forcibly taking over children of foreign parents by the children's welfare department of Norway, foreigners have protested throughout the country carrying banners reading "fight! Fight against BAR NEVER NET on 17-04-2016.

**IN LONDON:** Green peace activists covered 17 statues in London with gas masks to demand action against rising air pollution in the city, on 18-04-2016. They claim that every year in U.K, air pollution kills 40,000 lives. They fixed breathing masks on statues of Lord Nelson in Trafalgar square, Queen Victoria near Buckingham palace and Oliver Cromwell out - side the parliament building in London.

**IN VIETNAM:** On 01-05-2016, hundreds of people protested at Hanoi against a Taiwanese Company, opposing the massive death of fishes caused by the "Fomoso" plastic company that has been polluting the environment. The steel factory of the company has been polluting water with poisonous effluents. Its 'red tide' is killing fish. Demanding justice for fish, the protesting fisherman dumped fish on the highway in their protest agitation.

**IN ARGENTINA:** Opposing the Job cuts and governments decision involving moratorium on job-filling up to Dec'16, more than 200,000 workers belonging to various organisations have held massive protest demonstrations at Buenos Aires. Protest rallies were conducted throughout the country at various places.

**IN JAPAN:** Opposing the amendment of constitution 50,000 citizens of Japan have protested 04-05-2016, on the 69<sup>th</sup> memorial day of constitution of Japan.

**IN GREECE:** Opposing the proposed voting Greece's parliament voting on Tax and pension overhaul reform that would reduce Greece's pension payments, merge of several pension funds increase contributions and raise taxes for people of medium and high income, thousands of people took to the streets of Athens on 08-05-2016 in protest. The reforms are adopted as a part of the package of austerity measures demanded by E.U and IMF.

**IN GUATEMALA:** On 12-05-2016, demanding nationalisation of electricity sector and distribution of land to farmers besides, stopping political vengeance against the human rights activists, farmers in Guatemala protested blocked the highways in 14 main towns. Tens of thousands of farmers and aboriginal natives participated in the protest agitations.

**IN BAGHDAD:** On 20-05-2016 a massive protest of the people belonging to various groups protested at the Green Zone of Baghdad in Iraq, against the government's failure to approve anti-corruption reforms and maintain security in the city. At least 4 anti-government protesters were killed and 90 injured when security forces ejected them from Baghdad's Green Zone, using live ammunition against the protestors.

**IN AUSTRALIA:** In the Victoria state of Australia farmers have blockaded roads and road transport by stopping tractors and livestock on the main roads protesting against the reduction of the price of milk collecting from farmers. Farmers in all cities of Australia have protested on 25-05-2016. They also protested against a tax of 0.50 Australia dollar on each one litre of milk.

**IN VENEZUELA:** Protesting against the interference of foreign powers (organisation American states-USA) in the internal affairs of their country more than 10,000 people have held protest demonstrations at Caracas, venting their anger against US interference in their internal affairs ; on 03-06-2016.

**IN ARGENTINA:** Protesting against violence on women and killing of women, for the first time the women of Argentina protested at Buenos Aires on 04-06-2016. On this massive protest demonstration the women demanded “let the women live!” Not even a single woman shall be killed”. This Protest demonstration is held in the back ground that 275 women that were killed on a single day on 03-06-2016; at different places in the country. For every 30 hours a woman is being killed and children are becoming orphans. Violence on women is a common feature in Argentina.

**IN INDIA:** Tens of thousands of people have taken out a protest procession on 06-06-2016 at Guawahati of Assam state against construction of big dams and land acquisition by the national power grid.

**IN JAPAN:** Opposing the US military presence in Naha, Okinawa on 19-06-2016 a massive protest demonstration was held, thousands of Japanese holding placards the read “with draw marine crops!” They took up a protest rally. The protest came in the back drop of rape and murder of a local woman by a former US marine in April. The case has intensified long standing opposition to US bases a key part of US. Security alliance in the country. There are around 26,000 US troops is Okinawa more than half the total Washington keeps in all of Japan. A banner carried by protestors read” However Marines out of Okinawa!” and” our anger is past its limit and “pullout the Marines”.

In Tokyo 3,000 people gathered outside parliament in protest with placards reading” No base No rape in Okinawa” and” Marines go home!”.

**IN IRAN:** On the Jerusalem day on 01-07-2016, tens of thousands held pro-Palestinian rallies, and a protest parade making the day. They set ablaze an effigy of the U.S. statue of liberty decorated with the star of David on its head during the parade as a protest.

**IN LIBYA:** Protesting against the French military intervention in Libya, on 20-07-16, a protest demonstration was held at Martyrs square in Tripoli. Libyan protesters held banners and placards during the demonstration.

**IN AUSTRALIA:** Protesting against incarceration of children, protest demonstrations were held in various cities of Australia by hundreds of protesters. Protest were held on 30-06-2014 in Melbourne, Sidney, Brisbane and other cities. People have vented their anger against violence on children in prisons. They demanded enquiry on various incidents of violence on children in prisons and also compensation to the families of victims.

**IN S.KOREA:** Massive protest demonstration was held on 28-09-16 in Seoul of S.korea opposing incarceration of trade union leaders illegally and against violence perpetrated against them in jails. In South Korea only in the world the trade union leaders are punished with heavy fines. The protesters also demanded the recognition of “RIGHT TO STRIKE” of the workers. Worker’s representatives in large numbers from Canada and France also have participated in the protest demonstration by expressing their solidarity to the South Korean workers and trade union leaders.

**IN BRUSSELS:** More than 60,000 people have protested in Brussels on 29-09-2016, opposing the austerity measures taken up by the government leading to job cuts, increase of work hours, increase of eligible age for pensioners etc.

**IN USA:** On 02-10-2016, people protested at California against the police shooting of an Ugandan immigrant. In another incident on 30-09-2016, officers in Los Angeles shot and killed an 18 year man at the end of a car chase sparking further protests.

**IN PHILIPPINES:** Opposing the enhanced defence cooperation agreement between the US and Philippines, people held a protest demonstration on 04-10-2016, at Manila in front of US embassy. They expressed their anger against the US and Philippines forces opening their first large scale combat exercises.

**IN FRANCE:** Massive protests and demonstrations were conducted in 35 cities of France on 16-10-2016, by thousands of protesters opposing the Free trade agreement (T.A.F.T.A) between European Union and America as well opposing the agreement made with Canada by France. Even such protests were held in Germany and Belgium in the first week of October.

**IN BRITAIN:** on 01-11-2016, the KOBANE DAY - a day of demonstrations for peace - opposing the imperialists provoking war for their economic benefits and other objectives, protest marches

were held in London, Manchester and Edinburg cities demanding peace and freedom. Hundreds of protestors claimed that kokanee city is the symbol of progressive ideal and democracy.

**IN E.U :** Demanding to not to import cheap steel from china workers belonging to various steel factories different E.U. countries have protested at Brussels on 10-11-2016, in front of E.U. and others. They carried placards reading “STOPTT CHINA-DUMPING” etc slogans in the protest demonstrations.

**IN S.KOREA:** Massive protest demonstration is Seol was held on 19-11-2016, in which more than 500,000 have participated in the street-marches for the fourth week in a row, demanding President ParkGeum-hye resign over a corruption scandal.

**IN GREECE:** Opposing another new reins of austerity measures to be taken by the government, a general strike throughout the country was held on 25-11-2016 in which people of all walks of life have participated is protest against them.

**IN CHICAGO:** Expressing their anger and discontent against the discrimination and harsh actions of police against minority groups, particularly against the people of black races, agitations erupted on 25-11-2016, the BLACK FRIDAY in Chicago of USA. White killing of black people, indiscriminately by white police officers has become a day to day affair, the protests and agitations of people belonging to minority groups has become a continuous protest programme from the last year’s BLACK FRIDAY.

**IN TURKEY:** In the first week of December, thousands of people including women and children marched in Istanbul Opposing against a controversial bill that would overturn men’s convictions for child sex assault if they married their victim.

More than 3,000 protesters marched carrying placards reading “We will not shut up. We will not obey. Withdraw the bill immediately” “RAPE CAN NOT BE LEGITAMISED”, they claimed that the bill would ‘pardon rapists’ and ‘bring amnesty to rapists of children’.

**IN BRAZIL:** Thousands of people protested at BRASILLA the capital of Brazil on 05-12-2016, against corruption by higher - up in the government including judges and the speaker of the parliament. The Protests were held in various towns of Brazil also.

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