

EMULATE COM. T.N's IDEAS AND PRACTICE

— Call of Speakers at birth Centenary Meeting in Anantapuram, AP

On Feb 11, 2017, the Tarimela Nagi Reddy Memorial Trust and Tarimela Nagi Reddy Memorial Committee have jointly organized a massive rally and public meeting in Anantapuram, AP in commemoration of completion of birth Centenary of Com. T.N – a great Marxist intellectual and revolutionary. Prior to this, Com. TN's Centenary inaugural meeting was held in Hyderabad at Sundaraiah Vignana Bhavan followed by meetings and book releases at several places in AP. The people, admirers of Com. T.N, the cadre of revolutionary and left parties from five States, the relatives and friends of Com. TN have enthusiastically participated in the rally and public meeting in Anantapuram on Feb 11, 2017. The people began the rally at 3.0 PM from TN's statue at the clock tower Junction with Red Flags and banners in hands and reached the Arts College Ground – the venue of public meeting. The traditional folk dance performed by the peoples artists in tune with drum beatings all along the way in front of the rally was an inspiring scene.

A big platform was erected at the venue with Com. T.N's photo and banners. At the outset, the people's artists have sung the songs and danced hailing the Red Flag and Com. TN's qualities of sacrifice and dedication to the cause of people and revolution. The meeting paid homage to all who laid down their lives, including Com. TN for the cause of people and revolution. Cherukuri Satyanarayana, the Secretary of TN Memorial Committee (TNMC) respectfully invited and introduced the speakers on to the dais. He also invited some close friends on to the dais as a mark of respect.

Dr. Ghanta Venkat Rao, the President of TNMC has presided over the meeting. He recollected how, he and his colleagues were inspired by the intellectual wealth of Com. T.N. and his dedication to the cause of people and involved themselves in the activities of students front and other mass organizations at the time.

Suravaram Sudhakar Reddy, the General Secretary of CPI explained how he came to know of TN indirectly. He said: TN had courageously fought all along his life with a spirit of sacrifice, patriotism and for a fundamental change in the society. At a time such as now when the communal and rightist forces like BJP, RSS are ruling the Country the need for all the left and democratic forces coming on to a common platform and unitedly fighting against them is greater. Today, the democracy is in serious danger. The demonetization declared by Modi has only imposed more burdens on the people rather than ending corruption, fake notes, black money and terrorism as claimed by Modi. The so – called talk about cashless exchange too is a move sought to be resorted to in the interests of MNCs and imperialism. Advancing the democratic and united movements in defense of democracy can alone be a best way of paying homage to the leaders like T.N. He paid homage to TN on behalf of the Central Committee of CPI.

M.A.Gafoor, the CCM, CPI (M) said: At his younger age, he attended the public meetings addressed by TN and was inspired by his speeches. TN was a courageous person. He yearned for Communism and carried on the struggle holding the flag of Marxism high till the last moment of his life.

TN was totally dedicated to the cause and practice and did not hesitate to oppose his family members, chiefly even his own father. Gafoor paid homage to T.N. on behalf of the Central Committee of CPI (M).

Subodh Mitra, the CCM of CPI (ML) first paid the revolutionary homage to T.N. on behalf of the Central committee of CPI (ML). He said: On March 16, 1969, TN had declared in the AP State Assembly that the legislative bodies have turned into mere talking shops and resigned to the Assembly with an aim of moving the people into revolutionary action. He had tirelessly toiled to develop the

people's movements. He strove for the unity of revolutionaries. Today, every branch of Country's life is plagued by more severe crisis than what existed at the time when TN made his court statement, "India Mortgaged". The loot of Country's natural resources and the fruits of people's toil by the imperialists, MNCs and Indian Corporate Houses is becoming unbearable with every passing day for the working class and other toiling people. In the face of this situation, we must build the people's movements against the policies of Central and State governments and prepare the people for New Democratic Revolution with an aim of overthrowing the exploiting ruling classes from power. Dr. Jaswantha Rao, the Secretary of TNMT has translated the speech from English into Telugu.

Suddala Ashok Teja, a popular Cine songs writer said: He feels, he got the honour of speaking on the platform like this not because he is a cine songs writer but because of his being the son of Suddala Hanumanthu who fought in Telangana Peasant Armed Struggle (1946-51) with pen in one hand and gun in another hand. I did not see TN, but came to know of him at younger age when my father was explaining the contents of TN's speech to my mother with all appreciation. The Organizers of this meeting gave me some books. I was seriously shaken when I have gone through them and knew more about T.N. TN represented best of the qualities like his personal character, spirit of struggle, dedication and sacrifice. Ashok Teja has sung a song penned by him in homage to T.N.

Simhadri Jhansi, the AP state leader of CPI (ML) has explained the significance of TN's birth Centenary in the background of crisis – ridden international and national situation. She said: Rededicating ourselves to the road shown and practiced by TN will be a real homage to him. Best of all qualities like modesty, intellectual wealth, talent and patience to convince others, stamina of defying all hardships, unlimited love and concern for the people, hating the enemies, Marxist knowledge and vision of future that TN had represented as a Communist Revolutionary are inseparable from his revolutionary practice. The line TN pursued was as difficult as his personality was great. We hope, the cadre, revolutionary ranks and the revolutionary sympathizers understand the fact that we continued to remain bound by this road and politics in the last four decades defying all difficulties, ups and downs, withstanding and overcoming all hurdles and splits and are moving ahead.

The urge for unity of Communist Movement is good. At the same time, there is need for the CRs to study, examine and debate dispassionately, internally and without making the individuals as the main what attitudes and stand – points were adopted on various issues and what differences had manifested over them in the course of 90 years of Communist Movement. I am happy to note that, as a part of this effort, the TNMT and TNMC have brought out books on several aspects of history of Indian Communist Movement this year on the eve of T.N's birth Centenary.

Chaganti Mallikarjuna Reddy, leader of Karnataka People's Movement said that they could organize a big protest movement and win a partial victory because they were guided by the ideas of TN and made the people conscious accordingly.

At the end, the Organizers of the meeting have presented the Mementos and the books to some as a mark of honouring them.

Y.Sudhir Reddy, the representative of TNMT has conveyed the vote of Thanks to all who took part in the rally and public meeting and who extended the help and co-operation in various form to the organization of this programme.

The birth Centenary of TN, attended by thousands of people, revolutionary ranks and democrats, took place in an atmosphere of enthusiasm and fine memories of TN and concluded with a spirited good bye.
