

Report :Memorial Meeting of Comrade Kovai Eswaran

On July 1st, 2018, the CPI (ML) has organized the Memorial Meeting of Com. Kovai Eswaran, a veteran comrade and the Secretary of Tamil Nadu State Committee of CPI (ML), at his residence in CIT Nagar, Chennai. The Comrades congregated at the venue in the morning have paid tributes to the Comrade who departed on July 1st, 2017.

The meeting began at 4 pm with inspiring revolutionary songs sung by the singers of Peoples' Art and Literary Forum.

Com. Chitrasasu has welcomed the Comrades. Com. Gunalan from the State Organising Committee of the CPI (ML) has presided over the meeting. In his address, he recollected the happenings in the political spectrum and the peoples' issues. He explained how the party in Tamil Nadu suffered because of the demise of Com. Eswaran and stressed that a dedicated work to fulfill and complete the tasks left behind by the Comrade alone can be a fitting tribute to the departed Comrade. He also underlined the need to lend all support to the family of Comrade Kovai Eswaran.

Com. Kochadai in his speech has remembered the days he worked with Comrade Eswaran. Com. Sivakumar in his speech has emphasized the need to make the people conscious, organize and move them into struggle against the Government's corporate loot and the anti-people policies. He said, every one of us miss a voracious orator, senior leader and a guide in the sphere of cultural movement. Senior Advocate Sankara Subbu has said that he is fighting in the Court of law for attaching Edapaddi as the first culprit in the Thoothukudi massacre of 13 people in the police firing. He also remembered the days when he along with com. Eswaran fought in the Peoples' Civil Liberties Organisation against the execution of Naxalbari comrades in the death sentence. Professor Gangadharan. Advocate Manoharan spoke in length and breadth on the fine qualities represented by comrade Eswaran in the political as well as personal life. Com. Thyagu of Tamil National Liberation Movement said com. Eswaran's demise has inflicted an irreparable loss to the movement. He also expressed it is not good to go in for a joint protest action with the ruling class opposition parties who pursue the same policies represented by the party in power. Com. Veerasami of the Peoples' Art and Literary Forum (MKEK) stressed that it is necessary to take serious note of the warnings made by com. Thyagu. Com. Veeraraghavan, CPI(M), in his speech said that though he belonged to a different Party he was consulting com. Eswaran on each and every issue of the area and other people's issues. Com. Sundaravinayagam has pointed out that taking forward the politics and tasks of the party left behind by com. Eswaran aggressively will be the best tribute to com. Eswaran.

Com. Priya, daughter of com. Eswaran, in her speech said that even though they lost their father the family receives moral support and help from the party. She vowed that her family along with her brother's family would continue to work for the revolution in the footsteps of her father.

Com. P.jaswantha Rao, Editor, Class Struggle, recounted his acquaintance with com. Eswaran and paid rich tributes to him. He explained the prevailing political situation in the country – growing fascistic trends in the polity, unbridled attacks by Hindu communal forces, growing authoritarian meddling in the affairs of the states by the central government and deteriorating living and working conditions of the people. To organize the people into struggles to change the existing social system should be the fitting homage to the departed leader Com.Eswaran, he said.

Com. Suseelan, the CCM of CPI (ML) in his speech has said that the best Communist qualities, hard work and dedication represented by com. Eswaran must be emulated by one and all.

Finally, Anuraadha, granddaughter of Com. Eswaran, gave the vote of thanks. She promised to follow the ideals and politics of her grandfather. She thanked all the participants of the Memorial meeting.

2000 leaflets and posters were distributed and pasted in all the surroundings of CIT Nagar. Also a political campaign was widely carried on the need of uniting the CRs and developing the Proletarian Party in our country.

Later, the people from different political spectrums have paid tribute to comrade Kovai Eswaran.' Particularly, Com. M.T.Pandian from the Peoples' Liberation raised rousing slogans, garlanded Com. Kovai Eswaran's portrait and paid tributes.
