

Homage to Martyrs

On October 1, 2018 Karnapur Bachao Sangharsh Samithi, Badkagaon, Hazaribagh Chatra Latehar, Jharkhand held a meeting at Dadikala Maidan to pay homage to four young boys who became martyrs in a police firing on October 1, 2016.

For long, the people of Karnapur area had been opposing the grabbing of land and loot of mineral wealth by the big companies. As part of this, the students, youth and general mass of people had come out into the streets on October 1, 2016. They raised the slogans like Jal, Jangal, Jameen and mineral wealth belongs to the people; oppose their loot by big companies. However, the police, in collusion with the management of NTPC and local administration chose to rain the bullets on the peaceful protesters. Consequently, four young boys, namely Mehatab Alam, Ranjan Kumar Das, Pavan Kumar Sav and Abhishek Roy had become martyrs. Many were seriously wounded. Two years are over. But no action was taken by the company or the govt. against the killers. Killings and repression continued unabated against the people in Karnapur and Jharkhand under the BJP led govt. Karnapur Bachao Sangharsh Samithi has, therefore, decided to intensify the protest in defense of people's rights and against the suppressive policies of the govt. The meeting to pay homage to the martyrs is only a part of this effort. Prominent protesters and leaders from different areas as well as people of Karnapur have participated in good number in this meeting. The speakers paid rich homage to 2016 Martyrs. They demanded capital punishment to the murderers of protesters. They pointed out the need to further intensify and strengthen the protest movement in defense of the people's rights. They said that it alone can be a best homage to the 2016 Martyrs. The people went back with enhanced spirit of struggle and determination.
