

# COMRADE MADHU - A COMMITTED MARXIST - LENINIST

Right from the era of CPI and CPM, Com. Madhu started his Revolutionary life as a Student's Union member, activist and in the process evolved as an activist of the twin cities committee of Andhra Pradesh Communist Committee (Revolutionaries). After playing a significant role in the preparatory efforts of laying revolutionary foundation during 1969-70's, Com. Madhu not only involved fully in the party activities of Hyderabad centre, but also maintained relations with the forest movements. Within short period of time party split because of political differences. At the time of UCCRI (ML) formation, Comrade Khokan Mazumdar and Kesab Sarkar came to Andhra to meet Com. D.V.Rao and to correspond Com. Kanu Sanyal in Vizag jail. Comrade Madhu met those two Comrades. During the emergency crisis, after the martyrdom of Com. Tarimela Nagireddy, Com. Madhu was one of those comrades who took forward the party line.

Comrade Madhu also had taken up the responsibility of running the party's internal organ 'Jwala' during the emergency period. Since 1976 onwards, he has been discharging his responsibility in the various unity efforts as a member of the Central Committee of the party as well as the secretary of the Central Committee, till the day of his demise. He played a significant role in the publication of party journals in Telugu and English, in the preparation of political reports on theoretical problems and in the preparation of party reviews.

He became the General Secretary of the party for the first time during the Central Conference of the UCCRI (ML) in 1989. That Central Conference Review has paved the way for the organisation at that critical juncture, immediately after the conference talks with Com. SantiRoy and others started, but don't worked out. After that, within a short time the effort for unity within three revolutionary organizations, ND, Resistance and UCCRI (ML) began. But the efforts for the unity of the three revolutionary organisations has not become fruitful at that time. The two revolutionary organisations Resistance and UCCRI (ML) made efforts for the unity.

The unity efforts started by K.Ramachandran, Madhu, Viswam and Rajanna has transformed into an unity between six Communist

Revolutionary Groups and thus finally CPI (ML)-Janasakti was formed. But the result of the six years unity efforts has gradually failed and a situation has been created which led to the formation of a COC of Janasakti, with P.K. Murty, Viswam, Madhu, Gananath Patro and Pradeep Benarjee and Somanath Chatarjee. Com. Madhu was elected as the secretary for this COC.

Subsequently, by 1998-99, the process of unity discussions with 'New Initiative' under the leadership of Com. Aravind Sinha and with COI (ML) under the leadership of Com. Kanu Sanyal, ultimately led to the formation of '**Unity Initiative**' with 'new initiative', CPI (ML)-Janasakti COC groups. Comrade Madhu was elected as the general secretary of '**Unity Initiative**'. In mid 2001, Com. Viswam had to take up the responsibility of the general secretary.

COI (ML) under the leadership of Com. Kanu Sanyal and 'unity initiative' have formed into a 'coordination committee' under the convenership of Com. Kanu Sanyal. In this process, the CPI(U) ML under the leadership of Com. Subodh Mitra joined the Co-ordination Committee. The three organisations COI (ML), Unity Initiative, and CPI(U) (ML) have formed into CPI (ML) with Com. Kanu Sanyal as its General Secretary. During that period itself, unity discussions with CPI (ML)-Red Flag under the leadership of Com. K.N.Ramachandran and Jaya Kumar took place. In 2003, Red flag was divided and K.N.Ramachandran formed Red Star and became a partner of the Co-ordination Committee.

This Co-ordination Committee, with Com. Kanu Sanyal as its Convener started unity efforts. The CPI (ML)-Red Star under the general secretary ship of KNR and the CPI (ML) under the general secretary ship of Com. Kanu Sanyal have united. They conducted unity conferences. In the unity conference of revolutionary forces in 2005, the CPI (ML) was formed, under the general secretary ship of Com. Kanu Sanyal. Com. Madhu has acted as an executive committee member in this Central Committee in the unity of CPI (ML) -COJ and CPI (ML). Com. Alope Mukharjee and Com. Madhu played a significant role.

After the demise of Com. Jaswantha Rao, Com. Madhu took up the responsibility of the central organ CLASS STRUGGLE and published this journal even in this critical condition of grief. He was engrossed in the work of CLASS STRUGGLE till the day before his demise, suffering with acute and chronic illness.

Com. Madhu's childhood was spent in utter poverty in Mahaboob Nagar district. He lost his mother at a tender age. Madhu had one elder brother; in the process of party work, he married Com. Padma an activist; and one daughter Ajitha also an activist in CPI (ML). With a zeal to get educated, Comrade Madhu has pursued his studies facing many inconveniences. Working as a meagre **employee**, he has simultaneously participated in the student and literary movements and also continued his studies and completed his graduation in law. Since he has devoted his life to the revolutionary movement he has not entered the legal profession at all. With firm inflexible commitment, he devoted his life to the cause of revolution and immersed in the politics of revolution starting at the age of 15 till his demise at 78 years. Com. Madhu has been assuming and fulfilling revolutionary responsibilities and tasks throughout his life. Forgetting his birth identity, he assumed revolutionary identity. His entire life story is nothing but a story of revolution itself. The devotion, hard-working and sacrificing nature of Com. Madhu will be a great inspiration and an exemplary model to the activists of this generation!

### **Some More About Madhu**

His family name was Mariganti Srinivasacharyulu. He hails from Rangapuram village, Vangur Mandal near Kalvakurthi of Mahaboob Nagar district. Presently, it falls under Nagarkurnool district. The grandfather of Com. Madhu, Sri Jagannadhacharyulu has written "Nrisimha Suprabhatam" in Sanskrit. This "Suprabhatam" is used to be regularly read at the temple of Yadadri Nrisimha Swamy. Com. Madhu was born in a family of scholarly devine Brahmins of Vaishnavite tradition. But Com. Madhu has renounced his traditional caste identity to devote his life to revolution.

His primary education took place in Rangapuram village. Middle school education was done at Kalvakurthi. During his studies at high -school Com. Madhu was attracted to the activities of left student movement. Undergoing utmost poverty, he studied his PUC, degree and law graduation in Osmania University at Hyderabad. He actively participated in the activities of left student movement. As a student, his particular interest was in literature.

He actively participated in the movement for Visakha Steel Plant. In the end of 1960, a story collection of regional writers of Mahaboob Nagar was published. The role of Com. Madhu in the publication of this collected stories "GADDI POOLU" (THE FLOWERS OF HAY) is particularly to be remembered. After

1966 conflict, an inner party meeting was conducted at Palakollu at the state level and a plenum at Bhardwan at All India level.

Thereafter, under the leadership of the expelled comrades Devulapalle Venkateswara Rao, Tarimela Nagi reddy, Chandra Pulla Reddy and Kolla Venkaiah from CPI(M). Andhra Pradesh Communist Committee of Revolutionaries was formed in 1968. Com. Madhu, who was inclined towards this Communist-revolutionaries Committee, became a professional revolutionary until the last breath of his life. His staunch conviction to its fundamental concept and orientation persisted without wavering to right or extremist or anarchic trends. He strongly held high the banner of Marxism-Leninism and Mao's thought. He stood strongly against the various ups and downs and the inevitable theoretical and political conflicts that arose internally and externally in the party. He uncompromisingly opposed opportunist policies. During 1979-80, when it became inevitable to confront with the Secretary of the Central Committee of UCCRI (ML), Com. D.V., Com. Madhu, by suppressing his agony, continued his confrontation.

He keenly observed the developments occurred in the Telugu literary movement, particularly the 1970 'Shasti Poorti' celebration of poet SRI SRI and the formation of RAS (Revolutionary Writers Association), its growth and various trends expressed in the literary movement of that time. He evolved and formulated the concept of cultural movement with the correct understanding of 'new democratic revolution'. When Rebel Poets "TIRAGABADU KAVULU" of Warangal region, published a 'rebel poem', Com. Madhu in the name of Krishna Murty has written a critical review in 'SRUJANA' journal.

Pointing out the extremist trends that arose in the 1972 Guntur conference of VIRASAM (RWA), Com. Madhu has prepared the document "Cultural Revolution and Tasks". In the same year, Com. Madhu took up the responsibility of building up of NAVODAYA SAHITI SAMSCRITIKA SAMAKHYA, Hyderabad and publication of the literary journal "Jeeva Naadi". In 1973 when revolutionary poet Jwalamukhi raised the trend that a non-aligned out-look is necessary in Virasam, Com. Madhu criticising that trend wrote an exhaustive article "Nonaligned out-look of Revolutionary Poets" in the name of Prakasa Rao. Under the same name he also wrote the document. "The People's movement of literature and culture – Communitsts"

The political and theoretical efforts of Com. Madhu in analyzing the national and international situations and giving a correct out-look and orientation about those situations have to be particularly mentioned. He

participated in the efforts of resolving the acute and delicate differences that arose among Communist Revolutionaries. He fulfilled his task and responsibilities with utmost commitment as an organising committee member of the Central Committee with regard to the unity of the party, unity among revolutionaries and united action of left forces.

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