

# My Revolutionary Tributes to Comrade Madhu

Comrade Madhu was born into a traditional family in Nizam State (Telangana) and evolved into a warrior on the side of laboring and exploited masses. He got himself conscientised and determined to conscientize the oppressed masses of people. In the process he dedicated himself to the peoples revolutionary movement. His boyhood was one unbearable want and struggle which he as overcome with grit and smiles. By participating in the activities of student and youth inspired from district communist party leadership, he realised that the exploitative social system was the root cause of poverty. It did not take much time for him from amateur to a matured activist. He resolved to dedicate himself to the task of eradicating the social ills and exploitation.

By becoming a member of Hyderabad city unit of CPI (M) and through the study of Marxist literature Com. Madhu could form a clear vision of the problems of revolutionary movement and the social movements. He carried out crucial responsibilities at the call of the Party. Staying in the backdrop he concentrated his efforts on the literary and cultural movement. As the leader of the team which brought out the magazine JEEVA NAADI, he doubled his efforts in this task. His tireless efforts in the roles of secretary of Hyderabad unit of the Party (1973-76), as member of the State Executive Committee (1974), as member of the Central Committee (1976) and as State Secretary of the Party, while having been close to D.V., are distinguishing and memorable.

While the undesirable happenings that occurred in the party in 1980 were saddening, the way Com. Madhu stood up to them in the true spirit of communism is the proof of his firm commitment. The happenings throw a challenge to the Party. Comrades Anand, Madhu and Viswam stood up to the challenge. They differed with DV on the stand to be adopted with regard to the theoretical problems of international communist movement and other ideological issues. The way Viswam and Madhu immersed themselves after separation in conducting party conferences at various levels of

organisation rallying the party to adopt correct theoretical line and strengthening it organisationally, is worth mentioning.

The revolutionary movement found a most worthy comrade in Com. Madhu. He was inseparable from it. Our later experiences in coordinating our efforts in entering into a dialogue and merger with other parties of different theoretical positions on certain matters with a hope to gain revolutionary friends at national level are worthy of remembrance. In this journey to make the party stronger, the struggles were waged not only with others, but also within our Party. In the course of preparing a document of the review of the conference of 1989 of UCCRI (ML), we could gain great confidence and steadiness in our revolutionary stand. With further changes and additions it could be further strengthened and improved. In this Com. Madhu took it as a challenge and had put in a lot of labour to fulfill the task. That review document stands in testimony of the comradery of Madhu and me.

Each comrade will have certain unique ability and potential. In pooling them into a group (Dalam) and coordinating all their potentials is a special endeavour. Com. Madhu displayed extraordinary talent in this endeavour keeping himself at the center of the task. His endeavour in this serves as a guiding principle for the upcoming leaders among the cadre.

**Com. Madhu has been discharging his duties** and responsibilities despite being afflicted with ill health for the last two years. He had undergone cardiac surgery in his youth. That also had some impact on his lungs and would fall fatigue while climbing to high altitudes. In February 2019 his medical friends diagnosed the problem as ILD (Interstitial Lung Disease). Because of this the walls of his pulmonary tissue had got thickened. Only thirty percent of his respiratory capacity was in function. Regular medication and monthly visits to the doctors had become a routine. There also arose a need to keep an oxygen cylinder ready for use. In all, Madhu's health had turned very fragile. Under these conditions since April 8<sup>th</sup> he suffered an attack of incessant cough. Doctors said that it is a problem associated with ILD and prescribed drugs. But no improvement was found. The suffering didn't subside. He was taken to a doctor on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April. After a CT scan investigation he was admitted into the Hospital. A lot of infection in the lungs was the cause of the problem. He was put on appropriate medication. Yet, there was no relief. When me and my

comrades called on him by phone it was clear that he was going through intense suffering. There was nothing more to be done. Com. Madhu himself seems to have realized it. Except for the physical suffering, his voice did not sound any signs of anxiety. When we assured him of the best available medical treatment to overcome his illness he answered 'okay'. But, unfortunately the efforts could not succeed. Finally, in the early morning at 4 o' clock on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April he succumbed and martyred. Com. Madhu will live forever in our memory and revolutionary practice. I express my revolutionary tributes in the memory of Com. Madhu.

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**Viswam**