## Revolutionary Tributes and Red Salutes to Comrades

## Comrade Gemmala Lachaigh:

On 25-2-2023 Leader of Duggeru Rythu Coolie movement Com Gemmala Lachaiah died in Duggeru due to heart attack at the age of 80. He has been an organiser of Duggeru village community (Sangham) programs for three decades since Rythu Coolie Sangam (RCS) started working among the people of tribal and plane villages in Duggeru area of Vizianagaram district. Com Lachaiah is well known to all as a reliable and honest comrade and president of the village community. All the community workers used to call him naanna (dad) out of love.

When landlords and their goons conspired to completely annihilate their Duggeru community and attacked it on November 17, 1999, Com. Lachaiah showed exemplary leadership skills in protecting Duggeru community by directly leading hundreds of people holding axes and spears. Com. Jenni Tirupati, a young comrade was martyred in that struggle. From then on, as the leader of the community, Com. Lachaiah held commemoration meetings of Com. Tirupati and many others who died later, always demonstrating his communist consciousness. He is the tribal leader who believed that they could improve their lives only by not letting down Red flag and their organisation. The Rythu Coolie Sangham humbly pays its tribute to Com Lachaiah, who rose from a humble background to become the leader of the movement and who held the Red flag high till his last breath.

## Rythu Coolie Sangham (Andhra Pradesh)

## **Comrade Premranjan Tagore:**

Com Premranjan Tagore of Thakurganj area passed away today on March 16th morning. Premranjan Tagore, a resident of Lodhabari village, is known as Comrade Ranjan to comrades everywhere. A poor farmer by birth, he joined the CPI (M-L) movement in the second half of the 1970s. He was a close associate of Khokan Majumdar, leader of the Naxalbari movement and a party worker for fifty long years and former State Committee Member of CPI (ML). He directly lead the important farmers' movement in Naxalbari region, along with organizing the people, he was active in forming a party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong thought. He was an efficient organizer in Lagoa area of Darjeeling district in West Bengal and was a member of the regional committee. He set an example as an active organizer even in extreme poverty. He was suffering from respiratory disease for quite some time and in that condition also he used to participate in various programs of the party. Finally, at the age of 68, Com Ranjan's struggling life came to an end. We convey our deepest condolences to the family of Com Premaranjan Tagore on his demise.

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