## **Red Salutes to Comrade Yesu**

Com Yesu was suffering from a heart ailment for some time and passed away on 15-06-2023 at Giripuram in Vijayawada. Born in the downtrodden class, Com Yesu participated in toiling masses movements and stood against the exploiting classes along with his fellow toilers for their rights. He was the leader of the oppressed people's movement. Com Yesu followed the footsteps of his father Com Ramulu, who was an active cadre of the united Communist party.

He played an active role in the shoe manufacturing company workers struggle, railway workers movement and in many militant struggles for housing for the poor in some areas of Vijayawada.



He has communist ideological understanding and stood committed to it till his last breath. He was constantly involved in party activities while doing a modest job and supporting his family. He rejected the wrong trends that arose in the communist movement and the Party he belonged to and stood for the politics of the revolutionary people's movement. Along with solidarity to the struggles of various sections in Vijayawada city he worked against the detention of the forces of peoples' movements. He worked hard for the burial ground of Dalit Christians and for establishment of Cemeteries.

With his gentle and democratic nature, he earned the admiration of all. His gentle nature didn't hinder him when he had to defy dictatorship and oppression. Com Yesu was a leader who stood for the rights of the oppressed and the toiling Dalit and Muslim communities.

He had to choose the Democratic Rights Movement as his main work front which exposed the authoritarian and fascist actions of the ruling classes that had turned the country into a prison and which raised the consciousness of the people. He worked with senior advocates and highly educated people in the democratic rights movement. He breathed his last while serving as the President of the OPDR (Organisation for the Protection of Democratic Rights) of the two Telugu states.

We express our deep condolences to his family members and red salute to Com Yesu. **22-6-2023**