

Manifesto of the Central Committee of Komala on the Occasion of the Declaration of joining of Komala to the Communist Party of Iran

After many years of the uninterrupted and untiring endeavours of the revolutionary communists of Iran, the single and independent party of the working class, the Communist Party of Iran, has been formed, and Komala, which itself was one of the standard-bearers in the path of the formation of the Communist Party, is now part of this Party.

Since its very inception in 1969, by realizing the common destiny of the workers and toilers of Iran, Komala has insisted on the necessity and the need for the formation of a nationwide party, a party that leads the working class in the struggle for socialism and communism and which is the vanguard and advocate of the emancipation of all the oppressed and exploited in Iran. These consistent endeavours of Komala during 14 years of activity, whether in the ideological struggle for the rejection of non-proletarian tendencies and policies including the petty-bourgeois policy of guerrilla warfare, or in the political and organisational activity among the workers, both in Kurdistan and other parts of Iran, or, finally, in defending the independent rank of workers in the revolutionary movement of the Kurdish people and in consistently leading this movement, are all expressive of the firm resolution of Komala as a communist organisation for the formation of the vanguard party of the Iranian working class.

The experience of the Iranian revolution in 1979, and the need of the working class to continue this revolution, confirmed once again the validity of Marxism in the arena of class confrontations, vindicated more than before the truthfulness of the teachings of Marx, Engels and Lenin, and deepened Komala's understanding of Marxism. When confronted with the question of leading an immense mass movement, during this revolution and in particular after the onslaught of the Islamic Republic regime on Kurdistan on 19th August 1979, Komala realized more than before that none of the seemingly Marxist ideas and theories which dominated the communist movement of Iran could meet the problems of the revolution. Those seemingly Marxist ideas and theories, and the groups and organisations defending them, although sometimes showed signs of revolutionism, each represented not the aims and needs of the working class but of other classes and strata whose interests were tied to capitalism and private property, to varying degrees. Against these [groups and organisations], who were calling on the working class to stop at the half-way mark of the revolution and compromise with capitalism and the exploiting classes and their defenders, Komala stood firm and strong and differentiated its rank from theirs.

Populist and petty-bourgeois organisations and groups, dressed in Marxist clothings, were displaying, under the hard conditions of every political sharp turn, their inconsistency in the revolution, their non-worker identity and their common features with the defenders of private property and capitalism, their revolutionary strength was being depleted, and they were leaving the rank of the revolution and joining the rank of the bourgeoisie. In contrast, Komala defended proletarian consistent democracy, subjected its past defects to a

Marxist critique, and became one of the conscious and firm representatives of the most oppressed and revolutionary class which the course of the revolution, and its gains and defeats, had awakened. This class, was the working class which although was putting forward its class needs in a crude, faint and elementary fashion, but nevertheless its ideological, political and economic aims and tendencies were distinct from those of other classes and strata in the society.

The working class stood for the continuation of the revolution and for this very reason it was the first to be attacked by the Islamic Republic and all the open defenders of the capitalist system and imperialism. Under such circumstances, by understanding the needs of this class - an understanding which was gradually becoming more profound and all-sided - Komala like all true communists, did not succumb to any of the opponents and enemies of the working class, to any of the defenders of the capitalist system and the exploitation of the working class and the toiling and poor masses - whether those in power or the ones not in power. Komala stood up against all of them, and hoisted and kept high the banner of defence of the independent interests and rank of the proletariat.

Komala stood and fought against the offensive of the Islamic Republic regime on the working class and other masses of the people, with the resolution and firmness of communist workers and revolutionaries. Under conditions when the bourgeois forces were fuelling the dissension and separation amongst the Kurdish, Turkish and Persian workers and toilers, and the workers and toilers of other nationalities, and were pervading them with nationalist and chauvinist poisons, Komala insisted on the necessity of the political and organisational unity and singleness of the working class of Iran, and continued the struggle for the formation of the Communist Party of Iran - a party which would be the conscious manifestation of this general unity and singleness of the Iranian proletariat.

Komala was not alone in this struggle, but found its comrades in arms in Iran in the organisation of the Unity of Communist Militants which had hoisted the banner of revolutionary Marxism and the defence of the class independence of the proletariat.

Thus, the continuation of the struggle of the working class and its communist vanguards freed the ideology of this class, Marxism-Leninism, from the influence and domination of the false claimants of Marxism and communism, gave it a new life, and brought closer together the standard-bearers of this ideology, i.e., the Unity of Communist Militants and Komala, so that together they would continue the struggle for the political and organisational unity of the working class, for the formation of the Communist Party of Iran.

Through a resolution, the Second Congress of Komala once again declared to all, its commitment to continue this path; and its Third Congress, by adopting the Programme of the Communist Party in May 1982, demonstrated that Komala together with the Unity of Communist Militants had paved half of this noble path. The First Congress of the Unity of Communist →

WORKERS AND TOILERS!

Militants in September 1982 brought forth the most recent gains of Marxism in Iran, i.e., communist style of work in the critique of populist and petty-bourgeois methods of practice, and [so] placed the working class of Iran on the eve of the formation of the Communist Party.

Finally, at a time when as a result of the uninterrupted endeavours of Komala and the Unity of Communist Militants and with the formation of the Organising Committee of the Founding Congress of the Communist Party of Iran, all the theoretical, practical and political barriers to the formation of the Party had been removed, the Central Committee of Komala at the end of its Third Plenum, by announcing that the time for the convocation of the Founding Congress of the Communist Party of Iran had arrived, asked for the views of all in the ranks of Komala about this matter.

The replies of almost all comrades in the ranks of Komala, whether members or non-members, Peshmargas or else, to the call of the Central Committee, were positive. They were all of the opinion that the Founding Congress of the Communist Party of Iran must be called for as soon as possible and that the organisation of Komala should join the Communist Party. This general positive response was not unexpected. It was the result of several years of ideological and political struggles of revolutionary Marxism in Iran; and the various comrades in the ranks of Komala had been the marchers and vanguards of this path, and had made the sacrifice of their blood against the defenders and protectors of capital, the guarantor of the achievement of these working-class and communist aims.

According to the positive result of this enquiry, following the convocation of the Founding Congress of the Party and the termination of its work, the Central Committee of Komala would be duty-bound to announce the joining of Komala to the Communist Party of Iran and carry out the necessary organisational measures concerning this matter.

Therefore, now, after the victorious termination of the Founding Congress of the Communist Party of Iran, we declare that from now on Komala will be part of the Communist Party of Iran and as mentioned in the Constitution of the Communist Party of Iran, in the light of the record of mass struggles, popularity and influence of the Toilers' Revolutionary Organisation of Iranian Kurdistan (Komala) among the workers and toilers of Kurdistan and in the revolutionary movement of the Kurdish people, the Kurdistan Organisation of the Communist Party of Iran will be called Komala whose full name shall be: The Kurdistan Organisation of the Communist Party of Iran (Komala).

Also in order to remove the barriers which the national oppression has created before the unity of the Kurdish and non-Kurdish proletariat, and with the aim of consolidating proletarian leadership in the revolutionary movement of the Kurdish people and of facilitating the joining of ever more extensive masses of workers and toilers of Kurdistan to the ranks of the Communist Party, the Communist Party of Iran recognises special rights for its organisation in Kurdistan (Komala). These special rights and power have been specified in the Statutes of the Special Rights of Komala (Supplement to the Constitution of the Communist Party of Iran).

Hence the Programme and the Constitution of the Communist Party and the Programme of Komala for the Autonomy of Kurdistan which the Congress adopted, are the guides of action of Komala as a part of the Party.

The formation of the Communist Party of Iran is a great achievement for the working class and all the toiling and oppressed masses throughout Iran including Kurdistan. The formation of this party - a party which has materialized in itself the need of workers and toilers throughout Iran for unity and singleness in the struggle against the capitalist system of oppression and exploitation - strengthens our movement and ensures the continuity of our struggle until the destruction and abolition of the oppressive and putrid system of capitalism and the establishment of socialism in Iran.

From now on, the Kurdistan Organisation of the Communist Party of Iran (Komala), in party unity with the conscious proletariat throughout Iran, and therefore stronger than before, will continue to accomplish its political and class tasks until the realization of the Programme of the Communist Party, and calls on all the workers and toilers of Kurdistan to rally around it, become organised ever more in Komala and in their Communist Party, and consistently continue to the end the path which they have chosen for emancipation from national and class oppression. Victory is ultimately ours.

MILITANT PEOPLE OF KURDISTAN!

Komala has so far proved that it is the most sincere and consistent force which struggles for the achievement of the right of self-determination and the abolition of the national oppression of the Kurdish people. In order to continue the revolutionary movement of the Kurdish people and in order to realize the Programme of Komala for Autonomy of Kurdistan, rally around Komala, rally around the Communist Party and join ever more the ranks of the revolutionary struggle in Kurdistan!

COMRADES OF KOMALA!

With the formation of the Communist Party, ever broader perspectives are opening before us, and to the same extent more difficult, and at the same time, more noble tasks are being placed on our shoulders. The Central Committee asks you to prepare yourselves to struggle in the ranks of the Communist Party of Iran, with the same proletarian iron resolution and determination that you have shown so far, and even ten times as before. Your joining to the Communist Party must mean ever greater ideological firmness and communist steadfastness, ever more resolute struggle against non-proletarian thoughts, ideas, and methods, ever deeper and harder work among workers and toiling masses, ever more extensive and relentless political and military activity and, in one word, untiring energy, liveliness and activity.

LONG LIVE SOCIALISM!

LONG LIVE THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF IRAN!

LONG LIVE THE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT OF THE KURDISH PEOPLE!

Central Committee of the Toilers' Revolutionary Organisation of Iranian Kurdistan (Komala)

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