

Against the capitalist offensive to the living standard of the workers
Against the austerity policies
And for international working class solidarity

Five years after the global crisis of capitalism, yet there is no prospect to emerge out of the current horizon. In all parts of the world the more the economic crisis the more the capitalists have made it into an opportunity to attack the living standards of wage earners, attacking the human rights and attacking the social, economic and political achievement of working class. The austerity policies further deepen the crisis, fueling recession, expansion of unemployment and poverty. The austerity policies carry more marginalisation among wage and salary earners and result in disruption associated with the regression of democratic rights and freedoms of the people.

In peripheral countries like Iran where political despotism in the form of the boots of religious fascism has ruled for three decades, the conditions of the working class and the poor masses are far worse. Any voice of protest by social and political activists will be stifled; they may be prosecuted, arrested, tortured and imprisoned in cruellest forms. This year, May Day, The International Workers' Day, comes amid heightened widespread crisis, which has ruined the lives of workers so far as absolute poverty, unemployment and lack of job security. In recent years, the rapid fall in the value of the national currency, runaway inflation, bankruptcy of manufacturing plants and dismissal of industrial workers are some of the most important headlines of the crisis in Iran. The sharp decline in oil revenues due to the devastating imperialist sanctions, lack of clear vision to end the standoff with the West over its nuclear program, deepen rifts within the regime and the increased competition in the mafia-election, will not form a unified programme to ease out the crisis but makes it impossible to inhibit the economic crisis. As a result, the criminal policy of putting the main burden on the workers' shoulder, and destroying the economy by removing staples imports, prioritise practical reference, and replace it with a currency exchange transaction are some examples. Along with the high price of bread, the staple food of the poor, and many other signs, indicate that the crisis is still growing and momentum is moving in the direction of economic collapse.

Although workers are the biggest victims of the current crisis and economic collapse, they are not the only victims. The labour movement is the only hope movement, provided that all the wishes, desires and struggles of the same fate are linked. One flower doesn't bring the spring. Without bonding the campaigns of workers, students, women, youth and oppressed nationalities, without relying on global correlation of labour, the fight against the giant tyranny of capital cannot be won. Delay is not permitted. We have to stand up and combat the offensive of capital. The secret power of the workers is in their militant solidarity in each factory and neighborhood level, and expansion of it to a national and international level.

Down with the Islamic Republic of Iran
Long live freedom
Long live socialism
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