

The shooting against working-class demonstrators in Vasco-da-Gama must be condemned by all democratic forces and an attempt made to meet the demands of the workers so that the situation will not be allowed to go out of hand. It is obvious that agents provocateurs are being used, by concerned interests, to create a situation of violence and bloodshed. Already one worker lost his life because of the police opening fire on the 20th of December 1964.

This Congress of the CPI calls upon the Labour Minister, Government of India, to review personally the grave situation in Marmagoa port and bring about a lasting solution to problems in relation to labour in this troubled port which is affecting the peaceful transport of iron ore and likely to affect the whole iron ore industry of Goa.

STRUGGLE OF DOCTORS AND MEDICAL INTERNS

The Communist Party of India is surprised to find that while, on the one hand the ruling Congress party propagates that it aims at improving the health services of the people, at the same time, it fails to give fair wages to doctors and necessary facilities and remuneration to medical interns, housemen and other cadres.

The behaviour of the Congress ministries in various states has forced the doctors, interns and other cadres to resort to strikes, as they are hit by rising prices like other sections of the salaried workers. These strikes were forced on the medical services by the arrogant and unsympathetic behaviour of the Congress government, local authorities and others concerned and have spread to many states.

The Seventh Congress of the CPI takes serious note of the behaviour of the Union Health Minister towards the Delhi strike and that of Minister Shantilal Shah of Maharashtra towards the doctors in Bombay and other centres in Maharashtra. Mr. Shah is particularly known for his anti-working-class attitude and the demand for his dismissal from the ministry put forward by people is fully justified.

The Party Congress gives its full support to the demands and actions of the doctors, interns, etc. The trade unions, the workers and all toiling people throughout the country should launch

sympathetic action in support of the demands of the doctors. Though the strike in the medical services causes great inconvenience to the patients, the people should bear it with fortitude, as only a contented medical service can serve the people's health efficiently. The Party Congress supports the just demands of the doctors, interns and all hospital and dispensary cadres and demands that the Congress ministries and authorities concerned meet them quickly and satisfactorily in all the states in India.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDATION OF COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA

The Seventh Congress of the Communist Party of India resolves to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the foundation of the Party in December 1965.

The Party Congress directs the new National Council to set up committees to prepare for the functions to be organised in connection with the fortieth anniversary.

The Congress is confident that the observance of the fortieth anniversary and the preparations for it will be carried out in a way befitting this great occasion in the life of our Party and the working masses of our country.

RECOGNITION OF G.D.R.

The Seventh Congress of the CPI deplors the continued diplomatic non-recognition by the Government of India of the German Democratic Republic and considers this to be a serious infringement of the accepted national policy of nonalignment.

In recent years trade relations between India and the GDR have increased considerably. A number of commercial agreements have been entered into by which India has accepted valuable technical and scientific assistance from the GDR in the field of industrial development; cultural contacts between the two countries have multiplied. A growing number of Indian students have been awarded scholarships and other facilities for specialised educational courses in the GDR.

Despite all these welcome developments, which amount to a clear *de facto* recognition of the existence of the GDR, the Gov.