## REPUBLICAN PARTY OF INDIA'S STRUGGLE FOR LAND

The Seventh Congress of the Communist Party of India offers its warm support to the struggle launched by the Republican Party of India for the demands of the landless people and other backward classes, such as distribution of waste lands to the landless, provision of housing sites and cheap housing, education and other just rights. Such struggles have been repeatedly launched in the past, on occasions in cooperation with other left and democratic parties. Assurances have been given by state governments, and as often broken or only partially honoured.

This Congress of the CPI records its strong protest against the repressive measures taken by the government againt the movement including the use of DIR against some of its leaders, the arrest and conviction of hundreds of satyagrahis and the ill treatment given to them in the jails. It demands that government should immediately open negotiations with the leaders of the movement to bring about a satisfactory settlement of their demands.