

The memory of comrade Salim will always remain in our hearts!

A great sorrow, comrade Salim, a former member of the Central Committee of the Communist (Maoist) Party of Afghanistan, passed away. Comrade Salim was one of the leaders and founders of the Organization for the Salvation of Afghanistan (1979) and the Communist (Maoist) Party of Afghanistan (2004). In the last years of his life, Comrade Salim suffered from chronic illnesses due to his old age and the hardships of a professional revolutionary's life and torture in the prison chambers of the PDPA regime.

Comrade Salim joined the ranks of the struggle during the heights of the *Sholajawid* movement in the 1960s. Comrade belonged to the generation of revolutionary youth active in the front ranks of the *Sholajawid* movement. Comrade Salim had set communism as his guide to eliminate class inequality and oppression. Comrade Salim was a solid revolutionary and a deep practical approach; he greatly contributed to the education and expansion of the movement. In the early 1970s, with the collapse of the Progressive Youth Organization and the emergence of deviant lines, comrade Salim prevented many revolutionaries from falling into the traps of Dengist revisionism. Comrade Salim later became one of the founders of the Organization for the Salvation of Afghanistan in 1979, a few months before the social-imperialist invasion of the country. Unfortunately, Comrade Salim was imprisoned sometime after the establishment of the Organization. He endured brutal tortures in prison and confronted the class and national enemies with a revolutionary spirit and Determination.

After being released from prison, comrade Salim resumed his activities as a professional revolutionary and leading organizer of the Salvation Organization. The influential and historical contribution of comrade Salim in the new communist movement of the country is apparent in the ideological reorientation of the Organization for the Salvation of Afghanistan and the process of unity of the country's communist movement, which led to the formation of the Communist (Maoist) Party of Afghanistan.

In the second half of the 1980s, the Salvation Organization, of which comrade Salim was one of the central leaders, broke from its previous eclectic tendencies and took a clear stand against the three-world and Hoxhaite revisionism. The Organization defended Revolutionary Internationalist Movement and the people's war in Peru and emphasized the necessity of forming a communist party. This influenced the activities of the Salvation Organization, and later along with the Communist Party of Afghanistan under comrade Zia's leadership, founded the Communist (Maoist) Party of Afghanistan at the unity congress of 2004.

As one of the leaders and members of the Central Committee of the Communist (Maoist) Party of Afghanistan, comrade Salim played an important role in theoretical struggles and the pursuit

of party unity. After the death of comrade Zia, even though he was seriously ill, Comrade Salim supported the expanded Central Committee and party representatives meeting to reconstruct the party in June 2021.

During his 77 years, Comrade Salim never stopped fighting and did not lose hope. His perseverance and resolve in the ranks of the revolutionary struggle despite the challenging conditions of Afghanistan are commendable. His conscious commitment made him a revolutionary and popular intellectual who never betrayed the interests of the masses and remained committed to revolutionary principles with firm determination until the end of his life.

With the death of comrade Salim, the Communist (Maoist) Party of Afghanistan and the communist movement of our country lost one of its long-time comrades and leader. Our party offers deep condolences to all members and supporters of the party and comrade's family for this great loss. Although he is no longer among us, the path and approach that the leaders of our party, Comrade Salim, and Comrade Zia, have drawn will illuminate the path of our struggle.

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