

# **MARXIST LENINIST PARTY OF INDIA (RED FLAG)**

## **CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

Cochin, 30th April 2020.

### **THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD:**

**Increase Fund Disbursement to States**

**Implement Universal PDS**

**Desist From Wage Cuts and from Penalizing Tax Officials**

Modi government's Covid 19 package is proven insufficient as rightly observed by economists and states. Even this package has been not put to effective practice. Besides, PM Care fund is not at all transparent and its disbursement to States is still unclear. The funds allotted to States are quite insufficient. Fund devolution has to be substantially increased along with immediate payments of all sorts of arrears. Direct taxes like corporate tax and wealth tax have to be sourced for finding additional funds for the above said allocations and payments.

| It is deplorable that the union govt is trying to penalise tax officials who have proposed the above said means of taxation to generate additional income to fight the pandemic and its negative impact. The government should withdraw this draconian move.

| The central govt is trying to implement wage cuts upon its employees which shall set a wrong trend for all employers to do the same. This is nothing but saving the corporates by thrusting the burden of pandemic upon people's shoulders. By cutting state allocations, the Modi government is in effect driving the state governments to implement the same anti - worker policy. This has to be immediately repealed.

| Universal PDS has to be implemented to fight the negative impacts and possible starvation of millions. Specific attention has to be paid with ample allocations to solve the problems of migrant workers; agricultural labourers and poor peasants also should be attended likewise.

| The left forces should unite with the opposition parties to put up comprehensive fight against the said negation of rights shown to the states and working class by the Modi government and to achieve the above said immediate demands.

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