Donate for struggle against martial law in Pakistan

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Since this appeal was launched, the state of emergency was formally lifted and the LPP surfaced from underground. But, as shown by the assassination of Benazir Bhutto, the situation remains very unstable in the country and the democratic struggles are still faced to huge difficulties. Thus, the financial solidarity campaign is maintained.

End of February 2007, a total of 3400 euros have been sent by ESSF to the Labour Education Foundation (LEF) in Pakistan.

See also the international call against martial law — to open the file, click here: Pakistan Solidarity Appeal - No to the State of Emergency! No to Martial Law!

This is formal finance appeal by Labour Party Pakistan for donations. We need your moral, social, political and economical support for our struggle against martial law in Pakistan.

Since the imposition of “emergency”, the real name is martial law, over 10,000 political and social activists are behind bars all over Pakistan. Thousands more are in underground. All the private television channels who were broadcasting news bulletins are banned and are off the air.

Hundreds of advocates have been arrested and tortured. Those judges who did not abide by the new repressive constitutional order have been detained in their houses. Their children are not allowed to go the schools and doctors not allowed to visit the ailing judges.

Police is not allowing any public or indoor meetings of any section of the society opposed to the military dictatorship. Most of the political leaders of opposition parties are under house arrest or in jails. It is total dark period in the history of Pakistan.

This is 32nd year of 60 years of partition of the Indian subcontinent under military rule in Pakistan. General Musharaf has been in power since October 1999. All his claims of restoring democracy in gradual manner are just a farce. By imposing martial law on 3rd November 2007, there is more dictatorship than democracy in Pakistan.

Labour Party Pakistan is small radical political party fighting for democracy since General Musharaf has taken over. Hundreds of its activists have been in jail for the crime of fighting for democracy. At present chairperson of Labour Party Pakistan is in jail and general secretary in hiding trying to organize the movement.
LPP is launching this finance appeal to raise funds to enhance the struggle against the military regime. We would like to help the political prisoners in all aspects, not only of LPP but all from the movement. The funds will help develop the underground work of political and social activists to continue their efforts to build the movement. The donations will enable us to develop the printing material needed for the movement. It will help develop the literature and information material for the movement. It will help to coordinate the different activities against the military regime. It will develop more coordinated information spreading to all those interested in the movement.

In Solidarity,

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