

Malaysia: Resolution of the PSM 16th National Congress

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RESOLUTION OF THE PARTI SOSIALIS MALAYSIA'S 16 NATIONAL CONGRESS HELD AT NUBE TRAINING CENTRE, PORT DICKSON, NEGERI SEMBILAN BETWEEN 13TH. TILL THE 15TH. JUNE 2014:

1. Stop the implementation of the GST on 1st April 2015. Tax the wealthy and retain corporate tax instead of shifting the tax burden to the poor.
2. Implement a Minimum or Living Wage of RM 1500 for the entire workforce including workers in Sabah & Sarawak. Abolish the cheap labour policy.
3. Do not sign the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPPA). Quit the partnership now! The TPPA is a global corporate agenda and a US-sponsored neo-colonial economic scheme.
4. Stop all discrimination based on race, religion, gender and sexual orientation. Abolish the "race" column in all government forms. Enact the Social Inclusion Act to ensure assistance to the lower income group is channelled in a fair manner.
5. Allow automatic registration of trade unions and enact laws to enable trade union formation without any restrictions and obstacles.
6. Protect the people's right to the clean water supply. The water crisis and drought in the country are the effects of the global climate crisis that has resulted from irresponsible capitalist development that only pursues profit.
7. Save the earth by stopping deforestation. Preserve the forests in order to protect the natural environment. Incinerator construction should also be stopped across the country and replaced with a serious and aggressive recycling campaign.
8. Solve the housing price crisis by freeing housing from market speculation. The government should establish a non-profit trust to build reasonably-priced, comfortable homes. A savings scheme should be set up, to which 10% of all loan repayments are channelled. This fund should be made available during economic crises to house buyers facing falling incomes. An agency should also be set up to provide low-rental council homes for families earning less than RM2000 a month.
9. Withdraw the amendment to the Employment Act 1955 regarding the Contractor for Labour. Restrict contract work to work of a seasonal and temporary nature only.
10. Eliminate unemployment and guarantee employment opportunity for all. Initiate a pension scheme for workers in the private sector. Issues and problems pertaining to the rights and welfare of security guards should be given serious attention due to the widespread exploitation of workers in that sector.
11. Build more government hospitals in areas with large populations. Restrict the building of private

hospitals.

12. Control and reduce the rising domestic electricity tariff. Review the Independent Power Providers (IPP) concession agreement with the TNB so that it doesn't burden the rakyat. The more than 20 billion gas subsidy which is given to the IPPs only profits the capitalists and government cronies.

13. Increase professionalism in the police force. Implement the Independent Police Commission of Misconduct (IPCMC) now.

14. Freeze the establishment of private schools, and increase the quality of government schools by reducing the number of students in each class especially for LINUS students. Increase the number special schools for students with learning disabilities.

15. PSM opposes the military coup in Thailand. PSM demands democracy be revived by ending emergency laws. Stop stifling the freedom of expression and release all political prisoners, and have elections immediately.

16. PSM reaffirms its support for the struggle of the Palestinian people to determine their future as a fundamental right that cannot be violated. PSM supports the reconciliation efforts among the different political entities in Palestine towards strengthening the Palestine national liberation movement.

17. Abolish the cabotage system which requires imported goods containers to be taken to Port Klang first before being sent to the ports in Kota Kinabalu and Kuching. The abolishment of this system will help reduce prices of essential goods in Sabah and Sarawak where currently the prices of such goods are much higher than in Peninsula Malaysia.

18. PSM fully supports the demand of the non-government organisation, Royalti, for petroleum royalty to be given to the Kelantan State and increase royalty from 5% to 20% to other oil-producing states like Sabah and Sarawak.
