

# **Petition: Free Chinese labour activists now! End suppression of labour organisations!**

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**At least four labour activists remain in criminal detention following a recent crackdown on labour organisations.**

From 3 - 5 December, labour NGOs based in Guangdong province were targeted in a harsh and unexpected wave of detentions. At least four labour NGOs have been targeted and 25 NGO staff and volunteers have been detained and questioned by police, seven of whom either remain in detention or cannot be contacted. These include Panyu Workers' Centre director Zeng Feiyang and staff member Zhu Xiaomei; Foshan Nanfeiyuan Social Work Services Organization director He Xiaobo; labour activists Peng Jiayong, Deng Xiaoming, Meng Han, and Tang Jian. Four individuals - Zeng Feiyang, He Xiaobo, Zhu Xiaomei and Deng Xiaoming - are confirmed as being in detention.

The Chinese government purports to advance the "rule of law" within its borders and promotes the idea of a civilized and peaceful rise internationally. However, local governments abuse their power, using violence and arrests to repress and intimidate labour organizations, preventing Chinese workers from pursuing fundamental labour rights, including freedom of association and the right to strike and collective bargaining.

As organisations and individuals working labour rights, we call on the Chinese government to:

1. Immediately release all the aforementioned detained labour activists
2. Stop suppressing labour activists, labour organisations and civil society organisations.
3. Respect and protect the development and freedom of civil society as prescribed by China's Constitution.

*Initiated by*

**Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions  
Globalization Monitor**

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*Co-signed by (Organisations, listed in no particular order)*

1. □□□□Worker Empowerment
2. □□□□□□Labour Action China
3. □□□□□□□□Labour Education and Service Network
4. □□□□□□□□□□Students and Scholars Against Corporate Misbehaviour
5. □□□□□□□□□□Asia Monitor Resource Centre
6. □□□□□□China Labour Bulletin
7. □□□□□□Red Balloon Editorial Group

8. 鄰里及工人服務中心
9. 餐館及酒店業員工總會
10. 社會福利組織員工總會
11. 巴士司機工會
12. 清潔服務業工人總會
13. 個人及社區服務工人總會
14. 社區護理及安老院工人總會
15. 建築地盤工人總會
16. 香港華裔家庭傭工總會
17. 香港家庭傭工總會
18. 香港碼頭工人總會
19. 太古(香港)飲品有限公司員工總會
20. 醫院管理局員工總會
21. 香港建築物管理及保安工人總會
22. 中國勞工網
23. 中國人權律師關注組
24. 中區(中環)耆老之家有限公司員工協會
25. 香港華裔家庭傭工總會
26. 亞洲移民協調機構
27. 高雄勞工聯合會
28. 香港天主教勞工事務委員會
29. 香港天主教正義及和平委員會
30. 21 Left 21
31. 婦女進取聯盟
32. 香港基督徒社會
33. 基督徒社會工作者
34. 香港進步社會工作網絡
35. 香港政策觀察
36. 社會民主黨
37. 香港
38. 香港
39. Asia Floor Wage Alliance, India
40. Committee for Asia Women, Malaysia
41. Persatan Sahabat Wanita Selangor (Friends of Women), Malaysia
42. North South Initiative, Malaysia
43. SALT Movement Malaysia
44. Center for Alliance of Labor and Human Rights (CENTRAL), Philippines
45. 香港
46. Solidarity Steering Committee, USA
47. Gewerkschafts Opposition GO Germany
48. 香港 香港
49. PARISOL, USA
50. China Inquiry Commission/Commission Enquête Chine, France
51. United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, UE, USA
52. ATTAC Japan(日本), Japan
53. GoodElectronics Network, Netherlands
54. Asian Transnational Corporations Monitoring Network
55. NWDC Resistance
56. 日本汽車工人網絡/Japan Autoworkers Network
57. 香港

- 58. Federación de Servicios de Comisiones Obreras
- 59. Gewerkschaft Nahrung Genuss Gaststätten
- 60. SOLIFONDS, Switzerland
- 61. Industrial Workers of the World Dorset
- 62. Amnesty International UK
- 63. HK Commerce, Serviceforbundet and Food Workers' Union - NNF Denmark
- 64. Unity of Filipino migrants in Greece KASAPI HELLAS
- 65. Peace and Social Justice Center of South Central Kansas, USA
- 66. LO i Asker og Baerum, Norway
- 67. PeterCares House
- 68. Construction and Allied Workers Union of Nepal
- 69. Global Labour Institute
- 70. Firestone Agricultural Workers Union of Liberia(FAWUL)
- 71. AFM Local 802
- 72. Federation and Cooperation of Cola, Beverage and Allied Industry Union- SENTRO-IUF
- 73. Fondation des Droits de l'Homme au Travail (fdht)
- 74. 國際勞工協會 (Taiwan International Workers Association)
- 75. Joyce Alden Moore & Associates
- 76. Europe solidaire sans frontières (ESSF), France

Number of the Individuals who joined the petition 941

We will not disclose the names of the individuals who signed the petition here. From now on we will only disclose the latest number of the persons who joined the petition.

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For more information, please refer to <https://www.facebook.com/freechineselabouractivists/>

**Updates**

Peng Jia-yong is confirmed to be criminally detained. Meng Han and Tang Jian are still missing.

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