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Resolutions of the 18<sup>th</sup> National Congress of the Socialist Party of Malaysia (PSM) 5 June 2016, Shah Alam.

1. PSM rejects the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPPA).

2. PSM urges the government to cancel Goods and Services Tax (GST).

3. Implement Workers Retrenchment Fund.

4. Stop contractualisation of labour of essential services in Government sector, as it has victimized and impoverished the workers.

5. Raise minimum wage to RM 1500.

6. The government must issue work permit to the 2.5 million undocumented workers in the country and protect the rights of migrant workers. Cease intake of new migrant labour into the country.

7. Re-nationalise basic public services, e.g. water supply, electricity, education etc.
Stop all the efforts to corporatize/privatize government hospitals. We want affordable healthcare – No to increasing cost !

8. Stop discrimination of migrant workers in Government Hospitals by charging them full fees! This is an attack on their healthcare rights !

9. Implement free education for all until university. Abolish the National Higher Education Fund Loan (PTPTN). The government must stop increasing the number of profit-oriented private colleges which burdens graduates with debts and qualifications that does not ensure employment

10. The government must protect farmers whom have been evicted by development projects.

11. The government must implement pension scheme for ALL retirees, to prevent incidents poverty at their old age.

12. Ensure affordable housing for the poor!

13. Stop hill development projects, deforestation ,stop bauxite mining, nuclear power plant, land reclamation, construction of highways that would destroy water catchment and forest reserves (e.g. EKVE), etc. The government must take serious measures to curb climate change and the recurring

haze in the region.

14. PSM condemns the state government of Sarawak for selectively barring political activist from the Peninsula to enter the state. Political motivated immigration restrictions must be stopped.

15. Abolish laws that discriminate people according to gender and sexual orientation. Ensure the fundamental rights and dignity for LGBT.

16. The Election Commission must be fair, independent and strict in ensuring free and fair elections. Lower the voting age to 18 years old.

17. The Federal Government and all state governments (inclucing the Pakatan Harapan's governments) must abolish toll collection in highways.

18. Improve public transport.Expand accessibility into rural areas. Reduce the prices of public transportation fees.

19. Malaysian Government must sign and ratify the United Nations Convention Against Torture.

20. Repeal repressive laws that violate human rights and erode democratic space, including Sedition Act, Communication and Multimedia Act, National Security Council Act, Prevention of Terrorism Act (POTA), Security Offences Act (SOSMA), Printing Presses and Publication Act, Official Secret Act (OSA), Universities and University Colleges Act (UUCA) etc.

21. The police must stop the practices of "chain smoking" arrests (keeping a person detained by continuously releasing and arresting him/her on different allegations of charges).

22. The government must take steps to control inflation. Pices of groceries and food have to be reduced.

23. The government must take steps to assist small traders during economic crisis .

24. Increase welfare payment for the disabled.

25. No to Racism ! Stop racial politics.