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Condolences on the passing away of our colleagues Prof.Mrinmoy Bhattacharya



Tribute to Prof.Mrinmoy Bhattacharya

A great luminary, pioneer and path breaker in the national and international Teachers movement, has left us after prolonged illness in his residence at Kolkata on 21st November evening. His passing away in a very critical juncture of India and world where his dream of inclusive education as an instrument to end exploration and discrimination, is being seriously threatened by the honeymoon of corporate and fundamentalist forces, is an irreparable loss. A committed Marxist, progressive economist, erudite scholar, fiery orator, he not only dominated his age and now has beacon light for the posterity. He dominated his age as the General Secretary of All India Federation of University and College Teacher's Organisation (1980-1999), General Secretary of World Federation of Teacher's Union FISE (1998-2007.) and the founding father of All India Federation of Retired University and College Teacher's Organisation from its inception. Even after his retirement from active Teacher politics, he relentlessly tried

to bring social, economic and cultural transformation by forming an organization namely Association of Concerned Teachers. He has also proud distinction of being honored by the Bangladesh Government for his outstanding contribution towards the liberation of Bangladesh. His unwavering commitment, fiery spirit in worst and adverse situation to struggle forward, finds powerful reflection in his own memory book "Never to Give up".

Prof. Mrinmoy Bhattacharya is now no more with us to mortally guide, inspire and push us to struggle. However his ideas and ideals, his dreams and vision, will continue to inspire all and will be a pole star to throw light amidst darkness. Let his noble thought and ideas pervade all over the globe and facilitate the victory of socialism.

Long Live Mrinmoy Bhattacharya

Long Live His ideals.

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