

Nuclear Free Future World

Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace (CNDP)

2nd National Convention

November 26-28, 2004, Jaipur

Dear Friend,

The emerging situation confronts the global peace movement with challenges it has never before faced: How to halt, and roll back, recent setbacks to multilateralism, rule of law and peaceful means of conflict resolution? How to combat the new Empire the United States wants to build to achieve untrammelled global domination through raw military force untempered by international norms? Which levers must we seize to reverse the damage to the goals of universal disarmament of weapons of mass destruction (WMD), peace and justice?

After the 1998 nuclear tests, South Asia has undeniably become a potential nuclear flashpoint, making our responsibility to fight for a regional and global nuclear free world all the more important.

The **Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace (CNDP)**, India, was therefore, set up through the collective initiative of some 120 civil society organisations and people's movements at a National Convention in New Delhi in November 2000, attended by over 700 delegates. These diverse organisations were appalled at the crossing of the nuclear threshold in South Asia and India's embrace of those very strategic doctrines, which it had rejected for 50 years. We believe - and continue to be convinced - that nuclear weapons everywhere create insecurity, not security. They must be abolished.

CNDP's adherents and supporters have since grown in number to over 200 organisations, and many more individuals. It held a Northern India Regional Convention in Delhi in November 2002 as well as numerous state and city level conferences. The CNDP has tried to broaden the scope of its activities by making structural connections between peace and nuclear disarmament and other burning problems of the day, including militarism, national chauvinism, religious ethnic communalism, and the people's basic needs and priorities. To further expand and consolidate our activities, the CNDP is organising its 2nd National Convention in Jaipur from 26th to 28th November 2004.

We invite you to attend this **2nd National Convention** of CNDP. Please do let us know if you can attend. You will appreciate that financially we are unable to cover travel costs. All participants and delegates, foreign and Indian, will have to cover their costs of travelling to and from the Jaipur Convention. However, we will arrange for all local hospitality, namely boarding and lodging for all participants and delegates for the three days **from 26th to 28th November, 2004**. However, those who will arrive on 25th and leave 29th morning, the accommodation for them will be arranged on prior notice.

VENUE:

**Indira Gandhi Panchayati Raj Sansthan
Near Jawahar Kala Kendra (Opp. Commerce College)
Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan,
Ph: 0141-2706577**

We do hope to have you amongst us on this important occasion.

In solidarity,

**Organising Committee,
2nd National Convention
Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace**

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

FIRST DAY: NOVEMBER 26, 2004

OPENING PLENARY:

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| 2:00 – 4:00 PM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair :: Aruna Roy • Welcome Address :: Admiral R. Ramdas • Global and regional overview on developments in the area of nuclear proliferation since the year 2000 :: Sukla Sen • Imperialist Designs of United States :: Cases of Iraq and Palestine |
| 4:00 – 4:30 pm | TEA BREAK |
| 4:30 – 6:30 pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair :: Syeeda Hamid • Overview of developments in peace and disarmament movements since the year 2000 :: Praful Bidwai • Review of CNDP activities and functioning :: Anil Chaudhary • Announcement of Nomination Committee, circulation of draft Jaipur Declaration, and other logistical announcements :: Member, Jaipur Host Committee |
| 7:00 – 9:00 pm | FILM SHOW |

SECOND DAY: NOVEMBER 27, 2004

MORNING SESSION

Five Parallel Workshops

THEME: NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND ENERGY

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| 10:00 – 1:00 pm | <p>Global Disarmament and Global Nuclear Treaties</p> <p>▪Chair :: Jaya Velankar</p> <p>▪Speakers :: Satyajith Rath, N. D. Jayaprakash, Pronab Ghosh</p> <p>Perspective on South Asian Nuclear Disarmament</p> <p>▪Chair :: Amarjeet Kaur</p> <p>▪Speakers :: Sri Raman, Pervez Hoodbhoy, Prof. Rajaraman</p> <p>Nuclear and other Military Dimension of American Imperialism</p> <p>▪Chair :: Vineeta Bal</p> <p>▪Speakers :: Prabir Purkayastha, M. V. Ramana</p> <p>Hazards of Uranium Mining and Strategies of Struggle</p> <p>▪Chair :: Prakash Meghe</p> <p>▪Speakers :: Ghanshyam Birulee, Representative from IDPD, Kavita Srivastava</p> <p>Nuclear Power – Prospects, Dangers, Secrecy</p> <p>▪Chair :: R. Gopal Krishnan</p> <p>▪Speakers :: S. P. Udaykumar, Chenna Basavaiah, D. Raghunandan</p> |
| 1:00 – 2:30 pm | LUNCH BREAK |

AFTERNOON SESSION

Five parallel workshops

Theme: Imperialism And Resistance

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| 2:30 – 5:30 pm | <p>US Designs and South Asia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: Lalit Surjan ▪Speakers :: A. S. Verma, Karamat Ali, Sonia Jabbar <p>Iraq</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: Pallab Sengupta ▪Speakers :: Qamar Agha, Kamal Mitra Chenoy, Razia Ismail Abbasi <p>Palestine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: Christopher Fonseca ▪Speakers :: Achin Vanaik, Representative from Palestine <p>Trade and War</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: Arvind Ghosh ▪Speakers:: Utsa Patnaik, Representative from Focus on Global South <p>Cultures and Identities Under Siege</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: Sanjay Biswas ▪Speakers :: Ilina Sen, Gautam Sen, Meena Menon |
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THIRD DAY: NOVEMBER 28, 2004

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| 9:30 – 11:30 am | <p>PLENARY SESSION</p> <p>Building the Asian and Global Peace Movement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: N. Ram, Foreign delegates to make presentations |
| 11:30 – 12:00 noon | TEA BREAK |
| 12:00 – 1:30 pm | <p>Building CNDP: A peace and Disarmament Movement in India :: Meeting of State Groups</p> |
| 1:30 – 2:30 pm | LUNCH |
| 2:30 – 4:00 pm | <p>Presentation of State Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Chair :: Lalita Ramdas |
| 4:00 – 4:30 pm | TEA BREAK |
| 4:30 – 5:30 pm | <p>Announcement of NCC Presentation about forthcoming Anti-War Assembly Jaipur Declaration</p> |
| 6:00 pm onwards | PRESS CONFERENCE |

Nuclear Free Future World Award Ceremony

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BOARDING & LODGING at:

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Rajasthan Institute of Public Administration (RIPA) (O.T.S.)
Jawaharlal Nehru Marg
Next to Malviya Regional Engineering College
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