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NAVA SAMA SAMAJA PARTY ELECTION MANIFESTO

THROW OUT THE U. N. P.

BUILD UP THE LEFT FORCES.

The government and the UNP stalwarts have got really scared. That is why they decided to hold the General Election prior to the Presidential Election. They believe that it is advantageous for them to go for an election campaign with the executive power and the power of 91 Ministers in their hand. However the masses have come to the streets without much regard for this power. There was no end to strikes, pickets and demonstrations. Also, on the day that nomination closed it was proved that masses do not tolerate the thuggery of the UNP any more. The UNP thugs got a resounding defeat and they had to retreat everywhere.

The UNP government worked for the pre-imperialist speculators, racketeers and brokers. It gave concessions to them, agreeing to the dictates of the IMF/WB. It slashed the welfare of the poor; raised taxes, charges and other payments and in short, brought disaster to the poor. Those who fought against these injustices were imprisoned, beaten down, killed and thrown into the sea or tyrepynes; others are still in prisons. Tamil youth of the North have taken up arms as destruction with several-fold intensity was brought on to Tamil areas. 'We shall not pass an inch of our home-land into the hands of the murderers and traitors' say the Tamil youth. How can any one counter it when it is clear that the UNP regime is entirely responsible for racism and the division of this country. In no way could

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we unite this country unless we throw out this regime. There is no other way to freedom and democracy.

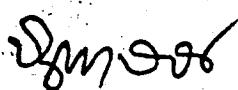
The masses are gathered around the SLFP-led Peoples Alliance (PA) and Chandrika Kumaratunga, to chase away the UNP regime; not only do these masses want to roll back this imperialist dictated so-called open economy but also to seize the neck of multinationals and their agents and racketeers. With the defeat of the UNP people expect to come into the streets and throw out the President and the dictatorial constitution by mass action. Students, teachers and parents are eagerly waiting to take over private institutions of education and establish a national free education system. Employees of state enterprises that have been privatized, in particular, of the estates are preparing to throw out the private management companies. Parents and Family Members of the 'Disappeared' are determined to open all doors to seek out their loved ones. Political prisoners expect to come out of prison with the help of their well-wishers; strikers and dismissed workers hope to come back to work with heroic welcome.

But Chandrika and the PA leaders have broken the hopes of these people. They have already promised the multinationals and their agents that this so-called open economy will be preserved. They say that privatization and private education will be continued. The PA leaders have so far been unable to spell out any solution to the national problems of Tamils and Muslims. On the otherhand, they have pushed out PA organizers who are militant representatives of the masses. In their place rogues that have come from the UNP are appointed. The latter are given high positions in the organization. When preparing nomination lists systematic efforts were made to replace the leftists with right-wingers and those who crept into PA from the UNP. No reply has been sent upto date to the letter sent by the MASP requesting to contest on the PA list on a no-contest basis. Because of this general witch-hunt against the left there is demoralisation of the left forces gathered around PA.

The UNP which has mobilized the racist forces, is trying to take advantage of this situation. We appealed to the JVP and the Sri Lanka Progressive Front (SLPF) to counter this move of UNP and to mobilize the left forces on the following basis:

01. To reject the conditions laid down by the World Bank/IMF, especially to turn back the open economy with its privatization programme.
02. To stop the North East war forthwith and unite the country on the basis of right of self-determination of Tamil Speaking people and the minimum four (04) point programme put forward by the Tamil Parties.
03. Land be given to the tiller with welfare scheme and the removal of water tax.
04. To overthrow the dictatorial constitution and to install a democracy based on work place democracy. General amnesty for all rebels in the North and the South.

We proposed that we contest only in those districts where the left can mobilize support and to give support in general to the anti-government campaign. But it was not possible to arrive at an agreement with the JVP and the SLPP on the question of election. Hence under the name of SLPP they are contesting in 19 districts. However, expecting a few places such as Matara where they have a base, by contesting all over, it is unavoidable that a wrong impression is being created in the anti-government mass movement. Hence we appeal that in Colombo and Vanni to caste your vote to the 'Umbrella' of the NSSP, to vote for SLPP in Matara and such other places where they have a base, to vote for the Peoples Alliance and the main oppositional group of the Tamil areas in all other districts.


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