Press Release

The All India Peace and Solidarity Organization unequivocally expresses its opposition to the Malabar joint naval exercises going to be conducted from tomorrow, October 16 to 21.

Begun in 1992 as joint naval exercises between the Indian and US navies and institutionalized with the Indo-US defence framework agreement signed in 2005, the exercises are notable this year, for the participation of the Japanese navy. This reinforces the trilateral security ties established between India, USA and Japan. Obviously, this is in keeping with the geostrategic priority where US plays “pivot” to the Asia-Pacific region.

It is also equally apparent clear that this BJP government, under Prime Minister Modi, is signaling that the Malabar exercises symbolize India’s complete integration with the US military strategy in Asia. This is clearly detrimental to India’s strategic independence and autonomy making India a subservient ally of US military strategy in Asia.

AIPSO calls for opposing this move of the Modi Government to complete interlock India to the military shenanigans of a imperialist superpower with ramifications to undermine and threaten peace in this entire region.

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