

AIPSO PROGRAMMES IN WEST BENGAL 2020-2023

2020

3-5 January 2020: AIPSO National Conference at Raipur, Chhatisgarh.

Prof. Probodh Chandra Sinha, Prabir Deb, Dr. Srikumar Mukherjee, Saumendranath Bera, Prabir Banerjee, Binayak Bhattacharya, Khagendranath Adhikary, Dr. Pradip Datta gupta, Utpal Datta, Kunal Bagchi, Mousumi Roy, Dipankar Majumdar, Jayanta Mukherjee, Srikanta Mukherjee, Md. Naushad, Dr. Tamonash Bhattacharya, Sufal Pal, Dhruba Sekhar Mondal, Suman Dutta, Sudip Tarafdar, Tapas Sinha joined the Conference as delegates from West Bengal. Replace Krishnendu Roy Chowdhury by

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(Decided that after the state conferences of the remaining states, representatives of all these states will be accommodated in different committees.)

15 January 2020: A public meeting at Moulali junction, Sealdah, Kolkata in protest against the US attack on Iran.

22 January 2020: Ms. Coromoto Godoy Calderon, Ambassador of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela visited Kolkata and met the AIPSO state leadership at our organization's office. Earlier in the morning, Saumendranath Bera, Pradeep Dattagupta and Moushumi Roy took the ambassador to Bagu in Rajarhat of the North 24 Parganas district.

24 February 2020: AIPSO West Bengal State Committee, along with various trade unions and mass organizations, took part in a protest march from Dharmatala Lenin Statue to the American Center in protest of US President Donald Trump's visit to India.

29 February 2020: AIPSO Murshidabad District Preparatory Convention was held at Bahrapur in the auditorium of Ishwar Chandra Institution in Gorabazar and the Murshidabad District Preparatory Committee of the organization was formed.

25 March 2020: A country-wide lockdown was imposed due to the Corona pandemic.

19 May 2020: Ho Chi Minh's birthday was observed. A twelve-minute video capsule was released via the Facebook and WhatsApp groups. The video programme was well received.

25 June 2020: The AIPSO state secretariat meeting in online mode. First such meeting was held.

26 July 2020: Moncada Day was observed. A video clipping related to Moncada Day was promoted through Facebook and WhatsApp groups. The video clipping has been praised by many people.

26 July 2020: The online edition of the State Committee Bulletin was released.

31 August 2020: AIPSO Paschim Bardhaman District Preparatory Convention was held and the District Preparatory Committee was formed.

1 September 2020: On the occasion of International Anti-Imperialist Day, public events were organized centrally in Kolkata and several districts. But due to the demise of former President Pranab Mukherjee, the programs were postponed out of respect for him.

21 September 2020: On the International Day of Peace, an online seminar titled 'Anti-Imperialist Struggle for Peace in the time of Corona Pandemic' was organized by the AIPSO State Committee. The speaker was Pallab Sengupta, All India General Secretary of the organization. Rabin Deb chaired.

2 October 2020: Online seminars were organised at the district level on the occasion of Gandhiji's birthday.

29 November 2020: International Palestine Solidarity Day was observed by the AIPSO West Bengal State Committee. An online seminar was organised. The keynote speakers at the online seminar were Iraklis Savdaridis, Executive Secretary of the World Peace Council, and Dr. Akel Taqaz. Pallab Sengupta delivered an introductory speech. Rabin Deb presided over the function. Sudhakar Didi (Telangana), AIPSO General Secretary and Sunita Chaturvedi (Rajasthan), office bearer, attended the programme all through.

2021

2 January 2021: AIPSO West Bengal State Committee has recently published two (2) booklets, one on the history of the AIPSO, another on important happenings during the year 2020. These are well received by the members.

31 January 2021: AIPSO Bally –Belur- Liluah Branch Preparatory Committee (Howrah district) was constituted in a convention held in Bally (Bally Santiram School).

7 February 2021: AIPSO South 24 Parganas Preparatory Convention was held at Baruipur and South 24 Parganas District Preparatory Committee of the organization was formed.

18 July 2021: On the occasion of Nelson Mandela's birthday (July 18, 2021), the plight of Mandela Park in Kolkata was publicized through social media. The subject attracted a lot of people. It was also covered by news media.

26 July 2021: Moncada Day was observed at the initiative of the State Committee in front of the Academy of Fine Arts.

26 July 2021: AIPSO West Bengal State Committee organised an online seminar at around 6.30pm on the occasion of the Moncada Day on the achievements of Cuba in various fields, especially in fighting commendably the Covid pandemic. Mr. Oscar Martínez Cordovés, Cuban Ambassador in India joined as a speaker.

9 August 2021: State Committee convened online meeting on the occasion of Hiroshima Nagasaki Day. Subject: 'The significance of the solidarity movement in the wake of pandemic'. The speakers were. Gawhar Reza and Dr. Sabyasachi Chatterjee. Sri Rabin Deb presided over the session.

1 September 2021: Meetings and processions on the occasion of International Anti-War Day.

19 September 2021: AIPSO Nadia District First Conference was held at Krishnanagar town (ABTA Hall). The District Committee was elected.

29 November 2021: Online seminar on Palestine Solidarity Day on 'Achieving a Just Solution of the Question of Palestine -Role of the Solidarity Movement'. Speakers: Palestine Ambassador to India Hon'ble Mr. Adnan Abu Alhaiza and Nilotpal Basu. Rabin Deb chaired the session.

2022

4 March 2022: Rally in Kolkata demanding restoration of peace in Ukraine. From ITC Park, near Birla Planetarium to Lenin Stau, Dharmatala.

30 April 2022: AIPSO Birbhum District Preparatory Convention was held in Suri town. The District Preparatory Committee was formed.

19 May 2022: Ho Chi Minh's birthday. Venue: ITC Park, Kolkata. Speakers: Bhanudeb Datta, Dr. Nirmalya Das, Kalyan Sen Barat, Rabin Deb. Meeting was presided over by Prof. Asoknath Basu. Inaugural speech by Prof Anjan Bera. Songs by Kankan Bhattacharya and Kaji Kamal Naser.

28 May 2022: Felicitation to H. E. Mr. Oscar Martínez Cordovés, Hon'ble Ambassador of the Republic of Cuba to India. Venue: Shramik Bhawan, CITU, West Bengal. Prof Asok Nath Basu chaired over the session. Mr. Rabin Deb, Mr. Prabir Deb, Mr. Anadi Sahu, Mr. Kalyan Sen Barat, Prof. Binayak Bhattacharya, Prof. Anjan Bera, Mr. Kunal Bagchi, Mr. Utpal Datta, Mr. Debanjan Chakraborty were present among others.

4 July 2022: A discussion was organized by the AIPSO State Committee in collaboration with National Committee for Solidarity With Cuba on the topic: 'Che and Cuba: Humanism and Alternative Vision'. Venue: Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium, Jadavpur University Campus. Chair: Prof Asoknath Basu; Speakers: Abel Aballe Despaigne (Deputy Chief of Mission, Cuban Embassy, Delhi), Prof. Sobhanlal Datta Gupta and Md. Salim. Prof Anjan Bera delivered introductory speech. An Audiovisual Documentary titled 'Che in Memory: Fidel and Che' was screened. Songs by Kankan Bhattacharya.

18 July 2022: Nelson Mandela's birthday was observed by AIPSO WB State Committee in Kolkata. A public meeting was organized near Nelson Mandela Garden. Mr. Rabin Deb presided over the meeting. Among the speakers were Mr. Rabin Deb, Mr. Anjan Bera, Dr. Susnata Das. Kazi Kamal Naser, Pijush Dhar performed songs. Recitation by Prof. Sadanand Bhattacharya. The plight of Mandela Garden was publicized through social media. AIPSO WB raised the slogan-'Give Kolkata people back 'Nelson Mandela Garden'. The 'Nelson Mandela Garden' was created in 1990 at the Mayo Road-Jawaharlal Nehru Road junction adjacent to Kolkata Maidan on the eve of Mandela's historic Kolkata-visit. We demanded- Make the garden litter-free/ Steps should be taken to renovate and beautify the park/ Plaque with portrait of Nelson Mandela should be installed in the garden. It got wide coverage in the mainstream media even.

26 July 2022: A seminar was organized by the AIPSO State Committee at Harekrishna Konar Trust Bhawan auditorium to observe the Moncada Day in solidarity with the Cuban people. Mr. Manoj Bhattacharya, Kalyan Sen Barat, Srijan Bhattacharya. Introductory speech by Mr. Anjan Bera.

13 August 2022: Thousands of people participated in the procession in Belegkata, West Bengal from Sukanta Mancha (125B, Hemchandra Naskar Road, Phoolbagan, Kolkata 700010) to Gandhi Bhawan (150B, Beliaghata Main Road, Kolkata 700010) organized to observe the 75th year of India's independence. A public meeting was held on Beliaghata Main Road near Gandhi Bhawan. The speakers remembered Gandhiji's stay in a house in Belegkata from 13 August to 7 September 1947 to mobilize people against.

20 August 2022: The Quiz Contest on the 75 Year of India's Independence organized by the AIPSO State Committee. Venue: ABTA Hall, Kolkata. Quiz master- Mr. Subhabrata Chakrabarty. It was a huge success.

1 September 2022: AIPSO members and activists joined the Peace rally in Kolkata along with various trade unions.

11 September 2022: AIPSO South 24 Parganas District First Conference was held in Baruipur. The District Committee was elected.

12 November 2022: Felicitation of Com Pallab Sengupta for his election as the World Peace Council President. Rabin Deb presided over the function. Introductory speech was delivered by Mr. Anjan Bera. Mr. Manoj Bhattacharya, Mr. Ujjwal Chowdhury, Prof Prabodh Chandra Sinha spoke on the occasion. Vote of thanks was delivered by Prof. Binayak Bhattacharya. Inaugural songs by the Janwadi Lekhak Sangh members.

29 November 2022: The public meeting in Entally, Kolkata was postponed due to sudden demise of Manab Mukherjee, patron of AIPSO WB and former minister of West Bengal, was postponed

2023

12-18 January 2023: Rabin Deb participated as a representative of AIPSO in the international conference held by the Vietnam Union of Friendship Organisations (VUFO) in Hanoi, Vietnam to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Paris Peace Accord, signed on 27 January 1973. Mr. Deb was felicitated and was awarded by the VUFO for his contribution to Vietnam solidarity movement and in strengthening friendship between the two countries.

20-21 January 2023: Dr. Aleida Guevara and her daughter Prof. Estefania Machin Guevera's Kolkata visit. A series of programmes were organized under the banner, "Bengal With Cuba".

20.01.23

9.20 am: Arrival at Kolkata Airport from Bangalore by 6E 6339. She stayed at a New Town hotel.

1.00pm-2-45pm : Visit to Indian Statistical Institute, Baranagar at the invitation of the Applied Statistics Unit (ASU) and Library

2.00pm-2.30pm: Mass Reception at Baranagar (Tobin Road crossing) by AIPSO and various mass organizations.

3.45pm- 6pm: Mass Reception programme followed by cultural programme at the Open Air Theatre, Jadavpur

University Campus. The venue was packed.

21.01.2023

10.30am-12.30pm: Mass reception at Ganavaban auditorium, Uttarpara, Hooghly. It was preceded by an open rally from Ballykhal.

2.00pm—5.00pm: Mass Reception-cultural Programme- College Street, Kolkata

5.30-6.00pm: Visit to the Science Fair at Hedua.

6.30pm-- 7.30pm: Interactive session with the doctors at Sister Nivedita Hall (Large Lecture Theatre), NRS Medical College and Hospital.

22.01.2023

7.30am: Departure from Kolkata Airport for Hyderabad (Telengana).

Three-day programme was a huge success.

29 January 2023: AIPSO Paschim Medinipur District Preparatory Convention was held in Medinipur town. The District Preparatory Committee was elected.

1 February 2023: Extended meeting of the AIPSO WB State Committee. The delegates for the coming National Conference were elected.

12-18 January 2023: 50th YEAR OF PARIS PACT

Mr. Rabin Deb, the Secretary, All India Peace & Solidarity Organisation (AIPSO), All India Committee and the Convenor, AIPSO, West Bengal State Committee visited Vietnam from 12-18 January 2023 on the occasion of 50th anniversary of signing of Paris Peace Accord. The Paris Peace Accord, formally signed between Vietnam and the USA on 27 January 1973, represents Vietnam's diplomatic victory in its struggle against the United States. It liberated South Vietnam and reunified the country. The programmes were organised by Vietnam Union of Friendship Organisation and Vietnam Peace & Development Foundation.

3-4 March 2023: AIPSO National Conference at Chandigarh, Punjab. Mr. Rabin Deb, Prabir Deb, Dr. Srikumar Mukherjee, Saumendranath Bera, Prabir Banerjee, Binayak Bhattacharya, Khagendranath Adhikary, Asok Guha, Utpal Datta, Kunal Bagchi, Mousumi Roy, Dipankar Majumdar, Md. Naushad, Barun Chakraborty, Dr. Tamonash Bhattacharya, Arindam Mukherjee, Jyotikrishna Chattopadhyay, Sufal Pal , Dhruva Sekhar Mondal, Subrata Banerjee , Anindya Hazra , Sudip Tarafdar, Mrinal Das, Tapas Sinha joined the Conference as delegates from West Bengal.