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CPB Statement Ahead of the 18th BRICS Summit **Call for Initiatives to Build a Multipolar Peaceful and Equitable World Order**

The Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) believes that the time has come to end unilateral dominance and wars in the international arena and to establish an international order based on equal rights, dignity and equal participation of all states. Against the backdrop of the ongoing global economic and political crises, the CPB calls upon world leaders to take proactive initiatives toward building a multipolar, peaceful and equitable world order.

The upcoming BRICS Summit provides an important opportunity to advance this proposition more forcefully and to express solidarity with the oppressed peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, as well as peace-loving people across the world.

In its statement issued ahead of the 18th BRICS Summit, the CPB stated that platforms such as BRICS can play a sincere, effective and collective role in establishing a just international order in place of the prevailing unipolar and hegemonic world system. At the same time, Bangladesh has a vital opportunity to promote peace, cooperation and mutually beneficial relations by actively participating in BRICS and other regional and multilateral initiatives.

Such participation, however, should be guided strictly by national interests, sovereignty and an independent foreign policy, rather than by alignment with any war-oriented military alliance or geopolitical bloc.

The world is currently passing through a period of profound political and economic crisis, accompanied by severe military and security risks. The heaviest burden of wars, military competition, economic sanctions, unequal trade arrangements and geopolitical rivalries among major powers is being borne by people in countries with weaker economies. In this situation, strengthening mutual cooperation and coordination among post-colonial, developing and emerging nations is of paramount importance.

The CPB believes that BRICS should be developed into an effective international platform through which developing countries can adopt collective positions on their economic, political and diplomatic interests, thereby strengthening their voice in global decision-making.

Developing nations remain severely under-represented in major international institutions, including the United Nations, the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and the World Trade Organization (WTO). Their decision-making power remains inadequate in proportion to their population and economic significance. There is therefore an urgent need for democratic reforms in these institutions to ensure greater representation and a more equitable international decision-making process. BRICS can play an important coordinating role in advancing this demand.

The CPB further notes that dependence on the US dollar, unilateral sanctions and unequal trade arrangements create recurring crises for developing nations. Therefore, initiatives to expand trade in national currencies, establish alternative financial arrangements, and strengthen cooperation in investment, technology, energy, food security and development should be advanced in the interests of the peoples of the participating countries.

At the same time, the CPB stresses that such alternatives must not create a new form of domination or simply replace one center of power with another. The objective must be to establish genuine equality, sovereignty and mutually beneficial cooperation among nations.

The CPB expresses deep concern over the continuing wars and conflicts in different parts of the world, including Gaza, Iran and Ukraine. Millions of people and humanity as a whole are suffering from these conflicts. BRICS countries should play a stronger role in promoting political and diplomatic solutions instead of military force. They must uphold the right of peoples to self-determination, state sovereignty and respect for international law.

The CPB also calls for global initiatives to reduce the arms race and redirect military expenditures toward food, healthcare, education, climate-change adaptation and human development.

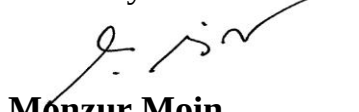
Regarding Bangladesh, the CPB believes that the country has considerable potential to expand its economic and diplomatic relations with BRICS member and partner states. Bangladesh can enhance cooperation in areas such as trade, investment, energy, technology, infrastructure, labor markets, food security and climate finance.

However, Bangladesh must give the highest priority to its national interests, independence and sovereignty, while avoiding excessive dependence on any single power center. Its participation in BRICS and other multilateral platforms should serve the interests of the people and contribute to peace, development and regional cooperation.

The CPB therefore calls upon the Government of Bangladesh to pursue a clear, balanced and independent foreign policy based on peace, sovereignty, equality and mutual cooperation. Bangladesh should conduct its international relations according to its own national and strategic interests, without becoming part of any military or geopolitical bloc and without becoming entangled in rivalries among the major powers.

The CPB believes that the struggle for a peaceful, democratic and equitable international order is inseparable from the struggle for national sovereignty, social justice and the rights of working and oppressed peoples everywhere.

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