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To all Units, Office Bearers, CC & GC Members

COMRADE MD. AMIN PASSES AWAY

With profound grief, we report the demise of Comrade Md. Amin, a veteran Trade Union Leader, founder and Ex-General Secretary of the Centre of Indian Trade Unions and an Ex-Parliamentarian, at Kolkata on 12th February 2018; he was 89.

Born in a poor working-class family, Comrade Amin started his career as a jute-mill-worker at a very tender age of 14 where he was steeled in Trade Union movement at the ground (factory) level. Through exemplary commitment, courage and conviction, he rose to be a national-level TU Leader, not only of the jute-workers but also in other sectors too and was associated with many industry-wise federations. As a founder member, he was associated with CITU till he breathed his last and held its many responsibilities like Secretary, Vice-President, etc. at different times, besides being its General Secretary from 2007 to 2010.

For more than half a century, Comrade Amin played a pivotal role in the Trade Union Movement of our country and the void created by his death would be hard to fill-up.

At different times, Comrade Amin held the responsibility of Transport and Labour Ministries during the Left Front regime in West Bengal. He was also a Member of the Rajya Sabha for two terms.

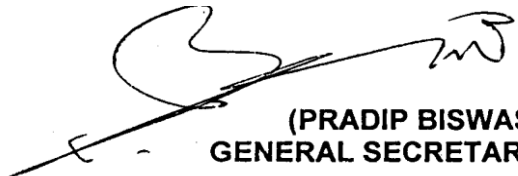
He was admitted as a member of (undivided) CPI in 1946. After the split of CPI, he joined CPI(M) and rose to be a member of its Polit Bureau.

For his political activities, Comrade Amin had to undergo long jail-terms, both under the British rule as also in independent India.

Comrade Amin was a prolific writer and also a notable Urdu poet.

While conveying heart-felt condolence to the members of his family, BEFI dips its banner in respectful homage to the memory of Comrade Md. Amin.

LONG LIVE COMRADE MD. AMIN



**(PRADIP BISWAS)
GENERAL SECRETARY**