At present in India an ARMED AGRARIAN REVOLUTION, under the leadership of the Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) and the correct line of Comrade Charu Mazumdar is taking place. In a revolution it is very important to ask and to determine "Who are our friends?" and "Who are our enemies?". This can only be done by analysing the role of various classes in our society.

The vast majority of our society is divided up into the following three main classes:

(i) Landless and landpoor peasants
(ii) Proletarians
(iii) Students and intellectuals

In the Indian revolution the three main classes mentioned above have definite roles.

Landless and landpoor peasants

The landless and landpoor peasants, who form the majority of the oppressed people in India and who are increasingly oppressed and impoverished by the landlord class and the reactionary Indian Government, are the main force of our revolution.

Proletarians

The working class is at present becoming more and more politically conscious. This class is marching forward to unite with the peasantry and will become the leading force of our revolution.

Students and Intellectuals

This class is divided up into two subgroups:

(a) Petty bourgeois intellectuals
The role of this class is mainly to support the revolution and to do some propaganda for it.

(b) Revolutionary Intellectuals
The role of the revolutionary intellectuals is to serve the needs of revolution and to come under the dictatorship of the revolutionary peasants and workers. The test of whether or not a person is revolutionary is given by Chairman Mao.

"There can only be one criterion, namely, whether or not he is willing to integrate himself with the broad masses of workers and peasants and does so in practice. If he is willing to do so and actually does so, he is a revolutionary; otherwise he is a non-revolutionary or a counter-revolutionary."

The Indian Progressive Study Group will discuss the role of each of these three classes in the Indian revolution at three successive Wednesday evening meetings. The first meeting is on "The role of students and intellectuals in the Indian revolution".

TIME : 7.30 pm
DATE : Wednesdays, 27th September, 4th October and 11th October.
PLACE : 2nd Floor University Centre. Room 7