PREFATORY NOTE

Some time back we printed for circulation among Party members a document submitted by Comrade E.M.S. Namboodiripad on "Revisionism and Dogmatism in the CPI". The National Council then referred the document to an ideological commission set up by it.

Comrade G. Adhikari was asked to prepare a document on the EMS thesis. In the course of examining the ideas of Comrade EMS on revisionism and dogmatism in the CPI Comrade Adhikari found that it would not serve the purpose of proper discussion if the question were dealt with only from the year 1947 as Comrade EMS had done. The roots of the question go far back. Hence, he undertakes a comprehensive review of the various policy shifts in the Party since its birth and of its struggle in search for India's path for national regeneration and socialism.

This document like that of Comrade EMS has not been discussed in the ideological commission. However, it is being issued to the Party ranks in the hope that it will serve as a contribution to the pre-Congress discussion on the current questions of ideology, the problems of the Party programme and of Party's policy in the present situation.

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