

CPI (M) Stand On

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By A Staff Reporter

GAUHATI, March 1—The Assam State Committee of the CPI (M) today pledged to work for unity of left and democratic forces and 'to help the Janata Party if they so need to form an anti-Congress Government, without itself entering into any coalition Government and acting as an opposition party'.

The State Committee which met here to discuss the post-election situation, noted that 'the results of this election have created difficulty for this transitional period'. The emergence of Janata Party as the biggest party in the State Legislature, without having a majority even with its sole ally, the PTCA hindered the formation of a stable Government. It felt that the difficulty had arisen due to Janata Party's failure to make electoral adjustment with left parties, for which the CPI (M) relentlessly worked before the election. This absence of unity again, enabled the discredited Congress to bag 26 seats and with Congress (I) 8 more seats. 'The emergence of Congress (I) with 8 seats is a disturbing factor, as it openly represents the authoritarian force headed by Srimati Indira Gandhi', it added.

All these make the situation, inside the new Assembly unstable and may lead to unprincipled compromises, defections, all of which will go against the interest of the masses, it said.

The CPI (M) hoped that the Janata Party, on which the task of forming the next Government rests, would meet the situation in such a way as may strengthen the unity of all democratic and left forces in the newly elected Assembly.

By a resolution the State Committee hailed the people 'for dealing a shattering blow on the Congress, putting an end to its 30 years monopoly of power which culminated in one-party dictatorship'.

The CPI (M) greeted the people 'for returning in considerable number of representatives of the left and democratic parties, which are committed to bold democracy and work for giving masses the sorely needed relief from poverty and unemployment'.

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