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"I have never associated with "Prophets of Doom" rather I have always been and will always be a supreme optimist." Cheddi Jagan 1997









"If I could relive my life, basically I would not want to change the journey, the route I went through, and the course I charted. No doubt it was tough but it was all an important learning experience and looking back, with the experience I acquired maybe some of the things I did with a lot of youthful exuberance, could have been done more delicately with the experience I now have, but there is nothing I regret in my life that I



The People's President

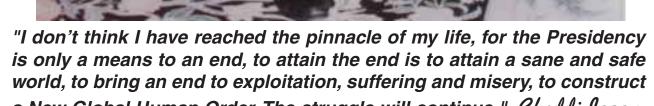


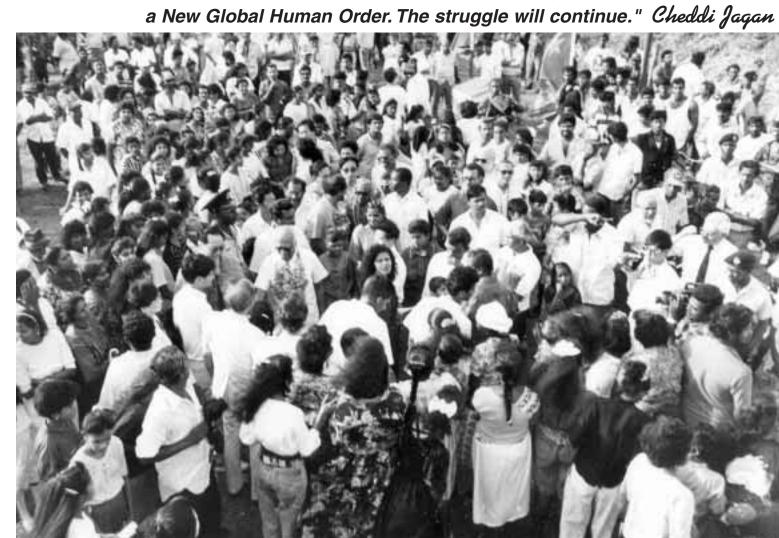








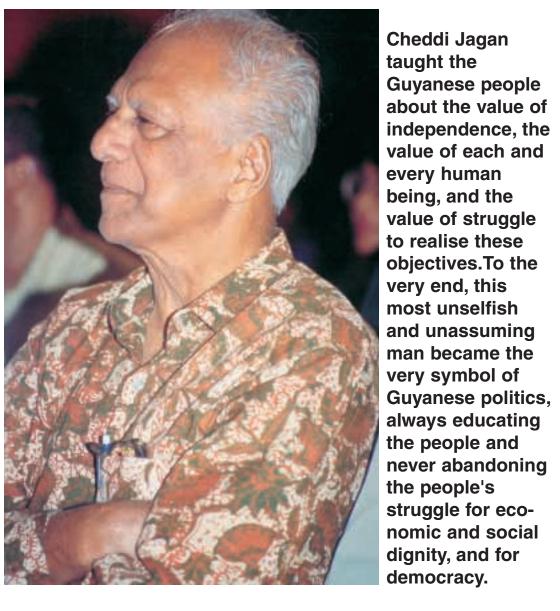




















In Suriname (above) and in Linden 1994 (below)



Cheddi Jagan dedicated his life to politics, supported by the firm belief, even during the long years of opposition that "History and time are on our side". Despite the adulation which he was held he remained the most approachable and modest of politicians. Among his most endearing characteristics were his openness and his willingness to believe the best of nearly anyone.











Cheddi Jagan's tenure as President was characterized by hope, expectation and confidence in the future. Guyana's economy showed consistent substantial growth, and social conditions improved dramatically, particularly in infrastructure development, employment creation, housing, education, expansion of pure water supply and local democracy. Cheddi Jagan was a tireless organizer and innovator of these developments.













"I am the son of sugar workers who hasn't forgotten his roots. Many politicians like me have forgotten where they came from but Jagan will never forget and you can







is truly outstanding, Dr. Cheddi Jagan was such a leader. What distinguished him from others was that special ability to understand the central contradiction of the times, to grasp the most critical question of the day and ably articulate them in a simple and understandable way. He was able, thus, to inspire and lead masses into struggle. Dr. Jagan has repeatedly demonstrated this quality and it was this, among others, that endeared him to his people and sustained his popularity among the masses for five decades.





"Hands Across Guyana" May 1996.



