

To Cheddi
with Love "

by

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THIS . BOOK
 IS
 DEDICATED
 TO
 BACHOWNI JAGAN
 MOTHER OF
 CHEDDI BHARAT JAGAN
 THIS ILLUSTRIOUS SON OF GUIANA
 THIS DOUGHTY CHAMPION
 OF THE
 DOWN-TRODDEN MASSES OF GUYANA

JAGAN--- THE MAN AND HIS MISSION

The Hindus believe that God sends great souls or Autars into the world from time to time to perform special functions for the benefit of suffering mankind. Dr.Cheddi B. Jagan is one of the Autars who has taken birth into this unhappy land of ours to alleviate the sufferings of the working class people, to break the bonds of Colonialism and set Guianese Free.

Dr.Cheddi Bharat Jagan was born at Plantation Port Mourant, Corentyne, Berbice, on the 22nd March, 1918. He received his early Education at Rose Hall Church of Scotland School and Queens College. Later he entered Howard University and the North Western Dental School. He holds the B.Sc. and D.D.S. degrees. He married while in the States.

He founded the P.P.P. in 1950 and in 1953 his party won a landslide victory enabling him to form the first working class government. His astounding victory so much appalled the imperialists and their local lackeys that they set to work at once and in 183 days democracy was raped--the constitution was suspended and the Jagan Government deposed, to be replaced by a puppet Interim Government.

P.T.O.

He was imprisoned in 1954 for breaking the restrictions order and so also were many of our comrades including comrade Janet Jagan. But have you ever heard of jacals scaring the Bengal Tiger?. Dr. Jagan's landslide victory at the R.P.A. elections in 1957 forced the hands of the powers that be to remove the restrictions placed upon him. At the General Elections of 1957 he again won and took over the reigns of Government. In 1961 under the Home Rule Constitution he again topped the polls to become the first Premier of British Guiana.

Every attempt was made to destroy him and the P.P.P. Gerrymandering of Constituencies, pernicious propaganda, dividing of the of the two races, burning, looting, rape, and setting loose of organised thugs have all failed to depose the Government. The Colonial Secretary that was and no longer is came to the rescue of the opponents of the P.P.P. by partially suspending the Constitution and by imposing the detestable P.R. system. He went further to reduce the life of the present Government by one year and by imposing a new Election under the P.R. system. Try all they can the P.P.P. will win again, and this time with independence just around the corner.

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Who is this man who has become the God of his supporters and the dread and fear of his enemies? What is so wonderful about him? What is his role here in Guiana? These are the questions that have baffled both friend and foe alike. Generations to come may wonder if a man of flesh and blood in the person of Cheddi Bharat Jagan really and truly lived on earth.

WHAT THEN IS HIS MISSION HERE IN GUIANA ?

His is the mission of SERVICE, service to the poor, the down-trodden, the enslaved. His service is unselfish and sacrificial. He has destroyed self for the service of all. His faithful wife, a true counter-part, is playing her part admirably by his side. Cheddi and Janet symbolise the Ram and Sita of Guiana. Janet like the real Sita clears the thorny paths for her noble and righteous husband to tread. Sister Edith is no less worthy than the ever true and ever faithful Lakshman. Through thick and thin, through storm and hale, she stands steadfast by "Bhaiya and Bhougi's" side.

His is the mission of UNITY, unity of the working class people of Guiana. In 1953 he succeeded in uniting the working class people, especially the two major race groups

- the East Indians and the Africans. He united them into a mighty army, so mighty that the Gods that be'quaked in their boots. They set to work at once. The Constitution was suspended, leaders imprisoned and detained and the "Mahils and the Manthras" set about to split the mighty working class army. Slowly the poison began to work into Samson's veins and falling prey to the 'Delilah' of power he fell victim to the enemies guiles. The party was split in 1955. Repeated attempts have so far failed. Attempts are still being made to get him to realise the harm he has done but success seems a good way off. Aided and abetted by local and foreign enemies of the people the opposition has succeeded in converting a once peaceful land into a horror camp. Odo the fallen angel of Cheddi's Utopia has betrayed him. But all is not lost. The torture and suffering and the hardships of the past 15 years are the 'Getsemene' and 'Calvary' of brighter things to come. Out of the ruins and ashes of the past months will grow a new Guiana, a Guiana in which the working class people will once again unite to make this land of ours a country of one people, one nation, one destiny.

His is the mission of PEACE and NON VIOLENCE. He is the Autar, the Mahatma, the Gandhi of Guyana. He preaches and lives peace and nonviolence, love and selfless service. He hates not his enemies but their evil ways. He offers the hand of friendship but is spurned both by his enemies and his so called friends. Numberless Judases who worshipped at his shrine have sold him for less than 30 pieces of silver. His one time very best friend has leagued with the enemy to destroy him, and to destroy all that he has built. Today in place of peace and love there is hate, racial strife, wanton destruction of life and property.

BUT THERE IS STILL HOPE FOR PEACE FOR THE SYMBOL OF PEACE STILL LIVES.

His is the mission of SACRIFICE. Himself a doctor who once held sway as the most efficient dentist, his wife a qualified nurse what more they needed. With 15 years of glowing practice and with money rolling in the Jagans would have been sprawling in luxury. But their mission is a nobler one- a mission of personal sacrifice for the good of their unfortunate friends. They have answered the cry of the master 'Feed my lambs'. Both husband and wife have tasted the horrors of prisons to answer the lambs' cries against

the injustices of the masters. They have sacrificed pleasure and happiness for the cause of their naked and hungry brothers.

CHEDDI BHARAT JAGAN stands unique in the history of Guiana. Never before has a nobler soul trod the soil of Guiana. His mission is nearing completion. His hour of victory at hand. Friends and foe alike have recognised in him his sincerity of purpose, his devotion to duty, his unblemished and incorruptible character, his unselfish service and his unfailing faith in his brother man.

Long live Cheddi Jagan, long live this illustrious son of Guiana, long live this doughty champion of the fallen and down-trodden people and long live the P.P.P.

V O T E P . P . P

Vote for the sun and burn in the heat,
The broom will sweep the street.
Vote for the CUP and drink the sweet,
And have more food to eat.

The P.P.P. will make us free
We all will be glad.
Colonialism brings misery
And every one is sad.

Prosperity, Peace and Progress
Will come with the P.P.P.
That is why the imperialists
Refuse to make us free.

Our Patriots the Governor detains
Yet there could be no peace.
Guianese should spare no pains
To secure their release.

For better working conditions
Justice and equality
Denounce the plan imposed by Sandys
And cast your vote wisely.

So when you vote on Polling Day
Make sure of being free,
While the sun shines make your hay
And vote for the P.P.P.

Navindranauth O. Chandarpal.
(13 years)

QUOTATIONS FROM MAHATMA GANDHI

(Applicable to the Life and Work of
Dr, Cheddi B. Jagan)

1. Love never claims, it ever gives. Love ever suffers, never resents, never re-venge itself.
2. A man who is made for freedom has got to take tremendous risks and stake everything.
3. Where love is, there God is also.
4. I do not want a kingdom, salvation or heaven. What I want is to remove the troubles of the oppressed and the poor.
5. A slave has not the freedom to do the right thing.
6. If I take anything that I do not need for my own immediate use and keep it, I thieve it from somebody else.
7. Performance of one's duty should be independent of public opinion.
8. I think the Sermon on the Mount has no meaning if it is not of vital use in every life.
9. The test of orderliness in a country is not the number of millionaires it owns but the absence of starvation among the masses.

WHAT BURNHAM SAID OF THE P.P.P.

Here I give you quotations from Mr. Burnham's Speech after he was declared winner in 1953. What he said of the P.P.P. then is still true. He has changed but the P.P.P. and Dr, Jagan have not.

"Comrades and friends, my people of Georgetown North East, today you have elected me, your Samson to be your representative in the new House of Assembly. In electing me you have not merely elected the person but you have elected the Chairman and Candidate of the most MILLITANT, FAIRLESS and SINCERE PARTY that has ever been seen in the annals of the history of British Guiana. As a member and Chairman of the P.P.P. I thank you sincerely for the honour you have done me and the party."

Continuing he said, "Your gesture today is significant because the people of G.N.E. have shown that they would rather be in the forefront of progress than ponder to the ~~and~~ lies being thrown by the forces of re-action against the P.P.P. Their attempts have never affected us; their attacks have always given us greater strength.

You have worked hard for us. You have given your service free because you know

that a victory of the P.P.P. means a victory to the people of Br. Guiana. May I warn you however that this is not the end. Our enemies will continue their attacks upon us but our duty remains to stand firm. Our duty will be to work together in those momentous days which lie ahead of the people of Br. Guiana. A NEW ERA HAS BEEN USHERED IN. I do not say it is an era in which our streets will be paved with gold, or strewn with diamonds, or our stomachs filled with milk and honey. It will be an era of struggle against those who have oppressed us in the past, an era which will eventually conclude seeing the people of British Guiana free and independent."

The once mighty Samson has joined the ranks of the very people he called his oppressors to oppress the very people he tried to liberate from the self same oppressors.

Mr. Burnham has yet to learn this maxim:

"For the slave who leaves his kindred,
basely seeks the foeman's grace,
Meets destruction from the foeman after
he destroys his race!"

Ramesh C. Dutt.

THE GUIANA OF CHEDDI'S DREAM

(With apologies from Romesh Dutt)

Like the ancient monarch Manu, father of the
human race,
Cheddi rules his people with a father's
loving grace.
Truth and justice sway each action and each
baser motive quells
People's love and Premier's duty every thought
and deed impels.
Peaceful live the righteous people, rich in
wealth, in merit high
Envy dwells not in their bosoms and their
accents shape no lie.
Fathers with their happy households own their
cattle, rice and gold,
Galling penury and famine in Guiana has no
hold.
Neighbours live in mutual kindness helpful
with their ample wealth,
None who begs the wasted refuse, none who
lives by fraud or stealth.
Cheat and braggart and deceiver live not in
our lovely town
Proud despiser of the lowly wear not insults
in their frown.
Poorer feeds not on the richer, hireling fix
friend upon the great

None with low and lying accents does upon
the rich man wait.

Men to plighted vows are faithful, faithful
is each loving wife,

Impure thought and wandering fancy stain
not holy wedded life.

Robed in gold and graceful garments, fair
in form and fair in face,

Winsome are Guyana's daughters, rich in wit
and woman's grace.

And each man in truth abiding, lives a
long and peaceful life,

With his sons and with his grandsons, with
his loved and loving wife.

THUS IS RULED THIS MODERN COUNTRY BY HER
PREMIER TRUE AND BOLD,

AS THE EARTH WAS RULED BY MANU IN THE
MISTY DAYS OF OLD.

THE PREMIER'S PLEDGE

"My Government will never discriminate
against any person or persons on the
ground of race, religion, or political
creed; that the essential freedoms will
be preserved and we will respect the
rights of all.

OUR PREMIER

Chosen by us the Premier

He fully deserves the confidence

Entrusted to him now.

Decidedly his Government was a success
and so

Deserves another term of office

In this our final step to Independence.

Born a fighter

Just and true

A man of great courage and sincerity.

God blessed him and

And actually said to him

No one can liberate B.G. but you.

Navindranauth Chandarpal.

(Written in 1961)

" NOW THAT THE REAL CULPRITS
HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BE -
YOND DOUBT,, IT IS A
CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY AND
JUSTICE TO HOLD THE P.P.P
MEN IN DETENTION "

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