

P R E F A C E

The Communist Party of India, being the second all-India political party, next to the National Congress, its Party Congress is always considered a significant national event. Its Seventh Congress, coming as it did against the background of a split in the Communist Party itself and a schism in the world communist movement, evoked heightened interest in the country as well as abroad. The documents, decisions and resolutions adopted by the Congress, the speeches and reports made before it and the general account of its proceedings, would be read with interest by a far wider political circle than that of its members and sympathisers. That is why we decided to make this entire essential material of the Seventh Congress of our Party, which held its sessions in Bombay from 13th to 23rd December, 1964, available to the public in three volumes.

The present volume contains the full text of the main documents and resolutions adopted by the Congress. It contains the new Programme of the Party, which sets forth a scientific analysis of the perspective and path before our country in her onward march to national regeneration and socialism. It contains the resolution on ideological controversies, setting forth the Party's stand on the main issues of debate in the world communist movement and on the struggle for restoring its unity. Apart from the Political Resolution, the Organisational Report and the amended Constitution of the Party, this volume also contains a large number of resolutions adopted by the Congress on topical developments both in the country and in the world.

The second volume will contain the speeches made by the fraternal delegates of the Communist and Workers' Parties of other countries and the messages of greetings received from other Communist and Workers' Parties.

The third volume will contain the various reports made to the plenary sessions by the commissions appointed by the Congress and also give a general account of the proceedings.

We hope the present volume, as well as the two others which will be published soon, will prove useful to Party members and well-wishers and to the politically-minded public at large.

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