

RED FLAG

Iran: Wars Within Wars

JOIN ICWP TO TURN IMPERIALIST WORLD WAR III INTO COMMUNIST REVOLUTION

March 2, 2026— “Netanyahu and the Ayatollah are butchers,” said a comrade sheltering in a Tel Aviv basement. “And Trump and Xi are super butchers.”

This salvo began with the murder of more than a hundred school girls in the south of Iran.

And as US bombs targeted Iran, the Israeli military sealed off Gaza. No food, water, or medical supplies can get in. Starvation, typhus, and cholera are spreading. And Israeli fascists are driving Palestinians from the West Bank.

“This is the best time to organize, because the rulers are losing their ideological grip on the working class,” said comrades of the International Communist Workers’ Party (ICWP) in Tel Aviv. They have been sharing the ICWP newspaper *Red Flag* electronically in the bunkers. And joining the masses defying Zionist propaganda and marching against the war in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

“I was confused when we overthrew Mubarak fifteen years ago,” said an ICWP comrade in Egypt. “Now I know we need communism. We have to organize! Especially in the armed forces.”

Workers’ Blood for Imperialists’ Oil

The current war escalates the imperialists’ fight to control Persian Gulf oil. It’s not just Trump and Bibi. It’s the global competition stemming from capitalism’s imperative to grow or die. Competition for markets, labor, resources, makes world war inevitable.

The world was already at war. Ukraine and NATO vs. Russia. India vs. a China-backed Pakistan. Pakistan vs. Afghanistan. Sudan. Myanmar. Venezuela. Yemen.

But this could be a tipping point rather than just “one more war” launched by US imperialism. Iran is successfully deploying Chinese satellite and missile technology. Chinese rulers have a six-month stockpile of oil. But they could be dragged into the fighting to avoid seeing Mideast oil fully under US control.

The fascist Indian rulers are siding with Israel/USA. The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) is divided. The Saudi rulers call the Emirati rulers Israeli pawns. The Iranian military has attacked Dubai and Abu Dhabi, where the world’s wealthiest people play and park their money. Pro-Iran Bahrain and Oman are also under attack.

The enemy of your enemy isn’t always your friend. No capitalist, no imperialist, is a friend of any workers.

Working people have no country. When communist revolution destroys capitalism everywhere, there will be no nations and no borders anywhere.

How Can Workers Win the Class War?

“Are we in a world war now?” a comrade asked friends in Los Angeles (USA). “We’re in a civil war,” one responded. All agreed: it’s class war. Capitalists versus the masses.

We can win that war by mobilizing masses, especially industrial workers and young workers in the military.

Look at Panipat, India, where thousands of oil refinery workers went on strike on February 23. And the proud history of Iranian oil workers’ struggles.

Look at the apartheid GCC states, where almost 90% of the population is from South Asia, the Philippines, and Thailand. Airports, hotels, US military bases all rely on these abused and super-exploited workers. Many ICWP comrades in India have friends and relatives among them.

From South Africa to the USA, soldiers often don’t make a living wage. As the Egyptian comrade said, we must win them to fight for our working class, not for the capitalists!

For the bosses to wage their war on the working class globally, they must rely on working class itself. Workers in the armed forces, oil fields, and industry are capable of turning this around into communist revolution.

You Can Make a Difference

Masses are starving, not just for food but for change. We must build a massive International Communist Workers’ Party to smash this bloody racist system once and for all.

Voting won’t save us. Nonviolent resistance won’t break our chains. Only communist revolution can empower us to build a new world based on collectivity, sharing, sustainability, and respect. A world without money, where nothing and nobody is bought or sold. Where today’s endless wars will finally end.

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