

## **Emergency motion on Kashmir**

This CLP condemns the recent actions of the Indian Government to revoke article 370 of the Indian Constitution and thereby ending the special status of the Indian Occupied Kashmir.

This action by the Modi Government will not only raise tensions between two nuclear powers, India and Pakistan, but will also deny the protection afforded under this article to the citizens of Kashmir.

This CLP also notes with concerns the following:

- i) The addition of 180,000 extra troops to the region, which already has over 700,000 troops, and the reports of Human Rights abuses and killings of Kashmiri civilians by the Indian troops.
- ii) The removal of access to communications with the outside world and the right to travel to and from the region. AND
- iii) The house arrest of all the political leaders and activists from the region.

This CLP therefore calls on the Labour Party to adopt the following actions:

- a) The Labour party commits to supporting the retention of article 370 of the Indian constitution until the United Nations resolutions adopted in 1947/8 are implemented.
- b) Confirms that Kashmir is a disputed territory and the Labour Party commits to supporting the Kashmiri peoples right of self determination, including the use of instruments of international law.
- c) Calls on the Indian Government to restore all communications to the region immediately and lift all travel bans.
- d) Demands an end to direct rule and the withdrawal of all troops from the region.
- e) Demands an end to all human Rights abuses, killings of civilians and immediate access to international observers and human rights organisations free access to the region.
- f) Urges India to agree to international mediation bring about peace and prosperity to the region.

Proposed & circulated by the CLPD EC