Police seize Pakistani socialist leader

LLP Chairperson Arrested In Islamabad

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Labour Party Pakistan Chairperson Comrade Nisar Shah, a leading lawyer was arrested along with dozens of protesting lawyers in Islamabad today during a protest demonstration.

Since the imposition of emergency by the military dictator, Labour Party Pakistan (LPP) has been on streets with other protesting democratic forces. Comrade Nisar Shah had been organizing numerous protest demos in markets, thoroughfares and on public places of the capital and also in Rawalpindi city against the military rule till the morning today, when he was arrested during the demo. He was severely tortured by the police at the moment of his arrest. He has been shifted to an unknown place.

Three other party comrades are still missing after the arrests and we all are searching for them different police stations of the capital to know about their whereabouts.

It is third big assault on party comrades since the second coup of General Musharaf. First the Lahore police raided LPP General Secretary Comrade Farooq Tariq's house two times and misbehaved with the inhabitants in a very inhuman manner and still trying to arrest Comrade Farooq who has gone underground for a while to organize the protest movement of the party very soon. In a second attempt two leading party comrades were arrested from the HRCP office from the meeting of all civil societies organizations. Comrade Khalid Malik and Comrade Azra Shad were arrested two days ago along with Asma Jahangir, I A Rehman and other left wing activists in Lahore and now today in a protest demo in Islamabad Comrade Nisar Shah has been arrested.

In Karachi party comrade Shakeel Malik was beaten up by the police when he and other party comrades trying to safe Karachi Press Club General Secretary Najeeb and other journalists from police torture.

Labour Party Pakistan (LPP) is going to launch joint protest demos all over the country against military rule.