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1. INTRODUCTION:

Today nine months after the formation of Huhudi Civic Association (Huca), we meet to assess our strength, count our achievements, review our methods and adopt new strategies to advance our cause i.e.; a struggle for a peaceful and stable Huhudi community. To make this more real we need to broaden our knowledge on issues facing us. We need to know strategies used by forces against whom we are contending. Our programme should be more action-oriented than reactionary. More action and less reaction should be our guiding principle. We must be pace-setters in our cause. The opposite forces should not dictate a programme to us as this will result in them shifting our focus from our envisaged goal. We agree that we must take advantage of methods available to us, but we must also on the other hand weigh the long term effects of the methods given at a time.

2. ASSESSING OUR STRENGTH

From the onset our workforce has never been in pace with the work-amount. We have been relatively weak both in terms of numbers and organisational skills. To ignore the latter will display a subjective assessment of ourselves. It will mean a stubborn reluctance to accept self-criticism. It will spell a sign of immaturity and will even show lack of constructive analysis of our cause. Our cause calls for strategic and tactical approach borne of honesty with ourselves.

Our financial link has been remarkably disturbing. Our programme has been disastrously (though not entirely) hampered by lack of finance-injecting undertakings. However this cannot in anyway be used to explain away other inherent weaknesses.

Our support from the community cannot be doubted (i.e. compared to the period and conditions our attempts have been undergoing). We believe sadly that the nature of our attempts is quite unique and of a high profile: bearing in mind the lengthy period within which our people have been subjected to high-handed intimidation. There has never been this level of opposition to the undemocratic institutions leading our community in Huhudi.

3. COUNTING OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

The founding of Huca per se is an achievement, the successful embarkment on its programme modification and its survival a development. The receptive attitude in the community cannot be overlooked. A graphic improvement in the attendance of our meetings has always given incentive to concretise the reality of Huca.

3.1. PUBLICITY - The publicity we enjoy in the commercial press (though insufficient) is quite commendable. The community-based newsletters e.g. S.S.P.U, SPEAK, etc. have shown an unwavering support to the plight of the residents of Huhudi. Their unfailing coverage and exposition of conditions as revealed in their papers. Their literally insistent attitude to know more about the struggles of our community. And all these and many others have made our work more easier and enjoyable.

3.2. LAUNCH OF HUYO - Amongst our aims and objects a remarkable end has been realised with the formation of HUHUDI YOUTH ORGANISATION (HUYO). Our youth programme (aimed at involving the youth in community struggles) has successfully got off the ground. Huyo may not be a picture we had envisaged at the moment, but it is also not different from that envisaged picture.

3.3. ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKERS' MOVEMENT - Huca although a first level organisation has always identified other fields of our struggle. The successful introduction of trade unions in our community is one example. This was based on the conviction that the condition of workers at the factories determine their lifestyle in the community. That our workers' "virtual ignorance" and lack of contact with trade unions deny them a chance to realize their str-

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3.4. PARENTS' SUPPORT COMMITTEE

The inevitable but unfortunate school-boycotts at our local high school saw Huca emerging again with a solution that would have long term educative impact on our community. Huca brought together parents whose children were detained to fight the detention problem and processes flowing out of that. The subject committee with its indefinite period of existence is nonetheless a symbol of unity Huca would like to see itself identified with.

3.5. DEFIANCE CAMPAIGN

A subtle, informal but remarkable defiance campaign was embarked upon by Huca since its inception last year. More than five houses were built and some renovated in defiance to authoritative restrictions. In each and every meeting of Huca an emphatic note was always made to residents to violate such restrictions. Some were threatened with fines and court summonses, amongst which Huca directly intervened. Quote examples. As this campaign was not properly structured from the onset our programme of action for the current year will amongst other issues improve on the campaign.

3.6. AFFILIATION TO THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT (UDF)

The birth of the UDF drew a responsive attention of Huca. With the formation of UDF (Tvl), Huca was amongst the first organisations to join. Its (Huca) representative outlook (as reflected in its constitution) was never doubted even at national level. This affiliation serves as a measure of guarantee that our struggle is also a struggle of other communities and that we are not alone in it.

3.7. IDENTIFYING THE ENEMY STRATEGIES

Side by side with the physical issues in our programme, we had indulged in an educational programme of teaching our people the origin of our set-backs. Institutions such as community councils were taught and accepted as undemocratic and unrepresentative. They were identified as strategies of the forces of opposition. Their serious limitations were revealed. This was a great success.

4. REVIEW OF METHODS

4.1. ON PUBLICITY - In a very few situations our reaction to certain issues has been a bit disturbing. As we have pointed out in the introduction our reactionary attitude may lead to us losing track of our ultimate objective. In the subject situations we started as pace-setters but ended giving the authorities (against whom we are contending), the latitude to set pace for us. Quote examples. Besides this few unfortunate incidents strategic and tactical approach has been displayed.

4.2. INTERNAL WEAKNESSES - There has been a gross negligence on the question of delegation of duties. Our approach on the matter has been assumed as being right on the initial. With instant results on ~~the~~ few issues, the question of specific field of work to specific people as a matter of procedure was virtually ignored in the process. Quote examples. We need a strategy when drawing our programme of action.

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5. CONCLUSION

The flaws within our organisations and methods of organisation will definitely have to be minimised. Our area of strength should be enhanced and more work should be done. In broadening our knowledge on organisation and management thereof we need to constantly read, organise workshops, discuss and analyse and constructively criticise ourselves and our colleagues. We need to read situations beyond our boundaries. We need to selflessly discuss what we have learnt in order to build up the image of our organisations. We need to bear in mind that ours is a long hard struggle on which our methods must have positive long-term effects.

In conclusion I'd suggest we form more sub-structures because I believe them to be the most viable strategy that can make easier the delegation of duties, the execution of tasks and finally the true assessment of our strength in the community.

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HUHUDI YOUTH ORGANISATION (HUYO)

MONTHLY PASS - IS CRYING WITCHCRAFT?

1. ARE OUR PARENTS AT FAULT FOR HAVING CHILDREN OF EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE?
2. THEY PAY FOR BOOKS AT SCHOOL, THEY BUY FOOD, CLOTHES THEY PAY RENT, WHERE WILL THE MONEY FOR MONTHLY PASS COME FROM?
3. COMMUNITY COUNCIL, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU AND YOUR BOERS ARE DIGGING A HOLE FOR OUR PARENTS?
4. BY CAUSING THEM TO PAY MONTHLY PASS, IS TO MAKE RETROGRESS IN THEIR LIFE STYLE.
5. OUR PARENTS WORK HARD FOR THE BOERS, AND ARE NOT PAID.
6. WE WANT TO STATE THAT YOU ARE DIGGING HOLES FOR US, FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF YOUR BOERS TO REMOVE US TO PUDUMONG.
7. WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT IS BEING DONE WITH THE RENT MONEY FOR THE TOWNSHIP. RENT IS BEING RAISED YEARLY, YET THE STANDARD IN HUHUDI IS SO LOW DAILY.
8. TO CAUSE US TO PAY HIGH RENT AND MONTHLY PASS IS PUBLIC THEFT.
9. IT IS HIGHLY OFFENSIVE, THE MAIN AIM BEING TO BREAK OUR HOMES AND FORCE US TO PUDUMONG.
10. WE WANT YOU TO TAKE THESE MESSAGES TO THOSE YOU WORK FOR (EMPLOYERS) :
 - (A) WE DO NOT WANT MONTHLY PASS;
 - (B) THE RENT SHOULD NOT BE INCREASED BEFORE OUR PARENTS ARE PERMITTED TO BUILT;
 - (C) THOSE EMPLOYING YOU SHOULD NOTE THE PETITION ABOUT MONTHLY PASS.

NOTICE TO PARENTS:

WE ASK YOUR CO-OPERATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PETITION OF 1 000 SIGNATURES (1 000 SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN) AGAINST MONTHLY PASS. WE HAVE NO POWER WITHOUT YOU.

WE THANK YOU.

ISSUED BY THE INFORMATION COMMITTEE OF HUYO.

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2. BA DUELA DIBUKA KO SEKOLONG, BA REKA DIJO, DIAPARO, BA DUELA RENTE MADI A MANTLE-PASE A TLA TSWA KAE?
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