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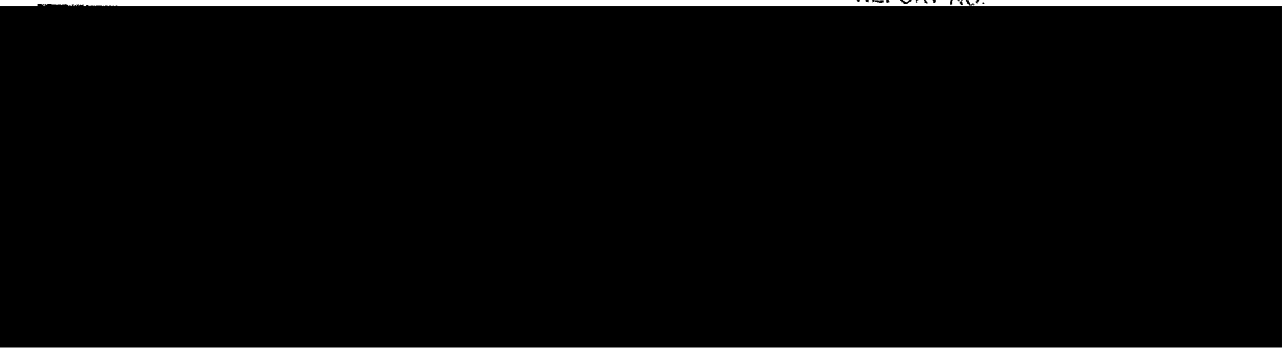
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SUBJECT CPI Influence on the Activities of Trade Unions in the Calcutta Area

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1. The following trade unions are dominated by the Communist Party of India (CPI):

- Bengal Woollery Workers' Union.
- Bengal Pottery Workers' Union.
- Bus Workers' Union - President, Jyoti Bose; Secretary, Ajoy Bannerjee.
- Calcutta Corporation Workers' Union - President, Samsul Huda.
- Calcutta Rubber Workers' Union.
- East India Railroad Workers' Union - President, Jyoti Bose.
- Gas Mazdoor Union.
- Hide & Skin Workers' Union.
- Ice Factory Workers' Union.
- India Rubber Goods Workers' Union.
- West Bengal Shop Employees' Union - Secretary, Mikunja Behary Dutt.

2. The Indian Seamen's Union conducted a strike and slowdown of 30,000 dock workers in Kidderpore early in February. The United Trade Union Congress, led by Prinal Kanti Bose, has been collaborating with the Indian Seamen's Union and the Dock Mazdoor Union. Both are dominated by the CPI and Bolshevik Party leaders.

3. The CPI, in cooperation with the Marxist Forward Bloc, is organizing agitation among the petrol workers at Budge Budge; among the Bata Factory Employees' Union; and, through the Merchantile Federation Workers' Union, among employees of British and United States firms in Calcutta.

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