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(DEBABRATA BISWAS, Ex.M.P & General Secretary of All India Forward Bloc has issued the following statement on the death of George Fernandes)

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GEORGE FERNANDES: AN ERA OF TRADE UNIONIST, POLITICIAN, JOURNALIST, AGRICULTURIST HAS COME TO AN END



Born 3 June 1930 - Died: 29 January 2019

It is saddened to learn the demise of George Mathew Fernandes, the former Rajya Sabha Member from Bihar in the age of 88. The All India Forward Bloc expresses heartfelt condolences and pays rich tributes to the dignified memories of Fernandes. He was a key member of the Janata Dal and is the founder of the Samata Party. He has held several ministerial portfolios including communications, industry, railways, and defense.

In 1949, he joined the socialist trade union movement. Becoming a trade union leader in Bombay, Fernandes organized many strikes and bandhs in Bombay in the Indian Railways. He defeated S K Patil of Indian National Congress in the 1967 parliamentary elections from the South Bombay (now south Mumbai) constituency. He organised the 1974 Railway strike, when he was President of the All India Railwaymen's Federation. Fernandes went underground during the Emergency era of 1975.

The AIFB pays respectful homage to George Mathew Fernandes and expresses our deep sorrow and grief to the members of his family members.

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General Secretary