

# Chinese labour activists in detention

YAO GUISENG, manual labourer from Hunan Province, charged with 'robbery and assault' following protests in 1989. Sentenced to 15 years.

GUO YUNQIAO, manual worker from Hunan Province and leader of a 10,000 strong workers' protest in 1989. Death sentence was commuted to 13 years in 1991.

LIANG QIANG, factory worker from Beijing and WAF member. Arrested in 1989 for writing 'reactionary' articles. Sentenced to 15 years for 'counter revolutionary crimes' in 1990.

HU SHIGEN, lecturer and a leader of FLUC Beijing with Wang Guaqi. Sentenced to 15 years for 'counter revolutionary crimes' in 1994.

LIU JINGSHENG, chemical plant worker in Beijing, helped establish CFDP and FLUC. Arrested in 1992 and sentenced to 15 years for 'counter revolutionary crimes' in 1994.

WANG GUAQI, printer and co-founder of FLUC and CFDP Beijing. Arrested in 1992 and sentenced to 11 years for 'counter revolutionary crimes' in 1994.

KANG YUCHUN, former doctor from Beijing and member of FLUC and CFDP. Sentenced to 17 years for 'counter revolutionary crimes' in 1994.

WANG MIAOGEN, manual labourer from Shanghai and President of Shanghai WAF. Sentenced to two and a half years in 1989, released in 1991. Forcibly committed to psychiatric hospital in 1993, where he remains.

LI BIFENG, former tax official in Sichuan Province, democracy campaigner, and church activist. Arrested in 1998 after sending reports on worker protests to HRIC. Sentenced to seven years for 'commercial fraud' in 1998.

ZHANG SHANGUANG, teacher in Hunan Province sentenced to seven years for counter revolutionary crimes. On release worked in a factory and organised workers. Arrested in 1998 and sentenced to 10 years for 'supplying intelligence to organisations outside China'.

HE CHAOHUI, railway office worker in Hunan Province, organised worker protests and sent information to overseas organisations. Arrested in 1998 and sentenced to 10 years for 'endangering state safety' in 1999.

YUE TIANXIANG, transport worker from Gansu Province, arrested in 1999 after establishing the journal Chinese Workers' Monitor. Sentenced to 10 years for 'subversion' in 1999.

LIAO SHIHUA, electronics worker and CDP member in Hunan Province. Led worker protests in 1998 and 1999. Sentenced to six years in 1999 for 'incitement to overthrow the government'.

WANG CHANGCHUN, miner in Sichuan. Arrested during violent clashes with police in 1999 along with six colleagues. Their whereabouts are unknown.

XU JIAN, factory worker in Inner Mongolia and

legal practitioner. Distributed labour rights leaflets. Sentenced to four years in 2000 for 'incitement to overthrow state power'.

FENG DAXUN, former journalist in Sichuan. Arrested in 1999 and sentenced to three years before being transferred from the detention centre for Gong Country Coal Mine.

HUANG QI, web journalist reported that forced surgery had been carried out on 200,000 fishermen. Arrested in 2000, and sentenced in 2001 for an unknown period on grounds of 'subversion'.

LI JIAQING, paper factory engineer. Organised a workers' congress and protests against a factory merger. Arrested in 2000 and sentenced in 2001 for an unknown period on grounds of 'gathering a crowd to disrupt social order'.

WANG SEN, CDP member in Sichuan, organised worker protests at steel factory in 2000. Arrested in 2001 and sentenced to 10 years for 'subversion' in 2002.

HU MINGJUN, CDP member in Sichuan, organised worker protests at steel factory in 2000. Arrested in 2001 and sentenced to 11 years for 'subversion' in 2002.

CAI GUANGYE, doctor at military hospital. Briefly detained after photographing worker protests in 2001, and re-arrested following further protests. Current whereabouts unknown.

LU WENBIN, factory electrician, arrested after organising worker protests in Jiangsu Province. Current whereabouts unknown.

YAO FUXIN, husband of former employee of a bankrupt factory in Liaoning Province. Led protests by thousands of former workers. Sentenced to an undisclosed period in 2003.

XIAO YUNLIANG, Led protests by thousands of former workers of a bankrupt factory in Liaoning Province. Arrested in 2002, and sentenced to an undisclosed period in 2003.

DI TIANGUI, retired worker from Shanxi who called for a national retired workers federation. Arrested in 2002, currently awaiting trial.

ZHAO CHANGQING, teacher in Shaanxi. Imprisoned in 1998 after criticising ACFTU, released and re-arrested in 2002 after signing an open letter calling for political reform. Currently awaiting trial.

WAN JIAFENG, CHEN NANLIU, MA CHANGWEI and QU PENGTAO, shoe factory workers from Guangdong, were sentenced to terms of three to three and half years in 2004 for 'intentional destruction of property' following a protest by 1,000 workers.

LIU JUFEI, DING KUI and LIU RONGNENG, shoe factory workers from Guangdong, were sentenced to three years imprisonment in 2004 for 'intentional destruction of property' following a protest by 4,000 workers.

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CDP China Democracy Party  
CFDP China Freedom and Democracy Party  
FLUC Free Labor Union of China  
HRIC Human Rights in China  
WAF Workers Autonomous Federation