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**Siddhartha's childhood:
Thus spake Ambedkar**

Thus Spake Ambedkar

Death of Mahamaya, Siddharth's Childhood and Education

Death of Mahamaya

1. On the fifth day the ceremony of name-giving took place. The name chosen for the child was Siddharth. His clan name was Gautama. Popularly, therefore, he came to be called Siddharth Gautama. 2. In the midst of rejoicing over the birth and the naming of the child Mahamaya suddenly fell ill and her illness became very serious. 3. Realising that her end was near she called Suddhodana and Prajapati to her bedside and said: "I am sure that the prophecy made by Asita about my son will come true. My regret is that I will not live to see it fulfilled." 4. "My child will soon be a motherless child. But I am not worried in the least as to whether after me my child will be carefully nursed, properly looked after and brought up in a manner befitting his future." 5. "To you Prajapati, I entrust my child, I have no doubt that you will be to him more than his mother." 6. "Now do not be sorry. Permit me to die. God's call has come and His messengers are waiting to take me." So saying, mahamaya breathed her last. Both Suddhodana and prajapati were greatly grieved and wept bitterly. 7. Siddharth was only seven days old when his mother died. 8. Siddharth had a younger brother by name Nanda. He was the son of Suddhodana born to Mahaprajapati. 9. He had also several cousins, Mahanama and Anuruddha, sons of his uncle Suklodan, Ananda, son of his uncle Amitodan, and Devadatta, son of his aunt Amita, Mahanama was older than Siddharth and Ananda was younger. 10. Siddharth grew up in their company.

Childhood and Education

1. When Siddharth was able to walk and speak the elders of the Sakyas assembled and asked Suddhodana that the boy should be taken to the temple of the village goddess Abhya. 2. Suddhodana agreed and asked Mahaprajapati to dress the boy. 3. While she was doing so the child Siddharth, with a most sweet voice, asked his aunt where he was being taken. On learning that he was being taken to the temple he smiled. But he went, conforming to the custom of the Sakyas. 4. At the age of eight Siddharth started his education. 5. Those very eight Brahmins whom Suddhodana had invited to interpret Mahamaya's dream and who has predicted his future were his first teachers. 6. After they had taught him what they knew Suddhodana sent for Sabbamitta of distinguished descent and of high lineage in the land of Uddikka, a philologist and grammarian, well read in the Vedas, Vedangas and Upanishads. Having poured out water of dedication from a golden vase, Suddhodana handed over the boy to his charge, to be taught. He was his second teacher. 7. Under him Gautama mastered all the philosophic systems prevalent in his day. 8. Besides this he had learned the science of concentration and meditation from one Bhardawaj, a disciple of Alara kalam, who had his ashram at kapilavatsu.

(Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Writings & Speeches, Volume XI, Rs.70 1992, Govt., of Maharashtra, Bombay). The book may be had from Director, Government Printing, Stationery and Publications, Netaji Subhash Road, Bombay - 400 004.

DALIT VOICEThe Voice of the Persecuted Nationalities
Denied Human Rights**Only Dalits can save Muslims from jaws of Aryan nazis: Joint front of oppressed need of the hour**

We are provoked to write this piece on receiving a letter from our brother, Dr. Ramnath, a scientist from C.S. Azad University of Agriculture, Kanpur, who is a subscriber of DV from 1989.

The Aryan oppressor, the common enemy of the over 85% of the population, is using only the cowbelt SC/ST/BCs for all its experiments on "Hindu Rashtra", meaning 'Hindu nazi rule' which was inaugurated on Dec.6 1992 with the blessings of the neogi brahmin. The whole of South and even East is not taken up for this experiment because the people of this area have identified their enemy. The Aryans are not even 15% and even this 15% is a warring house, broken house. But all the quarrelsome Aryans unite in persecuting the Dalits and Muslims. This tiny 15% has neither Justice nor Truth on its side. It has not even a majority. A tiny microscopic minority - guided by the vaidiks,

which is alien on to this country - is bent upon destroying this country by persecuting the over 85% of the indigenous people. Their strategy is to keep the Anaryan 85% "poor" and illiterate by denying their human rights.

HOW TO FIGHT THE COMMON ENEMY

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Unless Muslims know that SC/ST/BCs are not "Hindus" but their own blood brothers and sisters and unless SC/BCs realise that they are neither shudra nor "Hindu" the two can't unite and fight their common enemy to liberate this land of which they are the owners. In 1982, I wrote a letter to our Editor requesting him not to publish it in DV. I received a very brief reply from the Editor wherein he said: "Our people should be courageous enough to speak out the truth". Only after this remark, I was encouraged and awakened, to be a fearless and frank writer and that resulted in the publication of about 40 reserach articles in the **Bahujan Sangathak**. My **Arakshan kiska aur kyon?** was welcomed throughout the country. So too four other books. Due to this big boost, I was elected President of our University Teacher's Association. I also contested the Kanpur parliamentary seat with BSP ticket in 1990.

Hindutva poison: As they are the rulers they can easily do this. And through the toilet papers they own they can bluff the world about their "tolerance, non-violence and love for democracy". On the other hand, as they own the media they can (1) brainwash the 85% non-Aryan Dravida population by injecting the Hindutva poison and (2) make one brother fight another brother. By instigating SC / BCs against Muslims,

Sikhs and Christians on one side and keeping the SC/STs divided and distanced from BCs on other side they are playing havoc.

Hindu "marxists": In this grand game of Aryans,

PM alone responsible for the current crisis**OUR CORRESPONDENT**

Bangalore: If the situation in the country is what it is today the one and the only person who has to be blamed is the Prime Minister. Because it was this chanakya who manipulated the whole thing to hand over the country to nazis without caring for the country's history, Constitution, human rights or having any sense of justice or fair play. P.V. Narasimha Rao within his short but turbulent rule has "hindulised" the country quicker and better than all the Hindu nazis put together since "independence". He has pushed the country 100 years back. Over 85% of the country's original inhabitants plus many fair-minded among Aryans/Hindus (15%) are fed up with this neogi brahmin. In the interest of country's health and happiness, he must be asked to get out if this country has to be saved from civil war.

every political party including the sacred thread "marxists" are united.

Because of their hate philosophy, the country has suffered economically and the society as a whole has become blood-stained by killing our peace of mind - not to speak of our human rights.

That means the cow belt is the only problem portion of this country. The Aryans call this Aryavarta - though in this area itself the Aryans are a microscopic minority.

UP Muslim leadership: The UP Muslim leadership is elite and hence pro-Aryan. This we have said many times. But the masses of UP Muslims are converts from SC/ST/BCs and hence our own flesh of the flesh and blood of the blood. *The oppressed UP Muslim masses will easily join us (the oppressed Dalits) but what has happened is that the enormous literature we have produced is neither reaching the Muslim masses nor the SC/ST/BCs.* This is because our literature is in English which is the only all-India language. But the Muslims and Dalits do not know English.

Breaking the barrier: So much so (1) the innocent Muslims masses do not know that the SC/ST/BCs are not only not Hindus but much more hostile to Aryans than the Muslims. (2) On the other side, the illiterate Dalits do not know that Muslims are their own blood brothers and sisters and that like them the oppressed Muslims too are oppressed by the very same common Aryan enemy. *If we break this barrier our job is done.* Here the Muslim leadership has totally failed.

In the past over 12 years, we have tried our best to impress this point to the Muslim leadership - particularly the religious leadership.

Role of Ali Mian : Ali Mian, who released the first issue of *Dalit Voice* and India's most famous and respected Muslim saint with worldwide reputation, knows our mind better than anybody else. But his silence has puzzled us. What forces him to sit back in silence we don't know. He knows the Truth but refuses to act upon the Truth. He knows that our argument has the backing of Justice and History but refuses to act upon it. And that is why on Jan.6 he had to meet a hostile Muslim audience in his own fiefdom of Lucknow. We hope this mental dressing down that he received at the hands of revolutionary Muslim masses will wake him up from the deep slumber and realise the Justice and Truth behind our argument. Already he is too old. And if he wants to act he must act now, strike today. Tomorrow

may be too late.

Moulana Abdul Karim Parekh of Nagpur too knows our mind too well and agrees with it in toto. But being Ali Miyan's disciple, he too appears restrained.

Powerful religion: Muslims have a powerful religion that has liberated 15% of India's population. **Within 45 years of India's "Independence", a community that ruled India for 800 years has been enslaved. And now facing extermination. This is an unprecedented tragedy in world history. The leadership of the Muslims will be held solely responsible when the history of this country is going to be written.**

Islam will be there only as long as Muslims are there. If Muslims are "finished", there will be no Islam. But people like Ali Miyan, the best of the lot, who know the glories of Islam and Koran, should have taken up the lead in producing literature meant to enlighten the Muslims and also Dalits. *That is Payme Insaniath.* He could have at least got our literature translated to Hindi, Urdu and other Indian languages and supplied them as cheap literature to the two sections. *That is Payame Insaniath.*

But far from doing it, this vast community with enough financial resources has not even an English/Hindi paper at its command ("**Warning to Muslims on media**" : DV edit Nov.1 1992).

Ultimatum to Ali Miyan: At least the Dalits being paupers can be excused if they don't possess a powerful media of their own. But what excuse is there for Muslims? Ali Miyan can command crores and crores of rupees in just one hour. But he is brooding in silence as the Hindu nazis dismantled democracy. **Ali Miyan has only one chance and that will be the last chance. Either he is with us or against us.**

The crime committed by the Muslim leadership has come to light. **Our repeated plea to set up our own press to counter the Aryan powerful poisonous propaganda was simply ignored.**

So much so, the Aryans using their cunning strategies and tactics - their only weapon - have been defeating the Muslims and Dalits despite the fact we have Justice on our side, Truth on our side and also the number (over 85%) on our side.

Hence, we have to blame none other than the Muslim leadership for the current crisis. This leadership will have to pay through its nose for its

crimes. And that time is nearing.

The Aryans have deliberately kept all of us "poor" (after robbing our human rights) and hence illiterate. So how to reach the masses?

DV family in UP: It is here that people like, Dr. Ramnath, Subedar Ram, K.D. Kanyal, Smt. Shanti Lal, Er. S.D. Singh, Shree Ram, Jai Veer Singh, Dr. Shiv Kant, N.C. Nirala, Gorkha Prasad, Siddhart, Ram Kumar Srivas, M.L. Rao, J.C. Berry, Bijendra Singh and such other leading and senior members of the DV family in UP can play a crucial role. Where there is a will there is a way.

Aryans have no quarrel with Muslims: Muslims should know that the Aryans have not at all any quarrel with the Muslims though it is true that Islam is the deadliest enemy of brahmanism/Aryanism. For 800 years the Muslim elites ruled this country in total peace with the Aryans. Even at that time, the Aryans were oppressing Dalits but the Muslim rulers did not come in the way of this Aryan oppression. The Muslim masses, converts from SC/ST/BCs, were made to live under the false illusion that they were rulers of the land. Though there were no anti-Muslim riots then, their economic plight was in no better than what it is today.

Dalits, the deadliest enemy: The Aryan's only uncompromising enemies are Dalits. Over 3,000 years of systematic efforts to "Hinduise" them, meaning enslaving them-did not result in gobbling them. In all the villages of India (India is a country of villages), the Dalits continue to live far away from the Hindu contamination. Not only they worship their own deities and follow their own Buddhist customs and rituals even to this day, but do not even call themselves Hindus. They have refused to compromise with Hindus.

Father of India: Babasaheb Ambedkar, who came as their only Saviour, gave them a distinct identity with constitutional sanction to it. His efforts to lead them into a separate religious identity was thwarted by the Aryans with his

sudden mysterious death soon after his historic conversion to Buddhism at Nagpur.

With the death of Babasaheb his conversion (liberation) movement suffered a big setback though the enormous literature produced by the Father of India has come out in 11 volumes so far. Some more are yet to come. But these books are only in English and Aryan rulers are keeping a strict watch to see that it does not reach the masses in their own languages.

The Aryans have realised that to inaugurate their 'Hindu Rashtra', it is the Dalits who are coming in the way. Not so much the elite Muslims who are very much under the "Hindu" influence.

Koran hidden from masses: No doubt, Islam is the deadliest enemy of brahminism/Aryanism but Islam is in the hands of this brahminised religious leadership dominated by the UP clergy, and the masses of Muslims are denied access to the revolutionary philosophy hidden in the Koran. It is only now after the Babri Masjid destruction the Muslim masses are revolting and getting to know the secrets of Koran. This is a happy sign and that is why we took the risk of welcoming the Babri Masjid destruction. (DV edit Jan. 1 92)

Beef-eaters: These masses of Muslims and the Dalits live together both in cities and villages. Both are poverty-stricken and both are oppressed by the same common enemy-Aryans.

Both know it. Both are beef-eaters and both share the same pain. **There is absolutely no contradiction between the two - Dalits and Muslims. Laloo Prasad Yadav has proved it in Bihar.**

This is because the Dalits know that like them the Muslim masses were also once upon Dalits before converting into an egalitarian religion.

Muslim-Dalit Alliance: Over 10 years back we had formed the Muslim-Dalit Alliance in Bangalore and this concept has resulted in two political parties, BSP of Kanshi Ram and Dalit-Muslim

Horrors of "Hindu Rastra"

New Delhi: A top Shiv Sena leader has said that they planned and initiated the demolition of the Babri Masjid. In an interview to "Newstrack" video magazine, Jaibhagwan Goyal, president of the North India branch of the Shiv Sena, said, "The entire planning was the Shiv Sena's, and the man who led the demolition belonged to the Shiv Sena". (Hindu Jan 16.)

The Shiv Sena leadership has also admitted that it was behind the latest Bombay riots in which over 500, mostly Muslims, died. But which govt. has the courage to book the culprits even when they admit the crimes? Because, under the "Hindu Rastra", inaugurated on Dec. 6, 1992, Hindus can commit any crimes.

Suraksha Mahasangh of Haji Mastan who is himself a Dalit convert. The Islamic Sevak Sangh of Kerala has many Dalits in it. Dalit-Muslim vote bank is the strength of the Congress Party.

So in every part in India from the days of "independence", Dalit-Muslim unity has been there unconsciously. *What we want is that this unconscious unity must be converted into a conscious unity - unity of the oppressed to build a healthy country. This unity is more in the interest of Muslims. The Muslim leadership can avert the danger even now if they heed our warning in the interest of Muslims.*

The Aryans are creating an artificial hatred against Muslims and they are doing this in their own interest. Theirs is a hate philosophy. This we had explained in detail in our editorial of Jan.16 1991: "*Hindu unity destroys India's unity*".

American example: We had also explained that the **ONLY** difference between the Dalits and Muslims is that the two belong to two different religions. That is all. Religion is like a dress that a person wears. In US, many Blacks had embraced Islam. But even while the Black Muslims continue to be good Muslims, both put up a single united fight calling themselves Afro-Americans, which is their original identity. *The blood that flows in the veins of both Christian Blacks and Black Muslims is the same. Ethnically they have the same origin.* To escape from racism, the Blacks escaped to Islam and got rid of the white Christian racism. They may be mentally liberated but economically and socially the Black Muslims face the same persecution in US. In fact, Black Muslims are much more hated by the White rulers.

DV agenda for SIMI: We had explained this in our editorial: "*Agenda for SIMI meet: Muslims can stop Nazi bid to divide India*" (DV Jan. 1 1992). SIMI is India's most revolutionary Muslim organisation and our Agenda was discussed by the leadership and we are happy to say that by and large they have accepted the thesis of our argument.

In India also, the Dalits and Muslims belong to the same ethnic origin. The flesh and blood is the same. Some went over to Islam and some others to Christianity and Sikhism. Just because Dalits are occupying different houses or having different jobs, can we deny that the roots of all the three and Dalits are not the same? This is a very important point. The Aryans are trying

to destroy our roots. The Aryans are adopting a dual strategy to "finish" the Muslims:

- (1) Corrupt and co-opt the elite Muslim leadership
- (2) and kill those oppressed Muslims who revolt.

Zionist support: In this, they have received the full support of the white western rulers and their Zionist masters. This also we had explained at length. *The Dec. 6 1992 destruction of Babri Masjid can be called as the biggest boost for the "Spanish Experiment" which the Aryans are conducting in India. Now, there will be no more stopping.*

The second attack, but the more serious one, will be on their original enemies-Dalits. Already reservation in promotions have been axed - thanks to our Hindu courts. The next will be reservations (human rights) itself. The entire Dalit leadership has been corrupted. Shankaranand, Bhuta Singh, K.H. Ranganath, Elaya Perumal K.R. Narayan are good examples.

BCs fooled: The BCs have been continuously fooled. The Mandal Commission Report is dead. And the BCs will never, ever get any reservations (human rights). That paves the way for the strengthening of the "Hindu Rashtra", already inaugurated on Dec. 6, 1992.

UP is the biggest problem state. Bihar is much better and we have a first-class leader in Laloo Prasad Yadav. The Muslim leadership and also that of SC/ST/BCs in Bihar is better.

So, it is upto the Ambedkarities in UP to take up the challenge. If they want to be sincere Ambedkarites, the Babri Masjid has given them a wonderful godsent opportunity. They must join with the revolutionary Muslim masses and produce liberation literature. The elite Muslim leadership should be kept aside. We are here to serve.

Beware of "secular Muslims"

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: Heard of the much-publicised "liberal" and "secular" Muslims? The English-educated lot with no beard, no identity, sending their children to convents and living in posh localities have been the darling of Hindus. Examples are Justice M.C. Chagla, M.J. Akbar, Justice Hidayatulla, Abid Hussin, Hamid Dalwai, Safdar Hashmi, Dilip Kumar, M.F. Hussain. List is too big. Where are they now? Why none is heard? In the mad mad anti-Muslim hatred that has gripped the country, even the "liberal", "secular" Muslims have become "anti-national." Beware of these "secular Muslims". ■

Congress & "Hindu marxists" join hands to persecute Muslims

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The socio-political scene of Kerala has been undergoing big changes. The Hindu nazi murder attempt on ISS chief Abdul Nasser Madani with the connivance of nazi police officers was a turning point. (DV Sept. 1 92 p.3: "One-legged Madani will prove more dangerous"). Even after this most brutal attack, Madani got little sympathy from the toilet papers or the fake "secular forces". The nazi aggression on Babri Masjid was sidelined but the poor ISS chief was maligned and all sorts of false news were published. Even though evidences were available the nazi murderers were left untouched. The culprits were given enough time to escape and the nazi leaders were well protected by their nazi Chief Minister. It was only after repeated warnings from the ISS the police arranged a drama of arrest. ISS cadres have shown great restraint. Not a single nazi leader was touched.

This was followed by a series of anti-Muslim riots at Trivandrum, Mattancherry, Alwaye, Kodungalloor, Kasargod etc. The fake communists parading as secularists and other "progressives" including the State Muslim League leaders were silent on the nazis but harsh on the ISS.

The ban on "communal organizations" was used to "finish" ISS. The whole operation is being piloted by a nazi Iyer Subramaniam, Director-

General of Police and an agent of Kanchi Kamakoti,

Darling of the nazis: Even though Madani had dissolved the ISS, still his arrest was ordered. The Muslim fear was that the police would torture Madani in the jail and kill him.

saying that the department was only implementing the Kerala High Court order. But during the current Sabarimala season, "Hindu" police are allowed to grow beard for which the court is no problem.

When a full load of explosives, which was enough and more to destroy Trivandrum city, was "discovered" near Trivandrum, the nazis carrying them were not booked nor any nazi leader was touched. But they put the blame on poor Madani. Nazi press reporters put out false reports saying that Madani was responsible for "smuggling" explosives.

SIMI leader killed: In north Kerala, where the ISS is not a force so far, SIMI (Students Islamic Movement of India) is being attacked. In Kuttiady, Calicut dt., a young school teacher of SIMI, Aboobacker, was killed by nazis. There was no retaliation from Muslims. In many places it is the nazis in police uniform who kill the Muslims. A State nazi leader, K.G. Marar, had praised (29.7.92) the Kerala police as the "best

police force". At Trivandrum, Poonithru, Mattanchery, Aluwa, Kodungalloor, Kasargod, etc. Muslims suffered mainly at the hands of police. One innocent Muslim girl, Sirajunnisa, who was allegedly killed at the direction of a UP nazi DIG at Palakad last year was shown as a criminal in police

Kerala League leadership facing revolt

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: The corrupt pro-brahminical Kerala unit of the Muslim League is facing revolt from its angry Muslim followers. Two factors have caused this: (1) The State unit's hostility towards the powerful ISS chief, Madani, whose leg was cut by the Hindu nazis with the connivance of State "Hindu" police. (2) The anti-Muslim stand of the State unit leadership on the Babri Masjid issue. While the all-India chief of the League, Sulaiman Sait, wanted the League to get out of the alliance with the Congress, the country's original brahminical party for colliding with Hindu nazi demolition of the masjid, the State League leadership prostrated before the negoi brahmin, the arch villain behind the Babri blast, just because it wanted to continue in power. The angry masses are fed up with the State League leadership and indications are that it may simply wither away because the Hindus in the cross-thread "marxist" parties and as well as the Hindus in the Congress are equally hostile to the Muslims. The fear is that the party might split. The State leadership hates Sait's identification Muslim masses. The Kerala leadership wants to go alone sacrificing Sait. The State leadership has been facing strong criticism and public hostility in parts of Malappuram. Sait is gain ground. He has strong backers within the IUML like P.M. Aboobacker, a former leader of the All-India Muslim League, and several MLAs like Zacharia Sait, Ishahaq Kurickal and Nalikath Soopy.

Problem of beard: Kasim, a senior Dy. SP at the Trivandrum airport Migration Section, was subjected to severe mental torture just for keeping a beard as part of his religious obligation. Kasim could not protect his beard, even with the help of four IUML Ministers in the State cabinet and was forced to shave it off. The nazi police chief defended his action,

records to deny compensation to her family.

Christians instigated: There was even a mischievous attempt to turn the Christians against Muslims in Kerala. This is being executed at the St. Joseph's High School, Pavaratty, Thrissur dt., where 700 out of 1800 are Muslim students. These students are not allowed to enter the class wearing caps, whereas there was no bar on students applying *tilak* on their foreheads. Nazi teachers hatched this conspiracy to turn the Christian management against Muslims.

Caste-wise census: The Bahujan Samaj (SC/ST/BC/Muslims/Christians) of Kerala has been demanding publication of castewise data of State govt. EK Nayanar, and the present "tricolor nazi" nair chief Minister, Karunakaran, maintained a casteist silence on this demand. When Eshak Kurikkal (IUML MLA) had demanded castewise list during the Nayanar regime the reply of Nayanar on 18.6.90 was "that the govt. cannot furnish castewise list owing to technical difficulties". But everybody knows that it is a false excuse to cover up a top secret. But the same MLA whose party is a partner in the present govt. has no courage to raise the demand today.

Terrorism on Dalits: Lakshman is denied the post of the Inspector-General of Police despite his seniority just because he happened to be a Dalit. The nazi CM wants only a *savarna*/Hindu for this post. The brutal mental torture to which different Dalit officers are subjected to goes unknown to the world. CT Sukumaran, IAS, a dedicated Ambedkarite, died under mysterious circumstances. There is every possibility of his being murdered by the Aryan/*savarna* lobby. Many Dalit organizations had already demanded a probe into his death but in vain. Koyilari Sajeevan, a Dalit police constable of Kannur Armed Reserve camp, was

found dead in Keezhunna beach on Aug. 17. Dalits of Kannur believe that it is a clear case of murder.

A dalit youth, Velayudhan, a native of Muttikulangara of Palakad, was beaten to death in the broad daylight in the VH Road, Palakad, on Aug. 8. Radhakrishna, 29, a Dalit youth labourer of Perurkada Vatathu vilakam colony, Trivandrum, was attacked by the *savarnas* and one leg was cut.

Dalit Panthers: Dalit Panthers who identified their enemy were brutally attacked by the combined forces of nair nazis of CPM, BJP, Cong, NDP, RSS at Pandanath, Chengannoor taluk of South Kerala.

When an Ezhava youth, Pappan Cheliya, married a Dalit girl in Quilandy, Calicut, the Hindu 'marxists' attacked both the couple and were seriously injured. It was organized by the *savarnas* and brahminised Ezhava "marxists".

Girls raped: A tribal girl student of X std., Pushpalata, was raped to death in Okannur, near Kottamala, Kanhangad, on Sept. 5. Another tribal girl was raped by the police in Kalpetta, Wynad.

IAS officers indicted: In many tribal colonies, Paniyapara, Eenthumkari, Purvayal, Edpuzha, Kanichar, Panniyodi, Keezhpally, Koziyottu, Chanthirur, Cheleveyal in Kannur and at Attapadi, important tribal areas in Palakad district, tribals died for want of food and medicine. Crime branch investigation has disclosed Rs. 14 crore corruption in the name of tribal welfare in Attappadi. Ten IAS officers were indicted for this on Sept. 12, 92.

A colony of Paniya tribals in Kanichar panchayat, Kannur dt. with 36 families was looted by Hindus and the tribals have become paupers. Hindus armed with deadly weapons came in 10 jeeps and surrounded the colony. Even children, old men, women were not spared. They were

tied to trees before they were beaten up. By the time the police reached the spot they had lost everything including shelter and honor.

Mathews, a human rights activists, was the worst victim of the barbarity. Ravikanth, Kannur Dt. Collector and an Andhra Dalit, tried to help the victims, but the Hindu officers around him scuttled his efforts by describing the Paniya tribes as robbers.

Adivasi Sangamam: This was followed by the massive Adivasi Sangamam at Wynad in which I participated. This historic tribal meet (Oct. 12-19, 1992) fully exposed the Hindu claim of "tolerance and non-violence" and their cross-thread marxist propagandists. The colorful gathering of India's indigenous inhabitants from all over the country, totally keeping out the Hindus, could not be tolerated by our CPM, Naxals (CPI-ML Red Flag) run by a Nair Ramachandran, Yuvajana VEDI, BJP etc. They did their level best to disrupt the meet. The main gate of the historic conclave was burnt by these red hot "marxists". They dubbed the meet as anti-national and alleged that it was CIA sponsored. They caught hold of a German tourist couple and staged a fake drama of patriotism in the street.

DV upsets Narmada heroes: While I was selling Dalit literature at the conference ground, I was questioned by these Hindu "marxists" for selling books "which criticised only one religion". Some Brahmins and Baniyas were also present as self-styled leaders of the Narmada Bachao Andolan. These fellows were very much upset on seeing the *Dalit Voice* and Dalit Sahitya Academy books. The noted tribal scholar, Dr. Ram Dayal Munda, Prof. Amiya Kumar Kisku were among the noted participants. Prof. Kisku expressed shock over the plight of the tribals in Wynad.

Vice-President insulted: After taking over as Vice-President of India, K.R. Narayanan, a Kerala Untouch-

able, visited his home State. He was insulted by the *savarna* nazi chief minister, Karunakaran. He was not honoured as per the protocol. Everything possible was done to humiliate him.

The Aryans/*savarnas* continued the same treatment to the Vice-President even during his second visit on Oct. 24. Instead of arranging his accommodation at the Kovalam Palace, he was given only a guest house. Narayanan, a great admirer of Gandhi, the "Father of (*savarna*) nation," perhaps deserves this treatment for having wasted his life in their company, forgetting his own people.

DV friend elected to SNDP: As regards the Bahujan Samaj of Kerala is concerned the election of Dr. Rahulana as the SNDP Yogam president has generated fresh hopes. Dr. Rahulana is well known for his uncompromising stand on the Mandal Commission and unity of SC/ST/BCs and Muslims. At his first press conference itself he gave top priority to SC/ST/BC and Muslim/Christian unity and especially the role of Dalits in forging such a unity. He refused to label the ISS as a "communal organization".

Buddhism in Kerala: The noted Dalit organization, Dr. Ambedkar Mission, headed by Kumbhazha Damodaran engaged in spreading Buddhism in Kerala, has built an Ambedkar Bhavan in Karukachal panchayat, Kottayam dt. This was inaugurated by Damodran himself. (**Dr. Ambedkar Mission, Ambedkar nagar, Manthuruthy post, Kottayam, Kerala-686542**). This was done along with a two-day study camp.

Marxism saving brahminism: The CPM has declared a war against its most influential BC leaders - V.S. Achuthan and Mrs. K. R. Gowri. Attempts are being made to plant the son of "modern shankara" as the next chief of the party in Kerala. In

the last Assembly elections CPM-led front had every chance of winning. But the wily "modern shankara" was worried about the chance of an Ezhava, V. S. Achuthanandan, becoming the next Chief Minister. To avoid this "danger" and help the victory of *savarna* nazi Karunakaran the "modern shankara" deliberately criticised the old veteran SNDP leaders and even Sree Narayana Guru as British agents. This was done just a week prior to the election. The expected result followed. Almost the entire Ezhavas turned against the CPM and voted for Karunakaran. After the election the party was forced to put V.S. Achuthanandan as the Opposition leader. Using his trusted colleagues. Achuthanandan succeeded in unearthing Karunakaran's massive Rs. 1-crore corruption in palm-oil dealings. This really upset the "red hot *savarnas*". They came out boldly praising Karunakaran and his son and criticising the Antony group in the editorial of the party organ *Deshabhimani* on March 31 1992. Not only that - all his trusted personal staff were replaced by Nairs. He was put under strict watch. Later, while he was away in Delhi, Achuthanandan narrowly escaped a murder attempt. This is nothing new for the party. Decades ago, Azheekodan Raghavan, was silenced by the *savarna* lobby in the party. But the way of murder was different. All the important supporters of VS are now removed from party posts. His days are numbered.

Gowri's plight: Mrs. K. R. Gowri is another powerful Ezhava leader facing persecution from her Brahmin-nair "marxist" bosses. Last time when the bosses denied her the chief ministership, they could not give a convincing explanation. They didn't want her to be a candidate for the CM post. The love and affection she enjoys from the BCs and wide recognition as their leader naturally angered these "red nazis"

The 'modern shankara' who is using "marxism" to promote brahminism has openly come out against Gowri in the party organ, 'Chintha', on Dec. 18, 92. Her days are also numbered.

The "red nazis", it is said, are bent upon continue Karunakaran's rule without any interruption when two young nair-nazis the Karthikeyan and Ramesh Chennithala, from Karunakaran's inner circle revolted against him along with a Muslim, Shanvas, the "modern shankara" advised these Nairs not to "isolate" Karunakaran and his son (*Mathrubhumi*, Sept. 18, 92).

Dinesh beedi business: Another nazi marxist, Nayanar, now-a-days speaks the language of Hindu nazis. He said the entire "communal clashes" in Kerala are organised by the Muslim League. He condemned the PMK leader Ramdoss "for bringing terrorism in Tamil Nadu." In the party circle, he is facing corruption charges such as managing an agency of Dinesh Beedi for his son in Trivandrum dt. getting Rs.30,000 a month.

EM Sreedharan Namboodiripad, a chartered Accountant and son of the "modern shankara", is bride groomed as the next marxist priest. The father and the son together bring out a new CPM journal *Marxist Dialogue*, a wholesale bullshit.

Even after the shocking revelations of scandals, involving crores of rupees in palm-oil deal, spirit smuggling, the CPM never thought of an agitation for the dismissal of Karunakaran. All the efforts of Achuthanandan in unearthing the facts and documents regarding Karunakaran's corruption were defeated by "modern shankara".

Silence on Babri Masjid: The "modern shankara" didn't give his opinion on the destruction of Babri Masjid. His changed tune is "unity of the secular forces is not possible as long

as the Congress continues its ties with communal party, Muslim League". That means he wants complete Hindu-Muslim polarisation. He has no quarrel with the Nair party, NDP in the Cong. front.

The Shankarachari of Sringeri mutt was accorded a reception by Karunakaran with full State honours as if he is the head of a separate sovereign country. This nazi CM even fell flat shamelessly in front of this brahmin leader. (*Mathrubhumi*, Jan.13 92). CPM never raised its eyebrows against this insult to the people of Kerala.

Falsification of history: School texts upto SSLC carry all anti-social values such as "brahmins are to be respected", "savarnas are great, right and merited", "vegetarianism is to be followed", "Muslims are wicked", "Indian culture is based on the brahminical texts", "Kerala is the land given to Brahmins by Parasurama the great" etc. In the Malayalam text for IX std.(1st lesson - author S.

Rameshan Nair) Manu is glorified as great protector of women who gave respect to them. On the page eight lesson on the story of our Constitution of IV standard Social studies, the name of Babasaheb Ambedkar is not mentioned. The entire credit is given to Dr. Rajendra Prasad, that Kayastha President who washed the feet of 200 brahmins at Banares (see page 1 *The Caste system* by R.M. Lohia). Iyyankali, the great Dalit revolutionary, is almost unknown to the textbook committee. Even in the "Builders of Modern Kerala" series (social studies VIth std) Ayyankali, Sahodaran Ayyappan, Sree Narayana Guru are excluded.

We demand the Education Minister to undo these criminal deeds and book the guilty. The Textbook Committee must be constituted on a proportional representation of SC/ST/BC and Muslims/Christians. A detailed study of these 1-to X textbooks is getting ready for publication. ■

Perverted Dharma

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: As the rulers are busy fighting Muslims, the country's economy is going to dogs. But they don't care whether it goes to dogs or cats. Because to them their *dharma* is more important than the country.

Washington: India, with a projected average growth of about 5% in 1993 is way behind China which is headed for a much higher growth rate of about 9% a record in the recession-ridden world economy, says the interim assessment of the International Monetary Fund's "World Economic Outlook". (*Statesman* Dec.24).

The upper castes are not bothered about the IMF report or the country's economic stagnation because individually the rulers are strong. Their bank balance is growing. Some have bank accounts abroad. So why should they bother if the country suffers? But can an individual be happy if the society as a whole is not happy?

Yes. Their *dharma* talks of only "individual salvation" - not "collective salvation". Individually, the rulers are rulers because they control every thing. They get a vicarious pleasure as others suffer.

This perverted *dharma* is causing all the trouble. ■

End of the First Republic ?

New Delhi: The CPI member of the Rajya Sabha, Chaturanan Mishra, said in the House on Dec.22 that "we are perhaps witnessing the start of the end of the first Republic of India may well be quite on the mark. The BJP MPs themselves confirmed this when in Parliament they chose to raise the slogan "Yeh to Pehli Jhanki Hai, Mathura, Kashi Baki Hai". (*Hindu*, Dec.23). ■

LALOO & BRAHMINISM

Patna: "I have no fight against you though you are a brahmin. I am against brahminism and I want to see that it is eliminated from the state", were the words of chief minister Laloo Prasad Yadav, who is leading a campaign to hand over the temples to Dalits. He said brahmins had spoiled the name of Ram. (*Times of India*, Dec.29) ■

Brahmin Party Opposing Brahmins?

Patna: Chief Minister Laloo Prasad Yadav on Jan. 1 described the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) as a slaughter party and said it was creating controversy in the name of Ayodhya with the ulterior motive to capture power in Delhi.

The BJP should oppose Brahmins if it was really concerned about Lord Rama. In a reference to Ravana, he said the demon King who had abducted Sita was a brahmin. Asserting that he was against brahmins, he urged those present not to allow brahmins to enter their house for conducting rituals and rites. (*Hindustan Times* Jan.2).

Laloo as PM

Cochin: Former Prime Minister V.P. Singh believes that the prime ministerial chair will be occupied by a backward caste soon. There were people like the Bihar chief minister, Laloo Prasad Yadav, who had proved that they were fit to occupy the Prime Minister's chair. (*UNI-Telegraph* Jan.7) ■

Secret of nazi love for Vajpayee

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: The "national" toilet papers, selling not news but views, are projecting A.B. Vajpayee describing him as a "moderate", and hence "marginalised" among the nazi extremists like the Sindhi Advani etc.

The Aryan "journalists", who act as the unpaid agents of their *jati*, are not mad in giving such a build-up to Vajpayee. Even if they are mad there is a method in their madness.

A reporter in the *Hindu* (Jan.3) says: "Vajpayee is perhaps the most lovable face in the BJP". Such superlatives are lavished on Vajpayee who has been for long the darling of the Hindu nazis. When the Nazi party comes to power he will be their choice for PM post.

Whose darling?: He is being painted as "a true friend of the minorities", a "Gandhian" and "a lover of *Harijans*", "a democrat" and an "eminent scholar". They have exhausted all words of praise. Does it mean he is opposed to Babri Masjid demolition? No. Is he pro-Mandal? No. Then how is the darling? Whose darlings he?

What is the secret behind this? In the Hindu nazi party controlled by the Aryan brahmins today there are only two "top" leaders, L.K. Advani and Vajpayee. Of this the latter is a brahmin who possesses all the qualities of a "socialist brahmin" to dupe, deceive and direct the country.

Hence, the nazis are getting ready to instal him in Delhi as they inaugurated the "Hindu Rashtra", meaning the Aryan nazi rule on Dec.6 92. Having "finished" the Muslims, their only obstacle to nazi rule, they are now poised to take over the country. Get ready. ■

Dalit Shankaracharyas

Patna: A State-level conference of Dalits and tribal legislators here on Jan.10 came down heavily on the brahminical system of society and described it as one of the most dogmatic and fundamentalist system whose continuance would weaken the country's integrity. The conference, which symbolically chose four Dalits as the Shankaracharyas of four Hindu "peethas", demanded that members of the SC and ST be made priests of temples and mutts besides, reservation for them in the places of worship.

(PTI-Deccan Herald Jan 11) ■

DV 10 YEARS AGO

Oct.16 1982

Editorial: "It is do or die on Ambedkar university"

Dalits all over India and their co-sufferers will be naturally sad over Maharashtra govt's outright rejection of their simple demand to rename the Marathwada University after Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the greatest Indian after the Buddha and the tallest of the revolutionaries of "independent" India. This is their second defeat on an issue that has created history. When the perverted history of this country is going to be rewritten this historic struggle of the Dalits over the **namantar** (renaming) issue will form its first golden chapter. The defeat of the Opposition bill on the **namantar** on Sept.17, 1982 proves that Dalits have no friends. We should welcome this defeat because this will provoke us to launch a bigger battle. Had the Hindus accepted our demand in 1978 itself this "Marathwada caste war" "independent" India's first and the longest Dalit uprising, would not have come about. In 1981, the Hindus launched their "Gujarat caste war". In this historic "Long march" of Dec.6 1979 this writer was among the 40,000 arrested at Aurangabad on the **namantar** issue. We have to thank the Hindus for converting this into a major Dalit struggle for justice that brought about tremendous unity between Dalits. Unity comes out of struggle. That is why we have to always welcome struggle.

The "Marathwada caste war" has also convinced us that the govt. is not governing this country. It is governed by the upper castes who are above the govt., above the law and above every thing else.

Poona Pact burnt: Separate electorate demanded - Poona: President of the BAMCEF Kanshi Ram launched the struggle on Sept. 24 1982.

Review of T.H.P. Chantharsery book, Ayyankali (Struggle of the Kerala Untouchables).

Hindu-Muslim war at Meerut: Over 40 killed: For over a month now, Meerut is being gripped by this worst communal riots. Till now (Oct.6.1982) over 40 are killed.

Hindu fanatics bid to kill Dalit Panther leader Arun Kamble: Ravana was a Buddhist: Arun Kamble's latest book, **Ramayanatil Sanskritil Sangarsh** (Cultural revolution in Ramayan, 1982, Rs.20, 10-B/201 Janakalyan Nagar, Kharodi, Marve Rd., Malad (W) Bombay - 95). Says Rama was leader of Aryans only and that Ramayan is the story of Aryan war against indigenious Indians who were Buddhists. Sita was not abducted by Ravana but she went after falling in love with him. Infuriated by this book, some Brahmins tried to murder Kamble, said a press report. The book was released on Aug.15 at the conference on Namantra Nirbhara Parishad inaugurated by V.T.Rajshekar, Editor **Dalit Voice** on Aug.15 in Bombay. ■

CORRECTION

A mistake on our part resulted in skipping one whole year in this column. The error is regretted and corrected from this issue (Feb.1' 93)

Letters to Editor

V.T.Hireker, London: Your books, *How Marx Failed in Hindu India* and *Karl Marx and Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar*, are worth serious study. Aryans have misrepresented marxism to Russia and China. This is very true. You have mentioned about Nehru's socialism. He was fake. He only spoke of "socialistic pattern of society". Nobody knows what happened to this slogan. He held political power and it was very easy for him to convert the country to "socialism" but he had no intention to do so. Paul Johnson said (*Telegraph* April.16 1983) that Nehru was a Brahmin of the Brahmins. This is very true. He was anti-Dalit as he did not care to fill in the reservation for the SC/STs but all high posts were filled up with by Nehrus and Kauls and remaining by Brahmins from the other provinces. Nehru was the most orthodox and superstitious man. Babasaheb properly exposed Nehru that he sat at the *yajna* performed by the brahmins on Aug. 15 1947 to celebrate the event that a brahmin (Nehru) became the first Prime Minister of "free" India. You must expose S.M.Joshi who propagated "gandhian socialism", a very odd ism in India. What has happened to Indian socialists? Do they not understand socialism? How Gandhi can be a socialist who was an advocate of capitalism? He advocated that "the rich people are holding property in trust for the benefit of the poor". The first principle of socialism is equality according to Tawney and Roy Jenkins. Jenkins said in his article on "Equality" in the *New Fabian Essays*, (Turntile Press London 1952) that the desire for greater equality has been a part of the inspiration of all socialist thinkers and of all socialist movements. Where there is no egalitarianism, there is no socialism. The absence of the desire for equality means no socialism. On Dec.7 92, the South Asian Literary Society arranged a meeting here for the appraisal of the Dalit literature edited by Arjun Dangle of Bombay. There was a reading from the books with appreciation of the Dalit literature which has now surpassed the brahminic literature in Maharashtra. Brahmins themselves residing here appreciated the Dalit literature and forecast that they will be the future Nobel Prize - winners.

Manoj Yadav, New Delhi: Please highlight in every issue of DV the struggle for the liberation of Bodhgaya temple. Also, please focus on the various Buddhist temples that the brahminical forces have usurped and converted into Hindu temples. It is said the Kamakoti Peeth at Kanchipuram, TN, was actually a Buddhist

monastery known as Buddha Palli, and it was that arch-foe of Buddhism, Adi Shankara, who converted it into a brahmin shrine. If so, we must start a movement to liberate these shrines.

Karnataka Samata Sainik Dal leaders during their recent visit to Nagpur interviewed Sasai who led the historic march to liberate Bodhgaya. The interview reveals that Sasai will emerge as a true disciple of Babasaheb Ambedkar and a future hope for all Buddhists. We have decided to publish one item on Sasai in every issue of DV. Our readers must get in touch with Sasai about the brahminical aggression on Buddhist shrines. After liberating Bodhgaya, the other work must start. - Editor.

Bhadant Arya Nagarjun Surai Sasai, President, Budha Gaya Mahabodhi Vihar All-India Action Committee, Indora Buddha Vihar, Nagpur - 440 014: I started my agitation to liberate Bodhgaya from Bombay (Sept.27 to Oct.22). It attracted the attention of the whole country and the Buddhists outside. On Oct.14, a big rally was held at the Boat Club, New Delhi, and over 3 lakh Buddhists of India and foreign countries attended it. Dec.6 was the 36th death anniversary of our beloved saviour, Bodhisatva B.R. Ambedkar, and liberator of the downtrodden. On the same day Hindu nazis wounded our hearts by their violent aggression on Babri Masjid. We condemned this action as the nazis have deliberately chosen the day to wound us. Our liberation Dhamma Jyoti Yatra reached Bodhgaya on Oct.22 when the same Hindu nazis made all sorts of false propaganda against us. I had met Chief Minister Laloo Prasad Yadav in Delhi. He promised "Don't worry, I am asking the district magistrate of Gaya about Mahabodhi Vihar Report and when I get that I will hand over the Mahabodhi Vihar to the Buddhists". Again I met him on Oct.20 at Patna when I came with my Dhamma Jyoti Yatra procession. He was so happy to receive me. He arranged full protection for us on Oct.22 at Bodhgaya. Newspapers said he would "within ten days hand over the temple to the Buddhist". After some days he gave another statement extending this deadline. I got a shock and started my second agitation before the Parliament House on Dec.1. Union Minister Sitaram Kesri addressed us on the behalf of the Govt. of India. As I was doing the satyagraha, the Nazi attack on Babri Masjid took place on Dec.6 - the day on which the Bodh Gaya issue was to be raised in Parliament. Following largescale violence I was pressed by the govt. to call off the agitation which I did. Recently in Taiwan, the World Buddhist Conference was held and in this conference they strongly supported our agitation on Bodhgaya. If some Hindus think that the Ambedkarites are terrorists, it means they are murdering democracy. Upto now I have followed the path of

Buddha to solve this problem peacefully but from now on, I think, I must follow the Hindu nazi pattern as on Ayodhya. But I don't like to demolish the image of India in other countries just as the Hindu nazis did on Dec.6.

Mrs. Pritam, Ropar Punjab: With ref. to the latest book on the Sikh problem and the bleeding in Punjab (*India Commits Suicide*) by Dr. G.S. Dhillon of Chandigarh advertised in DV of Oct.16 1992. How many people can read it because of its high cost, big volume, lack of publicity etc.? Dr. Dhillon must read a booklet, *Know the Hindu Mind*, by V.T.Rajshekar (DSA). Sikhs are weaker as a team comparatively. That the SGPC is a life-member of DV is a good news. But it should increase DV circulation among Sikhs and also bring out translated Punjabi version of the same.

Qurban Ali Zameenzad, New Delhi: I understand that Ahmed Bukhari, the Naib Imam of the Jama Masjid, Delhi, and son of Shahi Imam, has opened a luxurious Mughlai-food restaurant, "Harims" in the posh upper caste Hauz Khas locality of New Delhi. If this is true then he deserves to be strongly condemned for catering to the upper caste Hindus rather than diverting his resources to the development of the poor and oppressed Muslims.

Mohd. Ashraf, Bangalore: This is with ref. to Vijaya Raju's guest edit (DV Jan.16 93) and two supporting reports on zionist havoc and its total control on US. I remember reading that US president Clinton's wife is a Jew and that he was sponsored by the Jewish lobby. If this is correct, he will be more horrible on Muslims, Blacks and Dalits. Happy news for India's Aryan brahmins.

Dr. N.Sirajuddin, 454-6th Cross, 8th Main, Viveknagar Bangalore-47: Dalits, Muslims, Dalit Christians and Sikhs form the oppressed communities trying to put up a united fight against the brahminical social order. But the Sikhs have betrayed this cause by joining the *Kersevak* criminals. The photographs appearing on p.129 and 132 of the *Frontline* (Jan.1 1993) show the Sikhs giving food to the Hindu nazi warriors heading towards the Babri Masjid and those returning after the demolition of the mosque along with other serpents in saffron. This shows that the Sikhs can no longer be trusted by other oppressed. This fact may be brought to the notice of their great leader, Surjeet Singh Mann.

Hindu nazis are noted for all sorts of natak. They kill Muslims on one side and organise "Hindu - Muslim unity" natak on another side. Delhi papers carry front-page pictures of burqa -clad Muslim women demonstrating before Pakistan Embassy in Delhi but those inside the burqa are not Muslim women. They organise mass murder of Dalits inside Punjab and put the blame on Sikh "terrorists", and their toilet papers

*give front-page headlines to such "Sikh crimes". These Hindu nazis have been staging such dramas from centuries. When M.K.Gandhi, their own "father of the (upper caste) nation" was murdered by a chitpavan brahmin, the chaddi boys spread rumors saying that Gandhi was murdered by a Muslim and to strengthen this doubt the killer Godse had undergone circumcision. So we will not be surprised if the chaddi chores with turban and beards pictured in the **Frontline** posing as Sikhs. Such a drama might have been staged by these anti-nationals to break the growing unity between the Sikhs and Muslims and all other oppressed. Sikhism grew as a revolt against brahminism and 80% of their religion is borrowed from Islam. Both Muslims and Sikhs are oppressed by the same common enemy. But with all this if some Sikhs, because of their blood relationship with Hindus, think they are closer to the brahminical social order which destroyed the Golden Temple and killed Sant Bhindranwale, then we have to think afresh about the Sikhs. The problem is with non-Dalit Sikhs. The Chandigarh correspondent of the Hindu (Dec.27 92) has answered the question, "Why did not Punjab react?" He says the "Historical and religious differences between the Sikhs and Muslims are still too strong for the former to have taken to the streets in support of the latter's hurt sentiments over the Babri Masjid". If this statement is true then Muslims will be fully justified in their fear that in case of a Hindu-Muslim conflict or India-Pakistan war, the Sikhs may side with Hindus. Anyway, we don't want to come to any conclusion but give one more chance to Sikhs. Would they like to go with the BSO or side with the 85% of the oppressed including the Dalit Sikhs? Will the Sikh leaders answer? - Editor.*

Islamic Youth Centre, Bank Road, Calicut - 673 001: We have gone through your edit (Jan.1 93) on Babri Masjid. A fine piece. Your attack on the elite UP Muslim leadership has touched some raw nerves: It means they are effective.

Avaneesh Kumar now Mohd. Ali, New Delhi: I re-read the "Christian Protest" (DV Dec.16 92 p.10). If you convert to an entirely different religion, Islam, you cannot be engulfed and devoured by Hinduism. Hinduism's main strength is its capacity to engulf and devour while it has found Islam indigestible. That is why it is dreads Islam.

S.Akhtar, Khanpur - Deh, Bharuch - 392 150: The most heinous and savage 'Tandav Nritya' so shamelessly stage-managed by the hated Hindu nazis on Dec.6 has removed whatever shreds of clothing were there on our so-called 'civilisation' and made our country totally naked before the eyes of the whole world. Is it not irritating and embarrassing that the so-called Muslim 'Ulema' are not yet exhorting their followers to obey the Prophet's orders regarding self-de-

fence training?

Abdullah Adiyar, Islamic Dawak Mission, Madras - 24: On Dec.6, Melakkal Veer Patran, president, Dr. Ambedkar Human Rights Federation, embraced Islam here. He had contested the 1952 elections and earlier worked as a Block Development Officer. He says "Islam is the only religion for salvation to Untouchables.

Arshad Kalliath, Trivandrum, Kerala: None of us have any doubt about eminence of the Buddhist Emperor Ashoka, but the Hindus have. In a Nazi daily *Indian Express* Nov.11 92, the Hindu spokesman, K.R.Malkani, while defending the textbook writing spree undertaken by the *chaddi chores*, says: "Until a hundred years ago, Vikramaditya was a household name in India and Ashoka was practically unknown. But history books left out Vikramaditya completely and praised Ashoka to the skies. The reason was obvious. Vikramaditya had driven out the Saythian invaders and Ashoka had gone non-violent. A non-violent Indian ruler suited the British rulers better than a Indian king who had driven out foreigners". He feigns total ignorance when it comes to the Aryan invasion but heaps up a lot to rubbish in a vain bid to cover up the truth. Anyway, the Hindu believes what he wants to believe. Malkani is all praise for what he calls the "Hindu science" (Until now, we thought that science was a common heritage) and has "identified" the villain of the piece at least in the case of the decline of a branch of that science. "Surgery was highly developed in India until Buddhism frowned on the dissection of bodies". The preferences of Malkani show us whom we should prefer - but when he is standing on his head: "It would be wrong to say that not Aurangazeb alone but even Akbar was not great.... Why do we have to have an obscenity like "Aurangazeb Road" in Delhi? Why cannot we name it after an immortal (sic) like Dara Shikoh?" (Also see DV Oct. 16-31, p.7 and Nov. 1-15: p.19).

Raju Thomas, Madras -23: The Indian Muslim leadership and upper caste Christian leaders are same. They will not revolt against the Aryans. We have given enough warning and advice to the Sikhs, Muslims and Christian leadership and asked them not to trust and depend upon the Aryans. Why are they not listening to the voice of DV and Babasaheb? It is time you hammer them and expose them.

N.K.Sonare, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar National Association of Engineers, 19th Road, Khar, Bombay - 52: We bring to your kind notice two cases of obtaining fake SC/ST certificates and securing admission on reserved quota in engineering colleges. Jayanti Narainbhai from Bhuj joined Mharaja Sayajirao University, Baroda, in ST reserved quota and got the degree

in 1991. The certificate was issued by the Gujarat State Social Welfare Dept. on the basis of his higher secondary certificate. Harish Gaba got the certificate from Assam and joined the Islamia Institute of Technology, Bangalore, in 1984 (BE civil) and got his degree in 1991.

D.S.Veeraiah, State convener, All-India SC/ST Bank Emp. Confederation, Bangalore: K.B. Krishna Murthy, a Dalit leader and son of the former Chief Justice K. Bheemaiah of Karnataka High Court, deserves special mention. He was responsible for recovering Rs. 13 crores and saving the lives of 15 security men when the Reserve Bank bullion van carrying cash remittance to Pavagada, Tumkur, met with an accident in Pavagada taluk on Sept. 18 1992. He was driving towards Pavagada and was an eye-witness to the accident. Immediately, he rescued them and saved the cash in the boxes by fighting with the huge mob gathered at the accident spot. He conveyed the news of the accident through his Ham radio to the Dy. Inspector-General of Police, Subhas Bharani, and remained there till the police arrived on the spot. This great jesture saved Rs. 13 crores which otherwise would have been looted.

M.G. Jayaprasad: State Bank of India, Karnataka Circle SC/St Emp. Association, Bangalore: We have 250 officers and a staff of 800 but when you came (Dec. 25 92) to address our members the attendance was poor. The Bank has 13 circles all over India comprising 2.50 lakh employees. All the 12 circles have strong SC/ST associations except Karnataka where our SC/ST employees are afraid of uniting under our association as the general trade union is threatening our members.

Rama Kant Rao, Hyderabad: P.S. Kamath, a brahmin "intellectual" of the Dept. of Civics and Politics, Bombay University, Bombay, says in his "letter" in the *Bombay Times* (Dec. 23) that "only when the majority community feels secure they can take care of the minorities". How a "majority community" will become insecure? In US, the whites are in a majority and the Blacks are only about 10 to 12% - hence a minority. The Blacks hate the whites because they are the oppressors of Blacks. But have the "majority" whites ever said that they are threatened by the "minority" Blacks and hence insecure? It is the minorities who feel insecure in any country. In India, to quote your statistics, Muslims are 15%, SCs 20%, STs 10% and BCs 35%, Christians 2.5% and Sikhs are 2%. All these six groups have one common oppressor, the Aryans/Hindus/upper castes who are less than 15%. But even this 15% is a divided house, one fighting the other. This is the real cause of their fear. The result is that "Hindus" are a small minority and even in this the Brahmins are less than 5%. This is the secret of the fear.

Ramakrishnan P.K., Bangalore: Gundu Rao, a former brahmin CM of Karnataka, is reported to have boasted after the "Rowdy Raj" was established through their god Rama, that "brahmins will soon rule India". Before the brahmins think of ruling India, let them first rule (manage) the tiny Indian Airlines in which they only travel. Your predictions on Indian Airlines (DV Dec. 16 92, p. 11) have proved right. The latest air crash in Delhi proves that these brahminical forces can't manage their own transport. And they think of "ruling India. "Hindu Rashtra" has led to "Rowdy Raj". Please write an editorial on the inauguration of the "Hindu Rashtra" on Dec. 6 1992.

Mohamed Ali Jaferbhai, Bombay: Sushobha Bharve, a self-styled social worker, in Dharavi, Bombay, has given a call for house-to-house search for arms as the only solution. This call by a brahmin got quick support in the "Hindu" press and the "Hindu public". It means in the name of house-to-house search, the "Hindu police" will target only Muslims who will now be deprived of even self-defence also. This is "Hindu Rashtra". Even in the face of such unprecedented violence our Muslim elite leadership is asking us to restrain. Muslim masses being helpless, the only way-out for us is suicide.

Mohammed Sait, Bangalore: At last the Muslim Personal Law Board has given a call to the Muslims for self-defence. It "appealed to Muslims not to provoke a confrontation but if attacked to defend themselves and their place of worship" (*Hindu*, Jan. 11). The Koran has reference to self-defence at many places and the Editor of DV has been for long urging Muslims to resort to self-defence. DV must come out with a document on self-defence with quotations from Koran as the Muslim leadership has been hiding these references and hence failed at this critical juncture.

R. Arul, E. 122/6, Urja Nagar, Chandrapur, MS-442 404: I met Dr. S. Ramadoss of the PMK at Tindivanam on Dec. 31. I spoke to him about *Dalit Voice*. He said he was not getting it. We have started a library at Chidambaram to spread Babasaheb's message: Tamil Library, Dr. Ambedkar Study Circle, 12-E, 3/4-North Vaduga st, Chidambaram, TN - 608 001. We have just 200 books all on Ambedkarism and other social issues. We want more books. But we have no money. Is anyone ready to help us?

K. Vijayarajau, Vissannapeta, AP-521 215: We need video cassettes of the film, *Balak Ambedkar*, in all languages for which there is a big demand. These cassettes will help us a lot to educate the masses. The latest Telugu film by Dr. Padmavathi on Dr. Ambedkar is also very good but there are no video cassettes. The govt. and the film industry have entered into a con-

spiracy to drown it in the deep sea.

S.S. Yadav, New Delhi: Writing in the *Front Line* (Jan. 15 1993), R. Champakalakshmi says that the present so-called Krishna Janmabhoomi at Mathura was actually a Buddhist shrine. It was converted into a brahminical shrine during the Gupta period, possibly between 4-6 century AD. Bring this fact to the notice of DV readers. We should draw up a comprehensive list of Buddhist shrines usurped by the brahmins. If necessary, we should internationalise this problem and especially try to mobilise the public opinion in the Buddhist countries of the orient.

Pramod Meshram, Ujjain: We must come under the banner of the Bahujan Samaj Party which is the only all-India party of the Bahujan (SC/ST/BCs and minorities). Then only all our problems can be solved by ourselves. We believe in self-govt. But in this regard, DV is not wholeheartedly supporting the BSP but backing the Aryan Janata Dal. The time is fast approaching towards the 21st century and that is the beginning of the "Ambedkar Era", and the end of the "Gandhian era". If we actually want to start the "Ambedkar Era", we should first support the BSP and then only can we manage the political power balance and safely enter the "Ambedkar Era". Otherwise, we will enter the "Ram Era" consciously or unconsciously.

Sukhdev Raj, Gen. Sec., B.R. Ambedkar Welfare Society Ramdaspura, Dr. Ambedkar Marg, Jalandhar City-3: I have read the arguments for and against the word 'Dalit' in DV. We may use the word *Anarya* instead of the Dalit. It conveys the required feelings and meaning i.e. Hindus are Arya and the Anarya is a different nation. They are not part of Hinduism but indigenous people of the land and entirely distinct and different from the alien Aryan culture and civilisation. The Aryans and Anaryans are opposed to each other in every respect. Then we can be a separate entity.

B.K. Ghatak, Maithon, Bihar: *Zameen bachao, beti bachao*. (Save your land, save your daughter). Promptly excommunicate your daughter if she marries a non-tribal." This is the crux of a secret *fatwa* circulated by enraged tribal leaders in South Bihar districts. Why do these tribal people hate the non-tribals? A State govt. order in 1979 had provided for the preservation of tribal status with all the benefits under the law for tribal girls married to non-tribals without the sanction from their elders. Status quo would be maintained. This resulted in exploitation of the girls by land-hungry people, particularly from UP and North Bihar plains who lured the impoverished tribal girls into matrimony. Christian tribals have challenged the order in Patna High court and decided to take up the matter with the Prime Minister.

Debahari Jagadala, Briramaharajpur, Bolangir, Orissa-767018: Conversion may be an immense shock to the BSO but this will not be the problems of Dalits. Converted Dalits are counted as second rate citizens. We have to revive our Adi-Dravidian religion and culture by rejecting the worship of the BSO.

R.T. Naslapur, Indiranagar, Chikodi-591 201: I appreciated the editorial, "Welcome development of Babri Masjid demolition" (DV. Jan 1 93). The brahmin peshwas under the Maratha kings remained behind the safe positions during wars and made the SC Mahars die in the warfront uncared, unaccounted and unnoticed. Subsequently, the brahmins became the jagirdars, desais, deshpanades.

N.G. Das, - 7, Dattabaad Road, Salt Lake, Calcutta-700 064: With ref. to Australian scholar Dennis Walker's appeal through DV (Nov. 16, 92, p.9), I like to say that he is interested in Dalits of India. I have sent some literature.

Mrs. Surinder Kaur, Calcutta: "International Charter of Maintenance and restoration of monuments and monumental places", was adopted by the Second International Congress of Monuments, Architects and Technicians in Venice, on 25-31 May 1964, which deals with the monument's protection programme. Since the historic monument of Babri Masjid was demolished on Dec. 6 1992 by Hindu nazi forces. The international community headed by UNO and OIC etc. should take upon itself the task of restoring the Babri Masjid under the Venice Charter, 1964. The President of India should be asked by the UN Secy - Gen. to take over the site of Babri Masjid and the 2.77 acres of land adjoining Babri Masjid, and remove the idol for keeping in safe custody in some museum. Then the entire site should be handed over to the Muslim community to renovate and restore the demolished Babri Masjid by consecrating each and every brick polluted by the infidels, by the recitation of Holy Quran. The President should also be asked to bar the jurisdiction of courts to deal with Babri Masjid complex, by issuing a special ordinance. If these steps are not taken immediately, only the khadi-clad nazis led by the neogi brahmin will be responsible for the bifurcation of the country. The Hindu police and para-military forces have been merrily gunning down Muslims all over the country and 90% of the 1,000 persons killed in police firing were Muslims. Had the police resorted to firing at Ayodhya, and killed 20-30 goondas demolishing the Babri Masjid, these 1,000 innocent lives could have been saved. The Muslim psyche has been given a shock from which they will never recover and have faith again in the so-called secular fabric of Indian Constitution, irrespective of the tutored statements issued by some Maulanas.

Time is running out. Options are closing. (i) Restore Babri Masjid site to Muslims for reconstruction by their Kar-seva or (23) get ready for further division of the country.

Sita Ram Yadav, New Delhi: I was shocked to read in the *Hindustan Times* (Jan. 3) that Syed Shahabuddin has written a letter that the govt. should consider offering to the Muslims a piece of land to the west of where the demolished Babri Masjid stood "to construct a masjid if it so wished". Shahabuddin has failed to protect the Babri Masjid. He is an opponent of SC/ST/BC reservations and Mandal Commission. With this call he has become the enemy of the Muslims.

Sunil Goenka, Calcutta: I am a Marwadi and a DV reader since five years. I am much influenced by your thoughts. But my relations refuse to even read your paper. When I probed deep I could make out that their mental make up is based on hate philosophy. (DV edit Jan 16 1990: "Hate that hate produced"). One example to prove this point. During the recent Babri Masjid anti-Muslim riots here, my uncle, a big wholesale businessman, suffered losses worth Rs. 12 crores. But he said he would not mind suffering double this loss if that would "finish" the Muslims once for all. Such is the "burning hatred in his heart". But when I asked him to explain the reasons for his hatred he had no convincing explanations. I am reminded of your question: "Can we build a society on hatred?" I am deeply worried. ■

Aryans & cockroaches: Bihar example

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: According to a *Deccan Herald* report (Nov.29), a large number of upper castes in Bihar are becoming turn-coats suddenly switching to professions usually associated with "lower" castes:-

The Aryans decided to swallow their pride and become milk vendors. They however, did not make the folly of choosing any odd profession which carried the stigma of "inferiority". Milk trade, the traditional occupation of the Yadavas, seems to be the favorite choice for the scores of Brahmin, Rajput and Kayastha turncoats.

Yadav, of course, is Bihar's most prized caste now. The newly-converted *Gwala* reckon that taking up the trade of the CM's caste brethren will give them an extra advantage. To those Aryans, religion is a business. Like cockroaches, they will adjust themselves to any situation. ■

Warning to WCC : Beware of careerists and carpet-baggers

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We received an invitation from the "Dalit Solidarity Programme" (DSP) in June 1992 for a national convention at Nagpur.

The letter said: Dalits were not owned by the Hindus or Muslims. They were hated, exploited and oppressed by all. After the 1909 political reform, when number became important, Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs began to lure them to swell their numbers. Dalits had been embracing Christianity in different parts of India to live with dignity and self-respect. Dalits under the leadership of Babasaheb Ambedkar embraced Buddhism certainly not for economic gain or political reasons. It was a declaration of religious independence and struggle for self-respect. Yet, owing to the influence of Hinduism on Indian society, the stigma of untouchability cannot be washed off. Atrocities are committed in the rural areas on the Dalits irrespective of the religion which they profess.

Change of religion does not necessarily mean change of status. Religion has divided the Dalits of India to the advantage of oppressors".

Something is wrong: Hence, it urged the Dalits to come on the platform to discuss their common problems and "to choose a specific programme to eradicate discrimination and inner weakness born of ignorance and poverty". The letter was signed by two conveners, the Rev. (Dr.) James Massey and Bhagwan Dass, a Delhi advocate and an Ambedkarite and Buddhist.

The letter itself made us think that

something is wrong somewhere. It is true that the Hindus tried to own and lure Dalits for political gain (this attempt continues even today) Over 85% of the Muslims are Dalit converts. In the undivided Bengal the percentage is much more.

Dalit Christians: Dalits embraced Christianity to gain dignity and self-respect. It is these converts who are today loudly complaining that their "honor and dignity" are threatened by upper caste Christians. It is these converts who demand reservation which is certainly not for economic gains alone. We fully support the Dalit Christian demand.

Muslims may have divisions and differences among them. But like the Dalit Christians we hear no complaints from them. In fact, there is no term like "Dalit Muslims". Even the upper caste-owned "national" newspapers don't use this term. Nor do the Muslim converts seek reservations like the Dalit Christians.

The letter says that irrespective of change of religion, Dalits are discriminated. Babasaheb never advocated Buddhism to escape discrimination. We never expected a "change in status" on becoming Buddhists. Dalits embraced Buddhism for the sake of social and cultural liberation and to cement the internal differences, to heal the inner wounds and to secure a cultural identity.

Ambedkarism: This process is sought to be frustrated by some selfish and corrupt Dalits who have joined Hindu nazi parties.

Ambedkarism has not yet been experimented in India. Even before

Babasaheb revolutionized Buddhism, his end came. Be that as it may, what prompted these Christians in collaboration with some Dalits to take up this "Dalit solidarity"?

Role of Yogesh Varhade: The first "consultation" of the DSP was held at Hyderabad on Aug. 7-8 1992. There we learnt that the World Council of Churches had a role to play in it. Rev. Bob Scott of the WCC/PCR, a great friend of the Dalits, was present. About 25 people from different parts of India came. It was decided to hold the "national convention" of the DSP. The issues to be discussed were Dalit history, culture, literature, religion, Dalit women, socio-economic problem, education etc. Since Yogesh Varhade of Canada has already internationalized the Dalit problem by raising the issue at the UN Human Rights Commission, Geneva, twice we suggested a paper on the "indigenous people of India". This proposal was immediately seconded by Bob Scott because as an indigenous Australian and one offering full support to Yogesh Varhade, he knew the importance of the subject.

WCC Canberra Statement: Massey perhaps doesn't know (?) that the WCC has recognized Dalits as indigenous people (*Dalit Voice*, June 1, 1992, p.7) and has passed a resolution to this effect at its VII Assembly at Canberra. And Yogesh Varhade had gone before the UN Human Rights Sub-Commission on Indigenous Peoples in July 1992 with full WCC support and Bob Scott, a sincere advocate of Dalits as indigenous people, has been working in

close cooperation with Varhade. Tribal leaders like Dr. Ramdayal Munda and others have been also fighting for recognition as indigenous people at the UN for the past several years with full WCC support.

Church as liberator: If Massey knows all these as a Christian leader sitting in Delhi, how did he try to shut out discussion on Dalits as indigenous people? If the Church admits tribals as indigenous but not Dalits, will it not amount to setting up a brother against brother? By this is he not bringing a bad name to the whole church which has taken a leading role in liberating Dalits?

Babasaheb Ambedkar took up the cause of tribals along with Dalits without any prayer or pressure from the tribals then. He did it on his own because as the country's greatest anthropologist and social scientist, he knew that SCs (Dalits) and STs (tribals) are the two sides of the same coin. Both are indigenous and victims of Aryan aggression.

Babri Masjid: We are putting all these on record because the liberation struggle of the Indian original inhabitants, comprising over 85% of the population, artificially divided not only into SC/ST/BCs but also Muslims/Christians/Sikhs, has taken a decisive turn after the Aryan aggression on the Babri Masjid. *This 85% of the population is oppressed by one common enemy - the Aryan brahminical aggressor. The unity of this 85% taking shape in a big way should not be interfered with.*

Only one movement: WCC must, therefore, keep a close watch on India's Dalit movement which is the one and the only live movement of the day, and weed out careerists and carpet-baggers.

However, one convener said "it is mischievous to term Untouchables as indigenous people". But the majority participants wanted it to be the

prominent item on the agenda of the Nagpur convention. There was no go, it was agreed and passed.

Though I was a member of the steering committee, I did not get invitations for its meetings. Later, I learnt that I was removed from it. It was not at all a surprise. When I and my SSD colleague Deekaiyah, received the invitation to attend the Nagpur meet we were really surprised.

Shock: We knew there was a move to keep staunch Ambedkarites and noted Dalit intellectuals away from the convention. The three-day meet proved that we were right.

We were shocked on seeing the convention agenda that there was no mention of indigenous people. We had read in *Dalit Voice* that Yogesh Varhade would attend the convention. His name too was missing. When a cheerful Varhade came, he was received with great applause. *The organizers were perhaps afraid that Varhade would steal the show, and that Ambedkarites would then become closer to WCC which was determined to support the Dalits who are the world's single largest victims of racism.*

Though the convention aimed at "Dalit solidarity" what happened at Nagpur was just the opposite. The organisers were desperate to prove the solidarity by conducting joint prayers by Buddhist monks and Christian priests. Most of the speakers praised Babasaheb's struggle. But the Ambedkarites were complaining that the organizers refused to allow Babasaheb's portrait on the stage. On the final day's public meeting, Babasaheb's portrait was garlanded by Bob Scott.

Caste among Muslims: The literature circulated and the speeches made sought to achieve "solidarity among Buddhist Dalits, Christian Dalits, Hindu Dalits (?) and Muslim Dalits". But we did find any "Muslim Dalit". A "socialist Muslim",

Mohammed Kadas, spoke on caste among Muslims. As there is already a stinking casteism among brahminised Christianity, Sikhism and Buddhism, these organizers somehow wanted to find a similar evil in Muslim society too. Kadas was brought to present a paper on these lines. When a delegate mentioned the "demolition of Babri Mosque," the subject was turned down as irrelevant. Rev. Anand Chandu Lal, Moderator of the church of North India, who presided, went to the extent of warning us not to bring in the subject of Babri Masjid's demolition, though the whole country was seized of this problem. When we of the Karnataka Samata Sainik Dal and Kerala Dalit Panthers asked Kadas to substantiate his observations on "caste among Muslims", he just failed to convince us. At the last day's public meeting the Kadas show-piece was missing.

The delegates had to wait patiently for two days for the talk on "Indigenous Dalits". The organizers were putting forward all sorts of obstructions. Even Bob Scott was helpless in this regard. Finally, we Dalits of Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka jointly prepared an appeal demanding time to discuss the "indigenous" question and got it signed by over 45 participants. When Massey saw our appeal, he refused to accept. **"This is not the forum to discuss the indigenous question. You people are problem creators. We invited Varhade as an observer and not as a participant", he said.** He then asked us to meet Bhagwandas. he tried to escape saying, "it is a programme of Christians. I am only helping them".

Black Bishop missing: This is how the organizers played their game using the funds allotted by the WCC with all sincerity. We learnt that the Dalit Bishop Rev. Azariah, hailed as "India's most famous Black theologian", did not turn up as he was

disappointed with the whole thing though the DSP took shape because of his persistent requests to the WCC and the WCC commitment to the Dalit cause.

Massey even went to the extent of criticising Varhade as "trouble maker".

Finally, they were forced to invite Varhade to present the details "only on internationalisation of Dalit cause" and not to speak on "Indigenous question".

However, none could suppress the great fighter Varhade who gave a detailed account of his efforts at the UN and the WCC to take up the indigenous question.

Bob Scott slap: When Bob Scott was asked to speak he simply endorsed Varhade's statement thus giving a slap on the face of the organisers. Bob Scott talked only on the "indigenous Dalits". We are yet to understand as to what prevented Bhagwandas and Massey to block discussions on such an important issue. Were they warned by Andre Beteille & Co., the intellectual prostitutes?

We are yet to know the purpose of the Nagpur convention. We do not know the possible projects as suggested in their first letter "for the eradication of discrimination." The papers presented were distorted and confused the participants. We feel sorry that the much-awaited convention, on which so much money of the WCC was spent, has ended with such disappointment.

Dalits are Nagas: Therefore, we wish to bring to the notice of the WCC that:

1. Dalits do not need any new history to be written either by Massey or by Bhagwandas. Babashaeb has clearly traced the roots of Dalits. People like Massey might be confined to identify us as "Broken people" but Babasaheb has gone further to identify us as descendants of that great Naga race. Massey and co.

want to take pity on us as Untouchables. But Babasaheb made us feel proud of our untouchability. Because we are untouched by the Hindu pollution. Untouchables means those untouched by the Hindu contamination. Untouchables used to slipper the brahmins who dared to trespass their localities. We became Untouchables because we were staunch Buddhists and beef-eaters. This is our history.

2. The organizers coined a new term, "Hindu Dalit". This is a mischief played to please the "Hindus". Because there is no Hindu among Dalits. Dalits are not Hindus and never Hindus.
3. Towards "Dalit solidarity", we wanted to condemn the demolition of Babri Masjid, support the struggle of Bante Surai Sasai to liberate the Buddha Gaya from the Aryans and demand proportionate reservation for Dalit Christians. But we were never allowed to speak. (In fact, were pulled down while speaking).
4. We also sense a danger from their first letter (8.6.92) and the activities during the convention about an attempt to kill Babasaheb's spirit from our movement. We think the upper caste Christians of Indians are helping their Aryan counterparts to dislodge Babasaheb Ambedkar from the national and international scene. That a person like Bhagwandas, who calls himself an Ambedkarite, became a party to such a thing is all the more shocking.

Anybody trying to meddle with the Dalit cultural unity will be doing great injustice and harm. Some participants were telling Aryans chose Dec. 6 to demolish the mosque and these white Christians have chosen Nagpur to corrupt the Buddhist trend among Dalits.

5. We are aware of the sincerity of WCC in ending Apartheid in South Africa. The WCC must note that Indian casteism is a much more serious than Apartheid.

If the WCC wants to support Dalits, it cannot rely on the brahminised church and bishops. There is already a growing upsurge of Dalit

Christians against upper caste Christians.

"We, the Dalits know how and where to fish. What we need is some instruments like gut, stick, net etc. to catch the fish. WCC has to only help us procure these instruments". (**R. Elumalai**). Any amount of seminars and conventions, millions of rupees will never take us nearer to this goal. All these big shows can only help some opportunists who want to make business out of Dalit Christians. WCC, beware of brahminised Christians. ■

"Hindu mind" & Pejawar Swami

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: A Hindu believes what he wants to believe. Read our book, **Know the Hindu Mind (DSA)** for further elaboration of this point.

Here is a good example of this. The Pejawar Swamy, heading one of the eight Madhwa Brahmin mutts in the West coast town of Udupi, is a former chief of the Vishwa Hindu Parishat, a Hindu nazi outfit. He had attended the Hindu nazi Babri Masjid demolition exercise on Dec.6 last. After the demolition he defended the action.

Now, read what he says:

Mangalore: Visvesha Tirtha Swami of Pejawar Math said here that it was his prime concern to protect the interests of the Hindus. "But this does not in any way mean that I will tolerate any injustice to the minority communities". (**Hindu, Dec.21**).

How can one defending the Babri Masjid demolition protect the interest of minorities (Muslims) ?

Like the Pejawar Swami several other nazi leaders also shed have corcodile tears after the demolition of the mosque. Heart-of-heart they are happy. A "Hindu" doesn't mean what he says and doesn't say what he means. This is what we mean when we say a Hindu believes what he wants to believe. ■

Moulvis lulling angry Muslim masses preaching karma theory

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The self-proclaimed messiah of the Muslims, the 'Shahi' Imam of Delhi's Jama Masjid, Syed Abdullah Bukhari, is upto his old dirty tricks once again. In the wake of the tragic destruction of the Babri mosque and the consequent widespread anti-Muslim violence, the Imam has arrogated to himself the role of official advisor to the Muslims, ordering them to "observe restraint" and to remain "peaceful".

It is true that peace is a noble thing. The word "Islam" means 'peace' in Arabic. However, the peace that the Bukharis of this world so ardently advocate is nothing but pure class-collaboration and a shameless surrender before the forces of organized brahminical fascism.

Peace at what cost? : We, who have been the victims of violence for millennia, are naturally most anxious that peace should prevail. But advocating peace in the presence of unimaginably cruel nazism and vast socioeconomic disparities can only lead to the further strengthening of these inequalities and oppressive conditions. In this situation, therefore, peace can hardly be hankered after as the Imam is unfortunately doing. *Peace should not be regarded as an end in itself. It ought to be pursued only as a means to a higher end - a more satisfying life for individuals and groups in society.*

Anti-human strategy: If advocating peace prevents this by denying the possibility of revolt against oppression, peace can be said to be an anti-human strategy employed by the oppressors to preserve their hegemony. **Peace cannot be a one-way traffic. He can't advice only**

the Muslims to be peaceful as the brahminical forces are violently attacking us.

It is in recognition of this obvious fact that Islam has provided for fighting against oppressors and oppression so that peace or 'Islam' can be established.

What Quran says: As the Quran (chapter XII verse 39) states:

"To those against whom war is made, permission is given to fight because they are wronged. And truly Allah is most powerful for their aid."

But needless to say, the Bukharis and the other lackeys of the brahminical rulers will never choose to follow what the Quran ordains by organizing the Muslims and the oppressed Dalits on Islamic lines. *The destruction of the Babri mosque has forced Bukhari to speak out, but the only thing he chooses to do is to advocate total passivity in the name of peace.*

Merchant of votes: This he does because he clearly sees the Muslim masses seething with anger against the ruling upper castes with whom he enjoys an intimate relationships, thanks to his role of power-broker and merchant of Muslim votes.

The Bukharis and other such ivory-tower 'maulvis' were incapable of protecting the mosque because they refused to recognize the obvious fact that **Muslims can be safe only if they can unite with the oppressed 'lower' caste majority who, too, are victims of brahminism, the Rama cult, and the fake socialism of the brahminical Congress gandhians.**

Instead, these self-appointed "Mus-

lim leaders" sought to tie themselves to the apron-strings of the "upper caste political outfits, which in the end, dumped them along with the Babri Masjid in the most unceremonious manner.

Attack on Jama Masjid: But the Bukharis of the world ought at least to know that those who, like them, do not learn from history are condemned to repeat it. Having tasted blood after destroying the Babri mosque, the Hindu nazis are now demanding that Dalhi's Jama masjid, Bukhari's very own castle, be demolished.

Perhaps the 'Shahi Imam' will still be sleeping in royal splendour, dreaming dreams of 'peace' and collaboration with the oppressors even when his own little fiefdom is under attack. **Verily, the ruling brahminical forces could not have got a more faithful follower, loyal lackey and passionate peace-monger than Syed Abdullah Bukhari.**

Karma theory: Such loyal slaves of their brahminical masters are some of our ivory-tower 'imams' and 'maulvis' that instead of attacking the oppressors for their violence on the Muslims and the destruction of the mosque, they tell the masses that the mosque was demolished only because Allah was angry with them for not praying (*namaz*) regularly: a classic case of the oppressed accusing themselves for their own oppression. Muslim religious leaders accusing the Muslims themselves for religious leaders is nothing but a crude imitation of the *karma theory* of the brahminical religion.

Prayer alone not enough: We do recognise that prayer (*namaz*) is an indispensable part of Islam, but praye

alone will not suffice. Prayer, bereft of social action, degenerates into the most crass hypocrisy and charlotanism.

For the masses, struggling against oppression is indeed the highest form of prayer.

Nothing could be more pleasing in the sight of Allah than prayer in the form of struggle against oppression and not merely muttering of a few Quranic verses like magical 'mantras' without being even remotely aware of their sublime and revolutionary meaning.

But, it is precisely this most supreme form of prayer - prayer as struggle - to which the Bukharis of this world are most stridently opposed.

There are some Muslim groups who might talk of struggle, but who, in fact, merely make a livelihood mouthing seemingly radical slogans. They cannot succeed in realising their radical goals simply because their very foundations are flimsy.

Identify the enemy: A movement against oppression can succeed only if the enemy is first clearly identified.

In the present day Indian context, the principal contradiction is obviously the ruling, oppressive brahminical social order (BSO) which is a tiny minority of less than 15%. The oppressed castes, nationalities and communities are squeezed to death by the BSO.

The so-called 'radical' Islamic groups, being totally bereft of any sociological sense, cannot recognise this fact. For them the enemy is the 'lack of prayer'. Having been closetted within the four walls of their mosque and *madrasas*, they naively imagine that incessant chanting of prayers - in typical brahminical fashion - can relieve them miraculously of all their woes. This is nothing but the repetition of the hated karma theory that has kept the vast shudras and SC/ST/BCs in thrall - making them for-

get their oppression. **The brahminical Muslims are imitating the brahminical forces to keep the Muslim masses under their thumb.**

Dalit - Muslim alliance: There are yet others who either imagine that all non-Muslims (including Dalits) are their foes, or that the Muslims can fight oppression alone without having to ally themselves with other oppressed groups. Needless to say, they are being quite unrealistic and even un-Islamic. Islam advocates that a true Muslim should struggle on behalf of all the oppressed of the world - a vast category which includes the non-Muslim 'lower' castes as well.

As the Quran (chapter IV verse 75) asks:

"And why should you not fight in the cause of Allah and of those who, being weak, are ill-treated and oppressed?"

United front: And it is only through a united front of all the ill-treated and the oppressed - the Muslims, Dalits tribals and Backward Castes - that the twin forces of brahminical fascism and brahminical, gandhian, congressite fake socialism can be defeated, destroyed and finally buried for ever.

Final warning: A final word of warning to this Muslim religious leadership. **The Koran has specifically said that the oppressed Muslims can liberate themselves. Their liberation is in their hands. They can't blame others for their suffering.**

(Surah 13 verse.11): "Verily never.

Will Allah change the condition. Of a people until they change it themselves.

For all these years the oppressed Muslim masses have tolerated these Bukharis and such other moulvis and moulanas. But the cat is out of the bag. Their patience is running

out. As rightly predicted by the Editor of *Dalit Voice*, the Babri Masjid has come as a blessing in disguise for the revolutionary masses to take over the leadership, both religious and political. ■

CONGRESS DYING?

Bangalore: Here is a happy news: The Congress, the original brahminical Party of India, is dying.

New Delhi: "Jo Jeeta Wahi Sikander" - many Congressmen have started believing this, as they feel that they are losing the "political game" fast.

Their "voices, from hearts" echoed in a day-long national seminar on "youth against communalism", organised by a Congress Lok Sabha members here on Jan. 14. (*Hindustan Times*, Jan. 15)

Who is killing the Congress the party of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi? It is none other than the Hindu nazis who had earlier killed Gandhi.

If this is true it is a thing to be welcomed. And if the Hindu nazis succeed in killing the Congress, it is a happy news because from the day of its death, the Hindu nazis, our open enemies, will be left alone in the field.

Fighting an open enemy is easier than a disguised enemy.

That means henceforth the contradictions will get sharpened with the Hindu nazis directly engaging us. It is a face-to face fight eliminating the desceptive "socialist brahmins" or gandhiwadis. ■

Nazis praise hinduised Christians

Bombay: The RSS chief, Balasaheb Deoras, has appreciated the "Indianisation of the church rituals" in India. He mentioned this when Francis D'Britto, a priest, writer and activist from Vasai, met him at Nagpur and acquainted the RSS chief with various measures taken by the Christian community to "merge with the mainstream". (*Times of India Jan. 5*) ■

Revolutionary masses get ready to slaughter corrupt Muslim leaders

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: The total bankruptcy or corruption that has taken over the Muslim leadership is proved from the Dec. 20, 1992 meeting of about 30 MPs with the Prime Minister.

Press reports said before the MPs met the PM they were "briefed" by Jaffer Sheriff, the Railway Minister and a firstclass stooge of the brahminical social order who during a visit to Saudi Arabia had said the "Muslims are living happily in India".

BSO selects only such stooges and Moulana Abul Kalam Azad has set the model to these stooges.

Though the Muslim community as a whole received the biggest shock of their life after partition, not one stooge had the courage to say that the PM was directly responsible for the disaster and that he should get out. To this day not one Muslim Minister of Muslim MP has resigned. They simply can't because the BSO has intellectually corrupted them before enslaving them. A "Muslim leader" owes his leadership to "Hindus" and not to Muslims.

Defect in democracy: It is true that a Muslim member of Parliament is not elected exclusively by the Muslims. He can't be called a "Muslim leader" because Muslim-majority constituencies are only a few. Since all the political parties are controlled by the upper castes, they will select only a stooge as their "Muslim candidate" for the election.

This leads to the question that a community which

forms a staggering 15% of the country's population has no effective leadership. It is not possible to provide leadership because these "leaders" are imposed upon the Muslims by the Hindus. These "leaders" are not the leaders of the Muslims. They are stooges of upper caste Hindus.

This leads us to the question of parliamentary democracy (DV edit. Oct.1 1992: "BSO killing Dravida leadership through corruption using parliamentary democracy".) If the Muslims need effective leadership, it is possible only under separate electorate which once Muslims had.

The Babri Masjid blast must make the Muslim masses think on separate electorate and also separate settlement.

That even after this biggest shock the Muslim community suffered after the partition, the Muslim League continues to be a partner of the ruling Congress in Kerala and Delhi is a sad commentary on the Muslim leadership. Lock, stock and barrel this leadership particularly political, social and even intellectual, must go for misleading the Muslim masses. The Babri Masjid blast has proved our charge. Preparations are being made to mercilessly slaughter this leadership and for the takeover of a new leadership that will spring from the oppressed but revolutionary Muslim masses. The Jan. 6 development at Lucknow is a pointer in this direction. (Jan 16, 1992)

ANOTHER MEDHA PATKAR IN THE MAKING

BHOPAL: The controversy over the acquisition of tribal land for the proposed Rs. 2,500-crore private sector steel plant project in Madhya Pradesh's Bastar dt. took a horrifying turn on Oct. 28 when the man championing the cause of the tribals was assaulted allegedly by the project's BJP supporters.

The controversy has been simmering ever since the foundation for the project was laid early this month by Chief Minister Sunderlal Patwa.

Reports from Jagdalpur, the district head-quarters, said Dr. B.D. Sharma,

retired Commissioner of Scheduled Tribes, Govt. of India, and a former Collector of Bastar, was "garlanded with chappals" and paraded in his loin cloth. And, senior State Govt. authorities and police officials seem unconcerned. Dr. Sharma, according to his complaint to the police, was going on a motorcycle towards Mawalibhata village, near the site of the steel project, when he was stopped by some people travelling in three trucks and brought back to Jagdalpur in a jeep. He was allegedly assaulted, "garlanded with

chappals", 'disrobed' and paraded in loin cloth on the streets by about 200 people before he was led to the police station. (*Hindu* Oct. 30).

This MP brahmin, B.D. Sharma, got v. worldwide publicity. There was no journal without his picture. The Aryans have manufactured another hero to dupe the MP tribals. In the Bhopal gas tragedy those who were killed and suffered mostly are Muslims. In the Narmada Project it is the tribals. But by using their misery Patkars and Sharmas have become heroes

- EDITOR

If "Hindus" are in big majority why they are afraid of Muslims?

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: This is a slight elaboration of our Editor's signed article (DV Jan.1 '93. "Thoughts on banning RSS".)

It is now clear that the Hindu nazi party, RSS, and all its units are against the rule of law, Constitution of India and hence anti-national. There is no doubt about it. This is not our opinion but the verdict of many top "Hindu" leaders and the courts itself.

We reproduce a chain of evidences to prove that the RSS is India's most destructive and dangerous force and its existence is a threat to the country's unity and integrity and the well-being of its entire people, including the Hindus.

2.5 million cadres: Here is a *Statesman* (Dec. 15 92) report: The most powerful among the five banned bodies is the RSS with its active membership of 2.5 million. It is the parent organization not only of the VHP and the Bajrang Dal, but also the BJP. As Walter K. Anderson and Shridhar K. Damle write in their study of the RSS, *The Brotherhood in Saffron*, it is "questionable if the BJP could survive politically without the RSS cadre, and the cadre will not stay unless the leadership of the party stays firmly in the hands of the brotherhood". L.K. Advani said on October 21 1987, after an RSS conclave in which the BJP, the VHP and other front bodies participated, "After all there is a linkage, all these organizations consist of people belonging to the RSS". On November 16, the RSS supremo, Deoras, said that its entry into politics "in the near future" was not ruled out.

Judicial verdict: The RSS has been repeatedly indicted by commissions of inquiry for spreading hate and for use of violence. If the Jaganmohan Reddy Commission on the Ahmedabad riots (1969) and the Madon Commission on the Bhiwandi riots (1970) exposed its tactics of operating through fronts, Justice Vithayathil's report on the Tellicherry riots (1971), Justice Jitendra Narain's report on the Jamshedpur riots (1979) indicted the RSS far more sharply. Most damning was Justice P. Venugopal's report on the Kanyakumari riots between Hindus and Christians in 1982.

Enemy of minorities: The RSS adopts a militant and aggressive attitude and sets itself as the champion of what it considers to be the rights of Hindus against minorities. It has taken upon itself the task to teach the minority their place and if they are not willing to learn their place, teach them a lesson. The RSS has given

respectability to communalism and communal riots and demoralized administration. The RSS methodology for provoking communal violence is.... After spelling it out in five specific details in "training for any kind of civil strife", he concluded that the RSS, "Prejudicially affects maintenance of public tranquility".

What Sardar Patel said: On Sept.11, 1948, Sardar Patel wrote to M.S. Golwalkar, the RSS chief, that his organization had spread poison and "as a final result of that poison the country had to suffer the sacrifice of the invaluable life of Gandhiji". In 1992, it was the Ujjain conclave of the RSS on October 27, at which BJP leaders were present, which set the agenda for the Dharma Sansad - "karseva" on December 6 - and had the talks broken off thus. A ban is a political as well as an administrative measure. If it is to mean anything the Government must cease to compromise with the forces which the RSS represents. says *Statesman*.

Hindu "marxists": In spite of such severe indictment, why all the top Hindu leaders are having their heart in this Hindu nazi party? Congress, "marxist" and all other political leaders may belong to their respective party. It only means that their body is in that party but soul in the RSS. The "Hindu" is essentially a nazi. This is the secret. What does it mean? The answer is simple.

The RSS represents the alien Aryan "nation" which thinks that the very existence (not the mere well-being) of different Adi-Dravida, Dravida, Christian, Sikh, Muslim "nations" is a threat to its "Aryan nation".

The Aryans/Hindus/upper castes are our rulers. In every branch of Indian society they are at the top. Go to any govt. Office, university, college, private firm, media office or professions, they are the decision-makers. They are the boss. They also say they are in majority and Hindus form 85%.

Mental case: Still why are they afraid of others? This is called the siege mentality. They are afraid of their own shadows. It is simply a mental case.

How can a set of people whose mental balance is in doubt rule a society? And what will happen to that society if their rule is allowed to continue?

Are the "Hindus" at least happy. No. They are divided into hundreds of castes and sub-caste, one trying to annihilate the other. Their mental disease doesn't show any sign of progress. It is aggravating day by day.

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Mujahidul Islam talks language of DV

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: The elite Muslim leadership of UP, which we have been consistently criticising for betrayal, is fast getting eliminated as the contradictions are getting sharpened. The one person who is clearly emerging as the new hope of the oppressed Muslims is the chief of the Imarate Sharia, Phulwari Sheriff, Patna - 801 505. Qazi Mujahidul Islam Qasmi, secretary - general of the newly formed All-India Milli Council, said that "fascist forces" had hatched a conspiracy to unleash an orgy of murder, rape, loot, and arson on the country to prevent the underprivileged sections of society from asking for their dues and agitating to bring to an end the old exploitative social order. (*Hindu*, Jan. 12). That means he is speaking the language of DV.

Mujahidul-Islam is the first person among the North Indian Muslim leadership to have clearly analysed the real aims of the Hindu nazis. When the Editor of DV met him here recently, he said he was well aware of the DV line of thinking and he liked it.

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Moulvis lulling angry Muslim masses preaching karma theory

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The self-proclaimed messiah of the Muslims, the 'Shahi' Imam of Delhi's Jama Masjid, Syed Abdullah Bukhari, is up to his old dirty tricks once again. In the wake of the tragic destruction of the Babri mosque and the consequent widespread anti-Muslim violence, the Imam has arrogated to himself the role of official advisor to the Muslims, ordering them to "observe restraint" and to remain "peaceful".

It is true that peace is a noble thing. The word "Islam" means 'peace' in Arabic. However, the peace that the Bukharis of this world so ardently advocate is nothing but pure class-collaboration and a shameless surrender before the forces of organized brahminical fascism.

Peace at what cost? : We, who have been the victims of violence for millennia, are naturally most anxious that peace should prevail. But advocating peace in the presence of unimaginably cruel nazism and vast socioeconomic disparities can only lead to the further strengthening of these inequalities and oppressive conditions. In this situation, therefore, peace can hardly be hankered after as the Imam is unfortunately doing. *Peace should not be regarded as an end in itself. It ought to be pursued only as a means to a higher end - a more satisfying life for individuals and groups in society.*

Anti-human strategy: If advocating peace prevents this by denying the possibility of revolt against oppression, peace can be said to be an anti-human strategy employed by the oppressors to preserve their hegemony. **Peace cannot be a one-way traffic. He can't advice only**

the Muslims to be peaceful as the brahminical forces are violently attacking us.

It is in recognition of this obvious fact that Islam has provided for fighting against oppressors and oppression so that peace or 'Islam' can be established.

What Quran says: As the Quran (chapter XII verse 39) states:

"To those against whom war is made, permission is given to fight because they are wronged. And truly Allah is most powerful for their aid."

But needless to say, the Bukharis and the other lackeys of the brahminical rulers will never choose to follow what the Quran ordains by organizing the Muslims and the oppressed Dalits on Islamic lines. *The destruction of the Babri mosque has forced Bukhari to speak out, but the only thing he chooses to do is to advocate total passivity in the name of peace.*

Merchant of votes: This he does because he clearly sees the Muslim masses seething with anger against the ruling upper castes with whom he enjoys an intimate relationships, thanks to his role of power-broker and merchant of Muslim votes.

The Bukharis and other such ivory-tower 'moulvis' were incapable of protecting the mosque because they refused to recognize the obvious fact that **Muslims can be safe only if they can unite with the oppressed 'lower' caste majority who, too, are victims of brahminism, the Rama cult, and the fake socialism of the brahminical Congress gandhians.**

Instead, these self-appointed "Mus-

lim leaders" sought to tie themselves to the apron-strings of the "upper" caste political outfits, which in the end, dumped them along with the Babri Masjid in the most unceremonious manner.

Attack on Jama Masjid: But the Bukharis of the world ought at least to know that those who, like them, do not learn from history are condemned to repeat it. Having tasted blood after destroying the Babri mosque, the Hindu nazis are now demanding that Dalhi's Jama masjid, Bukhari's very own castle, be demolished.

Perhaps the 'Shahi Imam' will still be sleeping in royal splendour, dreaming dreams of 'peace' and collaboration with the oppressors even when his own little fiefdom is under attack. **Verily, the ruling brahminical forces could not have got a more faithful follower, loyal lackey and passionate peace-monger than Syed Abdullah Bukhari.**

Karma theory: Such loyal slaves of their brahminical masters are some of our ivory-tower 'imams' and 'moulvis' that instead of attacking the oppressors for their violence on the Muslims and the destruction of the mosque, they tell the masses that the mosque was demolished only because Allah was angry with them for not praying (*namaz*) regularly: a classic case of the oppressed accusing themselves for their own oppression. Muslim religious leaders accusing the Muslims themselves for religious leaders is nothing but a crude imitation of the *karma theory* of the brahminical religion.

Prayer alone not enough: We do recognise that prayer (*namaz*) is an indispensable part of Islam, but prayer