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Compulsory labour imposed by state

With regard to the amendment of my Honourable Friend Shri Damodar Swarup Seth, it seems to be unnecessary and I, therefore, do not accept it. With regard to the amendment of Sardar Bhopinder Singh Man, he wants that wherever compulsory labour is imposed by the state under the provisions of clause (2) of Article 17, proviso should be put in that such compulsory service shall always be paid for by the State. Now, I do not think that it is desirable to put any such limitation upon the authority of the State requiring compulsory service. It may be perfectly possible that the compulsory service demanded by the State may be restricted to such hours that it may not debar the citizen who is subjected to the operation of this clause to find sufficient time to earn his livelihood, and if, for instance, such compulsory labour is restricted to what might be called "hours of leisure" or the hours, when, for instance, he is not otherwise occupied in earning his living, it would be perfectly justifiable for the state to say that it shall not pay any compensation.

In this clause, it may be seen that non-payment of compensation could not be a ground of attack, because the fundamental proposition enunciated in sub-clause (2) is this; that whenever compulsory labour or compulsory service is demanded, it shall be demanded from all and if the State demands service from all and does not pay any I do not think the State is committing any very great inequality. I feel, Sir, it is very desirable to leave the situation as fluid as it has been left in the article as it stands.

Shri H. V. Kamath: On a point of information, Sir, is Dr. Ambedkar's objection to my amendment merely on the ground that it consists of two words in place of one? In that case, I shall be happy if the wording is either "social" or "national" in place of "public".

The Honourable Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: It is better to use a wider phraseology which includes both.

Shri Rohini Kumar Chaudhuri (Assam:General): May I know, Sir, does the Honourable Member accept amendment No. 548, which deals with prostitution, and which was moved by Giani Gurmukh Singh Musafir?

The Honourable Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: I understand it was not moved.

Mr. Vice-President: It was not moved.
I shall now put the amendments to vote one by one.

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Amendment No. 544 standing in the name of Kazi Syed Karimuddin was negatived.

Amendment No. 545 standing in the name of Shri Damodar Swarup Seth was negatived.

Amendment No. 546 standing in the name of Professor K. T. Shah was also negatived.

Amendment No. 560 standing in the name of Sardar Bhopinder Singh Man was withdrawn.

(Amendment No. 556 standing in the name of Mr. Kamath was negatived).

Amendment No. 59 standing in the name of Professor K. T. Shah, was accepted by Dr. Ambedkar and was adopted:

"That in clause (2) of article 17, after the words "discrimination on the ground", the word "only" be added".

Article 17, as amended was adopted and added to the Constitution.

ARTICLE 18

The Honourable Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: I do not accept the amendment moved by Mr. Damodar Swarup No. 564.

The amendment was negatived.

Article 18 was adopted and added to the Constitution.

ARTICLE 19

Mr. Vice-President: Amendment No. 596, Dr. Ambedkar

The Honourable Dr. B. R. Ambedkar (Bombay:General): Sir, I beg to move:

"That in clause (2) of article 19, for the word "preclude" the word "prevent" be substituted."

This is only for the purpose of keeping symmetry in the language that we have used in the other articles.

The Honourable Shri K. Santhanam: Sir, we have adopted a directive asking the State to endeavour to evolve a uniform civil code, and this particular amendment is a direct negation of that directive. On that ground also, I think this is altogether inappropriate in this connection.

Mr. Vice-President: Would you like to say anything on this matter, Dr. Ambedkar? I should value your advice about this amendment being in order or not, on account of the reasons put forward by Mr. Santhanam. *(To be continued)*

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Wanted confederation of regional & caste-based parties to defeat both BJP & Congress

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The *Brahmana Jati Party*-led NDA Govt. headed by the arch-Vaidik Vajpayee may win the Aug. 18 Lok Sabha no-confidence motion which is a game of numbers. But what is important is winning the hearts of the people. Here it has utterly failed. Vajpayee may brag about successful completion of his five-year term. But his govt. did not win the hearts of the people.

The Congress, the original Brahminical party, ruled India for 50 long years and made a mess of the country. It strengthened the already strong upper castes and handed over the country to its more caste-conscious cousins in the BJP who have created all sorts of tensions in the society. This party of "Sacred Brahmins" is more honest in its words and deeds unlike the Congress, a party of dangerous and deceptive "Socialist Brahmins". The pure *vaidik* party of BJP has disturbed every section of the Indian society and so much so social tensions are rising. This is a good sign.

Muslims become angry: It made the Muslims and Christians angry for the first time. This is not a small achievement. This pure *vaidik* party has no socio-economic agenda. The only language it knows is to rouse the emotions of the people who, being kept poor and hence illiterate, can be easily roused with the help of the *vaidik*-controlled mass media against Muslims and Christians. These BJP leaders are brought up only on the diet of anti-Muslimism and hence we are not surprised in their demand for Ayodhya, cow slaughter ban, common civil code, ban on conversions, promotion of Sanskrit, war on terrorism (read Muslim), promotion of schemes for the benefit of their *jatiwadals*. Vajpayee and his gangsters have been beautifully and effectively promoting the Brahminical interests. And they know that the best and the easiest way to *brahminise* the country is by *hinduising* the Untouchables. Tribals and Backward Castes and then instigate them against Muslims and Christians. They have no other programme. This is the most important part of their agenda and they have achieved very good success in their mission.

Civil war: The BJP might have achieved a big success in furthering the upper caste interests but in the process it has demoralised the entire country, impoverished it and created serious tensions in the society. In a way, the actions of the BJP have helped to make the masses angry. This must be welcomed. Right now only tensions are visible but these tensions may build up and create so much of unrest that ultimately may burst into violence — civil war. This is also a good development.

For years we have been expressing our concern that the

impoverished, deprived people of India are not even getting angry. This has been our main worry. Because ultimately it is the people who have to get angry and rise in revolt and change the society.

The Congress being a party of "Socialist Brahmins" was lulling the starving people to sleep. But the BJP, the "Sacred Brahmin" party, is just doing the opposite. It is whipping up the sleeping slaves to action. Should we not welcome a party that will help promote a revolution?

Hate-mongers: The upper castes are a set of hate-mongers. Their religion tells them to hate. Their religion is the other word for hate. Because their staple diet itself is hate. M.K. Gandhi and his Congress also belonged to the upper caste but they were wolves in sheep's clothing. This is the meaning of Congress Party's "soft *Hindutva*". They smile and smile and yet stab us in the back. But the BJP *Waldas* are hate-mongers and hence instantly generate hate. And hate begets more hate. To promote revolution hate-mongers are more helpful. *Hindutva* means the dictatorship of the *vaidiks*. Narendra Modi, L.K. Advani, Togadia and such other precious

specimens are needed to make the sleeping slaves to wake up and fight back.

For the first time Muslims and Christians are angry. But the problem with them is they have neither identified their enemy nor their friends.

As the elections are nearing the soft-*Hindutva* of Congress will clash with the hate-mongering *Hindutva* of BJP. The situation right now is not very clear. Coming days will clear the mist. There will be better visibility.

The upper caste opinion-makers will get us divided between the two Brahminical parties and then limit our choice. Once again we will get fooled. We should not fall a prey to this Brahminical divide and rule game.

Two of India's most important communities — Dalits and Muslims — can decide the fate of India. So, preparations should begin right away to build an alternative outside both the Congress and the BJP. Such an alternative should be a confederation of small, regional and caste-based parties. "National" parties are not in the interest of the hundreds of "nations" that abound inside India. ■

Disgraced US running away from Iraq

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: DV is the only paper in the world, perhaps, to announce that the mighty America, the latest imperial power trying to dominate the whole world, was again defeated in its third and the latest war in Iraq. (DV Edit May 1, 2003: "*How can America claim victory when WMD not found & Saddam not caught or killed?*"). We also said it was not fall of Baghdad but fall of America. (DV May 16, 2003 p.5).

TONY BLAIR SINKING

About four months after this famous false claim of victory (zionist-controlled mass media can convert any falsehood into truth and vice-versa), America is gasping for breath in Iraq and trying its best to find an excuse to run away. What a shame. Barring

Tony Blair, President Bush has none to support in this misadventure. Blair himself is facing a death sentence. Killer Bush will follow.

We were also the only paper in the world to declare that in the Afghan war (2001) also America got defeated.

OSAMA DECLARATION

The same zionist-controlled media today admits in so many words that both in Afghanistan and Iraq, America got disgraced. Did not Osama bin Laden in his 1998 declaration of war against Jews and Crusaders say that his aim was to force American armies to depart "shattered and broken-winged from all the lands of Islam?"

In Afghanistan, the war is still not over. Neither Osama nor Mulla

Omar was killed or captured nor Taliban and al-Qaeda defeated. In Iraq, Saddam is neither killed nor captured. It is the Americans who are getting killed — daily. Nor did Bush find weapons of mass destruction.

ZIONISTS WARNED

Bush is desparately searching for a way out of Iraq but nobody is helping him. It is about four months since Bush claimed victory but the brave Iraqis have called the bluff. Now that the imperialist America stands humbled in Afghanistan and also Iraq, better it stops its ambitions in Iran, Syria, Saudi Arabia etc. And much more than that Palestine. Fire-eating zionist bosses of Bush and Runsfeld are warned.

Judiciary is neither honest nor accountable

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Every human being is product of a society in which he is born and brought up and so is the case with Indian judges. Do they perform marriage, rituals and other essential expressions of life outside their caste and customs, barring a few? How can we expect that they will behave completely different from ordinary citizens? A person who has not suffered poverty and hunger, how can he be expected to feel the pain of the have-nots? He is influenced,

oligarchy. Judges now think that there is no one between them and god during litigation and court proceedings. **The judges are a by-product of our caste-ridden social system. Can a Dalit expect any justice from such judges, in respect of reservation, who are so biased?**

NO QUOTA IN JUDICIARY

The Constitution is the mother and the judiciary, executive, legislature

in the present situation to judge the character, capacity and ability of a judge. Sycophancy, nepotism and favouritism are the order of the day. Since plurality of hands like the President, PM, Governor, Ministry of Law are not allowed to play a role in their appointment, appointment is bound to be corrupt and biased. Who has given the power to CJI to appoint judges? Neither people nor the Constitution of this country have given this power to him. How can they assume and

unconsciously at least by his likes and dislikes, prejudices and predilections, his entire philosophy of life in the atmosphere of the ongoing social struggles in the country, the resultant bitterness cannot leave the judge without being influenced in his judgment as to the right or wrong of the struggle. Being members of a society they are bound to be partisan because they share the sentiments and prejudices of their communities. Our

State	Total No. of Employees	No. of SC Employees	Percentage	No. of ST Employees	Percentage
Allahabad	2,583	information not received			
AP	1,304	106	8.12	9	0.69
	(OBC 231)				
Bombay	2,171	238	10.96	23	1.06
Calcutta	563	38	6.75	8	1.42
Delhi	Information not received				
Gaunhati	462	41	8.87	37	8.00
Gujarat	685	60	8.76	43	6.28
HP	351	55	15.67	2	0.57
J&K	354	22	6.22	11	3.11
Karnataka	1253	103	8.22	20	1.60
Kerala*	400	30	7.50	--	--
MP	1,224	48	3.92	21	1.72
	(OBC 271)				
Madras	1,277	146	11.43	2	0.15
Orissa	595	68	11.43	5	0.84
Patna	1,151	115	10.00	49	4.25
Punjab & Haryana	684	70	10.23		
		(SC+ST)	(SC+ST)		
Rajasthan	933	42	4.50	5	0.54
Sikkim	107	9	8.41	37	31.58
		(Ministerial services)			

are its children but the judiciary has now defiled its mother by misinterpreting and diluting it in many ways.

Unfortunately, there is no law to govern the judiciary in this country. In the appointment of judges, no objective procedure can be followed

finalised during the last half century. How can the weaker sections of the society have any faith in such a court? When the Supreme Court judges are receiving the salaries from the Consolidated Fund of India, it is a condition that the Chief Justice and companion judges of the Supreme Court as well as high

judiciary too is manned by such people and hence there must be effective control to keep reminding them of their duties whenever they fall apart. Framers of the Indian Constitution took exceptional care to protect the judiciary more than what was required. It does not mean that the judiciary behaves like

courts should also implement reservation in recruitment and promotion of the officers and servants at various levels at the prescribed percentage and the backlog of vacancies in the categories of SC/ST must be filled up by conducting special recruitment drive.

The govt. has been saying that the question of reservation in employment of SC/STs in the establishments of high court has not been discussed in the Chief Justices' Conference held during the last eight years. The information in this regard was not even supplied by the Supreme Court.

On inquiring about figures of actual representation and percentage of SC/STs in the total number of officers and staff separately for subordinate judicial services, higher judicial services and ministerial service for each state, the Ministry of Law has stated that

primarily the subordinate judicial services and higher judicial services are the concern of the respective State Government and its high court. The control of the ministerial service in the establishment of the high court is

claiming power above the Constitution, practice untouchability and are disobeying the Constitution with regard to Art 16 (4) and 16 (4A).

Recent incidents regarding behaviour of judges have left no doubt that to leave the

Vaidik judges warned

Paper presented on Aug.2, 2003 at the convention held on judicial corruption and accountability at Agha Khan Hall, Bhagwan Das Road, New Delhi. The paper fully supports our Editorial of Aug.16, 2003: "CMV syndrome afflicts *vaidik judges*: Their only worry is common civil code — not social justice" — EDITOR.

system like this would spoil whatever democratic values are left. Poor Sumit Mukherjee was jailed because he was not enjoying immunity and such characters are not a few but

must be in plenty. They hear those lawyers who have face value, tacit understanding and of course their relatives. Judges should not be posted in the places where their relatives are practicing law but examples of Delhi High Court will put to rest all doubts

the exclusive domain of each high court. The information in respect of actual representation of SC/STs in various high courts establishments is as under (see inset on p.5).

Out of 481 high court judges, only 15 SCs and 5 STs were in position as on 1-5-1998. The judges take oath that they uphold the Constitution. But the Supreme Court and a few high courts are

where 12 judges relatives are practicing and in Allahabad such judges are 27 in number. Thus the present setup of the judiciary is neither honest nor accountable. ■

Bible of Muslim-haters

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Here is an excellent article from the *Guardian* on the rise of anti-Muslim sentiments in Europe and how some individuals try to exploit it for profit and

political gain. The popularity of an virulent new book shows how deeply Islamophobia has taken root in Western Europe.

RANA KABBANI

A controversy has convulsed Italy and France with the publication of a rabidly Islamophobic book, *La rabbia e l'orgoglio* by a leading Italian publisher, Rizzoli, and the mainstream French publisher, Plon, which has just brought out a translation.

Its author, Oriana Fallaci, made a name for herself in the 70s with her vicious interviews with heads of state. Veering violently from left to right, as many Europeans have in recent years, she now pens this diatribe against Muslims, perhaps to cash in on Europe's newest xenophobia. "They breed like rats and they piss in baptismal fonts".

It was written in the 21st century by a secular European woman, selling a million copies in her

Italy. It had found a respectable publisher in France and the leading daily, *Le Figaro*, did not think twice about allowing its hate-exciting author to grace its front page last week.

Had this book's victims been anyone other than Muslims, it would not have been published, and certainly not by any self-respecting house. But Muslims are fair game now and to defame them en masse has become not only respectable, but highly profitable. The defamer has nothing to fear, as there are no laws to check such vitriolic prejudice, nor do Muslims have the organised self-defence groups that Jews have formed so successfully to silence would be anti-semites.

Only Ambedkarite Buddhism can kill Brahminism, not Vipassana

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After the first operation to remove tumor for the brain cancer (meditation), I now want to do the second operation to remove the blood cancer, meaning the false literature from Buddhism. (DV June 1, 2001 p.9: "*Vipassana is Hindu poison meant to kill Buddhism*"). Our

vinay pitak and *sutta* (*dhamma*) *pitak*. The Third *Abhidhamma Pitak* was not the part of original Buddhism. It was the compromised part that was added to the original Buddhism to divert the mind of missionary *bhikkus* towards the imaginary world of *yogicdhyān* which leads to

Buddhatva, *Nibban* etc. and not for the liberation of the common, suffering people and the solution of their problems.

Yogawachar Bhumi of *Asang*, *Abhidhammkosh* of *Vasubhandhu* and *Vishuddhi Marg* of *Bhuddaghosh* is nothing but the

Wanted clarification on "meditation"

ANIL RANGARIG

(1) Babasaheb used the words "meditation, concentration, (contemplation)" to attain *Budhatva* by *Bodhisatva* (*Siddhartha*). *Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Writings & Speeches*, Vol.11 (*The Buddha & His Dhamma*) pp. 73 to 75.

(2) To purify mind, Babasaheb used the word contemplation on body, mind, ideas, feelings... (p. 230).

(3) On p. (232-233) Babasaheb wrote—

Subtext: "What is the *Bodhisatva's* perfection of concentration (or meditation)?"

The Lord: "He himself, through skill in means, enters into the trances, yet he is not reborn in the corresponding heavens of form as he could.."

Here I want the clarification of the "perfection of meditation enters into the trances".

(4) On p. 426, he wrote:

"Without knowledge there is no meditation, without meditation, there is no knowledge, he who has knowledge and meditation is near unto *Nibbana*."

I want clarification on these points.

"*Charak Bhikkhawe*

Charikam, Bahujan Hitay Bahujan Sukhay". This object of the *Budha* in creating the *Bhikku* was killed by introducing *Abhidhamma* in original Buddhism. *Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar* said:

"*Budha* never resorted to the superhuman or the miraculous in propagating his *Dhamma*". How *Budha* had preached the whole

Abhidhamma to his dead mother *Mahamaya* (who died after the seventh day of *Siddhartha's* birth) for three months in *Traystinsih Indralok* and at the same time show miracle under *Gandamb Tree* in *Vaishali* before lakhs of people

"*Abhidhammapitak* definitely is not the time of *Budha*, it was written after the second *sangiti*".

This proves the first attack on Buddhist movement of social transformation. From the very beginning after the *mahaparinibban* of the *Budha*, the spirit of Buddhism was killed and the *yogic dhyān* (tumor) in the guise of *samadhi/meditation/Vipassana* and Brahminic *karmavay* incorporated into the original Buddhism.

At the time of the second *sangiti*, thousands of cunning *Bhikkus* were exiled from the *sangha*. *Samrat Ashok* also exiled 60,000 crooked and cunning *bhikkus* from the *sangha* and punished many more. In the first *sangiti*, there were only

hypnotic world and to support the Brahminic *karmawad* and rebirth (without *atma*) in guise of *Abhidhamma*. Later, all sorts of Buddhist false literature developed on how to become *arhat, bodhisatva,*

where Sariputta listened to all the *Abhidhamma* by divine power (*Riddhida*)? All this is fallacy. This proves the infiltration of Brahminic concepts into Buddhism.

DR. AMBEDKAR'S QUESTION

Dr. Ambedkar raised four problems in his introduction to the *Buddha & His Dhamma*. No intellectual Buddhist of the world touched the 3rd and 4th baffling question on which the future of Buddhism rests. He asked:

"In what sense did the Buddha use the words *kamm* and rebirth? Did he use them in a different sense than the sense in which they were used by the Brahmins of his day?"

Dr. Ambedkar was the only person throughout the history who thoroughly explained the rational and scientific meaning of the *karma* and rebirth (*Buddha & His Dhamma*) but all the *Bhikkus* in the world and writers including Rahul Sankrityayan upheld the Brahminic *karma* and rebirth.

ROLE OF BHIKKUS

This is the first reason for the continuous defeat of Buddhism. Because they found injustice, tyranny, exploitation, poverty, casteism and every fault in their past *karma*. How cunningly *Brahmannawadis* injected this poison philosophy into Buddhism. They introduced *yogic dhyana* in the name of meditation, *Vipassana*, *kasin* technique.

The fourth question which Dr. Ambedkar raised related to the struggle of the oppressed. He asked:

"What was the object of the Buddha in creating the *Bhikkus*? Was the object to create a perfect man? Or was his object to create a social servant devoting his life to the service of the people and being their friend, guide and philosopher? This is

a very real question. On it depends the future of Buddhism. If the *Bhikkus* are only a perfect man he is of no use to the propagation of Buddhism because though a perfect man he is a selfish man. If on the other hand, he is a social servant he may prove to be the hope of Buddhism. This question must be decided not so much in the interest of doctrinal consistency but in the interest of the future of Buddhism.

Are today's bhikkus social servants? What are they doing to solve the problems of SC/ST/BCs — the Bahujan Samaj? Rajnish, Goenka, Trilokya Buddha Mahasangh and all other Vipassana meditation centres have cut themselves off from the task of social transformation due to the menace of poisonous literature generated after the first sangiti.

That is why Babasaheb warned the Buddhist Sasana Council of Burma that:

"In regards to the preparation of Buddha's gospel care must be taken to emphasise the social and moral teaching of the Buddha. I have to emphasise this. But what is emphasised, is meditation, contemplation and *abhidhamma*. This way of presenting Buddhism to Indians would be fatal to our cause."

The whole Buddhist literature talks only about moral—*shil* (ethical) reformation but never about social reformation and elimination of racial

(caste) discrimination. The *prajnya* (*buddhi*) is used to make us go into trance (*samadhi*), *nibban* or *Buddhatva* but not for the social transformation to eliminate injustice, tyranny, casteism and exploitation.

DON'T MAKE BUDDHISTS COWARDS

No rational Buddhist can deny the fact that traditional Buddhism supports Brahminism and the traditional Buddhist literature is not of any use to fight against Brahminism. Knowing the cunningness of Brahminism, Buddha deliberately preached the *kalam sutta*. According to Buddha's *kalam sutta*, those who do not discard unscientific, superstitious and harmful doctrines/thoughts found in Buddhist literature can never be true Buddhist.

Only the Ambedkarite Buddhism represents the Ambedkar mission if preached, practiced and worked properly by maximum section. Then only the Bahujan Samaj can kill brahminism.

Don't make Buddhism a religion of cowards, vegetarians and non-violence.

Take note of Vasant Moon's warnings to intellectual Buddhists. He warned:

"Many writers wrote many books without the deep study of Buddhism personally. All these literatures must be examined critically on a micro level."

Goenka leadership

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I know that the activities of S. N. Goenka are not very conducive to the promotion of Ambedkarite Buddhism. What I am writing is the same. I only wish we should not be entrapped into the luxurious web of *Vipassana* and avoid our work as Ambedkarites. Still nobody has replied my question: Are the Buddhist Indians willing to accept the leadership of Goenka in talks with the leaders of Brahminism in matters relating to Dr. Ambedkar's Buddhism?

Vipassana centres better than Budha viharas

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This refers to the DV guest editorial of May 16, 2003 ("*Goenka conspiracy to kill Buddhism*") by Dr. K. Jamanadas. I take strong objection to it and call it a totally a false allegation. People, specially the Dalits, have made Dr. Ambedkar aligned to their narrow group and have thus made him a dwarf and Dalit leader. This towering personality was one of the greatest sons of India with multi-faceted personality.

Untimely death prevented him from propagating and reviving Buddhism. Budha never preached any religion. He showed the right path to the masses. His eight-fold Path is the ideal way of life. This is learnt more by practice than reading books and having discussions. No one except the *Bahiskrit Bharata* accepted Buddhism as an alternative religion. It is only S.N Goenka who made the right interpretation of Buddhism.

Goenka helped change the life-style of people as directed by Budha. *Vipassana* centres are contributing much more for social change than the *Budha viharas* which have become the only abode for *kasaya vashtra dharis* without any success. ■

Dalit Christians ask church to stop conversion drive

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The 4th national assembly of Dalit Christians has asked the Indian church leadership to stop Evangelism for 100 years and divert those funds for the liberation of Dalit Christians. A resolution passed at our meeting on Aug. 7, the delegates unanimously opposed the fraud being committed by the church leadership on Dalits in the name of conversion.

P.B. Lomeo, member of our executive, UP State president Meherban James spoke. R.L. Francis, president of the movement said that church leadership is bothered only about the number of people who go for conversion and not about their pitiable conditions or social circumstances. The biggest proof of this was that a large chunk of foreign funds were being utilised either for evangelism or for luxurious life-styles of the people monopolising church leadership. ■

How to identify friends & enemies

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I have read both part I and II of the book, *Tri-iblisi Shoshan Vih Vidhwans*, published by Bahujan Samaj Jagrukta Muhim, Nagpur. The second part was published in July 2003. Price Rs. 70 and 80 respectively.

Every Hindi-knowing member of the Bahujan Samaj must read these two books as it gives a perfect knowledge and right direction of our foes and friends and also provokes in them the anger, courage, capacity to fight their oppressors. The means propounded and propagated by *Dalit Voice* on how to combat Brahminism are incorporated in these books. They also promote our capacity to think through right knowledge and right understanding. Please send DD or MO to Mrs. Sujata Wasnik, No. 14 - Thaware Colony, Nagpur - 440 014.

Beware of Goenka

DR. VASANT MHASKE

I think we should refrain from pinning any hopes on Goenka and Co., for spreading Buddhism. His entire aim is to separate *Vipassana* from Buddhism and affloat it as a separate cult ultimately to be assimilated in Hinduism, one of the older tactics to used in the decline of Buddhism in India by Brahminism. You can listen to his programme *Urja* on Zee TV every Sunday at 11 am (India time). How cleverly he blends Budha's philosophy with Hinduism/Brahminism. Earlier our misled Ambedkarites realise this, better it is. (drmhaske@hotmail.com) ■

THE UNEASY EMPIRE

(Repression, globalization & what we can do)

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The US rulers drive for globalisation is part of its war against Muslims, Blacks and Untouchables. Beware: America wants to be the world's greatest empire. Earlier, it roused the fear of communism. Today it frightens us with terrorism (read Muslim). But the underlying motive is to destroy democracy, ethnic identity and impose the dictatorship of the Zionist-controlled US ruling class.

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Reply to Hindu nazis calling Muslims terrorists

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My book , *Dr. Ambedkar on Muslims* (DV Aug.1, 2003 p.10) is written in the backdrop of the recent controversy created by certain statements of Vinay Katiyar, the President of Uttar Pradesh BJP, claiming that Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar had called Muslims terrorist, that he was anti-Muslims, that Hindus and Muslims could never live together etc.

The manner in which he responded to certain rejoinders that appeared in press could create an impression in the minds of majority of people that Katiyar claim was true. He was seemingly referring to a book *Pakistan or Partition of India*, authored by Dr. Ambedkar in 1940 on the contemporary problem that had seized the imagination of the entire country. The book was so exhaustive and objective in its treatment of the problem that soon it was used as an authentic source by both, Hindus as well as Muslims in their pre-independence parleys. None could ever accuse it of any bias for or against any community. Such a book was being used by katiyar to tarnish the image of Dr. Ambedkar by painting him so petty as to be against Muslims. It was not only an issue of hurting the sentiments of the entire Dalit community for whom Dr. Ambedkar is a god, but it was also an affront to all those who considered Dr. Ambedkar as an icon for liberal democracy.

The book does not entirely concern with the Katiyar controversy, however. It is not the first time that such a canard against Dr. Ambedkar is fabricated and issued from the Hindu nazis. In their endeavor to co-opt Dr. Ambedkar,

human destiny in terms of liberty, equality and fraternity was made out to be a petty nationalist.

These and many such myths about Dr. Ambedkar are causing considerable damage to the democratic fabric of our republic. As for Dalits, the Hindu nazis largely succeeded in wooing the self-seeking Dalit elites into its fold but now it is eying the Dalit-masses to be its foot soldiers and its gun fodder as in the last Gujarat G e n o c i d e - 2 0 0 2 . Controversy around Dr. Ambedkar, whether in deifying him as *Pratah Smaranyia* or maligning him as 'false god' is thus linked to this larger agenda of demolishing emancipation project of Dalits and secular democratic fabric of Indian Republic.

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No Dalit liberation is possible without rescuing Muslims from Hindu nazism

Hindu nazi strategy is to win over Dalits, *hinduise* (enslave) them and then turn them against Muslims. The Gujarat Genocide-2002 was the first major experiment in history to convert India into a *Hindurashtra*. For this, they have manufactured all sorts of lies on Dr. Ambedkar saying that he was the enemy of Muslims and a great admirer of Hinduism. Only a few corrupted and co-opted Dalits have been won over by such Hindu nazi lies. The book is the first attempt to rescue Babasaheb from the clutches of these nazis, says Sandeep Pendse in his Foreword to the book.

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they have painted him in as deep saffron as they could. He was mutated to fit in their communal agenda.

He who vociferously discarded Hinduism was made out to be the greatest benefactor of the Hindus, he who envisioned

stray articles and papers analyzing the hows and whys of the Gujarat Genocide in particular reference to the Dalits. One of the concomitant issue thrown up by this incident was the need to bring Dalits, Tribals and all other religious minorities, particularly Muslims

and Christians together to see commonality in their situation.

Historically, these oppressed people were hopelessly divided without any communication between them whatsoever. This was particularly true of Dalits and Muslims. So it was imperative to establish a process of communication between these communities. None other than Dr. Ambedkar, who virtually symbolizes Dalit ideology, provided a platform for this. The Hindu nazis have been shrewdly mutating this ideology by selectively picking up his writings and sayings and projecting him saffron colours. One of the first tasks in the reconstruction of Dalit emancipation project as per my humble understanding was to reconstruct Dr. Ambedkar, reinterpret him sans-context of

times and present him as a ideological weapon to fight today's battle.

11 MYTHS

My attempt in this direction has been going on for years. They are well received by the progressive Dalits and non-Dalits. For the present case the opportunity came when Vinay Katiyar created the controversy around the issue. Around this time VAK requested me to take up this issue for their 'Myths and Facts' series. I began writing and it defied the normal length of their M&F. It was decided to bring out in a book form. And here it is.

The "Myth and Facts" format incidentally came as the most appropriate format to serve the objective behind the book as outlined above. One thing is it is

direct. It helps in effectively nailing the lies. It can be read selectively unlike a full length book. The size also comes handy- the small books cost less, get read.

The book deals with 11 myths that were selected through a brain storming process, largely concerning the Muslim community and covering the entire familiar canard against Dr. Ambedkar. These myths are listed in announcement of the book in DV of Aug. 1, 2003.

These myth-blastings are enveloped in an illuminating introduction that sets the context for the text and "Concluding Remarks" which tries to restore true radical Dr. Ambedkar as an icon for the ensuing struggle against fascist programme of the Hindu nazis.

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COMMUNICATION

Caste to kill casteism

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I am in full agreement with you in that "Caste can kill Hinduism". (V.T. Rajshakar, *Caste — A Nation Within the Nation*, Books for Change, 2002). Not only that, it is the only thing that will kill Hinduism. But the million dollar question is how? Under FPTP small caste-based parties cannot get any representation, and forming suitable and just coalition is a Herculean task which they can never achieve in the face of

enormous sums of money coming from the other side. It can only be achieved with the help of an election system that will allow due representation to small caste based parties. Open-list-Proportional Representation system is the system that will allow small parties their due share of representation. I have written that before, and you have been kind enough to publish the same.

Your comment on "caste killing Hinduism". You are right in saying small caste-based parties will face difficulties. Under the multitude of caste, class, religion and language and other contradictions in India, every section has to fight its own battle. When large castes like the Yadavs are still slaves in the Hind belt,

smaller castes will not be allowed to open their eyes. But there is no other way. One shortcut is that small castes can be form a federation of their own. When the oppressed have no media of their own, and the Brahminical media is churning out only falsehood human right struggles will be simply killed. The Brahminical people have

destroyed the fighting spirit of the oppressed with their **karma** theory. So there is no chance of the oppressed taking to violence. India never had a revolution. Future is gloomy but we have to fight. The **vaidsiks** are experts in the law of contradictions but our people know nothing of it —
EDITOR.

Yoga Rajan, Fed. of Indian-American Christian Organisations of N. America, 110 - Maryland Ave., NE Suite 510, Washington DC 20002: The US Govt. has been complacent in addressing continued human rights violations in India, said Bishop Ezra Sargunam in his meetings with officials of the State Dept. here on Aug.7 and 8. He submitted a memorandum highlighting the resurgence of attacks against the religious minorities, Dalits and the Tribals. He briefed them on the Hindu nazi mischief in enacting anti-conversion law. The Bishop, former chairman of the Tamil Nadu Minorities Commission and the presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Church of India, was accompanied by P.D. John, chairman of the Governmental Affairs Committee of FIACONA. They also met officials at the US Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF). He expressed his disappointment over the US Govt. reluctance to address these kinds of continuing serious human rights violations on Christians in India.

Dr. Awatar S. Sekhon, Box - 60246, University of Alberta Postal Outlet, Edmonton, AB T6G 2S5, Canada: Shriomani Gurdwara Prabhandhak Committee (SGPC) under the Akali Dal-Badal, now headed by a Sikh traitor, Gurcharan Tohra, may withdraw its title. Professor of Sikhism, from Sardar Gurtej Singh, formerly of the IAS for exposing the sinister designs of Prakash Singh Badal, Longowal etc. and for supporting the Canada-based cop-turned-Sikh scholar, Gurbax Singh Kala Afghana, who was excommunicated from the Sikh panth. Kala Afghana was honoured with a gold medal in the Roseville gurdwara for his contribution to promoting the message of *Guru Granth Sahib*.

Abrar Ahmad Islahi, Editor, *Muslim World League Journal*, PO Box - 537, Makkah, Saudi Arabia: We are grateful for the very important issue of the developing axis between zionists and the Indian ruling Brahminical races discussed in *Dalit Voice*. This will be taken up in one of the forthcoming issues of the MWL journal. Looking forward to have closer co-operation with you on all issues of the human concern.

Naveed Hussain, 2425 - Lark Drive, Montgomery, A-36108, USA: Keep in touch with *Dalit Voice* to keep in touch with India's problems. When one can subscribe to cable TV and trash magazines, *Flingfare*, what is wrong with Muslims subscribing to DV? Our common enemy, the *vaidiks*, hate DV but still read it. They are a mentally alert people and fully alert about the threats to their own self interest (caste interest). What has gone wrong with Muslims? I am surprised. DV takes a bold stand. It speaks

the Truth on the Enemy's face. It is also concerned about the well being of its antagonists. It wants peace with Aryans in India and the zionists. It wants them to change their perverted thinking. It wants them to end all hostilities with the persecuted peoples — not only in India but world over. Our Editor, V.T. Rajshekhar, is ready for a dialogue even with zionists. Yaron Meyer of the Israeli Embassy in Delhi must not hide and he must speak out and reply to the queries and concerns raised by our Editor and also Brother Raju Thomas from Madras. DV needs representatives in US, especially the Blacks. Why this willful negligence? DV has launched its *jehad* with pen. Why the Muslims are hesitant even to raise their pen and speak against injustices? Is it a crime even to open our mouths? Why are Muslims silent to the plight of their own Muslim brothers and Dalits? I need a reply. (nvitt@yahoo.com).

Edward C. Corrigan, 171 -Queens Avenue, Suite-506, London, Ontario, N6A 5J7, Canada: Here is a powerful anti-zionist statement from Rabbi Mordechi Weberman. He says because we are Jews we must support the Palestinians. It is an interesting and eloquent statement from yet another Jewish voice that recognizes the injustice committed against the Palestinian people:

"Because we are Jews" (<http://www.marchforjustice.com/becausewearejews.php>), by Rabbi Mordechi Weberman:

There are those who ask us why we march with the Palestinians. Why do we raise the Palestinian flag? Why do we support the Palestinian cause? "You are Jews", they tell us. "What are you doing?" And our response which I'd like to share with you this afternoon is very simple. It is precisely because we are Jews that we march with the Palestinians and raise their flag. It is precisely because we are Jews that we demand that the Palestinian peoples are returned to their homes and properties. Yes in our *Torah* we are commanded to be fair. We are called upon to pursue justice. And what could be more unjust than the century-old attempt of the zionist movement to invade another people's land to drive them out and steal their property? The early zionists proclaimed that they were a people without a land going to a land without a people. Innocent sounding words. But utterly and totally untrue. Palestine was a land with a people. A people that were developing a national consciousness. We have no doubt that would Jewish refugees have come to Palestine not with the intention of dominating, not with the intention of making a Jewish state, not with the intention of dispossessing, not with the intention of depriving the Palestinians of their basic rights, that they would have been welcomed by the Palestinians with the same hospitality that Islamic peoples

have shown Jews throughout history. And we would have lived together as Jews and Muslims lived before in Palestine in peace and harmony. To our Islamic and Palestinian friends around the world, please hear our message. There are Jews around the world who support your cause. And when we support your cause we do not mean some partition scheme proposed in 1947 by a UN that had no right to offer it. When we say support your cause we do not mean the cut off and cut up pieces of the West Bank offered by Barak at Camp David together with justice for less than 10% of the refugees. We do not mean anything other than returning the entire land, including Jerusalem to Palestinian sovereignty. At that point justice demands that the Palestinian people should decide if and how many Jews should remain in the land. This is the only path to true reconciliation. But we demand yet more. We demand that in returning the land back to its rightful owners we have not yet done enough. There should be an apology to the Palestinian people which is clear and precise. Zionism did you wrong. Zionism stole your homes. Zionism stole your land. By so proclaiming we proclaim before the world that we are the people of the *Torah* that our faith demands that we be honest and fair and good and kind. We have attended hundreds of pro-Palestinian rallies over the years and everywhere we go the leaders and audience greet us with the warmth of Middle Eastern hospitality. What a lie it is to say that Palestinians in particular or Muslims in general hate Jews. You hate injustice. Not Jews. Fear not my friends. Evil cannot long triumph. The Zionist nightmare is at its end. It is exhausted. Its latest brutalities are the death rattle of the terminally ill. We will yet both live to see the day when Jew and Palestinian will embrace in peace under the Palestinian flag in Jerusalem. And ultimately when mankind redeemer will come the sufferings of the present will long be forgotten in the blessings of the future.

Saleem Jaanu (saleem_jaanu@yahoo.com): According to statistics Islam is the fastest growing faith in the United States, Canada and in the world. This is happening despite widespread misconceptions and negative media portrayal of Islam. The following are quotes from prominent US, Canada and UK news sources regarding the phenomenal growth of Islam:

"Islam is the fastest-growing religion in America, a guide and pillar of stability for many of our people...". (Hillary Rodman Clinton, *Los Angeles Times*, May 31, 1995 p.3.)

"Already more than a billion people strong, Islam is the world's fastest-growing religion". (ABC News, Abenews.com.)

"Islam is the fastest growing religion in the country" (*Newsday*, March 7, 1989, p.4).

"Islam is the fastest growing religion in the United States...". (*New York Times*, Feb.21, 1989 p.1).

"Muslims are the world's fastest growing group..." (*USA Today*: The population reference bureau, Feb. 17, 1989 p.4A).

"Islam is the fastest growing religion in North America" (*Time Magazine*).

"Islam continues to grow in America, and no one can doubt that" (CNN Dec.15, 1995).

"The religion of Islam is growing faster than any other religion in the world" (Mike Wallace, 60 Minutes).

"Five to 6 million strong. Muslims in America already outnumber Presbyterians, Episcopalians and Mormons, and they are more numerous than Quakers, Unitarians, Seventh-day Adventists, Mennonites, Jehovah's Witnesses, and Christian Scientists, combined. Many demographers say Islam have overtaken Judaism as the country's second-most commonly practiced religion others say it is in the passing lane". (Johan Blank, *USNEWS*, July 20, 1998).

"In fact, religion experts say Islam is the second-largest religion in the US... Islam has 5 million to 6 million members, followed by Judaism, with approximately 4.5 million... And Islam is believed to be fastest-growing religion in the country, with half its expansion coming from new immigrants and the other half from conversions". (by Elsa C. Arnet, Knight-Ridder News Service).

"Islam has become the No.1 non-Christian faith in Quebec, as in Canada as a whole" (Islam Thrives in Quebec, Harvey Shepherd, Montreal Gazette, May 14, 2003).

"Figures from the 2001 Canadian census released yesterday by Statistics Canada show that the number of people claiming to be of Muslim faith increased by 128.9% to 579,640 in the decade beginning in 1991, making Islam the fastest growing religion in Canada". (Muslims Outnumber Jews in Canada, Gloria Galloway, Toronto Globe and Mail, May 14, 2004).

Jai Birdi (jpbirdi@hotmail.com): The second International Conference on the Punjabi Nation and Nation building was held recently in Prince George, a city 500 miles North of Vancouver, Canada. Among several Punjabi scholars and activists that attended the conference, Dr. Ronki Ram of Punjab University (Chandigarh) was the key figure to raise the issue of Dalits in relation to the nation-building in Punjab. Citing the recent incidents of Talhan, Boota Mandi and other villages and townships in Punjab where clashes between Dalits and Jats have been increasing day-by-day, he said that if one is serious about nation-building then it is paramount that Dalits are included at all levels of the decision-making process. A political scientist and an

activist he came to Vancouver to attend the international Dalit Conference in Vancouver in May this year. He went back to India but was invited by the organizers of the Prince George conference to present a paper on the Punjabi nation and emancipation of Dalits. By attending this conference he made it possible to profile Dalit agenda at the Punjabi mainstream stage.

Ronki Ram, Dept. of Political Science, Punjab University, Chandigarh - 160 014: I had again been to Canada for attending a World conference on "Nation-Formation in the 21st century and the Punjabi Nation". In that conference, I read a paper on "Dalit liberation and the question of Punjabi Nation". The conference was from June 28 to July 1, 2003.

S.P. Singh, Takipar, Danapur, PO Digha, Panna - 800 012: This refers to the Patna seminar on Brahminism by Bihar Rationalist Society (DV June 16, 2003 p.21). I do not know Dr. Kawaljit. Dr. Rama Shankar Arya who spoke at the seminar is a learned man. I do not know how believers in god and the non-believers like the Rationalists and Buddhists or neo-Buddhist come on the same platform. Arjak Sangh started by late Rama Swaroop Verma of UP have their own marriage rules. They do not invite Brahmins. This is a good point. But have they any plan to destroy the caste system? Kurmis have formed a forum with the Chamars and inter-caste marriages are going on. Will the Bihar Rationalist Society support a BC leader to rule Bihar? In the long list of speakers at its May 25 seminar, why there is not a single Muslim? For the last 10 years I have not attended a single marriage ceremony in which a Brahmin is employed. Last July my youngest son was married without the services of a Brahmin. Let god or some many gods remain. Let people worship in their own way but the Brahmin priests or any kind of priest must be ousted from the temples. Brahmins have given up all hope. Backward Caste persons like Vinaya Katiyar and Uma Bharti are doing their job in the name of Hindu religion. What a shame. All our efforts to unite the SC/ST/BC and minorities has failed so far. It is because we do not know our past and not even our present. Make *Dalit Voice* a useful paper. Lost glory of the Indian Dalits cannot be restored unless they get some education and wealth. The BSO cannot be destroyed unless political leaders like Laloo, Mulayam, Chandrababu Naidu, Deve Gowda etc. make an all-out effort to exclude the Brahmins from social ceremonies like marriage etc. Educating the "educated class" is a big job.

M. Kolandai Samy, Designate Head Master, Govt (B) Hr. Sec., School, Ulundurpet, Villupuram dt., TN - 606 107: There is an urgent need to undertake a well participated sociological, economic, cultural and political

planning of the society. The 60-crore strong women of India constitute over 52% of our population. They have been deprived of their basic fundamental rights in all spheres of life. The Representation of the Peoples Act 1951 should be amended to provide them not less than one-third of the total number of elected seats in the parliament and state legislatures. That means 182 women MPs should occupy our Parliament. The current reservation system must be amended to provide the following population-wise representation. Brahmins 4.2%, Kshatriyas 3.5%, Vysias 1.7%, FC Shudras 6.8%, BC Shudras 42%, SC 15%, ST 7.5%, Muslims 12.5%, Christians 3%, Sikhs 2 %, Buddhists 0.8%, Jains 0.5%, others 0.4%, no religion 0.1%—Total 100%. This will reduce the percentage the people living below the poverty line. Those interested in the master plan may write for my book on human rights, pages 100, 2002.

Gurnam Singh Muktsar, 2 - Bhagat Singh Nagar, b/h Bus Stand, Muktsar - 152 026: On July 6, we observed the 5th anniversary of our Punjabi journal, *Begam Purda Vassi* which has stepped into its 6th year of publication. It is a wonder that in Punjabi we could continue a Dalit paper for five years. We honoured 15 persons for their services to the magazine. The role of English and Punjabi DV was remembered on this occasion. A book, *Main Hindu Nahin Marunga* (I shall not die a Hindu) written by me, was released at Ludhiana at a function organised by the Samaj Parvartan Sabhiachar Manch, Punjab (Rs. 50). This book contains the burning thoughts of Babasaheb Ambedkar. Budha, Sikh Sant Gurus and Phule discarded Brahminism and launched a revolution against it.

Rajni Thomas, Post Box - 2296, Madras - 600 023: This refers to the Letter of S.K. Thorat in DV June 16, 2003 (p.17) and of Dr. A.R. Biswas (DV Aug.1, 2003 p.16) on the origin of the Aryans in India. They quote Advocate Bhagavan Das book, *Thus Spoke Ambedkar*, Vol.2. I checked and found out that they had quoted the wrong page. It is not p.45 but page 51 where Babasaheb spoke like this: "When the Aryans came to India, varna system came into force..". You may please refer other Volumes also where you can find more relevant references. For example in Volume III, Babasaheb says:

"The history of India is said to begin with the Aryans who invaded India, made it their home and established their culture. Whatever may be the virtues of the Aryans, their culture, their religion and their social system, we know very little about their political history. Indeed notwithstanding the superiority that is claimed for the Aryans as against the non-Aryans, the Aryans have left very little their political achievements for history to speak of. The political history of India begins

with the rise of a non-Aryan people called Nagas, who were a powerful people, whom the Aryans were unable to conquer, with whom the Aryans had to make peace and whom the Aryans were compelled to recognize as their equals. Whatever fame and glory India achieved in ancient times in the political field, the credit for it goes entirely to the non-Aryan Nagas. It is they who made India great and glorious in the annals of the world". (p. 267, 1987).

Our Editor has already collected all references in all the Volumes of Babasaheb regarding the Aryan invasion of India and proposes to publish them shortly. All those honest Aryan writers including B.G. Tilak, Gokhale, Nehru and many other Aryan leaders have already acknowledged the fact that the Aryans in India are foreigners. The fundamental question is: What are we going to do with them? As they are our alien enemy oppressors how shall we deal with our enemy? Even many foreign scholars and foreign directories published in the US and UK have now started accepting the historical truth that Aryans in India are foreigners. They were all misguided by the Aryan writers and those foreigners blindly believed what the Aryans propagated. This change has taken place because of the constant efforts of *Dalit Voice*. I may quote one or two examples. Until 1991, the Aryan propaganda was that Hindus constitute 85% of India's population. The *Operation World* published from the US and the UK about the population statistics of India says that India's 85% population belonged to Hindu. But the latest edition of *Operation World* (2001) published that the Aryan Hindus in India constitute only 15% and the rest belonged to the indigenous people (pp.309). Another internationally renowned German scholar, Dr. Eric Robert Frykenberg, who is a member of the DV family world-wide, wrote that Aryans in India were only 15% (*Fundamentalism & the State: The Fundamentalism Project*, Vol.3, The University of Chicago Press, Chicago and London, 1993 pp.239). All freedom-loving and saner souls in the West are coming forward with an unbiased mind and they are willing to accept the truth about India and will not be carried away by the Aryan propaganda. But their number is very thin. It will take time for truth to score over the untruth and only through our committed efforts the Aryan propaganda can be unmasked and exposed to the rest of the world. But more efforts should be undertaken within India by our own intellectuals. Because of the control of media by the Aryans (*Thus Spake Ambedkar* Vo.II, p.57) they control our minds and control everything.

Dr. Ashok Adhav, MHB Colony, M-36/2521, Yerawada, Pune - 411 006: This refers to Brother Rajendra article (DV March 16, 2003): "*When Holeyas are divided why*

blame Madigas?". Who wants unity of all castes of Dalits? Dalits were never one. Even before "independence" Deorukhakar tried to create disturbance in the meeting of Dr. Ambedkar at a Marath Mandir, Bombay. Kajroikar contested the election against Dr. Ambedkar when Dalits of Maharashtra were fighting with Brahminism. Jagjivan Ram and others were enjoying ministerial posts under the Brahminical Congress. Later the Congress was crowded with Dalits, BCs, minorities and tribals. Then Brahmins started deserting the Congress and joined the *Brahmana Jati Party* (BJP). Dalits were never a single homogenous community.

Syed Fakruddin Ahmad, Advocate, President, All-Bihar Minority Lawyers Forum, Chakbasu Lane, Kachi Sarai, PO Ramna, Muzaffarpur, Bihar: I share the feeling of Md. Zakiuddin (DV Feb. 16, 2003 p. 13). He speaks of the scenario prevailing in the country. It is a fact that wherever in the country there is a riot, Dalits are being used by the Hindu nazis. It is also a fact that our Editor started fighting single-handed against the atrocities committed by Hindu nazis against Dalits, BCs and minorities. It is he who lighted the lamp of "Dalit-Muslim unity". In a vast country like India it is not possible to correct thousands of years of Brahminical atrocities. Fortunately DV family is enlarging day by day. This is worrying the *Brahmanwad* lords. Editor V.T. Rajshekar has rightly focussed on the Muslim weaknesses but has not analysed the real cause behind the talk of unity between Dalits and Muslims or the *hinduisation* of Dalits. The following are the causes that unite the Hindus with the Dalits:

- (a) Dates of festivals and *nahrurat* of marriages are fixed by Brahmin *pandits*. Dalits too follow the Brahmin commands.
- (b) Brahman *pandit* recite their *mantras* in Sanskrit in all temple prayers. Though Dalits are not allowed to enter such temples still they flock around the temples and bow down before the Brahmin priest.
- (c) Right from birth to death all the rites are performed by the Brahmin priest. Dalits are made to understand that no one can get salvation without the *ashirwad* of the Brahman priest.

That is how the Dalits become closer to Hindus than the Muslims. The Hindus cunningly exploit such occasions for poisoning Dalits against Muslims. It is the primary duty of Dalit leaders to bring out Dalits from the clutches of Brahminical system. They should try to bring about a revolution in Dalit thinking. They should be taught that they are no less than the Brahmins and should not beg for their admissions into temples. They should construct

their own temples, should appoint Dalit as priest and all the rites should be performed by their own (Dalit) people or they should embrace Buddhism, the religion of their forefathers. As for Muslims, they too should come forward to do everything for Dalit-Muslim unity, Editor V.T. Rajishekar is a great asset for all of us. He is the symbol of Dalit-Muslim unity. We all should strengthen his hands without any reservation if we want to live in India with peace and honour.

Sayyad Habib, Dongaon, Buldana dt. - 443 303; I am a post-graduate in political science and also taking PG in social science. I want to study all your literature deeply to understand India. I live in a small village in Buldana dt. (MS). I have many Dalit and BC friends. I have taken inspiration from the *Bahujan Sangharsh*. I have also read BAMCEF literature of Wannan Meshram. I have attended its many programmes. From my childhood I used to love those who are in distress and those who are persecuted. I had a friend from childhood. One day I had lunch in his house. Some people took objection. I have many Backward Caste friends. Dalits and Muslims are blood brothers. I agree with our Editor. Together we can tackle the Hindu nazi violence. From 1991, I am a working committee member of the Caste Employee Organisation. This is Dalit employees organisation in Maharashtra. I have made 14 subscribers for Hindi DV which is the best and honest journal of the country. I have read many journals. But DV is the best in India. It has no fear. It publishes criticisms even against its Editor. DV is holding a Debate on Buddhism, Sikkism, Islamic liberation theology, *Vipassana* etc.

Nagesh Choudhary, Editor, *Bahujan Sangharsh*, Rahate Colony, Wardha Road, Nagpur - 440 022: Your Editorial, "*Savarkar's invasion of Parliament*" (DV March, 16, 2003) is an eye-opener. This is their most recent push. Savarkar was one of the main architects of the *Hindutva* theory. Even Golwalkar had acknowledged his contribution. Savarkar's elder brother, G.D. Savarkar, has written the book, *Hindu Rashtra Mimansa*. Golwalkar's, *We or Our Nationhood Defined*, is the bible for Hindu nazis. Their latest onslaught is the Savarkar's picture on the walls of Parliament. They are marching towards their goal without a single failure. No longer there is any hurdles on their way. Neither Leftists nor the 85% Bahujans. We are all after the political power. But they are after controlling our minds. Golwalkar said "we are above ism". He was right because all *ism walas* are controlled by them. Dalits and BC politicians included:-

They had declared that they would demolish the Babri mosque. They did it.

They said they would build the Ram temple at the very site of the mosque. Nobody can stop them. When Narasimha Rao, the Congress Prime Minister, could not stop them, will Vaipayee stop them?

They have started demolishing the Constitution in deeds without changing the words. Who will stop them?

They have introduced the rabid anti-Muslim Hindu song, *Vande Mataram*, in Parliament and many state assemblies at the beginning of the sessions. Did anybody dare object or stop it?

They have changed and reduced the size of the Ashoka Chakra on our currency notes and replaced it with Gandhi, a pro-Hindu leader. Did anybody stop them?

They are reducing the reservation quota of SC/ST/BC under one or the other pretext in spite of all sorts of opposition. Could anybody stop them?

Now, the BJP-led govt. at the Centre is introducing astrology in universities, promoting Sanskrit language and providing employment for Brahmmins. Slowly *Hindutva* is being formed. Is there anybody worried over this complete Brahmin takeover? We are heading for the *Manu* rule or Peshwa-type rule in whole of India. All non-Brahmins will become dumb cattle. There will be no education, no freedom of speech except that of praising, worshipping the Brahmmins.

M.M.Satpute, A/1 - Dinanath, Near RTO, Andheri (W), Bombay - 400 053: I know your close relationship with the late Shankarananda Sasuri. He used to narrate several occasions of his intimacy with you. He was very proud of you and your writings, your *Dalit Voice* and books. He used to sell your books and DV to friends and relatives. But I felt very sad, as a family member of DV, when the news of his death was published in DV. The report was too brief compared to his great work and a close associate of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar. He was a founder member of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Bhavan, a founder member of Peoples Education Society etc. DV has done a great disservice to Shastriji.

Ms. Sujata Wasnik, 14 - Thaware Colony, Nagpur - 440 014: Our book announced in DV Aug. 1, 2003 back page *Tri-Iblisi Shoshan Yuvh Vidhvans-II*, is developed as a handbook of people's struggle. In this book, we have presented a complete outline of the struggle so that exploited masses worried about their situation can play their role in mission to overthrow *Tri-Iblis* and to establish *Bahujanwadi* social democracy. We are busy improving the effectiveness of both these parts. a revised edition (second edition) of *Tri-Iblisi* Part-I may be released in Nov. We may translate it in English, develop a website. We are always with you in your mission.

Dr. Daniel Sathiaraj c/o Henry Martyn Institute of

Islamic Studies, Chirag Ali Lane, Hyderabad - 500 001: This refers to Dr. Abdullah Al-Kathany's article, "When Jews cursed and killed Jesus why Christians go on supporting them?" (DV July 16, 2003 p.20). Jesus loved the people of the world and came into the world from heaven according to the god's will. Jesus died on the cross as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. He died for us all. While hanging on the cross, Jesus prayed for all those who killed Him, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they do." In fact all the people of the world and their sins killed Jesus — rather He died for our sins. According to the Bible, salvation which god has provided for all mankind is from the Jews. Jesus was a Jew. Through faith in Him, all the families of the earth are blessed. Apart from Jesus, no one can be saved from his/her sins. God is holy and He hates sin. Even lying is sin. All those who are saved by Jesus are descendants of Abraham by faith. Part of the Christian Scriptures is the Scripture for the Jews. Like the Jews, Christians believe that Israel will win the final battle. The Scripture says:

An Oracle: This is the word of the Lord concerning Israel. The Lord, who stretches out the heavens, who lays the foundation of the earth, and who forms the spirit of man within him, declares: 2 "I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling. Judah will be besieged as well as Jerusalem. 3 On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves. 4. On that day I will strike every horse [war plane] with panic and its rider with madness." declares the Lord. "I will keep a watchful eye over the house of Judah, but I will blind all the horses of the nations. 5. Then the leaders of Judah will say in their hearts, "The people of Jerusalem are strong, because the Lord Almighty is their God." 6 "On that day I will make the leaders of Judah like a firepot in a woodpile, like a flaming torch among sheaves. They will consume right and left all the surrounding peoples, but Jerusalem will remain intact in her place. 7 "The Lord will save the dwellings of Judah first, so that the honor of the house of David and of Jerusalem's inhabitants may not be greater than that of Judah. 8 On that day the Lord will shield those who live in Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the Angel of the Lord going before them. 9 On that day I will set out to destroy all the nations that attack Jerusalem. Mourning for the One They Pierced. 10 "And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced [Jesus], and they will mourn for him as one

mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son. 11 On that day the weeping in Jerusalem will be great, like the weeping of Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. 12 The land will mourn, each clan by itself, with their wives by themselves: the clan of the house of David and their wives, the clan of the house of Nathan and their wives, 13 the clan of the house of Levi and their wives, the clan of Shimei and their wives, 14 and all the rest of the clans and their wives.

Note: what is given in these brackets are my explanations All the prophecies in the Bible are coming true. The above also will be fulfilled. Christians worship the one true God -- the God of Israel -- same as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob or Israel. It is this God who sent Jesus Christ from heaven. According to the Bible, God created the universe through Jesus Christ.

In your letter we get the impression that you are defending the present US-UK Christian ruling class support to Zionist aggression on innocent Palestinians — EDITOR.

M.H.M. Saleem, "Ashiana", Main Road, Gungolli, Udipi dt., - 576 216: I fully agree with you when you say that the Muslims of India lack knowledge about the Indian social system. They know nothing of the caste and because of this think that Dalits are Hindu. I myself was ignorant until I started reading *Dalit Voice*. It has become very easy for me now to understand any event that occur around us when I look at it in the light of the analysis made in DV. It looks the *Dalit Voice* is becoming mightier and mightier day by day and it will become a powerful force in not so distant a future. When most of the newspapers report **what** happened. *Dalit Voice* explains **why** it happened. That makes all the difference to me and many more who are eager to know the inherent truth behind an event. The Quran speaks about the **identity**.

We have classified you in different tribes, groups and families so that you can identify yourself.

These **identities** are equal but separate and separate and unequal. Even the deadliest enemy of *Dalit Voice* cannot fail to appreciate your mighty courage. Keep up the good work. Your honest intellectual, your creed is hard to find these days.

Nishkant Waghmare, 22 - Rajnigandha, Juhu Scheme, Bombay - 400 049: Thank you renewing my contacts with *Dalit Voice* after 15 years. *Dalit Voice* is really a good, informative and progressive magazine which I will call as "think tank" of Dalit movement's real informative power. In the half century since "independence", Indian

Dalits have not given themselves a single "national" newspaper, a TV channel, good university, schools, colleges, national commercial bank, factory, sugar mills, cotton mills etc. Nobody in India fought the Brahmins so effectively and so scientifically as Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar.

Santosh Rana, 121/3 - Purbachal Kalitola Road, Calcutta - 700 078: There are 905 seats in the medical colleges run by the WB Govt. Of these, 54 seats are reserved for the STs. But this year, only 6 ST students have been admitted. This is so since last three years. The govt. has framed a rule that a student seeking admission in medical will have to score 40% marks in each subject in the joint entrance exam (JEE). They say they framed this rule on instruction of the Medical Council of India. But there is no such instruction. The qualifying exam for MBBS is higher secondary and not (JEE) which is a competitive exam. The minimum qualifying mark should be related to the higher secondary and not JEE. This year, the WB Govt. decided to allot 15% of seats to those paying Rs. 18 lakhs as capitation fee. They will **not** have to appear JEE. A 50% score in higher secondary will suffice. Then why not admit tribal students who score 50% or more in higher secondary? Why do you insist on a score in JEE? Because they have no money. It is only the rich and super-rich who will get higher education in West Bengal.

Anzar Ahmed Qasri, Al-Nadwah College, Nadwah Nagar, Shoolagiri, Hosur tq, TN - 635 117: It gives us great pleasure to inform you that the students of our college are very keen to study *Dalit Voice*. They feel it will be a stepping stone for them to keep themselves well informed about the issues pertaining to the down-trodden segment of the society. So, we request you to send to our library a complimentary copy of your journal.

Will some generous member of our DV family help support the college demand — EDITOR.

Syed Shahabuddin, Flat 404, Block 8, East End Apts., Mayur Vihar-I Extn., Delhi - 110 096: Your Editorial in *Dalit Voice* (Aug. 1, 2003: "85% of Indians may be Bahujans but how to convert this massive majority into voters?") on the disunity in the Bahujan Samaj. This is primarily because there is no collective leadership. In the age of ethnicity and **identity** politics every social group wants to see its face in the leadership. The top Bahujan Samaj parties as you identify them are: the BSP, RPI, DMK, JD(S), JD (U), Samata, SP, RJD. Show me one Muslim face anywhere. You want the Muslims not to trust the Brahmin and Rajput leaders : V.P. Singh, Chandrashekhar, Narasimha Rao, Sonia Gandhi (by marriage), Somnath Chatterjee, A. B. Bardhan. Why

should they trust Kanshi Ram, Mayawati, Prakash Ambedkar, Laoo, Mulayam Singh, Deve Gowda? I can conceive of a situation when each of them projects itself as it is — a *jati* party and no more. And then they come together to form an alliance with a collective leadership and adopt a policy of proportional reservation for all identifiable social groups in every walk of life, in public and private employment, in political representation, in distribution of welfare and development benefits, in bank credit and govt. loans and in all other services and facilities that the state provide. That would be a united front representing the entire Bahujan Samaj. If Mayawati takes care of SCs and SC villages only, why shouldn't the BSP be called a Dalit party? Time has come when no group within the Bahujan Samaj shall allow its interests to be sacrificed for the leading group. This sense of deprivation, this feeling of being ignored, this fact of being left out in the cold or of being manipulated through a few immoral and self-centered lackeys is behind the disunity of the Bahujan Samaj and its inability to stand together to face the common enemy. There is a struggle for leadership by each core group through its party with the help of a few satellites. Instead of removing misunderstandings, working out norms of coordination and standards of fair distribution of jobs, seats, places in the leadership at all levels, all the parties finally come to enter into their own deals with one Brahmin party or the other. The truth is that the upper caste with its centuries of experience know how to manage situation or to deal with their friends, pseudo-friends and friendly enemies. Our Muslim, SC/ST/BC leaders lack this experience. Each is for himself. You speak of Bahujan Samaj. Every one knows only his *jati* and works for his own *jati* and wants to cheat all other *jatits*, use them if possible and leave them high and dry. This will not do. This is a voice of anguish. Let it reach your readers and the so-called leaders of the Bahujan Samaj.

Pitram Padhi, AI/PO: Pakjihola, via Semtiliguda, Koraput dt. - 764 036: I am a Tribal working in the most backward tribal dt. of Orissa where the SC/STs occupy 70% of the total population. But they have lost their paternal property and also their "*caste identity*" and living in slavery because of the *Manuwadis*. I want to liberate them from the slavery by propagating Ambedkarism among my indigenous people. I want all the volumes of Babasaheb's writings. You are my only hope.

Naveed Hussain, D-92, MMDA Colony, Arumbakkam, Madras - 600 106: I want Muslims to keep in touch with DV only. Dalit leaders may be corrupt and so are Muslim leaders who are corrupt and purchased. We have corrupt film stars, corrupt journalists. But we still buy magazines

promoted by these corrupted politicians, journalists. We do not stop seeing corrupt movies that blaspheme Muslims. We still do not stop subscribing to *Filmfare* and trash magazines. We still continue to hear abuses hurled against Muslims on TV which is nothing short of intimidations, vilification and tarnishing of Muslim image. So my request to Muslims is to keep in touch with hard and bitter realities of life of Muslims/Dalits in India through DV. I have not asked anybody to support this Dalit leader or that Dalit leader. But be in touch with DV so that the thinking and churning process begins. We are not even on to the first step on the ground floor (creation of awareness); how can we think of a stepping on to the next floor (politics). I am thankful that Brother Naushad Ansari is already a life-member but he should encourage other Muslim friends to join DV and be in touch with DV. DV has many times acknowledged the

corruption of Dalit leaders. Corruption is a way of life in India.

A. Xavier, Dept.of English, St. Mary's Hr. Sec. School, Dindigul - 624001: I have decided to write 15 volumes on the subject of Brahminical conspiracy. It is going to be my lifetime mission. I have already made a rough draft of 60 pages. *Dalit Voice* has inspired me to write these 15 volumes.

Sanil M.N., "Thanal", Thenhippalam PO, Malappuram dl., - 673 636, (mansanil@ambekar.org): Dalit Brahmins are not ready to raise their issue.They are exploiting the current political struggles.Most of them will enjoy the results. They are *sanskritized* in every respect.They are not ready to demystify their *savarna* affiliation.Most of them are enjoying their position as a Hindu. We are suffering from the dearth of organic Dalit intellectuals. ■

Financial Times on Brahmins

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: Brahminical atrocities on the indigenous people of India has started getting international publicity despite the best efforts of the perpetrators of the crime to keep it a closely guarded secret.

ARYANS DON'T LOVE INDIA

After the *National Geographic Magazine* cover story in its June 2003 issue (DV June 16, 2003 p. 22), the equally world-famous the Sunday magazine of the *Financial Times*, *London* (July 5, 2005 issue No.11), has come out with another but more brilliant cover story on Brahmins with a glorious account of the charismatic Laloo Prasad on its cover page.

Titled "**Beating back the Brahmins**", India's new politics of class, caste & faith, the magazine also has an editorial by its editor, John Lloyd, criticising India's Hindu nazi govt. and its "failure to end discriminatory practices against the poor" and the "murderous gulf between Hindus and the 140-million-strong Muslim minority". The cover story is written by its South Asia Bureau chief, Edward Luce.

India's ruling upper castes are so shameless that they are not even bothered about what the world says about India. This may cause some surprise to outsiders. But we are not. The Brahminical races are not bothered about what others think of India because India does not belong to them. They are not Indians. The Brahminical races being alien Aryans, they have no love for India. The article makes a shocking reading. The author speaks about the violence that has gripped "Hindu India" which prides itself as the world's only country with a non-violent religion. Caste violence, Hindu-Muslim violence and landlord-peasant violence are the three principal varieties cited in the article.

GUJARAT'S KILLER MODI

The author contrasts Laloo against Gujarat's Narendra Modi. Laloo established peace in Bihar but the killer Modi converted Gujarat into a graveyard of Muslims.

But India's ruling class has no good word for Laloo who is painted as a buffoon. But these Brahminical buffoons who are ruling us do not know that Laloo Prasad may become

the Prime Minister of India one day.

The article has an important message for the DV family members. While contrasting Modi with Laloo, it indirectly admits the power of caste. In other words ethnic identity.

If Modi is trying to force his religion of Hinduism on the unwilling non-Hindu majority, Laloo has defeated these Hindu nazis by using the magic mantra of caste.

CASTE TO KILL HINDUISM

This is also the formula suggested in DV. The Hindu nazis are using their Hindu religion to "unite" the indigenous non-Hindu SC/ST/B/Cs by instigating them against Muslims and Christians. These nazis can be easily and effortlessly floored by dividing our people on the basis of caste. In other words use the caste to kill casteism (religion).

The *Financial Times* article also gives a good picture of the Brahmin rulers and their Brahminism.

Photocopies of the six-parge article plus the editorial and cover page (in all 8 pages) can be ordered by sending Rs. 15. www.ft.com/artсандweekend

Sikh weekly admits mistake of Jats

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Bangalore: The premier English weekly of the Sikhs, the *Spokesman*, published from Chandigarh in its July 2003 monthly issue has an article by Mohinder Singh Chachrari on the June 3, 2003 Talhan caste clashes between Jat Sikhs and Dalits in the village Talhan, near Jalandhar, fully confirming the different criticisms we made in our signed article (DV July 1, 2003 p.5: "Blot on Sikhism: Jalandhar clash proves hinduisation of a revolutionary religion").

Though we daily receive several emails from upper caste Sikhs, we are sorry to note we did not get a single one condemning the Talhan Jat Sikh atrocities on Dalits though the incident attracted country-wide attention and brought a shame on the revolutionary Sikh religion. But we are happy that the *Spokesman* has published an article, "Lessons that can be learnt from the Talhan episode", admitting serious lapses on the part of the Sikh religion. Such an admission of the mistake is very important before trying to correct the mistake. The Hindus never admit their mistakes. When the mistake itself is not admitted where is the question of correcting it?

The *Spokesman* article says:

Gurdwaras are the centres of Sikhi. But our gurdwaras too have badly fallen a prey to casteism. Guru Sahib, by abolishing caste system, had created gurdwaras which were common to all castes and classes of people. But today even gurdwaras are being constructed in the names of different castes. In about 10,000 villages out of a total of 12,780 villages in Punjab, there are separate gurdwaras for the Dalits. In about 650 towns and cities, out of a total of 1200 in Punjab, there exist separate Namdev Bhawans, Ravidas temples, Vishwakarma temples etc. the construction of "Vishwa Karma Gurdwaras" by a section of the Ramgarhia class also shows our decline, although the Brahmin-created god Vishwakarma has not the remotest connection with Sikhism. In prominent Nihang organisations, Budha Dal and Tarna Dal, there are caste-based platoons. These platoons recruit new members from their own respective castes. In the Nihang Dals too, *amrit* is administered on the basis of caste. In the *pangat maryada* (practice of

taking food in a gurdwara) too, there are indications of being changed on the basis of caste. Dalits are prevented from doing *sewa* in the *langar* Nanaksar people are very strict on this issue. They hesitate even to let the Dalits sit in *pangat* (rows).

Caste within SGPC: In SGPC, which came into being as a result of the sacrifices made during the Gurdwara Reform Movement, there is reservation of seats on the basis of caste. In this connection, there is caste-based quota of its members. While enrolling voters for the gurdwara elections, special care is taken to see that majority of SGPC members are elected from the Jat community. In Sikh society

DV ready to join rescue operation

Sikhism, a small religion confined mostly to Punjab, has a population of about 2.5% of India's population. Though this military religion was started to liberate the oppressed Indians from the octopus of Brahminism, today it is almost swallowed by Brahminism. Not only the followers of Sikhism are deeply divided and fighting between themselves but the upper caste Sikhs have joined with Hindus, their very enemies. The Dalits and Backward Castes, who constitute 60% of the Punjab population are totally alienated. The Talhan episode should make the "Spokesman" family to seriously think on Brahminism eating into Sikhism. The "Dalit Voice" is ready to join with the "Spokesman" in launching such a rescue operation. The matter is serious and calls for urgent action — EDITOR.

Taking advantage of casteism prevalent in the Sikh society, many sects which have separated themselves from the Sikh mainstream, like (pseudo) Nirankaris, Radhasoamis, Namdharis, Sacha Sauda people etc., are thriving on their following among the Dalits. If discrimination against the Dalits is ended then these sects which are inflicting a body blow on Sikh mainstream will themselves come to grief. Concentred and continuous efforts are needed to end casteism in the Sikh society. In this connection, closing down of caste-based gurdwaras can prove to be quite useful.

Role of the Spokesman: Sikhism, along with Islam and Christianity, are the three egalitarian religions very much responsible for the liberation of the Dalits, Tribals, Backward Castes. But this is an old story. Caste has crept into these religions and gradually they are getting *hinduised*. Our debate on "Slow death of Sikhism" has brought out the dark side of Sikhism.

The *Spokesman* can play an important role in checking this drift. Its frank admission of the mistake is a first step in this direction.

Brahminic origin of nazism

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The Vedas are verify a fountain of poison that has periodically infested our veins with its dangerous dogmas. Ramate apartheid, Kautilyan totalitarianism and Brahmanic fascism are some of the deadly venom that Hinduism has spewed forth on to the world. Nazism is another such deadly scourge invented by the Brahminist Vaishnavas that has devastated the world. The nazis adopted all their fundamental dogmas from Hinduism. (V.T. Rajshakar, *Brahminism*, DSA-2002). Besides the *swastika*, the nazis adopted the Vedic concepts of the superiority of the Aryan race and of course apartheid.

Some of the more famous Indian nazis are described below:

(1) **Madame Blavatsky**—the origin of nazism can be traced back directly to Madame Blavatsky and her Theosophical Society. Madame Blavatsky propounded the notion of the superiority of the Aryan race an idea derived from Vedic concepts of *varnashrama dharma* (apartheid). These were then used by the Thule Society in Germany which was the direct precursor of the National Socialist Party.

(2) **Savitri Devi** — She was born Maximiani Portas, Sept.30, 1905, in Lyon, France of Greek and English parents. There she studied chemistry and gained a doctorate in letters. Travelling widely in Europe and Asia, mastering 7 languages, including Bengali, her desire to uncover the lost knowledge of the Aryans led her to India in 1932. She took the name Savitri Devi in honour of the Indo-Aryan sun goddess, and married a Brahman, Sri Asit Krishna Mukherji, who was editor of a pro-Axis Magazine, the *New Mercury*. Savitri Devi (Savitri) was an ardent admirer

of Hitler and considered him an incarnation of god Vishnu. Hitler would have been a good addition to the likes of the Hindu god Ram, who slaughtered thousands of innocent Dravidians and god Krishna, who was responsible for the Mahabharat war. This Anglo-Brahmin (remember her parents were Greco-English) settled in India, and played a great role in the spread of nazism from Anglo-Brahminist occupied India to Germany. In a 1980 article, "Hitlerism and the Hindu world", published in *The Nationalist Socialist*, she explained the basis of Esoteric Hitlerism and related some of her experiences with the Hindus during the war. Quoting Ramana Maharishi, "one of the greatest spiritual personalities of modern India", the sage's reply to a question on Hitler was that "He is a *gnani*. Here is thus an unequivocal connection between the Hindu fanatic Maharishi and Hitler. This *gnani*, Devi explains, is a sage, one who is fully conscious through personal experience "of the eternal truths that express the Essence of the Universe". (Nexus). Indeed, Hitler's extermination of Semitic Jews was merely a later re-enactment of the Vedic Hindu-Aryan extermination of *Asuras* (Assyrian) and *Paris* (Phoenicians).

ARYANS HATED JEWS

Savitri Devi wrote, elaborating the Hindu origin of nazism (nexus) - "Well did von Sebottendorf, founder of the famous Thule Society, owe a lot to his visits to India and his contacts with the Hindus conscious of their Hyperborean traditions". Of course, the most visible sign betraying the Hindu origin of nazism is the *swastika* - "Devi naturally saw great significance in Hitler's choice of the *swastika* as the symbol of NS; "the visible link between Hitler and orthodox Hinduism".

(3) Another anglo-Brahmin colonialist responsible for the rise of Hindu nazism was the fair-skinned Bengali Brahmin Asit Krishna Mukherji. A.K. Mukherji was an influential Indian nazi, as described by Eist. He interpreted the Aryan invasion and the racist verses in the Vedas as the positive realization of the natural hierarchy between the races achieved by the conquering Nordic Aryans on the dark-skinned natives. This pandit was a "Brahmin conscious of his distant Nordic roots" and he published a pro-Hitler paper, the *New Mercury*, a truly Hitlerian paper, from 1935 until the British (deciding to over-ride the tremendous opposition from the Anglo-Brahmin lobby) closed it down in 1937. He was instrumental in establishing the links between the Axis representatives and the Congress nazi-Hindutva leader Subhas Chandra Bose, who formed the Indian National Army (1943-45) under fascist Japanese tutelage.

(4) Besides A.K. Mukherji, Bengal has produced many fascist Brahmins. For example, Bankim Chandra Chatterji, author of the communal *Bande Mataran*. There are many other supporters of Hitler in India, and it is only natural that Hindu fanatics should choose to emulate one who so closely followed the Vedas.

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Western conspiracy caused zionism

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I would like to comment upon two points in the exchange below.

1) The *Zionist Arthashastra* (The *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*) is a fraudulent piece of work concocted by the Tzarist secret police some 100 years ago to discredit Jews in general. Russian politicians used popular anti-semitism as a way of distracting the people's attention from bad or unfair politics. As long as the Russians could blame the Jews for all that was wrong, they didn't blame the regime. It is regrettable that this propaganda work is now being circulated in other parts of the world.

2) The "infamous" Jewish lobby: As far as Europe is concerned, I don't see much of a Jewish lobby. Most Europeans are critical of Jewish politics against the Palestinians, my own country has actively tried to help the Palestinians in establishing a Palestinian state. The "massive" support for Israel is mostly an American phenomenon. And if we look closer we see that there is much

more to it than a "Jewish lobby". The lobby certainly exists, but its clout is not decided by the 4 million Jews living in the US. Its main power comes from Conservative Christians (" B i b l e - t h u n d e r s ", "fundamentalists") who believe that the state of Israel is the fulfillment of a biblical prophesy and therefore god's will. Here we are dealing with a huge amount of people, a no American President can overlook

We have received large number of letters and emails on the "Israeli warning to DV Editor" (DV Feb. 1, 2003 p.13) from our family members and also some foreign scholars. For want of space, we will first publish the comments from foreign scholars — EDITOR.

this group and survive politically. Ironically, I believe the American foreign minister Israel found most troublesome was Henry Kissinger - a Jew.

3) After the World War-II, when hundreds of thousands of Jews were fleeing the societies that had murdered and persecuted them (the Germans were not the only ones), neither America nor any European

states were willing to accept a large number of them. They were instead "channelled" willy-nilly towards the Middle-East, in spite of the fact that many of them would rather have gone to the US. Thus, many Jews became zionists by default, because there were no other options left open to them. The exclusionist Western policies caused a massive influx of Jews into Palestine, and thus created the demographic basis for a Jewish state. The rest is well known: The Arabs resisted, the Jews beat them in the field and Israel was recognised by the United Nations. Israel is not simply a zionist invention, it is a

state that was created very much through Western policies. It is ironic to see how European anti-semites now join hands with Arabs. Without European anti-semitism, there would have been no Israel in the first place. The Palestinians are not simply the victims of the Jews, they are above all, although indirectly, the last victims of European anti-semitism. (lmfosse@online.no) ■

Israel, Dalits & the US

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In regard to recent notes by V.T. Rajshekar and Lars Martin Fosse on Israel and anti-semitism, etc. (*Zionist Arthasatra*), Amarjit Singh writes: "I would also ask Dr. Steve Farmer to please make some comments, if possible".

My feelings on Israel are quite complex. My good friend, Lars Martin Fosse, is certainly correct when he writes that massive support of Israel is an American phenomenon, not a European one. It is ironic that America speaks repeatedly of bringing "stability" to the Middle East, when its real aim, for which it has used Israel for many years, is to ensure permanent instability to the region, as part of its successful divide

and conquer strategy. Israel, which is essentially a European/American state on Middle Eastern soil has served that purpose well for many decades. Due to the so-called "Law of Return", anyone of Jewish descent anywhere in the world can claim immediate citizenship in Israel on Arabic land.

No religious state of this nature exists any where else in the world, and yet most Americans accept this highly disruptive situation without question, since the US media has uniformly presented Israel in a favourable light for decades.

The massive atomic arsenal that Israel possesses is never mentioned in US papers — presumably not to

be impolite to our allies — while US tanks and planes in the Middle East, in both US and Israeli hands, routinely murder the region's indigenous peoples.

Israel behind WTO bombing: With all this in mind, I understand and entirely sympathize with V.T. Rajshekar's desire to link Palestinian and Dalit interests, since both are third-class citizens (or worse) in their own native lands.

But I also agree with your comments that use of old racist forgeries like the *Protocols of the Elders of Zion* do nothing to forward those interests. Certainly there are plenty of legitimate intellectual weapons around to demonstrate the dangers that Israel and the United States pose for the rest of the world: It is a tactical and moral error to attack Israel using easily discredited sources like this one. The historical reality is ugly enough to do the job on its own.

Zionist Arthashastra

DR. LARS MARTIN FOSSE

Amarjit Singh wrote:

Nearly 2 decades ago, I wrote a series of letters to you (*Editor of Dalit Voice*) pointing out that you had certain misunderstanding regarding the history of the Jewish people in the West. It appeared that you had taken note of what I had said (at least that is what Dr. Nagin Srinivasan informed me at the time, if my memory serves me right — perhaps Dr. Srinivasan can correct me). After that certain references to the Jewish people stopped in *Dalit Voice*. After some time some of these started again e.g., comparison of the Jews to Brahmins of India. I am not a professional historian, but I do believe that you are wrong in this comparison.

Jews & Brahmins: I am sorry to but again, I must comment upon the comparison of Jews and Brahmins. This is probably as wrong as it can get. If anything the Jews in Europe compare to Dalits rather than Brahmins. This certainly goes for the period from late antiquity till the middle of the 19th century, when Jews finally were emancipated — at least for a short-while — before the last great persecution started. During the period before that, the vast majority of Jews were poor people, living in separate villages or parts of town, in many countries denied the right to own land. There was a small group of Jews who were rich traders and money-lenders, and these often received favourable treatment by kings and princes because their services were so valuable. Nevertheless, even the rich Jews were not socially accepted by the Christians, and

Shortly after the World Trade Center bombing, the *Dalit Voice* published stories that similarly propagated the story that Israel was behind the bombing which is easily discredited. I wrote V.T. Rajshekar at the time (and, as I recall, the *Dalit Voice* printed my Letter, though much edited) stating pretty much what you said in your note, Amarjit: it is counterproductive to fight dangerous political forces with easily discredited myths. That is a theme that I take up in the Indus article as well, since Indus history is often misrepresented not only by the *Hindutvavadis* but by Western researchers and Dalits as well, although in their cases with the best of intentions.

I hope all Dalits will join the fight against Bush's new west war in the Middle East. Injustice is the same wherever in the world it is found.

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Christians would not normally befriend Jews. After their emancipation, however, many Jews made considerable progress. They not only participated in business, where they played an important part in the modernisation of the European economies but they also developed a class of educated professional people that were instrumental in modernising the way Europeans and Americans think: e.g., Einstein was a Jew, there were many other Jewish scientists, writers, painters and musicians who contributed to cultural life in a decisive manner. But that hardly makes them the "Brahmins" of Europe. For 1,500 years Jews were on a regular basis subjected to all sorts of pogroms, persecutions, social discrimination and humiliation in the Christian societies where they lived. Very much the opposite of what has happened to Brahmins.

Don't falsify Jewish history: As for Arab "research institutions" and their view on Jews, it is wise to remember that Arabs and Jews (or rather Israelis) have been involved in a long and bitter conflict to which there seems to be no end. Arab views on Jewish history and Jews—in general—are like to be propagandistic, badly informed, and intended to stir up anger and hatred against Jews in general. There are serious reasons for criticizing Israeli politics against the Palestinians, and the Palestinians do happen to have a case but it is not helpful to falsify Jewish history in order to "get at" Israel. The conflict in Palestine/Israel is a terrible tragedy, and it should be possible to feel sympathy for the Palestinians without losing sight of the realities of Jewish history. ■

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