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Sub: GOI's Affidavit on Rama Sethu in the Supreme Court of India

The affidavit filed by Sri C Dorjee, Director (Monuments) of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), in the Supreme Court of India relating to Dr Subrahmanian Swamy's and others' petition seeking a directive from the Supreme Court to the Government of India that it should not destroy the Rama Sethu, shocks every true Indian because it invokes science and scientific methods to say that there is no archaeological and historical evidence to support the existence of Sri Rama.

2 Rama is part of the names of 50% or more than the billion Hindus in the world, a Rama and Ramayana and Rama Sethu which are indelible part of the memory of thousands of generations of Bharatiyas. Ever so often, ever so many Indians, its scholarly and enlightened people describe Bharat as '*aasetu himachala paryantham*'. Rama, Ramasetu and Himalayas are in every cell of Bharatiya's, blood, body and mind. A government, run by a party which invokes Mahatma Gandhi's name and his legacy ever so often, sponsoring such an affidavit amounts to the repudiation of the age-old memory, belief, faith, culture and very being of Bharat and Bharatiyas. This is a prelude, if not the continuance of war of abharatiyas, of those whose education has been designed by Macaulay in the 1830s so that they would be **in colour and blood only Indian, but in thoughts, tastes and way of life would be British**. These people go by the description 'secular'. Obviously they are of a sickly mind; otherwise, how could a government led by Congress Party whose greatest and world revered leader was Mahatma Gandhi, who spoke of **Rama Rajya**, who died saying **Ram** can acquiesce to a minion of its government filing before the highest court of this country that there is no evidence for the existence of Rama.

3 Would this government dare to file an affidavit which would say that there is no evidence for the resurrection, of Jesus Christ whose dead body interred in a tomb got up, walked among men and went to heaven? Who ever saw that? Would this government ever file an affidavit that there is no evidence for the virgin-birth of Jesus, since there is no evidence of either of this would government of India remove Good Friday and Christmas from the list of government of India's holidays? Could this government ever produce evidence for the birth of Prophet Mohammad and his journey to Allah in the heavens from Jerusalem?

4 The governments which dare not remove the mazar (of somebody who is least known) which occupies one third of carriage way on the Tank Bund Road connecting Hyderabad with Secunderabad, a mazar that is a traffic hazard and causes hourly and serious bottlenecks for 100,000 cars everyday? Is it not curious, if not heinous that a government that is afraid of

removing some mazars which every hour are cursed by tens of thousands of people of Hyderabad, is dead set on destroying a Setu, believed have been built by Lord Sri Rama, by hundreds of millions of Hindus for thousands of years, saying that its destruction is required for economic passage of a few hundred ships from the Arabian sea to the Bay of Bengal; the economics of which are contested by experts and the dangers that the removal would pose to the safety of tsunami-strike prone coastal areas of south India had been expressed by technically competent people.

5 The Pragna Bharati deeply deplores this despicable affidavit. It holds this as blasphemy and deliberate insult of hundreds of millions of Bharatiyas. This notorious and infamous affidavit must convince those who are sitting on the fence in regard to the protection of Ramasetu to embrace the movement and defeat the evil designs of this government. What would Mahatma Gandhi think of those who bear his that name and collude to write this affidavit? This affidavit is an insult and repudiation not only of Rama and the Sethu He built; not only Bharatiya dharma but a repudiation and desecration of the name of Mahatma Gandhi.

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