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*All that is necessary for evil
to triumph is for good men
to do nothing*

- Edmund Burke

REFEUDALISATION OF THE INDIAN POLITY

Dynasty Building: In the light of the strident demands and movement for making Sri Jaganmohan Reddy, the son of the late DrY. S. Rajasekhara Reddy the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh it would be worthwhile recalling how the building up of dynasties and inheritance of power had been built up. It all started in the Nehru family with Motilal Nehru himself in 1929.

It slowly spread to Chief Ministers, MPs, MLAs and such elected people in almost all the parties wielding power. It is now a virus that has infected from Rastrapathi down to Zilla Parishad Chairman. This issue carries the story of the build-up of the Nehru dynasty.

Sacrifices: Congress-men are singing paens to the Nehru dynasty pointing out how many sacrifices it has been making to serve the people of India. This issue was addressed as a consequence of a note from Rastrapathi Sanjeeva Reddy to the Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in 1981. When Sri Sanjeeva Reddy wrote to the scandalous collection of huge amounts of money by Abdul Rahman Antuly as the Chief Minister of Maharashtra and suggested to Indira Gandhi that she being the most powerful person in the country should do something to stop corruption. Indiraji took that missive as indirect reference to herself and then wrote to the Rastrapathi about the immense sacrifices her family had been making. Sri Sanjeeva Reddy's reply would be most educative. This is also reproduced in this issue.

We had abolished the Maharajas, Nawabs and Zamindars. We have done away, by amending the Constitution, the privy purses payable on a declining scale to the Maharajas and Navabs but a New Class, the **political class** has emerged. They are creating for themselves privileges and powers which even Maharajas did not have in times of yore.

When we talk of democracy, the Chinese leaders mock us by saying: that you have only a electoral democracy where as we have is a consultative democracy (no elections, but consultation and discussion in meetings, press and party). Another article in this issue places how refeudalisation of the Indian polity is being effected. The finest drama is being played in Andhra Pradesh. This reminds us of the declining years of the Mughal empire when the Mughal in Delhi and his Subedars in the regions were trying to assert their power. It resulted in the dissolution of the Mughal power. Would history repeat itself is what we have to watch.

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GROOMING SUCCESSORS: CLAIMS OF HERITAGE

In the context of Sri Y S Jagan Mohan Reddi claiming the Chief Ministership of Andhra Pradesh as a legacy from his father it would be interesting to learn how Jawaharlal Nehru groomed his daughter for succession and how Motilal got Congress Presidentship to his son Jawaharlal. The following account is from pages, 101 and 102 of Sri S. Nijalingappa's autobiography, "My Life and Politics" published by vision Books in the year 2000. (S.Nijalingappa was Chief Minister of Karnataka twice and was the Congress President when Indira Gandhi split it in 1969) - P 101, 102, 103.

"In the year 1962 in Nagpur at the working committee meeting the next day, my name was proposed and was unanimously accepted. Photographers took my pictures and because the working committee had accepted the nomination, I thought I would be the next Congress president and left for Bangalore via Madras. I reached madras the next morning and a couple of people were waiting for me to take me to Kamaraj Nadar. When I went to him he told me,, After you left Nagpur, at Pt. Nehru's request, Y B Chavan said at an emergency

meeting that while he had n objection to Nijalingappa, he would propose that this time a woman should be president, and that Indira Gandhi should be the next president.

The previous night, I was subsequently told, a few women, including Yeshodara Dasappa of Mysore, went to he delegates' camp and proposed the name of Indira

Indira Gandhi would be elected as Congress President."

I told Kamaraj, I was not particularly anxious to be the Congress president, I agreed because a couple of friends wanted me. Now I do not want to contest for presidentship, that too against a woman and, what is more, if I stand against Indira Gandhi it may turn out to be a sort of competition between the North and the South. So considering all these aspects, the best thing would be for the four presidents of Pradesh c o n g r e s s committees of the four south Indian states to issue a statement that we all support Indira Gandhi."

Pt. Nehru protested and said, Indu (Indira) is all right. There is nothing wrong with her, her health is not good because she has no work. So, she is not well.

Gandhi. When her name was suggested at the emergency working committee meeting, Pt. Govind Ballabh Pant protested and said, "Indu's health is not good. Nijalingappa is all right. He has been in the Congress for a long time and deserves to be the Congress president.

"To this Pt. Nehru protested and said, Indu (Indira) is all right. There is nothing wrong with her, her health is not good because she has no work. So, she is not well."

"Once other members came to know Nehru's mind, they fell in line and it was agreed that

"Accordingly, we phoned the PCC presidents of Andhra and Kerala, Sanjeeva Reddy and K P Madhavan Nair, and made them agree to Indira Gandhi being the next Congress president. The statement was duly issued to the press from Madras."

There is still another instance of the Nehrus blatantly supporting members of their own family. This happened in 1929. That year Shardar Patel's name was in everybody's mind for Congress presidentship as he had succeeded most gloriously in carrying out the

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No-Tax Campaign in Bardoli. He was the hero of the moment of course, his whole life was heroic. As a result of that Satyagraha, he became known as "Sardar". But Jawaharlal Nehru's father Motilal Nehru went to Gandhiji and insisted that his son, Jawaharlal Nehru, was young and very enthusiastic and it would be desirable that he be made the Congress president for that year. Gandhiji acceded to Motilal's request. It is no doubt true that Jawaharlal Nehru did very well. But I am mentioning the incident to show how the Nehrus helped their own.

"Another such instance I remember was when Dr S. Radhakrishnan was president of India. Out of respect for him I used to call on him whenever I was in Delhi, both as a member of parliament and Congress president. In his talks with me, as I believe with others too, he was very frank and open. One day, when I went to him he said, "Nijalingappa, today I put my foot down. Do you know why?"

"He then continued, "Pandit Nehru comes to me and wants me to make his sister, Vijay Lakshmi Pandit, vice-president of India. I had to tell him, 'You are the prime minister of India, your daughter is the president of Indian National Congress and you want your sister to be vice-president. What would people say? I cannot have it. I put my foot down and sent him away.'"

I think Nehru had promised his sister the post and when she could not get it she was

very angry with her brother. She complained to me about it when she came to my house for breakfast, and said that her brother did not keep his promise. I did not tell her what Dr S. Radhakrishnan had told me".

That Pt. Nehru had a streak of caste feeling comes out in his effort to promote B D Jatti (who later became the Vice President of India). He became a loyalist of Indira in crucial times) here is what Nijalingappa says about this affair and how there was a tiff with Nehru.

"Pandit Nehru was not happy with my election to the leadership of the Congress party in Mysore. When I became the first Chief Minister of the re-organised Mysore state after the general elections in 1957, I called on him to tell him who all I was planning to have as my cabinet colleagues. He told me, "After all you are the master of the situation. You can have whomsoever you like."

As I was leaving his room, he called me back and said, "Mr Nijalingappa, I have a request to make."

I replied that I would consider his request as an order. He then told me, "Have B.B. Jatti in your cabinet."

I replied, "I do not like him. I have no confidence that he will be loyal to me. How can I take him? I cannot have him."

Nehru said, "Do it for my sake."

I then told him, "Coming from you as the prime minister as well as the Congress

President, I will have him."

So I included Jatti in my cabinet. I made no distinction between him and his other colleagues; I gave him important portfolios, and he did well as a minister. But my feeling was that he was never loyal to me and when the occasion arose he worked against me....."

I was not happy with the attitude of Pt. Nehru and I am sure things moved against me in Delhi, with a few people in Bangalore cooperating. In the meanwhile, I had quarrelled with him regarding his neglect of the village economy, especially agriculture, and protested to him about his almost total neglect of irrigation which was the key to Indian agriculture and continues to be so even today. One day Nehru told me disparagingly, "You are a villager, you know nothing."

"I retorted, "If you had one-tenth of my regard for the village, the Indian economy would have been different."

He chastised me and I too grew angry where upon he pacified me. Finally, I told him, "Let us agree to differ." His remark was based on inexperience. I cannot question Nehru's bonafides. I know he was the most secular leader in his outlook. Things went on till about 1958, when suddenly Sriman Narayan, came to me and said there was dissatisfaction about me and my government. I knew where it came from."

“SACRIFICES” OF THE NEHRU DYNASTY SANJIVA REDDY’S LESSON TO INDIRA GANDHI

The drum-beaters for Nehru Dynasty often talk of the great “sacrifices”, successive Nehrus including the entrant into the family, Signora Sonia Maino, have made in the cause of India. They hold that in view of these sacrifices, the Presidentship of Congress and the Prime Ministership of India should belong to Members of the Nehru family, for-ever. How much are Nehrus’ “sacrifices” and rewards they are enjoying (in succession) are brought out in a correspondence between N. Sanjiva Reddy, President of India and Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister. The occasion for the correspondence was the Rashtrapati Reddy’s letter to Prime-minister Indira Gandhi about the widespread talk of immense corruption of Abdul Rehman Antulay while he was Chief Minister of Maharashtra. Antulay floated an outfit **Indira Pratibha Foundation** and collected hundreds of crores of rupees by allotting “permits, licences and quotas” for the scarce commodity cement. Smt. Mrinal Gore of the Socialist Party filed a PIL in the Mumbai High Court. Given below are extracts from the correspondence between the President, Sanjiva Reddi and Prime-Minister Indira Gandhi. (From the book: From Farm House to Rasrapati Bhavan. Biography of President Sanjiva Reddy: by I V Chalapathi Rao published by Book Links Corpn. Hyderabad in 1989)

Sanjeeva Reddy to Indira:

In the recent past there have been several instances of public men in positions of authority who were reported to have used the discretionary power vested in them for collecting money on a large scale; not only that, they were said to have used the official machinery for collecting money on their behalf. Sometimes there was a pretence of funds having been voluntarily given by chambers of commerce or industries or associations of professional men or of traders. At other times, even this pretence was considered unnecessary and moneys were collected direct from business men, contractors and others on whom official patronage was bestowed in return. Things have come to such a pass that collection of funds in this manner ostensibly for party purposes has come to be regarded as a normal nature of public life.

It is any body’s guess as to how much is actually collected, by whom and how much of such collection is actually passed on for the purpose for which the collections are made. In such a situation, neither the person at whose instance nor the organisation for he been fit of which the collection has been made has any means of enforcing accountability. The public rightly assume that such rank, open abuse of authority, which is the talk of the town cannot

but be known to the top persons incharge of the country’s affairs, who have at their disposal various intelligence agencies. When, therefore, they find these things going on unchecked, they cannot be blamed if they come to believe the worst of everyone.

One may be inclined to dispose of such report as gross exaggeration and to say that things are not as bad as they are made out to be; that an unfriendly press is playing up trivial lapse to discredit the party and the government; that irresponsible elements are spreading disaffection and discontent. One might further argue that it is open to those who have been forced to make illegal payments to come forward and lodge formal complaints. Why they do not is clear enough; firstly, having derived some benefit or advantage they do not wish to complain against their patrons; secondly, they run the risk of future unfair treatment in their business, if they were to lodge a report. While they never make formal complaints, they do not hesitate to talk about these matters in private and the facts become widely known among the public. Existence of corruption on a large scale in public life is too well known to be brushed aside.

One often comes across the plea that not only those belonging to the ruling party, but those in opposition too are

guilty of similar conduct when they have the opportunity. The argument is too petty to merit attention. While the pot may not call the kettle black, others certainly may. Such counter allegations really reinforce the validity of my thesis, namely, that the political fabric of the country has become corrupt.

The country is not interested in a slanging match between the ruling party and the opposition; it is much higher than either the ruling party or the opposition or both. The saner elements in the country look with revulsion at the doings of politicians of all hues.

I now turn to the recent developments in Maharashtra. Circumstances attending the constitution of the trusts and the manner in which funds have been raised for them by the Chief Minister are now public knowledge. There is little room for controversy over the facts. That collections have been made by and at the instance of the Chief Minister for the trusts from individuals and institutions is not in dispute. Whatever gloss may be attempted to be put upon the transactions, the plain fact remains that individuals who had approached the government for certain permits had been made to contribute to the trusts. Whether the facts surrounding these transactions are enough to establish the commission of offenses under the penal law or whether there are any helpful lacunae, is not my concern here. The entire procedure is repugnant to accepted standards of propriety and integrity.

The Chief Minister of Maharashtra seeks to justify his conduct on the ground that the trusts are intended to serve laudable objects like development of backward areas, financial aid to indigent artists and persons belonging to backward classes, etc. There are enough resources at the disposal of the government which, if the Chief Minister so wished, could be applied to these purposes. Many schemes have in recent years been drawn up for backward areas, weaker sections and backward classes financed in a variety of ways and by diverse agencies. Was it really necessary for the Chief Minister to create trusts with forced contributions?

The Chairman of these trusts is, according to reports, not the Chief Minister of Maharashtra but Mr A.K. Antuly, in his individual capacity. The trusts are not skin to the Prime Minister's and Chief Minister's relief funds which may be operated upon by whoever is the incumbent of these offices. The trusts will apparently be under the control of Mr. A.R. Antuly in his individual capacity as their Chairman. They are thus personal trusts headed by Mr A.R. Antuly. It is reported that the State government made a substantial contribution to one of them. Was it proper for the State government to contribute to a private trust?

It is not for me to speculate on what you intend to do in regard to the reported resignation of Mr. Antuly of his office of Chief Minister.

There is no doubt that some time or the other, he will cease to be Chief Minister but the control of the trusts, which have been built up by him taking advantage of his office, would, it seems, be with him. This is indeed unfortunate.

The propriety of what has been done by Mr. Antuly and by others who have raised moneys in similar manner cannot be decided by popularity vote in a legislature. If we compare our present approach to the problem of corruption in public life with standards demanded only twenty or thirty years ago, we shall realise how far and how fast we have fallen.

During a discussion we had almost a year ago, there was mention of the collection of funds for party purposes. You had been agreed to take the matter in hand and put an end to fund raising by all and sundry in the name of the party. Unfortunately, there appears to be so improvement

I have written at length on the subject because I consider remedial action is most urgently called for. As the leader of the party in power at the centre and in most of the States, a great responsibility rests on you to initiate suitable steps for cleansing our public life.

Indira's reply:

".....However, no situation arises by itself nor can it be seen in isolation. It is an unfortunate aspect of public and, for that matter, private life too, **that corruption exists in India and in other countries**, not excluding the most affluent.

My family has always been against corruption. Our record of disinterest in worldly goods is known to the world. My grandfather and father gave up exceptionally brilliant and lucrative careers, our old home, our land and cottages. There was no circumstance compelling me to donate, not merely the home I loved and the lands belonging to it, but even most valuable collections of books, papers and other articles.

So far as Shri Antulay is concerned, **all aspects are to be considered** Shrimati Mrinal Gorey and other opposition people have already instituted a case in the Bombay High Court....”

Sanjiva Reddy's spirited rejoinder:

“.....We should also not forget men like **Prakasam**, who had given up his flourishing practice at the bar to join the non-cooperation movement and thousands of unknown men and women all over the country but for whose wholehearted participation in the freedom struggle, in response to Gandhiji's call, the country might not have achieved independence at all. Many of them had to sell their properties to support themselves and their families; not only had they to undergo privation in their life time but their families are now living in penury. On the other hand, some of us who are living today have the good fortune of reaping the benefit of their sacrifice.

Your party has a comfortable majority in Parliament and your party men run the government in most

States with equally comfortable majorities in their respective legislatures. You are thus in a strong, unassailable position, a fact acknowledged even by the opposition groups. The comfortable position your party enjoys should be used to fight this evil and to put an end to it. You are in a position to control and direct the country's affairs. You should make full use of your invulnerable position to bring about a marked improvement in administration and in the quality of public life.

“As you have recently reaffirmed your determination in the Lok Sabha to maintain high standards of integrity in administration, I hope you will soon initiate effective steps to deal with this matter. You will earn for yourself a worthy place in history, if you succeed in raising the standards of our public life. It is my earnest prayer that you may succeed in your efforts.....”

Editor: Are there any present or former Congressmen who can stand up to Nehru Dynasty's men/women, like Nijalingappa or Sanjiva Reddy? Like the Congress Dynasty at the Center, there are emerging Dynasties in the states. If the latter become powerful, like in the late Moghul period (eg: Nizam of Hyderabad) then they will challenge the Dynasty at the center. We are now witnessing a repeat of the later-years of Moghul rule—corruption, venality, tussle between local and central dynasties. The loser will be India and its people. Gainers will be India's enemies within and outside the country.

ATTACKS ON DOCTORS & HOSPITALS

Smt. P Parijata

Of late, there are News paper reports, almost every day, of doctors attacked and hospitals vandalised, somewhere or the other in the State by irate relatives and social activists, whenever a patient dies. Allegations are made that proper treatment is not given or that the doctors/hospitals were negligent. This trend is destructive and demoralizing the profession.

Not all patients, especially if they are brought in acute state and too late after the ailment get well and leave hale and hearty, Courts and judges are not attacked and vandalised if the sentence/ judgment is not to the liking of the appellant. If government hospitals / doctors are attacked the staff protest, defend themselves and even strike so that the government and police swing into action. Unfortunately private hospitals don't have this sort of protection.

If the medical profession and hospitals are to serve without fear and threats, *government must legislate to make attacks and vandalism at hospitals, public and private, a cognizable and serious crime, inviting harshest punishments.*

Competing private TV channels are promoting attacks on doctors and hospitals by mindlessly showing the attacks and putting out only the version of vandals. They must be advised and warned not to show mendacious and violent attacks with the slant that doctors and hospitals are at fault.

UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF MINORITIES

Readers would recall that the late Christian Chief Minister Dr Y S Rajasekhara Reddy of Andhra Pradesh declared very famously and publicly in Feb 2006 that *"his is a government of minorities"*. And so the minorities (Christians & Muslims) have become bolder and bolder as never before in carrying out their programmes of "minoritisation" of Hindus in Andhra Pradesh.

2. A few weeks ago (in October 2009) Sri Lam Prakasa rao, Dean of Physical Sciences of Sri Nagarjuna University was raided by the CBI on complaints that he has amassed wealth disproportionate to his known sources of income. It turns out that he is an **evangelist** and has been engaged in programs of converting poor, indigent and needy Hindus to Christianity in the university and outside. He has been getting billions of Rupees from Christian organisations from abroad. Obviously some of those were spent for buying converts and the rest for building up his own wealth. By end October, the CBI recovered 10 kgs of gold from three of his lockers in as many banks in Guntur. The sleuths found him having properties worth Rs. 8 cr including 10 buildings and 7 house-sites in and around Hyderabad, Guntur and Vijayawada. Investigators said that this Christian *proselytizer was even selling Ph.D degrees!* Any discerning Indian can see how prosperous the persons engaged in conversion business are. They are leading lives of luxury, have got cars, have built palatial houses and they have

fantabuious salaries. It is just like any Multi National Commercial company selling spurious was.

3. If Christians can do it so well, why should Muslims not do? Taking a cue from the likes of Prakasa Rao, one Ansari, who is the Associate Dean in the government agricultural college in Aswaraopet (Khammam Dist.) has also been inveigling Hindus to convert to Islam. He defended himself by saying he is preaching to those who are listening and are attracted to Islam. He is boldly using his position as Dean to engage in conversion activities as the A P government was run by a "Minority" Chief Minister.

4. So in the *"government of minorities"* in the state of Andhra Pradesh, the predators on Hindus had become free and affluent to prey upon poor Hindus. What is disgusting is that Christians are telling the converts that they can come into Christianity along with their caste. So we have John Chowary, Samuel Reddy, Solamon Sastry, Benjamin Gowda, William Yadav, George Madiga. These people are allowed to follow the rituals of their castes for marriage and death ceremony at a least for the time being. So the propaganda is: your gods had not been able to remove your poverty or disability, because you are worshipping Shiva or Rama or Krishna or Saraswati. You worship Jesus Christ and Mary. Instead of going to temples come to the church. You need not disclose the fact of conversion to get the benefit of reservations and the privileges of your caste.

Jesus Christ and St.Paul would be outraged by these fraudulent actions of the current-day evangelists and conversion gangs. Hindus must assert their right to defend their religion, to defend their culture, to defend their land against subverters. The freedom of religion and practice of it are guaranteed not only to Christians & Muslims but as much to Hindus. *Defending one's religion is part of preserving and propagating and practising one's religion. If Christians aggressively market their religion, Hindus must boldly and spiritedly defend themselves from this aggression.* It is the aggressive, multi nation-supported and funded conversion activities that are destroying the peace and harmony among people. We are painfully and sadly reminded to refer to the following from the Gospel of Luke.

51 "Do you suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather division.

52 "For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two

New testament of Bible:

53: "Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother.

-Ch 12: Gospel According to Luke: New Testament of the Bible.

5. Citizens of the Roman Empire witnessed Christian missionaries aggressively propagating Christianity among them. There were riots and disorder. The Roman Emperor, Constantine embraced Christianity in order to put an end to the strife Christianity became the official religion. This is what is happening in some of the states of India where Christians have become Chief Ministers.

ENDING THE MAOIST MENACE

- Dr T.H.Chowdary

Recent murderous attacks of Maoist armed forces on a number of police stations show to what extent they have grown and are armed and organised. The Maoist menace according to the governments own admission has spread to over 160 that is more than 25% of the districts in the country. They seem to be getting technical advice and support and arms from other armed formations whether inspired by religion like the jihadis and Talibanis or the secessionists in our north-east and Sri Lanka. The recent ferocity and the extent of attacks has reached such proportion as to invite the serious concern and involvement of the Home Minister and the Prime Minister of the Government of India. The encounters between the various types of police forces and the Maoists are lasting for armed attacks hours together and are not of a lightning duration. Scores of police-men are dying.

2. Should the Maoists be viewed and dealt as law and order problem or as an armed insurrection has to be clearly decided. The fellow-traveling and Marxist intellectuals who are not underground but have infiltrated on a large scale into the electronic and print media and among journalists, would want us to believe that it is a movement of the deprived and depressed sections of the people whether they be

tribals or the poor among the non-tribals. These intellectuals would also want us to believe that it is poverty and backwardness of their people and the utter neglect by the governments for the six decades that has resulted in the life and death struggle of whom the Maoist call the people. According to this intellectuals, Muslim residents in India are also subjected to discrimination and deprivation and alienation and so their alliance with them (I.e Maoists) would ultimately benefit all the poor and the exploited. All the elements that are disrupting are disturbing the stability of society and harmony among people are encouraged and defended in the name of "social justice" fight against deprivation and poverty and so on. There are therefore two sets of people working against the government. One is the armed and dwells in the forests. Their operations are sustained by the second set, the intellectual defense offered by the fellow -travelers above ground and sleepers among civilians who will provide safe havens for the recuperation and healing of the sick and would also facilitate the flow of money and procurement of arms.

3. Since the police forces are proving to be absolutely unequal to the task of tackling much less eliminating the Maoist armed rebellion, there is a debate about

the use of India's armed forces against these armed insurgents. One view is that it would be a disproportionate use of force and that long term use of the armed forces (the army and the air force) would ultimately demoralise, enfeeble and disaffect the army itself . Another view is that unless the rebellion is suppressed and rooted out it will go on taking a heavy toll of police lives as well as hindering o the functioning of law and normal development. It is necessary to be clear about the nature of the Maoist uprising.

4. The various groups of Maoists, be they called Naxalites or Peoples' War Groups or otherwise adjectived, all have declared very clearly that they have no faith in the Constitution of India, in the multi-party democracy and elections. Their declared aim of the Maoists to establish a dictatorship of the proletariat, (which they hold is the highest form of democracy). In such a proletariat rule there would be no other parties. There would be no elections. The party or its central committee or political bureau will decide what is good and what should be done. In order to establish such a State, they have taken to arms for over-throwing the existing state and its organs. When they have themselves declared and describe themselves as **war groups** mount attacks on the security forces, why to we hesitate to define it as a civil war , unleashed by Maoists? Can a war be fought by police -men?

5. Let us recall history. In the period 1948-51 the Communist Party of India (undivided then)

"Those who carry on great public schemes must be proof against the most fatiguing delays, the most mortifying disappointments, the most shocking insults and what is most of all, the presumptuous judgement of the ignorant." - A message from the famous Cadillac Company

characterized the newly independent Nehru government as a lackey of Anglo-American imperialism and that independence that India has got was a sham. It also believed that masses of India were prepared to support an armed revolution to overthrow the Nehru government and establish peoples democracy. In pursuit of that formulation, blessed by international communism, P C Joshi who was against this formulation was removed as Secretary and B.T.Rana Dive was elected at the second Congress of the Communist Party in Calcutta as the Secretary to prepare the party for armed rebellion. In consequence, Communists in Bengal, Kerala and in Andhra and Telengana took to arms and mounted attacks on police stations. The communists' armed actions or battles, were most extensive and intense in the Telengana region of the present state of Andhra Pradesh. The Nizam did not accede to the Indian Union. The Nizam wanted to be an independent Islamic state. He assisted the Razakars, Muslim goondas and armed them. Their numbers swelled to over 200,000. They were engaged in large scale looting and burning and killing Hindus. They were also importing Muslims from other parts of India to settle in the Nizams territories. They carried out forced conversion of Harijans to Islam (this can be likened to the Maoists pressing the innocent and poor tribals into their armed gangs). The Nizam's and the Razakars dreams of establishing an Islamic state had been shattered by Sardar Patels' decisive Police Action in 1948 Sept. The communists who had

been battling against the Razakars till early 1948 had in conformity with the resolution of their second Party Congress in Calcutta decided to fight against the Indian government and its armed forces. In Aug 1948 Aug Com. Raj Bahadur Goud and Mahindra of the Communist Party of Telengana had given a statement that they wanted an independent Hyderabad much to like the Nizam and the Razakars. Their idea was that such a state could be over-run by communists and a Communist Republic could be established in Telengana and they overwhelm the rest of the county. In pursuit of Rana Dive's line, the communists in Telengana intensified their war against the Government of India even after the liberation of Hyderabad from Nizam Nizam's rule and integration of the state with India. The Razakars made over all their weapons and ammunition to the Communists. Thus well armed the communists waged war, just like the Maoists of today, against the government from Sept 1948 to Sept 1951. Sardar Patel and the Government of India saw this war in its true colour, that is, a communist armed rebellion against the state of India. **The Government of India used the armed forces to engage and destroy and decimate the communist armed gangs.** The armed struggles in Kerala and Bengal and the Telugu areas bordering on Hyderabad state could be decimated by the States armed police and not the armed forces of India. As the situation became hopeless, there were internal doubts within to the Communist party. The faction, Rana Dive wanted to continue the armed struggle. The other led by Ajoy

Ghosh and Dange was against. Then a delegation of four communist leaders, Chandra Rajeswar Rao, Makineni Basavapunniah, Ajay Ghosh and Sripada Amrutha Dange secretly went to Moscow to seek instruction and guidance from Stalin. The Soviet Communist Party constituted a commission which included Stalin, Molotov and Suslov. After detailed discussions Stalin correctly sized up the Indian communists and their hopeless position and instructed them to give up the armed struggle. It was then that the demoralized and decimated Communist guerrilla armies laid down their arms and decided to participate in the general elections in Dec 1951-Jan 1952.

6. This story of why the Communists gave up their armed rebellion is very well told in the books by Com. Puchchalapalli Sundaraiah and Ravi Narayana Reddy. Both of them were the leaders of the communists' armed rebellion in Telengana. They refer to the ferocity of the attacks of the Indian armed forces and how they drove the communists to terminate their war and participate in elections. I have told this long story to show that unless decisive use of force by the army and airforce is used the Maoists in India cannot be destroyed. We are using our armed forces against the insurgents in the north-east and in Kashmir. The Maoist menace in some of the 160 infected districts is no less serious and menacing than what it is in Kashmir. If we do not use the armed forces and eliminate Maoist menace, hundreds of police-men will have to die in vain and there will be total demoralisation. When

there is no political will to eliminate Maoist insurgency, why should police-men be prepared to stand up and fight the Maoists in their encounters? We must take a lesson from Sri Lanka. Assisted and inspired by communist China the Sri Lankan government had finally resolved to destroy the LTTE despite world opinion. Russia destroyed the armed rebels in Chechnya. China uses a massive armed forces against insurgents in the Muslims dominated (not any longer now) Xing Xiang.

7. While the armed underground Maoists are a great menace, their fellow - travellers above ground in the media and in the profession of law and civil rights and human rights movements supported by revolutionary, writers and student organizations, are a greater menace working to undermine the morale of the democratic civil society. In the 1940s and early 1950s, Government of India promulgated and used the preventive detention law to detain many fellow -traveling above ground communists. It banned a number of Communist publications. Those who founded our independent democratic Republic had clear understanding of the communist menace despite Jawaharlal Nehru's soft corner for them. The communists of India did not hide their resolve to overthrow the government itself. The Indian patriot-statesmen acted decisively and within 2 -3 years, eliminated the communist menace. It is as a result of that decisive action that Communists gave up armed struggles and are now resigned to participate in the multi-party democratic elections. The description of themselves as Maoists and their wielding of

arms fundamentalism and foreign inspiration are behind the Maoist armies is evident from parties. They are wedded to classical Marxism, communism, Leninism, Stalinism, Maoism. The previous Home Minister in the Government of India as well as his counterparts in the states like Andhra Pradesh had neither the intellectual capacity nor the executive ability to size up the Maoists. To some extent, the Communist party (Marxist) is better. It has realised that the Maoists are a menace and that any discussions with them would be futile. They are also saying that the first condition for any reconciliation should be that Maoists should lay down their arms. The two main political formations in Andhra Pradesh, the TDP & the Congress had alternately parlayed with armed Maoists in Andhra Pradesh and found to their utter discomfiture that they could not get them to lay down arms and persuade them to participate in democratic elections. So they had to eat crow and ban the party Maoists and carry on their law & order keeping operations without any success. We must hope that Sri Chidambaram is of sterner stuff and he would be able to make the cabinet to resolve to put out the Maoist insurgency once for all and that it is absolutely essential to use armed forces including airforce so that the operation will be decisive, least painful and least damaging to all.

ARE WE SERIOUS?

Dr R.V. Reddi

In the latest (Thursday, 8-10-09) encounter in the Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra, between the Maoists and the police 18 policemen were killed. The exchange of fire lasted for 4 hrs. It appears that our governments are not serious and sincere in tackling this menace of Maoist armed rebellion. Otherwise, in an encounter lasting for hours, could not the police call for helicopter mounted gunships and bombard the places from where the Maoists were shooting the police? Of late, the encounters are lasting not for 10-15 mnts but for hours together. It suggests that Maoists have built up frightening fire-power. The police are ill -equipped to fight them. Unless the country acknowledges what the Maoists themselves say, namely that theirs is armed insurgency to overthrow governments to establish a dictatorship of the proletariat and treat them as enemy soldiers at war with India, and unless the State wages war on them, they can be defeated. We will offer policemen as cannon-fodder for Maoists. Soon, Police will be demoralised and few would stand up to fight the Maoists. The least governments should do is to "militarise" the police deployed to "search and destroy" the Maoists.

THE MIM ASPIRATION TO RULE THE DECCAN

Dr T.H. Chowdary

Sri Akbaruddin Oweisi, the leader of Majlis Ittehadul-Muslameen (MIM) while speaking in the Legislative Assembly of Andhra Pradesh recently, menacingly asserted, "so far we have been the king-makers. Soon we will be the kings". Not a single MLA of any party dared to challenge him; not one then or later took issue with him as to how he would be the "king". Of course, Sri K.Chandra Sekhar Rao of the TRS has promised to give seven cabinet posts to Moslems if and when Telengana is formed; he also continues to assert that the Nizam's rule (5% literacy; 90% jobs for Moslems and Urdu only as the medium of instruction from primary to university education) was good, great and exemplary. But how can 11% to 12% Muslims , with a Moslems only party rule Andhra Pradesh or Telengana? They can do so if the different 'secular' parties like the TDP, Congress, Praja Rajyam and Lok Satta, competing for Moslem votes, decide as Sri Ram Bilas Paswan of the Lok Jansakti Party, that if voted as a majority party, a Muslim only will be made the Chief Minister of the State. Alternatively, if no party gets a majority, the 'secular' parties may install the MIM to rule the state. We have precedents: Chelata Achyuta Menon of the CPI ruled Kerala; Sri Chandra Sekhar ruled India's as the Prime-minister for about four months. Did not Jaichand invite Mohammed Ghori to destroy Prithviraj and rule over our land? Have not India's

Congressmen invite Smt. Sonia Maino to led and manage them? Did not the Britons invite eh Norman William of Orange (France) to rule over them?

It may be apt to recall the speech (excerpts) of Kasim Razvi of the Ittehadul-Muslameen, the Razakar organisation which bent the Nizam to its will and terrorised, tormented, looted, burnt and destroyed Hindu homes and dishonoured their women during 1946-48 until Sardar Patel liberated the people and land from

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the Islamist rule on 17 Sept 1948.

Razvi's ittehad celebrated the "Weapons week" as Dar-us-salam. On the last day 31 March 1948, Razvi delivered the vitriolic, boastful speech to the serried ranks of the volatile and blood-thirsty Razaakars: excerpts "Hyderabad is an Islamic State.

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Ittehad expects every Muslims to do this duty. I am glad that Muslims women are also coming

forward to help the Razakars. I appeal to my Muslims sisters to support whole-heartedly this movement, and, if possible, to train themselves in the art of self-defence. The time is not far off when we have to throw our entire weight to maintain the integrity of this Islamic state. We have been ruling the Deccan for the last 800 years and we shall rule it whether the Indian likes it or not.

Power has come to the hands of the Indian Union after one thousand years. They are not capable of ruling. That is the reason why they lost it to the Muslims. Now, when that power has come to them, they think they can browbeat us and terrorise us by bullying and blustering...

When once the Indian Union makes any aggression on us, remember the 4 ½ crores of Muslims will raise the banner of revolt. We will give back in the same coin and speak to them in the same language that they will understand...

I know every one of you is imbued with the spirit of Jihad. Remember Karbala. A Muslim is a warrior. He is a first-class fighting man. Indeed, Indian History is full of glorious episodes of the heroism of the Muslims. In India is free to-day, remember, it was due to the sword and arms of Muslims. A Muslims is a born fighter and a protector of the weak.....He will be guided by the great tenets of Qoran. Now, my Muslim brothers, onward march. Never put back your sword into the sheath till your object is achieved. Stop not till you reach your goal (cries of Delhi Chalo). Hound out the enemy. Do not spare him. Mind

not your troubles. We believe in God. We have no other friends except Allah, who has created this Islamic State and who shall never let us down. Quran is in one hand and the sword is in the other, let us march forward; cut our enemies ti pieces; establish our Islamic supremacy...

I know the helplessness of our Muslim brothers in the Indian Union. Let us by our example of unsurpassed heorism, courage and vision, extend the much-needed succour to them. They will be our 'Fifth Column' among us. Now the Union is thinking of a 'Fifth Column' among us. We shall turn the tables and they will understand the character of the Mussalman. A Hindu who is a Kafir, a worshipper of stone and monkey (laughter), who drinks cow's urine and eats cowdung in the name of religion (renewed laughter), and is a barbarian, in every sense of the word, wants to rule us! What an ambition and what a day-dream !

I repeat to you the couplet of immortal poet Iqbal:

What it is in life,

Life is only the means to the end

The eternal end

Today it down in the cause of Islam

Protect your Islamic State (Nizam's Hyderabad - Ed); protect your blood brothers in the Indian Union and your Islamic rule".

MIM in Hyderabad and elsewhere in A P is the successor to the Ittehaad-ul-Muslameen of Kasim Razvi. No wonder, it wants to be the king. Why not, if our "secular" parties can be successors to Jai Chand , Man Singh, Jai Singh, Gulab Singh and their likes?

NOBEL TO OBAMA

Dr T.H.Chowdary

The award of the Nobel Peace Prize to Barak Hussein Obama, the US President who is clearly a political decision. It is to a person who has no record of any accomplishment for the promotion of peace. While the other prizes are adjudged by a committee of distinguished professionals concerning the subject, the peace prize is judged by a five-man committee of the Members of the Parliament of Parliament of Norwagian. The present Norvey Parliament has a large leftist element and three out of the Five Members of the committee are leftists for whom theory and anti-Israel and anti-America policies are dear to their heart. At the time of nomination, Obama was not yet sworn as the President of the USA. He was just a candidate of the democratic party who had won the election by making speeches and promises. The Nobel Peace Prize is to be awarded, according to the wishes Alfred Nobel, for a person who has accomplished or archived something great to establish or promote peace. Obama has had no such record either before his nomination for the prize or till now.

2. Another great fact is that Americans are not enthused; in fact, they are surprised; some of them are even stunned as to

how and for what accomplishment the prize was given to Obama. Two leading news papers gave expression to the American surprise and non-approval. In such circumstances, Obama should have the wisdom and humility to refuse the prize, better late than never.

3. In 1957 Boris Pasternak of the then Soviet Union was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature for his great novel Dr. Zhivago. Pasternak thanked the Nobel Committee and announced his acceptance of the prize but then the Communist Party and its organs turned upon him and denounced the Award. They said that the prize was given not for any literary merit but for the slanderous content against Communism and the Communist rulers in the novel. Faced with the communist party's indignation and denunciation, Boris Pasternak retracted his acceptance and conveyed his rejection of the prize. While his rejection was under compulsion, Obama 's rejection could be a mark of his humility and real self-estimate. Unfortunately, he seems to be lacking both. Therefore the Nobel Prize stands devalued. It will take some time before its credibility will be re-established.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS FOR WHOM?

T. Mani Chowdary

The armed Maoists are waging war against the state of India. They aim to defeat and destroy the state; they have no allegiance to the Constitution of India. They want to establish a Marx-conceived "dictatorship of the proletariat" and rule by the victorious armed communist party. The zihadis want to destroy the secular Indian state and establish as Islamic state. Both these sets of warriors and various secessionists in the North-East, who have no allegiance to our Constitution cannot and should not be entitled to the fundamental freedoms and rights that our constitution and laws guarantee. Also, these out-laws (voluntary) have above-ground outfits invoking human rights, fundamental rights, rule of law etc., for the who are waging war against the state. They are the accomplices of the various groups. For them, there should be a special law, like the Preventive Detention Act of the early years of our Independence when the communists and their "Fronts" were waging armed insurrections (eg: Telengana during 1948 Sept to 1951 Oct) to overthrow the Nehru government, characterising it as a running dog of Anglo-American imperialism.

When any person approaches /moves the High Court/ Supreme Court, invoking fundamental rights and freedoms, he/she must be required in the affidavit to swear allegiance to the Constitution. And the State of India. Only then should the courts entertain any prayer for enforcement of fundamental rights and freedoms and relief the Constitution, interpreted by the Courts, can give. Those who don't subscribe to and bear loyalty to the Constitution, cannot invoke it for their unconstitutional activities.

A SWAYAM SEVAK REPLIES TO JAVED ANAND

(Reproduced below is a spirited reply by a Swayam Sevak to Javed Anand, co-editor of Communal Combat (a compound name compromising of Muslim & Hindu to flaunt secularism). This Javed Anand married Teesta Setalvad a Hindu daughter of a famous attorney. She has not changed her name to that of a Muslim to proclaim true "secularism". This couple have a poisonous journal called "Communalism Combat". It is to combat this poison that we have started the "Secularism" Combat.)

Respected Mr Javedji,

We are happy to read your article cum application with your intent to join the RSS.

On behalf of RSS I invite you to our nearest Shakha. Please let us know if you find difficulty in finding one. We would be very happy to have you there as one among us. But Sir, I have some comments on the points raised by you in the article.

As a Swayamsevak and also as a modern Hindu, I do not judge a person by his / her ancestry; religion, race or social background. We have no tradition of 'background checking' in our Shakha, leave alone wanting to speculate about somebody's social, religious or racial backgrounds. But since you have speculated about your ancestry, based on the Islamist version of Indian history only to make a point, I think there should be the objective version of history too that should be put across.

You speculate that you may be a descendent of an untouchable who was seduced out of Hinduism by the

"appeal" of Islam. I do not deny you the prerogative to your imagined past. I accept its probability, however small. But an objective reading of history would tell you that you and I have greater chance of being the descendents of Dhimmis or Hindu slaves. Your ancestors may not have been among the tens of thousands of Hindu slaves who used to be transported naked in the torturous winters of the 'Hindu Kush' mountains; for very few of them would even have survived to be sold as slaves in Afghanistan and Persia. But there are better chances that you could find your lineage in the Dhimmis or slaves somewhere geographically nearer; in the empires of one of the Sultans or Nawabs.

If your forefathers were lucky enough they could also have been from rich princely families, many of whom chose to convert to Islam so that they could save themselves and their loved ones, from the barbaric destruction at the hands of Aurangzeb and his likes. Or they could have been less lucky Hindu traders, farmers, artisans or priests, who were the victims of plunder, loot and torture and were converted at the point of sword or by constant persecution and subjection to 'Dhimmitude' and slavery. They could also have been courageous Hindu soldiers and generals who lost fighting bravely and whose women folk were forced into the harems of the Islamic rulers and generals. The probabilities are too many. Let me stop at that.

Sir, as an Islamist, you may have problems accepting that the Islamist rulers ever imposed 'Zejya' (religious tax on non Muslims) or

that Hindus (Jains, Sikhs, Buddhists and all pagans of India included) were regarded as 'Dhimmis' and condemned to a life of slavery or for that matter, the fact that the Islamic invasion of India was one of the bloodiest in the history of mankind. But never mind, you can always make a new beginning by liberating yourself of your past biases. I am hopeful that you would open your eyes to the Islamic records of the Hindu Holocaust; the tales of plunder and rape, of destruction and of torture unapologetically recorded by the court historians of these "egalitarian" Islamist rulers. You say Sir, that you feel "insecure". That is probably because you own up the historical guilt for the Hindu holocaust by Islamists which you need not. You need not see yourself and other Muslims as the owners of the bloody legacy of the Islamists but as the descendants of the innocent Hindus who were victims of it. Sir, who else, other than your Dhimmi brothers and sisters, could sympathize with you and understand your mental miscegenation of "Mandir" and "Masjid"? Sir, it is your choice to accept or to deny your Dhimmi ancestry and go for an ideologically convenient 'untouchable- convert' ancestry. But that would hardly be of any consequence in your joining the RSS. Sir, we believe in the future and not in the past. You an untouchable- convert and I a Dhimmi slave, together we can make a great new beginning.

You would also be very happy to know Sir, that we Hindus, unlike

Indian Muslims, have come a long way since the medieval times. We can take you right inside the temple, if you wish, for your intended "ghar vapsi" where you can offer pooja and aarti possibly guided by a temple priest whose known ancestry, unlike yours which is speculative, could run back to an "untouchable". You may also want to bring along your wife Teestaji, who as a woman can't even dream of entering a Mosque. What a liberation wouldn't it be for a woman who is still considered "untouchable" and "impure" to enter a Mosque?

Sir, you are welcome to join us. Hindus, who have no problems accepting my being an atheist, have never had any problems with your Namaz and Roza. But Sir, my many friends outside Sangh tell me that we RSS people are very naïve and that we should not fall prey to the designs of somebody who has fudged records, and concocted "macabre of tales" (as the leaked SIT report puts it) of riot cases, to defame, denigrate and attack innocent and unsuspecting Hindus. They tell me Sir, that there are other well meaning Muslims whom we could talk to. But never mind Sir, we should have no problems, especially if we know that you have changed since. It would be great, if you could come out in the open and let the world know the truth about the concocted stories of riots and also apologize for being untruthful. I know, that would be very difficult. But I wish 'Allah' gives you and your wife all the courage you need to liberate yourself from a life of lies.

Sir, also since you have claimed earlier to have worked as a human rights activist, I am hopeful that you and your wife would open your eyes to the plight of poor Hindu fishermen who were brutally massacred by armed Muslim gangs on the beach of Marad not very long ago, or the tribals belonging to the Jatiya tribe in Tripura who are facing genocide at the hands of Church supported insurgents, or the unsuspecting Hindu and Christian girls who are being lured by Jehadi boys in Kerala, and then being sold in Arab countries as prostitutes and slaves or the Kashmiri Pandits whose lives are but all devastated and to all the Hindus who live a life of religious persecution, insecurity and are victims of constant aggression.

I also wish that 'Allah' gives you the courage that he has given to great Muslim intellectuals like 'Ibn Warraq', 'Anwar Sheikh' and 'Ali Sina' so that you too can help liberate yourself and the Muslim community from dogmatism and fanaticism and open their minds to modern science and objective thinking. That, I believe is the only solution to your mental miscegenation and your "insecurity".

Looking forward to your participation in one of our Shakhas.

Best regards to you and to Teestaji,

Yours affectionately

Swayamsevak

Pragna Puraskar :

You and Your friends are invited to the ceremony presenting the **Annual Pragna Puraskar** by the Pragna Bharathi of Andhra Pradesh to **Dr. Kasireddy Venkat Reddy garu**, Chairman of the National Sahitya Parishat, AP Branch on Sunday, the 22nd Nov 2009 at 1700 Hrs. Dr Subramanian Swamy is the Chief Guest . Please call the M: 92 461 0 1884 / 93 948 4 2858 for knowing the venue.

NOTES:

**Why not Naxalite Districts First
Instead of Muslim First
Programs & Muslim Districts**

Pursuant to the Sachar Committee report the UPA government is going to spend 15% of the 11th Five Year Plan funds in 90 districts where Muslims are in considerable numbers. This is to please them remove their disaffection and dissatisfaction with India and in the fond hope that they could be integrated into the Indian nation. The programs are supposed to lift them out of poverty and deprivation.

The Naxalite / Maoists insurgency is now in more than 160 districts. Some social Pundits, leftists and their fellow travelers in the ruling congress and regional parties are saying that Naxalite/Maoist insurgency is due to the poverty of the people. Then why don't we have a **Maoists Districts First** development programs so that the poverty of the people could be eliminated and they could be pleased to disown the Maoists and join the mainstream. Caring for the historically separatist and divisive Muslims and not for other poor citizens of this country, shows up the mean mentality of politicians at the helm affairs.

Have the poor and deprived of India their choices limited to either become a jihadi or a Maoist? If they choose the former they get "development" funding; if they chose the latter, they get "encounters"? Is it so?

USING ARMED FORCES AGAINST MAOIST ARMIES

The Maoists and Prajaprathighatana and such Marxist communist formations have been waging war against the state (s) of India. They have no faith in or commitment to our constitution. They have made it very clear that they want to overthrow the present kind of governments and establish the dictatorship of the proletariat which according to them is the highest form of true democracy for the people. When they have declared war and are carrying arms and are mounting attacks on police stations and other security forces, why should government not use the armed forces to suppress this rebellion? In the initial years of our independence communists especially in Telengana waged war from Sept 1948 to Oct 1951 against the Indian Union. We used our army and destroyed this rebellion. Pakistan is using its armed forces and airforce in its war against the Taliban insurgents. Russia used its armed forces to suppress the rebellion in Chechnya. China does not hesitate to use massive force against the secessionists in Xingiang. Sri Lanka destroyed the LTTE by use of its armed

forces. Not using India's armed forces and tolerating the Maoists armies in India offering our policies as fodder for their guns amounts to self-inflicted wounds. A recent encounter lasted for 4 hours that shows the deadly arms and training and equipment and resolution of the Maoists armies. The GPS and GIS would give us where their formations are. Can't the Security Forces calling the airforce the gunshot mounting helicopters and destroy them if hundreds of police men die at the hands of the Maoists they would be demoralized and they would not have any stomach to fight. Since 2003 till the end of 2008, 982 police men died at the hands of the Naxals. 2,871 civilians were killed by the Naxalites. Naxalites killed were 1,143. It is time that the Indian state decides whether it would preserve and protect the Constitution and its organs or bleed itself to dissolution in its soft war with the Maoists and jihadis.

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NOBEL PRIZE FOR WHICH INDIAN?

A Lakshmi Sujata

News papers are flashing the headlines of an Indian, Venkataraman Ramakrishnan getting the Nobel prize for physics . The inconvenient fact is that while two Indians living and working in India got the Nobel prize before we attained independence, **not a single Indian living and working in India has got a Nobel prize since 1947.** Hargovind Khorana , Subramanyam Chandra Sekhar and Venkataraman Ramakrishnan hailing from so-called upper castes were deprived of the opportunity of working in India. Khorana could not even get a Rs. 100 per month job. Therefore he went to the US and there, as it is a land of opportunity where talent is respected and rewarded, he rose to the Nobel Laureate stature. Another Nobel Laureate of Indian origin is Sir V.S.Naipaul. His grand parents were coolies, living on the pavements. They went as indentured labour to West Indies. They saved and educated their son and grand sons and from such humble origin, in the land where merit is not bypassed and has full play, Naipaul rose to Nobel stature. Amartya Sen has also been living and working abroad. His work abroad got him the Nobel Prize. (Mother Theresa is not an Indian by birth; she only acquired Indian citizenship while engaged in harvesting souls foe Christ through charity.)

This fact of Indians living and working in India not getting a Nobel Prize must make us think. Can we nurture and reward merit or contrive to see that the meritorious Indians emigrate to the US and enrich that land intellectually and power-wise?

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WHY THIS CRICKET MANIA?

M Nagendar Goud

Cricket is a time-wasting game with only 13 out 22 at anytime in the field and the rest killing their time. It hardly exercises the players. Thousands of spectators on the ground, lakhs glued to TV/radio sets stop work. That is loss of productive, wealth-creating and service-rendering time 20/20 series are played by non-descript teams, even during night time, consuming electrical power which is becoming scarcer. AIR, Door Darshan and non-governmental TV channels are giving un-meritated and nationally harmful time to this alien game. We are criminally relegating the inexpensive, less duration, all-player engaging, all exercising Indian games like foot-ball, hockey and volley-ball.

By giving undue and too much coverage to this entertainment game, we are inducing idleness and time-wastage among our people. Media, especially TV should desist from idiotising young and old Indians by giving prominence and coverage to cricket. Instead, they should cover action-packed, short-duration, time-non wasting indigenous and inexpensive games, like foot ball, hockey and volleyball and athletics. After all, cricket is played by no more than a dozen countries whereas football/ rugby is played in several score countries.

Christianisation of Andhra Pradesh—Governments actions stayed

Ever since Dr Y S Rajasekhara Reddy the Christian took over as Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh government funding Christian (and Muslim) religious activities and their properties had gone up by leaps and bounds. Such funding from the budget of the government it's subversive of the secular character of the State and the government. His government started funding the pilgrimages of Christians to Jerusalem by giving subsidies of Rs. 25,000 per person. Further such spending had been got stayed from the High Court of Andhra Pradesh through Public Interest Litigation (PIL). GOAP issued 39 GOs sanctioning various amounts for the construction of several score churches. It issued 19 GOs to fund Muslims' properties. Dr T. H. Chowdary filed a PIL against these two un-secular activities of the government. This was argued by Sr. Advocate Sri Challa Kodanda Ram, assisted by Kum. Anjali Agarwal. The High Court accepted the PIL and stayed the funding for construction of churches (& mosques and other properties of minorities) from state funds.

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