

# Upper Caste Savagery

The deliberate murder of two dalit children at Shivpur in Madhya Pradesh by two Yadav brothers for defecating in the open near a panchayat building exposes how the scourge of casteism is heigh-tened in our ‘modern India’ during the rule of BJP’s Modi government. That the higher officials of police have attempted to absolve the crime of accused by stating that “it appeared the two accused were mentally deranged” even against the evidence that “the accused held a grudge against the victim’s family, since two years ago the victims had reportedly taken from the field of the accused to build a hut”, and also that the accused after hitting on the heads of two children, took videos of them writhing in pain and lying in a pool of blood, exposes how the administration is hand in glove of the upper caste equations. This is not the first time such callous attitude against atrocities and inhuman violence on dalits and minorities was shown by the higher echelon officers of the police forces which are supposed to maintain law and order.

The present incident glaringly exposes the shame of our nation for its inhuman and beastly nature of casteism against the dalits on the lower rung of the despicable caste structure long established in our society. This national shame cannot be eased even by the flattery of Donald Trump, the President of USA, that the Prime Minister Modi is the ‘father of the nation’ or ‘global goal keeper” showered by the Milinda Gates Foundation on Narendra Modi. Those commen-dations have their own calculations to benefit from Indian Market as well as voter-immigrant Persons of Indian origin residing in the US. The three Nobel laureates – Mairead Maguise, a peace activist from northern Ireland, Tawakkal Abdel-Salam Karman, a Yemeni journalist and politician and Shirin Ebadi, an Iranian lawyer and political activist, have rightly criticized the Gates Foundation for naming Modi as a beneficiary to the prestigious award castigating that “under his leadership India has descended in to dangerous and deadly chaos that has consistently undermined democracy”. They also stated emphasizing that “this is particularly troubling to us as the stated mission of your foundation is to preserve life and fight inequality”.

Today the right to live supposed to have been bestowed by the constitution is determinedly denied to dalits and minorities through means of unbridled violence with the mute consent of government in power at the behest of RSS –the religious chauvinist upper caste bigot that directs the BJP government.

The real cause for the beastly murder of dalit children is not defecating in public but casteism against lower caste people and the atmosphere that allows the upper castes to commit inhuman, heinous and violent atrocities with impunity. Life of human beings of dalit castes is not a sacred and inviolable virtue to those Hindu bigots and their semi-feudal system.

This scourge of savagery has to be resisted and fought out by the people to protect the right to live of down trodden dalits.

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