COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MAOIST) CENTRAL COMMITTEE



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Condemn the continuing brutal attacks on the Christian community by the saffron terrorists aided by the state!

All secular and democratic forces! Unite to fight back VHP-Bajrang Dal-RSS-BJP fascist neo-Nazi gangs who are bent upon ethnic cleansing!!

The saffron terrorists have unleashed the worst kind of attacks on the Christian community across the country which have assumed gory savage forms in Orissa, Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh. The police and the state machinery in these states not only failed to protect the lives and property of the religious minority but also became direct accomplices by aiding and abetting these Hindu fascist criminals and terrorists. The Chief Minister of Karnataka, Yediyurappa, has revealed his ugly Hindu fascist nature by saying that the attacks on the Christian churches and houses in Mangalore, Chikmagalore, Kolar and elsewhere in the state is a natural reaction to the "forced conversions" indulged in by the Christian organizations. He had even accused that Christian missionaries get foreign funds for the purpose. The Home Minister, Acharya, gave a clean chit to the lumpen goons of Bajrang Dal without even bothering to conduct an enquiry in spite of visual evidence of the Bajrangis who had led the attacks. Worse still, adding insult to the injury inflicted on the Christian community, Yediyurappa's policemen had entered churches and convents brutally beating up nuns and other Christian women.

The CC, CPI(Maoist) condemns the communal fascist terror unleashed by the neo-Nazi thugs of sangh parivar and calls upon the secular and democratic forces to unite to protect the religious minorities and to isolate the Hindu fanatics. Yediyurappa, who has already earned notoriety as Karnataka's Narendra Modi in a span of few months, should be arrested for inflaming communal passions and justifying the brutal attacks on the Christian minority. It is shameful that the so-called judiciary which passes verdicts against bandhs and strikes, has chosen to remain silent as Hindu fanatics and police unleash attacks on the minorities.

It is crystal-clear that a conspiracy has been hatched by the saffron terrorists to decimate the religious minorities and force the Christians to reconvert to Hindu religion. The leaders of the saffron brigade have openly declared that they would not rest until all non-Hindus are converted back into Hinduism.

In Orissa the atrocities against Christian community continues unabated with the blessings of the Naveen Patnaik government. The saffron fanatic leaders like Ashok Singhal, Vinay Katiyar, Praveen Togadia, Subhash Chouhan and others have been declaring repeatedly that Laxmanananda was killed by Christian missionary organizations even after our Party had categorically declared that our PLGA guerrillas had carried out the punishment on Laxmanananda in Jalespet ashram for his brutal attacks on the Christian community. These Hitlerite gangs had even put up posters in the name of our Party that Maoists were not responsible for the attack in Jalespeta ashram. Like Hitler setting fire to the Reichstag to step up the suppression of the social democrats and seize power and enact fascist rule, the Hitler's progeny in India—the saffron fanatical terrorists—stage bomb blasts blaming it on the religious minorities. Our CC makes it clear once again that the annihilation of Laxmananda has been carried out by our squads for his indescribable misdeeds and fanatical attacks on the Christian minority. Every Indian citizen has the right to choose his/her religion and to convert to any religion of choice. The Hindu fascist forces cannot suppress this freedom by coercion and intimidation of the religious minorities. We warn the saffron terrorists that our PLGA will continue to punish their leaders as long as they persist in attacks against religious minorities and continue to rake up communal frenzy and hatred.

The CC, CPI(Maoist), calls upon all secular and democratic forces to unite and fight back the brutal attacks on the religious minorities by the Hindu fascist forces. The responsibility falls more on the shoulders of the Hindu majority to protect the rights of the religious minorities and to isolate and ostracise the terrorists in the guise of VHP-Bajrang Dal-RSS-BJP who utilize Hindu religion to whip up communal passions and attacks on minorities.

Let us build a broad-based mass movement to isolate the saffron fascists and to bring pressure on the government to arrest and punish all those who have committed atrocities and brutal attacks on the Christian community in Karnataka, Orissa and elsewhere. Advanis, Modis, Yediyurappas, Singhals, Katiyars, Togadias Naveen Patnaiks are enemies of the people. The present system will never punish these vultures but they will certainly be punished in the people's court ultimately. Let us defend the rights of the religious minorities and strive to build a secular, truly democratic India assuring religious freedom, security and equality of all religions in India.

Signed/ Azad, Spokesperson, Central Committee CPI(Maoist)

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