

Why is Delhi silent!

Monsoon has knocked Delhi. But along with this a huge stream of repressive winds too have been set free by the government. Eight activists within Delhi got picked up. After very brutal torture involving electric sock and sexual threats 7 of them were released while Priyanshu was booked under the infamous Lucknow Conspiracy Case also known NRB revival case and got arrested by the NIA. The government has ensured that their voices are silenced. With the shower of rain the government has washed away the fundamental right to form organization and express ourselves freely. And that too at a place like Delhi where civil rights activists abounds in numbers. But where are they? Are they afraid of being drenched by the rainfall or do they think that these repressive winds will add to the aesthetics of rains? Everyone seems to be silent. As if they forgot that first they came for the Muslims, then for the communists and now for all.

There can be no democracy when our students and intellectuals are picked up for speaking for the Adivasis rights. The students who should have been awarded for their social concerns are humiliated, tortured and given rape threats. The first question which comes to our mind is who these students are:-

1. Gurkirat, bsCEM
2. Gaurav, bsCEM
3. Gaurang, bsCEM
4. Ehtamam, FACAM
5. Badal, FACAM
6. Rudra, Nazariya Magazine
7. Samrat, activist from Yamunagar who was associated with FACAM
8. Priyanshu, PhD student at Delhi University and Delhi General Mazdoor Front activist.

No one knows which agency did this? Some say that it was Delhi Special Cell while some other claim that it was NIA or SIB of AP, Telangana. But no one knows for sure. Neither they were given any arrest memos nor any notice. No one knows why were they picked? But the city is normal. The judiciary takes suo moto cognizance on water logging but not on excessive power logging inside the central government.

In one stroke the government has silenced these three great organizations. These people were truly democratic persons. These were the activists who were raising voice for Adivasis and were asking the government to stop the daily genocidal game in Bastar and start peace

talks with the Maoist. One needs to see the interview of Ehtamam with Marxism Today and also the Instagram post of Nazariya and bsCEM. So in India if we ask for peace we get torture and sexual abuses. Gurkirat, Gaurav and Gaurang has faced multiple tortures. Earlier too they were detained and tortured for conducting a program called Adivasis Hunkar Rally, in which the plights of genocidal war in Bastar was exposed before the middle class intellectuals in Delhi. But this time a very severe tortured was designed by the state to break their convictions. Similarly we all know about Ehtmam since the start of the brutal anti Adivasis operation Samadhan Prahar, he has been working to build pressure upon government to roll it back. He lead fact finding committees that exposed the genocides of Adivasis in Central India and Jharkhand-Bihar area. It is important to note that he was a student of Jamia university and was an important leader in anti CAA NRC movement. At that time too the police had picked him up and unleashed torture but that could not break his spirit. He moved along the cause of democracy. Then he realised that there is a need to connect the struggle of the Muslims with the Adivasis struggle. His struggle for democracy for the minorities met with islamophobia. He was abused in similar tone and had to face physical and mental torture of unprecedented nature.

Badal was initially in a student organization called bsCEM. This organization is active in DU. Later she moved in the Forum Against Corporatization and Militarization, she championed the cause for peace talk. She attended seminars on it in Hyderabad. Badal along with Ehtmam worked to present the issue of Adivasis struggle in Bastar in United Nations. They published reports from Bastar, brought statement on any atrocities on Adivasis and also had started bringing KAR a regular Newsfeed type of journal. The endeavour to bring the voice of the most marginalized communities has been stopped by this. What is the government afraid of? How many more activists are to be tortured before this Brahmanical state will stop being fascists? Badal is a popular face of students activism in Delhi torturing her and making her incapable to resume her job as an activists is nothing but a direct assault on freedom of speech and expression.

Nazariya magazine is another target of the government. We all know that Nazariya has an ideological commitment to Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, when does possessing an ideology become a crime in India? Why Rudra a member of Nazariya was detained by the state forces? It's editor Valika too was interrogated by NIA, they threatened her to stop working for the magazine. When that did not work the illegal abduction and torture remained the only way. Why does the state want to stop a magazine ? It is because they fear ideology. An ideology of the working class is a major threat for the ruling bourgeoisie and the big landlords therefore what they will do is that they will device sharp internal rift in it and if that too not work then the might of the state in form of a horrendous foot lickers of ruling class Indian police tries to suppress ideology. But will that work, history has shown that this never woks. More Bhagat

Singh and Lenin will be born. Every repression will only sharpen the ideology. GN Saibaba said “they do not know how to kill me, for I love the sound of growing grass.” Fascists government can not kill the ideology of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism. Even the most powerful Tsar of Russia could not do it. The ideology will remain forever and will haunt you whenever you plan to repress an idea or a people’s movement.

Priyanshu a bright student from bastar is the first generation student from his community. He got to study PhD in Delhi University besides this he was also vocal for Adivasis and workers rights therefore besides writing for Adivasis he was also working in a workers organization called Delhi General Mazdoor Front. His crime was perhaps greater for he was also working for workers rights and therefore he got arrested and tagged as Maoist. Similarly Samrat is a brilliant activists from Haryana, he played an important role in kishan andolan and also in anti CAA NRC movement. Nowadays he was advocating peace talks between government and Maoists. He was illegally detained and electric socks were given to him. Besides he also had to face numerous other physical assault and mental trauma.

If the youths are not allowed to work in these organization then what does the government suggest? Shall they go ug and work in accordance to their political ideology? Going underground perhaps is the only way to keep on doing politics. In emergency many of the present day politicians went ug. In this undeclared fascism ug becomes the only way to defeat Fascism.

It is important to note that these attacks are declaration of the shift toward total Hindu rastra by the Indian state. It has made it crystal clear that it knows no Constitution no human rights declaration what it knows is rule by brute force. The question is who will give accountability of these tortures and sudden disappearances? Do we have any institutions left in india which will dare on this? Who will ask the government about what it is up to? Why is the government after students and intellectuals? How many more activists are to be detained and tortured? The answers to all these questions is in negative time and again the state apparatus has proved that it is not for the working class. It is not for the Adivasis, dalit and women. The only alternative therefore is to build people’s resistance against the state and it’s foces.