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A REPORT OF FACT FINDING COMMITTEE ON BENGALURU (K. G. HALLI AND D. J. HALLI) RIOTS(AUGUST 11, 2020)



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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On the 11th of August, 2020, a group of about 15 to 20 Muslim youth gathered outside Pulikeshi Nagar Congress MLA R Akhanda Srinivasamurthy's house in Kaval Bhyrasandra in Bengaluru to protest against the derogatory post put by Naveen Kumar, nephew of Local MLA. SDPI members like Muzammil Pasha, Fairoz etc went to the Police Station to lodge

a complaint against Naveen Kumar for the said post. Despite assurance from the Police that action would be taken against him, the crowd swelled to about 3000 in a short span of time and attacked the residence of MLA Akhand Srnivas Murthy, P Naveen Kumar, K G Halli Police Station and D.J. Halli Police Station simultaneously. Apart from the above, they attacked several other Hindu homes, torched Police and private vehicles, pelted stones at windows and attacked property with rods, machetes and other weapons. The planning was made in such a manner that the Police was forced to use tear gas and open fire at this unruly mob.

It is estimated that nearly 36 Government vehicles, nearly 300 private vehicles and many houses were destroyed. The damage could be estimated to be nearly 10-15 crores.

The Committee after visiting the riot affected area, interacting with several victims, police and prominent people and after perusing available evidence have inferred the following.

- a. That the riots were pre-planned and organised.
- b. The mob has specifically targeted certain prominent Hindus in the area.
- c. That the entire incident qualifies to be a riot against the state with the motive of reducing the faith of common people in the State.
- d. It could be seen from the FIRs and certain interactions with the victims, that Local people were also involved in carrying out this riot. The committee is of the opinion that the locals were not only involved in execution but were also aware about it in advance.
- e. Despite attempts being made to project the same as political rivalry, it was undoubtedly communally motivated. The Committee is of the opinion that based on the kind of houses that have been attacked and

people who have been targeted, the motive of the riots could also be fear mongering so as to change the demography and turn the area into a Muslim majority one.

f. The Committee is of the opinion that SDPI and PFI are involved in planning and execution of this incident.

Based on the above observations, the Committee mainly recommends the following:

- a. All the costs that have been incurred by the State and private persons have to be recovered by attaching the property of the rioters.
- b. The pattern of the riots is common with that of Delhi and Sweden.

 Therefore, it is imperative for the state to investigate the incident holistically and not consider them to be isolated and local.
- c. The funding received by individuals and religious extremist organisations who are involved in anti-social activities must be tracked and continuously monitored by involving the NIA.
- d. Potential areas that might face such communal tensions must be identified by the Police in advance and short-term and long-term plans must be made to curb such tensions.
- e. Cyber Dome must be established so as to ensure that Social Media is not used for hate mongering against any religion, race, class, sect etc.
- f. It is recommended that drug menace be curbed with iron fists.
- g. It is further recommended that intelligence generation mechanisms have to be strengthened by the Police at various levels so as to prevent the occurrence of any such riots.

h. With the abolition of Section 66A of Information Technology Act, 2000, a mechanism has to be evolved to prevent and prosecute derogatory, abusive and hate content targeting any religion, race, class, organisation or sect of people.

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It is imperative to survey the incident neutrally without any bias or vested political interests with a sole commitment towards truth. In view of this, Citizens for Democracy identified a need to look at this whole episode in detail, uncover the plot behind it, and come up with a plan of action that can be implemented by the society and the Government both. To address this

need, Citizens for Democracy has formed a FACT FINDING COMMITTEE consisting of prominent representatives of the society. This FACT FINDING COMMITTEE has visited the affected areas, heard from the victims, accessed the available evidences and prepared this report with findings and recommendations. The Committee is chaired by a Retd. Judge and consists of retired bureaucrats, journalists, advocates, professors and social workers. Below are the members of the committee.

Chairman:

Hon'ble Justice Sri. Srikanth Babaladi, Retd. District Judge

Members:

Sri. Madan Gopal, Retd. IAS

Sri. Dr. R Raju, Retd. IFS

Sri. Dr. Prakash, Retd. IRS

Sri. M N Krishnamurthy, Retd. DGP

Sri. R K Mattoo, Journalist

Sri. Santhosh Thammaiah, Journalist

Sri. Dr. M Jayappa, Professor

Sri. Dr. H T Aravinda, Professor

Sri. Muniraju, Social worker

Sri. Jerome Anto, Social worker

Smt. Kshama Nargund, Advocate

What happened in DJ Halli on 11th August 2020?

Below is the sequence of events that happened in DJ Halli.

1. At around 8 pm, 15-20 members of the Muslim community gathered outside Pulakeshinagar Congress MLA R Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy's

house in Kaval Bhyrasandra in Bengaluru. They were protesting against a derogatory post on Prophet Muhammed by his nephew Naveen.

- 2. In a matter of few minutes, the crowd started swelling and stone pelting began. Within an hour, more than 200 rioters, armed with stones, sticks, petrol and kerosene cans started damaging the legislator's residence and set his house and many vehicles on fire.
- 3. At around 8 pm, another group of people, including SDPI members like Muzammil Pasha, who had been reportedly offended by the MLA's nephew's Facebook post tried to file a police complaint in the DJ Halli Police Station against him. Police sent two teams to arrest Naveen. They requested sometime to find out the accused and arrest him. Police returns after 1.5 hours or so, as they could not locate and arrest him. Citing this as a reason, the group reached out to more of their community members who started gathering outside the DJ Halli police station. The protest against the police quickly turned violent and by 10 pm, almost 1,200 people had started rioting outside the police station.
- 4. The mobs locked the gate from outside and pelted stones at the police station. With SD Sharanappa, Deputy Commissioner of Police (East) and two other senior police officials still inside the DJ Halli police station, the mob violence escalated. At least 10 vehicles, including Innovas of two DCPs, were damaged in front of the station. The rioters also set fire to the vehicles in front of the DJ Halli police station and the vehicles parked in the basement. The rioters were seen raising slogans like 'Allah-hu-Akbar' and 'Nara-e-Tagbeer' outside the police station.

- 5. Starting from 8.30 pm, the rioters attacked Mune Gowda's house, Arun Gowda's house, one liquor shop and few more Hindu houses. They damaged few vehicles, set vehicles on fire and damaged the buildings.
- 6. Another group of rioters attacked the house of Naveen, much in the same manner as they attacked Srinivas Murthy's house. As there was no security at Naveen's residence, the rioters managed to break into the house and run amok while members of Naveen's family had to quickly take shelter in their neighbour's house. They used petrol bombs, stones, metal rods to destroy the house. Rioters used kerosene, petrol and other inflammable chemicals to set the house on fire.
- 7. Another group of rioters moved to a street near to Srinivas Murthy's house, where predominantly Hindu families reside. They damaged almost all the vehicles parked outside the houses. One women was wounded as a pelted stone hit her forehead.
- 8. Around 11 pm, violence broke out at the KG Halli police station, which is 1.5 km away from the DJ Halli police station. Muslim religious leaders and politicians reached the area to dissuade the mob from indulging in more violence. Congress leaders Zameer Ahmed Khan and Rizwan Arshad also arrived at the site after police officials asked them to speak to the mob.
- 9. Police used tear gas shells and opened fire at the mob around 11 pm. It was after the firing that the crowd dispersed. After the crowd dispersed, the police cleared the streets in Kaval Byrasandra and DJ Halli and the situation was brought under control at 1 am in the night.

OBSERVATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee visited the highly affected areas on 16th August 2020 and on 18th August 2020. The Committee took account of the value of damage perpetrated to State Property and Private property, interacted with the victims and their families, neighbours of affected families and eyewitnesses. The Committee also visited the Police Stations to understand the incident from the eyes of the Police who have also been injured by the rioters. Further, the Committee also visited the houses of those families who have lost their near ones during the shooting by the Police to disperse the crowd. The Committee has also interacted with the prominent personalities in the area and have interacted with the journalists who have been affected by the riots.

The Committee has taken a holistic approach to have a 360° view of the entire incident. The Committee has gone through print, visual and online media reports with respect to the incident. The Committee has also accessed the FIRs that have been suo-motu registered by the Police for damage to State Property as well as all those FIRs which have been filed by the Public.

Attack on local MLA office.

A Muslim mob with arms and petrol bombs have attacked M.L.As official office which is located about 50 yards in Kavalbyrasandra area. The furniture and most of the government records being used for day to day transactions have been totally burnt.

Attack on Naveen S/o Pavan's house (MLA's Nephew).

The residence of Sri. Naveen S/o Pavan Kumar (an employee from K.C.General Hospital) aged about 30 years located on the main road about 100 meters from the Kavalbyrasandra bus stand. The neighbors of this house

are Muslims with one or two Hindu families. At the time of field visits by the team on 16-08-2020 Sri. Pavan Kumar, father of Sri. Naveen was present near the house with his wife. The committee apart from witnessing the destroyed and burnt house interacted with Sri. Pavan Kumar and his wife. According Sri. Pavan Kumar on 11th august, 2020 around 8:30 p.m a mass of around 200 people had gathered in front of the house and attacked the house with stones, iron rods and petrol bombs. "Upon personally witnessing the attack on the house me and my wife with my daughter and her children were scared for life and moved to the first floor and from there through a back door jumped into the neighboring house and got a shelter". "The unruly crowd gathering in front of the house threw petrol bombs on the house, poured kerosene in the house on sofa and furniture, and torched the house to burn. At the time of attack they have destroyed most of the furniture, electronic items and important documents. They have looted cash of around 5 lakhs, watches, gold chains belonging to me and around 15 lakhs of rupees of cash and jewels of my wife. One of the Muslim women from the neighboring house come to the rescue of my wife and helped her escape".

Sri. Pavan Kumar around 61 years of age father of Sri. Naveen Kumar around 30 years has clarified that he was aware of the Facebook posts and communications between his son and some of Muslim friends of the locality. He further clarified that he was not aware that the situation turned so serious to an extent of accusing each others religion. "However I used to advice my son not to indulge in any misleading transaction leading to any kind of conflicts among the friends. He stated that it is unfortunate to note that

the situation has reached to its worst extent". He clarified that the sitting M.L.A. Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy is his own brother of his wife thus his son Sri Naveen is the nephew of Sri. Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy. Sri. Pavan Kumar has also stated that two of his cars parked in front of his house along with 4 motor bikes were burnt down by this mob during the attack.

Attack on Arun Gowda house.

The team has visited the residence of Sri. Arun Gowda who is living in his own house on the cross road which is about 50 to 60 meters from Naveen's residence and 50 to 60 meters from the Kavalbyrasandra bus stop. Sri. Arun gowda is an active member of Karnataka Rakshana Vedike. On the day of incident, he with his wife who is 8th months pregnant were at home. "It was around 10:45 p.m some people started gathering near my house and planned to attack us. They began to throw stones on the house and broke the CCTV cameras fixed at the house. We suspected the attack on our house and on us and decided to escape from the backyard of our house to the neighboring house. I have confirmed that the miscreants who attacked my house and property were Muslim youth of the same locality". One person by name Saravana was also present at the time of interaction and claimed that he is living in the neighboring house of Sri. Arun Gowda and confirmed the event was a planned attack on Arun gowda's house for old grudge. They have broken and damaged the car and two bikes parked in front of Arun Gowda's house by beating them with long and sickles and then set them on fire.

Burning of Dileep Bar:

The team visited the burnt site of Dileep bar and observed the status of the said burnt building. This building is a two storied built in 30×40 size site on the main road which is around 100 meters from the bus stand. The ground floor of the building was used for the purpose of running the Bar. The entire building was set fire and the building interiors and furniture have been totally burnt into ashes and the debris and remnants was still lying intact in the said burnt building.

The proprietor of the Bar one Sri. Chandra Kumar was at the site and he explained the whole incident which happened as follows:

"It was on 11th August, 2020 around 8 p.m. in the night a unruly mob consisting of around 200 Muslim youths came and gathered in front of the Bar. They had demanded to close the Bar and instantaneously started damaging the bar furniture and other belongings trespassing into the Bar. This unruly crowd comprised of only Muslim youth aged between 18 to 25 and carried iron rods, sickles in their hands and started beating and damaging the Bar and its belongings. Some of the youths who had carried the petrol bombs and kerosene in their hands threw them on the Bar and set it on fire. It was in a fraction of few seconds due to petrol, kerosene and the alcohol content in the stock of the shop which were inflammable, the entire Bar was burnt into ashes. The staff of the Bar and myself (Chandra Kumar proprietor of the Bar) miraculously escaped from the scene and forced ourselves into a neighboring house for protection by escaping through the back door. The approximate damages

caused due to this willful arson is around 5 lakhs of liquor and 25 lakhs worth of property".

Burning of Navaneet wines:

This Bar is located on the diagonal road to the Kaval Bairasandra bus stand. The proprietor of the Bar is one Sri. Rajanna former president Bengaluru Urban Zilla Panchayat.

The person found at the Bar on the day of inspection revealed to the committee that this Bar is located at the same place for past 30 years. On the day of incident (11th August, 2020) it was around 9pm a group of people consisting of around hundred (100) Muslim youths arrived at the Bar by shouting slogans in the Urdu language. This unruly mob have entered into the building and started looting and destroying the material stored in the wine shop and further set fire by pouring kerosene which were brought by them. It had all happened in a span of 30 minutes and the entire building was up in flames for at least 2 hours. The total property damaged due to this attack was around 25 lakhs. The mob left the place after confirming the entire unit is burnt and all the materials stored were damaged.

Attack on Civilian residences and properties:

There are large number of civilian residences and properties damaged by this unruly mob of Muslim youths on 11th August, 2020 night. Some of the properties identified the committee during the visit are as follows.

- 1. Residence of Sri. Munegowda
- 2. Residence of Sri. Mohan (1st cross, Munanjappa layout)
- 3. Residence of Sri. Gajendra (Defense official)

Sakamma layout

- 4. Residence of Sri. ShashiKumar.
- 5. Residence of Smt.Munilaksmi.
- 6. Residence of Sri. Ashwath.
- 7. Auto rickshaw of one Sri. Ramji.
- 8. Residence of Sri. Robin.
- 9. Residence of Sri. Ramaswamy.
- 10. Residence of Smt. Jayanti.

Munegowda's Residence.

The committee visited the damaged house of Sri. Munegowda which is located in the same layout of Kaval Byrasandra.

While interacting with Sri. Munegowda present at the time of visit confirmed that he is living there in Kaval Bairasandra area since last 30 to 40 years and further clarified that he being the President of Welfare association of the layout actively involved in social activities of the area. Therefore he said to have been more friendly and familiar with the localities. While interacting with Sri.Munegowda and his family members the following facts were noted.

"On 11th August, 2020 at around 200 Muslim youths gathered in front of my house during my absence. I had gone to the temple which is monitored by us in the vicinity of the area and was busy in the temple activity till 11:30 pm as there was an important pooja activity. It was around 11 pm in the night I received call from my residence stating that there is a big galata going on in the area and coming back home at this time will be dangerous therefore it is advisable to stay back in the temple. I sensed the element of danger to the life and decided to stay back at the temple as per advice of my family".

Sri. Munegowda further stated that around 25 Muslim youth aged between 18 to 25 years had gathered in front of the house with sickles, iron rods and started shouting against us. After few minutes second group of around 50 Muslim youths have joined the mob which was already in front of the house and caused to aggravate the situation and started damaging the 2 cars and motor bikes parked in front of the house and afterwards forcibly started entering the house by breaking the main door. This unruly mob later entered the house and started damaging furniture, T.V, laptop and photos including many more electronic gadgets. All were speaking in Urdu language and were under the influence of ganja, afeem, and whitener. However they have not caused any damage on human life although his family women members were there at the time of incident. The whole incident of this attack happened between 11 to 11:20 pm and the local police arrived at the place around 2.am in the morning. Sri. Munegowda further stated that in the Kavalbyrasandra area Muslims, Hindus and Tamilians are living in a mixed proportion. Surprisingly only selected Hindus houses were attacked and not even single Muslims property was damaged. Therefore it can be considered as the incident is very well pre-planned and meticulously executed.

The committee has visited the other nearby streets where the number of Hindu houses and properties have been damaged due to this attack as listed above.

Attack on Government Machinery

K.G Halli Police Station:

On 11-08-2020, Tuesday night a violent mob has attacked the Kadu Gondana Halli Police station and simultaneously the Devara Jeevana Halli Police Station too. As narrated by the SHO of Kadu Gondana Halli Police station Sri. Raviprasad that, both the Police stations were at receiving end as the attack attempt with the unruly act of arson, stone petting and even to the extent of attacking the uniform staff who were on duty. Some of the police personal present outside the Kadu Gondana Halli Police station were chased by the armed mob and they took shelter nearby, even as they waited for more personal to arrive.

Virtually the clashes between the Muslim mob and Police started around the residence of legislator and spread to the Police station at Kadu Gondana Halli and simultaneously to the Devara Jeevana Halli Police Station. All the people involved in the attack were Muslim youth. When the situation became uncontrollable resulting in injuries to over 80 police men and several journalists and after the Kadu Gondana Halli Police station was burnt down, the police opened fire leading to the death of 3 people.

It was confirmed, during the attack large number of SDPI and PFI activists were involved. SDPI is an Islamic fundamentalist political outfit of PFI.

D.G. Halli Police station:

The Devara Jeevana Halli Police Station attempted to defuse the tension earlier in the late evening/night around 8:30pm with the assistance of the local community members. When one of the teams returned to the Kadu Gondana Halli Police station limits without any information about the accused (Sri. Naveen s/o Pavan Kumar, nephew of Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy) the crowd forcefully entered into the station, vandalized it and even set the Police vehicles on fire. It was informed that around 10:30 pm two

Muslim M.L.A's of the city had arrived at Devara jeevana Halli Police Station to mitigate the situation but by then, violence had reportedly gotten out of control.

Victims of Golibar:

The committee on 18-08-2020 had visited the following victims house and consoled the bereaved family apart from hearing their version.

Yasin Pasha (21 years)

The mother of the deceased Smt.Shameen taj around 65 years widow stated that her son was running a mutton shop and that he came home around 9:00 pm from the work. After food he left home to watch what was happening around and died at spot in the firing. He was a innocent boy, unmarried and not in the habit of involving in any such disturbing events. The residence of this deceased is located within 50 yards from Kadu Gondana Halli Police station.

Wajid Khan (21 years).

The mother present at the house stated her son was a freelance worker in the field of Air Condition Equipment. He came from work around evening and went out to watch the disturbance happening around. The house of the deceased is located within 50 yards from the police station on the main road. She claimed that she was informed by some locals that Wajid Khan was killed in firing and the body was at Lingarajpuarm hospital.

Mr. Sheik Siddiqui (24 years)

The mother Mrs. Shataz present at the house revealed that her son went to see her brother who was not well and did not return home and later it was confirmed that he had died in the Police firing at the Devara Jeevana Halli Police Station limits. The deceased house is located about one km from the Devara Jeevana Halli Police Station.

The families of those killed in the firing claimed that they were simply bystanders and did not take part in violence.

Summary of Estimated Damage:

Public property

2 - police stations - KG Halli PS - partially damaged, DJ Halli severely damaged

Police vehicles / Government vehicles - 36

Approximately 233 vehicles parked in the basement completely gutted

One ATM damaged

Street lights etc.,

36 government vehicles including 2 DCPs vehicles burnt completely

68 vehicles belonging to civilians parked on streets partially damaged (windows broken, glass shattered, severe dents)

Akhanda Srinivas Murthy – house worth 3.25 crores completely gutted

Naveen's house worth – 1.25 crore including belongings

2 bars – worth 1.20 crores completely gutted

ANALYSIS OF THE COMMITTEE BASED ON THE OBSERVATIONS

The salient observations of the committee based on the visits and interactions are as follows:

1. Is it rioting or mob lynching?

After careful analysis of the evidences, the committee is convinced that the incident is more of the nature of lynching than that of rioting. It was deposed by a witness that their houses were specifically targeted. He stated that he was not at home on that day and had gone out for some work. His brother, brother's wife and his pregnant wife were at home. It was almost 10.00 pm and the mob had already started attacking near MLA Akhand Srinvas Murthy's house and P. Naveen Kumar's house. His brother's wife adds that they were afraid when the mob had burnt Dileep Bar and restaurant which is close to their home. It was at that time that they locked the front door and hid in their neighbour's hose which is behind their building. The neighbours added that this house was specifically targeted and a local Muslim showed the rioters this house and asked them to attack the same. The first thing that the rioters did was to destroy the CCTV cameras so as to avoid being captured. They stoned the windows, damaged the door and burnt bullet two wheeler belonging to him. They also burnt a car and another bullet that was owned by his neighbour staying in the first Floor. It is interesting to note that other Hindu houses in the same lane were not attacked, while this house was specifically targeted.

When the committee asked him as why his house was damaged while the others were not, he told us about the incident that occurred on April 5th 2020 when he had requested a Muslim family near his home to light a candle

as a matter of gratitude to Corona Warriors which had led to quarrel resulting in a FIR against him.

The fact that it is mob lynching can be further substantiated by the statements recorded by other victims who in unison stated that they were specifically targeted. It was stated before the committee that after attacking Arun Gowda's house, the mob attacked RajKumar's house. In between the two houses, there were many Muslim houses which were not attacked. The other area that was affected by the mob is 1st Main Road, Muni Nanjappa Garden. There are no Muslims on this road. The mob having guided by a local, indiscriminately stoned all the vehicles that were parked on this road. In second main road, Muni Nanjappa Garden there are many Muslim houses. The mob has not attacked any of them. The mob opened the covers of the vehicles in order to check the Hindu symbols before damaging them by using rods, matches and stones.

2. It is communally motivated

The witness have deposed that all the rioters were Muslims. It can be seen that all the accused named in the FIR belong to Muslim community. Further the mob has attacked only Hindu houses and destroyed vehicles belonging to Hindus. Of the seventy FIRs that were accessed by the committee two FIRs were filed by the Muslims. While the other complaints were lodged by Hindus. The two complaints that were lodged by the Muslims with respect to their two wheelers being torched can be safely inferred to be a collateral damage. In both the complaints, the victims had parked their two wheelers outside the police station since they had to visit the police station for some reason. The two wheelers were also caught fire when the adjacent police

vehicles were torched by the mischievous mob. Therefore, it can be concluded that the Muslim mob has specifically targeted the Hindus.

When the committee visited Mr. P Naveen Kumar's house, the one of the neighbors In here statement to the committee that the mob should shouted communal slogans like Allah-Hu-Akbar. The journalist from Survana News Channel, Mr. Ravi Kumar, (Crime Reporter) who was assaulted specifically deposed that the mob shouted slogans like Islam Zindabad and Paigambar Zindabad while beating him.

3. It is a pre-planned and organized attack

The genesis of the incident can be traced to a alleged comment made by P. Naveen Kumar on Facebook that hurt the religious sentiments of Muslims. A report from a Kannada daily accessed by the committee which quoted father of Naveen Kumar that they were facing trouble since August 5th the day on which celebrations were arranged by Naveen Kumar on the occasion of Sri Rama Janma Bhoomi Shilanyas. Another report by a national daily points towards the conflict between Wajid and the MLA Akhanda Srinivas Murthy. It was reported that the posters stating 'Akhanda Sirnivas Murthy Missing' were publicised in Pulakeshinagar constituency by Wajid from SDPI. Further on August 9th Naveen Kumar has put up two other posts questioning weather ones own God would be considered communal. He has even called his friends two join him to celebrate if there were truly secular. All these incidents when seen together indicate that the tension between the two communities had begun prior to the day of the incident.

All the victims who interacted with the committee has stated that the riots must have been planned atleast 15 days in advance. Arun Gowda stated

that initially the mob had not attacked his house. Later a local person identified his house and got it destroyed.

Prasanna, resident of 1st Main Road Muni Nanjappa Garden stated that he had seen strangers lurking around his road, in a suspicious manner from about a fortnight. He said that though he got suspicious about their behavior and the way they were observing, but did not pay much attention and thought that they had come to buy milk and meat from a nearby shop. He went on state that about 15 Autos belonging to Muslims would be parked everyday in front of HKGN Auto Consultants, situated on Kavalbairsandra Main Road in such a manner that it would create a traffic jam. He adds that the autos would remain there till about 1.00 am at night. Despite many appeals by the locals to park elsewhere, the Muslims never obliged. However, on 11th august 2020, he saw that no auto was standing there even in the evening. He was surprised to see that, however thought that the Muslim Auto Drivers have obliged. It was on that night that all the vehicles were attacked on their street by the unruly Muslim mob.

The statements of Prasanna point at two aspects:

- (a) The event was pre-planned and was waiting to erupt.
- (b) That the local Muslims were aware of the occurance of this incident.

Mr. Munegowda's house was inspected by the Committee on the 16th August 2020. The Committee specifically asked them if they thought that the entire incident was preplanned. Mr. Munegowda's son replied that he has every reason to believe that the incident was pre-planned. He mentioned about a Muslim House about 4-5 buildings away from his house which generally

parked atleast 3 cars on the road and people would always be standing near their house. However, on the day of the incident neither a single car was parked, nor any person was standing near their house. Similar observations were made by Mr. RajKumar who interacted with the Committee near Arun Gowda's house.

Further the police have also unravelled that Muslim mob had decided to carry out the protests during CAA protests, Shrirammandir Shilanyas. However, they were unable to carry out the same on that day. It has also been the opinion of certain people the incident was waiting to explode and that Naveen Kumar's comment is only a catalyst and cannot be attributed to be the sole reason for riots.



It cannot be ignored that MLA Akhand Srinivasa Murthy's house, K G Halli Police Station, D J Halli Police Station, P Naveen Kumar's House and all the roads that would lead to the abovementioned places were blocked simultaneously.

It was stated before the Committee by the MLA and Smt. Jayanti, mother of P Naveen Kumar that the mob stoned their houses first time, entered their house after a small gap of about 15 20 minutes for the second time, looted all the valuables, broke the glasses, destroyed their Pooja rooms and finally came back again for the third time after a small gap and torched the entire building to ashes. All this while another mob prevented the Police vehicle from entering the riot infected area. This kind of execution cannot be made possible without detailed planning and thorough co-ordination.

The Committee visited Devera Jeevanahalli Police Station and K G Halli Police station on 18th August. 2020. During our interactions with the Police Personnel, the Committee was told that the Police believe that the entire incident was pre-planned and well organized. They said that it would be impossible for the Muslims to assemble in thousands of numbers in a span on one hour well prepared with petrol bombs, huge stones and deadly weapons. A Newspaper report also says that all the weapons used were stored in a godown which is situated near the house of MLA Akhand Srinivas Murthy.

ಗಲಭೆಗೆ ಬಳಸಿದ್ದ ಮಾರಕಾ ಗೋದಾಮಿನಿಂದ ಜಪ್ರಿ

ನವೀನ್ ಮನೆ ಬಳಿಯ ಗೋದಾಮು। ಪೊಲೀಸರಿಂದ ಮಹಜರ್

• ಕನ್ನಡಪ್ರಭ ವಾರ್ತೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಕಾವಲ್ ಭೈರಸಂದ್ರದ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗಲಭೆ

ಕಿಡಿಗೇಡಿಗಳು ಪ್ರಕರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಳಸಿದ ಮಾರಕಾಸ್ತಗಳನ್ನು ಗೋದಾಮುವೊಂದರಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಚಾರ ತನಿಖೆ ವೇಳೆ ಬೆಳಕಿಗೆ ಬಂದಿದೆ.

ಆ.11ರಂದು ಕಿಡಿಗೇಡಿಗಳು ಶಾಸಕ ಅಖಂಡ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಅವರ ಬಳಿ ಬಂದು ಗಲಾಟೆ ಮಾಡಿದ ಬಳಿಕ ಇಡೀ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಪೂರ್ವ ನಿಯೋಜಿತದಂತೆ ಮಾರಕಾ ಸ್ತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಹಿಡಿದು ದಾಂಧಲೆ ನಡೆಸಿದ್ದರು. ಕೆಲವರ ಬಂಧನದ ಬಳಿಕ ಆರೋಪಿಗಳು ಮಾರಕಾಸ್ತ್ರವನ್ನು ಕಾವಲ್ ಭೈರಸಂದ್ರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಗೋದಾಮಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಎಸೆದಿರುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಭಾಯ್ದಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದರು. ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ ಆರೋಪಿಗಳನ್ನು ಗೋದಾ ಮನ ಬಳಿ ಕರೆ ತಂದ ಸಿಸಿಬಿ ಪೊಲೀಸರು ಸ್ಥಳವನ್ನು ಮಹಜರ್ ನಡೆಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಗೋದಾಮಿನಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಮಾರಕಾಸ್ತ ಗಳನ್ನು ಆರೋಪಿಗಳೇ ಹುಡುಕಾಡಿ ಪೊಲೀಸರಿಗೆ ಒಪ್ಪಿಸಿದರು ಎಂದು ತನಿಖಾಧಿಕಾರಿಯೊಬ್ಬರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು. ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ನಡೆಸಿದರು. ಇನ್ನು ಇಸ್ಲಾಂ ಧರ್ಮ ಗುರು ಮಹಮ್ಮದ್ ಪೈಗಂಬರ್ ಇನ್ನು ಗಲಭೆ ಪ್ರಕರ

ಶಾಸಕರ ಮನೆ ಹಾಗೂ ನವೀನ್ ಮನೆಗೂ ಕರೆದೊಯ್ದು

ಮತ್ತೊಬ್ಬ ಆರೋಪಿ ಸೆರೆ

ಪುಲಿಕೇಶಿನಗರ ಶಾಸಕ ಅಖಂಡ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸಮೂರ್ತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ನವೀನ್ ಮನೆಗೆ ಬೆಂಕಿ ಹಚ್ಚಿದ್ದ ಪ್ರಕರಣದ ಪ್ರಮುಖ ಆರೋಪಿ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಹಳ್ಳಿಯ ಯೂಸುಫ್ ಎಂಬಾತನನ್ನು ಸಿಸಿಬಿ ಪೊಲೀಸರು ಬಂಧಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಫೇಸ್ಬುಕ್ ಪೋಸ್ಟ್ ವಿಚಾರಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಯೂಸುಘ್, ಕೆಲ ಯುವಕರ ಗುಂಪು ಸೇರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ನವೀನ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಶಾಸಕರ ಮನೆ ಬಳಿ ಹೋಗಿದ್ದ. ಮನೆಗೆ ಹಚ್ಚಿ ಜಾತಿ ನಿಂದನೆ ಸಹ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದ. ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧ ನವೀನ್ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಕರೇ ದೂರು ನೀಡಿದ್ದರು. ತಲೆಮರೆಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದ ಯೂಸುಘ ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ ಬಂಧಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಪೊಲೀಸರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಇನ್ನು ಗಲಭೆ ಪ್ರಕರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ಸದಸ್ಯ ಜಾಕೀರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅವಹೇಳನಕಾರಿ ಫೋಸ್ಟ್ ಹಾಕಿ ದಾಂಧಲೆಗೆ ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗೊಂದಲ ಇದೆ. ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಕಾರಣವಾಗಿರುವ ಆರೋಪಕ್ಕೆ ಗುರಿಯಾಗಿರುವ ನವೀನ್ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಕೆಲವೊಂದು ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ಶಾಸಕ ಅಖಂಡ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಮೂರ್ತಿ ಮನೆ ಸೂಕ್ಷ್ಮವಾಗಿ ತನಿಖೆ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಜಾಕಿರ್ ಅವರ ಬಳಿಯೇ ಈ ಗೋದಾಮು ಇದೆ. ಗೋದಾಮು ಬಳಿ ಮೊಬೈಲನ್ನು ವಶಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಮಹಜರ್ ನಡೆಸಿದ ಬಳಿಕ ಆರೋಪಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪೊಲೀಸರು ಜಾಕಿರ್ ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ಕರೆಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ನಡೆದಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಪೊಲೀಸೆರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.

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The Committee inspected the stones that were thrown at the vehicles. A bare perusal at the size of the stones perse is sufficient for the Committee to believe that this targeted riot was pre-planned.

Further, a news channel has accessed a video that shows money being distributed to the rioters. Unless the entire incident has been orchestrated at the behest of some anti-social element, question of distribution of money would not arise.





4. Popular Front of India and SDPI are involved in inciting the incident:

The Committee accessed all 72 FIRs that have been registered by DJ Halli and KG Halli Police Stations. The main accused in the FIRs are:

- a. Abbas (A1 in FIR no.229/2020, KG Halli Police Station)
- b. Fairoz (A2 in FIR no.229/2020, KG Halli Police Station)
- c. Muzamil (A3 in FIR no.229/2020, KG Halli Police Station and A2 in FIR no. 0195/2020 in DJ Halli Police Station)
- d. Habeeb (A4 in FIR no.229/2020, KG Halli Police Station)
- e. Peer Pasha (A5 in FIR no.229/2020, KG Halli Police Station)
- f. Ziya (A6 in FIR no.229/2020, KG Halli Police Station)
- g. Afnan (A1 in FIR no. 0195/2020 in DJ Halli Police Station)
- h. Syed Masood (A3 in FIR no. 0195/2020 in DJ Halli Police Station)
- i. Ayaz (A4 in FIR no. 0195/2020 in DJ Halli Police Station)
- j. Allabaksh (A5 in FIR no. 0195/2020 in DJ Halli Police Station)

In the above mentioned names of the accused, the Committee has accessed reports that Abbas, Fairoz, Muzammil, Habeeb and Syed Masood belong to SDPI. Muzammil Pasha was the SDPI candidate contesting the BBMP elections in the year 2017. It is to be noted that the FIR no. 0229/2020 of KG Halli Police Station mentions as under:

"..... After this, the person who was injured by the bullet was taken to the hospital. The People who incited the illegal assembly are Govindapura SDPI members Abbas, Fairoz, Muzhamil, Habeeb, Peer Pasha, Ziya, Kaleem, Karchief Sadiq, Javeed, Majju, Sadiq, Asif from Vinoba Nagar, Syed from Govind Pura, Farhan, Masood, Saif and others. Hence a Suomotu Complaint has been filed against them for necessary action."



ವಿಜಯವಾಣಿ ಸುದ್ದಿಜಾಲ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದೇವರಜೀವನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕಾವಲು ಭೈರಸಂದ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆದ ಗಲಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಎಸ್ಡ್ ಡಿಪಿಐ ಶಾತ್ರ ಇರುವುದು ಸಿಸಿಐ ತನಿಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ದೃಢವಾಗಿದೆ. ಶಾಸಕರ ಸಂಪಂದ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಯ ವಿವಾದಾತ್ಮಕ ಫೋಸ್ಟ್ ಅನ್ನು ಜಾಲತಾಣಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹರಿಬಿಟ್ಟು ಗಲಭೆ ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಸಿದ 10 ಮಂದಿ ಪಮುಖ ಆರೋಪಿಗಳು ಸೆರೆಸಿಸ್ಟಿದಾರೆ.

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ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಎಸ್ಡ್ ಡಿಪಿಪ ಘಟಕದ ಮುಖಂಡ ಪೈರೋಜ್ ಪಾಷಾ ಮಂಗಳವಾರ (ಅ.11) ನಂಜೆ ಫೇಸ್ಬ್ ಬುಕ್ನಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ವಿವಾದಾತ್ಮಕ ಪೋಸ್ಟ್ ನಿಸ್ಟೀನ್ ಶಾಟ್ ತೆಗೆದು ವ್ಯಾಟ್ಸ್ ಆ್ಯಪ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ವೈರಲ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದ. ಬಳಿಕ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಘಟಕದ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಮುಜಾಮಿಲ್ ಪಾಷಾ, ನಮ್ಮ ಧರ್ಮಗುರು ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅವಹೇಳನ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದನ್ನು ಖಂಡಿಸಿ ಶಾಸಕರು ಹಾಗೂ ನವೀನ್ ಮನೆ ಮುಂದೆ ಪ್ರತಿಭಟನೆ ನಡೆಸಲು ಬರುವಂತೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕರ್ತರನ್ನು ಪ್ರಚೋದಿಸಿದ್ದ. ಅದೇ ವೇಳೆ ಡಿ.ಜೆ. ಹಳ್ಳಿಯ ಅಫ್ಯಾನ್, ಸೈಯದ್ ಮಸೂದ್, ಅಯಾಜ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಅಲ್ಲಾಬಕ್ಟ್ ಸೇರಿ ಪ್ರಮುಖರ ಜತೆ ಮಾತುಕತೆ ನಡೆಸಿದ ಫೈರೋಜ್

ಗಲಭೆಗೆ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಿತ ಸಂಚು

ಮುಜಾಮಿಲ್ ಪಾಷಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಆಪ್ಯಾನ್ ಆಪ್ಷನಾಗಿದ್ದ ಫೈರೋಜ್ ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗಲಭೆ ಎಬ್ಬಿಸುವ ಹೊಣೆ ಹೊತ್ತಿದ್ದ ಎನ್ನಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಗಲಭೆ ಹೇಗೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು, ಅಂಗಡಿ ಬಂದ್ ಮಾಡುವುದು, ಯಾರು ಯಾವ ಜಾಗದಲ್ಲಿರಬೇಕು ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಯುವಕರಿಗೆ ಸೂಚಿಸಿ ಕರೆತಂದಿದ್ದ ಎಂಬುದು ಫೊಲೀಸರ ತನಿಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಯಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಮತ್ತು ಮುಜಾಮಿಲ್, ಜನರನ್ನು ಒಟ್ಟುಗೂಡಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಸಂಜೆ 6.30ಕ್ಕೆ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಠಾಣೆಗೆ ತೆರಳಿದ ಮುಜಾಮಿಲ್, ಅಯಾಜ್ ನೇತೃತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ದೂರು ದಾಖಲಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ದೂರು ಸ್ಪೀಕರಿಸಿದ ಠಾಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಕೇಶವರ್ಮಾಕಿ, ಆರೋಪಿಯನ್ನು ಬಂಧಿಸಲು 2 ಗಂಟೆ ಕಾಲಾವಕಾಶ ಬೇಕು ಎಂದಿದ್ದರು. ಆರೋಪಿಯನ್ನು ವಶಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದು ಠಾಣೆಗೆ ಕರೆ ತಂದಾಗ ಮುಜಾಮಿಲ್ ನೇತೃತ್ವದ ತಂಡ ಏಕಾಏಕಿ ಠಾಣೆಗೆ ನುಗ್ಗಿ ದಾಂದಲೆ ಆರಂಭಿಸಿದೆ.

ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ಜೈಲಿಗೆ ತಿಫ್ಟ್: ಬಂಧಿತ ಗಲಭೆಕೋರರನ್ನು ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ಜೈಲಿಗೆ ರವಾನಿಸಲು ಕಾರಾಗೃಹ ಡಿಜಿಪಿಗೆ ಸಿಸಿಬಿ ಪತ್ರ ಬರೆದು ಅನುಮತಿ ಕೋರಿದೆ. ಬಂಧಿತ 145 ಆರೋಪಿಗಳ ಪೈಕಿ 15 ಮಂದಿ ಪ್ರಮುಖರನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ತನಿಖೆಗಾಗಿ ಸಿಸಿಬಿ ತನ್ನ ವಶಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದಿದೆ. ಮೂವರಲ್ಲಿ ಕರೊನಾ ಸೋಂಕು ದೃಢಪಟ್ಟಿದ್ದು, ಕೋವಿಡ್ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ದಾಖಲಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಇತರ 127 ಗಲಭೆಕೋರರನ್ನು ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ಜೈಲಿಗೆ ಸ್ಥಳಾಂತರಿಸಲು

ಟ್ರಪ್ಪ ಆರ್ಮಿ ವಾಟ್ಸ್ ಆ್ಯಪ್ ಗ್ರೂಪ್ ಫೈರೋಜ್ ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಭಾವನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡು ಮುಕ್ಲಿಂ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಯುವಕರನ್ನು ನೆಳೆದು ಗುಂಪು ಕಟ್ಟಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದ. ವಿದ್ಯಾಭ್ಯಾಸ ಅರ್ಧಕ್ಕೆ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಸಣ್ಣಪುಟ್ಟ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಜೀವನ ಸಾಗಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದ. ಪ್ರತಿಭಟನೆ, ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಸಭೆ ಸಮಾರಂಭಗಳಿಗೆ ಯುವಕರನ್ನು ಕರೆದೊಯ್ಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದ. ಕೃತ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ 'ಟಿಪ್ಪು ಅರ್ಮಿ' ಎಂಬ ವಾಟ್ಸ್ ಆ್ಯಪ್ ಗ್ರೂಪ್ ರಚಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದು, ಧರ್ಮಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಭಾಷಣ ಹಾಗೂ ಯುವಕರನ್ನು ಪ್ರಚೋದಿಸುವ ಪೋಸ್ಟ್ ಹಾಕುತ್ತಿದ್ದ.

ಸಿದ್ದತೆ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಸಿಸಿಬಿ ಪೊಲೀಸರು ಗುರುವಾರ ಮತ್ತೆ 50ಕ್ಕೂ ಅಧಿಕ ಮಂದಿಯನ್ನು ವಶಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದು ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

10 ಎಫ್ಐಆರ್, 300 ಆರೋಪಿಗಳು: ಡಿ.ಜಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಠಾಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಗಲಭೆ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಒಟ್ಟು 10 ಎಫ್ಐಆರ್ ದಾಖಲಾಗಿವೆ. ಮತ್ತಷ್ಟು ಎಫ್ಐಆರ್ ದಾಖಲಾಗಲಿವೆ ಎಂದು ಪೂರ್ವ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಹೆಚ್ಚುವರಿ ಆಯುಕ್ತ ಎಸ್.ಮುರುಗನ್ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಗಲಾಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆಸ್ಪಿ ಪಾಸ್ತಿ ಕಳೆದುಕೊಂಡವರು ದೂರು ನೀಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆಸ್ಪಿಪಾಸ್ತಿ ನಷ್ಟದ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ನಡೆದಿದ್ದು, ಅಗ್ನಿಗೆ ಆಹುತಿಯಾದ 60 ವಾಹನಗಳ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿದೆ. ಡಿ.ಜಿ.ಪಳ್ಳ ಠಾಣೆ ಮೇಲೆ ದಾಳಿ ಸಂಬಂಧ ದಾಖಲಾಗಿರುವ ಎಫ್ಐಆರ್ನನ್ಲಿ ಅಫ್ಟಾನ್, ಮುಜಾಮಿಲ್ ಪಾಷಾ, ಸೈಯದ್ ಮನೂದ್, ಅಲ್ಲಾಬಕ್ಟ್ ಹೆಸರು ಉಲ್ಲೇಖವಾಗಿದೆ. ಇನ್ನುಳಿದ ಎಫ್ಐಆರ್ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪರಿಚಿತ 200-300 ಆರೋಪಿಗಳು ಎಂದು ನಮೂದಾಗಿದೆ.

(16th August 2020, Vijayavani Kannada Daily)

Further the following newspaper reports were examined by the Committee to infer that SDPI and PFI are involved in carrying out such riots. The Interactions of the Committee the Police also indicates the fact that the riots have been carried out by SDPI. It can be seen that the DCP involved in the Rudresh Murder investigation has said that Samiuddin, a member of PFI is likely to be involved in this incident. A newspaper report also specifically states that meetings held in SDPI office for the purposes of planning this riot. Further, the report also states that certain weapons were in SDPI office.



(17th August 2020, Vijayavani Kannada Daily)

5. Local Muslims are also involved in executing the riots:

The statements of Munegowda, Arungowda, RajKumar and Saravanan confirm that local Muslims were involved in executing the planned and targeted riot. As mentioned in the earlier pages of the report, Arun Gowda deposed that his house was not affected until a local Muslim showed the house and directed the mob to damage his house and torch his vehicles. Further, Rajkumar also confirmed that there were two kinds of people in the crowd, one group which was intoxicated with drugs and alcohol which consisted of outsiders and another group was the sober group which was guiding the first Group. In fact, Saravanan whose car and two wheeler was burnt volunteered that he knew the miscreant and is ready to identify him.

As mentioned earlier, the fact that Muslim vehicles which were generally parked in the area were missing on that particular day. The local Muslims who were generally active were missing on that day. Munegowda and Arungowda have said that their Muslim neighbors came to console them after the incident. It is interesting to note that Smt. Kala, sister-in-law of P. Naveen Kumar also said that neighbors had come to console them after the incident. However when specifically questioned if she knew any of the miscreants she said that she did not know them. When asked if the neighbors who had come to console them could identify the miscreants she said "It looks like they know the miscreants. But nobody is opening their mouths."

Out of the 72 FIRs that were accessed by the Committee, about 120 people have been specifically accused in the FIRs. It is interesting to note that all of them are Bangaloreans and most likely to be residents of KG Halli and DJ Halli. Therefore, the Committee is of the opinion that idea of people being

brought from elsewhere to Bangalore riots was deliberately plants to delay investigation and shelter the miscreants.

It is cannot be ignored that the three deceased in the incident as a result of Police shooting are residents of the same area and live within one km from the Police station. It is pertinent to mention that the committee visited the homes of the deceased and recorded statements of families of the deceased. All their statements commonly claimed that their children were not involved in the riots and had been out during those late hours for some personal works. In one case, Zameen Taj stated that her son after returning from his mutton shop had dinner and heard some commotion. Hence he had gone to see as to what was happening and only later at night she got the news that her child had succumbed to police bullet. In another instance, the family claims that he is an innocent and that he was returning in from his work when he was shot by the police. In the third case, the family has claimed that after her son returned from work, he had dinner and left by about 10.30 – 11.00 pm at night to visit his brother who does not keep a good health.

The Committee, having heard all their statement made an enquiry as to where the shooting actually took place. The police submitted that they had shot the bullets from within the building and compound of the Police station and no shooting took place outside the Police station and that all the deceased have been hit by the bullets in front of the police station. It has been stated by the deceased's families that there were thousands of people on the streets on that particular day. In view of the fact the shooting took place within the compound of the police station coupled with the fact that there were thousands of people on the streets that day, the committee is of the opinion

that the deceased must have been a part of rioters. Therefore, the Committee has inferred that local Muslims were a part of executing this pre-planned riot.

6. Riot against the State?

The passing of the Citizenship Amendment Act, abrogation of Article 370, abolition of Triple Talaq, Ram Janma Bhoomi judgment and finally the Ram Mandir Shilanyas has shaken the fundamentalists among the Muslim Community. It cannot be ignored by the Committee that the Bangalore equivalent of Shaheen Bagh, Delhi i.e Bilal Bagh is very close to the place of riots. A police personnel told the Committee that minor clashes have been a routine in their Police Stations. However, the issues would get settled by intervention of the leaders of both communities.

The Fundamentalists in the Muslim Community have been misusing the innocent youth by using them for their personal gains and vested interests. This pattern of attacking the State Machinery and State property is a common pattern followed by the fundamentalist Muslims throughout the nation. Bengaluru had drawn nation's attention upon itself when Muslims in Padarayanapura, Bengaluru attacked Asha workers who were looking out for people with Corona symptoms. State Machinery was under attack in the recent Delhi riots also.

The complaint filed by the Police personnel who were attacked clearly states that around 200 -300 people armed with machetes, rods and other weapons stoned the Police station with the sole intention to cause injury to police and to damage the police station attacked the Police. They shouted slogans 'Kill the Police; Don't leave the Police" etc. while attacking the Police Station.

Further, the Committee have also gone through newspaper reports regarding terror links to Bangalore Riots. The report of the intelligence agencies about 200 ISIS terrorists hiding in Karnataka and Kerala, and reading the links between the Al-Hind Terrorist Organisation and PFI, forces the Committee to submit that there could be a terrorist angle to this entire incident. It has also been reported in the Kannada Newspapers that Satellite phones were found to be activated around the same time.

ಬೆಂಗ್ಯೂರು ಗಲಭೆಗೆ ಟೆರರ್ ಲಿಂಕ್!

ಆಲ್ ಹಿಂದ್ ಸಂಘಟನೆ ನಂಟು ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದ ಸಮಿಯುದ್ದೀನ್ ಬಂಧನ । ಐಸಿಸ್ ಗೆ ಬೆಂಬಲ ನೀಡಿತ್ತು ಈ ಅಲ್ಹಿಂದ್ ಗಲಭೆ ಸಂಚುಕೋರನ ಜತೆ ಸಮಿಯುದ್ದೀನ್ ನಂಟು । ಆರೆಸ್ಸೆಸ್ ನ ರುದ್ರೇಶ್ ಕೊಲೆ ಆರೋಪಿಗಳ ಜತೆಗೂ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ

ಕನ್ನಡಪ್ರಭ ವಾರ್ತಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರದ ಡಿ.ಜಿ.ಪ್ ಮತ್ತು ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಪ್ನ ಗಲಭೆ ಪ್ರಕರಣಕ್ಕೆ ನಂಬುಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ನಿಷೇಧಿತ 'ಆರ್' ಹಿಂದರ್ 'ಭರೋತ್ಪಾದನೆ ಸಂಘಟನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ನಂಬು ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದ ಎನ್ನ ಅವರ ಆರೋಪಿ ಸೇರಿ ಇಬ್ಬರನ್ನು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪೊಲೀಸರು ಬಂಧಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ.
ನಿಷೇಧಿತ ಸಘಟನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಪ್ಪಲಾದ ಸಮೀಯಾಗಿತ್ ಪೂರ್ಲಿಕಿಸಿಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

(37) ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಲಿಕೇಶಿನಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

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(37) ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಲಿಕೇಶಿನಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

(38) ಹಾರ್ಟಿಕಿಸಿಕೆ ಸಂಶ್ರವಿಕೆಗಳ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

(38) ಹಾರ್ಟಿಕಿಸಿಕೆಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

(39) ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಲಿಕೇಶಿನಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

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(38) ಹಿನಾ ಪ್ರಲಿಕೇಶಿನಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ

ನಿಷೇಧಿತ ಸಂಘಟನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದಾನೆ ಎನ್ನಲಾದ ಸಮಯುದ್ಧೀನ್ (37) ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಲೀಕಿಸಿನಗರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಜೆಡಿಎಸ್ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ವಾಜೀದ್ ಬಂಧಿತರು. ಸಮಯುದ್ಧೀನ್ ನಮ್ಮ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಆಪರಾಧವಿಭಾಗದ (ಸಿಸಿಬಿ) ಭರೋತ್ಪಾದನಾ ನಿಗ್ರಹ ದಳ ಪೂಲೀಸರು ತೀವ್ರ ವಿಚಾರಣೆಗೆ ಬಳಪಡಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ತ್ರಮಾಣವಣ್ಣ ಅರ್-ಂಬಾ ಮ ಸಂಘಟನೆಯ ಮತ್ತೊಂದು ರೂಪಾಸಗೆ ಎರಡು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಹಿಂಭಟನೆಯನ್ನು ವರ ದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ವಾಟಿಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಪ್ರತೀಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಈ ಭರೋತಾದನಾ ಸಂಘಟನೆ ಅರ್ಭ ಪ್ರಭ ಭರೋತಾದನಾ ಸಂಘಟನೆ ಅರ್ಭ ಈ ಸಂಘಟನೆಯ ತನಿಖೆ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಎರಡು (ಇನ್ನಾಮಿಕ್ ಸ್ಟೇಟ್) ಪಾಗತಿಕ ಭರೋತಾದನಾ ರಹಸಂಘಟನೆಗಳ ಅರ್-ಹಿಂದ್ ಭರ್ಯತಾದಕ ಸಂಘಟನೆಗಳ ಅರ್-ಹಿಂದ್ ಭರೋತಾದಕ ಸಂಘಟನೆಗಳ ಅರ್-ಹಿಂದ್ ಭರೋತಾದಕ ಸಂಘಟನೆಗಳ ಅರ್-ಹಿಂದ್

ಈ ಹಿನ್ನೆಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪೊಲೀಸರು ಮತ್ತಷ್ಟು ಆಳವಾಗಿ ತನಿಖೆ ಆರಂಭಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಗಲಭೆಗೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯಅಥವಾ ಅಂತಾರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಮಟ್ಟದ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಇರಬಹುದೇ ಎಂಬುದರ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ನಡೆಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎನ್ನಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಸಮಿಯುದೇಕ್ ಪಾತ್ರಪೇಕು?: ಶಾಸಕ

ಹುಯುರ್ಧಣ್ ಹತ್ಯಾಕರ್ಣ? ಜಾನ್ ಅಖಂಡ ಶ್ರೀವಾಸ್ ಮಾರ್ತಿ ಅವರ ಸೋದರ ಸಂಬಂಧಿ, ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಹಾಲವಾಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಅವಹೇಳನಕಾರಿ ಪೋಫ್ ಮಾದದ್ದ ಎಂಬದನ್ನೇ ನೆಪವಾಗಿಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡು ಕೊಡೀಸ್, ಶಾಸಕರ ವಾಸ್ಯಾ ಡಿ.ಜಿ.ಪ್ರ್ಯ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆ, ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಹಾಗ್ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ವಾಹನಗಳಿಗೆ ಬೆಂಕಿ ಹಚ್ಚಿ ಗೀಲಭೆ ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಗಲಭೆಯ ಪ್ರಮುಖ ಸಂಭಾಕೋರಬಂಧಿತ ಎಸ್ ಡಿಜಿಜಾರೆಬಳುವು ಸಾರ್ವಜನೆ ಸಮಿಯುದ್ದೀನ್ ನಿರಂತರವಾಗಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ:



ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಹಳ್ಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಕಿಡಿಗೇಡಿಗಳು ನಡೆಸಿದ ಗಲಭೆ ವೇಳೆ ಸುಟ್ಟುಕರಕಲಾದ ಬಸ್*ಗಳು.

ಗಲಭೆಕೋರರ ಮೇಲೆ ಟೆರರ್ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ ಅಸ್ತ್ರ ಉಗ್ರರಮೇಲೆ ಹಾಕುವ ಯುಎಪಿಎಕಾಯ್ಡೆ ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೊದಲಸಲ ಹೊಂಬಿಕೇಸಿಗೆ ಬಳಕ

• ಕನ್ನಡಪ್ರಭ ವಾರ್ತ್ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರದ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಪ್ಕ್-ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಪಕ್ಕ್ ಗಲಭ ಪ್ರಕರಣಮ್ಮ ಆಶ್ವಂತ ಗಂಭೀರವಾಗಿ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಿದ ಪ್ರಲೀಸರು, ಇದೀಗ ದೆಹಲಿ ಮಾದರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗಲಭಕೋರರ ಮರುದ್ದ ಭರೋತ್ಪಾರಕ ಸಂಘಟನೆಗಳ ಮೇಲೆ ವಿಧಿಸುವಂತಹ ಕಾನೂನುಬಾಹಿರ ಚುಟಾಮಣೆಗಳ ತಡೆಕಾಯ್ದೆ (ಯುಎಪಿಎ) ಆಸ್ತ ಬಳಸಿದಾಗಿ

ಸೋಮವಾರ ಪ್ರಕರಣ ದಾಖಲಿಸಿದ ಇದೇ ಮೊದಲ ಬಾರಿಗೆ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ದೊಂಬಿ ಕೃತ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಯುಎಪಿಎ ಕಾಂ ಪ್ರಯೋಗವಾಗಿದೆ. ಇದರಿಂದಾಗಿ ನಾಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೋಮು ದೈಷ ಪರಂಭವ ಹಾಗೂ ಗಲಭೆ ಸೃತ್ಯ ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ ಇವುತರ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ಥಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ತೊಡಗಿರುವ ಆರೋಪ ಎದುರಿಸುತ್ತಿರುವ ಎಸ್ಡಡಿಸಿತು ಸಂಘಟನೆ ನಿಷೇಧಕ್ಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ಬಲ ಬಂದಂತಾಗಿದೆ. ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಪ್ರ್ಯೌಕ್ಟ್ ಚಿಪ್ಪು ಬಲ ಬಂದಂತಾಗಿದೆ. ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಪ್ರ್ಯೌಕ್ಟ್ ಚಿಪ್ಪು ಸ್ಥಾಲಿಸುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ನಿವಾಸ ಕಾಡೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ನಿವಾಸ ಕಾಡೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ

ದುಷ್ಕರ್ಮಿಗಳಿಂದಲೇ ಆಸ್ತಿ ನಷ್ಟ ವಸೂಲಿ

ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಚಾಲನೆ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಡಿ ಜೆ ಹಳ್ಳ ಕೆ.ಜಿಮ್ಯಾಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ನಡೆದ ಗಲಭೆ ವೇಳೆ ಆದ ಆಸ್ತಿ ನಷ್ಟವನ್ನು ಗಲಭೆಕೋರರಿಂದಲೇ ವಸೂಲಿ ಮಾಡುವ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಕ್ಷೇಮ್ ಕಬುಹಾರರ ನೇಮಿಸುವಂತೆ ಹೈಕೋರ್ಟ್ ಗೆ ಮನವಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ರಾಜ್ಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಮುಂದಾಗಿದೆ. ಇತ್ತೀಚಿನ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಗಲಭೆ ಕುರಿತು ತಮ್ಮ ನಿವಾಸಕಾವನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೋಮವಾರ ಗೃಹ ಸಚಿವರು, ಅಡ್ಡೋಕೇಟ್ ಜನರಲ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಓರಿಯ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ ಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿ ಯಡಿಯೂರವು ನಡೆಸಿದ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ತೀರ್ಮಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಬರಲಾಗಿದೆ. ೫ 8

ಗಲಭೆ ರಾತ್ರಿ ಎರಡು ತಾಸಲ್ಲಿ 40000 ಫೋನ್ ಕಾಲ್!

ಡಿಜೆ ಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕೆಜೆ ಹಳ್ಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪೋನ್ ಕರೆಗಳ ಕಾರುಬಾರು ಕನಡಪ್ರಭ ವಾರ್ತೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

ಇಲ್ಲಿನ ಕಾವರ್ ವೈರ್ಯದ್ಯದ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಪ್ಯ್ ಮತ್ತು ಕೆ.ಜೆ.ಪ್ಯ ಠಾಣಾ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗಲಭೆ ನಡೆದ ದಿನ ಕೇವಲ : ತಾಸಿನ ಆವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಡಿ.ಜೆ.ಪ್ಯ್, ಕೆ.ಜಿ.ಪ್ಯ್, ಮತ್ತು ಕಾವರ್ ಬೈರ್ಯದ್ಯದಿಂದ ಸುಮಾರು 40 ಸಾವರ ಆರೆ ಭಾರು ಕ್ಯಾಪ್ ಫ್ರಕ್ ಮತ್ತು ಹೊರ ಹೋಗಿದೆ. ಗಲಭೆ ನಡೆದ ಆ.11ರೆಂದು ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಿ ಎರಡು ತಾಸು ಇಷ್ಟು ಕರ್ನಗಳು ಹೊರ ಹೋಗಿರುವುದು ಪ್ರಾಹ್ಮಿಕರ್ ಬೇಗಳು ಹೊರ ಹೋಗಿರುವುದು ಪ್ರಿಯಾನ ತಾಸು ತೆರ್ಕೆ ಬೇಗಳು ದೊರದೆ. ್ನಿ 8

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಲ್ಲಿ ಶಂಕಿತ ಐಸಿಸ್ ಉಗ್ರ ವಶಕ್ಕೆ

ಲೆಂಗಳೂರು ಜನಿಸ್ ಸಂಘಟನೆ ನಂಟು ಶಂಕೆ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಯೇಬ್ರನನ್ನು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ತನಿಮಾ ನಿನ್ನಗಳು ಸೋಮವಾರ ವಶಕ್ತ ಪಡೆದಿವೆ ಎಂದು ತೀರೆದು ಬಂದಿದೆ. ಕೊರೋದರ್ ಸಂಘಟನೆ ಇದ್ದಿನಿವೆ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಕೊರ್ನು ಮಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾಶಕ್ಕೆ ಸಕ್ಷೆ ಪ್ರಮಾಸ್ ಸಕ್ಷಿಸಿ ಸೇವರ್ ಸನೆಸಿಸಿತ್ತು. ಈ ಸಂಘಟನೆ ನಂಟು ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದ ವೃತ್ತಿಯಾರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಿಚಿತ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆ ಹಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಮಿಚಿತ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆ ಹಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆ ಹಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಎರಡುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಿಚಿತ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆ ಹಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಮಿಚಿತ ಪಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಮಿಚಿತ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆ ಹಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಮಿಚಿತ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆ ಹಾಕರು ಎನ್ಎಮ್ಮ ಮಿಚಿತ್ರ ಮಾಡಿತಿ ಕಲೆಯಾಗಿಯನ್ನು ಬಂಧಿಸಿದೆ. ವಿನರ್ಮ 2

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It is submitted that Fairoz Pasha had visited the Police Station to lodge a complaint against P. Naveen Kumar for his comment against Prophet Mohammad. After having lodged a complaint, a law abiding citizen would have

allowed the law to take its own course. However, when the committee questioned as to why they had come to the Police station in the first place, a policeman answered that they wanted the Police to hand over P. Naveen Kumar to them so that they could kill him. In other words they intended to use the state machinery to accomplish their vested illegal motives. This statement of the Police could be corroborated with the statement given by P. Naveen Kumar's mother. They asked her to hand over P.Naveen Kumar to them so that they could slit his throat. All these actions of the mob and its leaders clearly indicate that they have least respect for law and that they have no intention to follow the procedure established by law.

This intention of the mob was again corroborated by the Police personnel of K.G.Halli. When questioned as to why the mob attacked KG Halli Police station when their issue was constrained to D J Halli Police station, the police clearly stated that they came to K G Halli station thinking that P. Naveen Kumar was kept in this Station and wanted to kill him and anybody who would come in their way of killing him.

It was planned in such a manner that all the roads that would lead to the Police station were blocked by the rioters so as to ensure that the state machinery would fail to take any action. The same strategy was followed as mentioned in the earlier paragraphs during their simultaneous attack on MLA Akhand Srinivas Murthy's house and P Naveen Kumar's House. The roads leading to their homes were blocked and hence neither the fire engines nor the Police force could reach in time to mitigate the damage. All these provide prima facie evidence to show that the entire incident can be construed to be

a 'riot against the state'. Therefore, the Committee has inferred that the entire incident can be considered as 'riot against state'.

7. Land Jihad?

Fear mongering amongst the majority community has always been the strategy used by Fundamentalist Muslims. The committee has observed similar patterns in the riots perpetrated in KG Halli and D J Halli. It was surprising to note that though there were many houses adjacent to both the Police stations, they have not been attacked. Though the rioter had issues only with P Naveen Kumar and MLA Akhand Srinivassmurthy, Many other Hindu Houses have been attacked in Kavalbairsandra.

The Committee then proceeded to study the antecedents of the homes that have been attacked in Kavalbairsandra. It could be notice that all the houses that have been looted and attacked belong to prominent people within that locality. All houses including the house of an ex-serviceman and that of a civil defense personnel in a particular road that did not have a single Muslim house have been attacked. A lady living in 2nd Floor has been stoned when her son shouted that the rioters not to damage his vehicle. The lady has suffered a cut on her head and has developed neurological problems. Further, it is interesting to note that the rioters have shouted "Andar jao, varna marenge", translating to "Get inside, else we will hit you" before pelting stones at vehicles and windows. Moreover, there are other roads in the same area which have Muslims and Hindus staying. Such roads have not been affected as much as this all Hindu Road.

The fact that other roads have not been attacked have been stated by the residents who recorded their statements before the Committee. It has already been mentioned in the report that the intention of the Mob was not to injure the lives of the residents fatally but to only create terror in their minds. To understand the mindset of the rioters, the committee tried to understand the demographic details through the locals of the three areas, Kavalbyrsandra, K G Halli and D J Halli. It can be seen that K G Halli and D J Halli have Muslim Majority while Kavalbyrsandra has a Hindu majority. The strategy used in Padarayanapura during the 1980s and 1990s cannot be forgotten.

The fear factor in the minds of the Hindus will coerce them to give away their homes at throw away prices and settle in another peaceful area. The property value in such area decreases and affects the Hindus economically. The Houses are purchased by other Muslims thereby changing the demography of the Kavalbairsandra in the near future.

Therefore, the Committee is of the opinion that the primary intention of the rioters has been to indulge in land jihad, scare the Hindus from the area and spread their majoritarian status to the adjacent areas. The status of Kashmiri Pandits and Hindus of Padarayanapura must not be forgotten

Padarayanapura in Bengaluru is not any different. Here is the case of Padarayanapura, which has seen a huge demographic change over past few decades. There is a huge difference in the demography prior to 1980s and today. And, the result of this development does not seem to be encouraging from law and order point of view. Also, this has made the life of religious minorities in that locality miserable. The area is known as 'Padarayanapura' because there was Pada (feet) of Lord Hanuman in the area. Even today, the small temple where the feet of Lord Hanuman was worshipped, almost

abandoned lies there as a proof of migration of devotee Hindus to other areas, due to gradual increase of Muslim population in the locality. Off late, the area is known as Arafat Nagar, Tippu Nagar, Mehaboob Nagar. The name 'Padarayanapura' is remained only in Government documents. The BBMP ward still has this name.

During 1980-90, the percentage of Hindus in this locality was around 50 - 60%. People from Vokkaliga, Devanga, SC communities used to live here. Politicians like Vatal Nagaraj, G Narayana from Kannada Chaluvali used to contest from Binny Pete constituency that consists of Padarayanapura ward. In 1978, P I D Salappa, who was known for his work for uplifting of Pourakarmikas had won from the same constituency. During 1994, when Bengaluru Doordarshan started Urdu news, there was a huge protest across the state opposing it. This has lead to riots in many Muslim majority areas. 14 Hindus were murdered in this locality alone. Many Hindu houses were stoned and set on fire. When Police took strict action against rioters and arrested them, 3000 people had protested in front of the Police station demanding the release of the culprits! In 2004, when Congress party workers went for election campaigning, two groups said to be lead by Altaf and Arif attacked them with weapons and kill two people. Recently, when health workers and Police went to this area to seal this area to avoid spread of COVI-19 cases to other areas, they were attacked by the local Muslims. Again, riots erupted and public properties were destroyed and many people wounded. It is reported that, criminals from many other places come here and take shelter without any fear. Even Police think twice before entering this area is what we understand. Even activities of religious extremists is going on in this locality uncontrolled.

Thus, what was once a peaceful area, has become a home for criminals and religious extremists today. Illegal activities have become a common feature of this area. After bad experience of riots in 1994 (due to Urdu news in DD), Hindus gradually started selling their properties and relocated to other areas. It was said that the religious leaders in mosques encouraged the locals to buy the properties as much as possible and committed that the registration expenses would be born by the mosque. Today, population of Hindus has come down to less than 5 - 10% in this area just within 20 years! Those who are living there are also living in fear and facing troubles like eve teasing, cow slaughtering in streets, restrictions to celebrate festivals publicly. The area that had more than 1,200 handlooms is left with only five or six of them now. The houses that MLA Salappa had constructed for Pourakarmikas are sold to Muslims long back. Including 14 big mosques, there are 52 mosques today in this small area! 10 Indonesians, 9 Kazaks and many from Tablighi Jamat who were hiding in one of these mosques were arrested during COVID-19 pandemic.

Padarayanapura is a classic case that clearly shows how a demographic change can turn a peaceful area into sensitive area and make it into a hub of criminal and illegal activities. It is imperative to recall that demography of North East Delhi changed in the 1990's and this change in demography made North East Delhi vulnerable to riots.

The Committee also specifically questioned regarding the video that was circulated where it could be seen that certain Muslims formed a Human Chain and protected the Anjaneya Swamy Temple situated on the Kavalbyrasandra Main Road from the Muslim Rioters. It was recorded by certain victims that

the entire episode of protecting the temple was more about protecting themselves as their intention was only to create terror in the minds of the people. They did not want to cause any fatalities since they were aware that the situation would escalate in case of attack to the temple and any fatalities. Infact, one of the witnesses who deposed before the committee advised the committee to question those who were seen in the temple protecting video as they were the ones who were directing the mob to attack certain houses.

8. Involvement of women:

It has been a pattern all over India to use Muslim women and children as shields in any kind of agitation. After the riots, on the 16th August, 2020 a group of Muslim women tried to enter the Police stations to force the Police to release their near and dear ones on the grounds that they were all innocent. It was at this time that 'the involvement of outsiders' and that the locals were innocent was planted. However, all the evidences accessed by the Committee prove otherwise.

The Riots in Delhi in February 2020, Sweden riots (Malmo) and the Oxford Street of London have all seen Muslim Women leading the protests. Islamic mindset is seen to be following the same pattern all around the world. In Bengaluru, women attempted to forcefully enter the police Stations to pressurize the State. This is a simple attempt to garner sympathy. Several improbable explanations have circulated in the media which clearly show that the women were being misused by some entity to further its cause in the garb of humanitarianism.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee having made the above analysis wishes to make certain recommendations. It can be seen that every stakeholder of the society is required to deliver his/her role towards maintaining unity and peace in the society. It is not under dispute that the discharge of responsibilities of each stakeholder is different from the other. Therefore, the Committee thought it to be helpful to customize recommendations to the State Government which takes policy decisions, Department of Police, which primarily implements and most importantly the Public, whose vigilance is imperative to avert any kind of riots and mishaps.

Recommendations to the State Government.

- 1. All damages to the public and private properties, must be recovered by the culprits. Speedy confiscation of the property of the culprits and severe punishment to them will go a long way in preventing such incidents in the future.
- 2. Since this is a clear case of atrocity on Scheduled caste families and deliberate attack on Government men and machinery, the Government should make all the possible efforts to ensure that the bail is not granted to the accused. They should be made to be kept permanently at the out stationed jails to avoid any local influence by the miscreants.
- 3. A detailed investigation on how rioters were able to mobilize weapons, petrol bombs in a short span of time and the nature training given to them must be conducted. Raids must be conducted on other

such sensitive localities in the state to prevent any such riots in the state in future.

- 4. PFI must be banned & close monitoring of activities of SDPI must be continued. Not only banning, but a thorough investigation to be conducted on funding model of these organizations, criminal activities of the activists linked these organizations, links of these organizations with the terrorist organizations and religious extremist organizations across the country and outside the country.
- 5. Withdrawal of old cases, on criminals and activists of extremist organizations like PFI and SDPI, by Governments must be stopped. This withdrawal of cases emboldens criminals to indulge in further criminal activities without fear. In such cases, where it found that the cases were closed during the tenure of the Previous Government of the accused in these FIRs, such cases must be reopened by the orders of the State.
- 6. The Government must form a committee to study the source of religious extremism in the state and come up with measures to curb the same. This helps avoid Karnataka following the trends in Jammu and Kashmir, West Bengal, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, where religious extremism is growing in an uncontrolled manner. The committee may include expert sociologists, security experts, retired police officers and retired defense personnel having experience of handling such challenges. The committee must also study on how other countries in the world, have handled the religious extremism and suggest best practices to handle effectively.
- 7. A mechanism to regulate and monitor the religious schools should be established. The syllabus taught and activities conducted by

these institutions, should be regulated by the Government. Syllabus in these schools must be adapted to include modern mainstream education, so that the children studying there can easily mingle in the mainstream society and become employable.

- 8. A committee must be formed to study the demographic changes happened over past few decades in major cities in the state. The committee must provide recommendations to the Government to control the rapid demographic changes leading to demographic imbalance, which might cause similar riots in many other cities in the state.
- 9. Role of illegal immigrants should be investigated in the rioting. It is important to note that many locals including the MLA had repeatedly mentioned that there were outsiders among the rioters, who were unknown to the locals. This raises question about involvement of illegal immigrants like Rohingyas or Bangladeshis. All such illegal immigrants must be identified and deported to their home country.
- 10. Government must implement confidence building measures to restore the lost confidence among common man in Kavalbyrasandra locality. This helps them to continue staying there. Else, we may see an exodus in the local residents in the years to come. Similar step needs to be taken in other cities where many families are facing social exclusion due to religious intolerance and living in fear.
- 11. Unauthorized places of prayer and public address systems should be removed across the state.
- 12. It should be made mandatory for all religious places like prayer halls and places of worships to give details of people who reside there.

And any person found residing permanently or temporarily, apart from those listed, should be detained and enquired by the police.

- 13. Scientific measures should be followed while giving permission to new places of worship and religious schools in any given locality. A detailed assessment of the demography of the area, possibility of increase in religious extremism, social and security impacts should be made before giving permission.
- 14. Drug mafia in Bengaluru city to be curbed with iron hand. This will help reduce the criminal activities and cuts the funding source of the criminal network.
- 15. Political intervention in Police posting & closure of police of cases must be stopped. Independent systems like State Security Commission can be set up to bring independence in Police department. Police with doubtful integrity should not be posted in sensitive zones.
- 16. Police must be given unhindered access to religious places and continuous online monitoring should be done as there have been instances where the sanctity of religious institutions has been misused to store bombs and weapons.
- 17. With the abolition of Section 66A of Information Technology Act, 2000, a mechanism has to be evolved to prevent and prosecute derogatory, abusive and hate content regarding any religion, race, class, organization or sect of people.

Recommendations to Police department:

- 1. Police officers should carry out random check of ID cards of people in sensitive areas and those who fail to produce valid documents or oppose should be dealt strictly.
- 2. Police should start neighborhood watch committees and regular meetings with those committees to gather info on ground realities.
- Intelligence gathering mechanism must be upgraded in communally sensitive places.
- 4. Hyper sensitive Police stations should have younger policemen to handle situations boldly.
- 5. Strength (manpower) in all Metro city police station to be enhanced. Today, very meager numbers are deployed in city stations.
- 6. Three shifts of duties to be implemented with adequate manpower in all Metro city limits.
- 7. A tenure of two years to be fixed to PI, ACPs & DCPs in all metro cities.
- 8. Metro city police should have dedicated Counter Intelligence (CI) cells. CI teams have to be extensively deployed to track every miscreant who indulge in communal violence particularly to track religious extremist outfits like PFI. (Telangana Police have successfully developed counter intelligence cell. Other Metro cities can emulate them)
- 9. Police must to initiate a Police Cyber Dome to monitor and control over social media & including blocking of all such exchanges & jamming internet facilities when required.

- 10. Striking Force (SF) at present consists mostly of aged persons. SF should have youngsters below the age of 30 years. They should be well equipped with Riot gears. They must also be given adequate Commando training.
- 11. This type of incidents may re-occur anytime anywhere in the country. To handle such incidents, there should be a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) in sensitive Police station limits.
- 12. It is recommended that the Police should also look into the flow of funds for such activities. The responsible organization, association or individuals must be brought under continuous financial scrutiny so as to avert such incidents.
- 13. The Police must also carry out a study about potential areas where similar riots are likely to take place. A short-term and long-term strategy has to be evolved to address the potential threat.

Recommendations to the General public:

- Have phone numbers of your nearest Police station / Inspector /
 Corporator or any other public representative handy at all times
- 2. As a responsible citizen, alert the police and administration at the first instance of noticing trouble or illegal gathering or mischief by antisocial elements
- 3. Report suspicious activities in your vicinity / houses / religious places to the police as soon as possible
- 4. Keep yourself updated about national, international events and news that can affect our lives in any manner. Educate others about the same.
- 5. Keep yourself updated about events, public speeches and rallies in your surroundings. Report anti-national and hate speech by religious extremists to the authorities.
- 6. Try to be part of RWAs / Citizen groups / forums in your locality and keep yourself updated about the happenings there
- 7. Keep a watch on social media. Report inflammatory social-media posts / content to the appropriate authorities immediately
- 8. Be responsible in posting content or commenting to posts on Social Media. Avoid inflammatory and religiously hurtful content.

To sum up the entire observations and recommendations, it can be said that the riots were a part of meticulously designed plan and were carried out targeting the Government with the support of certain prominent individuals and organizations. There is a likelihood that such incidents could be planned elsewhere in the country also. It is alarming to see that the pattern that is

emerging all over the world with respect to riots being lead by the fundamentalists among Muslims is similar to one another be it Bengaluru, Delhi or Sweden. Therefore, it is necessary to further hone intelligence generation system at various levels to monitor such activities and curb them before they are successful in radicalizing a majority among them to stand against universal humanitarian values of unity, peace and brotherhood.

Thanking you

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