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Do Minorities need to Feel Unsafe under Current Government

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ABSTRACT

This research paper aims to provide a comprehensive study of the facts and several topics with some eccentric views on this particular society. Research is based on why generally muslims of India don't feel safe under the current Prime minister and his Government or are concerned about their future in India. Why they have this sort of negative kind of views regarding the current Government? If this is true that Muslims are treated unequally in this current scenario, than should India be called a purely democratic and secular country? This research has not been limited exclusively to discrimination or safety for India's Muslims and raised some issues regarding Muslim laws challenged by the Government like triple Talaq and the current verdict of Ayodhya Ram mandir. With the views of society's people, the researcher wants to create awareness about the myth or belief that Are muslims really have to fear the current Government or are really not safe under current Government and what makes them think about this and what are the reasons. It is important for society to know why muslims are not accepting the current prime minister as their leader and why they don't want him to remain in power for society's welfare. The Researcher main aim is to identify the loopholes existing in the current system. Moreover, in this paper it is also mentioned the motive of the Government that why they challenged muslim law and the aspects and on which ground they did this and actually Muslims are benefited by this particular step taken by Government or not. This is to rectify that the act implemented by the current Government and the work done by his Government for muslims really deserve criticism or It is just a dim view towards a particular government.

I. INTRODUCTION

The According to Indian constitution, India is a secular state, and each and every person of Indian origin can practice their fundamental rights and duties, and no one can deprive them to practice within the state but Secularism as practiced, with its marked differences with Western practice of Secularism, is a controversial topic in India. Muslims and other community of Muslims claim that India does not practice secularism and show pseudo

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Secularism because their religious law is challenged by the current Government and thinking of the people is that it somehow create disbalanced and discrimination their religion. Its very difficult to understand that in this secular state how a person or group of people can discriminate against one community or favoring a particular religion. the research is basically for this typical and controversial topic that why Muslims are unable to accept the current Government and why they in fear under his Government and what are the reasons that they are not ready to accept him. Complaints have been raised from different sections that Secularism has been selectively applied in policy to suppress opposing religious views.

II. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Secularism

Secularism is a Big word that is also defined mainly in our country's constitution. It is regarded as one of the most important features of our republic and democratic country, India. Nowadays, when the researcher looks around, he finds that our country's secularism feature is somehow in threat or maybe its just people misconceptions and lack of knowledge that leads to thinking me like this way. The researcher and many people in the country are not feeling that anyone in this country knows the exact meaning of Secularism. The researcher thinks 70% of indian population never bother to know or reach the fact about the term secularism what precisely this term means. Secularism is sometimes misunderstood with the term atheism, which the researcher think is totally wrong according to him and according to India's constitution. This is entirely false. It also means choosing our religion and believing and following religious practices and traditional values. It does not mean people or some community people started disrespecting others' beliefs and disrespecting others' behaviour.

Three popular beliefs of Secularism are

- One community or group of a particular religion should not dominate another.
 - Member of the same community should not threaten or dominate other members of the same community or particular religion.
- The State does not enforce any particular religion on any individual or take away religious freedom. They can't do it because it is mentioned under article 1 of the Indian constitution. The Supreme court of India guardian of basic rights of India's people contributes to developed a balance and protect the people of India basic rights.

Islam is the second-largest religion in India, with approximately 14.2 percent of the population of the world. Two hundred million people consider themselves as followers of Islam (2018 estimate). This makes India the nation with the largest Muslim population outside of the majority of Muslim countries. The majority of Indian Muslims belong to Islam's Sunni sect, while the Shia constitute a substantial minority. Via the Turkic invasions, Islam arrived in North India in the 12th century and has since become part of the Indian religious.

India is a secular state. It is believed that every caste, culture, the religion practiced in India should be given equal value as a secular state, equal accessibility, and most crucial, equality among all religions practised in India. Being a secular state means that no particular nation practices any particular religion and treats every religion with dignity, respect and honor. A secular state like India has always motivated every religion to practice its religion and rights guaranteed by our Indian Constitution. Nowadays, people consider Muslims to be a minority religion in India, but the fact is that Islam is the second-largest religion. The key question arose: How marginalized in India are Muslims? This question is a source of endless interest for Pakistanis, particularly for those whose families migrated from India, not least because the response either justifies or undermines the Pakistani nation-state's very concept. Indeed, Indian Muslims are then oppressed, irrespective of Pakistan's myriad internal problems; the people of Pakistan can still breathe a sigh of relief that if Indian Muslims are not oppressed on the flip side, then what exactly was the Partition Trauma? If, on the flip side, Indian Muslims are not oppressed, then what exactly was the Partition Trauma? There are no simple answers to these questions, as we are informed by academic literature developed in recent years about Indian Muslims. Muslim Indians are more likely to suffice than other religious groups. That is, in five years, to be extremely pessimistic about their present position in life and their hopes for their situation in life. Most Muslims (62%), Hindus (66%), and other Indians (70%) are struggling, offering more middle-of-the-road responses when asked to rate their present life and their life as they expect it to be in five years.

The ever-lurking notion that they are risky and adjusting to second-class citizenship has settled into a sense of fear among Muslims of all social classes and regions.

An increasing tide of racism, toxic speech and attacks on religious minorities, mainly Muslims, is raging through India. The country's political leadership's dominant anti-minority agenda consciously, often violently, supports a permissive climate that tacitly or explicitly facilitates hate speech and assaults. As sexual abusers, Muslims are routinely demonized as being sympathetic to extremism and as people who attack and eat cows, which many Hindus

hold sacred. Moreover, this is the main reason why Lynching took this great face in the society, and the Government not taking any steps leads to heinous and deadly trouble in the society, which arose results in Death.

The researcher personally admits and think that the activities that happened with Muslims from the past couple of years, whether lynching or Vigilante mobs, who call or style themselves as cow protectors, lynch people transporting cattle with impunity, visibly supported in many instances by the local police. But it is never anywhere defined or proved that this all is happening because of the current Government, and it is not their long back when the congress government was Ruling. The hate attacks on Muslims are never publicly condemned by Prime Minister, who is otherwise extremely voluble on Twitter and public addresses.

However, Whenever the researcher heard PM's speech, he came to know from his speech that he wants to stay with everyone and he treats everyone with the same equality and whenever he spoke, he quotes about every Muslim Brother and every citizen of India, he publicly never talk about negativity spread by the community of Muslims. It is to research that why Muslims consider themselves as Minorities when they know that they are total 200 millions of population of India and it is their country. They are citizens of this secular, democratic country. However, after Narendra Modi was elected to office in 2014, 97 percent of the reported hate attacks on the cow's name since 2010 have occurred. Around half the attacks were on Muslims, but Muslims accounted for 86 percent of the people killed. This means that there is a far better risk that he will be killed if vigilante perpetrators discover that their target is Muslim. Eight per cent of those killed came from untouchables in the Dalit community.

III. WHAT ARE THE LEADING CAUSES THAT THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY DON'T FEEL SAFE UNDER THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT

This is the central aspect of the research on why muslims under the current Government fear their future and why mostly one community hate and do not want Mr Narendra Modi as their country PM. Several surveys are already done, and the researcher in this research paper will mention society and basically muslims community views regarding why they fear about their future in this secular and democratic country under the current Government.

The biggest statement was given by United nation organization against the current Government as the organization admits that the current Government treats minorities like Mulims and dalits unequally will affect the condition of the countries. They also proclaimed that the country is not for Muslims anymore.

The United Nation cautioned INDIA that its "divisive policies" could undermine economic development, saying that narrow political agendas in an already unequal society disadvantaged vulnerable citizens.

"They claimed that they are receiving reports that indicate increasing harassment and targeting of minorities - in particular Muslims and people from historically disadvantaged and marginalised groups, such as dalits and Adivasis," Michelle Bachelet said in her annual report to the UN Human Rights Council. More than 80 percent of those killed in cow-related violence since 2010 are Muslims, according to the India spend website.

All India Muslim President Majlis-e-Mashawrat, a federation of various Muslim organizations in India, said that the "divisive policies had destroyed the image of the country at the international level."

However, on the other hand, Shahnawaz Hussain, spokesman for the ruling Hindu nationalist BJP of India, dismissed the comments of Bachelet as "baseless" He said that I condemn the report of the UN chief of human rights," said Hussain. "These are baseless allegations to tarnish India's reputation. India is the country for Muslims in the world, and Hindus are their best friends."

Religion as a bait

we cannot deny the fact that nowadays, under the current Government, Hindu extremist are doing whatever they wish or want to do in the name of religion and this year, Mob attacks against minority communities, especially Muslims, by extremist Hindu groups associated with the ruling BJP, continued throughout the year amid rumours that they sold, purchased, or killed cows for beef. Police also often lodged lawsuits against the victims under laws preventing cow slaughter instead of taking immediate legal action against the attackers. There were 38 such attacks as of November, and ten people were killed during the year. By not taking any strict steps against these crimes against Muslims and barring them from behaving by their own choice, researchers conclude that Muslims' key reason in their own secular country today is not to feel protected. There Must be thought that India is not the right country for Muslims and cannot live peacefully in this country. By not taking any strict action against the so called extremist is the whole sole reason that now Muslim don't have faith on the current Government and they already started disliking PM Narendra Modi. As they think that He is the main reason and his Party also known as BJP is responsible for all this suffering suffered by Muslim community in this country.

The report notes that authorities' inability to investigate or deter these attacks has "created a

climate of impunity" and may lead to continued attacks, sometimes led by the radical right-wing organization, including vigilante groups such as cow protection or "anti-Romeo" squads enforcing violent moral policing.

But we can not deny the fact that now also some communities of Muslims respect the work of current Government and especially the work of PM Mr Narendra Modi. Many Muslims women tied rakhi to the Prime Minister for issuing this triple talaq bill and making their life heaven from hell by their husbands. Among all, it is not true that the Government is not working for Muslims as we saw that As part of the outreach, a day before, on June 11, the current Government also announced a special scholarship scheme that would cover 50 million Muslim students. The scholarships are for pre-matric, post-matric and professional and technical course studies. The scheme, spread over the next five years, teaches students modern subjects like mathematics, science and geography. Another scheme is meant to train and appoint professional teachers in the madrasas.

People think that triple talaq bill and ayodhya verdict also played a major role in separating Muslims from the Government. What community starts thinking is that decisions are not favoring them, and this is also all because of the current Government hate Muslims and want to abolish them from the state or country. They need to understand that the Judiciary played an independent role while making decisions. No one can impose their will on courts and Judiciary as they act according to law and not according to Government. It is a Body that deals with decision making and taking, and none can interfere in their decision making because it has its on the separation of powers. All three organs of our country are divided and the have separate role to play and also separation of powers among them. Each Organ knows what the role appointed to them by the constituent assembly is. It is the Indian Judiciary that is known as powerful Judiciary in this whole world because of the Judiciary's independency.

Another recent case that provoked the hate for Government is introduction of Triple Talaq New laws.

IV. IMPACT OF TRIPLE TALAQ BILL

THE Muslim Women (Protection of Marriage Rights) Bill, 2019, was approved by 99 votes in favor and 84 against in the Rajya Sabha. The Bill's purpose, which criminalizes instant triple Talaq, is to provide Muslim women with protection against immediate divorce. The accused could face up to three years in prison as well as a fine. It follows the Supreme Court's decision in August 2017 to hold instant triple Talaq unconstitutional in the historic judgment of Shayara Bano vs Union of India and Ors. The Government stated that, even after the

Supreme Court verdict, there were concerns about instances of instant triple Talaq from affected women. It was happy that Bill sought to increase the number of women. Before passing this bill, Parliament claimed that they abolished Triple Talaq and correcting a historical wrong done to Muslim women. This is a win for gender equity and will promote social equality. Today, India rejoices,' said Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a tweet. The Law Minister Said: "This is a question of gender justice, dignity and equality." But in his research, the researcher found that only Parliament may believe that what they did is beneficial for Muslim women, but Muslims do not believe this way."The accused may approach the bail judge, who may grant it after hearing the victim's side. The woman is entitled to seek her former husband's protection. Only at the behest of the aggrieved woman can a solution be found. The Bill allows a cognizable offence in all ways, oral, written or by other means, instant triple Talaq. Without an arrest warrant, the police will arrest an accused. The victim, spouse, or family may file a case via marriage or close relatives.

According to the researcher's views, what the Government did is entirely right because he can not imagine his life under mental insecurities that year of marital status and relationships can only be terminated by saying three terms. According to Muslim perspectives, Talaq is considered the worst thing a spouse can do ever. According to them, Allah often cries when a spouse tries to do such an act. India is essentially home to about 20 percent Muslim population, and the current Government considered them equal, and that is the only reason the current Government thought about and saved Muslim women's status in society. It was said that about 90 million Muslim women face the danger of a sudden, oral, and out-of-court divorce.

According to data from the 2011 Census, 13.5% of all married Muslim women were married even before 15, and 49% were married between the ages of 14 and 19.

The researcher can imagine the lives of women who suffered from triple Talaq and left behind by their husbands, and now they have little to take their lives forward and give their children a better life. If this act is criminalized, then what the researcher thinks will undoubtedly be banished for Muslim sisters.

A Bharatiya Muslim Mahila Andolan survey reported that 95% of divorced women did not receive maintenance from their husbands. Women are not in a position to become the breadwinner automatically and handle children in many instances. One such recent case of being thrown out of the house by a pregnant woman for not having an abortion added more

weight to the issue.

There was a Case

He (husband) gave her triple Talaq verbally, and she was left to die on the lane." Mother of two, Shagufta became pregnant for the third time, but when her husband feared that she would deliver another daughter, she refused to get an abortion."

"They feared that she is going to deliver a girl again, and she would be a burden". "When she refused repeatedly, her husband began torturing her. They violently attempted to take her to the hospital on March 24 and, when she refused, they began mercilessly beating her.

Shagsufta has written a letter requesting support from PM Narendra Modi and sent copies to Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, the National Commission for Women and the district magistrate.

Not only that, oral divorce is the shortest and most common way for Muslims to divorce. Of all women divorced, 65.9 percent were orally divorced. This has also been occurring over text and email lately. Two women living in Hyderabad were recently divorced by WhatsApp over WhatsApp

To stop all these practices and save women's status in the country, Parliament mutually decided to curb this problem by criminalizing this heinous act. But It seems like Many people of society for whom the Government took this step didn't want this to happen and now they are not respecting this decision and even when the researcher had conversation to Muslim community women then he came to know that Maybe some Muslim women Tying rakhi's to Prime Minister for criminalizing these acts and saving their life, but there are some group of people who are not only against this bill but also Started assuming that Government did this willingly just to threaten Muslims and let them know that now BJP will interfere in their personal laws also and for them it is not acceptable at any cost.

When the research was going on, the researcher for his topic interacted with some educated and well-schooled and skilled families. He came to know that some parts of society are not supporting the current Government on this issue. They think otherwise maybe because of lack of knowledge or just because they do not like Mr. Narendra Modi as their leader or may be they genuinely think that the Government acted wrong.

V. VIEWS OF CITIZEN OF INDIA

- ✓ The researcher interacted with a Muslim citizen of INDIA (*Shaima khursheed*) who belongs to a very well-versed family; she is a housewife by profession but runs her own business and teaches small kids her recreation time. Her views regarding the Triple talaq verdict were a little eccentric; she directly blames India's Muslim that they let Government interfere with their personal law. She called government invaders who don't know about triple Talaq's real meaning but intervene in this matter. She also added that just because of one lady known as Shayara Bano, they cannot change this word's full rhythm and cannot change the whole law and its meaning according to what they felt about that particular matter. She is one of those Muslim of India who is not supporting this step of Government. Maybe she was unaware that not one but 90 million women suffer from this practice. She also added that it is very impressive that if the Government criminalized this act, they should also think about the Muslim male community. She told us that there would be havoc when Muslim women start using this law against their husbands just for the sake of grudges; she meant to say that this law can also be used inappropriately by the women, which is somehow true. Shaima ma'am also talked about their loyalty towards the country of India. She said that people generally assume that Muslims hate India, and they do not consider it their own country, and they are not loyal. However, the actual fact is that Islam always teaches Muslims that your country will be, where you are born and spend your moments, and you should be loyal towards your country is what Islam teaches. These are the most beautiful words spoken by this Muslim lady that "I do not have any problem saying Bharat mata ki jai", but the fact is why some people force Muslims to utter this slogan? **Yes! I am an INDIAN, and I will not have any problem if I will speak this slogan, but I will speak whenever I want to speak, just for the sake of proving my nationality, I am not going to say this slogan. I love my country, and I am proud to be an Indian.**
- ✓ Another Muslim woman from whom the researcher talk about this controversial topic is Amra Qamar, who is also a citizen of India and worked under an NGO. She described this practice and discussed what triple Talaq is; she told the researcher that triple Talaq is a misinterpreted concept by many of the people of the country. She also added that Quran does not state any such thing. Quran does not approve of any such divorce as a man says "Talaq, Talaq, Talaq it is not the correct way to resolve one marriage. She explained Talaq in a very nice and refined manner that if tension and conflicts arise in a marriage, then the Quran has stated that both men and women to put an end to their

marriage and both can practice it like Talaq (initiated by husband) and khula (initiated by women). She also admits that many Muslims now also use triple talaq practice to dissolve their marriage and create tension in society. She also admits that the Government's decision is full-fledged and will prove beneficial for the woman who still lives in abusive relationship with her husband.

- ✓ Another person, the researcher, talked with is Aayesha Qureshi, who is Law aspirant, and preparing for various law examinations. She explained how Triple talaq practice is used just for the sake of dissolving holy marriages. She also said that Talaq is practised so that the spouse does not want to live together separate from each other. However, nowadays, some Muslim community people are misusing it and weakening the rules and respect of the Holy Quran. She also appreciated the current Government that what they did for Muslim women is highly remarkable. It surely needs guts to face criticism for other religion and from the same religion. What BJP government did she appreciate that and also she says that she is highly satisfied with the bill and she don't have any problem if lakhs of women who suffered because of this practice get relief

VI. IMPACT OF AYODHYA VERDICT

The supreme court's judgment, appreciative of 'belief,' goes beyond the domain of law. In generating a sense of closure, it falls short. A supreme court bench ultimately delivered the judgment in AYODHYA's fiercely disputed land dispute of five judges. While our judges take an oath to rule on cases without fear or favour, the judge who authored this does not reveal his name in what appears to be an unprecedented act. Strangely, even the author of the 116-page addendum kept his name secret.

While the apex court admitted that a mistake was made when the Babri Masjid was desecrated by installing idols in 1949 and also held that the demolition of the mosque in 1992 was unconstitutional, it had to give the Hindu plaintiffs the entire contested site in the final order, while equity law says that one who seeks equity must come with clean hands.

The question now arises that the Ayodhya verdict may also be why the Muslim community feels that all go against Muslims under the rule of the BJP party. It was not at the time of any other government, like congress. However, no one is thought and contemplating the facts shown in the ASI reports.

Now, Let's see what Indian Muslims believe about this decision by Ayodhya and how they look at this issue. And the judgement of the country's supreme court. Many individuals know that the majority of individuals know that

While carrying out this study, the researcher also conducted some primary research that is very authentic information about what Muslims generally think about this particular judgment. The researcher spoke to many families, Muslim family-focused researchers than he came to know that there are some Usli who blame the BJP government and they claim, Modi is like a rogue in this region. She said that because of the following reasons that all this is done only to show Muslims that they are a minority, she would not respect this decision

The researcher also talked to another lady Ayesha Qureshi, about this controversial matter and asked her views regarding this judgement. She humbly said that it is not about Hindu and Muslim fights that Muslim loose and Hindu won. She said that she is delighted that finally the case that was pending for such a long period is solved and she feels greatly relieved, and that is precisely why there has been no protest anywhere in the country against this verdict. It was very eccentric when we hear this from the citizen of India that they now also believe in Judiciary and law and principle.

VII. SUGGESTIONS

Though we know that everything is going in this particular era is not suitable for Minorities, but we can't say that Government is doing nothing for them and they want to harm a particular section of society that is Muslim. What the researcher thinks is that the Muslim community also need to understand the fundamental aspect of the Government, and they need to understand that what is the reason behind that these steps like Triple Talaq, Ayodhya verdict and Bill like CAB. Maybe the way they judge the country's Judiciary and legislation is not the correct way to eye on them. Understanding that why this particular act is taking place in this country is the key to remain in peace and with dignity. Most political and religious leaders across the board are calling for peace and harmony. On the other hand, when we come to Government then, Government need to understand that matters like Lynching is the worst thing that India is facing nowadays. It is not that MOB lynching was not there when other governments were their other than BJP but the intensity increased drastically during their era. According to them, they are not taking appropriate steps to stop in various states of India. India is a secular country, and nobody have the right to drastically alleged another citizen of India. The state response has been conspicuously lacking more often than not. The situation is deplorable both for the cumulative effect on the nation's moral life—a term that should be used cautiously given its misappropriation by the lynch mobs and those who excuse them—and the troubling message it sends about the state's abilities and prerogatives.

A politician needs to understand that India is a political country and more than that it is a secular country. According to the researcher, it is their duty to maintain the country's propriety and decorum by equality among all the citizens of society. It is their duty to treat each person of the country India equally. Discrimination should not be praised by any of the political Party or any political leader of the country. The country is known by its unity among people, and we all together need to maintain this quality for the betterment of our country India. This is the key point to raise its dignity among other countries. People of the country needs to understand that particularly what steps are taken by Government are not all at fault some are for their own benefit, and they need to respect that particular decision without violating laws and decorum of the country. Showing anger among each other, protests, march, candle march are not the only source by which we can obtain our rights from the Government. Understanding law and education is a must for the people to understand the particular act's pros and cons.

VIII. CONCLUSION

India is a secular country, and each and every person should be treated equally. No one should be deprived of their fundamental rights, and they cannot avoid their fundamental duties. Everyone needs to understand his or her role in this society and to strengthen the country. Religion is a very big issue that nowadays we are facing in our country. Politics is ruining the state's peace and harmony, and I think this is worst for any country. For peace and harmony, people need to be selfless. They need to understand that this is the manifesto that the people who all are in the problem should be treated equally, and if any law is unconstitutional, than it should be removed for the welfare of the society. There is no need to provoke citizen of India for that. Government has some power that they need to exercise and no one can restrict them to practice those powers. The Government also tries to settle peace and harmony because Lynching is heinous for a country like India, a secular state. Every community and every group should be treated equally, and Muslim communities do not always need to think that their future is not in this country and they will be sent off; what the researcher thinks is India is their country too, and no one can tell them to leave. They should be respected by the other communities and by Government.
