

# JUSTICE FOR ALL न्याय सब के लिए

न्याय सर्वसाथी لیے انصاف سب کے لیے अधा माटे न्याय

When India Fails Its Survivors

## Seminar, Workshop and Public Meeting

### WORKSHOP:

Timings: 10 am – 6 p.m.

Date: Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2013

Timings: 10 am – 2 p.m.

Date: Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2013

Public Meeting: 5 p.m. Onwards, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2013

Venue for the Seminar/Workshop:

**Jagat Taran College 32, Amarnath Jha Marg, George Town, Allahabad.**

Venue for public meeting:

**Prayag Sangeet Samiti 12C, Kamla Nehru Road, Civil lines, Allahabad.**

The workshop will focus on the one point demand to the government of India to table the *Prevention of Communal and Targeted Violence Access to Justice and Reparations) Bill 2011 – INDIA* in the Rajya Sabha (Upper House of Indian Parliament).

This demand is both timely and crucial given the abysmal failure by governments in power and the state and police administration to protect lives of all Indians irrespective of language, community or caste and the denials of justice in the aftermath of the pogroms and genocidal killings in Delhi (1984), Mumbai (1992-1993) and Kandhamal (2008), Gujarat (2002) and Muzaffarnagar (2013).

**Plenary Session: 10 a.m – 12 noon Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2013**

*“Why this Bill Must be Tabled in the Rajya Sabha Now”*

This session will focus on the journey towards this proposed law and also the campaign and strategy points for the National Campaign to continue first to get the Bill tabled and thereafter to ensure substantive and efficacious interventions as a larger group before the Standing Committee of Parliament (for amendments etc)

### ***A History of Mass, Targeted Violence & Need for such a Law***

Speaker: Harsh Mander, former IAS Officer, Author and Social Activist, or Farah Naqvi or Teesta Setalvad (suggested) from the Draft Committee for the Prevention of Communal and Targeted Violence Bill 2011 (Fifteen Minutes)

### ***Lessons from 1984 – Failure of Justice Delivery***

Speaker: Speaker from the Sikh Community (Advocate HS Phoolka, fighting cases for the 1984 Sikh survivors) (Fifteen Minutes)

### ***How the Kandhamals Violence dropped off the national radar***

Speaker: Fr Cedric Prakash, Kandhamals and the Attacks on Christians (Fifteen Minutes)

### ***Protection of Dalits and Adivasis under the proposed Bill***

Speaker: SDJM Prasad, part of the NAC Drafting Committee

**National Campaign Strategies, Now and the Future** (Fifteen Minutes)

**Discussion/Questions: 30 minutes**

Chair: Ravi Kiran Jain and Zia Ul Haq **(Allahabad team must confirm)**

Tea Break: 12 noon -12-15 p.m.

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Second Session : 12.15-2.15 p.m.

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***Fighting Communalism, Our Way***

This session will focus on the multiple journeys of groups and individuals across India who have been combating communalism in all shapes and hues. This session will, also in a way introduce the 100 plus participants top each other enabling the two day interactions to become more meaningful.

**Speakers:** Karnataka Komu Souharda Vedike, (Karnata Communal Jarmony Forum, Major Ghouse Qadri (Hyderabad), Maulana Azhari (Malegaon), LS Hardenia (Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh), Farid Shaikh (Mumbai Aman Committee), Faisal Khan (Khudai Khidmatgar), Rajeev Yadav/Shahnawaz (Rihai Manch), advocate Asad Hayat, Awami Muslim Council for Peace and Justice, Chennai (names to come in), Survivor's Voices from Gujarat and Muzaffarnagar (Tanvir Jafri and 4 Others) Assam—A Forgotten Carnage

**Other names?**

Fourteen X 10 minutes = 140 minutes

**Chair: To Be Decided**

Discussion/Questions: 30 minutes

Third Session: 3.30 -5.30 p.m.

*Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2013*

***Understanding Communalism***

**(A Theoretical Exploration)**

***Communalism, the Indian Constitution and the Law***

***Suggested Speakers:***

*Justice Raza, Teesta Setalvad, Subhash Gatade*

*Suggested Chair: SMA Kasmi/Zafaryab Jeelani*

***Education, History, Media, Culture and Communalism***

*Suggested Speakers:*

*Irfan Habib (Sending a written Presentation), Lal Bahadur Verma, Alok Rai*

*Suggested Chair: Sheetla Singh*

***Gender and the Communal Demon***

*Suggested Speakers:*

*Rooprekha Verma (Lucknow), Suman Gupta (should we not get an active Muslim woman activist?)*

*Suggested Chair: D.R. Choudhary*

***Minority and Majority Communalism, Two Sides of the Same Coin***

*Suggested Speakers:*

*Javed Anand, Vikas Narayan Rai*

*Suggested Chair: RB Sreekumar, former DGP Gujarat*

## **Second Day**

**First Session: 10 a.m – 1 p.m. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2013**

**"Can we Fight Communalism Together, How?"**

### **Short Term Strategies**

**9.30-11 a.m.**

#### **A) Prevention of Violence**

--Strong Networking to Prevent Outbreak of Violence

--Immediate and Prompt Interventions By us and Through political parties

#### **B) Commemorate the 30<sup>th</sup> of January 2013, 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Gandhi's Assassination Together as**

--Communal Harmony Day/ NO TO VIOLENCE DAY

--Anti-Communalism Day/Anti-Fascism Day

*Discuss Multiple Strategies to Circulate Literature on RSS, FASCISM, Historiography, Cultural Programmes, etc....*

**Speakers:** KL Ashok, Karnataka Communal Harmony Forum, Faisal Khan, Khudai Khitmatgar group, Shahnawaz/Rajeev Rihai Manch, Abdul Haleem Siddiqui (Malegaon), Maulana Buhanuddin Qasmi (Mumbai), Rooprekha Verma, PI Jose

**Chair:** Teesta Setalvad

### **Long Term Strategies**

**11.20-1 p.m.**

**A) Mapping and Prevention of Violence – An Action Oriented Strategy through Technology Use**

**B) Creating an Alternative Anti-Communal, Social Justice Calender for Annual Commemorations:**

*Historical Figures, Anniversaries of Carnages/Genocides, Survivor Successes etc etc*

**Speakers:** RB Sreekumar, Madhu Prasad, Ramesh Dixit

**Chair:** Anshu Malviya

**Any Suggestions welcome**

**(We could also avoid mentioning speakers in this section and include a wide variety from different groups from all over the country later)**

### **PUBLIC MEETING & CULTURAL PROGRAMME:**

**5 p.m. Onwards (or 6 p.m. Onwards)**

**Speakers: Important Speakers from Our national Convention**

Political Class: CPI(M), CPI (ADD THE NAMES OF KASHYAP AND CITY SEC FOR NOW), SP (Zafryab Gilani, JD(U) KC Tyagi Member of Parliament, INC, Mani Shankar Aiyar, Member of Parliament, Rita Bahuguna Joshi...

who else ??

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Peoples' Union For Civil Liberties(PUCL), Progressive Writer Association, -?Jan Sanskriti Manch, Institute for Social Democracy(ISD), Jagrit Samaj, Aazadi Bachao Andolan, Istri Mukti Sangathan, New Socialist Initiative, Shahri Garib Sangharsh Morcha, Human Rights Law Network, Josh and Firaq Literary Society, Sambhav.

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