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Increasing Atrocities in Fragmented Indian Society: A Brief Overview

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India is imploding from within, as oppressed groups have started contesting the State's writ and now attacking oppressors with full available force. The latest example of this emerging phenomenon is the Naxalite Movement. That has reemerged and resulting in a new wave of guerrilla activities in troubled areas. On 3rd April 2021, twenty-two soldiers were killed and 31 were injured in an encounter with Naxals in Chhattisgarh. Security forces in Chhattisgarh had launched an operation along the Sukma-Bikapur border. This situation has led to an intense face-off with Maoist forces. The Naxalites operate in 60 districts in India, mainly in the states of Odisha (5 affected districts), Jharkhand (14 affected districts), Bihar (5 affected districts), Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh (ten affected districts), Madhya Pradesh (8 affected districts), Maharashtra (2 affected districts) and West Bengal (8 affected district). The Naxalite – Maoist insurgency is an ongoing conflict between Maoist groups known as Naxalites or Naxals and the Indian government. 12,000 persons had been killed in the last two decades, including 2,700 Indian soldiers. With the perpetual atrocities, rape is always used as a weapon for subjugation of Naxalites by the Indian Armed Forces. In this aspect, at least four reports were released by the Human Rights activists of India. The reports indicate that the Indian Army and security forces sexually abuse girls and women in troubled areas

where Naxalites operate. Manipur is infamous for victims of rapes by Indian soldiers who misused the Indian Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA), can rape any woman and no case can be registered against them. Twelve old mothers of Imphal, Manipur jolted the entire country to undress in the crowd by stating that:

what is the use of clothes? You strip us. You can strip me, but how can you clothe me again? Are you a man?

The statement was said one of the naked women who stood against the Union State of India. This horrible incident took place on July 15, 2004. Leaving behind their petticoats, blouses, and fear, twelve older women exposed the real face of the Indian Army when posted in Special Areas. The video footage of the incident exposed that they did not shudder or hide. Everybody was shocked to see them naked, but no one was speaking. A complete silence was all around. However, in a few moments, the air was ringing with slogans, like a chant. 'Rape us, kill us! Rape us, kill us!'

The Naxalite-Maoist Movement:

The Maoist movement that started with a peasant uprising in a small tea garden in West Bengal state is gaining popularity for the last six years. More women are joining the movement because of desperate conditions prevailing in India's countryside. For example, displacement of locals from their lands due to big business projects, grinding poverty,

and fear of atrocities by security forces and state-backed. In this context, another Report titled "Andhra Adivasi women struggle for justice against anti-Naxal force accused of rape" indicates that eleven women from the Kondh tribe in Vakapalli, an Adivasi hamlet in Visakhapatnam district of Andhra Pradesh, were allegedly raped by personnel of the State's elite anti-Naxal force, the Greyhounds in 2007. So far, the women have faced an uphill battle to get justice. The police personnel contested the rape allegations against them even as the women battled social stigma at home as part of a local custom of purification and they were separated from their husbands and children. Sexual abuse as a weapon is also used by the Indian Army in the Indian Occupied Kashmir. Two reports prepared by Indian Human Rights activates exposed that Indian soldiers are involved in raping young boys and women in Indian Occupied Kashmir. India is facing internal crises of disintegration of society, and hatred against State is registered from Kashmir to Indian Punjab. Kisan Morcha has outrightly uncovered Indian so-called secularism and democracy. The Modi government is dividing Indian society into ethnic, religious, and class groups. This division helps the narrative of separatists like Naxalites, who always say that New Delhi protects only Braham Hindus. In the last four years, separatist movements are getting the support of the common people. The new world has new dynamics, new rules and division based on hatred and discrimination can create tunnels for self-space. If people are out of space in their land, they definitely inhabit underground, and those inhabitants while living underground create fault lines that are meant to be irrupting sooner or later.

Modi's Fascists Regime:

Modi government plays the role of catalyst on it. It has triggered the slow process of hate-driven vengeance, and now everything seems burning. Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) came into power with the firm belief in "divide and rule." The plan would have been how to divide further an already divided population, and the road map could be grasped by witnessing the aftermath of the BJP regime. Kashmir has always been an all-time favorite rat lab for India. BJP agenda of the divide, crush, and rule proved a havoc of this century, from rape, castration to body mutilation, Kashmiris have experienced. Moving from Kashmir to Punjab, it has been witnessed that Corporate Agri Bills create a drift. The fight between food providers and Hindutva has reached its ultimate survival point. The Sikhs still did not get held from their youth mass disappearance in the post-Indra Gandhi Turmoil. They get another chance to morn yet again when Indian Punjab was systematically getting induces with drugs. Almost entire youth got affected and are suffering from the worst setback of history. While fighting to keep their youth scenes they got attacked again, and this time their land, recognition and survival is in utter danger. Dalits are suffering and a record number of rape and sodomy cases came to the surface against Dalits. Moreover, the Citizen Amendment Act is no news anymore, which has questioned the very existence

of Indian citizens that how come they will prove after living in India for generations either they still are Indians or not. History shows that any society that brings injustice to people cannot survive for long, and India is not an exception.

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