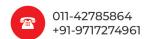
COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MARXIST-LENINIST) LIBERATION

भारत की कम्युनिस्ट पार्टी (मार्क्सवादी-लेनिनवादी) लिबरेशन

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IMMEDIATE

To, CHIEF ELECTION COMMISSIONER, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, New Delhi APRIL 21, 2024 New Delhi

SUB: Attempt to Promote Enmity or Hatred on Grounds of Religion - Complaint against Shri. Narendra Modi, Prime Minister and Star Campaigner of BJP for gross violation of Section 123(3A) of RPA and Model Code of Conduct (MCC) -- Reg.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Liberation we are filing this complaint in regard to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's speech at Banswara, Rajasthan on 21st April 2024.

In this widely reported speech, Prime Minister Narendra Modi while referring to the Congress Manifesto has engaged in blatant lies, crudity and communal dog-whistling against the Muslim community which is not only violative of the Representation of People's Act, 1951 but also of the Model Code of Conduct for the elections.

In this speech Shri. Modi has insinuated that the Congress intends to survey, appropriate and distribute properties including gold and silver of common citizens to the members of the Muslims community.

Details of speech of Shri. Narendra Modi at Rajasthan's Banswara on April 21, 2024:

Available at YouTube page of Shri. Narendra Modi

URL: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8s9LkUoFzA
Timestamp: 36.32 min to 37:50 min (Total Length: 44:40)

Backup URL (Bharatiya Janata Party- YouTube]:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d1Yll0JbtzI

Timestamp: 36.32 min to 37:50 min (Total Length: 44:20)

Backup URL (WION news- YouTube): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nRXYxNXmfkM

Timestamp: 36.28 min to 37:45 min (Total Length: 43:17)

Transcript of speech of Shri. Narendra Modi at Rajasthan's Banswara on April 21, 2024 [Timestamp: 34.45 min to 37:18 min/YouTube page of Shri. Narendra Modi]:

Tum use chhinane ki baat kar rahe ho apne manifesto mein. Gold le lenge, aur sabko vitrit kar denge. Aur pehele jab unki sarkar thi to unhone kaha tha, ki desh ki sampatti par pehela adhikar Musalmano ka hai. Iska matlab, ye sampatti ikhatti karke kisko batenge....jinke jyada bacche hai unko batenge. [Response by audiance] Ghuspaithiyo







ko batenge. Kya apki mehenat ki kamayi ka paisa ghuspaithiyo ko diya jayega.... [Response by audience] Apko manzur hai ye...[Response by audience] Ye congress ka manifesto ke raha hai ki wo matao aur beheno ka sone ka hisab karenge, uski jadti karenge, jankari lenge aur phir uss sampatti ko baat denge. Aur unko batenge...jinko Manmohan Singhji ki sarkar ne kaha tha ki sampatti par pehela adhikar musalmano ka hai. Bhaiyo beheno.. ye urban naxal ki soch.. mere matao aur beheno ye apka mangal sutra bhi bachne nahi denge.

English Transcription of the speech:

You [Congress] are referring to grabbing of that [gold and property] in your manifesto...They will take the gold and distribute it to all. When their [Congress] government was there, they had said that Muslims have the first right over country's property. Whom they [Congress] will distribute to after accumulating the property? They will give to people who have more children* ... will your hard earned money be given to infiltrators... Do you accept it?

This is what congress manifesto says that gold of mothers and sisters will be accounted, searched and inquired and then it will be distributed.. to Muslims, whom Manmohan Singh ji had said has the first right over property. Brothers and sisters, this is urban naxal mentality... my mothers and sisters, they [Congress] will not even leave your mangalsutra.

The speech by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Banswara, Rajasthan on 21st April 2024 violates section 123(3A) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 that clearly prohibits the promotion of, or attempt to promote, feelings of enmity or hatred between different classes of the citizens of India on grounds of religion, race, caste, community, or language, by a candidate or his agent or any other person with the consent of a candidate or his election agent for the furtherance of the prospects of the election of that candidate or for prejudicially affecting the election of any candidate. It is also in blatant violation of the Model Code of Conduct and the "Advisory to political parties on plummeting level of public discourse during campaigning" dated 1st March 2024.

Please note that this communal speech of Prime Minister Narendra Modi follows up on his various speeches (speech on 6th April at Ajmer, Rajasthan, 7th April at Nawada, Bihar, speech on 9th April at Pilibhit, Uttar Pradesh) where he has repeatedly made references to the Ram temple at Ayodhya and the Hindu community. We understand that there are several complaints pending with the ECI in regard to these speeches.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has resorted to such a speech unbefitting the position he holds as the Prime Minister. We are filing this complaint urging the Election Commission of India to take strict action against Shri Narendra Modi to protect any possibility of free and fair elections. We urge you to implement Model Code of Conduct in a strict manner and take strict action against Shri Narendra Modi for this disgraceful speech which is highly venomous, communal and hate-mongering in nature, aimed at promoting enmity between the citizens of India on grounds of religion, and seeks to vitiate the poll atmosphere and spread hatred against the Muslim community.

Thanking you,

SANJAY SHARMA Member, Politburo,

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