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Dalits of a village in Ahmedabad district face social boycott for demanding physical possession of their own

Monday, May 23, 2016

By Our Representative

In yet another glaring instance of caste-based boycott in Gujarat, around 30 families belonging to the Dalit community have been boycotted in Ghatlodia village in Daskroi taluka of Ahmedabad district, for being denied of basic facilities, including water, electricity or repairs of roads, even the village is inaccessible to the dominant caste. Dalits, Situated just about 40 km from Ahmedabad, the Ghatlodia village is under Daskroi Gaddi and facing the predicament because they, allegedly, denied dispute of physical possession of the plots of land they occupied, which, they claim, belong to them.

Dalit representatives are seen here in Pathan Ligari village in Patan underscore the need for Pathan Ligari to be declared as a model village

A representation to district collector, Ahmedabad, Rajsagaran Bagal, led by NGOs Navsarjan Trust and Bibaso Adhikar Kendra, Ahmedabad, has said it all began after the village panchayat of Bhaijapura, adjacent to Dhasaur, passed a resolution on April 5, 2012, allocating a plot of land, Survey No. 249, to three Dalits in order to build their own houses under one of the rural housing plot-cum-schemes. While the Dalits then lived in Bhaijapura, the plot of land they were allotted was in the neighbour village, Ghatlodia, where, it, ironically, belonged to a dominant caste family.

"Despite that, the representation said, "The Dalits were physically not handed over the land. This led them to frequently find their allotted land being occupied by the dominant caste people, who, however, refused to hand over the land to the rightful owners. On December 10, 2012, they physically attempted one of the Dalits, Ramdhan Bhagwandhal Parmar, who was therein, occupied. Then fools were set on fire, and, since then, the Dalits are living in a state of fear. Women are force to wait two hours to fetch water from a point of water. Hundreds are created towards children going to school."

The representation was made under the leadership of the Navsarjan Trust's senior activist Ketil Rathod. The demands of the representation are:

- Files be immediately handed over to the Dalits in Dhasaur
- Basic necessities, Dalits, including water and power, should be immediately supplied to the place where they are living in makeshift shanties
- Dominant caste people must be sensitised to the houses immediately
- Urgent efforts should be made to stop social boycott of the Dalits
- Dalits should be ensured supply of goods of daily necessities
- Dalits should be provided with a separate space for cremation

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Put human rights at centre of relations with India: Amnesty to EU on Fr Stan's death

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Counterview Desk: In a strongly worded letter to the European Union, Amnesty International organisations has formally internationalised case as "standing 'Fr Stan' Swamy, – the jailed 84-year old human rights defender who died Holy Family hospital on June 5, "amount to crimes against humanity" and "violations of international law". Amnesty International organisations has failed to "move beyond rhetoric to holding human rights standards as benchmarks of engagement" in this case as also that of other undertaken for alleged involvement in the Bhima

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'Institutional murder': PUCL, other rights groups condemn Fr Stan's custodial death

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Dalit, challenging' Book wants Muslims to implement 'correctional' measures with RSS

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Counterview Desk: Controversial chancellor of the Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad, Firoz Bakht Ahmed, has recently released a book titled "Dalit Muslims: Challenges and Solutions". Counterview, has released a demo edition free free text with a Foreword by Urdu activist, Dr Khalique Mirza. Excerpt, whole book The Meaning of Amrut, A Bringing Initiative" has just been released by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat in Ghaziabad. Delhi NCR.

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