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THE UNPREDICTABLE STATE OF AFGHANISTAN

An intense discussion between delegates sparks up conversations about an unstable political structure in Afghanistan. Avanthika Reddy, reporting from the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), covers the horrific invasions that have shattered the foundation of a war zone country.

The devastating situation in Afghanistan is one of the darkest times ever witnessed by humanity. A country that has been invaded multiple times in the past is now under the shackles of the Taliban rule. The destabilisation in Afghanistan is one of the primary reasons for the utter suffering and chaos in Afghanistan. The destabilisation of the concrete structure in Afghanistan not only proposes a massive threat to humanity but also underweights the development of Afghanistan.



The delegate of The Russian Federation stated that the invasions in Afghanistan are one of the major reasons for the destabilisation, and further highlighted the damage caused by The United States of America (USA) in

Afghanistan. This sparked a heated discussion between the powerhouses of the committee, with substantive statements coming from delegations of various countries as well. As a diligent response to the delegate of Russia, the delegate of the USA stated, “With the invasion of the Soviet Union on December 24, 1979, the breakdown of this mineral-rich country began”. The delegate further emphasised how the US protected Afghanistan sought out democracy and held the nation together. Amidst the conversations, the delegate of Iran provoked a rather unusual statement, “Afghan fell because it was designed to fall”.

Afghanistan was a prime location for invasions due to its exuberant mineral-rich land, geographical location, and accessibility to both the hemispheres of the world, which eventually became a warzone and had to face inhuman conditions. Afghanistan became a brutal state and posed a massive threat to peace and security. As said by the delegate of the USA, re-stabilisation in Afghanistan is essential for the progress and advancement of the nation. With the pandemic that has shaken the world, Afghanistan needs to have a robust democratic government that abides by peace and focuses on development to protect its people and respect their right to live.

AFGHANISTAN - A WARN TORN COUNTRY

Reporter Avantbika Reddy from the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), analyses the situation in Afghanistan and the opinions of several delegates of various countries who have enunciated in the interest of Afghanistan's peace and integrity.

The war-torn country of Afghanistan is facing one of humanity's worst nightmares. The overpowering of the Taliban and the withdrawal of the United States' (USA) troops have paved the way for crime and injustice in the country. Women and girls of the country face inconsiderable injustice, and their mere right to have education is ruthlessly being taken away from them. With the lives of millions at threat because of a failing economy and food famine situations, Afghanistan is marked 166 out of 167 countries in the world for their gender index. According to the reports from the United Nations, around 23 million people need urgent humanitarian assistance with the widespread poverty that Afghanistan is poised to experience: "near-universal poverty- a 97% poverty rate by the end of 2022".



With millions facing starvation and nearly the entire population teetering on the brink of poverty, Afghanistan could experience a worsened situation. During the deliberations, the delegate of Germany stated that Afghanistan has become a brutal state and poses a massive threat to peace and security. The critical reasons for Afghanistan to turn into a war zone is its geolocation, accessibility to both the hemispheres, being a mineral-rich country and being under the spotlight after the breakdown from USSR. The delegate also stated that the

effects of the Taliban are extreme and can lead to the militarising and localising of the army, expansion of nuclear weapons and destruction of humanity. The delegate of the USA stated that Afghanistan is facing a devastating drought, food shortages and rising levels of violence against women. It is imperative that the ripple effects will be felt across the region and beyond for generations as the country yet again potentially offers a foothold to extremists.

The delegate of Russia mentioned the withdrawal of USA troops causing ruckus in the state of Afghanistan but has failed to address the damage done by the USSR when they signed a treatise with Afghanistan in 1979. Both the countries have invaded Afghanistan, but their key intention lies on two sides of the coin. USSR entered the state of Afghanistan to gain control over the emerging state, whereas the United States of America has tried to protect the foundation of Afghanistan. The mere fact that the damage caused by both the countries cannot be neglected, as Afghanistan is now under the shackles of the Taliban.



Over time, though countries like India have helped Afghanistan develop their country, all the efforts have

now gone in vain with a new seize of humanity. The delegate of Mexico stated, “Mexico offers home to refugees, and it has always been a tradition to do so”, but the mere fact that the citizens of Mexico migrating from a country known for its humanitarian services still stands unheard.

History is clear on what happens when women’s and girls’ rights are denied and suppressed; When high schools are open to boys, only tertiary education and employment for women is blocked, and when women’s participation in public and political life is erased, we cannot be bystanders either in these violations and are in the desperate cost of women’s exclusion from the economy and society. With

increasing inhuman activities against women, practical solutions should be offered to advance a full spectrum of women and girls rights. Reasons for withholding education for girls in high schools, separate facilities can demonstrate a willingness to support while upholding the principle of equal access to a complete education for girls.

The crisis in Afghanistan must be globally resolved as every country that abides by policies of protecting humanity must consider the devastating state of human life in Afghanistan. Today the damage is felt by one country. However, if this is not appropriately tackled, it might lead to the collapse of several economies, humanity and the decorum of laws and integrity of states.

HOLY COW!

Gunasri, reporting from the All India Political Parties’ Meet (AIPPM), highlights the skirmish that has occurred in the session.

“In your new India, it is safer to be a cow than a non-Hindu.” As Shashi Tharoor ended his much-anticipated speech with these impactful words directed towards Himanta Biswas Sharma, little did he know of what was yet to come.



The session reverberated with the gasps and reactions of the committee when Subramanian Swamy of the BJP party took a personal dig at Shashi Tharoor with regards to a statistic presented by the latter earlier in his speech. Tharoor set out to highlight the shortcomings of the laws against cow slaughter made by the BJP government, and

he identified that the population of desi cows (the Bos Indicus) has substantially decreased in comparison to the steady increase in the number of Jersey cows; thus, proving that the blanket law introduced by BJP in certain states is serving the exact opposite purpose.



In response to this, Swamy asked Tharoor to turn his attention to the decrease in the members of his family before mentioning the statistics on the cow population. Swamy subtly invoked the charges against Tharoor for the abetment of his wife’s suicide to refute the statement made against his party’s case.

Tharoor then invoked his right to reply based on defamation, stating that he had quoted the aforementioned statistic in the national interest; thus,

highlighting Swamy's unparliamentary spirit. Numerous members from the opposition came to Tharoor's defence, Kamal Hassan taking up the lead.

COW: NATIONAL ANIMAL OF INDIA!

Reporter Sai Preethi Polu, from the All India Political Parties' Meet (AIPPM), on the holy and the unholy?

Shashi Tharoor had strongly asserted in the committee that he thinks of Bhartiya Janata Party's (BJP) actions as "in the name of preventing animal cruelty, the Modi led government is doing politics, not to help the citizens but to save their precious vote banks in the name of holy cow" concerning the current working of BJP. He went on to say that the fact that BJP said "Jai Shri Ram" while the rest of the committee said, "Hail Mother India" proves his point. He also mentioned that the self-proclaimed rakshakas, raakshasas have been conducting crimes of heinous nature.

Responding to Shashi Tharoor's "stand up", Prime Minister Narendra Modi quoted Mahatma Gandhi saying, "India is an ancient country, and no new culture can be imposed upon it". Immediately contradicting his previous statement, he announced that the BJP government would change the national animal to the cow after having the tiger as the national animal for more than 48 years. The announcement confused the committee as even the BJP government was not informed of the change.



Later in the session, the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Yogi Adityanath, proposed banning of beef all over the country and developing an industry purely on 'gow mutra' and cow dung to increase our exports and cover up the loss of 3.7 billion that will be caused by banning beef and its exports. He went on to support Narendra Modi's decision to make cow the national animal, which would help turn all these raakshasas into rakshakas. The committee ended in confusion seeking clarification from the ruling government in the future session.

DEVO MANUSHYA ROOPENA?

Gunasri, reporter of the All India Political Parties' Meet (AIPPM), accentuates the need for psychological intervention in the topic of animal cruelty.

The purpose of this piece is to invoke the question, "Has man detached himself from humanity to such an extreme that they have become devoid of empathy for the pain of animals?" The cases of animal cruelty, from throwing dogs off the eighth floor of a building to the engagement of unnatural sexual intercourse with animals, are endless, and each one is more gruesome than the one before.

This begs us to introspect the cruelty that lies in the shadows, and, for many, is of a magnitude that leads them to commit acts of pure savagery. While the AIPPM debates the agenda in the limelight of religious motivations and vigilantism, the humanitarian aspect is amiss. What perverse pleasures do people derive from dousing a live dog with hot tar and leaving it to die a slow

and painful death? Is it indifference, or is it much more profound?

Through the means of research, an inevitable connection has been made between animal cruelty and an affinity for criminal tendencies. The very apathy to an animal's agony translates into indifference towards the well-being of our fellow human beings. This could further escalate into serious crimes motivated by unsolved mental issues. The loop is endless, from unresolved childhood trauma to serial criminal inclinations as an adult.

Zoo-sadism, a term coined for individuals who derive pleasure out of the suffering and pain of animals, seems to be rampant in the country where animals are treated as strangers in the very space, they hold every right to exist in. This form of sadism is also considered a marker for psychopathic proclivities.

In order to understand the motivations behind animal cruelty, we must dig deeper into the psyche of humans. Causing harm to animals, be it small birds or domesticated pets, at a young age where frolicking in the park should be the main thing on your mind is a marker of the behaviour the individual could depict as an adult. Several serial killers known and revered in the mainstream media have shown the same tendencies at a young age. The idea behind this marker is that as the individual grows up, the intensity of the harm increases and the

victim of the suffering graduates from being a small, defenceless animal to being a fellow human being.



In the Indian context, animal cruelty transcends social norms to take up a rather perverse nature, further worsened by the taboo around the subject. Bestiality is rampant, and one is only an internet search away from the numerous cases of zoophilia reported. This points us in the direction that animal cruelty transcends from being only about causing harm to the molestation of an animal.

All these observations make it clear that it is necessary and in the interest of protecting animals from abuse that the government should review their laws to include such unorthodox acts. Another solution would be catering to the psychological needs of individuals from a young age to deflect them from such “animalistic” tendencies.

NUCLEAR FREE MIDDLE EAST

Gagan, reporting from the Arab League (AL), opines on the establishment of a Nuclear-Weapon-Free-Zone (NWFZ) in the Middle East.

The establishment of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones (NWFZ) is a regional approach to strengthen global nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament norms and consolidate international efforts towards peace and security.

While the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone could and should not prevent the use of nuclear science and technology for peaceful purposes, it could also

promote, if provided for in the treaties establishing such zones, bilateral, regional, and international cooperation for the peaceful use of nuclear energy in the zone, in support of socio-economic, scientific, and technological development of the States parties.

For the establishment of the same, Iran will be required to provide the International Atomic Energy Agency access to all of its declared facilities so that the agency can be assured of the peaceful nature of the nuclear program.



According to details of the deal published by the U.S. government, IAEA inspectors would have access to all the nuclear facilities, including enrichment facilities.

BROTHERHOOD

Gunasri, reporter of the All India Political Parties' Meet (AIPPM), narrating a story of the origins of the Katika caste and the division of the profession of butchery among two religions.

Ameen Qureshi sat under the large tree in the veranda of his house, the traffic noise filtering into his garden of Eden amidst the Muslim chawl. His grandson, Kabir, plops himself into his grandfather's lap to show him a twig he picked up off of the ground. Ameen could not help but muse over his grandchild's shenanigans and chuckle at the child's enthusiasm.

Kabir's eyes shone in the sun, and a puzzled expression took over his feature. "Dada, why do you not have a beard when everyone else your age does?"



This supply chain supports the nuclear program and uranium mines and continuous surveillance at uranium mills, centrifuge rotors and bellows production and storage facilities. Iran will be required to grant access to the IAEA to investigate suspicious sites or allegations of a covert enrichment facility, conversion facility, centrifuge production facility, or yellowcake production facility anywhere in the country. Iran will also have to implement an agreed set of measures to address the IAEA's concerns regarding its Possible Military Dimensions (PMD) program.

Upon hearing his grandchild's question, Ameen took a moment to figure out how to go about this. Considering how he has to entertain the child for a couple more hours, Ameen dipped into his mind for the memory of his grandfather telling him the story he is about to tell his very own. The ritual of passing the story of their family was once again upon them.

"Once upon a time, there were two brothers who enjoyed frolicking in the woods, just like you." Ameen tickles his grandson, who squeals with joy. "They were as thick as thieves, but as they grew up, they took over the family occupation of butchery. One day, the summons of Tipu Sultan reached the family of the two brothers.

As the representative of the family, the older brother went to the court of the ruler of Mysore. Little did he know of what was to come. Tipu Sultan was quite particular about the sourcing of the meat he ate, for he was not fond of eating meat butchered by Hindu men as they did not perform 'Bismillah' before slaughtering an animal. Upon reaching the court, the older brother was forced to convert to Islam to service the king's needs.

The news of his brother's conversion reaches the younger brother, who immediately flees to avoid his fate befalling the same. The two brothers continued to live their separate lives practising the same profession; while the older brother's descendants came to be known as the Qureshi's, the latter continues to hold the name of Katika."

"But Dada, how does this answer my question?" Kabir piped up a little.

"Have some patience, Kabir." The grandfather lovingly reprimands his grandson. "In support of our Hindu

brethren, the men of this family refuse to grow our beards. We may do all the things a Mussalman is expected to do, but we withhold this to show solidarity to our long-lost brothers."

Kabir surrenders into silence with a look of puzzlement taking over; Ameen lets the child stew in his silence, for he has a lot to think about. Ameen looks up at the sunlight filtering through the canopy of the tree; his heart aches for a brother he never knew and for a life that could have been.

ANOTHER DAY...

Husain, reporting from the All India Political Parties' Meet (AIPPM), expressing the point of view of a cow.

Dear Diary!

So today, my second brother was brutally killed by those dominant, ruling people. Yes, we do cry, but who said every scream is heard? There is no one here to hear us out. We are murdered everyday guilt-free. Today, my brother was dragged along the tight rope around his neck and was taken to the slaughterhouse — the house where screams are silent and unheard.



Why is our species considered to be the sacrificing ones? The human mind is entirely different, and the best irony is when one side of

humanity considers us to be holy while the other, at the same time, grabs the deadly knife and is ready to kill us in cold blood.

So, what exactly is humanity?

While my great grandfather was considered divine, I might not be alive tomorrow! Today when my brother and I were having lunch, all of a sudden, these brutal 'animals' came and threw a tight rope around his neck and dragged him along. They took him to what they call a slaughterhouse, filled with cold-blooded murderers, and in one shot, they killed my innocent brother within seconds. I did try to stop them, but they did not listen to me and instead pushed me away harshly. While the other day, my father was dragged along for the treacherous sport where they played sick games with him and chased him all across the ground. If they are so protective about their families, why do our families not matter to them? Their caste practices bring differentiation between us.

I do not know when this will end, but I believe justice will be served one day. Many of my fellows with me suffer the same every day. Another day does not bring anything new to us but the same suffering always. Losing hopes becomes normal with the increasing number of murders we see every day.

I hope to live another day to write another diary entry tomorrow.

THE RESTLESS SOUL OF A HAUNTED LIFE

Reporter Sai Preethi Polu, “beautifying” the tortured souls of harmless holy creatures in the All India Political Parties Meet (AIPPM).

In the midst of the boil floats a thumpless heart,

Put to sleep for the flesh to dirt;

Harnessed like a horse,

Garnered like the meat,

Wept my thought by turn of the plot.

Lack of conscience or kindness it is!

No, hell wore what they ignore.

Struggled my flaunt

As my horns caught daunt.

When will my love, oh precious humans

Know they are lives they think are rumours?

End this bargain out of no gain,

I float around in space as a haunted soul..

THE UNEXPECTED LETTER

Reporter Avanthika Reddy from the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), dives into the intentions of the Taliban and the reasons behind their occupancy in Afghanistan.

To,

The global leaders of the world,

Salam Alaikum.

It has come under the Taliban’s notice how the world is shaken by the latest intervention of the Taliban. It occurs to us that we are being portrayed in an exceedingly negative perspective. The Taliban urges the global leaders to understand the reason for the Taliban to fight back and get the land of Afghanistan after 20 long years. The Taliban sought to establish an Islamic government through law and order alongside a strict interpretation of Sharia law, by the Hanafi school of Islamic jurisprudence and the religious edicts of Mullah Omar, upon the entire land of Afghanistan.

We want the global leaders to understand that we are hoping and thriving for an Islamic state and to protect the Sharia Law. We want the global leaders to understand that we are a new government, and we will take time to implement law and order.



We urge the nations of the world to help us become a concrete nation and instil positive thoughts regarding the Taliban regimen. We are currently facing food famine and are requesting the countries of the world to aid us with the necessary aid. The pandemic is swirling like a storm, and we are trying to improve the healthcare conditions in our country.

Earlier Taliban was against women education, but with the progress of the world, we have now let out the girls in our country access

education. We intend to form a strong government, which can happen when the world introduces a new perspective on the Taliban.

Sincerely,

The Taliban.

THE REAL PROBLEM

Reporter *Avantika Reddy* from the *Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC)*, unfolds the perspectives of delegates on the substantive problem in Afghanistan.

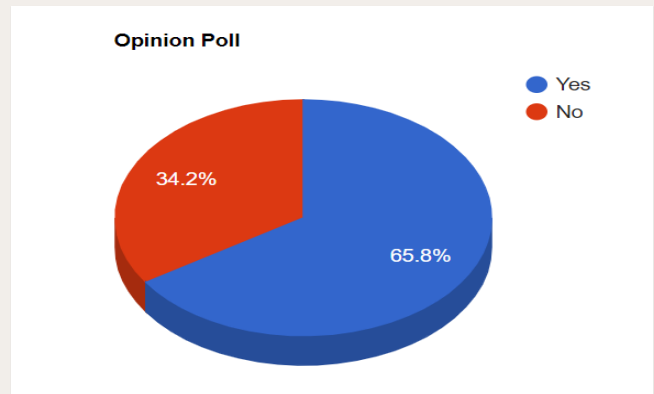
Premise: The turmoil in Afghanistan has numerous deep-rooted causes. The overpowering of the Taliban after 20 years and the withdrawal of the United States of America (USA) has caused wreckage of the war-torn nation. There are several reasons for such conflicting warfare in Afghanistan, and this leads to the presence of inhuman problems.



Question: What is the real problem in Afghanistan? Is it the porous borders or human rights violation?

Sample Space: The countries that have given their opinions are Chad, Jordan, Malaysia, Japan, Russia, France, India, Iran, USA, Germany, Turkey, Haiti, Zimbabwe, Costa Rica, Ireland, Malta, Cambodia, Belgium, Qatar, Saudi, Mexico, Slovenia, Liberia, China, Niger, Croatia, Solomon Islands, Denmark, Eritrea, Hungary, Andorra, UAE, Norway, UK, Singapore, Iceland, Monaco, Italy, Luxembourg and Peru (40 countries).

Result:



Conclusion: The delegates of various countries gave their opinions on how the ruckus in Afghanistan is because of a particular issue. Most of the committee members have opted for porous borders as they believe that weak borders led to the invasion and further caused all the devastation. However, a few delegates have opted for both as they believed that both had simultaneously occurred. The problem in Afghanistan majorly depends on how the central structure of the country is not concrete and that leads to borderline crisis. In fact, the latest turmoil between Iran and Afghanistan on the borders were due to “miscommunication”. This would’ve not occurred if the borderline forces were rigid. If the invasions were prevented, exploitation could’ve been avoided, and the human rights would’ve not been disrupted brutall.

CAST COWS OR COW CASTES?

Sai Preethi Polu reports from the *All India Political Parties Meet (AIPPM)*.

Premise: As Subramanyam Swamy declared that Bos Indicus is the national animal of the nation, Omar Abdullah posed a question “.... the very fact that Bos Indicus is deemed to be the national animal of India, excluding all other species of cows, does the ruling party believe in segregation based on the caste system in cows?”. The query raised by Abdullah created a conflict in the committee with the government in power. The opposition further discussed the validity of the caste system among cows.

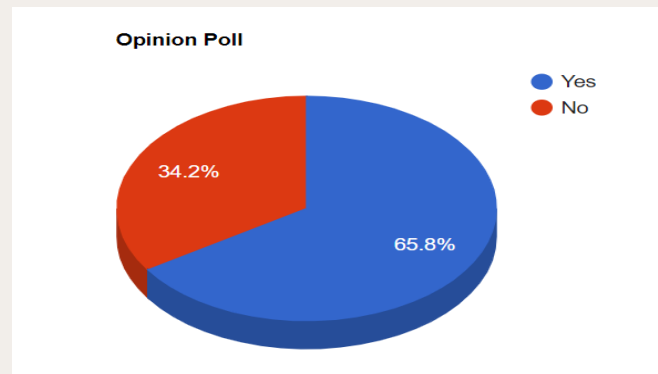


Question: The caste system among human beings came into existence due to the different functionalities performed by different groups of people in the society (for example, priests, footwear makers, businessmen, etc.). On similar grounds, does the Delegate believe that cows can have a caste system too, based on the functionalities they provide (for example, meat, milk, labour, etc.)?

Sample Space: The sample space includes 38 delegates, namely: Naba Kumar, Kamal Hassan, Shashi Tharoor, Pasunoori Dayakar, Kapil Sibal, Karthi P. Chidambaram, Ashok Gehlot, Jana Reddy, Kanniah Kumar, Raghav

Chadda, Assaduddin Owaisi, Rahul Gandhi, Sachin Pilot, Omar Abdullah, Srinivas Kesineni, Chandrababu Naidu, KC Venugopal, Jayadev Galla, Babul Supriya, K. Taraka Ramarao, K. Chandrashekar Rao, Gaddam Ranjith Reddy, Pawan Kalyan, Manmohan Singh, Ram Mohan Naidu, Bandi Sanjay, Subramanian Swamy, Kiren Rijiju, Radha Mohan Singh, Arvind Dharmapuri, Thanwar Chand Gehlot, Manohar, Nirmala Sitaraman, Narendra Modi, Himanta Biswas, Amit Shah, Yogi Adityanath, Jyotiraditya Scindia.

Result:



Conclusion: It is no surprise that the government in power wants to oppose the statement made by Omar Abdullah. However, the question of the hour is that if the government does not recognize any difference between the different species of cows, why is the government okay with only recognizing a single species? Why is the government supporting Swamy’s statement, which says, “Do whatever you want to the other species, but Bos Indicus must not be harmed”? If the nation’s leaders do not recognize the parity in judgment they have made, it is clear that Swamy’s statements will only instigate an increase in cow slaughter, if not slaughter of all animals as a whole.

A WALK IN THE MAZE

Sai Preethi Polu, reporting from the All India Political Parties Meet (AIPPM) on Yogi Adityanath’s confused ideology.

In 2019, Yogi Adityanath adopted a “zero-tolerance policy” for Uttar Pradesh (UP) on crimes against

minorities, minors, women, and Dalits at a review meeting. The Chief Minister of UP said that strict action would be taken against those involved in any such crime.

In the second review meeting, the CM also reviewed the achievements and performance of his home ministry, which was also attended by his Chief Secretary - Anoop Chand Pandey, Principal Secretary – Arvind Kumar, and other such heads of police organizations.

The Chief Minister also stated that non-performers should be removed from the department through mandatory retirement to make the functioning of police more target-orientated and sensitive to people. However, in the All-India Political Party Meeting, CM Yogi targeted Muslim minorities, addressing them as people who have an “Abbajaan”. He also narrated a story of a poor Hindu family who survived by providing transport services on their bullock-cart and how “Abbajaan people” stole his livelihood by eating the meat of the animal working for them. He went on to say that such minorities do not deserve protection, and the people of India cannot question it.

Not only did this statement warrant significant opposition, but it also created chaos in the committee. This statement made by CM Yogi can now be related to several news articles which clearly stated that he was

exploiting the minorities sect only for the BJP’s vote bank. The opposition criticized him, saying that it is anti-democratic and anti-secular to have such a leader. With the non-secular and religious Yogi led-BJP Government in power in the state of UP, the minorities now might face difficult challenges, owing to CM Yogi’s opinions on their sect.



SKIRMISH EXCUSES?

Sai Preethi Polu, reporting from All India Political Parties Meet (AIPPM), talks to Bandi Sanjay regarding his threat to the Chief Justice of India (CJI).

The Supreme court has issued a suo-motu notice against the Prime Minister (PM) on the contempt of court. Bandi Sanjay has said that if the Supreme Court takes any decision against PM Modi, the Chief Justice would be impeached on the floor of the parliament house.

International Press (IP): Sir, why have you made the statement that the CJI will be impeached if any action is taken against PM Modi?

Bandi Sanjay: My intention was not to threaten the CJI but rather to say that the PM will not be proved wrong even if the trial happens. But if he is proved wrong, it is

a clear case of how the CJI is inefficient, due to which I feel like the CJI can be impeached.

IP: If you are sure that the PM will not be proved wrong, what is the reason behind making this statement?

Bandi Sanjay: I have made the statement to clear the clouded minds of the concerned citizens regarding the quality and personality of the PM, which was damaged by the contempt of court. Also, I felt that I had to stand up for him and be clear that he did not commit any mistake. The truth shall set the PM free.

IP: Do you think the truth is perceivable? If not, who decides what the truth is?

Bandi Sanjay: I believe the court decides what the truth is, and the truth is absolute. This proves my case that if the PM is found guilty, the CJI is wrong, and he needs to be impeached.

IP: Do you not think that it essentially sounds like you are deciding what the truth is, considering that unless the

“truth” you want is given as the ruling, the CJI is threatened to be impeached?

Bandi Sanjay: I believe that my statement is completely rhetoric. I believe in the Supreme Court’s decision, even if it says Modi Ji himself needs to be impeached. But, rather, it is my opinion that Modi Ji gets the justice he deserves.

A TALK WITH THE СΥΠΕΡ СΙΛΑ

Reporter Avanthika Reddy from the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), in conversation with the delegate of Russia on the rippled effects of Russia in Afghanistan.

International Press (IP): Is the provision of aid to Afghanistan a redemption of what Russia has done in the past?

Delegate of Russia: Those were the Doctrines of the Soviet Union that influenced the Soviet policy for Afghanistan and not the doctrines of Russia. We have moved on, and our humane gesture was not redemption but was an act of purity and heartfelt intentions.



IP: What will be Russia’s next step for controlling the situation in Afghanistan?

Russia: We urge the international community to provide a practical solution.

IP: What measures is Russia willing to take for women in Afghanistan?

Russia: The Taliban likes to govern according to the law of Sharia. According to the Cairo declaration, we cannot influence their ideas but persuade them to follow a more humane version of Sharia law.

IP: America failing should only be a way for Russia to mock it and gain recognition. Thoughts?

Russia: This is not a mockery. The hasty withdrawal of the United States of America (USA) and their previous actions in Afghanistan must be held accountable and not overlooked.

IP: The Russian military intelligent agents offered money to the Taliban fighters to kill USA militants and possibly other western personnel. Thoughts?

Russia: These are baseless allegations and do not rely on concrete proof.

The delegate of Russia depicted the USA as a major root cause for the chaos in Afghanistan. The allegations on the military actions have stated that the hasty withdrawal of the USA troops and the implementation of an extremist version of the Sharia law is leading to deuteriation of the conditions in the USA.

MONETARY MISCHIEF

Reporter Avanthika Reddy from the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), elaborates on the funding chaos in Afghanistan.

The Taliban have returned to power in Afghanistan 20 years after their ouster by U.S. troops, sparking concerns that they will impose harsh rule, neglect to provide essential services, and abuse human rights. A strong Force like the Taliban requires heavy funding to lead its troop and build its army. There have been numerous sources citing that nations around the world or non-state actors like ISIS and Al-Qaeda are key source funders for the Taliban's monetary needs.

The delegate of Russia in his speech stated that "...People do not know where Taliban is getting its funds, but organisations like ISIS, Al-Qaeda and countries like Pakistan are expected to be funding the Taliban...". The delegate made the statement on the fact that ISIS and Al-Qaeda are the brainchild of the Taliban and have been raised and nurtured on Afghan soil. The delegate of Russia also stated that "the main reason of these nations is to fund Taliban could be their opposition to the

Western presence". Delegates of various countries put forth their points on how they believe these organisations are backing up the Taliban and mentioned the heavy intake of funds pouring into the country. In response to this, the representative of Taliban clarified that "... If Taliban whereas rich as how my fellow delegates claim it to be, Afghanistan would not have been facing the economic crisis and the food famine today...". Delegates of the committee also highlighted that if the Taliban receives funding without proper speculation or guidance, it may lead to a world catastrophe.

Millions of lives will depend on how Afghanistan's new interim government chooses to govern. Global leaders must consider the wellbeing of the world, and the financial aid and other resources must be mindfully distributed. Excessive funding or complete exclusion of the Taliban government can spark new wars or even shift world politics.

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