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Comrades,

2019 -THE YEAR OF INTOLERANCE 2020 - THE ROAD TO UNCERTAINTY

The year 2019 was defined by a wave of protests sweeping across the Globe. From Chile to Hong Kong, protesters took the agitations to the streets against misgovernance and injustices. In Lebanon, over economic and administrative mismanagement, the young people resorted to protests to enable the authorities at the helms of affairs of the Government could hear their voices. The sudden ascendancy to power by Mr. Boris Johnson and his victory to be Prime Minister of UK with an assurance to get out of the European Union and the landslide win against the time tested leader of the Labour Party were shocking. The third President of the largest democratic country USA facing the process of impeachment motion was also disturbing.

2. The sluggish level of global economic growth, which led to income inequality, low entry level salaries and diminishing permanency of jobs. The cascading effect of the same created frustrations among the Gen next, who see their dreams are crashing before their eyes. The cumulative sum total of their frustrations is fuelling into the issue-specific protests that we see. The Global meltdown created resentment against the then political economic elite and created a space for the right wing forces to come to power in 2008. The year that has passed into history saw the seething anger of the youngsters against the right wing administrators for their failure to deliver the solutions to fundamental economic, social and ecological problems of our time. There is a serious climate emergency in our planet. The manmade abuse leading to heaping health and livelihood costs on the current Generation. The teenage young activist of Swedish origin Greta Thunberg articulated these sentiments very effectively drawing the attention of the world leaders and youngsters all over the world plunged into protest action.

3. In our country, the massive mandate given to the present Government was under serious debates. Right from the day one, alarmingly attacks are systematically unleashed against the citizens of this Nation. Forced retirements of qualified administrative officers by the Centre, followed by a state government extended to financial Institutions. Acquiring power is the only motto by hook or by crook. The demonstrative example was Karnataka

assembly and its re alignment was the classic example. The judicial system is subjected to governmental interventions. The Chief judicial officer was under pressure as he was charged for sexual harassment. The land dispute decision which was hanging in fire was finally disposed off. The appeals filed too were rejected in bulk. Article 370 revocation and its fall out on the valley are also too vindictive. Time tested leaders are under house arrest in the Valley. The delegation from foreign country was permitted to visit to assess the situation, whereas leaders of our country were detained at the airport itself. CAA, NPR etc are now the instruments to put pressure on the people. Unity in diversity is slowly made non-existent. The tactics followed by the government to divert the attention of the citizens are now understood clearly. The failures of reputed organisations in managing the affairs and also the watchdogs of the system committing collusive activities to suppress the facts are the reality. Privatisation of the Profit making public sector is the sole motive of the government.

4. The global situation, unnoticed repeat melt down crisis in our nation, judicial system at the disposal of the Government and the youngsters rising against the injustice caused to them by the authorities compel us to draw a firm conclusion the road to safety in uncertain in this year 2020.

**DO NOT CARRY YOUR MISTAKES AROUND WITH YOU.
INSTEAD
PLACE THEM UNDER YOUR FEET AND USE THEM A STEPPING STONE.**

We shall overcome, we shall overcome one day.....

Yours comradely,



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***Wishing all our members & their family
a Happy & Prosperous New Year 2020***

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