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From the Director's Desk

In February 2024, there was a rapid surge in instances of hate crimes directed towards minority communities. The Justice and Empowerment of Minorities (JEM) meticulously verified and documented 60 cases encompassing a range of offenses, such as hate speech, communal violence, police misconduct, state-sanctioned discriminatory actions, and assaults on religious institutions.

On February 8, a fresh controversy erupted when an anti-encroachment drive by the Haldwani Municipal Corporation resulted in the demolition of Maryam Masjid and Abdul Razzaq Zakariya Madrasa in Banbhoolpura locality of Haldwani. This action led to clashes between police officials and locals, prompting the government to impose a curfew and issue shoot-at-sight orders. Tragically, seven individuals lost their lives due to police gunfire, and hundreds, including police personnel, sustained injuries. The abrupt demolition, especially when the matter was still under consideration in court, ignited anger within the community.

Similarly, in Darbhanga, a clash broke out between two communities in Bahera Market during the idol immersion for 'Saraswati Pooja'. The clash was triggered when Hindus deliberately entered a Muslim-dominant area, raising provocative slogans, resulting in stone-pelting from both sides. What is more concerning is the government's perceived one-sided response against the Muslim community, including state-sponsored discriminatory approaches, police harassment, and instances where state authorities compelled them to compensate for damages during communal tensions.

It is imperative that authorities conduct a thorough and comprehensive investigation into these incidents. Those found responsible for human rights violations must be held accountable for their actions. Immediate and robust support systems should be extended to those affected by these events to ensure justice, uphold human rights, and restore a sense of security within the community.

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Hate Crime and Hate Speech Cases, February 2024



On February 1st [Hate Detector](#) shared a video of a hate speech delivered in Kolhapur, Maharashtra by T. Raja Singh. “If you want to shoot down Landon (Muslims), join Bajrang Dal. My youth is not the one who only rings bell in temple but also teaches lessons to these Jhandubam.”

On 2nd February, the [Indian Express](#) reported a strange case of anti-Muslim hatred from Chetrampur village, Moradabad district, Uttar Pradesh where four individuals, including Bajrang Dal leader Monu Bishnoi, were arrested for allegedly slaughtering cows to falsely implicate a Muslim man, Mehmood, in a fabricated case. The arrests

came after investigations revealed a premeditated plot involving personal vendettas, with Bishnoi orchestrating the incidents to pressure the police and further unlawful activities.

On 3rd February, [Dainik Bhaskar](#) recorded another incident of Muslim hatred from Bhopal Railway station, Madhya Pradesh. A group of passengers abound to visit Ayodhya for ‘Ram’s

Darshan’ by train vandalized a book stall at Bhopal Railway Station for selling books on Mughal Emperors. Expressing dissatisfaction with the content, the passengers, shouting “Jai Shri Ram,” tore up and threw the books, deeming them offensive to Hindus. Railway Police Force (RPF) intervened to stop the vandalism, and no injuries were reported. The book stall owner has not filed a police report.



On 4th February, [The Observerpost](#) reported an anti-Muslim hatred from Agra, Uttar Pradesh where a right-wing organization, Akhil Bharat Hindu Mahasabha, has filed a petition in the Agra court challenging the three-day ‘Urs’ event at the Taj Mahal, scheduled from 6 to 8. The court has accepted the petition, and the hearing is set for March 4. The petitioner objects not only to the celebration itself but also to the provision of free entry for the ‘Urs’ inside the iconic monument.

On February 5th, [Deccan Herald](#) reported an incident of religious desecration from UP’s Banaras where a group of radically motivated individuals affiliated to the Hindu Samaj Party, a Right Wing organisation, pasted a temple sticker on Gyanvapi Mosque sign board. A case has been registered against the organisation on charges including inciting religious sentiments. The police have booked them under

sections 153A, 505 (2) and 295 (A) of the Indian Penal Code.

On the same day, [The Muslim X](#) account shared a video in which the Hindu Mahasabha, has reportedly demanded restrictions on Friday prayers, seeking to limit gatherings to 10 people

in smaller mosques and 25 in larger ones. The group also allegedly called for the denial of prayer permissions in certain mosques and suggested the use of bulldozers for mosque demolition.

On February 6th, an incident in Pandesara, Surat, Gujarat, has stirred controversy as Malun Rishi Rajput is accused of disrespecting Allah, the Quran, and Prophet Mohammad. The video shared by [The Muslim X](#) account has alleged that this act has hurt religious sentiments. Surprisingly, no legal action has been taken against the accused at this time.





In a recent report by *The Indian Express* on February 9th, Uttarakhand's Haldwani witnessed an outbreak of communal violence on February 9th. The unrest unfolded during a demolition drive targeting a mosque and madrasa, purportedly situated on Nazool land.

Subsequently, on same day, a case reported by *News 18* Hindi highlights an attack on a religious site in Mehrauli, New Delhi. The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) is now under criticism for the demolition of the 900-year-old tomb of Baba Haji Rozbih, a revered Sufi saint considered one of the oldest saints in Delhi. The tomb, situated at the entrance of Qila Lal Kot, was removed on January 30 as part of DDA's initiative to clear religious structures within Sanjay Van.

Furthermore, another incident in Mehrauli, New Delhi, reported by *Live Mint*, involves the demolition of the 600-year-old Akhoondji Masjid on January 30 by the Delhi Development Authority (DDA). The DDA cited it as an "illegal construction," prompting the Delhi High Court to order the maintenance of the status quo on the land.



This drive, part of a broader initiative addressing properties under Nagar Nigam and tackling traffic congestion, escalated into a chaotic scene marked by stone-pelting, vehicle arson, and the encirclement of a local police station. As tensions flared, Chief Minister Pushkar Dhami issued shoot-on-sight orders in response to the escalating violence. Prahlad Narayan Meena, the Senior Superintendent of Police, reported that the police utilized force to maintain safety amid the turmoil.

On February 11th, *The Observerpost* documented a distressing incident of physical assault in Kankavli, Maharashtra. Asif, a Muslim man, faced an attack by a Hindu mob for refusing to chant "Jai Shri Ram" while traveling with his family on a local train. The situation escalated further when approximately 200 men assaulted Asif's home two days later, underscoring the delicate circumstances prevailing in Maharashtra. Allegedly, the police failed to provide protection, leaving the family exposed to further threats. Despite filing an FIR on January 20 and reporting harassment to both train officials and railway police, Asif and his family continued to encounter intimidation. Shockingly, political leaders accompanying the attackers filed a complaint against Asif, turning the tables on the victim.



Simultaneously, on the same date, *Sabrang India* reported a disturbing incident of hate speech from Govandi, Mumbai, Maharashtra. BJP leader Nitish Rane purportedly led an anti-Muslim rally organized by Sakal Hindu Samaj, where participants were heard chanting derogatory slogans against the Muslim community. Rane, addressing the rally, allegedly encouraged disruptive actions against Muslims, promising protection and support if law enforcement intervened.



In another unsettling occurrence on February 11th, *Aurangabad Samachar* documented an anti-Muslim provocative speech from Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. In the presence of the police, Manoj Kumar, a leader of the International Hindu Council, advocated for the extension



theories surrounding “business jihad” and “spit jihad.”

Additionally on February 11th, [News 24](#) reported controversial and hateful remarks against Muslims from Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh. During the 5th

of Hindu supremacy to Macca and Madina. Amidst a crowd, Kumar asserted ownership of the land and urged the government to implement a uniform civil code across India. This proposal, ostensibly aimed at safeguarding Hindu temples and preserving religious harmony, has sparked debates about the delicate balance between religious freedom and national unity.

On the same day, [The Muslim X](#) shared a video exposing hate speech from Nashik, Maharashtra. During the Sakal Hindu Samaj event in Nashik, Suresh Chavhanke, the owner of Sudarshan News, delivered a speech rife with anti-Muslim abuses. Chavhanke not only called for the boycott of Muslim barbers but also propagated conspiracy



foundation day celebration of Karni Sena, National President Suraj Pal Amu made threatening statements, promising severe consequences for those perceived as having ill intentions towards women. Amu also claimed responsibility for the demolition of towers in Mathura and Kashi, attributed to Mughal atrocities, and expressed plans to demolish another tower in Kashi. Additionally, he demanded the renaming of Aligarh to Harigarh. These incidents underscore the rising



tensions and divisive rhetoric affecting various regions in India.

On February 12th, [Scroll.in](#) reported disturbing instances of alleged police atrocities in Haldwani, Uttarakhand. According to locals, police officials forcefully entered homes, assaulted women, and detained several men. Shama, a 38-year-old cook at a local school, recounted the incident, stating, “Police officials broke into our house around 4 pm, thrashed our belongings, assaulted my husband, and took him away. We have no idea where he is.” Another victim, 22-year-old Mehreen, pleaded to meet her husband, Arif, taken away by police officials at 5 pm. The police contend that their actions are based on evidence and not arbitrary.

On the same date, [Hate Detector](#) recorded a video of an anti-Muslim rally in Haridwar, Uttarakhand. Organized by members of the Bajrang Dal, the rally featured inflammatory songs promoting violence against Muslims. The

crowd, chanting provocative slogans, specifically targeted those accused of cow slaughter, issuing threats of violence.

In another incident reported by web portal [Aurangabad Samachar](#) on February 12th, a Muslim youth in Parbhani, Maharashtra, fell victim to physical attacks by members of Bajrang Dal and right-wing groups. The assaults, captured on video, involved forcing the victims to chant “Jai Shri Ram.”





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On the same day, a video surfaced on [social media](#) from Siddharth Nagar, Uttar Pradesh, where BJP leader Raghvendra Pratap Singh controversially called for the conversion of 32,000 mosques into Hindu temples.

[The Muslim X](#) handle shared yet another video on February 12th, this time from Jalna, Maharashtra. Influencers Harsh Thakur and Hindu Rashtra Sena chief Dhananjay Desai delivered hate speeches against Muslims during an event organized by a coalition of Hindu far-right organizations, including Sakal Hindu Samaj. These inflammatory remarks raised concerns



speech against Muslims at an event organized at Saraswati Vidya Mandir High School.

On the same day, [Nav Bharat Times](#) recorded a video of provocative slogans being raised in the Parliament of India by a sitting member of parliament from the NJP. MP Navneet Rana was seen making anti-Muslim statements, asserting that those wishing to live in India must chant Jai Shri Ram. These incidents collectively



highlight an alarming trend of rising tensions and divisive rhetoric in various parts of the country.

On February 13th, [Al Jazeera](#) brought attention to a case of police brutality in Haldwani, Uttarakhand. According to the report, a Muslim man named Zahid was purportedly shot, and in the aftermath of the shooting, he was subjected to severe beatings with sticks on his chest by the police, tragically leading to his untimely death. The gravity of the situation intensified when Zahid's son and driver tried to come to his aid, resulting in the police breaking the driver's hand.

On February 14th, [The Daily Siasat](#) covered a Trishul Diksha event in the Khammam district of Telangana. Organized by



the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) and Bajrang Dal in anticipation of the Lok Sabha Elections, the “Trishul Diksha” program aimed at fostering a positive environment for Hindus. Yadi Reddy, the VHP Telangana President, highlighted the event's focus on addressing concerns such as cow slaughter, temple

destruction, and the perceived threat of love jihad against Hindu women. Reddy emphasized the significance of Trishul Diksha in promoting lifelong service to the nation and the establishment of ‘Ram Rajya’ in Khammam. The event garnered enthusiastic participation from approximately 6,000 registered attendees representing 500 villages in the vicinity.

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Furthermore, *Free Press Journal* reported an

Islamophobic incident from Mumbai, Maharashtra, on the same date. Dr. AK Pathan, a senior oncologist, experienced religious discrimination when an InDrive cab driver demanded that he chant "Jai Shri Ram" to confirm a booking for an intercity trip from Mumbai to Nashik.

social media from Delhi. Jai Bhagwan Goyal, a BJP leader and President of Rashtrawadi Shiv Sena, allegedly made threatening remarks, drawing parallels to the Babri Mosque situation. Speaking at a gathering, Goyal warned Muslims to promptly hand over the Kashi and Mathura Masjids to Hindus or face consequences reminiscent of the Babri Mosque incident.



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On February 15th, *The Quint* brought attention to an incident of mental harassment involving a Muslim vendor in Dehradun, Uttarakhand. Shoaib Ali found

himself targeted after a group of women, led by right-wing activist Radha Semwal Dhoni, discovered his religious identity through a digital payment made at 'The Jungle Juice Corner.' This disturbing incident highlights a concerning trend wherein Muslim vendors face discrimination when their religious identity

becomes known through payment or delivery applications.

Additionally, *The Print* highlighted a case of state-sponsored discriminatory practices in Khodiyar Kuva, Prantij town, Sabarkantha district, Gujarat. A fatal clash unfolded between two communities, resulting in the death of Bhoi. The incident originated from





Maharashtra. According to the victim, Hitesh, associated with a Hindu organization, allegedly coerced individuals into shouting “Jai Shri Ram,” physically assaulted him, and caused damage to an auto-rickshaw. Following the incident, a group from the Muslim community gathered at Sheel Daighar Police Station to file an

a financial dispute, leading to alleged retaliation against Muslim individuals. Bulldozers were reportedly deployed to target their properties in the aftermath of the clash. An official statement revealed that the conflict started with an altercation between two individuals, Mayur Bhoi and Imran Kadri, over a financial matter. The situation escalated as members from both communities engaged in an attack, ultimately leading to the tragic death of Raju Bhoi. The police have identified 17 out of the 30 accused, including Ayazmia Qureshi, Imran Qureshi, Munaf Qureshi, and Maqbool Qureshi.

On February 16th, *The Muslim* shared a video on its social media handle depicting a physical attack against a Muslim man in Thane,



FIR regarding the assault.

On the same day, *Hindustan Times* reported another instance of communal tension from the Tarasarai Muria area in Darbhanga, Bihar. Clashes ensued between two communities when stones were reportedly thrown at a Hindu procession carrying the idol of Goddess Saraswati for immersion in the Bahera area of Darbhanga district. The police responded by filing separate FIRs against



Minister G Parameshwara pledged legal action, citing the potential for unrest. Despite multiple FIRs filed against him for his contentious remarks, the notorious figure continued delivering hate speech.

On February 18th, *Journo Mirror* highlighted a case of police atrocity in

170 named accused and 400 unidentified individuals. At least 53 named accused have been arrested and placed in judicial custody, with ongoing efforts to apprehend the remaining suspects. As of now, the situation is reported to be under control, and the administration has converted the entire area into a police camp to restore peace.

On February 17th, an incident of hate speech in Karnataka was reported by *India Today* involving BJP MP Anantkumar Hegde. His controversial claim that global peace hinges on the presence of Sangh Parivar and BJP stirred controversy. Hegde criticized Islam, asserting that peace is unattainable as long as it exists. Karnataka Home

Bamori, Guna district, Madhya Pradesh, reported on January 31st, 2024. At a Shiva temple, innocent Muslim youths, including Anwar Khan, Raees, Bafati, Zeeshan, and Rehaan, were erroneously arrested for allegedly breaking an idol. However, further investigation revealed Gyarsa as the actual culprit, who confessed to the act due to frustration over marital issues. The legal status of the wrongful arrests is currently under investigation.





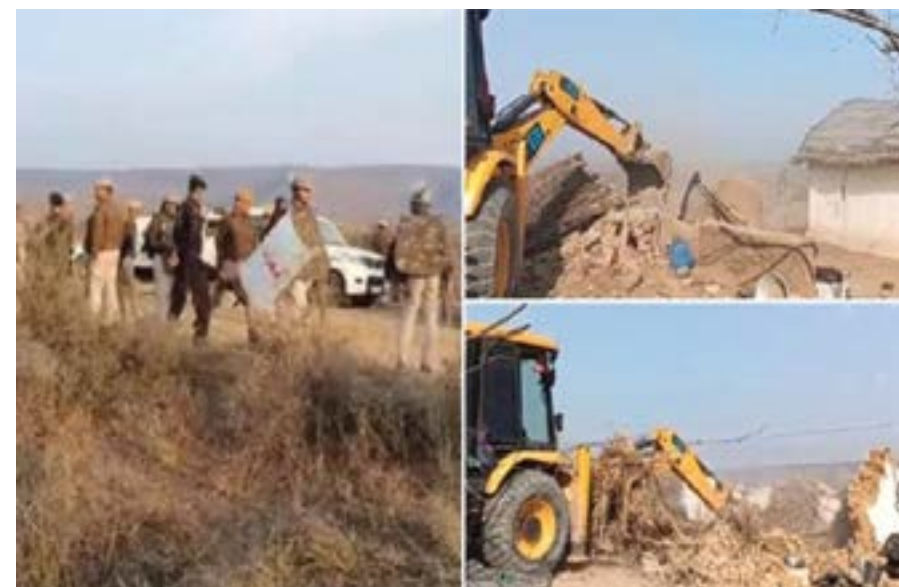
speech by BJP MLAs. The situation stems from a January 22 incident involving a saffron-flagged gathering, leading to violence exacerbated by inflammatory language. Telangana BJP MLA T Raja Singh's planned rally on February 25 raises concerns, as civil society aims to prevent his entry, reflecting a persistently

Subsequently, on the same date, *The Siasat Daily* reported an incident of an attack on religious spaces in the Malda district, West Bengal. Maharaj Hiranmoy Goswami, a self-proclaimed Hindu priest, conducted a pooja inside the 14th-century Adina Mosque, a monument listed by the ASI and built in 1369 with historical significance. An FIR has been filed against Goswami by the ASI, and local leaders have condemned the act for its potential to incite communal disharmony. Additional police forces have been deployed to maintain law and order.

On 19th February, *Citizen for Justice and Peace* reported another hate speech from Mumbai Maharashtra. Amidst escalating tensions in Mira Road, Mumbai, following alleged hate

tense atmosphere a month after the initial unrest. Nitesh Rane and Geeta Jain, six complaints have been filed, urging an impartial investigation. Residents demand FIR registration and legal action against the politicians.

On February 19th, *The Observerpost* highlighted a new incident of alleged state-sponsored discriminatory practices in Pipar town, Rajasthan. A government-run school in Pipar



town faced controversy as female Muslim students, donning hijabs, were purportedly denied entry by school authorities. These students asserted that their teachers had been disparagingly labeling them as "Chambal Ke Daaku" due to their hijabs. The school's principal justified the actions based on adherence to the government-mandated dress code, while Rajasthan's Education Minister underscored the importance of complying with the state's dress regulations for government schools.

On February 20th, *Maktoob Media* brought attention to another instance of state-sponsored discriminatory practices, this time in Rundh Gidawada village, Alwar, Rajasthan. According to recent reports, authorities



in Rajasthan demolished 12 houses belonging to Muslims in Kishangarh Bas and destroyed mustard and wheat crops on 44 acres of land over allegations of cow slaughter. Additionally, the electricity department disconnected power to the accused's residences. The police filed a suo-motu First Information

Report (FIR) against 25 Muslims, accusing them of involvement in an alleged 'illegal cow-slaughtering racket' and 'beef sale.' Eight Muslim men were arrested under the State's Bovine Animal (Prohibition of Slaughter and Regulation of Temporary Migration or Export) Act, 1995, invoking sections 3, 4, 5, 8, and 9 of the RB Act.

Simultaneously, on February 20th, *The Times of India* reported a case



Kankavli, Maharashtra. Asif Shaikh, a Muslim man, faced harassment on a train as a group of radicalized students compelled passengers to chant “Jai Shri Ram.” The situation escalated, leading to threats, a false complaint, and a mob attack on Asif’s home on January 25. The mob, allegedly chanting “Jai

of alleged police brutality in Bidauli, Jhinhana area, Shamli, Uttar Pradesh. A Muslim man named Furqan died of severe injuries while in police custody. According to the ToI report, Ahmad’s family claimed that he succumbed to police torture in Shamli. Ahmad, picked up by Vinay Kumar’s team, was returned unconscious with visible injuries. His sister-in-law was reportedly assaulted during questioning. The police are conducting a videographed postmortem under a magistrate’s supervision. Authorities refute the allegations, stating Ahmad was found uninvolved in the original case, and the investigation is ongoing.

On the same day, *The Quint* reported an incident of anti-Muslim hate from Wadwad in

Shri Ram,” physically assaulted Asif, his wife, and their 4-year-old daughter. Asif filed FIRs, including charges of unlawful assembly, causing hurt, rioting, and outraging religious feelings, along with section 135 of the Maharashtra Police Act, 1951.

Furthermore, on February 20th, a video went viral on social media, shared by *Shadab Khan* under the username ‘Yudhi Rajput,’ featuring derogatory comments about the



Muslim community and inappropriate remarks about “Allah” on Instagram Reels from Hapur, Uttar Pradesh.

Hindustan Times on February 20th reported an anti-Sikh incident from Dhamakhali, West Bengal. IPS officer Jaspreet Singh accused BJP activists of calling him a ‘Khalistani’ during duty, resulting in a heated argument. Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee shared a video of the incident, condemning BJP’s divisive politics. The BJP denied the allegation, stating that the officer was not performing his duty.

On February 22nd, an individual identified as *Wajid Khan* shared a video from Ajmer, Rajasthan, depicting a radicalized person



associated with a Hindu organization standing near Ajmer Collectorate. In the video, the individual is reported to be insulting the honor of Hazrat Khwaja Garib Nawaz RA.

Also on February 22nd, *Ashraf Hussain* shared another video on an unspecified platform, detailing a physical assault that occurred in Loni, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. The victim, a girl, accused individuals named Karan Nagar and Raju Nagar of misconduct and assaulting her brother. Despite filing a case, the accused allegedly continue to pressure the victim and her family to withdraw the charges. An FIR has been registered in connection with this incident, and the police are yet to apprehend the culprits.



links to banned groups. These accusations were raised in a memorandum submitted by a local group. Responding to the situation, the Rajasthan Education Minister ordered an investigation, with potential termination looming if the claims are substantiated.

On the same day, [IND Story](#) shared a video from Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh, where a Hindu man was seen molesting a Muslim girl at RMS College. The accused, identified as Satyam, allegedly molested the Muslim girl, resulting in her sustaining a broken finger during the subsequent protest. The victim claims that the police took no action against Satyam, and when she reported the incident to the college principal, she faced scolding.

On the same day, [The Indian Express](#) reported another incident of state-sponsored discriminatory actions, this time from Deoband, Uttar Pradesh. According to the Express report, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has called for legal action against an Islamic educational institution, Darul Uloom Deoband, for an “anti-India fatwa” published on its website. In a letter addressed

On February 23rd, [The Indian Express](#) covered an incident of hatred and social stigma against Muslims in Kota, Rajasthan. Two school teachers, Mirza Mujahid and Firoz Khan, faced suspension following allegations of involvement in religious conversion and purported



to the district magistrate and senior superintendent of police of Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh, the NCPCR requested a thorough investigation and the filing of an FIR against the institute.

On February 24th, [India Today](#) highlighted another instance of state-sponsored discriminatory practice, this time from Guwahati, Assam. The Assam Cabinet, led by Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, reportedly repealed the Assam Muslim Marriage and Divorce Registration Act, 1935. This decision brings Muslim marriages and divorces in Assam within the purview of the Special Marriages Act. The move is perceived as a step towards implementing the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in the state. Notably, Assam becomes the second



state in India, following Uttarakhand, to take a definitive step towards the implementation of the UCC.

On February 25th, [Dainik Jagran](#) reported an incident of hate speech from Meerut, Uttar Pradesh. Yati Narasimhanand Maharaj of Shiv Shakti Dham Dasna in Meerut

called on the Yogi government to take action against those responsible for issuing the Ghazwa-e-Hind fatwa.

Concurrently, on the same day, [Hate Detector](#) shared a video on its platform, detailing a case related to anti-Muslim hatred from Dharavi, Mumbai, Maharashtra. In this incident, Muslim women allege that a dispute among



According to the video, objectionable slogans targeting Muslims were raised during T Raja Singh's rally. Participants were heard chanting provocative slogans, including ones using derogatory terms against the Muslim community, such as "drive away Landya (Muslims)."

children playing is being unfairly given a religious angle. This has resulted in pressure on Muslim tenants to vacate their houses and instances of assault.

On February 26th, *Hate Detector* reported another case of anti-Muslim sentiment, this time from Mira Road, Mumbai, Maharashtra. In an event at Mira Road, BJP MLA Geeta Jain sparked controversy with a statement implying that the local population's size allows them to accomplish tasks in five minutes, as opposed to others who supposedly take 20 minutes.

Likewise on February 26th, *The Muslim X* handle shared a video depicting anti-Muslim slogans from Mira Bhayandar, Maharashtra.



On February 28th, *Hindustan Times* reported an incident involving an attack on religious spaces, specifically a Muslim historical building, in Agra, Uttar Pradesh. The Agra court ruled that a suit filed by the Sri Krishna Janambhoomi Sanrakshit Sewa Trust for the recovery of Krishna idols, allegedly buried by Mughal emperor Aurangzeb in the 17th century, is maintainable. The plaintiff seeks excavation within the

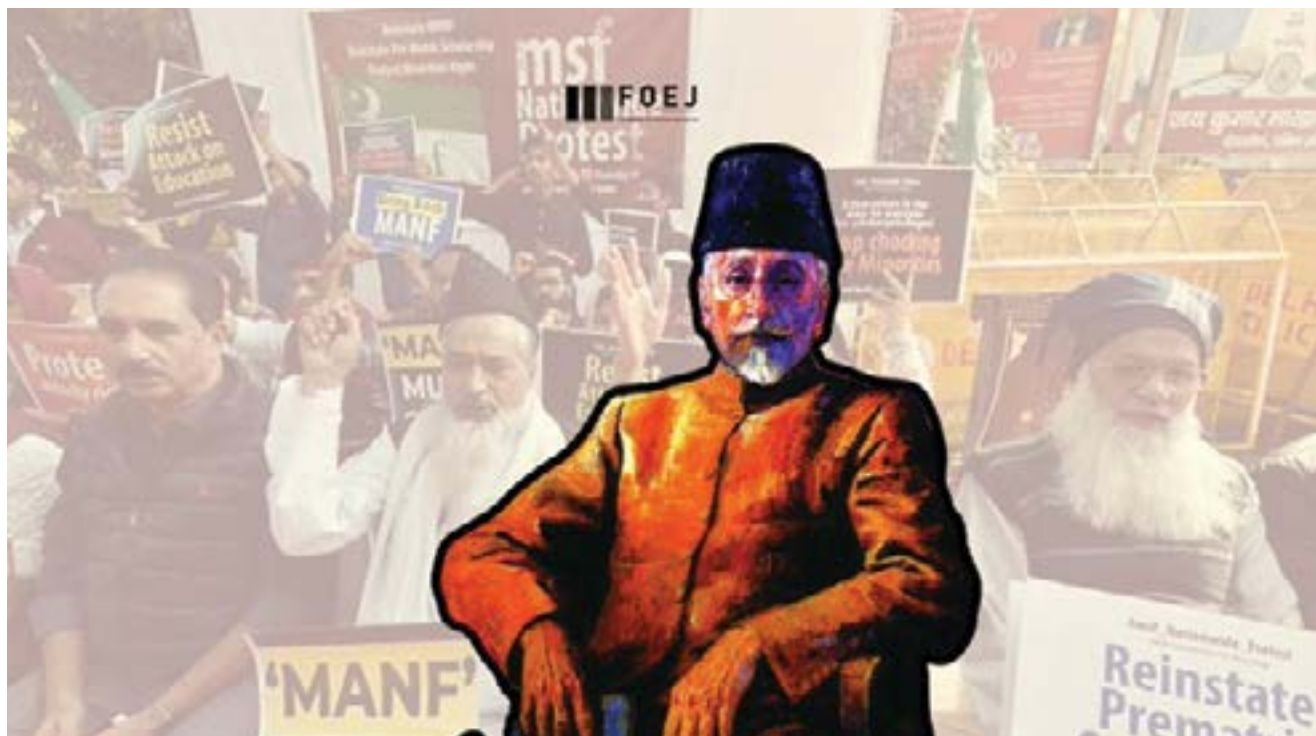


Agra Fort premises to retrieve the idols, believed to have been brought from Sri Krishna Janmabhoomi in Mathura. The court's ruling allows for further legal proceedings related to the recovery of these idols.

scrutinize school textbooks for content that may portray national heroes negatively, specifically mentioning allegations of Akbar organizing 'Meena Bazaar' for abducting, raping, and assaulting women.

On the same day, *Times of India* reported a controversial statement made against Muslim figures by Rajasthan's Education Minister, Madan Dilawar. He asserted that Akbar, the Mughal emperor, was a "rapist" based on "historical narratives." Dilawar plans to establish a committee to





Also on February 28th, [FOEJ Media's X](#) handle reported a state-sponsored discriminatory practice by the Government of India. The Ministry of Minority Affairs (MoMA) announced the closure of the Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF), drawing criticism for impacting educational opportunities for marginalized Muslim students.

verbally abusing worshippers and initiating a physical altercation. Both Annu Chaudhary and Daksh Chaudhary have been arrested by the police in connection with the incident.

On the same day, [The Free Press Journal](#) reported another incident of a state-sponsored discriminatory practice from

Furthermore, [Abdul Majid Nizami](#) shared an incident on X of physical assault from Tila Mod district, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. Hindu Raksha Dal officials Annu Chaudhary and Daksh Chaudhary, along with two others, disrupted Shab-e-Barat prayers,



New Delhi. Wakeel Hassan's house, the leader of the rat miners whose team successfully rescued 41 trapped workers in Uttarkashi's Silkyara tunnel, was allegedly demolished by DDA without prior notice, despite government assurances not to touch it.

on forts, 'love jihad,' and the Uniform Civil Code. Singh has faced multiple FIRs for hate speech, yet continues delivering provocative speeches despite legal challenges.

Furthermore, [Jannat Jahan](#) shared an Islamophobic video on X, highlighting

Additionally, on February 28th, [The Quint](#) reported a hate speech from Thane's Mira Road, Maharashtra. Despite legal challenges, BJP leader T Raja Singh continues to deliver provocative speeches during a rally organized by the Sakal Hindu Samaj, making controversial statements





religious intolerance in the transport sector, with a transport company representative instructing a Muslim individual to chant the Hindu religious slogan “Jai Shri Ram” during the transport of Balaji Wafers.

To conclude, on February 28th, [Mohs Shadab Khan](#) shared a reported hate speech on X from New Delhi. Delhi Police reportedly refused to register a complaint against Akashdeep for making offensive remarks targeting the Muslim community,

citing the need for personal harm. This incident raises concerns about authorities’ handling of hate speech cases, highlighting inconsistencies in law enforcement.

