

Communal hatred, Terror Acts and the Working Class

In an appeal made by the Maharashtra state government, the Bombay High Court has recently given a verdict that all the 11 accused in the Malegaon bomb blast case should face the trial under the tough law of MCOCA (Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act). The Malegaon bomb blast took place in September 2008 in which 7 persons were killed and many others were badly injured. The key conspirators in this bomb blast case are Sadhvi Pragma Thakur, Lt col S.P.Purohit and Swamy Dayanand Pandey.

When the Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) of Maharashtra arrested Sadhvi Pragma Thakur etc., hue and cry was raised by some, especially the RSS, that Hindus are being falsely implicated in the Malegaon bomb blast, and are being harassed with ulterior motives. But the order of the Bombay High Court has proved that there are evidences against Pragma Thakur and others.

It has become evident now that the accused had selected Malegaon as the blast target because Muslims form a large section of the population there. It was from the Malegaon bomb blast that the country came to know the existence of Hindu extremist groups and their networks in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and else where in the country. It may be remembered that similar bomb blasts had taken place in places like Hyderabad, Ajmer, Goa, etc.

The country has already witnessed much blood-shed in Mumbai, Delhi as well as in other parts of the country. Those were terror acts of Islamic extremist groups, from within and from outside the country. Now, the emergence of Hindu extremist groups are adding fuel to the communal fire that is already raging in the country.

. We should understand that these terror outfits are nothing but the offshoots of the communal hatred, that is being spread by the Hindu and Islamic fundamentalist groups. However, when the bombs explode, it is not the Ambanis or the Tatas who are affected. It is the common man, who is the part and parcel of the working class, who dies or gets maimed. It is the working class unity that gets divided due to communal hatred. Organisations and groups which spread communal hatred, whether it is Islamic or Hindu, have to be totally isolated and defeated. The working class should stand in the forefront of this task.

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