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(Threat Letter / Poster to Sheikhpora, Budgam)

On the contrary to assuaging the situation on ground zero, Government at Centre is showing very callous approach towards the situation in Kashmir. In addition to that dead cases are being exhumed from the dusty file racks to put fuel in the turmoil to make it grimmer for the people of Kashmir and specially minorities.

KPSS strongly react to the reply in which insensitive approach was shown by the Minister of State for Home R P N Singh while replying a question in Rajya Sabha with respect to the threats, if any, to Kashmiri Pandits living in the Valley. As the case is more than six months old and we are surprised, why this question was raised and replied so immaturely at this time, when entire Kashmir is on boil due to political failures at different levels.

It is a fact that, last year, a threatening letter/poster was received in the name of Secretary, Pandit Colony Sheikhpora, Budgam to leave Kashmir within a week through post, but it is also a fact that it has no evidence of its origin from any of the militant outfits. FIR was lodged in the concerned Police Station and the matter is under investigation.

We can't overrule that this can be a mischief also done by some vested interest persons to make a hoax call for the reasons best known to them.

This episode happened last year in the month of August, 2012, but why eyebrows of Central Government have raised during the current chaos. It is fact also, when this incident happened, Kashmiri Pandits living in the Sheikhpora Vicinity went to both the fractions of Hurriyat and Police. The matter was dealt with seriousness at the ground level and through investigation was also done. As per the news reports published at that time Police dismissed the letter as mischief by some people and called it a prank. Police also claimed that cognizance have been taken on the issue.



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The more responsible is the press this time to give unnecessary weightage to “dead news” to make it alive and make the situation more chaotic at the ground level. We are in “war zone” and any unscrupulous element use these kind of situations for their vested interests.

Presently Kashmiri Pandits in Kashmir are facing lot of problems as on 9th of March, 2013, we have celebrate our primary religious function i.e. “Shiv Ratri”, but due to current situation in Valley, we are unable to get our basic things for even “Puja”. Government is not taking any steps to provide us things as they used to do so in the past also. In this curfew / hartal situation we can't go out, and get the required things for this annual religious celebration. This is our main religious function and due to current situation we are deprived of to celebrate it will the religious zeal. None is coming forward, not even a lip sympathy this time.

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