NH Debate - 49





"How should Khaps proceed on Khaps meeting with Art of Life held at Jind on 25th November 2014?"

As per the points brought in two attached images in this note at bottom, I am putting some serious concerns here on how should it be taken further:

- 1. **About point 1 and 2:** What Art of Life has in proposal to offer in practical to get it done in minimum time, a blueprint of their action point should asked from them in very next formal or informal talks with them. If they present something feasible in real sense then fine else gulping their capsules should be stopped with immediate effects.
- 2. **About point 6:** Alongside what is proposed in it, two chapters one on history and importance of Khaps and one on its organization set up should be added to syllabus of schools/colleges. An exemplary chapter on organizational structure and its functioning can be something like this article: http://www.nidanaheights.com/Panchayat.html. In fact point 7 and 6 can be merged on line of point 6.

Moreover what study material on name of spiritualism, culture and character development "Art of Life" is proposing to induce in Haryana education system or whatever mean, that should be closely scanned by Khaps and chapters and interests of culture and values of Haryana should be taken care of and make surety of their induction if anything comes in scene on it.

3. About point 10: A well managed charity and donation is already given to various "Gau-shalas and temples" regarding wellbeingness of homeless cows. So they should be asked to work seriously on it instead of asking farmers. According to 2011-12 budget reports, annual turnover of charity received by all Hindu temples, organizations and gaushalas was around INR 1 lakh 13 thousands crores, which is even higher than the annual Indian budget INR 1 lakh 12 thousands crores of that year. So firstly either an animal like cow shouldn't be related to religion or if related or bestowed on it then it becomes the duty of religious bodies varying from temples to sangh or snagthans to take care of cows and not of the farmers or peasants all alone. After all for what they do charity and donations in temples and affiliated religious organizations if these organizations can't even spare 1 to 2 thousands crores per year for cows out of a total receiving of INR 1 lakhs 13 thousands crores annually?

Or else special subsidies, aides and coverages should be provided by these religious bodies along with governments to farmers for cow husbandry in

particular. Animal husbandry for peasants is a business and cow is not at all a business yielding animal for them. So fulfilment of religious expectation with business can't be fulfilled without any aide. So charity collected in temples should be diverted towards peasants to bear the cost of a cow or cows to be adopted over if Gau-shalas are not fulfilling this duty.

4. About point 12: First and before going in hurry on this point, some very sensitive and visionary people of Khaps should testify the teachings of Art of Life. It's all kind of real and hidden intentions and agendas should be well examined and then only a decision should be taken on whether to proceed on let this organization spread its wings in villages. As rural format of Arya Samaj is on decline and to replace over the space this "Art of life" might be new back door entrant. Mean to say it might be another well planned suit to replace the former. And if so then it should be stopped with Jind meeting only and won't be allowed at any cost because previous attempts of these face washing or making have been fatal and regressive for rural communities.

Beside this: Khaps should ask "Art of life" to get Khaps a minimum official recognition and people with clear and fair track records in delivering public justice in Panchayats should be recognized as legal social official aide to courts and should be served with a minimum set of legal honour; criteria points on it can be framed by Khaps together. It shall inhale a healthy competition in Khap people and will get them connected to law and governance.

Note: First test their trustworthiness on points 1 and 2 and "Beside this" prospects and on positively real and authentic output then only proceed with next points with them, that too with the minute surveillance on their intentions and hidden agendas as exemplified above.

MOM of Jind Khaps and Art of Life joint-meeting:

प्रस्ताव

दिनांक 25 नवस्बर 2014 को जींद में

में सर्वजातीय सर्वखाप पंचायत हरियाणा एवं आर्ट ऑफ लिविंग द्वारा आयोजित आध्यात्मिक शक्ति व् खाप पंचायतों का ऐतिहासिक मिलन में निम्निलिखित प्रस्ताव सर्वसम्मति से पारित किये गए:-

- 1. सगोत्र विवाह निषेध किया जाये।
- 2. हिन्दू विवाह अधिनियम 1955 में संशोधन होना चाहिए।
- 3. कन्या भ्रूण हत्या पर मृत्यु दंड का प्रावधान हो ।
- युवाओं में बढ़ती नशा प्रवृति पर अंकुश लगाने के लिए नशीले पदार्थों की बिक्री सख्ती से बंद किया जाये ।
- 5. दहेज़ प्रथा पर पूर्ण प्रतिबन्ध हो ।
- बच्चों एवं युवाओं में चरित्र निर्माण के लिए स्कूल व् कॉलेज स्तर पर योग व् आध्यात्मिक शिक्षा को पाठ्यक्रम में शामिल किया जाये।
- 7. युवाओं को भारतीय संस्कृति व् खाप पंचायतों के महत्त्व को समझाया जाए।
- 8. महिला सशक्तिकरण के लिए हर क्षेत्र में महिलाओं की भागीदारी पर जोर दिया जाए।
- 9. ऑनर किलिंग का खाप पंचायतों पर आरोप निराधार है।
- 10. गौ आधारित खेती तथा गौ संरक्षण को बढ़ावा दिया जाए।
- 11. जाबू-पात के भेदभाव को समाप्त करने के लिए अंतर्जातीय विवाह का समर्थन करते हैं।
- 12. समाज में फैली कुरीतियों को रोकने के लिए भारतीय संस्कृति, योग एवं आध्यात्म को बढ़ावा देने में आर्ट ऑफ लिविंग के कार्यक्रमों को गांव-गांव तक पहुँचाने में सभी खाप पंचायतें सहयोग करेंगी।

उपस्थित खाप पंचायतों के प्रधान/प्रतिनिधि उपरोक्त प्रस्ताव का अनुमोदन करते हैं एवं पारित करते हैं।

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