

LETTER

## 'THE GENOCIDE'

The timely concern (*The Genocide*-Volume 42-No. 6 August 16-22-09) about the ethnic cleansing of Tamil civilians of Sri Lanka, who are in a uncertain future in the face of cruel, brutal and revengeful attitude of Sri Lankan administrative apparatus is justified. It is also good to see that there is no omission to mention the same horror stricken blood oozing story of Bosnian Muslims and Serbian brutality. Also, reference to the killing of Bengali inhabitants of East Pakistan by the Pakistani authority is just and good. But this is not the complete story. Right from the creation of Pakistan (1947) the Pakistani rulers either on this or that pretext creating state sponsored fracas had killed numerous Hindus. To mention a few—1949, 1951, 1952, 1954, and 1956. And in 1964 on a Holy relic issue of a Kashmir mosque in and around Dacca nearly fifty thousand Hindus were killed by the Muslim fundamentalists. Again in the year 1992 on Babri Masjid tragedy Hindu massacre was performed by Khaleda Zia along with her fundamentalist allies with a clinical skill and some three thousand, including the Historical Ramana Kalibari were destroyed or damaged.

But it is really strange to see that the Indian press never cared to publish all those news of horror and brutality. On query - it is learned being afraid of disturbing communal harmony - the press avoided publishing all those horrific news.

When it is pleaded for war crimes tribunal for Rajpakasas like Milosevic why the name of Khaleda Zia should not be included in this list?

All are astonished to see when about fourteen hundred people are reportedly dying every week at the giant Manik Farm internment camp set up to detain Tamil refugees from the nation's bloody civil war there is no international murmur against this planned genocide like that of Bosnian or Serbian case. Maybe, Tamils are black while Bosnians and Serbs are white.

Indian administrators are not brave enough either to voice their protest against the genocide of Tamils in Sri Lanka or the mass massacre of Bengali Hindus in Bangladesh but prompt enough not to grant citizenship to Taslima.

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