



Citizens for Justice and Peace

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Vision

Citizens for Justice and Peace (CJP) cherishes the pluralistic, secular-democratic 'Idea of India', celebrates diversity.

Mission

CJP promotes the principle that Justice and Peace are closely related. To ensure peace CJP strives to bring justice to the victims and punishment to the perpetrators of mass crimes, be it communal/caste violence or acts of terror.

Activities

CJP's activities range from humanitarian aid to legal support to victims and survivors, irrespective of caste or creed.

Calendar

2002-2014: CJP continues to provide Free Legal Aid to the victims-survivors of the 2002 communal violence in Gujarat. Till date, over 120 have been sentenced to life imprisonment, including former Gujarat MLA and minister, Dr. Maya Kodnani and top Bajrang Dal, Babu Bajrang.

July 2005: Mumbai and surrounding districts are devastated by flash floods. CJP suspends its other activities for several weeks to rush food, medicines and other relief material to those worst affected.

March 2006: The ancient Sankat Mochan mandir is targeted by terrorists in March in 2006 Varanasi. CJP joins hands with the temple's late mahant, Virbhadra Mishra in Varanasi to condemn the violence, appeal for communal harmony.

July 2006: Over 200 innocents are killed and over 700 injured in serial train blasts in Mumbai. CJP joins condolence meetings and protest demonstrations, raises funds for financial assistance to the kith and kin of those killed. At a special meeting organized by CJP among others, the Chief Mufti of Punjab issues a fatwa against all acts of terrorism.

September 2006: Four members of a Dalit family are massacred in caste violence in Khairlanji in Maharashtra. CJP is the first to visit the survivors, organises a press conference in Mumbai, offers legal advice.

August 2007: Exiled Bangladeshi writer, Taslima Nasreen is attacked at a function in Hyderabad. The assailants are led by leaders of the Majlis Ittehadul Muslimeen (MIM). CJP files a petition in the AP High Court for the disqualification of elected representatives among the attackers.

July 2008: 62 persons are killed in bomb blasts in Ahmedabad. CJP Trustee Rahul Bose and Secretary Teesta Setalvad rush to Ahmedabad, visit hospitals to express their concern and solidarity with the injured. Funds are raised to provide relief to the family of those deceased. A joint meeting between Survivors of Violence, Mob terror (2002) and Bomb terror(2008) is also held.

November 2008: Terrorists from Pakistan launch an unprecedented attack on Mumbai, killing 164 persons, including senior officers, and seriously injuring over 300 others. At a special condolence and protest meeting, citizens resolve to raise funds for CJP for an ambulance service. CJP thereafter raises funds for two ambulances that are still running in Mumbai.

2012-14: CJP is also involved in providing Free Legal Advice in other recent cases of mass crimes: Dhule (Maharashtra) police firing in January 2012 and Muzaffarnagar (UP) communal violence (September 2013).

2014: CJP to move forward in its campaign for accountability by filing a PIL for the installation of CCTVs in Courtrooms

Join us in our efforts to challenge the culture of impunity and to ensure state accountability in recurring incidents of mass crimes. CJP is a registered Public Trust. It is also registered under the FCRA Act to receive foreign contributions. Donations to CJP are eligible for tax exemption under Sec. 80(G) of the Income Tax Act.



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