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To,

Hon'ble Mr.Justice N.V Ramana

Chief Justice of India

And Other Hon'ble Justice of Supreme court of India

**SUB:-LETTER PETITION (PIL) BEFORE YOUR LORDSHIP'S TO TAKE  
COGNIZANCE ON TARGET KILLINGS OF HINDU AND SIKHS IN  
KASHMIR**

Hon'ble Sir,

Constitution of India provided right of life under article 21 which says **“No person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty except according to a procedure established by law.”** Recently, I have come across news from different news publications, social media and electronic media regarding target killing of Hindus and Sikh minorities in Kashmir.

The recent incidents of killing in Kashmir valley, especially targeted killing of the members of minority communities, has once again reminded of the gory incident of massacre of 36 Sikhs in Chattisinghpura village of Anantnag in 2000.

In five days, seven civilians have been killed in Kashmir, including those from the Sikh and Hindu communities.

The target killings of Pharmacist Makhan Lal Bindroo, Supinder Kaur, Sikh principal of Government Boys Higher Secondary School in Sangam Eidgah area of Srinagar district, and Deepak Chand, a Hindu teacher of the same school has evoked a feeling of agony , fear and insecurity among the minorities of hindu and Sikhs residing in Kashmir.

One of the news states “A scared school teacher, did not go to work. He says his school told him to stay away for a week because of the recent attacks on minorities Sikhs and Hindus.”

Many government employees who returned to the Valley after being given jobs under the Prime Minister's special employment scheme for Kashmiri migrants have quietly left accommodations with the fear of losing their lives and for the sake of their families well being.

Undoubtedly, such barbaric killing would have an indelible impact on these minority groups who feel threatened by this situation and would be shadowed by fear of death all the time in Kashmir .This systematic targeting of the minorities has created a sense of fear, vulnerability and insecurity among the minority communities living in the valley.

The Government of India initiated several schemes and provided opportunity to many minority migrants of Kashmir to resettle in their native place with the objective of providing a sense of belongingness to these migrants. The declaration of Jammu and Kashmir as a Union territory by the government of India was done after the abolition of article 370 ,with the intent of creating a harmonious and secure environment for the minority migrants of Jammu and Kashmir. But the recent heinous target killing of the Hindu and Sikh minorities have again terrorized their spirits of being a part of Kashmir. It has dampened the spirit of these minorities and their generations of surviving freely in their own state by creating a fear psychosis in their minds.

The acts of Killing against these minorities group calls for an action of creating and adopting a comprehensive mechanism to secure the lives of these minorities and prevent them from being target killed and to provide them security to prevent a long lasting mental agony and paranoia among these minority groups and providing them the right to life and personal liberty, As guaranteed under Article 21 which states that **“No person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty except according to a procedure established by law.”**

Abiding by the said article the responsibility of securing the interest and safeguarding the lives and personal liberty of Hindu and Sikh minorities of Kashmir lies in the hands of the Indian Government .By this letter petition it is prayed to the Hon'ble Court to give directions to the government of India to-

- I. Provide adequate security to Hindu and Sikh minorities in Kashmir on immediate basis.
- II. Establish a special delegated unit to structure and administer a system to ensure the safety and security to minority groups in Kashmir.
- III. Investigate the recent killing of Hindu and Sikh minorities by the National Security Agency .
- IV. Grant Rs.1,00,00,000/- as Compensation to the family of the Hindu and Sikh Victims and Government Job to one family Member.



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