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Mob Lynching in India: An Exploratory Study with Special Reference to India

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Abstract: Mob lynching is the act of individuals disregarding legal procedures to enforce their distorted concept of justice, which frequently leads to the violent murder of others and a grave infringement of basic human rights. This occurrence signifies a notable deficiency on the part of the government, which, being a party to many international agreements and treaties, is required to avoid such transgressions and preserve the basic rights provided by its Constitution.

This study seeks to analyse instances of mob lynching in India, with a specific emphasis on incidents motivated by religion, caste, and gender prejudices. It underscores the way in which these instances exemplify a fundamental societal problem and a breakdown in government. The research will examine prominent instances of mob lynching in India, offering a thorough examination of the underlying reasons behind these crimes and their devastating outcomes.

In addition, the study will examine the pertinent International Humanitarian Laws that are being breached in these occurrences. The purpose of these laws is to safeguard human rights and uphold justice. The violation of these laws in instances of mob lynching highlights a significant area where the State is failing to fulfil its obligations.

Furthermore, the study will rigorously evaluate the current Indian legislation pertaining to mob violence. The study will analyse these legislation to see if India is meeting its international duties to prevent human rights breaches. It will inquire as to why, despite the existence of these laws, there has been an increase in occurrences of mob lynching.

This study aims to comprehensively examine mob lynching in India, analysing the State's inadequacy in stopping these crimes and discussing the wider consequences for human rights and justice. The research seeks to make a valuable contribution to the discussion on how India may enhance the protection of its citizens and uphold its international obligations by bringing attention to these challenges.

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