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1. There are exceptions to every rule, but I don't think even those who hate Rahul Gandhi or the dynasty react so viscerally to them as those who hate Modi, especially the Lutyens cabal, only because Modi treats most of them like they don't exist. The Lutyens ecosystem is rattled

2. since Modi arrived because it has failed to housetrain him like they had done with so many others including ABV & LKA. In 6 years they've tried first to change him and then to destroy him. But he's still here and that should tell them Modi is like no one they've seen before.

3. Every attempt to destabilize Modi has failed. Starting from award wapsi soon after he took over, letters by retired babus, the continuous refrain about "unsafe India", the engineered protests, riots after CAA-NRC, getting lobbies from abroad to give their one cent's worth,

4. the attempts by sections of the media to link every murder, lynching, rape, assault and 'love jihad' to him, and now the farm protests, like he was some kind of Darth Vader/Hitler/Devil combo who ran an evil empire. It has failed each time, and has made Modi even stronger.

5. Sure, Modi's governance model is not without its warts. But which govt in independent India has been flawless? Sure, there are undesirables in this govt just as there were in previous ones. But all of them were voted to power by the people. That's Indian democracy. Who do we

6. blame for that where should we begin? And tell me, honestly, when didn't we have communal riots, lynchings and caste-related killings? They've just been repackaged and renamed to suit a particular narrative. When didn't two communities confront each other over beef or pork

7. and when did politicians not fan the flames? Also, we can bitch about it, but most bills being passed in LS & RS are those that previous govts introduced, but sidelined as they knew who it would hurt. Modi tweaked it and hit the oppn where it hurts the most and where they

8. least expected. Unlike the early days, during Congress rule when political doublespeak was quietly brushed under and forgotten, in these days of social media it is political harakiri as the Congress and other parties have learnt the minute they began to oppose the same bills

9. they once promoted as their contribution to the country. So will removing Modi change anything? I think that ship has sailed. Even if he goes, there are others to follow. And then there's every Indian liberal's worst nightmare -- Yogi Adityanath -- waiting in the wings. The

10. Right has won two polls back-to-back and moving towards a third. Ranged against them, apart from the unelectables, septuagenarians and octogenarians is a man who thinks mouthing inanities and vanishing for holidays is the way to take on a party with a formidable worker base.

11. To use a Shastri analogy, for Modi to lose from here, three things must happen.

- 1) Modi & BJP have to do something really dumb before 2024, that ends up in the party losing its voter base.
- 2) The geriatrics in the oppn start getting younger.
- 3) Rahul turns over a new leaf.