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**We were casteless. It was you who taught us about caste and divided us into graded hierarchies. You were the original inventors of the divide and rule policy. You created the Mala, you created the Madiga, you also created the Mahar and the Bhangi.(1/n)**

We were casteless, but you blame us for being Casteist towards each other, and watch us fight from afar. Now you seek to further divide us among ourselves by subcategorising us, so that we'd have eternal infighting, so that we'd not focus on countering you..(2/n)

..by forgetting that you own a lion's share of this nation while we continue to fight for breadcrumbs. You call us heathens, yet your culture sanctified misogyny, introduced casteism that divides fellow brothers and sisters.(3/n)

You call us patriarchs, even though you invented and propagated Brahminical patriarchy. You call your culture egalitarian, yet it produced the prostitutes and manual scavengers. You had the audacity of declaring sections of society as impure and untouchable.(4/n)

You call yourself rational, yet your religion is filled with inconsistencies, contradictions and illogical falsities. You call us uncultured savages, yet you appropriated our indigenous culture and claimed our creativities, inventions & knowledge production as your own.

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You call yourself humane and civil yet you rape and commit gruesome atrocities on us on a daily basis. You call us bourgeoisie, even though you brought in Capitalism and continue to own the means of production while forcing us to be landless and homeless serfs.(6/n)

You call yourself revolutionary, while you use us as footsoldiers in your movements where we die as insects fighting for your ideals by doing the actual street fight while you sit in your AC offices.(7/n)

You call us timid, yet it took only 500 of us to defeat ur oppressive regime. You call us incapable, yet you beat ur chest for producing only a handful of scholars in 3000 years. You call us meritless, yet your merit has destroyed & weakened this nation in all possible ways.(8/n)

You call us criminals, yet you steal our blood & sweat, build castles on our dead bodies & force us to live in slums & ghettos. You call us pro-colonial imperialists, yet it was you who invaded our land & continue to colonise our indigenous people for more than anyone else.(9/n)

You call yourself teachers, yet you couldn't digest eklavya's talent & demanded his thumb. Even today the legacy lives on in your modern day gurukuls, in the hubs of torture & mediocrity, where eklavyas still pay a price for their excellence as it breaks your caste norms.(10/n)

You call ur culture authentic yet it reeks of unoriginality as it's based on copycatting by stealing from us & around the world. You cast aspersions on our autonomous movement, yet you use our own as tokens & try to subdue our assertions by shooting from their shoulders.(11/n)

You masquerading as friends, introduce your oppressive culture and normalise your casteist behaviours in our casteless lives, yet we're victim blamed for resisting and protesting it, our anger tone policed, our passion and assertion deemed biased.(12/n)

You who kill all semblance of love, fraternity, passion & genuineness; you who flip your position at will by claiming victimhood at one time & superiority at other times; Who are you? You who colonised our land, our mind, tainted our feelings & emotions; What to do of you?(END)