



GLOBAL KASHMIRI PANDIT DIASPORA

AN INITIATIVE TO RECOGNIZE KP GENOCIDE AND ETHNIC CLEANSING

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Global Kashmiri Pandit Diaspora (GKPD) files Intervention Application in the matter of Article 370 repeal.

Expresses full support for the Government of India on its historic actions which have brought peace, prosperity and security to the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

Global Kashmiri Pandit Diaspora hails the intervention application filed by Mr. Virinder Kaul, GKPD International coordinator, in the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 27/07/2023 with the plea for dismissing the petition of Shah Faesal and others who are seeking revocation of abrogation of these two 'undemocratic and unjust laws'. The petition should be dismissed with utmost contempt thereby restoring the confidence of the people of this great nation in one country one constitution faith.

Mr. Virinder Kaul, International Coordinator GKPD stated firmly, "Dismissal of the petition will affirm Article 51A (a) of the Constitution of India which states that it shall be the fundamental duty of every Indian citizen to 'abide by the Constitution and respect its ideals and institutions, the National Flag and the National Anthem'".

GKPD has submitted arguments in favour of abrogation of Article 370 and 35A citing provisions of the Constitution of India and relevant precedent examples across the globe. Article 370 and 35A paved the way for the violent creation of a "Sheikhdom" within the Union of India primarily by snatching the rights and livelihood of oppressed minorities and women in favour of the majority population.

GKPD now requests the Hon'ble SC to take cognisance of our application during the hearing scheduled from 2nd August 2023 ensuring that these draconian laws are not restored. GKPD puts on record its deep appreciation to the Government of India for accepting the recommendation of The Delimitation Commission for nominating two members of Kashmiri Pandit community to the legislative assembly. This step will go a long way in addressing the compounding problems faced by the KP community. GKPD looks forward to working with the Government of India to ensure inclusive representation of community interests.

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