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TO, His Excellency . Shri RAMNATH KOVIND JI, PRESIDENT OF INDIA, NEW DELHI.

- 1. The present situation, especially in and around SABARIMALA, and also whole of Kerala could be traced to undeclared emergency imposed by local state government. Kerala government is trying to hurt the religious feelings of Hindus in the state by imposing section 144 in the Sabarimala premises and around. Due to imposing of this section 144, even chanting of rhymes and bhajans, which is done always in a group, has become prohibitory and peoples are being arrested for the same. Section 144 imposed in the area must be taken off immediately as it's a grave situation where in the pretext of this, the Kerala CPM government is targeting the devotees and BJP,RSS workers. The CPM government on the pretext of complying with the Supreme Court order is trying to destroy the age old traditions and pious religious beliefs of Hindus using the constitutional provisions as a tool.
- 2. The state government is not providing any basic amenities of shelter, food, water and even toilets to the pilgrims. This has resulted in the fall in the number of pilgrims coming to Sabarimala shrine. Each year, nearly 5.5 crores of pilgrims, from India and abroad visit Sabarimala but this year, due to intentionally mishandling of the situation by state government, this number is likely to fall to mere 1 crore, resulting in loss of revenues of the board and also of the state.
- 3. The CPM government along with the local police are cunningly doing a conspiracy to malign the holy pilgrimage of Sabarimala and subsequently hurting the religious beliefs of Hindus by helping women of other religions entering the premises. The police even provided these women their uniform to disguise them as one of their own. This is the lowest level of appeasement against Hindus. 3. The state government kept BJP state General Secretary, K. Surendran under custody for days. He was arrested in Sabarimala and taken into custody. Charges under CrPc 120B and 308 were imposed among him. He was denied bail and harassed by the government by being moved from one jail to another. The Pinarayi government opened all old political cases against him and delayed the procedure of bail in the court by not sending memo or file to the court. He was made to spend total 22 days in jail.
- The Supreme Court has given its decision on Sabarimala issue of permitting the women in the premises on 28th September 2018. The Hindu institutions and the

Sabarimala shrine board has appealed in the Supreme Court for reconsideration of this order. Supreme Court has accepted the petition and the date of its hearing is on 22nd January,2019. The state government could have waited for the hearing before forcefully enforcing the order in the shrine, that too in the month when the number of devotees increases manifold. There are lots of former decisions by Supreme Court which are yet to be implicated but in this matter, the CPM government act hastily to implement the ruling. This indicates that they are acting with a prejudicial mindset in the matter. They are running their hidden agenda of dividing the Hindus and destroying their religious institutions and hurting their beliefs.

Normalcy must be stored in Sabarimala and in the state at any cost. Innocent devotees who are punished and penalized without any reason by the state government ,must be given relief. The suppression of fundamental rights at Sabarimala and subsequently in the state must be stopped.

We seek urgent intervention and appropriate action in the matter from you to ensure peace and tranquility in Sabarimala and Kerala state.

Thanking you,

With Regards,

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