

Day of great significance

Wednesday, March 20, 2013 - 23 March is a day of great significance as on that day in 1940 leadership of All India Muslim League assembled in Minto Park Lahore and passed a resolution for creation of a separate sovereign state for Muslims of India. Within 7 years Pakistan became a reality and appeared on the world map. Unfortunately ever since our independence India has not reconciled to our state and continues to create problems through media and hand picked intellectuals and by infiltrating agents to destabilize Pakistan. Our state was attacked in 1971 by India and country was dismembered and the world watched our break up and preferred to remain silent spectator. Any nation with such big jolt should have perfected its line of direction but we learnt no lesson.

Latest in this context is the statement of Chairman of the press council of India Justice Markandey Katju that needs to be condemned in strongest terms. In his recent lecture he linked Pakistan to Jurassic Park which is a slap on our face and exposes the hollowness of Aman ki Asha. To support his argument he said violence and deaths are being reported everyday due to inherent faults in that country's formation, the commotion in that country was the natural consequence of setting up a theocratic state.

He also made very objectionable remarks when he said "You cannot create a state on the basis of religion in the sub-continent which is full of diversities. Partition was a mistake and a combined nation comprising India and Pakistan that would not tolerate religious bigotry and Hindu and Muslim extremism, would become a reality some day in future. Let this be told in categorical terms that two nation theory has never been a theory, it has always been a fact and stood the test of time even after six decades of its creation.

Our rulers must open their eyes and ensure that under the cover of peace process Indian propagandists when visit Pakistan and sit with like minded people are not allowed to attack Pakistan's sovereignty, specially two nation theory and our media should counter the hostile propaganda against Pakistan. Let us not forget the Indra Gandhi's remark when we lost East Pakistan "Today we have taken revenge of our thousand years of slavery". Do you think a master and slave can ever live in harmony? Let us pledge on this day that from today we are all Pakistani's and only Pakistani's and Pakistani's

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