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Odishaa Ke Koraaputa Men Bhiira Ke Hamale Ke Agale Dina Prashaasana Ne Charcha Ko Buladojara Se Giraayaa

A true story of faith under pressure. Read the first half below, then continue online.

KEY SPIRITUAL TAKEAWAY

"Odishaa ke koraaputa jile ke kotapaada bloka ke pataraaguraa gaanva men sthita pentekostala bearashebaa charcha ko 22 November 2026, Sunday ko sthaaniiya prashaasana ne buladojara se giraa diyaa - thiika eka dina baada jaba 21 November ko eka bhiira ne usa para hamalaa kiyaa thaa aura iisaaiyon ne pulisa men shikaayata darja karaaii thii. Yaha charcha paancha saala pahale banaa thaa aura gaanva ke chaara iisaaii parivaara, aasapaasa ke gaanvon ke vishvaasiyon ke saatha, hara Sunday vahaan praarthanaa karate the. "

(Transliterated from the original Hindi.)

They had gathered only to pray. When prayer itself becomes the target, faith is proved not by words but by staying.

The Story - Part One

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Kalpanaa kiijie: eka chhotaa-saa gaanva, kariiba 900 loga, zyaadaatara aadivaasii. Sunday kii subaha, praarthanaa kaa dina. Aura usii subaha bhaarii mashiinen aatii hain, pulisa kii surakshaa ke saatha, aura paancha saala puraanaa charcha mitatii men mila jaataa hai. Sthaaniiya iisaaii durjana harijana kii aavaaza men aaja bhii vahii hairaanii hai jo usa subaha thii:

«Hama saba hairaana raha gae jaba agale dina, Sunday ko, tahasiiladaara ke netritva men eka tiima subaha kariiba 10 baje aaii aura hamaare charcha ko giraane lagii. »

Harijana ke anusaara, hamalaavaron ne 21 November ko gaintii aura hathauron se laisa hokara charcha kaa kruusa aura diivaara kaa hissaa tora diyaa thaa, aura hamale kaa viidiyo bhii banaayaa gayaa thaa. Iisaaiyon ne pulisa men shikaayata (FIR) darja karaaii thii, aura pulisa ne shikaayata men naamajada saata aaropiyon ko giraphtaara karane kaa aashvaasana diyaa thaa. Lekina agale hii dina, bhaarii mashiinon aura pulisa surakshaa ke saatha charcha dhvasta kara diyaa gayaa.

21 November Kaa Hamalaa: Kruusa Toraa Gayaa, Viidiyo Banaayaa Gayaa

Hamale kii kahaanii eka dina pahale shuruu huii thii. 21 November ko, eka bhiira gaintii aura hathaure lekara charcha para tuuta parii. Kruusa toraa gayaa, diivaara kaa hissaa giraa diyaa gayaa - aura hamalaavaron ne hamale kaa viidiyo bhii banaayaa, maano apanii karatuuta kaa sabuuta khuda hii de rahe hon. Iisaaiyon ne usii dina pulisa men shikaayata darja karaaii, naamajada saata aaropiyon ke khilaapha.

The Turning Point - What Happens Next

The story reaches a life-changing moment a complaint withdrawn under threat -- and what seemed like the end is only the middle. Two reports disagree on the numbers, and one question is left unanswered: will the CCTV footage ever come out? Read the full story to find out what happens next.

PERSONAL REFLECTION & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When gathering to pray carries a real cost, what keeps a community coming together anyway -- and what would keep you coming?

2. The pastor's sister shielded him with her own body and fainted under the blows. What does costly, self-giving love look like in your own family or church?

3. When justice is delayed and a complaint is withdrawn under threat, how do believers hold on to truth without giving in to fear -- or to hatred?

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