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Aaja: Kaardinala Puulaa Ne Sanvidhaana Divasa Se Pahale Surakshaa Maangii

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

KEY SPIRITUAL TAKEAWAY

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(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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Jhaarakhanda ke eka gaanva men ina dinon eka chhotaa samuuha ghara-ghara jaa rahaa hai - haatha men sanvidhaana kii kitaaba, munha men eka siidhaa savaala: kyaa aapa jaanate hain ki yaha kitaaba aapako kyaa-kyaa adhikaara detii hai? Isa samuuha kii aguvaaii kara rahe hain ratana tirkii, jo jhaarakhanda sarakaara kii janajaatiiya salaahakaara samiti ke puurva sadasya hain, aura jinakaa maananaa hai ki gaanva ke aadivaasii samudaaya ko apane adhikaaron kii jaanakaarii hii sabase barii surakshaa hai.

"Hama aadivaasii logon ko yaha samajhane aura amala men laane men madada kara rahe hain ki hamaare raashtra kii sabase uunchii kitaaba - eka pavitra dastaaveza - hara bhaaratiiya naagarika ko shakti aura svatantrataa detii hai. "

Tirkii ke ye shabda kaardinala puulaa ke sandesha kii sabase sachchii tasviira hain. Dillii men jo apiila eka aupachaarika sandesha men likhii gaii, vahii apiila jhaarakhanda kii mittii para paidala chalakara gaanva-gaanva pahunchaaii jaa rahii hai.

"Hara bhaaratiiya puurii taraha se isa raashtra kaa hai. "

The Turning Point - What Happens Next

The story reaches a life-changing moment that changes everything -- 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 When justice is delayed and a complaint is withdrawn under threat, how do believers hold on to truth without giving in to fear -- or to hatred?

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