

# Understanding External Challenges Before Bharat

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## Abstract

Bharat is an ancient civilization and its prosperity had attracted many invasions some of whom stayed back to exploit the country. In order to subjugate Bharat and exploit the resources and people of Bharat these invaders and colonialists employed all the tricks they could. By creating divisions among people of Bharat; falsifying its history; destroying its fabulous education system; destroying its economy; destroying its agriculture; destroying its culture; brutally killing its nationalist; and substituting exploitative administrative, police, judicial, tax, education, economic and political systems the colonialists controlled and exploited Bharat.<sup>1</sup> As a result colonialist became prosperous and Bharat became poor. When colonialist were unable to retain Bharat as a colony they left by dividing the country and handing over power. However they and other powers in the world continue to try and control Bharat in order to continue to exploit it. This creates many challenges before Bharat. The challenges faced by Bharat today can be divided into two categories- internal challenges and external challenges.

**Keywords:** Bharat; India; External challenges.

## INTRODUCTION

### *External Challenges before Bharat*

Bharat i.e. India is a country which has been endowed with many natural resources for example all types of weather and soil leading to

amazing diversity of fruits, vegetables and grains. Bharat has all weather rivers, mountains and minerals. But above all this is *Devbhoomi* which has *ashirvaad* of *Devas*. As a result Bharat was bestowed with super intelligents ages and brahmins; fearless *khatriyas*; industrious businessmen; and highly skilled and hard working people. This made this land very prosperous and thus attracted attention of evil people and countries, especially attention of countries which lack all these natural resources. They attacked, plundered, colonized and exploited Bharat physically when they could. When they had to leave Bharat they try to control and exploit Bharat indirectly through selfish people and leaders. Some others want to take control and convert Bharat into their own religions or ideologies. So Bharat faces many external challenges. They are as follows:

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1. **Britain:** The country that colonized and exploited Bharat for more than two centuries not only divided Bharat again and again (Afghanistan in 1876; Bhutan in 1906; Nepal in 1923; Srilanka in 1935; Myanmar in 1937; Pakistan and Bangladesh in 1947; Tibet in 1950) but also left behind colonial legacy in the form of anti Bharat education, administration, police, judiciary, taxation, economy etc. It also left behind an inferiority complex among Indians who think everything that comes from west is good and everything that comes from Bharat is inferior. They look down upon their own language, culture, food, dress, manners and try to ape the British food, dress, manners and language. So indirectly Britain continues to exert control over Bharat through these *brown sahebs*. This is not only a threat to democracy but also to the identity of Bharat.
2. **USSR/ Communist/Leftist:** After Bharat became independent other countries also got the opportunity to influence/ control Bharat, its resources and its people. USSR or Union of Soviet Socialist Republics or Soviet Union which was a communist country tried to control Bharat through leftist or communist ideology. So it influenced the political parties, politicians, academics, students, media and entertainment industry in Bharat.<sup>2</sup> The result was license raj, red tape and anti capitalism, anti industry, anti Sanatan (Hindu) sentiment started to dominate the middle class of India. Some claim that India became a puppet of USSR for a long time.<sup>3</sup> Unfortunately even after USSR broke up into many countries and communist system came to an end in most parts of the world, educated Indians in higher education, media, entertainment and politics still claim to be communist/ socialist/ leftist although they all enjoy the good life and what money can buy in their personal lives. Meanwhile they support/ protect Naxals in the name of human rights, social justice, environment etc. The term given to them is 'urban naxals'. They are openly anti democracy and support violent uprising against Bharat, its forces, its development and its people.<sup>4</sup> The stated aim of communists and naxals is to overthrow democracy and replace it with communist dictatorship, which effectively means dictatorship of leaders of communist party for example USSR, Communist China. Some call this communist colonialism/ imperialism/ communist prison of nations.<sup>5</sup>
3. **USA and Friends:** United States of America and other countries of Europe also tried to control India through their secret agencies like CIA<sup>6</sup>; aid; loan; direct pressure tactics; controlling education; intellectuals; media; entertainment; NGOs; international organizations like WTO, World Bank, UNO; funding enemies of India like Pakistan; treaties advancing ideas like globalization, liberalism; funding groups which are anti Bharat through human rights, environment protection, feminism, minority rights etc. Academic institutions and media in west project Bharat in a negative manner deliberately.<sup>7</sup> Some forces like in USA are working on breaking Bharat.<sup>8</sup>
4. **Pakistan:** Since its birth in 1947 Pakistan had a hatred for Bharat.<sup>9</sup> It tried to defeat Bharat through direct wars but failed so it shifted the strategy to giving 'thousand cuts' to India.<sup>10</sup> The strategy was to use Muslim and Sikh community of Bharat against Bharat. Hence the rise of fundamentalism and terrorism in Kashmir valley and Punjab to separate from Bharat in form of Azad Kashmir and Khalistan.<sup>11</sup> It also encouraged separatism and communalism in these communities. It also encouraged anti Hindu /anti Bharat ideas and drugs among youth and certain communities. It also dumped fake currency and fake stamps into Indian economy to destroy the economy.<sup>12</sup> It also includes series of protests and narratives on minorities in Bharat to damage India's image and weakening nationalist and democratic forces in Bharat.
5. **China:** When USSR broke up and Russia got rid of communism the leftist/ communists ecosystem in India was captured by Communist China. They influenced intellectuals in media, academics, entertainment, market and politicians. China ensured that it was not shown in negative light in these mediums. It was earning huge profit from Bharat but was openly taking anti Bharat decisions like capturing Indian territory; attacking Indian soldiers on the border; building dams on rivers flowing from Tibet; supporting Pakistan; protecting terrorists in UNSC; opposing India's inclusion in UNSC etc. It also supports anti India movements/ separatist groups.<sup>13</sup> The

Chinese strategy is known as 'strangling a country with its own system' in which they use freedoms (eg freedom of expression) in a democracy to incite people against their own government and country.<sup>14</sup> This is bad for democracy in Bharat.

6. **Others:** There are other countries, organizations and individuals which are biased against Bharat. There are individuals like George Soros who overtly and covertly interfere in democratic process in India.<sup>15</sup> There are intellectuals in western media<sup>16</sup> and academics<sup>17</sup> who are manipulating facts to project Bharat in a bad light. Coverage of Covid 19 in western media is one such example. Western media did cover the successful immunization of Indians and the supply of vaccines and food to other countries by India but ran manipulated stories of deaths in India due to Covid 19. This is dangerous not only for democracy in Bharat but for the very existence of Bharat as it also makes Indian intellectuals anti Bharat.<sup>18</sup> Various organizations like Freedom House of USA and V-Dem of Sweden downgraded India on democracy scale because they do not like the leaders elected by the people of India in elections.<sup>19</sup> This is a clear challenge to democracy in India.

## SOLUTION

*The solution to above challenges lies in following actions:*

1. **Able Leadership:** A country facing the kind of challenges that Bharat faces needs leadership which is honest, nationalist, and visionary with administrative acumen. A leadership which can understand the challenges posed by other countries and organizations and find solutions to protect national interest.
2. **Strong Diplomacy:** Diplomacy is the art of achieving what one wants to achieve without resorting to war and violence or by minimal use of force and power.
3. **Strong Espionage:** Since India has neighbours and others who wish to break it up in many pieces it needs to have a strong espionage to forewarn it regarding these dangers.
4. **Strong Defense Forces:** India has faced many aggressions, attacks, wars, violence which had led to its colonization and exploitation. To avoid any such situation in future a strong defense force should be maintained by India.
5. **Political Awareness and Farsighted Consciousness:** Indians have become short sighted. They selfishly look for the benefits occurring immediately and do not pay attention to consequences for future generations. They are unable to see how they are manipulated by selfish forces to hate their own culture and nation. To save the nation and the democracy political awareness and farsighted consciousness is needed.
6. **Control over Corruption and Misuse of Power through Good Work Culture and Politics of Dharma and Development:** The day Indians will start voting for Dharma i.e. duty and development and the day Indians will remember the *karm sidhant* that they have forgotten during colonial period India will regain its past glory and will get rid of corruption and laziness and misuse of power. Technology and good leadership is very crucial in achieving this.
7. **Bhartiya Education System:** Bharat needs to revive its ancient education system which had made Bharat 'the golden bird' and '*vishwa guru*'. The *Gurukul* education system which ensured 100 percent free education to all its children – of all *jatis*, *varnas*, class and gender. Education which not only prepared people for professional life but also to a spiritual and responsible duty bound *dharmic* life. An education system is needed today which inculcates nationalism, *dharm*/ duties, and encourages self employment instead of job seeking. The education system introduced by Macaulay which divides Indians into various identities and makes them job seekers and anti Bharat needs correction. The distorted and westernized history, sociology, politics and economics need major correction. So that Indians know and feel proud of their history, politics and past prosperity and achievements.
8. **Bhartiya Arthvyavastha:** The western economic model based on consumption and consumerism is not sustainable. We need to find a sustainable economic model taking inspiration from ancient temple economy and monsoon economy models, because to encounter the challenges before Bharat a strong economy is needed.

9. **Institutional Reforms and Changes:** The exploitative taxation, police, judicial, administrative and law systems need major overhaul. They need to be simplified and written in local languages to make them citizen friendly. So that all citizens are able to understand the laws. India needs fewer laws with proper implementation. It needs easily understood and simple laws, taxation, rules etc. Simplification and local language are the keys.

## CONCLUSION

### Arthvyavastha

Bharat is *Devbhoomi* however it is in the grip of *Kaliyug* and hence facing tough times. However it will blossom once again and will be the source of knowledge and prosperity to the world soon. Under able leadership Bharat is bound to successfully face the external challenges, rise once again and lead the world and spread the light.

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