

Democracy in India: Strong because Indians Value it

June 24, 2023

June 23, 2023: In an interview with CNN on June 22, 2023, **former President Barack Obama** said that **Democratic institutions in the United States** and around the world **have grown “creaky,”**

About India, he said that if he had a conversation with Prime Minister Modi, he would discuss the rights of ethnic minorities in India and what would happen if their rights were not protected. He said that if the rights of ethnic minorities in India were not protected, then there is a strong possibility India at some point starts pulling apart. He also said that President Biden should mention the issue of “protection of Muslim minorities” in India during his talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The views of www.DiGiNews360.com are as follows:

*If President Barrack Obama is a well-wisher of democracy in the world, he should understand that it is the Sino-Pak axis of dictatorial regimes, which has spread the **false idea** about the Muslims in India, on the occasion of Modi’s visit to USA to strengthen the unity of democracies of the world. If President Obama lends his voice to repeat the canard, he would be working to weaken the unity of democracies, which President Joe Biden has been trying to strengthen through his ‘Summit of Democracies’, while he would be strengthening the Axis of Dictators.*

PEW REPORT based on a face-to-face survey of 29,999 Indian adults fielded between late 2019 and early 2020:

STRENGTH of INDIAN DEMOCRACY: Pew Research Center found that Indians value religious tolerance, though they also live religiously segregated lives. Across the country, most people (84%) say that to be “truly Indian,” it is very important to respect all religions. Indians also are united in the view that respecting other religions is a very important part of what it means to be a member of their own religious community (80%). People in all six major religious groups overwhelmingly say they are very free to practice their faiths, and most say that people of other faiths also are very free to practice their own religion.

www.DiGiNews360.com wants to add that none of the 'Dharmic religions' (Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism) has taken up conversion of others as an important objective. In India live with dignity followers of many religions, which have become extinct in their countries of birth.

Pew has found **tolerance and respect for other religions** among a large majority of Indians, after research. www.DiGiNews360.com wants to inform Pew Research Center that it has been a part of Indian culture for thousands of years.

VIEW-POINT OF INDIAN MUSLIMS: According to the Pew Report (cited above) says that 98% of India's Muslims are free to practice their religion in the nation. The remaining 2% said they were "not too free" to practice their religion, with virtually no one answering "not at all free".

If President Obama had read the PEW report and if he had not believed the propaganda of the Axis of Dictatorships, www.DiGiNews360.com is sure that he would not have made the remarks about India in his interview to CNN from Greece, where he symbolically was showing his commitment to democratic ideals by climbing the Acropolis in central Athens and toured the Parthenon, the 2,500-year-old temple built by ancient Greeks dedicated to the goddess Athena.



ACROPOLIS in GREECE: Symbol of Democracy in Greco-Roman culture