A Festival of Democracy: **Geo-Political Considerations:**

India: General Election 2024: Interference by Canada

Note: Please see "*A Festival of Democracy:* India: General Election 2024: Geo-Political Considerations & Interference" dated May 5, 2024 at

<u>https://diginews360.com/india-geo-political-considerations-elections-2024/</u> for Title #1: "Voices from Pakistan: The Most Vexing Test for India-Pakistan Relations" Title #2: China's Attempt to influence Elections through Leftist Media; "NewsClick: Arrests, Allegations, and Press Freedom"

Title #3: Canada: Foreign Interference in the Election to the Federal Parliament

May 5, 2024: The initial report by the Commissioner, appointed by the Canadian Government, to report on foreign interference in the Election to the Federal Parliament, obliquely refers to two constituencies, in which the Chinese Government might have been able to affect the outcome. Both the successful candidates were Canadians of Chinese origin.

A Judge requires hard evidence and not vague assertions, based on the feeling of NOT being offered as much respect as a person, who is in office as the Prime Minister of a large and resource-rich country like Canada, was expecting.



The Honourable Marie-Josée Hogue

EDITORIAL COMMENTS: <u>www.DlgiNews360.com</u> notes that the Canadian Government could <u>not</u> blame India for interference in the Canadian Federal elections of 2019.

It happened because the **Commissioner** for the '*Public Inquiry into* Foreign Interference in Federal Electoral Processes and Democratic Institutions' is **Justice Marie-Josée Hogue**, a judge of the Quebec Court of Appeal. She has been a Judge of the Court of Appeal since 2015.

Title #4: Canada: Killing of a terrorist, living in Canada and responsible for terrorism in India:

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said in the Canadian Parliament that there are credible allegations linking India to the death of Hardeep Singh Nijjar, a pro-Khalistan activist, in Surrey, B.C., on June 18, 2023; Dr. S. Jaishankar, India's Minister of External Affairs has said that this was not Indian policy. He asked Canada to provide information about the 'credible allegations'.

May 3, 2024: Ottawa, Ontario: **Mike Duheme**, the Commissioner, announced the arrest of three individuals for their alleged involvement in the killing of **Hardeep Singh Nijjar on June 18, 2023**.



Mike Duheme, interim Commissioner of the RCMP from March 2023

India feels that there is no such information or evidence and that the PM **Trudeau**'s statement was based on false information by some **crucial supporters** of Liberal Party, who have been trying to revive the **Khalistani terrorism** in India, when terrorism in Punjab died in 1992.

According to the investigators, the hit squad consisted of **Kamalpreet Singh**, **Karanpreet Singh** and **Karan Brar.** The three have been **charged with first-degree murder and conspiracy** in this case.

All three men were **arrested separately in Edmonton** without incident — **two of them in their homes** and another elsewhere.

Sources told CBC News the men arrived in Canada on temporary visas after 2021, some of them student visas. None are believed to have pursued education while in Canada. None have obtained permanent residency.

The police is actively investigating possible links to three additional murders in Canada, including the shooting death of an 11-year-old boy in Edmonton. Supt. **Mandeep Mooker**, the officer in charge of the B.C. RCMP's **Integrated Homicide Investigation Team** (IHIT) is the Officer-in-charge of the investigation.

RCMP is Canada's national police force. It carries out a wide array of duties across the country, from **protecting Canada's national security** to serving as the police of jurisdiction in eight provinces, three territories, and hundreds of municipalities and Indigenous communities. It is also **the provincial and criminal police establishment in all provinces except Ontario and Quebec** and **the only police force in the Yukon and Northwest territories**.

REGARDING INDIA: Assistant Commissioner **David Teboul**, the RCMP commander for the Pacific region, said he wouldn't comment on the alleged links between these men and Indian officials.

"The work doesn't end here. In fact, the work continues," **Dominic LeBlanc,** the Federal Public Safety Minister told reporters at Ottawa on Parliament Hill.

The three accused are said to be members of Lawrence Bishnoi gang. The leader of the gang is in prison in India, awaiting the Indian Court's judgement. The gang was said to be responsible for killing of **Sukhdool Singh Gill**, 39, in Canada.

Sukha was found dead by police in a duplex on Hazelton Drive, in northwest Winnipeg, Canada in the morning of **September 20, 2023.** Sukha Duneke, was allegedly part of the **Bambiha gang** in India, according to police documents in that country. He was accused of extortion and arranging money for gang members to buy weapons, and his name was linked to murders in India. Sukha left India in 2017 using an illegally obtained Passport.



Sukhdool Singh Gill, alias Sukha Duneke Indian Observers point out that in Canada, the Government grants Visa or citizenships to hundreds of gang members, who reach Canada on illegal passports.

Modi's government has denied it ordered extrajudicial killings in the U.S. and Canada. Foreign Minister **S. Jaishankar** decried the Canadian allegation as "absurd" and accused Canada of harbouring violent extremists. In December 2023, after a U.S. indictment accused an unnamed Indian government employee of playing a role in a murder-for-hire plot in the U.S., Jaishankar issued another statement.

"We have always maintained that if any country, not just Canada, has a concern and gives us some input or some basis for that concern, we are always open to look at it," he said.

Note: Prime Minister **Justin Trudeau** appointed **Mike Hume** as the Commissioner of RCMP on April 29, 2023. **Hume** was the <u>interim</u> Commissioner since March 2023.

www.DiGiNews360.com notes that RCMP till today has not blamed India for Nijjar's murder. However, it is clear that many members of mafia from a number of gangs in Punjab are able to get a sanctuary in Canada and they manage kidnappings and killings in India, while in Canada. In Canada, RCMP seems to be unable to stop the inter-gang wars on the soil of Canada.