Persecution Relief presents this monthly Intolerance Monitor, to report persecution incidents recorded by us, first and foremost for the Christians to pray, stand united and faithful, and not react with hatred or bitterness, but forgive and pray for the persecutors, just as Jesus Christ has commanded. We also wish to bring to the attention of the State and the Central Governments of India, to take strong and effective measures, to respond to this alarming crisis.

Through this monthly Intolerance Monitor, we endeavour to bring you a perspective of the unprecedented, unabated hostility and discrimination, Christians are facing in India. While the Indian Constitution guarantees freedom of religion and belief, the reality on the ground is often-untold.

COUNT OF PERSECUTION INCIDENTS, NOVEMBER 2018 - 49
Summary

- Uttar Pradesh continues to be the hotbed of religiously-motivated violence against Christians – and has recorded 109 verified persecution incidents this year, up to end-November 2018
- A growing sense of insecurity is perceivable and felt by the Christians community and minorities alike
- India continues to draw sharp criticism from the world media as atrocities against Christians and the minorities remain unreported by the National media, except by Global Christian New agencies.
- Vigilantism, sectarian clashes, spiking crime rates and moral policing, continues to flourish unabated, in many states ruled by the BJP Government
- Historian, biographer and secular author Ramachandra Guha’s appointment as Chair Professor of Humanities and director of the Gandhi Winter School at the University’s School of Arts and Sciences, at Ahmedabad University (AU) in Gujarat, was cancelled by Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), a religious fundamentalist organisation, describing his work as “critical of India’s Hindu culture”. 
Several Children’s Home and Orphanages have been shut down based on false allegations, as part of a well-organized movement that is gaining ground every day in the country.

On November 26th, celebrating Constitution Day, also known as Samvidhan Divas, the Chief Justice of India, Ranjan Gogoi, questioned if all “Indians are existing in conditions of freedom, equality and dignity?”

Despite having election identity cards, hundreds of Christians, including a Catholic archbishop, were turned away from polling booths in India’s Madhya Pradesh state because their names were not on the voter list.

Religious fundamentalist organisations and members affiliated groups of majority religion, continue to get preferential treatment, sending the wrong signal to the masses that the majority can decide on administrative issues without respecting rules and laws.

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**UTTAR PRADESH IN FOCUS**

- Persecution Relief has recorded more than 109 Christian persecution incidents in Uttar Pradesh, this year, the most hostile among 29 states.
- Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath who founded the Hindu Yuva Vahini (HYV), a militant Hindu youth outfit, is allegedly responsible for stoking majority communal (sectarian) riots.
- A Senior Police Officer was killed by a mob in Uttar Pradesh, as he was trying to control the wild mob, after cow carcasses were found scattered in a forest in Uttar Pradesh’s Bulandshahr.
- Several Churches and Christian individuals have allegedly faced extortion at the hands of the local police.
Several extremist religious fanatics, many claiming to be affiliated with the ruling BJP Federal Government, continue to attack minority religious communities and other vulnerable groups. There is no serious effort from the Government, to prevent future attacks and to prosecute all those responsible for the violence.

Persecution Relief is an inter-denominational initiative, providing Comprehensive support (Prayerfully, Financially, Politically, Judically) to the Persecuted Church in India. We have recorded and handled around 1200 verified incidents of Christian Persecution over the past 2 years.
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