SUGGESTIONS

1. Gandhian institutions, N.G.O.’s and inter-caste agreements, instead of indirectly addressing the cause of the ‘removal of untouchability’ through the objectives like communal harmony and peace-meetings, shall directly address the said issue by chalking out multi-dimensional and integrated programmes in consonance with Gandhi’s words of ‘Caste must go’.

2. If the venomous tentacles of casteism in the form of untouchability are to be removed from the lives of Hindus, cultivation of mutual love between the oppressed and oppressor should happen. And the true love, in turn comes through adherence to one’s religion in true spirit. Harijan Sevak Sangh founded by Gandhi has to work towards it and in forming a ‘Casteless Society’ with real spirit.

3. Advocacy of ‘inter-caste marriage’ can be intensified and promoted vigorously by all the like-minded organisations, so that it will lead to the realisation of unity among the Hindu masses.

4. Continuation of the reservation policy is also an important factor in perpetuating inter-caste rivalries and animosity. This reservation policy shall be done away as per the agreement in Poona Pact, that suggested reservation policy as an interim relief.
5. Gandhi has been projected as an enemy of the untouchables by some vested interests. Gandhians and other organizations that work for welfare of the untouchables shall work towards in wipening this misunderstanding among the Dalits, by not equating Gandhi’s efforts with that of the works of Dr. Ambedkar.

6. Gandhi’s concept of Harijan and Durjan shall be thoroughly propagated and popularised among the masses exposing the real meaning and reasoning behind this concept formation.

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