ABBREVIATIONS:

A.I.A.D.M.K. – All India Anna Dravida Munetra Kazhagam
C.W.M.G. – Collected Works of Mahatma Gandhi
E.V.R. – Erode Venkadappar Ramasamy
Gandhi – Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi
H.S.S. – Harijan Sevak Sangh
R.T.C. – Round Table Conference
S.C. – Scheduled Caste
S.T. – Scheduled Tribe
S.N.D.P. – Sri Narayana Dharma Paribalanan
U.D.H.R. – Universal Declaration of Human Rights
Vol. – Volume

GLOSSARY:

Asharam – Religious rituals practised by the followers
Avarnas – Non-Caste Hindus
Bhakti – Religious Devotion
Bhangi – Scavenger
Bramacharya – Celibacy
Brahma – Supreme Spirit, God the Creator
Brahmin – Member of a priestly caste.
Dharma – Duty
Hari – Another name for Vishnu
Harijan – Child of God, Gandhi’s term for untouchables
Karma – Deeds, Consequence of deeds from one’s former life
Mahatma – Great Soul
Moksha – Salvation
Rama – The name of an ancient Indian King, regarded as a divine avatar
Ramayana – The name of Rama
Sanatani – Orthodox Hindu
Satyagraha – Insisting upon Truth
Swaraj – Self-rule
Upanishads – Ancient Hindu scriptures of instruction in the philosophy of the vedas
Varnas – Four Castes
Varnashrama – The varna-system; and, a theoretical division of life into four stage of development
Veda – Knowledge, Very ancient Hindu Scripture
Vishnu – God the Sustainer