

Stop Violence against Hospitals

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ABSTRACT

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Every disease has an inherent danger of death. That probability and possibility varies with different diseases. Medical science has over the time tried to take away or prolong the possibility of death by appropriately intervening in its course and complications of diseases. It had been successful in several areas but still there are situations where the science has no answer. In spite of powerful tools, research and technology in this era, the doctor's task is much more challenging and gratifying than ever, as in the current scenario the diseases and their complications are aggravating day by day. In this situation doctor's commitment and perseverance for the care and happiness of others has to be greatly appreciated. Medical service providers have to be given courage and support to deal with the unfortunate situation of disease and death, to save the patient.

The government should bring stringent laws to punish the miscreants and should make them compensate for the damages adequately. Such atrocities cannot be tolerated any more. Society should voice their concern against such organized crime so that patients can comfortably stay in the hospitals to get rid of their agony. The violence against the hospitals should be stopped at any cost.

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Hospitals are holy places where people suffering from various diseases are admitted and taken care of. The atmosphere needs particular attention and care to keep the area calm clean and comfortable so that those in misery can be cared with dignity and honour. Hospitals are places where new lives are born which brings happiness and hopes to the family and it is also a place where one can die in peace and comfort when death becomes inevitable. Thus it is a place which brings mixed feelings. That is why from ancient times hospitals are considered as a special place of serenity. It is an international understanding that even in war zones Hospitals are not disturbed.

The medical science has progressed enormously during the last few decades. The new knowledge regarding the diseases, their identification confirmation and management, both medical and surgical, the availability of newer generations of medicines and equipments can to a large extent relieve the miseries of people and give them longevity of life. But Death is a reality for everyone. No human being has any control over it. We have seen instances where the patients getting normal drop dead the very next moment There have been instances where the treating doctor himself drops dead.. At the same time the Great Architect of the Universe has given that temperament to all human beings to feel that he is not going to die in the near

future, which gives the desire to live.

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But what we see in the hospitals nowadays is violence agitation and anarchy.^{1,2} In the event of an unfortunate death or complication of a disease anti social elements in the pretext of the relatives of the patient manhandles the doctors, nurses and other staffs, damage equipment's forcing unfortunate inmates to run away. In a latest incident at Valancherry, anti social elements drove away inmates of all the wards telling them that they were going to set fire to the hospital. The police often come

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late to the site or remain as mute spectators. This is a matter of shame to the hundred percent literate Gods own country. This is not expected from a civilized society.

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