

SEDITION -Vs- FREEDOM OF SPEECH

Dr. Binayak Sen's case is a classic testimony of according judicial approval of State terrorism aimed at silencing Human Rights activists who stand by and work for the ideals and aspirations of the Constitution of India. Dr. Sen's contribution towards the health care of the tribals and the poor, preservation of their natural resources from mighty corporates/ multinationals and his struggle against the State repression camouflaged as *Salwa Judum* were the real reasons behind the charge of Sedition trumped up against him. As Dr. Sen himself pointed out his case transcends him. In this context, the colonial provision of Sedition remaining in the statute book which gags the Freedom of Speech needs to be thrown out as "Dissent is an essential part of Democracy".

Date : 28.01.2011

Time : 4.30 p.m.

Venue : Brothers of Holy Cross, 123, Sterling Road, Nungambakkam (Next to AICUF, Opp. Loyola College), Chennai

Chief Guest

Mr. Justice K.P. Sivasubramaniam,
Former Judge, Madras High Court

Presided by:

Mr. S. Manoharan, Advocate, High Court, Chennai

Speakers

Mr. N.G.R. Prasad, Senior Advocate, High Court, Chennai
Prof. A. Marx, President, PUHR
Mr. R. Sankarasubbu, Advocate, High Court, Chennai
Mr. C. Vijayakumar, Advocate, High Court, Chennai
Mr. S. Sathia Chandran, Advocate, High Court, Chennai
Mr ManiMaaran, Media Person
Mr Jayakumar, Advocate, High Court, Chennai

Version of Victim

'Tada' J.ABDUL RAHIM

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