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THAROOR'S CANONICAL IDEA OF INDIA

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From being known as the bird-dog of twitter, to a contrarian and pugnacious rhetorician and who is hot on heels for the cerebral geeks for the knowledge and speech, this senator, writer, diplomat and mouthpiece for every Indians unavowed intentions has always gained recognition and respect in every heart and corner of India. This 68 year old, adroit madcap, despite the beekeeping age, has brought laureates to the Indian subcontinent at international level, making the scholarly babies of the ivy leagues bow to his excellence. Pulling him from the zenith, Shashi Tharoor has contributed immensely over conceptualization and outlook for his mother nation's operation and future, not only through induction in the Indian national congress but through his writings too which was neglected for quite a long time. Astounded and ruminating over his publications that began from the age of 22 which is indeed a god gift, has always been wandering within the scholastics and never really gained that momentum unless his hothead opinions made him viral on social media platforms. Romanticizing the days post his first publication in 1989 (tharoor, 1989), though was a mere chronicled fictional work, got the booze of derision and scornfulness along with some pun within the population of some half-witted greybeards and political intellectuals, like the academicians, judges, attorneys and members of the cabinet too. Call me communist for how easy it was for Tharoor's career to attain this plethora of heed for his work that is related to India's freedom struggle in consonance to the concept of Mahabharat, I mean India and religion sounds like soulmates. The book wouldn't really hit you with a gasp as it dwells with the mystic mythological tales of kingship and uncanny relationships but it definitely helped in gaining Tharoor's cognizance for the revolutionary daddies of Indian freedom movement which is quite observant in fact highly celebrated and appreciated in articles even till this date, In fact Nehru enjoys a dedicated biography for his contribution. His worldwide appreciated novel that is "India: from midnight to millennium and beyond" hit the right spot in promoting this land of fighters by depicting all the mis-happenings from tyranny to attainment of democracy. Indeed his work was a *Al Bacio*, but it promoted the idea of religious fundamentalism which backfired to its very own nation as India is considered to go rack and ruin when it comes to casteism and religious confederation. Tharoor was always opined or I should say believed in the concept of progressive nation in an Indianized manner wherein religion or cultural integrity upholds the nation which probably sounds leftist in a manner whose prophesy is meant to sabotage international public relations as the similar concept has been also been observed and prophesized within the Canadians too. Out of all of his booklist, *The Indian Shastra* and "The Hindu Way" has definitely bolstered the wrong audience but the existence of liberals and Marxists helped to abate the communal

outrage to its utmost reach. With many parliamentary debates and interviews, Tharoor has always envisaged India to be a land of Liberals, but broadcasting growth in the form promoting a particular religion in a land which nurtures multiple religions shall never settle to accept on the first stance, if presented logically. Tharoor being a deity to the English language and epitome in endorsing American realism in India, though has gained him prodigious leverage in attainment of political reputation, his ideas to agitprop “Hinduism” though brought him immense support but has loosened trust for a foreseeable secular state too. Making a whoopee culture through relishing supremacy in one’s religion has been a mundane thing in a one religion dominated country. India, through prima facie propagates secularism from the orders of the constitution too, lacks delegation of thoughts. Tharoor’s Indianized concepts about democracy is a celebrated belief and is also adapted in many nations too but and a loophole of a brain drained pardesi child with strong yet gregarious cultural forces from kerala (visualizing the struggle for English language as a mother tongue) has patronized a dominion of supremacy of religions as a soul goal. Its lethal to bring such communal issue in a public domain but we as liberals do a form a 0.0005% of this communal enriched population too and such concepts are nothing but a part of draconian era which seemed to work with current Indian population but it also guarantees to bring more revolutionary and evolutionary concepts for future because the developed countries has been evident enough to achieve a nations growth is by bowing to public will. Leaders like Tharoor might exacerbate issues which are minor in a way but his democratic views on Indian freedom shall will always ignite for a golden future.

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