

Q. 2. Write a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title:

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Complaints have been filed with the police that right after their electoral loss, BJP Minister Kapil Misra openly threatened protesters in northeast Delhi, the epicenter of the peaceful protests. On February 23, 2020, violence erupted in the area and lasted several days, resulting in the death of 53 people, the majority of them Muslims, and the injury of 250. Approximately 2,000 were displaced. The government and the media were quick to brand the violence as “riots” and the term remains widely used to refer to the events of February 2020. But a much more accurate word to describe what happened is “pogrom”. This was the conclusion of a fact-finding committee formed by the Delhi Minorities Commission (DMC) – an independent statutory body tasked with safeguarding the rights of religious minorities. The committee reviewed victim testimonies and primary legal sources and concluded that the events of February 2020 fit into the definition of a “pogrom”.

Historically used to refer to anti-Jewish violence in Europe and the Middle East, the term “pogrom” is now also used with reference to anti-minority violence across South Asia, where the construction of religious hierarchies has contributed to regular cycles of violence. Pogroms are targeted acts of ethnic violence that exploit existing fissures and stem from the desire to show a community “their place” or are seen as an act of retribution for their imagined sins. The aim is to desensitise the general population to anti-minority violence and move towards a “final solution”. Most importantly, pogroms embody the participation of the state: in planning, instigation, or inaction and toleration.

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Q. 3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

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Title : Pogrom : History and Present

BJP ministers threatened peaceful protesters after electoral loss. People registered complaints, but violence erupted which results in the deaths and injuries of many Muslims. This act was framed as "riots" by the government and media, but in reality, it was a pogrom. This fact was founded by Delhi Minorities Commission (DMC), and Committee reviewed several sources and called it a Pogrom.

In past times, pogrom referred to an anti-jewish violence in Europe and Middle East. But now it is also used for minorities violence in South Asia. Ethnic cleansing and violence on minorities are its main aim. Pogrom include the state, itself, in its planning, instigation, and toleration.

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