

Tipping Point: How the Rise of Hindu Nationalism is Threatening to Tear India Apart

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This 'long read' article focuses on the nature and goals of Hindu nationalism and the role of the extremist Hindu organization the RSS. It also makes comparisons with the rise of right wing populism.

See also: 'Subcontinental Drift: Danger - One Party State', Economist, 28 November, 2020, pp.20-22.

This article examines in some detail the erosion of judicial independence and the Modi government's stringent measures against state governments run by parties opposed to the BJP. critical journalists and NGOs, thousands of which have been closed down for receiving foreign funds. It also notes Modi's emphasis on his role as Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces and his aspirations to rebuild Delhi to symbolize imperial-style power. It compares the autocratic trend under Modi to developments in Hungary, Poland and Turkey.

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