

Regarding need to restore the deleted chapter on Mughal empire and Tipu Sultan in NCERT textbooks-Laid

DR. M. P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI (PONNANI): I rise to register my deep concern over the distortion of history in NCERT textbooks, particularly the deletion of crucial chapters on the Mughal Empire and Tipu Sultan. Such omissions rob our students of a truthful understanding of our past and weaken the constitutional ideal of composite culture. As Firaq Gorakhpuri so memorably wrote: 'Sarameen-e-Hind par aqwam-e-alam ke Firaq / Kafile baste gaye, Hindustan banta gaya.' (On the land of India, caravans of nations kept settling, and Hindustan kept taking shape.) Our Constitution's Preamble enshrines justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity – values nurtured by centuries of cultural intermingling. From Akbar's Sulh-i-Kul (peace with all) to Tipu Sultan's alliances across faiths, history offers enduring lessons in unity amid diversity. Erasing these narratives impoverishes young minds. As Will Durant reminds us: 'The only real revolution is in the enlightenment of the mind and the improvement of character' the only real revolutionists are philosophers and saints.' True patriotism demands confronting history in full – its glories and its challenges. Let us not permit ideology to overwrite fact. I urge the Government to restore these chapters so that our textbooks reflect India's rich, plural, and composite heritage in its entirety.