



Minority Coordination
Committee



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DOCUMENTING
INCIDENTS AFFECTING
MINORITIES IN GUJARAT



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The basic purpose of MCC is to bring the minority society pushed on the margins to the mainstream of society.

To promote and protect the rights of minority communities and advance social justice, equity, and inclusion for all.

We envision a society where diversity is celebrated and differences are respected, where individuals can live their lives without fear of discrimination, harassment, or prejudice.

About the report

Gujarat has been the epicenter of targeted violence against minorities. The nature of violence has now changed. Earlier the violence was prominently in big cities which has now reached the villages. In particular, religious festivals, which are occasions of social harmony, were also used by communal organizations as opportunities for violence against minorities.

Through this report, we are bringing out the different incidents of 2022, in the hope that we understand these destructive designs and work better together for communal harmony and peace.

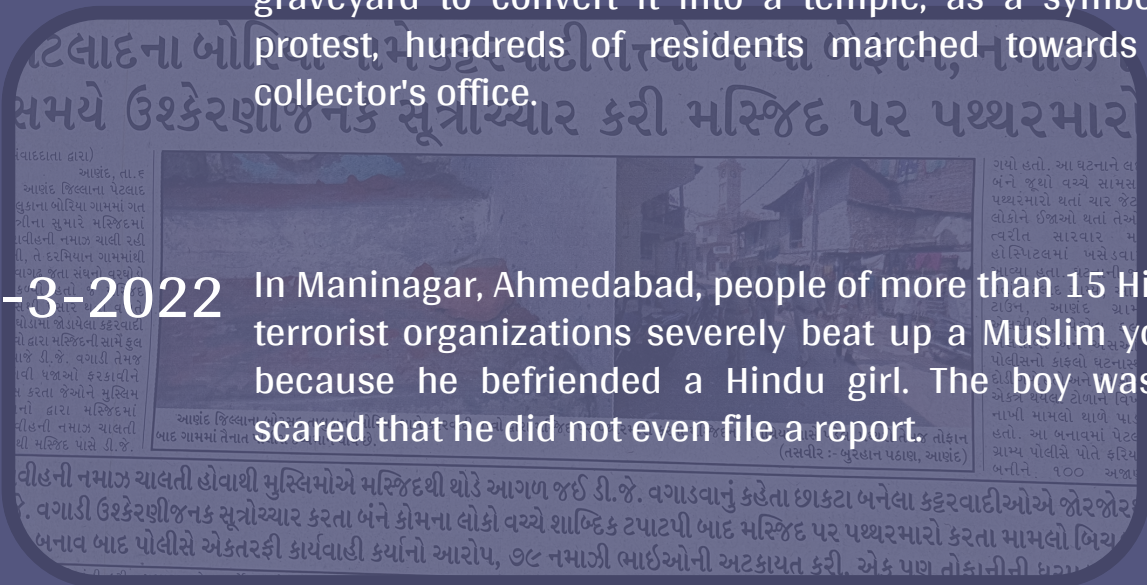
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1 01-1-2022 While delivering goods at Odhav Extension of Ahmedabad, an auto driver was stopped at the gate of society by a security guard. After knowing that the auto driver is a Muslim, he was abused by the security guard who later released the security dog on him. He has been threatened not to lodge complaints with the Police. He was threatened that if he do so he would not be spared.

2 30-1-2022 In Pirana village of Ahmedabad, an attempt was made by right-wing organizations to take over the Dargah by forcibly building a wall between the Dargah and the graveyard to convert it into a temple, as a symbol of protest, hundreds of residents marched towards the collector's office.

3 25-3-2022 In Maninagar, Ahmedabad, people of more than 15 Hindu terrorist organizations severely beat up a Muslim youth because he befriended a Hindu girl. The boy was so scared that he did not even file a report.

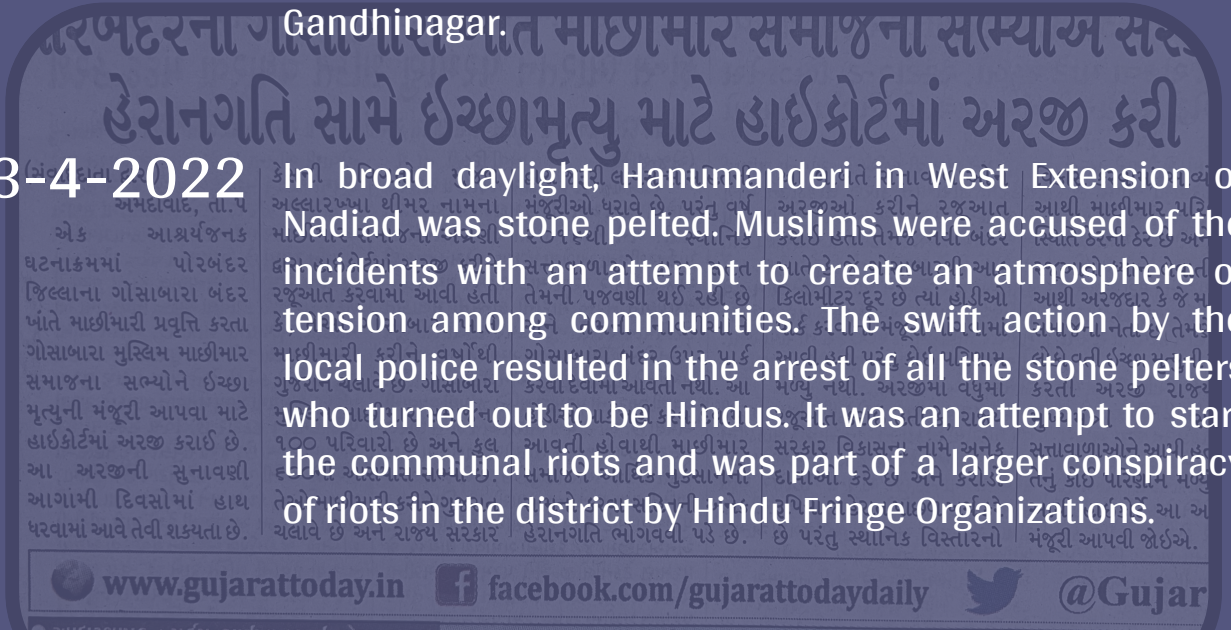


4 06-4-2022 In Boria village of Anand district, a fight between Muslim and Hindu Community broke out over deliberately playing DJ in front of the Mosque. Five people were injured in stone pelting but police took unilateral action against the Muslim community.

5 09-4-2022 In Palitana district of Bhavnagar, activists of Hindu fringe organizations, with the help of police, conducted an identification drive of fruit sellers in the city. Muslim fruit sellers were warned not to do business in the city while their shops and stocks were destroyed.

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- 6 10-4-2022 Communal violence broke out during Ram Navami procession at various places in Gujarat. One person died in Khambhat district of Anand. Police fired tear gas and shops and vehicles of Muslims were set on fire in Himmatnagar. The police took unilateral action against the Muslims in Khambhat and Himmatnagar, and did not even register an FIR on behalf of the Muslims. Whereas in Veraval and Dwarka, violence did not break out due to police vigilance.
- 7 16-4-2022 Administration took unilateral action against 4 Muslims accused of communal riots on Ram Navami in Shakarpur village in Khambhat. Their huts were demolished with bulldozers.
- 8 16-4-2022 When attempting to stop the people who were encroaching on the land in Pavijetpur, Vadodara, the Muslim landowner was threatened. The encroacher has said “ That earlier he [Muslim land owner] was spared during the Godhra incident but now he will not be spared”.
- 9 18-4-2022 A mob of 20 people belonging to Hindu fringe communal organization attempted to lynch a Muslim youth in Ahmedabadi Pole of Kareli Bagh, Vadodara.
- 10 18-4-2022 Despite filing a complaint with the police against the person who had made an objectionable video about Hazrat Muhammad (pbuh) in Mangrol, Junagadh, no legal action was taken.

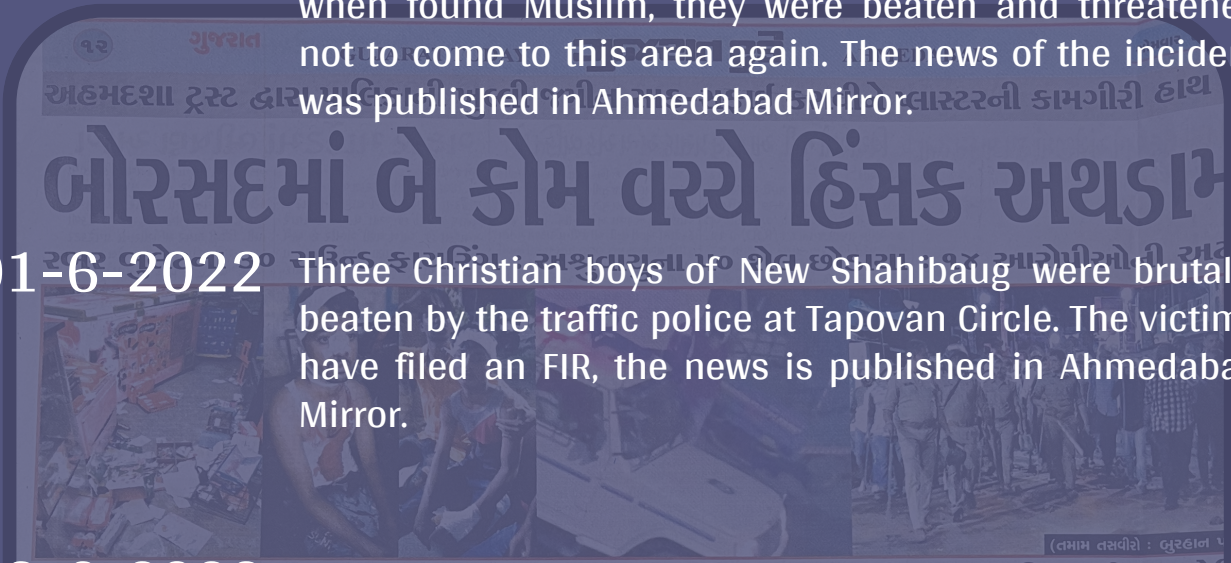
- 11 18-4-2022 Police arrested an accused in an incident of hoisting the saffron flag on the Dargah in Veraval of Gir Somnath district.
- 12 18-4-2022 Muslim drivers were attacked after two vehicles collided in Raopura, Vadodara.
- 13 18-4-2022 Bajrang Dal applied to become a party in the High Court to stop Azaan braodcasting through loudspeakers in Gandhinagar.
- 14 23-4-2022 In broad daylight, Hanumanderi in West Extension of Nadiad was stone pelted. Muslims were accused of the incidents with an attempt to create an atmosphere of tension among communities. The swift action by the local police resulted in the arrest of all the stone pelters who turned out to be Hindus. It was an attempt to start the communal riots and was part of a larger conspiracy of riots in the district by Hindu Fringe Organizations.
- 15 26-4-2022 Demolition drives in Chhaparia, a predominantly Muslim area in Himmatnagar. In this, some kiosks, living quarters (shanties), and a two-storey shop were demolished. This action was taken by targeting Muslim areas after the violence on Ram Navami.
- 16 28-4-2022 The factories of 18 Muslims in front of the sub-jail of Radhari Extension of Khambhat were demolished with bulldozers within 24 hours of serving the encroachment notice; they were not even given a chance to present their case. This action rendered 200 people working in such factories unemployed.



- 17 05-5-2022 In Gosabara village of Porbandar, 600 Muslim fishermen, fed up with continuous government harassment, filed a petition in the Gujarat High Court demanding euthanasia.
- 18 09-5-2022 In an unsuccessful attempt to disrupt the communal harmony, the minaret, dome and inner courtyard of the Alishah Baba's Dargah near Velan village in Kodinar Taluka was destroyed by Hindu fringe elements.
- 19 20-5-2022 An attempt was made to build a temple in the Dargah complex of Imam Shah Baba located in Pirana, Ahmedabad, for which the people of Muslim community filed an application in the Gujarat High Court
- 20 23-5-2022 On May 23, in Baska village of Halol tehsil, an incident of stone pelting and attacks took place during a conflict between two communities over the nature of songs being played by the DJ in a wedding procession. In which cases were registered by the police against people of both the communities. Arrest was also made.
- 21 24-5-2022 Some People of a community, in an attempt to cause damage, pelted stones on the Mosque. Due to timely action by the police, miscreants were arrested. In another incident, some people of Baska village were also arrested for pelting stones at a police vehicle. Altogether four cases have been registered against both the communities.
- 22 28-5-2022 A Muslim boy, after identifying him based on his attire, was severely beaten by a mob near Mazur Gram of Geeta Mandir in Ahmedabad. The boy did not dare to file an FIR.

23 29-5-2022 A Maulana (Muslim Cleric), who was passing near IIM, was beaten by the mob and slogans of Jai Shri Ram were raised. Maulana's hand was fractured, he was threatened that if an FIR was lodged, he would be killed.

24 29-5-2022 Five Muslim boys were stopped at Sindhu Bhavan Road, near Judges Bungalow and asked for their names, and when found Muslim, they were beaten and threatened not to come to this area again. The news of the incident was published in Ahmedabad Mirror.



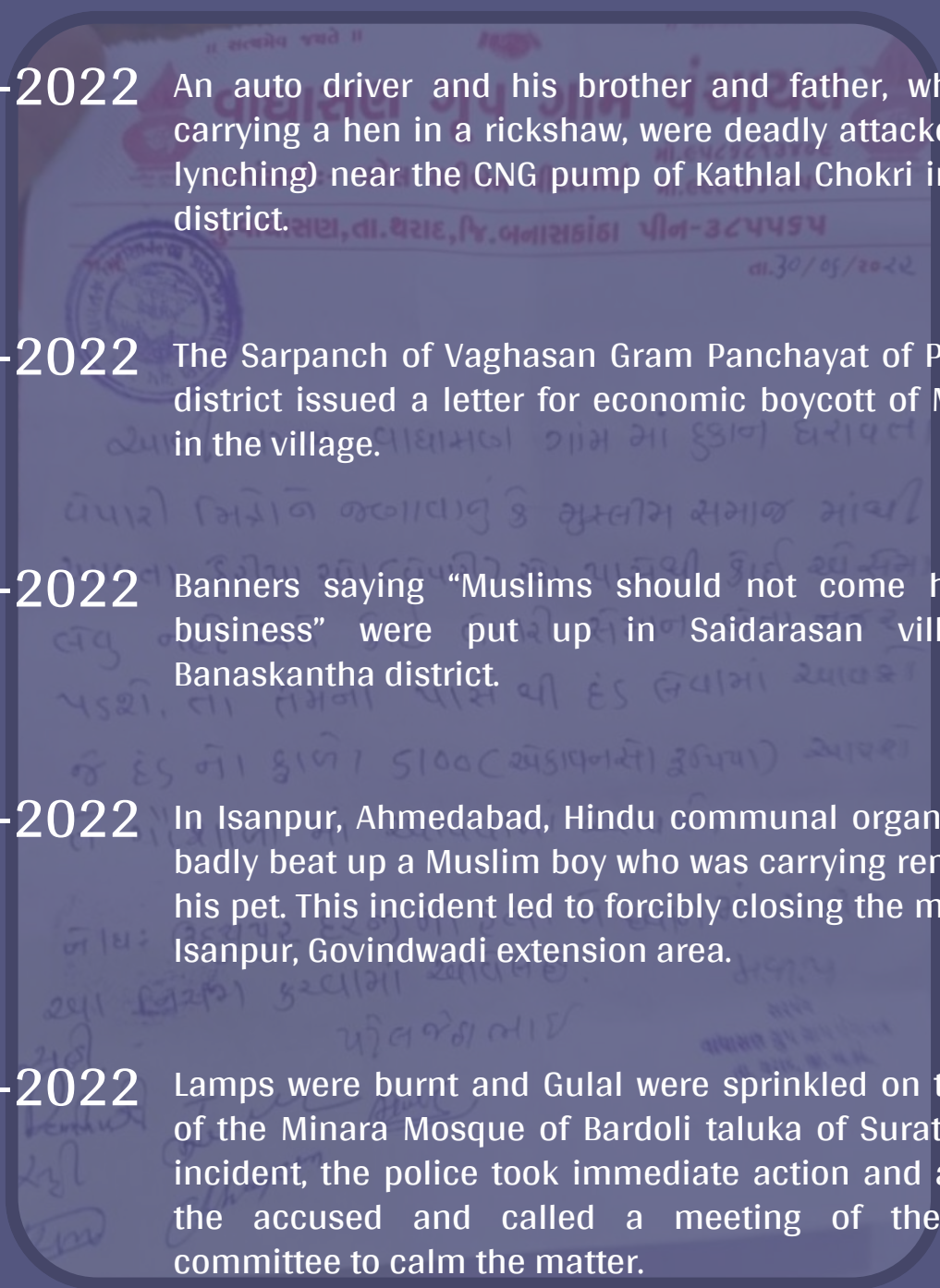
25 01-6-2022 Three Christian boys of New Shahibaug were brutally beaten by the traffic police at Tapovan Circle. The victims have filed an FIR, the news is published in Ahmedabad Mirror.

26 03-6-2022 Three Muslim delivery boys were badly beaten near Sanathal Chokdi, Ahmedabad and told, "Mullah's, do not come to our area".

27 12-6-2022 Communal violence broke out in Borsad village of Anand district due to an attack on two Muslim boys with knives at midnight and an attempt to kill them. In connection with the incident, the police fired 30 rounds of rubber bullets and 50 shells of tear gas. Police took unilateral action only against Muslims.

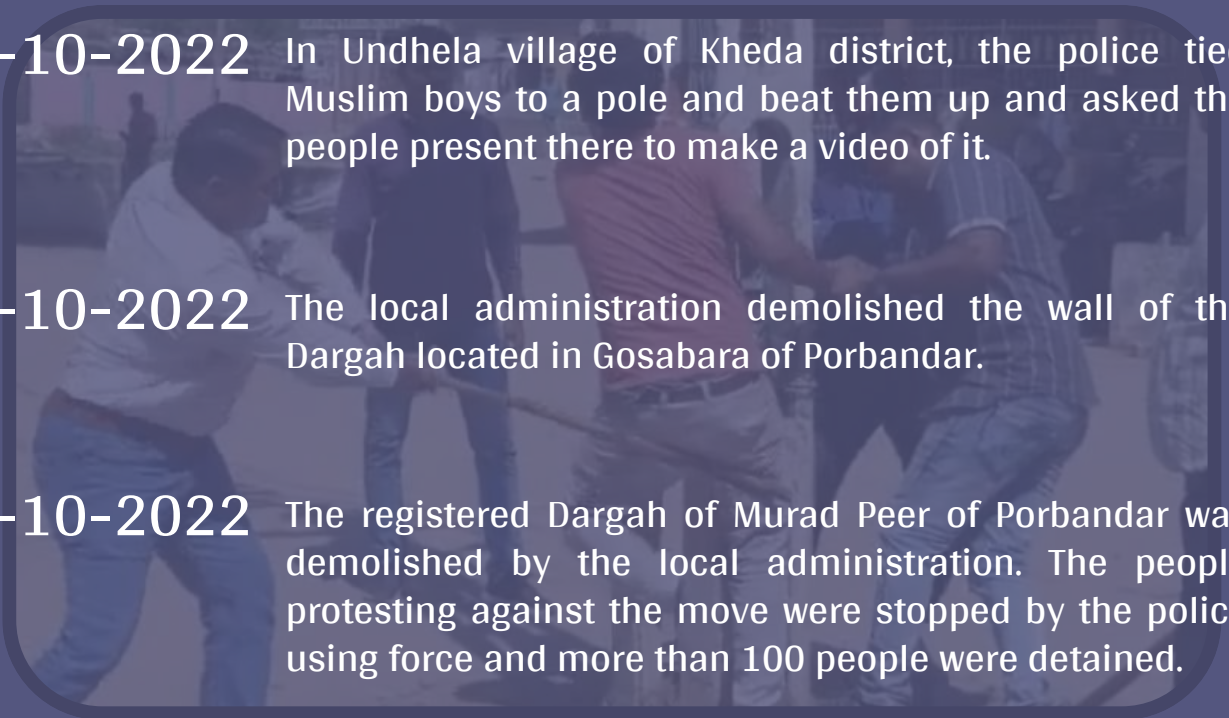
28 23-6-2022 & 24-6-2022 People carrying live animals in a tempo near Kathlal Chokdi in Kheda district were beaten up by alleged animal sympathizers. Elders from both the communities pacified people.

- 29 26-6-2022 In Rajkot, a policeman ate food at a non-veg stall of a Muslim and when he asked for money, he beat him badly and threatened to send him to jail.
- 30 27-6-2022 An auto driver and his brother and father, who were carrying a hen in a rickshaw, were deadly attacked (mob lynching) near the CNG pump of Kathlal Chokri in Kheda district.
- 31 30-6-2022 The Sarpanch of Vaghasan Gram Panchayat of Palanpur district issued a letter for economic boycott of Muslims in the village.
- 32 04-7-2022 Banners saying “Muslims should not come here for business” were put up in Saidarasan village of Banaskantha district.
- 33 05-8-2022 In Isanpur, Ahmedabad, Hindu communal organizations badly beat up a Muslim boy who was carrying remains of his pet. This incident led to forcibly closing the market in Isanpur, Govindwadi extension area.
- 34 07-8-2022 Lamps were burnt and Gulal were sprinkled on the gate of the Minara Mosque of Bardoli taluka of Surat. In this incident, the police took immediate action and arrested the accused and called a meeting of the peace committee to calm the matter.
- 35 23-8-2022 Abdul Nathu bhai's shop and house was demolished by goons from a particular community, in Village Jethpur (Machchu) in Sandhi Sheri area of Morbi district.



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- 36 26-8-2022 After the murder of a youth of Rabari community in Madhapar area of Bhuj, people returning from his funeral vandalized the mosque and caused damage to the properties of Muslims.
- 37 30-8-2022 An attempt was made to break the gate of Pani Gate Mosque of Vadodara, after which communal violence broke out. The accused in this incident was a BJP Yuva Morcha official.
- 38 02-9-2022 Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation ordered the slaughter houses of Ahmedabad to remain closed on the occasion of Paryushan festival of Jainism.
- 39 06-9-2022 Swords were brandished during Ganpati immersion in Deesa Banaskantha district.
- 40 12-9-2022 Vadodara Municipal Corporation, terming it illegal, demolished a very old tomb.
- 41 13-9-2022 The owner of a hotel named Delhi Darbar in Hodi Bangla extension of Surat was publicly insulted on suspicion of selling cow meat.
- 42 29-9-2022 Communal violence broke out in Dhrangadhra of Surendranagar.

- 43 02-10-2022 Communal tension among communities after the incident of stone pelting for deliberately playing Garba near the mosque in Undhela village of Kheda district.
- 44 02-10-2022 In a school of Hathaj village of Nadiad, four teachers were suspended due to pressure from Hindu Fringe organizations. They allege that Muslim children participated in the Garba program and raised communal slogans.
- 45 04-10-2022 In Undhela village of Kheda district, the police tied Muslim boys to a pole and beat them up and asked the people present there to make a video of it.
- 46 04-10-2022 The local administration demolished the wall of the Dargah located in Gosabara of Porbandar.
- 47 05-10-2022 The registered Dargah of Murad Peer of Porbandar was demolished by the local administration. The people protesting against the move were stopped by the police using force and more than 100 people were detained.
- 48 13-10-2022 In Aderan (Danta) of Banaskantha, a video of someone wearing a burqa while doing the Garba was made viral. People were seen putting their hand on the shoulder of the person wearing burqa.
- 49 14-10-2022 The name of Afzal Khan's Tekra in Ahmedabad city was renamed as Shivaji's Tekra.



50 23-11-2022 Mob lynching of 2 Muslim boys in a college in Surat by VHP alleging love jihad.

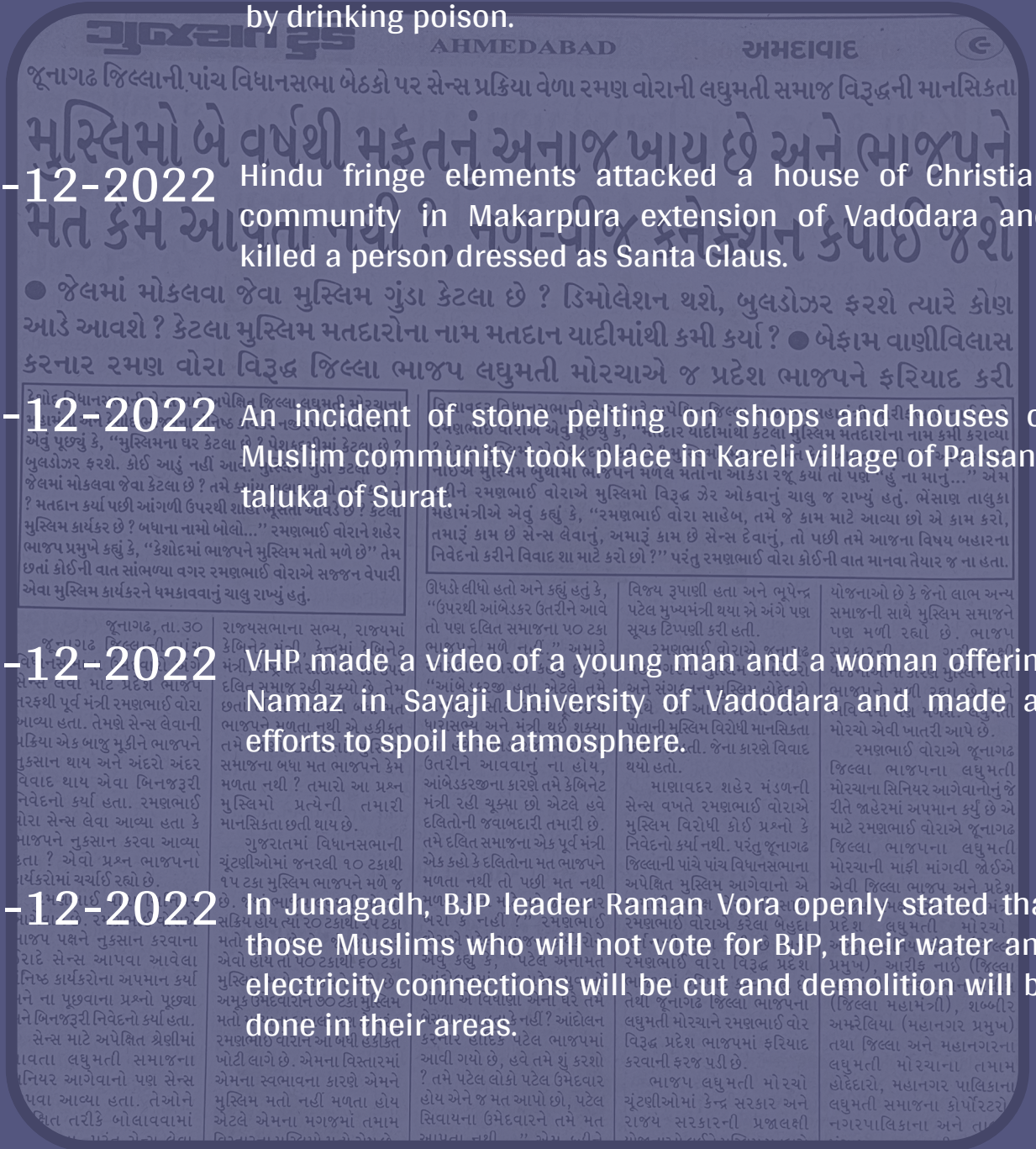
51 07-12-2022 Fed up with the harassment by local administration in Gosabara of Porbandar, 5 Muslim girls attempted suicide by drinking poison.

52 21-12-2022 Hindu fringe elements attacked a house of Christian community in Makarpura extension of Vadodara and killed a person dressed as Santa Claus.

53 21-12-2022 An incident of stone pelting on shops and houses of Muslim community took place in Kareli village of Palsana taluka of Surat.

54 25-12-2022 VHP made a video of a young man and a woman offering Namaz in Sayaji University of Vadodara and made all efforts to spoil the atmosphere.

55 30-12-2022 In Junagadh, BJP leader Raman Vora openly stated that those Muslims who will not vote for BJP, their water and electricity connections will be cut and demolition will be done in their areas.





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