

## SAMUEL HUNTINGTON WAS RIGHT

*The liberals have a favourite maxim: “Terrorism is the weapon of the weak.” Now it seems that the “weak” have found a new weapon which is more widespread and easily replicable throughout the world: stone pelting and rioting. Think of these two words and immediately the image of only one community comes to your mind. From UK to France to Palestine to Iraq to Pakistan to Kashmir to Haryana to Bengal and across India – it’s the same weapon. Stone pelting and rioting. Commit crime as a mob and demand to be punished as individuals. 1000 rioters commit the crime; arrest 100 of them and 900 go scot-free to repeat the same cycle. Their declaration is: We have the right to do what we are doing. You go to the courts and get stuck up in the endless of spiral of Tareekh pe Tareekh.*

*And if the bulldozers come, out comes the victim card. Yes, the bulldozers are wrong. May be not entirely wrong because what is being demolished are illegal structures after all – but yes, due procedure has been thrown to the winds. But it’s a backlash; the expression of an IMPOTENT rage of the society. Because the “weak” community comes out in front of the cameras and says, “we have no idea who did it. We don’t know them.” Entire mobs repeating the same crime across the globe and the community has no clue who is behind it! How can society respond? Europe is responding with burning the Holy Book. But these are not adequate responses because the law doesn’t provide for adequate responses against the repeated organised attack of stone pelting and rioting mobs. You can arrest only a few people. The mob stays untouched to carry out the next round of attacks. What can the civilized world do? So society is thinking of other responses like book burning and economic boycott – and quite predictably, the mob with a stone in one hand and the victim card on the other, has knocked the doors of the court. Not an assurance from the community that “we will ensure that none of our people would be involved in stone pelting and rioting in future.” No, that response will never come. No one is coming forward from the community to say that, “no, this is not the way we want to go.”*

*The time for political correctness is over. We are looking at a worldwide Clash of Civilizations. Samuel Huntington, you were right!*