CasteWatchUK Press Release

Sikhs support “caste amendments” to Single Equality Bill

A delegation of CasteWatchUK met delegates of a number of Sikh organisations from East London and Essex to discuss Caste Based Discrimination and the need to outlaw it with respect to the forthcoming Single Equality Bill.

It was unanimously agreed that Caste Based Discrimination is now a serious problem facing Asian Communities in Britain and agreed to support the campaign led by CasteWatchUK. The meeting also recognised that Caste Based Discrimination practices (due to various cultural reasons) also pervade the Sikh community contrary to its religious ethos. All the organisations present unanimously condemned without equivocation and ambiguity Caste Based Discrimination practices and agreed to support the proposed amendments to outlaw Caste via the Single Equality Bill. It was emphasised that Caste must be declared as a protected category along with other discrimination strands addressed by the Single Equality Bill to make for a fairer Britain.

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