

## A STUDY ON SRI V S UGRAPPA'S PERSONALITY AND SOCIO – POLITICAL IDEAS

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### I. ABSTRACT

*It is rare to find socially well-thought-out individuals. As 'thoughts rule the whole world', Change is only possible by humanly different thinking. There are many flaws in India's social and political system. High-minded individuals have expressed their ideas on such social and political flaws at times. Shree V S Ugrappa is one of such persons. He has voiced his own ideas on what is happening in the country, not only in Karnataka. He has a high-mindedness and diction that speaks directly and boldly about wrong decisions made socially and politically. He has expressed differing views both inside and outside the legislature. Overall this paper discusses the national and constitutional ideas of the Sri V S Ugrappa's. The main objective of this research paper is to provide a realistic idea of the country and the state of Karnataka. This paper covers Shree V S Ugrappa's ideas on the social and political rights of the underprivileged, backward and oppressed classes, women children and their education, health employment cultural and infrastructure.*

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### II. INTRODUCTION

It is very rare for the backward classes to grow socially and politically. Growing up in the face of inequality, discrimination, casteism and communalism is an adventure. Sri V S Ugrappa is one of those who grew up with such problems. He is basically from the peasant family of the Scheduled Tribe. Sri V S Ugrappa was born on 03 June, 1954 at Venkatapur village of Pavagada Taluk in Tumakur District of Karnataka State. He is only son of Sri Subbaiah and Smt Lakkamma Subbaiah. They are basically agriculturist family. Sri V S Ugrappa's wife name is Dr. K.V. Manjula. She is a doctor by profession. His wife has been always support him with camaraderie in his

political carrier, the couple have two children. Sri V S Ugrappa is basically a farmer and advocate for himself. In the year of 1994 Sri V.S. Ugrappa was nominated by the Governor of Karnataka Legislative council and again in December 2003, elections were held from local bodies to the Karnataka Legislative council. Sri V S Ugrappa was elected by the Congress party by a large majority in this election. He was a member of the Karnataka Legislative Council from January 2004 and he was the Leader of the Opposition of the Karnataka Legislative Council from 4 August 2008 to 5 January 2010. He was elected again from local authority areas for third time as Member, Karnataka State Legislative Council. From 2014 to 2018 he has been nominated by the Governor as a member of the Karnataka Legislative Council. Also, he became the Chairperson of Expert Committee to give Report to Prevent Atrocity on Women and Children. Then he won the by-election from Bellary Lok Sabha constituency in 2018 and became a Member of Parliament of India. He defeated the Bharatiya Janata Party candidate J. Shantha by a margin of 2.43 lakh votes in this election. Sri V S Ugrappa took oath in Kannada on December 12, 2018 in the Lok Sabha. He was a member of the Lok Sabha from 6 November 2018 to 23 May 2019. Then Ugrappa lost the Bellary Lok Sabha constituency in the 17th General Lok Sabha elections held in 2019.

### **III. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY:**

The research study seeks to analyses the personality and thoughts of Sr. V.S. Ugrappa, the objectives of the study, specially, is as under-

The study undertaken has the following objectives:

1. To evaluate the social and political thought of Sri V S Ugrappa.
2. To Review the social and political fight of Sri V S Ugrappa.
3. To study and analyze the personality of a socialist Sri V S Ugrappa.

### **IV. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY OF THE STUDY –**

The present work is mainly based more on Primary as well as secondary sources of data like records and essential documents including newspapers, legislative debates, proceedings and government orders. The primary sources of data had been collected from conducting personal interview with him and well-wishers and other dignitaries familiar with the work and achievements.

## V. HYPOTHESIS OF THE STUDY

The following hypotheses are framed for the present study, i.e., personality and his socio political ideas of Sri V S Ugrappa. They are as follows:

1. Sri V S Ugrappa is a nationalist politician in Karnataka.
2. Sri V S Ugrappa is a social equality fighter.
3. Sri V S Ugrappa has complete faith in the Indian Constitution.

## VI. SOCIAL, POLITICAL IDEAS OF SRI V S UGRAPPA AND HIS PPERSONOLITY

### Views on Nationalism

The anti-CAA protest meeting was held in February 2020 in Bengaluru. At this meeting, a girl named Amulya shouted Zindabad for Pakistan. Sri V S Ugrappa, denounced the case, also had expressed outrage against the BJP. “We should be proud of our country. No person should be embarrassed about our enemy nation. It is a crime for a girl to be pro-Pakistan. No Indian can accept it. The Karnataka government should take this seriously. The woman was immediately arrested by the police for shouting slogans on behalf of Pakistan. They are welcome to appear before the court. It is appropriate to put this kind of person in the Andaman Prison. That action is taken against her for life in prison. On the issue of Kashmir the Congress has never advocated separation of Kashmir. Kashmir is an integral part of India. The BJP still does not flag the national flag in their offices. The Congress would never play in the defense of the nation”. Sri V S Ugrappa had expressed the view that.

### Opinion on Tipu Sultan

Mr. V S Ugrappa had his own opinion about Tipu Sultan. He says of Tipu Sultan, “Tippeswamy was named after Tipu Sultan, who was born from the Thippeswamy born of Nayakan's Hatti. People say this. His name is later changed to Tipu. Tipu Sultan assisted the temple of Sringeri, Srirangapatna, and Nayakanahatti. This should not be forgotten. Events such as those in the time of the kings might have involved wars for another state's expansion and another. There was no going back to arguing. But, who invaded this country and kept it as a slave for hundreds of years. On the one hand, Kittur Channamma on the other, Surapura Venkatappa leader on the other, Tipu Mysore on the other hand fought the British using modern war techniques. India President Ramanath Kovind also said that Tipu was a patriot. He used missile technology at that time. He was praised for being tolerant of all religions. Whatever Jayanti, his ideal must be observed rather than looking for worms”.

Lauding Tipu Sultan as a great warrior, the former had given a good administration and propagated religious harmony. What is important is to know and recall the contributions, achievements and sacrifice of great leaders and try to follow them in leading a good life instead of finding faults in them. During celebrations of birth anniversaries of all great leaders, let us vow to live as children of Bharat Mata and of Bhuvaneshwari. Sri V S Ugrappa had this kind of opinion.

### **About the atrocity on women in Dakshina Kannada district**

Shri V S Ugrappa, speaking to reporters at the Vidhan Sabha on 26th January 2016, gave the details of a review meeting held in Dakshina Kannada district. The Dakshina Kannada District has failed to prevent the exploitation of women in the Dakshina Kannada district. More than 500 women have died suspiciously. Over the course of ten years, there have been many cases of rape, exploitation, rape, dowry and dowry across the district. But, in a handful of cases, the guilty had punished. The Department of Home and the District administration have failed to convict the guilty. In Mangalore and elsewhere, hooliganism and communal clashes have increased. The increased cases of abnormal death. However, the police officers and the sheriffs have not taken any action. There is so much difference in the sex ratio of the district. There are 970 females per 1000 males. The district has more scanning centers than hospitals. A sports hostel in the heart of Mangalore is open to both boys and girls. One room can accommodate 16 athletes. A total of four rooms are reserved for infants. There is no separate system for males and females. He expressed his disappointment that the Sports Department had not taken action to improve the facility. In 10 years, 129 rape cases have been reported in Mangalore city and 106 in rural areas. But only 9 have been compensated. Thus Ugrappa had spoken directly against injustice and the failure of governance.

### **Opinion on National Citizenship Registration and Citizenship Amendment Act**

Shri VS Ugrappa, speaking to reporters on 26 December 2019, said, "Citizenship Amendment Act and National Citizenship Registration are as follows. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is a modern day Bhasmasura. The central government is trying to cover up the various failures of the central government in the wake of emotional issues such as the Citizenship Amendment Act and the National Citizenship Registration. It was promised that 2 crore jobs would be created per year. Whether jobs are created or jobs that don't exist. It also failed to curb corruption. He had said that the BJP had done sentimental things such as the Citizenship (Amendment) Act and the National Citizenship Registration to cover various failures of the central government, including black money, job creation and the country's economic woes. It fails to curb corruption. The rupee is depreciating against the dollar. Modi has been dragging people through emotional issues without promising. Thus Sri V S Ugrappa expressed his views on the Citizenship Amendment Act and the National Citizenship Act.

## **Protest against the Citizenship Amendment Act**

Congress held a massive protest in front of the KPCC office demanding the immediate withdrawal of the Indian Citizenship Amendment Act, which is set to be implemented by the central government. KPCC executive secretary Ishwar Khandre, senior leaders BL Shankar, VS Ugrappa, women's Congress president Pushpa Amarnath, NSV president Manjunath and others participated in the this protest. Sri V S Ugrappa said that the central government has been politicizing on citizenship for five years had tried to pass the bill last time. However, it was not possible. The outrage has now come to a hand. Both Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah have been as Bhasmasura. The RBI's collapse has ruined the country's economy. Now they are going to bring the Citizenship Bill against the Indian Constitution. They have also taken up the constitution. The BJP says we have come to change the constitution. Sri V S Ugrappa had spoken in the protest.

## **Constitution Bachao, Country Bachao Protest**

Opposition to the Citizenship Amendment Act is the second war of independence. The first war of independence was fought against foreigners. This is second war of independence against the fanatics. Subramanian Swamy had said the BJP would be harmed if the Prime Minister did not wake up. 1 lakh crores has been deducted from grants to the security forces of the country. There is no vision of seeing man as a man. There is a conspiracy to tear down the constitution. Amit Shaha and Modi did Read Any Constitution? Modi and Amit Shah have failed to safeguard the country's unity and economy. They have no commitment to protect the country. Ambedkar had given a constitution which is united in variety. But he set out to implement Manu Dharmashastra. Sri VS Ugrappa was speaking at the Constitution Bachao and Country Bachao protest in Dharwad, Karnataka on December 26, 2019.

## **On Article 370 of the Constitution of India**

On 6 August 2019, VS Ugrappa had responded to the cancellation of Article 370 of the Constitution of India, which was giving a special provision for Jammu and Kashmir people. Talking to reporters, he said "the BJP is in the midst of many hidden agendas, including Ram Mandir and Cow slaughter. He had questioned that why the Vajpayee government and Modi's in first period did not repeal Article 370. The repeal of Article 370 is a delicate matter and we welcome the civilians and soldiers and the country for good. This is Sri V S Ugrappa's was of the opinion.

### K. B. Ganapathy wrote about Shree V S Ugrappa in Star of Mysore:

Sri K. B. Ganapathy is the editor of newspaper the Star of Mysore. He is also great writer. He wrote about the personality of Sri V S Ugrappa in the newspaper as follows. “I have not heard a name like Sri V S Ugrappa except that of this politician who speaks like a Solomon. One of the rare good, decent politicians in this age where there is a critical shortage of value-based politicians. It is commendable to have written a good article on such a rare person”. He had written.

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