To,

- 1. The Hon'ble Minister for Home Affairs Government of India
- 2. The Hon'ble Minister for Information and Broadcast Government of India

Sir,

Subject: Spread of terror through songs and 'sar tan se juda' slogans glorifying beheadings by religious fanatics

The recent barbaric beheadings of Shri. Kanhaiyalal (Rajasthan) and Shri. Umesh Kolhe (Maharashtra) have shaken the entire nation, especially the Hindu community. These targeted murders were a retaliation to a perceived insult to Prophet Muhammad.

While the Constitution of India protects the religious rights of every community, it also provides enough avenues to address the grievances those whose religious sentiments have been hurt. Despite this, religious fanatics are seen resorting to violent means to 'avenge the insult'. These acts of violence are spurred by oft repeated chants of 'Gustakh e Nabi ki ek hi Sazaa, sar tan se juda' (beheading is the only punishment for those who insult Prophet Muhammad). This chant has been used by religious fanatics to justify acts of violence, even killings, over perceived insults to the Prophet.

What is even more disturbing that this chant is no longer in the realm of the religious fanaticism, it has become mainstream with this chant being repeated in common street protests, on social media, even songs. An example of this is a song 'Gutakh e Nabi ki Ek Hi Saza' by Allama Hafiz Bilal Qadri or the song Gustakh-E-Muhammad Teri by Syed Aftab Ali Qadri Chishti. Incidentally both are Pakistani preachers. These songs are freely available on major platforms like YouTube, YouTube Music, Apple Music, Gaana, JioSaavn, Hungama and Wynk. They are being downloaded and used in short videos to issue veiled threats to the non Muslim people. As a Hindu and a law-abiding citizen of India, I demand that

- 1. The music platforms like YouTube, YouTube Music, Apple Music, Gaana, JioSaavn, Hungama and Wynk be issued stringent and urgent instructions that they remove any such material that promotes violence in the name of Prophet Muhammad.
- 2. Any person who is found using these songs or such lyrics should be immediately apprehended and jailed for antinational activities.

Hope that the government of India will swiftly act on this extremely serious threat to national security and social fabric of the nation and provide justice to the peaceful majority of India.

Sincerely,