Silent Rally to demand justice for Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims

" We Want Justice " is the roaring sounds of the thousands of Dalit Christians and Muslims in Jantar Mantar , New Delhi gather on 10th March 2016 to demand their Rights . This continues even after the "National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities (NCRLM) stated that non inclusion of SC Christians and SC Muslims is a discrimination based on religion and goes against the articles 14, 15 and 25 of the Constitution of India."





In order to gain momentum in the case of Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims, churches from all over India gathered in Jantar Mantar, New Delhi on 10 March 2016, pressing the government to render SC status to Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims. Church leaders and people gathered at the Silent Rally, stood in protest with a black cloth covering their mouth signifying their silent demand that they should be granted their rights without discrimination on basis of religion.




Organised by the National Council of Dalit Christians, with participation of member churches CNI Church of North India , CSI Church of South India , Marthoma Church , NCCI and other Churches of India , the rally at Jantar Mantar, New Delhi, will culminate with a daylong dharna, and will call upon the amending of the Constitutional Scheduled Caste Order 1950 that meted out injustice to Christians and Muslims. According to para 3 of the 1950 order, reservation and welfare benefits are to be enjoyed only by those SC's who profess Hinduism. However, it later included Sikhs and Buddhists, but not Christians and Muslims. This injustice dismantled the social, economic and educational benefits of Dalits who converted to Christianity and Muslim. So far 70% of India's 25 million Christians come from the Dalit background.