

Communalism. Reasons of communalism in India.  
How can it be curbed? (200 words).

Communalism, a term which came into origin in 20<sup>th</sup> century, is mainly to define the stereotype b/w groups of people, religions on basis on religions and communities. It's a recent term and is mainly applied to countries of South Asia.

Though, we call India, unity in diversity, sometimes this diversity can hamper our unity. Same principle was applied by East India Company to rule over Indians. In order to benefit themselves they differentiated b/w people, first time reservations on basis of religion were given in Morley Minto reforms of 1909, alienating other religions. As a multi-party country, many political organisations seems to use community differentiation as an agenda for winning elections.

Minority appeasement or focusing on particular community are all parts of their promotion. No proper handling and of unrest, riots and no strict policies also does not affect the already worse conditions of society.

In order to curb such a disease, first of all the person should be ready to be treated, he needs to be aware and has to keep his mind free of casteism, religions etc. Laws and policies related should be strictly directed. Economic development, industrialisation, globalisation also helps in opening of minds. Interpretation of past events, history should be done rationally rather than politically or on community basis. Social, electronic, print media if not biased can also help in clearing the picture.

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