



## Crime Against Farmers by Land Mafia in Rural Community : A Sociological Study

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### Introduction:

83% population of India resides in rural area. There are more than 5,66,878 Villages in India. The main occupation of rural people is agriculture. 70% population of India depends upon agriculture. Smith says in "The society of rural life" that agriculture is not only an occupation for farmers it is a basis of their life. A farmer's works day and night in his farm. He applies all his energy in making his land fertilize. He produces grain from this land and runs his life.

Agriculture is basis of life of farmer. A farmer cannot live happily without farming. If a farmer farms only for his profit/benefit if he sees benefit in other things he may do other work and may send his land, but he does not sell his land but he pawns (Mortgages) his land. He does not sell his land until he does not become helpless. Land is not mere a wealth for him but it is an important part of his life. So we can see that farmer does not sell his land but he pawns (Mortgages) his land. He does not sell his land even through his waist breaks down due to clearing of interest. Hence it is clear that, a farmer does not see (Considers) his land only as wealth but he has emotional feelings with his land.

Dr. Shyamchandran Dube writer in "Indian Village" (P.75) that, farmer is very emotional for his land and cattle's. If he has to sell his land and cattle, in certain circumstances, it becomes painful, Dejectedness is covered (Spreaded) in his whole family. Women of family wail. Drop their tears. Dube adds that, Land occupies a place of mother in feelings of a farmer and separation of farmer from his piece of land, is as like as a separation of child from his mother.

Land is life of a farmer. He farms his land from so many generations. He lives satisfactory from the income from that land. But land is misappropriated by land Mafia by wrong documents and farmer is threatened to kill in rural community, proportion of crime is increasing day by day among rural community. Formerly, this proportion was less, but now day's crimes are increased in rural community. Form of crime is also changed. A new type of crime of land misappropriating and threatening to kill is seen in rural community. It is discussed in this paper, how which types of crimes are done by land mafias against rural farmers. The present paper is based on secondary data.

### Form of crime is done by land motion against farmers in rural community:

1. Wrong documents of land were prepared in Nainpur Village of Mahemdabad Block. An intrigue was prepared of making falls documents (FALSE) on stamp paper on the name of women who was actually not owner of the land. Signs of Witnesses were done wrongfully.

Shardaben Chaturji is the original owner of land of survey number 29 which situated at Timbli Village of Mahemdabad Block. Wrong documents were prepared on the names of her family and of members of another family. Vanabhai Galaji Baraiya, Taknatsinh Budhabhai Sodha, Vagajibhai Ranchhodhbhai Sodha and the then Talati cum Secretary at the time of 29/04/2011 of Nani Timbli Village of Mahemdabad Block, all these people misappropriated land of shardaben by making false document on stamp paper and wrong signs of witnesses.

2. Land is illegally misappropriated of land of women at Varsola Village of Mahemdabad Block by making wrong Power of Attorney (Pedhinamu-Chain of Family) with the help of other three persons of Varsola Village and by threatening the affected women to

kill new to death.

Farming land of Gangaben Punjabhai Solanki is situated of Varsola Village of Mahemdabad Block which is her inherited land. Rate of land of Mahemdabad area are at on peak. So a wrong attention of Land Mafia was there on that land of Gangaben.

Bhartbhai Vithalbhai Patel his brothers Ashokbhai and Vimalbhai who were living in Vaniavad are of Nadiad Town (City) prepared wrong power of attorney of Gangaben with the help of Hasmukhbhai P. Prajapati, Ramesh Punam Solanki and Hitesh B. Chauhan – all from Varsola Village of Mahemdabad block and purchased that land by Bharatbhai. Which was originally occupied by Gangaben. Moreover he made and intrigue of misappropriating land of Gangaben with the help Hitesh.

A try was made to misappropriate farming land situated at border of Varsola Village of Mahemdabad Block of Making wrong Pedhinama and Power of Attorney.

Land of Father in Law of Champaben Arvindbhai Patel is situated at Varsola Village of Mahemdabad Block. Bharatbhai Vithalbhai Patel who is living in "Swami" Bunglow of Vania Vad area of Nadiad town (City). He wrongly prepared Power of Attorney by making false signs of father in law and husband of Champaben during 1994 to 2011. Bharatbhai has done that land on his own name by making criminal intrigue, preparing wrong documents. Hasmukhbhai Prabhudas Patel has (Wrongly) misappropriated land of Champaben signing wrong witness by making Notary and by wrong fully making sings of Pravinbhai of Munnabhai Manibhai Patel, Mahebubhai Chhotubhai Vhora and Badubhai Bhikhabhai Vhora even though knowing that the Pedhinama and Power of Attorney are wrongfully prepared, and misappropriated land of Survey Record 277 of 272 number. Not only that, Bharatbhai Vithalbhai Patel Submitted wrong (False) Documents of Land, Misappropriated that land and threatened to Champaben of killing till death.

Wrong entries were done in revenue records by making wrong Notary with the help of Talati-Cum-Secretary of Varsola Village.

3. Such Wrong (False) Pedhinama is prepared for farming land in Para of Maparia of Vasana Village of Mahudha Block. Wrong (False) Pedhinama is prepared in land records of Survey No. 390/1 and 391/1+2 situated in Block No. 209 (2.28.65) in the border of Vasana Village Gram Panchayat. A person has been become Co-owner in land by unsupported hereditary document and is in intrigue of usurping of trees which are situated in that land (Farm).
4. Frauds of Selling Land on the basis of false documents which are assets of crores of Rupees are increasing day by day. 40 Vighas in herited land misappropriated by making wrong Pedhinama/ Affidavit at Palanpur. Involvement of a retired Mamlatdar (Block Officer) is also seen in this case. Chhenaji Chelaji Thakor, Babuji Chelaji Thakor and Kamlesh Chhenaji Thakor has misappropriated land of his brother Sendhaji Thakor after his death by kidnapping son Bharatbhai Thakor of the farmer (i.e Sendhaji Thakor) from Sabarmati and by confining him in the house of retired Mamlatdar Sonaji Devaji Mesra and forcibly signed of Bharatbhai on the affidavit of cancelling his name of right of heir of that land. Then the land is sold in very cheap price which is an asset of crores of rupees.

5. Intrigue of Selling of Land without knowledge of original Land Owner by some Land motion is done which as a painful situation for a farmer. His whole family has to suffer due to this intrigue names of new Land holders are added in 7/12 documents of unclaimed Land after the death of original Land owner. Which are seen in Ider-1, Vadali-5, and 1 in Talod Block.

#### **Reasons behind Crime:**

Reasons behind crime are different according to different persons, and different situations in every case. Several Personal reasons are responsible for crime and situational reasons are also responsible. Poverty, Unemployment, Tension, Value friction etc are responsible. In the present case, it can be shown that desire of becoming wealthy soon it resided in people. People who are wealthy are making such kind of crime to become more wealthier. Every person is experiencing situation of wants in his life. He cannot satisfy his desires. Then he feels uncomfortable want of unsatisfaction makes a person towards crime.

#### **Remedies of Crime:**

Case like misappropriating Land of Farmers and threatening them to kill by death are increased day by day in rural community. Following are some remedies suggested to remove such incidences.

1. Moral Education should be given to (Such) person that criminal tendency may perish.
2. Persons should restrict their desires. Desires should be aimed at which can be fulfilled by recognition of social way. If he would restrict his desires then he would not have done criminal behavior.
3. State Government should see that every person may get employment. Government should keep in mind ideal of welfare state.
4. Government and Administration should aware so that such kind of crimes can be avoided. Provision for strict Punishment should be followed so it can be an example for other people of the society and such kind of crime may decrease.

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