OFFICE OF THE DY. COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, EAST DISTT., DELHI

No._____/SO-DCP/East dated Delhi the _____

To

The Editor,
Times of India,
New Delhi.

Sub: News item dated 27.12.2014 captioned 'Fresh tension in Trilokpuri as minor crash triggers clash'

Sir,

I would like to say that it was certainly not a clash of communal nature as has been reported by the reporter of the above mentioned news, printed on the front page of your newspaper. The brief facts of the incident are as follows:-

On 26.12.2014 at about 5 PM, a minor accident took place between a motorcycle and a scooty near Mother Dairy, 12-13 Block Trilokpuri, Vasundhra Road, Delhi. This resulted in clash between the motorcycle and scooty riders. Soon some of their well wishers came there in their support. Since pickets and patrolling are already deployed 24 hours, police personnel reached the spot within 05 minutes and all of them fled from the spot. There was no major scuffle as has been reported. There was no injury to any other person other than one person who fell down and hit his head on road while fleeing from the spot. There was no stone pelting. Taking advantage of the situation the motorcycle rider and scooty rider ran away from the spot along with their vehicles. Identity of the motorcycle rider is yet to be ascertained. By no stretch of imagination this incident can be called a communal clash.

This kind of news item may provoke the communal passion among the residents of Trilokpuri which has been controlled after a lot of hard work and tactful handling by the police. Firstly the place of occurrence is far from Trilokpuri and is in fact in Police Station Kalyan Puri. Moreover, relating every incident like a road side accident to Trilokpuri riots is incorrect and almost sensationalizing. This kind of provocative reporting by a newspaper of your stature spreads misinformation and it leads to rumor mongering. It disturbs the peace and public order. It is requested that the reporter may be advised to be careful while reporting such sensitive incidents/issues.

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