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Berlinia- From Slavery to Freedom

For more than two centuries, Sonarika ruled over Berlinia one of the largest countries in the world.

This country was not only enriched with flora and fauna but also nicknamed for its variety of religious faiths and practices, with a diversity of languages that formed a unique confluence of these in one nation.

Weaknesses of Berlinia

Ignorance, superstition, starvation, corruption, and exploitation were allowed to coexist as invisible lethal weapons of oppressors in a slave country.

The wisdom of foreign rulers worked to its extremity to evolve a complete mechanism of exploitation, extraction, and extortion to design with a legal and ethical coating.

The Invaders were successful in their evil plans at the expense of a sluggish, selfish, and superstitious populace. Inevitably, the laws of Nature constantly work. Nothing remains permanently, except nothing. Having been tortured, insulted, and inhumanely treated, victims of slave country began to stand united as each one became a co-sufferer.

Some applied wisdom with their own logic and justification to counter chaos and demand freedom from foreign rule. Strong struggles began to carve the history of Berlinia's liberation movement.

Rise of a warrior

A man of words to his deeds, a failed practising barrister, became a champion of the oppressed masses' struggle for liberty. His inner strength and unwavering trust in the divine principles of non-violence made the foreign oppressors dazed and disarmed.

Miraculously, the masses who had been suppressed for centuries under wicked slavery, having seemingly lost any hope for freedom, now stood up against tyrannical power. Suffocating patriots scattered all over the country, found a true

leader in Prabhu Das. They swore to get their beloved nation free from the clutches of foreign rulers.

Shrewd alien rulers, known for their diplomatic distinction, measured the growing courage of common folk to stand with no fear in eyes and protest against those whose gaze had made them look down and pray for mercy.

The roots of slavery were so deep that a strong wind of freedom could not uproot them, but only a tempest could succeed. It took three decades to gather enough momentum to break the vigorous system.

Rulers at home were crueller than aliens.

The feudal landlords and the majority of the Royal Provinces surrendered before the mighty aliens to preserve their own luxuries at the expense of those whom they had to protect. Selfish devil ruined their conscience. Royalty touched the lowest of lowliness.

Defeated royals became agents of the oppressor and began to loot their own treasure for the tyrant.

Berlinia was already divided into parts. Revengeful feelings of one against another gave easy access to alien infiltrators to build up an empire.

Berlinia was steered to attain freedom.

Prabhu Das, like a competent physician, diagnosed the Berlinia's sickness that was suffering from illiteracy and deep-rooted cowardice.

Truth becomes false if no one stands by its side. Truth is to be spoken with courage to establish it. It is not something that ever remains evergreen. It is only a practised belief.

A true warrior of political freedom has now swung into action. Ignited people for freedom fought for their country without the weapons of war but with the strength of their inner self. Persistent, non-violent resistance for four decades left aliens with no option except to quit Berlinia.

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