

**Ekalabya and Others:
Marginalization & Exclusion in Life and Literature**

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Human society has always been controlled by the mighty, the powerful and by the persons with resources. It has been said that “might is right”. Society has many strata and these strata are mostly man-made, social and not natural. The fabric of human society has been woven by the threads of haves; have not, upper class, lower class, middle class and so many. The caste distinction is the most vulnerable area of this social fabric-it is the greatest curse, so to say, in human society. Our humble efforts in this paper would be to touch the threads of the society that make distinctions among men.

One is not allowed to certain section of the society-others are ousted from certain fields-& another is again, not only excluded or marginalized but also exploited, humiliated, tortured, assaulted for no faults of his own only because he or she is born to lower strata of the society. The jaws of the terrible beast of hatred, and caste distinction have virtually devoured humanity. In every society the mighty and powerful people grasp the major share of social resources , may it be, wealth, health , education, power or anything, leaving virtually nothing for the weaker section of the society- which comprises of the lower class-lower caste, untouchable, the tribal, women& the disabled. They are worst sufferers in the society.....

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