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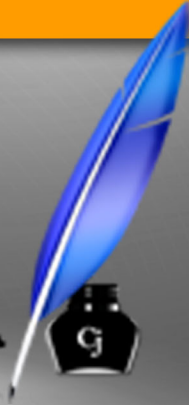
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## **A Young Man's Confession**

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I get bored in a relative's funeral,  
I don't know Nandigram, Godhra or Kandhmal.  
I don't want to hear who were killed in the blasts,  
Or submerged in flood.  
Why should I feel their pain?  
Let us enjoy, chat and point fingers.

I would go to any extent to get my rights,  
I would break the university gate,  
Beat professors, manhandle police,  
Or break any law.  
Why don't they feel my pain?  
Why do they enjoy, chat and point fingers.