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ABSTRACT

The present research work is based on the politico-historical study of the book, *The Sword and the Sickle*. It mainly focuses upon the dominant ideologies of Indian politics of 1930 that inspired revolution. It examines how those ideologies stood in a contradictory relation to each another. The ideological conflict among the ideologues of the peasant revolution as represented, by Anand, was the main reason behind Lalu's entropy. Lalu, the organizer of peasant assembly of Rajgarh, was victimized by the British Indian government's oppression.

On the other hand, some contemporary leaders like Gandhi and his followers turned the revolution into spiritual model. Some leaders like Kanwar Rampal Singh, Prof. Verma, Razwi and other showed dual perspectives that proved fatal for revolutionary spirit of Lalu. The communal interest and religious intolerance of the Muslim against the Hinduism is another cause of failure. The protest of Lalu's wife is the similar cause of such tragic failure of the revolution.

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