

POEM ON MAHATMA GANDHI AND AFRICA

History of Colonialism- is the unpleasant part to rewind
Men and women of valour had raised their voice against brutal onslaught
Into the vicious net of colonialism, India and South Africa were masterfully caught
South Africa moulded Mohan Das into the Gandhi we all know
When courage and conviction should be held close to the chest
History unfolds the saga — which is undoubtedly the best
Gandhi was not just a practising lawyer
He dared to act against the British Empire — the systemic cultural slayer
“By practising racism – humanity shall be slain”
Thought Gandhi when he was thrown out of a moving train
Nobel thoughts and efforts flowed in his veins
Never did he work for his personal gains.

By looking at the coloureds in South Africa he realised
The plight of his own countrymen that was unquestioned
For twenty-one years he witnessed and suffered alienation
For the coloureds he sought peaceful retribution.

When whites believed in supremacy and annexation
He challenged their views using his ultimate realisation
To wipe out the evil in them, he used the sword of godhood
With fearlessness as armour he fostered universal brotherhood.

He was not a loyalty to revolution or fanatic theology
For he combined politics with economics and philosophy
His was a loyalty to people he fought for
For he realised that Satyagraha is not a clueless metaphor.

All hail to this universal hero who led us to freedom
To his ideology to which South Africa gave momentum
His convictions which shaped a Martin Luther and a world-renowned Mandela.

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