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Bijnor Land Dispute Recast as a Battle Over Ambedkar

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Dr B R Ambedkar. (Representative image)

CASE SUMMARY

Ownership ruling	A Bijnor civil judge confirmed the Valmiki complainant's ownership of the disputed plot on 29 May 2024.
Statue installation	The complainant alleged that a group forcibly erected an Ambedkar statue on the plot.
FIR	Police registered FIR 297 on 14 June 2024, naming more than 50 people identified by the complainant.
Political intervention	Dalit-Ambedkarite leaders warned against removing the statue and framed the dispute as a conflict between the state government and Ambedkar's followers.
Police action	Bijnor police removed the statue early on 20 June 2024 with assistance from the district administration.

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