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Delhi Minority Survey Challenges Its Chairman's Discrimination Rhetoric

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The author argues that the Delhi Minorities Commission's survey findings undercut its chairperson's claims about the persecution of Muslims. Of the 600 Muslim women interviewed in 30 northeast Delhi localities, 98.7 per cent reported no religious discrimination from people of other communities and 93.3 per cent described people from other communities as cordial.



A Muslim woman in the North East Delhi district

THE ESSENTIAL POINTS

- The commission's report recorded that 98.7 per cent of respondents had not experienced religious discrimination from other communities; 1.3 per cent said they had.
- The survey interviewed 600 women across 30 localities, including areas with Muslim populations above 75 per cent, between 25–75 per cent and below 25 per cent.
- A separate finding recorded that 93.3 per cent of the women described people from other communities as cordial in their dealings with them.
- The report's conclusion called for better schools, clinics, transport, girls' employment opportunities, sanitation and law and order in northeast Delhi after the riots.

THE TAKEAWAY

The commission's survey found that 98.7 per cent of respondents reported no religious discrimination from other communities, while its recommendations called for better local services and stronger law and order.

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