

# Review of: "MODI 'Wave'-Leadership Legitimation and Institutionalization in Indian Politics"

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It is a clearly well-articulated paper. It is candid and explicit. Modi-wave is reverberating in every nook and corner of India. He is appealing to most of the Indians. Modi is charismatic, no doubt. This wave is based on culture and religion, which may prove counter-productive in the long run. He has no rival at this point in time, not a healthy sign for the future of democracy. The paper did not indicate that Modism can someday take the country to a serious level of jingoism. Communal violence may not be ruled out. Neighbouring Muslim countries may also get involved. The paper should have included the ramifications of the Citizenship Act, just put into operation. The paper should also have studied the implications of throwing away secularism and pluralism, the bedrock of Indian nationality and integrity. The role of Indian institutions like the apex court could also have been given a touch.

It is a very good read, overall. The writer deserves my thanks for doing a paper so lucidly and convincingly. He is confident in what he articulates. Keep it up.