

POVERTY WILL NOT BE TOLERATED IN POST-WAR PERIOD

“Poverty will not be tolerated in post-war period”, observed Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, addressing the members of the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, on Monday afternoon the 10th May 1943. Although he could not predict the shape of things to come, he felt sure that conditions would be so radically changed that poor man would be able to live a cultured and civilised life in post-war period. The problem of permanent peace according to him depended on the successful solution of three factors namely imperialism, colour bar and poverty. Imperialism he said had now become a hackneyed phrase. The question of colour bar, he remarked was as important as the question of imperialism. It had got to be tackled and solved in a manner so that the peace of humanity might not be disturbed in future.

Dr. Ambedkar was entertained to tea at the Taj Mahal Hotel by Mr. M. L. Dahanukar, President of the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, on Monday evening.¹

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