

## ACQUITTAL PROVES 'URBAN NAXAL' TAG WAS BOGUS: CONG.

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The Congress and the Left parties on Friday welcomed the acquittal of former Delhi University Professor G.N. Saibaba by the Bombay High Court. The Left parties called for the repeal of the "draconian" Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

Congress general secretary (Communications) Jairam Ramesh said the acquittal proved that the "urban Naxal" tag was completely bogus.

CPI(M) Polit Bureau member Brinda Karat said the judgment highlighted the "utterly arbitrary, politically motivated and illegal methods used to book persons under the UAPA".

CPI general secretary D. Raja tweeted, "... Truth has finally triumphed. Struggle for human rights, repeal of draconian laws & release of political prisoners will continue!"

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