

Human rights defenders illegally incarcerated in the Elgar Parishad/Bhima Koregoan Case.



1. [Surendra Gadling](#): a UAPA expert and human rights lawyer, General Secretary of the Indian Association of People's Lawyers.
2. [Shoma Sen](#): professor and head of English Literature department of Nagpur University and a women rights activist.
3. [Mahesh Raut](#): a young activist working with indigenous people and displacement issues from Gadchiroli.
4. [Rona Wilson](#) : a Delhi-based prisoners' rights activist, member of the Committee for the Release of Political Prisoners, which has campaigned against the unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act and other repressive laws.

5. [Sudhir Dhawale](#): writer and Mumbai-based Dalit rights activist, founder of the Republican Panthers.

6. [Sudha Bharadwaj](#): Human rights lawyer, trade unionist and activist from Chattisgarh.

7. [Vernon Gonsalves](#): civil rights activist and former professor at Mumbai University

8. [Arun Ferreira](#): advocate and human rights' activist from Mumbai

9. [Varavara Rao](#): 78-year-old Activist, writer and poet from Andhra Pradesh. He has over 15 collection of poetry that have been translated into several Indian languages. He is currently very sick

10. [Anand Teltumbde](#): 70-year-old Dalit scholar and activist, management professor at the Goa Institute of Management.

11. [Gautam Navlakha](#): a Delhi-based journalist and civil rights activist Has been Editorial Consultant of the *Economic & Political Weekly*, Secretary of the People's Union for Democratic Rights (PUDR), and was one of the conveners of the [International People's Tribunal on Human Rights and Justice in Kashmir](#).

12. [Hanybabu Tarayil](#): Associate Professor of the Department of English of Delhi University.

13. **Sagar Gorkhe**

14. **Ramesh Gaichor**

15. **Jyoti Jagtap**; the three are members of the Kabir Kala Manch, a cultural organisation that was formed in Pune, India, in the wake of the Gujarat riots in 1992. Through music, poetry and theatre, it aims to spread an anti-caste, pro-democracy message.^[1] It comprises students and young professionals who perform protest poetry and plays in slums and streets. [Who are the three Kabir Kala Manch artistes arrested in the Bhima Koregaon case this week? \(scroll.in\)](#)

16. [Stan Swamy SJ](#): 83 years old Jesuit priest, with Parkinson and several health problems, tribal rights activist for decades. Oldest person to be accused of terrorism in India.