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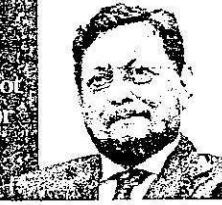
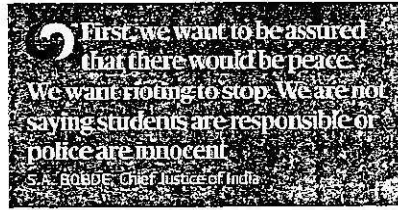
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'Protests can go on, but there should be no riots, violence or arson on the streets'

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The Supreme Court on Monday agreed to *suo motu* hear on Tuesday pleas for a judicial inquiry into the police action against students of Jamia Millia Islamia and Aligarh Muslim University, saying protests could go on but there should be no riots, violence or arson on the streets.

"First, we want to be assured, there would be peace. If you want to take to the streets, don't come to us... We want rioting to stop. We



are not saying students are responsible or police are innocent...What is this? Public properties are being destroyed. We will decide it in cool frame of mind," Chief Justice of India S.A. Bobde told lawyers during an oral

mentioning. In an urgent plea by senior lawyers Prashant Bhushan, Indira Jaising and Colin Gonsalves to the court to intervene and make the police accountable, Justice Bobde said the court wanted peace and could not

hear the issue hastily when tempers were high.

Ms. Jaising said 52 persons had been detained in the violence. There were news videos and pictures of burning buses, helmeted policemen lashing out with lathis, vandalised library of the university and young people paraded with both their hands held high on a cold Sunday night. Justice Bobde said the protesters could not take matters into their hands though they may be students.