

How You Can Help

- 1) Invite Baba and Permjit to the next meeting of your organisation.
- 2) Write to the Home Secretary at The Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, London. Quote the reference number S517775.
- 3) Affiliate to the Campaign and make a donation.

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NO TO RACIST LAWS!

BABA BAKHTAURA MUST STAY!



Keep This Family Together

**STOP THE
DEPORTATIONS!**

Baba Bakhtaura

Baba Bakhtaura is a Punjabi folk musician who has lived in Birmingham since coming to this country in 1979. He is happily married to Permjit, a British citizen, and the couple have 2 children, Samita 4 and Charan 2.

Since 1982 the Home Office has been trying to deport Baba despite a great deal of support for him among the Asian community.

Baba's case has been heard in one court after another over the past 5 years. Baba lost his initial appeals to the Immigration Appeals Adjudicator and Tribunal (both appointed by the Home Office). Then in 1984 he won in the High Court, only to find the Home Office going to the Court of Appeal to try and defeat him. Finally Baba won in the House of Lords, who ruled that the Immigration Appeals Tribunal should take account of Baba's valuable service to the Asian community as a folk singer and charity performer.

But in March 1987, the Home Office-appointed Tribunal yet again turned down his appeal.

Baba and Permjit now face a final interview with the Home Office to see whether Baba can be allowed to stay. It is the last chance for this family to be kept together. **THEY NEED YOUR HELP!**

The Immigration Laws

The immigration laws have a long history:

In 1962 there was the Commonwealth Immigrants Act. Then in 1968 came another Commonwealth Immigrants Act. Then came the 1971 Immigration Act. After that the 1981 Nationality Act, and most recently, in 1986 came visa controls for black visitors. What all these laws have in common is their attack upon the rights of black people.

It is not only Tory governments which have passed these racist laws. The Labour Party also shares responsibility for this.

Racist immigration laws divide many thousands of black families. Well over a thousand black people are deported from the UK every year. In many cases it is impossible for a black person to marry someone of their own choice.

WE MUST FIGHT AGAINST THESE RACIST LAWS!

Baba Bakhtaura Defence Campaign

Many victims of racist laws have fought deportation and won. Successful campaigns do not rely on a change of heart by a racist Home Office, but are built on the strength of the community.

The Campaign already has the support of many individuals, community and religious organisations, but now further calls upon all black people, anti-racist white people, community organisations, trade unions, temples, churches and mosques to support the campaign. **YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL!**