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benlizro@xxxxxxxxxxx skreiv:

On Oct 11, 1:14 pm, analys...@xxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

[...]

If we define an index HR/K, where HR is the level of hysterical rhetoric, and K is the extent of knowledge of that against which the rhetoric is directed, "analyst" must surely be setting some all-time sci.lang records with this post. (Though Agamemnon's output would have to be carefully checked before a final decision could be reached.) And to think I wasted considerable time answering some of his questions, on the mistaken assumption that he really wanted to discuss the subject.

I think he was trolling for a message to answer with that piece of prefabricated demagoguery, aiming for Google stardom in soc.culture.indian. Sci.lang was typecast for the role as a band of godless international mercenaries joining forces against the purest Indian nonsense.

But there's no need to be surprised. After all, a crosspost from soc.culture.indian by a pseudonym gives a high score on any taurocoprometer. Shouldn't we stop answering those things?

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Trond Engen

– Here's the scariest part: Imagine how this group will look when the Indians claim a share of crackpottery comparable to the Europeans'.

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