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### **Right to Purdah**

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Because I'm in Purdah, and not in prison. It's neither patriotism, nor treason.

I chose my identity, I chose to embrace. Not being a part of the groovy race. I see the same world, without any tint. Playing all the games, without any hint.

Because I am in Purdah and not in prison. I form my vision, and explore the region. Directing my ways, Taking decision.

And yet, am I different? And yet, am I ugly? Coz you can't penetrate the hidden beauty?

O yes! You go! Mend your words. It's not the suffocation, that I bear But your despondent lust to seek & tear, the treasure that's not meek but rare.

Because I'm in Purdah, And I will remain in it. Bearing the cold, also the heat. Backing courage, without retreat.

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You're not the authority to guide me right. It's my battle, and I know how to fight.

## Sanity at rest

To that insane me, I often talk. Ridicule myself, sitting in the park. Why do I take promises? Why do I trust faces? Why do I believe again? Why does it all go in vain?

To that insane me, I often talk.

When people move on, promises remain unfulfilled. When the pictures are torn, the memories get killed.

They say "It is never too late to mend" But life is a course that doesn't bend.

I recall my old self, that now cries for help. Without uttering a word, it wishes to get cured. It is only in the womb, that I can rest. Be my mother, be my nest.