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Q8(a)

**Discuss the role of social media in communal polarisation.
Suggest ways to combat it**

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Forward networks

Closed groups that circulate unverified communal content as kinship duty.

Riot rumour

Old mechanism of polarisation now at smartphone speed.

Platform amplification

Design that privileges angry identity content.

Counter-publics

Dalit and peace voices that use the same tools against polarisation.

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