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Theme: Language is a very significant carrier of socio-cultural legacy of communities and encodes their shared experiences and struggles for survival. It is both an instrument for creating a cohesive bond among speakers and also a political tool for excluding the 'others'. The idea of 'they' conveniently discovers its validity in aspiring for an imagined linguistic homogeneity by discarding any diversity or heterogeneity. The notions of community, society, and nation are forged around a singular linguistic identity, even if not in reality then at least we make attempts to do so. The idea of linguistic singularity essentially gives a weapon to us for all kinds of exclusions.

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