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### "So Rotten"

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[Jahmali] (Blak Twang)  
Rotton!  
Rotton! (YO!)  
Rotton!  
Rotton!  
Rotton! (Yo, London and Jamaica)  
Rotton! (Yo yo!)

{\*Chorus\*}  
Why is it, so rotton?  
(Tony Rotton alongside man like Jahmali yo)  
Why is it, so rotton?  
(Original ghetto true boy for the peoples army yo yo)  
Why is it, so rotton? (That's all we do)  
My people don't ask Tony Rotton (Don't ask me)  
How is it, so rotton? (Don't ask Jahmali)  
My people have you forgotten?

[Blak Twang]  
You don't need to be worried 'bout what my name is  
or if I'm famous  
You should be concerned if your burnin' in haters with  
fire blazes  
Feel the fire burn up ya charts, burn up ya playlist  
Fire for the haters and fire for the fakers  
Pump up the volume wake the neighbours  
Brethren raise it, all o' the youth outta the ghetto break  
the cages  
It's been ages, since you 'eard my style  
But you know my style is rotton and you know rotton  
can't spoil yo  
Nuff hard to switch tryna become rich  
In District Six, sense lyrics an' chat bare foolishness  
It's a holy puna and drop it from the bottom lips  
I'm droppin' the programme like a microfish, check this  
I'm still Thames Knick, still the thunder brick  
Still bang like pots and pans in ya kitchen sink  
Still don't snitch a whip, still rent, still carry a stink  
And I'm still rotton so put it in print, yo yo

[Jahmali] (Blak Twang)

{\*Chorus\*}

So rotten, so rotten (That's right)  
My people have you forgotten  
that it is, so rotten? (You know what tho')  
My people have you forgotten  
Why is it, so rotten?  
My people don't ask Tony Rotton (Uh huh)  
How is it, so bitter?  
{??? ???}

[Blak Twang]

Before you ask why, am I gettin' high like my blood  
pressure  
Try lookin' into my eyes and seein' the world through  
my retina  
Or step'a in my boots and see jus' how far it gets ya  
In a low-budget area where the man, you feel inferior  
Fear for your life from prejudice and stereotype  
we're all alike, smoke, drink, cuss, fight, all in a night  
Yeah right!  
It's killers in the mist who share pipes and wear tights  
There's healers in the mist who bear light and wear  
white  
There's Jesus in the mist, there's demons in the mist  
There's even them rowdy 'Gorillas In The Mist'  
Why ya minds so milli, c'mon brethren don't be silly  
Ghetto red hot and chilly, and the burnin' inner cities  
Ya best might sta', miner 'a flash ya light'a  
Mind the 'S' or one night snipers gon' dim out ya life,  
cha'!  
How much longer will this madness last  
before the youth should realise and raise up, and start  
to blast!

[Jahmali] (Blak Twang)

{\*Chorus\*}  
Why is it, so rotten  
My people have you forgotten, (Yo yo)  
that it is, so rotten?  
My people have you forgotten (Jahmali)  
Why is it, so rotten? (Tony Rotton...)  
My people don't ask Tony Rotton (...And Jahmali)  
Why is it, so rotten?  
My people have you forgotten?

[Blak Twang]

It's gettin' diabolical, nuff of dem are comical  
All they wanna do is chronicle, money jewels, and tight  
abdominals  
They ain't sayin' nuttin' new, all they do is copy you  
UH UH UH, brothers and sisters what's the World

comin' to?  
Ah public enemy number one, runnin' true  
Chuck demons, vanity and bomb fire 'pon ya crew  
JUS' who the ras' who wanna romp wit' the formidable?  
Rottonostra, chart topper, proper untouchable  
DEF, London, I represent for all of you  
West, East, South, North and NW  
The terrible terrorist 'ere to bring trouble to  
phoney MPs chichin' man and bum-ruppin' BOO  
Bomb them like barbeque, steam like green callao  
SLEW them and then fry them like fish and vegetable  
Don't make me vexed wit' you  
don't mess with my vegetables  
Don't mess with my seeds, my weeds or I'm gettin' you

[Jahmali]  
{\*Chorus\*}  
Why is it, so rotton?  
My people have you forgotten  
that it is, so rotton?  
My people have you forgotten  
Why is it, so rotton?  
My people don't ask Tony Rotton  
Why is it, so rotton?  
My people have you forgotten?

So rotton, yeah  
So rotton, yeah  
So rotton  
Tony, Tony, Tony Rotton  
So help them Lord  
Show them Lord  
Help them Lord  
Show them Lord  
Help them Lord

{\*Chorus\*}  
Why is it, so rotton?  
My people have you forgotten  
that it is, so rotton?  
My people have you forgotten  
Why is it, so rotton?  
My people don't ask Tony Rotton  
Why is it, so rotton?  
My people have you forgotten?

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