



Kamal Sandesh
Fortnightly Magazine

Editor

Prabhat Jha, MP

Executive Editor

Dr. Shiv Shakti Bakshi

Editorial Team

**Ram Prasad Tripathy
Vikash Anand**

Creative Editor

**Dharmendra Kaushal
Vikas Saini**

Subscription

**Annual Rs. 100/-
For 3 years Rs. 250/-**

Contact

Phone : +91(11) 23381428

Fax: +91(11) 23387887

Subscription : +91(11) 23005798

e-mail

kamalsandesh@yahoo.co.in

Publisher and Printer : Printed by Dr. Nandkishore Garg for Dr. Mookerjee Smruti Nyas, at Excelprints, C-36, F.F. Complex, Jhandewalan, New Delhi-55 and Published by Dr. Mookerjee Smruti Nyas, PP-66, Subramanya Bharati Marg, New Delhi-03. Editor : Prabhat Jha.

CONTENTS

Cover Story	
“Vijayasankalpa Samavesha” in Mysore.....	7
	IN Parliament
On Presidential Address	
Rajnath Singh.....	9
Arun Jaitley.....	11
On Resolution of Pakistan Parliament	
Arun Jaitley.....	18
On Rail Budget	
Prabhat Jha.....	18
Special Article	
On BJP Sthapana Divas (6 April)	
By Prabhat Jha.....	16
Article	
CBI probe must in Loan Waiver Scam	
By Prakash Javadekar.....	19
State Reports	
Nagaland.....	13
Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh.....	28
Odisha, Karnataka.....	29
Gujarat, Delhi.....	30

Cover : “Vijayasankalpa Samavesha” in Mysore (Karnataka)

HISTORIC PICTURE



Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Shri Kidarnath Sahani and other leaders participating in the 'Kutch Bachao Aandolan' on 30 June 1965.



अर्जुनः कुरुक्षेत्रे सर्वान् देवान् भूयः संसृज्य
ममैव हि सर्वेषां मातृभ्यो बभूवुः पितॄन्
अथैव तान् संसृज्य ममैव हि प्रजापतयः
तान् संसृज्य ममैव हि प्रजापतयः
तान् संसृज्य ममैव हि प्रजापतयः

Arjuna, this soul dwelling in the bodies of all can never be slain; therefore, you should not mourn for anyone – (Bhagavadgita : Ch.-II, 30)

QUOTES

"The Union Government should not try to build castles in the air through the President's address."

-Rajnath Singh

"In a parliamentary democracy politics impacts the life of the nation. Politics formulates the policy. Policy determines the direction of India."

-Arun Jaitley

"The people do not need ACTS, they need ACTION."

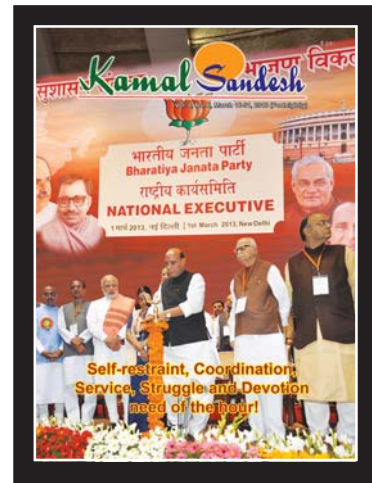
- Narendra Modi

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Pakistan's parliament passed a resolution against the hanging of Afzal Guru (who was convicted in parliament attack case) which has exposed the Pakistan establishment. This act makes clear that Pakistan is a terror sponsoring country. India has been telling for long time that terror attacks in India or Pakistan's neighbouring country is sponsored by Pakistan. Earlier Pakistan indulged in these activities from behind the veil. Now It has come out openly. India must launch a campaign at international level to declared Pakistan a terror state.

Sawan Singh
Bhagalpur



Write to us

The Editor,

Kamal Sandesh

We welcome

Your views & Suggestions

Editor,

Kamal Sandesh

Dr. Mookerjee Smruti Nyas,
PP-66, Subramanya Bharati Marg,
New Delhi-110003

e-mail: kamalsandesh@yahoo.co.in



We will have to understand people's restiveness for change

Editorial...

Some people indulge in black marketing – we have always been getting such news. Thereafter it was aired that even political leaders indulge in black marketing. It may be said that even leaders are human beings so it may happen. But it was shocking to learn that some political parties do black marketing with Congress to help its continuation in power. Black marketing is not all about only money but with their own principles. The dark chapter of politics was never seen before from the days of independence.

If the political parties would indulge in black marketing with the policies and principles of the country then how would they serve the country? The country is about to get an opportunity to close this business of black marketing. The Congress led UPA government which has survived due to this black marketing is now on its last breath. However, if anyone will ask Congress he would get a denial. Entire country is ready to push the Congress out of power. The question is while it is definite that Congress will be pushed out of power but are we preparing to take its place with all sincerity? It seems that it is situation like the days of emergency when Janata Party was formed without having any concrete policy or principle and the people of the country handed over the power to Janata party and saved the honour of the democracy by removing Indira Gandhi.

We should not miss this historic opportunity. Everyone will have to ready himself at his own place for the festival of democracy with festive spirit. The goal is high. 'Kam samay me jyada kaam – Bhajpa ki hai pehchan' (more work in less time is the BJP identity) – we will have to realize this mantra. We are ahead of other parties when top leadership and ethical principles are concerned. Other parties cannot compete with us in the field of work and hard working karyakartas. Flowers can be offered but if it has to be worn like a garland, then these flowers need to be woven in a thread. The flower has its own significance but if all of us start looking for thread, the strength of needle, the spirit to weave them and not have desire to wear it ourselves then the victory is sure to embrace BJP in 2013 and 2014 elections.

Karnataka will test us on 5th May. When the door of south was opened and we won in Karnataka, then karyakartas in everywhere by lighting the lamps in their respective states heartily welcomed the first victory of the party in south. They distributed sweets. They paid their homage to Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee and Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay. The victory of Karnataka had recognized our all India presence. Today it is not the time to discuss what happened in Karnataka but it is definitely a time that we all should engage ourselves with complete dedication to hoist the flag of BJP in Karnataka unitedly.

Congress never misses an opportunity to hit below the belt. DMK withdrew its support and the very next day CBI raid was conducted. It is interesting to see that after getting the raid done Prime Minister and Finance Minister say that it was not proper. The country has understood this nature of the Congress. This new trend of taking support through arm twisting will have to be stopped. It will stop when we will make 'Jan-Jan ka bal- khilta kamal' (blooming lotus the power of every one). The coming one year will while settle the fortune of the country, it will also settle the fortune of BJP. Our return to power in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh is not even denied by the Congress. If everything goes well in Rajasthan then no one can stop Smt. Vasudhara

Raje to make the lotus bloom in Rajasthan. So far Delhi and Jharkhand are concerned; the central leadership will have to pay utmost attention in these states. People don't want Congress in both these places but the question is whether we want to come back or not.

It is being said in the gallery of power that after Karnataka the Congress led UPA will get the Lok Sabha elections conducted in November itself along with state elections. We will have to keep an eye on all these activities. If we all get down to work with full dedication then the manner in which the philosophy of Integral Humanism is manifesting in BJP ruled states, it will get manifested in the entire country. The manner in which Congress is vanishing from Gujarat and the state has given a message by electing BJP government for the fifth time and third time under Shri Naredra Modi, it can be said that we know to run the government and know how to return to power not once, twice but thrice.

We all will have to dedicate ourselves wholeheartedly to respect the sentiments of the nation. Country wants to free itself from Congress. The country is fed up with the low level politics and with our work and strong will power we will have to infuse confidence in the people that if there is an alternative to UPA then it is NDA. ■

BJP's pressure on Central Govt helps to bring back killer marines from Italy

Two Italian marines, who were being prosecuted in Kerala for ostensibly killing Indian fishermen, had run away. They had absconded as a result of a deception, an outright fraud which has been practised on the Government of India and on the Indian Supreme Court by a sovereign nation. The effort of the main Opposition party to persuade the government to carry on its diplomacy seems to have worked. Consequently, the Italian Government had to send back killer marines to india for facing prosecution. The BJP, however, said that the Italian marines' return was a result of combined efforts of the Opposition, the Supreme Court and the government. The tough stand taken by the Supreme Court also had its impact, BJP spokesperson Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy said. The marines — Massimiliano Latorre and Salvatore Girone — had been allowed by the court on February 22 to leave India to vote in Italian national elections, with the promise that they would return in four weeks to face trial.(FOC) ■

Congress led UPA Govt sells out the most secured runway of the country : BJP

It is now confirmed that The Congress led UPA Government has also sold out the most secured runway of the country. Defence Ministry & CBI findings confirmed BJP National Secretary Dr Kirit Somaiya's apprehension that the Srinagar Airport is in danger. Jammu Kashmir unit of BJP in August 2011 had submitted complain to Defence Minister Shri A. K. Antony.

Dr Somaiya recently discussed, met Defence Minister, Senior Officials of Defence Ministry & CBI in Delhi & Jammu on this issue. It is now confirmed that Land Mafias in connivance with the officials from Defence & Revenue Ministry J & K Government indulged into most sensitive defence land scam of Srinagar Airport. 30% land of Srinagar Runway is transferred, NOC were issued in the name of Private Person i.e. land mafias.

Dr Kirit Somaiya stated that the Country is shocked that 100 NOC were given for the airport land i.e. the airport land had been transferred to private individual names, particularly in the name of Land Mafias including the Runway of Sri Nagar Airport. It is difficult to understand why the action has been delayed. BJP feels that the Congress National Conference UPA government is delaying action for last 2 years. BJP is afraid of cover up operation by UPA government. BJP also fears involvement of Political Leadership in the Scam.(FOC) ■

*Kamal Sandesh
Parivar wishes a
Happy Holi to its
esteemed readers*



BJP kicks off poll campaign in Karnataka

BJP will go to people with a “five-year progress card on development”: Jagadish Shettar

From Our Correspondent



The ruling BJP kicked off the campaign for the May 05 Assembly polls in Karnataka with a rally in Mysore On March 22. BJP senior leaders like Chief Minister Shri Jagadish Shettar, BJP National General Secretary Shri Ananth Kumar, former Chief Minister Shri DV Sadananda Gowda and Deputy Chief Minister Shri KS Eshwarappa besides newly appointed state President Shri Prahlad Joshi were present at the “Vijayasankalpa Samavesha” in Mysore.

Earlier at Mysore, Chief Minister Jagadish Shettar began his campaign by offering worship to Chamundeshwari. Addressing the rally Shri Shettar said the BJP government has successfully completed its term, and is confident that it would

Karnataka Assembly polls on May 05

Election to the Karnataka Assembly will be held on May 5 and votes for the single-phase election will be counted on May 8, the Election Commission said on 21 March 2013. Announcing the schedule of elections for the 224-member strong Karnataka Legislature which expires on June 3, the full Election Commission at a Press conference in Delhi said that the single phase election was decided after taking into account the security arrangements to be provided by the Union Home Ministry and convenience of local parties in the State.

The previous Assembly polls in the State were held in three phases. Out of the 224 constituencies in the State, 36 are reserved for SCs while 15 for STs. There are a total of 4.18 crore voters in Karnataka and as many as 50,446 polling stations will set up. “The Model Code of Conduct shall come into force with immediate effect,” said Chief Election Commissioner VS Sampath flanked by Election Commissioners HS Brahma and SNA Zaidi. The polls will be held from 8 am to 5 pm and electronic voting machines will be used for these elections.

come back to power with a clear majority. He informed the party would invite Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi for campaigning in the State.

He said that his party will go to the people with a “five-year progress card on development.” He said that the Opposition parties and some who broke

away from the BJP did try to topple the BJP government led by him but did not succeed. Mr. Shettar exuded confidence saying the BJP would win more seats than the 110 won by it in the previous elections.

Newly appointed State BJP president Shri Pralhad Joshi who compared the State Congress to a "rudderless boat", dismissed the KJP as a non-entity. Voting for the KJP, he said, would only help the Congress. Addressing the gathering Shri Pralhad Joshi said the Karnataka Janatha Pary, floated by former Chief Minister Yeddyurappa has not even won a single seat in 147 Assembly constituencies in the recent elections to urban local bodies (ULB).

Joshi claimed that people are now convinced that voting for smaller parties – referring to KJP and the BSR Congress of former BJP Minister B S Sriramulu – who secured low single digit percentage of votes in ULB polls, in the Assembly elections is going to be a "waste", and BJP would strive to get this message across to a wider section of the electorate.

The presence of the goddess Sringeri Sharadamba was all

Arun Jaitley selected as the best Parliamentarian for 2010

Leader of the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley has been selected for the 'Outstanding Parliamentarian Award', which was officially announced on March 06. Shri Jaitley gets the award for the year 2010. The Indian Parliamentary Group had instituted the award in 1994 which is conferred each year. Lok Sabha Speaker Smt. Meira Kumar had constituted an Award Committee to select the member for the award for the three years (2010-2012). The Executive Committee of the Indian Parliamentary Group unanimously accepted the recommendation of the Award Committee at its meeting held on March 05. The awards will be conferred at a function later, the statement said.



The Award is conferred each year on an Outstanding Parliamentarian recommended by the Committee and approved by the Executive Committee of the Indian Parliamentary Group since 1995. ■

pervasive at the function in Koppa. Sringeri MLA and Food and Civil Supplies minister Shri D.N. Jeevaraj, who had organised the programme, had made arrangements for special prayers for Sharadamba at the convention venue itself. A portrait of the goddess was placed in a specially designed

wooden structure. Party leaders, including BJP national general secretary Shri Ananth Kumar, Deputy Chief Minister Shri K.S. Eshwarappa and the former Chief Minister Shri D.V. Sadananda Gowda offered prayers to the goddess at the beginning of the programme. The leaders reached Koppa from Mysore, where they attended the launch of Vijaya Sankalpa rally earlier in the day.

BJP national general secretary Shri Ananth Kumar said, "While Mysore is place of Chamundeshwari, Sringeri is home for Sharadambe. We have blessings of both". Higher Education Minister C.T. Ravi also appealed to women voters to support the BJP by referring to them as powerful women in the holy place of Sharadambe. ■

2008 Karanataka Poll Result

Partywise Results

Cont Won 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

BJP	224	110	58	48	7	1	33.36	33.36
INC	222	80	116	19	4	3	34.38	34.08
JD(S)	219	28	39	112	25	15	19.27	18.84
IND	943	6	5	19	89	824		6.81
BSP	217	0	2	12	75	128	2.8	2.7

To join ranks of developed nation we need to create 60-65 per cent new jobs in agricultural sector : Rajnath Singh

Synopsis of the speech delivered on February 27 on motion of thanks to Presidential address by BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh in Lok Sabha.



First of all, I would like to thank the hon. President for addressing the joint session of both the Houses of Parliament for the first time. The people of the country pin their hopes on the President's Address because this is document of the roadmap, resolution and intentions of the Government. In the fiscal year 2012-13 the agricultural growth has not exceeded 1.8 per cent. Whereas the production of foodgrains is registering constant increase, the farmers do not get remunerative prices. If you want to make India a rich country we must resolve to make it the agricultural capital of the world.

More than 60-65 per cent new jobs should be created in the agricultural sector if we wish to join the ranks of developed countries. A special session of Parliament should be summoned in this connection and an integrated action plan should be prepared.

In the President's Address, there is a mention about

'Food Security Bill'. Antyodaya Scheme was launched during the NDA Government's regime. In the year 2009 it was claimed that Food Security Bill will be brought within 100 days. For the last four years the Government has not shown the strong will power required to save the poor people



If you want to make India a rich country we must resolve to make it the agricultural capital of the world. More than 60-65 per cent new jobs should be created in the agricultural sector if we wish to join the ranks of developed countries. A special session of Parliament should be summoned in this connection and an integrated action plan should be prepared.

from scourge of poverty. Food Security has been fully ensured in Chhattisgarh. The Government should look into the said scheme formulated by the State Government. The farmer should get remunerative prices for their crops and produce.

In the President's Address there is no mention about drought and hailstorm. That issue should have been mentioned as it is a current issue. While discussing the issue of drought I recalled the 'Inter-Linking of Rivers Project' conceived by Atal Bihari Vajpayeeji. Even the scientists of other countries were convinced that if all the rivers of India were inter-linked, the problem of drought in India could be alleviated to a great extent.

I would like to request the Prime Minister to tell the House about the status report of inter-linking of rivers project. Consumer Price Index should be the parameter to judge the price rise. During the present regime it has happened for the first time that growth rate is just half of the

rate of inflation. Petrol and diesel have already been deregulated but even rail budget has been linked with the market. With the rise in inflation, cost of railway tickets will also increase.

The Government has reduced the subsidy on fertilizers and gas cylinders also. The country's agriculture cannot survive without subsidy. Subsidy was given because India is a welfare state. The Government has thoroughly neglected the concept of socialism- the soul of our Constitution. This Government has given maximum benefits to the corporate houses. Special attention needs to be given to poverty and employment.

In previous year's Presidential Address, the Government claimed that the economy was recovering

In previous year's Presidential Address, the Government claimed that the economy was recovering speedily and GDP would be 8-9 per cent. According to Planning Commission growth rate is 5 per cent. If the growth of GDP does not increase, the problem of poverty and unemployment cannot be solved. Wrong economic policies and wrong economic planning are responsible for the falling economy.

speedily and GDP would be 8-9 per cent. According to Planning Commission growth rate is 5 per cent. If the growth of GDP does not increase, the problem of poverty and unemployment cannot be solved. Wrong economic policies and wrong economic planning are responsible for the falling economy.

I would like to draw the attention of the Prime Minister regarding NH-24 and NH-58 in Ghaziabad. Due to heavy traffic jam, it takes 2-3 hours to complete the journey of 15 km. from here to Ghaziabad. Only assurances are being given in this regard since the past 7-8 years.

I request the Prime Minister to pay special attention in this regard. In the previous year's Presidential Address it was mentioned that manufacturing would contribute 25 per cent of the GDP. Today, its share is 11-12 per cent. Conditions in all sectors have worsened. For this, we have to strengthen the infrastructure and lower the interest rate.

The power sector is in a miserable state. There is all round corruption. The entire country is aware of it. Discussion on 'crony capitalism' is gaining apace. CBI had made a request for 35 files long ago. But, it is yet to be given. Attention needs to be paid on renewable energy. India's global prestige has fallen due to lack of transparency. Who is the recipient of Rs.360 crore in helicopter scam? Big ticket defence deals should be brought to the notice of the Parliament. The CBI should inquire into the waiver of Rs.70,000 crore loans to the farmers.

The total amount involved

Who is the recipient of Rs.360 crore in helicopter scam? Big ticket defence deals should be brought to the notice of the Parliament. The CBI should inquire into the waiver of Rs.70,000 crore loans to the farmers.

in scams could exceed the total budget of all the under developed countries. About Rs.25 lakh crore of our country's black money is deposited in other countries. Bhartiya Janata Party and several other political parties fully support the creation of Telengana state. In this regard, we will support the Government. China is constructing dam on Brahmaputra. I request the Prime Minister to understand its seriousness. The Prime Minister should consult other parties regarding sharing of water of river Teesta. India should not talk to Pakistan unless Pak sponsored terrorism is stopped. The Sri Lankan President had assured to give necessary security and facilities to the Tamils as well as some political rights.

I would like to know the progress in this regard. Our relationship with Afghanistan would improve. The Government lacks direction, vision, resolution and commitment to deal with the problems and the present challenges facing the nation. ■

UPA need to introspect whether its governance model is suitable or not : Arun Jaitley

Synopsis of the speech of Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley on motion of thanks to Presidential address on March 6, 2013.

The period of nine years is a big opportunity for a Government to leave its footprints in the country. Governments use this opportunity to change the direction of the country and to accelerate the pace of progress. But, if we look back today, it appears that the Government which had inherited 8.4 percent growth rate may perhaps leave a growth rate of less than even five percent. Today, there is atmosphere of dismay. I believe that UPA will have to self introspect that whether the governance model of UPA is either suitable or not for the largest democracy of the world. When cases of corruption are on increases then credibility of the government becomes questionable. This has resulted in change in attitude of the people of the country and world towards the Government. The country needs development. We have to attain the growth rate of the 8-10 percent constantly till next 10-20 years only then we will be able to solve the problems of the country. When there is increase in economic activities then opportunities of employment are also increase. The Government gets revenue. Government creates infrastructure from that revenue

If atmosphere is not investor friendly then investor even the domestic investor will look beyond the country for investment opportunities. Our own corporates are going out because they realize that India is no longer the best place for investment, and that is the reason why we have fallen from a growth rate 116 of 9 per cent to 5.5 percent. If we have not been able to reverse this process then we will lag behind in process of development.

and this creates interest of the people of the country including the foreigners in investment in the country.

If atmosphere is not investor friendly then investor even the domestic investor will look beyond the country for investment opportunities. Our own corporates are going out because they realize that India is no longer the best place for

investment, and that is the reason why we have fallen from a growth rate of 9 per cent to 5.5 percent. If we have not been able to reverse this process then we will lag behind in process of development. This country will never accept their defeat against poverty. Therefore, we should take steps to win this battle. Agriculture has contribution of only 16-17 percent in the total income of the country. It means that more people are dependent upon the agriculture and they are not getting employment other than agriculture sector. When agriculture sector faces the crisis of under-employment or unemployment then people are starting looking for opportunities in manufacturing sector. It has been said that at least 10 crore people should move towards manufacturing sector from agriculture sector. The objective is good but for achieving this goal, we have just made a national manufacturing policy and expecting that we will achieve the desired goal. This is not sufficient. Today consumer purchases only that product which is having quality and lower prices. We should have lower interest rates and lower prices of electricity and we should create best infrastructure. If we have to establish our

country as low cost manufacturing hub then there should be no redtapism and taxes on production should be internationally compatible but we have not been able to get success in this regard. National Highways Development Programme was a successful programme. Honestly introspect as to what is the position of the National Highways today. Highways Development Programme is entirely suffering a setback.

Developers are abandoning the projects half way through. Disputes are landing up in courts. So, one of the most successful highways development programmes anywhere in the world has slowed down. Today position of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna is that only 8100 crore rupees have been spent out of total allocation of 20699 crore rupees. This is the situation of infrastructure projects. Power is an important utility for every sector. Due to irregularities, in the Coal mines allotment, the most crucial sector for the Indian economy has almost paralysed today. Power plants are starved of coal.

Power companies don't have money to repay back to the banks. Both the speakers from the Government used the success story of tele-density. In less than two decades, we have 78 or 80 per cent tele-density, it is a success story. The sector belongs to the country. The sector has achieved it, and the sector took a down-turn with the allocation of the 2G spectrum. Today, there are no buyers for spectrum. This is how enthusiasm is converted into a

2G spectrum has made the entire success story of telecom very bitter. In the VVIP helicopter deal, instead of finding out who received the bribes, you said that we will constitute a JPC. Your Cabinet has now over-turned the unanimous recommendation of the Select Committee. I urge that the Government has the last opportunity to restore its credibility and if the Government try to do that, it will be better.

feeling of cynicism. Reforms, after all, are the art of the possible. If people are waiting in the queue to invest in this country, why should squabbling Ministers and Ministries hold up such massive investments? If the economic activity suffers, investment will suffer, the job creation will suffer and the Government revenue will suffer. We are not promoting defence production in the country. East-West highway had to be constructed upto Silchar. People are agitated in the North-East due to noncompletion of this Highway which is oblivious. Cash transfer scheme is very good and subsidy will reach directly to beneficiary. We have brought fiscal discipline to this country. You conceive some social sector scheme like MGNREGA. Those, who are really in need for loan waiving,

have not got the waiver. MNREGA allocation has been reduced.

You took credit for expanding expenditure even when there was a financial difficulty. Now you came to a situation where there was no money. So, you had to economise on various Governmental schemes and Rs.93,000 crores of expenditure you have cut down this year. Actually, you have increased only Rs.5,000 crores for food security instead of Rs.10,000 crores and it will be consumed by food inflation because food inflation is uncontrolled in this country. Some states like Bihar, Madhya Pradesh are doing very well and they have shown good growth rate. Prime Minister's leadership is extremely important. Your Ministers squabbling and holding up projects. Today we don't remember Common Wealth Games for their infrastructure but we remember them because of the cases of corruption.

2G spectrum has made the entire success story of telecom very bitter. In the VVIP helicopter deal, instead of finding out who received the bribes, you said that we will constitute a JPC. Your Cabinet has now over-turned the unanimous recommendation of the Select Committee. I urge that the Government has the last opportunity to restore its credibility and if the Government try to do that, it will be better. Kashmir is an integral part of the country. There is an aspirational class in the Jammu-Kashmir who are anti separatist and they want to join the mainstream and we have no difficulty in it but we cannot

forget the sacrifice of our security personnel. Maoism is a very big problem and many districts of the country are under the influence of it. We have to build security environment there and security and development will have to co-exist in those regions. Please don't convert NCTC into a slogan. This country needs capacity building to fight terror. Let the NCTC be an intelligence gathering, intelligence sharing and capacity building mechanism for the Centre and the States. Your fight against terror has to be the one in which the Centre and States work together. Recent incidents like beheading of our soldiers, dampened the enthusiasm of those who thought that the process of dialogue is uninterrupted. Terrorism and the process of dialogue cannot co-exist. We cannot interfere in constitutional crisis of Nepal but as a neighbour, we are deeply interested in the stability of their democracy. We do hope that we are able to resolve pending issues with Bangladesh in a manner which is acceptable even to our democratic population. The situation in the Maldives has taken an uglier turn and security of the Indian Ocean is at stake. While dealing with Bangladesh, we will have to convey that a large part of the Hindu minority population is feeling insecure there because of fundamental of a small section there. The incident in Delhi in December, involving the rape and killing of the young lady, shook the conscience of the Indian society. I would urge the Government that on areas on which there is a larger consensus in this House with regard to offences against women, we must legislate immediately. If there are some areas which require a further discussion or in which two views do exist, there is no point rejecting them, they can be put to appropriate parliamentary committees or parliamentary forum for discussion. What has happened in India in the last few years is the cause of serious concern. You still have a last opportunity to change this direction, to accelerate its pace. ■

Democratic Alliance of Nagaland consisting of NDF, BJP & JD (U) swept Nagaland elections

BJP fielded 11 candidates and made its presence strongly felt in 3 seats but winning only one seat in the Nagaland Assembly elections. BJP is the only political party who fielded a lone woman candidate Smt. B. M. Rakhila Lakiumong from Sadar II, Tuensang Dist. She lost only by 300 votes, otherwise she would have created history being the first woman MLA in Nagaland House.

BJP stood its ground 'Equality to all' by contesting Dimapur II seat by a minority Hindu Kachari Tribal. Since 1983, no Non-Naga Tribal could fight a seat in Nagaland.

BJP broke this mindset. BJP took lead in forming NDA type alliance along with regional ruling NDF party and the alliance defeated congress very badly. Nagaland has its eastern borders with Myanmar (Burma). Its four districts MON, T U E N S A N G , LONGLENG & KHIPRE



consisting of 20 MLA constituents are fighting against discrimination and long standing underdevelopment under the banner of Eastern Nagaland people's organisation (ENPO) for separate State. BJP is very much concerned about the integrity of the country's border & stood fast with ENPO and fought 7 seats out of 20.

BJP's lone victory is from 'MON' District, one of the ENPO area, BJP fought against injustice, under development but did not support the separate State demand. BJP candidate Shri. P. PAIWANG KONYAK won from TIZIT constituency of MON Dist. with more than 3000 votes.

Shri. PAIWANG is a Postgraduate from Delhi University and a bachelor dynamic young leader. He is made a Parliamentary Secretary with Transport Portfolio in Nagaland's New Government. According to Shri. P. B. Acharya, BJP Central Election In-charge of Nagaland, BJP fought the election with six points namely equity in development, equal treatment to all citizens, political empowerment of women, Jobs for youths, detect, delete & deport illegal migrants and remunerative price for farmers produce & artisans.

Hon. Shri. N. Rio, was elected unanimously as the leader of DAN and was sworn in as C. M. of Nagaland for the third time on 5 March 2013 at Kohima, by the Governor of Nagaland. (FOC) ■

BJP not only a political party but a movement

By Prabhat Jha

If anyone asks an objective question as to “which political party in the country has neither broken nor divided or disintegrated”, then everyone will say in one voice – Bharatiya Janata Party. It is not an ordinary feat. The light of nationalist ideology that was ignited by Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee on 21 October 1951 in Indian politics, that national ideology and its continuous light is engaged in enlightening the Indian society even today. 33 years have gone by since BJP was founded. Atalji is not well for last eight years. Indian politics is passing through a phase of instability, misgovernance and chaos. The importance of 6 April 2013 becomes significant for BJP Karyakartas in such circumstances.

Party and power are two different words. And the significance of both is different. The nature of party is different than the nature of power. In party all karyakartas have maximum rights. In power some people have maximum rights. Wherever the leadership emerges due to expansion and work of party, there power also comes. While looking at, reading or hearing about the political history of the world nowhere it is experienced that the expansion of party happened due to power. From party to power and through power attempt towards realization of ideology in the society has been seen and it

happens and should happen in this manner. For Indian politics it is very much required that a curriculum should be made for the parties – both in opposition and in power. There is no curriculum for Indian politics. If one is in opposition, it is not known what should be done. And when a party is in power, it is not known what party should do. When a party is in opposition

If anyone asks an objective question as to “which political party in the country has neither broken nor divided or disintegrated”, then everyone will say in one voice – Bharatiya Janata Party. It is not an ordinary feat. The light of nationalist ideology that was ignited by Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee on 21 October 1951 in Indian politics, that national ideology and its continuous light is engaged in enlightening the Indian society even today.

it goes by its *jandharma* by organizing movements in different forms. But the same party, when it comes to power, it is left with no work-plan to pursue as party and this is the reason that power gradually pushes the party behind. Therefore it appears essential that Indian politics as per the nature of its responsibility should have a curriculum. 65 years of independence and no curriculum on politics, this kind of situation will not help politics

to seek guiding lights. Extremely important to understand each other

We are a political party. We call ourselves distinct from others. Why we say so? People want an answer to it. If you don't say this, people will not ask. When we say that we are a 'party with a difference' then we ourselves give people right to ask. We are different just because we karyakartas are not bound by post but ideology. We are comrades not by blood but by our ideology. We are complementary to each other. Our *gotra* is nationalism. We have stopped understanding each other. We neither laugh wholeheartedly nor speak openly. What to speak about smiling even lightly, we keep engaging ourselves day in and day out in leg pulling of those among whom we work. Goodwill and mutual confidence get enhanced by collective work. In collectivism we witness

divinity. The people among whom we work, we need to understand them and they need to understand us as family and not like different individuals. May be the world might have reached upto moon but human organizations have functioned and even now functioning on the basis of human values.

Hard work

If we get post then we will work hard. If we get identity they will work hard. It is not called commitment. In Indian politics

the lacunae which is afflicting it is the lack of commitment. If commitment gets converted into self-aggrandizement and commitment towards ideology becomes commitment towards self then politics get weakened. We work by our own choice, not because of any compulsion, influence or scarcity. We have taken resolve of national service on our own. Therefore we cannot turn our face from our sense of duty. If we are a karyakarta then we will have to work hard. We

these resolves, in the party there should be also a mechanism to assess them. The mechanism of assessment is getting weakened in Indian politics. It should not happen that 'parishram' (hard work) is overtaken by 'parikarama' (going round someone to seek favours). If there will be mechanism of assessment then hard work cannot be ignored. Assessment of everything like that of work, programmes, karyakartas, leadership and all other things

important to have control over self rather than having control over others. In today's politics people want to control but don't want to be retrained. In some places it has gone to the extent that people want not only to control but encroach upon others, the life of such kind of politics is not too long. We should not give up the reasons due to which we marched ahead

A karyakarta should not be without any resolve. The life should be with some resolve. Only those can take resolve who have the capacity to give alternative. Alternative is also a kind of resolve. Resolve should not be about self but about nation and ideology.

will have to go together with everyone. We will have to share their happiness and misery. We will have to keep ourselves away from expectations and obligations. It is easy to think and do; it may be difficult in practice but not impossible. At the same time hard work of the karyakartas working with commitment should be acknowledged. They should not be ignored. The hard work of karyakarta takes the party towards power. The hard work should never be ignored. Resolve, alternative and assessment

A karyakarta should not be without any resolve. The life should be with some resolve. Only those can take resolve who have the capacity to give alternative. Alternative is also a kind of resolve. Resolve should not be about self but about nation and ideology. And the karyakartas who continuously remain engaged in realizing

should continue. If we keep assessing our valuation and devaluation then we will never get ignored by the society. A system without mechanism of assessment gives birth to chaos which is difficult to be restored later.

Taking care

The system which is functioning today in the party may not be there tomorrow and what will be tomorrow may also change day after tomorrow. The change in the functioning of the party is an inevitable process which has been always continuing. In politics, power is unstable like Lakshmi. It will never remain with someone for every time. For sometime it is in the hands of some people and for another time it is gone to the hands of other people. It is not a new thing, everyone knows it. In this process of change it is important to understand the churning up of mutual goodwill and humanity. It is more

Among the reasons behind the expansion of Bharatiya Jansangh and Bharatiya Janata Party, nationalism is the foremost. Clarity in work, mutual goodwill, mutual respect, collectivism, attachment to honour not post, the problem of karyakarta is our own problem – continuous working with these principles is some of the reasons which have made us the number one party of India in course of time. There is no wealth bigger than liberalism. Narrow mindedness is poison. Liberal attitude takes one to the limitless height of the sky. Narrow mindedness suffocates a person. The continuous fading away of liberalism and speedy march of narrow mindedness in Indian politics is yielding fatal results. The top leadership of Bharatiya Janata Party is always known for liberal outlook. Former Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee is a strong signature of liberalism in Indian politics. At the same time Shri Lal Krishna Advani is a strong signature in Indian politics as to how one should assist a leader. Friendly relations between the karyakartas of one party should be nature given and not artificially imposed. In Indian

politics there is continuous decline in political understanding and acumen. People do politics but they don't have an understanding of it. We have not to do politics for our own sake or with our own people but for the expansion of political ideology we have to do politics with other competing political parties. In politics human resource and human energy have important place. There should be efforts at collective level to see that the energy of every karyakarta is employed in the right direction. The energy of the young people should be put at work and experienced eyes should be given respect. When we say that the one opposing us today would become our supporter tomorrow then there should be no adversary for us within our own party. Those who are in opposing parties we should make continuous efforts to make them our own.

The study of party's past and its glory should be continuously pursued. Why Jansangh was formed? Why Janata Party was formed? Why Janata Party disintegrated? Why Jansangh got separated from Janata Party? In what kind of situation Bahartiya Janata Party was formed? What were the main milestones of our political journey? Who were the founders? Who dedicated themselves in the foundation? Who emerged as pinnacles of the party? While being in opposition and at the centre of the Indian politics, the story of our coming to the power in the country should always be before our eyes. The ideologues who like Dadhichi contributed their bones like fertilizers so that the crop of ideology is harvested, the biography of all those great people should be included in our political curriculum.

Bharatiya Janata Party is not only a political party but a political movement. And we are not only karyakartas but revolutionaries of a movement. We should always keep in mind Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay and many such personalities who are among us. There is no one more important than karyakartas in political parties. Therefore on 6th April if we are able to embrace our karyakartas and take resolve to work with togetherness as before then we will definitely move towards our goal. We have only one dream:

*"Tera vaibhav amar rahe maa
Ham din-char rahe na rahe."*

*(The writer is a member of Rajya Sabha &
Former State President of Madhya Pradesh BJP) ■*

If we want to feel the pain of India, travel by Indian Railway : Prabhat Jha

*Synopsis of the speech delivered Shri
Prabhat Jha in Rajya Sabha on Railway
Budget on March 14, 2013.*

The justification of Budget came to an end that very day when the fares were increased earlier. During the last 9 years whether it is a General Budget or Rail Budget, the UPA-I and II has done such a great joke which perhaps nobody might have done till date. If you see Railways as commercial institute, it would not be a justice with India. Indian Railways is the biggest symbol of Indianness. These are not tracks, these are the wheel of Indian growth. Unfortunately the Budget you have presented is the Budget of half of India.

The people thought that this Budget is a formality. There is a big fall in the service level provided to our respected passengers. Crunch of resources has been a continuous problem for us. On 3,587 stations even the basic facilities such as water and toilets are not available properly. More than 43,000 coaches have become useless. More than 35,000 bridges have become dilapidated. You can not get rid of your responsibility by putting blame on someone else.

This is the responsibility of UPA Government. During the last one and half year 1600 employees of Railways and more than 1200 passengers died. Who will answer to it?

I do not regard only the Minister responsible for it but the entire system. 32 per cent trains do not have guards. It was announced that the Medical Colleges would be opened. There is no problem in it but do you know as to what is Railway doing? I request the Minister that a doctor should also be appointed in the train.

It would be highly beneficial. Indian Railway is a tradition. We get glimpse of India in Indian Railways. If we want to feel the pain of India, we have to travel by Indian Railway. It should be looked beyond politics. If Indian Railway appeals and awaken Indianness, India will wake up and Indian Railway will improve. Coaches of I-AC and II-AC are in deplorable condition. ■

Rajnath Singh condemns Pakistan Parliament's resolution pertaining to the hanging of Afzal Guru

On March 15 in New Delhi BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh strongly condemned Pakistan Parliament's resolution pertaining to the hanging of Afzal Guru as it is brazen act of interference in India's internal affairs. Pakistan has crossed all boundaries in its diplomatic dealings with India. The BJP firmly believes that almost all terrorist activities in India are sponsored by Pakistan and by adopting a resolution on Afzal Guru in the National Assembly; Pakistan has given its stamp of approval on its association with terrorist groups.

Unfortunately the incumbent Government at the Centre has no action plan or firm conviction to fight against terrorism. The BJP has given its full support to the government if it takes strong steps to counter terrorist activities from Pakistan but the government has disappointed us and the people of this country. The UPA government has expended and its energy targeting the BJP and giving little attention to safeguard the country from terrorism.

A series of events from beheading of Indian soldiers, blasts in Hyderabad and attack on CRPF camp in Srinagar have exposed the UPA Government's inability to deal with cross border terrorism. No concrete action has been taken by the UPA government to prevent our cities and people from these terrorists.

The BJP demands that

India's diplomatic relations with Pakistan should be immediately scaled down in the wake of fidayeen attacks in Srinagar. Unless Pakistan abides by its commitment given to us in January 2004 that no terrorist activities against India would be carried out on its soil, the Centre should also suspend the ongoing Confidence Building

emerging challenges is a must. The UPA Government should focus on strengthening India's military power by increasing its numbers and rapid modernization of forces. Durable peace can be maintained only from a position of strength not from a position of weakness.

Keeping Pakistan Parliament resolution in mind



Measures (CBMs) for the time being.

If Pakistan does not stop its support to terrorists then India should also recall its High Commissioner in Islamabad. The UPA Government's policy of molycoddling Pakistan has emboldened terrorists and other anti-India forces. The terrorists have galvanised their groups and this situation could get worse in 2014 after the withdrawal of NATO forces from Afghanistan.

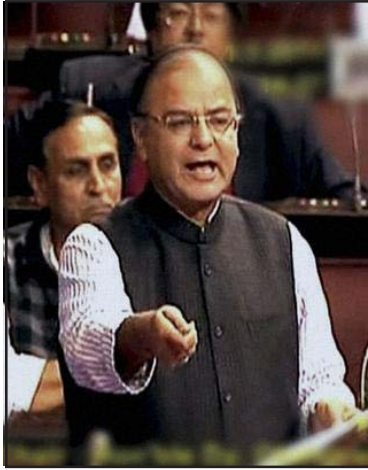
The BJP believes that to maintain peace in the region, having an army capable of facing

the BJP appeals to the government to condemn this act by adopting a consensus resolution in Indian Parliament and reaffirm its will to fight against terror. This resolution should be moved by the Prime Minister himself.

It is high time the government should take a tough stand against terrorism by putting pressure on Pakistan to mend its ways.

If the UPA fails to apply its diplomatic skills these Pakistan sponsored terrorists will continue inflicting wounds on India. (FOC) ■

Pak resolution is an official stamp of approval on one of the worst terrorist attacks that took place in India : Jaitley



Synopsis of the speech delivered on March 15 by Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley on Pak passing resolution against hanging of terrorist Afzal Guru.

I am extremely grateful to you for giving me this opportunity. Yesterday, a very serious development has taken place from India's national point of view that the Parliament in Pakistan has passed a resolution condemning the execution of a person who has been convicted for an attack on Indian Parliament. Besides being interference in India's internal affairs, it is an official statement which comes from the combined polity of Pakistan. So far we had wondered who was really in control of the state, their army, their ISI, a civilian government or non-state actors. But with yesterday's resolution, all these distinctions have been obliterated. It is an official stamp of approval on one of the worst terrorist attacks that took place in India.

So far we have always alleged and there was evidence to suggest that for an attack on Indian Parliament planning was done across the border but yesterday's resolution seems to have confirmed our worst fears because the polity of the country unanimously

condones that action by actually condemning our action in sentencing through a rule of law the person who was involved in this. Sir, the beheading of our soldiers, the bomb blasts in Hyderabad, the attack on the CRPF camp in Srinagar finally have culminated into this resolution. This now clearly shows what the intention of Pakistan in this matter seems to be. The Government will now seriously have to consider how to deal with Pakistan in this situation. The hon. Prime Minister has in the past been very magnanimous to say that he is

~~~~~☺☺~~~~~

**Sir, the beheading of our soldiers, the bomb blasts in Hyderabad, the attack on the CRPF camp in Srinagar finally have culminated into this resolution. This now clearly shows what the intention of Pakistan in this matter seems to be. The Government will now seriously have to consider how to deal with Pakistan in this situation.**

willing to walk an extra mile.

After a series of these provocations, we would like to urge him that forget a mile, he should now forget walking even an extra yard. Pakistan does not deserve this. As long as this resolution remains, the question of a continued dialogue with Pakistan which is approving of showing sympathy for terrorist attacks in India, I think, we should seriously forget discussing any serious issue with them through a structured dialogue. Therefore, Pakistan will now have to walk extra two miles rather than our Prime Minister wanting to walk an extra mile. If we want to normalise relations, with these kinds of resolutions, normalisation of relations will not be possible. Sir, this comes in the backdrop of a serious situation which our country is facing, whether it is Male or it is Rome or it is Islamabad.

I think we seriously need to discuss our foreign policy and where it is leading us, because if India can be kicked around in this manner internationally, then there is something seriously wrong in the manner in which we are managing our external affairs. So, I would urge you to kindly fix a date so that the hon. Prime Minister and the External Affairs Minister are here, make a statement and this House gets an opportunity to discuss this issue at length. ■



# CBI probe must in Loan Waiver Scam

By Prakash Javadekar

**Y**et another scam of UPA regime involving massive financial outlays has come to light. Nearly, 34 lakh eligible farmers stand denied their right for debt waiver and more than 24 lakh ineligible beneficiaries have benefitted through this massive scam. One does not know the quantum of the scam. Taking cue from the percentage of exclusion and inclusion of beneficiary farmers, one can roughly estimate it to be a Rs 10,000 crore scam.

Significantly, the CAG has checked only 90,000 accounts out of 3.5 crore accounts. Even with this small sampling, the CAG has found out that 13 per cent eligible farmers were not considered by the lending institutions while preparing list of eligible farmers. Further, 8.5 per cent of ineligible beneficiaries got undue windfall profit.

Finance Minister P Chidambaram claimed on the floor of the House that there was “no fraud committed” and only “some irregularities” have been found. However, the CAG in its report has clearly said that “there was prima facie evidence of tampering, over-writing and alteration of records.” Chidambaram’s statement is unacceptable because if there was “tampering and alteration of records” it tantamount to a scam, criminal conspiracy and fraud committed on the exchequer. That is why there is a need for a CBI inquiry... Some people ask why the BJP demands a CBI probe when it does not have faith in it... Unfortunately, CBI is the only central anti-corruption

**Tampering, over-writing and alteration of records is a fraud and must be treated as such under the provisions of CrPC.**

~~~~~●●●~~~~~

investigation agency... That is why the BJP always qualifies its demand with “court monitored CBI inquiry”.

On the other hand, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh stated in Parliament on March 6, 2013 that “the PAC (Public Accounts Committee of Parliament) should probe the issue first”. It is nothing but a willful attempt by the Congress-led UPA Government to delay the probe into this scam. PAC is not an investigation agency and thus it can only go into the aspects of “systemic corruption” that led to the scam in the farmers’ loan waiver scheme. Moreover everyone knows how the Congress torpedoed the report of the PAC in the 2G Scam issue.

Unlike the telecom, coal, Commonwealth Games and Chopper scams, the loan waiver scam has had a scathing impact on not just economic but also India’s social well being. It cements the fact that the government’s populist schemes benefit no one but itself.

What is shocking in this scam is that some of the Micro Finance Institutions, though not eligible got benefitted. The public money has gone to undeserving beneficiaries. When one thinks of waiver scheme for small and marginal farmers, he gets an impression that the waiver

would be to the tune of Rs 50,000 to Rs 1, 00,000 per beneficiary. But, can you believe? There are several persons, who have got the waiver benefit of over Rs five lakh. The government must make public the list of beneficiaries of over Rs five lakh under the scheme. This would expose the deep-rooted corruption in the administration of the scheme.

The Agricultural Debt Waiver and Debt Relief Scheme launched in May 2008 and meant for the waiver of agricultural loans taken between 1 April 1997 and March 31, 2007 was a flawed scheme in itself as 60% of small and marginal farmers take loans from private money lenders and they were not covered under the scheme. Besides, 50% of the small and marginal farmers, who are technically eligible under the scheme, did not get the benefit. Ironically, there was nothing in the scheme for those small and marginal farmers, who sincerely repaid their loans sacrificing their other basic needs... Not even additional interest subvention on their fresh loans. What sin they had committed? What is the use of a waiver scheme that does not benefit the needy or help the farmers to get out of distress? In Vidharba region alone there had been over 400 suicide deaths of farmers last year and from January 1 this year there had been 65 suicides in 66 days.

That is why we are demanding that there should be a court monitored CBI inquiry into the farm loan waiver scam and all the eligible small and marginal farmers should be given the loan waiver benefit

taking into account the outstanding as of March 31, 2013.

The real issue is that farmers continue to remain in the debt trap because they do not get the real remunerative prices for their produce. This is a long debate and the Congress government has been consistently rejecting this argument. As per the calculation of CACP (Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices) itself the cost of production of Paddy and Wheat have risen faster than the rise in Minimum Support Price (MSP). In 2010-11 the Cost of production of Paddy was Rs 742 and the MSP was Rs 1000 per quintal resultantly the margin of profit was 34.77%, whereas in 2011-12 the cost of production was Rs 888 and MSP was Rs 1080, thus the margin of profit fell to 21.62% and in 2012-13 the margin of profit drastically fell to 8.5% as the cost of production of paddy was Rs 1152 while MSP was only Rs 1250. Likewise, in the case of Wheat the margin of profit fell to a low 13.91% as compared to 33.17% in 2010-11. The margin of profit was 20.81% during 2011-12.

That is why, I had always been insisting on the implementation of the formula suggested by the Swaminathan Committee that is the MSP should be 50% above the cost of production. Implementation of this formula can only deliver justice to the farmers. Unless this is done farmers will remain in debt trap perennially and there will be demand for loan waivers and the resultant possibility of yet another scam. ■

(Writer is MP (Rajya Sabha) and National Spokesperson of BJP)

Satpal Singh Satti takes over as HP BJP President

Bharatiya Janata Party national leadership has once again reposed faith in the leadership of Himachal Pradesh BJP President Shri Satpal Singh Satti and reappointed him as the President of the Himachal BJP for the second time in a row. Under the leadership of Satti, BJP will contest the 2014 parliamentary election in the State. Satti, a three-time MLA from Una district, had taken the reins of the party from former President Shri Khimi. The 49-year-old Shri Satti has been associated with the party since long and was in student politics with ABVP and then in the BJYM, the youth front of the party.



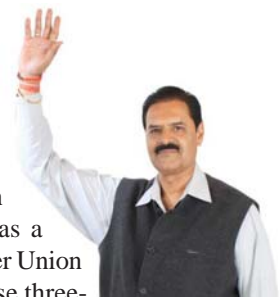
Ravindra Rai takes charge as new Jharkhand BJP President

BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh appointed Shri Ravindra Rai as the new Jharkhand BJP President on March 11. The newly appointed state BJP president took charge at the party headquarters in Ranch on 17 March. Before taking over, Shri Rai paid floral tributes to the statues of party founder Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay and Birsa Munda. "BJP is the party of the aam admi. The common man's problem and challenges in the state are also the problems and challenges of our party. I am going to address all these problems," Shri Rai told mediapersons after taking charge.



KV Singh Deo appointed as new Odisha BJP President

The BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh appointed Shri Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo as the new Odisha State BJP President on 11 March, 2013. Shri Singh Deo, four-time MLA from Patnagarh and leader of the BJP Legislature Party, who was a Cabinet-rank Minister for two terms, replaced former Union Minister and State President Shri Jual Oram, whose three-year tenure had ended in December last. After formally taking charge Shri K.V. Singh Deo said to the media that the BJP will contest the 2014 elections on its own strength.



Prahlad V. Joshi appointed as new Karnataka BJP President

BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh appointed Shri Prahlad V. Joshi as The new Karnataka BJP President on 21 March, 2013. Shri Prahlad Joshi is Lok Sabha MP from Dharwad, Karnataka.



Withdraw contentious changes in civil services exam format : Venkaiah Naidu

Former BJP National President and Rajya Sabha Member Shri M.Venkaiah Naidu on March 15 through a written letter drew attention of Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh on unhealthy changes in syllabus of Indian civil services examination(UPSC). The text of the letter is following:

Dear Dr. Manmohan Singhji,

I would like to draw your attention to an issue that concerns lakhs of young Indian aspirants to the posts in Indian Civil Services like the Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Indian Foreign Service (IFS), Indian Police Service (IPS) and a host of other Central Services.

The recruitment to these posts is done through a prominent All India competitive examination, popularly known as Civil Services Examination, conducted by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) every year. Lakhs of aspirants from all over the country compete and only a handful of them make it to these most sought after services after going through various levels of examination like Prelims, Mains, Interview, Group Discussion etc. Until recently, this examination was conducted without any bias towards the language in which a candidate opts to write the examination or opts to take an optional paper in literature of any one of the regional languages enunciated in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution of India. However, the UPSC has recently notified a few changes in the pattern of Mains examination which, inter alia, are as follows:-

“A minimum number of 25 candidates should opt for a specific language medium for answering the question papers in that language medium. In case there are less than 25 candidates opting for any approved language medium (other than English or Hindi), then those candidates will be required to write their examination either in Hindi or English only. A candidate can opt for the literature of a language as an optional subject, only if he/she has graduated in the literature of that particular language as the main subject. A candidate can answer in the regional language only if that language was the medium of instruction in the qualifying graduate examination.

Unlike in the previous years, now the marks secured in English language will be considered for final ranking”

Sir, these stipulations are apparently discriminatory in nature and devoid of logic. They clearly go against the interests of candidates from certain States, especially from non-Hindi speaking states. These stipulations also harm the interests of the applicants from rural background as they are not proficient enough in English. Earlier English was only a qualifying paper and now the marks are considered for determining the rank. Obviously, this provision discriminates against rural students who studied in their regional languages.

Now it is a universal policy to encourage mother tongue so that the legacy of language is protected and preserved. I fail to understand why the UPSC has taken a contrary stand.

Hon'ble Prime Minister, the new regulations are creating heartburn and unnecessary controversy between Hindi and Non-Hindi speaking states in the country. There are agitations going on in different parts of southern States. An impression is doing rounds, and apparently for right reasons, that the changes will favour urban and English educated and discriminate against their counterparts. You would agree with me that such a situation could better be avoided in the interest of country's unity and integrity.

Sir, these changes are against the constitutional spirit and violative of national integration. I am informed that the Chief Minister of the respective States have also taken up the matter with you. The larger question being raised by one and all is why discrimination by the UPSC towards the regional languages.

Keeping in view the larger public opinion and larger interests of our young aspirants to this prestigious examination and also to ensure justice to all sections of the society, Mr. Prime Minister, I earnestly request you to kindly prevail upon the Union Public Service Commission or do whatever else is necessary to have all the contentious changes in the format of Civil Services Examination reconsidered and withdrawn. I sincerely hope the matter receives highest attention and consideration at your level.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
(M. Venkaiah Naidu)

Inflation and corruption have become the hallmarks of UPA government : Prakash Javadekar

BJP National Spokesperson Shri Prakash Javadekar moved the Economic Resolution in the BJP National Executive and Council meeting held in New Delhi on 01-03 March, 2013 and it was seconded by Goa Chief Minister Shri Manohar Parriker and Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Shri Sushil Kumar Modi. Former BJP National Presidents Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi and Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu and Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley intervened in the discussion on the economic resolution.



The resolution expressed great concern about the state of the health of Indian economy under the Congress led UPA rule. The resolution also pointed out that inflation and corruption have become the hallmarks of the UPA government. The country also has to suffer the ignominy of experiencing economic downslide under the leadership of an economist Prime Minister under whom every economic macro-parameter has steadily declined. The BJP expresses its serious concern over the rapidly deteriorating state of the Indian economy where untold sufferings are inflicted on the common man. We are publishing the full text of the Economic Resolution for our esteemed readers:

Inflation and corruption have become the hallmarks of the UPA government. The country also has to suffer the ignominy of experiencing economic downslide under the leadership of an economist Prime Minister under whom every economic macro-parameter has steadily declined. The BJP expresses its serious concern over the rapidly deteriorating state of the Indian economy where untold sufferings are inflicted on the common man. The BJP holds the Congress led UPA government guilty of non performance, policy paralysis and lack of direction. Negation of Economic Robustness - Back to Square One

The BJP led National Democratic Alliance inherited a lowly growth rate of 4% in 1998, but due to its commitment to make India an economic superpower, it had put the



economy on a fast growth trajectory. As a result of the visionary leadership of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, India for the first time in decades witnessed 8.25% growth rate in 2004 when the BJP led NDA government demitted office.

The Congress led UPA could not have hoped for a better dream start towards economic growth and consolidation. A high growth rate with a healthy balance of payment situation coupled with low inflation and low interest rates was ideal to achieve robust economic development and macro-economic stability.

However, much to the dismay of all, the Congress led UPA government hastily

embarked on a path of economic reversals. **Instead of working towards a 10% percent growth rate with 5% inflation rate, in its 9 year tenure the UPA has achieved the exact opposite - a 10% inflation rate and a 5% growth rate!** Even by conservative estimates, the mess of economic mismanagement under the Congress led UPA government has taken the country many decades backward. *This contrast needs to be noted that NDA started with 4% of GDP growth and took the country on the 8+% growth trajectory, while the UPA inherited 8+% GDP growth rate and brought it down to nearly 4%.*

The Macro Picture

The situation is even more worrisome since along with declining economic growth rate, all the sectors of the economy are showing a downward trend. Overall, the IIP index is

consistently declining with a current index at 0.6% for the month of December 2012. Core sectors like Coal, Mining, Power, Fertilizer and Natural Gas are all in the negative zone.

Consistently rising Fiscal Deficit has acquired a critical proportion. Currently, the fiscal deficit is now hovering around 5.3% but one should not be surprised if it rises further. This is happening despite the government's annual solemn assurance in every budget to reduce the fiscal deficit. *It is interesting to note that aggregate fiscal deficit of the states is going down.* Thus, the Central Government is principally and solely responsible for rising fiscal deficit and it cannot seek to incorrectly apportion blame towards the state governments.

The BJP led NDA government had put in place the historic economic legislation – the Fiscal Responsibility and Budgetary Management (FRBM) Act which sought to rein in the fiscal deficit below 3%. Ironically, under the Congress leadership, it is the central government that has shown scant commitment towards this resolve while the state governments are instead broadly adhering to the FRBM targets which is reflected in their financial numbers.

A greater concern arises on account of the Current Account Deficit (CAD) which is at an unacceptable level of 5.4% of the GDP. One of the key factors responsible for this current situation is the sharp drop in savings and investment rates

which have not only lowered the economic growth but unfortunately exacerbated the current imbalances in CAD and fiscal deficit. What is worse is that the short term debt and borrowing of the government is rising fast and is actually financing the CAD. *Even a young student of economics knows that such a situation is akin to consuming the resources of the*

The BJP led NDA government had put in place the historic economic legislation – the Fiscal Responsibility and Budgetary Management (FRBM) Act which sought to rein in the fiscal deficit below 3%. Ironically, under the Congress leadership, it is the central government that has shown scant commitment towards this resolve while the state governments are instead broadly adhering to the FRBM targets which is reflected in their financial numbers.

future generations to meet one's current liabilities.

Ever increasing CAD and fiscal deficit has resulted in the unprecedented devaluation of the rupee by more than 20% primarily in the last 12 months. In contrast to this many other international currencies have in fact appreciated against the US dollars.

India's external debt has risen by 30% from 260 billion dollars to 340 billion dollars. *This is for the first time that the external debt is more than the*

foreign reserves.

In a response to possible international downgrade the government hastily decided to go for many decisions having an impact of price hikes in many sectors and went ahead to cut plan expenditure. BJP condemns these regressive steps.

Even FDI in rupee terms has declined by a whopping 43% in the last quarter, even after tweaking the rules of 30% sourcing under the pressure of IEKA. We are confronted by a piquant situation where domestic investors are also seeking investment opportunities outside. *In the year 2000 outflow of domestic investment amounted to 10 % of inward FDI. In 2011-12 the same stands at 50% of inward FDI.*

The fiscal response to correct the situation is also skewed. The UPA instead of harping upon compliance and efficiency in revenue generation has depended solely on raising taxes and prices, which is further burdening the common man.

Inflation: The Real Killer

The biggest failure of the UPA government is its failure to tame inflation and bring down the prices. Unfortunately, inflation is not the result of any natural disaster but is purely a gift of this government. Bad food stock management and distribution anomalies triggered the inflationary pressure in the first place. When the country is required to stock only 30 million tons of food grains in the godowns, the UPA has stocked a huge quantity of more than 70

million tons of food grains thereby creating shortages in the market and fuelling prices. ***Ironically, the excess food grains are not fed to the millions of malnourished children of India but are instead left to rot in godowns and then exported to feed cattle in foreign lands and to produce liquor.***

The UPA government has addressed only the demand side of inflation by quizzing money supply through raising interest rates 13 times so far but has till date never bothered to address the more important supply side issues. Edible oil which was not an item on the import list in 2003 has now become a US \$ 10 billion dollar import. Today, 50% of the country's edible oil requirements are met through imports.

When people are reeling under unprecedented inflation, they expect relief. Instead the government is offering them deregulation of fuel products and a further dose of higher prices, taxes and service charges. Diesel prices have been raised by Rs. 5 in one go and then by Rs. 10 in monthly installments of 50 paise each. The government has also created a new category of bulk users and increased their rate by Rupees 11 per litre in a shot. Within 48 hours of presenting the Budget Government raised Petrol rates by Rs. 1.50 and bulk Diesel by Rs. 1.25 per liter. In the meantime, the government ignoring ground realities decided on the capping of gas cylinders resulting in confusion and fueled a backdoor price hike. This has a cascading effect on the overall price line besides raising all transport costs immediately. The global

experience has shown that the speculative market for essential commodities through forward exchange also fuels inflation. Yet the government has ignored even this aspect.

Inflation decreases the real wages of the working and middle classes whose salaries and wages are not indexed to rising prices. It also adversely impacts the standard of living and makes survival difficult. Women have suffer the most on account inflation as they have to take hard decision. ***Inflation is also a process that reverses socio-economic justice since it facilitates transfer of real assets from poor sections to the non-poor sections.***

The BJP demands an immediate roll back of hike in all administrative prices from diesel, gas, petrol, rail and other services as the common man is reeling under unprecedented economic burden.

The pain of the same was reflected when more than 50 million workers and employees observed a two days nation-wide strike mainly to resent this unabated price rise and anti-labour policies of the UPA government. The Government has neither wage - price policy nor a rational supply side regime. ***BJP demands job, wage and social security for all workers who do not get it.***

The Loot Continues

The Congress led UPA government has become synonymous with corruption. The VVIP Chopper Scam and the Farm Loan Waiver scams are the latest additions in this government's unending list of corruption. It is fascinating to note that Italy, which was to

benefit from the helicopter deal, went after the bribe givers immediately when they got the wind of corruption, while India, the sufferer of this scam is not ready to trace the bribe takers. Mystery still shrouds over the mention of the recipients as "the family". The government has ordered a CBI probe but is not ready to have it monitored by the court. It has neither registered FIR nor issued LR. It is offering JPC knowing full well that it cannot investigate and come to conclusion. This fuels speculation that the government is more interested in ensuring a white wash to protect the bribe receivers rather than unearth the truth and punish the guilty.

A massive farm loan waiver scam has been unearthed by C&AG. More than 34 lakh farmers who were eligible for loan waiver did not get benefited on account of the faulty implementation of the scheme. Instead, more than 24 lakh ineligible farmers became beneficiaries of a windfall benefit through the tardy implementation. ***Corruption also is an important trigger for inflation, a dampener for honest investment and also a reason for growing fiscal deficit. The Government by design attacked the CAG and disturbed the PAC proceedings with a motive to cover up their scams. The BJP demands that both these scams should be investigated under court monitoring and also demands that the eligible farmers should immediately be given the waiver benefit.***

Lock of Governance

The UPA government excels at offering excuses and constantly blames external

factors for its internal failures. Its policy flip-flops, indecision and mis-governance are responsible for the current situation. The Congress led UPA distributed huge natural resources for free or at fraction of its real cost thereby, could not generate potential revenues. Coal and Spectrum are few such examples. The Coal distribution was not even linked to an assured supply of cheaper power. That is why these are considered examples of monumental corruption.

Indecision is galore in all segments of the economy. The PM formed a committee to monitor seamless coal supply to power plants which is yet to succeed. He tried to form a National Investment Board for faster clearances which was torpedoed by his political masters in the Congress party. Ultimately he settled for a Cabinet Committee for Investment which has cleared only a small number of projects over the last four months. The PM's dream project of two dedicated freight corridors are in eternal limbo and even his proposal for fast tracking incomplete projects is yet to become a starter in itself. Even the power purchase agreements of many projects are not concluded. The PM's ineptitude was at its classical best when he informed the country that "money doesn't grow on trees".

This is nothing but economic chaos caused by internal contradiction and confusion with in government and the ruling party. The same is evident in diametrically opposite views

expressed by Planning Commission on one hand and NAC on other; the same is the story with the finance ministry and RBI heading in different direction. This was also reflected in last year's budget of announcing retrospective taxes and GAAR and its subsequent withdrawal and postponement. BJP led NDA v/s UPA

The NDA's major thrust on infrastructural development has

The UPA has so far offered the country "Jobless Growth". While the BJP led NDA could create 12 million jobs in its tenure, the UPA could create only 2 million jobs.

The government's flagship scheme of MGNREGA is essentially a social welfare scheme and not a regular employment generation scheme. To overcome the above situation the country requires structural reforms at all levels which cannot be expected from this Congress led UPA government.

taken a backseat on account of the UPA's visionless governance over the past decade. During the NDA regime, construction of highways achieved a level of 11 KMs per day. Today it stands at an abysmal low of just 3 KMs per day despite their tall promise of building 22 KMs highway every day. The East-West and North-South corridors still remain a distant dream. Even the Gram Sadak Yojana has slowed down.

Power generation which

was targeted at 78,000 MW in the 11th Five Year Plan actually achieved 54,000 MW only. The performance of other sectors of infrastructure like rail, ports, oil and gas is also lack luster. The NDA assured additional supply of gas connections to 40 million families in 4 years while the UPA is yet to match this figure in its last 9 years tenure. PSUs like MTNL, BSNL, NTPC, and Air India are in deep trouble with huge losses on account of their misuse and mismanagement by the political masters. This has also resulted in a decline in the gross investments.

The UPA has so far offered the country "Jobless Growth". While the BJP led NDA could create 12 million jobs in its tenure, the UPA could create only 2 million jobs. The government's flagship scheme of MGNREGA is essentially a social welfare scheme and not a regular employment generation scheme. To overcome the above situation the country requires structural reforms at all levels which cannot be expected from this

Congress led UPA government.

The approach of the UPA government to the poverty alleviation is entitlement and not empowerment. While empowerment is a productive and sustaining strategy, entitlement makes people permanently government depended.

Plight of Farmers

Agriculture in India which employs more than 60% of the population is in a state of deep distress. Rising suicide graphs

is just one such indicator of this distress. Terms of trade in UPA regime have always gone against farmers. They are consistently denied their right to get real remunerative prices for their produce. The MSP calculations are skewed and are at variance with reality. The NDA government appointed the Swaminathan Commission to suggest a feasible formula of calculating remunerative prices, which they suggested as 50% above the MSP. The UPA government has consistently rejected this formula and denied real remunerative prices to the farmers.

The UPA government claims to have increased MSP substantially. However in reality, it is the input costs that have increased more than the increase in MSP. This has resulted in a reduction of margin between MSP and input costs continuously. Procurement Centers are not functional at many places when the farmers bring their produce. They are forced to go for distress sales. Even at many centers Government fails to supply necessary quantity of jute bags resulting in huge losses.

The latest calculation of Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) is testimony to this reducing margin for the farmers. *The difference between MSP and cost of production for paddy has gone down from 35% of 2010-11 to 8% of cost in 2012-13. Differences in the margins in wheat have also declined from 33% to 13% during last 3 years.* Cost of seeds, pesticides, fertilizer, diesel, power, water has all gone up. Farmers are being forced to face

a losing battle. *The exploitative system as perpetuated by the UPA government offers little remuneration to the producers (farmers) while the consumers have to pay much higher prices.*

BJP demands immediate adoption of Swaminathan committee formula of calculating remunerative prices and also restart the assured minimum income guarantee scheme launched by NDA government.

The BJP also warns the Congress led UPA government about the imperative dangers of pursuing such a policy towards agriculture that can actual reverse India's gains in achieving food security over the last few decades.

The UPA's Nutrient Based Subsidy scheme (NBS) for fertilizers has fuelled the prices of all non-subsidized fertilizers thereby defeating the very purpose of the scheme. As prices of non urea fertilizers have sky rocketed which has resulted in an excessive use of urea. Farmers are experiencing short supply of fertilizers and resultant black market. Every year farmers are resorting to demonstrations to protest this at hundreds of places across the country.

The government has completely neglected irrigation which is the only key to make our rain dependent agriculture into a more sustainable activity. In 1989, when Dr. Manmohan Singh was in Planning Commission, it decided to lower the allocation for irrigation in the back drop of bumper crop during some of the previous years. This one disastrous decision has caused the nation 20 years of back log in irrigation and caused irreparable loss to the

agriculture sector.

Drought and Unseasonal Rains

Large parts of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan are experiencing severe drought. More than 100 districts in the country are severely affected. Crops have been lost. Debts are mounting. Farmers are in acute trouble. Water scarcity has created problems even for drinking water and many power plants are closed due to shortage of water. In absence of water and fodder, public cattle camps have had to be organized. Even as economic activity has slowed down in rural areas, the central government has failed to take immediate action for helping farmers.

The unseasonal rains in the month of January-February and a long spell of winter have also caused irreparable damage to the standing crops in North India. The Rabi output can be expected to be adversely affected and farmers could incur huge losses.

The BJP demands immediate waiver of loans of the affected farmers and all the needed help to the affected states.

BJP Led NDAs
Contribution to National
Development

The BJP is proud of its state governments for their splendid performance in agriculture, over all development and carrying out pro-people reforms.

If the country's agriculture is growing at 3.5% for which the President Mr. Pranab Mukherjee patted the Central Government, it must be noted that the average of agriculture development in BJP and NDA ruled states is

double of national average.

The Congress party's is linking its political fortunes on the issue of food security and direct cash transfer schemes. The Chhattisgarh Government has already successfully enacted and implemented a food security scheme covering 90% of the people in the state. This successful model is constantly being appreciated for its near universal coverage. Many of NDA ruled states are already following direct cash transfer of scholarships, pension and many other welfare schemes through banks.

The BJP and NDA ruled states have set an example of faster progress with good governance practices. If country is registering 5% growth it is only because NDA ruled states are growing on an average of 10% consistently.

In the absence of the congress led UPA government being able to manage the economy, they would serve the country better if they merely emulated and even copied the innovative and successful programs of the BJP and NDA state governments.

The Central Government knowing fully well this performance of NDA Governments, targets them on mining and discriminates in many other schemes. The taxes proposed on non-AC restaurants is encroachment on State domain.

The Budget – 2013

The Union Budget presented before the parliament on 28th February has very little to offer to the Indian Economy. It makes certain cosmetic changes in the policy and taxation structure. Though verbose in

content the budget is low in ambition. It does very little to boost Indian Manufacturing. Agriculture continues to be neglected. Even a ritual of reference to the AAM AADMI has been abandoned. It contains no steps which could boost exports, inflation contained and Rupee strengthened. Having brought down the economy to a 5% growth rate the UPA in its latest budget fails to lay down even an initial road map for walking back to 9% growth rate destination. There is a warning in the Budget. The petroleum subsidy of Rs. 96,980 Crores is intended to bring down to Rs 65,000 Crores. It is an indication that petrol, diesel and gas prices will further increase.

This budget is not a policy statement. It brings no directional change. It is merely an accounting exercise wherein expenditure has been cut with no prospect of increase. This may not spur growth. The poor and the weaker sections along with the middle classes will be hit the most.

The worst betrayal has come in form of a cut in State outlays by whooping Rs. 60,000 Crores in Revised Estimates (RE) for 2012 – 13. This is done without any discussion or announcement.

The Finance Minister referred about our requirement of 75 billion USD for next couple of years to finance the CAD. According to him there are only three ways to do this FDI, FII and ECB. This explains that the economic reform path adopted by Congress led UPA Government is not as per the national needs but is influenced by global prescription. Every Country has to discover its own

path of reforms which is sustainable and suitable to its local needs. In this regard BJP has a proven track record of taking the country on the fast growth trajectory and we are committed and capable to do it again.

In short, with its anti people policies, Congress has inflicted heavy losses on farmers and poorer sections of the society. The hopes and aspirations of middle class stands shattered. Both urban and rural economy has equally suffered and jobs and growth has taken a nosedive.

Therefore BJP demands,

- ▶ Immediate roll back of all hikes in administered prices of petrol, diesel and capping of gas cylinders.
- ▶ Bringing down prices of all essential commodities by necessary policy revamp.
- ▶ Increase MSP based on Cost + 50% formula.
- ▶ Restart the assured minimum income guarantee scheme for farmers.
- ▶ Waiver of loan for drought and unseasonal rain affected farmers.
- ▶ Give Loan waiver benefit to those eligible farmers who have been left out in implementation of farm loan waiver scheme.
- ▶ Take immediate steps to bring down Fertilizer Prices.
- ▶ BJP demands job, wage and social security for all workers who do not get it.

If these demands are not met, BJP will launch nationwide public agitation against these anti-people and anti-development economic policies of the UPA government. ■

MADHYA PRADESH

Dr. MM Joshi lauds Chief Minister's economic policies

Former BJP President Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi MP said that *Antyodaya* philosophy of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay is being given concrete shape in Madhya Pradesh under the leadership of



Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan. He said Madhya Pradesh will become a developed State as a result of spectacular

achievements made by it in development sector. Dr. Joshi was launching Atal Jyoti Abhiyan for supplying 24-hour power in Burhanpur district on 17 March, 2013. With this, Burhanpur became the sixth districts in Madhya Pradesh in respect of 24-hour power supply. Earlier, this facility was provided to Jabalpur, Mandla, Shahdol, Umaria and Anuppur districts.

Dr. Joshi said for boosting country's economy, it is necessary to improve farmers' income and economic condition. He said Madhya Pradesh Government is doing excellent work for country's development by promoting agriculture. Every sector witnesses development when farmers' income increases and income of people engaged in every sector is enhanced. During the last five years, farmers' income has increased many folds only in Madhya Pradesh, he said.

Referring to development works being undertaken in every sector by the BJP government, he said that Madhya Pradesh is becoming economically strong. Here poor, *dalit* and other weaker sections are central to development schemes. Ensuring farmers' income is like *Kalpvraksh* in the country and Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan's economic policies aim to make the country strong. He said that Madhya Pradesh will become a golden State in future as a result of spectacular successes achieved by it. Making formal launch of Atal Jyoti Abhiyan in Burhanpur, he said that now non-agriculture consumers in the

district will get 24-hour power supply and minimum eight hours for agriculture works.

Speaking on the occasion MP Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that a network of small and cottage industries will be laid in Madhya Pradesh and for this every possible assistance will be given to youths. Power loom sector in Burhanpur district will revive following 24-hour power supply. He said that the Madhya Pradesh Government is attaching priority to youths' training and employment. Mukhyamantri Yuva Swarozgar Yojna will be launched from April 01. Under the scheme, the State Government will give bank guarantee upto Rs. 25 lakh loan for setting up industries and business. Besides, 5 per cent interest subsidy will also be given for 5 years.

ANDHRA PRADESH

In AP BJP to go solo in 2014 : G. Kishan Reddy



BJP would contest all the 294 Assembly and 42 Lok Sabha seats in Andhra Pradesh on its own in 2014 elections, State BJP President Shri G.Kishan Reddy said on March 10 in Hyderabad.

Addressing BJP's State Council meeting after assuming charge as State BJP president for the second consecutive term, he said people were fed up with regional parties and took a dig at YSRC honorary president Y.S. Vijayamma's recent claim that the party would not support NDA grouping in the post-election scenario in 2014. "Did we ever seek the support of YSRC", he asked and quipped that Congress and YSRC would likely to be merged in the future.

He said the immediate goal was to strengthen BJP in Andhra Pradesh and ensure that it emerged as a strong force in next year's elections. There would be committees in every village and town he said.

Launching a scathing attack on the Congress led State government; he said that it failed on all

fronts. The State was facing agriculture and power crises like never before and yet the government was least bothered about people's problems.

Shri Reddy criticised TDP for remaining neutral during the voting on no-confidence motion against the Congress government headed by Chief Minister N. Kiran Kumar Reddy. On the occasion Shri Reddy said the party will be expanded and there will be committees in every village and town in the state.

BJP to conduct 'Praja chaitanya sadassu'

The State BJP has also decided to conduct the 'Praja chaitanya sadassu' from March 24 onwards to pep up the morale of party Karyakartas and also expose the alleged misdeeds and anti-people policies of the Congress led UPA government at the Centre and State. As per the decision former BJP National President Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu will address the 'Praja chaitanya sadassu' in all 42 Parliament constituencies beginning from March 24 onwards. The first meeting will be held in Secunderabad Parliament constituency on March 24, next in Guntur on March 25 and in Karimnagar constituency on March 26 in the first phase.

ODISHA

Naveen Patnaik involved in mining scam : KV Singh Deo

The Newly-appointed Odisha BJP President Shri Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo said that Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik was involved in several illegal mining scams in the



State. Addressing party leaders and Karyakartas soon after assuming charge of his new post at the party's State headquarters in Bhubaneswar Shri Singh Deo expressed the hope that the truth would come to light once the M.B. Shah Commission submitted its final report on its probe into the mining scam to the Centre.

He further said the Odisha Chief Minister Mr. Patnaik was also involved in the matter pertaining

to the signing of an agreement between Delhi-based Sainik Mining and Odisha Mining Corporation. The agreement had since been cancelled. Shri Singh Deo also went on to say that Mr. Patnaik would meet the same fate as former Jharkhand Chief Minister Madhu Koda.

Shri Singh Deo also told media persons that the BJP would not have any sort of alliance with the ruling Biju Janata Dal or the Odisha Jan Morcha in the 2014 polls. The party, he said, would go to the people and focus on major issues by involving party leaders and workers at the grassroots level.

Several other senior leaders who also addressed the meeting expressed confidence that BJP would perform better in the upcoming polls under Shri Singh Deo's leadership.

KARNATAKA

BJP seeks Union Minister Veerappa Moily's resignation

Senior leaders of State Bharatiya Janata Party said that the Kisan Sabha Trust at Kukkundoor near Karkala, run by the family of Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas M. Veerappa Moily, was receiving donations from corporate groups. The party called for Mr. Moily's immediate resignation.

Speaking to presspersons on 20 March, 2013 in Bangalore State BJP spokesperson Shri S. Prakash along with senior leader Shri Aswathanarayana MLC and Bharatiya Janata Party Yuva Morcha President Shri Sunil Kumar said that Mr. M. Veerappa Moily's wife, son and daughter were members of the Trust that had taken two pieces of *gomal* land at Kukkundoor and encroached on the neighboring government land on which the institution had come up in 1995-96.

The BJP leaders alleged that the Union Minister had used his position as Minister for Corporate Affairs to get donations for the residential school. They also said the strength of the school run by the Trust was 115, and 50 of the students had paid donation of Rs. 25,000 each, making it a profit-earning institution.

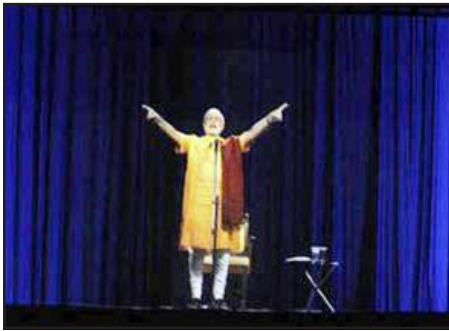
They also said that the institution had not paid annual property tax of Rs. 10,000 to the Panchayats for 13 years, and had failed to pay tax for the hall built on it.

GUJARAT

Modi's 3D interaction enters Guinness Book of World Records

Just few months back, Gujarat CM Narendra Modi recorded a hat-trick by winning the third consecutive election in Gujarat. Shri Modi led charge of a whirlwind campaign, covering the length and breadth of Gujarat in a matter of weeks. On the campaign trail, Shri Modi left no stone unturned to relentlessly reach out to the common

man and woman in every corner of the state. The last election campaign in Gujarat was very special



because it marked a paradigm shift in the way technology was perceived and utilised in any election campaign in the history of India. Shri Narendra Modi, known as one of the most techno savvy Indian leaders, brought in a real game changer in the election arena in the form of 3D Holographic Projection technology.

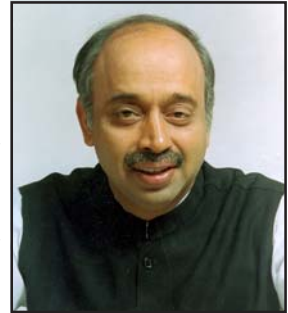
This is the first time such a technology was used anywhere in the world and it is a matter of immense pride that this happened in Gujarat was on the evening of 18th November 2012 that Shri Narendra Modi first connected with people across 4 cities of Gujarat using the 3D technology. The interaction became an instant hit and people were awed by his inspiring speech. Later on, on 29th November 2012 Shri Modi addressed people across 26 places (covering 15 districts) using 3D projection technology. On 4th December 2012 he addressed people across 52 places through the medium. Yet again, a record number of people came out to extend solidarity with Shri Modi and the BJP. On 10th December 2012, he interacted with the people across a record number of 53 locations. He repeated this feat and addressed people across 53 places on 14th December. During the course of these 3D gatherings, Shri Modi addressed a wide variety of issues. He brought up the various development projects of the Gujarat Government to the notice of

the people. He reminded the people how the Gujarat Government was steadfast in maintaining its resolve to fulfill the expectations of the people. He also reminded the people how vote bank politics was harming the interest of the nation. It was heartening to see people thronging to the 3D conferences of Narendra Modi. Due to this successful use of 3D technology, Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi's 3D interactions during assembly elections feature in the Guinness Book of World Records.

DELHI

BJP targets power regulator to foil another tariff hike

To mount pressure on the Delhi Government to prevent another power tariff hike, Delhi BJP President Shri Vijay Goel led a protest demonstration of party workers, non-government organizations and residents' welfare



association representatives outside the office of the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission and called into question its decisions of the last two years which had led to a 59 per cent hike in tariff in the Capital.

Stating that the DERC Chairman has not given a hearing to a BJP-led delegation for the last three days, Shri Goel cautioned that if the DERC Chairman would not accord a hearing to the BJP and activists of various residents' welfare associations by Friday then the party would stage a "gherao" of his office. "If the rise in power tariffs is not checked then the Chief Minister would have to face the wrath of the people," he cautioned, noting that rather than providing relief to the consumers ground is being prepared by the Government for another tariff hike.

Shri Goel also noted that in his address to the Delhi Assembly that the Lieutenant-Governor had stated that Delhi has saved around Rs. 30,000 crore due to the power privatization. In that case, he asked why have the power tariffs gone up and not reduced. ■