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**BJP leaders waving at the massive gathering of Karyakartas in Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh)**

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*In my sixty years of political life I have not known any colleague of mine so consistently, and so viciously maligned by opponents as Narendra Modi. Ironically, during the same period as this calumny campaign has been at its peak, the C.M. has been a recipient of fulsome compliments for making Gujarat a leading state.*



—Shri L K Advani,  
Chairman BJP Parliamentary Party

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*Ever since the Congress led UPA-II assumed office there has been a legitimate apprehension in India and amongst the developing countries with regard to the dilution of India's conventional position in the climate change negotiations.*

—Shri Arun Jaitley, Leader of  
Opposition (Rajya Sabha)

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### Letters to Editor...

#### Good show by NDA

Sir,

BJP Governments putting up a good show in all their States, and with the JD(U)-BJP alliance winning the Bihar election, it is beyond doubt that the political wave in the country is pro BJP right now. With a score of scams that have surfaced recently, the UPA seems to be losing ground. Against this backdrop, it would not be wrong to conclude that the Congress-led UPA may bite the dust if a general election is held today. It is expected that the BJP-led NDA will raise the issues affecting common man both in the Parliament and outside it.

Amarendra Kumar  
New Delhi

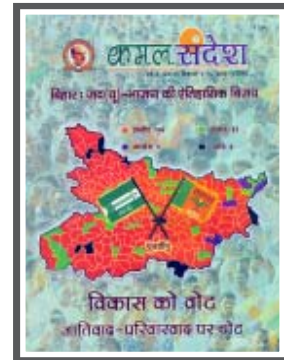
#### Congress minister turns separatist

Dear Sir,

In a major embarrassment for the whole nation the J&K Minister for Health & Horticulture Sham Lal Sharma has advocated the cause of "free Kashmir" at a rally in Jammu.

This is not the first time the Congress Minister has embarrassed the nation by echoing such sentiments. During Congress rule this type of anti national sentiments are expressed on a daily basis by separatist leaders like, Arundhati Roy, Mirwise Umar Farooq, Syed Ali Shah Geelani and other Hurriyat Conference leaders under the nose of Union Govt. Congress has comprehensively failed to pause this campaign. Hence the Bharatiya Janata Party has to take strong note of the Congress Minister's shocking statement and must give a fitting reply to these anti-national forces.

Harsh Devang  
Aasam



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## Karyakarta Gaurav Divas:

### A day of paying respect to the Ramsetu of organization

Some people write history. Some read history. But the karyakarta of Bharatiya Janata Party always make history. And that is what they created on 29 December 2010 in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh when more than 2.5 lac karyakartas gathered for 'Janata vandan - karyakarta abhinandan' programme. The day now stands recorded in the history. No other political party could have organized such a programme. It was a unique experiment. It was a rare example to be emulated. It was neither an election rally nor a gathering of karyakartas for elections. It was an occasion to pay respect to people and applaud the efforts of our karyakartas. Political analysts have started predicting that if the pace remains the same no one can stop BJP from making a hat-trick in Madhya Pradesh.

It is the nature of BJP karyakarta that he feels proud in organizational achievements. He always considers the achievement of the organization as his own. It was the occasion to pay respect to those karyakartas who have contributed throughout their life to the organization. It was the recognition of those karyakartas who go from home to home spreading the message of the organization. It was the acknowledgement of the vision of glorious Bharat which these karyakartas have seen through their eyes and struggled for that vision on the street. The programme was to recognize the commitment and zeal of those karyakartas who strove hard to light the lamp of Jansangh and to make the lotus bloom even at the cost of the well being of their family. It was the recognition of those karyakartas who kept working as the foundation stone and drew satisfaction from their work. It was the recognition of those youths, women and vanavasi karyakartas who carried the message of the organization to different towns, villages and homes holding the flag of the party high in their hands. The programme was dedicated to those karyakartas who remain unknown yet they untiringly contribute to the growth of the organization with full commitment and hard work.

For the karyakartas politics is not a means to earn livelihood rather it is a medium to serve the nation. The programme was in recognition of the karyakartas who never accepted emergency imposed on the country and fought determinedly against it. The families who lost their kith and kin in Kutch, Goa and Kashmir - it was the programme to pay respect to them. It was the respect paid to those countless karyakartas who sacrificed their personal and family life to work for the organization. It was to recognize the efforts of the organization which has raised the slogan of nationalism, development and good governance.

The Bharatiya Janata Party which started as Jansangh on 7th September 1951 and formed a government headed Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan, son of a farmer of Jaitpur village saw a karyakarta completing five years as chief minister on 29 November 2010. This journey amply reflects the story of a movement dedicated to ideology, zeal for serving people through good governance and commitment for the organizational principles. It was celebration of the spirit of a karyakarta who even while becoming the chief minister of the state drew satisfaction in serving the people and organization as a karyakarta. It was also the day to celebrate the political stability in Madhya Pradesh. It was a movement to energize a government which gave development and good governance to the state. The programme also shows that the Congress Party has become dormant, remains relegated to the background and now stands vanished from the state for all practical purposes. It indicates that Congress is in ICU. BJP is an ideological party which has given the mantra of development and good governance to the nation. Karyakarta is the backbone of the organization. Whatever height one might scale in the organization but remaining a karyakarta for ever is the greatest achievement. The programme was conceptualized to salute the spirit of karyakarta by paying respect to him. ■

# By denying JPC

## UPA depriving MPs the right to information

### Persevering to protect the guilty

Kamal Sandesh Bureau

The demand voiced by the main opposition Party, Bharatiya Janata Party, and supported by the other opposition groups in both houses of Parliament, is nothing new. Neither is it new that proceedings in both houses of Parliament have been stalled for pressing this demand. In the 2001 JPC on market scam and in 2003 Cola case the Congress alongwith other parties had behaved the same way as is the opposition parties today for 2G spectrum scam. It is a different matter if Congress is taking a very moralist stand on the issue today saying that it is willing to every issue in the house. But this, again, was the stand of the NDA government earlier which the Congress and other parties had refused to listen.

During the last about two years, the media had been agog with reports of wrongdoings going on in the ministry of communications under the then Minister Mr. A. Raja. But the Congress-led UPA government had either been ignoring or denying these reports vehemently. Till the very last the Congress President Mrs. Sonia Gandhi and the Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh had been giving Mr. Raja a clean chit.

There were contradictions too. On the one hand, government and Congress claimed that every-

thing in the grant of 2G spectrum licences was done as per the rules and policy and, on the other, it was being denied that the PMO was in the know of what was going on in the matter of 2G spectrum. On the eve of the presentation of the report of the Comptroller & Auditor General (CAG) of India in Parliament and under pressure of the Opposition, Mr. A. Raja was suddenly made to resign.

The CAG report has nailed the UPA claims. It has computed the loss to the public exchequer, through underhand means, at ` 1.76 crore. The amount is so enormous that it is more than what the country spends annually on its defence. Yet both the Congress and UPA government continue to maintain that nothing wrong has

been done by Mr. Raja as if putting the nation to such a colossal loss, in their eyes, is nothing wrong and criminal.

Pampering guilty

That, in spite of having made Mr. Raja resign, both the Congress and Prime Minister continue to have a very soft corner for Raja in their heart became evident when just a few days after Mr. Raja's resignation, on November 16 Prime Minister addressing a conference called by CAG he could not hide what lay in his heart when he preached this constitutional institution to make a distinction between "genuine error" and "wrongdoing". In other words, Dr. Manmohan Singh was trying to put the conduct of Mr. Raja which had caused the State ex-



chequer a loss of `1.76 crores in the category of "genuine error" and not a crime against the nation.

Further, on November 23 when Dr. Manmohan Singh visited the Central Hall of Parliament to pay homage to late Murasoli Maran, a DMK leader, and Mr. A. Raja greeted him, the Prime Minister patted Mr. Raja very affectionately.

Even the CAG report has clearly established that the Prime Minister was kept in the loop by the DoT in everything done -- right or wrong. The Report highlights that Mr. Raja had even ignored the directions of the PMO and advice of the Finance Ministry. He had even gone to the extent of questioning the right of this institution of the Constitution to go into the 2G spectrum allotments claiming it as "a matter of policy".

Needle of suspicion

Question arises: If Mr. Raja had committed no "wrongdoing" in the issue of 2G spectrum licences; if the PMO is not involved in any way, directly or indirectly; and if there is not the least onus of responsibility on the Congress Party as an organization on the political front for anything wrong, why was Raja made a scapegoat?

Why did the CBI register a criminal case at all about 11 months back if no crime had been committed? Against whom was the case registered and what was the crime committed? If there is nothing wrong, what made the Supreme Court to comment: Why is Raja still a minister? (Till that time, Mr. Raja had not resigned.) On November 25 the Supreme Court was constrained to ask why Mr. Raja and the then DoT

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"Initially we never wanted to raise the demand of a JPC in such a manner. We started the discussion on the very first day (of the Winter Session) during Zero Hour. The Lok Sabha functioned well during Question Hour on that day. But the decision to demand a JPC was taken when none of the opposition members was allowed to raise the issue of corruption in Parliament".

*-LK Advani, Chairman BJP Parliamentary Party*

"Congress has broken all records of corruption in the recent past which was painful for the country. People of this country have the right to demand answers from the Prime Minister's Office (PMO). The Prime Minister has to break his silence on the 2G Spectrum allocation scam. He should accept the demand for a JPC and suggest measures to recover losses and fix responsibility".

*-Nitin Gadkari, BJP National President*



Secretary Mr. P. J. Thomas (whom UPA has elevated to the position of another institution of the Constitution, the Central Vigilance Commissioner, despite stout opposition till the last moment by the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Mrs. Sushma Swaraj) who were directly involved in the grant of licences, had not been questioned so far?

Embarrassments for UPA

UPA has had to face a series of embarrassments in the Supreme Court when Janata Party President, Mr. Subramaniam Swamy, dragged the PMO in the matter of denial of permission to prosecute Mr. A. Raja for his criminal conduct. Besides other comments by the Supreme Court judges which have embarrassed the UPA, it was for the first time in history that a sitting prime minister was made to file his reply in the highest court of the country.

Since November 9 when the two houses of Parliament assembled for the winter session, not a single day's business could

be transacted because the opposition is adamant on its demand for constitution of a Joint Parliamentary Party (JPC) to go into the whole 2G spectrum deal. The government is equally adamant not to succumb to this demand. The gesture of the Congress that its MPs will not draw their daily allowance till the Parliament functions normally is not going to give a moral strength to ruling UPA because it is standing on prestige which does not have the sanction of morality and laws of ethics. Its standing in the eyes of the people has touched the lowest ebb.

Why no JPC?

As is the rule and practice, the members of the JPC have to be nominated by the Speaker in proportion to the strength of parties in the House with chairman belonging to the ruling party. That clearly means that the UPA will have a majority in the JPC too besides it being presided over by its own trusted individual. But the anxiety of Congress lies in lack of its own confidence in its own

allies who too will also be represented in the JPC. It fears that they may any time tilt the balance to its discomfiture and embarrassment.

Never in the history of our parliamentary party has the ruling party been so insensitive to the feelings and demands of the Opposition. Prime minister late Rajiv Gandhi enjoying an unprecedented road-roller majority in Lok Sabha, conceded the demand for a JPC to go into the Bofors scandal where allegation was just of a ₹ 60 crore commission/bribery in spite of the fact that the opposition then was in a hopeless minority.

In 1963, when just about 110 MPs from both houses of Parliament made a written demand to India's first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, for instituting a commission of inquiry against his blue-eyed Punjab chief minister and a Congress strongman, Sardar Partap Singh Kairon, the democrat in Pandit Nehru lost no time in conceding the demand and constituting a Das commission for the purpose.

The present Congress does swear by the name of Pandit Nehru and Rajiv Gandhi. But when it comes to living up to their traditions, it fails to display the same grace and spirit in 2G spectrum scam when the charges are much more serious than ever before.

Standing on feet of clay

When the government and the Congress forcefully claim that nothing wrong or against the rules and policies has been committed by Mr. A. Raja and the hands of Congress and UPA are clean, why do they dread the prospect of a JPC? Their reluctance only gives rise to the suspicion

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"When a public interest petition is submitted with regard to corruption -- including scams the government has to present all the facts, so why is the Centre fighting shy of a JPC? All opposition parties are pressing for a probe. Why is the Centre apprehensive? The JPC includes members of all parties and that will ensure an impartial investigation".

-Sushma Swaraj, Leader of Opposition (Lok Sabha)



"Parliament cannot abdicate its responsibility and that a parliamentary forum like the JPC was best suited for the investigation of 2G scam. Institutions like the CBI and CVC had lost credibility and it was for this reason that the Opposition was insisting on a JPC".

-Arun Jaitley, Leader of Opposition (Rajya Sabha)



that there are many skeletons in its cupboard.

If the Opposition is responsible for not allowing the two houses of Parliament to function smoothly, equally - and even more than that - is the UPA responsible for not creating an environment conducive for the purpose. As per media reports, certain allies of UPA, like the Trinamool Congress, have come out in support of a JPC.

In their opposition to the JPC demand the Congress and UPA are standing on the feet of clay and have neither the strength of morality nor of the people behind them in their effort to put the independent India's largest scam under the carpet. The more they oppose the JPC the more it fortifies the suspicions in the mind of the people and, on the contrary, provide more political and moral power to the opposition to press for their demand. UPA needs to forget that with its present intransigent attitude it will succeed in pushing this scandal under the carpet.

The Congress of Mrs. Sonia

Gandhi which takes pride in having enacted the Right to Information Act is itself guilty of denying the elected representatives of the people of their right to information. By doing so, it is not promoting the interests of the people but only venturing to protect the guilty who have robbed the nation of a colossal sum of ` 1.76 lakh crores.

The UPA seems to be living in a fool's paradise that it will be able to stifle the voice of the people and the opposition through its autocratic designs. It must understand that democracy is certainly a rule by majority yet, at the same time, not a dictatorship of the majority nor its arrogance and intoxication of power. It is a rule by consensus in a spirit of give and take. Transparency is the soul of democracy. Denial of the right to information and to know the truth on the strength of road-roller of majority is the curse of a dictatorship, not a virtue of a democracy. But that is what seems to be happening in India at the moment. ■

# Autonomy of investigative agencies seriously compromised : Advani

The Winter Session of Parliament continues to be stalemated. The responsibility for this stalemate is entirely of the UPA Government. The UPA has diminished all institutions which were responsible for investigations to ensure probity in public life in India.

The autonomy and independence of the Central Bureau of Investigation has been seriously compromised. Its investigation no longer inspire the confidence. It has become a convenient instrument in the hands of the Government either to whitewash certain investigations or to harass political opponents.

The Central Vigilance Commission is the internal vigilance authority of the Government. The appointment of its chief has completely demolished the credibility of the CVC as an institution. A person charge-sheeted in a corruption case, who attempted to deny the CVC and CAG its authority to question the impropriety in the 2G spectrum allotment, was appointed as its Head. His appointment was questioned first during the meeting of the appointing collegium by the Leader of Opposition (Lok Sabha), thereafter in the media and subsequently before the Supreme Court.

The Government cannot seriously expect the Opposition



*Press statement  
issued by BJP  
Parliamentary  
Party Chairman  
Shri Lal Krishna  
Advani on  
December 02, 2010*

to accept that the CBI and the CVC are the appropriate institutions which are capable of an honest investigation into the monumental 2G spectrum allotment scam.

The Prime Minister gave repeated clean chits to Shri A. Raja, the erstwhile Telecommunication Minister. He turned a deaf ear to the national hue and cry. The Parliament first debated this issue in the Rajya Sabha on 23.7.2009. Obviously,

the Opposition is no longer interested in merely talking out the issue. It wants action and therefore we had to resort to an extraordinary step of a parliamentary stalemate when scam after scam were being pushed under the carpet by the Government. But for the parliamentary stalemate, Shri A. Raja would not have resigned; but for the fear of a hostile public opinion some action would not have been initiated into the various scams surrounding the organization of the Commonwealth Games.

The width and magnitude of the matter involved in the 2G spectrum allotment case are far beyond the scope of the Public Accounts Committee. The CAG is an internal auditor of the Government. It raises various accounting and auditing issues. The PAC confines itself to the parawise observations of the CAG. It cannot go beyond the issues which were before the CAG.

The 2G spectrum allotment scam involves wide ranging issues. Why was it necessary that the Telecommunication portfolio was to be allotted only to the DMK? Were corporate interests at play that even within the DMK it was to be allotted to only to a particular individual to the exclusion of others? Were the Telecommunication Minister and his close associates in regular touch with corporate

lobbyists while formulating the policy for allotment of 2G spectrum?

What is the truth with regard to the role of these lobbyists in relation to various institutions so vital to the working of the Indian democracy? Was the allotment policy framed to favour a few at the cost of the National Exchequer? Why was spectrum allotted in 2007-08 at 2001 prices? What is the magnitude of loss caused to the public exchequer? Is there evidence available to suggest that there is an nexus between the allotting authority and the beneficiaries?

A large number of these issues are not within the purview of the PAC. Some may overlap with the PAC but there is nothing new or extraordinary about the limited overlap between two different parliamentary committees.

When the investigative agencies have been compromised, the magnitude of the scam is unprecedented, a cover-up has taken place at the behest of the highest in the Government, institutions so vital for the effective functioning of the democracy are under cloud, Parliament cannot abdicate its responsibility and say it will not investigate into the matter.

Why is the Government running scared of a Joint Parliamentary Committee? The Committee will be headed by a Government nominee. Are we entitled to presume that transparency which is vital for the effective functioning of a JPC scaring the Government because embarrassing truths stares it in the face. The responsibility for the parliamentary stalemate rests entirely on the shoulders of the Government. Once the JPC is announced the NDA favours the resumption of parliamentary business forthwith. The more it delays the setting up of a JPC, the more is the Nation entitled to presume that the government is trying to evade the search and detection of truth which may be embarrassing to it. ■

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## Proceedings in Somaiya's defamation case against Digvijay Singh commence

On November 29, 2010 the Mumbai Court started the process in the defamation case filed by BJP National Secretary, Dr. Kirit Somaiya against Congress leader Digvijay Singh. Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Shri V.D. Jadhavar, after hearing Dr. Kirit Somaiya, kept further hearing on 3rd January 2011.



Advocate Dinanath Tiwari, on behalf of Dr. Somaiya, had sent a legal notice last week asking Digvijay Singh to submit public apology.

In his complaint Dr Kirit Somaiya states that Shri Digvijay Singh had on November 15, 2010, made several blatantly false and frivolous defamatory allegations against him and had called him a 'broker of the Share Bazaar' and a 'scamster and master in the Stock Exchange scam'.

The complaint further states that these statements were widely reported in the print and electronic media, thereby lowering Dr. Somaiya's esteem in the eyes of the public. He further states that these statements were widely reported in the print and electronic media, thereby lowering Dr. Somaiya's esteem in the eyes of the public.

Dr Somaiya states that these false and baseless charges made by Digvijay Singh amounts to a very serious defamation and have caused him considerable, distress and embarrassment. The allegations were made with the intent to harm his reputation. The judge has admitted the case and posted the next hearing on January 3, 2011.

Dr. Somaiya criticized Digvijay Singh's allegations by stating that this is a case of '*ulta chor kotwal ko datey*'. He added that the BJP was always in the forefront in exposing the scams and fighting for the rights of the common man while it was the Congress which has always been surrounded by corruption.

BJP Mumbai President Shri Raj Purohit, Corporator Shri Manoj Kotak and BJP N-E District President Shri Vinayak Kamath accompanied Dr. Somaiya to the court. ■





## Ambitions of separatists emboldened due to weak attitude of Central Govt. : Anurag Thakur

*Central Government is adopting an attitude of gross negligence towards a very sensitive issue like National Security as a result of which sovereignty of the country is being endangered and the separatists are becoming bold.*

In a Press Release on November 30, 2010 BJYM National President Shri Anurag Thakur MP has expressed his resentment over the helplessness of Congress led Union Government while condemning the anti-India campaign being run by separatists all over the country.

Shri Thakur has said that on one hand Jammu-Kashmir Government has been demanding withdrawal of army from Srinagar despite disturbed conditions prevailing there and on the other hand Central Government is adopting an attitude of gross negligence towards a very sensitive issue like National Security as a result of which sovereignty of the country is being endangered and the separatists are becoming bold. He also demanded that the Central Government must prosecute Mirwaiz Umar Farooq and arrest him for treason.

He said it is notable that a seminar was organised on November 30, 2010 at Foreign Correspondence Club, New Delhi on Jammu & Kashmir issue in which separatist leader of

Hurriyat Conference Mirwaiz Umar Farooq was invited as Chief Speaker. Earlier also, a similar seminar was held in Chandigarh & Kolkata in which Mirwaiz Umar Farooq had given anti-India statement resulting in strong protest lay BJYM members president on the occasion. When Mirwaiz Umar Farooq started giving anti-India statement in New Delhi, the workers of Bhartiya Janata Yuva Morcha, Delhi had made a strong protest. The police personnel present there had used force to

stop the workers of BJYM from protesting as a result of which National General Secretary BJYM Shri Manoranjan Mishra and several others were injured.

The Delhi Police has arrested Shri Manoranjan Mishra, BJYM Delhi State President, Shri Nakul Bhardwaj, BJYM NEC Member Shri Anuj Sharma, General Secretary BJYM Delhi Pradesh, Shri Manjit Singh, UP BJYM State President Shri Harish Dwedi, Shri Tejendra Pal Singh and many other. ■

### New Pradesh Prabharis in Punjab & Karnataka

The BJP National President, Shri Nitin Gadkari on December 04 has nominated Shri Shanta Kumar as the Prabhari of Punjab and Shri Dharmendra Pradhan as the Prabhari of Karnataka respectively. Shri Arun Jaitley will give special attention to the Karnataka party affairs.

*List of new Conveners and Co-Conveners of various BJP Cells appointed by BJP National President Shri Nitin Gadkari on December 06, 2010*

Shri Mange Ram Garg	<b>Convener</b>	Aajiwan Sahyog Nidhi
Shri Padmanabha Acharya	<b>Co-Convener</b>	Aajiwan Sahyog Nidhi
Shri Padmanabha Acharya	<b>Co-Convener</b>	Overseas Friends of BJP
Shri Anil Gupta	<b>Convener</b>	Nepal Samparak Cell
Shri Triloki Nath Razdan	<b>Convener</b>	J&K Samparak Cell
Dr. Sri Krishna Mittal	<b>Co-Convener</b>	Cow & Development Cell
Shri Suresh Srivastava	<b>Co-Convener</b>	Sahyog Cell



Desperate to make CPM rally a success,  
**Kolkata police *lathi*-charge BJP workers, injure over 1,000**

From Our Correspondent

In the protest against rising prices of essential commodities and deteriorating law & order situation and a host of other issues in West Bengal thousands of BJP *Karyakartas* and supporters including BJP West Bengal President Shri Rahul Sinha, were injured on November 30 when police lobbed teargas shells and cane-charged a massive party rally at Netaji Subhas Road, near Writers' Buildings, Kolkata. As per sources around 40,000 BJP *Karyakartas* and supporters participated in the demo march.

The police fought a pitched battle with the demonstrators, who proceeded for the venue from all directions as part of the

**BJP observes 'black day' against police brutality**

The West Bengal BJP observed State-wide Black Day on December 01, 2010 in protest against police excesses on its supporters and *Karyakartas* at the protest march organised by the party in Kolkata on November 30.

The BJP supporters took out a condemnation procession in the city and burnt an effigy of Chief Minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee even as 22 BJP supporters were produced at a court in Kolkata and remanded to five days in police custody.

West Bengal BJP President Shri Rahul Sinha said that the manner in which the BJP leaders and supporters were beaten up by the police on the dais was unprecedented and demanded CM Bhattacharjee's resignation over the incident. "If the State Government thinks that it can throttle the Opposition's voice in this manner, they are wrong. Such tyrannical ways cannot stop us," he added.

*Mahakaran Abhiyan* (march to the Writers' Buildings "*Writers' Chalo*") programme. The BJP supporters clashed with the

policemen after they were prevented from going ahead of barricades during the march. The police started *lathi*-charge and

firing tear-gas shells to disperse the mob without any warning, witnesses said.

Later, police detained scores of partymen, including Shri Rahul Sinha and former State BJP President Shri Tathagata Roy, who

## BJP condemns police brutality on peaceful demonstrators in Kolkata

In a statement in Kolkata on November 30, 2010 the Pioneer editor and BJP Member of Parliament Shri Chandan Mitra said the Bharatiya Janata Party unequivocally condemns the brutal assault on peaceful demonstrators in Kolkata by the police, clearly acting under orders of a jittery CPI (M) regime in the State. Police indulged in wanton and unprovoked violence against party workers who were assembling in Central Kolkata in response to the call for encircling Writers' Building, the seat of the Government. Nervous that the

unprecedented gathering of BJP supporters would completely overshadow a CPM rally close by, in which Chief Minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee was the main speaker, the police unleashed a reign of terror to foil the BJP's hugely successful gathering.

In their desperation to make the CPM rally a success, the police went berserk and lathi-charged peaceful BJP supporters, injuring over 1,000. Television pictures clearly show how the Kolkata Police and RAF personnel went after BJP workers, chasing them from lane to lane, dragging them out and mercilessly beating them to pulp.

State President Shri Rahul Sinha, former President Shri Tathagata Roy and many other prominent party leaders were grievously injured in the lathi-charge and had to be hospitalized.



sustained injuries. Shri Sinha said around 50 BJP activists were injured and taken to various hospitals while about 750 *karyakartas*, BJP State President Shri Rahul Sinha and 24 senior leaders of the party were arrested.

Later Shri Sinha said Kolkata had never seen a BJP rally of such magnitude and now the protests would be organised throughout the State. Condemning the unprovoked police attack, the BJP put it on the "jittery" CPI (M) regime. ■

Earlier, the police reached the BJP party office, some distance away from the venue of the protest and lathi-charged several thousand assembled workers to prevent them from marching towards Writers' Building. When such brutal violence failed to dampen the enthusiasm of determined party workers, the police fired over 100 rounds of tear gas shells. The police ransacked and destroyed the rostrum from which leaders were to address the workers. Hundreds of party members and supporters have also been arrested.

The BJP protests strongly against the high-handed action of the police which revealed once again its open partisanship in support of the State's notoriously intolerant Left Front Government. Having seen the writing on the wall, the CPM has become thoroughly rattled because they know their 34-year-long misrule is about to end in the elections next year. After that they will have no place to hide, such will be the wrath of West Bengal's tortured and tormented people.

The BJP pledges to continue its peaceful agitation to arouse public opinion against the brutal *Goonda Raj* of the CPM and the disruptionist politics of the Trinamool Congress. Today's state-sponsored violence against BJP workers is yet another example of "*Vinaash kaley viprit buddhi*". ■

# Was there a design to foist Thomas as CVC?

## Somebody pulling the strings from behind?

By Amba Charan Vashishth

The Congress-led UPA is in a bind over the appointment of Mr. P. J. Thomas as a Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC). Its strenuous efforts to seek a safe passage through making him 'voluntarily' resign to save itself of further embarrassment seemed to have boomeranged. So far Mr. Thomas has refused to submit and oblige the government.

That the Congress supremo Mrs. Sonia Gandhi and Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh continued to ignore, deliberately, what Mr. A. Raja was doing in the ministry of telecommunications is understandable. For them the continuance and stability of their government was more precious than the '1.76 lakh crore loot of the public exchequer. They could not afford to annoy DMK to which Mr. Raja belonged because UPA is subsisting with the life-saving support extended by this party.

But intriguing is the way the Congress and Prime Minister put their foot down on the selection of Mr. Thomas to the constitutional office of CVC even in the face of fierce opposition to his selection by the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Mrs. Sushma Swaraj, the third important member of the 3-member collegium with Prime Minister and Home Minister (HM) as the other members. Mrs. Swaraj had based her opposition

to his selection not on any political considerations but because of his past service record. Mr. Thomas was the Secretary of Telecommunications (DoT) under Mr. Raja when the infamous 2G spectrum allotment scam took place. A chargesheet under section 120B of the Indian Penal Code accusing him of criminal conspiracy in the Kerala palmolein import scam in 1991. There seems another connection. Congress-led UDF government was ruling in Kerala when this scam happened.

The government, in all fairness, certainly needed an individual with an impeccable record of integrity, honesty and fairness who outshone all others as an outstanding civil servant who is to be saddled with the onerous responsibility to ensure probity and honesty in government and public life as the country's anti-corruption watchdog. Should a person occupy such an important position on whom people could raise a finger on his conduct? Overrules own rules

It seems the Congress had picked up Mr. Thomas for the job much before the process of selection was actually set in motion. Therefore, the whole exercise seems to have been designed to achieve the objective to put him on the job. The first step in this direction was the subversion of the 2000 guidelines

issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) – interestingly, in consultation with the then Central Vigilance Commission which Mr. Thomas was to head following his selection – through its Office Memorandum (OM), (TOI Dec. 07, 2010) that the vigilance clearance to an officer of the All-India Service "shall not be withheld unless chargesheet has been filed in a court by investigating agency in a criminal case and the case is pending". Therefore, as per the DoPT guidelines Mr. Thomas's was a fit case to withhold the vigilance clearance. Since the DoPT is under the charge of the Prime Minister, no such clearance could have been issued without his consent, particularly when it is in violation of the Department's own guidelines. Had the PMO withheld the "vigilance clearance" his name could not have figured in the panel of names under consideration for the post of CVC.

Since a 3-member committee makes the selection of an individual for CVC, it clearly means that there must be a consensus in the matter. It cannot be done through a system of voting in which the government has a clear 3-1 majority with PM, HM and Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha as members. That the UPA government chose to ignore the

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## BJP is the only Party which has inner democracy : Nitin Gadkari

From Our Special Correspondent

Madhya Pradesh Bharatiya Janata Party organized a *Karyakarta Gaurav Diwas Sammelan* on November 29 to mark the completion of five years of Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan as chief minister of the State. Shri Chouhan has earned the distinction of being the first non-Congress Chief Minister to have completed five years in office in the State. The occasion saw huge gathering of more than 2.5 lac karyakartas thronging the venue at *Jamboori Maidan* Bhopal from different parts of the State to participate in the celebrations.

Besides BJP national president Shri Nitin Gadkari, BJP Parliamentary Party Chairman Shri Lal Krishna Advani, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Smt. Sushma Swaraj, Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley, former BJP president Shri Rajnath Singh, Shri Venkaiah Naidu, BJP National General Secretary Shri Ananth Kumar and National General Secretary

(Organisation) Shri Ram Lal and other senior leaders graced the *Sammelan*.

Addressing the massive gathering BJP National President **Shri Nitin Gadkari** said, BJP is the only party in the country which has inner democracy and it is only in *BJP* that an ordinary party *karyakarta* on the basis of his performance can become a chief minister. One can also be state president, national president, even prime minister. It is not possible in the Congress Party. Shri Gadkari praised BJP State government for taking the initiative to eradicate poverty, hunger and corruption from the state. He said the goal of the party is to promote nationalism and good governance touching new horizon of development. Central leadership of the party will stand like a rock behind the State leadership in achieving these goals, he assured.

Speaking on the occasion, BJP Parliamentary Party Chairman **Shri**

**Lal Krishna Advani** said BJP stands for doing social work and for ushering in change for the betterment of society. Therefore, we feel proud when BJP does it. He termed the BJP's *Gaurav Diwas* as a unique initiative for healthier democracy. He praised Madhya Pradesh BJP President Shri Prabhat Jha for his initiative in organising *Karyakarta Gaurav Diwas*.

The Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, **Smt. Sushma Swaraj** saluted the *karyakartas* whom she compared as manifestation of god. They have no personal axe to grind; their only goal is to serve the nation. The dignity and self-respect of the *karyakartas* should be respected. She said that the State was fortunate in having a polite and dutiful courageous soldier of the party in the person of Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan as chief minister. Shri Chouhan is not only simple but also easily accessible to the masses. Apart from being a capable leader, his politeness, simplicity and



ingenuity connects him easily to the masses, she said.

The concept of *Karyakarta Gaurav Diwas*, Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley said, was a unique initiative. “Winning election may be easy but to return to power for the second time consecutively is a very difficult task”, he said. He praised the State BJP organization and *karyakartas* for having made history in returning the government to the power in the State.

Addressing the BJP *karyakartas* in the *Sammelan*, former BJP President **Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu** praised the initiative of State President Shri Prabaht Jha saying it is an initiative laudable and worth emulating. He congratulated Shri Prabhat Jha and State Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan for the event. He said “Madhya Pradesh is scaling new heights of development and all the credit goes to the coordination between the government and party organization, constructive contribution by the party activists and polite and dutiful party leaders”.

Former BJP President **Shri Rajnath Singh** said, “I have seen many *Sammelans* in my life but the

*Gaurav Diwas Karyakarta Sammelan* is a rare event”. He also praised the State President Shri Prabhat Jha and State office-bearers and *karyakartas* for organising such a grand event. Able and competent leadership of Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan has not only benefitted the State but also resulted in commendable and wonderful initiative in implementing Public Service Guarantee Act 2010 which will serve the people of the state and will make administration more accountable and sensitive, he said.

National General Secretary (Organisation) **Shri Ram Lal** commended the work done by the Chief Minister, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan and State BJP President Shri Prabhat Jha in successfully organizing such a successful and memorable event.

BJP National General Secretary and BJP State in-charge **Shri Ananth Kumar** said that it was a programme aimed at not only welcoming the *karyakartas* but to pay respect to them and the people of Madhya Pradesh. We have to repeat the historic success of Bihar election in Madhya Pradesh by aiming to win more than 200 hundreds seats in 2013 assembly



election, he said.

BJP National General Secretaries **Shri Narendra Singh Tomar** and **Shri Thawarchand**

## Exhibitions

- ▶ *Four exhibitions on evolution of Jansatta Madhya Pradesh Government were*
- ▶ *2. Farmer`s son -journey from village*
- ▶ *3. Madhy Pradesh- story of sustained dev*

## Advani praises

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- ▶ *Shri Prabhat Jha and MP Chief*
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the grand event successfully.

Scindia, Shri Payarelal Kandewal had laid the foundation of the organisation in the State with the dream of making Madhya Pradesh a developed state which is coming true under the able leadership of Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan as the State is rapidly heading towards achieving the vision of a *Swarnim Madhya Pradesh*.

**Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan** and State President Shri Prabhat Jha welcomed the guests. Shri Chouhan assured the central leadership that BJP will win the 2013 assembly election once again. He also declared that students who pass out the primary class would also be provided with bicycles.

Greeting the *karyakartas* State BJP president **Shri Prabhat Jha** said in Madhya Pradesh our *karyakartas* have created history. Their work is commendable. He said, "All office-bearers are only *karyakartas*." *Karyakartas* are the biggest asset of the organization as it was the *karyakartas* who have helped in making people-oriented programmes of the government a great success. "Our *karyakartas* are like Maryada Purshottam Ram and I am as Hanuman for you", he said.

A large number of senior BJP

leaders participated in the programme. Former CMs of Madhya Pradesh Shri Sunder Lal Patwa and Shri Kailash Joshi, National ST Morcha President Shri Faggan Singh Kulaste, National Minority Morcha President Shri Tanveer Ahmad, Convenor Media Cell Shri Srikant Sharma, Shri Sathyanarayan Jatia, Shri Kailash Narang, Shri Narayan Gupta, State General Secretary (Organization) Shri Makhan Singh, MP Joint General Secretary(Org.) Shri Bhagwat Sharan Mathur, Shri Laxmi Narayan Pandey, State Vice-Presidents Shri Raghunandan Sharma MP, Shri Bhupendra Singh, Shri Rampal, State General Secretary Smt. Maya Singh MP, Shri Rakesh Singh MP, Shri Kuwar Singh, State BJYM President Shri Jitu Jirati, State Mahila Morcha President Smt. Nita Pateria, State Kisan Morcha President Shri Bansilal Gurjar, State SC Morcha President Shri Omprakash Dhurve, State Minority Morcha President Shri Hidayatullah Khan, State Media Cell Convenor Dr. Hitesh Vajpayee were also present on the occasion among others. The programme was conducted by State General Secretary Shri Nand Kumar Singh Chauhan. ■



## Shivrajji and his government are guided by *antyaodya* principles : Prabhat Jha

*First of all please accept our congratulations for successful conclusion of 'Janata vandan - karyakarta abhinandan' - a unique programme organized in Madhya Pradesh. What do you think were the main features of this programme?*

It was a grand programme organized in Madhya Pradesh celebrating the hard work and enthusiasm of the *karyakartas*. No work in the organization can be completed without the involvement of *karyakartas* so it was attempted to take note of the fact that we should be proud of our *karyakartas* who act as *Ramsetu* in connecting our ideology to the masses. *Karyakartas* might not be having any personal expectations from the government but he should not be ignored. That's why the programme was named as "*Janata vandan - karyakarta abhinandan*". So far Indian history had never witnessed such a grand spectacle of the *karyakartas* who gathered in huge numbers. Secondly, never before a scene of such collectivity was witnessed. The coordination between various parts of the organization was unique. The organizational decision to make the chief minister of Madhya Pradesh a *jananayak* by any party was also unprecedented. The most important feature of the programme was discipline, unity and sense of belonging to a family which was experienced by everyone. The political power of BJP was taken to the hands of people through the programme. 'Cadre' was in lively connection with 'leader'. The gathering of more than two and half lac active *karyakartas* was full of enthusiasm.

*BJP is in power in Madhya Pradesh for last six-seven years and Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan has also completed five years as chief minister. What kind of relation do you see between government and organization? Has*



*On 29 November 2010 Madhya Pradesh BJP organized a programme 'Janata vandan - karyakarta abhinandan' in Bhopal. It was a grand gathering of more than 2.5 lac karyakartas who came from different parts of State to exhibit their sense of solidarity and commitment to the organization. It was also the day when Madhya Pradesh chief minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan completed five years in office. BJP State president Shri Prabhat Jha MP who toured the State vigorously after assuming the office played a leading role in conceptualizing the programme and ensuring that it was a grand success. Dr. Shiv Shakti Bakshi, Executive Editor Kamal Sandesh spoke to him on various issues related to organization and government in the State and the aims and objectives of the programme.*



*organization gained grounds by being in the government?*

**The** success of organization lies in chief minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan who always remained a *karyakarta*. We have tried to give a message that whatever height a *karyakarta* might achieve his sense of being a *karyakarta* should always remain alive. Organization is the mother of power and it should always strive to protect the power like a mother protects her child. Organization should always be watchful so that power operates within the framework of *samskar*. The coordination which is seen in Madhya Pradesh should not only be emulated by BJP but also by other political parties.

*What kind of works the organization expects from the government?*

**Pandit** Deendayal Upadhyayji had said that until we are able to bring a smile on the face of the last man in the society our political mission will not be complete. I am feeling glad to say that all the plans and projects of BJP State government and chief minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan are guided by the principles of *antyyodaya*. Work for everyone and everyone for work is the guiding principle. Madhya Pradesh government has taken many historical decisions for women including women reservation. While on the one hand Madhya Pradesh government has become synonymous with the social security programmes, on the other hand Public Service Guarantee Act 2010 is widely acclaimed as a step to be emulated by others too.

*You have almost completed six months as State president. What are the main steps you have taken? What influence do you see on government and party by actions like 'Shuchita Samkalp'?*

**We** have covered 141 *mandals* within six months. There are 618 *mandals* in Madhya Pradesh. By the end of one year we will be able to reach around 300 *mandals*. Tribal and scheduled areas are my priorities. *Karyakartas* are feeling that not a party president but a common *karyakarta* is

reaching them. It is also an achievement that a *karyakarta* is able to meet another *karyakarta*. We have started membership campaigns in the areas in which BJP lost in the elections. We have organized *Annadata Sammelan* for farmers. "Save National Highway" campaign was launched in several places in the State on the same day. Central minister Kamalnath felt compelled to start highway works. BJP emerged as the voice of the victims of Bhopal gas tragedy which remained buried under the debris of history for a long time. BJP MLAs from the State sat on a *dharna* in Janatar Mantar in New Delhi protesting against the discriminatory approach of the UPA government against Madhya Pradesh. Chief minister Shri Shivraj Singh started "Vanavasi Samman Yatra". The State has tried to march ahead on the path of the politics of *shuchita* by keeping away from unnecessary and vulgar political showmanships. The different layers of the organization have been knit together in such a manner so that dialogue and tour takes place as normal ingredients of organizational activities.

*You have become a State president after serving as national secretary in the organization. How do you feel working at state level after contributing on the national level politics?*

**We** are *karykartas*. We have never become a *karyakarta* under anyone's pressure or influence. Inspired by nationalism we wanted to work for the organization. We became *karyakarta* on our own. Therefore a habit to work in the organization as per organizational plan has always been there. I never gave a thought as to where I stood. I never thought over the work which was assigned to me. My concerns were always limited to the extent that I should keep working for the organization doing justice to the work assigned to me. Whether I was a national secretary or today I am a State president does not matter much - I was a *karyakarta* before, I am a *karyakarta* now and will remain a *karyakarta* as long I am alive. Therefore it doesn't matter where I am, wherever I am, I should be always in the organization - this is the only expectation. ■



## Delhi Govt. must ensure safety & security of women: Sitharaman

### From Our Correspondent

**H**undreds of activists of the BJP North-East Sampark Cell (NEC) including students from the region led by BJP National Spokesperson Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman on November 26, 2010 staged a demonstration at the Jantar Mantar in New Delhi protesting against the ever growing incidents of molestation and rape of women from the North-East in the national capital.

Carrying placards and banners criticising the "failure of the law and order machinery and the state Government", the protesters demanded that the culprits behind the recent gangrape of a Mizo BPO employee in South Delhi be brought to book immediately and urgent measures be taken to ensure the safety and

security of women from the North-East region, who were "victims of prejudice".

Addressing the protesters, Smt. Sitharaman demanded that the Union Home Ministry convene an emergency meeting and assure people of the North East that their children studying and working in Delhi were safe. She said the party would raise in Parliament the issue of their safety.

In his address, Delhi BJP President Shri Vijendra Gupta lamented that the crime graph was on the rise and the common man was suffering and held the Sheila Dikshit led Congress Government responsible. He demanded that the guilty be brought to book.

NEC National Convener

Shri Sunil Deodhar said Delhi has witnessed 15 cases of rape involving victims from the North-East since 2009. Citing recent instances, where the Cell intervened to secure justice for the victims, he said the party would spare no stone unturned to protect the respect and dignity of the people from North East and to ensure that they were not humiliated and the culprits were brought to book.

Mahila Morcha National Vice-President Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi, Shri Kabindra Purkayastha MP and Cell State Convener Shri Arun Kumar also addressed the gathering and demanded immediate action against the guilty and said the issue would be raised in Parliament. ■

# Delhi is now the official "Rape capital of India": Smriti Irani

In her letter to Delhi Chief Minister Smt. Sheila Dikshit BJP Mahila Morcha National President Smt. Smriti Irani on 24 November 2010 said the Indian capital awoke to an outrageous and preposterous crime. India the largest democracy, with the longest written constitution in the world with elaborate provisions guaranteeing right to life and liberty were put to shame.

A woman who left her house in the quest for a normal and even mundane day was scarred for life all because of the powerless, incapable, and incompetent Delhi police. A woman who came to Delhi from Mizoram in the pursuit to earn an



honest living was victim to the atrocities of four drunken men. "He who does not prevent a crime when he

can, encourages it."

A woman is raped in the Indian Capital every 24 hours. In the year 2009 there were 522 cases of molestation and 469 cases of rape. 2,359 rape cases registered by Delhi Police between early 1999 and June 2004. A 36 year old Swiss Diplomat was abducted and raped in her car on October 14, 2003. On March 15, 2004 a businessman at Deer Park in Safdarjung Enclave allegedly raped a 20 year old Fiji student. On March 17, 2004 a 59 year old Australian tourist was allegedly sexually assaulted and murdered by a taxi driver near IGI Airport, barely a couple of hours after She landed from Brisbane.

Delhi is now the official "Rape capital of India".

Article 21 of the Indian constitution guarantees Right to Life and personal liberty. However the right to life enshrined in the constitution means something more than a mere survival or animal existence. It includes right to live with human dignity. Rape is a crime against the basic human rights. The state of

## BJP delegation meets Police Commissioner

### *Demands action against culprits behind Gang rape*

A delegation of BJP leaders led by National Convener of North-East India Sampark (NEIS) Cell, Shri Sunil Deodhar called on Delhi Police Commissioner Shri B K Gupta on November 30 and urged him to ensure the safety and security of people from the North-East in the National Capital in the wake of the recent gangrape of a Mizo BPO employee.

Shri Deodhar accompanied by BJP Mahila Morcha Vice-President Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi and NEIS Cell's Delhi state Convener Shri Arun Kumar, also submitted a memorandum to the city police chief highlighting the growing attacks on people from the North-East and demanding that the guilty be brought to book.

Interacting with media persons Shri Deodhar said the Police Commissioner assured the delegation of prompt and positive action in the BPO matter and said best officers have been deployed to investigate the matter and the culprits would be booked soon. He further said police can play a vital role in building the confidence and morale of the people from the region and help in building stronger bonds between them and people from other parts of the country. The Police action would reflect as to how much they are loved and respected in this country, he said. (FOC) ■

women has become so deplorable that a woman lives in fear of half the human race. Honourable Justice S. Ahmad observed that "unfortunately, a woman in our country, belongs to a class or group of society who are in a disadvantaged position on account of several social barriers and impediments and have therefore, been victims of tyranny at the hands of men with whom they, unfortunately, under the Constitution "enjoy, equal status".

Women also have the right to life and liberty; they also have the right to be respected and treated as equal citizens. Their honour and dignity cannot be touched or violated. They also have the right to lead an honorable and peaceful life. Rape has often been described as a "Beginning of a nightmare". The Indian people are at their wits end. There are many questions that the Delhi Government and Law enforcement agencies need to answer. Why since the year 1999 have the number of rapes been on increase? What steps has the government taken to prevent this? How are they going to guarantee the protection of women?

Indian women are waiting for answers and are tired of waiting. We are tired of waiting for action. We condemn these heinous crimes that regularly take place in the backyard of the corridors of power. We the BJP Mahila Morcha now ask the authorities not to aid and abet criminals with your ineffective enforcement. We urge you to do the job you took an oath to do, protect the people you took the responsibility to protect. Do not allow the soul of women to be degraded and defiled. If this is allowed to continue the victim will no longer be the woman but will be humanity. ■

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## BJP pays tribute to Babasaheb Ambedkar



BJP leaders paid tributes to Bharat Ratna Babasaheb Dr. B R Ambedkar on his Parinirvan Divas in a function organised by BJP SC Morcha on December 6, 2010 in New Delhi. BJP National General Secretary Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, National SC Morcha President Shri Dushyant Kumar Gautam, BJYM National President Shri Anurag Thakur MP, National ST Morcha President Shri Faggan Singh Kulaste, BJP Headquarters In-charge Shri Shyam Jaju, senior parliamentarian Shri Virendra Kashyap, Shri Arjun Meghawale, Virendra Khatik, Shri Ramvihar Netam, Delhi SC Morcha President Shri Kisan Lal Dilor and other party leaders participated in the function and paid tribute to the architect of the constitution Dr. B.R Ambedkar.

After the function, a delegation included BJP leaders Shri Virendra Kashyap, Shri Arjun Meghawale, Dr. Kirit Solanki, Shri Ashok Argal, and Shri Ramnath Kovind met the Prime Minister and submitted a memorandum. The delegation demanded Dr. B.R Ambedkar Smarak at 26, Alipur Road, New Delhi should given same respect as Gandhi Samadhi and registered protest against any construction work near his birthplace at Mahu in Madhya Pradesh. (FOC) ■

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dissent of Mrs. Sushma Swaraj clearly indicates that the government had already taken a decision and what it wanted was only the nod of the Opposition leader for a person whom they had already selected. But this she did not for valid reasons substantiated with documentary evidence.

Mrs. Sushma Swaraj had suggested that the committee take into consideration the other names in the panel. But both PM and HM put their foot down and did not budge and wanted only Thomas on the post.

Therefore, it becomes all the more necessary to find out who was the authority that was pushing Thomas case from behind and the PM and HM could have no courage to defy the whim, wish and diktat of that person.

Despite reports circulating in

the media for a number of days that Mr. Thomas was going to put in his papers to save the UPA of embarrassment it is facing in the Supreme Court, now there are media reports that Mr. Thomas may haggle for the UPA government to deny permission to prosecute him under the Prevention of Corruption Act on the specious framed up plea that "the case against Thomas was in any way weak and formal denial of sanction was not out of place" (TOI). A case of the executive standing judgement on a crime.

The deal may be through. Mr. Thomas stands to gain in either case. He will escape the adverse SC verdict and save the UPA government from further embarrassment.

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# Heartening news about Gujarat and Bihar

By L K Advani

The most heartening news I have read in a long, long time is the front page report in the Times of India on December 03, 2010 bearing caption "S.I.T. CLEARS MODI OF WILFULLY ALLOWING POST-GODHRA RIOTS - Finds No Substantial Evidence"

which 58 *kar sewaks* were burned to death, riots broke out in some parts of Gujarat, and that Modi deliberately allowed the rioters to run rampage.

On April 27, 2009 the Supreme Court received a petition filed by Ms. Zakia Jafri seeking an FIR against Modi. The

course of their investigations the SIT interrogated Narendra Modi personally, and early last week submitted its report to the apex court.

The Times of India and several other papers have reported that the SIT has found no evidence to substantiate the

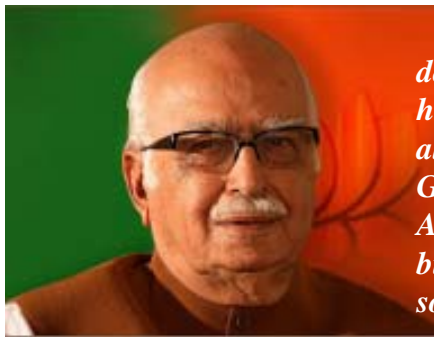
charge and has exonerated the Gujarat Chief Minister. The country is eagerly awaiting the full text of the SIT report to the Supreme Court.

The result of the Lok Sabha elections of 1977 held in the wake of the nineteen

- month Emergency which brought democracy to the brink of extinction gave immense relief to the country. Those of us who were part of the poll campaign could easily sense the electorate's anger against the Congress Party.

So when the counting of votes took place and the outcome was announced, no one was surprised that the Congress Party lost the polls. But the dimension of its defeat, particularly in North India, was a surprise for everyone - for both the Congress as well as the opposition. For the Congress Party, the result was a stunning shock. Not only because this was the first time since independence that the Congress Party had been ousted from the Central Government but also because in

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*Those who have been part of the demonising campaign against Modi have based their attack on one allegation. After the brutal attack at Godhra on a train returning from Ayodhya in which 58 kar sewaks were burned to death, riots broke out in some parts of Gujarat...*

In my sixty years of political life I have not known any colleague of mine so consistently, so sustainedly and so viciously maligned by opponents as Narendra Modi. Ironically, during the same period as this calumny campaign against Modi has been at its peak, the Gujarat C.M. has been a recipient of fulsome compliments and kudos from within the country as well as abroad for making Gujarat's a leading government in so far as the state's all-round development is concerned, and a kind of a role model for the country in so far as good and honest governance is concerned.

Those who have been part of the demonising campaign against Modi have based their attack on one allegation. After the brutal attack at Godhra on a [train returning from Ayodhya](#) in December 16-31, 2010 ○ 23

court appointed a Special Investigation Team headed by former CBI Director R.K.Raghavan to investigate Jafri's complaint.

Ms. Jafri's charge against Modi read: "The constitutionally elected head of the state and responsible for fundamental rights, right to life and property of all citizens regardless of caste, community and gender, is alleged to be architect of a criminal conspiracy to subvert constitutional governance and the rule of law; unleash unlawful and illegal practices during the mass carnage and thereafter protecting the accused who played direct as well as indirect role and abetted commission of the crime."

The Raghavan team investigated the allegations for nearly twenty months. In the

# UPA deviating from our national position on climate change : Jaitley

Ever since the UPA-II assumed office there has been a legitimate apprehension in India and amongst the developing countries with regard to the dilution of India's conventional position in the climate change negotiations. The Minister for Environment, Shri Jairam Ramesh, has made a statement on the eve of the UN Climate Summit in Cancun. He has been quoted as suggesting -"We are certainly prepared to engage in a system of monitoring, review and verifications/international consultation and analysis (MRV/ICA) of domestic climate actions which respects national sovereignty..... and we have suggested a set of operational guidelines on how this system will function."

On 7.12.2009 before leaving for Copenhagen the Environment Minister had clearly stated in the Parliament thus -

"The fourth non-negotiable is : Why we accept international scrutiny of supported actions? We will not accept the same level of international scrutiny and the same type of international scrutiny for the unsupported actions. So, wherever the world supports us in terms of finance and technology, they can come and verify what we are doing. But, where you are not supporting us - the bulk of our actions will be unsupported actions - we will not subject these actions to international scrutiny. However, we are in an open system. We are in a democratic system. We are account-



*Press statement issued by  
Leader of Opposition  
(Rajya Sabha)  
Shri Arun Jaitley on  
December 03, 2010.*

able to Parliament."

Notwithstanding this assurance to Parliament the Environment Minister at Copenhagen committed himself to a position in the accord which stated thus -

"Non-Annexure-I parties will communicate information on the implementation of their actions through national communications, with provisions for international consultation and analysis under clearly defined guidelines that will ensure national sovereignty is respected."

Thus from a position of no international scrutiny for unsupported domestic actions which was categorically assured to the Indian parliament, the Minister

committed India to international consultations and analysis.

Analysis would obviously involve a review of the targets achieved or not achieved.

He has now on the eve of the Cancun summit committed India to a position of being prepared to engage in a system of monitoring, review, verifications/international consultations and analysis of domestic climate actions. Slowly but surely the Minister has committed India to international verification of unsupported domestic actions. This was never India's position. This was never the position of the developing countries. Why has this change taken place? It is contrary to the parliamentary assurances. It is contrary to the mandate of the G-77 alliance which India has forged over the years with like minded countries. It is contrary to the elementary principles of equity where the developed countries pollute and India through unsupported domestic actions pays for environmental correction and those very steps are now subjected to international verification which gives them a binding character.

The Bharatiya Janata Party is seriously concerned with this deviation of India's national position on the eve of the Cancun summit. We urge the Prime Minister to personally intervene and prevent the Environment minister from deviating from our national position in favour of the developed countries. ■

# Salient features of BJP performance in Bihar Assembly Election, 2010

By Prakash Javadekar

Overall NDA performance:

- ▶ NDA registered historic electoral success by winning 206 out of 243 seats in Bihar Assembly. This is 4/5 of the house and exactly 84.77% of all the seats. The results are so decisive that it even improved upon its tally of leads of 175 assembly segments in 2009 Lok Sabha election.
- ▶ Bihar voted for performance particularly tremendous improvement in law in order on the backdrop of 15 years of Lalu's Jungle Raj. More than 50,000 criminals were put behind the bars and awarded sentence by fast track courts.
- ▶ This was the first peaceful and incident free election in the history of Bihar. This was the cause why women could exercise their franchise in large number.
- ▶ All sections of society approved leadership of Sh. Nitish Kumar and Sh. Sushil Kumar Modi. All casts and even minorities voted positively for development. It was clean sweep of NDA in 19 out of 38 districts. They are Arwal, Aurangabad, Buxar, East Champaran, West Champaran, Gopalganj, Jahanabad, Katihar, Lakhisarai, Munger, Nalanda, Nawada, Rohtas, Shivar, Shekh Pura, Sitamani, Siwan, Supol, Vaishali. Here Congress, RJD and LJP could not win even a single seat.



and further improved to 91 in 2010.

Complete rout of RJD, LJP, Congress and Left parties:

- ▶ RJD, LJP combine decreased their strength from 85 in 2005 to 25 seats in 2010. Their vote share went down for RJD down from 23.5 pc to 18.6 pc and LJP from 11.1 pc to 6.7 pc.
- ▶ Lalu's wife Rabri Devi contesting on two seats lost both by a convincing margin of votes. At Raghapur she was trounced by JD (U) and in Sonepur it was the BJP which had the best of her.
- ▶ Both the brother in laws of Lalu, one fighting as an independent and other as a congress nominee not even lost but, were relegated to insignificance of not worth even mention.
- ▶ Similarly, Paswan's two brother and equal number of son-in-laws lost these elections ending his any chance of even retaining a seat within the family out of the total 3 he won.
- ▶ Congress strength declined from 9 seats in 2005 to merely 4 seats in 2010.
- ▶ Congress could not manage to win any of the seats where Sonia and Rahul Gandhi campaigned.
- ▶ For the first time left parties CPI, CPI (M) and CPI (ML) fought these elections jointly and saw their worst of the performances in Bihar assembly elections history. Just a seat was won by CPI. No matter they come together it will all be their approach towards developmental issues which would matter finally.
- ▶ "Teghra" seat once known as Leningrad of Bihar and held by left parties for 48 years was breached and decimated by BJP candidate finally in these elections.

On the women front:

- ▶ BJP put up 13 women candidates out of which 11 succeeded.

BJP Highlights:

- ▶ BJP gained 37 seats and JDU gained 27.
- ▶ BJP won 91 out of 102 seats contested giving a strike rate of 90%
- ▶ BJP has 16% lead in the seats won by the party. This is a huge margin.
- ▶ BJP secured 39.5% votes on the seats it contested.
- ▶ BJP won 37 seats in February 2005 elections, improved it to 55 in October 2005 elections

- ▶ Out of total 34 women winners one is independent and the rest from NDA. A glaring example of cross gender support for NDA. No women from other parties could manage to win even a single seat.
- ▶ Women have bagged their best ever representation in the Bihar assembly in 53 years, having bagged 34 seats in the recent assembly polls. Thanks, to the efforts of NDA
- ▶ For the first time in post independence India, the participation of women compared to men was higher by five percentage points. This dramatic change is not merely because of 50 per cent reservation for women in Panchayati segments, BJP- JDU combine won 40 seats.
- ▶ Of these, 27 were won by BJP alone
- ▶ Most of its candidates won by over 10000 votes in these minorities areas.
- ▶ In 16 assembly segments falling in 4 Seemanchal districts, BJP alone bagged 10 seats. JDU, LJP, cong got 2 each while RJD drew a blank.
- ▶ Following six districts of Bihar have a substantive concentration of minority population in Bihar. These districts are mostly within the eastern corridor of Bihar. The name of districts, percentage size of minority population in it, number of seats contested by

* S. No.	Name of District	Percentage of muslim votes	Seats contested by BJP	Seats won by BJP	Average margin of win/loss
1.	<b>Katihar</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15000</b>
2.	<b>Araria</b>	<b>41.2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17000</b>
3.	<b>Purnea</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18000</b>
4.	<b>Darbhanga</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14000</b>
5.	<b>West champaran</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>22000</b>
6.	<b>Sitamarhi</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>23000</b>

Raj Institutions, bicycle schemes for girls or “Akshar Anchal” a dedicated literacy programme for adult mothers. It is primarily due to better functioning of the state structure, which benefits women even more than men.

Minorities voted BJP- Prove that phobia is over

- ▶ Out of 51 Muslim dominated assembly

BJP, number of seats won as well the average margin of victory is given in the chart\*.

- ▶ BJP nominee for Amour seat Saba Jaffar won comprehensively and convincingly by around 20, 000 votes hands down against the NCP nominee and appointee of erstwhile minority leader Tariq Anwar. ■

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several important states like U.P., Bihar, Punjab, Haryana, and Delhi, the Congress had failed to get a single Lok Sabha seat.

Similarly last week, no one was surprised that the JD(U)- BJP alliance led by Nitish Kumar won hands down in the Bihar Assembly elections outcome last week.

But what amazed all was that even while the most optimistic assessments about the victory margin were that the NDA alliance would get a two third majority (Shekhar Gupta, a senior New Delhi editor, who was part of a high level news team which went around the State shortly before the last round of polling told me so), the final results were that the Nitish - Sushil combination secured 216 out of 243 seats, which meant 8/9th of the Assembly’s total strength!

I hold that the good governance and development work that the NDA alliance gave to Bihar in the five years under Nitish Kumar secured for it a renewed mandate. But the real reason for the extraordinary victory won by us - with JD(U) winning 115 out of 141 seats it contested, and BJP winning 91 out of 102 seats it contested - was the preceding fifteen years of jungle raj.

During the poll campaign Congress speakers kept blaming Laloo and RJD for these 15 years, but the fact is that for a substantial part of this period, Congress was part of the RJD Government. It was the contrast actually experienced by the people between the RJD -Congress tenure and JD(U) -BJP tenure which conferred on the NDA such a wonderful landslide. ■



# MP Public Service Guarantee Act is path-breaking

By Vikash Anand

Madhya Pradesh Public Service Guarantee Act / Lok Seva Adhiniyam 2010 framed and implemented by BJP Government in the state, is a step towards the realization of good governance, or *Suraj*, or *Ramrajya*. The act is first of its kind in India. Certainly, it will be helpful in curbing corruption, reducing red-tapism, simplifying procedures, and increasing accountability. Many countries, have taken initiatives to empower their citizens through 'Citizen's Charter' by raising their critical awareness of the quality of services, and at the same time to encourage those responsible for the delivery of such services to improve their standards of performance, to operate in a more transparent way and to be more responsive to the needs. But first time Idea of citizen's charter was converted into act in India by Madhya Pradesh Government. It was passed by Vidhan Sabha on July 30, 2010 and formally launched on October 9, 2010. The Act guarantees delivery of services to common people within a stipulated timeframe. Yet nine departments as energy, labour, PHD, revenue, urban administration, General administration, social justice SC/ST welfare, food and supply come under this act. These departments include the services like Birth Certificate, Caste Certificate, Domicile Certificate, Tap water supply connection, electricity connection, old age pension, BPL card, ration card, Khasra copies, Death Certificate etc. The government is also planning to

include more and more departments and their services.

Procedure delay in providing services is one of the root cause of corruption is made by officials to attract illegal payment from service seeker. If the officer responsible for the service fails to provide the service in time, he will have to pay a fine. In case, citizens fail to get services on time, 'they could make an appeal to first and second appellate officers, who would give instructions to the officers concerned. If there is a delay, the officers would have to pay a fine of Rs 250 per day, with a maximum of Rs 5,000.' If first appellate officer fails to ensure delivery of services without valid reason, he, too, would have to pay a fine amounting minimum Rs 500 and maximum at Rs 5,000. There would be a fixed time as to how many days an officer is entitled keep a file. The service time will start from the time of receiving and acknowledging the application. The official concerned would have to either provide the service or reject the application mentioning the reason for rejection.

The applicant can file first appeal within 30 days of the time period. However, appellate authority will be free to accept the application later on if he is convinced that the appellant has valid reason for not filing the application in time.

The applicant can file second appeal within 90 days. If the second appellate authority is of the opinion that the designated officer without any reason failed to give service to

the applicant that he would be free to impose a fine of Rs 250 per day until the time the service is not provided by the officer. The money will go to the applicant as compensation.

The act will further strengthen and will add flip to citizen friendly-governance. It aims at bringing the fruits of governance to last man in the last row (*Antyodaya*) as being conceptualized by Pundit Deendayal Upadhyaya. Governance should be simple and non-intimidating but quite opposite is happening in India for which common people (*Aam Adami*) find it next to impossible in accessing government machinery or administration. The act is departure from traditional mode of governance and is a revolutionary step towards people friendly administration. Due to non-accountability in delivery of public services to the people within stipulated time frame till now, the public or tax payers have been at mercy of colonial minded clerical babudom. It would empower the public to demand their right to have time bound services.

The act is historic and may pave the way for other states to follow suit. But real and tangible result will depend on the will of the respective government and political parties in those states. NDA government in Bihar is set to frame this type of public service guarantee act. The act also reflects the Madhya Pradesh Government led by Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan concerns about the problem of masses. ■

## KERALA

*CPI(M) killer gang hacks  
RSS Swayamsewak*  
**BJP hartal in Palakkad &  
Malampuzha near total**

Kerala BJP leaders including its former President Shri PK Krishnadas and Palakkad district president Shri Krishna Kumar were attacked by the police on December 02, 2010 during a procession carrying the body of RSS *Swayamsewak* Ratheesh (24) who was hacked to death in a moving bus by a suspected CPI(M) killer gang at noon on December 01.



Clashes occurred between the police and BJP workers at various places.

BJP functionaries including Shri Krishnadas, Shri Krishna Kumar and several district and local level leaders came

under attack from the police at Koottupatha, Palakkad, following which workers blocked National Highway 47. Shri Krishnadas said that the entire responsibility for December 01's untoward incidents in Palakkad district was with the police. Earlier in the day, he had alleged that Shri Ratheesh's murder and the brutal attack on the other *Swayamsewaks* were with the full knowledge of the district CPI (M) leadership.

Meanwhile, the hartal called by the Sangh and BJP workers in Palakkad and Malampuzha Assembly constituency areas and Chittur Taluk in the district on December 02 was total. Shops and other commercial establishments remained closed while public vehicles kept off the roads. There were reports of widespread CPI(M)-sponsored violence in Puthussery and nearby places ever since the results of the civic polls were announced on October 27. It is said that the CPI(M) had resorted to violence, infuriated by their defeat in Puthussery Panchayat which they had been holding for a long time.

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## ODISHA

*BJP's State-wide Jail Bharo  
against illegal land deal*  
**CM's resignation sought**



The controversial land acquisition for the proposed Vedanta University project near Puri, Odisha was in focus again both inside and outside the State Assembly. On December 03 as part of the State-wide Jail Bharo Andolan, the BJP karyakartas staged demonstrations at Sub-Divisional headquarters across the State demanding Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik's resignation over the land deal, the opposition BJP legislators blamed the State government in the Assembly for handing over hundreds of acres of land for the university project at throw away prices.

Thousands of BJP workers were taken into custody when they staged angry protests at various places to highlight their demand that Odisha CM should step down in view of the High Court order by which all the notifications for acquisition of land for the varsity project had been quashed. On the other hand inside the Assembly, the BJP legislators staged a walkout to express their dissatisfaction over the reply of the Revenue Minister who said no illegalities were committed in handing over about 600 acres belonging to the Sri Jagannath temple to Anil Agarwal Foundation.

The BJP staged demonstration at all the major place of the state and thousands of karyakartas courted arrest. The BJP leaders blamed the State government for playing to the tunes of the Foundation and acquiring land for the university by bending various provisions of the Land Acquisition Act and demanded the resignation of the Chief Minister.

UTTAR PRADESH

₹ 3,500-crore foodgrain scam

BJP welcomes HC order on CBI investigation

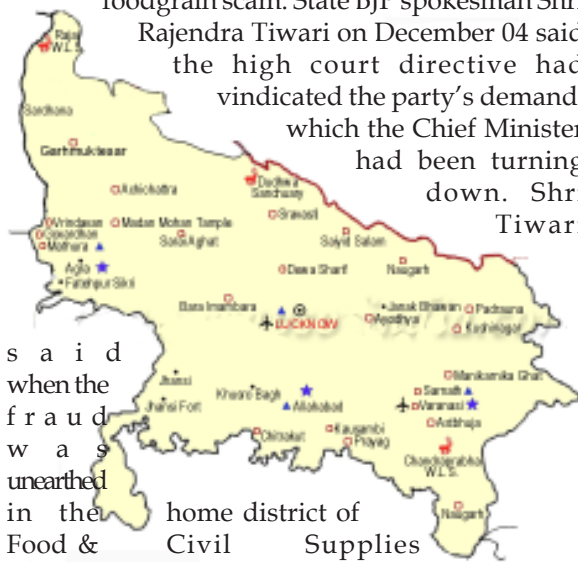
BJP has welcomed the high court's directive on the CBI investigation into the '3,500-crore foodgrain scam. State BJP spokesman Shri Rajendra Tiwari on December 04 said the high court directive had vindicated the party's demand, which the Chief Minister had been turning down. Shri Tiwari

said when the fraud was unearthed in the home district of Food & Civil Supplies Minister RP Chaudhari, it amounted to 44 crore but later, it increased to over 3,500 crore as more bungling came to light. Shri Tiwari said many were embroiled in scams worth thousands of crore, apart from the Food & Civil Supplies Department. All these scams must be probed by the CBI and the culprits must be taken to task, he demanded.

Shri Tiwari said it was unfortunate that Chief Minister Mayawati was completely aware of these rackets but was nevertheless patronising the Ministers involved in them. He said the BJP would raise the issue of rampant corruption in the Mayawati regime in the coming session of the State Legislature.

Meanwhile, State BJP President Shri Surya Pratap Shahi condemned the BSP Government for using excessive force on village workers and said the people would give a befitting reply to this dictatorial attitude at an appropriate time. One can imagine the brutality of the police as the village workers had to jump into the river to save themselves but the policemen did not spare them in water also," he said.

On the directive of State President Shri Surya



Pratap Shahi, State BJP vice-presidents Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla, Shri Ramapati Shastri and Shri Mahendra Singh and Secretary Shri Santosh Singh visited the injured village workers in hospital.

MADHYA PRADESH

47 MoUs signed to generate 58,000 MW power

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan has said that with a view to emerge as a power hub and to provide round-the-clock



power supply to the people of the State, MP has inked 47 MOUs to produce 58,000 MW of power in next few years.

Interacting with media persons Shri Chauhan said, "Though power generation in the State has doubled in the last seven years, the demand too has increased from 4,652 MW in 2002-03 to 7,786 MW in 2010-11 and to bridge this gap and emerge as a power hub in the country, the state has signed 47 MOUs to produce 58,000 MW of power in the next few years".

He said by the year 2013, Madhya Pradesh would supply 24-hours power to the people in the State. Referring to the state's industrialisation, he said due to special efforts being made by the State government, production has started in various units which were setup with an investment of nearly Rs 6,500 crore.

In this financial year, up to March 2011, units with an investment of nearly Rs 40,000 crore will start production in the State," Shri Chauhan said, adding earlier the State was known as a BIMARU state, but now it has become a developing state.

**UTTARAKHAND**

**BJP demands rail-road network near international border**

BJP leader Shri Kedar Singh Fonia has urged the Centre to take effective steps to increase rail-road network near international border areas of Uttarakhand. He said that a delegation headed by former CM Shri Bhagat Singh Koshyari had met Railway Minister Mamta Banerjee and submitted a memorandum, demanding financial assistance to



for laying down rail network in Garhwal and Kumaon divisions.

Interacting with the media persons at a Press conference at the party office on December 01, 2010 he said that the rail-road network has not been made to the desired standard despite the fact that more than 10 years have passed since the State's formation.

"It is a matter of concern not only for Uttarakhand but also for India that China has laid down rail tracks near international borders," he said, adding that the Centre is not taking the matter seriously since no steps were taken by the Government to lay down the rail tracks in Himalayan rail tracks.

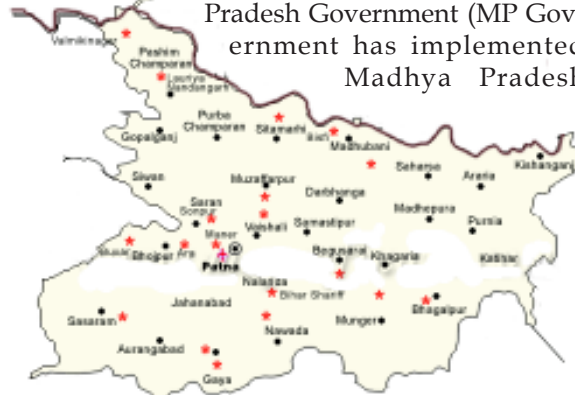
He said China has recently completed 3,900 km rail network from Beijing to Lhasa, which should be considered as big threat to India. He said that China is considerably trying to increase the rail network across the international border. China has also been increasing road network near Indian international border areas which should be considered as a big threat.

Shri Fonia has demanded from the Centre to take concrete steps to increase rail and road network near international border and it will also help Himalayan States to follow the path of the progress.

**BIHAR**

**BJP-JD(U) govt. too bring Right to Service Bill**

In an initiative of curbing corruption from the grassroots level, NDA Government in Bihar following the path of BJP ruled Madhya Pradesh Government (MP Government has implemented Madhya Pradesh



Public Service Guarantee Act,2010) is going to bring the Right to Service Bill during the Budget session in February-March.

The NDA, during election rally, has mentioned of "converting buildings of the corrupt into schools". To fulfill the promise NDA is bringing that legislation.

The government has asked bureaucrats to prepare a draft of the proposed bill that seeks to make it mandatory for the state government and its agencies to extend services to people within the stipulated timeframe failing which the officials concerned could be penalized.

NDA leader and Bihar Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar has said the proposed Act, which should come into effect by April, too, would fix accountability of government officials. ■

