

KAMAL SANDESH

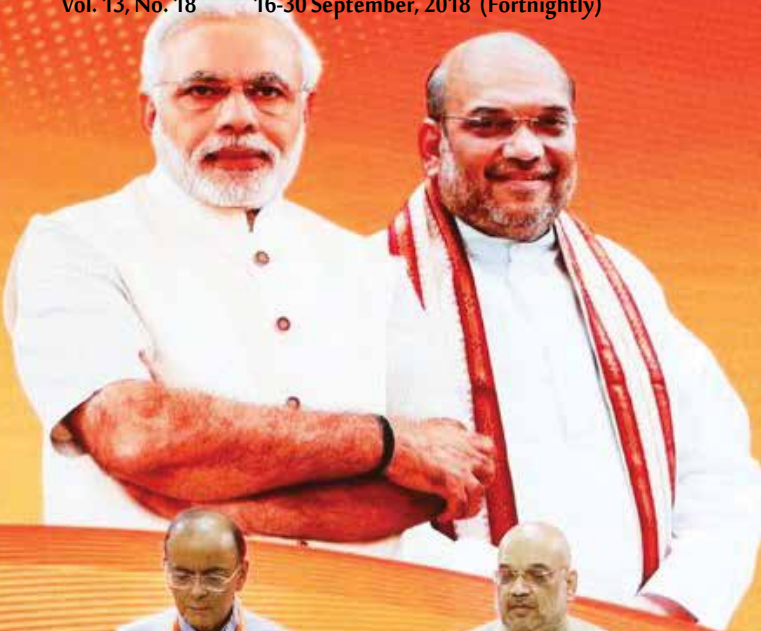
Vol. 13, No. 18

16-30 September, 2018 (Fortnightly)

₹20



"NDA GOVERNMENT LIVED UP TO THE SLOGAN OF 'SABKA SAATH, SABKA VIKAS'"



भाजपा
राष्ट्रीय
कार्यकारिणी
बैठक



BJP
National
Executive
Meeting

८-९ सितम्बर, २०१८
डॉ. अम्बेडकर अंतरराष्ट्रीय केन्द्र,
१५, जनपथ, नई दिल्ली

8 - 9 September, 2018
Dr. Ambedkar International Centre
Janpath, New Delhi



"AJAY BHARAT, ATAL BJP"

'MODI GOVERNMENT MARCHING AHEAD TOWARDS DOUBLING FARMERS' INCOME'

PM NARENDRA MODI LEADING TO DEVELOP A 'NEW INDIA'

15 QUESTIONS THAT EXPOSE CONGRESS PARTY'S FALSEHOOD ON RAFALE

GLIMPSES OF THE BJP NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT DR. AMBEDKAR INTERNATIONAL CENTRE IN NEW DELHI



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi flanked by BJP National President Shri Amit Shah, Shri LK Advani and Union Minister Shri Arun Jaitley lighting the lamp to inaugurate BJP National Executive Meeting at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi



BJP National President Shri Amit Shah along with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Shri LK Advani and Union Minister Shri Arun Jaitley lighting the lamp to inaugurate BJP National Executive Meeting at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi



BJP National President Shri Amit Shah along with BJP National General Secretary (Org.) Shri Ramlal and others lighting the lamp to inaugurate the office bearers meet before BJP National Executive Meeting in New Delhi



Delhi BJP President Shri Manoj Tiwari welcoming PM Shri Narendra Modi to the BJP National Executive Meeting held in New Delhi



BJP National President Shri Amit Shah addressing the BJP National Executive Meeting in New Delhi



PM Shri Narendra Modi addressing the concluding session of BJP National Executive Meeting in New Delhi

Editor

Prabhat Jha

Executive Editor

Dr. Shiv Shakti Bakshi

Associate Editors

Ram Prasad Tripathy

Vikash Anand

Creative Editors

Vikas Saini

Mukesh Kumar

Phone

+91(11) 23381428

FAX

+91(11) 23387887

E-mail

mail.kamalsandesh@gmail.com

mail@kamalsandesh.org

Website: www.kamalsandesh.org



'MODIJI HAS IMPLEMENTED 'ANTYODAYA' PROPOUNDED BY PT. DEENDAYAL UPADHYAYA'



ADDRESSING THE INAUGURAL SESSION OF THE TWO-DAY NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT...

INTERVIEW

Muralidhar Rao 28

K. J. Alphons 31

ARTICLE

15 Questions that Expose Congress Party's Falsehood on Rafale 25

OTHERS

BJP organizational elections extended till next year 10

"NDA government lived up to the slogan of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas' by bringing development to all" 23

Modi government's Ayushman Bharat scheme gets a thumbs up from WHO 24

Rahul should give the account of 60 years of Congress rule: Amit Shah 30

"No one can defeat BJP in Rajasthan" 32

Indian economy grows at 8.2 per cent 33



08 SHOK PRASTAV ON SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE Ji

The National Executive of the Bharatiya Janata Party expressed deep condolence on the demise of its beloved and respected leader, the founder...

11 'MODI GOVERNMENT MARCHING AHEAD TOWARDS DOUBLING FARMERS' INCOME'

The Agriculture Resolution was moved by the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan...



17 PM NARENDRA MODI LEADING TO DEVELOP A 'NEW INDIA'

The Political Resolution was moved by the Union Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh at the BJP National Executive meeting on 09 September,...

22 "EACH INFILTRATOR WOULD BE IDENTIFIED AND DEPORTED"

The BJP Executive passed a Resolution on National Register of Citizens (NRC) in BJP National Executive Meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi on 08-09 September, 2018. The...



twitter

@narendramodi



BJP National Executive meet saw extensive discussions on many subjects. Party colleagues expressed their insightful views. Our Party is humbled by the strong support across India. In the spirit of 'Ajay Bharat, Atal Bhajpa' we will continue working tirelessly for India's growth.

@nitin_gadkari



I am happy to see that auto industry in India is ready to embrace new norms and technologies to reduce pollution. Our government is promoting use of bio fuels such as bio Ethanol, bio CNG, bio Diesel and also second generation bio fuels. For this the automotive industry has come together for mass acceptance to reduce carbon footprints. Innovation, entrepreneurship, technology & research are very important for us for creating waste to wealth and to reduce pollution.

@ChouhanShivraj



A literate population is a gateway to a developed nation. In Madhya Pradesh, we are laying supreme importance on achieving 100% #LiteracyRate. Let's join hands to accomplish this goal and march together towards building a #NayaMP. #InternationalLiteracyDay.

facebook

BJP is working towards 'Making India' whereas Congress is working towards 'Breaking India' #BJPNEC2018

— **Amit Shah**



Glad to interact with the youth from North East India at the NEST Fest in New Delhi. The youth from the North East are extremely talented and they have tremendous potential. The NDA government is working towards giving them a safe environment with better opportunities.

— **Rajnath Singh**



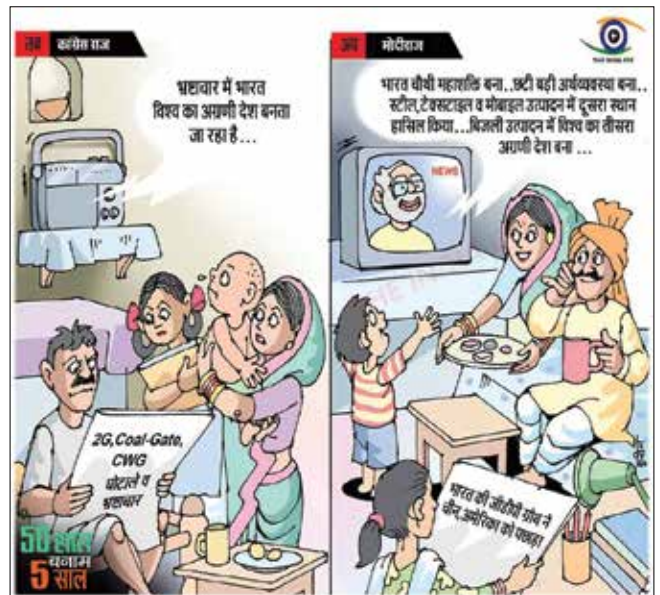
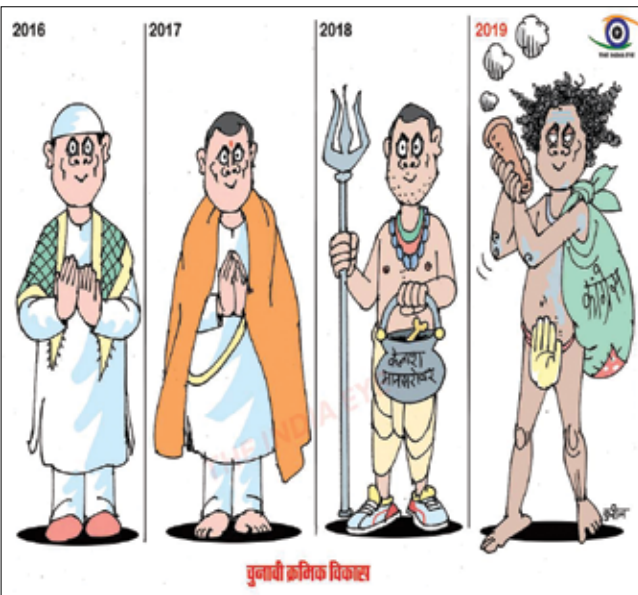
Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana have been one of the largest financial inclusion initiatives in the world. In the last four years this Yojana has changed lives of millions of Indians. The #PMJDY is a unique effort of NDA govt. to bring a positive change in the society.

— **Arun Jaitley**



Launched the state operations of #IndiaPostPaymentsBank . IPPB has been envisioned as an accessible, affordable and trusted bank for the common man. IPPB will offer a range of products such as savings and current accounts, money transfer, direct benefit transfers etc.

— **Vijay Rupani**



Courtesy: Social Media

Ajay Bharat, Atal BJP

Ajay Bharat, Atal BJP" is the message which has come out of the National Executive meeting held in New Delhi on 08-09 September 2018. The momentum of development which is increasingly gaining pace under the dynamic and visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi is now being acknowledged across the world. The four years of continuous reforms, good governance and uncompromising war against corruption and black money has ushered in a new era of transformation across the country. As the stature of India with its enhanced credibility is on the rise, the world is watching the immense progress of an emerging nation ready to take its rightful place in the comity of the nations.

The nation is witnessing all round progress under the Modi government. The government's commitment to poor, deprived, women and youth can be seen in successful implementation of a large number of innovative schemes transforming the lives of millions of people from villages to the urban areas. From the social security scheme, financial inclusion of poorest of the poor through Jan Dhan accounts to toilets, LPG connections to houses for the poor – India is witnessing a new saga of development having poor, deprived, women and

youth at its centre. Today when India has become a power surplus nation, there is not a single village which is without electricity connection and efforts are on in full swing to provide every household with electricity connection. While India's message of wellness and preventive healthcare through celebration of 'International Yoga Day' is sweeping the world, the launching of 'Ayushman Bharat' is set to completely transform the health care services in India securing the most vulnerable section of the Indian society. The farmers and the rural sector are not only witnessing unfolding of countless opportunities but are ensured of one and half times return on their cost and scientific and advanced approach in agriculture.

While war on black economy has started yielding dividends with global acknowledgements, the growth rate of economy has instilled a new confidence in the bright future of Indian economy. The 8.2% growth rate in last quarter has surpassed earlier expectations and Indian economy looks set for robust growth in the days to come. India's performance in the 'Ease of Doing Business' and Moody's upgradation along with encouraging inputs by World Bank and IMF from time to time has shown that a leadership with political will can do wonders and change the course of tide. The Indian economy which was suffering from policy paralysis and countless scams in the time of Congress led UPA government, the credit for delivering it from an ambience of pessimism and negativity to being seen as bright star in the otherwise gloomy global scenario goes to the determined and visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The National executive meeting has done well to take note of the remarkable achievements of Modi government and acknowledged the untiring hard work done with innovative approach in transforming the lives of the millions of people. The resolution on Agriculture has rightly highlighted the vision of doubling the farmer's income and the approach of the Modi government to achieve this goal. The political resolution has rightly applauded the work done by the government in changing the perception about India with the emergence of a great nation on every front. The meeting has also paid its glowing tributes to respected and beloved Atalji. The organisational elections have also been extended for one year in view of coming assembly and general elections. The BJP has emerged from the meeting with the resolve of creating a New India free of homelessness, joblessness, poverty and disease by 2022 when the nation will celebrate its 75th year of independence. There is no doubt that a New India that is united, prosperous, confident and happy under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi will become a reality. ■

shivshakti@kamalsandesh.org

THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING HAS DONE WELL TO TAKE NOTE OF THE REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENTS OF MODI GOVERNMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGED THE UNTIRING HARD WORK DONE WITH INNOVATIVE APPROACH IN TRANSFORMING THE LIVES OF THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE.



‘MODIJI HAS IMPLEMENTED ‘ANTYODAYA’ PROPOUNDED BY PT. DEENDAYAL UPADHYAYA’

Addressing the inaugural session of the two-day National Executive meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, 15 Janpath in New Delhi on 08-09 September, 2018, BJP National President Shri Amit Shah in his inspiring address said that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has been promoting his vision of "Make in India" while the Congress Party is pursuing "Break in India" agenda. People of India will give a fitting rebuff to the Congress party for its casteist and divisive agenda for the sake of vote bank politics.

Shri Amit Shah said in all the states going to polls later this year BJP will secure better results than it did in the last elections and under Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's leadership, the BJP will secure a bigger mandate in 2019 than in 2014. We are publishing the excerpts of his Presidential address for our valued readers:

Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, the BJP will secure a bigger mandate in 2019 than in 2014.

- In all the states going to polls later this will secure better results than it did in the last elections.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji has been promoting his vision of "Make in India" while the Congress Party is pursuing "Break in India" agenda. People of India will give a fitting rebuff to the Congress party for its casteist and divisive agenda for the sake of vote bank politics.
- The people of India are standing up with the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji and BJP on our positive agenda even as the opposition is resorting to politics of lies and myths.
- People are standing with grit and determination to support the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra

Modi ji and the BJP.

- Our continued commitment and resolve for development will defeat the opposition's attempts at spreading rumours and propaganda.
- A failed, desperate Congress Party has been indulging in politics of casteism and minority appeasement but people of the country have rejected this time and again.
- The so-called grand alliance of opposition parties is nothing better than desperate attempt for self survival and self aggrandizement. All the parties which are a part of this so called grand alliance fought against us in 2014 and lost elections. In 2019, they will face a bigger defeat than in 2014.
- When Shri Narendra Modi ji became the prime minister in 2014, India was the 9th largest economy in the world which has now jumped to the 6th position.

We are fast emerging as the 5th largest economy. All this advancement became possible only due to unparalleled economic governance.

- In the first quarter of this year our economy has grown by 8.2%. At this rate, we have the distinction of being the fastest growing large economy in the world today.
- Our stand on the National Register for Citizens is absolutely clear. We have undertaken the task of identifying illegal immigrants as this is our commitment. We have shown consistency in our stand. Parties like the Congress have been forced to change their stance because of our clear and unambiguous stand.
- The Congress Party which gives precedence to its vote bank politics over national interest stands completely exposed before people of the country today.
- We are pursuing citizenship Amendment Act which will enable us to give refugee status to religious minorities like Hindus, Buddhists, Sikhs and Christians who do not have adequate protection in our neighbourhood denominations. We will give them respect and citizenship so that they can lead a life of dignity.
- The Congress Party has not allowed the triple Talaq bill to be passed in Rajya Sabha as they are not committed to ensuring equality for Muslim women. They have done this at the altar of vote bank politics. The Congress party will have to support this bill and we will come tell them to do so as we have done in the case of National Register of Citizens(NRC).
- People who have been arrested for their links with Maoists in arming and financing them to destabilize our country have also planned to target Prime Minister's Road shows and even hatched a conspiracy to assassinate him. In a bizarre and shameless manner, the opposition parties are standing with such elements who are posing a threat to National Security.
- I would like to congratulate Maharashtra government for acting against such people with grit and determination. People of the country are watching these developments and will not spare the opposition parties for their support to such elements.
- Modi ji's government has given farmers of this country a huge increase in Minimum Support Price (MSP) raising it to 1.5 times the cost of production
- Through Ayushman Bharat Prime Minister Modi Ji's government is benefiting 10 crore families or 50 crore people with the health insurance cover of Rs.5 lakhs every year completely free of cost for free Healthcare services.
- Our government has taken the historic decision by giving constitutional status to the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC). This demand has been pending for several decades and our government has fulfilled this long standing demand.
- By derecognising over 3 lakh shell companies our government has taken a strong decision against black money and money laundering. We have also made rules under Benami Act to act against holders of benami property.
- Due to the efforts of our government the number of income tax assesseees and Income Tax collections have seen a sharp rise. Income tax collection has increased from Rs. 6. 38 lakh crore to Rs.10.02 to lakh crore. In the same manner after the GST implementation both the number of assesseees and the tax collections have increased.
- Modi ji's government has made huge contributions for improving the quality of life of the poor people in the country. Through over 126 people welfare programmes, more than 50 crore people of the country have been benefited.
- The Central Government has ensured that there is saturation coverage i.e 100% coverage of 7 developmental programmes in 65,000 villages of the country. In the next few months, this number will go up to 1.2 lakh villages. The coverage and the scale of our developmental activities is indeed humongous.
- Since independence, no Congress government has ever even envisioned 100% coverage and problem free villages. Modi ji's government has implemented Antyodaya principle propounded by Sri Deen Dayal Upadhyay.
- The state of Kerala has experienced this century's worst floods. The state is going through very difficult times. We extend our condolences to all those who suffered the fury of these floods. Our party's members and our ideological Parivar have extended there help and services to the state in this hour of need. ■

SHOK PRASTAV ON SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE JI**“IN ATALJI, WE LOST A VISIONARY STATESMAN WHO LED THIS COUNTRY BY EXAMPLE AND UNDERSTOOD THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD GOVERNANCE”**

The National Executive of the Bharatiya Janata Party expressed deep condolence on the demise of its beloved and respected leader, the founder President of the party Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

The Condolence Resolution was moved by the BJP National General Secretary Shri Muralidhar Rao on the opening day of the BJP National Executive meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, 15 Janpath in New Delhi on 08 September, 2018.

It said, “In Atalji, we have lost a visionary statesman who led this country by example and understood the importance of good governance for the foundation of value-based politics. His foresightedness resulted in massive expansion and development of highways and telecommunication network. “Golden Quadrangle” and “Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana” are the testimonials of his farsighted, visionary approach. Whether it was about linking rivers, or the steps taken to reconnect with the Indian diaspora, Atalji took initiatives on many such issues evolving a model of participative development. “Sarva Siksha Abhiyan” started by him saw increase in school enrolments as also qualitative and quantitative development in education”.

We are publishing the full text of the Condolence Resolution for our honoured readers:

The National Executive meeting of the Bharatiya Janata Party expresses deep condolence on the demise of its beloved and respected leader, the founder president Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. In Atalji, we have lost a visionary statesman who led this country by example and understood the importance of good governance for the foundation of value-based politics.

Atal’ji created a credible political alternative to satisfy the aspirations of the public. This became possible only because of his dedication and hard work. Atal’ji could do all this because of his strong commitment to the core of his ideology. This long political journey of Atal’ji is full of struggle and challenges. His political journey was of constant struggle, facing innumerable challenges coming from adverse conditions. The obstacles were many and diverse, ranging from political untouchability to severe resource crunch. However along with



Deendayal Upadhyaya, he not only succeeded in overcoming these challenges but also gave a distinct identity to the party. There wouldn’t be any such aspect of Party functioning that Atal’ji had not



handled. He did everything with ease, right from cycling long distances to enroll and engage new party workers, to travelling pan-India for collection of donations for the party. He was equally apt in carrying out both, i.e. intellectual as-well-as organization activities.

Atalji was a man of many parts. Besides being a thinker of highest order, a talented poet, proficient writer and journalist, powerful orator and excellent parliamentarian, Atalji also proved himself as a popular and successful leader with a vision. Atalji also worked to further strengthen the importance of ideology in politics. As a Prime Minister he set an example of his commitment and sensitivity on several issues of larger public interest; and while in opposition, he presented an example of an ideal leader of opposition. Both, in and outside parliament, his department elevated the dignity of politics and his style of working evoked and reinforced trust in democratic institutions. He established new examples of "Coalition Dharma" and demonstrated to the world the ways in which coalition politics can be made successful in India.

While in Government, Atalji's contribution remained multidimensional. While serving as the Foreign Minister he successfully struck a balance in

India's foreign policy, realising both the importance as well as limitations of Non-Alignment. It was Atalji, who was instrumental in laying the foundation of a new bonding between India and Israel. It was he who delivered the first address in Hindi as foreign minister in the UN General Assembly, instilling a sense of pride in every Indian. Acutely conscious of the principle of continuity with change, he added Jai Vigyan to Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan; underscoring his modern, pragmatic thinking.

Atalji was bestowed with unmatched insight into politics, economic issues, public policy and governance in general. Even on the issue of economic liberalization and privatisation, he ensured equilibrium by prioritising larger public interest. It was during his tenure that important laws relating to economic accountability and financial discipline were framed. His foresightedness resulted in massive expansion and development of highways and telecommunication network. "Golden Quadrangle" and "Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana" are the testimonials of his farsighted, visionary approach. Whether it was about linking rivers, or the steps taken to reconnect with the Indian diaspora, Atalji took initiatives on many such issues evolving a model of participative development.

"Golden Quadrangle" and "Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana" are the testimonials of his farsighted, visionary approach. Whether it was about linking rivers, or the steps taken to reconnect with the Indian diaspora, Atalji took initiatives on many such issues evolving a model of participative development.

“Sarva Siksha Abhiyan” started by him saw increase in school enrolments as also qualitative and quantitative development in education.

As prime minister of the country he made many significant and successful efforts to strengthen good relations with our neighbouring countries. He remained steadfast and undeterred in successfully carrying out the historic Pokhran nuclear test which was extremely significant from India’s defence preparedness.

Atalji provided momentum not only to Indian politics but also rejuvenated all aspects of governance and provided a new direction. By renaming “Social Welfare Ministry” as “Social Justice Ministry” he initiated a new thought process. The creation of independent Ministry of Tribal Welfare was also his initiative. For the hitherto neglected north-eastern India, the establishment of separate ‘DONER’ Ministry reflected his vision. With a view to giving momentum to development in tribal and hilly regions, he worked untiringly to create three new states – Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Uttarakhand. Thanks to Atalji’s style of functioning with consensus building at its core the creation of three new states happened without any friction.

Whenever we remember Atalji and the challenges

he faced, his contribution in the struggle against emergency cannot be forgotten. In the service of democracy, Atalji braved long imprisonment. When democracy was threatened, he struggled to save it; and when he was Prime Minister, he tried to strengthen it in many ways. Students of democracy in India cannot forget that it was because of Atalji that a ceiling was introduced on the size of Cabinets, both at the Union and State Govts. Besides, he introduced amendments to make Rajya Sabha elections more transparent and free from corruption and also attempted a serious review of the implementation of Constitution.

With Atalji, all of us have lost our guiding light, a thought leader, a statesman who led us on the path of good governance. He not only adroitly served as a national leader but also emerged as a true institution builder while establishing new ideals for the generations to come. He has left an indelible mark on national politics and democratic governance.

This National Executive of the Bharatiya Janata Party pays its humble tributes to Sh. Atal Bihari Vajpayee and resolves that we will continue to tread tirelessly on the path laid by him and take forward the politics of good governance and development with full vigour. ■

BJP ORGANIZATIONAL ELECTIONS EXTENDED TILL NEXT YEAR

In view of the upcoming State Assembly elections in 2018 and General elections in 2019, the BJP National Executive has taken a decision in the recently concluded National Executive meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, 15 Janpath in New Delhi to extend the organizational elections of the party by one year.

A resolution to this effect was moved by Union Health Minister Shri JP Nadda and it was seconded by BJP National General Secretary Dr. Anil Jain.

The resolution was passed unanimously in the meeting. ■



‘MODI GOVERNMENT MARCHING AHEAD TOWARDS DOUBLING FARMERS’ INCOME’

The Agriculture Resolution was moved by the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan at the BJP National Executive meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, 15 Janpath in New Delhi on 09 September, 2018. This resolution was seconded by Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation Shri Nitin Gadkari and the Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh Dr. Raman Singh.



The Agriculture Resolution wholeheartedly appreciated the work done by the present government during the last four years in reviving and rejuvenating the agriculture sector and ushering a new era of reforms. It said, “Farming sector has been neglected and had not been mainstreamed for a long time. The work done by the government, both at policy level as-well-as at the ground level, will bring the farmer and the farming sector to the center stage of Indian economy and position agriculture as a policy priority”.

We are publishing the full text of the Agriculture Resolution for our esteemed readers:

At the onset, the National Executive wholeheartedly appreciates the work done by the present government during the last four years in reviving and rejuvenating the agriculture sector and ushering a new era of reforms. Farming sector has been neglected and had not been mainstreamed for a long time. The National Executive also takes note of massive work done, both at policy level as-well-as at the ground level, to bring the farmer and the farming sector to the center stage of Indian economy and position agriculture as a policy priority. The work being done by the present government in restoring the pride and honour of being a farmer, as true children of the soil – of this motherland, is also highly laudable.

Agriculture has a decisive role in the Indian Economy. According to the 2011 census, 54.6% of

the population is engaged in agriculture and allied activities and 17.4% of Country’s GDP comes from this sector. Given this important role of agriculture, Shri Narendra Modi ji led central government has tirelessly worked hard and comprehensively in the last four years to lay the foundation for the revival of this crisis ridden critical sector, so as to secure the objectives of self-reliance of the Country by creating right framework policy and program with BJP led state governments like Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh and other BJP ruled states have recorded significant achievements in the last few years in terms of agricultural development. All these efforts have created trust among the farming community throughout the Country about the unwavering commitment of BJP towards the agriculture growth.

After assuming office under the leadership of

Shri Narendra Modi, BJP led NDA government has adopted the policy of agriculture development with farmers' welfare with determination. The previous governments have done more to deceive and confuse the farmers, while demonstrating utmost neglect towards their problems and worries. We inherited an agricultural economy, which lacked sufficient infrastructure including irrigation, marketing, storage, fertilizer production, finance and crop insurance. Due to total neglect of government farmers under the shattered agriculture were forced to commit suicide. But with the formation of Bharatiya Janata Party led NDA government in the centre, the government started working with full vigour and concentration on various subjects including remunerative prices, irrigation, agricultural finance, marketing, crop insurance and agri subsidiary activities.

When NDA took over in the centre, the prices of food items were skyrocketing due to shortage of food products and import dependence, especially pulses and edible oils in the country. On the one hand, country was importing huge quantities of pulses and edible oils and imports were rising at very fast rate. Country was also forced to import wheat, in which we had achieved self-reliance decades ago. Despite hard work of our farmer, he was forced to live in poverty, helplessness and debt. Ever rising prices of agricultural products instead of benefiting farmers were bringing riches to speculators and black marketers. Under these circumstances, the government resolved to double the income of the farmers by 2022 and started fast track working towards the same.

MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICE (MSP: COST + 50 PER CENT)

Getting remunerative and the best price to the farmers for their produce is the first priority of this government. So far only 22 agricultural commodities were being given minimum support price. But in the budget of 2018-19, the government announced to provide MSP for all produce, by adding at least 50

percent to the cost of production and accordingly the government on July 4, 2018 announced MSP for 14 kharif crops. As per this announcement, the minimum support price has been declared by adding 50 to 97 percent to the cost. For instance, 50.09 percent has been added to the cost for normal paddy, 65.36 percent is added to cost for tur, 62.89 percent in case of urad, 96.97 percent for millet and 58.75 percent for cotton, to decide MSP on these crops. MSP given under the new provisions is higher by 11.3 percent to 52.5 percent. A special initiative was taken by the government to solve the problems of sugarcane farmers and financial assistance from the Central Government is being given to support sugarcane farmers at the rate of Rs 5.5 per quintal; and a comprehensive package has been provided for Rs. 8000 crores, including enhancing capacity of sugar industry to increase ethanol production.

Apart from MSP, many initiatives have been made to provide remunerative prices for the produce of the farmer, free from exploitation.

In April 2016, E-National Agriculture Market (E-NAM) Scheme was launched, in which 585 mandies have been added so far. Online trading has also started in many markets. By 2019-20, additional 425 mandis will be added under e-NAM. Through this, the farmer can sell his products anywhere in whole of India and get the best price.

Farmers have been immensely benefited by the efforts of the present government by buying more and more under the Minimum Support Price Scheme. While only 5 lakh metric tonnes of oilseeds were procured between 2010-11 and 2013-14, 23 lakh metric tonnes of oilseeds have been purchased between 2014-15 and 24 July 2018, which is 360% higher. Similarly, the purchase of pulses has increased 5 times more. Apart from this, the purchase of 16.71 lakh metric tonnes of pulses was done by NAFED and SFAC, which never happened during UPA regime. Textile Ministry has purchased 325 percent more cotton in the last 4 years, compared to previous

We inherited an agricultural economy, which lacked sufficient infrastructure including irrigation, marketing, storage, fertilizer production, finance and crop insurance. Due to total neglect of government farmers under the shattered agriculture were forced to commit suicide.

government. Similarly purchase of jute increased by 172 percent by the Textile Ministry. In the last four years through procurement, the government has done unprecedented work to get the right price for farmers' produce.

BUDGETARY ALLOCATION: RISE IN PRODUCTION

In the last 5 years of the UPA government (2009-14), there was a budgetary provision of Rs. 1,21,000 crores for agriculture. Whereas, in 5 budgets of the Modi government, this allocation went up to Rs. 2,11,700 crores. That is, 74.5 percent more. This increase is reflected in every scheme like Soil Health Card, Agricultural Interest subsidy, Irrigation, Pulses Development, Disaster Management, FPO, Crop insurance etc.

With the determined efforts towards agricultural development, our food production has reached 279.51 million tonnes by 2017-18, which is 9.35 percent more than the average production between the years 2010-11 and 2014-15. During the UPA government, the production of pulses was stagnant for many years and the condition was that in 1960, the per capita availability of pulses in the country was 70 gram per day, declined to merely 40 grams only by 2013-14. Due to the almost stagnated production of oilseeds and pulses, huge amount of valuable foreign exchange was bleeding out to somehow meet the needs of the country by imports. Inflation in pulses and edible oils continued to increase, due to shortage of these food items.

Prices of pulses reached 150 to 200 rupees and the pulses, which are important source of protein, were going out of the reach of the common man. With the concerted efforts of the government, the production of pulses has increased to 24.51 million tonnes by 2017-18, which was only 18.5 million tonnes in 2013-14. As a result, import of pulses is continuously decreasing and the same has come down from 66.5 million tonnes in 2016-17 to only 56.5 lakh tonnes in 2017-18, resulting in saving of rupees 9775 crores

of valuable foreign exchange. In the two months of April-May 2018, the import of pulses was only Rs 545 crores. That is, in the case of pulses, country is almost approaching towards self-sufficiency. The production of oilseeds has increased considerably and now the production of edible oils has increased from the average of 265 million tonnes between 2010-11 and 2014-15 to 307.15 million tonnes in 2017-18, that is, 15.9 percent increase. The farmers are encouraged to produce more pulses, oilseeds and other crops, because of remunerative prices announced by the government and procurement of the same by government agencies. Consumers are getting benefitted due to more supplies at cheaper prices, ending the scope for speculation and stocks withholding by traders and companies.

In the last 5 years of the UPA government (2009-14), there was a budgetary provision of Rs. 1,21,000 crores for agriculture. Whereas, in 5 budgets of the Modi government, this allocation went up to Rs. 2,11,700 crores. That is, 74.5 percent more.

TRADE POLICY FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

To protect the farmers from the losses due to the import of agricultural commodities, the import duties have been increased on agricultural commodities and quantitative restrictions on import of especially pulses have also been imposed. In addition to this restriction on exports of all varieties of pulses have been lifted from November 2017 and for the export of gram, encouragement is being given by incentive at the rate of 7 percent. Due to the incentives for production and control on imports, the import of pulses has come down. Because of the resulting higher seed production, the growth in edible oil imports has also been curbed; and exports of many agricultural items have been encouraged.

In addition, in 2018-19 budget; allocation has been made for Farmers Producer Organization (FPO), so that the farmers can be organized. Only 223 FPOs were registered in 10 years of the UPA government, while 521 FPOs have been registered in 4 years of Modi government. Meanwhile, 2154 FPOs were also registered by NABARD. In addition, efforts are being made to promote contract farming without exploitation of the farmer in any way.

National Food Security Mission has also helped in increasing the income of the farmer and food security in the country. Before 2014-15, there was no self-reliance in pulses. Till the year 2013-14, 482 districts of 16 states were included in the National Food Security Mission, which has been extended to 638 districts of all 29 states by 2016-17. Budgetary allocation has also been increased. Special efforts are being made to increase pulses production through Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Agriculture Universities etc.

PRADHAN MANTRI FASAL BIMA YOJANA

To ensure the sustainable income of the farmer, it is important to save him from losses due to natural calamities such as drought, flood, hail or other calamities. The present government has taken serious steps for crop insurance scheme, under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna (PMFBY) in this regard. Risk of the farmers is being mitigated at very low rates under PMFBY. BJP led central government has allocated the highest amount of money for crop insurance, than any government in the past. So far 4 crore farmers have been included in PMFBY and the total sum insured is Rs.1,31,000 crores. Whereas budgetary provision for agricultural insurance was merely rupees 2151 crores during the UPA government in 2013-14, it has been increased to Rs. 13,000 crores in 2018-19 budget, that is, 6 times increase.

SOIL HEALTH CARD

The scheme of Soil Health Card was never taken seriously by the earlier governments, due to which the farmer could not take informed decisions according to his soil's health. The provision for the Soil Health Card has been increased by more than 13 times under BJP led NDA government. So far, nearly 15 crore farmers have been issued soil health cards in the country. Availability of quality seeds and nutrients is being made as per the soil health.

FERTILISERS

During the UPA regime, the farmers had been suffering due to shortage of fertilizers. Now fertilizer scarcity has become a history. Idea of neem coated urea was not conceived before 2014-15; and now neem coated urea is being provided to all farmers in the country. This has resulted in improvement



in plant protection and soil health. The use of chemicals is also reduced drastically and crop yield has increased. Simultaneously, the use of urea is also reduced for non-farm and illegal purposes. An investment of rupees 50,000 crore has been made for the restoration of closed fertilizer factories and the government is going to set up its own new urea plant.

IRRIGATION; MORE CROP PER DROP

Under the Prime Minister's Agriculture Irrigation Scheme that is Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojna (PMKSY), the scheme for irrigating every farm, with aim of 'more crop per drop' has been implemented. This scheme will go a long way to get rid of the problem of droughts. Between 2010-11 and 2013-14, 23 lakh hectare area was brought under micro irrigation whereas between 2014-15 and 2017-18, 28.9 lakh hectares have been brought under micro irrigation. Under PMKSY an additional budgetary provision for completion of 99 major and medium irrigation projects of pending 76.03 lakh hectare capacity by December 2019. Under NABARD special irrigation fund of rupees 40000 crore has also been created. As a result, the work on 18 schemes has been completed by March 2018 and for 47 schemes work has completed by more than 80 percent.

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT

Agriculture credit provision of rupees 7 lakh crore in 2013-14 has been increased to 11 lakh crore in 2018-19. The central government gives 5 percent interest subsidy on agricultural loans, which in turn makes farmers to pay only 4 percent interest on their agriculture loans. Many state governments also give 4 percent interest subsidy and therefore farmers get fully interest free loans. In 2013-14, this interest subsidy was only rupees 6000 crore, which has increased to rupees 15000 crore in 2018-19.

EMPLOYMENT GENERATION IN RURAL AREAS

The Government understands that farming is not the name of growing food grains, pulses, oilseeds, sugarcane and other cash crops only. To increase income and employment in rural areas, animal husbandry, poultry, fishing, mushroom production, bamboo and related industries, horticulture, food processing industry, dairy, bee keeping, organic manure etc. can be major contributors. For this, efforts are being made to increase the income of the farmers and increase employment by various schemes. In the Budget of 2018-19, by extending the facility of Kisan Credit Card to people engaged in dairy and fishing was announced. This was the first time that Kisan Credit Card facility was provided for landless people also.

Large investments are being made in the warehouses and cold storages for storage of agricultural commodities to save them from loss. Promoting value addition through food processing is being encouraged. Under the traditional agricultural development plan, the emphasis is on the cultivation of organic farming and the farmers are also being encouraged to adopt solar energy.

LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

For the first time in after independence Shri. Narendra Modi government has launched the Rashtriya Gokul Mission for conservation and promotion of indigenous breeds of livestock. Under this scheme, Rs. 546.15 Crore has been already released to the States. Apart from this, two new National Kamdhenu Breeding Centres (Itarsi, in Madhya Pradesh and Chintla Devi, in Andhra Pradesh), 20 Gokul Grams, a new State-of-the-art frozen semen centres with a capacity of 50 lakh dosage per year has been set up and Gokul Ratan and Kamdhenu Award have also been started for exceptional work in the field of indigenous breeds. By providing subsidy on "Gobar," both the livestock owners as-well-as the organic farmers have benefited.

Government has also rolled-out schemes for

betterment of sheep rearing farmers in association with NABARD through which occupations related to wool production, carpet weaving, etc. are being supported.

GREEN ENERGY

The Government also initiated a new bio-ethanol policy that aims to spur investments of the tune of Rs 5,000 crore for setting up projects with a total production capacity of 1 billion litre of ethanol every year. While on the one hand the policy will provide sustainability to agriculture and support farmers income, the policy is also aimed at cutting down the country's huge energy import dependence. The policy also focuses to promote production of bio-ethanol from lignocellulosic biomass as against the conventional approach of molasses-based ethanol production for Ethanol Blending Programme (EBP).

OPERATION GREEN

Government has charted a road map for arresting price volatility of TOP (Tomato, Onion and Potato) in the country.

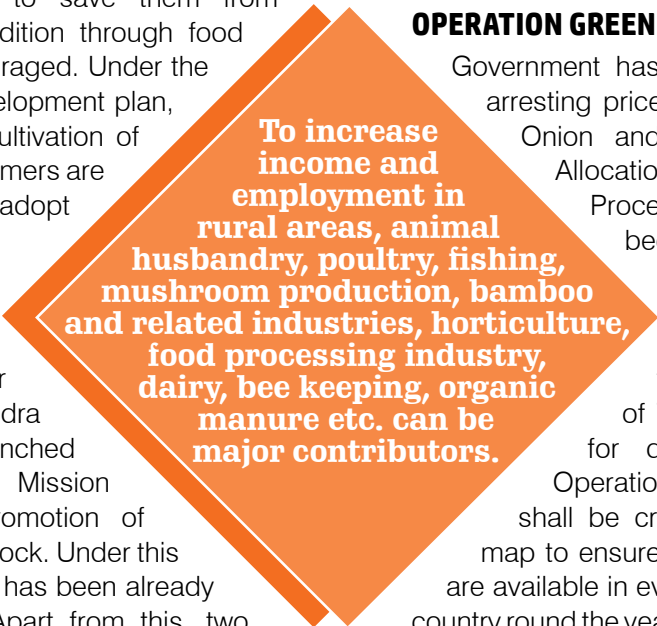
Allocation for the Ministry of Food Processing Industries has also been doubled in the 2018-19 Budget to Rs. 1400 crore.

The poor and the middle class have been bearing the brunt of price volatility of Tomato, Onion and Potato for decades together. Under Operations Greens the Government shall be creating a sustainable road map to ensure that Tomato Onion Potato are available in every nook and corner of the country round the year without any price volatility.

A sum of Rs. 500 crore has been earmarked for this purpose in the 2018 Budget. Besides creating and identifying 104 cold storages, the Government is also setting up state of art testing facilities in all the 42 Mega Food Parks to encourage export of agri-commodities to realise its full potential.

WHITE REVOLUTION

India has become the largest milk producer nation in the world and contributes around 19 percent in



the total global milk production. There is a significant increase in milk production in the last four years. Comparing to 2010-14, the milk production has grown by 23.69 percent during 2014-18. The income of dairy farmers have also increased by 30.45 percent during this time span.

BLUE REVOLUTION

While the White Revolution found a further impetus in the last four years, the fish production also saw massive growth. Fish Production in India, which is a rich source of protein, also ensures food and nutritional security, during 2010-14 was 355.16 lakh tonnes, increased to 447.55 lakh tonnes during four years of Shri Narendra Modi Ji government (2014-18), an increase of 26.01 percent. India now occupies second position in the production of fisheries. This sector, which provides employment to 1.5 crore people in the country, occupies an important place in the socio-economic development of the country. BJP led NDA government under Shri Narendra Modi Ji has taken several measures for welfare of fishermen and infrastructure development for fisheries sector in the country.

National Executive of Bhartiya Janata Party puts on record its appreciation of the Shri Narendra Modi Ji government for its outstanding achievements

in the field of agriculture. Working on the ideology of Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhaya, goal of Shri Narendra Modi Ji's Bharatiya Janata Party led NDA government has been to bring prosperity to the villages. Unprecedented progress has been made towards doubling of farmers' income by the year 2022. Former governments only made false promises about giving benefits to the farmers. However, under the leadership of Shri Narendra Modi Ji, the NDA government worked towards true accomplishment of this task. With the efforts of the hardworking farmers and workers of our country, rising agricultural production in the right direction and increasing rural non-agricultural activities, the earnings and employment in the rural areas are increasing steadily.

The focus of the present government is wide enough to ensure sustainable rural livelihood; social security system and support services for farmers; overall biosecurity and prevention of environmental degradation; food-security and enhancement of focused nutritional support through a dynamic combination.

To further improve this situation, with the continued endorsement and active support of the entire farming community all over the country, BJP led NDA government promises to move forward under the able leadership of Shri Narendra Modi Ji. ■

India has become the largest milk producer nation in the world and contributes around 19 percent in the total global milk production. There is a significant increase in milk production in the last four years. Comparing to 2010-14, the milk production has grown by 23.69 percent during 2014-18.



PM NARENDRA MODI LEADING TO DEVELOP A 'NEW INDIA'

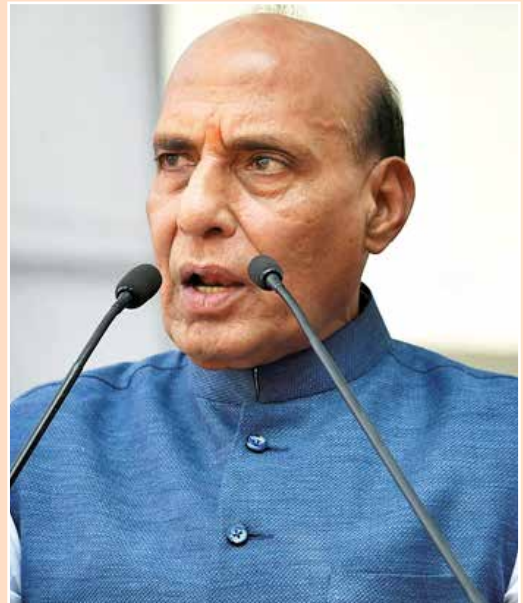
This New India will be free from poverty, homelessness, terrorism, corruption, casteism and sectarianism

The Political Resolution was moved by the Union Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh at the BJP National Executive meeting on 09 September, 2018. This resolution was seconded by Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh Shri Jai Ram Thakur.

The Political Resolution expressed its gratitude and compliment to Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for his vision of building a New India by 2022, when our country celebrates 75 years of its Independence. This New India will be free from hunger, homelessness and joblessness; this will be an India - united, strong, prosperous and confident.

It further resolved to achieve it, by actively mobilising the support of 130 crore Indians. It said, "We invite each and every Indian to come and join in this greatest ever mega transformation happening across India. It is the transformation of a lifetime. Together we shall be part of it".

We are publishing the full text of the Political Resolution for our esteemed readers:



The National Executive of the Bhartiya Janta Party expresses its gratitude and compliment Honorable Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi for his vision of building a New India by 2022, when our country celebrates 75 years of its Independence. This New India will be free from hunger, homelessness and joblessness; this will be an India - united, strong, prosperous and confident. Our Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is committed and leading to develop a New India, which will not have any place for poverty, homelessness, terrorism, corruption, casteism and sectarianism.

As we meet at this National Executive, one crore

families from lower income group, are ready to receive their own houses. We are successfully leading to the aim of providing homes to more than 5 crore families in next three years to end homelessness in the country. The commitment with which the Government is working towards its goal, gives this executive the confidence that the country will be completely free from homelessness very soon.

Today, as we are deliberating on the ways leading to this New India, a middle-aged, not-so-well-educated farmer, in a remote corner of the State of Mizoram is proudly announcing, the record production of mushrooms in his farm, using new scientific agricultural

practices. It is this golden moment when our India is exploring new, multi-dimensional agricultural techniques to double the income of its farmers.

Today, we are witnessing new rays of hope from each corner and State of our Country. These are the rays of hope of the New India. As we are discussing, sitting here in this executive, a 19-year young college graduate in a small village in Rajasthan, fired by the zeal to innovate, is running a tractor by remote control is his small farm sitting under a tree nearby. He wants to end the hardship farmers are facing day and night and says that he and his other farmers in the village need no longer toil in scorching sun to till their lands; they can just do it by quietly sitting under a tree, using the remote wheel that he has developed, under rupees one lakh. The spirit of inventions and innovations is sweeping across the country.

These are the times when the confidence of the common man of the country is taking a new shape. As we gather here, elsewhere in India, a daughter of a rickshaw puller from Maharashtra, and another one of a madrasa teacher from Tamilnadu, have got impressive ranks in the Civil Services examinations. This confidence is reflection of the fact that the common people are now becoming real stakeholders and are ready to lead the country.

The concept of New India on the parameters of development is multi-dimensional. The country is reaching new heights in each and every field. A group of six women Navy Officers named Tarini has just returned completing a full round of the World. This proves India's increasing influence and strength in maritime. Another, women officer of the Air Force is preparing to go solo to fly the most powerful wartime sky machine, MIG21. On the other hand, daughter of a chaiwalla from Bhopal is soon getting to be commissioned as a fighter pilot. All such examples prove that the Country's women are becoming more confident and courageous.

The idea of India and Indianness have become the most attractive ideas of discussion across the world. This executive considers the acceptance of International Yoga Diwas by the world community, as an

extraordinary success and achievement of our Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. To quote our Prime Minister, "People from 190 countries from Dehradun to Dublin, Shanghai to Chicago, and Jakarta to Johannesburg, were stretching their limbs and controlling their breath as part of the International Yoga Day. India becoming the harbinger of global well being."

Today India is creating new fables of the success of multi-dimensional changes. More than 130 crore Indians are participants in this process of change. And, as we meet here to deliberate, the UNHRC was spreading a totally biased and factually incorrect, juvenile-sounding report on the human rights conditions in Jammu & Kashmir but on the other hand, a group of women beneficiaries of an important initiative of our government called 'Stand Up India' from Anantnag, the hotbed of terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, were thanking and blessing Prime Minister Modi and stating that they had prayed to the Almighty Allah everyday during the holy month of Ramazan for his return of as Prime Minister for 5 more years.

This executive considers the acceptance of International Yoga Diwas by the world community, as an extraordinary success and achievement of our Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

A NEW INDIA, MOVING AHEAD...

India is coming out of the silenced, once-smoke-puffing chimneys in our country side; it is now rising up of the eco-friendly LPG cooking stoves of our poor rural households. We have done away with the hazardous coal and wood-based cooking for our womenfolk, by supplying LPG connections to more than 5 crore households;

New India is rising out of the newly electrified remote villages of India; we have electrified all the 597,464 villages. Saubhagya scheme was launched to ensure electrification of all rural and urban households in the country. While 99% of urban households have electricity connection, the share of rural households having an electricity connection has risen from 55% in 2011-end to 88% currently.

A New India is rising on the able shoulder, and out of the skilled hands of millions of young men and women, especially the SCs and STs. We have extended soft loans to over 7 crore of them through MUDRA Yojana; today the youth in India are no longer just job-seekers; they are job providers too.

A new, confident, and well-skilled India is rising out of 20 AIIMS, 22 IITs and 20 IIMs which prepare thousands of highly skilled doctors, engineers and managers for the country and society.

A strong and healthy India is arising with millions joining Prime Minister's 'Hum fit hai to India fit hai' – 'If we are fit, India is fit' campaign. The National Executive proudly proclaims that it is the government led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi that is building this New India!!! We have built over 120,000 KM of highways in last 4 years, almost doubling the existing network. We express heartfelt thanks to the Prime Minister for leading this change.

BUILDING NEW INDIA BY DEVELOPING BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Urban Transport: We are building 101 smart cities. We have already built metro train services in 10 cities; and another 5 cities will be added very soon. Urban connectivity has been totally transformed; electric public transport is the next priority for our government to build a pollution-free India. Work has already started through electric local transport vehicles like auto rickshaws;

Power: With 1433 terawatt/ hours of power generation, today India is an energy-surplus country. There isn't any power shortage in the country now.

Success in Space Missions: We are going to launch Chandrayan 2 later this year and a unique solar mission called Aditya-L1 next year. With almost 12 launches in as many number of months in this year, our ISRO is adding new feathers to its glory on a monthly basis. ISRO is increasing its capacity of new inventions very fast.

Digital Connectivity: We are in the process of building 1 million KM of fibre optic network to digitally connect 2,50,000 villages in the country by the end of 2019. We have a mobile phone base of 1.2 billion today, a smartphone base of over 450 million and the internet-connected population in the country is above half-a-billion. We have revolutionised the IT sector through Digital India Campaign; the JAM trinity – Jan Dhan, Aadhar and Mobile, has transformed the lives of ordinary Indians. DBT schemes have helped reduce

corruption and delays to beneficiaries and improved systemic efficiency.

Commitment to Cleanliness: This is an undisputed fact that our Prime Minister, Narendra Modi ji has made 'cleanliness' a people's movement in the country. We are building a Swatch Bharat – clean and hygienic India. The coverage of households with toilets which was 38.7 per cent in October 2014 increased significantly to 87.9 per cent in July 2018. So far 781.62 lakh household toilets have been constructed between October 2014 and July 2018. A total of 417 districts have self-declared Open Defecation Free (ODF) across all States/UTs along with 100 per cent ODF in 19 States/UTs. Today, our women, the real beneficiaries of this campaign are feeling more secure, healthy and educated. Swatch Bharat has become a people's mission.

Health: We have announced the world's largest government-funded health care programme titled 'National Health Protection Scheme' in Budget 2018-19 to cover over 10 crore poor and vulnerable families (approximately 50 crore beneficiaries) providing coverage upto 5 lakh rupees per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalisation.

Waterways: We are dredging our rivers so as to make dozens of waterways operational very soon. This executive have full faith that we are going to have a clean Ganga by March next year.

All this and more, we have achieved in a record time due to the visionary and disruptive leadership of our Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi.

Major landmarks of economic achievements: Four years ago we inherited a crumbling, corrupt and crony capitalist economy. We had the challenge to turn it around. The Prime Minister undertook the task of setting its basics right. It called for some harsh action, the kind that the Austrian-American economist Joseph Schumpeter called 'creative destruction'. Schumpeter described it as the "process of industrial mutation that incessantly revolutionises the economic structure from within, incessantly destroying the old one, incessantly creating a new one".

Demonetisation, GST, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code - IBC etc are such measures that set India's

Prime Minister, Narendra Modi ji has made 'cleanliness' a people's movement in the country. We are building a Swatch Bharat – clean and hygienic India. The coverage of households with toilets which was 38.7 per cent in October 2014 increased significantly to 87.9 per cent in July 2018.

economic basics right while bringing economic discipline and rule of law in the governance.

As a result, after a brief slowdown, the Indian economy is rising fast. We are the fastest growing major economy in the world today with 7.5% GDP growth rate as projected by the IMF. With 6.6% growth rate China is well behind us. IMF has also projected a further improvement in India's growth as a result of implementation of several structural reform measures to be more than 8% growth in the medium term.

India is emerging as an important player in the world. India's share in the world economy is consistently increasing. The contribution of India to world's Gross Domestic Product (GDP), measured as share of GDP of India in world's GDP (at current prices in US\$ terms) is consistently increasing since 2014. It was 2.6 per cent in 2014 and increased to 3.3 per cent in 2017. We are likely to emerge as world's 5th largest economy in USD terms in 2018 overtaking UK according to the World Bank.

The confidence in the Indian economy has increased on account of policy measures taken up by the government, as can be seen from many indicators:

- Moody's rating agency upgraded India's local and foreign currency issuer rating to Baa2 with a stable outlook from Baa3 due to continued progress in India's economic reforms. This upgrade has come after 13 years. The last upgrade was also under the NDA (January 2004).
- According to World Bank's Ease of Doing Business 2018 Report, India's ranking improved by 30 positions to 100th rank in 2017.
- As per the World Economic Forum, India's rank in Global Competitiveness Index is 40 out of 137 countries in 2017-18, which is an improvement over 71 in 2014-15.

As a result we have record Forex reserves of US \$ 415 billion. In Ease of Doing Business, India climbed up 30 rankings to reach 100th position. Gross FDI inflow has gone up to \$61 billion this year. There is a 20% growth in exports and 15% growth in imports

Corruption, once endemic to Indian system has largely disappeared from public domain. The corrupt

today have to run, to use the metaphor, from pillar to post, 'from Hong Kong to London'. They may remain fugitives for sometime, but they must have to return, to join their comrades in the Ranchi jail.

New fiscal policies of our government have made both India and the Indians richer. There used to be a time when India is called a poor country; that was when both the government and people of India were poor. Slowly people started becoming rich, but the government remained poor. Today after 4 years of prudent fiscal management, Indians have become richer, so is the Indian government.

GST has helped mop up revenues for the government to the tune of close to Rs 1 trillion - \$ 150 billion. With total tax payer base increasing to more than 10 million, the government is confident of bringing fiscal deficit to around 3.3% this year.

Fiscal deficit of the Government of India was 3.9 per cent of GDP in 2015-16 and remained 3.5 per cent for 2016-17 and 2017-18 [Provisional Actuals] and is budgeted to be 3.3 per cent in 2018-19. Contrast this with the fiscal deficits run in UPA years: 6.5% in 2009/10, then 4.8% in 2010/11, 5.9% in 2011/12 and 4.9% in 2012/13. The primary deficit of the central government has never exceeded 1% of GDP during this government despite states' share of gross tax revenues rising from 46.5% under UPA2 to 56% under NDA2.

In the agriculture sector, as per Third Advance estimates for 2017-18 released by Department of Economics and Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, there is an estimated record production of 279.6 million tonnes of food grains in 2017-18 as against 275.1 million tonnes in 2016-17. There is a record production of rice, wheat, coarse cereals and pulses etc during the year. Horticulture production touched a new peak of 305.4 million tonnes in 2017-18, up by 1.6 per cent from last year.

For the Kharif 2018-19 season, MSP for 14 crops have been raised to atleast 50 per cent over the cost of production (A2+FL). This is a revolutionary step to improve the condition of farmers by increasing their incomes.

India is emerging as an important player in the world. India's share in the world economy is consistently increasing. The contribution of India to world's Gross Domestic Product (GDP), measured as share of GDP of India in world's GDP (at current prices in US\$ terms) is consistently increasing since 2014.

In just four years' time, India has emerged as a united and strong nation. The government is respected within India as well as outside. We have had a record four years of riot-free India. Maoism, once a threat in about 160 districts in the country, is today contained to just 20 districts. Soon we are going to have a Maoist insurgency-free India. Urban Maoism too is being curbed with an iron hand.

Internal security situation has drastically improved. The North East remained largely peaceful, with six out of eight states electing BJP/NEDA governments. Accord with underground Naga groups is on the cards paving way for lasting peace in the region.

Publication of the National Register of Citizens, completed after a Herculean effort by over 50,000 employees of the Assam state government, is a monumental work in securing the cultural, economic and demographic interests of the state as well as the national security interests of India. The National Executive reassures every genuine Indian citizen that none of them shall be left out when the final NRC is published. We shall also take steps to protect the interests of the minorities in our neighbourhood who come to India seeking refuge. The National Executive compliments Modi government for its determination in weeding out the infiltrators, whether they are Bangladeshis or Rohingyas.

Stern steps taken by our government in the last three years have led to elimination of more than six hundred terrorists in J&K. The National Executive is proud that our leadership has held national interest above party interest and boldly walked out of the government in that state in order to facilitate more concrete action for peace and development there.

In last four years, India credibility and respect has increased manifold in across the World. Our Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi is counted among the top leaders of the world now. Our balanced and sensitive foreign policy is praised from across all corners. This balance is reflected in the fact that we have equidistance relations with Israel and Palestine, with Iran and Saudi Arabia, with USA, China and with Russia. Our sensitive approach has led us to successfully rescue and bring

home, more than one lakh Indians who got stuck in different places across the world in recent times.

In the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, India has now become a country which now decides the global agenda. This is reflected in the fact that within a period of 75 days, we were able to mobilise 177 countries to declare 21 June as World Yoga Day. This is also proved by the formation of 'Global Solar Alliance' with the help of France to counter global climate change challenges.

Politically, after 4 years, the Prime Minister defies conventional political wisdom about incumbency by recording 70%+ popularity ratings. No other Indian leader comes anywhere close to him. Since 2014, we have won elections in 15 states and lost in 6. We are in power in 20 Indian states today while the Opposition controls 10; Congress has its governments in 3 out of them. 60% of India ruled by BJP governments besides the central government.

The Opposition parties are terribly shaken by the immense goodwill and popularity of our government based on its sheer good work and people-friendly policies.

In their desperation for power the Opposition parties are resorting to various tactics. They neither have a leader who can match PM Modi in stature nor a program. Their singular objective is 'Stop Modi'. They want his vision for New India to be destroyed by any means.

The Prime Minister has given a call to the entire nation for building a New India by 2022, when India completes 75 years of its Independence – a New India free of homelessness, joblessness, poverty and disease; A New India that is united, prosperous, confident and happy.

The National Executive resolves to achieve it, under his leadership, by actively mobilising the support of 130 crore Indians. We invite each and every Indian to come and join in this greatest ever mega transformation happening across India. It is the transformation of a lifetime. Together we shall be part of it. This National Executive expresses its confidence and gratitude towards our leader, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for leading the country to the path of making of a New India. ■

We invite each and every Indian to come and join in this greatest ever mega transformation happening across India. It is the transformation of a lifetime. Together we shall be part of it.

“EACH INFILTRATOR WOULD BE IDENTIFIED AND DEPORTED”



The BJP Executive passed a Resolution on National Register of Citizens (NRC) in BJP National Executive Meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi on 08-09 September, 2018. The resolution said the government is not against the citizens of the country but against the infiltration in Assam. Excerpts;

The Bharatiya Janata Party on 09 September, 2018 passed a resolution on the National Register of Citizens (NRC) issue related to the northeastern Indian state of Assam, saying the government is “not against the citizen of the country but infiltration”.

The resolution read: “the BJP has been speaking continuously that the government under Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will not allow the illegal infiltrators to use India as a safe shelter. Each infiltrator would be identified and deported.”

“The government is committed to save the interest of its citizens. It will also ensure that no Indian is deprived of citizenship. The NRC is important for

India’s security and for the economic, political and cultural rights of the people of Assam.”

The resolution also stated that the Indian government has begun the process of identifying Rohingyas in many parts of Assam and will “take all appropriate steps to deport them”.

It further stated that Hindus, Christians, Buddhists and Jains in neighbouring countries seeking refugee status would be given shelter unhesitatingly.

“The BJP understands the seriousness of the problem of those who want to come to India to take shelter for saving lives, religion and for security. With this purpose, the BJP supports the Citizenship Amendment Bill,” the resolution said. ■

“NDA government lived up to the slogan of ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’ by bringing development to all”

Addressing the concluding session of the two-day long BJP National Executive Meeting held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, 15 Janpath in New Delhi on 09 September, 2018 Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi gave a clarion call to the Karyakartas of BJP with the slogan “Ajay Bharat, Atal BJP” and targeted the opposition’s opportunistic efforts to form a ‘Mahagatbandhan’.

He said the NDA government at the centre has lived up to the slogan of ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’ by bringing development to all without any consideration of caste, religion or region. Excerpts;



Addressing the concluding session of the BJP National Executive Meeting on 09 September, 2018 in New Delhi, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi gave a clarion call to the BJP Karyakartas with the slogan “Ajay Bharat, Atal BJP” and targeted the opposition’s opportunistic efforts to form a ‘Mahagatbandhan’.

Giving the slogan of ‘Ajay Bharat, Atal Bhajapa’ (Invincible India, firm BJP), Shri Modi exuded confidence that BJP will win in 2019. “We have started our journey with confidence of victory. We enjoy the confidence of 125 crore people of India.”

Shri Modi also paid rich tributes to Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji in his address to the party’s national executive.

Taking a swipe at opposition parties for trying to cobble together a grand alliance, PM Shri Modi said that such efforts are a vindication of BJP’s work. “People who do not see eye to eye are thinking of a grand alliance. It is vindication of our work,” he said.

Describing the ‘Mahagatbandhan’ Shri Modi said, “Netritva ka pata nahi, niti aspath, niyat brasht (Clueless on leadership, unclear on ideology, and nurturing corrupt intentions).”

Launching a scathing attack at the Congress, the

PM said that the party could not even succeed in its role as an opposition. “We do not see any challenge,” he said, lashing out at the opposition over its allegations based on falsehoods and lies against the Union government.

He further remarked that BJP’s 48 months in power are better than 48 years of Congress’ rule. “Question our work and we will be willing to fight. Compare the 48 years of their rule and 48 months of our government and then judge,” Shri Modi said.

He emphasized the importance of the party’s ideology and said that BJP has both strategy and principles. “We have principles and strategy. Principles remain firm and strategies keep changing from time to time,” Shri Modi said.

He said his government has lived up to the slogan of ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’ by bringing development to all without any consideration of caste, religion or region.

Mocking Rahul Gandhi without naming him, Shri Narendra Modi said nobody, including small parties, is ready to accept the Congress’s leadership.

Some even consider it a burden. There are some within it Congress who are not in a position to accept the leadership, he said.

The opposition has not challenged the government on issues or its policies and ideology, but manufacture lies every day and keeps repeating them, he said, apparently in reference to its attack on him over issues of corruption in the Rafale deal and demonetization among others.

Asking BJP Karyakartas to bust the opposition's lies and falsehoods, he said the Congress nationalized banks and mines claiming that it will help the poor and then changed track in the name of reforms.

It is important to ask what benefits the poor got

during the period, he said. The PM said world is discussing policies of BJP government based on "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas".

He spoke of the intensive drive to cover the poor households, especially in villages with high concentration of scheduled castes and tribes, with LPG connections, electricity and insurance cover among other welfare measures.

Shri Narendra Modi also mentioned the newly-launched health insurance scheme, Ayushman Bharat, that seek to cover over 10 crore poor families. ■

MODI GOVERNMENT'S AYUSHMAN BHARAT SCHEME GETS A THUMBS UP FROM WHO

The Director General of the World Health Organization (WHO) has praised Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's Ayushman Bharat initiative which aims to provide insurance cover of Rs 5 lakh per annum to 50 crore people, calling it a "great commitment". The ambitious healthcare scheme, touted as the world's largest, aims to benefit more than 10 crore poor families in the country.

"Very impressed with India's initiative on Ayushman Bharat or universal Health Coverage! Thank you Prime Minister @narendramodi. Great commitment! Thank you Minister of Health, @JPNadda, for meeting me today!," Director General Tedros Ghebreyesus tweeted Thursday night.

Thanking the WHO DG, Union Health Minister J P Nadda said it was Prime Minister Modi's vision to make healthcare "accessible and affordable" to all. ■



HARYANA GIRL BECOMES INDIA'S FIRST NEWBORN BENEFICIARY OF AYUSHMAN BHARAT YOJANA

Born on August 15, India's Independence Day, at Kalpana Chawla Government Medical College in Karnal, 19-day-old Karishma from Haryana has become the first newborn beneficiary of India's ambitious Ayushman Bharat Yojana or National Health Protection Scheme.

"Ayushman Bharat aims to undertake path-breaking interventions to holistically address health at primary, secondary and tertiary levels," the official website says. Karishma's mother Mausami is very elated by the new assistance from the government. "The government will bear all medical expenses.



@JPNadda

Thank you for your kind words @DrTedros & a very fruitful meeting. Our PM envisions to make healthcare accessible and affordable for all. Under #PMJAY, an insurance cover of Rs 5 lakh will be extended to 50 Cr people- "equal the size of the population of America, Canada, Mexico".

15 Questions that Expose Congress Party's Falsehood on Rafale



ARUN JAITLEY

WHY THESE QUESTIONS?

Considering the security environment around India, the highest standards of defence preparedness are required. After the Kargil experience, the Armed Forces and the Raksha Mantralaya were of the opinion that combat ability of the Indian Air Force to strike at targets needs to be radically improved. This need was first recorded by the Raksha Mantralaya in the year 2001.

Considerations of the national security demanded that the IAF has the best available aircraft with the appropriate weaponry loaded on it. In principle approval for acceptance of necessity of procurement of 126 replacement aircrafts was recorded by the Raksha Mantri way back on 1st June, 2001. After the UPA Government came into power, the Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) approved the Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) for procurement of 126 medium multi-role combat aircrafts. An aircraft without weaponry is of little use in a war. It is only a flying instrument. It adds to the combat strength of



the forces only when it is loaded with the requisite weaponry, which enables it to strike targets. The UPA Government issued a request for proposal on 28th August, 2007 and found two vendors, viz., M/s Dassault Aviation and M/s EADS to be compliant to the RFP requirements. It took the UPA five more years to commence the negotiations and in January, 2012 the Contract Negotiation Committee (CNC) determined Dassault Aviation to be L1.

For reasons best known to the UPA Government, on 27th June, 2012, the deal was directed to be re-examined, which effectively meant that the entire eleven-year exercise was abandoned and the process was to be undertaken afresh. India's squadron strength was depleting because of age. This slow and casual approach

of the UPA Government seriously compromised national security requirements.

THE NDA APPROACH

On 10th April, 2015, the Government of India and the French Government issued a joint statement where India decided to procure 36 Rafale aircrafts from the French Government on terms better than the ones conveyed by Dassault in the L1 bid of 2007. The same was approved by the DAC on 13th May, 2015 and finally the agreement, after a detailed procedure, was signed on 23rd September, 2016.

THE FALSE CAMPAIGN

A false campaign based on untruth has been launched by the Congress Party casting a cloud on the Inter-Governmental

agreement. The principal arguments of this campaign are the following:

(i) The NDA Government paid higher price than what the UPA would have paid if the deal would have completed on the basis of the 2007 offer of Dassault.

(ii) Proper procedures such as negotiations by the Contract Negotiation Committee and approval of the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) were not obtained.

(iii) A private industrialist in India was favoured and the interest of public sector undertaking was compromised.

Each one of the above issues raised is based on complete

and its leader, Shri Rahul Gandhi, are guilty on three counts:

(i) The UPA delayed the deal by over a decade and seriously compromised national security.

(ii) Every fact that Shri Rahul Gandhi and the Congress Party has spoken on pricing and procedure are completely false.

(iii) Its effort of raising these issues is to further delay a defence procurement so that India's defence preparedness further suffers.

THE QUESTIONS

I have, therefore, decided to ask the following questions to the Congress Party and its President. Needless to say that if replies are

peddling his falsehoods. Needless to say that I am constrained by the secrecy clause, which exists in the Contract and whatever I ask or respond to would be constrained by that limitation. My question to Shri Rahul Gandhi and his Party are as follows:

ON DELAY

(1) The UPA was a Government which suffered from a decision-making paralysis. Do you agree that the delay of over one decade was only on account of the incompetence and indecisiveness of the UPA Government?

(2) Did this delay seriously compromise national security? Is not the medium multi-role combat aircraft required by our forces to identify and strike at targets particularly when two of our neighbours have already enhanced their strength in this area?

(3) Was this delay and eventual abatement of the purchase by the UPA based on collateral considerations as had been witnessed in earlier transactions such as the purchase of the 155 mm Bofors gun?

UNSURE OF FACTS

(4) How is it that Shri Rahul Gandhi quoted a price of Rs.700 crores per aircraft in Delhi and Karnataka in April and May this year? In Parliament, he reduced it to Rs.520 crore per aircraft, in Raipur he increased it to Rs.540 crores; in Jaipur he used the two figures – Rs.520 crores and Rs.540 crores in the same speech. In Hyderabad, he invented a new price of Rs.526 crores. Truth has

It is expected from national political parties and its responsible leaders to keep themselves informed of the basic facts before they enter a public discourse on defence transactions. The Congress Party and its leader, Shri Rahul Gandhi, are guilty on three counts:

(i) The UPA delayed the deal by over a decade and seriously compromised national security.

(ii) Every fact that Shri Rahul Gandhi and the Congress Party has spoken on pricing and procedure are completely false.

(iii) Its effort of raising these issues is to further delay a defence procurement so that India's defence preparedness further suffers.

falsehood. It is expected from national political parties and its responsible leaders to keep themselves informed of the basic facts before they enter a public discourse on defence transactions. The Congress Party

received in the public space or even if there is an issue diversion and no reply is received, I would be constrained to come out with further specific facts which establish truth as a victim of Shri Rahul Gandhi and his party merely

only one version, falsehood has many. Are these allegations being made without any familiarity with the facts of the Rafale purchase?

(5) Is Mr. Gandhi or the Congress Party aware of price comparison? Is Mr. Gandhi aware of the aircraft price, which was quoted in 2007 in the L1 bid? Is he aware that there was an escalation clause, which by 2015 when the NDA struck the price deal, would have further escalated the price? Would not the escalation clause have continued to escalate the price till each of the aircraft was supplied? Have the significant exchange rate variations between Rupee and Euro during the same period been considered?

(6) Is he aware of the fact that if the basic aircraft price on which UPA was to purchase the aircraft along with the escalation clause is compared at the price with the better terms on which the NDA Government signed the deal. The basic aircraft price itself is 9% cheaper under the NDA than it was under the UPA?

(7) Can Shri Rahul Gandhi deny that when the add-ons such as India-specific adaptations, weaponry, etc. are installed on the basic aircraft, the UPA price, which was mentioned in the 2007 L1 offer, would be at least 20% costlier than the more favourable price negotiated by the NDA?

(8) Can Shri Rahul Gandhi and the Congress Party deny if the total contract cost, that is, basic aircraft plus add-ons, including weaponry, etc., Indian adaptations plus future supplies and maintenance are all added, the NDA terms become far more favourable than the 2007 L1

offer?

ROLE OF PRIVATE INDUSTRIES

(9) Can Shri Rahul Gandhi and the Congress deny that the Government of India has no contract whatsoever with any private industry in relation with the Rafale aircraft supplies? In fact, 36 of the Rafale aircraft with their Indian adaptations are going to be sent to India and there is no manufacturing of these 36 aircrafts in India.

(10) Any Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) under the

defence equipment, i.e., either by competitive bidding or by an Inter-Governmental Agreement?

(12) Can Mr. Gandhi and his Party deny that the UPA Government in 2007 itself had shortlisted the Rafale as technically- acceptable and L1 in price competition?

(13) Can Shri Gandhi and his Party deny that considering the urgency of the defence requirement, the Government of India and the French Government agreed to execute the supply of 36 Rafale aircrafts at terms better

Is he aware of the fact that if the basic aircraft price on which UPA was to purchase the aircraft along with the escalation clause is compared at the price with the better terms on which the NDA Government signed the deal. The basic aircraft price itself is 9% cheaper under the NDA than it was under the UPA?

offset policy of the UPA can select any number of Indian partners, both from the private sector and the public sector, for offset supplies? This has nothing to do with the Government of India and, therefore, any private industry having benefitted from the Government of India is a complete lie. Can Shri Gandhi and his Party deny this?

ON PROCEDURE

(11) Are Shri Gandhi and his Party aware of the fact that there are two ways of acquiring a

than the 2007 offer of the UPA?

(14) Can it be denied that both the Price Negotiation Committee and the Contract Negotiation Committee negotiated for 14 months before concluding the deal?

(15) Can it be denied that before the deal was executed, the Cabinet Committee on Security approved the transaction?

I am asking the above questions and I hope Shri Rahul Gandhi and the Congress Party would respond immediately. ■

(Writer is Union Finance Minister, GoI)

“BJP CONVERTING GROWING PEOPLE SUPPORT TO PARTY INTO EXTENSIVE PEOPLE-ORGANIZATION”



*The BJP has entrusted the responsibility of training programme of the party to its National General Secretary and the party in-charge of Karnataka & Tamil Nadu **Shri Muralidhar Rao**. Kamal Sandesh Associate Editor **Vikash Anand** discussed with Shri Rao on ongoing-training programme of party karykarts and current political state of affairs in Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Here, we are giving excerpts from the interview for our esteemed readers:*

You are in-charge of BJP Training Department. Right now, what are the ongoing activities pertaining to training?

The BJP, through Prashikshan especially from 2014 onwards, is converting growing people support to the party into extensive people-organization. We have trained active workers, different categories of office bearers and also trained workers with specific responsibilities at length. In toto, the training department has trained almost 10 lakh party workers which is a record in the world history of any political party. In view of the 2019 general election the trained workers have to advance the programme of making communication with people. In totality, it aims to make organization stronger at booth level. We have trained workers to communicate with people by listening and collecting their grievances at local level. We are also giving special and extensive training for interacting

with media and new media. Also, we are providing special training about the government achievements to be taken to the related sections of people. We are also preparing extensive training programme for active members who are going to work intensively in coming general election.

The BJP is the only political party which is emphasizing so much on training of Karykarts. Why?

Look, other parties do not consider organization and its workers as base of the party. In this situation, these parties work on an alternative base. They adopt short-cut methods, want to take benefits from the existing caste, caste-groups and their organizations. They never rise above caste-politics. Their claim to represent all sections of society is only for namesake. But in practice they are only for some particular

caste-groups. Like the Congress, we find most of parties, from Kashmir to Kanyakumari, have become party of a family. For party of a family, karykarta training, karykarta development, empowerment of organization, intra-party communication, maintaining democratic value of the party-organization, regular election within party organization are illogical and irrelevant. So, it is natural that new workers, their training and giving responsibilities based on training are a myth for them.

You are BJP State in-charge of Karnataka and Tamilnadu. Tamilnadu is among few states where BJP did not form government yet. What are the steps being taken to make a strong organization in Tamilnadu.

In last five years, our organization has become stronger in Tamilnadu. It is progressing continuously. With the demise of Jayalalitha ji, and Karunanidhi ji there is a void in politics of Tamilnadu. And second factor is appeal of Narendra Modiji among people and their desire to give BJP a chance. The types of governments that have ruled the state has appalled the people. The system is plagued by rampant corruption. There is no development. Now people are thinking for change. In coming days, BJP will be stronger. And the party has decided to prepare itself to form a good alliance in the state. The party will make progress on the basis of coalition. Which party will be part of the coalition will be decided in October.

The Karnataka government has completed two months. What is your opinion on the working of the government?

The party which has won only 37 seats out of 224 has formed the government in the State.

Forming such government is not good morally as well as practically. The functioning of present coalition government is based on blackmailing, exploitation and corruption. So in principle running a stable government in Karnataka is not possible.

Nowadays, NRC has become a burning issue. Why are opposition parties opposing it?

It is absolutely a constitutional issue. It has been discussed since 1951. The issue has historical background of 1985. Illegal migration happened in Assam. It is not only an issue of Assam and its citizenship but much more than that. What is the identity of Assam? The question is of Assamese or non Assamese? Illegal infiltration has changed the demographics of different districts of Assam. That is why Assamese people feel insecure. Their identity is in danger. On the issue of illegal infiltration a long agitation took place in Assam. In the presence of the then PM Rajiv Gandhi, the signing of the Assam Accord between representatives of the Government of India and the leaders of the Assam movement took place in 1985.

In last five years, our organization has become stronger in Tamilnadu. It is progressing continuously. With the demise of Jayalalitha ji, and Karunanidhi ji there is a void in politics of Tamilnadu. And second factor is appeal of Narendra Modiji among people and their desire to give BJP a chance.

In 2005, Mamata Banerjee raised the issue of illegal infiltration in the parliament. What is the reason behind Mamata's sudden U-turn now?

Today there is a competition between the Congress and Mamta Banerjee for garnering votes of Bangladeshi infiltrators. This act is not only unconstitutional but it is also against the country. Therefore, we have to fight on the issue of illegal infiltration. Today, people of Assam have rejected the Congress, if it continues with this approach; the country will reject the congress in coming days again. I think it will happen. ■

Rahul should give the account of 60 years of Congress rule: Amit Shah

BJP National President Shri Amit Shah on 05th September 2018 said instead of demanding an account of work done by Narendra Modi government in the last four years, the Congress President should answer why development did not reach the masses during the "six-decade rule of his family".

Shri Shah was speaking after flagging off the second phase of 'Atal Vikas Yatra' in Chhattisgarh alongwith Chief Minister Dr. Raman Singh to reach out to people from Kurubhat village near Dongargarh in Rajnandgaon district. The yatra was renamed in the memory of former prime minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Addressing a rally at the Pragyagiri ground in Kurubhat village, Shri Amit Shah said Rahul Gandhi had no right to question the Modi government and slammed the performance of previous Congress governments.

"His Congress government was in power for 60 years but why electricity did not reach villages? Why farmers did not get better MSP? Why benefits of other welfare schemes did not reach to the masses? People of the country want to know the account of 60 years of the Congress rule from you," the BJP National President asked. We don't need to answer you. You don't have the right to ask this question, he said.

Before the launch of the mass outreach campaign, Shri Shah and Dr. Singh paid obeisance at Maa Bamleshwari temple in Dongargarh.

Shri Shah also slammed Rahul Gandhi for criticizing Dr. Raman Singh over the purchase of smart phones for the Sanchar Kranti Scheme (SKY) in Chhattisgarh.

SKY, launched in July this year is expected to benefit 45 lakh women belonging to poor families and five lakh college students who will be given smartphones. Shri Shah said, "I was listening to speech of 'Shehzada' of the Congress. He was asking Modiji's account of the work done during the



last four years.

Why was he even asking this question?" "The people of the country wanted to know from Rahul the account of work done during your four-generation rule," he said.

Referring to the alleged coal allocation scam that had surfaced under the previous Congress-led UPA government, the BJP National President said the Congress is a "coal mine thief which committed irregularities in the coal block allocations".

"Rahul baba during his recent visit to Chhattisgarh, was asking why the Raman Singh government did not purchase mobile phones from BHEL under the SKY scheme. BHEL does not manufacture phones and Rahul does not even know that and he is asking for the hisab," he said.

Recalling the contribution of Vajpayee in the formation of Chhattisgarh, Shri Amit Shah said, "Atal ji had founded Chhattisgarh state and Dr. Raman Singh has developed it as per his dreams".

BJP PRESIDENT SEEKS BLESSINGS OF PRAKASH MUNI

The BJP National President after his arrival at the Swami Vivekananda Airport in Raipur, changed his programme slightly and rushed directly to meet Kabir Panth's religious head Guru Prakash Muni Naam Saheb at his residence at Katora Talab in Raipur.

The meeting lasted about 15 minutes. Chief Minister Dr. Raman Singh, BJP State President Shri Dharamlal Kaushik and state Agriculture Minister Shri Brijmohan Agrawal were also present. ■

INDIAN TOURISM ECONOMY HAS GROWN BY 14% IN LAST YEAR : ALPHONS

K.J. Alphons, Union Tourism Minister who hails from Kerala discussed with Kamal Sandesh Associate Editor Vikash Anand on flood situation in Kerala & achievements in tourism sector at length.

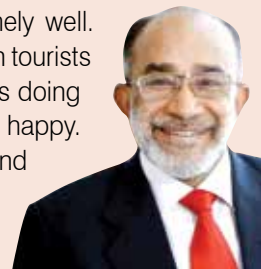
Kerala faces severe flood devastation in its history. How is Union Government led by Narendra Modi helping people of Kerala?

We see from day one, Hon'ble Prime Minister was very very clear that whatever help is required will be given by the Central Government to Kerala. Prime Minister spoke to Kerala Chief Minister many times and issued directions and a committee was set up under the cabinet secretary which calls meeting everyday of all other ministry to provide all required support. Everything was provided immediately as soon as it was asked for. In the first leg when flood occurred, Minister of State for Home Affairs Shri Kiren Rijiju went there. When second leg of floods happened, Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh visited flood affected areas and announced 100-crore as an immediate central relief. Before Kiren Rijiju visited, we had already given 160 crores. When Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi visited and reviewed the situation, he announced an assistance of 500 crores. All the central forces including Army, Paramilitary, Navy, National Disaster Response Force are assisting people in Kerala. And other states are also providing assistance whatever they can. So the government of India provided all the necessary assistance like necessary number of aeroplanes, helicopters, rescue ship etc. And the state government, of-course, is working very closely in collaboration with central government. Therefore, rescue part was done very very well. Whatever is given by center now is for immediate relief. For long term assistance, the state government is preparing a memorandum after assessing all damages from public property to private property, infrastructure damages etc and also assessing how to rebuild them. It will be submitted to government of India. Home Ministry will meet under chairmanship of Union Home Secretary and make recommendations to the Home Minister a decision regarding long term assistance for rehabilitation of the people will be taken. The kind of criticism that very small amount was paid by government of India is not true. That was for immediate relief not for rehabilitation. We from the center will help out, give complete cooperation. The Chief Minister of Kerala has

himself said it to be a huge cooperation from government of India and from the Prime Minister.

What are the government achievements in tourism sector?

We are fastest growing tourism economy in the world. Global growth rate of tourism in 2017 is about 5%. Indian tourism has grown by 14% last year. And arrival of foreign tourists in India has gone up by 19.2%. Therefore we are fastest growing tourism sector in the world. We have done extremely well. We have crossed 10 million foreign tourists arrival and our domestic tourism is doing also very well. But still I am not happy. Because we are five thousand years old civilization. We have so much to offer. My objective is very clear, I want to reach 20 million tourists in three years by 2020. In three years we want to double that. In five years we want to reach 100 billion dollars. That is my objective. And let me tell the biggest surprise. In the four years of Modi government, tourism has created 14.62 million jobs in India. So, we are the biggest employments creators in the country.



Do you have any specific plan which you want to implement?

We are now organising road shows abroad to attract tourists, because we have to reach out to the people and talk to them. After I became minister of tourism we have been organising a lot of road shows in Europe, USA and Latin American countries. We have been to China last week. Our big focus is going to be China because last year a hundred and forty-four million of Chinese people went abroad. China is biggest outdoor market in the world. Out of 144 million Chinese people only 2.4 million Chinese are coming to India. It is not even one percent. Our objective is to attract at least 1% of 144 million in next two years. Eventually in five years we want to get 10% Chinese tourists. ■

“No one can defeat BJP in Rajasthan”



During the one day Rajasthan Pravas, Bharatiya Janata Party National President Shri Amit Shah on 11 September, 2018 asked party workers to sweat for victory in the coming Rajasthan Assembly election, saying the state polls will be a trailer for the 2019 Lok Sabha election. Shri Shah asked them to work hard for winning the elections scheduled later this year without bothering about the position in the government.

The results from the three major states of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh will set the trend for the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, he said at a meeting during his one-day Jaipur Pravas.

“The BJP’s victory in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections will pave the way for the party’s rule for the next 50 years,” Shri Shah told BJP workers at the Shakti Kendra Sammelan.

“The assembly elections are a trailer for the 2019 Lok Sabha elections and you need to shed more sweat in the field to ensure a thumping victory,” he said at the Birla auditorium, where he was addressing local bodies’ representatives.

The BJP President said the workers should think only about the party symbol ‘lotus’ and Bharat Mata when they campaign.

He said the Mahagatbandhan, or the grand alliance that the Opposition is talking about will have no impact except a little influence in Uttar Pradesh.

Shri Amit Shah said the workers should ask people what they felt about having Congress president Rahul

Gandhi as Prime Minister, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee as external affairs minister and Samajwadi Party’s Mulayam Singh Yadav as defence minister. “You need to tell people about this. Go to the public and highlight the work done by the Modi government and the Raje government,” he said.

Shri Amit Shah said no one can defeat the BJP in Rajasthan.

Targeting Congress, the BJP President said the party should first make clear who its leader is and what are its policies and programmes. “Rahul has the right to dream but he will wake up on the day of counting,” he said.

He claimed the Congress has tried to create a state of confusion in the country and referred to the lynching of Mohammed Akhlaq in Dadri over alleged cow slaughter and the 2015 protest in which a group of writers returned their awards. “During elections, issues like Akhlaq or award wapsi come up,” he said.

“The BJP had won elections when the Akhlaq issue and award wapsi happened, and the party will win this time too even if the Congress brings up some other issue,” he said. “The Modi government or the Raje government has done nothing that you need to bow your head,” he said.

Shri Amit Shah said every party worker should cover at least five villages until the elections, and tell people about the work done by the government, like the surgical strike against Pakistan and the increase in minimum support price for farm produce. ■

Indian schools reach near 100% sanitation from 50% in just a decade, says UN report

Indian schools have achieved a major feat as almost all schools in the country had some type of sanitation facility in 2016, as compared to half the schools in India reported having no sanitation facility at all just a decade ago, according to a UN report. India has made rapid progress in increasing access to sanitation in schools, the United Nations said in a report, noting that the proportion of schools without any sanitation facility has decreased at a fast pace in the country. A new joint UN agency study, 'Drinking Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools: 2018 Global Baseline Report,' says that good hygiene facilities in schools provide the basis of a healthy learning environment, and that girls are more likely to attend when they are on their period.

The annual report is produced by the World Health Organization/UN Children's Fund Joint Monitoring Programme, or JMP, which has been monitoring global progress on drinking water, sanitation and hygiene



(WASH) since 1990. It looks at the progress made towards reaching the targets of two of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Goal 6 (Clean water and sanitation), and Goal 4 (Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all).

WASH in schools programmes provide an entry point for the education, awareness-raising and behaviour change required to achieve the SDG6 target of ending open defecation by 2030, the report said. It said India "has made rapid progress in increasing access to sanitation facilities in schools."

Global Chief of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene at UNICEF Kelly Ann Naylor said that if education is the key to helping children escape poverty, access to water and sanitation is key to helping children safely maximize their education. "To neglect this is to be careless with the well-being and health of children," Naylor said. ■

Indian economy grows at 8.2 per cent

The Indian economy grew at 15-quarter high of 8.2 per cent in the April-June quarter of current fiscal on good show by manufacturing and farm sectors.

The growth cemented India's position as the fastest growing major economy, clocking higher expansion rate than China's 6.7 in the same quarter.

The gross domestic product (GDP) at constant (2011-12) prices in the first quarter of 2018-19 is estimated at Rs. 33.74 lakh crore, as against Rs. 31.18 lakh crore in Q1 of 2017-18, showing a growth rate of 8.2 per cent, a Central Statistics Office statement said.

According to statement, the quarterly GVA (Gross Value Added) at basic price at constant (2011-2012) prices for Q1 of 2018-19 is estimated at Rs. 31.63 lakh

crore, as against Rs. 29.29 lakh crore in Q1 of 2017-18, showing a growth rate of 8 per cent over the year-ago period.

The previous high quarterly GDP growth was recorded in July-September period in 2014-15 at 8.4 per cent.

As per the data, the quarterly GVA at basic prices for Q1 2018-19 from 'manufacturing' sector grew by 13.5 per cent as compared to contraction of 1.8 per cent in Q1 2017-18.

The Quarterly GVA at basic prices for Q1 2018-19 from 'agriculture, forestry and fishing' sector grew by 5.3 per cent as compared to growth of 3 per cent in Q1 2017-18. ■

(With inputs from PTI)



THE HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER SHRI NARENDRA MODI AND
 BJP NATIONAL PRESIDENT SHRI AMIT SHAH
 BECOME LIFE MEMBERS OF KAMAL SANDESH

BECOME PART OF A VIBRANT IDEOLOGICAL MOVEMENT

SUBSCRIPTION DETAILS



Name :

Address :

Pin :

Phone : Mobile : (1)..... (2).....

E-mail :

SUBSCRIPTION TYPE	One Year	₹350/-	<input type="checkbox"/>	Life Time (English or Hindi)	₹3000/-	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Three Years	₹1000/-	<input type="checkbox"/>	Life Time (English+Hindi)	₹5000/-	<input type="checkbox"/>

(DETAIL OF THE PAYMENT)

Cheque/Draft No. : Date : Bank :

Note : * DD/Cheque will be made in favour of "Kamal Sandesh"
 * Money order and Cash accepted with details

(Subscriber's Signature)



SEND YOUR DD/CHEQUE ON THIS ADDRESS
 Dr. Mookerji Smruti Nyas, PP-66, Subramania Bharati Marg, New Delhi-110003
 Ph.: 011-23381428 Fax: 011-23387887 E-mail: kamalsandesh@yahoo.co.in

KAMAL SANDESH - DEDICATED TO NATIONAL CAUSE



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi flanked by Union Minister Shri Manoj Sinha and others at the launch of the India Post Payments Bank in New Delhi



PM Shri Narendra Modi along with Lok Sabha Speaker Smt. Sumitra Mahajan former PMs Dr. Manmohan Singh and Shri H. D. Deve Gowda releasing the Book "MOVING ON... MOVING FORWARD- A YEAR IN OFFICE", published on the completion of One Year in the Office of the Vice President Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu in New Delhi



PM Shri Narendra Modi meets the US Secretary of State Mr. Michael R. Pompeo and the US Secretary of Defence Mr. James Mattis during 2+2 bilateral strategic and security dialogue in New Delhi



On the occasion of Parkash Parab of Sri Guru Granth Sahib ji, PM Shri Modi greets and seeks blessings for the peace, progress and prosperity of humankind



PM Shri Narendra Modi unveiling a book on 'MOVE', a special global summit on the future of mobility in New Delhi

