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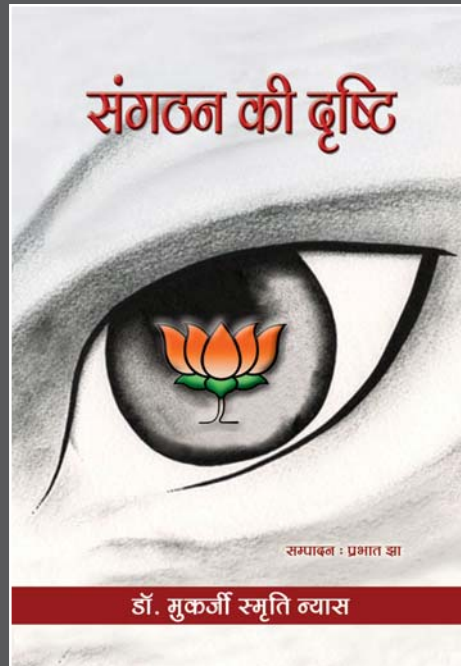
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In fact, there was never a time when I was not, or when you or these kings were not. Nor is it a fact that hereafter we shall all cease to be.

– (Bhagavadgita : Ch.-II, 12)

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Relentless struggle required against *mehangai* and corruption

Editorial...

The BJP *karyakartas* were forced to hit the street again. Lacs of common people across the country came out openly to support BJP's *Jail Bharo Andolan* and protest against ruthlessly insensitive Congress led UPA government in the Centre. Arrest us! Put us in the jail! – the streets reverberated with people chanting slogans against UPA as part of *Jail Bharo Andolan*. The anti-Congress, anti-UPA slogans rent the air, the people were desperate to express their anger and anguish. From the streets of Rajasthan and Gujarat in the West to the jails of Nagaland, Assam and other States in the Northeast, the people registered their strong resentment against the callous and cruel approach of the Congress led UPA. Massive protests were organized in Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand and many other States where the call for *Jail Bharo* received spontaneous support from the people. It is now clear the people can no longer bear the brutality of Congress led UPA, its corruption and cruelties towards people. Entire nation is one in condemning the Congress for its regime of unabated price-rise and back breaking *mehangai*.

The Congress led UPA government has again hiked the petrol prices by a whopping 7.50 per litre. It is for the 11th time that the prices have been hiked in three years of its second term. While high inflation has become the order of the day, the food inflation has remained in double digit for most of the three years of UPA-II tenure. It seems difficult to understand as to why Congress led UPA is unwilling to provide relief to the people in the face of rising tide of *mehangai*. In place of providing relief, prices are increased mercilessly multiplying the miseries of the common men. People are asking for bread and they are being offered stones instead. Continuous spate of price rise is affecting the people and particularly the poor in most adverse manner. The UPA government had raised the price of LPG by a massive Rs 50 per cylinder, of diesel by Rs 3 a litre and kerosene by Rs 2 per litre in May 2011. The government had in June 2010 increased the price of diesel by Rs 2 a litre and that of LPG by Rs 35 a cylinder and the poor man's cooking fuel, kerosene, by Rs 3 a litre. Cooking gas has now turned costlier by a massive Rs 85 per cylinder under UPA-II tenure. The hike in cooking fuel prices has already added to the crushing burden on household budgets already stretched with soaring prices of essential foodstuffs. The increase in petrol prices now will have a cascading effect on prices which will ultimately have to be borne by the consumer.

The UPA has badly mismanaged and mishandled the economy. The downslide in GDP growth rate reflects badly on the policies and priorities of the UPA government. Most recently even international agencies like S&P and Fitch have downgraded the economy in their ratings. Rupee is sliding in the international market as the Congress led

UPA government is in the grip of policy paralysis and inflation. While the government remains brazenly non-committal to act on the black money stashed abroad, everyday stories of new scams, scandals and loot of public money is hitting the headlines. Even in the budget common men were burdened with new taxes, while widening fiscal deficit and increasing borrowings is sure to lead to more harsh living condition for the people. While the masses are reeling under the burden of continuous upswing of prices, it has been observed since last few years that the government has gone callously insensitive on the issue of price rise and its ministers shamefully defend the phenomenon through bizarre explanations.

Bharatiya Janata Party has been struggling relentlessly against the phenomenon of price rise unleashed by the wrong economic policies, widespread corruption and misplaced priorities of the UPA government. BJP National President Shri Nitin Gadkari asked 14 questions from the Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh in 2010 on *mehangai* which still remains unanswered. On 6 April 2010 Shri Gadkari again demanded a white paper on *mehangai* but to no avail. On 21 April 2010 a massive *mehangai* rally was organized in Ramlihal

maidan which was attended by lacs of people from across the country but the UPA chose not to act on unprecedented price rise. On 21st June 2010, Bharat Bandh was observed across the country. On 15th December 2010, nationwide protests were organized against price hike of petroleum products by UPA government. Again on 16th May 2011 nationwide protests were organized against price hike of petroleum products which was eighth hike in UPA-II tenure. Nationwide protests were organized again when the UPA government raised the price of LPG by Rs 50 and diesel by Rs 2 per litre and that of kerosene by Rs. 2 per litre on 24 June 2011. There were spontaneous protests by BJP activists across the nation against the price hike of petroleum products on 4 November 2011. On May 31, 2012, the nation observed Bharat Bandh again on the call of NDA which was highly successful as people wholeheartedly responded to the call. BJP also launched Jansangharsh Abhiyan from 7th June 2012 which culminated into Jail Bharo Andolanon 22nd June 2012. In all its efforts to mobilize people against *mehangai*, BJP received overwhelming support of the people across the country raising the voice against Congress led UPA misrule and

misgovernance.

The Congress led UPA has refused to respond to the relentless struggle by the BJP highlighting people's plight in the face of rising prices. It has failed to provide any succour to the people nor does it intend to initiate any relief measures. In such circumstances the only option left with people is to continue to struggle and agitate. BJP has been continuously raising the voice of the people and waging relentless struggle. The BJP has to keep mobilizing the people against anti-people Congress led UPA. The results are also for everyone to see – Congress has been made to bite dust in all the recently held elections, whether it has been held for State assemblies, parliament or local bodies. People have made up their minds to teach Congress a lesson for its deceitful approach and betrayal. Every Karyakarta will have to become a soldier of people, a voice of the common men and enable them in their battle of ballot so that nation gets rid of Congress led UPA government.

It is incumbent upon every BJP karyakarta to unite the people and organize them in the struggle ahead. Bharatiya Janata Party is the only hope for the country and it will have to come up to the expectations of the people by becoming their voice against *mehangai* and corruption. ■



Even in the face of scorching summer and soaring temperatures lacs of people participated in the *Jail Bharo Aandolan* on 22 June 2012. The 'Jail Bharo Aandolan' organised by BJP received massive support across the nation. The people responded overwhelmingly against the Congress led UPA government's anti-people policies leading to unprecedented price-rise and hike of the petrol prices throughout the country. While people braved scorching summer and soaring temperature in most of the parts, in the Northeastern States and in some southern States people came out in large numbers even in the face of heavy rains. More than 37 lakh people courted arrest at 1500 places in 528 districts. The Central leaders, State leaders and local leaders led a large number of people courting arrests against the Congress led UPA.

Congress-led UPA Government has been an utter failure on all fronts. The economy of the country is in a dismal state. The central government has lost control of the economy of the country; the Indian rupee has weakened in an unprecedented manner as the economy has gone far away from the ground reality of the country. Despite record production of food grains the price of essential

commodities is sky-rocketing. Since 7th June as part of 'Jan Sangarsh Abhiyan' BJP units all over the country organized *pad yatra*, rallies, public meetings and *dharna* to protest against price rise and hike in the petrol prices. Through these programmes BJP has exposed anti-people policies of the government as part of 'Jan Sangarsh Abhiyan' in different States organising 16,036 programmes in which lakhs of people participating. In the final day of 'Jansangarsh Abhiyan' i.e. 22nd June 'Jail Bharo Aandolan' was organized across the country. BJP MPs, MLAs and local leaders led the sangarsh and people for courting arrest in their respective areas.

Maharashtra

BJP National President Nitin Gadkari on June 22 led party leaders and workers in courting arrest as part of its nationwide 'jail bharo' agitation in Nagpur to protest rising inflation and recent hike in petroleum products. Addressing party workers at the Variety square near the Gandhi statue in the city, Gadkari criticised the UPA government for its failure to control rising prices and rampant corruption in the country. "It has failed on all fronts and was indulging in anti-people policies.

Common man has suffered a lot due to price rise. Even farmers were not happy due to the rise in prices of urea and fertilisers and still committing suicides," he said adding industries were also

Many senior BJP leaders courted arrest at the following places:-

National President Shri Nitin Gadkari at Nagpur, Smt Sushma Swaraj at Bhopal, Shri Arun Jaitley, Shri Rajnath Singh, Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, Shri Tarun Vijay, Dr. Harshwardhan at Delhi, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu at Hyderabad, Shri Narendra Singh Thomar at Murena in Madhya Pradesh, Smt Smruti Irani at Jammu, Smt Vasundhara Raje at Jhalawad, Shri Kirit Somaihi at Jaipur, Smt Kiran Maheshwari at Chittorgarh, Shri Ananth Kumar at Bangalore, Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad and Smt Kiran Ghai at Patna, Shri Yashwant Sinha at Ranchi, Shri J.P. Nadda at Chandigarh, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan at Raipur, Shri Purushottam Rupala in Gujarat, Shri Kalraj Mishra and Anurag Thakur in Himachal, Shri Bhagat Singh Koshyari at Udham Singh Nagar, Shri Thawarchand Gehlot at Dehradun, Shri Prakash Javdekar at Panaji in Goa, Shri Balbir Punj in Punjab, Shri Chandan Mitra and Smt Bijoya Chakraborty in Guwahati, Smt Najma Heptullah in Dadar Nagar Haveli, Shri Murlidhar Rao in Hyderabad, Ms Arti Mehra in Kerala, Dr. K. Laxman in Chennai, Ms Vani Tripathi in Puducherry, Shri Shyam Jaju in Faridabad, Omprakash Dhankar in Haryana, Shri Ramnath Kovind in Tripura and Tapir Gao in Ita Nagar.

Banwarilal Purohit, party legislators Krishna Khopde, Vikas Kumbhare, Sudhir Parve, Nana Patole and others courted arrest in Nagpur.

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facing closure due to faulty policies of the U P A government. Shri Gadkari also sought to know why U P A government was reluctant to disclose the list of those who have stashed black money abroad. P r o b a b l y C o n g r e s s knows if the list of account holders in o v e r s e a s banks is made public, many prominent C o n g r e s s leaders will be exposed, he said. The BJP chief promised that if his party comes to p o w e r , prevailing prices of e s s e n t i a l prices will be brought down to half. Earlier, Rajya Sabha MP Ajay K u m a r S a n c h e t i , former MP

Hundreds of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaders and activists courted arrest in various parts of Vidarbha as a part of the to protest hike essential commodities and petrol price.

Delhi

More than 30,000 BJP workers staged unprecedented *Satyagraha* at Jantar Mantar. The leaders along with large number of people marching from 7 prominent intersections towards the PM House were arrested by the Police and the place of arrest was declared as jail because there was no room for them in jail and were kept under the supervision of police. The people under police custody were raising slogans - 'Khoon Chusne



Wali Sarkar Ko - Barkhast Karo - Barkhast Karo', 'Bhrastachari, Mehgai Badane Wali Delhi Sarkar - Nikammi Hai - Nikammi Hai' - Jo Sarkar Nikammi Hai - Woh Sarkar Badalni Hai'. The agitated workers held the Shiela Govt. responsible for severe scarcity of power & water and demanded immediate solution of the problem. The public meeting was conducted by Shri Ramesh Bidhuri. After the public meeting, all the leaders proceeded towards PM residence. First of all the police arrested Sarva Shri Arun Jaitley, Rajnath Singh, Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, Prof. Vijay Kumar Malhotra, Vijender Gupta and Rameshwar Chaurasia. After that thousands of men & women workers marched ahead raising slogans. There was so much zeal for going to jail that the police had to face great difficulty. After arresting 26,000 thousand workers, the police gave up and refused to arrest the workers. The angry workers raised thunderous slogans against the Govt. and demanded dismissal of the Chief Minister.

Madhya Pradesh

Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Smt. Sushma Swaraj and other senior BJP leaders courted arrest in Bhopal as part of the party's nationwide agitation on rising inflation. Squarely blaming the policies and "corruption" of the UPA Ministers for rising inflation in the country, Swaraj, former Chief Ministers Sunderlal Patwa and Kailash Joshi and state general secretary Arvind Menon courted arrest in front of the party headquarters. Earlier addressing the protestors, mostly women, Smt. Swaraj blamed the "UPA government's wrong policies and corruption of Ministers" as the main reason for the rising inflation.



"A minister alone was involved in the Rs 1.76 lakh crore 2G scam under this government," she alleged and also referred to other scams that took place under the UPA. She also criticised the Centre for treating Opposition ruled states in a "partisan manner" and specially highlighted the case of Madhya Pradesh in this regard, especially on the issue of coal allocation, power, foodgrains under BPL, Indira Awas Kutir and gunny bags for storing wheat. Before courting arrest, the Leader of Opposition demanded total rollback of hike in petrol prices and food articles and not to treat opposition-ruled states in a step-motherly way.

Punjab & Haryana

Party's national vice president and former Union minister Shri Shanta Kumar courted arrest at Jalandhar along with party's Punjab spokesman Manoranjan Kalia, 19 municipal councillors and several party workers, a BJP spokesman said here.

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BJP leaders and Members of Parliament Balbir Punj and Navjot Singh Sidhu courted arrest along with Amritsar district president Anand Sharma, 24 municipal councillors, Yuva Morcha state president Rajesh Honey and a number of workers at Amritsar. BJP State President Shri Ashwani Sharma was arrested at Pathankot. Before handing himself over to police, Shri Shanta Kumar rubbished Centre's claim that fuel price hike was due to rise in international crude oil prices. At Amritsar, Shri Balbir Punj said after petrol, the Centre is planning to increase prices of diesel, LPG and kerosene. Shri Ashwani Sharma said, "...The (petrol price) burden can be reduced by suitably adjusting import duty and excise duty."

Party sources claimed around 85,000 BJP activists - 50,000 in Punjab and rest in Haryana - courted arrest

Himachal

Thousands of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) workers courted arrest in Himachal Pradesh. Most prominent towns in this BJP-ruled state saw protests and demonstrations. But there was no impact on rail and road traffic in the state. Normal life was not disrupted much in the State. In the State capital, Shimla BJP workers, led by party vice president Shri Kalraj Mishra and BJYM President Shri Anurag Thakur, courted arrest by defying prohibitory orders. Addressing the protestors, Shri Kalraj Mishra said that ever since the UPA - II had come to power at the national level, prices were touching the sky. In Mandi town, Rajya Sabha member Vimla Kashyap led the protest while State BJP President Shri Satpal Satti accompanied by the local legislators and leaders courted arrest in Una town.

Bihar

BJP workers in Bihar staged a protest march from the State Party office upto Raj Bhawan in Patna to protest against the Centre's economic policies and its discrimination against non-Congress governments. Led by BJP National General Secretary Shri Ravishankar Prasad and the State unit President Shri CP Thakur, thousands of party workers took out a protest march and shouted slogans against the Centre on inflation, price rise, corruption and "discrimination against

non-Congress governments". The police, however, stopped the protesting BJP workers and prevented them from going towards the Raj Bhawan due to security reasons. A BJP delegation comprising Shri Prasad and Shri Thakur among other senior leaders went to Raj Bhawan and submitted a memorandum to an official there in the absence of the Governor.

Rajasthan

'Jail Bharo Agitation' got success as more than 10,000 workers in Jaipur courted arrest. They were taken to a school campus which was made temporary jail, where the police formalized arrests and released them after a short while. Other prominent party leaders, including the Leader of the Opposition Vasundhara Raje led the agitation in the State.

State BJP President Shri Arun Chaturvedi along with the Secretary of State in charge Shri Kirit Soumaiya, Deputy Leader of Legislature Party Shri Ghanshyam Tiwari, former state president Shri Ramdas Agrawal courted arrest in Jaipur, whereas Smt. Kiran Maheshwari in Chittaurgarh, Shri Om Prakash Mathur in Pali, Shri Gulab Chand Kataria in Udaipur, Shri Raghuvir Singh Kaushal



in Kota, Party Whip in the State assembly Shri Rajendra Rathore from Churu, Shri Onkar Singh Lakhawat in Ajmer and former CM Smt. Vasundhara Raje courted arrest in Jhalawar.

Karnataka

The BJP staged 'Jail Bharo' protest amidst heavy rain at Pumpwell circle in Mangalor as part
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of the day-long nationwide agitation against the UPA government for hiking prices of essential commodities. It also marked the culmination of 'Jan Sangarsh Abhiyan' which began on June 7. Lashing out at the corrupt practices of the UPA government, Capt Ganesh Karnik, MLC said that the central ruling party had made the life of the common man miserable by constantly increasing the prices of essential commodities and petrol products. BJP, as part of the nationwide agitation, took to streets in Udupi and protested against the central UPA government in a unique way. The BJP workers, to express their disappointment and angst over the hike in prices of essential commodities, prepared coffee in the middle of the road using firewood, keeping gas cylinders upside down, and distributed it among the people present.

Jammu and Kashmir

Over 200 *karyakartas* of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) led by BJP Mahila Morcha National President Smt. Smriti Irani courted arrest in Jammu as part of their nationwide campaign to protest "price rise, corruption and failure of the ruling UPA government on all fronts". Addressing the gathering at Dogra Chowk in the heart of Jammu city, Smt. Irani said, "Price rise, corruption and scams have broken the backbone of the common man, but in Jammu and Kashmir water scarcity and long, unscheduled power cuts are adding to the woes." She was accompanied by Shamsher Singh Manhas, BJP state unit president, and other senior party members. The protestors shouted slogans as they boarded buses while courting arrest.

Tamilnadu

BJP's senior leader K Laxman and Tamil Nadu State BJP President Pon Radhakrishnan and scores of workers courted arrest in Chennai. The agitating

BJP leaders and more than 250 supporters courted arrest at Meenambakkam. Protests were held at around 15 places in Chennai.

Jharkhand

Over 15,000 BJP workers and leaders courted arrest across Jharkhand to protest the petrol price hike and inflation. BJP State President Shri

Dineshanand Goswami and former State BJP President Shri Yadunath Pandey, party MLAs, MPs and other leaders led the party workers in courting arrest. Among others, party MPs Debi Dhan Besra and Ravindra Pandey and MLAs Uma Shankar Akela, Nilkanth Singh Munda and Kamlesh Oraon took part in the agitation.

Gujarat

BJP workers in Ahmedabad courted arrest across the State as part of the party's 'Jail Bharo' agitation against the price rise. Sit-ins were organised at 231 places. State BJP President Shri



RC Faldu said that UPA government had failed in controlling the prices. Shri Faldu, along with hundreds of workers, staged a protest in Varaccha area of Surat city where they were arrested. BJP MP Shri Harin Pathak and other leaders including Purshottam Rupala were arrested by the police. BJP workers across Saurashtra courted arrests as part of the party's nationwide 'Jail Bharo Aandolan'. A large number of *karyakartas* in various towns and cities shouted slogans against the Congress-led UPA government blaming it for the inflation and rising prices of essential commodities. In Rajkot city alone, 2,581 BJP *karyakartas* joined in the protests. The anger among the common man was visible across the country due to inflation and price rise.

Odisha

Demanding a total roll back of petrol price hike and recovery of black money stashed in foreign

banks, hundreds of BJP activists and leaders in Odisha courted arrest on June 19 as part of their 'Jail Bharo' agitation. "We organised the jail bharo agitation today in view of the ensuing *rath yatra* of Lord Jagannath on June 21 while party's nationwide demonstration is scheduled to be held on June 22," said BJP's state president Jual Oram before being arrested near the state secretariat. The BJP *Karyakartas* and leaders staged similar agitations in all the district headquarters and important towns of the State. "While the price of petrol during NDA rule was Rs 38, it now crossed Rs 70 a litre," pointed out former minister B B Harichandan adding that the stir would continue till the Centre announces complete roll back of the petrol price. The party also blamed the BJD government in the State for failing to check the price rise of essential commodities, Oram said adding that the BJP would not sit silently over the corruption and price rise issues.

Assam

All the districts of BJP Assam Pradesh have staged demonstrations in protest against price rise and corruption and participated 'Jail Bharo' programme. The number of participants in all the districts reached approximately twenty thousand. Among the senior party leaders who joined the agitations were BJP National Vice President Smt. Bijoya Chakravorty, Dr. Chandan Mitra and State Vice Presidents Shri Jayanta Kr Das and Shri Chandra Kanta Das. All the BJP MPs and MLAs in Assam took part the agitation. BJP State President Shri Ranjit Dutta, National Executive Member Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, State General Secretary (Org.) Shri Harekrishna Bharali, and State Joint General Secretary (Org.) Shri Phanindra Nath Sarma also arrested for taking part in the programme.

Arunachal Pradesh

The Arunachal Pradesh BJP organized two-hour road block programme at "Zero" point Tinali at Itangar, the capital of Arunachal Pradesh and then led a procession crossing more than two kilometers long way. BJP National General Secretary Shri Tapir Gao, Leader of the BJP Legislature Party Shri Tamiyo Taga, State General Secretaries Shri Dominic Tadar and Shri Tai Tagak



joined the agitation. The numbers of participants was approximately 150.

Nagaland

The State Party activists of Nagaland under the leadership of BJP State President Shri M. Chuba Ao organized "Governor's House Gherao" programme at Kohima, the Capital of Nagaland. More than hundred and fifty Party leaders and *Karyakartas* participated the programme.

Meghalaya

The Meghalaya State unit demonstrated "Jail Bharo" programme in Umsaw of Ribhoi District, Nongstoin of West Khasi Hills District, Jowai of Jowai District and Nongkrem of East Khasi Hills District. As many as 110 Party leaders and workers have joined the programme. Due to heavy rain many activists were unable to attend the programme. In all the 4 places, they have raised slogans in protest against the price rise and corruption.

Manipur

The Manipur unit of BJP organized "Jail Bharo" programme centrally. Manipur State Police arrested as many as 500 Party leaders and workers including senior leaders among them are BJP State President Shri Sh. Shanti Kumar Sharma, , Former State President Shri H. Barababu Singh, State Vice Presidents Shri S. Ibohal Singh and Prof. S. Tiken Singh, BJYM State President Shri Mangiton Singh, Mahila Morcha President Shri Toni Singh courted arrest.

Mizoram

BJP Mizoram State has demonstrated "Jail Bharo" programme at Aizawl where more than

230 Party workers and leaders participated the programme. BJP Organizing Secretary of North Eastern States Shri P. Chandra Shekhar joined the programme. The Party workers and leaders organized procession and public meeting. Shri P.



Chandra Shekhar and Pu H. Lalhluna, State President and other senior leaders of the State participated in protest against price rise and corruption in the country.

Tripura

All the Districts of Tripura includes North Tripura at Dharmanagar, Dholai at Dholai, West Tripura at Agartala , Anukati at Koilasar, Biloniya (Tilak Zila) at Shanti Bazar, Sabrun Gumati at Udaypur, Siphajjala at Sonamura have organized the "Jail Bharo" programme. BJP National Spokesperson Shri Ram Nath Kovind along with State BJP President Shri Sudhindra Das Gupta led the agitation at Agartala. State General Secretary (Org.) Shri Sunder Kumar Pal, and Shri Gauranga Pal led the *karyakartas* in Dharmanagar programme. ■

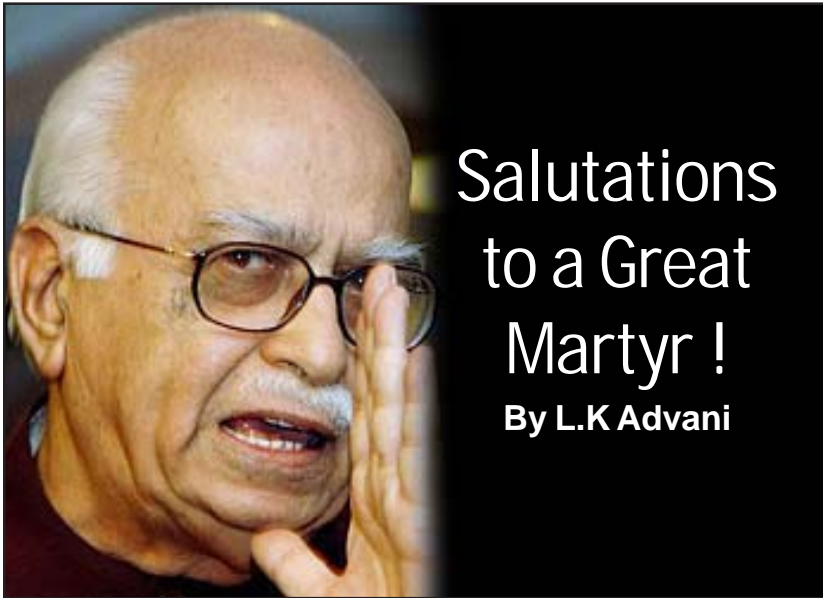
Today is 23rd of June. It is a date the nation must not forget. Exactly 59 years back, in 1953, on this very day Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee passed away in Srinagar in mysterious circumstances.

In October 1951, Dr. Mookerjee had founded the Bharatiya Jana Sangh. He had been elected its first National President.

In 1952, the Election Commission had organized the

*Ek desh men
Do Vidhan
Do Pradhan
Do Nishan
Nahin Chalenge
Nahin Chalenge
(Ours is one country;
we cannot have
Two Constitutions
Two Presidents
Two Flags)*

The Kanpur session ended with a resolve: to launch a countrywide movement for the



First General elections to the Lok Sabha, and the State Assemblies. Dr. Mookerjee was elected to the first Lok Sabha from a Calcutta constituency.

In December 1952, the first All India Session of the Jana Sangh was held at Kanpur. It was at this conclave that Dr. Mookerjee gave a call to the country for the complete integration of Jammu and Kashmir State into the Indian Union. The call was summed up in a powerful slogan:

full integration of J&K State into the Union.

The movement was preceded by Dr. Mookerjee's correspondence with Prime Minister Pandit Nehru on this issue of J&K's full integration.

This was followed up by Dr. Syama Prasad undertaking a countrywide tour on this issue. In this tour he was accompanied by Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

I was in Kota, Rajasthan, those days.

I can never forget meeting

these two great stalwarts at the Kota Railway Station, when the two were passing through Kota Junction.

The J&K Government had decreed that any visitor to the State would be permitted entry only if he secured a permit from the State Government. Dr. Mookerjee felt that this order of

**TEXT OF LETTER WRITTEN TO PRIME MINISTER NEHRU BY
SMT. JOGMAYA DEBI, MOTHER OF DR. S.P. MOOKERJEE**

77 Asutosh Mookerjee Road, Calcutta

4th July, 1953

Dear Mr. Nehru,

Your letter dated 30th June was forwarded to me on the 2nd of July by Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy. I thank you for your message of condolence and sympathy.



The nation mourns the passing away of my beloved son. He has died a martyr's death. To me, his mother, the sorrow is too deep and sacred to be expressed. I am not writing to you to seek my consolation. But what I do demand of you is Justice. My son died in detention – a detention - without trial. In your letter you have tried to impress that Kashmir government had done all that should have been done. You base your impression on the assurances and information you have received. What is the value, I ask, of such information when it comes from persons who themselves should stand a trial? You say, you had visited Kashmir during my son's detention. You speak of the affection you had for him. But what prevented you, I wonder, from meeting him there personally and satisfying yourself about his health and arrangements?

His death is shrouded in mystery. Is it not most astounding and shocking that ever since his detention there, the first information that I, his mother, received from the Government of Kashmir was that my son was no more and that also at least two hours after the end? And in what a cruel cryptic way the message was conveyed! Even the telegram from my son that he had been removed to the Hospital reached us here after the tragic news of his death. There is definite information that my son had not been keeping well practically from the beginning of his detention. He had been positively ill a number of times and for successive periods. Why did not, I ask, the Government of Kashmir or your Government send any information whatsoever to me and my family?

Even when he was removed to the Hospital they did not think it necessary to immediately intimate us or Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy. It is also evident that the Kashmir Government had never cared to acquaint itself with the previous history of Syamaprasad's health and provide for nursing arrangements and emergent medical attendance in case of need. Even his repeated attacks of illness were not taken as a warning. The result was disastrous. I have positive evidence to prove that he had, to quote his own words, a "sinking feeling" on the morning of 22nd June. And what did the Government do? The inordinate delay in getting any medical assistance, his removal to the Hospital in most injudicious manner, the refusal to allow even his two co-detenus to be by his side in the Hospital are some glaring instances of the heartless conduct of the authorities concerned.

The responsibility of the government and their own doctors cannot be in any way evaded or lightened by some stray quotations from Syama Prasad's letters chosen at random,

that he was keeping well. What is the value of such quotations? Does anybody seriously expect that he – of all persons – and that while in detention far away from his dear and near ones – would ventilate his grievances through letters or diagnose his own malady? The responsibility of the Government was immense and serious.

I charge them that they had utterly neglected and failed to discharge this bounden duty. You speak of the comforts and amenities given to dear Syama Prasad in detention. It is a matter to be enquired into. The Kashmir Government had not even the courtesy to allow free flow of family correspondence. Letters were held up, and some mysteriously disappeared. His anxiety for home news, particularly of his ailing daughter-and my poor self, was distressing. Will you be astonished to learn that on the 27th June last, we received here his letters dated 15th June, despatched by the Kashmir Government in a packet on the 24th June, that is, a day after sending his dead body? That packet also brought back to us the letters addressed by myself and others here to Syama Prasad which had reached Srinagar on the 11th and 16th June, but had never been delivered to him. It was a case of mental torture. He had been repeatedly asking for sufficient space for walking. He was feeling ill for want of it. But he was persistently refused Is not this a method of physical torture too? I am filled with surprise and shame to be told by you "that he was being kept not in any prison but in a private villa on the famous Dal Lake in Srinagar." Strictly confined in a small bungalow with a little compound, guarded day and night by a body of armed guards – such was the life that he was leading. Is it seriously maintained that a golden cage should make a prisoner happy? I shudder to hear such desperate propaganda. I do not know what medical treatment and assistance had been given to him. The official reports, I am told, are self-contradictory. Eminent physicians have expressed their views that it was, in the least, a case of gross negligence. The matter requires a thorough and impartial enquiry.

I do not bewail here the death of my beloved son. A fearless son of Free India has met his death while in detention without trial under most tragic and mysterious circumstances. I, the mother of the great departed, demand that an absolutely impartial and open enquiry by independent and competent persons be held without delay. I know nothing can bring back to us the life that is no more. But what I do want is that the people of India must judge for themselves the real causes of this great tragedy enacted in a free country and the part that was played by your Government.

If a wrong has been done anywhere, by any person – however high he may be – let justice take its course and let the people be cautious so that no mother in Free India has again to shed tears with the same agony and grief that has befallen me.

You are good enough to tell me not to hesitate to inform you about any service that you may render to me. Here is the demand on my own behalf and on behalf of the mothers of India. May God give you courage to allow Truth to see the Light.

Before I close my letter I would refer to one very important fact. Syama Prasad's personal diary and his other manuscript writings were not returned by the Kashmir Government along with his other belongings. Copies of correspondence between Bakshi Ghulam Mohammed and my eldest son, Rama Prasad, are enclosed herein. I shall be deeply grateful if you could recover the diary and the manuscripts from the Kashmir Government. They must be with them.

With my blessings,

Yours in grief,

Sd/-

Jogmaya Debi.

the State Government was violative of the Indian Constitution. So he decided that he himself would lead from the front the movement he had given a call for, by defying the entry-permit order.

Dr. Mookerjee left Delhi for his Kashmir destination on May 8, 1953 by a passenger train carrying him and his entourage into Punjab. Throughout Punjab, it was a sea of humanity that accosted him everywhere.

His last stop was at the border check-post at Madhopur on the River Ravi, one of the great five rivers of Punjab, marking the boundary between Punjab and J&K. The day of his entry into this State was May 10, 1953. There was a road bridge across the Ravi. The boundary between the two states was supposed to be at the mid point of this Madhopur bridge.

When the jeep carrying Dr. Mookerjee reached the centre-point of the bridge they found a posse of J&K Police blocking the road. The Superintendent of Police, Kathua (J&K State) handed Dr. Mookerjee an order signed by the Chief Secretary of the State banning Dr. Mookerjee's entry into the State. "But I am determined to go into the State", Dr. Mookerjee declared.

Thereupon the police officer took out an order of arrest under the Public Safety Act, and took Dr. Mookerjee into custody. Vaidya Guru Dutt and Tekchand were two colleagues in the group who had been assigned the duty of accompanying Dr. Mookerjee when he was arrested. These two also courted arrest.

On June 23, 1953, the whole country was shocked to learn that after a brief illness at his place of detention, Dr. Mookerjee was shifted to the State Hospital about ten miles away, where he had breathed his last.

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Dr. Mookerjee then spoke to Atalji and asked him to go back and convey to the people of the country that Dr. Mookerjee had defied the prohibitory orders, and entered Jammu and Kashmir without a permit, though as a prisoner.

The place at which Dr. Syama Prasad was incarcerated was a small house near Nishat Bag far away from Srinagar City. This house was converted into a sub-jail.

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I was at Jaipur that day. I vividly remember how in the early hours of June 24 morning, about 4.30 a.m., I was woken up from sleep by the loud wailing sounds of someone outside our party office at *Chaura Rasta* (he turned out to be a local newsman), who kept shouting, while weeping: "Advaniji, they have killed Dr. Mookerjee"!

Tathagata Roy is one of our prominent activists of West Bengal. He has been at one point of time the President of our State unit there. He has lately written "a complete biography" of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee. It is to be released next month. We in the BJP owe our position in India's politics to the sacrifices and exertions of thousands who have preceded us, and above all to the vision and martyrdom of Dr. Mookerjee.

We had known our great leader closely only during the closing years of his life. Tathagata has done a signal service to history and to the nationalist cause we are pursuing in politics by doing all the research necessary and preparing this volume informing readers about the life of this great patriot right from his birth. All kudos to Tathagata Roy. ■

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## BJP wrests Maheshwar assembly constituency from Congress in Madhya Pradesh

Crushing the dream of Congress party consecutively for the fifth time in Madhya Pradesh, the Bharatiya Janata Party wrested the traditional stronghold of the Congress party Maheshwar Assembly constituency from the Congress, with its candidate Shri Rajkumar Mev winning it by a huge margin of over 31,766 votes on June 15. The BJP candidate polled 83,035 votes against the 52,271 secured by his Congress rival Devendra Sadho. Shri Mev maintained his lead right from the first round and continued to consolidate his lead further in all the rounds leading to his victory in the by-election. The humiliating defeat is being seen as a great blow in its traditional stronghold to the Congress which is in the process of gearing up for next year's Assembly polls to prevent the BJP from scoring a hat-trick victory in these elections.

It is note worthy, that Devendra is the brother of Dr. Vijaylaxmi Sadho, who got elevated to the Rajya Sabha following which the by-poll was necessitated in the reserved seat. Earlier, Dr. Vijaylaxmi had defeated Shri Mev by 673 votes in the 2008 Assembly elections. Maheshwar constituency in Khargone district in Madhya Pradesh had been considered as a traditional stronghold of the Congress since Independence as its candidate had won 09 out of 13 elections held so far for this seat. The seat had always remained with the politically

powerful Sadho family. Initially, Sitaram Sadho represented the constituency for several years, followed by his daughter Dr. Vijaylaxmi Sadho.

The atmosphere in the BJP camp was jubilant after the victory. The party r a n k a n d file



was at the Dussehra Ground where Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan started his 24-hour fast. As soon as the news of victory in Maheshwar reached there, party workers celebrated the event with firecrackers and dancing.

Reacting to the victory, Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan said it was a win for the development works accomplished in the constituency. Declining to comment on the Opposition party, Shri Chouhan said that Shri Mev's huge win by such a huge margin is a good sign for the party. "We accept the verdict with humility and are grateful to Maheshwar's electorate who made Shri Rajkumar Mev victorious by a colossal margin of over 31,000 votes. His win is

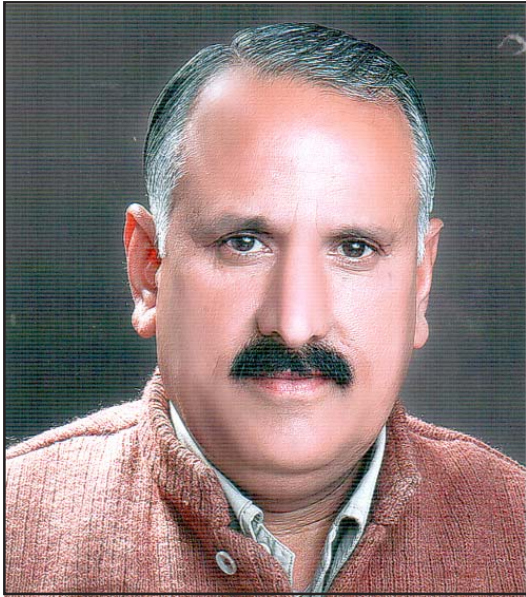
the outcome of the hard work of party workers and leaders," the CM said.

Interacting with the media persons State BJP president Shri Prabhat Jha said that it was the victory of the development works of Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan Government and the organizational network of BJP.

Regarding his strategy to win this by-poll, Shri Jha said that he believed in decentralization of powers and, therefore, deputed party leaders at suitable places with a free hand. "We visited almost all the polling booths during campaigning and met the party workers, thus boosting their morale," he said, adding that selection of candidate also played an important role in the victory. "Rajkumar Mev was such a candidate, who continued moving among the villagers in past four years despite having lost the election. People in the constituency knew his face and the party did not have to make any effort to introduce him to the voters," Shri Jha said.

Shri Jha further said that all leaders of the Congress including AICC general secretary Digvijay Singh, who addressed at least three election meetings during the campaign, failed to woo voters. This suggests that the people are now fed up with the party. He claimed that rising prices of different commodities including petroleum products also played an important role in deciding the by-poll result. (FOC) ■

## BJP rejects every act which tends to put the clock in Jammu and Kashmir back to Pre-1953 position : Shamsher Singh Manhas



*Under the dynamic leadership of Jammu & Kashmir State BJP President Shri Shamsher Singh Manhas the Party has effectively raised its voice on every important issue affecting the people of Jammu & Kashmir along with resisting all such attempts aimed at weakening the unity and integrity of the country. In recent times the Party has taken up relentless struggle through democratic means to highlight the failures of the Omar Abdullah led coalition government on the issues of provision of essential services to the people, curbing corruption and crime, regional discrimination, unemployment, plight of refugees, militancy, rights of citizens, Central apathy to the State, the curtailment of time for Amaranth Yatra and against the recently submitted Jammu and Kashmir interlocutors Report, apart from various other issues.*

*In an interview for Kamal Sandesh with Editorial Team member Ram Prasad Tripathy, Shri Manhas highlighted the serious flaws in the interlocutors Report and denounced it as an attempt to reverse the clock by taking the State back to 1953 position. He also condemned the State government for being callous and oblivious to the sentiments of crores of Hindus all over the world by trying to erase all signs and symbols of Hindu religion from the valley. Excerpts*

The Jammu and Kashmir interlocutors led by Dileep Padgaonkar have recently submitted their report. How do you see the report and what is the stand of BJP on it? Do you support the interlocutor's proposal of more autonomy to the State? Is this going to solve the long-standing problems faced by J&K?

I see the report as capitulation to the mischief being played by Pakistan in the valley in collaboration with the local fundamentalists who seek severance of the State from the rest of the country. BJP totally rejects the report which is a step towards weakening and watering down the bonds of the State with the rest of the country. This stand has been re-iterated and endorsed by the recently held BJP National Executive at Mumbai. It is not going to solve any problem of the common man and the State but will only aggravate them.

The founder of Jan Sangh Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee sacrificed his life fighting for full integration of J&K with India. Do you think the present exercise of interlocutors is an attempt to revert back to the pre-1953 position through the back door?

After accession of the State with the country, unlike rest of the States of the country, J&K had its own separate constitution, Prime Minister and State flag and as you have said yourself, the founder of Jan Sangh Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee sacrificed his life fighting against this vice of *Do Pradhan, Do Vidhan* and *Do Nishan* and requirement of this entry permit into J&K State was one of its most unfortunate characteristic. He sacrificed his life for bringing the State closer to a pluralistic, secular and democratic India. The Praja Parishad, precursor to Jan Sangh, had

fought for making J&K integral part of the country. This Praja Parishad became State unit of the Jan Sangh when it converted into Jan Sangh. Having such hoary historical background and nationalism being our creed we reject and oppose all such steps which tend to reverse the clock by taking the State back to 1953 position. The entire exercise of appointing interlocutors and their report is a retrograde step of pandering to medieval mental makeup and setup.

**How do you rate the performance of the Omar Abdullah Government so far? Has the State government been successful in implementing its electoral promises? Has the State government been fair to ensure development in all the three regions of the State?**

The performance of present NC-Congress coalition government led by Omar Abdullah has been very disappointing and an utter failure. What to talk of fulfilling its electoral promises it has made the condition of a common man worse economically and failed to protect the life and property of common citizen when this government assumed office. All the three regions of the State are suffering and the discrimination against Jammu and Ladakh regions has been more accentuated and made more acute.

**What steps the BJP has taken to expose the failures of the State government?**

The BJP has been continuously in the forefront in J&K State highlighting the public problems, which are the outcome of government's deliberate omissions and commissions. It has been ceaselessly agitating to highlight failure of the government in fields, like provision of essential services to the public, curbing the corruption and crime, unending region based discrimination, unemployment, plight of refugees, militancy, rights of citizens etc. etc. and for this purpose it has adopted democratic means of protests like *dharnas*, public rallies, processions, hunger strikes etc.

**Over the last five years, the period of Amaranth Yatra has been reduced from around four**

**months to 45 days. Do you think the centre and the State governments have been playing politics over the sentiments of crores of Indians?**

Yes, it is correct; the government is oblivious of the sentiments of the crores of Hindu across the world. It is clear that this government is bent upon denying and erasing all signs and symbols of Hindu religion from the valley.

**The Kashmiri Pandits are living like refugees in their own country. The centre and State governments have developed cold feet over the issue of their rehabilitation. How BJP is planning to highlight the injustice meted out to the Pandits?**

BJP has always fought for honourable return and rehabilitation of Kashmiri Pandits to their home and hearths in valley. The party plans to continue its mission for dignified future of the displaced community.

**Is the atmosphere in the J&K conducive to withdrawal of the Armed Force Special Powers Act (AFSPA)?**

No. Given the ground realities, in remote regions of the State and with a large number of trained militants lying in wait across the Line of Control (LoC) for sneaking into the State to create mayhem and disrupt the life of the people here, it would be unwise and imprudent to withdraw or dilute Armed Force Special Powers Act (AFSPA).

**Do you think the central government has given due attention for the development of the State?**

I do not think that the present political dispensation at the Centre is doing enough for the adequate, balanced and equitable development of the State. Merely releasing funds to the State is not enough, there has to be effective, credible accounting sought from the State, and it has to be ensured by the Centre that the State is not unduly favouring one region at the cost of other regions of the State. The Central government does not fully discharge its duty and obligation that it has towards the hapless citizens of the State in ensuring that benefits of Central funds percolate to them.

**From just one seat in 2002, BJP rose to 11 in 2008.**



**How do you see the future of BJP here onwards in the State?**

The future of BJP in the State is very bright. People have great expectations from us as they are of the view that BJP is the only political party which has been raising the issues related to the common man and agitating for the rights of the people.

**What is BJP's vision for J&K?**

The BJP dreams that this State becomes a beacon of light in secularism, prosperous and contented citizenry with all the regions of the State equally developed and its youth being at the forefront of the development of the State.

**What is your mission for the remainder of your term?**

To establish high standard of ethics in the working of the party and to enlarge its mass base in order to make prepare it as a major contender for 2014 elections. ■

**BJP wins five out of Six seats in Karnataka Legislative Council polls**

The BJP in Karnataka has bagged five seats and Janata Dal (S) one in the elections held to six seats of the Legislative Council from Graduates and Teachers constituencies. The Congress drew a blank in June 14 elections, with results in all six constituencies declared.

The BJP candidates those won the elections are Shri Ramachandra Gowda from the Bangalore Graduates' Constituency, Shri Y.A. Narayanaswamy from South-East Teachers' Constituency; Legislative Council Chairman Shri D.H. Shankaramurthy from South-West Graduates' constituency; Shri Captain Ganesh Karnik from South-West Teachers' constituency; and Shri Amarnath Patil from North-East Graduates' Constituency.

Poll victory a morale-booster for BJP : Eshwarappa

Bharatiya Janata Party State President Shri K.S. Eshwarappa said that the victory of party candidates in the elections for the State Legislative Council has boosted the morale of the party workers ahead of the next Assembly elections. The BJP has won five of the six Teachers' and Graduates' constituencies for which elections were held on 10 June. The educated voters have delivered a strong message that BJP was inevitable for the State, he said presspersons in Bangalore.



**SAD-BJP sweeps municipal polls in Punjab**

The ruling Shiromani Akali Dal-Bharatiya Janata Party combine swept the Municipal Corporation polls in Punjab drubbing the opposition Congress in the first trial of strength after the Assembly election in January this year.

The SAD-BJP candidates romped home in most of the wards in Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Amritsar and Patiala municipal bodies, State Election Commission Secretary M. L. Sharma said. The alliance bagged 48 wards in the Amritsar Municipal Corporation, 38 in Patiala, 35 in Jalandhar and over 40 in Ludhiana, he said. A ward each went in favour of the People's Party of Punjab and the BSP in Jalandhar Mr.Sharma said.

The SAD-BJP combine also registered impressive wins in 26 Nagar Panchayats and three Municipal Councils -Jagraon, Machiwara and Sanehwal- which went to the polls on June 07.

Hailing the victory, Chief Minister Shri Parkash Singh Badal said this had once again demonstrated people's full faith and confidence in policies and programmes of the coalition government. "This is a historic and forceful mandate in favour of pro-people and development-oriented policies of the SAD-BJP government," he said in a statement.

# Shadow of Delhi's corrupt practices will never be allowed in Gujarat : Narendra Modi

A report by Vikash Anand

Gujarat has attracted worldwide attention for its unhindered high GDP growth rate maintained over a decade. The World renowned journal 'The Economist' depicted the State as India's Guangdong - the most developed

expressed confidence that the situation for the BJP in Gujarat is more favourable than it was during the earlier elections.

Shri Modi remarked that it is not often that state executive meets garner so much nationwide attention but the fact that Gujarat has brought in a paradigm shift from election oriented politics to development oriented politics is the reason why the entire nation is viewing the proceedings so closely.

Shri Modi said that in December 2012 Gujarat will go to the polls and he expressed confidence that the people know very well who will serve them for the next 5 years and take Gujarat in the forward direction. He stated that BJP successfully fought elections in 2002 and



province of China. Gujarat has been ruled by BJP Government for more than a decade. Recently the State BJP Unit held its two-day State Executive Meeting in Rajkot on 9-10 June 2012. BJP State President Shri R.C Faldu inaugurated the meeting. The meeting was also attended by Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi, BJP National Vice President Shri Purushottam Rupala and National Joint General Secretary (Organization) Shri V. Satish.

Low growth rates, rising prices and falling rupee under UPA leaves country and the world extremely disappointed : Narendra Modi

Addressing the Gujarat BJP State Executive meeting on the second day in Rajkot on 10th June 2012. Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi attacked the UPA on the issue of lack of development and corruption that has become rampant in its eight years of rule. The Chief Minister

2007 but the situation in 2012 is more favorable than the earlier two elections.

On the occasion, the Chief Minister came down heavily on the eight years of Congress misrule. He affirmed that the people are unhappy with the Congress and their misdeeds, which have become a cause of concern for the entire nation, are coming out on the streets.

He reminded that it was Gujarat that had uprooted a Congress government in 1974 after a mass movement against corruption. Even today, things are no different he said adding that the shadow of Delhi's corrupt practices will never be allowed in Gujarat. Shri Modi accused the Congress of trying to escape from their misdeeds and recalled that the Congress has accepted that coalition compulsions are preventing them from taking action on corruption, adding the Congress is much like a ship that is on the verge on sinking.

Shri Modi expressed disappointment that eight

years of this century has shown India in poor light across the world. He attributed this to three reasons. The first is the falling growth rate. Despite repeated promises of the PM that growth will cross 7%, it could barely reach 5%. Shri Modi also said this disappointment goes beyond numbers- it has affected the social fabric of the nation. He attacked the UPA for not doing enough for strengthening the youth power of the nation.

The second reason Shri Modi attributes is rising prices. He termed the rate at which prices were rising as alarming but the only thing the Prime Minister did was to give false dates by when the prices will fall. Shri Modi asked the Prime Minister that he may not be able to bring prices down substantially but what prevents him from bringing them to the level where NDA Government led by Shri Atal ji left it?

The weak rupee vis-a-vis the dollar is the third issue that Shri Modi spoke on relating to the coming apart of the India story. He questioned the silence of the Centre and said that the currency of no other neighbours - from Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh to Nepal was witnessing such a weak currency as ours. This is a result of the UPA's corrupt practices, Shri Modi said.

He stated that there is no way the Congress party can escape their current misdeeds and remarked that a party that can't save itself cannot save the nation. He said the Congress is best at spreading lies but that can't be thrust down the throats of the people.

Shri Modi declared that Gujarat is following the path of developing and no storm can prevent them from doing so in the future. He expressed his determination to empower the poor, the villages, the farmers, women and provide a ray of hope to the youth of this country. The Chief Minister warned that casteism in politics helps nobody and the case of Bihar in the yesteryears as well as UP is well known.

He concluded the speech by lauding the efforts of the party workers and of State BJP President Shri RC Faldu for raising the issues of the farmers and ensuring that the UPA had to bow down and rethink the cotton export ban. He said that this 'Team BJP, Team Gujarat' is a team of extremely competent, hardworking and patriotic workers who can provide leadership with a grand vision for the years to come.

We stick to make 'Antyodya' true : RC Faldu

Earlier addressing the inaugural session of the meeting Gujarat State President Shri Faldu exhorted party activists that it is need of the hour to propagate the welfare work done by Narendra Modi Government among the people. He added, We stick to make Pandit Deendayal's dream of *Antyodaya* (i.e uplift of the downtrodden, weaker and poorer sections of society) true. He blamed the congress treating poor people as a vote bank and appealed to the workers to expose the anti-poor intention of the Congress Party. He added, Narendra Modi led BJP Government in the State works with the *mantra* of 'SABKA SATH-SABKA VIKAS'.

*Statewide Public mood is in favour of BJP* : Purushottambhai Rupala

Addressing the first day of the executive meeting, National Vice-President Purushottambhai Rupala said, Gujarat Assembly election in 2012 is significant from the State perspective as well as national perspective. Shri Rupala indicated that State-wide Public mood was in favour of BJP and against the Congress Party.

Attacking on Congress Party he said the congress government at Center is indulging in corruption. People are fed-up and dejected by the Congress due to unprecedented corruption and price rise. The congress is losing its supportbase. Our party's activists will have to reach out to the people and expose the congress corrupt practices and its bad state-craft. He appealed to wipe-out the Congress from the map of Gujarat. Gujarat BJP General Secretary Shri Balubhai Sukulane conducted the meeting. Two important resolutions- political and agricultural- were passed in the meeting.

The political resolution was placed by the State Party General Secretary Shri Shankar Chaudhary and seconded by Gujarat BJP Scheduled Caste Morcha President Shri Jivraj Chauhan. The agricultural resolution was placed by the State Vice-President Shri Kaushikbhai Patel and seconded by State General Secretary Shri Bharat Singh Parmar.

Both the resolutions were adopted by the meeting. It is noteworthy that Gujarat has double digit agricultural growth rate which is the highest in the country. ■



## Centre should provide educational assistance to Hindu students along the lines of minority communities : BJP

From Our Correspondent

The two day State Executive Committee meeting was held on June 17- 18 in Nagapattinam, Tamilnadu. BJP National Secretary Shri Muralidhar Rao inaugurated the meeting and State BJP President Shri Thiru Pon Radhakrishnan, presided over the meeting. Addressing the State Executive Committee Shri Radhakrishnan called upon the UPA led Centre to seek a review of the Supreme Court's reprieve to minority educational institutions from falling within the ambit of the Right to Education Act. He said the exemption was unjustified and the Centre should seek a review of the decision.

He also demanded adequate compensation for farm lands marked under the gas pipeline project by GAIL. The Kochi-Bangalore gas pipeline project envisages 2-feet underground pipelines through farmlands in the Kongu region that includes districts of Erode, Krishnagiri, Tirupur, and Coimbatore. However, GAIL is set to acquire over 65 feet area diagonally over farm lands rendering all natural resources and horticultural crops waste.

He said the move would adversely impact small and marginal farmers, with GAIL proposing to provide for 10 percent of the guideline value. Shri Radhakrishnan has instead called for exploring possibilities for underground pipelines through areas acquired under

NH project.

He further added that the government's revenue from petroleum taxes was Rs.4.10 lakh crore, while the expenditure on subsidies was just Rs.23, 000 crore. Therefore, there was no justification for the frequent petrol price hikes and he demanded to withdraw the price hike.

BJP National Secretary Shri Muralidhar Rao after inaugurating the meeting said that the Centre's intervention is essential in securing the release of the five fishermen jailed for possession of narcotics in Srilanka.

He has also called for diplomatic pressure upon the island nation to implement its commitment to devolution of power under the 13 Amendment.

In its Political Resolution the party sought the resignation of Prime Minister Manmohan Singh over coal block allocations in order to pave way for 'non-partisan' inquiry into the allegations.

The Political Resolution has also called for an outright rejection of the three-member interlocutors panel recommendations on permanent special status to Jammu and Kashmir on the premise that it



would support secessionism.

Further, a Resolution demanding education assistance to Hindu students with a family income of less than Rs. 2.50 lakh

along the lines of similar assistance extended to minority communities was passed. The Tamilnadu BJP unit has proposed to initiate a struggle in July to actualize this demand.

At the conclusion of the two-day State Executive Committee meeting Tamilnadu BJP resolved to a rejection of the interlocutors panel recommendations and also condemned the sand mining operations creeping along the Cauvery delta.

Among others former Tamilnadu BJP State President Shri L Ganesan, State General Secretary (Organisation) Shri S.Mohanrajulu, State Vice Presidents Shri H.Raja, Shri M.S. Ramalingam, Dr.Tamilisai Soundararajan, Shri K. Thirumalaisamy, Shri K.S. Narendran, Smt. Munavari Begam, Smt. Jodeeswari Kandasamy, State Vice President & Zonal In-Charge Shri M.Chinraj, State General Secretaries Shri V Ramesh, Shri Suba. Nagarajan, Shri S.R.Saravanaperumal and other office bearers of the party were present on the occasion. ■

# BJP will not allow FDI in retail at any cost : Rajnath Singh

**B**JP Traders Cell National two-day Executive Meeting was held at Gurgaon in Haryana. The meeting was inaugurated by Former BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh. In his inaugural speech Shri Singh said "BJP is well wisher of traders and present Congress led UPA government is anti-traders . He said the economic situation of the country is in 'trouble' because of 'wrong policies' of the Congress- led UPA Government. " The economic situation of the country has deteriorated. The rupee value is decreasing. The growth rate has come down even when an economist is the Prime Minister," Shri Singh added.

Claiming that the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in multi-brand retail was a 'danger', Shri Singh said the UPA government was 'anti-traders'. "The government is against small traders of the country. The BJP will not allow FDI in retail at any cost," he said. The former BJP president favoured FDI in basic infrastructure. Shri Singh further said the NDA government had controlled price rise and the economy witnessed high growth rate."But the UPA government has failed in controlling price rise. The wrong economic policies of the government and corruption have

led to hike in prices of essentials," he added.

In the meeting Shri Singh assured that he would advise the BJP and NDA ruled States to implement insurance policy for traders.

In the concluding session, former BJP President Shri Murli

Cell National Convenor Shri Shyam Bihari Mishra told the media "In the meeting we opposed the FDI in retail sector. We also passed resolutions and demanded immediate roll back of the present food security bill and a new committee which should be formed to formulate



Manohar Joshi, while attacking UPA's economic policies, alleged that conspiracy is being plotted to destroy the country in the name of economic reform. While opposing the FDI(Foreign Direct Investment) in multi-brand retail sector Shri Joshi said " FDI in retail sector is a conspiracy against common man."He claimed the government at Center is working at the hands of some big corporate houses and multinational companies.

Shri Joshi also congratulated Haryana Unit of BJP Traders Cell Convener Umesh Aggarwal and his team for wonderfully organizing the meeting.

On the occasion, Traders

new law on food security. Traders should be protected. Extensive reforms in trade should be brought and the resolution advocated implementing single point G.S.T.The Traders Cell demanded to ban speculative trade.

In the meeting Former State Unit president Shri Vilash Sharma, State President Krishna Pal Singh Gujjar, Traders Cell Co-Convenor Ghanshyam Aggarwal, National Secretary Shri Shyam Jaju , Shri Ganesi Lal, media cell prabhari Shri Rajiv Jain, former parliamentarian Dr. Sudha Yadav among others were present on the occasion. ■ (FOC)

# Shivraj Singh Chouhan observes fast to protest against fertilizer price hike

From Our Correspondent

**M**adhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan on June 15 began a 24-hour fast in Bhopal to protest steep hike in fertilizer prices. The Chief Minister arrived at Dussehra ground in Vittan market at 11 am to begin his fast.

Apart From the Chief Minister, former Chief Ministers

Earlier, speaking to reporters Shri Chouhan said, "The hike in prices of fertilisers had severely broken the back bone of the farmers who may now find it difficult to continue with agriculture." He said it was imperative that the Centre rolls back hike in fertilizer prices so that farmers do not face any burden.

produce are decided with state chief minister having a say in the matter.

He said that presently fertilizer companies can increase prices whenever they want and the state governments cannot even give subsidy to farmers. The Chief Minister said that the hike in fertilizer prices had hit farmers and the same should be rolled

back immediately.

On the occasion Madhya Pradesh BJP President Shri Prabhat Jha said that it is the most unfortunate decision taken by the Congress led UPA government against the interests of the farmers' community. The unprecedented hike in fertilizer



Shri Sunderlal Patwa and Shri Kailash Joshi, Madhya Pradesh BJP President Shri Prabhat Jha, BJP National General Secretary Shri Narendra Singh Tomar and ministers Shri Babulal Gaur, Shri Uma Shankar Gupta and Shri Karan Singh Verma and all other ministers, senior leaders of the party and thousands of Karyakartas were present on the occasion.

The CM said that even today more than 65 per cent of the country's population was dependent on agriculture for its living and under such circumstances, it was not wise to impose unwanted burden on poor farmers. Charging the centre with leaving fertilisers prices at the mercy of markets, Shri Chouhan said they must be fixed like the way prices of agriculture

prices will break the backbone of farmers and badly hit the agricultural production of the country.

After the fast interacting with media persons BJP National General Secretary Shri Narendra Singh Tomar said Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan leading nation's first pro-farmer Government in Madhya Pradesh.

Shri Narendra Singh Tomar



said that Central Government has hit the farmers hard by increasing the cost of chemical fertilisers three-fold. The State Government has tried to help the farmers with loans at zero per cent interest rate.

He further said during the tenure of the Congress-led State Government in 2003, the growth rate of agriculture was zero per cent which grew to 9.4 per cent in the last eight years due to the revolutionary pro-agriculture policies of CM Shri Chouhan. He said the financial condition of farmers have improved in the State as record breaking purchase of 84 lakh tonnes of wheat and Rs 1 bonus per kg of wheat has been given to the farmers.

It is clear that incredible wheat production in the State is due to encouragement from the State Government. Farmers need not wait for the rainy season for irrigation as the State Government has started schemes like Balram Taal scheme, Kapildhara scheme and distribution of irrigation equipment to farmers on 80 per cent grant scheme. The irrigation capacity of MP has increased by over 300 per cent.

Shri Tomar said earlier whereas irrigation capacity of State got restricted to 7 lakh hectares while in last eight years, it increased to 22 lakh hectares. The Government has reduced the financial burden of farmers by giving subsidy for electricity. A network of irrigation schemes is being created in the State by Narmada Valley Development Authority. He also said, "Any State of India cannot develop until farmers are happy and agriculture flourishing. ■

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## BJP supports PA Sangma for the post of President

*Statement issued by Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Smt. Sushma Swaraj and Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Shri Arun Jaitley on June 21, 2012.*

**M**s. J. Jayalalitha, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu and Mr. Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha have proposed the name of Mr. P.A. Sangma, former Speaker of Lok Sabha as a candidate for the August office of the President of India. The Bharatiya Janata Party has had a series of consultations with the constituents of NDA, other political parties as also Chief Ministers of some States.



The overwhelming opinion in the Bharatiya Janata Party is in favour of contesting the election and supporting the candidature of Mr. P.A. Sangma. We regret that this opinion has not been shared by some friends in the NDA.

The factors which have weighed with us in contesting the election are many.

- The UPA had no prior consultations with the Opposition. The Opposition was only informed after announcement of its candidate and requested to fall in line. Many have fallen in line and yet many have refused to oblige.
- Most Presidents of India have been elected after a contest. The idea of an election is integral to democracy, not alien to it.
- The Bharatiya Janata Party wishes to maintain its character of principal opposition party and not oblige the Government which has utilized all maneuvers to mobilize support. The UPA II is a case of failed governance.
- The ruling UPA alliance has completely alienated itself from the people. Recent elections have all indicated this. However, it has succeeded in manipulating a section of the political class by misusing investigative agencies.

The Bharatiya Janata Party has decided to support the candidature of Mr. P.A. Sangma for the August office of the President of India. We appeal to all political parties, Members of Parliament and State Legislatures to support Mr. Sangma and make it a healthy contest. ■

CHHATTISGARH

Dr. Raman Singh to kick start 'Atal Vihar' housing scheme for urban & rural poor on June 26

To realize the dream of Chief Minister Dr. Raman Singh to provide houses to poor living in urban, semi urban and rural areas under 'Atal Vihar' Yojana, Chhattisgarh



Housing Board has started preparations for construction of one lakh houses on war footing and hope to achieve the goal in next three years.

To kick start the first phase of the scheme, Dr. Singh himself will lay the foundation of first Atal Vihar Colony at Pendri of Rajnandgaon in a grand function on June 26. This Colony will be developed on 18 acres land and will have eco-friendly features.

Out of the total houses constructed under this scheme 85 per cent houses will be for lower income group and weaker sections of the society. The State Government will also provide Rs 240 crore aid to the beneficiaries selected under this scheme under which eco-friendly Atal Vihar housing colony will be developed in all the districts.

According to government sources lower income group families whose income is less than Rs 1.20 lakh and weaker section families having less than Rs 60,000 annual income will be entitled for housing under this scheme for which they will also be given Rs 240 crore subsidy. While lower income group family will get Rs 40,000 subsidy, weaker section family will get Rs 80,000 in grant. Houses under this scheme will be allotted through lottery by a committee which will be headed by the district collector.

GUJARAT

'Smart Class Project' launched in Govt. Primary Schools in Gujarat



Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi has launched the 'Smart Class Project', an audio-visual learning process, in government primary school in Vataman village of Dholka taluka in Ahmedabad district on 18 June.

"In the changing era, with the facilities like 24 hour three phase electricity and internet connectivity, poor children can also take pride of learning in the smart class with the help of technology", Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi said while interacting with people on the occasion of *Kanya Kelavni* and *Shala Pravesh Mahotsav*, held at Vataman.

He said all the 32,772 government primary schools are equipped with high class facilities and the state government marked its presence in 18,000 villages to sensitize the teachers and village community for quality education, he added. The Chief Minister also threw open newly-built classroom of the school in the village and reviewed the smart class learning project that was installed in the school.

Talking about the State government initiatives for the promotion of girl child education Shri Modi said that about 80,000 girls have been given cycles from Chief Minister's *Kanya Kelavani Nidhi*. The State gives *Vidhya Lakshmi* Bond of Rs.1000 to the girls who get admission in Class-1 and on maturity on passing the class-7, a sum of Rs.2, 000 given to them. So far, the Government has handed over *Vidya Lakshmi* bond of Rs. 130 crore, he said.

Inaugurating a government secondary school at

Pimpali village, Chief Minister expressed desire to battle with poverty and ailments through education and launched 10th School Enrolment and Girls Education campaigns. The Chief Minister appealed to the village women to send their girls to schools. Only through the education, the inherent strength that lies with the girls would come out, he said.

MADHYA PRADESH

## BJP Government is committed to promote small and medium industries : Shivraj Singh Chouhan

After inaugurating the Pavilion under India Show at M-Tech on 20 June in Tokyo, Japan



Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan said the Chief Minister said that the Madhya Pradesh Government is committed to promoting small and medium industries. By participating in such exhibitions, State's entrepreneurs will not only showcase their abilities before the world, but will also be able to make their presence felt in the engineering sector of the world in a more impressive way by improving quality of their products through technologies of other countries.

Inaugurating the exhibition, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan also held discussions with representatives of smart community consortium companies regarding projects of Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor. The representatives said that latest and high technologies will be used in DMIC-related projects.

It is notable that M-Tech is the biggest exhibition of Japan where mechanical parts including bearings, mechanical springs and mechanical and plastic processing technologies are displayed. Several States of India took part in the show, where Madhya Pradesh's Pavilion is biggest among them. Representatives of State's small and medium industries also participated in the pavilion, where they displayed their technology and products. Over 100 Indian companies have exhibited their engineering, information technology, chemical, pharmaceutical and other products and technology at 16th Mechanical Components and Materials Technology Expo (M-Tech). Industries Minister of MP Shri Kailash Vijayvargiya was also present on the occasion.

PUNJAB

## None to be spared in cow slaughter case : Ashwani Sharma

Punjab State BJP President Shri Ashwani Sharma made it clear that the guilty will be punished for the mass killing of the cows in Joga village of the Mansa district, Punjab.



After visiting Joga village and the site of cow slaughter of the Mansa district Shri Ashwani Sharma said, "Those responsible for killing holy cows would not be spared irrespective of political connections".

Shri Sharma has specifically asked the Deputy Commissioner and the Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) to ensure that the culpable would not go scot-free.

He said, "Joga agitation is another example of Hindu-Sikh bonding as both communities stood against the injustice and jointly led the agitation. The anger among the people was so high that a building or structure which could have taken days to demolish was demolished in few hours."

He added that the BJP is committed for *gau raksha* or cow's protection. "It is because of BJP's efforts in the previous Government that *Gau Sewa* Board was formed, and the party also got increased



imprisonment in crime of cow slaughter from two to 10 years.”

He further said that it is our demand that as per his promise Chief Minister Shri Prakash Singh Badal should build up *gau samarak* (cow memorial) and install the statue of *gau mata* at the site of the factory.

It is noteworthy, the carcasses of nothing less than 25 cows were found on June 09 in a factory on Barnala-Mansa road in Joga village. It is believed that the cows were killed in a factory, manufacturing powder from animal bones. Angered villagers went on a rampage and damaged the factory, and set on fire the houses of two of the four factory owners. The situation remained tense in the area till next few days.

## KERALA

### BJP demands CBI inquiry into the murder of BJP activists : V. Muraleedharan

Bharatiya Janata Party Kerala State President Shri V. Muraleedharan on June 21 said the government should transfer the investigation into the murder of BJP activists to the Central Bureau of Investigation in two weeks. Inaugurating a march to the



Collectorate in Kannur he has demanded CBI inquiry into the murder of Bharatiya Jana Yuva Morcha leader Shri K.T. Jayakrishnan, BJP former district secretary Shri Pannyannor Chandran, and Hindu Aikyavedi former district convener Shri Ashwini Kumar in kannur, Kerala.

Shri Muraleedharan said though a week had passed since the mother of Shri Jayakrishnan submitted a memorandum to the Chief Minister for a CBI inquiry, no steps had been taken in this direction till date.

### Strike from July 06

He said a State-wide strike would be organized from July 06, if the government failed to heed to the demand. Among others former State president Shri P.K. Krsishnadas, BJP district president Shri K.

Ranjith and thousands of BJP karyakartas were present.

## ANDHRA PRADESH

### BJP ready to work with others for the cause of Telangana

The BJP would ready to join hands with any party that would come forward to work for separate Telangana State, said Andhra Pradesh BJP spokesperson Shri T.Rajeswar Rao. He said if the TDP can convince their leaders of Andhra and Rayalaseema region, the BJP would not hesitate to join hands and launch a united fight for the separate Telangana statehood.

Interacting with media persons Shri Rao said both the Congress and TRS would bite the dust if they failed to deliver the much promised Telangana State before 2014 elections. People were annoyed with their false statements and were waiting for an opportunity to teach both the parties a lesson.

Taking strong exception to the remarks being made by the TRS leaders against Telangana, Shri Rao said instead of chalking out a programme, they were wasting their time attacking BJP, which took a clear stand on the separate Telangana issue. He said when the BJP allied with TDP; K Chandra Sekhar Roa was in TDP as deputy speaker. He came out with discontent and floated the party, which now had become a rehabilitation centre for all and sundry. Do they have any stature or moral right to criticize BJP on the issue of Telangana,” he pointed out. Seeking to know level of commitment of TRS on the Telangana issue, the BJP leader said it was the TRS that diluted the movement by antagonizing the likeminded parties and JAC. However, the BJP would get along with all the parties that aim at working for the separate Telangana. ■

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# How Gita works at the workplace

K M Gupta

All that Krishna says to Arjuna is: Be efficient at work. How to be efficient at work is what the Gita is all about for it is the science of action. So the workplace is where it is most relevant.

You have many roles in life, and one of them is as worker. You can play only one role at a time. Do never go at two or more roles at a time. Give your all to the role you play at the time. That way you do maximum justice to the role you play at the time. That is *vyavasaya buddhi*, which is Gita's term for dedication. When you play one role, whatever role, bring your *vyavasaya buddhi* to *samadhi*, concentration, and that is efficiency.

The role of Arjuna in the war field is just to fight – giving his all to it, doing maximum justice to his role. When he plays the role of the fighter he should not share the concerns of his other roles – father, brother, son, son-in-law, nephew or any other. If he does, it is like splitting himself into many roles at a time and thus diluting his *vyavasaya buddhi*. Diluted dedication is inefficiency. When you play the role of the fighter, be just the fighter and not the father, brother or anyone else. When you play the role of the worker, be just the worker and not the father, mother, husband, wife or anyone

else.

The weak-minded cannot dedicate himself to the role he plays at the time and concentrate. He gets distracted. That is Arjuna's problem. So, to be efficient at work, cultivate strong-mindedness.

Unconcern for the fruits of action is not an unearthly ideal;



it is just part of efficiency at work. When the fruits of action weigh heavy upon you, you are distracted and your dedication is unsteady. You do not do justice to your role. Thoughts of returns should not burden your actions.

A mother who doubts that her children, when grown up, might not reciprocate her love and care cannot love and care for them with motherly *vyavasaya buddhi*. A farmer who doubts that he might not reap profit from his crops cannot farm with complete dedication and do

justice to his role. An employee who bellyaches over his pay cannot give his all to his work and do justice to his role.

Only those who work unconcerned with fruits can work with complete dedication and do justice to their roles. So cultivate this attitude. Do not look at the returns. Just love your work and do it lovingly, just for the pleasure of doing. Even when working for wages, don't equate yourself with the wages. Stand above wages. Let not the thought of wages weigh you down.

Think plenty before plunging. Once you plunge, swim come what may. Let not the thought of gain or loss or success or failure distract you. It is important that you play the game well. Give no care to win or defeat. Keep your spirits high. Don't trade it off for the fruits of work.

If you act just for the boss in the workplace, you cannot play your role with dedication. Act not for the boss in the cabin but for the Great Boss within – the Spectator-I. Krishna says, act always with me in mind. And when you act with Him in mind, He will take care of the fruits – *yogakshemam vahamyaham*. ■

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