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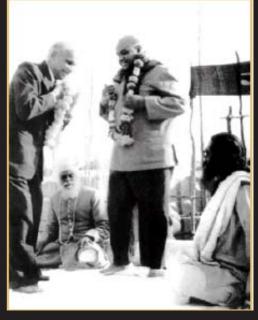
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**Cover :** Shri LK Advani addressing a programme "Dr. Mookerjee ka Balidan, Yaad karega Hindustan" organised by Dr. Mookerjee Smruti Nyas on June 21.

#### HISTORIC PICTURE

Lala Hansraj Gupta garlanding the founder President of Jana Sangh Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee on the occassion of formation of the Jana Sangh. Also seen in the picture the Sarsanghachalak of RSS Shri Madhavrao Sadashivrao Golwalkar (Shri Guruji).







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Now, if you refuse to fight this righteous war, then, shirking your duty and losing your reputation, you will incur sin. - (Bhagavadgita: Ch.-II, 33)

"Every political party is entitled to make its own decisions.... We (BJP) had decided to make Modi our poll campaign panel chief in view of his popularity and charisma to draw votes."

-Rainath Singh

"Vajpayee had sought to win over the heart of Kashmir with compassion, love and dialogue...Had he been elected to power in 2004, he would have succeeded in his Kashmir policy."

-Narendra Modi

"Persons like Nitish and Sharad who have been part the anti-Congress movement are in a situation where they are expressing gratitude to the Congress for being labeled secular."

- Venkaiah Naidu

#### Letter to the Editor

#### Hindutava - the name made Controversial Dear Editor.

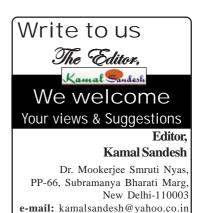
I am deeply hurt by the current controversy sown by certain political parties over the pious word Hinduism branding it as non- Secular. The word Hindu is derived (through Persian) from the Sanskrit word Sindhu, the historic local appellation for the Indus River in the northwestern part of the Indian subcontinent. The word Sindhu is first mentioned in the Rig Veda. The word Hindu was borrowed by European languages from the Arabic term al-Hind, referring to the land of the people who live across the River Indus, itself from the Persian term Hind?, which refers to all Indians. By the 13th century, Hindustan emerged as a popular alternative name of India, meaning the "land of Hindus".

Before the Muslims came to India this nation was named as Bharat. The Muslims gave the Indian religion the Hindu name. Before the Muslims came to India the people named their religion as Dharma or Sanatan Dharma (Religion and teachings of Saints). This nation was named as Hindustan by the Islamic rulers, who were so much attracted to the rich art, cultural heritage and customs of this nation of this land that they tried to develop a custom and religion so particular and specific to this land.

According to Veer Savarkar, Hindutva is an inclusive term of everything Indic. He makes it clear by saying ... Hindutva is not a word but a history.

> V.K Singh Patna







### 25th June: A 'Black Day' in Indian history

s soon as the memories of Emergency starts coming before one's eyes a chilling sensation runs through the body and not one but many instances of the murder of democracy come to fore. This dark chapter of Congress rule was initiated on 25 June 1975. Smt. Indira Gandhi was then prime minister. The nation was shocked. All Congress people were singing praises of Indira Gandhi. At the same time the Opposition parties and student agitation led by Jay PrakashNarayan movement was at its peak. India had never seen a time of Congress acting like Hitler before. All the pillars of democracy were crushed whether it was judiciary or legislature, executive or press. All doors were locked by the dark shadow of emergency. As soon as the election of Smt. Indira Gandhi was set aside by Allahabad High Court, she lost her balance. Lock on media. All the senior leaders from Morarjibhai to AtalBihari Vajpayee were put into jail. All Opposition parties were in jail and Congress people were enjoying power. Anyone standing against choking democracy used to be put behind the bars. More than two lac people were made prisoners in their own land in independent India. Law was silent. Congress government was busy with itself. People belonging to RashtriyaSwayamsevakSangh, VidyarthiParishad and those who had firm faith in nationalist ideology who wanted to keep democracy alive joined the struggle with threat of death on their heads. Secret revolution was started. Opposition came from every nook and corner of the country and the Congress government started shaking.

Even in the face of extreme injustice the Congress leaders who were singing paeans for Indira Gandhi did not feel the heat. It is said that God dwells in democracy. There is spiritual power in democracy. Gradually to keep democracy alive in the country spiritual power started getting awakened and as Lord Krishna took birth in jail to kill Kansa in Mahabharat days, the supporters of democracy decided to come on a single platform to fight against emergency in the same manner. They forgot their own flags and ideologies for few days. And then started the movement for people's awakening. Voice started coming out from every home. Congress could not understand the resentment of the people. They felt that popularity of Indiraji and fear of emergency will help them win the elections. The silent voice under the shadow of emergency was taking shape of a revolution, Indiraji felt that the time was favourable for her and she decided to announce elections. Everything was taking place keeping aside the constitution and as it has been said that to bring an end to emergency Janata party was formed in the jail itself.

The murder of democracy can never take place. It is immortal. Democracy is the biggest centre of people's faith. Elections were held. Congress was wiped out. Indiraji could not understand as to how secret revolution turned into people's revolution. There was no murmuring, no outward manifestation of the movement but it was so strong that people broke the back of the Congress which had become an oppressor. People acted as per their national duty and *rashtra-dharma*. Indian democracy passed the test of its maturity with full marks. No one can challenge the political, social, economic and cultural understanding of India. The then primeminister Indira Gandhi who had imposed emergency on the nation went behind the bars. India has never given right to anyone to become undemocratic. It is a country of saints and seers. Here rivers and mountains are worshipped. Here nature is worshipped. Therefore we have considered democracy a festival and no one has the right to bring an end to the democracy. Janata party won. Democratic forces should strengthen, all pillars of democracy should become



strong, the government may be formed by any party or coalition but their priorities should always remain the most pious goal of keeping democratic values and on the basis of it values of life alive. 25th always Iune is remembered as a "Black Day" in Indian history, we all should resolve that in future India should never face such black forces and if someone indulges in such endeavours people will give a fitting reply to them.

On this occasion those who have sacrifices themselves in this second freedom struggle in the country and the family which got devastated, we pay our tribute to them and pray that God give courage and strength to these families.

# PM must quit for free & fair probe in Coalgate scam : BJP

The BJP on June 19 reiterated its demand for the resignation of Prime Minister Manmohan Singh to facilitate a free and fair probe in Coalgate. The Opposition's demand came a day after the CBI questioned two ex-officials of the PMO in connection with the scandal.

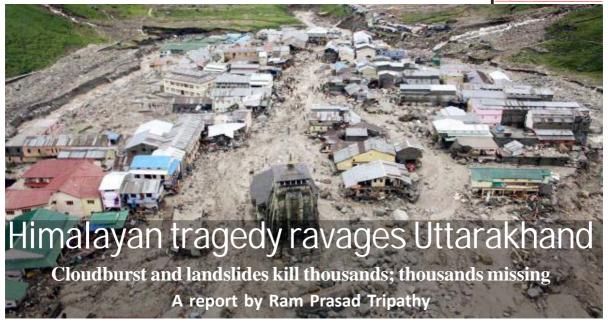
Interacting with media persons BJP National Spokesperson Ms. Meenakshi Lekhi said, "It is such an irony that the same CBI which reports to the PM is now directly investigating the PMO on the actions of the PM who is still in office. To facilitate a free and fair investigation Manmohan Singh must step aside. It will be in the interest of the nation that truth on this matter".

Stating that it will be in the interest of the nation that truth on this matter must come out expeditiously, Lekhi said it was to be investigated whether PM acted of his own or was part of a larger conspiracy and was only complying with his role. "As neither the mandatory procedure was followed and nor the back ground checks were performed, before allocating the Coal blocks to the companies. Only after the interrogation of the tainted PM the details of the conspiracy will be unravelled," she said.

She also accused the Congress-led Government of misusing the CBI to settle scores with the Gujarat Government in the Ishrat Jahan encounter case. "CBI is acting as a private militia of the Congress party in so far as the Ishrat Jahan case is concerned. The whole case is a political conspiracy to discredit the anti-terror machinery of Central and State Governments. The High Court in its recent verdict has questioned CBI's timing of the charge sheet. It proves political conspiracy," she said.







Tloudburst and landslides unleashed by massive rains have killed at least 560 people and left thousands others missing in Uttarakhand however, government reports estimated the number of dead to exceed 1,000. Even the State government's disaster mitigation and management centre has said that the causalities could run into thousands with about 90 Dharamshalas and several hotels swept away in the flash floods in Kedarnath and other parts of the State.

On the fateful day of 15 June and the day after, a confluence of very heavy rainfall, cloudbursts, floods, and landslips in an area of around 40,000 sq Km devastated Rudraprayag, Uttarkashi and Chamoli districts, where thousands Char Dham pilgrims from all over the country, including some foreigners, had converged. On that day the flood water swept everything away in front of the eyes of the survivors.

Big apartment blocks and house on the banks of Bhagirathi, Alakananda and the Ganges, have toppled due to land erosion and been swept away with cars and trucks made the condition more pathetic in the upper reaches of the State which lay mute witness to the death and devastation.

State government workers are struggling to connect roads blocked and devastated by landslides to reach the

# Modi visits flood affected Uttarakhand and evacuates 15,000 people

Gujarat CM Shri Narendra Modi also visited the flood devastated Uttarakhand. During his two days stay in Uttarakhand Shri Modi has managed to completely energize not just the Congress government of but also the administrative staff involved



in rescue operations at Kedarnath, Badrinath and Uttarkashi. But above all, he has also managed to bring home some 15,000 stranded Gujarati pilgrims. Shri Modi later even offered to "completely rebuild" the temple at Kedarnath using "the latest technology available" in such a way that no natural calamity would ever shake it again. Shri Modi has not only para-dropped a complete medical team in Hardwar, they have also set up camps across the flood-hit regions. Shri Modi has also appointed two of the most senior IAS officers from Gujarat, one stationed in Delhi and another in Uttarakhand, to coordinate the relief efforts.



# Uttarakhand currently facing a national calamity: Rajnath Singh

BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh on June 19 asked party's Uttarakhand unit to suspend its organizational activities and join efforts to provide assistance and relief to flood-hit people across the State. Shri Singh said, "Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh are currently facing a national calamity. I urge the Centre and State Governments to provide immediate relief." He also appealed to BJP cadres to provide



immediate help and assistance to people-affected by the massive floods and landslides.

Kedarnath Valley so far, which was one of the worst affected areas, where thousands of pilgrims have still stranded. Some of those rescued told that they had seen bodies scattered everywhere in the Kedarnath Valley.

Thousands of the Army, ITBP and the NDRF servicemen are involved in rescue operations, with air force helicopters plucking survivors from the Himalayas. About 80,000 people had been rescued so far and the Indian Railways were running special trains from the devastated areas to take people back to their home. As per sources about 8000 of people were airlifted from the reach of the floods, with 60 helicopters

pressed into the task.

As per media reports people are still struggling with little access to food or drinking water in various parts of Uttarakhand which will push the death toll significantly. Even in places like Gangotri, Yamunotri and Hanuman Chatti pilgrims still remained stranded in some areas as flood waters and blocked roads made it difficult for rescue teams to reach them.

During the rescue operations while the ineffectiveness of the Uttarakhand government has come to the fore, several other States have lent a helping hand to it. Different States announced aid; but the authorities in Uttarakhand seemed clueless about how to handle the aid and

situation created in the aftermath of the calamity.

For its magnitude and devastation it looks truly is a Himalayan tragedy, the scale of which is unfolding as rescuers and particularly the Army begin to reach areas that had remained inaccessible so far. But as Uttarakhand comes to terms with one calamity, another tragedy due to hunger deaths seems to be in the making.

Meanwhile BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh, undertook an aerial survey of the flashflood hit districts of Uttarakhand. Interacting with media persons after his return from the aerial tour of the affected areas he said, "The tragedy is of unprecedented scale in which the number of lives lost must run into thousands so it should be declared a national calamity".

#### Sushma Swaraj asked Home Minister to use the army

Immediately after the devastation took place in Uttarakhand Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha Smt Sushma Swaraj has asked Home Minister Mr. Sushilkumar Shinde to use the army for the rescue operations in the state. Swaraj discussed the flood situation and the state of the people stranded in parts of Uttarakhand in a telephone conversation with Shinde. She said Mr. Shinde has assured all help. "But it is unfortunate that Thousands of people have died and there is no rescue operation till now," Smt. Swaraj said.

#### Japan condoles flood devastation in Uttarakhand

Japan offered condolences to the families of victims of floods that have wreaked havoc in Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and parts of Uttar Pradesh. Japanese Foreign Minister Mr. Fumio Kishida conveyed his deepest condolences to the families of the victims. "I was deeply saddened to learn that the heavy flooding caused by the torrential rain has left extensive damages in the state of Uttarakhand and other States in northern India," he said in a message to External Affairs Minister Mr. Salman Khurshid.



## No enquiry was conducted in Dr. Mookejee's mysterious death : Advani

programme, "Dr. Mookerjeekabalidan, y a a d r a k h e g a Hindustan" was organized by Dr. MookerjeeSmrutiNyas on 21st June 2013 to observe the 61st Martyrdom Day of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee which falls on 23rd June 2013. The programme started with the lighting of lamp and the guests were welcomed

no enquiry was ordered to look into the circumstances in which his death took place. It was shameless, he said. But even in his martyrdom Dr. Mookerjee was able to achieve objective when the permit system to enter Jammu & Kashmir was abolished. At the same time when the change of nomenclature to Governor and Chief Minister in

vote against Zamindari Abolition Bill brought by Congress government which the Jansangh in its manifesto had promised to support. Dr. Mookerjee took a firm stand in support of the Jansangh manifesto even at the cost of six MLAs. He said that Dr. Mookerjee and Dr. Ambedkar were outside Congress but on

advise of Gandhi they were invited to join cabinet on the basis of their talent and vision. Dr. Mookerjee was also a harbinger anti-Congress politics which he thought necessary strengthen democracy and he moved forward to form Jansangh.

The chief guest on the occasion BJP National President ShriRajnath Singh

recalled the vision under which Jansangh was formed and he said that the grand philosophy of nationalism was behind Dr. Mookerjee's efforts to form Jansangh in true democratic spirit. While narrating the situation in which Dr. Mookerjee became the voice of nationalism in India he said that he was right in resigning from Nehru cabinet on Nehru-Liaqat Pact. He further said that Dr. Mookerjee now stands vindicated when we see the way minorities are being treated and oppressed in



by the office-bearers and members of Dr. MookerjeeSmrutiNyas. SatyaSai International auditorium was packed with full capacity as large number of people had gathered to listen to their leaders.

Speaking on the occasion senior BJP leader and BJP Parliamentary Party Chairman ShriLal Krishna Advani said that 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1953 was very sad day for Jansangh as news of Dr. Mookerjee's death under mysterious circumstances spread in the country. He lamented that

place of Sadar-i-riyasat and PM was effected, the other objective was also fulfilled. He saluted the memory of Dr. Mookerjee while highlighting grand personality and high stature in national politics. He said that Dr. Mookejee was a man of lofty ideals and high principles which he never compromised even when faced with very tough situations. He recalled an incident when the newly formed Jansangh had eight members elected to the legislative assembly and six out of eight wanted to



Pakistan forcing them to flee their country. Saying that the condition is so worse in Pakistan that minorities have fled that country seeking refuge in India. He said that on coming to power BJP will ensure that a 'Relief and Rehabilitation Committee' for these minorities fleeing from Pakistan is instituted and they are given citizenship status in India.

The Chairman of Dr. MookerjeeSmrutiNyasShri M. Venkaiah Naidu outlined the work done by Nyas in propagating the nationalist ideas of Dr. Mookerjee and the need of the hour for the young mind to know about our history of sacrifice which remains hidden from public eye. Earlier welcoming the guests BJP National Vice-President ShriPrabhatIha welcomed the guests and audience in the programme saying remembering the legacy of Dr. Mookerjee is required to strengthen nationalism in today's context. MookerjeeSmrutiNyas Secretary Dr. Nand Kishore Garg made everyone aware of the activities of the Nyas.

Nyas Treasurer ShriGopalAgarwal gave vote of thanks and paid his gratitude to all senior leaders and guests for making programme a grand success. A large number of people from every walk of life including mediapersons were present on the occasion.

The programme was concluded with the observance of two-minute silence praying for peace to the souls lost in the Uttarakhand flood and an appeal was made for donation in the relief fund formed by BIP.

# Youth will spearhead the change in the country: Rajnath Singh

The BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh slammed the UPA led Congress government on June 16 in New Delhi for its complete failure to generate employment for the youth and for being mired in corruption at all levels fuelling price rise and making life of the common man difficult.

Addressing one of the biggest youth rallies held in the recent past in the Capital at Talkatora stadium Shri Singh said, "The BJP led NDA government generated around 7 crore jobs during its tenure whereas the Congress led UPA government has failed to create even a fraction of this during the last nine years." The "Youth for Change 2013" was organised by Delhi BJYM to highlight issues related to youth.

Shri Singh said that the breakup between BJP and JD(U) was unfortunate. He said there is no reason that any other political party should object to the appointment of a popular and successful chief minister as head of BJP campaign committee.

Addressing the convention, Delhi BJP President Shri Vijay Goel said, "The youth of the Capital have been completely ignored by the Congress government in Delhi over the last 14 years. Whether it is the shortage of college seats or lack of employment seats, the youth of the city are facing a tough time."

Shri Goel announced that the BJP will open 15 new colleges when it comes to power so that all students in Delhi can get admission. It will also start evening classes in all the morning colleges to further enhance availability of college seats.

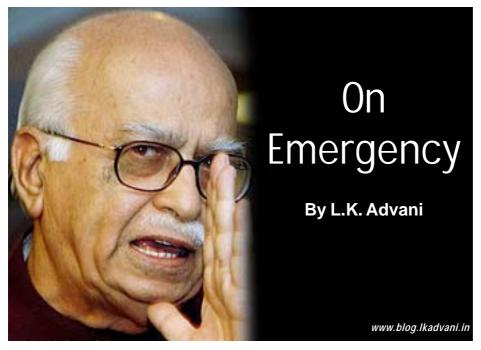
"The BJP will provide laptops and educational books on concessional rates for the students in the city. It will also set up a Youth Commission to formulate specific

policies for the youth in the capital and to oversee their implementation. The party will ensure that the education is linked to skill development and the city provides enough employment opportunities to the youth."

BJYM's National President Shri Anurag Thakur said, "It is heartening to see that amidst heavy downpour, thousands of youth have turned up for this convention. This shows how youth are finding greater connectivity with the BJP. The youth in Delhi will surely uproot the Congress in coming assembly polls as it has completely neglected them."

Delhi BJYM President Shri Gaurav Khari said, "The youth in Delhi feel betrayed by the Congress government as it has done nothing for them except making false promises." The BJYM also distributed a feedback form for the youth who attended the rally at the venue. The youth were asked about various issues concerning them through this feedback form amongst other things. This feedback will be used by the party to formulate youth friendly policies. It will also help the party to raise issues concerning youth.





In the six decades of India's independence, there are two **⊥**dates, both in June 1975, which can never be forgotten. The first was 12 June. To the surprise of all political analysts, the Indira Congress was roundly trounced in the Gujarat Assembly elections. Secondly, on the same day the Allahabad High Court declared Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's election to the Lok Sabha from Rae Bareilly as void, and furthermore, disqualified her for a period of six years on grounds of electoral corruption.

The second date was 25 June. For those who cherish democracy, that date will always remain one of the darkest days in the history of free India. This fateful date triggered off a chain of events that converted the world's largest democracy into the world's second largest dictatorship.

June is pretty much the hottest month in Delhi.

Therefore, I was quite pleased when the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) dealing with a proposed law against defection scheduled its meeting on 26-27 June in the garden city of Bangalore, known for its pleasant weather. Both Atalji and I were members of this committee, which also included Congress (O) leader Shyam Nandan Mishra. However, when, on 25th morning, I boarded a flight from Delhi's Palam airport for Bangalore, I had no idea that this journey would be the beginning of the nearly two-year-long 'exile'.

At the Bangalore airport, Mishra, who was on the same flight, and I were received by the Lok Sabha officials. We were taken to the Legislators' Home, located near the imposing building of the state legislative assembly. Atalji had arrived the previous day.

Around 7.30 am on the 26th, I received a phone call from the

local Jana Sangh office. There was an urgent message for me, from Delhi, from Rambhau Godbole. one of the Secretaries of the Jana Sangh, saying that soon after midnight, Jayaprakash Narayan, Morarji Desai and several other important leaders of the Opposition had been arrested. 'The arrests are continuing. The police may shortly be coming to arrest Atalji and you.'

The police came to arrest us at around

10 am. Madhu Dandavate, an eminent Socialist Party leader who was in the city to attend a meeting of another parliamentary committee, was also arrested. The four of us were taken to Bangalore Central Jail. JAIL

We were housed in two large-sized rooms facing each other. Shyambabu and Dandavate occupied one of the rooms and Atalji and I shared the other. We settled in quite quickly. The jail authorities gave us utensils, crockery, foodstuff – cereals and vegetables-in accordance with specifications laid down in the manual. Atalji prison volunteered to supervise the cooking. The Lok Sabha Who's Who had listed 'cooking' among his hobbies. The food he cooked was simple but wholesome.

One of the rare boons of my life in Bangalore jail was solitude, and the means to put it to good use. Apart from a well-stocked

Kamal <mark>S</mark>andesh

library and a quiet reading room, the jail premises had a badminton court and table tennis hall, where I played regularly. In fact, Jayant, who is now a regular and top-class table tennis player, first picked up a liking for this game when he, along with Kamla and Pratibha, came to visit me in the Bangalore

jail. Since many of the fellow-prisoners were from Karnataka, I started learning Kannada and made considerable progress both in reading newspaper headlines and speaking basic sentences. My favourite pastime, of course, was burying myself in books in the library.

While in prison, some of my happiest moments would be when I either received letters from Kamla and our children, or on those few occasions when they came down to Bangalore to see me. I learnt that class teachers would often ask Jayant and Pratibha, 'Papa

vaapis aaye?' (Has Papa come back?). My children used to feel a stab of pain in saying, 'No, not yet.' I never regretted my imprisonment since it was the inevitable price to be paid for the defence of democracy. Nevertheless, the thought of anything causing pain to my children would fill me with agony.

THE END OF THE DARKEST PERIOD IN INDIA'S HISTORY

With 1976 fading away, there were growing indications that the sun would set on the Emergency rule too. Indira Gandhi's unpopularity at home was increasing by the day and, internationally, the only supporters that she had were the Soviet Union and its puppet regimes in the communist bloc.

My diary entry on 16 January was: 'The Indian Express carries a lead story saying that the Lok Sabha polls are likely by March-

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> end or April beginning and that a formal announcement to this effect may be made on the opening day of Parliament's next session'. Sure enough, two days later, on 18 January 1976, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi announced the dissolution of the Lok Sabha.

My last diary entry, just before my release on 18 January, read: It is around 1.30 in the afternoon when the jail superintendent, Chablani, comes to my room and says that a wireless message has arrived from New Delhi revoking my detention order....

THE POLLS ARE ANNOUNCED; AND THE BIRTH OF THE JANATA PARTY

After spending a day in Bangalore, I left for Madras (now Chennai) the next day, from where I flew to Delhi on 20 January. By this time, Atalji too had been freed. He had earlier

been shifted to AIIMS in New Delhi, where he was convalescing after a slipped-disc operation. Morarjibhai was released from detention at Tawdu in Haryana. Three days later, on 23 January, Indira Gandhi announced fresh elections to be held in March. The announcement was followed by the release of many more political prisoners.

Political developments in the country moved at such lightning speed that on the day of the announcement of fresh elections, Jayaprakashji declared the formation of the Janata Party and named a twenty-eight

member national executive committee, with Morarji Desai as its Chairman and Charan Singh as Vice Chairman. Its members were drawn from the four constituent parties—Jana Sangh, Congress (O), Socialist Party and Lok Dal—which had merged to give birth to the new party. Along with Madhu Limaye, Ram Dhan and Surendra Mohan, I was made one of its four General Secretaries.

The birth of the Janata Party electrified the political situation in the country. It was as if a colossal and benign force was releasing India from nineteen



months of tyranny. Even though elections were still several weeks away, and the people were yet to give their verdict on the Emergency, there was a sense of the spirit of victory of democracy over dictatorship in the air. I felt as if India was standing at the of dramatic transformation, denoting the end of an era and the beginning of a new one, something that could be compared only to the epochal transition that India experienced three decades earlier in 1947. Surely, a second Freedom Struggle had been won in India!

There was very little time left to prepare for the Lok Sabha polls, which had been scheduled for 16 March. The Janata Party faced many daunting difficulties right from the onset of the poll campaign. Our flag and election symbol were new, and hence little known to the voters. In contrast, the people were quite familiar with the Congress party's poll symbol of the charkha. Our party was starved of resources, whereas the Congress was flush with funds. The latter also had the entire government-controlled media at disposal. Since Emergency was formally still in force, people were generally fearful and suspicious. They were unwilling to openly express their views on who they would vote for. True, the Janata Party's election meetings attracted huge crowds, but, at least in the initial days, there were no signs whatsoever of an impending anti-Congress wave. In fact, Congress flags far outnumbered the Janata Party's, both in villages and towns.

And, yet, there was a whiff of change in the air. An electoral

Cells have the responsibility to expand the ideas and activities of party: Rajnath



While inaugurating a one-day meeting of all convenors and co-convenors of BJP Cells BJP National President ShriRajnath Singh said that all Cells should prepare their own policy papers and take initiatives to implement them so that the mass base of party is enlarged. He said that the Cells are formed to take care of different sphere of activities and they have the responsibility to expand the ideas and activities of the party in their respective fields. He said that all the state units should be asked to cooperate with the activities of the Cells.

BJP National General Secretary (Organisation) ShriRamlal in the concluding session asked the Cells to constitute their national committees and organize a meeting by the end of July. He said that the Cells can also organize their training programmes and should have their own policy papers. The Cells have the responsibility to create a congenial atmosphere in the party.

All the participants were divided into four groups for intense discussion and exchange of views. A number of good suggestions came in these discussions. All the sessions were conducted by Cell/MorchaCoordiantorShriMahendraPandey. All the convenors and co-convenors were introduced to the party president ShriRajnath Singh and a report of activities of last three years was presented by ShriMahendraPandey.

earthquake was in the offing.

This was resoundingly proved when the results were declared on 20 March. The Congress was defeated for the first time since Independence. The Janata Party won a clear majority by securing 295 seats in a House of 542 seats. The Congress tally was abysmal: only 154 seats. For the ruling

party, the defeat became more humiliating when news spread that Indira Gandhi was defeated in Rae Bareli and her son Sanjay was trounced in Amethi, both being their own constituencies.

Emergency was officially lifted on 23 March 1976. With that ended the darkest period in the history of the Indian Republic. ■



# Bihar BJP observes Vishwasghat Diwas

#### A report by Vikash Anand

Two day after the JD (U) treacherously broke its 17 years old alliance with NDA, Bihar BJP observed Vishwasghat Diwas (Betrayal Day) across Bihar on June 18. On the day BJP called Bihar bandh in protest against the betrayal of chief minister Nitish Kumar who sacked 11 BJP ministers from his ministry while announcing the end of the alliance without citing any concrete reason. The bandh supporters carried BJP flags and raised slogans in favour of BJP and against the betrayal as they moved around in the streets.

Elsewhere in the city several top BJP leaders, including legislators and former Union and state ministers, were arrested. They included Shri Sushil Kumar Modi, Shri Mangal Pandey, Shri Ravishankar Prasad, Shri Shahnawaz Hussain, Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Shri C P Thakur, Shri Sanjay Paswan, Smt. Sukhda Pandey, Shri Prem Kumar, Shri Giriraj Singh, Shri Vyasdeo Prasad, and Shri Janardan Singh Sigriwal. More than 4000 bandh supporters were arrested from across the state.

The bandh evoked total response in that most of the shops and business establishments remained closed. People spontaneously came out in support of bandh and kept close their shops and services. Though the BJP had announced the bandh won't affect the

railways, people disrupted movement of trains on the Patna-Gaya, Patna-Buxar and Patna-Mokama lines. Meanwhile addressing a press conference, Bihar BJP President Shri Mangal Pandey said, "We were attacked by



The hospitals and small vehicles were also out of the bandh purview, but vehicular traffic was thin in Patna. Former Union minister Shahnawaz Hussain led a march of members of the Muslim community. They were raising pro-BJP and pro-Narendra Modi slogans.

Describing the bandh as the biggest observed in Bihar since Emergency, Hussain said, "This is the beginning of the downfall of the Nitish government. We have not see such a massive shutdown earlier and JD(U) people will agree with me regarding the intensity of the bandh."

armed JDU workers outside our office." Hitting out at the Nitish government over secularism claims, Pandey said that BJP's minority woman leader Fahida Khanum was assaulted and was singled out because of her religion and JD(U) talks of secularism. "We want to thank the people of Bihar for fully supporting us in our 'Bihar bandh' call", Shri Pandey further said. The buses in which these leaders were being taken away to Gardanibagh stadium was thronged by BJP workers. Earlier, the leaders led a protest march from party headquarters to Dak bunglow chowk in the heart of

Kamal Sandesh

the town.

It was the first time in the history of protest by opposition party, ruling party's senior leaders with goons attacked BJP workers at BJP headquarter. They also molested Mahila workers of the BJP.

Deputy Leader of Opposition in Rajva Sabha Ravi Shankar Prasad while participating in bandh in Patna said his party has taken to the streets in Bihar as people were feeling deeply humiliated and cheated since they had given the mandate to JD(U)-BJP to govern. "We were governing very well. And suddenly, only because of ego and arrogance, you sought to break this alliance. Therefore, the people are really feeling very deceived. And to articulate that concern, we have hit the streets today." Shri Prasad said, "Modi

which has to be decided by the party's Parliamentary Board." Expressing his concern on Nitish's betraval to BJP former deputy Chief minister of Bihar Shri Sushil Modi said "The unprovoked and unilateral decision of the JD(U) to split from the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) is a gross insult to a landslide mandate given to the coalition government by the people of North Indian state of Bihar in 2010 assembly polls...the development is unfortunate and what the Janata Dal (United) has done can be described as deceit to the voters and us". "We fully abided by the mantra of coalition dharma and did nothing in the past seven years to create any obstacle in the path of smooth functioning of the government... yet the JD(U) has decided to walk out from the



is a very popular leader because of his governance, because of his integrity, because of his leadership...Whether he will become the Prime Ministerial candidate or not is a question NDA in an opportunistic manner without any provocation," he added. The JD (U)'s parting of ways with the BJP-led NDA after the 17-year partnership has to be described



as a 'black chapter' in the political history of Bihar in a long long time, Shri Modi said.

After Shri Nitish Kumar quit NDA on June 17, he was confronted with the praise he had showered on Shri Modi. Shri Nitish in a public function in 2003 had said "I hope that Narendra Modi will not be limited to Gujarat after some time. The country needs his services." Now, he dismissed this as "courtesy". It means Nitish Kumar tells lies in 'courtesy' or he is playing in hands of the Congress. How is it possible someone who was not communal in 2003 and suddenly today becomes communal for someone?

The reality is that Nitish Kumar is playing communal and decisive politics for gaining votes of particular community and sowing seeds of hatred among communities. The people of Bihar have shown their anger against this betrayal and opportunistic politics of JD(U) by massively responding to the call for Bihar Bandh given by BJP.



# People's future is not safe in hands of Congress: Modi

ujarat Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed a huge rally on the Balidan Diwas of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee (June 23) in Madhopur, Pathankot. That site was on May 11, 1953 played host to an important speech by Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee, the founding government over its Kashmir policy, economy and national security, saying it has failed on all fronts. "Vajpayee had sought to win over the heart of Kashmir with compassion, love and dialogue...Had he been elected to power in 2004, he would have succeeded in his Kashmir policy," he said. Kashmiri youths

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Shri Modi said there was a "dual power centre" in the Congress-led UPA government and time had come to get rid of them. "There are two bosses in the country and we do not know who of the two is genuine. It has become difficult to identify that who is running the country."

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president of the erstwhile Bharatiya Jan Sangh, the predecessor to the present day BJP. Mookerjee was on his way to Jammu & Kashmir to protest the Nehru led Congress Government's policies as well as to ascertain the reality of the conditions of Dogras in Jammu.

Shri Modi on the occasion said that it is important and the need of the hour to "heal the wounds" of Kashmiris and connect its aspiring youths with the national mainstream for the development of the state. He invoked former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and said the task he left incomplete would be pursued by BJP if voted to power.

He attacked the UPA

were aspiring for development and progress and they needed to be connected with the national mainstream. "The youths in Kashmir valley want to be part of development. Guns can spill blood but will do no good to one's life," he said on the occasion of party founder Shyama Prasad Mookerjee's 60th death anniversary. Invoking Mookerjee's slogan against two heads in one system, he said a similar situation exists today, referring to Congress president Sonia Gandhi and Prime Minister Manmohan Singh. "There are two bosses in the country and we do not know who of the two is genuine," he said.

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### The dark and covert world of black money

#### By Joginder Singh

consortium of internation all journalists has recently exposed a network of offshore entities, some of which are owned by Indians. This is yet another example of how funds are being siphoned out of the country

In the 1860s, while talking about corruption in his country, US President Abraham Lincoln had said: "I see, in the near future, a crisis approaching that unnerves me and causes me to tremble, for the safety of my country. Corporations have been enthroned, an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money-power of the country will endeavour to prolong its reign, by working upon the prejudices of the people, until the wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the Republic is destroyed".

It was a prophetic warning, which India should also have heeded post-independence so as to control graft. Today, widespread corruption has not only caused immense harm to the country and its economy, but has also dealt a severe blow to good governance.

Recently, the biggest global exposé on offshore investments and secret financial transactions, has revealed details of more than 1.2 lakh offshore entities and trusts belonging to individuals and companies in more than 170 countries and territories, including India. Details of these transactions were found in 2.5 million secret files and two

million emails exchanged over a period of 30 years. According to Indian media reports, there are 612 Indians on the list, which include two Members of Parliament and several industrialists.

The details were obtained by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists. Based in Washington, DC, the ICIJ is an independent network of reporters who work together on cross-border investigations. The secret files provide facts and figures — cash transfers, incorporation dates, links between companies and individuals — that illustrate how financial secrecy has spread aggressively around the globe.

The exposé has also thrown light on the functioning of 'nominee directors' in offshore companies, several of whom have also been engaged by Indian patrons of offshore companies. For instance, a cluster of 28 'sham directors' have been identified for having served as the on-paper representatives of more than 21,000 companies between them, with some individual directors representing as many as 4,000 companies each.

The exposé comes shortly after another list became public containing the details of 18 Indians who had bank accounts in LGT Bank in Liechtenstein and around 700 others who had accounts in HSBC, Geneva. In a few cases, account holders were

prosecuted and had to pay penalties to the Income Tax authorities for deposits they had made abroad without paying taxes in India.

This is a major development in the fight against money laundering — which is defined as disguising the source or ownership of illegally-gained funds to make them appear legitimate, or hiding money to avoid paying taxes or using legally-gained money in pursuit of unlawful activities.

The Government of India has officially received the data and the Union Ministry for Finance has said that inquiries have been put in motion. Investigating black money is a stupendous task before our Central Board of Direct Taxes. One reason for this is that the laws in this area are weak and, as always, it is the responsibility of the prosecuting agency to prove the guilt of the accused. Why, in certain cases such as tax evasion of sav Rs10 crore or more, can't the tables be turned?

During his tenure as Union Commerce Minister, President Pranab Mukherjee had once made a memorable comment, in a meeting where I was also present, which is worth reproducing. He said: "I have seen companies become bankrupt or close down, but not the owner of such firms or companies".

Keeping money in offshore accounts is not the only way that the rich in India are evading taxes. Big industrialists, whether

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## India: The Coming End of a Dream

#### By MV Kamath

vernight, as it were, Shantakumaran Sreesanth is in the news - for a wrong reason. He is charged with accepting a Rs 40 lakh bribe for spot-fixing and that is probably going to be the end of his career. One feels sorry for him. To be fair, he is the victim of a rapidly deteriorating social ambience bereft of all values. But why blame him? We have only to blame ourselves. We don't have any leaders of any standing that the young can look up to. All that matters for them is money, money, money.

This is not a new development and goes back to the ten years of Congress rule in the country. Go back to April 2012 and the story of Ottavio Quattrocchi, a close friend of the Gandhi family. As the media frequently noted, he was involved in the Bofors scandal and his friendship with the Gandhi family helped him clinch several lucrative deals. When

he was about to be arrested, "he was allowed to slip away in the dead of night by a Congress government in Delhi."

In February 2012, the Supreme Court quashed all the 122 licences allocating 2G Spectrum issued in 2008 "in a stinging indictment of the UPA government," imposing exemplary penalties on some of the major licensees. In February 2011, Switzerland's envoy to Delhi was reported as saying

that his government is willing to share information on Indians holding secret bank accounts estimated to be as high as \$ 1.4 trillion! What has the government done? Did the government get the information? If it has, why haven't the tax dodgers not been revealed to the public? There is no explanation.

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Speaker hit the headlines following the RTI disclosure about the Ministry of Urban Development waiving off the Rs 2 crore it had billed for her stay in the bungalow once occupied by her father Jagjivan Ram, but that was pittance. The Indian Express (23 June, 2011) revealed that the telecom minister Dayanidhi Maran, had got fixed in his home in Chennai 323 telephone lines and just one of them accounted for over 48 lakh

calls in one month, March. The staggering loss to the government was over Rs 400 crore.

Deccan Herald (June 22, 2012) said, "making a volte face on a petition to the Centrally Empowered Committee seeking a CBI probe against three former chief ministers (of Karnataka) for their alleged role in illegal mining, the state government has informed the Panel that the

Lokayukta had found lapses during their (the Chief Ministers') tenure and put the total loss to the government between 1999 and 2007, at Rs 714 crore. Of course, the three Chief Ministers, SM Krishna, N Dharam Singh and H D Kumaraswamy, have given explanations. But, according to the petitioner," the magnitude of illegality during the tenure of these three Chief Ministers was more than 100 times compared to Yeddyurappa's reign".

The Hindu (May 8, 2011), had earlier quoted Kumaraswamy as saying that more than Rs 20,000 crore accrued through illegal mining and the export of iron ore in Karnataka has been stashed away in Swiss banks and he had "all the proof" and was "ready to provide all the details."

Deccan Herald (June 12, 2012) reported that India's richest MP, Yedugiri Sandinti Jaganmohan Reddy representing Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh, "allegedly amassed Rs



1663400 crore (sixteen lakh sixty three thousand four hundred crore rupees) through illegal means. He reportedly has a 40-room palatial house, costing more than Rs 200 crore, with a helipad in Bangalore. What is more to the point is his house in Hyderabad with fourteen escalators, 10 lifts, a mini-theatre of 200 seating capacity, 60 bedrooms, 20 servants' quarters, libraries, squash, tennis and volleyball courts.

But think of this: Prime Minister Manmohan Singh defended his Rail Minister Pawan Kumar Bansal and his Law Minister Ashwani Kumar, one charged with corruption and another with blatant irregularities, till the very last minute. Consider what the Free Press Journal (May 11, 2013) has said, about Bansal. "Though initially he denied that he had anything to do with the nephew who was arrested by the CBI accepting Rs 90 lakh in bribe, the CBI unearthed evidence of a well-oiled racket run by Bansal, in which not only jobs, but other services in the rail ministry were put on sale".

If the Congress president, the prime minister, a judge of the Supreme Court, the commander-in-chief of the army, six Cabinet Ministers, four Chief Ministers, some two hundred top officials, members of the media, the biggest public and private banks come under the scanner, what is there to say?

One remembers what Winston Churchill, an ardent India-hater said in June 1947 about the India that was soon to get independence. He said: "Power will go to the hands of rascals, rogues, freebooters; all Indian leaders will be of low calibre and men of straw. They will fight amongst themselves for power and India will be lost in political squabbles".

Remember that, Manmohan Singh. Remember that, Sonia Gandhi. The most decent thing that you can do is to resign. You have brought enough shame to the country already.

Courtesy: The Organiser

### "Jail Bharo Aandolan" postponed due to Uttarakhand natural calamity

Tragedy in Uttarakhand is one of the most horrifying natural calamities of this century. Hundreds of people died in it and thousands of persons are still stranded. BJP National President, Shri Rajnath Singh has personally made a survey of the affected areas. Keeping in view the severeness of this tragedy he has urged the Union Home Minister to reconsider his decision not to declare it as a national calamity.

Shri Rajnath Singh has said that BJP is of the view that it is a national calamity. That is why Shri Rajnath Singh has postponed the proposed BJP nationwide "Jail Bharo Aandolan" from 17th June to 30th June. 2013.

He has directed all the BJP workers and representatives of people across the country to stop preparations for "Jail Bharo Aandolan" and engage themselves to collect relief material and ensure that it reaches the affected people in Uttarakhand.

He has requested BJP workers, representatives of people and general public to provide maximum help and co-operation to the persons affected by Uttarakhand tragedy. They can send their contribution in "Bharatiya Janata Party's Aapda Rahat Kosh" or direct to Uttarakhand government.

# Rajnath Singh congratulates the newly elected Iran President



The BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh congratulated the newly elected Iran's President Mr. Hassan Rohani on his electoral victory on 16 June 2013. Shri Singh said, "I congratulate Iran's President elect Mr. Hassan Rohani on his remarkable victory. We hope, under his regime moderate and liberal voices will be strengthened."

"Mr Rohani has the ability to unlock Iran's true potential

with his strong belief in deliberation and hope", he said. "We believe that a moderate and stable Iran is in India's interest. This change could bring peace in the Gulf region and the rest of the world", Shri Singh added. ■



### LURKING DANGERS OF A MATERIALIST MINDSET

#### By Hiranmay Karlekar

The world is increasingly driven by instrumental reason, deification of the market and the linking of worth with wealth and possession.

It has little time for reflection and philosophical speculation

Tune 12 was Russia Day, observed every year since 1992, when, what was earlier the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, was formally proclaimed as the Russian Federation following a decision taken on December 25, 1991. Thus was put the seal on the passing of the Soviet era when many believed that Communism was the world's future. In its place, many seemed to believe that the market was the deliverer, the new messiah of a consumer millennium. Yet that too seems to be going the way of most beliefs in the wake of the crisis that has hobbled the world's economy. In sharp contrast, the beliefs enshrined in religious worldviews - Hindu, Muslim, Christian, Jain and so on appear much more durable. If anything, there has been a revival of religious sentiments the world over. Why?

It is important to discuss the matter. A worldview gives direction, meaning, morality and hope to an individual's as well as society's life. Without it, one would live perpetually for the moment in a social, moral and cultural environment whose goals, manner of functioning, value system and rationale remain unknown to one. Nor would one have an idea of one's own objectives and route-map in

life.

A person would feel perennially lost and insecure in such an environment. Erich Fromm writes in Fear of Freedom that "a man may live among people and yet be overcome with an utter feeling of isolation, the outcome of which, if it transcends a certain limit, is a state of insanity which schizophrenic disturbances represent. The lack of relatedness to values, symbols, patterns, we may call moral aloneness and state that moral aloneness is as intolerable as physical aloneness, or rather that physical aloneness becomes unbearable only if it implies also moral aloneness.....Religion and nationalism, as well as any

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custom or any belief, however absurd or degrading, if it only connects the individual with others, are refuges from what men must dread: Isolation."

A set of beliefs and practices that links people to others is important for societies as well as states. It provides a basis for the cooperation without which no group can exist and supply ideas that define issues like the character of human nature and aspirations, aims of human groups, the latter's structure and functions, the freedoms that people should enjoy within it and so on. Of course, worldviews have played havoc - their supporters waging wars against or persecuting those of rival ones, snuffing out freedom of expression in the name of fighting subversion and so on. The memory of the horrendous order the Taliban established in Afghanistan is too recent to require recalling.

It is important to understand why some worldviews are regarded as unacceptable and/ or why they fail to deliver and are discarded. One reason for the durability of the religious ones seems basically that they regard this life as preparatory to other lives or an eternal life to follow. Thus they help one to bear one's troubles by projecting them as temporary and as indications of

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# Modi's micro initiatives for the farm sector are quite an eye opener

#### By Tuhin A Sinha

The oft-talked about Gujarat development model is something that has caught the fancy of the entire nation. What I found particularly impressive was the concept of Krishi Mahotsav where every summer government officials virtually spend a whole month on the field with the farmers, helping them update to newer technology and increase their farm productivity. Last month, I decided to witness this phenomenon first hand and got

talk much about. Hence, I was only too glad to grab the opportunity and interact with the CM live. On 27th May, thus, I travelled with Mr. Modi to a tribal village in the Dahod district near Baroda to witness first hand what was truly an eyeopening and enlightening experience.

Meeting Mr. Modi was in itself a refreshing experience. I found him to be warm and friendly, with a great eye for detail and effortlessly articulate

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in touch with Narendra Modi's office.

"Mr. Modi will be visiting a very innovative animal husbandry camp in the last week of May. Would you like to accompany him?" I was asked by an official from the CMO.

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about his plans. On the way to Dahod, Mr. Modi explained to me the thought behind his intensive initiatives in the animal husbandry sector.

"If you see, one of the perennial debates on development centers upon whether to focus on macro-level policies or to unleash aggressive initiatives at the micro-level. It is fashionable for leaders, especially the Congress leaders to talk about broad macro

policies, without having a clue on how to execute plans at the ground level. Fact of the matter is that absence of micro plans upsets the broader macro vision, rendering the entire plan ineffective"

Explaining the rationale behind his focus on the animal husbandry sector, Mr. Modi articulated, "Today, India is the largest milk producer in the world. However, it is also a sad truth that India's 225 million plus cattle population and 600 million plus total livestock population does not enjoy decent health facilities. This is mainly because we don't have an institutionalized mechanism that would monitor the health of our livestock population. Had a mechanism been there, India's production of milk and dairy related products would have only been significantly higher. Thus, the vast utility that we derive from our livestock and cattle population also demands that we invest adequately in nurturing them in order to ensure their continued productivity."

What I saw at Dahod was a truly enlightening experience. The animal husbandry camp which is now an integral component of the Krishi Mahotsav, has catered to several thousands of animals this year itself. I was simply astonished to see the medical and technological advancements made in the field of veterinary



sciences.

On entering the camp, we noticed a cow lying down on the floor and held by 10 men. Mr. Modi asked the doctors what was wrong with the cow? They said the cow was suffering from horn cancer. We were not even aware that such a disease existed and I am sure most people haven't heard about it.

Mr. Modi was curious to witness the operation performed on the cow, first hand. Hence, we sat through the experience. It was no easy task as 3 doctors and 7 assistants executed the

species of animals. They cater to all of 17 breeds in each of these animals. Instructional farms are set up to cater to sheep, camel, poultry, cattle, horse, goat, buffalo and rabbit. These Instructional farms are the pioneer farms in our country, originating from Gujarat.

The art of going into details is a blissful experience in itself. This was on exhibition all through the animal husbandry camp. It was as amazing to witness another medical team perform an operation to salvage the fractured wings of a peacock.

I was then introduced to a model set up of instructional farms. Instructional farms are set up to take care of the ageing, castration, body parts, care and management, floor spacing of 8 species of animals. They cater to all of 17 breeds in each of these animals. Instructional farms are set up to cater to sheep, camel, poultry, cattle, horse, goat, buffalo and rabbit. These Instructional farms are the pioneer farms in our country, originating from Gujarat.

operation to remove the cancer from the horn and most importantly to control the cow during this arduous procedure.

We were surprised to learn that the same team had already performed 20 such operations on the given day. Curing the cattle of a fatal disease like cancer, undoubtedly enhances its longevity and productivity and provides a great help to our farming community.

I was then introduced to a model set up of instructional farms. Instructional farms are set up to take care of the ageing, castration, body parts, care and management, floor spacing of 8 There were 2 peacocks that were successfully treated for fractured wings. Yet another medical team was busy carrying out an ultra sonography on a horse in order to detect pregnancy. You will be as surprised to know that the camp witnessed 89 live laser operations on cattle involving problems related to fracture, eyeballs, rumenitis etc. Debeaking was also a highlight in the camp. Debeaking, which is the technical term for beaktrimming of the poultry, is a preventive measure to reduce damage caused by injurious pecking; besides it is said to increase the lifespan.

Mr. Modi sounded an immensely satisfied man after seeing the breakthroughs at the camp.

"It is my humble opinion that in order to enhance our agricultural productivity to optimal levels, we need comprehensive micro-level initiatives across segments such as irrigation, soil quality management, farmers' education and animal husbandry. Each one of these segments has a critical role to play in achieving our overall targets and cannot be delinked from our larger macro vision. It is also my firm belief that an intensive animal husbandry plan will lead to a massive increase in our agricultural productivity and go a long way in boosting our economy."

When I boarded the flight back to Mumbai later that evening, I felt fortunate to have had the opportunity to witness Mr. Modi's indefatigable passion for change. It's a sheer joy to hear him talk about his plans for the country with the clarity of thought that he has. It's a myth that the Gujarat model is skewed towards industrialists. The development that has taken place in the remotest tribal pockets of the state is simply phenomenal. In the last 10 years, nearly 37 lakh hectares of new land has been made cultivable. And the farming community is thriving as much as the industrial houses.

The development and change that Gujarat has seen is perhaps only the tip of the iceberg. I am confident that Mr. Modi can replicate this success story at the national level.

(Courtesy: IBNblog)



# People will throw Congress out from power after 14 years of misrule in Delhi : Dr. Joshi

#### **From Our Correspondent**

he first Executive Committee Meeting of the newly constituted State Executive Committee of Bharatiya Janata Party was held on June 18 at the Constitution Club, New Delhi.

Inaugurating the State Executive meeting former BJP National President Dr. Murli

Manohar Joshi emphasized on upliftment of the weaker sections of the society.

He said, "The party focus must marginalized sections of the society while preparing for polls in Delhi. Delhi is ready for change after 14 years of misrule of Congress, infact people are so disgusted that they will through the Congress out from power. The victory in assembly polls in Delhi will also help the party to form a Government at the Centre".

In his address BJP National General Secretary Shri Ananth Kumar said he was confident that BJP *Karyakartas* will remove the Shila Dixit led corrupt Congress party from power in Delhi.

On the occasion BJP National General Secretary (Organisation) Shri Ram Lal said, "All over the country, the BJP is un upbeat mood. The people are tired of Congress rule and BJP has emerged as a viable alternative."

Addressing the BJP State Executive Committee Delhi BJP President Shri Vijay Goel said BJP workers would reach out to voters in their areas with an idea to target the working class, often found to be missing from public meetings. He said BJP workers would take the party's agenda that focuses on benefit of the

children and development of villages were the top priorities. In the State executive meeting, the party also passed a political resolution to this effect.

The BJP President said, "We have demanded full statehood for Delhi as this will end multiplicity of authorities in the National Capital. Unfortunately,



marginalized section, to the masses in the coming days.

He said, "We will spare no efforts in communicating our agenda and development plans to the voters. We will also bring forth failure of the Delhi Government, which has only made false promises to the people. Party workers will be approaching people at all places of public gathering.

Shri Goel said full statehood for Delhi, safety of women and

the Congress Government has done nothing to get full statehood for Delhi. The key issues in the assembly polls will be power, water, and development in villages, unauthorized colonies, JJ clusters and slums".

"In the Assembly Polls, BJP will be presenting an alternative model of development where all sections of the society will be benefited. Special focus will be on youth, women and the marginalized sections of the



society," Shri Goel added.

In the concluding session of the state executive committee meeting leader of Opposition in Delhi Assembly Shri VK Malhotra said this way of interacting with voters was in practice since long. He, however, said it was not appropriate to discuss political issues or seek votes at religious gatherings.

On June 18 the Executive Committee passed a political resolution lamming the Congress government in Delhi for its complete failure on all fronts. The state executive also demanded full statehood for Delhi. The resolution was tabled by Delhi BJP General Secretary Shri Ramesh Bidhuri and seconded by party legislator Shri Subhash Sachdeva.

Among others the State Executive meeting was attended by Party's National Headquarter in-charge Shri O.P. Kohli, Party's National Secretaries Shri Shyam Jaju, Aarti Mehra and Vani Tripathi former Delhi BJP Presidents Shri Mange Ram Garg and Shri Vijendra Gupta, former Delhi minister and currently in charge of Haryana Prof. Jagdish Mukhi, members of BJP National Executive member Shri Nand Kishore Garg, Shri Pravesh Kumar, Shri Tulsi Aggarwal and leaders of the MCDs.

During the state executive meeting, there was an interactive session also where its members came up with several suggestions about future strategy of the party to contest assembly polls. A number of them suggested that the party must take up an extensive campaign to highlight its achievements in the MCDs and failures of Delhi government. Some of the members suggested that the party is getting support from all sections of the society and there was a need to devise mechanism to incorporate aspirations of these sections who want to be closely associated to the BJP.

Some members also raised the issues faced by the industry owners due to lack of development in industrial areas.

The party also finalized its vision for the upcoming elections in Delhi and outline programmes for the next four months. ■

# Every political party is entitled to make its own decisions: Rajnath

dressing the massive rally of BJP activists at Sanjay Gandhi stadium in Patna on June 23 BJP National President Shri Rajnath Singh asked what "sin had he committed that provoked" the erstwhile ally to walk away after remaining together for 17 long years. "What sin has Modi committed?"

Sh. Singh asked during his address to BJP workers at



Sanjay Gandhi stadium here.

He was on a two-day visit to strengthen the party's preparations for the next General Elections post the separation with JD(U).

Categorically rejecting the JD(U) charges, Shri Singh attacked the erstwhile ally for "suddenly" finding fault with the Gujarat chief minister and his leadership after remaining part of the alliance for 17 long years.

"You have had no problems with Modi between 2002 and 2013, during which his stocks continued to rise ... But all of a sudden you have found fault with him and decided to part ways by citing difficulties in working with him," the BJP national president said.

"Yet JD(U) chose to walk out by drawing its own conclusion about the affairs of another party."

"Every political party is entitled to make its own decisions ... We (BJP) had decided to make Modi our poll campaign panel chief in view of his popularity and charisma to draw votes. What is wrong in that?" Singh asked and assailed JD(U)'s decision to part ways by prejudging things on its own.

The rally was attended by BJP National General Secretary and Bihar BJP in-charge Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, BJP National General Secretaries (organization) Shri Ram Lal and Shri Rajeev Pratap Rudy, and all prominent leaders of the state. ■



# BJP will expose scam tainted UPA at centre and BJD govt. in State: KV Singh Deo

#### **From Our Correspondent**

he Odisha State BJP Executive Committee meeting was held on June11 in Bhubaneswar for the first time after Shri Kanak Verdhan Singh Deo took over as the new State BJP President of Odisha. During the meeting the State BJP Executive Committee under the leadership of Shri Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo strategized the plan of action for

party in the State and came out with political proposals on issues afflicting the State. The Executive Committee also concluded that the people want a Congress-free government at the Centre and similarly a BJD-free government in the State, so BJP will try its best to materialize the desires of the people.

Addressing the Executive Committee BJP State President

organizing scam, 2-G Spectrum, Adarsh Scam and Coalgate scams, and the Naveen Patnaik government has looted natural resources of the state and facing charges in coal mining scam. Even the poorest have not been spared. Twenty lakh families of the state have been affected by the chit fund fraud," he said. BJP will expose both the scam tainted parties, he said.



the upcoming elections in Odisha. The Executive Committee in its first session also passed a resolution welcoming the appointment of Shri Narendra Modi as BJP election campaign committee chairman for 2014 elections.

A detail discussion was also held in the first session about the expansion of the organizational structure of BJP in the State and various issues plaguing the State in recent times. During the session the party delved into various aspects of organizational structure of the

Shri Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo reiterated his earlier stand that BJP would contest all 147 Assembly seats and 21 Lok Sabha seats alone. Targeting both the Congress-led UPA government at the Centre and the Naveen Patnaik led BJD government in the State he said that there was a race between these two parties to get the first prize in corruption. Both are joint winners, he said.

He said, "The Congress led UPA government is facing severe charges relating to the Commonwealth Games There have been so many scams in the state, but the Chief Minister has been trying to divert people's attention by announcing welfare schemes," said Shri Singh Deo who termed the BJD's Swabhiman Samavesh a campaign for special category state status for Odisha eyewash.

"Naveen was holding the Delhi rally only to divert public attention from the Chitfund scam", he said.

The State BJP Executive Committee also demanded an investigation into the scam by the Special Investigating Agency under supervision of the Supreme Court. It was also decided that the party will launch a state-wide agitation against corruption and failures of BJD government.

BJP National General Secretary Shri Dharmendra Pradhan in his address said



massive irregularities to the tune of Rs 1.86 lakh crore with regard to the coal block allocations across the country by the Congress led UPA government have now come to the fore. In Orissa alone, misappropriation of nearly Rs 86,000 crore has taken place.

Shri Pradhan severely criticised the State BJD Government for the multi-crore ponzi scam in the State and reiterated his demand for a CBI enquiry into it. While the Crime Branch only arrested the agents involved in the fraud by the nonbanking financial companies (NBFCs), the bigwigs are spared, he said.

Lashing out at the BJD government for holding 'Swabhiman Samabesh' in New Delhi to put forth the State's demand for according special category status to it, he said it is an attempt of the BJD Government to eclipse the chit fund scam in the State.

He further said when the State Assembly had unanimously passed a resolution in favour of it; we obviously support the demand for according special category status to Odisha. But the BJD Government has no interest in the issue. It is an attempt to cover up the chit fund scam.

State in-charge Shri Chandan Mitra said the Congress led UPA government will be cornered for its failure to curb corruption, safeguard national security, contain inflation and ensure proper development. He said BJP is in an upbeat mood in Orissa following Shri Narendra Modi's appointment as party's Election Campaign Committee head. It is

likely to bolster the party's poll prospects.

A resolution welcoming Shri Narendra Modi's elevation was also passed. The meeting expressed hope that the party would be able to further sharpen its fight against the Congress-led UPA on all major issues including corruption with the Gujarat Chief Minister at the helm of poll campaign.

Among other issues, the party also discussed the deteriorating law and order situation in the State emphasizing atrocities on women, failure of the UPA Government in controlling inflation that hit the common man, the deteriorating internal security and the constant threat of external aggression in the country.

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they own airlines or manufacturing units, take the maximum amount of loans from Government-owned banks and then find ways not to repay them. Consequently, in the financial year ended 2012, India's banks had more than Rs1,47,000 crore in bad loans or Gross Non-Performing Assets. That figure for just the first two quarters of the financial year ended 2013 was Rs1,42,000 crore. Private banks are doing better than public sector banks in this regard, as the former are rarely subjected to the pulls and pressures of giving loans and also occasionally writing them off.

The Reserve Bank of India is also worried that it is the big borrowers who are getting all the benefits of debt restructuring — like lower interest rates, moratorium on repayment and fresh loans. Obviously, nobody is bothered about good governance, which has already taken a hit in black money matters.

The Swiss Banking Association report of 2006 says that India has \$1,456 billion in Swiss banks. It is a matter of shame that we are to be told by other countries about such facts. Instead of taking any action, the Government's standard response in these situations is to set up an inquiry to discover why a particular incident happened, when its causes are well-known.

This is also applicable to the manner in which the authorities have dealt with mega-corruption scams such as the Commonwealth Games lootfest, the Adarsh Cooperative Housing scandal, the 2G Spectrum allocation scam and the coal block allocation scam.

In this season of swindles, enticements, kickbacks and scams, the US-based international watchdog, Global Financial Integrity, studied the illicit flight of money from this country, in what was perhaps the first ever attempt at shedding light on a subject steeped in secrecy. The study concluded that India has been drained of \$462 billion (Rs20,556,848,000,000 or over Rs20 lakh crore) between 1948 and 2008. The Government must remember that it has to make an example of those who are looting the nation and not paying what is due to the state. ■

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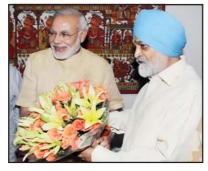
**GUJARAT** 

### Gujarat's Annual Plan finalized at Rs. 59,000 crore

# Improving Human Development Index top priority: Narendra Modi

Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Narendra Modi spoke to the media after a high level meeting with the Planning Commission to finalize Gujarat's

Annual Plan of 2013-14 on 18th June 2013. Shri Modi said that the Government had worked on a plan of Rs. 58,500 crore but the Planning Commission felt Gujarat is more



capable and thus a plan of Rs. 59,000 crore was approved.

Gujarat, widely known as the growth engine of India, has shown a high growth trajectory by achieving an average of 10.24 per cent growth rate from 2002-2012, which is highest among large states in India. Gujarat has also registered an increase of 13.8 per cent in the per capita income for 2011-12, which has been estimated at Rs. 89,668 as against Rs. 78,802 in 2010-11, at current prices. Agriculture, despite all challenges, has been a major success indicator with 11.11 per cent growth rate during the decade 2001-02 to 2011-12.

Gujarat Government's development vision is guided by continued emphasis on improving Human Development Index. Keeping to its determination that growth must advance hand in hand with human development, Gujarat's Annual Plan allocation for Social Services Sector for the current fiscal is proposed at Rs. 24,586 crores, more than 42 per cent, which includes education, health, drinking water supply, housing and welfare of Backward Classes, women and child empowerment. The Chief Minister said that Gujarat is making its contribution in India's growth. About the plan, he pointed that 42% allotment has been made to the social sector. He affirmed that Gujarat's motto is Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas (All

together, growth for all) and that the Government wants to ensure that the underprivileged and the marginalized sections of society get the fruits of Gujarat's development.

During the meeting, many issues were raised by the Gujarat CM through an audio-visual presentation which include: He said,

- ▶ The opaque and irrational policies relating to pricing and allocation of coal and natural gas have caused immense loss to national income, as about 5000 MW of installed power generation capacity lies unutilized in Gujarat alone.
- ▶ Though Gujarat is a power-surplus state but in absence of a National Transmission Grid, the state cannot transfer surplus power to other power-deficit states.
- ▶ Environment sub-group has not given permission for putting gates at the Sardar sarovar Dam. Therefore, Gujarat is losing benefits of additional irrigation of almost 7 lakh hectares and 40 per cent increase in power generation. It creates a loss of Rs. 3,788 crores per annum.
- ▶ The lack of clarity on environment clearance for mining has also stalled innumerable state power projects.
- ▶ The Central Government has failed to define an effective policy and funding assistance for coastal security. A cogent national strategy to deal with developmental issues in areas vulnerable to the spread of militant extremism is also lacking.
- ▶ The Centre has introduced RTE Act 2009 but it creates long-term financial liabilities for the State while SSA provides only a fraction of the additional costs involved. Therefore, the Central Government should fund the entire additional burden on the state.

#### MADHYA PRADESH

## BJP Govt. giving top priority on health: Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Emphasising that health and education are top priorities of the State Government Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that now villages will be made focal point of health services in the State. He also urged





officials to perform better than national average under various health indices. The Chief Minister was stating this at a workshop on maternal and infant health in Bhopal.

The Chief Minister further said that it was his top priority to improve

living standard of the poor. This will also ensure improvement in the health and education status. For improving health scenario, the Government will pay special attention to upliftment of financial status, change in people's outlook, supply of clean water and stabilisation of population.

Society and non-governmental organisations will also have to be connected with this task. Better work has been done in the state in road, power, irrigation, agriculture and infrastructure sectors. Now, priority is being attached to health and education. A number of schemes have been chalked for this. *Mukhyamantri Pey-Jal Yojana* has been launched to ensure supply of clean water in villages. *Beti Bachao Abhiyan* has brought about positive changes in people's mindset, he said.

He said that 'Sampoorn Swasthya Sab Ke Liye' programme has been launched in the state. Now, attention is being paid to improve health services. During the function Chief Minister Shri Chouhan also launched a website of Integrated Health Management System and released RMNCH's guideline booklet.

#### **CHHATTISGARH**

Society and Govt responsible for children's education: Dr Raman Singh

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Dr. Raman Singh said that along with parents and family, it is the responsibility of the society and the Government also to give attention on the education of children. The State Government has been developing schools at



far-flung villages and provide free textbooks to all the school-going children, he added.

While attending a school enrolment festival

programme organized at a local primary school at Raja Bhanpuri village in Rajnandgaon district on May 18, Dr. Singh has appealed to all to take the benefit of the Government schemes for the excellent future of the children and urged them to send their wards to school compulsorily. He said that the State Government was committed to provide benefit of various schemes to children, youth and aged people of the State. At this time of cultivation, all types of farming related facilities, including fertilisers and seeds, were being provided to the farmers of the State, he added. The CM, while blessing the children, wished them healthy and excellent future. He also distributed free textbooks, school bags and uniform to the children.

He performed *bhumi pujan* and dedicated of various construction works worth Rs4.75 crore, including construction of anicut on Bhanpuri river costing Rs2.25 crore, a local school building costing Rs 31 lakh and water tank constructed at a cost of Rs35 lakh. On the demand of the villagers, he declared sanction of Rs50 lakh for the construction of anicut for irrigation purpose and instructed the officers concerned to send a proposal in this regard immediately. Under the schemes of the labour department, he gave away cycle to 18 women workers, sewing machine to 153 women workers and equipments to 21 male workers of the unorganised sector.

#### **KERALA**

#### BJP to focus on southern States: Bandaru Dattatreya

The BJP will start its election work for the coming Lok Sabha polls shortly. Announcing this after a meeting of the State leaders of the party in Thiruvananthapuram on June 18, 2013, State BJP President Shri V. Muraleedharan said that constituency-level



conventions would be held in five Lok Sabha constituencies before August 30. He said the party proposed to contest from all the Lok Sabha constituencies in the State. Decisions on other constituencies would be taken later.



BIP National | secretary Shri P.K. Krishnadas would be in charge of the campaign in Thiruvananthapuram. Shri K. Surendran, Shri V.V. Rajan, Shri C. Krishnakumar and Ms Surendran Shobha would lead the campaigns Kasaragod, Kozhikode, Palakkad and Thrissur constituencies respectively.

Addressing the Karvakartas in that meeting BJP National Vice President and State In-charge Shri Bandaru Dattatreva said the national leaders of BIP would concentrate on campaigns in southern States this time. The party would also open account in Kerala, and come to power at the Centre, he said.

Shri. Dattatreva said the federal front would be nothing but a myth. The proposed front was not a natural alliance but an opportunistic one. It did not have an economic programme. Shri Dattatreva further said that the Congress led UPA government at the centre was not functional and Prime Minister Manmohan Singh was not in a position to take any decisions.

This govt. has failed miserably in all fronts and people will throw this govt. out of power in the upcoming elections, he said. ■

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salvation in the hereafter. Thus, Christ said in the Sermon on the Mount, "Blessed are the poor in spirit,/ for theirs is the kingdom of heaven./ Blessed are those who mourn, / for they will be comforted." Among those who understood this function of religion was Karl Marx. In A Contribution to the Critique of Hegel's Philosophy of Right, his oft-quoted statement, that religion was "the opium of the people", came after his assertion, "Religious suffering is, at one and the same time, the expression of real suffering and a protest against real suffering. Religion is the sigh of the oppressed creature, the heart of a heartless world, and the soul of soulless conditions."

In fact, religion covers a huge intellectual and moral, as well as a normative and behavioural, territory and includes in its ambit aspects as disparate as lists of simple dos and don'ts and abstruse metaphysical discourses replete with intuitive wisdom, such as what one finds in the Upanisads, epics like the Ramayana and the Mahabharata. Thus a dying Bheeshma's enunciation of a king's duties to Krishna and Yudhistira leaves one stunned with its sheer wisdom, insights, and contemporary relevance. The Upanisads, epics and the Puranas meet the proverbial common man's need for a moral code and solace in distress as well as the philosopher's and the intellectual's need for explanations of the origin, purpose and functioning of the universe, the meaning and destiny of human life, and the nature of reality. A text that is outstanding in its straddling of the quotidian and the eternal is the Bhagavatgita. A call to Arjuna to shed his hesitation, perform the Kshatriya's dharma in the battlefield of Kurukshetra, it is also a brilliant encapsulation of the wisdom of the Upanisads embedded in their cosmic metaphysics rooted in the concept of the ultimate reality of the Universal Consciousness or the Brahman, of which everything else is a manifestation. Unfortunately, the metaphysical dimension of religion is increasingly ignored and they are reduced to a collection of directives, rituals and taboos.

This is a global trend. The world is increasingly driven by instrumental reason and a lifestyle spawned by the deification of the market and the linking of worth with wealth and possession, and has little time for reflection and philosophical speculation. Should this trend persist, religious worldviews would soon meet the fate of their secular counterparts. These will still have an advantage over the latter; their promise of a better deal in the next birth or world or of salvation, cannot be put to test in this. On the other hand, worldviews that promise to deliver a better life in this world provided their economic, social and political prescriptions are followed, often do not produce the results they promise.

The reasons for this are several and stem from the simple fact that life rarely follows prophesy and prescriptions have a way of coming unstuck in a world replete with imponderables. That is why Communism failed to deliver and the immorality of the market triggered the current massive downturn. To be durable, secular worldviews need to focus more on the ethical, moral and spiritual dimensions and a rationality that makes wisdom possible. In the last analysis, no order in this complex age of technology can survive sans the wisdom that warns it of pitfalls.

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## Why human beings are so special?

#### By Swami Dayananda Saraswati

It is said that a human birth is not easy to achieve. And once you have this human body, you are no longer in the hands of nature. You now have the rare capacity, called free will, to initiate a further process of evolution. An animal, on the other hand, is fulfilled once it survives a few years and produces an offspring.

A human being also has to become an adult physically. You need only survive by appeasing your hunger and thirst and avoiding fatal accidents and diseases. The process is a natural one, made possible by the survival instinct common to all living beings.

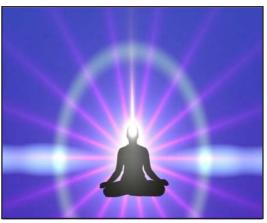
Unlike physical maturity, emotional growth is in your own hands. Inner maturity is a process that you

have to initiate because you are a human being enjoying a faculty of choice. Although each individual seeks something peculiar, these are four ends that everyone seeks. The universal ends most commonly sought after are security and pleasure – artha and kama. The remaining two purusharthas – dharma and moksha – can also be accomplished by a human being.

That which gives you any kind of security – emotional, economical or social – is called artha in Sanskrit. Artha may be in the form of cash or liquid assets, stocks, real estate, relationships, a home, a good name, a title recognition,

influence, or power of any kind. And although each person seeks various forms of security at a given time, seeking security is common to all.

Seeking pleasure is another purushartha, called kama in Sanskrit. It, too, takes many forms. For instance, sensory pleasures may be anything from



seafood or ice cream onwards. Examples of intellectual pleasures are those derived from playing certain games, solving puzzles or riddles, and studying certain bodies of knowledge. Thus, we have a variety of pleasures.

Anything that satisfies your senses, that pleases your mind, that touches your heart and evokes in you a certain appreciation, is kama. There is another form of pleasure derived from seeing the stars on a beautiful night, enjoying the sunrise, a flower, a playing child, or a beautiful painting, for example. Because this pleasure is neither sensory nor

intellectual, i will call it aesthetic pleasure. Even though such pleasures go beyond one's senses and intellect, they are still kama.

There is a third purushartha, dharma, that is neither artha nor kama. It is pleasure born of harmony, derived from friendship, sharing, helping

another person and so on. For example, when you are able to relieve someone's suffering, you experience a joy that is not kama. If you enjoy what you do, life is simple. If you do not enjoy what you do, then you have to do something to enjoy, which can be costly. On the other hand, any pleasure that comes out of one's maturing process is a different type of joy. Not hurting someone, or doing

the right thing at the right time, for instance, gives you joy – if not immediately, later. As you grow in your understanding, your dharma also grows.

Because of the importance we give to dharma, the order can now be reversed – dharma, artha and kama. Dharma accounts for your maturity.

The more mature you are, the more dharmika you are. In order to be mature, an understanding of dharma and conformity to it become most important in one's life. Without violating dharma, doing what is to be done, you pursue artha and kama, security and pleasure.

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