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## **Press Statement by BJP National Secretary Shri Shrikant Sharma**

It seems that the political system in Uttar Pradesh is protecting criminals and giving them shelter under the patronage of ruling party. There is no growth or progress under Akhilesh Yadav government. Yes, criminal acts like murder, rape, robbery, kidnapping etc., have increased manifold and touched a new height. Sisters and daughters in the state are forced to live in fear. They are even afraid to go to schools. Criminals are roaming freely and no action is being taken against them. On the contrary, the families of victims of such crimes are being tortured and harassed by the administration. Instead of curbing such criminal acts and providing justice for the victims, it is really embarrassing and sad that criminals are being protected.

Despite a spurt in the State's crime figures, Azam Khan, a controversial lyricist of Akhilesh government, is not averse to misleading even the Legislative Assembly. He has the audacity to say that crimes in Uttar Pradesh has decreased by 33 per cent though the SCRB data paints a completely different picture.

According to data from the State Crime Records Bureau, rape cases in the State have increased by 161% compared to the figure of 2014-15. Accordingly, 3467 incidents of rape were reported in 2014. This increased massively to 9075 in 2015. According to the latest NCRB data, Uttar Pradesh, the most populous state of the country, tops even on the parameter of crime against women. The NCRB says that 38467 cases of crime against women were registered in 2014 which was an 18 per cent jump over the previous year. According to reports published in the media, a total of 13,144 murders, 6333 loots/burglary/robbery and 1282 kidnapping cases have been registered in UP between March 15, 2012 and March, 25, 2016.

It is important to note that the actual incidents of crime are much more since many are not reported or registered. The biggest example is the Bundelkhand episode where the administration refused to register a case on the gruesome rape incident. When the FIR was finally registered under pressure of the media and the public, the perpetrators were allowed to run away. The irony was that the minister in the government of Akhilesh Yadav, Azam Khan, described the gruesome rape to be politically motivated. Apalling and unfortunate was the fact that the chief minister instead of condemning these deplorable statements, seemed to be rather advocating what his minister stated. Indeed, The Samajwadi Party government in Uttar Pradesh is a blot on the political map of the State.

And when thousands of BJP workers protested peacefully and in a democratic way outside the State Legislative Assembly against the State's deteriorating law & order situation and serious atrocities against sisters and daughters in Uttar Pradesh, the Mughal-minded Akhilesh government resorted to brutal lathicharge and fired tear gas on the protestors. In this cowardly administrative action, hundreds of party workers were injured including senior BJP leaders. Many have received serious injuries. Things climaxed when instead of acting against criminals, false cases have been registered against BJP workers. Such cases have been

registered against even those BJP leaders who were not present in Lucknow when the protests took place.

Despite having intelligence reports of Jawahar Bagh incident in advance, City SP Mathura, Mukul Dwivedi, and police station incharge, Santosh Kumar, lost their lives. But no action was taken by the State administration because of the nexus between the SP government and criminals.

People of Uttar Pradesh are suffering heavily due to this nexus. It seems that the SP plans to use criminals to try to come back to power in the State. The Akhilesh Yadav government has no trust that the people of the State will vote for it.

On July 21, even when the BSP was protesting on the streets and its leaders like Nasimuddin Siddiqui were passing abusive comments against sister and daughters of UP, the state police administration was inactive and a mute spectator.

The state police used "barbaric" force against BJP workers taking part in a democratic protest meant to awaken Akhilesh government on the rise in crimes against women, but it failed to act against BSP leaders accused of insulting women: If this is not a pro-Mughal brooding, what is this? There cannot be a bigger example than this of the nexus between SP and BSP in the State.

Fifteen years of ruling by the SP & the BSP in Uttar Pradesh in association with the Congress is a rule of crime and 'Maha-Jungle Raj'. These three parties have together ruined the state in the last 15 years. The people of UP are fully aware of the nexus between these parties and criminals and they will teach a lesson to these parties in a democratic way in the near future.

The Bharatiya Janata Party demands that if Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav has any morality and humanity, he should quash false cases registered. It should also take immediate action against the guilty police officers. Akhilesh Yadav should instead take action against BSP leaders including Nasimuddin Siddiqui who were used indecent remarks against sisters and daughters of the State

The Bharatiya Janata Party condemns attacks on RSS activists and BJP workers by CPM workers in Kerala. It is unfortunate that Lord Krishna's devotees were first attacked by CPM workers in a procession and then attacked by hordes of 30 CPM people at their homes. Instead of taking action against the guilty, inequitable and barbaric Kerala government has filed a false lawsuit against six RSS volunteers. We demand that the Kerala government should stop political murders, immediately register cases against the guilty and take strict action against them and revoke false FIRs filed against RSS workers.

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