

The New Temple of Democracy

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We the people of India, witnessed the ground breaking ceremony for a new Parliament building. This new Temple of democracy is supposed to be mirroring the ethos and vision of " Atma Nirbhar Bharat" and aspirations of 135 crore Indians.



The new Parliament will replace the 93 year old magnificent building, uniquely round in shape, with a heritage value, designed by Sir Lyutens. Its construction started in 1921 and was completed in 1927.





This historical Parliament Building's Central Hall witnessed the historic moment, when Padit Jawahar Lal Nehru addressed the people of Independent India, for the first time.

We definitely are in a new era, riding the strong waves of change under the leadership of Shri Narendra Modi, the Prime Minister of India, from 2014 till date, who came armed with experience of the Gujarat model of development, but whether this can be replicated to transform and give a 360 degree turn to a vibrating Indian economy performing at 10.74 % GDP at the time of handing over by the previous Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh, in 2014, was the question six years ago.

We are at the cross roads of turning a page in the political history of India, creating a new economic corruption free path.

However, leaders in their dream always want to leave behind a lingering memory and historical achievements of the blue print of their achievements. Thus Govt wanted to mark it as an era of temples with the new Temple of Democracy is being built in a parallel period of Ram Temple, being built on Ram Janma Bhumi in Ayodhya in Uttar Pradesh. Both the Temples are unique in their respective features, and it is believed that they

will leave far reaching impact on the economic, social, cultural and a holistic growth of Indian people.

There was a time when the Temples of India were built with a vision of the then Prime Minister Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru, to make India self sufficient in food grain production. The objective was to ensure the Govt investment reaches out to people , increasing their productivity levels , benefitting them in the longer term.

The Temples were the huge reservoirs storing and releasing water to reach the farm gate through canal irrigation, because Indian farmers' farm income was from rain dependent scanty agricultural produce. We were food deficit people then, importing wheat from the US.

We the people, started from the ground zero, in 1947, with huge influx of refugees fleeing and crossing borders with their



belongings, children and old people, with nothing to fall back upon. They needed food, shelter, medical aid and complete emotional, social and economic rehabilitation. It was chaos, death and destruction, hunger, malnutrition, tears for loss of lives, no income and high levels of insecurity. We were devastated, as streams of destitute and people separated from their families were reaching India, exhausted and helpless. The independence was blood soaked, leaving lingering poverty,

hunger, joblessness with no shelter and medical aid.

It was truly freedom at mid-night; we desperately needed to see the dawn, feel the comfort and warmth of the rising sun, giving us hopes to live on.



Mr Om Birla, Speaker of present the Lok Sabha, announced the foundation stone laying ceremony of the new Parliament Building, saying that 93 year old Parliament was built by the British and this new building will help realise the dream of 130 crores Indians.

The 93 year Parliament had seen many glorious moment and those moments of resultant sacrifices of our countrymen were embedded in the bricks and walls of this historic building.

From the day of the Independence to this day, Indian people have had a long and historic journey of struggle and success, gloom and glory up-scaling from poverty to prosperity. Prosperity in thought and action, in reaching to Space , in lifting up people's lives and livelihoods, in building of sectoral blocks of development, to Atma Nirbhar Bharat.

Best Regards

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