Modi Sarkar ki Raj

We are well in the Modi Sarkar Raj and it may be too premature to make any comment on his two and half months' government. However there is enough material at hand to understand how much Modi has lived up to his pious promises.

Before the election BJP in general and Modi in particularly had condemned UPA government as sarkar run by bunch of buffoons and dishonest people. He did not have one good word to say about the policies and programmes of the UPA government. He had condemned UPA as incapable of solving the problems of the people and holding the price rise. He had even ridiculed Congress as Maa Beteki party. He had called UPA Deshko Bechanewali Sarkar and his sarkar will be Deshko Bachanewali sarkar. He has made pious sermons and emotional speeches in the beginning of very first session of the parliament. He had promised strong support for the cause of women and the poor. He said he will work with the opposition by taking them into confidence. "Without the opposition my mandate is not complete", said he.

The presentation of the first budget and the developments in the last 50 days we see the real face of Modi Sarkar.

1. The budget goes to prove that almost everything that UPA's vote on account budget contained has been transferred to Arun Jaitly's budget. There is no radical change in the policy direction that the budget contains. Modi sarkar is planning to bring in FDI in defence to the extent of 49%, the idea mooted by UPA.

- 2. There was so much of criticism about the biometric Unique Id card launched by UPA. But now Modi finds the project very useful to directly transfer benefits and subsidies to the beneficiaries.
- 3. While in opposition BJP had opposed FDI in retail. They had organised strong protest along with CPM and other opposition condemning FDI in retail. After coming to power they have changed their stand and are in favour of allowing FDI in retail.
- 4. BJP had vehemently opposed the Insurance law (amendment bill 2008) put by the UPA in 2008 proposing to amend the foreign investment share to be increased from 26% to 49%. But now NDA, after coming to power has gone ahead with this change. Now they are facing the heat from the opposition!
- 5. Modi has not been that accommodative about the opposition party, particularly the Congress Party. It has refused to give it the status of leader of opposition on a very flimsy excuse. That much for his pious song, "without opposition my mandate is not complete".
- 6. He has been repeating the slogan "sabaka saath sabaka vikas". But there is nothing inclusive about the going about of BJP. Modi has been speaking about "1,700 years of slavery" in his maiden speech in the Lok Sabha. By this he has been referring to the Muslim rulers, the Mughals and their predecessors.
- 7. Modi sarkar has systematically kicked out all the governors appointed by UPA in the last ten years and has appointed governors of his choice.
- 8. Manmohan Singh was accused of being silent on all things and not opening his mouth. So many events have taken place which would put people to shame but Modi has uttered no word. He has been

defended by statements like, "he doesn't have to comment on everything".

- 9. Prices of vegetables and food grains are going high and Modi sarkar finds itself as helpless as UPA.
- 10. Modi called Congress 'Maa Beteki' party. What has happened, BJP has become Modi Amit Shah's party.

When in opposition BJP and Modi spoke with one thing and after it formed the government it has found itself in dock.

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