
Editorial:

OUR PRIME MINISTER: A GREAT EXAMPLE



Having being born and brought up in a very simple, religious family and receiving formal education of average standard, prepared Mr. Narendrabhai Modi to work hard and stand on his own feet. Many times we've heard him amusingly say that he was a "*Chai Bechnewale... (Tea-Seller)*" and it is perhaps that spirit of service unto the great warriors of the Indian army travelling by train that led him to his illustrious position he holds today! The army personnel were so fortunate to have had tea from the hands of Modi, and today must be looking back and feeling proud of having met the future Prime Minister of India during his humble beginnings.

As we know, it's after

many, many years of struggle and *tapasya*, travelling and mountaineering that he became a disciplined ascetic. The incandescent light in his heart to serve the people of Bharat inspired him to visit different institutions, hermitages and pilgrimage places to learn, practise and empower himself. What a wonder that his annual practice of observing fast during Navratri days was highlighted very recently during his first visit to USA (September 2014) after claiming PM-ship. Modi, despite being the most honoured guest of the President of USA, just sipped water at the ceremonial dinner parties! Only a person of solid determination and value for hidden opportunities can rise in this world of cut-throat competition.

Some people simply owe his rise to favourable 'stars' and 'omens', but he has proved by example that **success lies in living with clarity in consciousness, leading a detached and loving lifestyle, and maintaining determination to lead by example and achieve clean politics in Bharat.** After 66 years of independence, the people of Bharat had felt suffocated by the amount of corruption in public life and lethargic attitude of the government machinery, who are mainly responsible for the degradation of values, and wide-spread malpractices in public platforms and administration.

Having served Gujarat for 11 years as a successful Chief Minister, Modi accumulated sufficient experience of public life to his credit. His interaction with governments of different countries as well as entrepreneurs of Bharat has motivated so many big industries to invest in Bharat. In the past, the



enhancement of discussions with President Obama, and his infrastructure of big inspiring speeches towns and even villages especially to the Indian with big metallic roads, bridges etc., brought so much prosperity to the Indian diaspora at the Madison Square Gardens. Gujarat during his regime, The invitation by President Obama to travel and now within 4 months together in the former's car to visit the Martin Luther King Jr Memorial, as PM he has been able to and the way the two communicate especially leaders were seen with Japan, China, Australia and finally USA, interacting with each other created an ambience of good friendship to ensure that the most between the distinguished modern trains will come to India in the future, as well as many big investments from abroad, through his pet slogan and initiative: representatives of the 'oldest' and the 'biggest' democratic nations in the world!

Come and Make in India.
His recent visit to USA won all hearts, and was extremely successful in terms of his speech in Hindi at the United Nations General Assembly, his most important visit to the White House for bilateral

no job is too small for great people. Due to him leading by example, the Indian community has woken up to the clarion call of "**Clean Bharat: Swachhh Bharat**". His management acumen of involving top individuals from different backgrounds, and inspiring them to lead in their own way by inviting 9 other individuals, thereby catalyzing a chain reaction of 9x9x9... is a brilliant idea that revives the precious principle of "Cleanliness is next to Godliness".

May our beloved Prime Minister live long so that he may fulfill the hopes of 1.27 billion Bharatwasies (as of 2014) in returning Bharat to its Golden-Aged era!
On returning to India with an abundance of success, the PM took up a broom to kickstart a campaign on 'Cleanliness' on Gandhi Jayanti Day. It shows beyond doubt that

CELEBRATING THE INVALUABLE FESTIVAL OF DIWALI

As the month of the different *avtars* (incarnations) of the September merged into the Goddess, Divine Mother October, almost every part of India was as they honoured expressing their Navratri. Young and old, happiness and a lot of including very small devotional feelings for children, participated zealously, in songs and the traditional dance (the 'Garba-Raas'). Different musical bands and singers tirelessly presented their devotional and popular folk-songs for hours

together.

From the spiritual perspective, we are aware that since the advent of the age of Ravan, we souls became victims of the five arch weaknesses symbolised by the demonic figure of Ravan. As per the inner desire of human souls, effigies of Ravan are burned every year but rarely do people try to renounce their inner weaknesses, inadvertently multiplying one's own sufferings. Our beloved Supreme Father, Shiva, descends to awaken us by sharing the truth about the original qualities of the self and how to rejuvenate the same. We know how helpful this spiritual wisdom has been in encouraging us to conquer our inner weaknesses right down to their subtlest form, so that the ever-healthy, ever-wealthy and ever-happy world of sovereignty is regained.

October brings us the gift of the invaluable festival, *Deepwali or Diwali*, the memorial of

the ever-enlightened Supreme Being descending to enlighten all living souls and create a world full of light and might. For the people of Bharat, though countless festivals are celebrated throughout the year connected with the changing of seasons and harvesting of crops (symbolic of material prosperity), yet Diwali is considered the most important festival for the people of Bharat wherever they may reside in the world. Everyone loves to celebrate it with near and dear ones. The maintained mood is very pious on one side, but also very festive on the other side. The best of new dresses are worn by people, especially children, and an array of sweets are prepared, shared and distributed. A number of new businesses are launched the day after Diwali, honoured as the New Year in many Indian communities. Diwali has always been considered a highly auspicious time, as

it is believed that when Shri Lakshmi and Shri Narayan were crowned as World Rulers, it was as though the whole world lit up with infinite divinity and prosperity... As mythological stories go, when Shri Ram and Shri Sita returned to Ayodhya after 14 years of exile, they were welcomed in the same manner with Diwali. So celebrations, fireworks and gaiety are symbolic of purity, peace and richness of spirit within every household.

May this Diwali 2014 re-create lots and lots of pure loving feelings among families, and enrich each one's life with the spiritual and ethical values that made Shri Lakshmi, Shri Narayan, Shri Ram, Shri Sita, and their kingdoms eternally famous and praise-worthy!

Wishing everyone a very, very, very, very Happy Diwali and the most prosperous New Year!

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