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Randeep Singh Surjewala, Media Incharge, AICC; Shri Sanjay Nirupam, President, Mumbai PCC; Shri Sanjay Jha, Spokesperson, AICC and S. Charan Singh Sapra, National Media Panelist, AICC have issued the following statement:-

3 'Cs' - 'Crumbling Infrastructure', 'Crushing Public Services' & 'Collapsing Urban Development' – depict 20 years of BJP-Sena Misrule

BJP-Sena Alliance akin to 'CunningShaadi.com'

Time to expose the 'Fadnavis Jumla Model'

'Mumbai' pays 33% or over Rs.2,00,000 crore of India's income tax. BMC has an annual budget of Rs.37,052 crore and Rs.51,000 crore in fixed deposits. Yet 20 years of 'unparalleled mal-governance', 'unprecedented mismanagement' & 'unimaginable corruption' by Shiv Sena-BJP misrule has left Mumbai bleeding with the sores of conspiratorial malpractices. 20 years (1996-2016) of Sena-BJP maladministration can be described in 3 'Cs' – 'Crumbling Infrastructure', 'Crushing Public Services' & 'Collapsing Urban Development'.

BJP-Shiv Sena's game of befooling people continues. Once again, BJP is calling Shiv Sena 'Corrupt' and Shiv Sena is calling BJP as 'Bhartiya Goonda Party'. Fact is, they are both 'Right'. This is an unprincipled 'Open Marriage'. No wonder, BJP President, **Shri Amit Shah** said yesterday, "We (Sena & BJP) are together in the government and we will remain together. Thackeray is criticizing us because it's election time. BJP leaders are also talking against Sena." Bollywood has just released a new movie called '**Running Shaadi.com**'. **BJP-Sena marriage is best described as 'Cunning Shaadi.com'**.

BJP-Sena profess 'divorce', yet share the spoils of power in BMC. Is it not true that Ms Alka Kerkar of BJP continues as Deputy Mayor? Hasn't Shiv Sena's Yashodhar Phanse been elected as Chairman of Standing Committee (responsible for allocation of funds) with BJP support? What about the mess in Mumbai's education system which is run under rotation between Sena and BJP and similarly for 'BEST'? Does spending only 26% of the last year's BMC budget of Rs.31,255 crore uptill 30.11.2016 not reflect complete incompetence of BJP-Sena to govern BMC? Hasn't Chief Minister, Shri Devendra Fadnavis appointed his confident officer, Shri Ajay Mehta as Commissioner of BMC with a view to 'rule through proxy'? **Can BJP-Sena wash their hands of each other's 'sins'?**

Time for 'BJP-Sena' to stop the game of 'Duplicity', 'Double-Dealing' & 'Deception' of 'Mumbaikars' & not repeat the bluff and conspiracy of 'Kalyan Dombivali Municipal Corpn' of Oct/Nov, 2015. We challenge 'BJP-Sena' to give a solemn commitment to 'Mumbaikars' of not joining hands post-elections to 'grab power' & 'share spoils' after promising 'Divorce' as the fixed-match ending of 'CunningShaadi.com'.

Across Mumbai, one sees huge billboards of BJP and Shri Fadnavis saying 'ये मेरा शब्द है' (It is my word). Time to expose the 'Fadnavis Jumla Model' by showing the 'mirror of truth' to the falsehood being perpetuated in the name of 'True Word'.

1. 'True Word' is Clean Chit

Transparency for Shri Devendra Fadnavis means giving a 'Clean Chit' to everyone accused of wrongdoing. Will Shri Fadnavis answer why did he protect and shield Ms Pankaja Munde,

Shri Vinod Tawde, Shri Jaikumar Rawal, Shri Sambhaji Patil Nilangekar, Shri Ravindra Chavan, Shri Girish Mahajan, Shri Chandrashekhhar Bawankule, Shri Girish Bapat etc.? What happened to the investigation against Shri Eknath Khadse? What about Rs.10.10 crore recovered from the vehicle of Vaidyanath Urban Cooperative Bank of Ms Pritam Munde, MP and Rs.92 lakh recovered from the vehicle of Maharashtra Cooperative Minister, Shri Subhash Desmukh?

Over 4,500 cases are pending, yet the 'transparent Devendra Fadnavis' has failed to appoint a '**Lok Ayukta**'.

2. 'True Word' is False Promises

Urban Development has been restricted to '**changing FSI**' for the builders lobby in Mumbai in slum rehabilitation projects or '**imposing cess**' on petro products. Lack of commitment is discernible from the budgetary allocations to MMRDA. In 2014-15, BJP gave merely Rs.4,240 crore, which was increased with an eye on BMC elections to Rs.6,647 crore in 2016-17. Yet, it is a pittance as Congress had given Rs.6,143 crore to MMRDA in 2010-11. Similarly, allocation for Health Centres in Mumbai and other urban areas is merely Rs.233 crore in 2016-17. Even 5 years back in 2011, Congress had allocated Rs.250 crore.

Despite allegations of **multiple scams in BMC** in potholes on roads, drainage cleaning, dumping ground, tablet scam; **audit of more than Rs.1,00,000 crore** has not been carried out till today.

3. 'True Word' is Crime Galore

Crime control under Shri Fadnavis is '**zero**' with Mumbai becoming a **crime capital for women and children**. **Molestation cases** have gone up by **77.5%**, **rape cases** have gone up by **18%**, **crimes against children** have gone up by **20%** and **riots** have gone up by **28%**. Attack and murder of 'rationalists' like Govind Pansare, mishandling of the 'Kopardi Rape Case' are other glaring examples of mal-governance. Tragically, **CM now brokers 'supari samjhauta'** as seen in case of the movie 'Ae Dil Hai Mushkil'.

4. 'True Word' is No Transparency

An ongoing petition at Nagpur Bench of High Court now states that CM, Shri Devendra Fadnavis himself filed an **incorrect election affidavit** dated 26.09.2014 failing to disclose the pendency of two criminal cases/complaints against him. If proved, it could lead to his disqualification as a legislator. **Shall 'Mumbaikars' believe the 'Word'** of such an individual is a question?

One of the most memorable songs about 'Mumbai' has to be re-written in context of the 20 years tragedy of BJP-Sena rule as follows:-

“ऐ दिल है मुश्किल जीना यहाँ,
सेना से बचके, BJP से हटके,
और कांग्रेस से जुड़के,
बचेगी मुंबई मेरी जाना”

