

Randeep Singh Surjewala, Media Incharge AICC & Shaktisinh Gohil, Spokespersons, AICC have issued the following statement to the press today:-

Modi, Mehul & Mehta Scammed & Scrammed under Modi Government's Watch
'Dupe', 'Deceive', 'Defraud' & 'Depart' is the New Badge of Honour for Scamsters
Modiji Remains on 'Maun Vrat', 'Jan-Dhan-Gaban Yojna' Rises to Rs.39,000 crore

1. 'Jan-Dhan-Gaban' Yojna Peaks to Rs.39,000 crore

'Art of Leaving' after defrauding banks is the new culture under BJP Government. 'A scam a day' gets unearthed as Modiji remains on 'Maun Vrat'. Last 12 days saw the bank loot scams of Rs.31,691 crore (NiMo + Choksi Rs.22,606 crore + Rs.5,000 crore, Rotomac – Rs.3,695 crore and Dwarka Das Seth Jewellers – Rs.390 crore).

Another '**bank scam**' of **Rs.515 crore** duping a consortium of banks led by Canara Bank and comprising of Punjab National Bank and others has been extensively reported today.

After Modi (NiMo) + Mehul (हमारे मेहूल भाई) i.e. jewelers from Palanpur, Gujarat; another Palanpur jeweler i.e. **Jatin Mehta** has duped the banks, including Punjab National Bank, of **Rs.6,712 crore**. This exposure of Rs.6,712 crore is of three Jatin Mehta's companies i.e. '**Winsome Diamonds and Jewellery Limited**', '**Forever Precious Jewellery & Diamonds Limited**' and '**Su Raj Diamonds**'. Methodology to dupe was same as that of Nirav Modi. Gold was imported based on Letters of Credit issued by Indian banks. Jewellery was exported to 13 entities in Dubai, who refused to pay and the money vanished.

The three 'Ms' i.e. Modi, Mehul & Mehta have followed the same Modi's operandi – raise money through Letters of Credit, fleece it and fly away to foreign shores. Total scams have now risen to Rs.39,000 crore.

2. Prior knowledge of Modi Government, its agencies and Maharashtra Government is writ large.

That Jatin Mehta's 'Winsome Group' defaulted and consequent **complaints were filed by the banks to CBI as also to Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Mumbai Police in February, 2014.** Annual Financial Statement of Winsome Diamonds and Jewellery Limited for the Financial Year 2013-14 filed with Ministry of Corporate Affairs, categorically records the fact of complaints having been filed by banks to CBI as also to EOW, Mumbai Police on page-7 (copy annexed as **Annexure A-1**). Financial Statement of Winsome Diamonds for Financial Year 2015-16 again records the fact that banks have filed the complaints with CBI/ED as also receipt of a notice from Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) on page-20 (copy annexed as **Annexure A-2**). Report also records that accounts of the Company were declared as NPAs by banks.

Financial Statement of Forever Precious Jewellery & Diamonds for 2014-15 also records on page-20 that banks have lodged complaints with CBI and ED, besides recording clearly the fact on page-54 that company has defaulted in payment of loans to the consortium of banks as also the fact that company's accounts have been classified as NPAs by the banks on page-60 (copy annexed as **Annexure A-3**).

Despite all this, Modi Government and CBI remained mum. CBI lodged six FIRs for the first time after 3½ years i.e. 05.04.2017 by taking a fresh complaint on 04.04.2017 to cover up the inaction (FIR Nos. 0002, 0003, 0004, 0005, 0006 and 0007).

3. The Great Escape as Modi Government and CBI/ED look away

Jatin Mehta and his wife conveniently fled from India, gave up Indian citizenship on 2nd June, 2016 and settled down as citizens of International Tax Heaven, St. Kitts and Nevis in the Caribbean with whom Government has no extradition treaty. Modus operandi is the same – flout, fleece and fly.

Questions:

1. How did Jatin Mehta (after Modi + Mehul) dupe the entire banking system of Rs.6,712 crore?
2. Why did CBI register an FIR on 5th April, 2017 i.e. after a delay of 3½ years, although the banks had lodged complaints with CBI as early as in February, 2014?
3. Why did the Economic Offences Wing (EOW), Mumbai Police; Enforcement Director (ED), SFIO and Ministry of Corporate Affairs/Ministry of Finance not take any action in the scam for 3½ years, including registration of an FIR and arrest of the accused Jatin Mehta and others?
4. Why did Modi Government, including External Affairs Ministry/Home Ministry/ Finance Ministry permit the accused, Jatin Mehta and his wife to renounce Indian citizenship on June 02, 2016 and run to the Tax Heaven of St. Kitts and Nevis, despite such overwhelming investigation of fraud and scam against him?

5. How did the Home Ministry permit renunciation of citizenship by Jatin Mehta and his wife under Section 8 and Section 23 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 and why were their names entered in the register maintained by the Ministry? How could the Home Ministry permit renunciation of citizenship in absence of an appropriate police verification in view of pendency of complaints with CBI/ED and other agencies as also declaration of loans of all his companies as NPAs?
6. Why has no Red Corner Interpol Notice been issued against Jatin Mehta, his wife and others till today by Modi Government as also CBI/ED, although St. Kitts and Nevis is a signatory to Interpol?
7. Who is protecting Jatin Mehta? Does the protection emanate on account of his close relationship with an industrial house closest to the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi through marriage of his son? What is the reason that the entire Modi Government, including all authorities have been found to be sleeping when it comes to preventing the fraud and taking action against Jatin Mehta and his companies?