## OFFICE OF THE LEADER OF OPPOSITION Gujarat Vidhansabha, Gandhinagar.

## Press Note

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Leader of opposition Shaktisinh Gohil today condemned police action on women who had lined up at the office of Gujarat Housing Board for forms for housing schemes. He said that for 12 long years, BJP government did not think about houses for common man in Gujarat. Today when people have expressed faith that Congress would provide them houses, Chief Minister Narendra Modi has played a cruel joke.

Government talked about reviving the Gujarat Housing Board and said that women would get from GHB office in Ahmedabad from Monday. Police lathicharged women who had gone to the office of the GHB to collect forms .Many women were injured in the lathicharge which was done by male police force. Is this Gujarat Chief Minister's Sadhbhavna for women? Is this how dignity of women is maintained in Gujarat, Gohil asked. Congress is not in power in Gujarat nor does it have any large administration or infrastructure still forms were distributed in a dignified manner to women across the state. However, despite administrative machinery government could not provide the forms and there was police action against women. Congress condemns it.



If the government was really concerned about the problem of housing of people why did it not build any house during the last 12 years? On the other hand in a criminal act the land reserved by Congress for people was de reserved and given to favoured persons. At certain places some houses were constructed but they are now in dilapidated condition. Houses in Nari chowkdi in Bhavnagar are best example of corruption of this government. Chief Minister should have courage to publicly admit that the task of building of these houses was given to a state level leader of Yuva BJP. However houses were constructed only to make money and as a result they are lying deserted and desolate. Poor people who had paid deposit for these houses find their money trapped.

Even CAG in his report last year had exposed large scale corruption in the construction of these houses and pointed out that no could go to live there. CM is misleading people. Congress focused on the main problem of housing of common people in its vision 2012 and people expressed faith in Congress plan. Only after Congress move, in a dramatic manner CM began talking about houses for poor by his government. Question is what did he do during the last 12 years ? He was busy protecting his favoured industrialists only. He gave 100 acre of land to Tata for building a township, 1100 acre land which was kept reserved for Animal Husbandry University has also been given to Tata for its Nano car plant. If CM had really any concern for people this 1200 acre of land near Ahmedabad would have provided space for houses to all.

Gohil provided media photographs of police action on women and demanded that CM must apologize for police action on women. Mr. Gohil has demanded the Gujarat government should become complainant and register police complaint against those who instigated this ruckus and the policemen who indulged in lathicharge.

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Note :- Evidences in this regard are available on the website of Hon'ble Leader of Opposition <u>www.shaktisinhgohil.com</u>, which may kindly be downloaded.

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Hon'ble Leader of Opposition has requested to kindly publish this press note in your esteemed newspaper.

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