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- Protection of traditions of Indian constitution and end of fast of Anna Hazare that is the majesty of Bharat.
- It is a show of matured democracy of India, the biggest democracy in the world having the best constitution.
- Why appointment of Lokayukta is being opposed in Gujarat when there is consensus on Lokpal in the Parliament.
- After having glimpse of Gujarat, Anna Hazare said Modi has turned Gandhi's Gujarat into Ghotale kaa Gujarat.
- Corruption has crossed all limits in Gujarat. Some Anna will show up.
- Not able to withstand naked truth in Anna's utterances, an aide of a BJP leader managed attack on an associate of Annaji.
- Corrupt Chief Minister should think of the fate of leaders with similar mindset, whether it is Kans or Hitler or Ravan or Musharraf.
- Media of the country has awakened the country against corruption, media of Gujarat will awaken people of Gujarat successfully.

Leader of Opposition Shaktisinh Gohil said that end of fast by Anna Hazare is an unprecedented event in the history of country. India is the biggest democracy in the world. Its constitution was written by a committee headed by a great intellectual Dr. B R Ambedkar. Observers world over are closely watching the Anna Hazare movement. There are some who wished that the agitation lead to instability in the country, constitutional tradition be broken and image of the country is tarnished. They wanted to have political advantage of the public agitation and had set their eyes on the chair of the committed and honest Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh. At such a time the Parliament of the country and Anna Hazare took a mature decision that constitutional values were not eroded and resolved for a strong Lokpal Bill to fight corruption in the country. As a result Anna Hazare has ended his fast. This has added one more feather to the crown of parliamentary democracy.

Parliament of the country has unanimously decided to enact Lokpal Act. In Gujarat the post of Lokayukta which was lying vacant for more than seven years, has been filled by the Governor. In such a situation Chief Minister and Gujarat government should stop coming in the way of appointment of Lokayukta.

Gujarat has debt of more than Rs 1.7 lakh crore. Chief Minister is giving public property to handful people at throw away price fraudulently. However, using all kind of publicity and propaganda Chief Minister is presenting false picture of a successful administrator. During his visit of Gujarat, Anna Hazare was shocked to see the level of

corruption and remarked that **Modi has turned Gandhi's Gujarat into Ghotale kaa Gujarat**. When Annaji uttered this truth, one of his confidants Swami Agnivesh was attacked by a person who is a BJP MLA. This shows autocratic personality of Gujarat Chief Minister who cannot tolerate a remark of even people like Anna Hazare.

Chief Justice of Gujarat had suggested the name of former High Court judge R A Mehta for the post of Lokayukta. Anna Hazare had stayed at the place of R A Mehta during his Gujarat visit. This shows that he is honest and upright. Today when the entire country accepts Anna Hazare, why R A Mehta is not acceptable to Gujarat Chief Minister?

Chief Minister has appointed a Commission to inquire charges against him. Through this ploy he is making desperate effort to take his corruption cases outside the purview of Lokayukta. This shows that he is the most corrupt person in the country.

The day when people will raise their voice against highly corrupt Gujarat government, it will have no place to hide. Gujarat Chief Minister should take lesson from history and see the fate of people whether it is Kans or Hitler or Ravan or Musharraf. As an act of repentance, he should stay away from the way of Lokayukta and allow it to probe corruption cases. In Gandhi's land some Anna will certainly show up.

In this month of Ramzan, Shravan and Paryushan parv, I request people to pray that Lokayukta should start functioning normally at the earliest to make Gujarat corruption free.

To,
The Editor,

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

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