



affordable to people . For example , a Feature Phone will suffice for most of the needs of the people , with the exception of Engineering and medical students who may have to depend on Internet Resources for their learnings . But almost 90% of the population are



being forced / tempted / induced to buy Smart phones which are 20 times or more costlier than feature phones.

(1757) etc.



## INDIA CURRENT AFFAIRS

as it exists and evolves today



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**INDIAN ECONOMY ~ Is it stronger than is on par with European Economies ? \*\***

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<https://cebr.com/reports/business-today-india-may-overtake-germany-to-become-fourth-largest-economy-by-2026-cebr-report/>

CEBR (Center for Economic and Business Research ) UK website cebr.com says that:



Platinum Jubilee of Reserve Bank of India, 2010. Commemorative Postal Stamp.

India has decisively overtaken both France and the UK to become the world's fifth-largest economy in 2019. It is expected to overtake Germany to become fourth largest in 2026 and Japan to become the third largest in 2034.

India is also set to reach a GDP of \$5 trillion by 2026 – 2 years later than the current government target.



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These GDP figures make some monetary comparisons mean nothing for me . At least 50% of the products made by Corporates in India , whether they are Multi-Nationals or Indian companies , or wholly owned Indian Companies , there is little difference . They do not make products really useful to people . The products they make are un-





tor of Corona.

India is racing with U.S.A. in Corona Virus expansion .

Governments can always claim that had they not enforced rigorous LockDown, But, in my personal view , India could have comfortably scored 50million or 100 million .Well, this is a hypothetical question which may lead to endless branches and chains of arguments. For this reason only , I am saying that it is my personal view .

launched its Population program as early as 1951-52. The momentum continued till 1977. Critics said that Late Sanjay Gandhi's overzealousness in enforcing sterilisations antagonized people towards Congress, during Emergency 1974-77.

All the subsequent Governments did not dare to venture into Population Control or Family Planning. They simply renamed the program "Family Welfare" and swept it under-to carpet. The End.

Now, India will cross China in "over-population". By 2050, India will become the most populated country in the world .

★GREAT ACHIEVEMENT IN POPULATION GROWTH :

**GREAT ACHIEVEMENT  
IN POPULATION  
GROWTH ~ already 1.3 billion \*\***

★INDIAN ECONOMY :

In 1947 it was just 360 million . Now 3.5 times more . India

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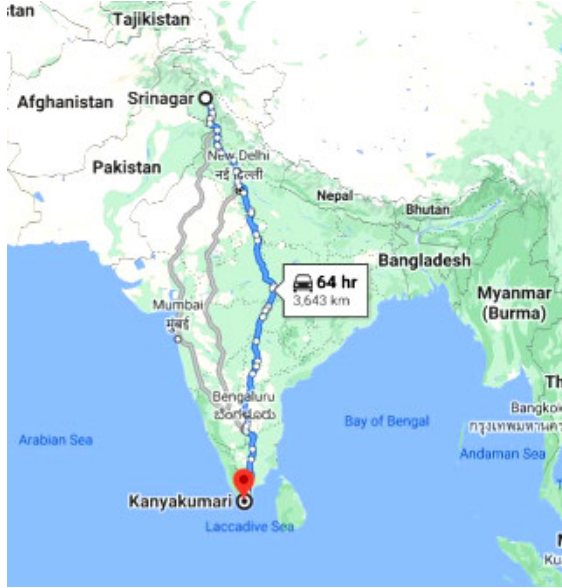
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## SOME LOUD THINKING

India is an Ancient country . India has thousands of years of Cultural History. It underwent through thousands of years of Invasions and Serfdom . The composition of its population also underwent . Just as Computer Screen colors have 256 x 256 x 256 RGB =16777216 colors, India has 16777216 cultures imposed by invaders imposing on the invadees numerous castes, religions, languages, relationships, funeral methods and what not! During and after invasions, the Impositions persisted through violence and inducements.



2014 -k2024 Ruling Party thinks that it is the sole Guardian of Hindus and the Hinduism. This self-appointed Guardianship is sometimes taken to extreme dimensions. On the other hand , Congress and some other Regional Parties believe that they alone rate Custodians of the Minorities in the country . Thus religion has become a commodity for Vote Bank Politics .

In Telugu language, we have a proverb: "kukka tOka vankara". A



★GREAT 21ST CENTURY ACHIEVEMENT OF

Shri Sanjay Raut is reported to have said that :

<https://www.aajtak.in/india/politics/story/bjp-demanded-to-register-a-case-against-sanjay-raut-remark-of-the-soviet-union-1183484-2020-12-27>.

On 27th December 2020 , Shiv Sena MP , and Spokes person, Shri Sanjay Raut is reported to have said that:-

अगर केंद्र सरकार को इस बात का एहसास नहीं हुआ कि वो राजनीतिक लाभ के लिए लोगों को नुकसान पहुंचा रही है, तो जैसे रूस के राज्य टूटे वैसा ही हमारे देश में भी होने में ज्यादा समय नहीं लगेगा.

<https://www.deccanherald.com/national/india-will-break-like-russia-if-states-are-destabilised>

★GREAT 21ST CENTURY ACHIEVEMENT OF INDIA :



★GREAT 21ST CENTURY ACHIEVEMENT OF

[sanjay-raut-932152.html](https://sanjay-raut-932152.html).

If those who are in power at the Centre don't realise that they are doing people of the country a dis-service by indulging in politicking, there would be break up of states in the country like how Russia had disintegrated

\_\_\_The fact that states that have non-BJP governments belong to the country is being forgotten.\_\_\_

(3343) etc.

★GREAT 21ST CENTURY ACHIEVEMENT OF INDIA :

**GREAT 21ST CENTURY ACHIEVEMENT OF INDIA ~ la crossed 10 million Corona Positives mark \*\***

This great feat China could not perform though it is the Original



★GREAT 21ST CENTURY ACHIEVEMENT OF INDIA :

ly get alarmed \*\*

I was reading since my childhood , news about Shiv Sena, ever since Lae Bal Thackeray was its Founder. It had a embedded-twin-tunnel Vision. That is: its Marathi-centric-narrow-tunnel was firmly bolted inside an exceedingly Hindu chauvinist Outer-tunnel.



<https://www.wionews.com/india-news/shiv-senas-friendship-with-bjp-is-unbreakable-uddhav-thackeray-228943> .

On 20th January 2019 , on the occasion of 53rd Foundation of Shiv Sena, Shri Uddhav Thackeray said: Our friendship with BJP is not a drama, I think no other party has this kind of friendship. The drama was what

happened in Uttar Pradesh, as soon as the election ended the coalition between Mayawati and Akhilesh too came to an end. On the other hand, whatever differences we had with the BJP were sorted out when Amit Shahji visited Matoshri.



<https://www.hindustan-times.com/mumbai-news/maharashtra-centre-s-policies-are-destabilising-india-s-federal-structure-says-shiv-sena-s-sanjay-raut/story-OD0JEeBP-KkLv0blPyQuD0J.html>

On 27th December 2020 , Shiv Sena MP , and Spokes person,

dog's tail will never be straight . Most political parties in India have dog-tails.

**GLOSSARY of Abbreviations used in this book:**

**rsnz/:**, **rsns/:** Causes, reasons.

**iez/:** Issues , problems

**ftrez/:** Features. Common Features, Daily Features.

**eglnkz/:** Examples. Newspaper links, website links, Electronic Media links.

**prflnkz/:** Proof links. Newspaper links, website links, Electronic Media links.

**prf/:** proof

**prntunt/:** Pertinent to note that .



**AGRICULTURAL MARKETING CRISES ~To what extent Central Government aggravates? \*\***

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING CRISES ~To what extent Central Government aggravates? \*\*

2020 Ruling Party of India has launched a Publicity Campaign that the Farm Laws enacted by it offer great freedom to farmers to sell their produce anywhere in India . The Opposition Parties are more interested in brandishing their swords against Government and the Ruling Party , rather than presenting to People of the country .

We shall take one field level example:

Place: Prattikonda Tomato producers, Kurnool District . Small and marginal farmers here produce tomatoes with dedicated physical efforts from their family members and buying inputs with borrowed funds. Tomato fruits as vegetables in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana markets are sold @ Rs. 20 per kg. in Towns and Cities . Today's wholesale purchase price of tomatoes in Prattikonda Market is Rs. 2/- per kg.

<https://agriplus.in/price/tomato/andhra-pradesh/kurnool/prattikonda> .



"\_\_\_Which democracy are you talking about? Are you talking about India? There is no democracy in India. Democracy in India...it may be in your imagination but not in reality\_\_\_"

ybrao-a-donkey's personal views with no malice, and not intended to be imposed on others :



Mr. Rahul Gandhi must first understand in his own party there is no Internal Democracy ; else it would have been difficult for him to get elected as Party President . Particularly he would not have been repeatedly elected. During Late Indira Gandhi's tenure, and during the tenure of Manmohan Singh, there was no Internal Democracy .

(2294) etc.

**DISINTEGRATION OF INDIA ~ SHIV SENA LEADER, How did Shri Uddhav Thackeray suddenly get alarmed \*\***

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**is not so eay \*\***

DEMOCRACY ~Learning is not so eay \*\*

<https://zeenews.india.com/india/some-people-in-delhi-are-trying-to-teach-me-democracy-pm-narendra-modi-hits-out-at-opposition-2333105.html>  
 reported that Shri Narendra Modi Prime Minister of India said :--



"\_\_Some people in Delhi keep cursing and abusing Modi every

morning, evening, day and night. They keep teaching me new lessons about democracy\_\_"

Even if somebody tries to teach Democracy can the other person learn so easily? First there should be a strong desire to learn . Then, there should be capacity to learn . Above all hubris should not have already set in .

Hon. Shri Narendra Modi may be indirectly rrgu recent criticism by Mr. Rahul Gandhi , the Dynastic Congress Party heir-apparent who was reported to have said that :

<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/democracy-in-india-not-in-reality-pm-modi-incompetent-rahul-gandhi-7119131>



Price (Rs./Quintal)	Date	Variety	Min Price (Rs./Quintal)	Max Price (Rs./Quintal)
332	28 Dec	Local	900	616

From the above table we see that minimum is Rs. 332 per quintal, or Rs. 3.32 per kg. Maximum price Rs. 9 per kg. very few people might have received. Modal Price may be the price determined by the AMC (Agricultural Market Committee) and the Government . All over India , it is a common practice among buyers, buyers' agents, dalAris (middlemen) to depress purchase prices by claiming that the fruits are of very poor quality. Consequently actual prices paid to the farmers will be far less than Rs 3.32 shown on Notice Board.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ASETu6ulk>  
 The above video of hmtv shows

that on 23rd December 2020 tomatos were purchased at Pattikonda Markets @ Rs. 1/- per kg.



This apart the buyers have their own set of problems . 1. Tomato fruits perish quickly. 2. As Central and State Governments treat Diesel prices as "source of Revenue", Road transportation has become extremely prohibitive for truck-operators, agri-produce Traders, the Farmers and Consumers . 3. In the name of building World Class Roads , 4-lane roads are being thrust on people which most of them neither need nor can afford . 4. If the Pattikonda farmers want to take their tomatos to New Delhi by road and sell in Delhi markets, at how many toll gates he





has to pay toll? Do illiterate and semi-literate farmers know anything about fast tags?

5. "Farmers can sell anywhere they like", is only an impractical concept.

6. Transporters' responsibility is only to transport the Tomatos from Point X in Pattikonda to Point Y in New Delhi.

7. Where will the farmers stay in New Delhi? The farmers know Telugu, but they do not know Hindi. The traders in Delhi know Hindi, but they do not know Telugu .

8. Simply because some Corporates have expressed their eagerness to enter into Contracts with farmers , it does not mean that they will adhere to their Contract terms, even when tidings are bleak. Under any circumstances Corporates will not like to bear losses by honoring commitments, or to share losses with farmers .

9. In India, everything becomes topsy-turvy once the Corporates

foresee losses and risks . Then they will simply avoid contracts they entered into with farmers as if nothing happened in their vicinity.

10. Even Governments want to avoid risks .

prf/: During 2020 khariff season, Telangana Government forced farmers to cultivate fine varieties of rice . Excess rains and floods inundated fine rice crops and fields. The farmers salvaged whatever they could and brought to the markets . There were no Corporates or intermediaries to buy their crops. Government bodies rejected the farmers and their paddy, on the ground that there was moisture . After waiting outside the gates of the Government Agencies sleeping in tractors , finally the farmers had to sell their produce at throw-away prices and go home cursing the politicians who asked them to cultivate fine rice . The same Government Agencies which rejected grain from farm-



ers , purchased the same moist grain from intermediaries at Minimum Support Price. Thus the Government lost its funds . Intermediaries and small farmers lost. The Government became weary or wary. Once bitten twice shy. Now, Mr. K. Chandrasekhara Rao has announced that Purchase Centres will be closed and farmers will be free to sell their produce and to whomsoever they want .

To continue .

(4947) etc.

**DEBT TRAP ~ Will it entangle India ?? \*\***

India's External Debt is \$558.5 billion as at March 2020 .

Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/External\\_debt\\_of\\_India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/External_debt_of_India) .

Out of these , Commercial Borrowings share nearly 40%. Commercial Borrowings usually have short repayment programs of say



max. seven years . They carry Commercial rates of interest , which will naturally be high .

Non Resident Indians' deposits occupy 23%. Non-Resident Indians too seek high rates of interest . They have also started demanding Dual citizenships.

Bilateral and mtilrdbt together have only 20% share. Earlier India used to have bilateral trade agreements with Communist countries at concessional rates with facility to repay in NCI Rupees (Non-Convertible Indian rupees . Now no such concessions .

India's Foreign Exchange Reserves

**DEMOCRACY ~Learning**