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**MUMBAI TRAIN BLAST 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY –  
TERRORISTS ARE FREE/ABSCONDING, VICTIMS SUFFERING,  
JUDICIAL PROCEEDING YET TO TAKE OFF**

- Dr. Kirit Somaiya

The 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006 bomb blast in 7 trains in Mumbai is completing 5 years. Terrorists are out/absconding, victims are suffering, judicial proceeding yet to take off, charged BJP leader Dr. Kirit Somaiya.

It is sad that, after 5 years, the judicial hearing has just begun in the lowest, i.e. Sessions Court in Mumbai. The way in which the Government is handling the investigation and action, it appears final verdict in Supreme Court will come in 2021.

The 11<sup>th</sup> July blast victims are asking a simple question –

“Why this courteous, special treatment to terrorists of 11/7/2006 train blast?”

The horrible terror attack of 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006 bomb blast in 7 local trains in Mumbai had shattered the lives of Mumbaikars leaving behind 187 persons dead and 890 injured.

Due to inordinate delay and snail-pace progress in judicial proceedings of 11/7/2006 terror attack, the victims and families of 11.7.2006 terror attack are still suffering from not just the traumatic experience but subsequent surgeries and long medical treatment.

Most saddening part is that at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> year –

- The judicial hearing is yet to take off in the lowest court, i.e. Sessions Court of Mumbai
- 13 absconding in Pakistan
- Final punishment (in Supreme Court....) will go upto 2021.

Along with Dr. Kirit Somaiya, around one dozen victims addressed the media today at Mumbai. It may be noted that several victims are still not out of trauma. Successive surgeries and medical treatment are still going on.

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Victims feel that in the case of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008 terror attack by Kasab, judgment has come, due to victims being foreign nationals and international pressure from USA, UK, Israel. Why this discrimination for 2006 victims?

Dr. Somaiya informed that the victims have requested appointment of the Hon'ble President of India and Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra to apprise them of the suffering. On the eve of the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 2006 terror attack, homage will be paid at the Memorial at Mahim Station.

***Press Secretary***