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ADARSH SOCIETY GHOTALA

“BJP wants action from Govt & CBI on Vilasrao Deshmukh & Officials & Others”

Government of Maharashtra and Government of India both are avoiding the transparent study/enquiry and giving contradictory reply/response in connection with Adarsh Ghotala.

BJP National secretary Dr Kirit Somaiya has submitted representations to CBI, Defense Minister & Governor of Maharashtra demanding explanations & action on the Ministers, Officials & all others, who have lied & mislead the govt.

BJP National Secretary, Dr. Kirit Somaiya has approached 3 concerned Ministry/Departments:

1. Revenue Department, Government of Maharashtra
2. Urban Development Department, Government of Maharashtra
3. Defence Ministry, Government of India

The responses received from the abovementioned Ministries are shocking and surprising.

i) In response to RTI filed by Dr. Kirit Somaiya, Revenue Department, Government of Maharashtra has stated:-

“As the papers, files pertaining to Adarsh are with CBI they are unable to give information.”

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ii) This is misleading response. Though Revenue Department has the files/photocopies of the files, papers they are avoiding to pass on any such information.

iii) In contradiction to the Revenue Department, Government of Maharashtra, the Urban Development Department, Government of Maharashtra made available 1236 pages RTI response to Dr. Kirit Somaiya.

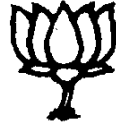
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Encl: Details of Attachments

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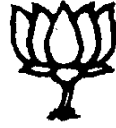
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SOME OBSERVATIONS FROM RESPONSES TO RTI

1.1.1998	Government of Maharashtra (GoM), Revenue Department's file noting categorically states:- "..... In such situation the allotment of plot (asked by Adarsh Socceity) cannot be given to any Housing Society."	Annex-1
9.9.1999	Director, Environment Ministry, Government of India informed:- "We regret out inability to consider the proposal"	Annex-2
23.9.1999	Defence Estate Officer, Mumbai Circle informed the Urban Development Department, GoM "about their objection to such proposal."	Annex-3
03.08.2000	The Adarsh Society in their letter addressed to Shri Vilas Rao Deshmukh, Chief Minister, Maharashtra categorically stated:- "The land be allotted to the Adarsh Society as their members had struggled for Kargil Operation." The Society also stated in their letter:- "The plot is already in the possession of local authorities.....so, Government of Maharashtra must release this plot to Adarsh Society members who have served their life for the Country/Motherland."	Anne-4

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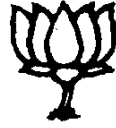
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11.03.2003	<p>Ministry of Environment & Forests, GoI informed, the Urban Development Department, Maharashtra:-</p> <p>“As per the information given to them by the Adarsh Society and the Urban Development Department, Maharashtra the plot falls under CRZ-II. If it is so, the clearance is required to be taken from Government of Maharashtra under the Coastal Zone Management Plan of Greater Mumbai. The CRZ Authority and Government of Maharashtra be approached to get the consent.”</p>	Annex 5
15.03.2003	<p>Urban Development Department, Government of Maharashtra in their letter to Municipal Corporation Mumbai has falsely intimated:-</p> <p>“The Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, have communicated their no objection to such residential development”</p> <p>The Urban Development Department, Government of Maharashtra not only purposefully had submitted false information and misrepresented BMC to get approval.</p>	Annex 6
16.6.2003	<p>Defence Estate Officer, Mumbai has written to Shri Pradeep Vyas, Distt. Collector, Mumbai that –</p> <p>“The said plot is a garden with many trees managed by local military authorities. As per the Survey of India Map of Coloba this plot belongs to Army.”</p>	Annex 7

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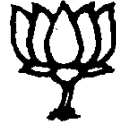
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	Defence Estate Officer has further stated- “In the larger interest of the Armed Forces and national interest, the said plot be remained with Indian Navy.”	
9.7.2004	In the order allotting the so-called plot to Adarsh Society the Revenue Department stated- “The said plot is at present in the possession of Defence. This Government land being allotted to Adarsh Soccity for the housing development of the members, list annexed with the order. In future further member may be added.” The order also stated – “This piece of land has been marked as CRZ, the Government of India, Environment Ministry’s consent should be obtained before any development.”	Annex 8
3.8.2005	UD Department’s file noting sates that- “The said plot belongs to CRZ-1, hence Government of India, Ministry of Environment’s consent is must.” As per the Minister/Ministry’s, GoM hand written note- “The society’s proposal may be processed further only after receiving Government of India’s consent.”	Annex 9

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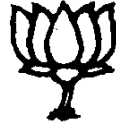


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It is understood that dozen of letters have been written by Shri K L Gidwani, MLC requesting for special consideration for Adarsh Society. Mr Gidwani has got allotted 3 flats in Adarsh in the name of himself & son. Few of such letters addressed to the then Chief Minister, Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh along with Shri Deshmukh file noting are (attached) given below.

7.8.2000	<p>In his letter Shri Gidwani stated –</p> <p>“The society basically of serving and retired Defense Officers, including officers having served in “Operation Vijay” at Kargil. The allotment of the plot be expedited without any further loss of time.”</p> <p>Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh, the then Chief Minister in his handwriting marked the letter to Secretary (UD) asking him “Please expedite”.</p>	Annex 10
27.8.2000	<p>Shri Gidwani once again requested all the above things and asked the then Chief Minister, Shri Vilas Rao Deshmukh to issue allotment order.</p> <p>Once again Shri Deshmukh gave instructions to Secretary, UD to put up the file/proposal.</p>	Annex 11
14.10.2000	<p>Once again Shri Gidwani approached and represented Shri Vilas Rao Deshmukh, Chief Minister and asked for immediate clearance.</p> <p>Shri Deshmukh has ordered in his hand writing –</p> <p>“Priority, to be put up file at once.”</p>	Annex 12



13.2.2001	<p>Shri Gidwani in his representation to Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh stated that the plot is now already in the possession of Adarsh Society. The Revenue Department required some clarification from the Urban Development Department. The file is lying with Department of Urban Development for more than 5 months. As the Chief Minister also the in-charge of the Urban Development Department Shri Gidwanit had asked the Chief Minister to give instruction to Urban Development Department.</p> <p>The Chief Minister in his own hand writing issued instructions to UD-</p> <p>“Please process”.</p>	Annex 13
16.3.2001	<p>In his hand writing Shri Gidwani gave another letter to the Chief Minister. He asked the Chief Minister to give priority and immediate consent.</p> <p>Chief Minister in his hand writing issued instructions to the Department –</p> <p>“Call file”.</p>	Annex 14
7.5.2001	<p>Shri Gidwani again asked the Chief Minister for further consideration. In his letter he stated that –</p> <p>“In the background of sacrifices made to our Mother Land a special consideration to the Adarsh Society be done immediately.”</p>	Annex 15

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	File noting: “Please put up for further action u/s 37”	
18.3.2002	Shri Gidwani again approached the Chief Minister for final approval and he stated in his letter – “Kindly take prompt action for final approval in the interests of Defence and Naval Officers, who are always fighting for our country” The Chief Minister issued instructions in his hand writing to Secretary, UD – “Please process this urgently.”	Annex 16

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