

'Govt's clear policy, good intention & planning behind UP's transformation'

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It is the clear policy, good intention, and better planning of the Uttar Pradesh government due to which the law and order of Uttar Pradesh is being appreciated in the country as a model.

Be it police reforms, the bulldozer formula, or the policy of dialogue on sensitive matters, UP has set an example for other states in every sense. It is because of the strong political will of the ruling dispensation along with rule of law in the state, that those who until 5-6 years ago had the capacity to make or break a government, are helplessly watching their illegal empires crumble from jails.

Those for whom prisons of UP were safe havens, today tremble at the thought of coming here. Those who used to be synonymous with terror, are now worried about their

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own lives. Not long ago, Mukhtar Ansari and Atiq Ahmed used to be synonymous with terror in the state and their henchmen roamed around committing crimes like murder, extortion and land grabbing. It would be ridiculous to believe all this was possible without political patronage.

Adopting the policy of zero tolerance, the way the present government has given autonomy to the administration-police with stability, was long overdue. The Yogi Adityanath government should be congratulated for the way it has performed. It has transformed the state by restoring law and order.

In UP, where politician-criminal nexus had been embarrassing democracy for de-



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For decades, 178 criminals have been killed in encounters and 4,947 were injured during action in the last six years. Action has been taken against 63,000 criminals under NSA while 846 have been booked under the Gangster Act. Movable/immovable property worth Rs 9,100 crore has been confiscated under the Gangster Act. The government has taken possession of property worth over Rs 2,819 crore belonging to the mafia and is building houses for the poor on it by demolishing their illegal empires. The government must be congratulated for this. This is unprecedented not only for Uttar Pradesh but for the entire country.

In operations against the mafia, 13 police personnel, displaying amazing bravery, attained martyrdom and 1,428 cops were injured. The credit for instilling fear of law among criminals goes to strict legal action, comprehensive action plan and tireless work of the police.

The way musclemen and organized criminals have been punished by ensuring excellent criminal investigation, and prosecution, is self-explanatory, and it exposes the agenda-based critics. Just look at the tragic incident with the girl in Hathras, how

needless politics was done.

Today, festivals of every religion are being celebrated in peace and harmony. Be it temples or mosques, loudspeakers will not blare unnecessarily. Holi will be celebrated, but throwing of colours at any religious place will not be accepted. Similarly, Eid namaz will be offered but not by blocking the roads.

Political critics and those



with vested interests are questioning the bulldozer policy, police encounters and action against minorities, but honest analysis reveals that these allegations are not only false, but also show the ideological hollowness of critics.

As their political future is getting bleak, they are misleading the public. How can one advocate for criminals like Mukhtar Ansari, Atiq Ahmed and Vikas Dubey? Should the killers of Krishnand Rai and Raju Pal not be punished? How can there be any sympathy for the killers of policemen who laid down their lives in the line of duty in Bikru?

Those talking of discriminatory action are so drowned in political desperation that they cannot see facts and logic. Dozens of mafia-criminals like Badan Singh and Yogendra Bhadaura (Meerut), Yashpal Tomar and Amar Pal (Baghpat), Sushil Moch (Muzaffarnagar), and Vinod Sharma (Saharanpur), who are on police radar, don't belong to minority community.

The government's bulldozer is wreaking havoc on every criminal without any discrimination. The bulldozer episode even went to the Supreme Court, which did not give relief to anyone. The go-

vernment is garnering praise from everyone, be it Dalits or minorities.

Not only in UP, people from outside the state are also appreciating the governance of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath. A few days ago, the father of late Punjabi singer Sidhu Moosewala said that had Yogiji been there in his state, his son would not have been killed. Similar voices have emerged from Karnataka and Rajasthan. Praise coming from all directions cannot be a coincidence.

According to the latest NCRB report, UP ranks first in the country in conviction rate for crimes against women (59.1%). As far as reduction in heinous crimes is concerned, in 2022, there has been a decrease of 80.31% in dacoity, 61.51% in robbery, 32.45% in murder, 51.65% in mutiny, 43.18% in extortion, and 21.75% in rape, as against 2016. UP ranks first in the country in e-prosecution.

In terms of anti-Dalit crimes, the rate of prosecution has been 31% as against the national figure of 14% between 2018 and 2021. This is a testimony to improvement in law and order situation.

It is universally accepted that crime can never be completely eradicated from society, but the government's policies must be so strict and action so quick that a criminal thinks before doing something. In the state assembly, the CM has reiterated with full force that he will decimate criminals. This is not an ordinary political statement but an open warning to criminals who have been expanding their empires under the shadow of political patronage for decades.

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