

A statement circulated by Shri Ram Naik, BJP leader & former Petroleum Minister in a Press Conference held on Monday, 24th March 2014 at Mumbai

Returning Officer rejects Sanjay Nirupam's false complaint: Ram Naik

Mumbai, Monday: “Shri Sanjay Nirupam Congress M.P. has proved that he is a cry baby by filing false complaint of breach of election code of conduct against Bharatiya Janata Party. Shri Nirupam has been clamouring against BJP and Shri Ram Naik through media after lodging a false complaint. Now would he be a gentleman enough to apologize as his complaint is dismissed by the Returning Officer?” asked Shri Ram Naik, BJP leader & former Petroleum Minister in a press conference held today at Mumbai. Shri Naik also sought an explanation from Shri Nirupam for his attempt to defame BJP and Shri Naik by lodging a false complaint.

Shri Naik is known as a man behind inception of MPLAD Fund scheme. He had exposed all the six city Congress –NCP M.P.s of Mumbai for under utilizing of their M.P. Fund in a press conference held on 7th March. He had stated that each one of these six M.P.s was entitled to M.P. Fund to the tune of Rs. 19 crore. However, all of them had utilized only Rs. 11.85 crore, thereby depriving their respective constituents of developmental works to the tune of Rs. 7.15 crore. Shri Nirupam was upset with this exposure and behaved like a cry baby. In a press conference, he claimed to have utilized his complete fund and lodged a complaint against Shri Naik with the Returning Officer for breach of election code. He had also demanded an apology from Shri Naik.

Shri Nirupam being a journalist attempted to play gimmick with words. He claimed to have utilized his fund fully as he had submitted proposals to the tune of his entitlement. In his complaint letter he demanded an apology from Shri Naik for a breach of code as well as for an attempt to mislead voters. While deliberating on the issue Shri Naik said, “I had never made false allegations against anyone in my long political career; not even when I was personally contesting the elections. If somebody believes that I am unaware about the working of MPLAD Fund scheme, then I pity that person. There is a huge difference between 'proposing' works and 'executing' the same. It is indeed difficult for a common-man to believe that an M.P., that too belonging to ruling party is unable to get his proposals executed." Shri Naik further informed that on reading media reports about Shri Nirupam’s complaint he sue-motto submitted his say to the Returning Officer for verification and also wrote to Shri Nirupam that the question of apology sought by him does not arise as he has not done anything wrong?

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Shri Naik thanked the Returning Officer for his prompt disposal of the complaint. The Returning Officer; in his reply to Shri Nirupam, categorically denied to take any action against Shri Naik as there was no case of breach of code. Shri Naik quipped, “Would Shri Nirupam show honesty now and apologize as his allegations have proved wrong?”

Shri Naik recalled the incidence which was probably bone of the contention. Two days prior to Shri Naik’s press conference of 7th March; Shri Nirupam himself had breached the election code. Despite the declaration of elections he had hurriedly attempted to undertake 'Bhoomi Poojan' of the works already initiated that too by the Mumbai Municipal Corporation. When Shri Vinod Shelar, BJP councillor tried to take photographs, angry Nirupam snatched his mobile and tried to destroy it as well. This compelled Shri Vinod Shelar to lodge a complaint against Shri Nirupam. In a futile attempt to retaliate Shri Nirupam dragged Shri Naik and lodged complaint against him. “Shri Nirupam was successful last time in cheating voters of Mumbai North. But once bitten voters would not get fooled again. They would certainly give a massive mandate in favour of BJP – Shivsena - RPI alliance candidate Shri Gopal Shetty.”, commented Shri Naik at the end.

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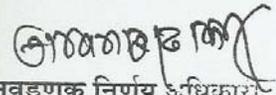
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To,

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Sub: Violation of Election Code of Conduct by Bhartiya Janata Party.

Ref: Your letter dated 10.3.2014

I have received your letter on the above mentioned subject on 12.3.2014. On perusal of the contents of the letter it is seen that the press release by Office Secretary of Bhartiya Janata Party dated 7.3.2014 is about use of MPLAD funds. I have gone through your letter, exhibits with your letter and the guide lines issued by Election Commission of India regarding Model Code of Conduct. The accusation made in the said press release does not amount to breach of Model Code of Conduct. Hence the question of taking action for violation of Model Code of Conduct does not arise.

This is for your information.

Amr
(Dr. Avinash Bhakne)
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Tolc 26 Mumbai North Parliamentary Constituency.

Copy submitted to the Collector & District Election Officer, Mumbai Suburban District for favor of information.

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