Statement circulated by Shri Ram Naik, BJP leader in a press conference held on Saturday, 19th April, 2014 at Mumbai

Ram Naik fears bogus voting due to duplicate names in Mumbai's Voters Lists

Mumbai, Saturday: : "Shri Ram Naik, former Petroleum Minister fears that like Pune there will be bogus voting on 24th in Mumbai as there are serious irregularities in voters lists. Shri Naik expressed this fear in a press conference held at Mumbai today.

While elaborating further Shri Naik said," My name is at sr.no. 17 in part 177 in voters list of 163-Goregaon Assembly. Total 30 voters are shown as residents of my building at serial nos. 1 to 30. However, in reality only first 20 persons are actual residents and remaining names are totally unknown to all of us. I examined these names on internet and was shocked to find all the ten names are at serial no. 722 to 732 (except 723) in part no. 92 of the voters list of the same assembly constituency. It is quite evident from the photographs that same persons are appearing in both the lists. What is more shocking is that their voter id nos are different. Each one of them has two voter id cards."

Shri Naik informed that he is a founder member of Shivsmriti Coop Hsg Soc. and has been staying there since last 52 years. He is keen to know on which documents / evidences these voters were issued voter ids. Shri Naik fears that these irregularities are wide spread and hence there will be chaos like Pune on 24th April. Shri Naik demanded probe in these irregularities.

Shri Naik apprised Shri Shekhar Channe, Collector and Chief Election Officer today of these duplicate / bogus voters and demanded that he should announce the proposed action. Shri Naik gave copies of both the voters' lists to the media. "Sanctity of voting is harmed due to such irregularities", commented Shri Naik at the end.

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