

# Will a new Bheel state 'Bhilisthan' be formed merging certain areas of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra ?

Recently we have celebrated Vishwa Adivasi Day. On this occasion it remained a matter of discussion that a new Bheel state 'Bhilisthan' be formed merging tribal areas of Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra?

Main reason for this discussion is that quietly news relating to the setting of a new Bheel State from certain organizations of the tribal societies settled in Gujarat adjoin southern Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra is in the limelight..

Initially these news were infiltrated, but now making of a separate Bheel State being demanded openly. In this regard memorandums are being given to central and state governments by tribal organizations and the proposed map of Bheel Pradesh can also be viewed.

In the proposed map of Bheel Pradesh a separate new Bheel State is projected by merger of certain parts (39 districts) of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh along with Gujarat, home state of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah as also Maharashtra.

However, according to reli-

able sources, Modi government and intelligence system would be aware of this activity, but if we don't curb it well in time the law and order system may go from bad to worse. Simultaneously, sensitive activities akin to Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and north eastern states also may get stronger.

In the recent past, kind of chaos, sabotage, arsenal, disruption of transportation on the highway occurred in the tribal dominated Dungarpur district on the national highway-8 of the southern Rajasthan on the route to Udaipur-Ahmadabad are good enough to prove as an eye opener for governments.

Forming a separate Bheel state merging tribal belts of southern Rajasthan adjacent to Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh as well some areas of Maharashtra is not a new demand. It is said that renowned tribal leader Bheekha Bhai Bheel ex chairman of the national commission on scheduled caste and scheduled tribes and former minister in Rajasthan government wished to form a new Bheel state merging Udaipur, Dungarpur, Banswara, Pratappgarh, Chittor, Sirohi, Pali districts, and Himmatnagar, Shamalaji Panch mahal,

Dahod, Jhalod etc. of the Gujarat, Ratlam, Selana, Neemach, Mandasaur, Dhar, Jhabua, Alirajpur, Shahdol, Khargon, Baitul etc areas of Madhya Pradesh.

Later on some tribal MPs supported this proposal but owing to political leadership and social networking and administrative system being strong and illiteracy among tribes, this demand got subdued. But owing to growing education, most of the MPs and MLAs being tribal, their seats reserved and enhanced political awareness on this demand is incessantly flaring up. Many youths have properly published research papers in this regard.

Actually, a large number of Adivasis from three states inhabit in tribal dominant regions of Vagad, Malwa and Mahi Ganga regions and every year with great conviction meet at confluence of Beneshwar Dham located at the rivers Som, Mahi and invisible Jakham (Triveni of Vadad) adjoining Dungarpur and Banswara districts of Rajasthan. Beneshwar Dham is regarded as a holy Kumbha of Adivasis and every year a grand fair is organized on Magh Shukla Poonima where in millions of Adivasis enjoin.

Beneshwar is their ideal meeting place.

Since beginning many saints, seers, social workers and great people remained active to create awareness in Adivasi regions on social reforms, eradication of social evils, socio-cultural, economic and political segments and owing to this, Adivasis who do not indulge in any kind of addiction are known as 'Bhagat' and their houses hoist white flags. Others called 'Jagat' have flags of other colours hoisted on their houses. Among these, incarnation of Kalki in Kalyug, foretells of Mavaji Maharaj scripted in his holy book- Mavji Ka Chopada, Sant Sati Surmaladas, his disciple Govind Guru and his followers (their memorial located on Mangarh Hill) have been there.

Mangarh is also known as Jalaynawala Bagh of Adivasis as taking social and Bhakti (devotional) movements as revolt against British thousands of Adivasis were shot at. Many saintly and great people as well as social workers. Socialist leader Mama Baleshwar Dayal is prominent among these and had his Ashram in Bamaniya village in Madhya Pradesh. Adivasis worshiped him like God.

Similarly famous as Vagad Gandhi Bhogilal Pandya and Haridev Joshi Ex chief minister of Rajasthan both nontribal performed many creative works thorough their Sevashrams and Gandhi Ashram, but due to stark poverty and backwardness, expected development has not been there even after 75 years of independence.

Not only that, people of the region has to rush to nearby Gujarat or Mumbai to treat their ailments. There are many places including whole Banswara district, there is no train to connect with the state and national railway network. There were times when people out here depended on jungles (forests). Later on they became dependent on farming and farming in turn during the monsoon... so only the area remains drought affected every two years. For the lack of big industry, unemployment continues to grow exponentially. Benefit of tribal reservation also goes to Meenas of the north-eastern region of Rajasthan and tribes and other people are compelled to retreat to Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and gulf countries, especially, Kuwait.

Under these circumstances resentment among

Adivasi youths is growing and they hold that many generations of Bheels suffered exploitation and injustice. Now they have lost confidence in Congress and BJP Parties and owing to this in the last few years a new political party 'Bhaartiya Tribal Party' (BTP) has emerged and is affecting winning elections and political equations in Gujarat along with areas of southern Rajasthan where Congress and BJP dominate.

Right from beginning Bheels of the area are combatant. With their strength great valiant Maharana Pratap never accepted sovereignty of Mughals though faced many hardships. Royal families of Mewar and Vagad-Udaipur, Dungarpur and Banswara icons of Bheels have prominently been imprinted on their royal emblems. However, it is said that before advent Rajput rulers towards Dungarpur and Banswara regions were owned by the Bheel chieftains.

Adivasis of the region have always been bold, faithful, honest, loyal, arduous, sensitive and live cordially. There unity is matchless. At the times of crises, just with a dub and beat of drum thousands of people come out of their colonies and congregate at one place. Their



will to live and spiritedness in adverse situations is matchless.

Just recently politics of Rajasthan remained focused on promoting Tribal culture. MLA from Dungarpur Ganesh Ghoghara took back all with a statement that Adivasis are not Hindus and their religion, faith and belief are different, at the same time BJP MP & strong leader of Meenas, Dr. Keerodi Lal Meena created cripples hoisting a white tribal flag and national flag on the forts of Jaipur.

It is not that nothing has been done to connect Adivasis of the region to the main-

stream of development. A crystal clear difference can be seen between time bygone and the current one. But, in view of the current pace of development it is like peanuts. Even today the struggle for basic amenities against inflation added with unemployment is the prime cause of their discontent. If the state and union government do not comprehend the implied meaning, the day is not far off that no one will be able to stop the split of the states Gujarat, Rajasthan and Maharashtra to emerge a new separate Bheel state as Bhilisthan.

-Neeti Gopendra Bhatt

## MARVI Living Laboratory and Learning Centre (M3L) Inaugurated



**Udaipur:** The MARVI project clearly demonstrated that villagers could do reliable measurements of groundwater levels, rainfall, water quality and check dam water level. They can understand groundwater science if they are provided

with a proper training and are given chance to develop their confidence. This means we need a facility in a village environment to train anyone who a role and responsibility in groundwater use and management. The purpose of the

MARVI Living Laboratory and Learning Centre is to help everyone to learn about groundwater management and sustainability – whether they are farmers, school children, village sarpangh, block and district level watershed development program staff or NGOs. The Centre will empower people with groundwater science and create their own groundwater management solutions to achieve village groundwater security. The MARVI Centre will provide appropriate training in the measurements of groundwater levels, rainfall and water quality as well as in hydrogeology, mapping, water budgeting, and water

security plans. There will be hands-on training on the various aspects of groundwater management and visit managed aquifer recharge intervention and firsthand experience of the MARVI work. The Centre is deliberately located in a village, not in a city, to ensure that training is in real world and learning from the people who already have practical experience in groundwater management.

The centre was inaugurated jointly by Dr N S Rathod, VC, MPUAT, Dr Basant Maheshwari, Western Sydney University and Ajay S Mehta, President, VIdya Bhawan Society.

### About MARVI

MARVI, Managing Aquifer Recharge and Sustaining Groundwater Use through Village-level Intervention, project was developed to improve the security of irrigation water supplies and enhance livelihood opportunities for rural communities. The project focuses on assessing the effectiveness of current rainwater harvesting and recharge structures and demand management strategies at village scale. Another important aspect of this project is the involvement of local farmers, called Bhujal Jankaars. Bhujal Jankaars (BJs), a Hindi word meaning 'groundwater informed', are

local volunteers involved in developing village level science for community engagement and participatory groundwater management. This unique approach of village level engagement was developed in the MARVI project. Groundwater literacy is another important aspect in MARVI approach in which learning resources are made available for schools and other stakeholders in the monitoring and management of groundwater at the local level. The study areas for this project are the Dharta watershed in the Udaipur district in Rajasthan and the Meghraj watershed in the Aravali district in Gujarat.

## Mrs. Alka Sharma Awarded with 'Life Time Achievement Award'

Hard work and hard work done with the right direction and dedication always pays off.



**Udaipur:** Rockwoods High School and Rockwoods International School – chairperson Mrs. Alka Sharma has been conferred with the 'Life Time Achievement Award'.

This award was given by Global Education Summit and Center of Educational Development Foundation. School. In the same phase, the Foundation honored the Chairperson – Mrs. Alka Sharma with the distinction of "India's Successful Leaders and Schools". The award was given by Global Talks and CED for the outstanding work done by her in the field of education at a conference and event organized at Radisson, Gurgaon.

This is the result of 30 years of tireless hard work of Chairperson - Mrs. Alka Sharma. This moment C.P.S. is a moment of great happiness and pride for the family, management, parents and students.

On this occasion, the school's management committee and all the staff congratulated and congratulated the chairperson - Mrs. Alka Sharma.

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## Dr. Chandresh Kumar Chhatlani of Vidyapeeth received National Award for Best Faculty for the Year 2021

**Udaipur:** Dr. Chandresh Kumar Chhatlani, who is working in Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, has received the Best Faculty Award (Senior Category) of the year 2021. This honour is given to Dr. Chhatlani by the Tamil Nadu-based organization Vertex Research and Technology in recognition of his outstanding achievements in the field of education.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Col. S.S. Sarangdevot said that Dr. Chhatlani is doing excellent work in Rajasthan Vidyapeeth. He has accomplished numerous education related tasks. He was active even during the lockdown and he received the honour of Corona Warrior for making strategy and plans for the educational sector. He also contributed in other educational work. Apart from this, he has also successfully completed many research works.

## The basic spirit of PESA will be empowered through Revenue Gram Sabhas: ZP

**Udaipur (Dr. Munesh Arora):** Under the joint aegis of Indira Gandhi Institute of Panchayati Raj and Rural Development, Jaipur and Zilla Parishad Udaipur, a three-day training program of PESA block-level trainers was completed on Thursday in the chief hospital-

ty of Zila Pramukh Ms. Mamta Kunwar.

She said that on December 24, 1996, the 'Provisions of Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996' was passed by the Central Government, which now efforts will have to be made to bring them on the ground.

Udaipur Rural MLA Phool Singh Meena said that it is a collective responsibility to preserve the art and culture of the tribal area. PESA-compliant action will have to be ensured in 5696 revenue villages of scheduled gram panchayats of Dungarpur, Banswara, Pratappgarh, Udaipur, Sirohi, Rajasamand, Chittorgarh, Pali districts respectively.

On this occasion, a member of Tribal Paramarshdatri Parishad, Laxminarayan Pandya said that the traditional system of tribal community in the Panchayati Raj system has been strengthened by PESA Act and rules. It is now everyone's responsibility to enable Gram Sabhas to protect the traditions and customs of the people, their cultural identity, community resources, and customary methods of resolving disputes.

Training in charge Ajendrapuri informed that PESA rules were notified for effective implementation of the basic spirit of local self-government in the scheduled areas. He informed that through this three-day training, every revenue village located in the scheduled area will have to conduct its own Gram Sabha under PESA Rule 8.

On this occasion, PESAA Advisor Dr. Bharat Kumar Shrimali, Kotra Development Officer Dhanpat Singh, Dr. Lalit Joshi, Sarfaraz Sheikh, Bhanwar Singh Chadana, Smt. Radha, Bhanwar Singh, etc. gave their views. Dr. Amrita Dadhich conducted the program.

Personnel and public representatives of Panchayati Raj, Forest, and Revenue, Mineral, Tribal Regional Development Department, and NGOs from Pratappgarh, Sirohi, Chittorgarh, Rajasamand, and Pali participated in the pro-

gram.

## Aneurysm clipping prevented blood to leak into the brain artery

**Udaipur (Dr. Munesh Arora):** Aneurysm clipping was performed at the Advanced Neuro Care Institute, GBH American Hospital, of the woman, who fainted due to a balloon bursting of a blood vessel in the brain. On the fourth day of the operation, the woman started speaking as before and returned to the ground while walking.

Group Director Dr. Anand Jha told that Neemuch resident Sheela Bai (35) was complaining of severe headache and vomiting due to it. In the meantime, she became unconscious in the past and started feeling weakness in the hands and feet of the right side of the body, due to which she was unable to even walk. In this condition, her family members met at the Advanced Neuro Care Institute of GBH American Hospital.

After tests, it was found that a blood balloon had formed in the woman's brain, due to which she complained of severe headache and vomiting. She was fainting as the balloon burst and blood was leaking which needed to be stopped.

On this, the brain was angioid and the balloon was reached, and by clipping its aneurysm, the leak of blood was stopped.

Dr. According to Nitin Bhakal was a very complicated surgery, and generally, in such cases, thirty to forty percent of people die due to lack of timely treatment or due to lateness. The woman was discharged on the third day of this operation. Dr. Nitin Bhakal, Dr. Deepak Bajaj, and Dr. Tarun Bhatnagar were part of the procedure.



Dean of the Pacific University Faculty of Management Prof. Mahima Birla informed that this type of online alumni meet was organized for the reconciliation of the students under the Corona period of this university. In which more and more old students participate in this. Information was also given about the Grating in the two general Pacific Business Review International and Unnati's evaluation process of Pacific University and the new edition of Pacific Business Review International and Unnati was released. Pacific University assures its alumni that in the future any trade-related trademark, patent and other IPR will be issued. (Intellectual Property Rights) For guidance in work, students can contact the Pacific Incubation Center and get proper guidelines and ensure success in their business.

Pacific University's PG Dean of Studies Prof. Hemant Kothari told that the contribution made by the alumni in the field of research and the quality research done by them has been described in detail. He highlighted the importance of research for problem-solving.

President of Pacific University Prof. KK Dave told that students should keep organizing such meets from time to time. He said that by registering this alumni association, a legal form would be given to the institution. In which the alumni of the institute will discharge all the responsibilities. So that students can share their experiences. He said that the new students could get their experience from such good placements of the students and the students working in their high-level positions. Alumni students were encouraged for continuous promotion. At the end of the program co-coordinator, Dr. Ali Yawar Reha gave the vote of thanks. In this alumni meet of Pacific University, Prof. Dipin Mathur, Dr. Shankar Chaudhary, Dr. Narendra Singh Chavda, Dr. Pallavi Mehta, Dr. Khushbu Agarwal, Dr. Kulwinder Kaur, Dr. Manuj Joshi, etc. were present