

First Governor General of India Rajgopalachari was a great admirer of interpretation skill of Kanti Nath ji Bhatt

Radiance of the face like a great man and reflection of an amazing impression of a royal personality, having nice physique, attired in traditional southern Rajasthan costume along with excellent command over Hindi, English and Sanskrit reflecting unmatched learnedness. Hailing from Dungarpur district of the Udaipur division in South Rajasthan, personality of simple, decent and learned Bhatt Kanti Nath Ji Sharma educated at Banaras Hindu University was such that anybody who met him even once couldn't restrain himself to be his admirer. Popular as 'Babuji', Kanti Nath Ji Sharma spread glory of his learnedness across the nation as a shadow of the first Governor General of India, Chakraborty Rajgopalachari, 'Rajaji' a great leader of the nation associated with freedom movement of India taking command of the independent India from British and former Speaker Dungarpur Maharawal Lakshman Singh. Although, sadly he left for his heavenly abode on Hanuman Jayanti (April 22, 2016) at an age of hundred years, his personality is still fresh in the memories of the people.

Rajaji was a great admirer of Bhatt's instant interpretation of his English speeches.

Kanti Nath Ji Sharma, political secretary and considered as right hand of Dungarpur Maharawal

Lakshman Singh got an opportunity to come closer to Rajaji when Chakraborty Rajgopalachari separated from Congress and formed a new 'Swatantra Party', and had close relations with him from 1959-1972 till Rajgopalachari left for heavenly abode.

In national conventions and public meetings of Swatantra Party he used to instantly interpret speeches of Rajaji delivered in English in a simple way in his own style. Rajaji himself was an ardent admirer of interpretation of Kanti Nath Ji Sharma.

Had lifelong relations with Maharawal Sahab

Former ruler and leader of opposition for a long time and later speaker in Rajasthan legislative assembly, deep relations of Kanti Nath Sharma with Maharawal Lakshman Singhji remained all through the life. All speeches delivered by Maharawal Sahab bear deep imprints of Kanti Nath Ji. Speeches written by him used to bear liveliness as well perceptions were adored by all. All through his life he remained political secretary of Maharawal Sahab. In true sense he was a political strategist and advisor to him.

Former Vice President and former chief minister of Rajasthan used to term Kanti Nath Ji as 'Chankya of Maharawal Sahab'. Maharawal and Kanti Nath Ji lived every moment of their life together.

Remained Guru (teacher) of Raj Singh Dungarpur and guardian of Maharawal Mahipal Singh

Kanti Nath Ji had close relations with Raj Singh Dungarpur, youngest son of Maharawal Sahab came out to establish himself as a well-known cricketer, administrator, captain of Rajasthan for a long span and manager of test team of Rajasthan, selector and chairman of the BCCI (The Board of Control for Cricket in India) and Cricket Club of India (CCI). Not only that, he only remained.

Many people may be aware that including Raj Singh Dungarpur other members of the royal family used to address him as 'Master Sahab'. He remained teacher of all three sons- eldest son Mahipal Singh, middle son Jai Singh and the youngest son Raj Singh. Not only had he remained as guardian of Mahpal Singh when he pursued his studies at St. Stephens' College New Delhi. In his childhood watching Raj Singh playing cricket Kanti Nathji inspired him to go ahead, as consequently he emerged as an illuminating star in the indigenous as well international cricket world.

He is credited to bring Maharani Gayatri Devi in Swatantra Party

It was during this period only that Kanti Nath Ji was entrusted to bring her in fold of the Swatantra Party and

impart her political education. With efforts of Kanti Nath Ji only Maharani Gayatri Devi became member of Swatantra Party and he only singled on her membership form in capacity of General Secretary of the party, Famous for her unparalleled beauty across the globe, Kanti Nath Ji taught her intricacies of the politics and Maharani delivered her first public speech based on the speech given to her by Babuji written in roman English. During those days Swatantra Party was dominating at national and state levels. Consequently several times she remained Member of Parliament and succeeded to reach a higher level in the politics.

Star of Vagad region to be graduated from Banaras Hindu University

Babu Ji Kanti Nath Ji graduated from Banaras Hindu University (BHU). During his graduation he met Rashtrapita Mahatma Gandhi at the convocation ceremony of BHU, and also came in contact with Mahamana Madan Mohan Malviya Ji. It was owing to the closeness of Pandit Lakshmi Nath Bhatt father of Kanti Nath Ji that his uncle Rajpandit Ichha Nath Ji Bhatt and Kashinath Ji Sharma, teacher of famous industrialist Birla family that they remain close to Dungarpur royal family. After completing graduation from Banaras Kanti Nath Ji was employed in government service as a teacher, despite that



looking into his talent Maharawal Sahab entrusted his many new responsibilities, especially, responsibility of education of his eldest son Mahipal Singh and to fulfill that he left his government service too. Post-independence, Maharawal Sahab deputed all the contemporary people of Kanti Nath Ji in good government positions, but retained him in his personal staff.

Had relations with great political leaders and former royal princes

While working with Maharawal Sahab, Kanti Nath Ji remained in close proximity of other national leaders, like H.M Patel, former finance minister, Meenu Masani, Peelu Modi, Beeju Patnaik, RN Singh Dev Odisha etc., besides founder of Swatantra Party Chakraborty Rajgopalachari. He also remained very close to many former small and big princes and their family members. Since he was a very trusted person to Maharawal Sahab, whenever people used to visit him with their problems, he used to say that 'tell it to

Kanti Nath Ji.' Not only those great politicians used to get in touch with him. Besides leaders of Swatantra Party other leaders used to take him in high regards. Former Vice President Bhairo Singh Shekhawat. Mohanlal Sukhadia, Haridev Joshi, Shiv Charan Mathur, Jagannaath Pahadia, Barkatulla Khan, Heera Lal Devpura, Vagad Gandhi Bhogi Lal Panya, great tribal leader Bheekha Bhai Bheel etc. were all great admirer of Kanti Nath Ji's learnedness.

Among prominent national leaders former prime minister Morarji Desai, Choudhary Charan Singh, great Jansangh leader and Rajmata of Gwalior Vijayaraje Scindia, former princely ruler Maharana Bhagwat Singh of Udaipur, Mahendra Singh and Arvind Singh Mewar, Former Maharaja of Bikaner Karni Singh and his wife Sushila Kumari, Rama Kunwarji of Wankaner (Gujarat), grandson of Maharawal Lakshman Singh and current member of Rajya Sabha Harshvardhan Singh of Dungarpur, daughters

of Maharawal Sahab- Rajendra Kumari, Muli (Gujrat), Hemant Kumari, Danta (Gujrat), Krishna Kumari, Suket, Mandi (Himachal Pradesh), at the same time former MP of Mathura- Manvendra Singh, first Lieutenant General Nathu Singh, Thakur Mandhata Singh of Geejgarh (Jaipur) and senior RSS publicist Thakur Das, Lalit Kishore Chaturvedi, Laxman Singh ji Bhai saheb and many other famous dignitaries remained in touch with Babuji Kanti Nath Ji and they all extended their love and affection to him. Quite often Bhairo Singh Shekhawat used to say jokingly that 'Maharawal Sahab, we are scared of your Chankya- Kanti Nath Ji.

Dear to Dr. Nagendra Singh

Kanti Nath Ji Sharma was very dear to the younger brother of Maharawal Sahab and Chief Justice of the International Court at Hague Dr. Nagendra Singh as he was very impressed with him. Quite often he used to take feedback from him on state, national and international political activities. Babuji also had deep relations with younger brother Virbhadr Singhji and nephews Samar Singh and Digvijay Singh.

Fine orator in Hindi, English and Sanskrit

Beginning his political career as a member of a local body, Kanti Nath Ji never looked back without having desire for any post and climbing ahead the ladders of suc-

cess in his political journey. He was a fine orator, learned person and writer, knowledgeable of all the subjects and an eminent leader to deliver non-stop speeches in Hindi, English and Sanskrit. He had thorough knowledge in Vedas and remembered innumerable Shloks (hymns) by heart. He was a treasure of past golden memories. Whenever his family members asked him for a book published in his memories, Babuji used to say that don't ask me to write or get a book published because I will tell only the truth and many people may not digest it. Had he enumerated his memories, it would have been a great treasure to the current generation.

Married to Smt. Bhatt Shyam Sundar Kaur, Babuji Kanti Nath Ji Bhatt survived with four sons and three daughters, out of which his eldest son Bhatt Triloki Nath Sharma passed away recently in October 2020. His rest of the sons are Bhatt Hari Nath Sharma, Bhatt Yogendra Nath Sharma and daughters are Damayanti-Jitendra Mohan Bhatt, Kusum-Triloki Nath Dixit and Rajashri-Sudhir Mehta. Besides this, his many grandchildren are settled in various cities of abroad as well as in India.

Although reverend Babuji is not with us..... We are left with the treasure of his golden memories.....

Innumerable salutations to such a great personality.

HZL provides oxygen to local governing bodies in fight against COVID 19

- Hindustan Zinc supplied 1500 litres industrial oxygen to Udaipur health administration

-Liquid industrial oxygen will be used through clinical procedures for medical treatment of patients

Udaipur: COVID 19 cases have been rapidly rising in the state causing a huge influx of patients in hospitals and a shortage of oxygen for respiratory treatments. To meet this shortage, Hindustan Zinc took the initiative of providing industrial oxygen supply to hospitals as a substitute for oxygen. The company transported a 1000 litre liquid oxygen tanker from its industrial oxygen plant at Rajpura Dariba Complex to RNT medical college at Udaipur.

Appreciating the efforts and significant contribution by Hindustan Zinc, the Udaipur district collector Chetan Devra said, "With an increase in COVID cases, there is an increase in the requirement of oxygen as well. Most of the patients being admitted to hospitals are such critical cases who require oxygen in their treatment. I really wish to appreciate Hindustan Zinc's efforts because once I made a request to provide oxygen, they started sending 5000 litres liquid oxygen per day with the help of their plant at Dariba. On behalf of entire Administration I again thank Hindustan Zinc for their persistent efforts in battling COVID."

Hindustan Zinc's CEO Mr. Arun Misra said, "At Hindustan Zinc, we believe in the philosophy of 'people first' and are committed to support our communities and local administration in every way possible.

As a responsible organisation, we've started supplying liquid oxygen to help the gap in availability of oxygen in treating COVID patients in hospitals. Hindustan Zinc has set aside 100% of its liquid oxygen production facility in Dariba smelter to supply oxygen."

Since 2011, Hindustan Zinc has been 100% self-sufficient in terms of commercial oxygen supply thanks to its industrial oxygen plant at Dariba. The plant has a capacity to produce 4-5MT/day of liquid oxygen and the same is stored in tanks with a capacity of 2.50MT. The atmosphere air is converted to oxygen through a cryogenic process which gives the highest purity of oxygen and the resultant product is used in process plants, part of which in liquid form and is stored in the tanks. The plant has dedicated 100% of its monthly production of 150MT oxygen to hospitals. This oxygen will be undergo clinical procedures to be used for medical treatments of critical patients.



CORONA- A SLAP ON "I"

- Neha Sakka (@neha_sakka) instagram

Where are we now?
What did we earn?

All along when we have been fighting with the world for MY POSSESSION, for MY PRIDE, for MINE, for I AM THE MOST POWERFUL, for I DOMINATE, for I AM MORE IMPORTANT, for I RULE, for all the "MORES", all the RICHES- all now converges into one bed, a ventilator and struggle for "just one more breath."

How much meaning does our 4 floor building holds to us when our child's lungs are fighting for filtering the air one more time?



Is our pride of " I DID MORE THAN MY PARENTS" doing well, when we can't have our last chance of blessing them with last prayers and they are being cremated at a place we don't even know? A place,

that we will never be able to reach?

How does it feel with all the money in our bank, all the power in our hand but the lungs?

DID WE WIN?

STOP YOUR MOVEMENT AND THINK.

You are returning home from your work place, if you find your parents BREATHING PROPERLY, YOU ARE RICH. If you find your child playing and BREATHING PROPERLY- YOU ARE RICH.

CORONA IS A SLAP WE ALL NEEDED TO REALIZE THE ESSENCE OF LIFE. THE ESSENCE OF "US" THAT WE OTHERWISE LOST DUE TO "I".

Online Demonstration for Proper Corona Management



Udaipur: Citizens Initiative Group consisting of conscious citizens observed protest demonstration on social platforms demanding proper care of COVID-19 patients. The members of the group posted their photographs with slogans demanding transparency in the treatment of Corona patients, ensuring proper supply of Oxygen, control over the black marketing of life saving medicines, availability of oxygen beds, increase in vaccination and availability of ambulance for the transfer of patients. The persons and organizations who participated in the demonstration include, Shankar Lal Chaudhary, state committee member CPI(M), Dr. Chandra Dev Ola, Prof. Sudha Chaudhary, National Vice President, All India Progressive Womens Association, Saurabh Naruka, AICCTU, Rajesh Singhvi, Secretary CPI(M) and many other members of AIPWA, CITU, AICCTU, and other mass organizations.

The participants in the demonstration opined that the present crisis shows complete failure of the central government in assessing the situation. Also, the political rallies in five states and the Kumbh at Haridwar have had a fatal impact of corona on the citizens of this country. They demanded free treatment and vaccination of all the people in the country since more than a natural disaster it is a man-made tragedy.

- Dr.H.S.Chandalia

SC allows Vedanta to run Sterlite plant for oxygen production

The Supreme Court on Tuesday allowed Vedanta's Sterlite Industries in Tuticorin to run an oxygen plant amid surging Covid-19 cases in the country. The SC order has paved the way for the partial reopening of Sterlite copper smelting plant which was closed in 2018 over pollution concerns.

Hearing a plea seeking reopening of Vedanta's Sterlite plant, the Supreme Court said only oxygen plant of Sterlite would be allowed to function and added that the order was passed in view of the national need for life-saving gas.

The oxygen plant will be monitored by a committee set up by local administration and environmental experts, the SC said. "It is an unprecedented national calamity. Don't want political bickering," the SC said while pronouncing the order.

This comes a day after an all-party meeting convened by the Tamil Nadu government resolved to allow Vedanta's Sterlite Industries to produce oxygen for a four-month period.

"As per the Supreme Court directive, power supply may be allowed for Vedanta's Sterlite Industries in Tuticorin for four months to repair and operate oxygen producing and related equipment only," the meeting resolved.