PRESS NOTE

Supreme Court of India while disposing off a writ petition has ordered that cases pending in courts (where charges are framed) against public representatives should be disposed off within one year. In the light of apex court orders, Forum for Good Governance wanted to study the pending cases against public representatives. The details obtained from all the police stations of both the states were analyzed and an analytical data is presented before the press.

Recently both the Governments have withdrawn cases booked during agitation time. Still some cases pending with Railways are yet to withdrawn. Added to it many cases booked under various laws which are under investigation by police are not taken into account by Forum for Good Governance. Likewise cases booked by C.B.I. are not included as C.B.I. refused to give information.

Cases which are enquired by police and finding prim face evidence filed charge sheets in the court and C.C. number allotted are only taken for examination. The entire exercise of Forum for Good Governance is not to sensationalize the issue but to request the concerned authorities like Police, Judiciary etc to take steps for quick disposal of cases.

During election period lot of cases were booked for influencing the voters by giving money and liquor. Crores of rupees, millions of liters of liquor was seized and cases booked, but subsequently lack of follow up action has created an impression that the long arm of law never reaches them. During our analysis of cases, we found that there are a number of court stay orders regarding investigation, arrest etc. The police should file stay vacation petitions, get the stay orders vacated and try for speedy disposal of cases.

Some case are pending for permission from Government to prosecute the Ms. L.A., Government should take quick decision on such matters.

THE CASES IN BRIEF :

Telangana :

Out of 119 MLAs 39 MLAs are facing charges (**33%**). The party wise details of tainted MLAs are TRS (22), TDP (4), INC (5), MIM (5), BJP (3).

Out of 17 MPs 3 Mps are facing charges (**18%**). The party wise details of tainted MPs are TRS (1), BJP (1), MIM (1).

One M.L.C., of TRS is facing charges.

Andhra Pradesh :

Out of 175 MLAs 60 MLAs are facing charges (**34%**). The party wise details of tainted MLAs are TDP (35), YSRCP (23), BJP (1) and Independent (1).

Out of 25 MPs, 8 MPs are facing charges (**32%**). The Party wise details of tainted MPs are TDP (4), YSRCP (4).

2 MLCs of TDP are facing charges.

Yours Sincerely

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