

# KERSI RANDERIA THE TRAITOR

Over the last few years much has been written about the 104 allottees cases decided by the Hon'ble High Court in October 2009, especially that the Orders were obtained by illegal means adopted by Yazdi Desai.

The then new Board Of Trustees were elected under the Revised Adult Franchise Scheme for the first time in October 2008 when the hitherto mode of Anjuman Committee members electing trustees was set aside and the trustees for the very first time were elected by the whole Parsi community members who were registered as voters with BPP, thanks to the efforts of late Rustom Tirandaz and Dinshaw Mehta.

Immediately after the elections in October 2008, the newly elected Board of Trustees comprising of **DINSHAW** MEHTA-CHAIRMAN, RUSTOM TIRANDAZ- DY. NOSHIR DADRAWALA, CHAIRMAN, ARNAVAZ MISTRY, YAZDI DESAI, JIMMY MISTRY AND KHOJESTE MISTRY-were faced with an unwelcome order dated 23rd January 2009 of the Joint Charity Commissioner obtained by Kersi Randeria, founder of AZA(Alert Zoroastrian Association) who had made the life of the earlier board in general and Dinshaw Mehta, Yazdi Desai and Khojeste Mistry in particular miserable by taking the new trustees to the Charity Commissioner at slightest excuse and not letting them function as Trustees at all.

It is reported that Kersi Randeria invested a lot of his personal funds into bribes and legal costs to obtain this victory for 104 allottees against the trustees before the Charity Commissioner in the hope of recovery of his investment with huge profit at the next board elections which he did win in 2015 under electronic voting by EVM machines.

You will recall that many of the 104 applicants for whom Randeria filed the application before the Charity Commissioner are the same people who continuously write on whatsapp groups against Mehta and others, on behalf of Randeria.

Coming back to the charity commissioner, another Order was passed dated 9th March 2009. The Trustees then moved the high court for relief against the charity commissioner's orders dated 23rd January 2009 and 9th March 2009 and filed Writ Petition no. 790 of 2009 before the Division Bench of Mumbai High Court.

The High Court rightfully set aside both the orders of the blatantly unjustified Charity Commissioner's Orders as also all interim orders passed by the Joint Charity Commissioner and appointed Hon'ble Justice B. N. Srikrishna, retired Justice of the Supreme Court of India as a one man Committee to examine the list of 104 allottees and decide and report to the Trustees who are then supposed to act in accordance with the report.

#### **NOW THE BRIBE QUESTION!**

Kersi Randeria and his paid supporters have been circulating messages and videos on Whatsapp since years that Kersi spent lakhs in the interest of the 104 allottees but Yazdi Desai got the charity commissioners favorable orders set aside by the High Court and replaced by Justice Srikrishna's Examination Report by similarly spending lakhs.

Now comes the twist in the tail.

THE ORDER PASSED BY THE DIVISION BENCH OF THE HIGH COURT IS "BY CONSENT OF BOTH PARTIES".

This means that Kersi Randeria on his own agreed and gave his consent to the Orders proposed to be passed by the High Court .Hence it was Kersi Randeria who is the traitor who obviously must have got a hefty kick back to set aside Charity Commissioner's orders and have them replaced by Justice Srikrishna's Report. At that time Kersi Randeria was desperate for funds as he had just started in 2008 his Slum Development Project in Ghatkopar W.

Will the community ever know the truth of the episode involving the Charity Commissioner, The High Court, Kersi Randeria And Yazdi Desai? One time bitter enemies during the 2008 elections and subsequently before the Charity Commissioner in number of cases after the 2009 kick backs after the High Court Order by Consent of all parties suddenly became partners in the 2015 elections.

To clear all doubts about the malafide but cunning action of Kersi Randeria, we give below the order of the Division Bench Of The High Court passed on 15th October 2009 in Writ Petition no. 790 of 2009 disclosing the true treachery by Kersi Randeria who himself consented to the Orders passed by the Bombay High Court. The first two lines para 1 of the Order dated 15th October 2009 reads

#### 1. "by consent of parties, petition is disposed of in following terms:"

In view of above, it is clear that the order was passed by the High Court by consent of parties which means in consent of all the parties concerned.

Which means Kersi Randeria backstabbed the 104 applicants for whom he had filed the case and taken a KICK BACK in cash for allowing an Order to be passed by CONSENT. The amount of kick back paid to Randeria will never be known to the community but with the record of Randeria of being arrested for fraud, battery, sexual assault - taking kick-backs would be no surprise to anyone.

If Randeria was aggrieved by the Order by the Hon'ble High Court, he could have challenged it. However, he let it become final because he took a hefty kick back to commence his fraudulent slum project for which another FIR has been filed against him.

Let us not forget today Randeria is heavily in debt. It is rumoured that as per Government Records, Randeria owes Banks over Rs. 50 Crores. It is alleged that He is in deep need for funds. Let us be assured, Banks will soon come to seize the properties of Randeria should he fail to service his debt. Community members should be cautious of dealing with a man with such antecedents. The High Court Order proclaiming Consent of all parties including Kersi Randeria is:

### IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY **ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION** WRIT PETITION NO. 790 OF 2009

Mr. Dinshaw Rusi Mehta & ors. ... Petitioners v/s.

The State of Maharashtra and ors. ...Respondents

Mr. Rafiq Dada, Sr. Advocate with Mr. Percy Gandhi i/b Mangesh D. Chavan for Petitioners.

Mr. D. A. Nalavade, GP for Respondents Nos.1 &2

Ms. Nilima Datta i/b Prakash Mahadik for Respondents Nos. 3 & 4.

Ms. Rajani Iyer, Sr. Advocate with Mr.K.G.Munshi i/b Shiralkar& Co. for intervenors.

Mr. Iqbal Chagla, Sr. Advocate with Mr. Zubin BehramKamdin, Ms. Anuradha Agnohotri

Ms. Gayatri Goswami i/b Bharucha & Partners for Intervenors.

CORAM: D.K.DESHMUKH, &

R.G.KETKAR, JJ

DATED: 15th October, 2009

P.C.:

### 1. By consent of parties, petition is disposed of in following terms:

- (i) The order dated 23rd January, 2009 passed by the Joint Charity Commissioner, copy of which is at Exh. U to the petition is set aside;
- (ii) The order dated 9th March, 2009, copy of which is at Exh. AA to the petition, is also set aside:
- (iii) Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. N. Srikrishna, Supreme Court (Retired) is appointed as one man committee to examine the list of 104 allottees to whom allotment of flats under the Merit Rating Scheme of the Parsi Punchayet, Bombay were made by the erstwhile Board of Trustees. The learned Committee shall examine whether the allotments are made in accordance with the Merit Rating Scheme.
- (iv) All the persons who are parties to this petition as also others whose names are in the list of 104 allottees shall be entitled to raise objections before the Committee, that they may consider fit to raise;
- (v) The Committee shall also inquire into the aspect of availability of the flats for allotment under the Merit Rating Scheme.
- (vi) The Board of Trustees shall place all the material and documents that the Committee shall direct them to produce before him.
- (vii) The Board of Trustees shall abide by the order that may be made by the Committee for the purpose of holding inquiry.

- (viii) The Committee shall submit its report to the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall act in accordance with that report.
- (ix) It is agreed by the parties that the parties shall appear before the learned officer through advocates or through the authorised representative and the Committee shall make the report as expeditiously as possible, as far as possible within a period of six weeks from the date of first meeting held by it.
- (x) The Joint Charity Commissioner is directed to make the final order in proceedings that are pending before him, filed under Section 41-D of the Act, as expeditiously as possible, in any case within a period of four weeks from today.
- (xi)It is made clear that no extension of time will be granted to the Joint Charity Commissioner for making the order.
- (xii)All interim orders made by the Joint Charity Commissioner are vacated. However, the Board of Trustees are directed not to make allotment of any flat under the Merit Rating Scheme until the report is submitted according to this order and allotments are made pursuant to that.
- (xiii) In view of disposal of Writ Petition, Notice of Motion No.157 of 2009 is also disposed of.

(D.K.DESHMUKH, J.) (R.G.KETKAR, J.)

### ભજન

કરું છું યાચના તને, સ્વિકારજે અર્પણ કરેલું આં પુજન લખાવજે હાથ પકડીને અતિ સુંદર એક દિવ્ય ભજન, સાંભળતા જ જેને, પ્રફલિત થઈ ઉઠે તન મન. શબ્દો ભલે હોય સીધા-સાદા પણ સ્પર્શે એ હૃદય-મન (ને) સાંભળતા જેને, જાગે સુસ્ત થઈ ગય્લું, આં અંતરમન સંગીત જેનું ઝનઝનાવે હૃદય ના હર તારને, ઝુમે કણ કણ. સ્વિકારજે આં પ્રાથના મારી, કરું છું જે, હૃદય, તન મન (થી) Armin Dutia Motashaw

# **VIKRAM JAGDALE'S FIR AGAINST KERSI RANDERIA**

In the Parsi Junction issue of 25th Oct. and 15th Nov. 2020, we had exposed how a sitting Trustee of Bombay Parsi Punchayet, Kersi Randeria, was cheating and swindling poor slum dwellers of their promised flats in a proposed Slum Redevelopment Project in Ghatkopar (W) since 2008 as well as their due payment of transit rent running into well over Rs. 7 crores. This was dishonesty to the displaced slum dwellers.

But even purchasers of sale portion of the project for valuable consideration have also suffered a similar fate of cheating and swindling of Booking amount paid as far back as 2014-15.

We had exposed how BPP sitting Trustee Kersi Randeria had taken Rs. 30 lakhs from a Purchaser, Vikram Jagdale, a Govt. servant working in Bhabha Atomic Research Center and whose mother is one of the affected slum dweller, for booking a flat in 2014-15 but later reneged on the deal and now alleges that the Rs. 30 lakhs was taken as a Loan at 18% Interest to deprive him of the rise in prices from Rs. 7000/ per sq.ft. at time of booking in 2014-15 to Rs. 24000/ at present.

Since Kersi Randeria had his own office in the same Slum area and believing in his statement that "WE ARE PARSIS AND PARSIS DO NOT CHEAT OR LIE". Jagdale had given the Rs. 30 lakhs in good faith without insisting on a receipt or agreement, Jagdale realised his folly and now only wants his money back with interest so that he can book a similar flat somewhere else.

He has tape recordings of Kersi Randeria where Kersi admits that Jagdale has booked a flat which recordings he has sent to us and which can be forwarded to anyone who wants to verify the truth of the booking deal. However knowing that Randeria is an expert in Court matters and it would take years and huge legal costs to get the flat, Jagdale has given up his dream of getting the booked flat and now wants only refund of Rs. 30 lakhs with Interest.



Vikram Jagdale and his family

But even that is not forthcoming and the poor man is running around from pillar to post to recover his huge deposit of Rs. 30 lakhs, which Randeria is promising every day to refund with interest at the earliest, but failing to do so for some reason.

However in the electronic media of WhatsApp and Facebook, his four paid goons, who by now are known to all, are viralling messages that Jagdale's claim is false and that other interested parties are spreading false messages to malign his name. To set the record straight and in the interest of Transparency and Accountability, we reproduce below the FIR filed by Jagdale at Ghatkopar(W).

However it must be remembered that Trustees of the BPP are a reflection of the whole community and when a sitting BPP Trustee Kersi Randeria defrauds a poor Govt. servant, our whole Parsi Community has to hang its head in shame. Jagdale had filed a complaint at Ghatkopar Police Station against Kersi Randeria in May 2019 but by use of money power, political influence and general lethargy of police, the investigation had not proceeded further and a poor man like Jagdale and his family continues to suffer hardship due to nonrefund of a sum of Rs. 30 lakhs which is a humongous amount for a poor man.

Ultimately following the advice of Chairman Yazdi Desai, he met the Commissioner of Police and finally an FIR was registered against Kersi Randeria on 30-01-2020 in Ghatkopar Police Station. Jagdale has already given a copy of the FIR to Kersi Randeria's wife Hutoxi but even then nothing has progressed about refunding his Rs. 30 lakhs with 18% Interest as promised by Kersi Randeria. He has sent us a full copy of all the documents to prove his charge of being defrauded of Rs. 30 lakhs.

However even 10 months after FIR is registered, the matter is still under investigation due to money power and political influence. It is rumored though not authentic news that Ghatkopar's

## KEEP ME SANE

People insane, worries have none, that's why, in a way, happy are those insane.

But their dear ones suffer, are embarrassed often; n undergo a lot of searing pain,

So, for the sake of my dear ones, in spite of my pain, please keep me sane.

All around there is chaos n politics dirty, Amidst all this muck, keep me sane.

Selfishness there is all around, saddens me this; yet amidst all this, keep me sane.

Some times disgusted I feel to see what's going around, o help me; keep me sane.

Lord your Earth is teeming with monsters, amidst these difficulties, keep me sane.

To see our beautiful religion declining is disheartening, help us, keep us sane

Extremists, terrorists, corrupt politicians are this Earth ruining, help me remain sane.

Greenery destroys insane humans, Nature weeps; how do I remain sane?

Sometimes I wish I was heartless, I wouldn't have to undergo pain, help me remain sane.

Help the devil within us die, grant us wisdom, please Lord, help me to remain sane.

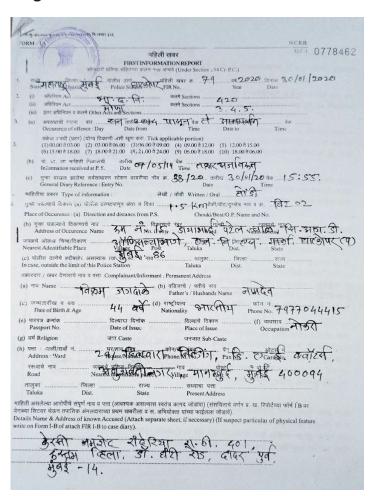
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strongman and BJP MLA Shri Ram Kadam had given his blessings to the Redevelopment of the Slum Project under Kersi Randeria's Ambaji Construction till Ram Kadam moved away realizing that the nefarious and cheating tactics of Kersi Randeria would also malign his name.

Perhaps Jagdale needs to approach Shri Ram Kadam to get his money back with interest at the earliest.

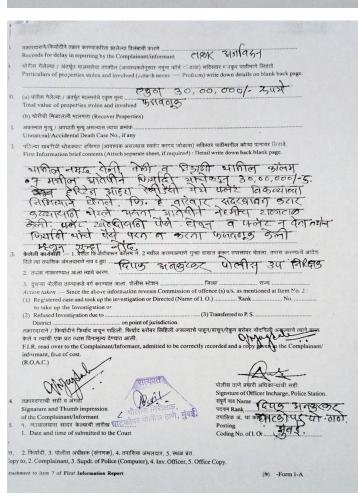
It is time our community stood up in defence of Vikram Jagdale that till his Rs. 30 lakhs are refunded, Kesi Randeria should be boycotted and ostracized from all community functions be it in a BPP Baug or any private function as he is besmirching the good name of our Parsi community.

#### FIR REPRODUCED BELOW:



जबाब दि. ३०/०१/२०२० विकम नामदेव जगराळे ध्य ४४ वर्षे धंटा नोकरी गाउँ २९ दिलवारा बिल्डिंग, डि ए ई क्वॉर्टर्स, अनुशक्ती नगर, मानखुर्द, मुंबई ४०००९४. मोबाईल क. ७९७७०४४४१५ मी वरीलप्रमाणे असून वर नमुद पत्त्यावर सन २०१२ पासून राहावयास आहे. माझे सोवत माझी आई नामे गंगुबाई, पत्नी निलीमा, मुलगा साहिल व मुलगी दुर्वा असे ग्रहतात. भी भाभा अणुशक्ती केंद्र, तुर्भे येथे टेक्निशियन म्हणून नोकरी करतो. माझे मुळ गांव मु. पो. लोणी मावळा ता. पारनेर, जि. अहमदनगर हे आहे. माझे आईच्या नावे रुम नं. १५, डायाभाई पटेल चाळ, सी आय डी ऑफिसच्या मागे, ला. व. शा. मार्ग. घाटकोपर प. मुंबई ८६ याठिकाणी घर होते. सदर ठिकाणी मी लहानपणापासून राहावयास होतो. आम्ही राहत असलेली चाळ सन २०१३ साली झोपडपट्टी पुनर्विकास योजनेअंतर्गत निष्कासित करण्यात आली असून त्याठिकाणी विकासक श्री, केरसी रंटेरिया यांची अंबाजी कंस्टक्शन ही कंपनी एनर्लिकासाने द्वाप करत आहे. सदर जागेवर विकासक श्री. केरसी रंदेरिया थांनी विकीसाठी 'हेरिटेज आहुरा रेसिडेन्सी' या नावाने नविन इनारत बांधकाम करणार असल्याचे आम्हा रहिवाशांना सोसायटीच्या मिटींगमध्ये सांगितले व नवीन इमारतीत फ्लॅट विकत घेण्याः कोणी इच्छक आहे का? याबाबत विचारणा केली, मी सरकारी नोकरदार असल्याने तसेच मला कर्ज प्रकरण मंजर होईल अशी खात्री असल्याने भी घर विकत घेण्यासाटी माजी इच्छा व्यक्त केली. सदर नवीन इमारत बांधकाम करण्यासाठी पंशाची आवश्यकता अयल्याने त्यांनी भांडवल गोळा करण्यास सरूवात केली. श्री. रदेरिया यांनी माझेकडे देखिल इमारतीमधील फ्लॅटसाठी पैशाची मागणी केली असता मी त्यांना डिसेंबर २०१४ मध्ये आरटिजीएस द्वारे अंबाजी कंस्ट्रक्शनच्या खाते क. ०५५१००१००००३२८७ सारस्वत बॅक विकोळी, मुंबई यावर चेक क. २१९११० एस बी आय बॅकेच्या चेलने रुपये १०,०००००/-- पाउविले. त्यानंतर मी माझे मुळ गावी मू. पो. लोणी मावळा, ता. पारनेर, जि. अहमदनगर येथे असणारी जमीन विकून दि. २६/०६/२०१५ रोजी चेक क २१०११३, व दि. २९/०७/२०१५ रांजी चेक क २१९११४ द्वारे प्रत्येकी दहा लाख असे एकूण २०,००००/- रुपये दिले. मी त्यांना एकण रूपये ३०,००००/— रूपये दिल्याची पावती मागितली असता त्यांनी मला हेरिटेज आहूरा रेसिडेंसी या बिल्डिंगचे कमेंसमेंट सर्टिफिकेट तीन ते चार महिन्यात मिळणार असल्याचे सांगितले व त्यानंतर ॲग्रिमेंट करु असे आश्वासन मी त्यांना बुकिंगसाठी म्हणून दिलेल्या रक्कमेची पावती वारंवार मागितली परंतु त्यांनी नेहमीच टाळाटाळ केली. सन २०१६ मध्ये हेरिटेज आहूरा रेसिडेंसी बिल्डिंगसाठी कमेंसमेंट सर्टिफिकेट मिळाल्यानंतर मी पुन्हा श्री. रंदेरिया यांच्याकडे ऑग्रिगेंटसाती भेटलो असता त्यांनी मला सांगितले की," मी माङ्या अकाउंट बुकमध्ये तु दिलेली रक्कम, कर्ज म्हणून दाखवली आहे, मी आता तुझ्यासोबत ऑग्रिमेंट केले तर मला अडचण येईल.'' त्यांनी मला थोडे दिवस थांबण्यास सांगितले व महारेरा सर्टिफिकेट मिळाल्यानंतर नवीन नियमांप्रमाणे व रेरा कायद्याप्रमाणे तुझ्याशी करारनामा करेन, असे सन २०१७ मध्ये रेरा कायदा आल्यानंतर मी पुन्हा त्यांचेकडे ऑग्रिमेट करण्यासाठी वारंवार भेटलो असता त्यांनी पुन्हा टाळाटाळ करण्यास सुरूवात केली. मध्यंतरी अंबाजी कंस्ट्वशनचे भागिदार श्री. अनिल नायर व श्री. हरक जैन यांच्या हेरिटेज हाउसिंग कार्पोरेशन यांचे खात्यातून ऑग्रिमेंट करुन देईन असे श्री. रांदेरिया यांनी सांगितले. मी श्री. अनिल नायर यांना केरसी रांटेरिया यांच्या विकोळी येथिल ऑफिसमध्ये भेटलो. श्री. नायर यांनी मला त्यावेळी जुन्या विकीन्या भावाने

आपहार अग्रिमेंट करणे परवडणार नाही असे रमध्यपणे सामितके औं रादेरिया यांना मी वारंवार भेटून ऑग्रिमेंटबाब विन्यारण केली तेज्य त्यांनी जुन्या विकीभावाप्रमाणे अग्रिमेट करण्यार नकार दिला. ्यानंतर काही दिवसांनी पुन्हा भेट झाल्यानंतर श्री रटेरिया यांनी त्यांना पैशाची गरज असल्याचे सांगृन मल पुना कर्ज काउण्यास सागितले. 'डि एच एफ एल फायनान्स कपनीच्या सववेंशन स्किम अंतर्गत मी तुइया नावाने कड भेती त्याचे दोन वर्षे हप्ते भी स्वतः भरेन. ऑग्निमेंट रुपये १५,०००/- पर चौरसफुट रेत कारपेट दराप्रमाणे वनवू. त्यापैकी मों नृत्याकडून रुपये १२,०००/— चौरस फुटप्रमाणे पैसे बेईंग व वाकीचे पैसे तुला परत करेन'' असे आस्वासन दिले. श्री म्हेरिया याची त्यांचे अकाउटंट अशोक शर्मा यांना भेटण्यास सामितले असता मी त्यांना श्री. संदेरिया यांच्या विकोळी येथिल ऑफिसमध्ये भेटलो. तेथे डिएचएफएल कंपनीचा कर्ज मंजूर प्रकरणाचा फॉर्म भरून दिला. सदर फॉर्मवर ऑग्रिमेंट रककम भरलेली नव्हती. मी त्याबाबत विचारणा केली असता त्यांनी ऑग्रिमेंट रककम नंतर भरणार असल्याचे मला लंबिण्यात आले. सदर फॉर्म व इतर कागदपत्रे त्यांनी डिएनएफएल कंपनीला पाठविल्यानंतर दि. ०१/०८ २०१८ रोजी डिएचएकएल कंपनीकडून माझे खात्यातून रुपये ३,०००/— इतकी खकम प्रोसेसिंग फि म्हणून बजा झालेले आहे. त्यानंतर मो माझे मोबईलद्वारे डिएचएफएल साईटवर जाउन माझा चौकशा क Eng. ID BRSC4256228 यावर चौकशी केली असता दि. ०१/०८/२०१८ रोजी रुपये ८२,६४,९२९/— इतक्या रक्कमचे कर्ज मंजूर झाले असल्याची माहिती मिळाली परंतू इतक्या मोद्या स्क्कमेचे कर्ज मला मंजूर होउ शकत नाही याची मला खात्री होती म्हणून मला शंका आली, त्यानंतर भी श्री, <mark>राटेरिया यांना पुन्हा भेटण्याचा प्रथत्न केला परं</mark>तू श्री, राटेरिया <mark>बाहेर गावी असल्याचे मला समजले</mark>. त्यानतर सप्टेंबर २०१८ मध्ये डि एच एफ एच कंपनीने सदस्वी कर्ज मंजुरी थांबवली होतो. त्यानंतर मी मागिल एक वर्षापासून ऑग्रमेंट करण्याबागत बारंबार भेटलो परंतू त्यांनी त्यानंतरही टाळाटाळ केली. मी कंटाळून त्यांना मी दिलेली o लाख रक्कम व्याजासह परत करण्यार सांगितले असता सन सप्टेंबर २०१८ पैसे देण्यास तयार झाले. परंत् त्यानंतर देखिल त्यांनी मला अद्यापपर्यंत पैसे एरत दिलेले नाहीत. तरी सन २०१४ पासून **ते अद्**यापपर्यंत हेरिटेज आहूरा रेसिडेंन्सी, सी आय डि ऑफिसच्या मागे, घाटकोपर प. मुंबई येथिल बांधकाम सुरु असणाऱ्या इमारतीत मी फ्लॅट विकत घेण्यासाठी रुपये ३०,०००००/— इनकी स्कम बुकींग -म्हणून विकासक श्री. केरसी रादेरिया यांना दिलेली असताना त्यांनी सदर रक्कमेची पावनी मला दिलेली नाही. फ्लॅटबाबत करारनामा करण्यासाठी मी वारंबार त्यांना भेटलो असता त्यांनी अद्यापर्यंत कारारनामा करण्यास टाळाटाळ केली. तसेच करारनामा करत नाहीत म्हणून मी माझी सर्व रक्कम परत मागितली असता त्यांनी अद्यापर्यंत मला माझे पैसे टेखिल परत दिले नाहीत. अशाप्रकारे विकासक केरसी रांदेरीया यांनी माझ्याकडून फ्लॅट खरेदीसाठी पैसे घेतले व फ्लॅट न देता माझी फसदण्क केली म्हणून त्याबाबत माझी श्री. केरसी रांदेरिया व अंबाजी कंन्स्टक्शन प्रा. लि. कंपनी यांची चौकशी कहन पुढील योग्य ती कारवाई होण्यास माझी तकार आहे. माज्ञा जबाब मराठीत संगणकावर टंकलिखीत करण्यात आला असून तो मी सागितल्याप्रमाणे बरोबर व खरा उ Ans. (दिपक अनकुरकर) परि.पोलीस उपनिरीक्षव घाटकोपर पोलीस ठाणे, मुंबई



# NO PARSI MEMBER ON NATIONAL MINORITY COMMISSION

Three years back, Vada Dasturji Khurshedji Dastur of Udvada, was nominated by the Central Govt. for a three year term after a small hiccup of first Dinshaw Tamboly being Recommended by the BPP to the Central Minority Minister for Nomination as the Parsi member to the National Minority Commission (NMC) and then for some unknown reason his Recommendation was suddenly cancelled which led to the Central Govt. directly nominating Vada Dasturji to the NMC.

The three year term expired on 31st March 2020 and since then the Central Govt and its Minority Minister Shri Naqvi Saheb have not nominated any other Parsi or extended the term of Vada Dasturji himself because the Central Govt. is disgusted with the in-fighting indulged in by the community with each Parsi pulling down any other Parsi climbing up in the crab like



Vada Dasturji Khurshedji Dastur

mentality that today's Parsis seem to exult and excel in.

We have been informed by the highest sources in the Govt., that though Parsis are revered and honored by all other communities of India, the biggest enemy of a Parsi is a Parsi and no one else. This jealousy that pervades all through our community is so rampant that the Govt. is disgusted with nominating any Parsi to the NMC.

We are told that ever since the term of Vada Dasturji started in the NMC, there has been a flurry of mails and vile abuses sent to the Minority Dept. running down Udvada's Vada Dasturji who has been kept in high esteem and regard by the Govt. Aside from the Orthodox members of our community continuously running down our revered High Priest the most guilty was that Parsi from America who is himself black-listed in his own state Association as well as Fezana and cannot attend any functions there, Baku Italia who non-stop interferes in our countries affairs instead of concentrating to American matters concerning Parsis.

Aside from the above, we have the unholy spectacle of one Rayomand Elavia of Surat who has done the most damage to our community reputation by non-stop complaining against Parsis in general and Vada Dasturji in particular and sending derogatory mails and calls to all Govt. Depts. running down our community all the time. Then we have Salcette's, Nariosang Nava who keeps on sending derogatory mails by the hundreds every day threatening last

chance. Only Dinshaw Tamboly sent him a legal notice and under threat of defamation Nava has stopped including him in his derogatory mails but still sends to hundreds of others demeaning all Parsis and addresses his mails to President of India, Prime Minister, Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India, Governor, Chief Minister, High Court, Charity Commissioner

and on and on.

With this continuous running down of all Parsis by these few mentally affected and jealous to the core Parsis, is it any wonder that the Govt. does not want a Parsi member on the Minority Commission or any other Corporation. It seems that for most Parsis Grapes are sour and only a mentally sick person will go on deriding a Parsi in the eyes of other communities.

As long as Parsis criticise Parsis within the four corners of our community, it is tolerable but once it breaches our community walls and reaches other communities and the statutory authorities like BMC, BEST, MHADA, State and Central Govts. and its various Departments and Corporations then it means the downfall of the whole Parsi community. It is rightly said that those that God wants to destroy they first make mad. We are on a self-destruct mode and all credibility which our fore fathers created for our community with so much sacrifice and personal hardship is now going to be lost at the alter of envy and jealousy.

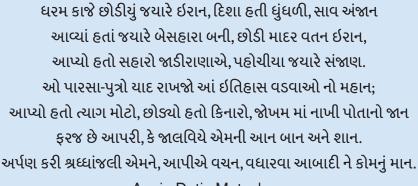
Let us all Parsis resolve to criticise/run down each other but only within our own community papers and no putting/pulling down each other in the national or secular press or any Govt. authority.

Coming back to recommending a Parsi to the NMC, he/she has to be non-controversial and not in public eye or have political overtures. We would like the Parsi community to start recommending names of non-controversial Parsis which the BPP could then forward to the Minority Minister.

As a starting point we recommend the names of Brigadier Jehangir Ankleseria, President of Ahmedabad Parsi Anjuman, who is noncontroversial and/or Advocate Phiroze Andhyarujina, both of who would bring glory to our community.

Let more names of non-controversial, nonpolitical background be brought before the community so that in a real democratic way BPP can recommend a suitable candidate as a Parsi member of the National Minority Commission.

### **TODAY ON SANJAN DAY**



Armin Dutia Motashaw

# DINSHAW MEHTA REPLIES TO FABRICATED **QUERIES OF KERSI RANDERIA**

In yesterday's (21st Nov 2020) Parsi Times, Kersi Randeria tries to answer the charges of cheating slum dwellers levied by Vikram Jagdale who paid Rs. 30 lakhs in 2014-15 to book a flat in the sale component of his Slum Development Project. The tape recordings of Kersi Randeria disclose that the amount was paid for booking a flat and not as a LOAN as now sought to be portrayed as the prices have risen more than three times since then.

If it was a loan at 18% Interest as confessed and admitted by him, then has Randeria paid even a rupee towards interest payment since last six years. Would anyone give a loan and not receive Interest of a rupee for the last six years. Are all of us that stupid to believe that Jagdale gave a loan and not advance for booking a flat. Even assuming it is a loan then why is Kersi Randeria not refunding his loan in spite of several requests from Jagdale. If he was honest and decent Kersi Randeria would have to refund around Rs. 80 lakhs including 18% compound interest to Jagdale.

Thus from the crores he has made from the slum development project, he should refund to Jagdale the admitted loan with 18% compound interest since he has not paid a single rupee as interest from 2014-15 till date. And the nuisance value of Jagdale's FIR and his applications to various statutory authorities would come to an end and Dinshaw Mehta and Phiroze Amroliwalla will not be able to use him any further to malign Kersi Randeria.

WILL KERSI RANDERIA SHOW HIS BONAFIDES BY REFUNDING VIKRAM JAGDALE THE LOAN WITH COMPOUND INTEREST FROM 2014-15 TILL DATE.

That would end one episode. What about the 150 slum dwellers who he has made houseless in the hope of slum redevelopment. Leave aside the new promised flats in the new buildings, he owes the slum dwellers over Rs. 7 crores as arrears of transit rent promised by him to them. Will he clear the arrears of transit rent or like other developers suck their blood to finance his own flashy life style with his gallivanting with every female he meets. His fidelity or actually the lack of it to his own

wife is well known to all and that is why his family has more or less disowned him.

What a liar and manipulator Kersi Randeria can be is evident when he writes that the thought of being the next Chairman never entered his mind till Dinshaw Mehta shared this nugget of information with him. During the period 2018-19, Kersi Randeria must have phoned up Dinshaw Mehta over 50 times and had numerous meetings with him singly and a few meetings in the office of Berjis Desai when Xerxes Dastur and Viraf Mehta were also present.

The main Agenda of these meetings was to amend the Election Scheme to ensure that Yazdi Desai could not stand for a third term. Right in the beginning Randeria started with the premise that he was not going to contest for a second term due to his business commitments and hence the Scheme needed to be amended to keep Yazdi out for a third term due to which Kersi Randeria proposed to reduce the term of a Trustee from 7 years to 5 years and from total three terms to reduce to two terms retrospectively so that Yazdi Desai gets disqualified to contest again. He was also insistent on Xerxis resigning in 2022 effectively reducing his term of 7 years to 4 years to which no one agreed.

Whilst all this meetings were going on and the Scheme modifications were being finalized, to a query of his contesting in 2022, all of us got a revelation where he brazenly admitted that of course he would stand and become the Chairman and then not allow any body to sell his flat or get any share in the tenancy value of his surrendered flat. Since this policy would be detrimental to all the 5000 residents of BPP flats including the Wadia Baugs, the camaraderie came to an end and further discussions on the changes to the Election Scheme did not proceed further and since then knowing the motives of Kersi Randeria, Dinshaw Mehta has been exposing Kersi Randeria for what he actually is and the façade he portrays otherwise.

GOD help us if he gets re-elected and becomes the Chairman. As it is his policy of opposing auction of flats with his Dissent

Notes published below the auction notice has brought BPP in to a great financial crunch. Till 2012 due to the pragmatic policy of auctioning high value flats the corpus of BPP rose from Rs. 16 crores in 1994 to around Rs. 250 crores in 2013. However since then a split in the Board took place with four Trustees on one side and three on the other. Due to this split further auctioning of flats as well as encashment of tenancy value of a flat came to an end.

When the new Board was elected in 2015, initially the Majority Trustees were treating Armaity Tirandaz and Viraf Mehta as untouchables denying them any Trustee right till they moved the High Court and got justice of orders to be treated equally as Trustees. Since Kersi Randeria was the defacto Chairman of BPP, he did not allow any high value flat to be auctioned nor allow any tenant to encash and share in the tenancy value of his flat. This continued till 2018 when the Trustees started feeling cash crunch and decided to resume auction of high value flats but again due to his dissent note below the public notice the prices got depressed or there were no takers. Hence the present plight of the BPP is a direct consequence of the thick headed policy of Kersi Randeria.

As regards the claim made by Kersi Randeria in his Parsi Times that Dinshaw Mehta got angry because Parsi Times broke the news of the charge sheet filed by the police against him is laughable. The charge sheet is a joke as it cites that Rs 25 lakhs cash was allegedly kept by me for six months after which it was refunded to Musharraf and replaced by cheques. What then is the cheating? The complaint itself discloses what happened to the cash but since the matter is sub-judice I cannot say more. Let the trial begin and truth will prevail. There has been no denial from Kersi Randeria and co-accused Musharraf that he was called not to BPP Office but to Yazdi Desai's work place at Writer Corporation Office at Byculla where Kersi Randeria blackmailed him to agree to give Affidavit of cash given to CEO and returned by Dinshaw Mehta or he would ensure closure of his Guest House business. In June 2016 Kersi Randeria gave Musharraf the Resolution signed by all seven Trustees

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accepting his tenancy of Dadi House flat with one hand and took the required Affidavit of Musharraf with the other hand.

Kersi Randeria falsely alleges that Dinshaw Mehta publicly admitted that he gave money to a High Court Judge to influence a favorable verdict. He should read the Order itself which is by CONSENT OF ALL PARTIES which is published in this very issue of Parsi Junction and hence if Randeria gave his Consent then where was the need or necessity for any bribe to be given. Yes Kersi Randeria may have accepted the bribe to agree as he was

desperate for funds for his Slum Development Project started in 2008. But there was no need for any bribe to the Judge as the Order was by Consent of Kersi Randeria.

Kersi Randeria then alleges that Dinshaw Mehta took home the Rs. 25 lakhs cash for six months—funds that belonged to the BPP Trust according to Kersi Randeria. Since matter is subjudice the evidence will disclose the truth at time of trial. Instead of cunningly doing this trial by media Kersi Randeria should await the trial and Judgment. Truth will ultimately prevail.

Kersi Randeria then alleges that the Dinshaw Mehta raked up the Jagdale issue to hide his charge sheeted offense. Randeria admits that he took Rs. 30 lakhs from Jagdale in 2014-15 and Complaint was filed in May 2019 at Ghatkopar Police Station and FIR registered on 30-1-2020. The original complaint of misappropriation of Rs. 25 lakhs is now reduced to just a charge sheet of cash Rs. 25 lakhs used for six months and then returned to Musharraf makes it evident that releasing such news is in no way detrimental compared to the earlier charges.

### GOSSIP VS HYPOCRACY

Rumours are carried by Haters Spread by fools Accepted by idiots

They must be
Having such
Petty minds
Can't accept
The fact that
Some are smarter
Than others

As Moliere once said:
"One should examine
Oneself for a very long time
Before condemning others"

These people suffer
From a low self esteem
Including inferiority complex
So picking on others
By using the
Herd Mentality
They feel great but
Doesn't fix the problem.

I just would like to add:
"Do unto others
As you have them
Do unto you"

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I would like to add: Be Happy with what you have and if you want to achieve something in life & be a somebody then work at it rather than bad mouthing others

Choicest Happiness Farida

# PHIROZE AMROLIWALLA REPLIES TO PARSI TIMES

The Editor,

The owner of Parsi Times in his own paper of November 21, 2020, loudly proclaims "Kersi Randeria Resolves Queries From Community Members". Randeria are you serious? Is this what you call resolving queries? Randeria---the Prosecutor, Judge and Jury! He

frames his own queries and goes on to answer them! Great strategy!

Randeria you are vindictively obsessed with Dinshaw Mehta and you have allowed that obsession to carry forward to his son Viraf who is your colleague with equal or perhaps better standing and credibility than you. Overcome your Mehta phobia and you will be able to see things from the right perspective. You use your own publication to blow your own trumpet.

Also because of your vindictive attitude towards me you denied one square meal from the BPP kitchen during the lockdown to a senior resident of Mahim whose large flat will revert to the BPP. And you portray yourself as the Messiah of the community! Kersi Randeria, you are the epitome of hypocrisy! Worse still, you have, by association besmirched the fair name of a colleague trustee whom you depend on and whom you continue to fool! Hopefully one day he will realize his folly of trusting you implicitly but it may be too late despite your money and muscle power! To print all the evidence against you will require reams of newsprint but I assure readers that it is heavy enough to prove your guilt not merely as a trustee of



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the BPP but even in your various other enterprises.

Is this what you call resolving queries? Keeping Jagdale aside for the moment, even after months of my accusations against you for the various acts of commission and omission as a trustee, neither you nor your co-trustees have as YET

DENIED A SINGLE ONE CATEGORICALLY. And you have the temerity to say that you have resolved queries. One should learn from you how to brush dirt under the carpet and get your cronies and chamchas to do the dirty work for you.

Have you or have you not:

A) Facilitated the transfer of your kaka's flat to your mother and added the name of your nephew as residing in the BPP owned Contractor Building at Byculla when both of them live in Godrej Baug in your sisters flat? As a trustee, you desire others to surrender such flats in keeping with the BPP policy to "house the poor and deserving of our Community". By what criteria is your mother "poor and deserving" when she is a director with you in a 100 Crore company? Please note that my question is directed at you and not at your mother. May God grant her long and healthy life!

B You favored one Kaikhushru Irani of "Poll Khol" with a flat in Palmlands, Contractor Baug, Mahim. You misguided the Board into believing that Mr. Irani had lost his eviction case filed by the Petit Trust and is without a roof over his head

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when in fact he had won, and he promised to reimburse BPP Rs.40 lakhs for which you stood guarantee. Where is that Forty Lakhs for the last three years? A loss to the BPP and gain for.....?C) You allot a flat worth Rs.60 Lakhs at Godrej Baug to your business partners relative for a donation of Rs.8 lakhs only even when the applicant was ready to Deposit Rs.30 lakhs. Why? And what about the loss of interest on the 22 lakhs? Who profited out of this deal? Had this flat been publicly auctioned, the BPP would have realized the full market value. Another loss to the BPP?

D) The printing of your "Dissent" under all advertisements for the Auction of BPP flats on a Security Deposit basis is a façade. This is done by you primarily to dissuade genuine parties so that these unsold flats can be then "allotted" by you to your chosen few as in (C) above.

E) If you are that clean and clear why don't you publish the list of the 150 allottees with true and complete details of their names, reasons for allotment and terms and conditions on which these allotments were made. This publishing is imperative as you have scrapped the Merit Rating Scheme and resort to rampant ad hoc allotments without any laid down guidelines.

F) You wasted Rs 80 lakhs of charity funds by trying to keep out Armaity Tirandaz, Muncherji Cama, and Viraf Mehta from all BPP Matters, minutes, and files due to which the High court after rapping your knuckles warned you to stop behaving like a dictator and to give them all rights as Trustees. Since your son worked with the highest charging Counsel, in an effort to repay him you employed him to fight your indefensible case. What a waste of community funds.

Kersi Randeria, if you really want to set the record straight, then answer truthfully all the queries raised by me so far, instead of trying to deflect attention from the real issues. The community would like us to put an end to washing dirty linen in public so why don't you respond to my queries on an affidavit and we can close the matter.

Kersi Randeria, Instead of truthfully answering my queries you accuse me of being a crony of Dinshaw Mehta. May I remind you for the umpteenth time that it was you who attempted to make me your crony all through the years that we have known each other? Having miserably failed because I value my independence and integrity and cannot stoop to your level, you

keep changing your accusations with regards to my flats. I repeat that Kersi Randeria tried to silence my protests on the steep increase in service charges by offering a complete waiver of the increase on all my flats and went on to suggest that I "sell" them with his help and settle down in Toronto where my son is working. This was done in two meetings between Kersi and me at Café Cofee Day at (Farmer bros.) Dadar on or around March 2017 and at Café Coffee Day at Mahim on his wedding anniversary on May 7, 2017. I wanted him to repeat these offers in the presence of his colleague trustees the late Zarir Bhathena and Noshir Dadrawala which he did on May 24/25 2017 at 8.30 am at the Grand Maratha Hotel Lalbaug. I have stated this through several printed messages and emails over the last few years and none has denied this.

Whenever I have asked inconvenient questions you have raised the issue of either keeping my flats locked or not paying the rent or being away in Canada and all these accusations have been demolished by me. Now you have come out with a new false accusation of "illegally combined two adjoining flats". I have been residing in these flats for the last nearly 35 years and have all the required permissions which can be presented at the appropriate time. Your problem is that you have this Mehta fixation and you are under an erroneous impression that I owe my flats to Mr. Dinshaw Mehta. Get it very clear into that vindictive mind of yours that my family is in use and occupation of the flats from the time that the buildings were built and that Mr. Mehta was not even a trustee then.

You first attempted to dispossess me of my flats by encouraging me to sell them so that perhaps you could profit out of such deals, and then resorted to excuses for eviction on grounds of either keeping my flats locked or not paying the rent or being away in Canada. I successfully demolished all these accusations.

Having failed in these attempts you now accuse me of "illegally combined two adjoining flats". Has this dawned on you now after my stay of 35 years? And what were you and your legal team doing when you sent me the notices for eviction last year immediately after I left for Toronto and which does not mention any such

Wherever and whenever applicable, my family and I always secure all permissions of the concerned authorities. For your information we have even secured permission for fixing Western style toilets, grills/collapsible gates and Aluminium windows after paying scrutiny and all other required fees.

I hope wiser counsel prevails and all my queries will be answered.

Phiroze Amroliwalla

### **WOMEN ARE SO** DIFFICULT

Women are so difficult; always changing their minds.

At 18, they want handsome men.

At 25, they want mature men.

At 30, they want successful men.

At 40, they want established men.

At 50, they want faithful men.

At 60, they want helpful men.

Men are very simple; they never change their taste for any changing condition in

At 18, they like pretty woman.

At 25, they like pretty woman.

At 30, they like pretty woman.

At 40, they like pretty woman.

At 50, they still like pretty woman At 60, stll they like pretty woman.

Even at 70 & 80 when they can barely

move, they still like pretty woman. 👄 😁 \*Dedicated to all Men for their disciplined behaviour\*.

\*HAPPY INTERNATIONAL MEN'S DAY\*

### **HAPPY MANS DAY**

- 1. You can't spell Madam without the Adam in it.
- 2. Neither can you spell Woman without the Man
- 3. You also cannot spell Female without the Male
- 4. Nor spell She without the He
- 5. You most definitely cannot spell Mrs without the Mr...
- 6. ... and finally, in prayers, we continue to say Amen and not A-women...

\*Dedicated to All Wonderful MEN\* 🥯 Happy International Men's Day





## ADEN FIRE

I would like to narrate a really interesting and inspiring story, which has been wiped out from the pages of Indian history.

During the 1800s, Aden had become an extremely prosperous port city and a home to thriving business. About a thousand Parsis (Zarathustis) belonging to business and shipping community had settled in Aden by the end of 19th century. The Parsis also built a fire temple in Aden to cater to their spiritual and religious needs.

A unique characteristic of Parsi religious fire known as 'Atash' - is that it is an amalgamation of fire from 16 hearths, of which 14 are from different occupational hearths (fire from a blacksmith's hearth, shepherd's hearth, baker's hearth, etc.), 15th from a funeral pyre and the 16th from a fire caused by natural lightning. The core and fundamental religious belief of the Parsis states that this religious fire - Atash - must remaining burning uninterrupted and must be protected at any cost so that the fire is not even seen by any non-Parsi.

In 1967, the British left Yemen and the country became a hardcore communist country. With no respect to religious sentiments of anyone, the communist government of Yemen wanted to seize the Parsi temple, which would mean an end to the religious fire - that should have burned uninterrupted without the flames being doused. This was becoming difficult and so the Parsis started to look for another country where they can carry this fire.

The land route of carrying this fire would be sacrilege as the holy fire would have to pass through Islamic territories, which would mean sacrilege. Another dilemma was that the fire could not be directly carried on ships as it is not allowed for the religious fire to be on water. Yemen was not coordinating and helping the Parsis with this problem of 'spiritual existence'.

When things seemed grim for the Parsis, \*India\* agreed to host. The story doesn't end here, rather gets more interesting from here. It took a lot of diplomatic efforts to figure out a concrete plan - not just to bring the fire from Aden to India, but also by protecting all the religious sentiments. PM Indira Gandhi, Foreign Minister Y.B.Chavan and Field Marshal Sam Maneckshaw took the matter in their hands.

\*It was planned that India will send an Air India Boeing 707, manned by ALL-PARSI CREW, with Parsi priests to receive the fire from Aden. This was a difficult task because Air India needed Parsi pilots\*

There were a few, but they had been flying other planes and hence needed to train and complete flying hours needed to fly 707. After a lot of efforts, this finally happened on 14 November 1976. \*Captain Sam Pedder\*, a Parsi, took off for Aden. Once the flight landed, it was not touched by any ground staff at Aden airport to maintain the sanctity of the plane that would carry the holy fire.

All along this, \*Air India\* had reconfigured this Boeing 707 first class to carry LIVE BURNING FIRE - first and only incident in the world when a plane has carried live fire in flight. With prayers, chants and all customs followed, the fire was loaded into the all-Parsi plane that took off for Mumbai. To prevent the fire from dying, sandalwood was continuously being added to it inside a pressurised plane cabin at the altitude of 30,000 feet. Any spark could have resulted in a massive catastrophe. Thankfully, with all care, the plane landed safely.

Once it reached Mumbai, the fire again had to be protected from the sight of non-Parsis to protect the religious sentiments. It was planned by now that the holy fire would rest in a Parsi temple in Lonavala. The entire Mumbai - Lonavala stretch of road was blocked for public and a green corridor was created. The fire was unloaded and escorted by Parsis in cars and eight buses. The holy fire, finally, reached its new home in 1976.

\*Can any country in the world show an example of love for a religion whose followers are only ~50,000 in number all across the country! The last label anyone in the world can attribute to India, is of intolerance. Show me an example of tolerance greater than this!\*

## **JEALOUSY**

They say there are Seven Deadly Sins One of them is Jealousy There may be Many sins out there Where does one begin?

Some people will try to expose What is wrong with you Because they can't stand What is right about you

Jealousy is like an octopus Wrapping it's tentacles Tightly Around you Clenching so tight Won't leave you Until you're blue

We all like to have What others have Or aspire to be like them But there is a saying In French: "Sois-Meme" (Be yourself)

Be happy in How you lead Your life Cause It's nobody's concern The more happier one gets It ups the jealous one's Temperature

Lastly I end: "Happiness is to those who seek happiness for others

Choicest Happiness Farida