



Foundation for Restoration of National Values

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Dear Friends of FRNV,

Business Corporations in India have a big role to play in value restoration in the country. Other than being involved in revenue generation, both inside the country and abroad, they also impact the lives of all the citizens, directly or indirectly.

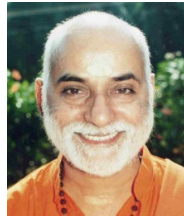
The various corporations should take it upon themselves to introduce systems and practices in their organizations, which reinforce ethics and help the corporate citizen imbibe and 'live' values. Their policies regarding external interactions (with Government agencies, other corporations and the society) should also reflect their commitment to the cause of building a value-based society. What applies to the business corporations also applies to the public sector, NGOs, etc..

It is high time that the businesses recognize their responsibility to the society and environment, towards building a sustainable civilization.

Editorial Team

**UPHOLD THE NATIONAL VALUES –
ARREST THE WIDESPREAD DOWNFALL**

We have to persuade the leaders, in various branches of National life, and through them the people, to rediscover and re-associate with the Nation's time tested values, applicable to all walks of life, so that all concerned will become strong, committed and persuasive in their personal, official and social conduct. The imperative good governance, educational system, opportunity and encouragement, should be felt by all concerned, persuading them to give the best, for the country and people.



It is important that in our thoughts and dissemination of National values, their eternal relevance should be preserved, by dissociating them from any undue religious biases. Values never go time-barred, as they relate to the mind and intelligence, which do not change their structure.

The need is to strengthen our understanding, about the National call for value inculcation, in its wholesome relevance. The need and compulsion will be, to relate it nationally, with an emergent note of realism and propriety, so that the Authorities and people alike will take them, with patriotic fervour. Enlightenment and persuasion are the tools, with which we have to lead this grand mission.

FRNV Initiatives

Electoral & Administrative Reforms

FRNV has initiated action in the following areas:

Code of Ethics for Ministers/MPs/MLAs etc.: The 2nd Administrative Reforms Commission had recommended that there should be Code of Ethics for Ministers/MPs/MLAs/other elected representatives. Government is not inclined to accept this recommendation since there already exists a Code of Conduct. But it is well known that the Code of Conduct is not being observed by elected representatives in Parliament/State Legislatures.

Prosecution for acts of criminal nature committed within Legislature/Parliament: Thanks to immunity from prosecution for acts of criminal nature committed within the Legislature/Parliament, unruly scenes involving elected representatives, denigrating the dignity of the House have been witnessed. The 2nd ARC has recommended

that this immunity should be withdrawn. If this recommendation were accepted and implemented, the dignity of Parliament and Legislatures would be restored.

Performance of Elected Representatives to be audited: People who vote for a candidate in elections have the right to monitor his/her performance and seek recall in case the candidate does not perform or underperforms. This is the underlying power of democracy. Therefore, transparent systems should be developed by Government to monitor performance of elected representatives and made easily available to members of the public.

Police Reforms

Following the directives issued by the Supreme Court to implement Police Reforms, only 12 of the States are in compliance, and that too partially. FRNV proposes to carry out the following:

- Meet the Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs to request him to urge the different states to move forward in the matter.
- It is learnt that the Prime Minister is calling a meeting of the Chief Ministers of the different states to discuss matters relating to 'Internal Security'. FRNV proposes to request the Prime Minister to use this opportunity to take up the implementation of Police Reforms also.
- Meet the United Progressive Alliance Chairperson to persuade the Alliance to expedite implementation of Police Reforms, which is also as per their Election Manifesto.

WE URGE YOU TO PARTICIPATE

A National Movement on Values Restoration can only be successful if more and more people with a passion for bringing about change come forward to participate in this. For reaching out to the different corners of our country, FRNV proposes to start Regional Chapters in the different regions.

We invite you to participate in this noble cause by doing the following:

- Encourage as many people as you can to demonstrate value-based living.
- Inform people about FRNV. Urge them to join this movement by becoming a Friend of FRNV.
- Write to us with your suggestions. If you wish to more actively participate in the activities, please do let us know.

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NEWS

1. We are happy to share with you that Dr. Gopal Ganesh, (IAS, retd.) Former Chairman, Ghaziabad Development Authority has joined FRNV as a Vice President.
2. Sri. Ravi Raj Atrey has joined FRNV as an Administrator.
3. FRNV Executive Committee Meeting was held on 30th December. The past years activities were reviewed and a plan was drawn out for combating corruption.

We are keen to receive your suggestions & feedback. Please send an email to frvindia@gmail.com