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Shiv Sena - Haveli, Maharashtra



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INC - Hingoli, Maharashtra



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19th January 2019

Raj Bhavan, Chennai.

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From the Desk of Editor-in-Chief



Greetings from all of us @ The Editorial Team to our readers.

We have started the year with a bang. The 10th Edition of the 'Sansad Ratna Awards', creating a landmark, was held on Saturday, 19th January 2019 at the prestigious Durbar Hall at Raj Bhavan, Chennai. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, Shri Banwarilal Purohit was the Chief Guest. And the national television channel, Doordarshan telecast the event live through its Chennai-based channel, Pothigai.

Durbar Hall was adorned with the presence of 12 award-winning top performing Members of Parliament (MPs), as they went up to receive the awards personally from the Hon'ble Governor. We took this opportunity to also recognise the support and contributions made by some organisations and individuals to our various initiatives.

This month's issue of PreSense is dedicated to the event. Therefore, take your time to read the report on the event, and study the performance of the award-winning MPs, which included the Chairman of the award-winning Standing Committee for Finance. You can watch the video recordings of the event, in the YouTube links that we have provided.

We are pleased to inform that we received felicitation messages on the occasion from the Hon'ble Vice-President of India and the Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha, besides the Hon'ble Governors of Kerala, West Bengal and Mizoram, and also the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh.

The 'Sansad Ratna Awards' is an award by 'We the People of India', viz the civil society. The 'Sansad Ratna Awards' has found its place in model questions for several public exams for banks and civil services, since 2016. The 'Sansad Ratna Awards' has come a long way from its first modestly held event ten years ago. Its growth in visibility, recognition of its credibility and acknowledgement of its status, was made possible, thanks to the many team members and volunteers who worked relentlessly, even against the odds of last-minute changes in execution of plans, to bring out a successful event. We are grateful to the them.

Even as the preparations for the 'Sansad Ratna Awards' was on, a seminar was held by one of our initiatives, DiSAI (Digital Security Association of India) in the first week of the month. It turned out to be an informative daylong session, with experts in the field contributing their bit of knowledge for the benefit of the people who attended it.

I hope you will enjoy this edition. Please share your feedback with us at editor@corpezine.com. Your feedback is important to us.

Susan

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Editorial

Celebrate Heroes, not Anti-Heroes

The 10th edition of Sansad Ratna Awards' function was held on 19th January 2019 at Raj Bhavan. It was organised by your eMagazine PreSense to honour outstanding Indian Parliamentarians. Out of the 12 awardees, 4 were first-time Members of Parliament (MPs). Our recent analysis of the performance of Lok Sabha Members till the end of the Winter Session 2018 revealed that first-time MPs performed excellently in the House. We also found them enthusiastic about their contributions in their respective constituencies.

Unfortunately, we have also observed that the media tends to focus on, and project 'anti-heroes' to a greater extent than the 'real-heroes', who have been dedicated and committed in their work. In the past one decade of our experience with the Sansad Ratna Awards, we have observed that many times, the main line media have not found the success story of these achievers and heroes of the Indian Parliament, newsworthy.

Let alone the media, even political parties tend to ignore these heroes. There seems to be a high level of 'insecurity' in the second and middle level leadership in many parties, when they find active, vibrant youth in their own cadre. These seniors seem to dissuade these young and vibrant leaders from showcasing their talents. A couple of years ago, when an active Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) of a regional party won an award at the national level for his performance, he desisted from publicising his achievement. Instead, he kept the information confidential in order to safeguard himself from the displeasure of the party leadership.

During the recent 10th edition of the Sansad Ratna Awards event, one of the vibrant volunteers belonging to a particular regional political party, shared his 'selfie' taken with an award-winning Parliamentarian who belonged to a different political party. That same night, he was removed from his party position. At the same event, another volunteer belonging to a different regional party avoided being seen with the awardees belonging to parties of opposite ideologies. When asked, he replied, "I would be suspended from my party, if they knew about my meeting with MPs of opposite ideologies". This seems to be the 'tolerance' that political parties display within their parties while they propagate the ideology of tolerance on the public forum.

PreSense appeals to all political parties, particularly the regional parties, to show maturity and better tolerance in their attitude and allow their junior cadre and young leaders to mingle with leaders of other parties and ideologies. A well-informed and knowledgeable cadre is the strength of the party, and to build our beloved nation.

India is getting ready for the election of Parliamentarians for the 17th Lok Sabha. All the political parties are identifying their candidates for the Lok Sabha elections. PreSense appeals to the leaders of all the political parties to select as many young and vibrant candidates as possible, who do not carry any criminal record. Political parties can evolve their own mechanism to identify these real 'heroes' within their own ranks. PreSense also appeals to parties to identify the talents within their own cadre and promote them in the interest of the nation, instead of confining only to known faces.

by Prime Point Srinivasan, Publisher & Mg. Editor, PreSense



The Journey of Sansad Ratna Awards: 2010 - 19

About Sansad Ratna Awards

The Sansad Ratna Awards was instituted by Prime Point Foundation and eMagazine PreSense in 2010, to honour top performing Parliamentarians based on various performance parameters, every year after the Budget Session. This Award was instituted as suggested by late Dr Abdul Kalam, former President of India, to honour the achievers.

The first edition was held on 1st May 2010 at Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya, Chennai in the presence of local citizens. Dr Abdul Kalam had himself launched the first edition of the Award from Delhi through tele-conference. Incidentally, Dr Kalam devoted an entire chapter on the Sansad Ratna Awards in his last book, 'A Manifesto for Change'. (see picture above)

Parliamentarians who work sincerely and have rendered good service. We need to appreciate their work.

Performance of MPs

The performance of MPs in the Lok Sabha is assessed on four parameters: (a) debates participated, (b) questions raised, (c) introduction of private members bills and (d) attendance. Generally, the top performing MPs in the Lok Sabha did well in their constituencies too.

In this regard, the Prime Point Foundation and PR-e-Sense, two non-governmental organizations, have been honouring the country's top performing MPs every year since 2010 by bestowing them with 'Sansad Ratna' awards. They analysed their performance

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The prestigious 10th edition was held on 19th January 2019 at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Chennai with Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu presenting the Awards.

A Jury Committee headed by Shri Anandrao Adsul (fifth-time MP), along with Shri Hansraj G Ahir (Minister of State – Home, and fourth-time MP) and Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal (Minister of State – Parliamentary Affairs & Water Resources, and second-time MP) selected the Award winners. The Jury Committee members, who are outstanding Parliamentarians themselves in terms of their performance in the Parliament, were honoured with the 'Sansad Maha Ratna' Awards for their sustained performance in the 15th Lok Sabha. The selection was done through a transparent process based on the performance data provided by Lok Sabha Secretariat and PRS Legislative Research.

During the period of 10 years, 61 Parliamentarians have been honoured based on their performance in the House.

This is the only Award in India presented to top performing Parliamentarians on behalf of the 'civil society', viz. 'We the People'. The journey continues.....

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Report

10th Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards



Sansad Ratna 2019 Awardees

Sitting: L to R – Dr Veerappa Moily, T S Krishnamurthy, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Sri Banwarilal Purohit, Bartruhari Mahtab, Ananda Bhaskar Rapolu

Standing: L to R – Nishikant Dubey, Rajani Patil, Dr Heena Gavit, N K Premachandran, Rajeev Shankarrao Satav, Supriya Sule, Dhananjay Bhimrao Mahadik, Shrirang Appa Barne, Anurag Thakur

The 10th edition of the Sansad Ratna Awards was held at Durbar Hall in Raj Bhavan, Chennai in the afternoon of Saturday, 19th January, 2019. The chief guest for the occasion was Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, Shri Banwarilal Purohit. He was joined on stage by Shri T S Krishnamurthy, former Chief Election Commissioner of India, and Patron of the Sansad Ratna Awards Committee, Shri K Srinivasan, (Chairman, Prime Point Foundation, Founder, Sansad Ratna Awards, and Managing Editor, eMagazine PreSense), Shri Bhawanesh Deora, (President, Sansad Ratna Awards Committee), and Smt Susan Koshy, (Editor-in-Chief, eMagazine PreSense). Smt Sukruti Narayanan (Editorial Team Member of PreSense) was the Anchor for the afternoon and she guided the audience through the function.

The event commenced with the invocation song, *Thamizh Thai Vazhthu*. After felicitating the Hon'ble Governor and Shri Krishnamurthy with bouquets, Shri Srinivasan rendered his welcome address. He took the audience through the journey of the Sansad Ratna Awards, and enlightened them about the selection process for the Awards. He then submitted an ardent appeal to the Parliamentarians, requesting them to review the Education Loan Scheme and propose changes that would benefit the students who were the future of India.

The Sansad Ratna Awards Committee had received felicitations from several dignitaries, viz Hon'ble Vice-President of India, Shri Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha, Smt



Sumitra Mahajan, Hon'ble Governor of Kerala, Justice (Retired) P Sathasivam, Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal, Shri Kesari Nath Tripathi, Hon'ble Governor of Mizoram, Shri Kummanam Rajasekharan and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Yogi Adityanath. Smt Susan Koshy read out the felicitation messages to the audience.

Shri T S Krishnamurthy, in his address, shared his perspective about democracy and then appealed to the Parliamentarians to consider proposing elections reforms in their manifesto for the forthcoming elections, for the sake of democracy. He also submitted a suggestion for institution of *Nirvachan Ratna Award* in a similar format to that of the Sansad Ratna Awards, to recognise the outstanding officials doing yeomen service in election work.

The Hon'ble Governor then presented citations to Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM), Canara Bank, PRS India, Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology, Dr P.Ganesan and Shri Triambak Sharma, in acknowledgement of their support to the initiatives of Prime Point Foundation, eMagazine PreSense and the Sansad Ratna Awards Committee over the years.



Dr Veerappa Moily, Chairman of Finance Committee receiving the Sansad Ratna Awards from Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Shri Banwarilal Purohit. The other Finance Committee Members joined him to receive the Award.

The outstanding performing Members of Parliament (MPs) were then invited on stage individually to be presented the Award by the Hon'ble Governor. They were felicitated with a *Ponnadai* (shawl) and a Citation, followed by a photo session with the Hon'ble Governor, to a standing ovation by the audience.

The Hon'ble Governor then presented his address, wherein he shared some advice and tips as well as his personal experience as Member of Parliament, with the Parliamentarians. He added a couple of anecdotes that were useful to Parliamentarians and political aspirants. The Governor urged the MPs to do their best to sustain the spirit of democracy and take the country forward.

Shri Bhawanesh Deora, President of the Sansad Ratna Awards Committee rendered the Vote of Thanks. The function concluded with the national anthem.

Editorial Team

Honouring Supporting Organisations

Some organisations and individuals have been supporting our eMagazine PreSense and Sansad Ratna initiatives during the journey of 10 years. PreSense honoured them during the Sansad Ratna Awards 2019 event.



IIT Madras - Dr Sudarsan Padmanabhan



Sathyabama University - Dr Mariazeena Johnson



PRS Legislative Research - Dr M R Madhavan



Canara Bank - Abdul Azeez



Dr. P Ganesan (Sivakasi)



**Triambak Sharma
(Cartoonist from Raipur)**

Excerpts from Speeches Delivered

Shri Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu



".....The Parliament is a place where major matters affecting the nation or the state are raised and discussed. The Member of Parliament thus has a major role to play in helping the destiny of the nation. The Member of Parliament can use this platform to raise issues concerning his constituency, his state and the nation. But it should always be remembered that the functioning of the Parliament should always serve the national purpose.

.....The role of the social media in today's life cannot be downplayed. They have greater reach especially among the youth and the urban population of the country. Most of the Hon'ble Members are making use of the social media to their advantage as well as for the benefit of the people. Yet again, I urge upon them to use this platform wisely for the betterment of their constituencies, say, for the propaganda of the welfare schemes of the government so that it reaches a large number of the people for their benefit, and for broaching sensitive issues for a healthy debate in order to reach an amicable solution.

.....India is at the threshold of realising the full benefits of the Demographic Dividend. The average age of the population of about 125 crore is 29 years and more than half the population is below the age of 25 years. At least ten million Indian youth enter the country's workforce each year. The benefits of the demographic dividend will be realised fully when this large workforce is fully skill-trained for gainful employment. As Parliamentarians, it is your responsibility to help pave the way for this transformation to occur.

.....India is a nation with a glorious past. Considering the huge wealth of talent that the nation is endowed with, the future promises to be even rosier. It is in our hands to make that happen. Imagine the strength when a nation of 125 crore people starts moving forward in one mass. That in my view is the concept of the New India that is emerging. Let us resolve unto ourselves, to contribute with all our might for the sake of the nation. That would be nationalism with a sense of service.

.....The Central Hall (of the Parliament) is the place where everyone enjoys irrespective of the political party he is from. That is the place where even issues of national interest can be discussed amicably and resolved. Some people think that sitting in the Central Hall is a waste of time. I do not agree. Senior members of political parties discuss various issues concerning national problems and sometimes solutions are arrived at. This tradition should therefore be continued.

.....Lead a very simple life. Be an example for the people of your constituency. That is important. Do not lead a luxurious life that you cannot afford. You have to work hard. You need not own a BMW or a Mercedes Benz for a car. During all my three terms (as MP), I used a self-driven Maruti 800.

.....We have a vibrant democracy and we are all proud to be a part of it. I am confident that you will all carry forward the time-tested democratic values. I wish you success in all your endeavours."



Shri T S Krishnamurthy, Former Chief Election Commissioner of India

".....Democracy has suicidal tendency. It can grow or fall. The pages of history show how remarkable leaders have given a big push to democracy and democratic instinct while many others have killed democracy through the Parliament route. It is necessary, in order to realise the dreams and aspirations of the founders of the Constitution, to upkeep the spirit of the Constitution and serve the needs of the people in accordance with the requirement of the Constitution. We must ensure that the Parliament functions well.



.....I have just two appeals. One is about election reforms. When you go for the elections in 2019, I appeal to you that at least your party give an important place to election reforms because democracy can survive only if the rules of the game are changing because times are changing and people are also changing. You need to ensure that election reforms not only take an important place in the manifesto but also later on in the action plan because it is in the interest of democracy and also in the interest of your own political party.

.....The second appeal is that just like Sansad Ratna, we need to introduce *Nirvachan Ratna*. Elections is a very important step in upholding the parliamentary democracy. We need to recognise the remarkable leaders who have rendered yeomen service in the cause of democracy and elections."

Shri Prime Point Srinivasan, Founder, Sansad Ratna Awards



"..... The Awards are presented by We, the People of India. We the People adopted the Constitution. We the People created the Parliament. We the People elect the Parliamentarians and Legislatures. We the People criticise them and at the same time have the responsibility to appreciate the good work by them.

.....Every year, during the Sansad Ratna Awards function, I make two requests to the Parliamentarians present. In 2018, I made just one appeal about the Education Loan Scheme because for the past nine years, the Education Loan Task Force has been expressing concerns about the Loan. We had made a specific request to Dr Veerappa Moily and he had held discussions on this.

This year too, we submit the same request for emphasis, as we have eminent Parliamentarians of all parties here. There is limited time left for the 16th Lok Sabha. You can examine the Scheme and find ways to improve it. This is proposed not for current India but for future India. You will be doing a great service if all the members from various parties sit together in a *Mahagathbandhan* (coalition) and study and make suggestions for the Education Loan Scheme and submit when the Parliament meets shortly for the Budget Session. This is an emotional and sentimental appeal to Dr Veerappa Moily to do something to make the Education Loan easier to avail. This will help millions of voiceless students who may not be the current vote potential but are the future of the country.

(Note: Dr Veerappa Moily confirmed that the Standing Committee for Finance will submit their final report, viz the 73rd report on Education Loans before the conclusion of the 16th Lok Sabha).



Felicitation Messages from Constitutional Authorities

Felicitation Messages were received from Hon'ble Vice-President, Shri Vengaiiah Naidu, Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha, Smt Sumitra Mahajan, Hon'ble Governors of Kerala, West Bengal and Mizoram, and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh.



**Message from
Hon'ble Vice President of India**



**Message from
Hon'ble Speaker of 16th Lok Sabha**



**Message from
Hon'ble
Chief Minister of
Uttar Pradesh**



**Message from
Hon'ble Governor of
Kerala**



**Message from
Hon'ble Governor of
West Bengal**



**Message from
Hon'ble Governor of
Mizoram**



Details of Sansad Ratna 2019 Award Winners

Departally Related Standing Committee



Dr M. Veerappa Moily
Chairman, Finance Committee

Dr M Veerappa Moily
Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance

Outstanding Performance amongst
Parliamentary Standing Committees

16th Lok Sabha



Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab
BJP - Cuttack, Odisha

Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab,
BJD, Cuttack, Odisha
Outstanding Performance under Initiated Debates



Shri N K Premachandran
RSP - Kollam, Kerala

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RSP, Kollam Kerala
Outstanding Performance under Initiated Debates



Shri Anurag Singh Thakur
BJP - Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh

Shri Anurag Singh Thakur,
BJP, Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh
Distinguished Performance under 'Jury Committee Special Award'



Smt. Supriya Sule
NCP, Baramati, Maharashtra

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NCP, Baramati, Maharashtra
Topper in Overall Tally, Questions and Women MPs



Shri Nishikant Dubey
BJP - Godda, Jharkhand

Shri Nishikant Dubey
BJP, Godda, Jharkhand
Outstanding Performance in Private Members Bills





Shri Rajeev Shankarrao Satav
INC - Hingoli, Maharashtra

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Outstanding Performance amongst First time MPs for Overall Tally



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Outstanding Performance under Questions and Overall Tally



Dr Heena Vijaykumar Gavit
BJP - Nandurbar, Maharashtra

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BJP – Nandurbar, Maharashtra
Outstanding Performance amongst Women MPs for Overall Tally

Rajya Sabha



Smt. Rajani Patil
INC - Maharashtra

Smt. Rajani Patil
Indian National Congress - Maharashtra
Topper in Overall Tally amongst the Retirees of Rajya Sabha 2018



Shri Anand Bhaskar Rapolu
INC - Telangana

Shri Ananda Bhaskar Rapolu
Indian National Congress – Telangana
Topper in Debates amongst the Retirees of Rajya Sabha 2018

*Note: All Lok Sabha data is from the first session till the end of Winter Session 2018.
Data courtesy: PRS India and Lok Sabha websites*

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More Photos from the Event



Sansad Ratna Committee Members with Awardees



Sansad Ratna Awardees

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Videos and Photos of Sansad Ratna 2019 Event – eLinks

Video Recording of the 10th Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards 2019 Event Can Be Viewed from the Following Links

Recording of Full Proceedings of the Event	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZNQ-ZNthTNI
Welcome Speech – Prime Point Srinivasan, Founder, Sansad Ratna Awards	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dtTyGDSjOjk
Reading of Felicitation Messages by Susan Koshy, Editor in Chief, PreSense	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AvhfRS-22iU&t=6s
Key Note Address by Sri T S Krishnamurthy, Former Chief Election Commissioner of India	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= Oiuu6IASxU
Recognition of Supporting Organisations	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8p-8 WICWEA
Presentation of Sansad Ratna Awards 2019 to MPs	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yA4lxcGGU38
Address by Shri Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NAWeatVSZYA
Vote of Thanks by Bhawanesh Deora, President, Sansad Ratna Awards Committee	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n6B1hfu06bc
Live coverage of the event by Doordarshan, Chennai (Podhigai Channel)	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbR_ke9LQA8

Photographs of the event can be viewed and downloaded from the link

www.tinyurl.com/sansadratna2019photos

From this Edition, Triambak Sharma will be presenting Princeton in 3D format. Please continue to enjoy Princeton in the new format.





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News - 12 MPs were felicitated with Sansad Ratna Award



Technology

DiSAI Seminar: Digital Security – Emerging Trends

Digital Security Association of India (DiSAI), the fourth initiative of your monthly eMagazine PreSense, organised a seminar on “Digital Security: Emerging Trends” on Saturday, 5th January 2019, at the Anna University Campus, Chennai. With the Data Privacy Act in India expected to be approved in the near future, this Seminar on data privacy related issues cannot be more appropriately timed.

The event commenced with a welcome address by Shri V Rajendran, Chairman DiSAI, who briefly narrated the history of DiSAI and explained the importance of this seminar. Hon’ble Justice Shri T. Raja, Judge, Madras High Court inaugurating the event, spoke on the significance of IT (Information Technology) laws in India. Delivering the Key Note Address, Shri P Kandaswamy, IPS, ADGP (Admin), Chennai, took the audience through an array of the most reported cyber-crimes, presenting the techno legal issues in these cases. Dr T V Gopal proposed the Vote of Thanks, touching upon the key take-aways from the seminar.



The speakers in the first thematic session were:

- Smt S P Lavanya, Addl SP, CB-CID, on “the Investigation Issues in Cyber-crimes”,
- Shri R Vittal Raj, a well-known Infosec Consultant, on “the Regulatory Aspects in Cyber-crimes in India”
- Shri P Logesh Babu from Asian Law College, Chennai on “Anatomy of a Cyber-crime”.

The post-lunch session was a panel discussion chaired by Shri S Nagaragan, General Secretary, All India Bank Officers’ Association, with panellists representing the information security industry, the academia and the digital forensics. They presented their respective perspectives, detailing their contributions in the area of creating awareness on cyber-crimes and underlining the role played by digital forensics, information security policy etc, in the domain of data privacy. There was a live demonstration of ethical hacking, showing how a mobile hand-set could be hacked and data stolen. Following the panel discussion, Dr R Bascarane from Puducherry Police gave a very lively and thought-provoking lecture on the practical and social aspects of data privacy in India.

The valedictory session commenced with the welcome address by Shri U P Prakasham, Vice President of DiSAI. Hon’ble Dr J Jayavardhan, Member of Parliament, South Chennai Lok Sabha constituency presented a national view on data privacy and cyber-crimes. Shri R Bhagwan Singh, Executive Editor, Deccan Chronicle briefly presented the journey of digitalisation in India, travelling down memory lane from the days of reporting a news item through telegram or fax, to the present day of instant reporting through WhatsApp and other type of social networking sites. Shri Ramesh Sethuraman proposed the Vote of Thanks, involving the audience in an interactive session.

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