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From the Desk of the Managing Editor

Dear Reader,



On behalf of the Editorial Board, I am pleased to present the 235th (Sep 2026) edition of *PreSense*, featuring another rich array of meaningful content.

I am very happy that this month, we are also releasing this edition with an audio version.

16th Edition of the Sansad Ratna Awards 2026 ceremony was held on 9th September 2026 at Dr Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi. Many eminent Parliamentarians, Union Ministers, Former Chief Justice of India, and students participated in the event.

This edition exclusively features the Sansad Ratna Award ceremony 2026 along with the pictures and videos. The Editorial is based on the speech given by Prime Point Srinivasan during the event, cautioning the nation that external forces were working to destabilise the democracy and institutions.

The Cover Story features the full event.

Other Highlights:

Prince cartoon

Freedom Fighter: Madan Lal Dhingra

Review of the September 2006 edition of *PreSense*

As always, we value your feedback at editor@corpezine.com and encourage you to share *PreSense* with your network.

See you next month with more inspiring content.

Jai Hind!

K. Srinivasan

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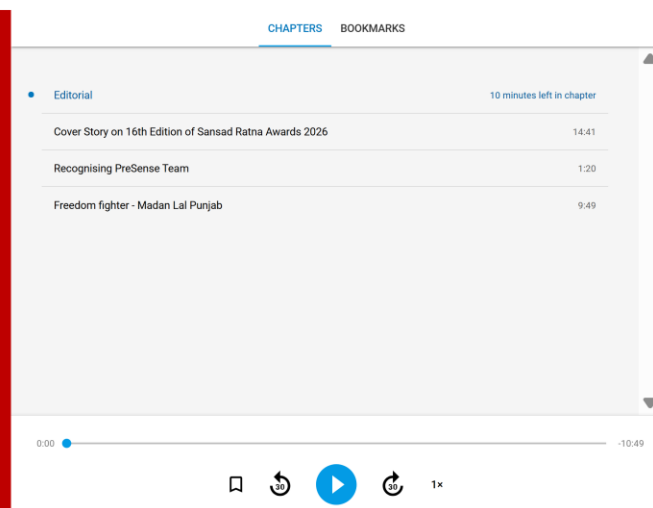
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by Triambak Sharma



Oh..
I was not aware
that we are
the Fifth Pillar
of Democracy..





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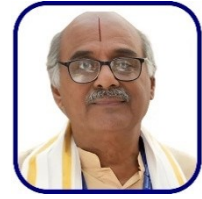
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Editorial

The Invisible Hands and the Paralysis of the Fifth Pillar: A Wake-Up Call for Indian Democracy



By Prime Point Srinivasan, Managing Editor

(Democracy weakens when key institutions are attacked. Citizens must uphold the Rule of Law, stop disruptions, and put the nation above politics)

The Preamble to our Constitution opens with a profound, sovereign proclamation: "We, the People of India." In an ideal democracy, authority and legitimacy flow directly from the citizen. It is designed to be a sacred covenant: **For the people, By the people, and Of the people.**



Our Constitutional architecture formally provides three structural pillars: the Legislature, the Executive, and the Judiciary. The media later evolved into the fourth pillar. Yet, the foundational bedrock—the ordinary citizen, immortalised in torn clothes as the common man by R.K. Laxman's piercing brush—remains largely forgotten as the vital Fifth Pillar of our Republic. Today, a painful reality stares us in the face: our democratic institutions are drifting perilously away from the very people they were created to serve.

Our motherland is marching forward with unmatched resilience, emerging as an economic and technological powerhouse on the global stage. Yet, this remarkable ascent has invited intense hostility. It is an undeniable reality that external forces, envious of India's growing stature and strategic autonomy, are actively working to sabotage our progress and destabilise our democracy. What is utterly tragic is not merely the existence of these adversarial designs, but that they find willing, unwitting accomplices within our own borders. Invisible hands operate from the shadows, exploiting our internal fault lines and using our own politicians and sections of the media to defame,

disparage, and undermine our supreme institutions.

Politicians across party lines must awaken to these invisible hands. By orchestrating endless cynicism and weakening the credibility of our constitutional and academic pillars, they are playing straight into the hands of those who wish to see India falter.

The Tragedy of Parliamentary Paralysis

Nowhere is this self-inflicted wound more glaring than in the highest temple of our democracy: the Parliament of India.

When we instituted the Sansad Ratna Awards in 2009, during the 14th Lok Sabha, Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and the then Honourable Speaker, Somnath Chatterjee, expressed grave concern because parliamentary productivity stood at 85 per cent, while 15 per cent of the time was lost to ruckus and disruptions. They feared that even a 15 per cent disruption would generate negative vibrations and erode public faith in the parliamentary system.

How tragically the situation has turned on its head. Today, at the conclusion of the Monsoon Session, those figures have shockingly reversed: we are confronted with 85 per cent ruckus and a meagre 15 per cent of actual work (source: PRS Data).

This alarming spectacle may delight the enemies of our motherland, but it constitutes an unmitigated betrayal of the Indian citizen. When Parliament is paralysed, not only valuable Parliamentary time is lost, but hundreds of crores of hard-earned public money are squandered. Sincere Members of Parliament are denied their legitimate opportunity to raise the burning grievances of their constituencies during Question Hour and Zero Hour. The entire nation is subjected to disruption, all at the command of a handful of leaders who treat legislative stalling as political theatre.

If our parliamentarians have sharp differences with the treasury benches, the solution is not to run away or create bedlam. The solution is to sit inside the House, grill the government, demand accountability, and debate with intellectual rigour. Walking out or shouting slogans only allows the executive to pass crucial legislations without scrutiny.

We must ask ourselves with utter frankness: if our representatives cannot deliver 100 per cent functioning in Parliament, do we truly deserve this democracy? Such irresponsible conduct is an insult to the memory of our revered freedom fighters, who endured brutal tortures in the Andaman Cellular Jail and mounted the gallows so that an independent India could govern herself with dignity and wisdom.

The impassioned lines of Mahakavi Subramania Bharati ring out today to awaken our conscience:

"தண்ணீர் விட்டோ வளர்த்தோம் சர்வேசா? கண்ணீரால் காத்தோம்; கருகத் திருவுளமோ?"

(Thanneer vitto valarthom Sarvesa? Kanneerāl kaathom; karuga thiruvulamo?)

"Did we nurture this plant of Freedom with water, O Almighty? We nurtured it with our tears and our blood; is it Thy divine will that it should now wither away?"

I appeal to our parliamentarians: shed partisan arrogance and restore the sanctity of debate, at least in the upcoming Winter Session. The Nation must always stand above the Party.

The Election Commission: Belated Wisdom and Institutional Duty

Simultaneously, we have witnessed an orchestrated attempt to compromise the Election Commission of India (ECI), the supreme constitutional body, that has, over decades, commanded exemplary global credibility and safeguarded our electoral democracy.

Recent weeks saw an alarming controversy erupt over internal dissent among the three Commissioners regarding the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and administrative procedures. These internal frictions spilled into the public domain, igniting



reckless political campaigns demanding the resignation of the Chief Election Commissioner and triggering panic among citizens about the fairness of our elections.

It is heartening to note that sanity has begun to prevail, albeit belatedly. On 26th September, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi convened a formal full-commission meeting at Nirvachan Sadan, followed by detailed, point-by-point clarifications reaffirming that all major decisions, including the nationwide SIR, were taken unanimously.

While this joint reconciliation and institutional clarification are welcome, the episode leaves a sobering lesson behind. Apex constitutional bodies like the Election Commission must be hyper-conscious of sinister forces lurking in the shadows to seize on to any minor rift to destroy public confidence in our democratic processes. Internal differences, procedural debates, and divergent opinions are natural in any deliberative body; however, they must be resolved strictly *in camera*.

Personal egos must never take precedence over the nation's integrity. When senior constitutional custodians allow differences to become public spectacles, they hand ready-made ammunition to external adversaries eager to demean India's democratic credentials globally. The Commission must remain vigilant, bury individual egos, and act as a cohesive, impregnable shield to protect the prestige of this magnificent institution.

Weaponising Caste at IIT Bombay

This destructive campaign of institutional sabotage has breached even our most celebrated centres of academic excellence. The recent tragic suicide of a second-year student at IIT Bombay, followed by the registration of a criminal FIR against a senior professor, illustrates how discipline and merit are being recklessly endangered.

The sequence of events is clear: an invigilating professor caught a student indulging in examination malpractice using an electronic device and reported the matter to higher authorities in line with standard academic protocol. Hours later, the student tragically ended his life. Instead of addressing the acute psychological pressures facing our youth, the incident was immediately twisted into a caste conflict because the student belonged to a Scheduled Caste. The conscientious professor now faces criminal prosecution under the Atrocities Act for merely carrying out his professional duty.

It is a painful fact that five other students have tragically ended their lives on the same campus recently. Yet no similar political hue and cry was raised because those tragedies offered no fodder for vote-bank exploitation.

If catching a person involved in examination malpractice invites criminal charges, what is the fate of Indian education? In future, must a professor first ascertain the caste of a student before daring to prevent cheating? Administrative and police actions blaming the faculty have severely demoralised our teaching fraternity across the country. Compromising discipline and excusing malpractice on the grounds of caste identity is a fatal recipe for our higher education. If teachers are stripped of their authority to maintain academic integrity, our youth will never attain the world-class education required to build a developed Bharat.

The Republic Must Prevail

Whether in Parliament, the Election Commission, or classrooms like IIT Bombay, the danger is real. Certain forces are trying to weaken India by attacking our most trusted institutions.

We, the people of India—the Fifth Pillar—cannot sit back and simply watch this happen. As former Chief Election Commissioner Shri T. S. Krishnamurthy rightly said, no democracy can survive unless everyone respects the Rule of Law. When the law is respected, power cannot be misused. We must protect our institutions from dirty politics and outside interference. The leaders of our country, our judges, and our teachers must put the nation first, so that the light of Indian democracy stays strong and bright for generations to come. Jai Hind!



(Sansad Ratna Team with award-winning MPs and Chief Guests)

16th Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards 2026 – Highlights of the event



<https://tinyurl.com/highlights-eng>



<https://tinyurl.com/highlights-hindi>



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16th Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards 2026 at a glance



By Priyadharshni Rahul, Editor-in-Chief, and Dhiba Lenin, Deputy Editor



Sansad Ratna Awards – Looking back

Genesis and Vision

The Sansad Ratna Awards were instituted in 2010 by the Prime Point Foundation and the monthly e-magazine *PreSense*. The initiative was born out of a visionary suggestion by Bharat Ratna Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. After the 14th Lok Sabha concluded in 2009, when parliamentary disruptions first raised serious public concern, Dr Kalam advised that civil society should celebrate top-performing parliamentarians to infuse positive vibrations into Indian democracy. Starting with its first edition in Chennai, inaugurated by Dr Abdul Kalam himself in May 2010, this unique initiative has grown into India's premier citizen-led honour for legislative excellence.

Objective and Transparent Selection Process

What sets the Sansad Ratna Awards apart is complete impartiality and transparency. The initiative accepts neither government grants nor corporate sponsorships for selection, ensuring total autonomy. Nominations are not invited, nor are recommendations entertained.

Instead, the selection is driven purely by objective statistical data sourced directly from the official websites of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, as well as the PRS Legislative Research database. The parameters evaluated include the number of debates initiated, starred and unstarred questions raised, Private Members' Bills introduced, and overall attendance.

The shortlisted performances are scrutinised by an eminent multi-party Jury Committee. In addition to individual parliamentarians, the awards also evaluate the performance of Departmentally Related Parliamentary Standing Committees based on sittings and reports presented, honouring the vital, non-partisan work conducted away from media glare.

A Historic Milestone: 160 Awards Across 16 Editions

Across sixteen successful editions, this sustained citizen movement has conferred 160 awards, crossing the historic milestone of 150 presentations this year. Remarkably, every single recipient has honoured the institution by accepting the award in person, demonstrating the deep respect our people's representatives hold for the collective voice of civil society.

16th Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards 2026

The historic 16th Edition of the Sansad Ratna Awards 2026 was held on Wednesday, 9th September 2026, at the Bhim Hall, Dr Ambedkar International Centre, Janpath, New Delhi. This landmark event marked a significant milestone in Indian civil society: crossing the threshold of 150 presentations since the awards were instituted in 2010 on the visionary suggestion of Bharat Ratna Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and launched by him.

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Cordially invite you to the
16th Edition of
Śaṁśād Rātnā Awards 2026
felicitating the Top performing Members of Parliament and
Standing Committees on
Wednesday, 9 September, 2026 by 5.00 pm
at
Bhim Hall, Dr. Ambedkar International Centre,
Gate no .1, 15 Janpath, New Delhi 110001

Chief Guest
Shri G. Kishan Reddy
(Hon'ble Union Minister for Coal and Mines, Government of India)

Guest of Honour
Dr. Sukanta Majumdar
(Hon'ble Minister of State for Education and Development of
North Eastern Region)

Key Note Address
Hon'ble Justice Shri B R Gavai
(Former Chief Justice of India)

Presided by
Shri Hansraj G Ahir
(Former Chairman - NCBC, Chairman - Jury Committee)

High Tea 4.00 pm onwards
Admission only with prior registration
Please bring your Identity card
Kindly occupy your seat by 4.45 pm

Prime Point Srinivasan
Founder & Chairman, Prime Point Foundation

Adv Priyadarshini Rahul
Chairman, Sansad Ratna Awards



Eminent Dais and Dignitaries

The ceremony witnessed an august assembly representing the harmony of India's constitutional architecture—the Judiciary, the Executive, the Legislature, and Civil Society:

Hon'ble Union Minister of Coal and Mines Shri G Kishan Reddy, Hon'ble Union MoS for Education Dr Sukanta Majumdar, Hon'ble former Chief Justice of India Justice Shri B R Gavai, Chairman of Parliamentary Committee on Finance and Co-Chairman of Jury Committee Dr Bhartruhari Mahtab, Former Chairman of National Commission of Backward Classes (NCBC) Shri Hansraj Ahir graced the occasion.

Youth, Political Aspirants, and the Fifth Pillar

A distinguishing feature of this 16th edition was the enthusiastic participation of the younger generation. The auditorium was packed with college students, young research scholars, grassroots political aspirants, and social workers from various universities across Delhi and NCR.



The event commenced on a soul-stirring note with a melodious choral rendition of *Vande Mataram* presented by the young school choir of R.S. Junior Modern School, earning a prolonged standing ovation. The award-winning Members of Parliament and constitutional dignitaries were ceremonially escorted to the dais by a dedicated contingent of NCC cadets.

For the visiting students and political aspirants, the ceremony served as an invaluable live classroom on democratic governance. They witnessed firsthand their elected representatives being scrutinised and celebrated not for theatrical rhetoric, but for hard, quiet, substantive parliamentary work inside the Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, and Departmentally Related Standing Committees.

Video Link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGt3tCTLOJc>

Grand Release of Three Landmark Publications

Continuing its cherished tradition of democratising knowledge freely for students, researchers, and public leaders without any commercial barrier, the Prime Point Foundation released three insightful digital publications during the ceremony. The e-books were formally unveiled on the dais by Chief Guest Shri G. Kishan Reddy, Guest of Honour Dr Sukanta Majumdar, former CJI Justice Shri B.R. Gavai, Finance Committee Chairman Dr Bhartruhari Mahtab, and Former Chairman of NCBC Shri Hansraj Ahir, in the august presence of the award-winning MPs.

The following three books were released:

The Journey of Sansad Ratnas, 2010 – 2026 (success stories of Sansad Ratna Awardees 2026) and *Spectrum of Thoughts*, (Digest of articles published in PreSense), both authored by Priyadharshni Rahul

Communicate the Communication, authored by Prime Point Srinivasan. This book deals with communication strategies for modern youth.



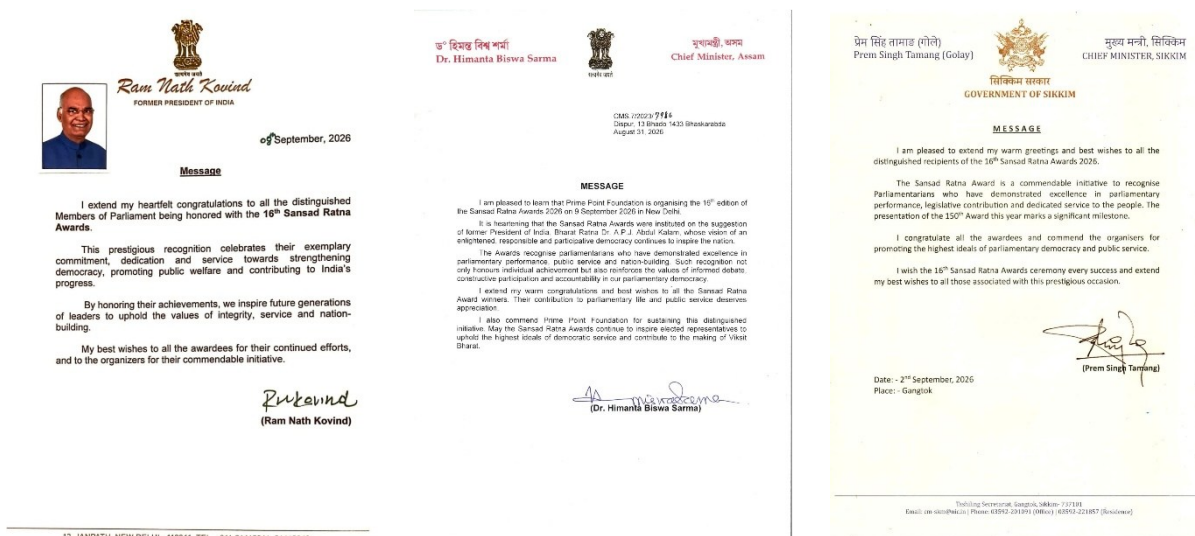
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YouTube Link

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Congratulatory Messages from National Leaders



Inspiring messages of felicitation were received from eminent national leaders, including **Shri Ram Nath Kovind** (Hon'ble Former President of India), **Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma** (Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam), and **Shri Prem Singh Tamang (Golay)** (Hon'ble Chief Minister of Sikkim).

These messages were formally read out to the august gathering by **Dr Bhartruhari Mahtab**, Chairman of Finance Committee and Co-Chairman of the Jury Committee (picture on right). In their communications, the leaders lauded the award-winning parliamentarians for their dedication to democratic accountability, constructive debate, and nation-building, while warmly commending



the Prime Point Foundation for steadfastly sustaining this transparent civil society movement over the past sixteen editions.

YouTube Link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i00Go064H0M&t=92s>

Chief Guest Address: Shri G. Kishan Reddy, Union Minister of Coal and Mines



Delivering the Chief Guest address, Shri G. Kishan Reddy reflected on his humble political journey spanning over four decades, reminding the gathering that politics is a demanding, 24-hour commitment dedicated to serving the poorest citizen. He stressed that Parliament must function as a *Samudra Manthan*—a sacred forum for deep deliberation and ideological churning—rather than an arena for manufactured disruptions and walkouts. Recalling past statesmen like Atal Bihari Vajpayee and P.V. Narasimha Rao, he emphasised that political differences must dissolve when it comes to national interests and foreign policy. He delivered a stern caution against demeaning core democratic pillars like the Supreme Court, the Parliament, and the Election Commission, urging citizens and parliamentarians to safeguard the sanctity of these constitutional institutions.

YouTube Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZ7399nMo2o>

Keynote Address: Justice Shri B. R. Gavai, Former Chief Justice of India

Delivering the keynote address, Justice Shri B. R. Gavai observed that parliamentary work requires deep knowledge, patience, and sensitivity, reminding the gathering of the meticulous deliberations during the drafting of our Constitution. He stressed that while separation of powers is vital, constitutional organs cannot operate in isolated silos; they must function with mutual consultation, dialogue, and respect. Emphasising the role of legislative history and standing committee reports as crucial aids to judicial interpretation, he expressed serious concern over recent disruptions in Parliament.



He underlined that every hour lost to disruption is an hour lost to scrutiny, debate, and executive accountability, making it not just a loss of productivity, but a breach of constitutional responsibility.

YouTube Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQRsIOZw5J0>

Guest of Honour Address: Dr Sukanta Majumdar, Union Minister of State for Education and Development of North Eastern Region



In his address, Dr Sukanta Majumdar lauded the Sansad Ratna Awards as a vibrant manifestation of *Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat*, conceived by thinkers from South India, hosted in the national capital, and celebrating parliamentarians from across the entire country. Drawing from his own journey as a three-time awardee before becoming a Union Minister, he described parliamentary service as a demanding and often thankless duty that truly deserves recognition from civil society. He shared how watching Lok Sabha debates from an aspirational district during his youth inspired him to join public service, exemplifying the sheer strength of the Indian Constitution. Strongly appealing to the youth, he urged college students to overcome cynicism, take an active interest in democratic politics, and step forward to serve the nation.

YouTube Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtPCpB9M23c>

Presidential Address: Shri Hansraj G. Ahir, Chairman, NCBC & Chairman, Jury Committee

In his presidential address, Shri Hansraj G. Ahir commended Prime Point Foundation for sustaining an objective, data-driven initiative that evaluates parliamentary performance strictly from official records without recommendations or bias. Recalling his journey since receiving the very first award in Chennai in 2010 blessed by Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, he highlighted how recognition from civil society inspires MPs to continually raise their performance standards. He reminded parliamentarians that they bear the immense constitutional duty to represent 140 crore people's aspirations and protect democratic dignity. Welcoming the inclusion of National Commissions alongside Standing Committees, he urged MPs to rise above regional boundaries and champion issues concerning the entire nation.



YouTube Link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4wLm0-DM_Aw&t=55s

Introductory Address: Prime Point Srinivasan, Founder, Prime Point Foundation and Sansad Ratna Awards

In his introductory address, Prime Point Srinivasan defined the common citizen as the unrecognised "Fifth Pillar" of democracy, drawing attention to the Preamble's sacred promise of *We, the People*. Tracing the genesis of the Sansad Ratna Awards to Dr Kalam's concern when the 14th Lok Sabha saw 15 per cent disruption, he expressed deep anguish that disruption has now reversed to an alarming 85 per cent. Recalling how ruling and opposition leaders united to steer the nation safely through the 1991 economic crisis, he appealed to parliamentarians to grill the government on the floor during Question Hour rather than stall proceedings.



YouTube Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i53PyKpCN-Q>

Welcome Address: Adv. Priyadharshni Rahul, Chairman, Sansad Ratna Awards Committee



Welcoming the gathering, Adv. Priyadharshni Rahul highlighted that this 16th edition marks the twin milestones of crossing 150 presentations and entering 25 years of Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's presidency. She observed that our political fraternity remains one of the most undervalued services despite steering the nation safely through decades of crises and challenges. Emphasising that politics must earn the respect it deserves, she noted that the awards festival celebrates dedicated MPs who perform quiet, substantive work for citizen welfare. She stressed that while the separation of powers is a constitutional mandate, the welfare of the people remains the supreme rule of law uniting all three pillars.

YouTube Link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tX8_RkDxdyA

Presentation of the 16th Sansad Ratna Awards 2026

The awards were conferred based on the cumulative performance of the Members and Committees from the first sitting of the 18th Lok Sabha until the conclusion of Part 2 of the Budget Session 2026. 8 Lok Sabha Members, 2 Rajya Sabha Members and 4 Parliamentary Committees were conferred with Sansad Ratna Awards. From this year, Prime Point Foundation has introduced a special award, "Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Jan Seva Puraskar" for Government and Non-Government Organisations.



1. Lok Sabha Awardees

S. No.	Name of the Member of Parliament	Constituency / State	Award Category
1	Shri Praveen Patel	Phulpur, Uttar Pradesh	Overall Topper (Total Tally)
2	Shri P. P. Chaudhary	Pali, Rajasthan	Overall Topper (Total Tally)
3	Shri Jagdambika Pal	Domariyaganj, Uttar Pradesh	Initiated Debates
4	Shri Bidyut Baran Mahato	Jamshedpur, Jharkhand	Questions
5	Shri Lumbaram Choudhary	Jalore, Rajasthan	First-Time MP
6	Shri Hemant Vishnu Savara	Palghar, Maharashtra	First-Time MP
7	Shri Naresh Ganpat Mhaske	Thane, Maharashtra	First-Time MP

S. No.	Name of the Member of Parliament	Constituency / State	Award Category
8	Smt. Smita Uday Wagh	Jalgaon, Maharashtra	Women MP Category

2. Rajya Sabha Awardees

S. No.	Name of the Member of Parliament	State	Award Category
1	Prof. (Dr) Medha Vishram Kulkarni	Maharashtra	Overall Topper (Total Tally)
2	Shri Narhari Amin	Gujarat	Overall Topper (Total Tally)

3. Parliamentary Standing Committees

S. No.	Departmentally Related Standing Committee	Chairman	Performance Milestone
1	Committee on Agriculture, Animal Husbandry & Food Processing	Dr Charanjit Singh Channi, MP	Consistent performance across 17th Lok Sabha (Sansad Maha Ratna) and 18th Lok Sabha (Sansad Ratna 2025 & 2026)
2	Committee on Finance	Dr Bhartruhari Mahtab, MP	Consistently receiving awards since 16th Lok Sabha, including Sansad Maha Ratna in 17th Lok Sabha
3	Committee on Rural Development & Panchayati Raj	Shri Saptagiri Sankar Ulaka, MP	Outstanding legislative sittings and report presentations
4	Committee on Coal, Mines & Steel	Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, MP	Exceptional committee engagement and departmental review

4. Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Jan Seva Puraskar (Inaugural Category)

Instituted from this 16th edition onwards to honour statutory commissions, government bodies, and non-governmental organisations for outstanding societal contributions and the protection of constitutional rights.

Organisation	Represented By	Award Category
National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC)	Shri Kishor Makwana , Hon'ble Chairman (along with Commission members)	Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Jan Seva Puraskar 2026

YouTube Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KD7S93hxZb8&t=16s>

Inspiring Pictures – Glimpses from the Ceremony



Inspiring Pictures – Glimpses from the Ceremony



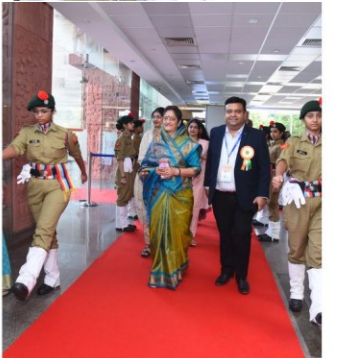
The complete photo album of this event: please click

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/9yBerBtwrVWNYTej6>

Watch the entire proceedings in the YouTube Playlist

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHJ9zwb7MXy8>





Our Cartoon Editor Triambak Sharma Honoured



Triambak Sharma, Cartoon Editor of PreSense, was honoured during the event for his sustained contribution of Prince cartoons since June 2008 without a break. He is based in Raipur and is a celebrated cartoonist of our country. Dr APJ Abdul Kalam inaugurated his Prince cartoon, and he was also an admirer of Triambak Sharma's cartoons.

Triambak Sharma was honoured by Hon'ble Union Minister Shri G Kishan Reddy, in the presence of Union Minister Dr Sukanta Majumdar, Former Chief Justice of India Justice B R Gavai, Shri T G Venkatesh (Jury Committee member and former MP), Shri P P Chaudhary MP (Chairman of Joint Parliamentary Committee), Shri Hansraj Ahir (Former Chairman of National Commission for Backward Classes), Dr Charanjit Singh Channi MP (Former Chief Minister of Punjab), Shri Jagadambika Pal MP (Former Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh) and many other MPs.

Announcement

Dhiba Lenin, Editorial Team Member, has been elevated to the position of Deputy Editor with effect from the September 2026 edition.

Inspiring Tweets

← Post

Translated from Hindi · [Show original](#)

The Sansad Ratna Award holds a unique place as a non-governmental initiative in Indian democracy. It is a matter of great joy and satisfaction for me that the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal, Mines and Steel is being honored with the prestigious Sansad Ratna Award for 2026 as its Chairman.

Inspired by the vision of former President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, this award evaluates parliamentary performance entirely from the perspective of civil society in a fair and transparent manner. I dedicate this Sansad Ratna Award to my fellow members of the committee and the officers and staff of the committee secretariat, as this honor reflects their collective synergy, rigorous research, and steadfast commitment to strengthening bipartisan legislative oversight.

Jai Hind 🇮🇳

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← Post

I am sincerely thankful to the voters of Jalandhar Lok Sabha constituency. It is because of their faith in me that I have been able to achieve the prestigious "Sansad Ratna" Award for the second time consecutively.



8:24 PM · Sep 9, 2026 · 9,469 Views

← Post

Honoured to receive the Sansad Ratna Award 2026 as Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Rural Development & Panchayati Raj.

Grateful to all Committee Members & officials, and above all, to the people of Koraput for giving me the privilege to represent them in Parliament.



← Post

From Classroom to Parliament! Students and faculties of our college witnessed history at Sansad Ratna Awards 2026 at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi, in the presence of Hon'ble Union Ministers Shri G. Kishan Reddy & Dr. Sukanta Majumdar.

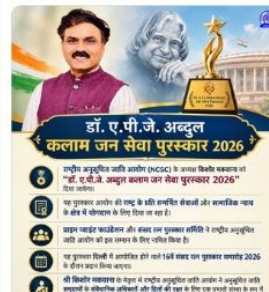


7:38 PM · Sep 10, 2026 · 40 Views

← Post

Award Name: Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Public Service Award 2026
Honoree: Kishore Makwana (Chairman, National Commission for Scheduled Castes - Article 338)

Nominations: Prime Point Foundation and 16th Sansad Ratna Award Committee
Ceremony: 16th Sansad Ratna Award Ceremony 2026, Delhi



का क्षम है। समस्त यह अनेक कठिन प्रयास एवं साधना का मासमासा उपस्थित का बांध यह सम्मान प्राप्त करने में सिल विशेष अनुयाय रहा। यह सम्मान केवल मेरी व्यक्तिगत उपलब्धि नहीं, बल्कि भूखण्ड एवं प्रयागनाथ की सम्मिलित ज के विश्वास, सहयोग और आशीर्वाद का सम्मान है। संसदीय दलों के निर्वाचन में निरंतर प्रेरण और मार्गदर्शन देने वाले आदरणीय प्रधानमंत्री श्री Narendra Modi जी के प्रति हृदय से आभ यह सम्मान मेरे प्रेरणास्त्रोत पुत्र पिता स्व. श्री मोहन प्रताप सिंह जी की स्मृतियों को समर्पित है। क्षेत्र की जनता के विश्वास को अपनी शक्ति बनाकर राष्ट्र और जनसेवा के प्रति मेरा समर्पण नि जारी रहेगा।

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PR-e-FACE: From the desk of Chief Editor
"Blogs and podcasts are boons in the hands of Corporates"



What started as a personal diary by few enthusiastic youngsters few years back, has emerged today as a powerful communication tool as 'Blogs'. With further improvement, blogs have advanced to 'audio podcasts' and 'video podcasts'. Many of the corporates in developing countries are yet to understand the potentiality of these tools.

At times, they are ignored as 'casual writings'. There are instances where even the 'big institutions' were put to embarrassment. Many times, these blogs are driving even the mainline print and visual media to pick up some stories, which otherwise were ignored by them earlier.

The first ever National 'Unconference' on blogs 'BlogCamp 2006' held recently at Chennai, brought together many bloggers across the country and abroad. Presently, blogs are getting focussed on subjects. It is estimated that there are more than 100 million blogs across the world and is growing at a speed of one blog every half-a-second.

Corporates need to recognise the role of Blogs in the system. They can encourage their employees and public to blog about their products and services. They need to develop a level of 'tolerance' for the criticisms and convert them into opportunities of building brand.

There are instances where the Corporates instead of addressing the genuine criticisms properly, resort to 'dubious' methods to curb bloggers. In the long run, such approach may lead to disaster.

A time has come that Corporates instead of ignoring the 'blogs and podcasts', take advantage of them.

In this issue, we will be bringing out some important aspects of how blogs can be used by corporates as their marketing and brand building tool, including the legal aspects.

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Content Strengths & Editorial Foresight

Published in the magazine's inaugural year, the issue demonstrated remarkable editorial vision by bridging corporate communication, public interest initiatives, and civic empowerment. Rather than focusing merely on standard commercial public relations, the edition showcased substantive socio-economic themes—reflecting the founding ethos suggested by Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam to spread positive vibrations. The coverage highlighted practical strategies in perception management, public sector milestones, and youth leadership, presenting policy insights in lucid, accessible language.

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Freedom Fighters of India

Madan Lal Dhingra (Punjab)



By C. Badri, Joint Managing Editor

(Madan Lal Dhingra was a fearless revolutionary who challenged British rule by assassinating Curzon Wylie in London, was executed, sacrificing his life at twenty-six for India's independence.)



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India's freedom struggle was shaped not only by peaceful movements but also by courageous revolutionaries who believed that armed resistance was necessary to overthrow British colonial rule. Among these fearless patriots was Madan Lal Dhingra (1883–1909), one of the earliest Indian revolutionaries to strike directly at the heart of the British Empire. His assassination of a senior British official in London sent shockwaves through Britain and India, cementing his status as an enduring symbol of patriotism, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment to India's independence. Although his life was tragically short, Madan Lal Dhingra's courage inspired generations of freedom fighters, including Bhagat Singh, Chandrasekhar Azad, and Subhas Chandra Bose.

Madan Lal Dhingra was born on 18 February 1883 in Amritsar, Punjab, into a prosperous and respected family. His father, Dr Ditta Mal Dhingra, was a well-known civil surgeon, trusted by the British administration. The family was affluent, Western-educated, and generally loyal to the British Government. Unlike many of his family members, Madan Lal gradually developed a deep sense of patriotism. While studying at Government College, Lahore, he witnessed mounting resentment against British rule, particularly after the Partition of Bengal in 1905, which sparked nationalist sentiments across India. His participation in student protests and nationalist activities led to his expulsion from the college. Despite his family's opposition, he remained committed to the cause of Indian independence.

In 1906, Madan Lal Dhingra travelled to England to study mechanical engineering at University College London. London was then a centre of Indian political thought. Many Indian students gathered there to discuss India's future and strategies for achieving independence. During this period, Dhingra came into close contact with Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, one of the foremost revolutionary thinkers of the time. Savarkar was associated with India House, founded by Shyamji Krishna Varma, which had become a meeting place for young Indian nationalists committed to ending British rule. Under Savarkar's influence, Dhingra's nationalist convictions deepened. He became convinced that mere petitions and constitutional methods would not persuade Britain to relinquish India, and that revolutionary action was necessary.

The early twentieth century was marked by severe repression by the British Government. Indian newspapers were censored, political activists were arrested, peaceful demonstrations were suppressed, and national leaders were imprisoned or exiled. Many young Indians were frustrated by the British refusal to grant meaningful political rights. Dhingra viewed British rule as exploitative and believed that those responsible for maintaining colonial rule should be held accountable.

On the evening of 1 July 1909, the National Indian Association held a gathering at the Imperial Institute in London. Among the guests was Sir William Hutt Curzon Wylie, a senior British official who served as Political Aide-de-Camp to the Secretary of State for India. Wylie maintained close contact with Indian princes and students and was regarded by revolutionaries as a representative of British imperial authority.

During the event, Madan Lal Dhingra approached Wylie and fired several shots at close range, killing him on the spot. A Parsi physician, Dr Cawas Lalcaca, who attempted to intervene, was also fatally wounded. Dhingra did not attempt to escape and surrendered calmly to the authorities. The incident created a sensation across Britain. It was one of the first political assassinations carried out by an Indian revolutionary on British soil.

Dhingra's trial drew widespread attention. He declined legal defence and openly accepted responsibility for his actions. His statement before the court became one of the most powerful declarations of patriotism in India's freedom movement. He argued that if Germany occupied England, any Englishman who killed a German official would be regarded as a patriot rather than a murderer. By the same principle, he maintained that an Indian resisting British occupation deserved honour rather than condemnation. He declared: "I believe that a nation held in bondage by foreign bayonets is in a perpetual state of war." Dhingra maintained that his action was motivated by his commitment to India's independence rather than personal animosity. His courage in the courtroom impressed even many who disagreed with his methods.

Madan Lal Dhingra was sentenced to death and hanged on 17 August 1909 at Pentonville Prison, London. He was only 26 years old. Before his execution, he remained calm and composed. His final wish was to be reborn in India so he could once again dedicate his life to her freedom. His body was buried on the prison grounds. Nearly 67 years later, in 1976, his mortal remains were repatriated to India, where he was honoured as a national martyr.

The assassination divided public opinion. Many moderate Indian leaders condemned the killing, fearing that violence would undermine India's constitutional struggle. Revolutionary nationalists, however, regarded Dhingra as a hero. Vinayak Damodar Savarkar praised his courage and defended his patriotism despite severe criticism from British authorities. Many young revolutionaries drew inspiration from his fearlessness. Bhagat Singh later regarded Madan Lal Dhingra as one of the earliest martyrs, demonstrating that Indians could challenge British authority even in London.

Although Madan Lal Dhingra lived only twenty-six years, his sacrifice left a profound impact on India's struggle for independence. His execution transformed him into a symbol of resistance. His life exemplified extraordinary personal courage, discipline, and complete devotion to the nation. Today, historians recognise him as a pioneer of India's revolutionary movement abroad. His writings, speeches, and final statement continue to be studied for their powerful expression of patriotism. Several memorials and educational institutions commemorate his contribution. His name holds a place of honour among India's immortal martyrs.

Madan Lal Dhingra's life offers enduring lessons: Love for one's country requires courage, conviction, and sacrifice. Personal comfort should never outweigh national duty. Youth have the power to transform history through determination and commitment. True patriotism



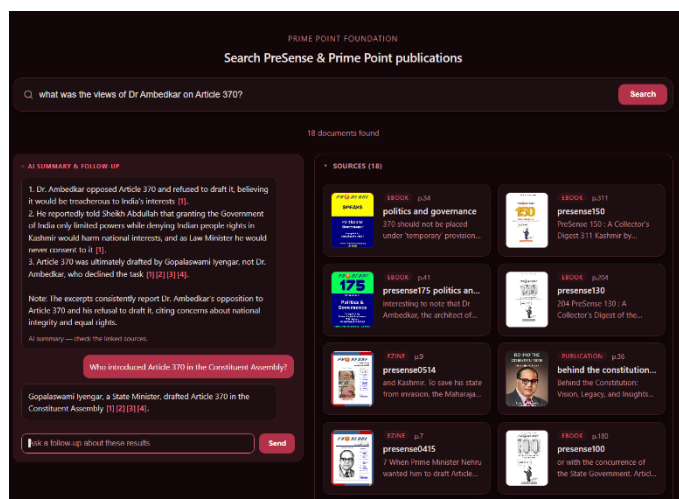
demands integrity, fearlessness, and unwavering devotion to justice. While history continues to debate the effectiveness of revolutionary violence, there is little disagreement about Dhingra's sincerity, bravery, and willingness to sacrifice everything for India's freedom.

Madan Lal Dhingra ranks among the earliest Indian revolutionaries who carried the struggle for independence beyond India's borders. At a time when the British Empire seemed invincible, he proved that colonial rule could be challenged even in its own capital. His act was not driven by personal ambition or revenge but by an unshakable belief that India deserved freedom.

More than a century after his martyrdom, Madan Lal Dhingra remains an enduring symbol of courage, patriotism, and selfless sacrifice. His life reminds each generation that freedom is never easily won—it is earned through the dedication, conviction, and sacrifices of those who place their nation above themselves. India remembers him with gratitude as one of the brave sons who gave his life so that future generations might live in freedom.

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