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FAMILY HERITAGE



Founder Editor of Pudhari and Colleague of Mahatma Gandhi
and Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar.

Late Padmashree Dr. Ganapatrao G. Jadhav, Founder Editor of the Daily Pudhari, published from Kolhapur was actively engaged in the journalistic field for about six decades! He started his journalistic career in Bombay by joining weekly "TEJ". He further worked for an evening daily and some other journals. He was also editing 'Daily Kaiwari' in Bombay. While working as a journalist, Late Ganaptrao Jadhav actively participated in the social and reformist movements launched by the SATYA SHODHAK SAMAJ. He worked with Keshavrao Jedhe, Dinkarrao Jawalkar, Prabodhankar K. Q. Thakare, Mama Varerkar, Achyutrao Kolhatkar, Bhaskarrao Jadhav and other renowned social reformists of those days.

Since his early youth Late Shri Ganaptrao Jadhav was an active and enthusiastic participant in various leading Political and social activities around him. He took part in the famous Dandi March- 'SALT SATYAGRAH' a Political movement initiated by Mahatma Gandhiji. He followed in the footsteps of Mahatma Jyotiba Phule by starting a District Unit of 'Satya Shodhak' movement in Kolhapur. Its object was to remove misconceptions, superstitions, in vogue, in the society. He was associated with the movements of that illustrious Social reformer. Along with it he associated himself with labour movements in Bombay, as well.

Shri G.G. Jadhav was not only a fiery Editor of a Daily but simultaneously he was an active participant in the various movements undertaken by Dr. Ambedkar and Mahatma Jyotiba Phule. Late Jadhav resided with Dr. Ambedkar in MAHARAWADA, a word known for the dwelling place of untouchable inhabitants, during the DALIT movement launched by Dr. Ambedkar in all the movements launched by him. 'Kala Ram Mandir Pravesh (entry)' was a land-mark of such

movements. Dr. Ambedkar a name and fame spread all over the country by the said movement. It secured a prominent place in the national history. Late G.G. Jadhav's name was permanently placed along side with the leader of the movement, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar. On many occasions both of them were together on one platform. **On 5th September 1943 a ceremony was organised by the Federation of different Dalit-Organisations to felicitate Dr. Ambedkar. Late Jadhav was chosen for the honour of presiding over that function.** It was the earnest desire of Dr. Ambedkar himself, that his felicitation ceremony should be presided over by none other than Late Ganapatrao Jadhav. Late Jadhav's untiring efforts to work for the welfare of the Dalits had thus earned a rightful place. He very humbly accepted the invitation and graced the memorable function.

Late Ganapatrao Jadhav came to Kolhapur in the year 1933. He initially started weekly "Sevak". And by and by started weekly 'Pudhari' in the year 1937. In due course the weekly 'Pudhari' was converted into a Daily Newspaper in 1939. The Daily Pudhari, from time to time, has been the leading paper of this region, started with a Tradle Machine the Daily Pudhari has now been well equipped with the most modern Offset/Electronic Photocomposing machines and all other modern equipments including the world-wide colour photo service through Internet. At present Daily Pudhari is the largest circulated daily in Maharashtra and North Karnataka.

In the year 1949, the then Kolhapur State was merged with the Bombay province. Kolhapur was given the status of a District. Then, **the Hon'ble Governor selected and nominated Dr. Jadhav as Members of Legislative Council (M.L.C.) in 1949.**

He was instrumental in starting many Educational, Co-operative, Social Cultural Institutions in this region of the Nation. He was active worker of National Congress Party since beginning and as such was main force behind Congress Party when at the time this Western Maharashtra was the strong belt of Peasant & Workers' Party. He was the brain behind Shivaji University, Mouni Vidhyapeeth, Tararani Vidhyapeeth & other educational institutions.


On 13th August 1985 he was honoured with "Acharya Atre Smriti Sanman Puraskar" by the Mumbai Marathi Patrakar Sangh. **Late Shri G.G.Jadhav had been honoured with D. Lit. by Shivaji University, Kolhapur, in 1986 at the hands of ex. Prime Minister Hon'ble P.V. Narasimha Rao.** Dr. Jadhav was honoured with various Awards.

Dr. Jadhav's grandson Yogesh is a National Champion and winner of National Gold Medal in Shooting Competition and recipient of number of awards including FIE Foundation Award. He has also completed MBA in Finance & Marketing and also completed Diploma in Journalism. He is Grand Son- in- law of Dr. D. Y. Patil, Governor of Tripura.

'DAILY PUDHARI' AND 'THE CONGRESS PARTY'

The Founder Editor Late Padmashri Dr.G.G. Jadhav was closely associated with Congress Party right from its inception. Daily Pudhari has been staunch supporter of Congress Party and its Policies. Dr. G. G. Jadhav was closely associated with the father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi and also with Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. As an active associate of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar, Dr.G.G.Jadhav participated in All Dalit Movements in Maharashtra - including Kalaram Mandir Pravesh, and Mahad Satyagrah. He also participated in Salt Satyagrah at Karad Matwadi in Gujrath. Dr. G.G. Jadhav remained as a strong supporter of Indian National Congress.

Right from its inception Daily Pudhari has been consistent and firm in promoting the Indian National Congress and its Policies. Late Dr. G. G. Jadhav, the founder Editor of Daily Pudhari had actively participated in the various national movements, launched by Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of our Nation. In those days, he had been allowed to take a special personal interview, Mahatmaji asked the masses in Maharashtra to actively participate in the National movement. The message of the Mahatma was duly published through the interview specially given to late Dr. G.G. Jadhav. It reached all over Maharashtra. It marked the beginning of some sort of political revolution, as such. It had a salutary effect on the masses, which lost no time in joining Congress, in very large numbers. Thus, late Dr.G.G. Jadhav played a historic role in that respect. **Since then for the last seven decades and more Daily Pudhari and Indian National Congress have developed very cordial and strong bonds between them.** Daily Pudhari has always remained in forefront, upheld the dynamic development policies, the planned economic directions and mainly the very complex and delicate Foreign Relations during the decade of the 50s, piloted by the architect of Modern India, late Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, through hundreds of its editorials and special series of articles. All the while, Daily Pudhari has vehemently spread its messages, and has remained a staunch supporter of Nehru. Late Dr.G.G.Jadhav had been a Member of the Mumbai Vidhansabha (Council) in 1949. In the decade 1951-1960 Southern Maharashtra was the Citadel of the Left Parties especially, the Shetkari Kamgar Paksha (Peasants and Worker's Party). In those turbulent days Late Shri Jadhav worked tirelessly, without sparing any pains to induct the element of Youth



leadership into his own party-the Congress, saw that it became immensely powerful. In 1969, the Congress Party was partitioned. The Political situation, prevalent in Maharashtra was too sensitive and challenging. Senior Congress leaders like late Yashwantrao Chavan had offered their support to the candidature of Sanjeev Reddy in the Presidential election. Though Shri. Jadhav was equally very cordial to Y.B. Chavan Daily Pudhari sacrificed its personal relations and stood firmly behind the then Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi and supported her as loyally as any one could. It did not deter in its duties as a true follower of the Congress. Once again, Congress suffered another division in its rank and file. Daily Pudhari was as staunch as ever and did not move away from Smt. Indira Gandhi. In the year 1978, Shri Sharad Pawar Severed his ties with the Congress. Then again in 1998 he followed the same feat. Yet Daily Pudhari had been in its own saddle with Congress and did not allow itself to be earned elsewhere.

In appreciation of his social work the Government of India conferred Prestigious 'Padmashree' title on him. He was also nominated as MLC (Member of Maharashtra Legislative Council) from Kolhapur. Thus, Pudhari has been and stood a strong supporter of Indian National Congress right from its beginning.

The same glorious heritage is continued by his only son Mr.Pratapsinh Jadhav as the Chief Editor & Chairman of Pudhari Publications Pvt.Ltd. He took the charge in the year 1969 after his graduation in India and abroad following the footsteps of his father, he has been active in social activities like Shahu Janma Shatabdi Mahotsav in 1974. He was also instrumental in celebrating Shahu Jayanti all over Maharashtra. Thus, Pudhari has been instrumental in spreading the Congress throughout the Konkan and Maharashtra and other regions for last 70 years. It has always tried to promote its Policies all over Maharashtra. The same tradition is continued further by his son Pratapsinh Jadhav who also has been a strong supporter of National Congress Party. Though Mr.Pratapsinh Jadhav is a Common friend of all party leaders, still he never entered active Politics. A number of times he was offered tickets from Congress and other Political Parties, he kept aloof from active Politics and always supported Congress Party and its Policies. He always tried to remain a 'King Maker' rather than a 'King Himself.' The credibility of famous daily 'Pudhari' is so much that people generally form their opinions after reading the newspaper. Thus, the Pudhari has become a teacher, a guide, a philosopher of entire Maharashtra. The year 1989 was very important for Daily Pudhari. In 1989,

Times Of India celebrated its 150 years and Mallyalam Manorama celebrated its centenary; whereas Pudhari celebrated its Golden Jubilee function. It is privilege to note that late Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi attended the functions of Times Of India and Mallyalam Manorama in Delhi; whereas he came all the way to Kolhapur for the first time for the Golden Jubilee function of Daily Pudhari and spoke very highly about the national contribution of the newspaper Pudhari. Dr. Pratapsinh Jadhav has been conferred Padmashree by Government of India and various other awards for his Nationalistic politics and patriotic journalism. This is the only paper, which has built hospital for Jawans at Siachin, which is the highest battle field in the World and it is noteworthy that this hospital has gone in the books of world records.

In short, during all these 70 years or more Daily Pudhari has been mainly instrumental in conveying the ideal, the philosophy, the thought and the policy of the Indian National Congress to the bottom of the lowest strata of the society. Daily Pudhari's contribution in cultivating the stature, the views, the mental set up of the most of the Congress Party MPs, MLAs and various representatives on the Local Bodies as well, is definitely noteworthy. It has a lion's share in those efforts. That is why all Congress Party leaders, workers look towards Daily Pudhari as a friend, Philosopher and guide. They always have their close look on its pages and views. All over Maharashtra, Daily Pudhari is a de-facto-mouth piece of the Indian National Congress, though not officially yet by public recognition; no doubt.

During the recent Election of the Parliament and later of the Maharashtra State Assembly, the Indian National Congress Party under the stewardship of Smt. Soniajee Gandhi and raising leadership of Shri Rahuljee Gandhi secured land slide Victory for the Congress Party.

While Smt. Soniajee Gandhi and Shri Rahul Gandhi were the chief Architects of this success, the contribution of Daily Pudhari has been quite unique and note worthy. In the news and views, Daily Pudhari made calculated, sustained, planned campaign highlighted the achievements of Ruling Congress Party, so that the Congress Party will have a decisive support and majority. Without impairing the Press impartiality, Daily Pudhari portrayed the image of Mst. Soniajee Gandhi and Shri Rahul Gandhi in such a way that the public opinion was moulded and oriented to give the Congress Party a Positive Victory.

A DREAM COMES TRUE



From Left Dr. Yogesh Jadhav (Managing Editor Managing Director), Dr. Pratapsinh Jadhav (Chief Editor & Chairman - 'PUDHARI PUBLICATIONS PVT. LTD.')

George Fernandes (Defence Minister- Govt. of India), Lt. Gen. Nanavati, Lt. Gen. Arjun Ray.

Dr. Yogesh Jadhav actively participated in building State of Art Hospital at Siachin, World's highest battle field He has helped his father, Dr. Pratapsinh Jadhav, Chairman and Chief Editor of Pudhari to fulfill his dream and put all his efforts to complete the Project in time.

VISIT TO RUSSIA AND CHINA 2013



DR. YOGESH PRATAPSIKH JADHAV WITH PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA

Dr. Yogesh Pratapsinh Jadhav, accompanied the Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh during his historical visit to China and Russia in the 2013.

INTERACTION WITH RAHUL GANDHI



Dr. Yogesh Pratapsinh Jadhav Introduce with Shri Rahul Gandhi Seen in the picture, Shri. Pruthviraj Chavan Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri. Manikrao Thakare President MPCC.

Dr. Yogesh Pratapsinh Jadhav had a personal meeting with Rahul Gandhi, MP & Vice President AICC during the interaction of Rahul Gandhi with prominent Editors of Maharashtra. During his meeting, Rahuljee appreciated the work done by Pudhari in Social, Cultural, Economic, Educational field.

Rahulajee personally appreciated the contribution of Pudhari in Nation Building.

He was very much impressed and happy by knowing the close relations of Late Rajivjee with the Chief Editor of Pudhari Dr. Pratapsinh Jadhav.

FELICITATION BY AMITABH BACCHAN



Yogesh Pratapsinh Jadhav was felicitated the hands of Amitabh Bacchan in Mumbai University for his "Outstanding Research in Media Management."

COMMEMORATIVE POSTAL STAMP ON DR. G. G. JADHAV AT RASHTRAPATI BHAVAN - 2009



Hon. President Smt. Pratibhatai Patil released a Commemorative Postal Stamp on Founder Editor of Pudhari Late Dr. G.G. Jadhav on 18th November, 2009 at Rashtrapati Bhavan. L to R Maharashtra's Forest Minister Patangrao Kadam, Union Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises Vilasrao Deshmukh, Maharashtra's Deputy Chief minister Chhagan Bhujbal, Chief Minister Ashok Chavan, Union Minister of State for Communications and Information Technology Gurudas Kamat, Union Power Minister Sushilkumar Shinde, Pudhari's Chief Editor & Chairman Dr. Pratapsinh Jadhav, Managing Editor Yogesh Jadhav and Minister of state for Prime Minister's Office Prithviraj Chavan.

Taking into consideration active participation in freedom movement and active social involvement of Late Padmashree Dr. G.G. Jadhav, Founder Editor PUDHARI, Govt of India has released commemorative postal stamp on Dr.G.G.Jadhav. Release of commemorative postal stamp function took place at the auspicious hands of Hon'ble President Of India Smt. Pratibhatai Patil at Rashtrapati Bhavan on 18th November 2009 in the presence of MoS for Communication and Information Technology Mr. Gurudas Kamat, Chairman and Chief Editor of Pudhari Padmashree Dr. Pratapsinh Jadhav, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra Mr. Ashokrao Chavan, Hon'ble Dy. Chief Minister of Maharashtra Mr. Chaganrao Bhujbal, MoS for PM's office Mr. Pruthviraj Chavan, Managing Editor and Director of Pudhari Mr. Yogesh Jadhav, Union Minister for Heavy Industries, Mr. Vilasrao Deshmukh, Union Minister for Power Mr. Sushilkumar Shinde, Minister for Forest, Maharashtra State Mr. Patangrao Kadam and large number of Members of Parliament and other dignitaries in various fields witnessed this grand function at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi. The impact of this function has been felt through-out the whole country, as it received wide publicity.

AWARDS AND

ACHIEVEMENTS

- : Participated in First All India, G. V. Mavlankar Shooting Competition in 1991 held at Military & Rifle Training Association Ahmedabad & secured Gold Medal in Air Rifle Championship.
- : Participated in 36th National Shooting Championship competitions 1993 held at Gujarat State Rifle Association, Ahmedabad and secured Bronze Medal in Air Rifle Championship.
- : Participated in 37th National Shooting Championship competitions 1994 held at Madras Rifle Club, Madras, Tamil Nadu and secured Bronze Medal in Air Rifle Championship.
- : Participated in 39th National Shooting Championship competitions Held at Coimbatore in 1995 and secured Silver Medal in Air Rifle Championship.
- : Participated in 40th National Shooting Championship competitions in 1996 held at Asansol Rifle Club, Asansol, West Bengal and secured Silver Medal in Air Rifle Championship.
- : Participated in 40th National Shooting Championship competitions in 1996 held at Asansol Rifle Club, Asansol, West Bengal and secured Bronze Medal in Rifle Championship.
- : National Record holder in Air Rifle Shooting Championship Junior Category.

: Felicitated with 'FIE Foundation Award in 1991
as "Best Sportsman of the Year" at the hands of
Chief Minister late Shri Sudhakar Rao Naik

: Shiv Chhatrapati Award
by Govt. of Maharashtra but not accepted by the
Awardee.

: Accompanied the Prime Minister of India for
Foreign Tours as a member of his delegation.

