

HAVEN'T YOU SMELT POLITICS IN THIS ARREST AS YET?

1. Arrest effected on Diwali night, the next four days being public holidays. An Idd gift and Dravidian votes as well.
2. The Chief Minister makes a statement in the legislature that they have 'solid evidence'. The matter is before the High Court on the same day and the prosecution submits that it need not give details of its evidence for evaluation at this stage.
3. Mr. Karunanidhi who complimented the police force for demonstrating that 'in the eyes of law all are equal", says on 22.11.2004 that the arrest was made by J.Jayalalithaa to save herself. He only wanted the temple murder case to be investigated.
4. BJP sits in dharna for 3 days from 20.11.2004.

1st day Dharna was led by Shri. L.K.Advani, President of BJP
2nd day by Dr.Murli Manohar Joshi
3rd day by Jaswant Singh joined by Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Former Prime Minister, Shri R.Venkatraman, former President of India and Shri. Chandrasekhar, Former Prime Minister.
5. Jayalalithaa grants Rs. 5 lakhs to Sankararaman's family (statement in the Assembly on 22.11.2004). A good gesture, but would the government give solatium to every murdered persons family.
6. Karunanidhi calls for take over of the Mutt by HRCE soon after the arrest of His Holiness.
7. Wall posters and grafitti all over Tamil Nadu, mainly Chennai using filthy language against His Holiness.
8. Intervention applications moved by various lawyers (mainly of DMK) before the High Court seeking to deny bail to His Holiness. Expectedly the interventions were rejected by the High Court.
9. The Government does not initiate any action against any of the news papers/magazine whose coverage of events were far from truth and more importantly denigrated the Mutt and the Acharyas without any evidence. Jaya TV and Sun TV revelled in fictions, imaginations and innuendos. Even Court proceedings were covered erroneously. Judgments not given were broadcast as given. No action yet. When Sun TV covered Karunanidhi's arrest, the Police Commissioner of Chennai was quick to issue a notice threatening action and rummaging the signals.