

PEOPLES' AGENDA- COMPARISON OF MANIFESTOS

Samruddha Bharat Foundation (SBF) had established numerous working groups consisting of over 500 of India's foremost academics, activists, professionals and politicians from across party lines. Over nine months, these working groups engaged in constructive discussions to produce the *Peoples' Progressive Agenda (PPA)*. The PPA reflects a broad political consensus on specific issues, which is reflected in the party manifestos, as seen below:

Sl. No.	Sector	Manifesto Key Commitments	PPA	INC	CPI (M)	DMK	NCP	RJD	CPI
1	Institutions	Protecting & enhancing institutional autonomy of constitutional, statutory and regulatory authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2		Reforms in judicial appointments	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
3	Restoring Freedoms	Reforming/ Scrapping laws that impinge on individual freedoms & rights (sedition etc.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes
4	Cooperative Federalism	Strengthening principles of cooperative federalism	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5		Restoring Planning Commission	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes
6	Agriculture	Farm Loan Waiver	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
7		Increasing MSPs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
8		Rehauling crop insurance scheme (PM-FBY)	-	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes
9		Increasing investment in extension services, & agricultural research	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
10		Farmers or Debt Relief Commission	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes

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11		Implement specific recommendations of the M.S Swaminathan Committee Report	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes
12		Promote Organic Farming	-	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes
13	Education	Enhancing expenditure on Education to 6%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Just increase; no number	Yes	Yes; 10%
14		Extending RTI- Universal Secondary Education	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
15		Enhanced scholarships for SC/ST/neediest students	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	
16		Instituting National Commission on Education	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	-	Yes	-
17		Scraping NEET	-	Yes	-	Yes	-	-	-
18		Restoring reservation policy in universities/ colleges	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	Yes
19	Health	Right to Health	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-
20		Enhancing expenditure on Healthcare	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
21		Expanding cadre of frontline health-workers like ASHAs	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	-
22	Child and Maternal Health	Expanding ICDS	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	-
23	Industry	Incentives for MSME (access to credit, tax breaks etc.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
24		Promoting traditional industries (eg.Handloom etc).	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-

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25	Urbanisation	Rolling out a National Urban Policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	-
26		Ensuring devolution of powers under 74 th Constitutional Amendment	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	-
27		Right to housing for urban poor	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Create housing stock	Yes	-
28	Employment	Urban employment generation	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	Yes
29		Filling backlog in government jobs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
30		Enhancing access to skills training	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
31		Expanding MG-NREGA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
32	Social Security	Minimum Income Support (NYAY)	-	Yes	-	-	-	Yes	-
33		Universalising Old age pension	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
34	Welfare of Women	33% reservation for women in parliament and assemblies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes
35	SC/ST/OBC Welfare	Central legislation for Special Component for SC/ST	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Restoring SCSP/ TSP	-	Restoring SCSP/ TSP
36		Filling backlog of reserved posts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
37		Reservation in promotion	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	
38		Proper implementation of the Forest Rights Act & preventing eviction of Adivasis	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	Yes
39		Instituting Equal Opportunities Commission	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	-	-
40		Ending manual scavenging	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes

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41	Minorities	Passing a comprehensive anti-discrimination law	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	-
42		Passing a law against communal violence/hate crimes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes	Yes
43		Constitutional/ Statutory status for National Commission for Minorities	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes
44	Ex-servicepersons	Comprehensive overhaul of One Rank One Pension Policy	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	Yes
45	Persons with Disabilities	Life of Dignity for Persons with Disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	Yes
46	Diaspora Indians	Issues related to Non-Resident Welfare Fund, Insurance Rehabilitation etc. be resolved	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	-	-	Yes