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Balasaheb Thorat's contribution to the Golden Jubilee Revenue Campaign

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Abstract:-

The implement of the Suvarna Jayanti Revenue Campaign it has been possible to successfully deal with the problems related to the needs of common citizens through this campaign. Also along with the daily work of the people this campaign has been used to settle the pending work in front of everyone and create transparency in the revenue work. In the background of increasing population, increasing urbanization, increasing industrialization, there has been an increase in the work of the revenue department. By well-planned use of information technology and proper management of the growing work has become possible. The true credit of such a people-oriented campaign. It goes to Balasaheb Thorat as it is a matter of pride for us that this campaign has taken Maharashtra to a different height due to his positive attitude and approach towards this campaign.

Introduction :-

Among the various departments of the government the department of revenue is unique and importance among people. All common citizens, farmers and farm laborers face many administrative difficulties in their daily life. Many innovative experiments are being carried out by the administrative authorities to make it easier for the general public and to bring dynamism and efficiency in the administrative work. On the occasion of the completion of 50 years of the establishment of the state of Maharashtra, "Suvarna Jayanti Revenue Campaign" was started from May 1, 2011 with the participation of the people in all the districts by integrating the selected experiments among these innovative experiments. The campaign was launched to achieve public interest through simplification of law enactments and procedures and administrative reforms, effective use of information and technology. Today this campaign has taken the form of a movement. 11 activities have been included in this campaign. Along with the officials, citizens and public representatives were also seen striving for the success of these various schemes with great enthusiasm. The revenue administration reached the doorsteps of the people through registration camps, redressal courts and satisfaction schemes. In the campaign lot of issues of Panand (Pandhan) roads which have been pending for years have been solved and roads stuck in controversy have been cleared. Also the issue of domicile (residence) certificate and other documents was solved. By looking at the date of birth on the certificate, it should be assumed that it is a resident of Maharashtra, this dynamic method was also adopted for issuing other certificates as many parents and students in Maharashtra were relieved of their worries with such a single line. This certificate distribution activity has been recorded in the Limca Book of Records. As a progressive campaign of progressive Maharashtra, the Golden Jubilee Revenue Campaign has become popular and useful in a short period of time because the revenue



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department has developed a distinct identity. Balasaheb Thorat has made an important contribution in this event or campaign.

Keywords:- E-Chavadi, E-Democracy, Socialization, Justice, Decentralization of Power, Administrative Policy, Gram Sabha.

Objectives of the Research Paper :-

The objectives of the research paper are as follows -

- 1. To study the methodology of the golden jubilee revenue campaign.
- 2. To study the role of Balasaheb Thorat in the campaign.
- 3. To study the change in policy of the campaign.

The common citizens, farmers, agricultural laborers and women are in regular contact with the office of revenue department regarding various documents and other administrative questions. For that they have to visit Talathi Office, Tehsil Office, Collector, and Divisional Commissioner Office frequently. As field officers have to perform various responsibilities, much of their time is spent on these various tasks. Therefore, people's work is not completed within the prescribed time frame, so common citizens suffer. First of all, if a special campaign is implemented to overcome this problem, it will definitely help in dynamic and people-oriented administration in revenue administration. Balasaheb Thorat noticed that & he proposed the concept of Divisional Commissioner Committee to make revenue administration more dynamic and efficient as well as people-oriented and transparent. For this the various meetings were held to discuss the reforms to be made in the revenue department. All the Revenue Commissioners suggested many improvements based on their experiences and geographical conditions in their departments. In the meeting lot of planning was done in the following manner & it includes the following aspects -

- 1. Universalization of philanthropic initiatives / success stories already undertaken.
- 2. Suggesting and implementing new initiatives.
- 3. Simplification of Laws / Acts and Procedures.
- 4. Achieving public interest through decentralization of power and administrative reform.

The all above matters discussed in the meeting which held on dated 08/03/2011 at Pune 'Yashda' under the chairmanship of the Chief Minister. In this meeting all the minutes were presented and approved. The measures were suggested to make the revenue department peopleoriented, dynamic and could be implemented in the short term, medium term and long term and it was decided to implement these schemes effectively. In recent times, rapidly developing information technology is also used for communication tools. The various District Collectors have implemented various innovative schemes at their respective levels to overcome the challenges of the changing times by considering information technology and the geographical conditions and needs of their respective districts. These schemes have greatly benefited to the common people. In order to benefit the general public of the state all the activities implemented at the collectorate level should be universalized and implemented as 'Golden Jubilee Revenue Campaign' from May 1, 2011 in the state. Which determined & guided by Balasaheb Thorat.

This campaign has helped raise the image of the government among the masses. 'Suvarna Jayanti Revenue Abhiyan' is being implemented from 13/04/2011 as an ambitious scheme to



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make revenue administration should be people-oriented and dynamic in the golden jubilee of the Maharashtra state. In this there will be no need to implement all the 11 activities simultaneously in all the districts, so implementation of 8 out of the 11 activities has been made mandatory for all the districts. E-chavadi project, e-democracy system and effective use of information technology in government work are being implemented in a phased manner. It results in solving the problems related to the daily revenue operations of the public thus simplifying the revenue administration.

The various activities have been undertaken through the Suvarna Jubilee Revenue Campaign which can be mentioned as follows -

- 1. Conducting camps for awarding various certificates to the students in their school.
- 2. Making the necessary applications for various certificates available online and completing the necessary documents. To start the alternative facility of submitting the said application online through Setu Center and E-Seva Kendra.
- 3. Clearing of encroached and closed Panand / Pandhan / Pandhan / Farm Roads / Shiva Roads / Shivar Roads as per village map.
- 4. Disposing of changes pending for more than one month. For this taking a modification court at the headquarters of the Mandal.
- 5. To provide e-democratic system (helpline) in every district to get information related to revenue department and for grievance redressal.
- 6. Implementation of 'Samdhaan' scheme to provide all services to citizens under one roof at Mandal level.
- 7. Implementation of E-Chavadi Scheme.- (Under this scheme E-Chavadi is providing all the revenue related services to all Talathis of Kolhapur district with the help of laptops and printers. It is decided to start this scheme in all districts on this line.)
- 8. Disposing of various original rights revenue cases and appeals pending on 1st April within 1 year.
- 9. Large scale use of mobile, internet, video conference, GPS, satellite image for various government works.
- 10. To start a facility room in every collector and tehsil office to provide all kinds of information and provide all possible help to the citizens.
- 11. Installation of Biometric Machines in Divisional Commissioner / Collector / Sub Divisional Officer and Tehsil Offices to record attendance of officers and employees.

The following various decisions like this are also included in this campaign.

As a part of this scheme, a Mahaferfar Adalat campaign was organized to update and clean the Rights Record (7/12) which included the following records legally entitled in various ways.

- 1. Recording of rights acquired by deed.
- 2. Keeping records of inherited rights.
- 3. Allotment and record of allotment under Section MM with all the consents of the registered allotment deed and co-sharers.
- 4. Taking notes of registered waiver letter.
- 5. Taking records of judicial allotment petitions.



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- 6. Keeping records of loans taken or repaid from national, co-operative banks / credit institutions.
- 7. Taking records of wells, trees, farm houses, agricultural structures and their legal share.
- 8. Taking notes of the edited field.
- 9. Recording of crop seeds.
- 10. Determining the boundaries of the co-owners' territory.
- 11. Taking notes of registered deposit, registered lease pendency deed.
- 12. Updation of records of Occupancy Class 2 and Inam Class 3.
- 13. To record 7/12 and 36 A of land held by Scheduled Tribes persons.
- 14. Correcting typographical errors in area, name and recording them.
- 15. Taking/decreasing other legal records.

Conclusion :-

- 1. Suvarna Jayanti Revenue Campaign has started in Maharashtra as an ambitious scheme related to the daily activities of common citizens and farmers.
- 2. The Suvarna Jayanti Revenue Campaign has helped in a situation where common citizens and farmers have to face various issues in their day-to-day operations at the village level.
- 3. The main objective is to achieve public interest through simplification of law's enactments and procedures as well as administrative reforms.
- 4. Effective use of information technology is used in the campaign.
- 5. The government officials as well as ordinary citizens are found participating in this golden jubilee revenue campaign.
- 6. Raising the image of the government among common citizens, e-chavadi project, edemocracy system and effective use of information technology in government work can achieve public interest through decentralization of power.

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