
PREFACE

Our new Prime Minister, Narendra Modi is a wonderful man and his journey to success is strange. A career that started, as an ardent supporter of the RSS, is now on the way to reaching its zenith. Truly, Narendra Modi has walked quite a distance, wearing unflinching confidence on his sleeves. As the Gujarat Chief Minister and finally as the Prime Minister of India, he is a fascinating 'case study' as the man opens up equal number of avenues for his critics, as well as admirers. Modi is admired for his economic policies and growth scenario in Gujarat. And now India awaits his miracles.

Narendra Damodardas Modi, popularly known as Narendra Modi is the current guard of the nation. In fact, his wonderful victory has proved to be an eye opener for all Indians and the whole world, at large. He was selected by L.K. Advani, the veteran leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party, in 2001, to give a direction to the election campaign in Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh. Modi was elected as Chief Minister of Gujarat in 2001 and became the longest serving Chief Minister of the state. In the 2012, Gujarat legislative assembly election, he won his fourth constant term as the Chief Minister of the state.

Born and brought up in a noble culture, he derived his values of generosity, benevolence and social service from his family and social backdrop. He possesses excellent knowledge on human psychology and is also endowed with impressive organisational capabilities that are well evident in the economic and political atmosphere of present day Gujarat. With his deliberate and uncompromised efforts that have made Gujarat an economic power house, he has proved that 'action speaks louder than words'. In spite of a vicious and prolonged campaign of vilification, against him, he has managed to rule the minds of the people. Narendra Modi with his action-oriented style of administration has shut the mouth of his enemies, who were always desperate to pull him down from power. With his

unusual courage to convert challenges into opportunities, Modi is regarded as a great administrator and a powerful and innovative leader.

As a strong man with unparalleled administrative talents and great determination, Narendra Modi's name is written in golden letters in Gujarat's political history, to be extended to the whole nation now. This book describes Modi's rise and rise in an objective manner. This is a compiled book, based on authentic accounts and other sources. I am indebted to all the scholars, authors and compilers, whose valuable contributions, I have benefited from, while preparing this book. I am also thankful to my staff members and website operators, whose works, I have referred to, during the compilation of this book. Hopefully, this modest endeavour would be able to serve the concerned circles. Enlightening remarks and wise suggestions are solicited.

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