Dr. Manmohan Singh: The Visionary Embodiment of Simplicity and Integrity



Embodiment and essence of unfiltered simplicity, former Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh Ji reflected integrity and celestial humility not only in the political front revolutionising "Economic Reforms" in 1991, implementation of "RTI Act" in 2005, upliftment of rural India through "MNREGA" in 2006, " Civil Nuclear Deal" in 2008 and "Food Security Bill" in 2013 etc., but, in personal routine chores as well.

I seek to reflect upon one memorable incidence I could never forget about this truly genuine pure soul epitomizing visionary approach robed in soft candidness and integrity.

During the time when he was occupying the Office of Finance Minister of India, in 1991-96, water supply system connected to his residence got hampered. After being informed, CPWD got activated and field staff was sent to his residence to sort out the impediments related to water supply connection. But look at the mesmerizing modesty of his demeanour and actionable ready-to-do approach, keeping his "Pagadi" aside, he was seen repairing the pipes connected to the tanks fitted on the terrace of his residence on his own till the field staff reached to do the same.

I didn't use the mortal word "Late" with his immortal name, deliberately, because I, as a common Indian, don't consider him just a human being, but, in true sense of the word, he was an incarnation and personification of visionary thought process and thoughts never die.

"It is always the simple that produces the marvellous"

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