From the Editor's Desk

"As usual, we swim in a pile of dishonourable politicians. An Arab poem describes how the rotten rubbish floats to the top of the water, while all the gems - corals and precious fish - stay at the bottom." — **(An Arab friend.)**

"Permanence, perseverance, and persistence in spite of all obstacles, discouragements, and impossibilities: It is this that in all things distinguishes the strong soul from the weak." When people lose faith in the natural goodness of the human character, the lack of trust in spiritual goodness, that is one reason, why corruption has become so widespread today" — **Sri Sri Ravi Shankar**

"May we realize that we cannot be happy until we seek satisfaction in spiritual progress, guarding our peace of mind from all influencesthat would destroy it. Let us understand that happiness comes not by aimlessly thinking about it but by striving to express it in all our moods and actions." — **(Sri Paramahansa Yogananda)**

The revolutionary change voiced by veteran social activist Anna Hazare and his team was a noble cause, to view the different and varying needs of the age-groups in human society considering the pros and cons for the changing mindset of our elected representatives found to cheat the public, who have elected them and whose genuine grievances are going unheard. Such of those politicians are the enemies of truth, freedom, and justice. They are highly mobilized, well funded, efficiently organized. Institutional structures of power, whether local or national, are effective mechanisms through which ruling groups of society establish and entrench their influence, build consensus among themselves, brainwash and expand their control, over the masses and society as a whole. Whether they take the form of think tanks, universities, governments, corporations, militaries, intelligence agencies, NGOs, media conglomerates, international organizations, philanthropic foundations, they are institutions of control and conquest. Whether that conquest is ideological or physical, the effect is the same: the conquered are oppressed and repressed. These institutions are financed through a banking system of collusion between the private banks and quasi-governmental central banks, which control the money supply and value of the change in our pockets, which are in fact a highly concentrated group of institutions and individuals. Never in human history have so few neither controlled so much on such a national scale. Never before in our Indian history have the mechanisms for absolute total control and oppression been within such close reach. We are seeing the emergence of this 'new society' , as domestic police states are established under the guise of 'homeland security', sold on the pre-tense of protecting people from terrorists, but in actuality are designed to protect the powerful from the people. Increasingly, civil rights and freedoms are being dismantled for the wider populations: countries and peoples all around the world are subjected to bombings, drone attacks from flying killer robots in the sky named "Predators", and high-tech military equipment is designed and used to effectively kill and conquer poor people all around the globe. In the emerging 'homeland security states', technology is being used to spy on people, all internet traffic monitored, phones tapped, cameras recording not only our images, but through biometrics they are categorizing and quantifying our specific individual faces and emotional responses. Technology has largely facilitated the advances in these areas and has, for the first time in all of human history, made possible the notion of a truly global police state. Yet... there is still hope.

The Technological Revolution has not only facilitated a more rapid and effective apparatus for the institutions of power to exploit in methods of oppression and control, but it has simultaneously facilitated the rapid and effective means through which more people than ever before in human history have access to and empowerment through information and communication on a truly global scale. As a result of the Internet, the traditional institutions of power have lost their monopoly of control over information and communication. The very same technological advances that make possible their methods of control and conquest are simultaneously making possible their eventual downfall and failure. While the powerful have the money and are highly centralized, the rest of the world increasingly have the means and remain highly decentralized. And while the powerful are few, the rest are many. The Internet and social media have become effective means through which people are able to empower themselves to struggle against and expose the institutions of power that seek to oppress and control them. Naturally, those same institutions seek to influence - whether overtly or covertly - those very same avenues of social media, they are still effective and available for the struggle for liberation from oppression. Real Social and Rights Activists have been able to harness these new communications technologies, who are committed to providing free and accessible information to the many, in order to expose the said few. Our aim is to struggle against and expose the institutions of power, and to empower the people to take this endeavour into their own hands and onto their own keyboards. However, there is still something that everyone can do to help in the cause and to help Anna Hazare team to become more effective in our aims. You can empower yourself and empower Peoples Lokpal to continue for truth, fairness and Justice. Every individual has his own story to tell of the unfairness, injustice and atrocities of harassment and humiliation met despite being true to themselves. Our resources are limited, but our learned readers are dedicated and we need that dedication to continue. There are free and effective ways to help in the spread of knowledge and truth. Empower yourself and help us get a wider audience through the use of social media.

Our exposure comes from our readers, our reputation is derived from our success at advancing the free flow of information, and our "brand" is truth. We rely upon you, our readers, to consume the information we provide, to use that knowledge to empower yourself, and to help spread our name and information to others in order to continue doing what we do.

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Krishnapatnam Port's final plan will have a handling capacity of 200 mn MTPA with 42 berths. The total quay length will be 12.5 km with a draft of 20 meters, capable of handling 200,000 DWT super capesize vessels. It will have a Mega Container terminal, Ro-Ro terminal, liquid bulk terminal, world class bunkering, rig repairing and offshore facilities. It will play a catalytic role in bringing about an industrial revolution in Andhra Pradesh, Eastern Karnataka & Northern Tamil Nadu by becoming the gateway for exports from and imports to SEZs, Logistic parks, Cement, Steel & Thermal Power plants.

World InfoDesk

Cautious welcome for PM's move on armed guards:

Prime Minister David Cameron's announcement that gun laws would be relaxed to allow private armed guards aboard UK flagged vessels has received a heavily qualified welcome from shipping industry organisations. InterManager, which is an active member of the Save our Seafarers (SOS) campaign, gave one of the most enthusiastic responses, saying that it was "after months of campaigning, delighted to hear the public vilification of piracy issued by the UK Government".

Alastair Evitt, president of InterManager, said that it was a quantum leap in public perception to hear the issue of piracy and merchant shipping addressed by the UK Prime Minister David Cameron so openly and frankly. Mr Cameron told the BBC: "Somali piracy is a complete stain on our world."

The shipmanagers' body went on to say: "The UK Government's recognition of the value of armed guards and the right of the owner and manager to deploy them, in the right circumstances and in accordance with BMP4, is a great lead by the UK government and it is InterManager's firm belief that this stance should be adopted by all flags and charterers that still do not openly support it."

InterManager re-iterated its position that it is not calling for every vessel to have armed guards onboard, rather that when a detailed risk assessment deems this the preferred option, then individual flag state legislation or charter party clauses should not obstruct owners and/or managers in taking this decision. The organisation also supports ongoing initiatives to licence the companies providing armed guards, based on qualification, competence and experience, to define the rules of engagement in the event of a pirate attack and to control the type and flow of weapons deployed both onboard and while in transit to and from vessels.

Adopting a more guarded tone the Gavin Simmonds, head of security and defence at the UK Chamber of Shipping said: "We have supported the move to decriminalise the carriage of private armed security, but believe it needs to be decision of individual ship owners to use them where they think appropriate. However, the use of private security not only risks escalating confrontations with pirates but also causes a very serious legal liability and other dilemmas for major UK corporate decision makers who are unwilling to take on international protection duties privately. There is a strong principle and belief that it should instead be the responsibility of UK Government to do that.

"We are also seriously concerned that there is a mismatch between the supply of ex-UK serviceman in this new industry and the demand for their services."

In a similar vein seafarers' union Nautilus International cautiously welcomed the Prime Minister's announcement that British-flagged vessels will be able to carry armed guards to protect them from pirate attack. The union agreed that the deployment of armed guards on vessels would help to further secure the safety maritime professional sailing through high risk areas, but believed that there are still "questions to be asked and concerns to be addressed."

Nautilus International general secretary, Mark Dickinson said: "There continue to be grave unanswered questions about liability and responsibility associated with the use of weapons onboard merchant ships. Whilst it may be reassuring to see that no ships carrying security teams have been hijacked - so far, at least - there are a number of unresolved issues arising from their deployment. There needs to be consideration and agreement on key issues including the liabilities of masters and officers in the event of something going wrong, or the problem of flag states, coastal states and port states facilitating the carriage of weapons onboard. The thorny of issue of the cost of providing security has the potential to give further incentives to shipowners to flag out and the quality and regulation of private armed security guards."

"Include shipping in future UK carbon budgets," says Committee:

The Government's independent body which identifies how the UK can meet national greenhouse gas reduction targets, the Committee on Climate Change (CCC), has recommended that greenhouse gas emissions from shipping should be included in future UK carbon budgets. Currently, the UK is committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2050 based on 1990 levels, but to date international shipping and aviation are not included. In a new report, the CCC advises: "Shipping emissions could account for up to 10% of emissions allowed under the 2050 target and therefore needs to be incorporated into reduction targets but could create further reduction pressures on other sectors such as electricity, heat and surface vehicles."

The UK should be responsible for half of all the emissions associated with ships entering or leaving national ports - the other half being borne by whichever countries lie at the other end of the journeys. The Chamber of Shipping has welcomed the publication of this important review from the Committee on Climate Change (CCC) and agrees that shipping should not be excluded from carbon targets in the future. But it added that the introduction of any such measures must be done globally through the International Maritime Organization (IMO) rather than through any regional solution that will only serve to distort trade and potentially damage shipping.

David Balston, director safety & environment at the UK Chamber of Shipping said: "I am very pleased that the Committee on Climate Change has involved the Chamber in producing such a well balanced and thought provoking review of shipping emissions. This work is hugely important and complements ground breaking work that the UK Chamber has been doing in leading and shaping the debate on how shipping can drive down carbon emissions. We do stress, however, that any

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