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PEOPLE'S LEADER: Hon'ble Lok Sabha MP Abhishek Banerjee Releases Yet Another Edition Of 'Nishobdo Biplob' As Part Of Accountability & Development Brought To Diamond Harbour

"THIS REPORT CARD IS A TESTAMENT OF MY WORK FOR THE *JONO DEVTA*. IF BJP LEADERS CAN SHOW ME JUST A PAMPHLET OF DEVELOPMENTAL WORK THEY'VE DONE FOR SOUTH 24 PARGANAS, I WILL QUIT POLITICS"

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- It has been nine years since the people of Diamond Harbour elected me as their representative to the Lok Sabha. After winning the 2014 Lok Sabha polls, I had taken a pledge to make Diamond Harbour a 'model constituency'
- I believe checks and balances are necessary in all field of work. Hence, over these past nine years, I have strived to come out with a report card each year in the form of this book, '*Nishobdo Biplob*'
- I consider it my duty to present the work that I have done for my constituency and to show it to the people. As a Member of Parliament, I am entitled to Rs 5 crore under the MPLAD fund. Though we couldn't get the amount for two years owing to the Covid Pandemic, I am still accountable to the public to show them where I have spent the Rs 5 crore
- Back in 2014, I took oath as the MP of Diamond Harbour on June 5. Each subsequent year, I have bought out my report card for the people of Diamond Harbour, to show them the work that has been done in their constituency. These events have taken place in various places in Diamond Harbour, be it Bishnupur, Satgachia, Budge Budge, Maheshtala or Falta
- The two years that we couldn't bring out our '*Nishobdo Biplob*' was during the Covid-19 Pandemic in 2020 and in 2021, when the Bengal Elections had taken place
- This '*Nishobdo Biplob*' details all the work that I, as an MP, have done for this constituency using the MPLAD funds. It also details the work that is undertaken by the State government, under my watchful eyes
- I believe no other Member of Parliament has bought out their report card each year, not even the Prime Minister or the Home Minister. Working for the people is my duty, and hence I am bringing out my report card. I will challenge my critics to do the same, and show the people what they've done for them
- There should be comparison of what I have done, and what the central government has done for the people. I might have come out with a 400-page book, but can the Opposition come out with even a pamphlet, listing their achievements?
- From this stage, I am challenging the BJP to bring out a leaflet, listing the development that they've done in South 24 Parganas or even Bengal
- Developmental work related to water, roads, services, everything is included in this '*Nishobdo Biplob*'. People of Diamond Harbour will testify how the area was prior to 2014, and what the situation is currently
- The people of Diamond Harbour gave me a chance in 2014, when I won by 71,292 votes. In 2019, BJP created a fake wave that Trinamool would be thrashed, the Prime Minister himself held roadshows and public meetings in a bid to defeat me. When the results came out, I had won by over 3 lakh, 22 thousand votes

- **It is the people who have made Diamond Harbour a ‘model constituency’.** In 2019, I received over 7 lakh, 94 thousand votes, and I can safely say that no other MP in Bengal has received such huge number of votes
- **In Diamond Harbour today, each Gram Panchayat has ‘pucca’ roads.** I will challenge my Opposition to show me one Gram Panchayat, where there’s no ‘pucca’ roads, if they can, then within 24 hours, I will make sure that a ‘pucca’ road is built
- We have also initiated the Falta-Mathurapur Water Supply Project at a cost of Rs 1,500 crore, which I believe is one of the finest projects in our country. **Within a year, each family will have access to piped water in Diamond Harbour**
- We have kept our word in every aspect, be it building a multi-specialty hospital in Diamond Harbour or a women’s university, or building over 1,100 km roads under the Pathashree Prakalpa of Bengal government. **I am thankful to Chief Minister for taking up the Rasthashree-Pathashree Prakalpa in Diamond Harbour**
- Under the departments of PWD, Irrigation and PHE, we have invested over Rs 3,500 crore for just Diamond Harbour Lok Sabha constituency. **This much developmental work hasn’t even taken place in PM Modi’s constituency in Varanasi**
- The Charial Bridge in Budge Budge has been in the works for 45 years. Earlier in March this year, I inaugurated one-lane of the bridge, while work on the second lane is almost complete. I also inaugurated the Amtala Bus Terminus recently; time and again, I have maintained that we work in every anchal, irrespective of whether we won there or not
- During the Covid-19 Pandemic, when the Prime Minister announced a sudden lockdown, lakhs of people were stranded across the country. **At Diamond Harbour, we started 21 community kitchens, where over 12 lakh people were given food under the Kalpataru Scheme. As I said, Diamond Harbour has shown the path for the country, hence we call it a ‘Model Constituency’**
- We organised the Diamond Harbour MP Cup, where my critics claimed that I was spreading Covid. **Within 10 days, we reduced the Covid positivity rate in Diamond Harbour from 21% to 2%. In one day alone, we conducted over 50,000 Covid tests, a record for this country**
- Within a year of formation, Diamond Harbour Football Club has reached the Premier Division and will compete with the likes of Mohun Bagan and Mohammedan Sporting. It is a matter of pride for the residents of Diamond Harbour
- On 18 June, 2022, we launched **‘Ek Daake Abhishek’**, and within a year, we have received 14 lakh phone calls. While 2 lakh calls were from Diamond Harbour, the other 12 lakh were from other districts of Bengal. **The people trust us, and hence they call us up, because their grievances are being resolved through ‘Ek Daake Abhishek’**
- How can the Opposition claim that they weren’t allowed to file nominations for the Panchayat Elections, when of the 2.32 lakh nominations filed, around 83,000 were from Trinamool Congress, while over 1.5 lakh nominations were filed by the Opposition parties?
- We completed the **‘Trinamoole Nabo Jowar’** campaign recently. I was on the road for 60 days, where the love and adulation I received from the public left me humbled. **With the completion of our Jono Sanjog Yatra, I can assure you that from Cooch Behar to Kakdwip, Trinamool Congress will win it all**
- I am also thankful to the High Court for deploying central forces during the Panchayat Elections. **Remember 2021 Bengal Elections, where four groups of central forces were there, the results of the elections are for all to see. In 2024, we will win by an ever bigger margin from Diamond Harbour**