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Leaked Conversations Between ISF & BJP Leaders Prove That ISF Is A Front Propped Up By BJP To Fool A Section Of Society, Say Leaders Kunal Ghosh, Kalyan Banerjee, Firhad Hakim, Chandrima Bhattacharya, Satabdi Roy & Birbaha Hansda

“AITC THANKS EACH BOOTH WORKER FOR HELPING *TRINAMOOLE NABO JOWAR* ACHIEVE HUGE SUCCESS”

“POST PANCHAYAT POLLS, TRINAMOOL WILL TAKE FIGHT TO DELHI & SNATCH BENGAL’S RIGHTFUL DUES”

“FOR AITC, DEPLOYMENT OF CENTRAL FORCES MAKES NO DIFFERENCE AS PEOPLE STILL SUPPORT US”

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- **Yesterday, the ‘Trinamoole Nabo Jowar’ outreach campaign culminated at Kakdwip, where AITC Chairperson Mamata Banerjee congratulated the party’s National General Secretary, Abhishek Banerjee, on having successfully completed the two-month long outreach initiative**
- **From the party’s end, we would like to thank the people of Bengal for having wholeheartedly supported the *Jono Sanjog Yatra*. We also would like to extend our gratitude to each of the booth workers, and everyone associated with *Trinamoole Nabo Jowar*, for having worked extremely hard these past two months**
- **With Panchayat polls around the corner, we have taken the decision where 50 AITC leaders will visit the entire State over the next 15 days, and hold meetings and meet people**
- **From this press conference, we are humbly asking all those candidates who haven’t gotten the party’s symbol, and are contesting as independent contenders, to withdraw their nomination and throw their weight behind the party’s official candidate. This is an important fight for us; we are fighting a united and unholy Opposition**
- **If independent candidates don’t take back their nomination by June 20, be rest assured, even if you win the polls, the doors of the party will forever be closed for you**
- **We have also taken a resolution that after the completion of the Panchayat Elections in Bengal, 10 lakh people will go to Delhi and snatch Bengal’s rightful dues from the central government**
- **As you are already aware and as Abhishek Banerjee has said in the past, the Central government only offers 60% of funds for schemes and projects, while the rest 40% is borne by the State government. Even though the State is ready with its share, the Centre is yet to clear pending dues for Awas Yojana and for the 100 Days’ Work Scheme**

- **Regarding the deployment of central forces for the Panchayat Elections, we would like to state in clear terms that Trinamool Congress remains unaffected. It doesn't matter to Trinamool Congress if central forces are deployed or not**
- The reason is, if you look back during the 2011 Bengal Elections, or the 2013 Panchayat Elections, or the 2016 Bengal Elections, or the 2019 General Elections, or the 2021 Bengal Elections, we had central forces for each of these polls. Yet, Trinamool Congress emerged on top, as it has the support of the people
- **As long as the people continue to support Trinamool Congress and Mamata Banerjee, no amount of central forces will be able to stop Trinamool Congress from winning the polls.** Our fight is against the unholy alliance of CPIM-BJP-Congress, ours is a political fight, where the people have given us their support
- Another important issue that we like to bring to the public's notice is the **conversation between Nawsad Siddiqui and BJP leader Kailash Vijayvargiya, that has been leaked, where the former is wishing the BJP leader on Ram Navami**
- The other chats that have been leaked show how Siddiqui is asking the Personal Assistant of MOS (Home Affairs) Nityanand Rai to transfer officials before the 2021 Bengal Elections. **These conversations clearly prove that ISF has been propped by the BJP to fool a section of the society. The unholy nexus of CPIM-ISF-Congress is an alliance of convenience. We have long spoken about how ISF remains just a front, which the BJP has propped to fool people**
- If the ISF leaders think that the chats are fake, they are free to file defamation cases against us, but the chats have clearly proved how the Election Commission is pressurised by BJP; it is a sad fact but EC has been compromised by BJP
- Another video that has gone viral is where ISF leader Abbas Siddiqui is openly claiming that they prefer the BJP, and there's no reason why they would vote for Trinamool. **These videos, along with Nawsad Siddiqui asking MOS Home Nityanand Rai to remove officers, shows how ISF remains in contact with BJP.** We want to know the collaboration that is going on with ISF and BJP
- **As AITC Chairperson Mamata Banerjee said yesterday, Trinamool Congress will show BJP their face. We will make sure the BJP is reduced to zero in Bengal**
- Trinamool Congress has never been in favour of violence, all those perpetrating any form of violence, they are not from AITC. **We have repeatedly stated that we want peaceful Panchayat Elections in Bengal**
- The post of Governor is a constitutional one. The Governor should not be a political agent. **We hear that he has visited places where violence took place. Yet, he hasn't gone to Malda, where a Trinamool Congress worker lost his life.** We haven't seen the Governor visiting Odisha, where people from Bengal died in a tragic accident. **The Governor should realise he is for entire Bengal, and not for a specific party**