

**A Critical Study on the Media Industry in
Post-Independent India, 2018**

**Conceptualized and Submitted by
V. J. Reji Vasanth**

**For
Third Press Commission in India**

**To
The Honorable Prime Minister of India
The Prime Minister's Office
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V. J. Reji Vasanth

**‘A Research Study on “Third Press Commission” in India’
“A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, (2018)”**

I am very proud to inform you that the Research study conducted by me emphasizing the need for constituting a **“Third Press Commission”** in India. The study is entitled **“A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, (2018).”** It has been sent to **eminent Parliamentarians and Legislatures, and Administrators and Media personalities** for perusal and opinion. All of them have invariably appreciated the merits of its findings and suggestions and unanimously recommended to take it further for its logical purpose. The **Kerala Kaumudi**, a leading Malayalam News Daily, highlighted the Research study recently and remarked on its guidelines and suggestions.

The Research study strives to evolve proper guidelines and point out explicitly the various nuances regarding the Media Freedom and the problems involved in the functioning of the Press and the responsibilities of the Government and the service to be rendered by the Press to the society. The study highlights the **requisite Terms of reference (TOR)** for envisaging an effective **Media Policy** in India.

Today it is seen that **The Fake news syndrome** and the soaring digital media continue to influence the public opinion unabated. The absence of a proper and effective **Media policy** has further aggravated the worsening situation in India. So in this crucial juncture, novel methods and techniques need to be implemented to analyze and access the **Media industry**.

Here we are faced with some questions.

- a) Can we ignore the reaction of the Public or the responsible Media for a viable solution to this malady?
No, we cannot ignore or overlook this compelling situation.
- b) Can we be indifferent to the need of the hour?
No, we cannot be indifferent.
- c) Can we delay or procrastinate in taking suitable measures for shaping an effective **Media policy**?
No, we have no time to wait any longer

The Research study has a momentous role in shaping or even changing the destiny of our nation. So in view of the situation I insist that the Research study should be considered and processed to analyze and access its merits and innovative finding pin pointing the need to constitute the **“Third Press Commission”** after four decade since Independence. So in this manner we can reciprocate to the **Public interest in this regard.**

Thanking you,

V. J. Reji Vasanth
Researcher

JUSTICE (Retd.) P. SATHASIVAM
GOVERNOR OF KERALA



RAJ BHAVAN
KERALA

24 May 2018

MESSAGE

I am glad to know that Shri V.J. Reji Vasanth has prepared a report entitled **A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, 2018** which attempts to outline suggestions for reforms in the media sector.

I appreciate his efforts and wish him all the best.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Sathasivam'.

[Justice (Retd.) P. Sathasivam]

Kummanam Rajasekharan
GOVERNOR OF MIZORAM



RAJ BHAVAN
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D.O.No.PB/I(P)/2018
14th July 2018

Message

I am glad to know that Sri V.J. Reji Vasanth has prepared a research study named "A critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, 2018". The study emphasis on the need for a "Third Press Commission" in India and also suggests for reforms in the media sector. He has gone through all aspects of media field with investigative and research mind, as a result of which so many factors and features concerned to general public has come to light. His efforts are worth and delightful.

I appreciate his efforts and wish him all the best and success for this endeavor.

(Kummanam Rajasekharan)

Shri. V. J. Reji Vasanth
"Tattvamasi"
Pazhakutty P.O, Nedumangad
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DR. SHASHI THAROOR

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25/06/2018

MESSAGE

I am pleased to hear that Shri. V. J. Reji Vasanth has conducted research on 'A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, 2018', recommending necessary guidelines and terms of reference for envisaging an effective media policy.

Forty years after the appointment of Second Press Commission, the country seems to have reached another tipping point for reform, with seemingly inexorable clout of fake news and a soaring digital media influencing public opinion. At this juncture, we require novel techniques to analyze and assess contemporary journalism, notwithstanding the need for an institution to formulate guidelines for the fruitful functioning of fourth estate. It is interesting, at this point, that Shri. Reji Vasanth has put forth the need for a Third Press Commission.

I would like to congratulate his effort and would like to wish him the very best in his future endeavours.

Jai Hind!


Dr. Shashi Tharoor



Vijay Rupani

Chief Minister, Gujarat State

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Dt.03/08/2018

Snehi Shri V. J. Reji Vasanth,

Saprem Namaskar.

It is heartening to learn about your research study on the constitution of the Third Press Commission in India.

A journalist's peculiar function is to read the mind of the country and to give definite and fearless expression to that mind.

- *Mahatma Gandhi*

Gandhiji, being a journalist himself, was a staunch advocate of the free press and freedom of expression, especially for the Journalist's fraternity. The Media has evolved with the changing times and adopted modern mediums. The most important thing to keep in mind is to maintain the values and the principles intact, even while transforming to the latest modes of reaching people and society.

I, hereby, extend you my heartiest best wishes for the fulfillment of your goals and best wishes to you for your future researches.

(Vijay Rupani)

To,
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Sarbananda Sonowal



**Chief Minister, Assam
Guwahati**

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1.8.2018

MESSAGE

I am happy to know that Mr. V. J. Reji Vasanth has conducted a thorough research on the need for constituting a “Third Press Commission” in India in his research dossier “A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post- Independent India, (2018)”.

As this research book underlines the need for a third press commission and presents strong arguments for the same; it is imperative for all stakeholders to support the Mr. Vasanth in his efforts to bring reforms in media practices of the country.

I wish Mr. Vasanth all the very best in his endeavour.

(SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

V. S. ACHUTHANANDAN

Chairman
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DATE..... 6.3.2018

MESSAGE

I am happy to appreciate the Research study named 'A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, 2018'.

The trends in Journalism have undergone tremendous changes all over the world. In India also these changes have taken place. This is very conspicuous in the post-independent period. Due to the emergence of Internet-based media forms, the Journalistic activities are getting transformed every day.

At this juncture, we need novel methods and tools to assess and analyze the stylistics of contemporary Journalism. As everybody knows, there had been only two Press Commission in Post-independent India, the first one in 1966 and 2nd in 1978. It is on the recommendations of the Press Commission that the Press Council of India was formed.

Since the 2nd Press Commission, Journalism have changed a lot. Corruption, nepotism and erosion of values are rampant in the present social life. So Journalists and Journalism have to assert their role as watch-dogs of the society. Hence it is high time to form a 3rd Press Commission, the working of which would pave inroads into the pros and cons of Journalistic activities in India.

I feel that the Research study made by Sri. V. J. Reji Vasanth is a serious and comprehensive Research work, which would throw light upon the various aspects related to it. So with great pleasure, I recommend this study conducted by Sri. V. J. Reji Vasanth.

V. S. Achuthanandan
Chairman, Administrative Reforms Commission
and Former Chief Minister of Kerala

PINARAYI VIJAYAN
CHIEF MINISTER



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Secretariat
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No.706/Press/CMO/18

28th June, 2018.

Message

I am happy to note that Shri. V.J. Reji Vasanth has conducted a research on the Media Industry in Post- Independent India and the study strongly argues the case for a Third Press Commission. We are aware that four decades have passed after the second Press Commission submitted its report in 1978. Media industry has changed amazingly during the last few decades thanks to the advancement of technology. It is an undisputable fact that increasing corporatization of media sector has severely affected independence of the media and eroded values of journalism. I believe constitution of a Third Press Commission will be a good step to address these issues. I would like to congratulate V.J. Reji Vasanth's efforts to make an in-depth study on our media industry and to formulate valuable suggestions.

Pinarayi Vijayan

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Message

Sri V J Reji Vasanth's research work – A critical study on the media industry in post-independent India 2018 – brings to light the existing state of affairs prevailing in the functioning of the fourth estate that need correction. Journalism has become a major industry and the credibility crisis it faces all over the world today is due to the media industry's shifting focus on promoting Sensationalism and the interests of the Self, the State and the Management. The news content erodes to views and perceptions of the media house. And truth, ethics, investigative journalism and public interest often takes a backseat.

With the explosion of ICT, social media is growing as a powerful tool shaping public opinion and invades the space of journalists. India is a country of 1.3 billion people of astonishing diversity and believe in "Satyameva Jayate" but its media at times take positions just opposite. How far the self-regulatory mechanisms succeed in upholding ethics and professional standards need a revisit. It is also important to have a critical look into the employee ecosystem in the media industry.

We are living in a time of digital technology, transforming lives and mindsets of people all over the world, resulting in an exponential growth of social media. When the second Press Commission gave its report, social media – the growing fifth pillar of democracy - was entirely different and was not visible. In this context, Sri Reji Vasanth's study, exhorting for a third Press Commission assumes significance. In the domain of media, the word 'control' or 'regulate' suggest reprehension, while 'guidance' or 'restraint' would be better in terms of acceptance. Though I do not endorse some statistics about Kerala as assumptions, I feel that the author's case for another Press Commission deserves immediate attention in public interest.

P.VENUGOPAL

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सुरेश गोपी
SURESH GOPI
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MESSAGE

I am very happy to appreciate the Research study of Sri. V. J. Reji Vasanth, entitled **"A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, (2018)"**, recommending the imperative need for a **"Third Press Commission"** in India. The study puts forward the necessary guidelines and requisite Terms of reference (TOR) for envisaging an effective Media Policy. It includes The Media Freedom in India, The Media (Paid, Owned, Earned and Hijacked) in India, The Policy of the Indian Foreign Direct investment (FDI) in the Media sector, The Media Dharma - Media should be for the Public Interest (MPI), The Paid News (Paid News Syndrome), The Fake news scenario and the balancing of Digital Media Industry in India.

It is important to note that India has gone a long way in the Information & Communication Technology sector and it is now four decades since the last Press Commission had been appointed; hence it is the need of the hour to envisage an effective Media policy - **"Third Press Commission"** in India. As **Shri. Narendra Modi, the Honorable Prime Minister of India**, has said Innovation is the key to realizing the dreams of 'New India' and the 21st century is the century of "IPPP" **"Innovation, Patent, Production and Prosperity."** So it is with great pleasure that I appreciate and recommend this Research study **"A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, (2018)"**, recommending the imperative need for a **"Third Press Commission"** by Sri. V. J. Reji Vasanth.

Thiruvananthapuram

SURESH GOPI

04/06/2018.

Dr. A. SAMPATH, M.A., LL.M., Ph.D.
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ATTINGAL, KERALA



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- Committee on Official Languages

CHAIRMAN :

- Dist. Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committee

01/03/2018

MESSAGE

V. J. Reji Vasanth is known to me for the last **twenty years**. His single handed rigorous studies in **Research & Development (R&D), The Information & Communication Technology (ICT)** is much relevant, Informative and Innovative for the empowerment of **India**. His **National Vision** documents Digital India: Mission CD/DVD Authoring India (2003), Mission 2020 - Knowledge Village (India) & (Maldives)(2005), Cyber Forensics Laboratory (CFL) (2016), Vision 2050 Project Report Robotics & Artificial intelligence (AI)(2017), and now the **Media related Thesis study** and a **Proposal** for a **Third Press Commission in India (2018)**.

I have gone through the **Thesis Report** conceptualized by **V. J. Reji Vasanth "Investigative Journalism / Sting Operation (Kerala) a study with emphasis on National & International scenario."** The **Thesis study** based on the feedback involving **Interviews & Questionnaires** from **Citizens, Executive, Legislature, Judiciary, Media Organizations** and **Journalists** justifies the imperative need for a **Third Press Commission in India**.

The **Proposal** to be submitted before the **Honorable Prime Minister of India** for the need of a "**Third Press Commission**" in **India** is imperative because it is since **four decades** that the **Second Press Commission Report** was published and **India** has gone a long way in the **Information & Communication Technology (ICT) Revolution**. The **Media related study** conducted by **V. J. Reji Vasanth** as a **Proposal** for a **Third Press Commission in India** is relevant and I therefore strongly recommend that this **Proposal** may be considered for implementation.



Dr. A. SAMPATH. M.P



Ramesh Chennithala
Leader of Opposition
KERALA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

14.06.2018

MESSAGE

I am happy to see that **Sri. V. J. Reji Vasanth** has authored a book titled “**A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post-Independent India, (2018)**”, with recommendation for appointing a “**Third Press Commission**” in India. He has taken a serious effort to assess and evaluate the prevailing trends and movements in our media sector and signifies the need to establish a Third Press Commission. The demand seems to be a reasonable one as it would strengthen the Media Freedom and its sovereignty so as to develop an unbiased and independent reporting culture without any external influence and interference.

I wish all success and best of luck for this noble endeavor.

Ramesh Chennithala

Akhilesh Mishra

to me 

Dear Reji Vasanth,

Thank you very much for your email dated 1 June. I would like to compliment you for your comprehensive study on Media Industry in Post-Independent India. I am sure your study would provide valuable inputs and guidance to various stakeholders in India.


With warm regards,

Akhilesh Mishra

Ambassador of India to Maldives

Grievance Status for registration number : PMOPG/E/2018/0330084

Grievance Concerns To

Name Of Complainant	V J Reji Vasanth
Date of Receipt	07/07/2018
Received By Ministry/Department	Prime Ministers Office
Grievance Description	<p>I am V J Reji Vasanth a Researcher from Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India. I would like to meet the Honorable Prime Minister of Indian to discuss the need for constituting a Third Press Commission in India, as it is four decades since the appointment of the Second Press Commission. I appeal The Honorable Prime Minister of India for supporting me in the single handed mission for a Media Reform in India. In the 21st century if Innovation is the key to realizing the dreams of New India an Innovative Press is the need of the hour for a vibrant nation. I am happy to inform that the Research study conducted by me on the need for constituting a Third Press Commission in India A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post Independent India (2018) has been sent for perusal and opinion by eminent Parliamentarians and Legislatures and Administrators and Media personalities. The study will come as Submission in the Indian Parliament in the coming Parliamentary session. The Research study has been invariably appreciated and recommended by The Honorable Governor of Kerala Shri. Justice P. Sathasivam, The Honorable Chief Minister of Kerala Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan, Shri. V. S. Achuthanandan the Chairman, Administrative Reforms Commission The Former Chief Minister of Kerala, Shri. P. Venugopal IAS, Secretary to Government of Kerala IPRD Commissioner, Dr. Shashi Tharoor, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) Kerala Chairman, External Affairs Committee of Parliament, Shri. Suresh Gopi Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) Kerala, Dr. A Sampath Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) Kerala, Shri. Ramesh Chennithala, The Leader of the Opposition in the Kerala Legislative Assembly, Shri. Akhilesh Mishra IFS, Ambassador of India to Maldives by a few eminent Media personalities. The Research study on the Media Industry in India is a Proposal for favorable action for the appointment of a Third Press Commission in view of the fact that the study had been submitted before the Honorable Prime Minister of India Shri. Narendra Modi for perusal by Dr. A. Sampath, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) Kerala, Shri. Kummanam Rajasekharan, The State President, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Kerala who is now the Honorable Governor of Mizoram and Shri. Suresh Gopi, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) Kerala. All the mainstream Political leaders representing different Political parties in Kerala - Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Communist Party of India (Marxist), Congress, have appreciated and advised to take it to its logical purpose. The Kerala Kaumudi, a leading Malayalam News Daily, highlighted the Research study recently and remarked on its guidelines and suggestions. The Research study strives to analyze and explain explicitly the various nuances regarding the Media Freedom and the problems involved in the functioning of the Press and the responsibilities of the Government and the service to be rendered by the Press to the society. The study highlights the requisite Terms of reference (TOR) for envisaging an effective Media Policy in India. The Prime time discussion in the Indian Media on Mirror Now July 4 Fighting Fake News Govt or WhatsApp Who is responsible ET NOW July 3 Fighting Fake News On this India Development Debate. The Fake news syndrome and the soaring digital media are influencing public opinion to a great extent. In this situation, we need to implement novel methods and techniques to assess and analyze contemporary Journalism. The use of Technologies like Blockchain and artificial intelligence (AI) with a view to building an ecosystem to guarantee authenticity of texts, avoid censorship, and combat fake news, have been experimented across the Globe Blockchain Based Content Platform for genuine unbiased news.</p>
Grievance Document	
Current Status	Case closed
Date of Action	12/07/2018
Reason	Others
Remarks	Sent to concerned division

Officer Concerns To

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Kummanam Rajasekharan
State President



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Bharatiya Janata Party
Kerala State Office

KR/SO/18/M/310

26th Mar 2018

To

Shri. Narendra Modi,
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India,
152, South Block,
New Delhi 110011,

Subject: Thesis study and a Proposal for a Third Press Commission in India (2018) by researcher Shri.V.J.Reji Vasanth, - Reg.

Respected Narendra Modiji,

Sadar Pranam

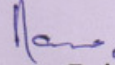
Forwarding herewith a Thesis study "A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post Independent India, 2018" conceptualized by Shri.V J Reji Vasanth on Investigative Journalism/Sting Operation (Kerala) a study with emphasis on National & International scenario. The study is based on the feedbacks congregate by Interviews & Questionnaires form Executives Legislature, Judiciary, Media and Public, which make clear the imperative need for a "Third Press Commission"

It is prayed in his representation that Hon'ble Prime Minister may take initiative and further action in implementing the proposal for setting up of a Third Press Commission after four decades from the previous, and under the recent technological flare-up in the field of journalism.

It is solicited by the applicant to get an opportunity to meet Hon'ble Prime Minister in this respect.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,


Kummanam Rajasekharan
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Enclosure: As above.

Copy to:-

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No. 218/2018/MPSG/TVPM

Respected Narendra Modi Ji,

Namasthe,

Thiruvananthapuram

23/03/2018.

Sub: - Request of Sri Reji Vasanth, Researcher for an appointment – regarding

I am forwarding herewith the representation along with the thesis submitted by Sri Reji Vasanth, Researcher requesting for an appointment with the H'ble Prime Minister of India to present the findings of his study. His Thesis "A Critical Study on the Media Industry in Post- Independent India, 2018" recommends the need of a 'Third Press Commission' which is pending for the last four decades. I request you to kindly look into this for appropriate action through your good offices. With Regards,

Yours sincerely

To

Sri Narendra Modi,

H'ble Prime Minister of India,

Prime Minister's Office, New Delhi- 110011.

മൂന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷനായി റെജിസ്ട്രാറിന്റെ പ്രബന്ധം

കെ.പി.കൈലാസ് നാഥ്

തിരുവനന്തപുരം: അഴിമതി പോലുള്ള ദുഷ്പ്രവണതകൾ ശക്തമാകുന്ന സമൂഹത്തിൽ പത്രപ്രവർത്തകരുടെ ഉത്തരവാദിത്വവും ഏറ്റെടുക്കുന്നതിനാൽ മൂന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ അനിവാര്യമായെന്ന് ഗവേഷകനായ റെജി വസന്ത്. മൂന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ എന്ന ആവശ്യം പ്രധാനമന്ത്രിക്ക് സമർപ്പിക്കും.

ഒന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ 1966 ലും രണ്ടാം കമ്മീഷൻ 1978 ലുമാണ് റിപ്പോർട്ട് നൽകിയത്. രണ്ടാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ റിപ്പോർട്ട് വന്നിട്ട് 40 വർഷമായതിനാൽ മൂന്നാം കമ്മീഷൻ വരേണ്ട സമയം അതിക്രമിച്ചെന്ന് എക്സിക്യൂട്ടീവ് ഡയറക്ടർ ഓൺ ദ ബിഡിയ ഇൻഡസ്ട്രി ഇൻ

പോസ്റ്റ് ഇൻഡിപെൻഡന്റ് ഇന്ത്യ 2018 എന്ന പ്രബന്ധത്തിൽ റെജി വസന്ത് പറയുന്നു. പ്രമുഖ പൗരന്മാർ, പത്രാധിപന്മാർ, പത്രപ്രവർത്തകർ, ഭരണാധികാരികൾ, ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥർ, നിയമവിദഗ്ദ്ധർ എന്നിവരിൽ നിന്ന് വിവരങ്ങൾ ശേഖരിച്ചായിരുന്നു പ്രബന്ധ രചന.

1950കളിലെ അഴിമതികളുടെ കഥകൾ അദ്ദേഹം എടുത്തു പറയുന്നു. ഇന്ത്യയിൽ ഒരു ശതമാനം ധനാധ്യർ 53 ശതമാനം സ്വത്ത് കൈകാര്യം ചെയ്യുന്നു. ജനീവയിലെ എച്ച്. എസ്. ബി. സിയിൽ രഹസ്യ അക്കൗണ്ടുകളെ 1,195 ഇന്ത്യക്കാരുടെ വിവരങ്ങൾ സിസ്റ്റീം സിലൂടെ പുറത്തുവന്നപ്പോഴാണ് കള്ളപ്പണത്തെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള ചർച്ചകൾ സജീവമായത്. മാധ്യമങ്ങൾ

ക്രിയാത്മ വിമർശനം നടത്തണമെന്ന രണ്ടാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷന്റെ നിർദ്ദേശം റെജി എടുത്തുകാട്ടുന്നു.

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May 13, 2018, 12:00 am



കെ.പി.കൈലാസ് നാഥ്

തിരുവനന്തപുരം: അഴിമതി പോലുള്ള ദുഷ്പ്രവണതകൾ ശക്തമാകുന്ന സമൂഹത്തിൽ പത്രപ്രവർത്തകരുടെ ഉത്തരവാദിത്വവും ഏറുന്ന സാഹചര്യത്തിൽ മൂന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ അനിവാര്യമായാണ് ഗവേഷകനായ റെജി വസന്ത് ചൂണ്ടിക്കാട്ടുന്നത്.

ഒന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ 1966ലും രണ്ടാം കമ്മീഷൻ 1978ലുമാണ് റിപ്പോർട്ട് നൽകിയത്. രണ്ടാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ റിപ്പോർട്ട് വന്നിട്ട് 40 വർഷമായതിനാൽ മൂന്നാം കമ്മീഷൻ വരേണ്ട സമയം അതിക്രമിച്ചെന്ന് എ ക്രിട്ടിക്കൽ സ്റ്റുഡി ഓൺ ദ മീഡിയ ഇൻഡസ്ട്രി ഇൻ പോസ്റ്റ് ഇൻഡിപെൻഡന്റ് ഇന്ത്യ 2018 എന്ന പ്രബന്ധത്തിൽ റെജി വസന്ത് പറയുന്നു. പ്രമുഖ പൗരന്മാർ, പത്രാധിപന്മാർ, പത്രപ്രവർത്തകർ, ഭരണാധികാരികൾ, ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥർ, നിയമവിദഗ്ദ്ധർ എന്നിവരിൽ നിന്ന് വിവരങ്ങൾ ശേഖരിച്ചായിരുന്നു പ്രബന്ധ രചന. മൂന്നാം പ്രസ് കമ്മീഷൻ എന്ന ആവശ്യം പ്രധാനമന്ത്രിക്ക് സമർപ്പിക്കും.

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Thesis Review

I have gone through the **Thesis Report** conceptualized by **V. J. Reji Vasanth "Investigative Journalism / Sting Operation (Kerala), a study with emphasis on National & International scenario."** The **Thesis study** elucidates that the **online media (Internet)** would define the future of **Investigative Journalism** with **ethical Sting Operation** compared with all the other **Media - Newspaper, Magazines, Radio, and Television**. The **Thesis Research** findings give a clear picture of how **Investigative Journalism** with **ethical Sting Operation** is essential part of **Indian Media industry**.

The study based on the feedback received from the **Interviews & Questionnaires - Citizens, Executive, Legislature, Judiciary, Media Organizations** and **Journalists** justifies the **imperative need** for a **Third Press Commission in India**.

The **Proposal** to be submitted before the **Honorable Prime Minister of India** for the need of a **"Third Press Commission"** in **India** is imperative because it is since **four decades** that the **Second Press Commission Report** was published and **India** has gone a long way in the **Information & Communication Technology (ICT) Revolution**. The **Government of India** should take suitable action against **Media (Paid, Owned, Earned and Hijacked)** in **India** and **The Paid News (Paid News Syndrome)**. It is a matter of grave concern for **National security** and **Media ethics** when big business interests get into the **Indian Media business arena**.

The post-Independent **Indian Media** have forgotten the **Media Dharma**. That the **Media** should be for **Public Interest (MPI)** has great relevance in the current scenario. The **Thesis Research** findings throw light on a big question leading to discussion for **The Government of India**.

V. J. Reji Vasanth is known to me for the last **fifteen years**. His single handed rigorous studies in **Research & Development (R&D), The Information & Communication Technology (ICT)** is much relevant, Informative and Innovative for the empowerment of **India**. I sincerely recommend his studies for the **Indian Media Industry**.

Elias John
Journalist | Social activist
Director - NTV

February 24, 2018

Thesis Review

The **Thesis Report** prepared by **V. J. Reji Vasanth** on **“Investigative Journalism / Sting Operation (Kerala) a study with emphasis on National & International scenario”** has great relevance in the current situation from a state and national perspective.

Corruption – “The Cancer of our society” and the role of an **Investigative Journalist** who can perform corrective steps to society as part of a nation building process is analyzed in detail in this **Thesis Report**.

I wish him all support in his **Journalistic Profession**.

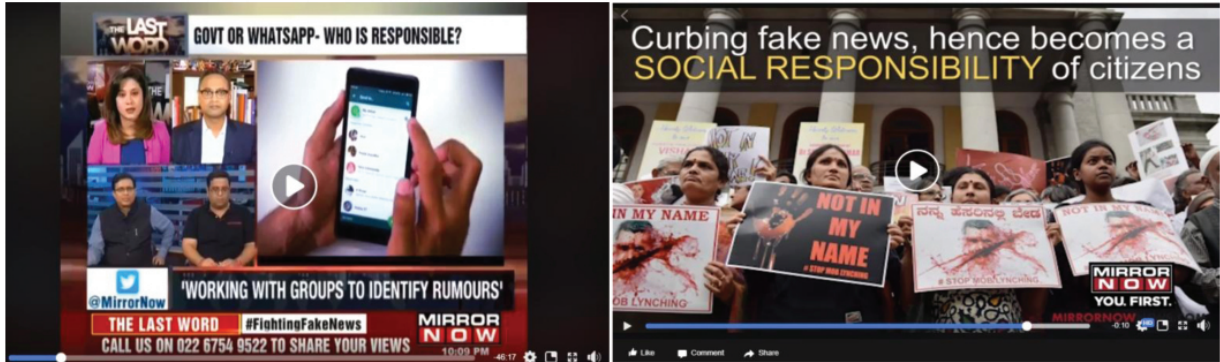


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