## II NAMO TITTHASSA II



## GACCHADHIPATI (SPIRITUAL SOVEREIGN) JAINACHARYA SHRIMADVIJAY YUGBHUSHANSURI (PANDIT MAHARAJ SAHEB)

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## Public Clarification regarding Statement of Pedhi's President Samvegbhai

Inspite of publicly pledging that they do not make any clarifications on the social media, on March 15, 2022, Two statements were released on social media by Anandji Kalyanji Pedhi.

Even after causing massive damage to Jain Shashan and though with several examples and logical arguments I have publicly negated Pedhi's totally baseless claim of representation, it is a matter of shame that Pedhi still sticks to their claim of Representation. This attitude of Pedhi Trustees, who with Mahajan's identity, manage the administration of Important Tirths- Pilgrimage places, is highly deplorable. At the same time, this should be an eye-opener for those advocating a solution via internal discussions. Even after publicly conveying so many facts, when the level of response falls so abysmally low, one can just imagine the retort, had the matter been discussed internally only?

Collective Attham Tap-Fasting was organised at Shankeshwar Tirth under my aegis (nishra), by Tapasviratna Darshnaben Nayanbhai. At that time, in the presence of leading Shravakas, I had told Samvegbhai and Shripalbhai that in matters of the Tirth Raksha, we speak bitter truth. The fallout of which was that during my Chaturmas, etc at Palitana, our Samuday was not provided proper facilities, which was of course being given to other Samuday. Initially both the Trustees were not ready to accept it but subsequently when we provided proof of the discrimination, they had sought forgiveness (Michhami Dukkadam). Though such biassed behaviour and discriminations were being done on several occasions, nothing can be far from the truth, when they now make a claim that devotion to Mahatmas of ALL Gacch is done in an unbiased manner!

Further, without even bothering to make any sort of communication with the Jainacharya who has raised the fundamental questions, Pedhi has started the process of publicly criticising and accusing. With such behaviour, claiming justness (claim of auichitya palan), falls flat on their face.

A Mahatma, who was from a Group-samuday congruent to the Pedhi, had committed great damage creating severe animosity with non-jains in the name of Tirth Raksha. Then too, Pedhi acted in an inappropriate manner to safeguard him at the cost of damage to our Great Tirths. On the other hand, though a Dharmacharya, performing the work of protection of Tirth (Tirth-Raksha) with complete devotion, along with his entire group-samuday was treated inhumanely and ugly manner then too Pedhi remained inactive or aloof, did not criticise or stop such treatment or not even thought of cautioning all. Can it ever be called unbiased devotion and just behaviour towards all Mahatmas?

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On the contrary, their act of cautioning the Jain Sanghs against alleged "baseless and misleading allegations" which are actually evidence based true facts, well known and in public domain; can it ever be considered as just behaviour (auchityapalan)?

- After initiating opposition to Pedhi, the administrators of local upashrays, who used to generally
  welcome us, started saying that they can welcome Pandit Maharaj only after he drops his mission
  against the Pedhi!
- At the time of Ghatkopar controversy, keeping aside the relevant question, in the noise and din, the administrators etc. asked that one who divides the Sangh, how can he do Tirth Raksha?!
- The same Mahatmas whose ancestors have in the past, strongly opposed the mistakes of the Pedhi, asking to withdraw the opposition of the Pedhi, Threatening me that we shall not be allowed to stay in Upashrays all over India!
- About 76 and 105 Trusts Administrators, without even taking the initiative to listen to me issued public statements opposing me, wherein without any reference, they are making irrelevant appreciative statements about Pedhi's Tirth Raksha!
- In its 15th March statement without writing a single word regarding the inappropriate activities of the Ghatkopar Administrators, Pedhi criticises and denounces our truth as an accusation!

Aren't all these symbols of back door push from the Pedhi to crush the works of Shashan Raksha? For superpowers like the Pedhi, there is no need to be active and say or do everything in public. Even their gestures can cause turmoil. Yet their advice to criticise or be wary of the "so called allegations" indirectly inspires people to listen to false narratives by avoiding true narrative. In the statement of the Pedhi, there is clear panic of what is published in the newspapers but in contrast there is no hesitation in denying the truth being told by the Dharmacharya and terming it as false allegations.

After all, if the Pedhi is not active in the back door for unfair treatment of our Group-Samuday, and believes in maintaining the legitimacy of dealing without discrimination, then it should issue a directive to administrators of all Shwetamber Murtipujak Tapagacchiy Upashrays, all over India (for which Pedhi has authority as per its own constitution) that all administrators of local upashray should not indulge in baised and un-just behaviour with any mahatmas of any Tapagacch groups.

It is pertinent to note here that both the statements of the Pedhi are without outgoing reference numbers, which is against their normal practice. Further otherwise in identical content one statement bears my name and the other does not. This act is not only surprising but raises some suspicion too.

Blessings and best wishes to the entire Shree Sangh.

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