

Dharam Singh's recent statement that Congress leaders are not afraid of narco-analysis test if conducted by the Government to expose truths about illegal mining only can guarantee that either Dharam Singh is completely sure of Congress leaders' innocence in issues of corruption or he is completely aware of the short falls of the test itself.

Congress's allegations against the chief minister with its leaders assuming to be standing on a moral high ground, may not have impressed even the party's supporters because the floods in Karnataka looks set to drown any ground high or low from where political allegations could be made, at this point of time.

Chief minister Kumaaraswamy finding an opportunity to project himself as a people friendly ruler had ample occasion during his touring of the flood hit districts to eat, sleep and suffer with the affected people. However, to what extent these acts will influence people and divert their attention from the dirty drama played out in Bangalore is something everyone will get to see after the flood waters subside.

BJP, which is the master in the art of projecting itself with the holier than thou attitude, recently organized examination and evaluation of its ministers. Though Yediyurappa was one of the examiners, many people in the BJP strongly felt that Yediyurappa should have been the first to be examined and evaluated about his performance instead of him being the examiner.

Yediyurappa's well-wishers say that though in all humility the deputy chief minister would have agreed to subject himself to examination and evaluation, the fact that he would have not performed well with Ananth Kumar as one of his examiners, is a foregone conclusion, anyway.

Though Yediyurappa's concerns for the poor, the farmers and the needy cannot be questioned, atleast politically, whether he exactly has the know-how to get his departments to work in that direction is a question that even a wise lady in the BJP, like Shobha Karandlaje may not be able to answer. Even if she can answer, whether she has the power to influence Yediyurappa's actions is a question open for speculation.

Arch enemy of the chief minister, D. K. Shivakumar made many allegations recently. The allegations about how Revanna, the brother of the chief minister, as the grandson of the soil, though completely unaware of IT-BT, is completely knowledgeable about the IT park business and has invested in it, and the other allegation that though Revanna all the while lamented about his inability to put together even as meager as rupees two lakhs to buy a car for his own mother, had lakhs of rupees to invest in business, has made political observers in Karnataka feel that the time has come where some of Shivakumar's allegations are set to boomerang on himself. Though Shivakumar could be capable of fighting his enemies, his unenviable talent of making enemies may have borne bitter fruit for him, which in situations like these, he may have to unwillingly eat.

With Congress getting ready for a full-scale war against the government and the KPCC president Kharge displaying a never before kind of energy and belligerence, what gets shed and what will fall are to be seen in the days to come by the patient population of this peaceful state.