

# **Bharatiya Janata Party**

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## **Salient points of the Speech of Hon'ble Union Home Minister & Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah while addressing at the 'Viksit Keralam Sammelan' in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala**

**In the upcoming 2026 Kerala Assembly elections, NDA and BJP will form the government under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji**

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**The presence of karyakartas from every corner of Kerala at the 'Viksit Keralam Sammelan' reflects that BJP has reached every booth in the Kerala**

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**The BJP office in Thiruvananthapuram will serve as the foundation stone for a 'Viksit Keralam'**

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**The slogan of 'Viksit Keralam' cannot be fulfilled without the Bharatiya Janata Party and the NDA**

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**Both LDF and UDF have turned Kerala into a haven for violence, corruption, vote-bank politics, appeasement, and anti-national elements**

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**For the Communist Party, cadre development is more important than Kerala's development, whereas for BJP, 'Viksit Keralam' is the top priority**

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**The track record of LDF and UDF is filled with corruption; the gold smuggling scam in Kerala is India's biggest 'state-sponsored' scam**

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**In the upcoming local body elections in Kerala, the NDA will contest on 21,000 seats and establish a strong presence at every booth with a 25% vote share**

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**The time has come to fulfill the dream envisioned by hundreds of BJP karyakastas who were killed by leftist goons — to bring BJP to power in Kerala**

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**At the core of the vision of 'Viksit Keralam' are Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji's three principles: corruption-free governance, unbiased access to government schemes, and freedom from vote-bank politics for Kerala**

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Union Home Minister & minister of Cooperation and Senior BJP leader Shri Amit Shah inaugurated the office of Kerala BJP State in Thiruvananthapuram and addressed the "Viksit Keralam Sammelan" in Kerala on Saturday. During his address, Shri Shah highlighted the developmental achievements of the past 11 years under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji and encouraged Kerala BJP's *karyakartas* to work towards fulfilling the vision of a 'Viksit Keralam' and a 'Viksit Bharat'. During the event, Kerala BJP President Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Union Minister Shri George Kurian, Kerala BJP in-charge Shri Prakash Javadekar, Lok Sabha MP and Kerala BJP co-incharge Smt Aparajita Sarangi, former BJP Kerala President Shri K. Surendran, among other leaders, were present.

Shri Shah began by apologizing for not being able to speak in Malayalam. The Union Home and Cooperation Minister paid obeisance at the feet of Lord Padmanabhaswamy and paid homage to the holy land of great social reformer and freedom fighter Sri Mannathu Padmanabhan, Narayana Guru and Mahatma Ayyankali and paid his homage to Kerala, the birthplace of Adi Shankaracharya. He highlighted Adi Shankaracharya's immense contributions, including the composition of key texts on Vedanta, Brahmasutra, Vedic mathematics, and other scriptures, and paid homage to his great legacy. He also mentioned that he had just inaugurated the new grand office of the Bharatiya Janata Party in Kerala. **While lighting the ceremonial lamp, he recalled the sacrifices of hundreds of dedicated *karyakartas* who gave their lives for the ideology and principles of the BJP and expressed deep respect and gratitude for their supreme sacrifice.**

Union Home Minister stated that he is well aware of all political developments in Kerala. **The Bharatiya Janata Party has held *Karyakarta* conventions in Kerala as large as the major public rallies seen in other parts of the country, reflecting the party's bright future in the state.** Today, the BJP's state office in Kerala was inaugurated. He expressed gratitude to the Kerala state president for providing the opportunity. The foundation stone for this office was also laid earlier, and now the inauguration has been completed. He offered prayer to the revered Padmanabha Swamy, with the belief that **this office will mark the beginning of the NDA forming a government in Kerala.**

Shri Shah remarked that for other parties, an office may simply be a place to work, but for the Bharatiya Janata Party, the office is as sacred as a temple. **Without an office, the party's ideology cannot reach its *karyakarta*, and without ideology, *karyakastas* cannot**

even be imagined, and without *karyakarta*, the BJP has no existence. Therefore, for the BJP, establishing an office that becomes a centre for building *Viksit Keralam* through its *karyakartas* is even more important than placing a Chief Minister in the Kerala Secretariat. **Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji has presented the vision of a *Viksit Bharat* before 140 crore citizens, and the path to a *Viksit Bharat* goes through a *Viksit Keralam*. Without the progress of the powerful southern states, the vision of a *Viksit Bharat* is simply not possible.** The great state of Kerala, known for blending and advancing multiple cultures, will now become the core objective of the Bharatiya Janata Party's vision for a *Viksit Keralam*. **The foundation of this vision rests on three key principles of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji: first, governance without corruption; second, no discrimination in the implementation of government schemes; and third, a commitment to Kerala's development- rising above vote bank politics.**

Union Home Minister stated that both the Communist Party and the Bharatiya Janata Party are cadre-based organisations, but there is a significant difference between the two. **For the Communist Party, the development of its cadre is more important than the development of Kerala, whereas for the BJP, *Viksit Keralam* is more important than cadre growth.** The people of Kerala have given **both the LDF and UDF** ample opportunities over the years, but what **they delivered was violence, corruption, vote-bank appeasement, and shelter to anti-national elements.** When the activities of the PFI escalated, it was Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji who imposed a ban on the organisation. Shri Shah questioned **why, despite having the same powers under the relevant laws, the Kerala government never banned the PFI.** As PFI expanded its operations across the country, it was the **Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji who took action, banning the organisation and sending anti-national elements behind bars.**

Shri Shah stated that whenever the people of Kerala seek change, they vote out the LDF by bringing in the UDF, and then vote out the UDF by bringing back the LDF. However, neither of the two can bring real change. The time has now come to vote for the Bharatiya Janata Party and the NDA to bring true transformation and build *Viksit Keralam*. Some communist leaders in the Congress claim the BJP is a party of North India. They seem unaware that the **BJP is in power in Assam, formed the government in Tripura by removing the Left, and also formed the government in Odisha. In Telangana, the BJP emerged as the largest party in the Lok Sabha elections, and in Tamil Nadu, the party is on its way to forming the government.** When efforts were being made in Odisha, taunts were being thrown at the BJP, yet today, the **Bharatiya Janata Party has formed the government there.** Similar taunts were made in Assam as well, but the BJP has secured back-to-back victories and formed the government twice in the state.

Union Home Minister thanked the people of Kerala, noting that **in the 2014 elections, the BJP received 11% of the vote, which rose to 16% in 2019 and 20% in 2024.** The next step is to form a BJP-led government in the state. **The 2026 elections will be contested under the leadership of the NDA-BJP and Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji to form the government in Kerala.** He acknowledged the presence of over 25,000 BJP *karyakartas* at the event and reminded them of **the sacrifices made by hundreds of party workers who were killed by Left-backed goons.** Many of these workers gave their lives for the cause, and their families suffered great losses. **Their dream was to see an NDA-BJP government in Kerala, and now it is time to turn that dream into reality. A party receiving 20% of the vote is not far from reaching 35%. There should be no delay in achieving that.** He urged everyone present to take a pledge that in the upcoming local body elections, **the NDA will contest in 21,000 locations and ensure its presence at every booth with more than 25% of the vote share.**

Shri Shah said that both the LDF and UDF have a track record of corrupt governments. **The LDF has been involved in multiple scams, including the Exalogic scam, the cooperative bank scam, the AI camera scam, the LIFE Mission scam, the KFON project scam, and the PPE kit scam.** He added that CM Pinarayi Vijayan gets agitated whenever the gold smuggling case is mentioned, which is the biggest state-sponsored scam in the entire country. The UDF is no better. Whenever the UDF got a chance, it left no stone unturned in indulging in corruption. Just to mention a few—during its tenure, **the UDF was involved in the Solar Scam, the Palarivattom Flyover Scam, and many other scandals.** In contrast, **it has been 11 years since the Modi government, and the opposition has not been able to level a single allegation of corruption.**

Union Home Minister remarked that **the slogan of *Viksit Keralam* is not possible without the BJP and the NDA.** Recently, **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji inaugurated the Vizhinjam Port, equipped with South Asia's most advanced container handling technology, which will significantly contribute to Kerala's development.** On the same day, central projects worth over ₹4,000 crore were launched, including ₹1,800 crore dry dock. An allocation of ₹65,000 crore was sent from Delhi for 40 national highways. Two Vande Bharat trains were introduced, connecting 11 districts. In 2004, Kerala's railway budget was only ₹372 crore, which has now been increased to ₹3,700 crore under Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji. Additionally, ₹3,000 crore was allocated for 100% railway electrification in the state. There is a long list of such initiatives. Compared to previous Congress governments, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji has sent many times more funds for Kerala's development. A complete list and detailed account will be shared today via a press note from the BJP office.

Shri Shah stated that **Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji** has also resolved several long-pending and complex national issues that were left unanswered for years. **Abrogation of Article 370, construction of the Bhavya Ram Mandir, the ban on PFI, ending the practice of triple talaq, and eliminating corruption from Waqf Boards through the Waqf Amendment Bill**—such actions have been undertaken during the BJP government's tenure. Neither the LDF nor the UDF agrees with any of these decisions, but under the leadership of the Hon'ble Prime Minister, the BJP has accomplished them. Alongside these historic decisions, **Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji has, over the last 11 years, provided basic amenities like housing, electricity, water, ₹5 lakh health insurance, and 5 kg food grains to 60 crore poor citizens of the country. India's economy, which once ranked 11<sup>th</sup>, is now the fourth-largest economy in the world.** Most importantly, under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji, India has become more secure than ever before.

Union Home Minister said that **by March 31, 2026, the entire country will be free from the Naxal network. No one other than Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji and the Bharatiya Janata Party can respond effectively to such forms of terrorism.** When the Uri attack happened, the Indian Army carried out a *surgical strike*. After the Pulwama attack, an *air strike* was conducted. And when terrorists struck in Pahalgam, the Modi government launched '*Operation Sindoor*' and took action inside Pakistan. **Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji has elevated the country's stature on the global stage, and only Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji can fulfil the vision of Viksit Keralam.**

Shri Shah said that whenever the BJP has reached out to the people of Kerala, its vote share has increased. Appealing to the people of Kerala, he stated that the **BJP is no longer just a growing party—it has already reached the booth level across the state, and all its karyakartas are from Kerala itself.** He emphasized that **true change cannot come by replacing the LDF with the UDF or the UDF with the LDF.** If real transformation is the goal, then **the people of Kerala must vote for the NDA, as only the NDA can build a Viksit Keralam.** Shri Shah appealed that in the upcoming local body elections, the BJP and NDA will contest 21,000 seats, with a target of securing more than 25% of the vote share. Therefore, from today until November, all BJP *karyakartas* must dedicate their full efforts toward the mission of a '*Viksit Keralam*' and work to strengthen the NDA.

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