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**“OPPOSING
THE CASTE CENSUS IS
ANTI-NATIONAL”**

On the anniversary of the Mahad Satyagraha, Rahul Gandhi met with Dr. Sukhadeo Thorat to discuss the caste census, Dalit history, and the challenges facing Dalits in the education system. Dr. Thorat is a renowned educationist and economist and the former Chairperson of the University Grants Commission. They discussed how the BJP continues to deny the reality of caste oppression and has restricted Dalits' access to higher education and political power. Rahul Gandhi and Dr. Thorat also explored potential paths toward achieving social justice.

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REMOVING THE 50% RESERVATION CAP

MY VIEWS

I am proud to report that the Congress government in Telangana has fulfilled its promise to increase OBC reservation. After conducting the caste census, the state passed a Bill giving 42% reservation to OBCs in education, employment, and local bodies. Telangana has shown us the way forward—now we must work toward implementing a nationwide caste census and removing the 50% reservation cap across India.

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EVENT IN FOCUS FROM THE LOP'S DESK



After meeting with anganwadi workers and street vendors in Parliament, Rahul Gandhi wrote letters to various governments advocating for government action. In a letter to the Minister of Women and Child Development, he requested higher honorarium and gratuity for anganwadi workers. He wrote to Congress Chief Ministers urging them to protect the livelihoods of street vendors by implementing the Street Vendors Act, 2014. He also asked the Prime Minister to stop offshore mining in Kerala's Kollam Parappu, which threatens the livelihoods of lakhs of fishworkers.

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CONSTRUCTION WORKER UNIONS DISCUSSED CHALLENGING WORKPLACE CONDITIONS AND SAFETY CONCERNS.



Former Central Armed Police Forces jawans talked about inadequate retirement benefits.



National Confederation of OBC Employees discussed representation challenges in central government.



IDBI Bank employees expressed their opposition to privatisation of the bank.



LIC Agents voiced concerns about agent welfare and policyholder issues.



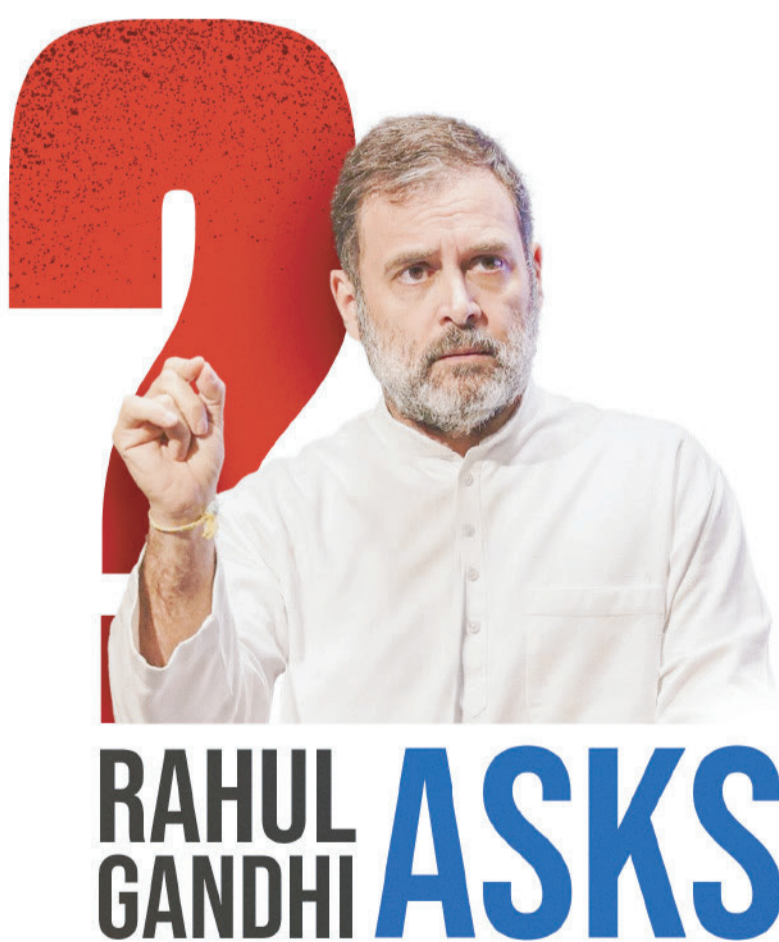
Activists, journalists, and publishers raised serious concerns about changes being made to weaken the RTI Act.



ICICI Bank Employees talked about toxic work conditions and retaliation for exposing unethical lending to NPA violators.

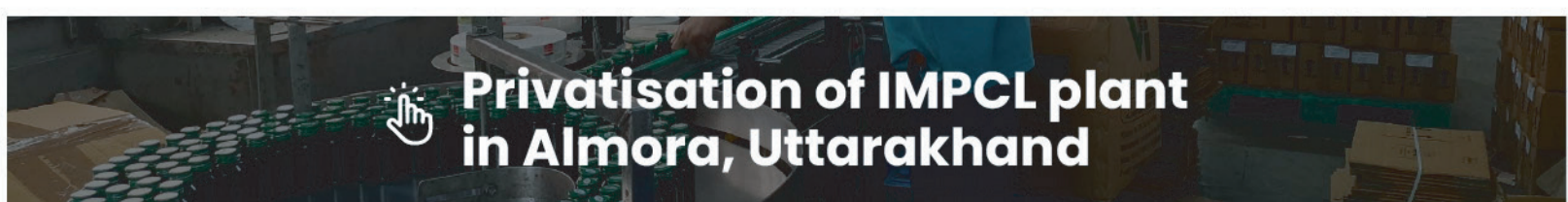
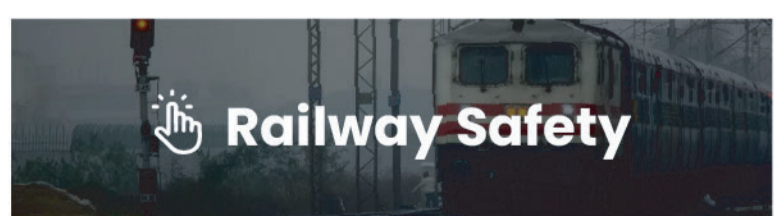


Congress leaders from various communities of Manipur expressed concern that PM Modi has not visited the state despite nearly two years of ongoing violence.



Rahul Gandhi raised questions in Parliament about air pollution, drug trafficking through ports, railway safety, privatisation of an IMPCL plant and claims under the Forest Rights Act. While he continues to hold the government accountable, the government tried to evade responsibility through their answers.

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