



A Study about the Contribution of Modasa taluka in Arvalli District, especially for Gujarati Diasporas for the Development of Gujarat

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Abstract:

The word 'diaspora' originates from the Greek verb speiro, meaning "to sow" and the preposition dia, meaning "over". The ancient Greeks used this word to mean migration and colonization. 'Diaspora' is not an everyday English word, and many people may not understand its exact meaning. But, those who have studied religion, sociology, demography, history, political science, or economics would probably know its meaning.

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1. What is Gujarati Diaspora?

The Gujarati are a people from the northwest region of India the state of Gujarat. Unlike the ancient Israelites and the Native American nations who were forced to leave their lands large number of Gujarati people emigrated away from their homeland to form communities in other areas, such as Pakistan, South and East Africa, and the United Kingdom. These communities are known as "The Gujarati Diaspora"

2. A brief history of Modasa

During British rule though most of the area around Modasa was under state of Idar, Modasa was under direct control of British government in India. This might have brought some stability in the late 19th century. During the days of independent struggle, led by Mahatma Gandhi, Modasa participated very actively. Starting from 1930's Modasa was vibrant place for the non- Violent Satyagrah movement. The history of Modasa dates back thousands of years. We believe that region around Modasa has been populated since the days of Indus valley civilization. Many architectural items, coins, religious artifacts, brick etc. are found at excavation sites around Modasa. These findings are testimonial of prominent role Modasa played during various periods of Indian history.

3. Modasa as Aravalli District

The District has been named for the Aravalli Hills that run across Gujarat and Rajasthan. Modasa is a city and a municipality in Aravalli district in the Indian state of Gujarat. Modasa became headquarters of new Aravalli district, carved out from tribal-dominated areas of Sabarkantha. The new district was declared on January 26, 2013 and formed on August 2015.

4. Contribution in Socio-Culture, Religious, Knowledge, Industrial, Health Care and Infrastructure Sector

Gujarat is a developing state. Gujarati is becoming strong in the sense of politically, economically, socially, religiously. It is an economic centre for agricultural exports, at both the provincial and national levels. As a centre for the surrounding villages, Modasa acts as a transportation hub for both residents and tourists, and has lot of large hospitals. The city also provides a nucleus of doctors for the people of northern Gujarat and some migrants of southern Rajasthan.

The knowledge sector is one of the powerful sectors for the development of the state and country. We are quite familiar with the mighty sentence, 'Knowledge is Power'. Gujarati people are known for hardworking, loving, long vision, and can mix with any culture or civilization. Modasa is emerging as an education centre for the area, with new Pharmacy and Engineering colleges and CBSE School supplementing the more traditional educational faculties. The city now has colleges of Engineering, Law, Science, Education, Arts, Commerce, and Pharmacy, as well as business administration to MBA, BBA and BCA levels. Study courses run by the G.E.C and Tatva Engineering Colleges include Mechanical, Civil, Electrical, Electronic and Communication, Information and Technology, Automobile Engineering.

One of India's most industrialized states, Gujarat maintains a variety of industries, the principal ones being general and electrical engineering and the manufacture of textiles, vegetable oils, chemicals, soda ash, and cement. Aravalli District also contributor as a major resources produced by the state include cotton, peanuts, dates, sugarcane, tobacco, cotton, groundnuts.

Modasa also the hub of Industries in the Aravalli District, having number of manufacturing units (private as well as state owned) manufacturing Specially chemicals, Agro Chemicals, Pesticides. Animal husbandry and dairying have played a vital role in the rural economy of district.

5. Conclusion

Gujarati Diaspora is an important part of great Indian Diaspora. So, in the end, we can say that as Diaspora is basically and experience of dislocation and relocation, we must keep bath and relocation when we are discussing Gujarati diasporic experience. This how we have seen enough instances of Arvalli District those who have contributed not only in the educational field but also in social sector for the development of Gujarat. Their contribution creates great impact among Gujarati people. They are able to inspire for others. We can see their love for motherland through their donation. We hope that may continue their donation to build strong state and nation. We can never forget their invaluable help from them. They are responsible for the development of the Gujarat and nation directly or indirectly.

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