



A Comparative study on Role of political Leadership in Crisis Management for choice between Humanity and Economy

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Abstract:

Crises offer excellent opportunities for studying political leadership in action. They are moments in political life when there can be little doubt that 'who leads matters' (Hermann, Preston, Korany and Shaw, 2001), as crises defy the normal structures and routines of government. They constitute occasions when, as Greenstein (1969) put it, the environment admits of restructuring. By exposing the vulnerability Crises offer excellent opportunities for studying political leadership in action. They are moments in political life when there can be little doubt that 'who leads matters' (Hermann, Preston, Korany and Shaw, 2001), as crises defy the normal structures and routines of government. They constitute occasions when, as Greenstein (1969) put it, the environment admits of restructuring. By exposing the vulnerability Crisis offer excellent opportunities for studying political leadership in action, as crisis defy the normal structure and routines of Government they constitute occasions of status quo or it can offer for some form of changes. Such change is never produced by the institutions themselves; it has to be decided upon, packaged and sold by leaders; whether they are incumbent officer holders to their political rivals or emergent change agent from outside the established system. By raising the stakes of the political game to extraordinary levels, crises place the deeds and thus the personalities, style and competencies of individual office holders in sharp focus.

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1. Introduction

Today, whole world is suffering from the severe disease Corona, there are more than 5 lakhs people currently suffering from this disease, and more than 20000 people died due to Corona all over the world up to March 28, 2020. If the coronavirus outbreak has taught us anything beyond the necessity of careful hygiene, it's that the first victim of a pandemic is leadership. At no time in the past 75 years has the world been in more need of a "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself" moment; and at no time have global leaders so utterly failed to deliver. From Beijing to Brussels, from Rome to Washington, London and beyond, politicians haven't just failed to rise to the occasion, they've engaged in a dangerous game of parsing, obfuscation and reality-denial that has cost lives and delayed a resolute response, even though virologists have been warning for weeks that the outbreak could explode, political leaders, particularly in the West, did little to halt its advance.

2. Global Leadership on Corona Crisis

Like the virus itself, which scientists have traced to the Chinese city of Wuhan (and leaders there denied and downplayed for weeks), the prevailing political strategy for confronting the crisis was Made in **China**.

Few may have expected inspired leadership from **U.S.** President Donald Trump, who dismissed the coronavirus as a Democratic “hoax” and just days ago predicted it would disappear “like a miracle.” Even so, his fumbling of a national address on the emergency, followed by his trademark blame-shifting for his government’s lack of preparedness (“I don’t take responsibility at all”), will be remembered as a low point in American political leadership. While Trump gets the most attention for his corona bungling, he’s hardly alone. Brazilian strongman Jair Bolsonaro, who met the American president last week in Florida, characterized the coronavirus panic as a media-fueled “fantasy.” A day later, his press secretary tested positive.

“The realization has struck No. 10 that **Britain** has lost control of Covid-19, but it should at least look as though it is doing something,” the Sunday Times concluded.

What about Angela Merkel? After all, crisis is the **German leader’s** specialty. From the financial implosion of 2008 to the refugee crisis of 2015, Merkel has thrived in times of peril. The German chancellor, revered by some as the “leader of the free world,” left management of the pandemic to her youthful health minister, Jens Spahn. She only emerged from her corona shell following last Monday’s market meltdown and after Italy was forced to impose draconian measures to bring the spread of the virus under control. Asked why it took her so long to engage publicly, Merkel insisted she had been monitoring the crisis from behind the scenes since January.

A similar picture has emerged across much of **Europe**. After weeks of largely ignoring the unfolding crisis, leaders from **France to Austria** have been forced by a sudden explosion of cases to impose severe limits on their citizens.

France hosted the largest Smurf convention ever, drawing more than 3,500 visitors. Within a week, the country’s prime minister announced the closure of all bars, restaurants and non-essential shops.

Though it makes sense for **EU** members to tailor their coronavirus strategies to local requirements, the variety of approaches across the region suggests little, if any, real coordination.

Recently, as **Italy’s** government shut down public life in the country and stock markets melted, von der Leyen appeared before the press to boast about her first 100 days in office. Like an eager pupil who wanted to show the world how well she had prepared for her big speech, von der Leyen seemed almost offended that reporters were forcing her to address the gathering coronavirus storm. Even then, she didn’t seem to understand the gravity of the situation. The Commission’s “coronavirus response team” had the situation under control, she insisted, adding “we meet once a week.”

First positive case of Corona Virus – Covid 19 reported in **India** on January 30th 2020 till than more than 1000 people across the country infected with Corona Virus and of which more than 25 death reported till the reported date.

it’s time of second phase of Corona Virus, it starts spreading in America, Italy, Iran, Britain, India and more than 170 countries are under the effect of Covid-19 during March 2020.

3. Indian Leadership on Corona Crisis

Indian GDP rate was 4.7% in January 2020, when first Corona positive patient was identified. Our automobile sector, manufacturing sector was into deep clutch of recession. Indian Government declares budget on 1st Feb. 2020 and tried to give boost the economy to revive the growth of economy and unemployment. Indian’s target to achieve 5 trillion-dollar economy was looking blink.

On 15th March 2020, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in SAARC meeting of all Asian leaders of SAARC countries. He promised to contribute \$10 million towards emergency fund and said it was putting together a rapid response team of doctors and specialists of SAARC nations as a part of initiative led by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Even in this situation of economy, for the first time Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced to address our country on 20th March 2020 and he made announcement of one day “Janta Curfew” on 22nd March, 2020 People of India responded this Janta Curfew so well and followed accordingly.

Corona virus spread its worst effects worldwide. In **Italy** more than 20000 deaths, in **US** more than 50000 deaths occurred due to Covid-19. Even PM of **Britain** and **Prince Charls** also infected positively from Corona Virus. Corona virus spreading like wild fire, no. of infected cases and no. of deaths are increasing every day. Some of the countries announced lockdown.

American President Trump said, “US will not have lockdown at the cost of economy”. Germany’s Finance Minister committed suicide, because he failed to handle economic crisis.

But Indian PM took a lead to world on the **basis of humanity**, on 27th March in G – 20 meeting, in his 3 minutes speech, he said,” Today world needs humanity, we can revive our economy afterwards”.

Before that Modi proves with his leadership by made announcement of 21 days lockdown in India from 24th March to 14th April 2020. He knows his decision will cost INR 9000 crore to Indian economy. But he dares to take this strong decision; again he gave importance to humanity not economy.

Indian Government headed by Narendra Modi also initiates number of economy booster and flew 5.7 lakh crore INR in economy to survive and revive the economy in Corona Crisis

4. Conclusion

Most of the nations of the globe are in crisis of political leadership in corona crisis scenario India in the leadership of Narendra Modi is in boost leadership in on the base of humanity in compare to economy management

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