

**For a Prosperous and Progressive Maharashtra
Shiv Sena – Congress - NCP
Common Minimum Program**

Preamble:

The alliance partners commit to uphold the secular values enshrined in the Constitution. On contentious issue of national importance as well as of state importance especially having repercussions/consequences on the secular fabric of the nation, the Shiv Sena, the NCP and the Congress will take a joint view after holding consultations and arriving at a consensus.

Farmers

- 1) Provide immediate assistance to the farmers who are suffering due to premature rains and floods.
- 2) Immediate loan waiver will be granted to farmers.
- 3) Crop Insurance scheme shall be revised to ensure immediate compensation to the farmers who have lost their crops.
- 4) We shall undertake appropriate measures to ensure remunerative prices for farm produce.
- 5) Adequate steps shall be initiated for the construction of sustainable water supply system for the drought affected areas.

Unemployment

- 1) The process of filling all the vacant posts in the State Government shall be initiated immediately.

- 2) A fellowship shall be provided for educated unemployed youth.

- 3) A law shall be enacted to ensure 80 percent reservation in jobs for local/domicile youth.

Women

- 1) Women's safety shall be the highest priority for this Government.
- 2) Girls from economically weaker section shall be given free education.
- 3) Working women hostels shall be constructed at the cities and district headquarters.
- 4) Honorarium shall be increased and service facilities shall be augmented for Anganwadi Sevikas / Asha workers.
- 5) Women's Savings (Self Help Groups) Group shall be strengthened with a focus on women's empowerment.

Education

- 1) All the measures shall be undertaken to increase the standard of the education in the State.
- 2) Children of farm laborers and students belonging to economically weaker section shall receive education loan at zero percent interest rate.

Urban development

- 1) To improve roads in the urban areas a scheme on the pattern of the Chief Minister Gram Sadak Yojana, shall be implemented. Separate financial provision shall be made to improve the road quality in Nagar Panchayats, Municipal Councils and Municipal Corporations.

- 2) The Coalition's Government shall provide, Mumbai and rest of Maharashtra, tenements of 300 sq. feet carpet area free of cost to the eligible slum dwellers under the slum Rehabilitation Programme instead of the 300 sq. feet tenements presently being provided and best infrastructure and basic amenities will also be provided.

Health

- 1) To ensure good and affordable healthcare for all citizens One Rupee clinic will be launched at the taluka level facilitating all pathological tests.
- 2) Super specialty hospitals and medical colleges shall be established in phased manner in all the districts.
- 3) We shall provide health insurance cover to every citizen of the state.

Industry

- 1) To attract new industries and investors in the state all possible concessions shall be extended and permission process shall be simplified.
- 2) To attract new investment in Information Technology sector necessary policy reforms shall be unveiled.

Social justice

- 1) To solve the pending questions of the Scheduled Castes and Tribes, Dhangar, Other Backward Classes (OBCs), Balutadars, etc. so as not to deprive the common people of basic necessities of food, clothing, shelter, education, health and employment as enshrined in the Indian Constitution.
- 2) The Government shall adopt various schemes to eliminate the social, educational and economic backwardness of the minority community and implement Constitutional safeguards for its security welfare in letter and spirit.

Tourism, Arts and Culture

- 1) In view of the social importance of traditional tourist destinations in the State, special facilities will be developed for the growth of tourism.

Other important provisions

- 1) Increase the facilities extended to senior citizens.
- 2) Violators of the Food and Drug regulations shall be dealt with severe punishment.
- 3) Provide cheap and efficient food for the common people in the state for Rs. 10 only.

Coordination Committee

There will be two coordination committees, one for coordination within the State Cabinet and the other for coordination among the alliance partners.