

# Anna's ex-blogger adds fresh grist to row mill

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Fresh controversy dogged Team Anna on Saturday as Anna Hazare's now ex-blogger made public a blog which was kept under wraps to blunt the Gandhian's claim that he had not spoken to him about reorganising his core team. Blogger Raju Parulekar, a journalist, known to come close to Hazare in recent times, also claimed that the Gandhian wanted to remove "undemocratic and fascist" Arvind Kejriwal, Kiran Bedi, Prashant Bhushan and "their pawns" from his core group.

Speaking to FPJ, Parulekar said that he has put Anna's own hand-written notes in public domain and there was nothing to

hide. "I have put up scanned copies of the notes written by Anna himself on the blog for the world to see. There is nothing to hide. I have done my duty. The truth will prevail" Parulekar said.

The fall-out between Hazare and Parulekar came as the former claimed that he never ever spoke to the journalist or met him on the issue of re-structuring of core committee and forming a new pan-Indian organisation with immediate effect. Taking a dig at the Kejriwal and Bedi led team Anna, Parulekar said in his trademark style, "Lokpal toh bahana hai, Kejriwal aur Bedi ko Kamana hai (The Lokpal bill is just a means, Bedi and Kejriwal want to fake the most of it)". However he added that in spite of the controversy,



he had great respect for Hazare and that he still held him in high esteem. "I respect Anna a lot. But unfortunately, my relationship with him is like that of

Dronacharya and Arjun," Parulekar told FPJ.

Parulekar posted his version as well as an 'unpublished' (which was only uploaded on Saturday morn-

**"I will continue to write the blog and express my views on Anna and his team, but without using his name. I will fight for the truth, just in the manner Anna has taught me to."**

RAJU PARULEKAR ON ANNA'S DECISION TO SHUT DOWN BLOG

ing) blog by Hazare in Marathi along with its English translation in the Gandhian's blog, claiming that he had not uploaded an order dictated by Hazare after October 30, following a core committee meeting asking him to hold the core team. "I am thinking on the lines of restructuring the core committee. I am hereby informing all the members of Team Anna," Hazare is believed to have said in the 'unpublished' blog.

Parulekar said Hazare "spontaneously" wrote the blog on restructuring the team on October 23 afternoon "when he made up his mind to get away from Kejriwal, Bedi and Bhushan and their pawns in the core committee". He also alleged that a senior journalist who defamed him on TV should apologise for threatening him indirectly.

"He challenged my honesty and integrity, which I had kept maintained since the last 17 years of my life in media," he said in his version of the blog.