

V. EVIDENCE OF INVOLVEMENT OF HINDU RIGHTWING EXTREMIST ORGANISATIONS IN THE GUJARAT CARNAGE OF 2002

Gujarat State Police Graphs and Figures Reveal the Culpability and Involvement of RSS, VHP, Bajrang Dal and BJP ‘Leaders’ in the Violence that swept across Gujarat in 2002

Source: *State Intelligence Bureau, State of Gujarat (Submitted to the Nanavati-Shah-Mehta Commission of Inquiry)*

Sr. No.	City / District	PSTN. CR. NO.	Sections	Name of the Accused	No. of RSS, VHP, Bajrang Dal Workers	Status of the case
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Ahmedabad City	Shahibaug P.S.I. Cr. No. 93/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 435, 452, 427 of IPC	(1) Mukesh Jawanji Lakhwara (2) Bharat @ Toto Udaji Chauhan (3) Vishal Chhotelal.	Bajrang Dal workers-3	P.T.
2	Ahmedabad City	Shahibaug P.S.I Cr. No. 76/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 337, 436, 153, 295, 427 of IPC	Mukesh Kanjibhai Patel.	Bajrang Dal worker	P.T.
3	Ahmedabad City	Naroda P.S.I. Cr. No. 98/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 153(A), 295(A), 302, 307, 395, of IPC	(1) Babu Bajrangi (2) Rajkumar Gopiram (3) Haresh Parshram Rohera	Bajrang Dal-1, RSS-1, VHP-1.	P.T.
4	Ahmedabad City	Naroda P.S.I. Cr. No. 100/02	U/s 143, 148, 149, 302, 332, 398, of IPC	Kishan Khubchand Korani (2) Babu Bajarangi (3) Rajkumar Gopiram	Bajrang Dal – 1,	P.T.
5	Ahmedabad City	Vatva P.S.I Cr. No. 75/02	U/s 143, 147, 149, 302, 395, 140(B) of IPC	Mahesh Chhotala Patel	Bajrang Dal worker	P.T
6	Ahmedabad City	Vatva P.S.I. Cr. No. 97/02	U/s 307, 506(1), 114 of IPC and 135 of	Mahesh Chhotala Patel	Bajrang Dal worker	Acquitted

			B.P. Act			
7	Ahmedabad City	Vatva P.S.I. Cr. No. 98/02	U/s 143, 435, 436, 427, 447, 34 of IPC	Mahesh Chhotala Patel	Bajrang Dal worker	P.T.
8	Ahmedabad City	Vatva P.S.I. Cr. No. 122/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 324, 436, 427, 395 of IPC	Mahesh Chhotala Patel	Bajrang Dal worker	P.T.
9	Ahmedabad City	Vatva P.S.I. Cr. No. 146/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 427, 295, 395, 120(B) of IPC	(1) Dilip Jayntilal Patel (2) Bachubhai Dhanjibhai Ladva (3) Arvindbhai Ramabhai Patel	VHP workers 3	P.T.
10	Ahmedabad City	Danilimda P.S.I. Cr. No. 27/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 326, 337, 435, 436 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	(1) Abhay Ramsinh Chauhan (2) Anil Balkrishna Tipa	VHP Workers-2	P.T.
11	Ahmedabad City	Danilimda P.S.I. Cr. No. 31/02	U/s 307, 333, 336, 337, 435, 436 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	(1) Abhay Ramshinh Sharma (2) Vimal Chandrikaprasad Sharma	VHP workers	P.T.
12	Vadodara City	Chhani P.S.I. Cr. No. 10/02	U/s 143, 147, 149, 336, 427, of IPC, 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Kishor Lilachand Shah	Bajrang Dal worker	P.T.
13	Vadodara City	Chhani P.S.I. Cr. No. 48/02	U/s 143, 147, 149, 427, 436 of IPC, 435 of B.P. Act	(1) Kishor Lilachand Shah	Bajrang Dal worker	Acquitted
14	Vadodara City	Chhani P.S.I. Cr. No. 54/02	U/s 143, 147, 149, 427, 436 of IPC,	(1) Kishor Lilachand Shah	Bajrang Dal worker	Acquitted

			135 of B.P. Act			
15	Vadodara City	Chhani P.S.I. Cr. No. 55/02	U/s 143, 147, 149, 427, 436 of IPC, 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Kishor Lilachand Shah	Bajrang Dal worker	Acquitted
16	Vadodara City	Chhani P.S.I. Cr. No. 69/02	U/s 436, 114 of IPC	(1) Kishor Lilachand Shah	Bajrang Dal worker	Acquitted
17	Vadodara City	Chhani P.S.I. Cr. No. 73/02	U/s 143, 147, 149, 427, 436, 295 of IPC, 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Kishor Lilachand Shah	Bajrang Dal worker	Acquitted
18	Vadodara City	Panigate P.S.I. Cr. No. 126/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 392, 188 of IPC	(1) Kishor Anandrao Goddi (2) Yashvant Atmaram Patil (3) Mukund @ Taylor Mohan Devre (4) Vijay Narayanrao Khatal and 15 Hindus	Bajrang Dal worker-4	P.T.
19	Vadodara City	Panigate P.S.I. Cr. No. 138/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 427, 153 (B), 188 of IPC	(1) Kishor Anandrao Goddi (2) Yashvant Atmaram Patil (3) Mukund @ Taylor Mohan Devre (4) Vijay Narayanrao Khatal and 15 Hindus	Bajrang Dal worker-4	P.T.
20	Vadodara City	Panigate P.S.I. Cr. No. 144/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 392, 427, 188 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Yashvant Atmaram Patil (2) Mukund @ Taylor Mohan Devre (3) Vijay Narayanrao Khatal (4) Santosh	Bajrang Dal worker-4	P.T.
21	Vadodara City	Panigate P.S.I. Cr. No. 186/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 427, 188 of IPC	Kishor Anandrao Godadiya	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
22	Vadodara City	Panigate P.S.I. Cr. No. 187/02	U/s 188, 436, 427,	Kishor Anandrao Godadiya	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.

			392, 114 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act			
23	Vadodara City	Makarpura P.S.I. Cr. No. 94/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 427, 436, 457, 380 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Nilesh Bhogilal Patel (2) Dilip Jayantilal Patel (3) Sanjay Chiman Thakor (4) Kirit Jesinh Patel (5) Arvindbhai Bhanabhai Vasava (6) Omprakash Ramchandra Prasad (7) Dilip @ Dinesh Somabhai Patel	Bajrang Dal workers	P.T.
24	Surat City	Katargam P.S.I. Cr. No. 57/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 435, 452, 188, 427 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Sunil Kalidas Shah	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
25	Gandhinagar	Sector-21 P.S.I. Cr. No. 77/02	U/s 143, 435, 436, 427 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Amratbhai Dangarhibhai Thakkar (2) Sureshbhai Ambalal Patel (3) Ghanshyambhai Sadashiv Shukla (4) Bhagwanbhai Ramjibhai Solanki (5) Manojsinh Gumansinh	VHP workers-5	P.T.
26	Kutch	Mandvi P.S.I. Cr. No. 20/02	U/s 143, 323, 337, 452, 427, 435 of IPC	(1) Samatram Gadhvi (2) Laxmishankar Harji Joshi (3) Dr. Kaniyalal Gopaldas Vaishnav (4) Dinesh Damji Amal (5) Parsottam Hirji Bhanushali (6) Kantilal Valji Bhanushali (7) Haridas Parsottam Bhanushali	No. 3 to 7 – VHP workers, No. 1-2- Bajrang dal	P.T.
27	Kutch	Nakhtrana P.S.I. Cr. No. 13/02	U/s 326, 447, 114 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Vasant Meghji Patel (2) Akshaykumar Amrutlal Thakkar (3) Satish Kanji Dabhi	VHP workers-3	P.T.
28	Patan	Chansama P.S.I. Cr. No. 24/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 295, (A),	(1) Patel Shailesh Somabhai (2) Patel Jayesh Prahladbhai (3) Patel	Bajrang Dal workers-8	P.T.

			436, 504, 506 (2) 337, of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	Navin Chandubhai and a mob of 20 to 35 Hindus R/o. Chansama		
29	Patan	Chansama P.S.I. Cr. No. 25/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 295 (A), 504, 506 (2), 337 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Patel Mukesh Jayantilal (2) Patel Vishnu Babulal (3) Patel Navnit Chandula (4) Patel Shailesh Somabhai (5) Patel Chandrakant Amrutlal (6) Patel Bharat Manilal (7) Patel Upendra Keshavlal (8) Patel Nitin Jethalal and a mob of 50 to 60 Hindus R/o. Chansma	Bajrang dal workers-8	P.T.
30	Patan	Chansama P.S.I. Cr. No. 35/02	U/s 302, 435, 452, 427, 120(B), 147, 148, 149 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Patel Shailesh Somabhai (2) Patel Mukesh Manilal (3) Patel Upendra Keshavlal and a mob of 40 to 50 Hindus R/o. Chanasma	Bajrang Dal workers-3	P.T.
31	Kheda	Kheda Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 5/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 436, 295, 452 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Kalpeshkumar Fatesinh Darbar (2) Sanjaykumar Ramanbhai Patel R/o. Nana Patelvada Kheda	RSS workers-2	P.T.
32	Kheda	Thasara P.S.I.Cr. No. 32/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Laljibhai Babubhai Parmar (2) Rameshbhai Kabhaibhai Parmar R/o. Saniya	Bajrang Dal workers-2	P.T.
33	Kheda	Thasara P.S.I. Cr. No. 33/02	U/s 143, 147, 295, 436 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayntibhai Shankarbhai Vasava R/o. Dabhali (2) Dasharathbhai Prabhatbhai Parmar R/o. Dabhali (3) Mineshbhai Ramanbhai Patel R/o.	Bajrang Dal workers-4	P.T.

				Thasra (4) Vijaybhai Chhandubhai Patel R/o. Thasra		
34	Kheda	Thasara P.S.I. Cr. No. 35/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 295 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Devendra Kantibhai Patel R/o. Tharmal GEB (2) Manis Punambhai Patel R/o. Angati Chapatiya (3) Rasikbhai Dahyabhai Patel R/o. Rasoolpur (4) Shantibhai Madhavbhai Parmar R/o. Rasoolpur (5) Ashishkumar Pradyuman Vyas R/o. Tharmal Gayatri Nagar (6) Ravjibhai Fatesinh Parmar R/o. Sangol	VHP workers-6	Acquitted
35	Kheda	Thasara P.S.I. Cr. No. 36/02	Us/ 143, 147, 148, 149, 436, 435 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Laljibhai Babubhai Parmar R/o Soniya (2) Jaytibhai Shankarbhai Vasava R/o. Dabhali (3) Dashrathbhai Prabhatbhai Parmar R/o. Dabhali (4) Rakeshbhai Kabhaibhai Parmar R/o. Soniya	Bajrang Dal workers-4	P.T.
36	Kheda	Thasara P.S.I. Cr. No. 41/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 395, 435, 323, of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	Dipak @ Koli Maganbhai Patel R/o Godaj	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
37	Kheda	Kapadvanj Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 25/02	U/s 307, 147, 148, 149, 435, 436, 336, 337 of IPC & 135 of B.P. Act	Bipinkumar Bhikhubhai Parmar R/o. Kapadvanj	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
38	Kheda	Kapadvanj Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 63/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 435, 436, 295, 395, 427 of IPC & 135	Dineshbhai Rumablhai Chauhan R/o. Mahemdavad	VHP worker-1	Acquitted

			of B.P. Act			
39	Kheda	Dakor P.S.I. Cr. 19/02	U/s 324 of IPC	Hiteshbhai Ghanshyambhai Sevak	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
40	Kheda	Dakor P.S.I. Cr. No. 19/02	U/s 457, 380 of IPC	Babubhai Dalpatbhai Dapat R/o Dakor	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
41	Kheda	Dakor P.S.I. Cr. No. 23/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 436 of IPC	Hiteshbhai Ghanshyambhai Sevak R/o Dakor	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
42	Kheda	Dakor P.S.I. Cr. No. 27/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 436 of IPC	(1) Divyeshkumar Navnitbhai Sharma (2) Mayurkumar Ranchhodbhai Sevak (3) Bhaveshkumar Babulal Bapat (4) Tarangkumar Ramesh Chandra Joshi (5) Hiteshkumar Ghansyambhai Sevak (6) Laxmanbhai Bhikhabhai Parmar R/o Dakor	Bajrang Dal worker-6	P.T.
43	Valsad	Valsad Rural P.S.I. Cr. No. 26/02	U/s 143, 147, 336, 427, 188 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Bankim Vasantlal Bhatt R/o. 20/353, Gujarat Housing Board, Valsad (2) Rameshkumar Satpalsing Chaudhary R/o. as above (3) Sandip Vinod Kumar Ramaniya R/o Valsad (4) Vijay Rambhai solanki R/o. Harijanvas, Valsad (5) Sanjay Dhrudev Gupta R/o Mograwadi (6) Pratap Jayram Panchvati R/o Mograwadi (7) Chandrakant Jashwantlal Dabgar R/o Mograwadi (8) Pravin Liladhar Bhanushali R/o Mograwadi (9) Baldevsingh Bagwavorsing R/o Valsad (10) Rajeshsing Ratansing Damor R/o Valsad	Bajrang Dal workers	P.T.
44	Valsad	Pardi P.S.I.	U/s 143,	(1) Nimeshbhai Kantibhai	Bajrang Dal	Pending

		Cr. No. 39/02	147, 149, 186, 435, 332, 153(A), 295 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	Patel R/o Pardi	worker-1	Sanction for prosecution with Home Department
45	Valsad	Dharampur P.S.I. Cr. No. 46/02	U/s 143, 436 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	Shivabhai Mahru @ Ishwar Kukana	Bajrang Dal worker-1	P.T.
46	Ahmedabad Rural	Viramgam Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 13/02	U/s 395, 302, 153(A), 353, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 337, 338, 323, 324, 325, 326, 436, 295 of IPC and 25(1) A.C. of Arms Act.	(1) Dineshbhai Bhagwanbhai Patel (2) Prakashbhai Manharlal Vyas (3) Ghanshyambhai Mohanlal Thakkar (4) Harshadbhai Ramabhai Barot (5) Harishbhai Bharatbhai Brahmkshatriya (6) Vajubhai Parmabhai Dodiya (7) Harehbhai Prabhashankar Mehta R/o Viramgam	No.1-VHP, No.2-Bajrang Dal & No. 3 to 7 – RSS workers	P.T.
47	Ahmedabad Rural	Viramgam Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 21/02	U/s 147, 148, 307, 337, 436, 188 of IPC and 25(1) AC of	(1) Dilipkumar Manchhram Ramanandi R/o Viramgam	Bajranj Dal worker-1	Acquitted
48	Ahmedabad Rural	Viramgam Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 22/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 307, 436, 188 of IPC and 25(1) AC of	Paresh Ramswaroop Gupta R/o Viramgam	VHP-1	Acquitted
49	Ahmedabad Rural	Viramgam Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 23/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 436, 427, 395, 188	Dashrathsinh B. Solanki R/o Viramgam	RSS-1	Acquitted

			of IPC			
50	Ahmedabad Rural	Mandal P.S.I. Cr. No. 9/02	U/s 302, 147, 14, 149, 395 of IPC	(1) Rajubhai Jayntilal Shah (2) Harshabhai Kantilal Patel (3) Shaileshbhai Haribhai Patel (4) Ambalal Ishwarbhai Dalwadi (5) Hiteshkumar Fulchand Kansara R/o Mandal	RSS-5	Acquitted
51	Sabarkantha	Khedbrahma P.S.I. Cr. No. 22/02	U/s 302, 326, 147, 148, 149, 395, 436, 295, etc of IPC	(1) Jatin Umakant Joshi (2) Ravindra Manilal Patel (3) Dharmendra Nandubhai Patel (4) Sanatan Ishwar Pandya (5) Nandu Devji Patel (6) Jagdish Taral	RSS-workers-6	P.T.
52	Sabarkantha	Khedbrahma P.S.I. Cr. No. 33/02	U/s 395, 436, 114 of IPC	(1) Dharmendra Nandubhai Patel (2) Jagdish Taral	RSS workers-2	Acquitted
53	Sabarkantha	Jadar P.S.I. Cr. No. 15/02	U/s 147, 148, 436, etc. of IPC	Jagdishkumar Chhanalal Prajapati	VHP -1	P.T.
54	Sabarkantha	Modasa Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 22/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 295, 427, etc of IPC	Shaileshkumar Kohyabhai Bhoi	Bajrang Dal - 1	Acquitted
55	Sabarkantha	Modasa Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 39/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 435, 295 of IPC	Shaileshkumar Kohyabhai Bhoi	Bajrang Dal-1	Acquitted
56	Sabarkantha	Modasa Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 18/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 435, 436 of IPC	Sanjay @ Bhurio Ramanlal Patel	VHP	Acquitted
57	Sabarkantha	Modasa Town P.S.I. Cr. No. 37/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 295, 427, etc of IPC	Sanjay @ Bhurio Ramanlal Patel	VHP	P.T.
58	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 43/02	U/s 324, 429, 323, 114 etc of IPC	(1) Mahavir Dharamchand Jain (2) Lalabhai @ Dekar lalji Fanesa (3) Munnabhai Gokulbhai Kodarbhai Katara (4)	Sr. No.-1 VHP, Bajrang Dal-2,3	P.T.

				Ankeshkumar Chetanlal Fanesa		
59	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 44/02	U/s 436, 380, 457, 427, 143, etc of IPC	(1) Kanu Hirabhai Vankar (2) Fulabhai Somabhai (3) Lalabhai Hirabhai Damor	VHP-1 Bajrang Dal-2,3	P.T.
60	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 45/02	U/s 436, 380, 457, 427, 143, etc of IPC	Mahavir Dharmachand Jain	VHP worker	P.T.
61	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 54/02	U/s 143, 436, 427, 506(2) 188 of IPC	Lalabhai Hirabhai Damor	Bajrang Dal	P.T.
62	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 58/02	U/s 436, 435, 427, 143 of IPC	Kanubhai Hirabhai Vankar	VHP worker	P.T.
63	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 62/02	U/s 436, 435, 427, 143 of IPC	Mahavir Dharamchand Jain	VHP worker	P.T.
64	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 49/02	U/s 435, 143, 436, 427, etc of IPC	(1) Dahya Padma Oad (2) Vitthal Karshan Patel (3) Tulsi Bhavan Patel (4) Manu Naran Patel (5) Raychand Bhikha Parmar (6) Dinesh Shankar Patel (7) Kanu Hira Parmar	Bajrang Dal-6, VHP-1	P.T.
65	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 53/02	U/s 147, 148, 436, 427, 379, etc of IPC	(1) Bipin Kuber Patel (2) Suresh Bhikha Patel (3) Dinesh Rama Patel (4) Pravin Vala Patel (5) Ramesh Soma Khant (6) Bharat Arvind Patel (7) Lala Mula Patel (8) Rama Mula Patel	Bajrang Dal-8, VHP-1	P.T.
66	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 55/02	U/s 143, 436, 427, etc of IPC	(1) Tulsibhai Bhawan Patel (2) Pratap Natha Damor (3) Chirag Kanti Bhavsar (4) Manilal Savabhai Raval (5) Dinesh Shankarbhai Patel (6) Munna Gokul Katara (7) Jasu Soma Katara (8)	Bajrang Dal-8, VHP-1	P.T.

				Soma Punja Damor (9) Kanubhai Hirabhai		
67	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 83/02	U/s 143, 436, 427 of IPC	(1) Rajnish Prabhudas Patel (2) Mahavir Dharmchand Jain.	Bajrang Dal- 1, VHP-1	P.T.
68	Sabarkantha	Meghraj P.S.I. Cr. No. 84/02	U/s 143, 436, 427, etc of IPC	(1) Jasu Soma Katara (2) Chandu Fata Darji.	Bajrang Dal- 2,	P.T.
69	Sabarkantha	Vijaynagar P.S.I. Cr. No. 11/02	U/s 436, 295, 34 of IPC	(1) Rabari Pana Harji (2) Vasant Harji	Bajrang Dal-2	P.T.
70	Sabarkantha	Vijaynagar P.S.I. Cr. No. 21/02	U/s 147, 148, 436, etc of IPC	(1) Subhas Badaji Damor (2) Mangadaji Nanji Damor (3) Ravishankar Dhanaji Damor	Bajrang Dal-3	Acquitted
71	Sabarkantha	Vijaynagar P.S.I. Cr. No. 27/02	U/s 147, 148, 436, etc of IPC	(1) Vadaji Savaji Rabari (2) Dalsukh Govind Patel (3) Panaji Harji Rabari (4) Dinesh Vakshi Modiya (5) Ramesh Bachu Rayaniya (6) Pravin Gangaram Patel (7) Bachubhai Lakhabhai Damor (8) Karansinh Varmaji Chauhan (9) Ramesh Velji (10) Narsi Govind Patel (11) Govindbhai Manji Patel.	Bajrang Dal- 11	Acquitted
72	Sabarkantha	Vijaynagar P.S.I. Cr. No. 38/02	U/s 147, 148, 436, 427, etc of IPC	(1) Patel Arvindbhai Ambalal (2) Patel Hasmukh Govindbhai (3) Narsinh Govindbhai (4) Rabari Vadaji Savji (5) Modiya Dineshbhai Vakshi (6) Rabari Pana Harji	Bajrang Dal-6	Acquitted
73	Sabarkantha	Vijaynagar P.S.I. Cr. No. 54/02	U/s 436, 114 etc of IPC	(1) Vadaji Savji Rabari (2) Govind Manji Patel (3) Karansinh Dharmaji Chauhan (4) Ramesh Ambalal Patel	Bajrang Dal-4	Acquitted
74	Sabarkantha	Dhansura P.S.I. Cr. No. 33/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 435, 436, 336 of IPC & 135 of BP Act.	(1) Mulshankar Fulshankar Gor (2) Bhavikkumar Dahyabhai Gor (3) Babubhai Karamsibhai Patel (4) Nitinkumar Satubhai	Sr. No. 1 to 7 – VHP, No. 8 to 10 – Barjang Dal & No. 11 to 13-RSS.	Acquitted

				Raval (5) Vithalbhai Kanjibhai Patel (6) Manojkumar Karamsibhai Patel (7) Ashvinbhai Bhanjibhai Patel (8) Brijeshkumar Amratlal Soni, (9) Prakashkumar Chandulal Patel (10) Ashokkmar Prabhudas Patel, (11) Amaratbhai Karsanbhai Patel (12) Hareshbhai Babubhai Patel (13) Anilbhai Ramjibhai		
75	Sabarkantha	Himmatnagar Town I Cr. No. 74/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 436 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Nirubhai Narendrasinh Shivsinh Solanki	VHP	P.T.
76	Sabarkantha	Himmatnagar Town I Cr. No. 76/02	U/s 147, 395, 435, 436 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Kamlesh Popatlal Thakkar	VHP	P.T.
77	Sabarkantha	Idar I Cr. No. 33/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 436 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Mukundbhai Parsottam Nayak	VHP	Acquitted
78	Sabarkantha	Bhiloda I Cr. No. 41/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 435, 436, 504, 506(2), 337 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Gunvantbhai Bhagvandas Trivedi (2) Prabhudas Laljibhai Trivedi (3) Arvindbhai Narandas Soni	No. 1 & 2 – VHP, NO. 3- RSS	P.T.
79	Sabarkantha	Bhiloda I Cr. No. 131/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 302, 120 B of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Bhagvanbhai Virambhai Khatri (2) Arvindbhai Narandas Soni (3) Arvindbhai Narandas Soni	No. 1,2 – Bajrang Dal & No. 3 – RSS worker	Acquitted
80	Sabarkantha	Bayad Town I Cr. No. 18/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 435,	Ashokbhai Maganbhai Patel (2) Dilipbhai Bhupendrabhai	No. 1 to 4 VHP & No. 5-6 Bajrang Dal	P.T.

			436, 427, 395, of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Mulshankar (3) Gopalbhai @ Manishbhai Dilipbhai (4) Pratap @ Pravinbhai Kanjibhai Patel (5) Rajubhai Jagdishbhai Mistri (6) Munnabhai @ Rameshbhai Jagdishbhai Mistri		
81	Sabarkantha	Bayad Town I Cr. No. 25/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 436 of IPC	Vithalbhai Mithubhai Patel (2) Harshadbhai Jethabhai (3) Anilbhai Jasubhai Patel (4) Harshadbhai Ranchhodbhai (5) Nareshkumar Jadavbhai (6) Ashok Bhimjibhai (7) Chimanlal Ravjibhai (8) Bhupendra Chimanbhai Patel (9) Kaushikbhai Kacharabhai Patel (10) Mukundbhai Jethabhai Patel (11) Jayeshkumar Bhaychandbhai Patel (12) Amratbhai	No. 1 to 11 VHP & No. 12 Bajrang Dal	P.T.
82	Sabarkantha	Bayad Town I Cr. No. 26/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 435, 504, 506(2) of IPC	Vithalbhai Mithubhai Patel (2) Harshadbhai Jethabhai (3) Anilbhai Jasubhai Patel (4) Harshadbhai Ranchhodbhai (5) Ashok Bhimjibhai (6) Chimanlal Ravjibhai (7) Kaushikbhai Kacharabhai Patel (8) Mukundbhai Jethabhai Patel (9) Jayeshkumar	VHP workers-9	P.T.
83	Sabarkantha	Bayad Town I Cr. No. 4/05	U/s 302, 201, 147, 148, 149, 435, 436, 427, 188 of IPC & 135 of BP Act	Mukundbhai Jethabhai Patel (2) Amrutbhai Becharbhai Prajapati	No. 1 VHP & No. 2 RSS Worker.	P.T.
84	Vadodara Rural	Chhotaudepur P.S.I. Cr. No. 64/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 353, 332,	(1) Manoj Narendra Soni	Bajrang Dal	P.T.

			336, 337, 504, 188, 186 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act			
85	Vadodara Rural	Pandu P.S.I. Cr. No. 18/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 393, 435, 436, 332, 336, 153(A) of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Ravjibhai Udesinh Parmar (2) Rajubhai Mangalbhai Parmar (3) Amarsinh Devabhai Parmar (4) Kalabhai Jehabhai Parmar (5) Hasmukh Maubhai Parmar (6) Alpesh Kantibhai Parmar (7) Lalabbhai Mohanbhai Parmar (8) Ratilal Parvatbhai Parmar (9) Nanabhai Shankarbhai Parmar R/O Desar, (10) Arvind Kanjibhai Patel & (11) Budhabhai	VHP-9 & RSS-2	P.T.
86	Vadodara Rural	Pandu P.S.I. Cr. No. 20/02	U/s 302 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	Rameshbhai Mahetabbhai Barot R/O Bhatpura	VHP-1	Acquitted
87	Vadodara Rural	Karali P.S.I. Cr No. 4/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 395, 295, 153A, 307 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva (3) Hasmukhbhai Jethabhai Patel	VHP-3	P.T.
88	Vadodara Rural	Karali P.S.I. Cr. No. 6/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 395, 295, 153A, 307 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva (3) Hasmukhbhai Jethabhai Patel	VHP-3	P.T.
89	Vadodara Rural	Karali P.S.I. Cr. No. 8/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 395, 295,	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva (3) Hasmukhbhai Jethabhai Patel	VHP-3	P.T.

			153A, 307, of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act			
90	Vadodara Rural	Karali P.S.I. Cr. No. 9/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 395, 295, 153A, 307 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva	VHP-2	P.T.
91	Vadodara Rural	Karali P.S.I. Cr. No. 13/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 436, 395, 295, 153A, 307, of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva (3) Hasmukhbhai Jethabhai Patel	VHP-3	P.T.
92	Vadodara Rural	Karali P.S.I. Cr. No. 13/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 435, 393, 353 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Vijaybhai Manubhai Shah (2) Tushar Arvind Patel (3) Champaklal Manilal Shah (4) Manoj Champaklal Shah	VHP-4	P.T.
93	Vadodara Rural	Kavant P.S.I. Cr. No. 23/02	U/s 395, 397, 307, etc of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva (2) Jayanti Ranji Rathva	VHP-2	P.T.
94	Vadodara Rural	Kavant P.S.I. Cr. No. 26/02	U/s 395, 435, etc of the IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva	VHP-2	P.T.
95	Vadodara Rural	Kavant P.S.I. Cr. No. 25/02	U/s 147, 148, 149, 153A, 436, 395 of IPC	Kanubhai Gokalbhai Rathva	VHP-1	P.T.

96	Vadodara Rural	Bhadarva P.S.I. Cr. No. 9/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 336, 435, 427, 335, of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jagdishbhai Prabhudas Patel	VHP	P.T.
97	Vadodara Rural	Bhadarva P.S.I. Cr. No. 11/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 336, 435, 427, 335 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jagdishbhai Prabhudas Patel	VHP	P.T.
98	Vadodara Rural	Bhadarva P.S.I. Cr. No. 17/02	U/s 395, 147, 148, 149, 436 of IPC	Shailesh Dahyabhai Patel	B.D.	P.T.
99	Vadodara Rural	Bhadarva P.S.I. Cr. No. 18/02	U/s 395, 436, 427, 435, 452 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Pintu @ Pritesh Sudhir Jayswal (2) Pintu @ Dharmendra Bhikha Patel (3) Dipesh Pradyaman Shastri	VHP-1	P.T.
100	Vadodara Rural	Kavant P.S.I. Cr. No. 29/02	U/s 395, 427 etc of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Jayantibhai Savjibhai Rathva (2) Sanjay Bhagu Rathva	VHP-2	P.T.
101	Vadodara Rural	Nasvadi P.S.I. Cr. No. 28/02	U/s 457, 380, 427, 114 of IPC	Bhadresh Chandulal Thakkar	B.D.	P.T.
102	Vadodara Rural	Nasvadi P.S.I. Cr. No. 32/02	U/s 395, 397, 435, 323, 177 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	Bhadresh Chandulal Thakkar	B.D.	Acquitted
103	Vadodara Rural	Varnama P.S.I. Cr. No 19/02	U/s 143, 147, 436, 427, 295, 153 A of IPC	Subhashbhai Mafatbhai Thakor	B.D.	P.T.

104	Bharuch	Bharuch City "A Divisin" P.S.I. Cr. No. 56/02	U/s 153(A), 427, 295, 188 of IPC and 3, 7 of Explosive Act	Bhavesh Arvind Patel	RSS-1	Acquitted
105	Bharuch	Amod P.S.I. Cr. No. 22/02	U/s 395 of IPC and 135 of B.P. Act	(1) Gopalsinh Natwarsinh Vasandiya (2) Girwatsinh Natwarsinh Vasandiya (3) Indrasinh @ Jagdish Mahendrasinh Raj (4) Dilipsinh Goaplsinh Vasandiya (5) Mahendrasinh Parbatsinh Raj (6) Pravinbhai Parag Patel (7) Hiteshkumar Laxmansinh Raj (8) Pravinsinh Bhimsinh Raj (9) Bharatsinh Jashvantsinh Raj (10) Jeetsinh Arjunsinh Raj (11) Jayendrasinh Umedsinh Raj (12) Mansinh Vajesinh Raj R/o all at Tanchha	VHP-12	Acquitted+ Convicted
106	Bharuch	Dahej P.S.I. Cr. No. 12/02	U/s 143, 147, 148, 149, 153(A), 295, 427 of IPC and 135, 37(1) (30 of B.P. Act	(1) Ashok Raman (2) Girish Dipsing (3) Prakash chandravadan (4) Kabhai Ramsang (5) Hitesh Laxman (6) Nilesh @ Dinesh Manilal Patel (7) Jitendra Udesing (8) Pravin Raman (9) Vinod Bhikha (10) Navneet Udesing (11) Natwar Bawa (12) Dalpat Laxman (13) Ranjit Gemalsang (14) Ashwin Jaswant Punja (15) Mukesh Babar (16) Abhesang Bhikha (17) Raman Laxman (18) Shravan Morar (19) Vijay Soma Raval (20) Soma Nagji Gohil (21) Ramesh	Bajrang Dal- 23	P.T.

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Further Proof:

The continuous denial and attempt to portray that the communal riots that engulfed the state of Gujarat in February 2002 was an emotional outcome of the Sabarmati Express tragedy can clearly be rebutted by the admissions and confessions made by a number of VHP, RSS, etc activists in Tehelka's "*Operation Kalank*"

A summary of the excerpts:

Haresh Bhatt was the Bajrang Dal's Rashtriya Sah Sanyojak in 2002 and is now the BJP MLA from Godhra, made an admission that bombs *were made at a firecracker factory he owned*. He describes how they assembled country-made explosives, including rocket launchers. These were then distributed to murderous mobs in Ahmedabad. Despite curfew in Ahmedabad, swords were brought in from Punjab and country pistols from UP, Bihar and MP.

Bhatt boasts that none of these states were under BJP rule then. The consignment of arms crossed the borders not once but many times. "*There were tens and tens of them,*" Bhatt reveals

Bhatt says that he trained 40 young men who then went on to demolish the Babri Masjid in December 1992. He trained them like the army does, and ran obstacle courses for them and taught them how to climb a 30-ft rope. The camp still exists in Ahmedabad

Dhawal Jayanti Patel of the VHP used dynamite in his quarries in Sabarkantha. With the help of an old RSS hand, Amrudh Patel, who was an expert in handling explosives, bombs were made in the quarries using dynamite and RDX-based powder

Anil Patel the VHP Vibhag pramukh, talks of how explosives were made in Sabarkantha and then supplied to Ahmedabad.

Ramesh Dave: VHP activist

June 12, 2007

Dave: Whatever happened [at Godhra], happened for the best... And, in any case, Rajendrabhai [Vyas] was in charge of the Godhra case...

TEHELKA: He was the incharge of the train...yes...

Dave: I was with him too as the deputy incharge...

TEHELKA: Were you on the train? *Dave:* No, I didn't go... I am a diabetic and so I stayed back... Then around 9.30, I got a call from there, informing me of what had happened...

TEHELKA: Rajendrabhai called you up?

Dave: Rajendrabhai called up... he asked me what now... I said don't worry... I will reach Godhra by 12 o'clock... Then he said there was no need to come to Godhra... some other people were already on their way... but the situation was out of control there and it had to be handled...

I told him not to worry... and then he started crying... Rajendrabhai... he said 60 of our people had died... that we were playing a one-day...

TEHELKA: He told me that too...

Dave: One day *khelna hai... 600 ko... maine bola koi tension mat lo, bhagwan ki kripa hai, ho jayega jo bhi hone wala hai... phir yahan laashein wagairah laayi... Phir main bhi raat ko gaya... drishya dekh kar bada...* [We have to play a one-day... 600 have to be... I told him not to worry, whatever has to be done will be done by God's grace... later on, the dead were brought here... I also went there that night... the scene was...

TEHELKA: I saw the pictures... in the Vishwa Hindu Parishad office...

Dave: In the office... We went to the office at night... the atmosphere there was very disturbing... everybody had the same reaction... what all of them felt was that [we had taken it] for so many years... Narendrabhai gave us great support at that time...

TEHELKA: What was Narendra Modi's reaction when he reached Godhra and when he returned?

Dave: In Godhra, he gave a very strong statement... He himself was in a rage... after all, he has been a swayamsevak with the Sangh right from childhood... his anger was such... he himself did not come out into the open then but the police and all had turned totally ineffective at that time... The next day, we took out a funeral procession for the dead at 10.30... from the VHP office... these are things that have never been told... What actually happened was that I got a call at around quarter to eleven saying Rameshbhai what is this... all of Gujarat is sleeping... what is to be done... doesn't matter... you will get a reaction from my side right now... At quarter to eleven, we went to a spot there... There a shootout took place... from there the whole of Gujarat caught on... but the spot [where it started] was Dariyapur...

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Dave: This is Kandhariapur... Hindus are gradually decreasing here... Muslims are more in number...

TEHELKA: They are increasing...

Dave: This is our border... All the area behind this house is his [Abdul Latif's]... At the time of the Godhra massacre, rioting started here at around 11 o'clock... We fought here till the next 11 o'clock...

TEHELKA: Was there firing from their side too?

Dave: They did not... This time, everyone was on the Hindus' side... At that time, I was given charge of Madhopura... It is very nearby... there were almost 123 riot-related cases there... Of these, around 15 were under Section 302... you understand this... What happened was, we targeted and killed all those who had been in our sights for the past 20-25 years...

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Dave: We showed the horrific video we had shot [at Godhra] to people... What happens is... there's a certain fury... A dormant volcano erupted all of a sudden... Those people did suffer a lot of damage... Our plan was to burn Godhra down to the ground... to burn all these Musalman-wusalmans... but then, to get everyone together here... to handle the situation...

TEHELKA: And all the VVIPs had also started visiting by then... Was there retaliation in Kalupur?

Dave: Yes we took revenge... to a great extent... meaning *zabardast*.

TEHELKA: How many were killed?

Dave: Now approximately, here in the interiors, I'd say only around 60-70... But the kind of revenge there was... What these people did in Kalupur and Dariyapur... they have three areas...

four areas... Juhapura, Shahpur, Dariyapur and Kalupur... What they would do is they'd riot all over the place, and then they would sneak back here to hide...

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TEHELKA: I had such an open conversation that Hareshbhai told me... Hareshbhai Bhatt's factory... how bombs were made in his cracker factory...

Dave: Yes they were made... here then... If we weren't here, we would be outside...

Ghanshyam Patel used to call up people and control everything...

TEHELKA: So when the riots started in Dariyapur and Kalupur, did you people have any weapons or not?

Dave: Some had already come...

TEHELKA: But Hindus don't keep weapons...

Dave: They don't have weapons, but our brother got us revolvers and that's how we would get by... and this is not the age of swords, anyway... So that is all one wants for weapons...

TEHELKA: So how many did he get? Two or three... the stand wala?

Dave: No, they were about 8 or 10

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TEHELKA: Can I meet our activists [from the Sangh] who had been jailed but are now released? Just one or two?

Dave: There was one by the name of Yogi... Have you met Harshadbhai... Harshadbhai Giletwala?

TEHELKA: Not yet, Rajendrabhai gave me his name a while ago... but I haven't met him yet...

Dave: He got burnt in that case... while setting that hotel on fire... He had 75 percent burns...

TEHELKA: Which hotel? Best Bakery is in Baroda...

Dave: No, no, it's this one...

Dave's wife: It was a Muslim hotel...

TEHELKA: Was it in Kalupur?

Dave: No no... it is on that side, near Narayan Pura...

TEHELKA: Were some Muslims also killed?

Dave: One died...

TEHELKA: So Harshadbhai sustained 75 percent burns... *Dave:* If you meet him now, he looks just the same... He sustained 75 percent injuries... it wasn't easy saving him... the mrityunjay was chanted one lakh twenty five thousand times... Rs 4-5 lakh were also spent...

TEHELKA: Can I meet someone other than him... Can I meet the person who runs the stand?

Dave: No, he is out of town somewhere... And he won't talk about it all now... Actually... like he told me, in his business, he has to deal with both Hindus and Muslims...

TEHELKA: Was an FIR lodged against him?

Dave: It was lodged before the riots... It was in a case of the murder of a Muslim, in which he was arrested...

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TEHELKA: Did the Vishwa Hindu Parishad have any meeting the day Godhra happened? Was any strategy planned? Some common strategy must have been made by you people?

Dave: No, it happened but... At that time, the atmosphere was also very volatile... It could have been used for the sangathan... the sangathan has grown because of that... there was a time when...

TEHELKA: No, like the Godhra massacre happened on the 27th... did our leaders, who were there in Ahmedabad that day, get in touch with each other and plan out some strategy?

Dave: It happened...

TEHELKA: Or was it that they couldn't meet because of the curfew...

Dave: No even if curfew is imposed nowadays, we can go out... There are lanes that let you do that... and even if there aren't any such, we set out on the roads themselves. Meetings did happen... eight to ten meetings at various places... The strategy was that since we had to take revenge, we should show them at one go and then there would be peace for the next ten or so years...

To view the complete transcript see:

http://www.tehelka.com/story_main35.asp?filename=Ne031107I_got_a_call.asp

Praveen Togadia: The International General Secretary of the VHP

Togadia used the premises of his hospital, *Dhanavantri*, run jointly by him and his brother Dinesh Togadia to work actively to prevent medical help reaching victims. *Tehelka's* Operation Kalank indicts this institution further for actually being used to gather and distribute firearms and bombs before February 27, 2002.

On 28th February 2002 at 9 a.m. at Naroda behind State Transport Workshop in Ahmedabad there are allegations that Togadia instigated a mob which had gathered at the main chowk in front of Nataraj hotel wearing saffron scarves and khaki shorts. This was reported as the cover story named Saffron Terror by Praveen Swami dated 31st December, 2002. (Source: <http://www.Flonet/fl1906/19060080.htm>)

Justice A. P. Ravani (a retired High Court Judge from Gujarat) testified before Citizens Tribunal about doctors being threatened against treating Muslim patients by VHP. He knew of one doctor in Shahibag area who attended to 17-20 deliveries of Muslim women staying in relief camps. The doctor was personally threatened by Dr. Togadia himself, "*stop this, otherwise consequences will not be good*" Other doctors also received similar threats. (Source: *Crime Against Humanity – Concerned Citizens Tribunal, Gujarat 2002. Volume-II, page: 118, 1.3*)

Doctors testified before the Citizen Tribunal that on February 28, Dr. Togadia had put an advertisement, which was telecast on Citicable in Ahmedabad asking all doctors and nurses to report to his hospital. Obviously this was done to keep Hindu doctors away from Muslim run hospitals or to treat Muslim patients through threats and warning. This also goes against the oath taken and declaration made.

(Source: *Crime Against Humanity – Concerned Citizens Tribunal, Gujarat 2002. Volume-II, page: 118, 1.2*)

Some doctors filed a complaint before MCI arguing that Dr. Pravin Togadia is unfit to continue as a doctor and MCI should cancel his registration. The MCI headed by indicted Ketan Desai ignored the complaint and the absence of pursuing it rendered the effort a failed exercise.

The table gives a detailed explanation of the offences committed during the communal riots by Sangh Parivar, VHP, RSS and Bajrang Dal activists, many of whom were simultaneously a part

of the BJP government in Gujarat or enjoyed the patronage of the government in Gujarat and BJP government at the centre at the time.

Below are excerpts from Tehelka's expose. These admissions clearly reveal the **minute planning and mobilisation** that went into the attacks by the VHP, RSS, BD and other such organisations.

Dhimant Bhatt: Chief auditor of MS University

May 19, 2007

Dhimant Bhatt: I have two charges... I am chief auditor for the entire university [MSU] as well as chief accounts officer... this is a financial matter... everybody needs funds... this is why it is hectic... I am a staunch Hindu... suppose somebody from the Sangh says we have to promote Hindu fundamentalism, I will be the first to volunteer... I will go and say, brothers, put the Sangh's lathis aside and pick up AK-56s ... pick up AK-56s because if you have to develop Hinduism, it is clear who the enemies are... There are two who are against Hinduism... Muslims, who are open... but the Christians... they are like a bacterial virus ... and there's a third, the Communists, who are developing now... red waale... If you have to fight them, you need power and that power will not come from the lathi... only the bullet will do... we go to RSS shakhas ... pick up the lathi and use it... All that is fine but now they should be replaced with AKs and a Hindu brigade should be formed...

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Bhatt: After Godhra, there was this reaction and a certain climate was created in the Parivar by the top leaders, meaning the RSS, the VHP, the Bajrang Dal, the BJP and the Durga Vahini... and in that we had Narendra Modi's support... Let people say what they like, [we had] support in the sense that if Hindus are going to be burnt like this... if conspiracies are going to be hatched to burn Hindus... they wanted to burn the whole train [the Sabarmati Express]... and now if we don't do anything, if we don't generate an adequate reaction, another train will be set on fire.... This was the idea, the thought that came from him [Modi]... I was present in the meeting...

TEHELKA: Where, sir...

Bhatt: It was held in Baroda itself...at a secret place...

TEHELKA: After Godhra ...

Bhatt: Immediately after. The same day as Godhra... there were two meetings, one at Ahmedabad and one at Baroda... on what action we were to take... everybody was present ... the BJP, the RSS, the Parishad... it was decided that we would not take this any longer... if we have the guts, we should react... so everyone felt, unanimously, that since we didn't want to be on the defensive, we should start that night itself...

TEHELKA: Was this a meeting of the top leadership or of local leaders or of the ground workers?

Bhatt: Actually it was the local leaders... The message came from the top leaders... the local leaders implemented it and the workers spread it...

TEHELKA: So how many people were present at that meeting?

Bhatt: About 65 to 70.

TEHELKA: 65 to 70?

Bhatt: All key persons of Baroda.

TEHELKA: From different saffron organisations?

Bhatt: In Ahmedabad, there were two persons... I won't tell you the place... that is secret... it is the Parivar's... In Ahmedabad, the party has a farmhouse... we started... supplying everything... made a plan... If the police makes arrests, then [we were to secure] the release [of those in custody]. That night, we sat up and made a panel of advocates... If Hindus were injured, then how to take them to hospitals... how we were to help... We made the whole plan... to start a Hindu jehad... we were successful in Gujarat... We were thinking what should we do... so we got three-foot long iron rods... iron bars, and if the cadre was from the Bajrang Dal, then trishuls... In other words, we made a plan and supplied the samaan [weapons]... it was very necessary... After we supplied the samaan, the Hindus got very motivated... Until Godhra happened, the upper castes would never come out... Baniyas... Patels... they would never come out... But we mobilised them... told them that we had prepared teams from the police and amongst advocates... that if they went to jail, we would get them released...

To view the complete transcript see:

http://www.tehelka.com/story_main35.asp?filename=Ne031107The_Idea_came.asp

Deepak Shah: A senior Vadodara BJP leader

May 20, 2007

TEHELKA: What time did you reach Baroda [from Godhra]?

Deepak Shah: We got there at about three, four o'clock...

TEHELKA: After admitting the injured to hospital ...

Shah: We had gone with a big ambulance... went straight to the hospital... got them admitted...

Then we met the Godhra MP, Gopal Singh ... met the train collector also... The directives were clearly given to the police... to the MP also ... the directives were very clear... that no Hindu is to be arrested now... catch all the Muslims... don't talk to us about balance... "balance" is something we'll do later... Just take the force now and teach them a lesson...

TEHELKA: In Godhra?

Shah: We went to a lot of places... Everybody's views were *zabardast* [fierce]... Jaideepbhai from the VHP was also there... All our workers had gathered on the road... there was tremendous fury... They seemed to have made up their minds then itself that this time they were not going to spare the Muslims... When we reached Baroda too, it was a curfew-like situation because everyone had come to know through the media of the terrible incident that had happened... The anger was so spontaneous... that even on the way, wherever there was a Muslim shop or house, it was burnt ...

TEHELKA: How was it all organised...

Shah: For the next two days in Baroda, everyone just targeted... whoever they could... as many as possible... even in remote areas like Manzarpur... Areas like Alkapuri and Gotri have never even seen stonepelting... such areas which have no history whatsoever of riots... in those areas, people selectively targeted all the Muslim shops and burnt them ...

TEHELKA: Were you at the meeting held in Baroda that night?

Shah: Yes... I went for that meeting too... The general sentiment was that if we did not retaliate even after such a big incident and if we just backed down quietly, then they would be encouraged to spread terror... They can do anything... First we gave a bandh call...

TEHELKA: Only VHP people attended the meeting...

Shah: No, no, everybody was there... There were people from the Sangh Parivar... from the Sangathan... the Mandal ... you know, people who participate in any big event organized by the VHP... All the youth wings were also invited...

TEHELKA: Fifty to sixty people were there in the meeting ...

Shah: The number was higher... around 100–150

TEHELKA: Like in Ahmedabad, where the meeting was held at some guesthouse...

Shah: Yes, it was held here at the Narmada guest house ...

TEHELKA: Dhimantbhai was telling me about the strategy... about constituting a team of lawyers ...

Shah: Correct... because the police will conduct an inquiry... So [we had to think of] what we would do to protect our people...

TEHELKA: So who were there in the legal team?

Shah: Sanjaybhai Joshi was there... Neeraj Jain was there...

TEHELKA: Rajendra Trivedi was there?

Shah: Rajendra Trivedi was there... Pankaj Chabar ... Tushar Vyas...

TEHELKA: Who was used in the attack?

Shah: There are warring communities... the Kharvas... the Baakris... They always come forward at such times... They are meat-eating people ... they have the tools and they usually lead from the front... So they were channelised ... There were Kahars... A lot of Rabaris were there this time... Bhadris, Parmars and

Marathi-speaking people, who have a lot of passion...

TEHELKA: Dhimantbhai was telling me that a peace committee was formed just to mislead everyone, and that committee moulded rods and pipes and distributed them...

Shah: Whatever was needed was given... After all, it was a battle for faith...

To view the complete transcript see:

http://www.tehelka.com/story_main35.asp?filename=Ne031107It_should_be_something.asp