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UN-TOLD HISTORY OF FREEDOM MOVEMENT IN SINDH (ACTIVITIES OF VARIOUS BRANCHES OF SINDH CONGRESS):

DADU

on 7th of May 1946, the branch observed Bhulabhai Dessai Death Day. Complete hartal was observed in Dadu. In the evening a silent procession was organised that terminated at the Municipal Park, where a public meeting was held. Various speakers made speeches and highlighted the National Role played by Dessai. A condolence resolution was also passed on this occasion.

UN-TOLD HISTORY OF FREEDOM MOVEMENT (Activities of Sindh Congress & its branches)-- HALA:

Application, signed by many responsible persons of Hala Taluka have been sent to the Sindh Provincial Congress Committee and other Party leaders against the local Congress Committee for their open anti-Hindu activities in the Taluka resulting in much communal tension.

Prof. N.R.Malkani, the local M.L.A came to Hala, in July 1947, and he was told all about activities of his party men. He did his best to persuade his workers to desist from these objectional methods, but the President of the local Congress Committee told him openly that he was not his subordinate and refused to follow his advice. Under the excuse that the last year Sindh Provincial Congress Committee passed a resolution in favour of dissolution of Zamindari System and it has badly affected the social status and stand of Hindu Zamindar and now every Hindu Zamindar is being hit. It paved way for Muslim Haris to launch movements for their Hindu Zamindars.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

In its meeting held on 11th December 1918, the Hyderabad District Congress Committee, recommends Mr. Jamshed N.R. Mehta, Mr. Durgdas B. Advani and Mukhi Jethanand Pritamdas for the presidential post/chair of the Sindh Provincial Congress Committee.

The HDCC, considers ...the remarks made in the Annual Report of the Hyderabad Managing Committee against the people of Hyderabad and Subordinate Judge, and having accorded their resentment, appoints Sub-committee to probe into the matter and study the Cases filed by the people against the Hyderabad Management Committee, and find out what had offended the late Municipal Commissioner, Mr. Carter and Mr. Gibson, the Collector.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

In its meeting held on 28th June 1920, the District Hyderabad Congress Committee decides by 17 votes to 10 to recommend the principle of Non-Cooperation to the Special Indian National Congress. Unlike Mr. Gandhi and the Central Khilafat Committee, the meeting/DHCC considers however that the police and soldiers should be exempted. They will await the decision of the Special Congress for or against Non-Cooperation before putting it in practice locally.

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The meeting of the General Body is held on 3rd of December 1926 and following office-bearers are elected for the year 1927:

Dr. Choithram Gidwani (President), Lalchand Jhangyani (Vice-President), Utamchand Jewansing Gidwani (Secretary), Chaturbhuj Tejomal (Auditor).

Managing Committee; Jairamdas Doulatram, Prof. Ghanshayam Jethanand, Kessomal Teckchand, Hiranand Karamchand, Mansing Chuharmal, Dr. Chimandas Isardas, Moulvi Muhukumuddin & Koluram Vassanmal Bulani.

On Provincial Congress Committee: Dr. Choithram, Lalchand Jhangyani, Jairamdas Doulatram, Mansing, Prof. Ghanshayamdas, Kesomal, Gopaldas Jhamatmal, Moulvi Muhukumuddin, Utamchand Jewansing & Hiranand Karamchand.

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THE HYDERABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

The meeting is held on 19th August 1934 and following office-bearers are elected for the next year:

City Executive Committee: Prof. Ghanshamdas (President), Prof. Vaswani (Vice-President), Pandit D. Kundanram (Secretary) & A. Sadacharya (Treasurer).

Members of the Executive Committee for District: Jairamdas Doulatram, Prof. Ghanshamdas, Dr. Chamandas, Dr. Partabrai, Shewaram Bhatia, Bheromal Suratsing, Shrimati Sati Vaswani, Shrimati Devi Hasoomal and Surat Utamsing.

THE HYDERABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

Following are remaining names of office-bearers elected on 19.8.1934:

DISTRICT GENERAL BODY: Jairamdas Doulatram, Prof. Vaswani, Prof. Ghanshamdas, Dr. Chimandas, Naraindas Vensimal, Shewaram Bhatia, Bheromal Suratsing, Bheromal Issardas, Lachmandas Bhatia, Bachanand Hiranand, Devdat Kundaram, Surat J. Utamsing, Himath Lal, Hasomal Issardas, Dr. Dayaram, Dr. Pirtabdas, Lilaram Hiranand, Devibai Hasomal, Satibai Vaswani, Omparkash Chetandev; Mohnibai Lalchand; Bapo Kishinchand; Master Chaichaldas; B. Gokaldas; Thakurbai Salamatrai; Atramroop Shevapuri; Sardar Dayasing and Sardar Santsing.

THE HYDERABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

[Note: I have been sharing names of office-bearers with friends, it will help them to compile list of our Freedom Fighters]

The meeting is held on 22.5.1946 for the election of office-bearers. A big sensation is provided because nomination papers for City Congress Committee as well as in District Congress Committee, of Prof. Ghansham Jethanand (MLA and Leader of Sindh Congress Party in Assembly) and Prof. N.R. Malkani (MLA) are rejected by the Returning officer Mr. Ladharam Mohandas. Following were elected for City Congress Committee:

Dr. Chimandas Issardas (President), Mithu Shahani (Vice-President), Santsing Shahani (Secretary); Lokumal Punvani (Secretary); Mrs. Thakuri Salamarai (Hon. Treasurer)'

Managing Committee: Mrs. Sati Vaswani, Vishindas Jagtiani; Lachmandas Lalchand; Naraindas Vansimal; Dayasing Uttamsing; Devdat Kudaram; Kirpaldas Jairamdas and Bapo Kishinchand.

THE HYDERABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

The meeting is held on 3.7.1947 with special agenda to condemn the recent Sindh Ordinance. The meeting is chaired by the President of HDCC, Chimandas. Some leaders of Sindh Hindu Sabha manage to sit in the meeting and demand an amendment in the draft of Resolution to be tabled in the meeting. Dr. Chimandas regrets to allow them and Hindu Sabhai start shouting and blaming Congress for being responsible for creating such an anti-Hindu situation. They manage to occupy and control the stage. Master Chainchaldas and Kirshanchand of Arya Samaj created trouble and make the meeting free for all.

ACTIVITIES OF JACOBABAD CONGRESSES COMMITTEE.

The public meeting is held on 13th March 1923, with Bhai Newandram, Vice President of city branch, in chair. The proceedings begin with singing of some National Songs by three Sahti Non- Cooperators. Next comes a resolution of congratulating Veromal, teacher of Tilk High School Sukkur, who was sentenced to 12 month's imprisonment. The meeting ended with speeches.

ACTIVITIES OF JACOBABAD CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

The public meeting is held in the city. Mr. Rajendra Parsad, Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee, together with Mr. Viromal Begraj, the President of the Congress Committee in Sindh attended the meeting also.

The meeting is held on 7th Sept. 1924, and following office-bearers are elected for the next year: Dr. Menghraj (President), Dr. Hemandas (Vice-President) and Mr. Choithram (Secretary). It was resolved that Mahatma Gandhi be invited to Jacobabad on his ensuing visit to Sindh.

JACOBABAD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

The meeting is held on 5th May 1946 and is decided to observe a week in the memory of the late Allah Bux Soomro and Aslam Achakzai with effect from 11.5.1946. It is further decided that Indian leaders including Dr. Ram

Manohar Lohia,Attaullah Shah Bukhari;Capt, Segal and Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan will be invited on this occasion.

THE KARACHI DISTRICT CONGRESS:

The meeting is held on 2nd of March 1917 in which series of resolutions of disapproval and protest were passed against the illiberal spirit of the recommendations of the Public Service Commission,and against the action of Punjab Government in excluding Tilak and Bepin Chadar Pal.Thanks were offered to Mr. Justice Abdul Rahim for his minority report as member of the Public Service Commission.

ACTIVITIES OF THE KARACHI DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

A meeting of Karachi District Congress Committee is held at Khalik Dina Hall on 23.3.1917, under the Chairmanship of Harchandrai Vishindas; 44 delegates were elected for "Sindh Provincial Conference" to be held at Shikarpur. Participants were Jamshed Mehta; Abdul Rahman; Lokamal Chelaram; R.K.Sidhwa and Dr.Choithram.

THE ACTIVITIES OF KARACHI CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

A public meeting under the auspices of the Karachi District Congress Committee is held in the first week of December, 1917, in the Khalik Dina Hall to elect delegates for the forthcoming Congress at Calcutta and to form a Reception Committee for "Sindh Provincial Conference" to be held in Karachi in April 1918. Mr.Ghulam Ali Chagla presided and speakers were Messrs Nasinglal; Muhammad Khan; P.S.Shahani; Dipchand T.Ojha; Lokomal Chelaram; Tikamdas Wadhomal; R.K.Sidhwa. 52 delegates were elected, including a few Parsis and a Goans

ACTIVITIES OF THE KARACHI CONGRESS COMMITTEE:

1. Seth Harchandrai Vishindas is resigning from the presidentship of the Karachi District Congress Committee on 7th December 1920 and Mr.T.L. Vaswani is replacing him.
2. In conformity with wishes of Mahatma Gandhi, nightly public meetings are held with effect from 26th of June 1921 in different parts of the city. Subscription is raised and Congress membership is launched. R.K.Sidwa, Lalchand A. Jagtiani; Dr.Pateel; Durgdas Advani; Muhammad Khan etc take part.

THE ACTIVITIES OF KARACHI CONGRESS:

At yesterday's (27-6-1921) meeting of the Non-co-operation organized in the Lalchand Lekhraj's godown there were a number of piece-goods merchants present. Pundit Amarsen was in the chair while Messrs Muhammad Khan; Narsinglal; Lalchand Jagitiani and Mahraj Damodar spoke. When Mr. Gandhi was last here in Karachi, the people had garlanded him at various places with wreaths of yarm which when leaving he had given over in charge of Muhammad Khan and Lalchand. The former had out of them made a piece of Khadar measuring twenty three yards and this way offered for sale. Mr. Lalchand said that inspite of his utter poverty he would offer for it Rs. 100 but eventually a Shikarpuri merchant came to his rescue and took it up for an amount which he would not then give out but would pay to the organisers without having it publicly announced. Other collections made amounted to about Rs. 1,500.