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Shriman Narendra Modi Ji Namasté

I am privileged to share with you the legitimate concerns of the State and People of Mauritius as regards the signing of a multi-billion rupees contract by the present outgoing Mauritian Government with India's AFCONS Company for a light rail transportation project.

As you are aware, the Mauritian Parliament has been dissolved on 6th October 2014; electoral campaign is in course and anticipated general elections are due shortly. Soon after dissolution of Parliament, the present caretaker government has decided in total opacity to allocate a 24 billion Mauritian rupees contract to AFCONS for the light rail project and same will be signed shortly.

We appreciate how you are a staunch advocator of good governance, integrity and transparency and how you have made of the fight against opacity, fraud and corruption your mission statement at the helm of the Republic of India. You will agree with me and with the People of Mauritius that a caretaker and outgoing government cannot bind our country for such a huge contract for a period spanning over almost half a century. This goes against all principles of good governance and democracy. I believe it is my duty to inform you of the situation for your kind consideration.

The People of Mauritius fully appreciates the contribution of India, known here as 'Mother India', in the development process of the Mauritian nation. Indeed, India has accompanied Mauritius all the way since its independence in 1968 to support its socio-economic progress. We fully appreciate and we are infinitely grateful to India's unflinching support to Mauritius and look forward to more cooperation, financial and technical support in major projects.

I look forward to further strengthening the historic ties between India and Mauritius. I seize the opportunity to convey to you the greetings of Sir Anerood Jugnauth, former President and Prime Minister of Mauritius, now leading the Opposition Alliance for the forthcoming general elections.

Shri Modi Ji, I wish you and your Government all the best and success in the mission you have been called upon by the wise People of India to accomplish in further shaping the destiny of the Republic of India.

Please accept the expression of my highest consideration.

Pravind Kumar Jugnauth

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