

SWARAJ WILL GIVE YOUR MOHALLA UP TO RS. 3 CRORE ANNUALLY TO SPEND ON YOUR LOCAL NEEDS

Would you like the people of any area have to have the power and the resources to fix their colony streets pockmarked with potholes, fire their absenting school teachers, close their open sewers, ensure equitable power distribution, develop recreational public spaces, help the homeless, penalize the corrupt pen-pushing babu, plant trees, hold community health fairs. In short, fix all issues plaguing their neighbourhood/village?

Lokrajandolan is a people's movement to help achieve this all across India. This is Swaraj in the true sense of the word.

Here is how it works. Swaraj will transfer control of local area's funds, functions and functionaries to the citizens of the area. It will decentralize decision-making, distribute executive power to the level of the average citizen and ensure accountability of the bureaucracy. This will be achieved by creating small units of cohesive citizens' assemblies: "Gram Sabha" in rural areas and "Mohalla Sabha" in urban areas. Each assembly will meet monthly and collectively take decisions. The bureaucracy will be forced to abide by these decisions and can be taken to task at the local level if they fail to perform. Assemblies will have complete control over assets/functions and institutionalized channels for influencing decisions on larger issues with local implications. Each assembly will receive a significant percentage of state/municipal annual budget (plan expenditure) funds.

In order to achieve Swaraj, we first need the state and central governments to provide the necessary legislative and constitutional framework.

You can make a difference. Join the movement. We need your support. Spread the word!

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