

Dear All,

It seems this man has been sent by Jabbar for sure..... Shocking is for me and others. Attached is the conversation I had with him, I will do what all i can to get this rubbish out.

While I was talking to him he took Dr. Amit basu and My photos but he only printed mine and not Amit's. I was fully convinced that he was Jabbar's man and he is trying to get information from me, I then did not give any answers and called up Iswar Sigh Dost (Ashutosh is his friend), he came to Banjara to Amit's Room. I asked Iswar to call this jabbar's man immediately and ask him not to publish anything misleading news as I could smell his intentions. Ishwar made a call to ashutosh and requested him not to mention anything against the convention. But he must have got a lot of money from Jabbar to do this.

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## **Fact Finding Mission – HT article**

1 “Those who had conceived the FFM and spent time and energy on data collection had been completely sidelined at the time of release.” (para 1 and para 2)

Answers: This seems to be his idea of any event, which happens in Bhopal under the name of BGIA. I had told him that TJ was requested several times by the other media to come for this programme but she had prior engagements. So this cannot be manipulated into some interesting story.

2 “ .....Sadha Karnik.....and few others” (para 4)

I never named her, I don't remember who she is, except some mention in one interview by Narend Maurya.

3 Leena herself was disinterestedly roaming outside.....(para 11)...

It seems to me such a ridiculous comment on my work on FFM Bhopal. I asked this man called Ashutosh, to come and join our press conference and then I made him sit in the room. I came out as Narend, Ishwar and others asked me to come out as we have no work in the press conference. So I came out and Ashutosh followed me, when I noticed him, I asked him to be in the conference, so he said it is the same type of press conference every time we have in Bhopal. When he requested me to tell him about the FFM survey, I told him about the process of conducting the survey and later I called Dr. Amit Basu to join us.

4 Asked how come Satinath came to take centre-stage.....(para 13)..

My reply – When the coordinator of different teams of study under FFM were writing their reports and sent us their first draft way back in 2001-2002, the draft were then circulated among all coordinators and also to Sathyu, he was the first person to give his comments, so this is the reason why he should be in the centre. I had done the survey, I

was not wetting the report and I don't consider myself competent to study those reports, but Sathyu has in-depth knowledge about most of the issues which we could release this time. (Probably this journalist did not like this so he did not mention this at all)

Other question he asked me , which could not become his masala mix.

- 1        **He asked me why Jabbar has not been invited.** - I said all have been invited, it was upto him to join the seminar or not.
  
- 2        **He asked me why did'nt Rashida Bi returned her award?** – I said that it is because of this award people from all over the world have come to know Bhopal issue. There are different yahoo group discussions where Bhopal Gas disaster has a mention. Had there was not support from Bhopal activist then such a thing would not have been possible and Bhopal gas disaster would have been faded away.
  
- 3        **When he asked me, why did you involve students from Makkanlal university and not the local group during your survey** - Then only I told him that the Bhopal organisations had withdrawn and first one of them was Jabbar. I told him that this does not mean that they should not participate in this release, after all so much energy and time and money has gone to do such an extensive study, only for the gas victims. When Other Media invited the local groups then representatives of almost all organisations have attended the three day event.