

## **MODI SHARPENS ATTACK ON PM**

*Accuses him and the Congress of being indecisive on security issues*

BALASINOR (GUJARAT): A day after Manmohan Singh unleashed his sharpest attack against L K Advani, Narendra Modi on Tuesday accusing the prime minister of kneeling down. The Gujarat chief minister also accused the Congress of displaying helplessness on security issues whenever in power.

“What was Congress doing during the Indo-China war of 1962. I want to ask the prime minister who is saying that Advani was wringing his hands, what was the Congress doing with their hands then. Even today thousands of acres of Indian land is with China,” Modi said at a public rally in Balasinor town of Kheda district.



## **WHY DO YOU STOOP SO MUCH, MODI ASKS PM**

“Even today half of Kashmir is occupied by Pakistan, what kind of strength does it show? I want to ask if the prime minister is kneeling down due to helplessness of Congress or is it part of your habit?” Modi asked.

Singh said on Monday that Advani ‘melted’ before terrorists during the Kandahar hijack episode, wringed his hands during the 2002 Gujarat riots and wept in a corner when the Babri Masjid was demolished.

In Balasinor, Modi raised issues like Charar-e-Sharif siege, the Rubaiyat kidnapping and the Mumbai attacks. “Instead of attacking Pakistan, they made a CD of TV footage of Mumbai attack, a file of newspaper cutting... they put all of it in a box, and then the home minister took it to the US. There, they cried that our neighbour has beaten us please help us,” Modi said. The Gujarat chief minister thanked Singh for starting the debate on a “majboor and majboot” (helpless and strong) leader.

“Advaniji may not reply on these issues, but I, though am a small man, only the chief minister of a state, I am replying,” Modi said. “When Indian soldiers captured over 90,000 Pakistani soldiers in Bangladesh (during the 1971 war), why were they freed? If we (BJP) would have been in power at that time, we would have taken half of the Kashmir in exchange of those 90,000 soldiers.”

## **‘A PRISON THAT CAN HOLD MODI HAS NOT BEEN BUILT’**

Modi also took a dig Science & Technology Minister Kapil Sibal, who asked him to be prepared to go to jail for speaking ‘nonsense’ about Congress.

“My dear Congress friends, a jail that can hold Modi is yet to be built,” the chief minister of Gujarat said. “I would like to tell the Congress people that they have dialled a wrong number. Are you trying to threaten me? Keep open the doors of all the jails in India, and take me whenever you want, my address is known to all. The state BJP unit has already filed a complaint against Sibal’s remarks.