

Be vigilant against influx of migrants, Goans told

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PANJIM, FEB 8 — Goynche Niz Mogi President James Fernandes has called upon Goans to remain vigilant against the influx of migrants who encroach on the land available in Goa depleting the State's resources and also causing a health hazard due to unhygienic surroundings created by them.

Addressing a press conference, here, Fernandes said that religious heads of Hindus, Christians and Muslims also need to educate their flocks as religious lands could also be encroached upon by them. He quoted a Supreme Court order which states "Any structure built on illegal land is an encroachment and that the owner should be treated as an encroacher".

On the issue 'vote banks' Fernandes alleged that

Luizinho Faleiro the MLA of Navelim has around a vote bank of around 9900 votes -- 4000 votes at Rumdemol panchayat and housing board, Davorlim panchayat around 2000 votes, Aquem Baixo panchayat 2400 votes, Navelim panchayat 1500 votes.

According to Fernandes Digambar Kamat's allegedly has a vote bank of 8000 votes — Fakirband 4000 votes, Khareband 1800 votes, Monte Hill 3200 votes.

At Fatorda constituency there is allegedly a vote bank of 10000 votes. Old housing board 4000 votes, Chandrowaddo 4000 votes and Ambaji 2000 votes. At Sanquelim there is allegedly a vote bank of 4000 - 5000.

The sitting MLA of Mapusa has carefully nurtured a vote bank of around of 4000 - 5000

votes.

At Betul, Filipe Neri has allegedly nurtured a vote bank of 4000 votes. Like wise there are significant votes at Curchorem, Sanvordem and Calangute constituencies.

Reacting to the statement of ex-BJP's national president Venkaiah Naidu that Goa should be saved for posterity, Mr Fernandes further pleaded with V Naidu, that if he is serious about saving Goa for its children, he should take BJP out of Goa as the very presence of the saffron party in Goa would divide Hindus, Muslims and Christians, he alleged.

As a first step, GNM, he said, would field a strong candidate who would be supported by the Panjimites to defeat Mr Parrikar and the aspirations of the BJP.

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Goynche Niz Mogi for check on influx of outsiders

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The Goynche Niz Mogi today called upon all religious heads in the state to educate their people about the influx of outsiders into Goa.

Reacting to Mr Venkaiah Naidu's statements at the Bharatiya Janata Party convention that Goa should be saved for posterity, the president of Goynche Niz Mogi, Mr James Fernandes asked Mr Naidu, that if he is serious about saving Goa for its children, he should

take BJP out of Goa. He said the presence of BJP in Goa would divide the Hindus, Muslims and Christians. Mr Fernandes said that Goynche Niz Mogi would field a strong candidate in Panaji and defeat the incumbent MLA, Mr Manohar Parrikar.

Mr Fernandes also attacked the Navelim MLA, Mr Luizinho Faleiro and appealed to the people of Navelim constituency to demand an explanation from Mr Faleiro why Goans were not allocated flats in the housing board.