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BJP equally responsible for Regional Plan 2011: GNM

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PANJIM, JAN 8 - Describing the current political scenario as a big drama, Goynche Niz Mogi (GNM) on Monday urged Goans to wake up and save Goa from the 40 MLAs who were gradually selling the State to outsiders.

Addressing a press conference at Caritas in St Inez, GNM President James Fernandes, accompanied by Goa Su-Raj Party President Dr N S Dumo, blamed all the 40 for conniving to usher in the Goa Regional Plan 2011 in August 2006.

He equally blamed the BJP for the GRP stating that it was during the Parrikar regime in 2003 the plan was finalised. Later, six townships were added to the Plan, he said and

questioned, "How these townships appeared? Who are the people going to stay here? Why Parrikar never questioned these townships?"

Commenting on Monserrate's resignation, Fernandes remarked, "It's a small deed for Goans. He may be forgiven. But with his resignation he should suspend all construction activities in forest, agricultural and coastal areas."

On Deputy CM Dr Wilfred de Souza's statement that he was unaware of GRP, he said, "All Goans are not fools. Does he think the people really believe him? He is mistaken. Time has come for Willy to retire from active politics and go back to his profession."

Holding each minister

responsible for the sorry state of affairs in Goa, the GNM chief asserted that all of them starting from Rane should retire from their long political innings and take up social work. He also took a dig at the others and impressed upon them to do the same.

Finally, he maintained that GNM demands scrapping of the Regional Plan and also the Special Economic Zones (SEZs). "We also congratulate the Goa Bachao Abhiyan for spearheading the agitation against the plan," he said.

Earlier, Dr N S Dumo said Goa Su-Raj Party is with GNM and would align with like-minded people to form a Third Front to provide an alternative. People are disenchanted with the BJP and the Congress, he added.

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Resignation of all MLAs demanded

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PANJIM: Goynche Niz Mogi president James Fernandes demanded the resignation of all 39 MLAs as they are responsible for the selling of Goa's land and its beauty to the non-Goans. He

was addressing the press in the city yesterday.

He also commented that the like minded people should come forward and form a third front for the betterment of Goa. He also hold BJP and Congress parties responsible for Goa

Regional Plan 2011. While commenting on Babush Monseratte's resignation, he asked Babush to retire from the active politics and do some social work.

He stated that Chief Minister Pratapsing Rane, Deputy Chief Minister Dr

Wilfred D'Suza and Education Minister Luizinho Falerio should retire from active politics and further demanded to completely scrap Goa Regional Plan 2011. Goa Suraj Party president Dr N S Dhume was also present.