# Annexure 2

# A BRIEF CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS (27 February - 5 May 2002) (Headlines from <u>The Times of India</u> and <u>The Indian Express</u>)

### 27<sup>th</sup> February 2002

- 1. Compartment S-6, Sabarmati Express, burnt at Godhra.
- 2. Gujarat in flames. Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Anand, Kheda among the first towns to explode in orgy of violence.
- 3. Avenge blood with blood, says Rajendra Shah, VHP leader from Dholka.

### In Vadodara

Sabarmati Express comes to Vadodara Railway Station. A mob of VHP, BJP and Bajrang Dal workers armed with sticks, *trishuls* and daggers waiting for it, shouting slogans like *Bharat Mata ki jai, Savdhan Desh ke Dushman, Ram Lala hum ayenge, Mandir wahin banega.* 40 policemen posted at the railway station are outnumbered by the mob. One person killed and 2 injured at the Vadodara Railway Station.

# 28<sup>th</sup> February 2002

Gujarat bandh call by VHP.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. Islamic study Centre at Ajwa road destroyed.
- 2. Dr. Bandukwala's cars burnt in his house compound.
- 3. Mangal Bazaar shops set on fire.
- 4. Luxury bus burnt in Chhani.
- 5. Mutton shops in Sama burnt.
- 6. Times of India office in Baroda stormed by mobs demanding more pro-Hindu news.
- 7. Mobs attack shops, *laaris* and cabins across the city. Stabbings at various places.
- 8. Curfew in Karelibaug, Wadi, Navapura, Raopura, Panigate and City police stations.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> March 2002

- 1. Bharat Bandh call by VHP. BJP supports bandh in Gujarat.
- 2. Vajpayee urges people to shun violence.
- 3. Mixed response to Bharat bandh call.
- 4. US concerned over communal tension in Gujarat.
- 5. ISI involvement in Godhra cannot be ruled out: Swami.
- 6. Indian-Americans outraged over violence.
- 7. NHRC issues notice to Gujarat government.
- 8. PM calls meet to discuss Gujarat carnage.
- 9. The situation is returning to normal: Modi
- 10.118 dead in state.
- 11.70 persons burnt alive in Naroda.
- 12.1 masjid and 3 factories burnt in Ankleshwar.

- 1. Dr. Bandukwala's house attacked and burnt.
- 2. Roshannagar in Navayard attacked twice. 2 die in police firing.
- 3. Muslim families living in tense areas move towards Wadi, Binanagar, Tandalja.
- 4. 3 men burnt alive in mosque.
- 5. 4 die in police firing in Navayard, Gayatrinagar, Kisanwadi.
- 6. Factories in Sardar Estate burnt.
- 7. Official toll: 11.
- 8. Army personnel stage flag march.
- 9. Factories in GIDC attacked, 3 burnt in godown.
- 10. Halol trucks, Lucky Studios and factories burnt on the Halol-Kalol highway.
- 11. One killed in police firing in Savli.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2002

- 1. Violence flares in Gujarat. 250 killed.
- 2. We will restore harmony in Gujarat: PM.
- 3. Fresh army forces to quell violence in Vadodara.
- 4. Muslim leaders demand ban on VHP, Bajrang Dal.

# In Vadodara

- 1. George Fernandes in Baroda. Says 11 columns of the army to be deployed in Baroda.
- 2. Pleas for peace by prominent citizens.
- 3. Best Bakery on Dabhoi road attacked, 12 burnt alive in the bakery, including Hindu workers. 3 injured.
- 4. Strong mob chased two people into Doctor's quarters.
- 5. Police firing at Champaner Gate, Fatehpura, Gajrawadi.
- 6. Shops set ablaze at Salatwada and Ghaswadi.
- 7. Places of worship burnt at Anandpura in Salatwada.
- 8. Adivasis attack mosque in Pandarva village. 3 burnt alive in mosque.

# 3rd March 2002

- 1. Prime suspect in Godhra carnage held.
- 2. Narendra Modi denies pressure to step down.
- 3. Death toll reaches 320.
- 4. Migrant labourers leave Gujarat in fear.

# In Vadodara

- 1. All of city except Jawaharnagar police station under curfew.
- 2. 2 fatal stabbings in Makarpura and Ahmedabadi pole. One person critically injured in another case of stabbing.
- 3. Nitro-glycerine sticks found in Koyali mosque by police.
- 4. Arson in rural Baroda.
- 5. Frenzied mob attack shops, houses, cabins in Savli.
- 6. Savli, Chhote Udepur under curfew.
- 7. 14 rounds and teargas in Sokhada, Kandari and Pavi Jetpur.

# 4th March 2002

- 1. Toll rises to 535.
- 2. 9 more killed in Gujarat since late Sunday night. 5 killed in police firing.
- 3. In Surat mob burnt down Mamta Cinema. At least 10 shops set ablaze in Marutinagar locality.
- 4. SSC and HSC exams postponed to March 18.
- 5. Modi does not meet people in the affected areas.
- 6. The civil administration is yet to do anything to help thousands affected by violence who are living in the most miserable condition.

# In Vadodara

- 1. Mob attack on 4 people in Sanjaynagar, Warasia. Admitted at Civil hospital with burns. People shifted from Central Gujarat in Baroda Range specially from Sanjeli, Fatehpura and Randhikpur.
- 2. 4 persons stabbed, 2 dead.
- 3. 15 injured during curfew relaxation in city.
- 4. One stabbing near Nyay Mandir.
- 5. In Matar police fire 26 rounds to disperse a mob attempting to burn a woman.

# 5<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Mob threaten minority community judges.
- 2. Uneasy calm in Kheda after weekend of arson.
- 3. Gujarat government announces compensation.
- 4. Rumour mongers pose new threat in Gujarat.
- 5. Judicial probe ordered into Gujarat violence.

- 1. Curfew relaxed from 7 am to 7 p.m. in city, Panigate and Wadi police stations and upto 8 p.m. in Gorwa, Sayajiganj, JP Road, Fatehganj, Karelibaug.
- 2. Stabbings and assault and arson in various places.
- 3. Police Commissioner Tuteja holds press conference. Says situation has improved.
- 4. Since the riots started police have fired 294 rounds, burst 279 teargas shells.
- 5. Official death toll: 37. Number of injured: 115; 12 injured in police firing (Times of India).
- 6. Tension in Tejgadh, Chhote Udepur following clashes between police and tribals.
- 7. Night curfew in Dabhoi, Bodeli, Pavi Jetpur, Tejgadh and Chhote Udepur.
- 8. Mob attack police convoy carrying Muslims from Chhote Udepur to Baroda. One constable shot, 3 injured.
- 9. 2 tribals from Tejgadh admitted in civil hospital, victims of 'private firing'.

- 1. Financial losses in Gujarat may have crossed 1,000 crore.
- 2. Insidious pamphlets distributed in Ahmedabad.
- 3. Rumour of 4 armed people moving in Tata Sumo in Vadodara city.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. Citizens and members of Vadodara Shanti Abhiyan appeal for peace forming a human chain near Gandhinagar Gruh.
- 2. Participation of tribals in rioting reported from Tejgadh, Chhota Udepur, Jabugam, Bodeli and Dabhoi.

### 7<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Gujarat toll mounts to 607.
- 2. NHRC rejects Gujarat government's plea.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Looting and arson in Navabazar and Mangal Bazaar.
- 2. Curfew relaxed for a few hours.
- 3. Police Commissioner says petrol bombs, swords, daggers seized. Suspects rounded up, combing operations on.
- 4. Vadodara Shanti Abhiyan submits memorandum to Collector.
- 5. Army flag march in Chhote Udepur.
- 6. Narendra Modi arrives on visit, goes only to Hindu-dominated areas of Tulsiwadi, does not go to minority areas. Spends less than half an hour in area.

# 8<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. 41 bodies found, Gujarat toll mounts to 616.
- 2. All party delegation to visit riot-torn Gujarat/Godhra.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. 300 strong peace satyagrahis, "Women against communalism" stage demonstration at Sardar Patel statue, Sayajigunj.
- 2. 120 shops and offices belonging to Muslims gutted in Navabazar, MG road and Mangal Bazaar.
- 3. 12 MSU hostel boys arrested for burning cars in Tashyeed Towers, opposite MSU Boys' Hostel Campus.
- 4. Police firing in Sanor village Dabhoi. One killed.
- 5. Clashes between police and tribals in Panwad, Kawant taluka.
- By 8<sup>th</sup> March property worth Rs. 8 crore was damaged in Baroda city and rural areas. 411 shops set on fire. In the city 175 houses, 47 vehicles damaged and 346 shops set afire. 13 factories and 4 hotels worth Rs. 7.5 crores damaged. Largest casualty, 32 people. (Indian Express)
- 7. 3 people die in Savli.
- 8. In Waghodia 6 houses damaged. 11 shops gutted.
- 9. Arrest in Koyali mosque case.
- 10. Flares used in tribal belt. One person killed in police firing.
- 11. All day curfew lifted in city.

# 9th March 2002

- 1. Ahmedabad police crackdown on riot looters.
- 2. State Home Minister Zadaphia denies delay in army deployment.

3. All party delegation visits Godhra.

## In Vadodara

- 1. Dargah on Waghodia road converted to temple.
- 2. 700 Muslim residents leave Kosamb road in Tejgadh.
- 3. 4 youths moving 'suspiciously' in Tata Sumo arrested.
- 4. Police Commissioner Tuteja says 490 people arrested so far, number of VHP activists not known.
- 5. 1379 arrests made in riot related offences (Police statement: Times of India)
- 6. Tuteja says those distributing pamphlets asking for social and economic boycott of Muslims will be nabbed.

### 10<sup>th</sup> March 2002

### In Vadodara

1. Violence erupts in Panwad village as tribals attack shops and houses. 1 killed and 12 injured. About a dozen policemen injured.

# 11<sup>th</sup> March 2002

1. Toll rises to 654.

- 2. VHP rejects state government's request not to send the *karsevaks* to Ayodhya. Says it will send 1000 men tomorrow by Sabarmati Express for the *puja* on March 15.
- 3. About 35 people fall ill due to poor sanitary conditions at Dariakhan Ghummat Relief Camp in Ahmedabad.
- 4. Relief camps running at 8 municipal schools in Ahmedabad.
- 5. Controversy over "Inquiry Commission".

### In Vadodara

- 1. Rumours of tribals surrounding Kawant. Additional police force, SRPF rush to Kawant according to Dy SP B L Parmar. Looting, 8 houses set ablaze. No Muslim houses (30) left in Panwad.
- 2. Tazia Committee decides not to take out Muharram procession on 25<sup>th</sup> March.
- 3. Corporator Nissar Bapu's statement about lack of assurance of security by government.
- 4. District Education Officer demands extra security for Board Exams in 5 centres.

#### 12<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. In spite of government restriction 80 VHP activists leave for Ayodhya by Sabarmati Express. Jaydeep Patel say many activists left by other means of transport.
- 2. No. of people in relief camps is 83,686, spread in 90 camps all over the state.

3. Rs. 29 lakh paid to Godhra victims and Rs. 73 lakhs to dependents of 80 persons who died in the post-Godhra violence.

4. Death toll remains 654.

#### In Vadodara

1. Violence in Panwad village. 45 shops are set afire. ARCH Vahini, an NGO, says it had repeatedly requested the Collector and DSP Keshav Kumar for additional forces.

- 2. 2. Shop owners allege cops are dropping names from FIRs asking them to lodge theft complaints.
- 3. Group in Navayard tries to install a Hanuman idol in the house of Mahmood Khan Pathan in Das Patel ni Chaal, paint outer walls saffron, Hanuman chalisa board put up.
- 4. 3. Report on 33 cases of police firing in SSG Hospital, 26 of who had bullet injuries above the waist. (Times of India)
- 5. 4. 15-20 persons attack garage at Kaporai Chowkdi.
- 6. 5. Families from Jawaharnagar, Bhayali and Makarpura shift to relief camps in Tandalja.
- 7. Collector says 1 company of BSF to be sent to tribal belt. RAF withdrawn from Kawant to Baroda due to Mahashivratri.
- 8. 6. 14 yr old was killed in police firing in Kisanwadi.

- 9. 7. In Halol, a bullet ricochets off a wall on the verandah of a house, injuring a 2-year old.
- 10. 8. Police on high alert following SC order on puja at Ayodhya. CP Tuteja appeals to people not to believe in rumours.
- 11. 9. Rumours following SC judgement in city. Minority schools, and others, closed.

- 1. Police face deep distrust in Gujarat violence.
- 2. Sabarmati Express re-starts after Godhra carnage.
- 3. US commission condemns Gujarat violence.
- 4. Opposition demands resignation of Advani, Modi
- 5. Mob attack in Godhra, 12 arrested.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Looting and arson in and around Tejgadh and Kawant. Police firing in retaliation to tribal firing. Army conducts flag march.
- 2. Stone pelting in Bavamanpura.
- 3. Police fire 21 rounds to disperse mob around Noorani Manzil, Panigate. 15 arrested.
- 4. Collector Bhagyesh Jha and DSP Keshav Kumar attacked by tribals in Kawant.

# 14 March 2002

Tension in tribal belt of Gujarat.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. Bomb explosion near Nyay Mandir, and on first floor of Corporation building.
- 2. Police sieze petrol bombs, swords, arrests 56 for rioting in Bhoiwada, Kumharwada and Bavamanpura. Booked under IPC related to rioting and arms act. Combing operations on.
- 3. Police fire to disperse mobs in Kawant. 14 arrested, 1 tribal injured in firing. Violence spreads to Chhote Udepur by afternoon. Curfew in Chhote Udepur, 20 arrested. Police recover looted goods.
- 4. Army to patrol in Baroda.
- 5. Hindu traders get together to guard against attackers in Kawant.
- 6. 4 suspects in Tata Sumo case remanded to police custody.

# 15<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Shiladaan in Ayodhya.
- 2. Curfew re-imposed in parts of Ahmedabad.
- 3. Indefinite curfew imposed in parts of Gujarat.
- 4. BJP contemplates snap polls in Gujarat.

- 1. Ram Dhun programmes, shobha yatras all over the city.
- 2. Armed mob torches house and furniture godown in Dandia Bazaar. Owner's wife Hindu, daughter married to a Hindu. 500 strong mob prevent fire engine from entering lane.
- 3. Mosque, shops, houses attacked in Fatehganj, an area so far peaceful because of community initiatives. 6 shops burnt and mob violence.
- 4. VHP processionists chanting Jai Shri Ram, beating drums in Machchipeeth, Panigate and Wadi.
- 5. 50 rounds of firing in Machchipeeth. Combing operations on in Machchipeeth. BJP media cell convenor Ajay Dave virtually issues orders to the cops and called local TV channel to interview him amid the rubble in Machchipeeth.
- 6. In Machchipeeth by 3 p.m. police had fired 44 rounds, lead by the Police Commissioner himself.
- 7. 10 people injured in pitched battle between Hindus and Muslims in Raopura, 14 arrested.
- 8. Violence spreads to Mogulwada, Fatehganj and Nagarwada.
- 9. Armed mobs on streets looting shops belonging to Muslims.

- 10. Inflammatory slogans shouted in Yakutpura, Fatehpura. Beating of large drums, singing, stone- throwing stones.
- 11. Dargah near Baroda Medical College razed.
- 12. Indefinite curfew clamped in almost all parts of the city.
- 13. Garage near Aradhana Talkies attacked, burnt.
- 14. Oil shops looted in Dandia Bazaar.
- 15. Pitched battles between mobs in Wadi, Rangmahal area.
- 16. Houses and shops burnt near Natraj talkies, Station road.
- 17. Mosque on Pratap Road set on fire, Karelibaug dargah razed.
- 18. Curfew clamped in most areas in city.

Five killed in Gujarat violence.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Incidents of arson and looting.
- 2. One youth killed in police firing in Fatehganj. Combing operations on.
- 3. Curfew in large part of the city.
- 4. Violence in Rain Basera in Salatwada.
- 5. Khanka-e- Riyafat dargah in Dandia Bazaar, which had Hindu worshippers, razed.
- 6. 200-300 year old *dargahs*, including Gaikwadi Masjid in Makarpura, razed, allegedly with tractors.
- 7. Since 15<sup>th</sup> March, 41 people arrested in riot-related offences.
- 8. Rioting in Panigate, Bawamanpura, Fatehpura and Fatehganj.
- 9. Trouble in Dabhoi, only after the 15<sup>th</sup>. 40 rounds of firing and 45 teargas shells by police.
- 10. Army flag march in Chhote Udepur.

# 17<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Gulbarga Society of Ahmedabad attacked. 1 held.
- 2. Dani Limda under curfew.
- 3. Jaideep Patel and five others named in FIRs for Naroda Patia case on 28<sup>th</sup> February.
- 4. Prime accused of Godhra carnage Haji Bilal arrested from Hayinaat ni Wadi.

#### In Vadodara

- 1 Muslim families going to collect belongings with police escort in Avdhut Nagar, Makarpura, attacked by mob. 2 lynched, 20 injured. ACP Thakur says 30 arrested. PSI Vanecha of Makarpura PS suspended for not firing on mob.
- 2 2 tribals killed in police firing in Bodeli.
- 3 Dani Limda under curfew.
- 4 Tension on Ajwa Road. Sardar Estate attacked. One killed in police firing in Bahar Colony.
- 5 Stone-pelting in Mithafalia, Hathikhana.
- 6 CP Tuteja gheraoed by Muslims for not providing protection.

# 18<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. VHP leader named in FIR for violence in Naroda.
- 2. Riots in Dabhoi. 40 rounds fired, 45 tear gas shells burst.
- 3. Army flag march in Chhote Udepur.
- 4. Tension in Tulsiwadi, Vadodara

- 1. Arson and stabbings in city. Mentally challenged youth attacked, critical. Tension in Fatehganj.
- 2. Relaxation in curfew.
- 3. Waghoda dargah damaged.
- 4. Electronics shop set on fire in Dandia Bazaar.
- 5. CP says situation under control.
- 6. 5 injured 1 critically in police firing to disperse mob in Hathikhana. Stone throwing and combing open.
- 7. Anil Desai- coordinating BJP/VHP media cell. "No Hindu arrested in combing operations, only arson, looting and breaking curfew.' They have managed to get bail for 2000 persons arrested.

8. Dabhoi Road - Warehouse on fire.

# 19<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Indefinite curfew clamped in Bharuch.
- 2. Conspiracy to ruin Gujarat: Modi.
- 3. Police interrogating accused in Godhra carnage.
- 4. Announcement of 'asthi yatras'.

# In Vadodara

- 1. Tulsiwad i-group clashes. Combing operations, 7 arrested.
- 2. Curfew relaxed.
- 3. Raopura- Cloth shops on fire, looting. Shop ransacked in Panigate.
- 4. More than 300 people arrested so far arson and rioting.
- 5. Fire cracker godown set on fire in Diwalipura (Irfan Bros).
- 6. Police attention on those named in FIRs(Chhoteudepur).

# 20<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Fresh Gujarat violence stalls Lok Sabha
- 2. Gujarat to keep check on madrassas
- 3. Uproar in Lok Sabha, Modi criticized
- 4. NHRC team in Ahmedabad.

### In Vadodara

- 1. 2 constables of CISF accompanying Avdhut Nagar residents suspended.
- 2. Vadodara district police arrest army jawan, Sarpanch and primary school teacher for involvement in violence in Panwad.
- 3. Report on Muslim railway employees wanting transfers.
- 4. Report on Hindu *mujavar* of 250 year old *mazaar* near Laxmi Vilas Palace.
- 5. Death compensation of 1 lakh to 11 out of 31, 7 out of 9 in rural areas. Injury compensation of Rs 2000 to 14 out of 109.

# <u>21<sup>st</sup> March 2002</u>

- 1. Two killed in Ahmedabad violence.
- 2. Haj pilgrims return.

# In Vadodara

- 1. NHRC team visits Baroda. BJP workers protest that minority representatives being given preferential treatment.
- 2. Swamis of Swaminarayan temple in Wadi allege that 'they' had threatened to blow the temple up, and that everyday slaughtered animals were being thrown in the temple compound.
- 3. Fire in house of Muslim ONGC security officer, in ONGC colony. Short circuit, claims police.
- 4. 4 arrested, 3 on charges of possessing unlicensed weapons and for lighting stacks of grass near a private school in VIP road.
- 5. Report on use of chemicals to weaken steel which brought RCC roofs down in blazes -Tuteja says will investigate.
- 6. Sudanese student living in Fatehgunj arrested for rioting on 15<sup>th</sup> march.

# 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2002

- 1. NHRC asks Gujarat for comprehensive report on violence
- 2. Curfew in Ahmedabad after fresh violence
- 3. Godhra accused not to be charged under POTO

#### In Vadodara

1. 40 year old man stabbed in Lal Akhara area of Fatehpura. Son of Nissar Bapu, councillor, and 3 others arrested for involvement. Police declare Nissar Bapu wanted, raid his residence.

- 2. Raja Masani, of Venus Academy, killed in his office at Dandia Bazaar. His friend Bhupesh Joshi also attacked.
- 3. 2 motorcyclists stabbed on Sant Kabir Road.
- 4. All schools close by fore-noon.
- 5. Tuteja contemplates action against local news channels.
- 6. No relaxation of curfew in Raopura, Wadi, City, Panigate, Karelibaug and Navapura PS.
- 7. NHRC team leaves.

# 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2002

- 1. Police firing in Ahmedabad, 1 injured.
- 2. NHRC says it is horrified by Gujarat violence.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. Hajis return amid tight security.
- 2. 4 accused in Fatehpura stabbing case remanded to police custody.

### 24<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Fresh curfew imposed in Gujarat towns.
- 2. Move to shift Gujarat relief camps opposed.
- 3. Moharram procession cancelled in Ahmedabad, Vadodara.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. 2 houses are gutted in Gorwa area while another garage set on fire on Khaswadi crematorium road.
- 2. 6 private buses burnt and one ransacked on Vadodara-Waghodia road near Papaliya village.

### 25<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Moharram passes peacefully in Ahmedabad.
- 2. Minority businesses suffer heavily in violence.
- 3. Congress to move privilege motion against Modi.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Bias in follow ups; No, says Police.
- 2. Tension escalates in Anand, Borsad,
- 3. Tulsiwadi case -11 held, sent to judicial custody.
- 4. BJP, Congress leaders clash over Modi's peace appeal at meeting .
- 5. Police fire in Savli to disperse mob after it attempts to set ablaze a religious place.

# 26<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Major reshuffle in Gujarat police, violence continues.
- 2. NHRC awaits Gujarat government's report.
- 3. Narendra Modi summoned to the capital.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. Youth stabbed in Pratapnagar. Police says injury self-inflicted.
- 2. VHP meets for peace; warns anti-Hindu forces.
- 3. FIRs filed against local channels
- 4. Stone pelting reported from Badrimohalla
- 5. Police arrested VNM & Newsplus proprietors and editorial staff.

### 27th March 2002

Modi in Delhi to discuss Gujarat violence: defends Gujarat government, refutes charges of inaction.

- 1. Police firing in Wadi, Badrimohalla, Fatehpura.
- 2. Indefinite curfew in Anand.
- 3. Members of royal family: Rajmata Shanti Devi, Ranjitsingh Gaekawad, Mrunalini Devi Puar appeal for peace.

- 4. Wholesale vegetable market suffered losses running into lakhs.
- 5. Students and teachers of Alembic Vidyalaya get together to organise Shanti Abhiyan.

- 1. Americans asked not to travel to Gujarat.
- 2. Incidents of arson near Ahmedabad, Army called in.
- 3. VHP asks Hindus not to celebrate Holi.
- 4. Vajpayee to visit Gujarat.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Stone pelting at dargah of Sayed Rashiduddin Shah near Champaner Gate.
- 2. Flag march by army curbs Holi festival.
- 3. MSU organise peace rally.

### 29<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Amnesty International demands impartial probe into Gujarat violence.
- 2. Holi.
- 3. Togadia flays HDFC chief's remark.
- 4. Low key Holi in Gujarat, curfew on in sensitive areas.

# 30<sup>th</sup> March 2002

- 1. Citizen's Tribunal to probe Gujarat riots.
- 2. Fresh violence in Kadi, Vadodara.
- 3. Modi claims Vajpayee's support.
- 4. Peaceful Holi prompts relaxation in curfew.

### In Vadodara

Police firing in Wadi and Panigate area. 50 arrested.

# <u>31<sup>st</sup> March 2002</u>

- 1. Fresh violence reported in Ahmedabad
- 2. Prime accused in Godhra carnage imprisoned

#### In Vadodara

- 1. 5 killed in Anand, violence continued.
- 2. Police firing in Naswadi area following group clashes; 52 arrested.
- 3. 4 die in Anand.
- 4. Machchipeeth tense.
- 5. 'Mayor had acted in a biased manner and had interfered in the functioning of police dept'-a vehement letter of protest by outgoing Dy. Commissioner of police (south) Piyush Patel to Police Commissioner D D Tuteja.

# 1<sup>st</sup> April 2002

- 1. Editor's Guild members visit Gujarat.
- 2. NHRC flays Gujarat government for inaction.

#### In Vadodara

1. CISF fails bid to destroy mosque.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2002

- 1. SC stays proceedings on PIL by Karuna Trust, Ahmedabad, challenging NHRC jurisdiction.
- 2. Gujarat calm deceptive, fear still looms large.

- 1. Riots in Anjar, curfew imposed.
- 2. Police Commissioner Tuteja was attacked in Machchipeeth area while he was supervising combing operation.
- 3. Cops ransacked Nawabwada area -alleged residents.

4. Organised Crime Cell (OCC) nabbed 82 people in connection of looting and arson. Many looters are from affluent families.

5. All religion panel visited Godhra.

6. 1 killed in police firing in Anand district, 3 injured as cops fire 12 rounds to quell mob in Umreth, curfew in Ankleshwar.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2002

Violence continues unabated in Gujarat.

### In Vadodara

1. 3 security personnel injured at Godhra.

2. Jaspal Singh files a 3-cr defamation suit against C M Modi.

3. Lack of medical aid at Tandelja camp reported.

4. Many NGOs come forward with camps for post traumatic test disorder and counselling of all those affected in riots. One of those is Bhoolka Bhavan.

5. 'NHRC report a negative campaign'- Rajendrasingh Rana

6. Rioters wreak mayhem on the tomb of noted musician Ustad Faiyaz Khan.

7. Haji Bilal prime accused of Godhra carnage remanded and sent to Baroda Central Jail.

8. Residents of Tandalja submit a memorandum to the Dy Collector demanding that the area be declared disturbed.

# 4<sup>th</sup> April 2002

Vajpayee warns Modi: Spate of violence should stop

### In Vadodara

Violence in old city areas. Stone pelting, arson reported.

# 5<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Tense situation prevails in Gujarat.
- 2. Pressure mounts on Vajpayee to remove Modi.

#### In Vadodara

- 1. Vadodara peaceful. Curfew in Ankeleshwar GIDC.
- 2. Violence in Panchmahals, curfew imposed in Lunawada town.

# 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2002

- 1. 3 killed in Ahmedabad.
- 2. NCM tells state to balance police force.
- 3. V S hospital preferred by minority and Civil by Hindus-report.

# In Vadodara

- 1. Alleged beating up of 7 women, one of them pregnant , by police in the Khadwad area .
- 2. Curfew continues in Lunawada, Umreth.

# 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2002

- 1. Police attack peace meeting at Sabarmati Ashram; journalists gathered to cover peace meeting attacked. NDTV cameraman Pranav Joshi and Aaj Tak correspondent Dhimant Purohit among injured.
- 2. More Godhra-like incidents possible, warns Togadia.
- 3. Sack Modi: Samata Party.
- 4. 5 IPS officer transferred.
- 5. Stabbing case in Odhav area
- 6. Godhra case: SIMI man Hasim Raja interrogated.

# In Vadodara

Stabbing, minor stone pelting reported from Panigate, Akota.

# 8<sup>th</sup> April 2002

23 policemen hurt in Borsad.

# In Vadodara

- 1. 2 beaten up by the crowd in Tandelja.
- 2. Additional Commissioner of Police Shivanand Jha and two other officers transferred. Keshav Kumar takes over from Jha.

# 9th April 2002

- 1. Vishva Hindu Samachar, a monthly edited by Gujarat VHP president K K Shastri bestows on Modi the title ' Chhote Sardar'
- 2. Bureaucracy has collapsed in Gujarat: ex-cabinet secretary T S Subramaniyam.

# In Vadodara

5 policemen transferred in Vadodara.

# 10<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. N Chandrababu Naidu expresses extreme unhappiness with steps taken by BJP government to control communal frenzy.
- 2. Shifting of exam centres upsets minor community: report.
- 3. Riots force mass promotion in municipal schools: report.
- 4. 'Godhra could have been averted' Baroda Railway Protection Force divisional Security Commissioner S N Pandey.
- 5. 2 stabbed to death in Valsad.

# In Vadodara

- 1. 1 injured in acid attack in Lunawada.
- 2. VHP rally in Savli peaceful.

# 11<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Anwar Rashid and Md Sayed Abdul, accused in Godhra case, arrested.
- 2. Remove Modi immediately: TDP
- 3. CM's effigy burnt in Rajkot by Congress workers.
- 4. Godhra cop Dy S P Chandrasingh Rathod under fire for taking effective action.
- 5. Minority students may boycott exams.

# In Vadodara

Minority community students want separate exam centres.

# 12<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Panaji National BJP Executive: Modi offers to quit , then thanks party for rejecting offer.
- 2. 'Islam is run on Jehad'- Vajpayee in National Executive Meet in Panaji.
- 3. Turn carnage into campaign- BJP to Modi, Panaji.
- 4. Ahmedabad flares up afresh in Dani Limda area, 11 injured.
- 5. Communal Harmony a Drama- VHP pamphlet.
- 6. Board not to change exam centres for Muslim students.
- 7. Modi: 'Priority is to wipe out tears of the affected'.

# In Vadodara

- 1. Shop torched at Ajwa road.
- 2. Torching of houses in Makarpura area reported.
- 3. Factory of optical goods partially damaged in Panigate.
- 4. NCW led by Dr. Purnima Advani visits Vadodara.
- 5. Miscreants tried to set ablaze a man near Kalali railway station. Personal enmity, claim police.

# 13th April, 2002

- 1. BJP wants poll in June.
- 2. TDP against poll wants Modi out.

- **3.** 60 year old Dalit Congress worker from Mehsana attacked for daring to give security to Muslim families and shifting them to a safer place.
- 4. 2 killed in Dani Limda in Ahmedabad.

### 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2002

2 killed and 9 injured in Dariapur, Madhavpura, Kalupur and Shahpur in Ahmedabad in police firing.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Tension in Panwad in Kawant taluka.
- 2. Police action prevented violence in Panwad.

# 15<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Violence erupted near Asarwa over bridge in Kalupur area in Ahmedabad. Stone pelting and arson reported.
- 2. Notices issued to centre, Modi, BJP, and some police officers. PIL wants special investigate team to probe all crimes.

### In Vadodara

10 held in connection with Best Bakery case and other rioting cases.

### 16<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1.4 killed , 20 injured in Juhapura, Amraiwadi areas in Ahmedabad.
- 2. Over 1000 swords meant for state seized by Rajasthan cops .
- 3. Over 10,000 Muslim students set to boycott SSC and HSC

# 17<sup>th</sup> April 2002

Over 61 lakh workers unemployed due to riots.

### In Vadodara

Muslim students decide to appear for SSC and HSC.

### 8<sup>th</sup> April 2002

1.44 lakhs students appear for SSC and HSC in Ahmedabad amid tight security.

# In Vadodara

- 1. 3 more held in connection with Best Bakery case.
- 2. Tension in Baranpura
- 3. Miscreants fire at camp in Sukhsar, 3 injured.

# 19<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Army pull out only after exams Gujarat Government.
- 2. Day 2; Muslim students turn up in large numbers in Ahmedabad and Vadodara.

3. Vajpayee government worries about the prospect of UK trial on the deaths of 3 British Muslims near Ahmedabad.

### In Vadodara

A milk distributor shot dead in Old Padra Road.

# 21<sup>st</sup> April 2002

- 1. Ram Nawmi
- 2. Large scale violence in Ahmedabad, 11 die.
- **3.** Media persons have heated exchange with Defence Minister George Fernandes, for being blamed for 'projecting the state wrongly'.

# In Vadodara

Burnt body parts of a missing person found in Panchmahals.

# 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2002

- 1. Monday mayhem claims 5 lives in Ahmedabad
- 2. 'Administration has taken more than reasonable care of camps' Gujarat High Court.
- 3. 6 out of 7 who died in Sunday's police firing were shot in the head: report.

### In Vadodara

Residents of Panwad and Kawant say they were instigated by miscreants who reportedly lured them with liquor and money.

# 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2002

- 1. Mob of 5000 people attacked Police Commissioner P C Pandey's office. They demanded Dariakhan Ghummat relief camp to be closed.
- 2. Indefinite curfew in Vejalpur.
- 3. 4 killed in Ahmedabad violence.

### In Vadodara

- 1. Stray incidents of arson reported from Old Padra Road.
- 2. Tribal attack in Chhota Udepur reported.

# 24<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. DGP K Chakravarthy takes over Ahmedabad policing.
- 2. Fresh fear stalks riot victims in Dariakhan Ghummat camp in Ahmedabad.
- 3. 3 bodies found in Ahmedabad's Vejalpur, Shahpur and Law Garden area.
- 4. Gujarat high risk –US, UK, Canada.
- 5. Army's help has not been properly utilised-Lok Morcha delegation in Ahmedabad.
- 6. Relief camps breeding ground for diseases like TB, Hepatitis, STDs- warns UN Handbook.

### In Vadodara

Violence continues in Chhote Udepur.

### 25<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Stray violence in Ahmedabad, Bhavnagar.
- 2. 'We do not need to learn from others what secularism and pluralism all about'-Vajpayee.

# 26<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Repeat exam for the students in Ahmedabad and Vadodara centres Gujarat government.
- 2. 40 houses set afire near Ahmedabad police headquarters. 1 killed. In police firing.
- 3. 'I can't see how women could have been raped when a mob attacked' Jt Commissioner of Police M K Tandon.

# In Vadodara

1. Violence in walled city.

2. Tension in Wadi area and Naswadi taluka.

# 27<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. UK based Gujaratis have asked the govt. to support their demand for a UN fact finding team to travel to their violence-scarred home state in the same way as UN experts are being sent to Jenin in the Palestewnanian territories.
- 2. 4 relief camps in Dahod district ordered closed.
- 3. Modi has not visited a single camp since the Goa meet.

#### In Vadodara

Fresh violence in Hathikhana, Panigate, Bavamanpura and Taiwada., 2 die.

# 28<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. Violence erupted in the Kalupur-Gomtipur area hours after peace march led by George Fernandes. Curfew imposed.
- 2. Less participants in peace rally.

## In Vadodara

Violence in Badrimohalla and Bhatwada under Wadi police station. Arson and stone pelting reported. 3 killed, 34 others injured.

### 29<sup>th</sup> April 2002

- 1. State officials of Gujarat directly involved in the riots -New York-based Human Rights Watch.
- 2. VHP leaders Kalumama and Sanat Raithatha, and Bajrang Dal activist Dilip Solanki arrested in connection with the violence in Hanuman Jayanti in Rajkot.
- 3. Togadia calls for ban on madrassas.

### In Vadodara

Violence continues in Yakutpura, Wadi , Panigate. 5 injured.

### 30<sup>th</sup> April 2002

### In Vadodara

- 1. 2 youths killed in police firing in Taiwada area.
- 2. 50 persons mostly women from Badrimohalla, Qureshi Mohalla, and Irfan Chambers took out a rally in Moghalwada area. They were arrested in Lehripura Darwaja.

# 1<sup>st</sup> May 2002

- 1. Gujarat shameful blot on BJP- Uma Bharti.
- 2. 'Women being raped, what's new?' George Fernandes in Lok Sabha.
- 3. AIDWA and NIFW strongly condemn Fernandes's statement in Parliament as 'unthinkable' and 'inhuman'.

### In Vadodara

- 1. 4 stabbed. Crude bomb explodes in Saraswati Apt. and other in Sulemani Chawl area.
- 2. Suleimani Chawl area tense. Women complain against police atrocities. 'Police enquiry will be there' –JCP Thakur.
- 3. Stone-pelting on Muslim refugees when they go back to Panwad.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2002

- 1. Gujarat government to close relief camps by May 31.
- 2. 'Gujarat has lost humanity, needs to rediscover it from within'- Modi at peace rally in Vadodara.
- 3. Riots has affected BJP's image –Uma Bharti
- 4. K P S Gill arrived at Gandhinagar.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2002

Tension mounts in Varvala village of Dwarka Taluka after miscreants desecrate temples in the village. Report from Rajkot.

# In Vadodara

Police fire 9 rounds in Delwat Village.

# 4<sup>th</sup> May 2002

- 1. 'State police is not under super-cop K P S Gill': Gujarat Government.
- 2. State government revises riot rehabilitation package by having a huge Rs 96.5 cr. As livelihood component out of the total Rs. 150 crore announced by Prime Minister as financial help to the riot victims.

# 5<sup>th</sup> May 2002

7 killed in Ahmedabad. 40 injured, curfew imposed in Shahpur.