

BIO-PROFILE OF SHRI G. M. SIDDESHWARA, M.P.

1. **Shri G.M. Siddeshwara** has been elected from the Davangere constituency of Karnataka to the **16th Lok Sabha**, for the **third term successively** since 2004.

2. He was also a member of the 14th Lok Sabha and 15th Lok Sabha of India representing the BJP from the Davangere Lok Sabha constituency.

3. Strengths:

a) **Mass based Lingayat leader:** Shri G. M. Siddeshwara is one of the **top unquestionable Lingayat leaders** in Karnataka and a **mass based leader** in Central Karnataka.

b) **Honesty:** Well known in the Chitradurga and Davangere districts as a kind hearted philanthropist and an **honest, efficient, straight-forward politician**.

c) **Loyalty:** Shri G. M. Siddeshwara has been a **loyal soldier of the BJP since 1990s** and served as **State Vice-President of the Karnataka BJP** (2009-2010) and the **BJP National Parliamentary Party Treasurer** from 2004-2014. GM family has been flying the BJP flag in the Central Karnataka region for the last 19 years even during Congress regimes both in the State and the Centre.

d) **Efficient performer:** Shri G. M. Siddeshwara has been rated as **one of the best MPs in the 15th Lok Sabha** by various independent organizations based on his performance both in the Parliament as well as his efficiency in the constituency.

- He has been rated as the **second best MP from Karnataka** by the Rezorce Parliamentary Productivity Framework (www.rezorce.com) rating based on various parameters like his excellent utilization of MPLAD funds for the constituency, parliamentary performance including attendance, number of questions asked, participation in debates, etc.
- Shri G. M. Siddeshwara has been rated the **14th best MP in the country** by PRS India (<http://www.prsindia.org/mptrack/loksabha/list?filter=question>) based on the same parameters.

e) **Family values and RSS links:** His father Late Shri G. Mallikarjunappa was also an M.P. for two terms: 1996-1998 and 1999-2003. **Shri G. Mallikarjunappa was affiliated to the RSS** before joining the BJP electoral politics.

f) One of the few constituencies and among the first constituency visited by Shri Narendra Modi Ji during the current election campaign in Karnataka.

4. **Profession:** Businessman/industrialist and agriculturist

5. **Posts held:**

a) 14th Lok Sabha tenure (2004-2009): Treasurer of BJP Parliamentary Party; Secretary of Karnataka state BJP; Member of Parliamentary Consultative Committee for Ministry of **Human Resource Development** and Member of the Parliamentary Committee on **Finance** - from 2004 to 2009.

b) 15th Lok Sabha tenure (2009-2014): Vice president of Karnataka state BJP and Member of Parliamentary Committee on **Water Resources** (2009-2010); Member of Parliamentary Committee on **Finance**; and Member of Parliamentary Consultative Committee for the Ministry of **Commerce & Industry** (March 2010 - May 2014).

6. Personal life: Born in Bheemasamudra of Chitradurga district on 5 July 1952. He is married to Smt. G.S. Gayithri and blessed with one son Shri. Anith Kumar G. S. and one daughter Smt. Ashwini. G. S

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