

BHOPAL LOK SABHA SEAT: VOTERS' GUIDE.

(Key issues , concerns ; Agenda, Promises):Shashidhar Kapur

| S.N. | ISSUES / CONCERNS / PROMISES | ALOK SHARMA (BJP) | ARUN SHRIVASTAV (CONGRESS) | CITIZENS' MANIFESTO |
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| 1. | Bhopal as "Central Capital Region" | ----- | ----- | Yes |
| 2. | Bhopal as "Second National Capital" | Mooted by Babulal Gaur | --- | Yes (Bhopal as backroom office , virtual capital) |
| 3. | <u>Employment</u> -Utilisation of Excess BHEL land. | Yes (plus promise to create more industrial areas) | Yes (Fastracking IT park development) | Yes (Factory Clusters – cum - industrial areas) |
| 4. | <u>Health</u> -BMHRC revival | Yes | Yes | Yes (Revival - cum -upgradation) |
| 5. | <u>Transport</u> -Outer ring road ; More flyovers under the Bharatmala Setubandh scheme | Yes | --- | Yes ; (Concentric ring roads -cum - Diagonal arteries :Hub &Spoke model) |
| 6. | Closure for Gas tragedy victims | --- | Yes | Yes |
| 7. | Bhopal as Wetland city | | | Yes |
| 8. | More rail connectivity | Yes. (Promises to try to take rail line to | --- | Yes |

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| | | Bairasiya, Direct train from Sant Hirdaram Nagar to Mumbai ; Metro to be extended to Sehore and Mandideep) | | |
| 9 | Bhopal as Healthy city (As declared by W.H.O. in Dec. 2022) | ---- | ---- | Yes |
| 10. | Constituting the Metropolitan council | ---- | ----- | Yes |
| 11. | Inclusion of Sehore wheat under “ One city one product” scheme. | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 12. | Master plan as per Vision 2047 | Yes | --- | Yes |
| 13. | <u>Education</u> | ----- | Wants to bring either IIT or IIM | Bhopal needs IRMA ; ensure existing national institutes |
| 14 . | Bhopal as UNESCO “World heritage city” | Making tourism circuit till Bhojpur | ---- | Yes |
| 15 | Bhopal –Sehore as twin Cities | Yes | --- | Yes Bhopal-Sehore -Raisen as Triplet cities. |

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| 16. | Smart city completion | | Yes | Smart city with intelligent citizens.-Developing Bhopal as an Intellectual Hub. |
| | Miscellaneous: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Old Pension scheme for the city of Babus ● Waterlogging prevention ● Unity Mall | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yes & No. (Old -cum new scheme) ● Yes ● Yes (Unity Haat - cum Integrity Mall) |

P.S. : In National (Lok Sabha) elections relatively greater weightage ought to be given to the political party than candidate (Norm is reversed in Local Bodies elections)