## Techno-PM

World's biggest democracy elected its representatives to rule the country for the 11th time recently. The multi party political arrangement in the country ensured that no single party got the majority to rule the country. In this unfortunate situation Mr. H. D. Devegowda emerged as a shining star to become the 12<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister of the country. With a humble rural background from Karnataka, Mr. Deve Gowda has worked his way to the topmost position in the country with sheer hardwork. It is a matter of great happiness that Mr. Gowda is a technocrat himself with a diploma in civil engineering to boot. This techno-PM is expected to give the much-needed boost and greater thrust to technical education and technology improvement in the country.

Also, Mr. Gowda has clearly spelt out his top priority in continuing the economic reforms in the country, which has brought renewed vigor in the Indian industry. Though the concept of free market economy is welcome, Mr. Gowda should make it a point to exercise restraint on the extent to which this is done. The foreign companies should be allowed to invest extensively in hitech areas, but indigenous development in SSI should not be overlooked.

The small scale sector not only provides an oppurtunity for the emergence of native talent, but also offers ample scope for the entrepreneurship development in the country. The SSIs should not be allowed to stay small all the time, but should be encouraged to grow big and serve the country.

June 5th was celebrated as World Environment Day. Though everyone has been talking about saving environment precious little is being done to save our Mother Nature in all its beauty and splendour. India, which treats nature as God, is no better in this regard. No amount of Government policies or organizational help would work unless each individual decides to protect his surroundings. Let us decide now! - to save whatever little we have.

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