Finally came the red-letter day in the annals of the Jana Sangh when this utterly unassuming leader of the party was raised to the high position of President in the year 1968. On assuming this tremendous responsibility Deendayalji went to the South with the message of the Jana Sangh. The streets of Calicut were strewn with flower-garlands and there were flowers, flowers all the way. Slogans wishing him long life rent the skies, and a mighty flood of praise for his work and ability flowed from anywhere.

But perhaps human beings who are too good for this world return to the Almighty too soon. This saintliest of men had unknown enemies who marked him down and plotted to rob the country of one of its noblest sons. On the dark night of February 11, 1968, Deendayal Upadhyaya was fiendishly pushed into the jaws of sudden death.



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