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'Modi's moral speech is diabolic doublespeak'

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PRIME Minister Narendra Modi's speech on the occasion of ground-breaking ceremony of the new Parliament building on Thursday drew flak from the Opposition leaders.

CPI (M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury accused Modi of indulging in "diabolic doublespeak". "Mr Modi is giving a moral lecture on the 'values' & 'culture' of democracy while in practice destroying democracy mercilessly, assaulting all dissent & preventing our youth from even choosing life part-

ners: diabolic doublespeak."

In the past, the Opposition parties had criticised the government for not cutting down on big expenditure like the Central Vista project amid the coronavirus crisis.

Congress general secretary Randeep Surjewala tweeted: "Dear PM, Parliament is not mortar and stones, It envisions Democracy, It imbibes Constitution, It is Economic-Political-Social Equality, It is Compassion & Camaraderie, It is aspirations of 130 Cr Indians. What would a building built upon trampling of these



values represent? (sic)"

The AAP took a jibe at the Centre, saying it is indeed historical that the "head servant" is doing ground worship of the new Parliament when the peasants are fighting for their rights.