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GPCC to take action against rebel partymen

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AHMEDABAD, March 24: The Gujarat Pradesh Congress Committee has decided to take disciplinary action against Congressmen who had contested against official Congress candidates in the recent elections to taluka panchayats.

The stage is set for launching the revolutionary scheme of democracy decentralisation in Gujarat from April 1.

The elections to 173 taluka panchayats in 16 of the 17 districts of the State have been completed.

The Congress has captured 135 of 173 taluka panchayats and would share power in four others with Independents. 34 taluka panchayats will be controlled by rebel Congressmen, and others sponsored by the Swatantra and other non-Congress parties.

Of the 346 presidents and vice-presidents of taluka panchayats 274 would be Congressmen officially sponsored by the party.

WAR-MINDEDNESS

Shri K. M. Munshi, Swatantra leader said today that Indian people would have to be war-minded if the war against China had to be won.

Shri Munshi was speaking at the Junior Chamber of Commerce here.

He urged the people to bear the burden of new taxations cheerfully and said that the burden of Budget was not excessive in terms of the needs for fighting the Chinese aggression.

The Swatantra leader stressed the need for increased defence production and less of consumer production by industries.

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