



Shashi Tharoor speaks on India's declining level in global rankings: Govt's performance

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Senior Congress leader and Lok Sabha MP Shashi Tharoor on Friday attacked the Central government over India's poor condition in various development reports. Tharoor said that no matter how many votes the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) wins, it is not a performance of the government. Shashi Tharoor also compared PM Modi's second term to the Congress-led UPA's tenure and pointed to the difference in the global development report

In a tweet, he said, "In the second term of the Modi government, India has moved from 94 to 111 in the Human Freedom Index (75 under UPA) from 79 to 105 in the Global Economic Freedom Index and 129 to 131 in the UNDP Human Index. No matter how many votes the BJP wins, it is not the performance of the Government. State that the Human Freedom Index is the global ranking of individual civil and economic freedom.

The index by the Cato Institute in the United States and the Fraser Institute in Canada uses data from 2008 to 2018 to present the state of human freedom in the world. Out of 162 countries, India was ranked 111th in 2020 while India index was ranked 94th in 2019.