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## Happy with Babri case verdict, says Yediyurappa

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Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Wednesday hailed the verdict of the special CBI court that acquitted senior BJP leader L K Advani and others charged with hatching a criminal conspiracy leading to the demolition of the Babri mosque 28 years ago.

"This is an auspicious day. The Lucknow CBI court has given a historic judgement," Yediyurappa told reporters.

"I was also a part of this struggle and the verdict has made me personally happy. Many were waiting for it. For fighters, victory is always there and this is a fresh example," he said, calling it a "victory of the truth."

Referring to Advani as "a great man," Yediyurappa said the judgement was a result of his struggle. "No one can for-

get the speech Advani made," he said.

"The Ram Mandir verdict has come and work has already started. Advani, Murli Manohar Joshi, Uma Bharti and others are responsible for the success and the judgement has brought happiness to all," he said.

Tourism Minister and BJP national general secretary CT Ravi said the Congress should apologise for dismissing four BJP governments in the aftermath of the Babri Masjid demolition in 1992. "Those who know history know the reality. It wasn't the BJP's agenda to demolish the mosque," he said.

BJP's Tirthahalli MLA Araga Jnanendra said he was just 100 metres away from the disputed Babri Masjid on the day it was demolished.

"This verdict has made me and some 5 lakh people who were there happy," he said.