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DON'T ALLOW MANUFACTURE AND IMPORT OF POLYESTER FLAGS: CONG.

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Attacking the BJP for not being able to "understand" the value of symbols of India's freedom struggle, the Congress on Friday asked the Narendra Modi government to withdraw the amendments to the National Flag Code that would allow the manufacture and import of flags made of polyester.

Addressing a press conference, Congress leader Ajoy Kumar said the move would facilitate mass import of Indian flags from China at a time when Chinese troops have transgressed into Indian territory in eastern Ladakh.

Dhwaja satyagraha

Mr. Kumar also announced his party's support to the "Dhwaja Satyagraha" announced by the Karnataka Khadi Gramodyoga Samyukta Sangha on July 30 in support of their demands and withdrawal of the amendment to the law.

"By permitting the import of machine-made and imported polyester flags, PM Modi has attacked the essence of khadi and the legacy of Mahatma Gandhi. While ensuring that thousands of workers lose their jobs, he has also made a mockery of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign. The self-styled champion of khadi will preside over the death of khadi, revealing himself to be a Polyester Monopolist," Mr. Kumar told reporters.

Congress communication chief Jairam Ramesh tweeted that those who never participated in the freedom struggle will not understand the nation's relationship with the tricolour.

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