

EXPRESS DELIVERY

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23rd February 1963.

My dear Rajaji,

I am happy to tell you that as a result of efforts made at this end and the kind cooperation of two or three of our perennial friends it has been found possible to book space in all the 5 newspapers mentioned by you including the South Indian edition of the 'Indian Express'.

The programme and publication of our statement is as follows:-

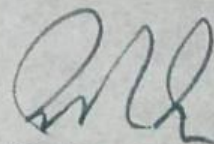
Hindu	26th February
Times of India,	
(Bombay)	26th February
Hindustan Times	25th or 27th February
Statesman (Calcutta)	27th February
Indian Express	
(southern edition)	27th February

I am sure you will be happy to get this news.

By way of caution I may add a line to say that while space has been booked by all the papers, so far only 'Hindu' has confirmed its acceptance of the text. The 'Statesman' and 'The Times of India' are having a ^{long} look at the statement before deciding whether it would be better for them to publish it as an advertisement! I am hoping however that in the end all of them will come clean.

The layout will be half a page in bold type as suggested by you. The half page will be horizontal across the whole page and not vertical. It will be prefaced by your personal appeal.

Yours sincerely,



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P.S. Your letter of 20th February has just come in. As you will see, the cause of your depression has already been dissipated. In so far as bye-elections are concerned, I will write to you again on Monday after giving the matter some further thought.
I trust by now you have received Kripalani's article.