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The need for a strong Central organisation has become urgent. There is little coordination at present between the Centre and the units of the Party in the various States. Sometimes, requests for help from Regional Committees are sent to me directly; on other occasions, they are forwarded through Krishnaswamy, and it is not possible for me to have the whole picture. The same perplexity exists with regard to the funds. We, in Bombay, know how much of what is collected by us is to be reserved for the Centre, but as Treasurer I have no idea of how much has been gathered by the Central office in Madras for the Party chest and what they are doing with it.

The Central office must be so organised that a complete record of the activities of the Party throughout the country is readily available in one place and there is a regular channel of communications between the Centre and the various units. This requires a secretariat to be set up on an adequate scale, and I feel it can best be done in Bombay where, apart from other considerations, there is a well-established Regional Committee whose services would be available to the Central office. I would urge you, therefore, to come to an early decision in this matter.

Under the arrangements in force at present, a sum of Rs.1,80,000 has to be found by the Centre every year for supporting the Regional Committees in the States. Out of this, Bombay has to find Rs.1,00,000. It will interest you to know, in this connection, that upto date I have disbursed Rs.22,500 to the Centre and the States. In addition to that, a very substantial amount has been spent by the Bombay Regional Committee on the printing of literature required for distribution all over the place.

From some papers forwarded by the Central office to the Bombay Regional Committee, it would appear that there are to be a Central Organising Committee and an All-India Council. Their composition does not seem to be in accord with what was decided at the meeting we had at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, over which you presided. I shall take up the

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If there is anything I can do for you at this end, please do not hesitate to let me know. I am taking an active interest in the work of the Bombay Regional Committee, and we hope to be rendering a good account of ourselves.

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