

SWATANTRA PARTY (Rajasthan Branch)

Bhinai House,
Ajmer

Dated 27th September, 1959

My dear Mr. Krishnaswamy

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Sept., '59. As desired by you I am enclosing herewith a report of the progress made in the work of organising the Swatantra Party in Rajasthan. From the Report you will know the names of the Office bearers and members of the Rajasthan ad-hoc Committees organising our Party.

It may please be noted that the Office of the Party has been located at Bhinai House, Ajmer. In future all correspondence may please be done directly with this office.

You will be glad to know that the response we are getting in Rajasthan is very encouraging. Our only difficulty is of funds. We have started the work in right earnest after the receipt of your cheque for Rs.2500/- but this amount is hardly sufficient to organize such a vast area as Rajasthan, where the means of communications are so few. I had a talk with Mr. K. Munshi in this connection and he agreed to my suggestions that instead of peace-meal payment a sum of Rs.2000/- per month is earmarked for Rajasthan for a period of at least six months. In the meanwhile we would collect locally also. I can assure you that not a single pie will be misused and we would render to you monthly accounts with vouchers for audit purposes.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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(KALAYANSINGH)

Raja of Bhinai.

Sri. S.Y. Krishnaswamy,
Convenor Central Organising Committee
106, Armenian Street,
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Sir,

As I feel that it is my duty to keep the Centre informed of the activities of our party, I give below a brief report of the work done in Rajasthan so far.

Soon after the Bombay Convention of the Swatantra Party, in which Maharaj Hukamsinghji, Shri Vedpal Tyagi and myself were appointed to organise the Swatantra Party in Rajasthan, a few persons from Jaipur, Jodhpur, Ajmer and Udaipur met informally at Bhinai House, Ajmer to plan out the further course for organising the Swatantra Party in Rajasthan.

The first step taken in this direction was to contact people personally and through correspondence. Accordingly I sent out a printed Postcard (copy enclosed) all over Rajasthan to all classes of people. This proved very effective. As a result all sorts of inquiries and messages from all sorts of persons to whom the cards were addressed and from others too, are being received by me. The correspondence is very interesting and encouraging. Many good suggestions for making the party effective have been received. This also gave a lot of publicity to the principles of the party and a great demand for enrolment forms both from Cities and Districts has been made.

2. Through out this period Maharaj Hukamsinghji who is a sitting member of Rajasthan Assembly was busy in bringing round some of the independent members and members of the Ram Rajya Parishad in the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly to join our party and was successful to a very great extent. He arranged for a meeting between President of the Ram Rajya Parishad along with two other members and myself at Ajmer as I was not allowed by the Doctors to move about. The meeting was very successful and it was agreed that they would manoeuvre to get round Swami Karpatriji and also to call a meeting of the Parishad on 9th Sept., in Jaipur. It was further agreed that the President of the Swatantra Party should officially write in this connection to the president of Ram Rajya Parishad and this was done as has been reported to me by Maharaj Hukamsinghji and it is very much expected that all the sitting members of Ram Rajya Parishad will soon join our party while from the groups other than the Ram Rajya Parishad, Maharaj Hukamsinghji has been successful in bringing

four M.L.As in the fold of our party.

3. On the 30th August, the first meeting of the Swatantra Party was held at Jaipur at Shri. Chiranjilal Agrawal's house in which persons were invited for the formation of our party. In all 15 persons attended the meeting in which a frame work for the future organisational set-up was discussed and it was decided that an Ad-hoc committee of 21 members be formed. The M.P.s., and M.L.As., who have joined our party and who in future will be joining it will be Ex-Officio members of this Committee. I was elected as the Chief Organiser of the Party and Maharaj Hukamsinghji as Organising Secretary. Unfortunately owing to the illness of his daughter Shri Vedpal Tyagi could not attend. For organisational purposes Rajasthan was divided into six regions with one Convenor for each region who was to select his own team which would be responsible for organising work of these regions, viz., Jaipur, Ajmer, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Kota and Bikaner. It was further decided that the next meeting be held at Ajmer on the 5th Sept., for selecting the persons for Ad-hoc Committees and regional convenors, when Shri. K.M. Munshi was also requested to come but unfortunately owing to bad health he could not come, Raja Mansingh of Bhatatpur and M.K. Brijendra Pal Singh of Kareeli sitting M.L.As of Rajasthan Assembly who recently joined our party took keen interest in the discussion.

4. On the 5th Sept., '59 the second meeting took place at Bhinai House, Ajmer which was well attended. In this meeting the Ad-hoc Committee of the following 21 persons was formed:-

1. Raja Kalayansingh	Chairman
2. Shri. Vedpal Tyagi	General Secretary
3. Maharaj Hukamsinghji	Organising Secretary & Treasurer
4. Raja Mansingh	Convenor Jaipur Region
5. Prof. Madansinghji	" Ajmer E
6. Shri. Wahidulla Khan	" Jodhpur "
7. Shri. Balbir Prasad Bhatnagar	" Kota "
8. Shri. Mahendra Singh Ranawat	" Udaipur "
9. Shri. Dhagraj Sharma	" Bikaner E
10. Shri. C.N. Sharma	Member Jaipur
11. Maharaj Kesharisinghji	" Bundi
12. Shri. Mangalsinghji Kachawa	" Jodhpur
13. Sri. R.C. Bhaddari	" "
14. Shri Th. Rajansinghji of Deoli	" Jodhpur
15. Shri Ganapatsinghi Baneria	" Udaipur
16. Shri Col. Ranjitsinghji	" Jaipur
17. Shri Th. Krishansinghji of Daulatgarh	" Udaipur
18. Shri Kanwarasnji	" Bharatpur
19. Shri Mohanlalji Saraswat	" Bikaner
20. Shri A. Goswami	" "
21. Prof. Madansinghji	" Ajmer

It was further decided that these 6 convenors and Raja Kalayansingh as Chief Organiser will draft out a scheme for a permanent organisational set-up for Rajasthan in accordance with the Constitution

of the party when it is framed by the Centre.

It was also decided that the regional bodies should open Swatantra Party's account in the bank and the regional organisers were authorised to draw up to 50 percent of the funds for the use of their respective regions.

5. I also called a meeting of the Citizens of Ajmer who were interested in our party at my house (Bhinai House, Ajmer) on the 2nd Sept., '59 to set-up an organisation for the Ajmer City, under the Presidentship of Dr. Ambalal Sharma who commands an all round respect in Ajmer. It was a very responsible gathering. It was decided to form an Ad-hoc committee for the Ajmer City and start an enrolment drive and those who attended were requested to meet again on the 7th Sept., '59 to select the personnel of the Ad-hoc Committee. In the meeting held on the 7th Sept., '59 Ad-hoc Committee was formed with Prof. Madansinghji as Convenor.

6. The Convenors of regions have been requested to form organising bodies both for the urban and as well as rural areas. Before the end of this month as done in Ajmer, when I shall have the pleasure of reporting in more details the work done in other regions. I am sure we would have done much more work had we been supplied with literature of the party and enrolment forms from the Centre earlier. Needless for me to say that we had been kept in the dark by the Central Office regarding its activities and official information. The failure to supply the necessary literature and enrolment forms to the enthusiastic persons in time can do much harm to the cause we represent and we the Organisers feel so very helpless in this matter. I hope in the interests of our party organisation, our difficulties would be appreciated and will not be misunderstood.

Before I close this report, I would suggest that as now the Ad-hoc Committees have been formed at so many places, a Conference of the Convenors and Organisers of these Committees be called to discuss in detail all about the party organisation and difficulties facing the Organisers in the State or a Note of instructions from the Central Office be sent to us so that we may have our set-up of the party accordingly.

I hope the Report will be considered patiently and in the spirit in which it has been written.

Further I would also suggest in the interest of our party that a copy of the tour programme of our party leaders be also sent to

us.

Thanking you,

sd/- x x x x x x

Kalyan Singh

CONVENOR

RAJASTHAN AD-HOC COMMITTEE

P.S. As the report was to be despatched I have received enrolment forms but they are all for urban areas i.e., Re.1/- and not for rural areas.