

July 26,
1965.

Mr.

My dear Dandekar,

Immediately on receipt of your letter No. LS-M/326 dated 24th July 1965, I got in touch with the Lok Sabha Secretariat. They have informed me that our no-confidence motion has been disallowed in the face of bulletin (Part II) dated 21st July 1965 which reads as follows:

" The Speaker has directed that notices of adjournment motions, calling attention to matters of urgent public importance, motions of no-confidence in the Council of Ministers or any other notice required to be given before the commencement of the sitting on the day on which the matter is proposed to be raised in the House, should be given when the list of Business for the day is circulated. It is not possible for the Speaker to consider these notices too much in advance of the commencement of the session."

The List of Business for the first day of the next session (i.e. 16th August) is likely to be circulated on 11th or 12th of August. It is only on that date that all such motions will be accepted for consideration of the Speaker. Therefore, I suggest that you may kindly sign the enclosed letter and also have it signed from Mr. Masani and the same sent to me at the earliest. The day the List of Business is circulated, immediately I shall submit it to the Lok Sabha Secretariat. I shall try my best to see that our motion gets the first preference.

I hope you will recollect that during the last session, PSP tabled a no-confidence motion regarding Pakistan aggression in the Rann of Kutch. We objected to this as without prior consultation we were faced with a fait accompli. To be sure that we get 50 votes, the minimum number required for the admissibility of a no-confidence motion under the Rules, I am of the opinion that we must get in touch with all the opposition leaders and intimate them about our no-confidence motion. If possible, we may even call a meeting of all the opposition leaders a day before the commencement of the next session i.e. on 16th August.

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With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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