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Date... 8th March '73.

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Respected Masanijee,

Through Radio and Newspapers you must have been aware of the facts concerning Orissa. On the dissolution of the Assembly we have now come to a turning point. Specially for me, the situation is very critical. I would like to remind you that in 1961 election you had got me elected and gave me enough courage to fight against injustice and dictatorial trend of the Congress. There is now a proposal for formation of the "Orissa Pragati Party" merging together the Utkal Congress of Sri Biju Patnaik, Swadhin Congress of Dr. Mahatab and Swatantra Party (Orissa Unit) in the same. It is also under active consideration that if the central leaders of our party do not agree to the proposal, the State Unit will sever all relations with the centre. I am at a fix to decide what should I do and hence I seek your considered advice.

I hope you will be kind enough to send your views at your earliest. Our State Executive is meeting on 16th March 1973 wherein a decision, this way or that way, will be taken.

With regards.

Yours sincerely,

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