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My dear Mino; 2226

As I am writing something on democracy, I wish to obtain authentic figures concerning the current membership of the Lok Sabha, as to (a) How many votes were polled by each party in the mid-term elections, and (b) how many seats each party has. I was led to approach you in this regard on seeing a report in the 'SWARAJYA' of 21-8-71 that at a public address at Bangalore on Constitutional Amendments (24th & 25th) you had said that "Since only 5.4 percent of the electorate went to vote & of these 43 percent voted for the ruling party, not even one person in four of the voters had given support to these amendments", while "it had been claimed since the last parliamentary elections that the ruling party had a mandate to

curtail fundamental rights
by amending the Constitution",
which "was a complete distortion
of truth". (Inverted commas are
mine". I would therefore be very
grateful if you would be good enough
to let me know at your earliest
convenience the place from where
I would be able to have this in-
formation. Your guidance will
be valuable to me.

With kindest remembrances
from my wife & myself, and
hoping this will find you well,

Yours sincerely;

Latwar Singh
of Porbandar
