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BHUBANESWAR

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D.O.No. 33 CM.

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My dear Mr. Masani,

Please refer to your letter of January 2, 1970 about the Constitution (Amendment) Bill for continuation of reservation of seats for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, which I received this morning.

We have been advised that unless this Bill is ratified before the 26th of this month, no useful purpose will be served if it is taken up afterwards. Taking into consideration this fact and also the fact that we have 40 per cent of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the State, we have decided to convene a special session of the Assembly before the 26th of this month.

Yours sincerely,

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