

PROF. N.G. RANGA
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(LOK SABHA)



Camp: Nidubrolu
Guntur Dt.
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My dear Masani

I have today wired you as follows;

"GOWD FAVOURED BY SPEAKER SANJEEVAREDDI
SELF AGREED THEN CONFIRMED RECENTLY
SPEAKERS MAKE SELECTIONS INDEPENDENTLY
REGRET UNINTENTIONAL FAILURE TO SHARE
INFORMATION"

Thanks for frankly sharing your feelings
with me regarding the Party's partnership in the
Delegation of the Indian Parliamentary Union to the
Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference at Trinidad.

Some months back Speaker Sanjeeva Reddi
informed me that Shri Linganna Gowd, our chief whip
had asked him if he could be included in that dele-
gation and asked me if I myself wished to go. I
said since he felt like giving an opportunity to Gowd
there could be no question of my wishing to go.

Thereafter I thought I had intimated you
and Gowd about that but as I learn from your letter
I seem to have failed to tell you about it.

I have to remind you, however, that the
Speaker, as the President of the Parliamentary Union
is free to make his choice and it is only as a matter
of courtesy, we ask him to consult us in advance
and generally we have no choice when the Speaker
wishes to favour any Member.

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Recently, I learn that Mr. Gowd met the new Speaker and got confirmation of the earlier offer and when asked by Shri Patnaik, I expressed my agreement with the earlier proposal. You were not then in Delhi. As for the other name, I do not know anything, possibly because he belongs to Rajya Sabha.

By the way, the Gandhi Centenary Committee through its Sub Committee for Celebrations abroad has invited Mr. & Mrs. Kripalani, Vijayalaxmi Pandit, myself and a few others to take part in these celebrations abroad. After I have intimated my consent, they have now invited me to visit Spain, Moracco, Tunisia, Libya, Sudan and asked me to be ready to leave on the 25th inst. on a four-weeks tour. I dare say you remember my mentioning during our meeting at Dandekar's place that I might have to go abroad in this connection.

I can assure you that as has been my practice, I will always take you into the fullest confidence in to all such matters and if by any chance I fail to intimate to you about anything in good time, you have to be generous enough to excuse me.

I will be in Delhi on the 19th with to attend the meeting called by the Speaker.

Yours

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Gandhi Centenary
is in the
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