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Draft minutes of the meeting of the Sub Committee of the Central Parliamentary Board held at the residence of Prof. N.G.Ranga M.P. 44, Western Court, New Delhi on Saturday August 28, 1965 at 10.30 a.m.

Present

Prof. N.G.Ranga M.P.
Mr. R.N. Singh Deo, M.L.A.
Mr. M.R. Masani, M.P.,

(in the Chair)

The Minutes of the last meeting held at Dhenkanal on March 28, 1965 were confirmed.

The meeting recorded its deep regret and sense of loss at the demise of Maharaja S.P. Singh Deo of Dhenkanal, a member of the Party's group in the Rajya Sabha, and decided to convey its sympathies to his family in their bereavement.

The meeting then took up for consideration recommendations that had been received from State Units and approved the following prospective parliamentary candidates:

Andhra	Kurnool Parliamentary Constituency	- Mr. G.L. Goud
Gujarat	Surat-Mandvi Parliamentary Const.	Rev. A.D. Choudhuri
Mysore	Udipi Parliamentary Constituency	- Mr. J.M. Lobo Prabhu
Uttar Pradesh	Mainpuri Parl. Constituency	- Mr. V.P. Yadav
	Ghaziपुर Parl. Constituency	Mr. T.N. Singh
	Badaun Parl. Constituency	Mir Sarwar Ali

A recommendation received from the Parliamentary Sub-Committee of the Orissa unit in regard to the forthcoming by-election to the State Assembly from the Hinjilicut Assembly Constituency was then taken up for consideration. The meeting approved the recommendation of Mr. Sribatsa Mahapatra as the Party's candidate for the by-election. It was however felt that there should be one or two dummy candidates as well. Mr. Bari Hara Das, who had expressed himself strongly in favour of Mr. Mahapatra, should be requested to file his nomination as a dummy candidate as a precautionary measure.

The vacancy caused by the demise of Maharaja S.P. Singh Deo and the by-election to the Rajya Sabha thus occasioned was discussed. It was decided that a suitable recommendation made in this regard by the State Parliamentary Sub Committee should be telegraphically communicated to the Central Office, who

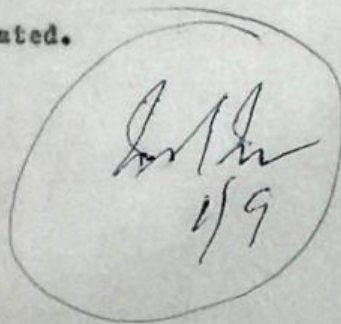
would obtain the approval of the Central Parliamentary Sub-Committee.

The Resolution adopted by the Orissa State Council of the Party opposing the move to postpone the elections in Orissa due next year was warmly welcomed and it was decided that the Party in Parliament and elsewhere should support the Orissa Unit's stand. The Sub-Committee agreed that, if the elections were held as scheduled, in 1966, the Orissa Unit should be given the fullest possible political and material support.

In the context of the current critical economic situation and food crisis, it was decided to observe an "Anti-Food Controls Week" between September 25 and October 2, 1965. The Party's units throughout the country should focus the people's attention on the reasons which had led to the present unfortunate situation and mobilise public opinion against food controls, zonal restrictions and maximum prices. The Party's pledge to abolish Land revenue should also be among the subjects highlighted. Public meetings, processions, the preparation and distribution of leaflets explaining the Party's point of view should be some of the methods adopted during the Week.

Note was taken of a proposed convention to be held in Delhi on 11th and 12th September to be called "Convention for the Defence of Kashmir". Since this ~~is a~~ ^{and} Convention sponsored by Communists and fellow travellers, it was decided that members of the Party should abstain from participation in the Convention. The Party's members both inside and outside Parliament, should be cautioned accordingly.

The meeting then terminated.



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