

PROF. N. G. RANGA

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My dear RAJAJEE,

Thank you for sending us advance copies of your Editorial for May 31st Swarajya. You have correctly anticipated the need for persuading the Jan Sangh to agree for the merger. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee has not turned up even today. Therefore, even Charan Singh was annoyed with them and said, no useful purpose would be served by continuing our discussions and we have decided to postpone the talks sine die. I am enclosing a copy of the Report of our Proceedings for your information. We have decided not to release it to the Press. Mr. Masani is not happy with this result.

Regarding Presidentship, we have decided not to recommend any names and also to suggest that none of the Parties should set up any candidates. I am therefore writing to Mr. Subba Rao, expressing regret at our inability to suggest any names.

It is clear that Jan Sangh is not at all anxious for any merger and is unable to get clearance from their Chief. ^(Gurjara) They want us to think only in terms of limited front but ^{neither} Masani nor Charan Singh is agreeable to it.

I am now proceeding to Andhra. The cyclone havoc has been very terrible. My letter to Indirajee about what has to be done by the Government (a copy of which herein enclosed) will indicate the present position in regard to that.

I hope you are keeping well.

I hope to reach Hyderabad by the 4th June, after touring for 3 days in Srirakulam district.

Yours affectionately,

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