

Extract From Letter of Sardar Basant Singh

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I happened to be in Chandigarh yesterday in connection with a couple of petitions under disposal in the High Court there and met a good number of leading Advocates practising there. I was tackled to discuss the party's viewpoint on the Kashmir issue and I found that by and large they were very happy at the statement released on the subject by our Parliamentary Board after its sitting at Madras the other day. It has been very much appreciated by the intelligensia in Punjab and they have begun to realise that we are not in favour of delivering the State to Pakistan but have to find some acceptable formulae which satisfies all parties concerned as quickly as possible since this vexed question does not brook any further delay.