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My dear Masani

Zorak

Your telegram came duly & your letter dictated on May 1 also reached me in correct time. I have sent an Express telegram to Sheikh Abdullah care Prime Minister Delhi welcoming him to Madras. I am leaving for Eluru (Andhra) by the Calcutta mail this night. It will be a convenient all-night journey. I shall take the Calcutta mail at Eluru on Sunday night and be back in Madras on Monday morning 4th May. Sheikh Abdullah & his friends will be met at the Airport on Tuesday morning & looked after. I shall meet Abdullah as desired that morning and see to his return to Delhi this afternoon as scheduled. God is helping us. But our colleagues seem bent on thwarting Providence! I have noted the position in our party as you have described it clearly and briefly in your letter of May 1. Bahadurai wrote to me a mildish letter some days ago which gave me sufficient notice that he had only and

Biologically inherited anti-muslim
anti-Shah Abdullah, anti-Pakistan
feelings and he couldn't appreciate
my attitude. I am thankful to you
showing that Sahabi Zai & Jhalakhar
are with us. The rebuke you sent (Sahabi
Zai's speech) is most valuable.
That may prop up even Abdullah's
naturally wavering & tired heart.

During all these crises we are
shunted back to the fita position—
let us do our duty as an act of
worship & leave the results to
Providence.

So the 17th April has gone & 27th May
& the 6th of May plan has broken down.
Each break down adds to the moral
bankruptcy of the Ruling Party. I am glad you
have announced 24th May as Kisan Day. I
fully approve of Ranga's efforts at "non-alignment"
but he should be content with a weak
message. God bless you
C.R.