

Swatantra Party Parliamentary Office

53 North Avenue,
New Delhi.

November 27, 1968.

Minutes of the Meeting

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Party was held on Monday, 25th November, at 10 A.M. in the Parliament House. The following Members were present:

1. Prof. N.G. Ranga
2. Mr. M.R. Masani
3. Mr. C.C. Desai
4. Mr. D.N. Patodia
5. Prof. R.K. Amin
6. Mr. Y.G. Gowd
7. Mr. H. Ajmal Khan
8. Mr. Piloo Mody

The following members were requested to speak on items indicated against their names:

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| 1. Discussion on Drought. | Prof. N.G. Ranga |
| 2. Centre-State Relations | Mr. P.K. Deo |
| 3. Insurance Amendment Bill | Mr. C.C. Desai |
| 4. Food Corporation Bill | Mr. J.M. Lobo Prabhu |
| 5. Sugar Policy | Prof. N.G. Ranga |
| 6. Approach to 4th Five Year Plan | Mr. N. Dandekar
or Mr. D.N. Patodia |

Report of the Select Committee on
2. There was a brief discussion on the Members' Salaries Allowances and other Amenities and the following resolution was commended to the General Body of the Party:

"The Executive Committee of the Party having considered the Report of the Select Committee on the Members' Salaries, Allowances and other Amenities feels that an embarrassing situation is created when Members of Parliament have to legislate in regard to their own emoluments. The Committee is of the view that as in the case of other members of society and public officials in particular, the reasonable remuneration for the members of the Legislatures should be decided upon by some quasi-judicial authority whose opinion should be invited on the report of the Select Committee and the recommendations made by it. Such an authority could be appointed by the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha and the Speaker of the Lok Sabha. The opinion of such an authority should be accepted without further arguments by all Parties in Parliament. The Committee is of the view that this is the appropriate manner in which this matter can be decided on merits.

"The Committee decided to place this matter before the General Body of the Party to-morrow for its approval.

sd. D.N. Patodia
Secretary