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Draft Minutes of the meeting of the General Council
held in Bombay on Sunday February 10, 1963 at 10-30 a.m.
at the Resham Bhavan Hall, Churchgate, Bombay.

Present:

Prof. N.G.Ranga (in the chair)

Andhra

Mr. N. Ranga Reddi
" N. Sankara Reddi
" T. Krishnamma Choudhri
" S. N. Reddi

Assam

Mr. John Deng
Prof. Martin Narayan

Bihar

Mr. Kamakhya Narain Singh, M.L.A.
" Ram Binod Singh
" Jaleshwar Prasad
Raja Jagat Kishore Narayan Singh
Mr. Janki Nandan Singh, M.L.O.
Dr. Basant Narain Singh
Mr. Kamta Singh
" Kailash Pathi Singh, M.L.O.
" S.A. Matin
" Ram Raksha Upadhyay
" S. Ali Hyder
" N. Bakshi

Bombay

Mr. K.M. Munshi
" M.R. Masani
Sir H.P. Mody
Mr. N. Dandekar
" R.V. Murthy

Delhi

Colonel H.R. Pasricha
Mr. A.C. Bisaria

Gujarat

Mr. Bhailalbhai Patel
" Dahyabhai V. Patel
Maharaj Kumar Himmatsingh
Mr. Vamanbhai Hathi

Kerala

Mr. V.P. Menon

Madhya Pradesh

Mr. H.S. Dwivedi
" N.C. Zamindar
" R. Agnibhoj
Rajkumar Udai Singh of Kaluhera
Mr. C. Rajagopalachari
Prof. M. Ruthnaswamy
Mr. Saw Ganesan

Madras

Madras contd. Mr. T. Sadasivam
" K. Sundaram
" S.S. Mariswamy
Dr. M. Santhosham
Mr. S. Narayanaswamy

Maharashtra Mr. K.R. Koshti
" R.D. Kulkarni
" B.B. Walwekar

Mysore Mr. K.B. Jinaraja Hegde
" J.M. Lobo Prabhu
" K.H. Srinivasan
" V.T. Srinivasan

Orissa Shri R.N. Singh Deo
Mr. Hari Hara Das
" Raghunath Misra, M.L.A.
R Rajballabh Misra, M.L.A.
" Harihar Patel, M.L.A.
" Ghasiram Majhi, M.L.A.
" G.C. Roy
" P.K. Deo

Punjab Jathedar Udham Singh Nagoke
Sardar Basant Singh
Sardar Darshan Singh Pheruman

Rajasthan H.H. Maharawal Laxman Singh of Dungarpur
Maharani Gayatri Devi of Jaipur

Uttar Pradesh Mr. S.K.D. Paliwal
" Raghavendra Pratap Singh of Mankapur
" S.S. Shukla
" Wahidur Rehman
" Virendra Shah
" Bhanu Pratap Singh
" Ganesh Dutt Paliwal

The minutes of the last meeting held in Agra on November 24, 1961, were confirmed.

The proceedings began with a review by the President of current events, the National Emergency and matters concerning the Party organisation.

The General Council then took up for consideration the item on the Agenda concerned with an Appeal addressed to it from Bihar. It took note of the Organisation Sub-Committee's Report, a letter dated 9th February from Mr. Kamakhya Narain Singh of Ramgarh to the President and a letter dated 9th February from Mr. J.P.N.P. Singh withdrawing the Appeal, of which he was the principal signatory (copy attached).

Mr. N. Dandekar moved the resolution (copy attached) recommended by the Central Organising Committee, which noted the withdrawal of the Appeal and reaffirmed its confidence in the Central Organising Committee, the Parliamentary Board and in their members including Mr. K.M. Munshi, Vice-President, and Mr. M.R. Masani, General

Secretary, against whom unjustified allegations had been made in the Appeal. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Saw Ganesan.

The President of the Delhi unit, Col. H.R. Pasricha, then rose to point out the fact that members had ~~not~~ been given an opportunity to discuss the Appeal which had been made to them and expressed his strong disapproval of the manner in which the members of the General Council were being treated in the matter.

Mr. T. Krishnamma, the State General Secretary of the Andhra unit, then rose to point out that since he had given notice of a resolution, he expected that it should be discussed and if necessary he would withdraw it later.

Both Col. Pasricha's and Mr. T. Krishnamma's points were disallowed by the President on the ground that the matter was covered by the resolution of Mr. N. Dandekar which held the floor.

The General Secretary, Mr. M.R. Masani, explained to Col. Pasricha and Mr. T. Krishnamma the need to close the issue in view of the withdrawal of the Appeal and the letter of regret addressed to the President by Mr. Kamakhya Narain Singh of Ramgarh.

Rajaji made a few remarks expressing his satisfaction at the withdrawal of the Appeal and the letter placed before the Council from the State President of Bihar.

The resolution was then put to vote and carried nem con.

THE VICTORY PLAN

A "Victory Plan" prepared by Mr. J.M. Lobo Prabhu and circulated to members present was then taken up for discussion and Mr. J.M. Lobo Prabhu spoke on the draft he had submitted. On Rajaji's suggestion, the document was referred to the Parliamentary Board for consideration.

The meeting then adjourned for coffee.

After the interval, the General Council took up for consideration the draft statement on the "National Emergency" placed before it by the Central Organising Committee. The Statement was moved by Mr. K.M. Munshi and seconded by Mr. M.R. Masani.

Certain amendments suggested by S.S. Shukla and Mr. Lobo Prabhu to the statement were withdrawn by them after discussion.

Among those who spoke in support of the resolution were Mr. V.P. Menon, Maharani Gayatri Devi, Mr. Bhanu Pratap Singh and Sir Homi Mody.

The meeting then adjourned for lunch.

The adjourned meeting convened again at 4-30 p.m., the discussion on the draft Statement was resumed and Prof. M. Ruthnaswamy, Mr. K.H. Srinivasan, Mr. S. Narayanaswamy and Prof. Martin Narayan spoke in support of the statement.

Certain amendments suggested to the draft by Mr. R.N. Singh Deo of Patna were discussed and accepted.

Rajaji then addressed the Council and dwelt at length on the various aspects of the Resolution and the present political situation in the country. Rajaji also touched upon matters relating to the Party's organisation and complimented Mr. R.N. Singh Deo of Patna, the President of the Orissa unit and the Leader of the Opposition in the Orissa Assembly, on the excellent and dignified manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the Party in that State as well as the manner in which he led the Party in the Assembly, and hoped that Party leaders in other States would emulate his example.

The Resolution was then put to the vote and adopted unanimously.

The meeting concluded with closing remarks by the President, Professor Ranga.