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My dear Masani,

Received the communication from you regarding the writ filed against the pre-censorship order. We are very happy that you have taken ^{up} cudgels on the issue and instilled a sense of the morale in the otherwise drab and corrosive atmosphere. I would like to convey that myself and many friends here are fully with you in this struggle. We would like to be ^{of some} ~~any~~ help to you if possible. We are glad that you have shown a rare courage of conviction and provide a leadership for a fight against the present dictatorship.

Here, we are also filing writ against pre-censorship order on behalf of ^{the} two journals i.e. Sadhana and Manav-samaj. In Manavsamaj we have included articles on emergency, press censorship, economic programme and comments on various events. We hope that this will be a memorable legal battle.

The opposition tempo in Gujarat is building up. We had 5 to 6 individuals offering satyagrah at more than 12 district centres ~~for over~~ from the 15 July to 25 July. On 26th July we had a big rally in Ahmedabad addressed by the Chief Minister. It attracted the crowd estimated around 50 to 60 thousand. In addition, in 13 to 14 district towns, similar rallies were organised and all of them were addressed by various ministers. In all the rallies, the oath to restore democracy and to resist dictatorship was read and approved. This has been a great morale booster. The arrangement of publishing and distributing Janta News Bulletin is also getting well organised. This is for your information.

With love and regards,

Yours sincerely,
K. D. Desai
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