

Swatantra Party Parliamentary Office

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Minutes of the Meeting

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Party in Parliament was held at 10.15 A.M. on Wednesday, June 21, 1967 in the Party Committee Room, Central Hall, Parliament Street, New Delhi. The following were present;

1. Prof. N.G. Ranga (in the Chair)
2. Mr. M.R. Masani
3. Mr. J.M. Lobo Prabhu
4. Mr. K.P. Singh Deo
5. Mr. S.S. Mariswamy
6. Prof. M. Ruthnaswamy
7. Mr. N. Dandekar
8. Mr. Y.G. Gowd
9. Mr. K.M. Kaushik
10. Mr. C.C. Desai

Party's reactions to the recent explosion of hydrogen bomb by Communist China was discussed. The Party's attitude had been detailed earlier on numerous occasions. As it was not economically feasible for us to manufacture atomic and also militarily inadvisable, the Party was in favour of taking a nuclear shield or guarantee from friendly countries.

It was decided that we should move a motion for reference of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Bill to Select Committee and also for its circulation for eliciting public opinion. Shri C.C. Desai was requested to speak on the subject.

The Party was opposed to joining any Select Committee which is proposed to be set up regarding Nath Pai's Bill dealing with the Fundamental Rights. It was decided that our members should be requested to be present in the House on Friday, 23rd June, when the Bill comes up for discussion and oppose any motion either for its reference to a Select Committee or for its being passed by the House.

The following changes were made regarding the Speakers for various demands for grants:

Transport	Shri N. Dandekar to speak in place of Shri M.R. Masani
Industrial Development	Mr. C.C. Desai to speak in place of Shri N.K. Somani
Home Affairs	Shri N.K. Somani to speak in place of Nawabzada Rampur.

If Shri Somani does not agree to speak on Home Affairs, then it was decided that efforts should be made to adjust him against one of the economic ministries' demands.

Party's attitude to the proposed Parliamentary Delegation to Naxalbari was discussed. Members were informed of the letter

which has been written to the West Bengal Chief Minister in this regard by leaders of various parties. The Members felt that if the West Bengal Government was opposed to such a delegation we should not precipitate matters. After receiving a reply from the West Bengal Chief Minister this question be discussed again by the Executive.

The Party was opposed to any move on the part of the Government to continue the National Emergency.

Mr. Lobo Prabhu reported to the Committee about the interview which the Secretaries had for appointment as Research Assistants in our Parliamentary Office. Shri R.V. Subramanian was recommended against one of these vacancies on a salary of Rs.450.00 subject to termination of services on one month's notice.

It was decided that the Party's Executive should meet after the House rises on every Friday to discuss business for the next week.

The Committee of informed of a Resolution regarding opening up of the Suez Canal which Shri S.K. Tapuriah has tabled on behalf of the Party. The Resolution was approved by the Committee.

J.M. Lobo Prabhu
Secretary