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My dear Mr. Dandekar,

It was shocking to read in today's morning newspaper the news about Mr. Masani's resignation as a member of the National Executive and of the Central Parliamentary Board of the Party.

I am sure you will agree with me that while some of us do share the feelings of exasperation and disappointment at some of the events that have taken place in our Party, particularly the latest developments in Gujarat, the very thought that men like Mr. Masani who are responsible for building up the Party should be thinking in terms of quitting the Party posts should provoke all of us to take every possible step to put our house in order.

I am writing this letter to you, Sir, as a member of the All India General Council of our Party which has elected Mr. Masani and you to the National Executive of our Party. I am sure that all the members of the General Council are extremely disturbed at these developments which have led Mr. Masani to take this extreme step. With the Hariyana elections round the corner and all round deterioration of political situation in the country, we simply cannot afford to divide our ranks. The country has great expectations from our Party and it will be a pity if because of a few misguided members of our Party, things are allowed to go astray.

I suggest an emergency meeting of the General Council of our Party should be summoned at once to discuss the situation arising out of Mr. Masani's resignation letter and to decide the course of action which will prevent any further deterioration. I am aware of the fact that in about two months time, our National Executive will be meeting at Bhubaneshwar and this matter will be taken up at that meeting at Bhubaneshwar, but I feel that we cannot afford to wait so long. As Mr. Masani says "the conscience of our Party is dying" and we cannot afford to wait for two more months, to stir it up.

I am also writing to all my other colleagues of the General Council requesting them to write to you to call a meeting of the General Council. I hope, Sir, you will be kind enough to consider this request and call a meeting of the General Council.

With fond regards,

Yours sincerely,

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