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My dear Masani,

X I learn that you have once again stressed the need for a Democratic Front to be formed with all the non-Communist and non-Congress parties. I have not been able to get the paper which has published this news.

I dare say Dandekar has informed you what happened during the discussions we had with Shri Charan Singh and the B.K.D Secretary on the 15th inst at Delhi. They wanted a new Party to be formed by the merger of all non-Communist, non-Congress and non-Jan Sangh parties and elements. So your formula does not exclude the Jan Sangh. Bikaner has also been mooted such an idea of forming yet a new Party and we did not agree to such leap-frog process, since there would be no finale for such transformations.

X Jan Sangh, is unwilling, as you know, for any such merger. B.K.D is unwilling to join us but is keen on working in association with us, now that it is obliged to find funds etc during the mid-term election in U.P and a similar liability in the offing in Bihar.

✓ Bhenu Pratap is just not confident enough to face the mid-term election, without some effective agreement with the B.K.D in U.P and already two or three of our M.L.As have gone over to the B.K.D.

In Bihar, Maha Maya Prasad is also obliged to seek funds and friends. He has a number of workers and has a good mass front and appeal. He lacks

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an effective organisation, though he is in a much better position than any other non-Congress, non-Socialist organisation or Party. We are in a very weak position.

I request you, therefore, to discuss these matters with Dandekar and let me have your advice.

Affectionately yours,

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