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Gujarat Swatantra crisis averted

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AHMEDABAD, April 22: The crisis that threatened to split the Swatantra Party in Gujarat following the defeat of its official candidate in the recent Rajya Sabha election seems to have been averted.

Mr. H. M. Patel, Chairman of the party, told newsmen that there were no basic differences in the party. The unfortunate incident—the official candidate's defeat—had occurred due to some misunderstanding. "It was like a storm that came and passed by. The party will now emerge as strong as ever, chastened by the crisis."