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RANGA FAILS IN HIS *Patel* MISSION *Sfu/68*

AHMEDABAD, April 7 (UPI)—Swatantra chairman N. G. Ranga is understood to have failed in his bid to resolve the crisis in the State unit of the party resulting from the massive defiance of whip by legislators in the Rajya Sabha elections last month.

Mr Ranga, who arrived here on Thursday, discussed State party affairs yesterday with over a dozen local leaders, including Mr. Bhaulabhai Patel, who had resigned as leader of the Opposition following the defeat of the party's nominees in the Rajya Sabha poll.

While some members of the "official" group strongly pleaded for disciplinary action against those who had defied the whip, the spokesmen of the dissidents were believed to have taken the position that the Central leadership, which had not given any guidance despite their representations prior to the Rajya Sabha poll, was to blame for the present situation.

Mr Ranga told newsmen that he would report to the party's central executive on his discussions here.

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Resolution moved by Mr.P.K.Deo and unanimously adopted by the
General Council

The General Council of the Swatantra Party views with concern
the growing interference of the Centre in the working of State
Governments and using the institution of Governor to instal minority
Governments in the States.