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Minoo Masani, a retired politician and former ambassador, crossed legal swords with the censor over "Freedom First", a monthly pamphlet that espouses free trade and liberal principles. The final judgment of the Bombay high court was firmly in Masani's favor and included the judges' opinion that "The censor is appointed the nursemaid of democracy and not its gravedigger."

Upheld by the courts, Masani met trouble from another direction:

"Dear Mr. Masani,

"Kindly note that due to circumstances beyond our control we shall not be in a position to print further issues of 'Freedom First'.

"It is regrettable that our association with this journal has now to be discontinued with the August issue.

"Wishing you all the best and with kind regards."

Masani said he had little doubt that the printer's letter was prodded by the authorities. "It's a war of nerves," he said.