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**Masani Resigns
From Party Post**

BOMBAY, April 3.—Mr M. R. Masani has resigned as Chairman of the Swatantra Party but assured the party that as a member he would continue "to advocate the philosophy and principles of the party to the best of my capacity", reports PTL.

According to a UNI report from Madras, the Swatantra Party leader, Mr C. Rajagopalachari, said in Madras today that he was "trying to persuade" Mr Masani to withdraw his resignation and "continue to head the party". Mr Rajagopalachari said this when he was asked to comment on Mr Masani's resignation from the presidentship of the party.