

Ch. Charan Singh III  
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NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE

5, Parliament House,  
New Delhi - 110 001  
August 17, 1983

PRESS NOTE

Chaudhary Charan Singh is to be Chairman of the Coordination Committee of the National Democratic Alliance, and Shri A.B. Vajpayee is to be Chairman of the N.D.A. in Parliament.

At its first meeting this morning the National Democratic Alliance in Parliament elected its office bearers as follows:-

- 1. Chairman of Parliamentary Party ... Shri A.B. Vajpayee
- 2. Leader, Lok Sabha ... Ch. Charan Singh
- 3. Leader, Rajya Sabha ... Shri L.K. Advani

This meeting was presided over by Ch. Charan Singhji.

Shri Vajpayee's name was proposed by Ch. Charan Singh and seconded by Shri Satish Agarwal.

Ch. Charan Singh's name was proposed by Shri A.B. Vajpayee and seconded by Shri N.K. Sifejwalkar and

Shri L.K. Advani's name was proposed by Shri Satpal Malik and seconded by Shri J.P. Yadva.

Shri A.B. Vajpayee announced that a Co-ordination Committee would be formed to co-ordinate the activities of the two parties both inside Legislatures and outside, and that Ch. Charan Singh would be the Chairman of the Committee.

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Sd/- Rajendra Sharma  
Office Secretary.



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PRESS RELEASE

Presiding over the inaugural meeting of the National Democratic Alliance in Parliament, Ch. Charan Singh said this morning that the decision of the Lok Dal and the B.J.P. to forge this alliance was a major step towards strengthening democracy in the country. A healthy democracy envisages a strong opposition, he said.

Shri Charan Singh said that the Congress (I) Government's dismal failure on all fronts had created a sense of disillusion and resentment as intense as had been witnessed in 1977, with this difference that while in 1977 the anti-Congress feeling was essentially in the Northern States, in 1983 the Southern States are as much affected, if not more, by this mood.

The Lok Dal leader said that this Alliance was not an ad hoc, or loose arrangement, but was the considered outcome of prolonged discussions and deliberations spread over a period of four or five months. All these discussions had clearly revealed that in terms of programme and approach there was great homogeneity and harmony in the thinking of our two parties. It is, therefore, that we have decided to work together in Parliament, in Legislature and also outside.

Addressing this meeting the B.J.P. Leader, Shri A.B. Vajpayee, said that this was an important day in current political history. Formation of the N.D.A. in Parliament reminded him of the fact that in 1952 it was Dr. Syama Prasad Mukherjee who had made a similar effort and succeeded in forming the National Democratic Front in the Lok Sabha. In the present case, he said that our decision to work together was not confined to Parliament, but it would extend to the legislatures, and also to the functioning of parties outside, and in the elections.

Shri Vajpayee said that in 1977 after the formation of the Janata Party it appeared that a bipolar polity had emerged. But the experiment did not last long. There was a meeting of parties but there was no meeting of minds. We are determined not to repeat mistakes of the past.

The B.J.P. leader said that the need of a strong opposition was so obvious that the press, by and large, had welcomed the formation of the National Democratic Alliance. Another pointer of the correctness of this move was the fact that the Congress (I) camp was in jitters. Formation of the Alliance had evoked an immediate and sharp reaction from the Prime Minister herself.

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So far as other parties are concerned, Shri Vajpayee said we would welcome such parties as are committed to national unity and democracy and to the concept of socio-economic transformation on Gandhian lines. Shri Vajpayee said that the formation of the Alliance was not a merger of the two parties, because we believe that though opposition unity is important, opposition credibility is no less important. We have to demonstrate to the people our capacity to work together, he said.

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Sd/-Rajendra Sharma  
Office Secretary.

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## LEADERS

### New Alliance

Sir, — In your editorial "Important Step" (August 10), you have rightly described the coming together of the BJP and the Lok Dal to form a "National Democratic Alliance" as a welcome and significant development. There is a dire need for a national alternative—a political force which will represent diverse class and linguistic interests and cut across social, economic and communal barriers. The BJP-Lok Dal alliance is the first step in this direction. This alliance may prove more enduring than earlier unity attempts precisely because of their ideological proximity and logical complementarity of the interests of both groups.

As you have pointed out, between them the BJP and Lok Dal control a very impressive section of the electorate in U.P., M.P., Bihar, Haryana—the crucial Hindi heartland states—as well as Orissa, Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat, Rajasthan and even parts of Karnataka and Maharashtra. This alliance can be a reckonable factor by itself in the next elections. While the Lok Dal-BJP alliance is at variance with the Vijayawada spirit of omnibus opposition unity, (because there is no possibility of all opposition parties coming together under one umbrella) it has the advantage of the minimum of bickering and cantankerous elements. The absence of communist disruptionists and professional splitters of the socialist hue increases the alliance's survival chances.

Other "like-minded" parties, particularly the Janata Party, have been invited to join the NDA and the Lok Dal-BJP leaders should try to woo regional stalwarts like NTR and Dr. Farooq Abdullah.

M. P. CHAWLA

New Delhi

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## BJP executive approves CPI-M will watch BJP, LD alliance with LD

Hindustan Times Correspondent

PATNA, Aug. 19 — The national executive of the Bharatiya Janata Party, which started its three-day deliberations here today, okayed the alliance forged recently with the Lok Dal.

Congratulating Mr A. B. Vajpayee and Mr Charan Singh on their alliance, the executive also welcom-

ed their joint statement that it was not an ad hoc or loose arrangement but a major step towards strengthening democracy in the country.

Briefing newsmen after the day's session, Mr L. K. Advani said the democratic forces were quite optimistic about the alliance emerging as a viable alternative to the ruling party. However, in this context, he made it clear that the sponsors of the alliance were ready to join hands with all nationalist and democratic forces, but it would not have anything to do with the CPI, the CPM and the Muslim League.

At the outset, Mr Vajpayee had reported the progress of his talks with leaders of different parties, including Mr Chandra Shekhar, Mr Jagjivan Ram, Mr H. N. Bahuguna and Mr Sarad Pawar.

The executive would discuss, among other things, the proposed constitutional amendment for the delimitation of Lok Sabha constituencies, the situation in Sri Lanka, the Assam agitation and the Punjab tangle.

Answering a question, Mr Advani said the proposed delimitation of constituencies had created a kind of uncertainty in the minds of the sitting Lok Sabha members. Therefore, the executive would go into all aspects of the proposed exercise.

Union Finance Minister Prajwal Mukherjee had called a meeting of all Opposition leaders to discuss the proposed amendment in the Constitution on Aug. 22.

The BJP executive also demanded immediate declaration of famine in the drought-hit districts of Bihar on the basis of a comprehensive report submitted by State unit chief Kajlashpati Mishra.

Earlier, it condoled the death of Mr G. D. Birla, former Lok Sabha Speaker Sardar Hukam Singh, former Madhya Pradesh Governor Satya Narain Sinha and former Bihar Assembly Speaker Ram Narain Mandal.

## CPI-M will watch BJP, LD alliance

BANGALORE, Aug. 19 (PTI)—The CPI-M general secretary, Mr E. M. S. Namboodiripad, told newsmen here today that his party's attitude towards the National Democratic Alliance formed by the BJP and the Lok Dal depended upon the "shape it takes."

Mr Namboodiripad said his party had no plan at present to join the alliance. But "don't come to the conclusion that we will fight the alliance as much as we fight the Congress-I," he added.

Asked whether he would rule out the possibility of his party joining the alliance completely, the CPI-M leader shot back: "In politics who can rule out what?" He also pointed out that in 1977 his party co-operated with the then Janata and "we are not apologetic about it."

Mr Namboodiripad, however, regretted that efforts were being made "to knock together an alliance of what are called non-Communist Opposition" parties. Such efforts would only strengthen the hands of the Congress-I.

The CPI-M leader accused Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of trying to divide the Opposition through her "systematic campaign."

He did not agree that the differences between the CPI and the CPI-M had widened after his recent visit to China. "This report is wrong as much as the earlier report that we are merging," he added.

## Morarji silent on Reddy's role

BOMBAY, Aug. 19 (UNI)—Former Prime Minister Morarji Desai today declined to comment on a news item published in a section of the Press on former President Sanjiva Reddy's role during the Janata Party rule.

When Mr Desai's attention was drawn to an article published in a Bombay monthly magazine "Imprint" regarding his strained relations with Mr Reddy, he said "I have nothing to say."

The Times of India

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# Alliance endorsed BJP executive



PATNA, August 19 (UNI).

**T**HE national executive of the BJP today endorsed the party's alliance with the Lok Dal, but favoured that the alliance experiment should be analysed before any merger of the two parties takes place.

Briefing newsmen on the first day of the three-day national executive

meeting here, the party general-secretary, Mr L. K. Advani, said the merger had initially been favoured by the Lok Dal president but was deferred at the instance of the BJP.

Mr Advani said reaction of the state party presidents to the alliance formation was "enthusiastic" and the party, on the basis of its past experience, was hopeful of success.

Mr Advani said the national executive might prepare a proposal for broadening the alliance but the communist parties had been "specifically excluded" from any possible alliance.

It might also discuss the Mandal commission report in its meeting. The party was by and large in favour of its implementation, he added.

He said the party was apprehensive of mid-term poll, but it was delayed because of the Congress (I) debacle in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka assembly elections last year. Now the alliance was causing a threat to the Congress (I).

Mr Advani said the executive would discuss, among other things, the Sri Lanka affairs and Punjab and Assam problems. Discussion on the Sarkaria commission for reviewing Centre-state relations was another item on the agenda.

August 23, 1983

FOR FAVOUR OF PUBLICATION

It must be sorrowfully confessed that after a spell of 36 years our long-suffering Motherland — a place of immense cultural treasure and ancient wisdom — stands perilously again on the brink of further disintegration to-day. All the cords that bind or weld human beings into an entity have been snapped or nearly snapped. Communalism, sectarianism, casteism and linguism have already taken a heavy toll of the values of nationalism. This state of affairs is directly attributable to the failure of our political leadership. The final blow has been struck by the over-vaulting ambition of our astute Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi, to establish a dynastic rule. Needless to say, some foreign powers are lending a helping hand to us in the consummation of our death-wish.

In all probability, our beloved country, with its present confines, would not have come to this pass, had we summoned the courage, if courage it at all required, to rise above self and to implement the following resolution. This resolution was moved on the floor of the Constituent Assembly (Legislative) by Shri Anantshayan Iyenger, seconded by Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru and adopted by the Assembly on April 3, 1948 :

"Whereas it is essential for the proper functioning of democracy and the growth of national unity and solidarity that communalism should be eliminated from Indian life, this Assembly is of opinion that no communal organisation which by its Constitution or by exercise of discretionary power vested in any of its officers and organs, admits to, or excludes from its membership persons on grounds of religion, race and caste, or any of them, should be permitted to engage in any activities other than those essential for the bonafide religious, cultural, social and educational needs of the community, and that all steps, legislative and administrative, necessary to prevent such activities should be taken".

The National Democratic Alliance proposes to hold a mass rally at the national head-quarters here in Delhi as also in the States' capitals all over the country on October 2 next with a view to explain to the people the danger that faces them and faces our future generations also who are not present here to-day to protect their interests.

Sd/-  
Atal Bohari Vajpayee  
President, B.J.P.

Sd/-  
Charan Singh  
President, Lok Dal

*R. S. Yadav*  
Samar Pal Singh,  
Office Secretary.

## BJP-Dal alliance 365 members



Hindustan Times Correspondent

NEW DELHI, Aug. 22—The National Democratic Alliance of the Lok Dal and the Bharatiya Janata Party has a total of 365 members in the various State Legislatures and 61 members in Parliament, it is claimed.

The legislature parties in all the States are to constitute the Alliance and form single blocs, according to the decision of the Alliance taken last week. Office bearers of the Alliance groups will also be completed soon. The BJP accounts for 250 and the Lok Dal 115 members of the State Legislatures.

There will, however, no change in the complexion of the two parties in the State Legislatures. The BJP already enjoys the status of Opposition party in Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan Assemblies, and the Lok Dal does so in the two Houses of the UP State Legislature. The accretion to the strength of the Alliance in these States will not be substantial because the Lok Dal has very few members in the Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan Assemblies and the BJP has only a handful in the two Houses of the State Legislature in UP.

Some change, however, will take place in Bihar, although the Janata Party will continue to be the main Opposition party in the Assembly as its strength has recently gone up with the merger of the Lok Dal (Karpuri). There will be no significant change in other State Legislatures for the Alliance.

However, the Alliance strength of 365 is higher than the combined strength of the Janata Party, the Congress-S, the Democratic Socialist Party, the Congress-I and the Janvadi Party taken together in all the State Legislatures. This number comes, BJP sources claim to 277.

In the Lok Sabha, the combined strength of these parties is 37 against the Alliance strength of 36. In the Rajya Sabha the Alliance has 26 members compared to 27 of these parties taken together.



## Janata keeps on electoral alliances



Hindustan Times Correspondent

NEW DELHI, Aug. 22—In the context of the realignment of forces opposed to the Congress-I contemplated before the next general elections are held, the Janata Party envisages three alternatives for preventing multi-cornered contests.

The first is the outright merger of all the parties that were once part of the Janata Party, a course the Janata leaders like to call "rekindling of the spirit of 1977." The party still sticks to this view, first given expression to at the meeting of the National Executive of the Party at Ahmedabad last year.

Although the response to this call has been negligible, Janata Party leaders have been encouraged to reiterate this view in recent days after a "homecoming" of sorts on the part of senior Lok Dal leaders like Mr Madhu Limaye, Mr George Fernandes, Mr Kapoori Thakur, Mr Mamvilas Paswan etc.

In case this does not come about the Janata Party would like to form a programme-based alliance of like-minded parties before the elections. Under this scheme, the individual parties would retain their separate identities, but would not set up candidates against other constituents of the alliance.

The third alternative is an omnibus alliance of all parties opposed to the Congress-I irrespective of whether they belong to the right or the left. The only motive for forging this loose alliance is to defeat the Congress-I at the Lok Sabha polls due ordinarily in January 1983.

Janata party leaders barely conceal their disappointment over the National Democratic Alliance formed by the Lok Dal and the BJP and feel that this step will isolate both parties. It was a hasty decision taken as a result of serious misgivings cropping up among leaders of the two parties about the future prospects following the electoral reverses suffered by both in recent days.

However, the Janata Party scheme of "rekindling the spirit of 1977" does not exclude the BJP and the Lok Dal, according to senior party leaders.

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# Lok Dal digs its grave

by PRADEEP MATHUR

NEW DELHI, August 23 — From the Congress to the Lok Dal through a series of other political brand names like the BKD, BLD and then the Janata Party, it has been a long history of political alignments and break-ups for Mr Charan Singh in his chequered political career. However, it must be said either to his credit or to the feudal character of our traditional society that

Edit: NDA — right & left

the veteran "kisan leader" always kept his hold on his support base — the area comprising the sprawling fields of western UP and the communities living there whose main or secondary vocation is agriculture. The National Democratic Alliance the Lok Dal

chief has forged with the Bhartiya Janata Party, however, threatens to erode this base for the first time unless he decided to go back on it.

Mr. Charan Singh has taken his following for granted and perhaps for good reason too, because his men have followed him

wherever he preferred to go and with whomsoever he sought to join hands. However, it seems he has carried this a little too far in aligning with the BJP. Now he is a "mahama" without followers whose closest disciples are in no mood to listen to him.

Some of the staunch loyalists of

Mr Charan Singh like Mr Salpal Malik, general secretary of the Lok Dal parliamentary party and Mr Jagpal Singh, the fiery young member of the Lok Sabha, have openly opposed the decision. Though they do not intend to leave Mr Charan Singh in a huff and may even go with him for the time being, the break in the Lok Dal on the issue of the alliance is only a matter of time.

These young leaders feel that Mr Charan Singh has been tricked into aligning with the BJP as the tie-up is more in the interest of the BJP. As is common knowledge by now, there is a growing chasm between BJP chief Atal Behari Vajpayee and the RSS. It is to strengthen his hold and put him in a bargaining position in relation to the RSS bosses that Mr Vajpayee has

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## 'Alliance plans mass rallies'

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sought an alliance with Mr Charan Singh.

Meanwhile, stories are afloat as to how Mr Vajpayee has been able to win over Mr Charan Singh. When a threatening letter was again received by Mr Charan Singh at the start of the current monsoon session of Parliament, of all persons Mr Vajpayee took up the issue in the House. In his usual sentimental tone, Mr Vajpayee said the country would be put on fire if anything happens to Mr Charan Singh.

This was later conveyed to Mr Charan Singh as proof of the high personal regard Mr Vajpayee keeps him in. The groundwork for preparing Mr Charan Singh to agree to the alliance had been laid. The other developments were to follow soon.

Doubts are being raised even about the veracity of these letters. It is being said that the letters are not being sent by Akali extremists but by some other interested groups. A prominent Lok Dal functionary told Herald that the letters had served to create a rift between the Lok Dal and the Akalis who kept Mr Charan Singh in high esteem. "It seems it is a confrontation only between us and the Akalis."

The interests the Lok Dal and the BJP members represent are so irreconcilable in nature that a merger would be impossible. The sections of the Lok Dal leadership, now busy organising a movement of the backward classes, are an anathema to the high-caste based BJP. The Lok Dal leaders are wondering that even if they are to win at the hustings because of the alliance, what will they do with the political power if it has to be shared with those to whom they are socially opposed. This feeling has led to a state of evenism in which the younger lot thinks whether it will not be better to work in the villages for social change than waste time on pursuit of power that proves to be a mirage at the end.

Meanwhile, the alliance will hold mass rallies in Delhi and in the state capitals on October two next to warn people against the threat posed to India's integrity by divisive forces.

This was announced in a joint statement issued here today by Mr Charan Singh and Mr Vajpayee.

The proposed rallies, to be addressed by the leaders of the two parties, are intended to "explain to the people the danger that faces them and faces our future generations also who are not present here today to protect their interests."

"Communalism, sectarianism, casteism and linguism have already taken a heavy toll of the values of Nation." Mr Charan Singh and Mr Vajpayee said adding "this state of affairs is directly attributable to the failure of our political leadership."



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NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE

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August 25, 1983

FOR FAVOUR OF PUBLICATION:

The Central Co-ordination Committee of the National Democratic Alliance has been constituted as follows:

1. Chaudhary Charan Singh - Chairman
2. Shri Vijay Kumar Malhotra - Secretary

MEMBERS:

3. Shri Lal Behari Vajpayee
4. Smt. Vijaya Raje Scindia
5. Shri Shyam Nandan Mishra
6. Shri Sikandar Bakht
7. Shri Lal Krishan Advani
8. Shri Gajendra Prasad Himanshu
9. Shri Rashid Masood
10. Shri Rameshwar Singh
11. Shri Suraj Bhan
12. Shri Satya Prakash Gautam

Sd/- Lal Krishan Advani

Sd/- Shyam Nandan Mishra

*Samar Pal Singh*  
(SAMAR PAL SINGH)  
Office Secretary.

ence, festivals and other activities  
like new tourist centres.—Yours  
etc.,  
(PRO TO SIKKIM GOVERNOR)  
Gangtok

### Will NDA Survive?

Sir,—The decision of the BJP and Lok Dal to form a National Democratic Alliance is not a "joke" as the Prime Minister has stated in her spontaneous reaction. This is the only really effective alliance which can prove costly for the Congress-I in UP, Bihar, H-P and to some extent in M-P. With J&K, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, A-P and Karnataka already out of bounds for her, Mrs Indira Gandhi will be in a very tight corner in the Lok Sabha elections whenever they are held.

This will be if the two parties sincerely stick to the alliance. The only pertinent question is, 'have the BJP and the LD decided to swim or sink together.' The most probable answer is, 'if so, they are sure to swim together. If not, they are going to sink, be it together or singly.'—Yours etc.,

S. P. AGGARWAL  
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Sir,—Sitanshu Das has done a good job in reading Charan Singh-Vajpayee hands in 'Why Charan

Singh Chose BJP' (HT, Aug. 12). He rightly says that 'election defeats this year in North India' made one need the other. BJP, a 'town-bred' party, sees a good friend in 'Backward Caste farmers' of Charan Singh. But, it is most illusory to say today that an 'entire village' or an 'entire town' is their mantle.

A word of caution to both will be, first, to get rid of Indira-phobia, and to forget that 1985 will be 1977. People have seen that their 'plight' and 'hammer-sickles' are not those that bring revolutions.—Yours etc.,

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### III

Sir,—Sitanshu Das in his article, 'Why Charan Singh Chose BJP' (HT, Aug. 12), has rightly analysed the actual reasons. The possible answer, as given in your article, "Politics is the art of the possible," is hundred per cent correct. At present Charan Singh has no alternative except this alliance.

I think this National Democratic Alliance will not run for long because Charan Singh is the man who wants to make himself always a 'superman'.—Yours etc.,

ABDUL BAQUI KHAN  
Afghanpura (Fatkota),  
Deoband (Sabaranpur), U.P.



1-9-83

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE  
CENTRAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE.

Minutes of meeting held on 31.8.1983 at 4.00 P.M. at 15 Windsor Place, New Delhi-110 001.

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A meeting of the Central Co-ordination Committee of National Democratic Alliance was held under the Chairmanship of Ch. Charan Singh.

The Co-ordination Committee decided to observe National Integration Week from 2nd October to 9th October, 1983. Joint public meetings and rallies by Lok Dal and Bhartiya Janata Party will be held throughout India at all levels. State level meetings will be addressed by Ch. Charan Singh, Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee and other national leaders of both parties. Besides stressing the importance of National Integration during the National Integration week, main thrust would be to explain to the people how the present regime at the Centre is primarily responsible for rise of seperatist forces and disintegration in the country.

N.D.A. expressed concern at the deteriorating health of veteran leader Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan and lack of adequate medical attention to him. It prayed for his early recovery.

N.D.A. also condemned the active ~~and~~ aid and abetment of the Madhya Pradesh Government and its Police machinery in forcible seizure and plunder the trust and other property with which B.J.B. Leader Rajmata Vijaya Raje Scindia is associated.

The Committee decided that joint blocks of B.J.P. and Lok Dal members in various legislatures should be formed within three weeks.

According to another decision the Coordination Committees consisting of State Presidents, General Secretaries and Leaders of the Legislature groups of both the parties would be formed at the State level to coordinate the joint activities in legislature and outside and, in particular, to guide and direct the struggles to be launched in States.

The Chairman and Secretary N.D.A. would take necessary steps to implement the decisions regarding the formation of joint legislature groups and state level coordination committees.

Joint statement by Ch. Charan Singh and Shri A.J. Vajpayee  
on behalf of the National Democratic Alliance.

We are dismayed at our Prime Minister, Smt. Indira Gandhi's statement on the developments in Pakistan and its subsequent clarification as reported in the National press. In a quite extraordinary manner the Prime Minister commented on the recent happenings inside Pakistan, supporting the struggle against the Pakistani regime. In justification of her statement the Prime Minister said: "We are for democracy, and shall ever be so. We have to oppose injustice everywhere. We want that there should be democracy everywhere. And by supporting the cause of democracy and opposing injustice, India is not doing anything improper or bad . . . . . When such things happen in our neighbourhood, we are moved because these have repercussions in our own country. Therefore, we cannot just keep our eyes shut".

There is no gainsaying the fact that all of us committed to democracy and human rights would like to see them flourish everywhere, both at home and abroad. But the question arises whether the government of India or any other country can flout all diplomatic norms and do or say anything that could be interpreted as interference in another country's internal affairs. By her ill-considered remarks, not only has the Prime Minister offered provocation to the government of Pakistan, but has also weakened the cause of those seeking democratic rights in that troubled land, by creating the impression that they are being instigated and supported by a foreign power. The Prime Minister's statement would come hardy to the Government of Pakistan vindicating President Zia's claim that there is a foreign hand working against his government!

It is doubly unfortunate that the Prime Minister should have spoken thus when India is Chairman of the Non-aligned Movement. By her statement, the Prime Minister is encouraging a dangerous new doctrine which would permit every nation to interfere in the affairs of another in the pursuit of its ideology. And if Prime Minister's views with the veneer of a doctrine were to gain currency, would not India herself have to bear the brunt of many threats from abroad? The Prime Minister's statement has rudely shaken the edifice of NAM built by the painstaking efforts of the founders of the Movement, an edifice one of the main pillars of which has been international acceptance of the principle of non-interference.

It would also look peculiarly odd at this juncture that, while the Government of India does not hesitate to interfere in the internal affairs of a neighbouring country with which a Treaty of Friendship is being negotiated, it remained blissfully non-committal or silent when the sovereignty of countries like Afghanistan, Nicaragua and Poland was under attack by foreign powers. Not only that: in the case of Kampuchea Smt. Gandhi has even condoned occupation.

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In the circumstances the people of India would be perfectly justified in concluding that the Prime Minister's statement on the situation in Pakistan amounts to an attempt on her part to divert her countrymen's attention from Government's failure on all fronts with an eye on the elections that are not far-off.

While examining her exuberant expression of faith in democracy, people in this country and abroad will certainly recall to their mind the Emergency that she so cynically imposed upon her country in 1975 reducing its Constitution and the democratic liberties on which it was built, to ashes.

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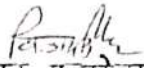
राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चा

1 सितम्बर, 1983

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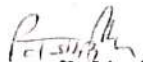
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NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE

A meeting of the Central Co-ordination Committee of National Democratic Alliance will be held on 5th September, 1983 at 4.00 p.m. at B.J.P. Central Office, 11, Ashoka Road, New Delhi to discuss the following Agenda :

1. Detailed programme of National Integration Week.
2. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.



  
( Vijay Kumar Malhotra )  
Secretary





राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चे की समन्वय समिति की  
5 सितम्बर की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त

राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चे की केन्द्रीय समन्वय समिति की बैठक 5 सितम्बर, 1983 को सायं चार बजे भारतीय जनता पार्टी कार्यालय, 11, अशोक रोड पर हुई। चौ० चरणसिंह जी ने बैठक की अध्यक्षता की। बैठक में निम्न सदस्य उपस्थित थे :

1. चौ० चरण सिंह
2. श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी
3. श्री श्यामनन्दन मिश्र
4. श्री सिकन्दर बख्त
5. श्री लालकृष्ण आडवाणी
6. श्री सत्य प्रकाश गौतम
7. श्री सूरज भान
8. श्री रामेश्वर सिंह
9. श्री विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा

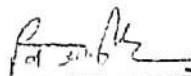
राष्ट्रीय एकता सप्ताह 2 से 11 अक्टूबर तक मनाने का निर्णय किया गया। इस अवधि में अधिक से अधिक स्थानों पर संयुक्त सार्वजनिक सभाएं की जायेंगी। निम्न कार्यक्रम के अनुसार चौधरी चरण सिंह व श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी भारतीय जनता पार्टी व लोक दल की संयुक्त सार्वजनिक सभाओं को सम्बोधित करेंगे।

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| अक्टूबर 2 | दिल्ली     |
| 3         | जयपुर      |
| 4         | फारा मथुरा |
| 6         | इंदौर      |
| 8         | लखनऊ       |
| 9         | पटना       |
| 11        | हेदराबाद   |

लोक सभा चुनावों के लिए तथा लोक सभा व विधान सभा उपचुनावों के लिए उम्मीदवारों के चयन की प्रक्रिया प्रारंभ करने का निश्चय किया गया। दोनों दलों के प्रदेश अध्यक्ष, प्रदेश महामंत्री व विधान मंडलों में दल के नेता मिलकर कौन-कौन से निर्वाचन क्षेत्रों में किस दल के उम्मीदवार अधिक प्रभावी हैं इसका निर्णय करें। अर्थात् सीटों का वटवारा राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चा की प्रदेश समन्वय समितियां करें और उप सम्बन्ध में अपनी सिफारिशें केन्द्रीय समन्वय समिति को भेजें। जिन सीटों के संबंध में सर्वसम्मत निर्णय न हो सके, उन्हें केन्द्रीय नेताओं के समक्ष भेज दिया जाय।

उम्मीदवारों का चयन दोमों पार्टियां अपने-अपने विधान और प्रक्रिया के अनुसार करेंगी।

चौ० चरण सिंह जी ने कांग्रेस एन० नेता श्री शरद पवार से हुई अपनी बातचीत पर प्रकाश डाला। श्री श्यामनन्दन मिश्र ने श्री एन० टी० रामाराव से हुई वार्ता का ब्योरा दिया।

  
॥ विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा ॥  
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CENTRAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Central Coordination Committee of the National Democratic Alliance held at Delhi on September 5, 1983 :

The Central Coordination Committee of the National Democratic Alliance met in the office of the BJP at 11, Ashok Road, New Delhi at 4.00 P.M. on 5.9.1983. Ch. Charan Singh presided over the meeting. The following members were present:

1. Ch. Charan Singh
2. Shri A.B. Vajpayee
3. Shri S.N. Mishra
4. Shri Sikander Bakht
5. Shri L.K. Advani
6. Shri Satya Prakash Goutam
7. Shri Suraj Bhan
8. Shri Rameshwar Singh
9. Shri Vijay Kumar Malhotra

It was decided to observe October 2 to 11 as National Integration Week. During this period joint public meetings will be held at maximum places. Ch. Charan Singh and Shri A.B. Vajpayee will address public meetings, to be organised jointly by the BJP and the Lok Dal according to the programme given below :

|         |    |    |                 |
|---------|----|----|-----------------|
| October | 2  | at | Delhi           |
|         | 3  | at | Jaipur          |
|         | 4  | at | Farah (Mathura) |
|         | 6  | at | Indore          |
|         | 8  | at | Lucknow         |
|         | 9  | at | Patna           |
|         | 11 | at | Hyderabad       |

It was decided to begin with the process of selecting the candidates for the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections as well as for the pending bye-elections to State Assemblies and Lok Sabha constituencies. The State Presidents, General Secretaries (one from each party) and the leaders of the legislative parties of the BJP and Lok Dal will hold joint consultations to sort out the constituencies where BJP or Lok Dal can provide a more influential candidate. The State Coordination Committees will undertake the work of distribution of seats among the two parties at state level and will forward their recommendations to the Central Coordination Committee. In cases where the State Committees are not able to settle unanimously the same are to be referred to the central leaders.

The selection of candidates is to be done by the respective parties according to their own constitutional and organisational process.

Ch. Charan Singh informed the meeting about his talks with Shri Sharad Pawar. Shri S.N. Mishra gave details of his meeting with Shri N.T. Ramarao.

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PRESS RELEASE

September 3, 1983

Programme of Joint Rallies of BJP & Lok Dal  
to be addressed by Ch. Charan Singh and  
Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee :

National Democratic Alliance Rallies at other  
State capital will be organised in the II phase.

| <u>October, 1983</u> | <u>Place</u>  |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 2                    | DELHI         |
| 3                    | JAIPUR        |
| 4                    | FARAH MATHURA |
| 6                    | INDORE        |
| 8                    | LUCKNOW       |
| 9                    | PATNA         |
| 11                   | HYDERABAD     |

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Hindustan Times  
5/9/83

# Janata, Cong-S, 2 others form United Front

Hindustan Times Correspondent

NEW DELHI, Sept. 4 — A second opposition front, as an alternative to the Congress-I, came into being today with the decision of senior leaders of the Janata, Congress-S, JP and Rashtriya Congress to enter into an alliance.

Christened the "United Front", these four parties will function as constituents of an alliance both inside and outside Parliament and the Legislatures.

The alliance has reportedly the backing of Mr Morarji Desai, former Prime Minister. Mr Desai had said at Nasik yesterday that he

would welcome a Janata Party-led national alliance of all opposition parties, adding that "it should be unconditional and based on definite principles."

According to an official statement issued by the four parties, the United Front would endeavour to have "wider consolidation with other democratic, secular and progressive political forces and parties."

The United Front has not, as yet, discussed in detail its relations with other parties, but the possibilities are that it will have close co-ordination with the two communist parties, the National Conference of Jammu and Kashmir, Telugu Desam of Andhra Pradesh and the DMK of Tamil Nadu.

Sources said that the alliance will, on its own, have a definite impact on the States of Bihar, Orissa, Maharashtra and Karnataka.

The sources said that contacts were being established with Congress-I leaders in some States and the possibility of their joining the United Front could not be ruled out.

Those who attended today's meet-

ing included Mr Chandra Shekhar, Karnataka Chief Minister Ramakrishna Hoode, Prof Madhu Dandavate and Mr Biju Patnaik (Janata Party); Mr Sharad Pawar, Mr K. P. Unnikrishnan, Mrs Ambika Soni and Mr Dharam Veer Sinha (Congress-S); Mr H. N. Bahuguna, Mr Trilok Singh and Mr K. V. Raghunatha Reddy (DSP); and Mr Ratanbhai Adani and Dr Mahipatray M. Mehta (Rashtriya Congress). Among others, Mr I. K. Gujral, former Indian Ambassador to the Soviet Union was also present.

The meeting prepared a broad outline of the policies and programme of the United Front. Final touches are being given to the policies to be pursued as well as to the structure of the United Front. The meeting will continue tomorrow.

PTI, UNI add: While the response from Dr Farookh Abdullah to the alliance is said to be positive, Mr N. T. Rama Rao, Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister, is known to be hopeful of bringing about a still wider alliance or arrangement in which, if not all, most of the participants of the Vijayawada meet, would join.

The third Vijayawada-type conference initiated by Mr Ramarao on Centre-State relations is being held by Dr Abdullah at Srinagar next month where the issue is expected to come up.

The four-party Front will have 36 members in the Lok Sabha (Janata 21, DSP nine, Congress-S five and Rashtriya Congress one) as against 41 of the NDA (Lok Dal 25 and BJP 16).

In the Rajya Sabha, the strength of the Front will be 27 (Janata 22, Congress-S four and DSP one) as against 20 of the NDA (BJP 14 and Lok Dal six).

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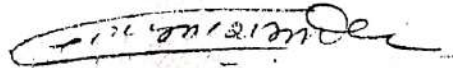
राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चे की समन्वय समिति ने 31 अगस्त, 83 को हुई बैठक में यह तय किया कि विभिन्न विधान सभाओं और विधान परिषदों में दोनों दलों के ब्लाक 3 सप्ताह के अन्दर बना लिये जाये। यह भी तय किया गया कि दोनों दलों के प्रदेश अध्यक्ष, महामंत्री जहाँ महामंत्री एक से अधिक हों वहाँ सिर्फ एक महामंत्री व विधान सभाओं में दल के नेता मिलकर प्रदेश की समन्वय समिति बना लें।

31 अगस्त को हुई बैठक की कार्यवाही की एक प्रति आपको सूचनार्थ इस परिपत्र के साथ संलग्न है। भारतीय जनता पार्टी के प्रदेशों में इस प्रकार का परिपत्र और 31 अगस्त की बैठक की कार्यवाही उनके केन्द्रीय कार्यालय से पहुंच गयी होगी।

आपसे निवेदन है कि समन्वय समिति के प्रस्तावों को शीघ्रातिशीघ्र क्रियान्वित किया जाये।

धन्यवाद।

आपका



॥ सत्यप्रकाश गोतम ॥

कोषाध्यक्ष

संलग्न : प्रथोक्त

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समस्त प्रदेश अध्यक्ष, लोक दल।



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राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चे की 31 अगस्त की  
हुई बैठक का कार्यपत्र

राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चे की प्रथम बैठक 31 अगस्त रायं 4 बजे लोक क्लब केन्द्रीय कार्यालय में हुई। चाँ० चरण सिंह जी ने बैठक की अध्यक्षता की। बैठक में निम्न सदस्य उपस्थित थे :

1. चाँधरी चरण सिंह
2. श्री विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा
3. श्री श्याम नन्दन मिश्र
4. श्री सिन्दर बख्त
5. श्री लाकृष्ण आठवाणी
6. श्री गजेन्द्र प्रसाद शिमांशु
7. श्री रशीद मसूद
8. श्री रामेश्वर सिंह
9. श्री सूरज भान
10. श्री सत्य प्रकाश गतिम

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी का चाँधरी साहब के नाम पत्र बैठक में पढ़ कर सुनाया गया जिस में उन्होंने लिखा था कि श्री क्लेश जोशी के आमरण अशन के कारण चिन्ताजनक स्थिति होने पर अकस्मात उन्हें ग्वालियर जाना पड़ा है अतः वह बैठक में उपस्थित न रह सकेंगे।

बैठक में निम्न निर्णय किये गये :

2 अक्टूबर से 9 अक्टूबर तक राष्ट्रीय एकता सप्ताह मनाने का निर्णय किया गया। इस सप्ताह के अन्तर्गत अधिक से अधिक स्थानों पर दोनों दलों की संयुक्त सार्वजनिक सभाएं हों जिनमें राष्ट्रीय एकता पर बल देने के साथ साथ श्रीमती गांधी पूनर्जातीवादी शक्तियों के प्रोत्साहन देने और राष्ट्रीय एकता को छिन्न भिन्न करने के लिए प्रमुख रूप से जिम्मेदार हैं, इसे जनता को स्पष्ट किया जाए।

प्रमुख प्रादेशिक राजधानियों में चाँधरी चरण सिंह, श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी व अन्य राष्ट्रीय नेताओं के संयुक्त भाषण हों।

राष्ट्रीय एकता सप्ताह का विस्तृत कार्यक्रम अगली बैठक में तय किया जाए।


विभिन्न विधान सभाओं व विधान परिषदों में दोनों दलों के क्लक तीन सप्ताह के भीतर बनाए जाएं।



दोनों दलों के प्रदेश प्रधान, महामंत्री व विधान सभाओं में दल नेता मिल कर संयुक्त कार्यक्रमों का समन्वय करें।

एक प्रस्ताव में खान अब्दुल गफ्फार खां के गिरते स्वास्थ्य पर चिन्ता प्रकट की गई।

एक अन्य प्रस्ताव में भाजपा नेता श्रीमती विजयराने सिंधिया से सम्बन्धित ट्रस्ट व अन्य सम्पत्ति की लूट व हानि में मध्यप्रदेश सरकार की खुली मिली भगत की निन्दा की गई।

  
॥ विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा ॥  
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Inflation has taken a heavy toll of the health of our people. Prices of articles of consumption, services like power, medicine, education and transport (bus) and of other necessities have risen, on an average by fifty percent since Congress (I) took over in January, 1980. Prices of home production are often sought to be depressed even though foreign goods e.g. food and artificial fibres have to be imported at a higher price.

All in all the ruling party has to be removed from office (in other words, Indira has to go) if the country has to be saved and made fit for our children to grow and prosper. To this task we have to address ourselves with <sup>uttermost</sup> sincerity, selflessness and dedication which our Social and Economic Programmes based on Gandhiji's ideals demand.

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15 सितम्बर, 1983

प्रिय बंधु,

राष्ट्रीय लोकतांत्रिक मोर्चे की केन्द्रीय समन्वय समिति की बैठक 20 सितम्बर प्रातः 10.00 बजे लोक दल कार्यालय, चिंउसर प्लेस में होगी।

विचारणीय विषय

- ॥1॥ प्रदेशों में संयुक्त विधायक मोर्चों व समन्वय समितियों का गठन।
- ॥2॥ उत्तर प्रदेश के "जेल भरो आंदोलन" की समीक्षा।
- ॥3॥ 2 अक्टूबर से 11 अक्टूबर तक मनाये जाने वाले राष्ट्रीय एकता सप्ताह के कार्यक्रम।
- ॥4॥ अध्यक्ष जी की अनुमति से कोई अन्य विषय।

आदर सहित,

भवदीय

*विजय*

॥विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा॥

मंत्री

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STATEMENT ISSUED BY SHRI VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA,  
SECRETARY, NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE

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National Democratic Alliance of B.J.P. and Lok Dal has decided to organise a nation-wide protest against the import of huge quantities of beef tallow, pork tallow and their large scale adulteration with Vanaspati and Deshi Ghee.

The Central Coordination Committee of N.D.A. strongly condemned the Government's connivance in this major scandal. Scores of financiers of the ruling party are believed to be involved in this heinous outrage committed on the sentiments of the people.

N.D.A. demanded an enquiry into the collusion of ministers, industrialists and officials into this sinful act and urged that severe punishment be meted out to the guilty.

N.D.A. decided to observe October 26 as 'Protest Day' throughout the country in every village, town and city, and appealed to all Indians to join in 12 hours Dharnas and observe fast on that day.

Both parties have directed their units to contact social, cultural, religious organisations and organise the 'Protest Day' in collaboration with them.

Ch. Charan Singh and Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee will observe fast and sit on Dharna at the Boat Club, New Delhi, on that day. All M.Ps, M.L.As, elected members of Panchayats, Zila Parishads, Municipalities, Corporations and respective heads of both parties will stage Dharnas at their respective places.

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