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Hundreds of workers belonging to the Handloom, Woollen, Building, Engineering & Sugar Industries of Panihal-Parade in the streets of the city & before the residence of owner of the factory & Presented him the following memorandum.

To

The Technical Manager,
Engineering & Foundry Work Centre,
PANIPAT.

Sir,

We the undersigned on behalf of workers of different industries of Panipat, protest against the unjustified action taken by you against Shree Sri Dyal Chand, Dalip Singh, Darsan Singh & Arun Chand. Because these workmen have been punished merely due to the reason that they want that workers of your factory should not be deprived of their livelihood by selling raw material allotted by the Govt., in the ~~same~~ black market.

The selling of raw material in black market is a crime which is bringing great loss to the nation with regard to national discipline, unemployment and rise in prices of commodities.

The workers have shown loyalty to their national cause, and have tried to stop their starvation life by checking black market.

We, are of the view that the management should withdraw all charge sheets against the workers, given to them due to the above reason and the material should be used for manufacturing goods & normal relation should be maintained with the labour. The workmen are not disloyal to the concern. They are loyal to the concern in which are ~~are~~ working and for its flourishing they want that the factory should function in its normal way.

We hope that you will realise the ~~difficulties~~ difficulties of the workers and charge sheets will be withdrawn as early as possible.

Dated:-

Yours faithfully,

Copy to:-

1. The Labour Commissioner, Fb;
Ambala.
2. The General Secretary, Fb; Trade Union Congress,
Ambala city.

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Amar Mookerjee,
9, Ambika Ghosal Lane,
P.O. Sibpore, Howrah
26. 4. 58

Comrade S. A. Dange M. P.

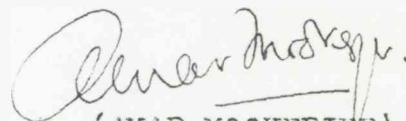
Dear Comrade ,

Further to my previous letter, I draw your attention to the fact that Superintendent, Passport Office, Calcutta, has informed me that my renewal application has been forwarded to the Office of the Ministry for External Affairs, New Delhi for consideration.

Kindly see into it and oblige.

Shall be waiting to hear from you further,

Yours comradely,


(AMAR MOOKERJEE)

TO

Comrade S.A. Dange
Leader of Oppositional party of Parliament
NEW DELHI.

MOST HONOURED SIR,

MEMORANDUM submitted by the President, The
Peddapuram Hand loom weavers' production &
Sale Society Limited, No. B. 255 - Peddapuram
East Godavari - District (Andhra Pradesh)



In our country, Hand loom industry is the major industry and occupation to millions of people next to agriculture. This fact was admitted many a time by the Father of the nation, Mahatma Gandhi and also by the Great leaders of the Nation like you. The millions of people who are living on this profession are still dependent on the whims and fancies of the Mill owners in our country. There was no guarantee to these millions of wage workers of this major industry from any side. This deplorable dependency on the owners of the mills in India is being continued from time immemorial in spite of the able and sincere efforts of this poor community.

The yarn market in India is not in conformity with the demand of the hand loom weaver. The cost of raw yarn is increasing day by day. The cost price of 40/20 lbs bundle of raw yarn in May '58 is Rs 25-00 and the same is sold at Rs 33-00 in the month of July '58. Similarly the cost prices of 60s (count) increased from Rs 47, 80s(count) from Rs 55/- to Rs 67-50H.P. The increase in the prices of raw yarn correspondingly increases the cost price of finished goods. So much so the primary hand loom co-operatives are not able to compete with the mill made cloth, and huge stocks of hand loom cloth of the primary co-operatives accumulated for want of proper market and prices. Hence these primary

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co-operatives are not able to enhance the rates of wages to its members even though they are hard working and sincere. The unemployment and poverty was increased amongst the poor weavers.

Further, colour is also an essential product for the hand loom industry. The prices of colours are very high now and the prices are increasing every month. This position of prices of raw materials is creating great alarm and confusion amongst the already depressed weaver. The prices of food stuffs were increased and they are not within the reach of poor classes of weavers.

This alarming position of prices of raw materials and the day by day depressed condition of weavers compelled me to write to your Honours good self for carefull study of the position of handloom industry and immediate action. Under these circumstances the only guarantee for this industry is to restrict the production of sarees and Dhoties by the mills. This concession to the hand loom industry save the present situation and relieve the depressed hand loom weaver from the present worst condition. I may kindly appeal to your good self, Honourable Prime Minister, to uphold this ancient cottage industry of India by restricting the production of sarees and Dhoties by the mills.

Copies submitted to:

1. The Premier of India
2. The President of India.
3. The Minister of Industries.
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Yours most obediently,
Most honoured Sir,

Balla Appabrah-
President.

THE PEDDAPURAM HANDLOOM WEAVERS
Co-operative Production & Sales
Society Ltd., No. B. 255.

The Peddapuram Hand Loom Weavers' Co-operative
Production & Sale Society Ltd. No. B. 255.

PRESIDENT:

Sri Balla Apparao.

13 AUG 1958

PEDDAPURAM.
(E. Godavary Dt.)



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Balla Apparao President.

The Handloom Workers Union Panipat

दी हैंडलूम वर्कर्स यूनियन पानीपत ।

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Dated 17.10.53 195

Press Note.

The new Act Advisory Committee today rejected all major demands of Handloom Owners of Panipat regarding exemption from the Act. Since the new Act was to take effect the owners were launching a struggle to nullify the Act, but the Handloom Workers Union Regd. Panipat vigorously fought for the safeguards of workers interests. Handloom owners put their demands for the exemption before the Advisory Committee at Ludhiana on 5th Oct. But Union representative strongly defended the workers rights and resisted any change in the Act. The owners then retreated to a certain concessions and the Advisory Committee constituted a sub-committee to study the economic condition of the country, who visited Panipat today. The owners with other some demands, also demanded exemptions upto five (5 looms), maintaining record and from paid holidays after at hand study, the committee rejected the owners demands but exemption was allowed in things regarding preparation of beam, dyeing and Nulligot only to the Employer himself. However the committee gave an opportunity to employers to reach any mutual settlement with the union in respect of Sunday holidays A. D.

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TIRUCHIRAPALLI HANDLOOM-WEAVERS ASSOCIATION.
WORTUR, TIRUCHIRAPALLI.

25/8/58

Resolution No.3 passed in the General Body Meeting held
on 17/8/58

Arrest the increase in yarn price - supply of yarn on reasonable price relax import restriction of artificial silk yarn and dyeing materials.

This meeting views with grave concern over the recent abnormal increase in price of yarn. This causes the chain re-action of increased price in cloth, decrease trend of wages, of stock due to lower purchasing power of the people and inevitably leads to a crisis in the very industry. Further this meeting feels that the Import restriction on artificial silk yarn and dyeing materials gave fresh filip to the shooting up of the prices.

Therefore this meeting request the Government of India and the Government of Madras to take urgent measures in forcing down the price of yarn, supplying yarn on reasonable price and relaxing import restriction on artificial silk, dyeing ~~and~~ materials and dyeing materials.

Resolution:No.4. Compulsory purchase of Handloom Cloth below cost price from Primary Cooperative Weavers' Societies - Subsidies from Cess Fund to meet out the loss - request of.

In the name of clearing off the in Handloom stock, the Government of Madras restored compulsory purchase of handloom cloth below cost price. Consequently the primary Weavers' Cooperative Societies in general and the Tiruchi Weavers Societies in particular were hard hit and thereby incurring a loss of Rs.2/- per saree. This meeting feels that this is the great injustice to the poor weavers and therefore request the Government of Madras to be pleased to consider the plight of poor societies and sanction subsidies to meet the loss out of Cess Fund and thereby relieve the distress of the poor weavers and their societies.

Yours truly

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