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2. The worker is given ample opportunities to master the technique of production.

3. Technical training in the Institutes appears to be at the root of the vast industrial expansion that is taking place.
4. The fact that the work normally done by unskilled coolie labour has been thoroughly mechanised is most remarkable. There are almost no unskilled workmen except a few sweepers.
5. Technical development is very high. In carding automatic stripping, grinding & dust cleaning has enabled to reduce the work to a very simple nature. In combing, Drawing etc. electric and automatic system is there. In spinning automatic cleaning and air supply system is there and also automatic bobbin carriers too. They mix 95% good and long staple cotton with 5% waste and this and other development has reduced the wreckage into a few! More and more mechanisation has made the work much less intensified.

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Sd/- K. Ramani

Sd/- Karmegham

Sd/- Arjun Arora.

Com. S.A. Dange,
General Secretary
AITUC
Delhi.

ARJUN ARORA

Born in 1912 at Kanpur. Father being a staunch nationalist came in touch with the anti-imperialist movement at an early age. Imprisoned as a student in 1930, 1932 and 1934. After graduation in 1936 became a full time trade union worker. Led textile workers' strikes in 1936. Imprisoned in that year for making seditious speeches. Organised Kanpur textile workers' general strikes in 1937, 1938 and 1939. Organised anti-war movement in 1940. Detained as a security prisoner 1940-42. Organised electric supply workers 1938-43.

Member U.P. Labour Enquiry Committee, 1946-1951.

This Committee enquired into the problems of wages, ~~bonus~~ bonus, dearness allowance etc.

General Secretary U.P. Branch, A.I.T.U.C.(1939-43).

Joined INTUC as General Secretary, Kanpur Mill Mazdoor Sabha (1952). Opposed rationalisation and organised the merger of Kanpur's six unions in textile industry into Suti Mill Mazdoor Sabha (1954). As General Secretary of the Suti Mill Mazdoor Sabha led Kanpur textile workers' general strike (May to July 1955). Imprisoned twice during this strike.

General Secretary, Kanpur Branch of the Indian Council of World Affairs, Treasurer of Kanpur Committee for World Peace.

Married; two children.

G- Central Ministries
Textile - Delegation (1029)



A. I. T. U. C.

Received 27/7/55

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MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
NEW DELHI

No: F.1(71)/Eur/55

Dated the 26th July, 1955.

From: -

Shri Mohd. Yunus,
Deputy Secretary to the
Government of India.

To

The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
1/3/15, Rohtak Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to convey an invitation received by us from the All Union Central Council of Trade Unions for the Indian National Trade Union Congress, All India Trade union Congress and The Hind Mazdoor Sabha, to send to the Soviet Union in July-August, 1955 a delegation of textile trade unions incorporated in your Organisations. A Delegation of ten persons is to stay in the Soviet Union for a period of twenty days.

The names of those selected may kindly be communicated to us. Those selected may be asked to apply for obtaining passports etc., in the normal course.

Yours faithfully,

Mohd. Yunus
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Deputy Secretary to the
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1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 20th July 1955

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To
The Secretary,
External Affairs Ministry,
Government of India, NEW DELHI.

Dear Sir,

We have received a letter from the Embassy of the U.S.S.R. dated 19th July informing us that they had requested the Ministry of External Affairs on 28th June 1955 to convey to us the invitation of the All Union Council of Trade Unions of U.S.S.R. about sending a delegation of textile trade unions to U.S.S.R.

So far we have not received any intimation regarding this from the Ministry of External Affairs.

Our organisation wants to send four delegates to U.S.S.R.

We request you to convey the invitation early enough ~~in~~ so that we can make necessary arrangements for sending our delegation.

Thanking you,

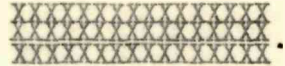
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For SECRETARIAT.

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- (1) Names of the delegates to go to U.S.S.R in the textile delegation.
- (2) One delegate to the international conference of the Food, Tobacco & Hotel conference take place at Sofia from 21st to 25th Sept '55.
- (3) E 2099. Administrative Committee.
- (4) Women TUI - Preparatory meeting one woman delegate.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 20th July 1955.



To
The Embassy of the U.S.S.R. in India,
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Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For SECRETARIAT



ПОСОЛЬСТВО
СССР В ИНДИИ

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EMBASSY OF THE UNION OF
SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS
TRAVANCORE HOUSE, CURZON ROAD
NEW DELHI

The 19th July, 1955.

No. 1192

Dear Sir,

I am very glad to inform you that the Embassy of the USSR in India with its Note No.181, dated the 29th June, 1955, has requested the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, to convey the invitation of the All Union Central Council of Trade Unions of the USSR to the Indian National Congress of Trade Unions, All Indian Congress of Trade Unions and Hind Mazdoor Sabha about sending a delegation of textile trade unions to the Soviet Union in July-August, 1955, incorporated into the above mentioned Trade Union Organizations. The delegation consisting of 10 persons all together is being invited to stay in the Soviet Union for 20 days.

In this connection I should be obliged if you would kindly inform us of your decision on the above matter.

Yours sincerely,

B. Lopatenko
(B.Lopatenko)

Counsellor.

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President: V. CHAKKARAI CHETTIAR, M.L.C. (Madras).

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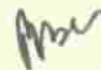
Comrades Arjun Arora and Vimal Mehrotra
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an invitation extended by the Central Council of Trade
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This is to request you to ~~do~~ give them all
help possible.

On 4th September it is expected that the
rest of the delegation will start. Please meet them
at Vienna.

With Greetings,

Fraternally yours,



(P. BALACHANDRA MENON)

Text. Delegation to USSR. (mbh)



Madura Textile Workers Union,

Regd. No. 289.

2, ALAGARADI 1ST LANE,

MADURAI.

A. I. T. U. C.

Ref.

12/8/55

Date 10.8.1955

V. Kannegam

To. Com. S. A. Dange.

Secy. AITU.C,

New Delhi

Dear Comrade,

Today I have sub-
mitted the declaration in
duplicates and, all certificates
and forms duly filled to the
District Collector, Mathurai
District, Mathurai.

I have also applied
for an international Certificate
in the Health Section and also
got vaccinated and inoculated



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Date _____ 195

3. For the Income Tax clearance certificate the authority says that he won't issue a certificate until passport is produced

4. It is only five or six days more to leave this place to reach New Delhi before 20th unless you move the external affairs, I won't get a passport in time, step by step the papers are delayed. Please take serious steps to move with the Central Government and Regional passport officer Madras to issue the passport in time and inform me what has to be done next. Awaiting your guidance.

Streetings.
Zoya's Fraternalist,
Madrassar

B. T. B.

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Madura Textile Workers Union,

Regd. No. 289,

2, ALAGARADI 1ST LANE,
MADURAI.

Ref.

Date 8th August 1955.

From

V. Karmegam,

Recd - 10/8/55

(1148)

To

Comrade S.A. Dange,
General Secretary,

A.I.T.U.C., Bombay New Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

I have sent you a telegram today. Therein I have stated the date of birth (8-1-1920) and place of birth: 52, East Street, Anuppanadi, Madurai. Today I am sending you by registered post 4 photo copies of mine, passport size, and taken all steps to fill up the forms and furnish the declaration. I will submit them within a day or two, to the District Superintendent of Police, Madurai. I will inform you the progress in my next letter. Please inform me what I have to do next.

Thanking you, Greetings,

Yours fraternally,

Karmegam

Encl: - 4 Copies of My Photo.

Text. Delegation to USSR.

TAMILNAD TRADE UNION CONGRESS

(TAMIL-NAD COMMITTEE OF A.I.T.U.C.)

6/157, BROADWAY,
MADRAS-1.

10th August '55

Ref:—

(1160)

Dated.....

The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

I am directed to furnish the following information in connection with the Textile Delegation to Soviet Union for obtaining necessary visa etc.

Com. K. Ramani:

Date of Birth: 3-7-1916

Place of Birth: Edappal, Madras State

Passport No: A 455249

Please find enclosed 4 copies of photos of Com. Ramani, as required by you.

With Greetings,

Yours fraternally,

R. Ramani

Office Secretary.

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1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 10th August 55.

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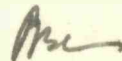
Dear Comrade Bhogale,

Your letter dt. 7th August giving details of date and place of birth and enclosing photos to hand.

It is necessary ~~XXXXXXXX~~ to make fresh application for passport. A copy of the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt of India letter conveying the invitation and that of the AITUC letter nominating you as one of the delegates may also please be forwarded to the Regional Passport Officer, to expedite matters.

With Greetings,

Fraternally yours,



For SECRETARIAT

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 10th August 55.

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To
Com. Arjun Arora,
KANPUR.

Dear Comrade:

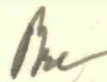
We have received a copy of your letter addressed to the Regional Passport Officer, ^{and} copy endorsed to us.

Please make fresh application for passport, stating that you are invited to visit the Soviet Union by the All Union Central Council of Trade Unions of USSR, through Government of India. You may also forward along with the application a copy of Govt letter conveying the invitation and also a copy of AITUC letter inviting you to join the delegation, to expedite matters.

Details regarding date of birth, place of birth, and occupation may please be sent to this office immediately, along with 4 photos.

Greetings,

Fraternally yours,



For SECRETARIAT

*Red
my pin*

A. I. T. U. G.
Received... 24/8/55
Replied.....

(1253)

To

The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
1-C/15, Rohtak Road,
Delhi.

Tex. Delegation to U.S.A.

Reference:- Your circular regarding the Indian
Textile Workers' Delegation to visit
the U.S.S.R.

Dear Comrade,

In the above matter I suggest the
name of Com. N.B.Mehendre, General Secretary of
the Nagpur Textile Union and one of the Vice-
Presidents of the M.P.Trade Union Congress, to be
included in the Indian Delegation.

*Non-Affiliate
To take
my ap.*

Please let me know at an early date
whether his name is included in the Indian
Delegation so that he may make necessary arrange-
ments to go abroad and also apply for a Passport.

With greetings. Hoping to get an
early reply.

C/O Nagpur Textile Union,
Ruikar Road, Nagpur

Yours Comradely
R.K. Haldulkar

Dated the 22nd August '55.

(R.K. HALDULKAR)
VICE-PRESIDENT, AITUC.

अखिल भारतीय ट्रेड यूनियन काँग्रेस
ALL-INDIA TRADE UNION CONGRESS

T. U. LAW BUREAU :
R. L. TRUST BUILDING,
55, GIRGAON ROAD,
BOMBAY 4 (INDIA)

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5

Dt: 10th August 55.

PAWHA MANSION,
KAMALA MARKET,
NEW DELHI (INDIA).

President: V. CHAKKARAI CHETTIAR, M.L.C. (Madras).

General Secretary: S. A. DANGE.

To
The Secretary,
Ministry of External Affairs,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI.

Sir,

Sub: PASSPORT FACILITIES FOR ARJUN ARORA
FOR VISITING U.S.S.R.

We have been informed by Shri Arjun Arora, Cashel Lodge, Civil Lines, Kanpur, that his application for passport dated 30.3.55 was not found acceptable.

He is invited by the AITUC to join the delegation of trade unions in the textile industry leaving for U.S.S.R. in the middle of this month. The All Union Central Council of Trade Unions of USSR has invited the delegation of textile trade unions through the Government of India and Shri Arjun Arora is one of the textile leaders whom the AITUC has nominated on its behalf.

We request you to intervene and direct the Regional Passport Officer to grant passport facilities to Shri Arjun Arora.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,



For SECRETARIAT.

Copy to:

1. Shri Mohd. Yunus,
Deputy Secretary to the Govt of India,
Ministry of External Affairs,
NEW DELHI.
2. Shri Arjun Arora,
KANPUR.

Textiles

A. I. T. U. C.
Received 8/8/55
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Cashel Lodge,
Civil Lines,
Kanpur
8.8.55.

(1123)

The Regional Passport Officer,
2/3 Queensway,
New Delhi.

Sir,

Kindly refer to your ~~application~~ letter no. F11(469)55-RPO/
yP dated the 29th April 1955.

My application dated 30.3.55 for Passport Facilities
was not found acceptable and I was informed accordingly
vide your letter referred to above.

I request you to reconsider the decision, particularly in
view of the fact that I have been invited to join a
delegation of trade unions in the textile industry
leaving for the Soviet Union in the middle of this month.
The delegation is going at the invitation of trade unions
of Soviet Union and I have been invited by the All India
Trade Union Congress to join the same.

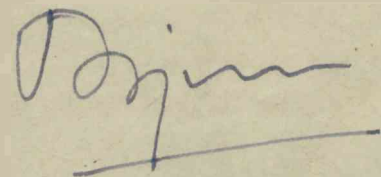
I hope you will please reconsider my application and grant
me the passport facilities.

Kindly favour me with an early reply.

Yours faithfully

(Arjun Arora)

Copy to Com. S.A.Dange, for favour of information and
necessary action



अन्तर्देशीय पत्र

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Com S.A. Danze,
All India Trade Union Congress,
1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5 DELHI-5

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भेजने वाले का नाम और पता :-

ARJUN ARORA

CASHIER, PRODEES

CHITRAKARTI



पत्र कोट कर खोलिये →

→ पहला मोड़ →

~~AIITUC~~ Textiles
South Indian Railway Labour Union, Golden Rock.

(CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE)

TELEGRAM "THOZHILARASU"
PHONE No. 182-453

GOLDEN ROCK

Ref No. L. U. 1403

6th August 1955

A. I. T. U. C.
Received... 8/8/55
Registered.....

(1124)

The General Secretary,
The All India Trade Union Congress,
1/C/15 Rothak Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

Sub: Textile Workers' delegation to Soviet Union.
Ref: Your Circular letter of 28-7-55.

After due consideration of your circular, I have the honour to suggest the following two names of prominent Office-bearers of Textile workers Trade Unions in Tamilnad who can be included in the delegation.

1. R. Umanatha Rao, President Pudhukottai Mill Labour Union & President Karur Textile Mill workers' Union.
2. Karmegham, Secretary, Madurai Textile workers Union.

I am not suggesting the third name because I leave it to be included from the north.

Yours fraternally,

K. Ananda Varier

TREASURER

A. I. T. U. C.

Copy to the T. U. C. for information.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 5th August '55.

Dear Comrade Ranen,

I reached here on 27th July.

The General Council meeting will be about middle of September. There is yet no decision about venue as Rajasthan people changed it to Beawar. I do not approve of Beawar. There is the slogan of "a central place" again. So I am investigating Nagpur. If not, then Indore. If not, then Betul, our own place.

You have to come to the meeting. It will meet after your knee is well.

Ismail wrote a scrappy card about textile delegates to USSR. He has asked for Farooqui. I do not know his "trade" details. But I do not think Bengal can have a place in "textiles", this time. The tentative proposals are as follows:

1. Bhogle (weaver), Bombay.
2. Karmegam (spinner), Madurai.
3. Ramani (Weaver), Coimbatore.
4. Arjun Arora, Kanpur.

I have had no good name for Ahmedabad. But in Ahmedabad, we are not really a force. I think Bombay, South and Kanpur should be the centres for this delegation. We have had no names yet from Nagpur and Indore.

Besides, we must send actual workers, like the above, who know the job.

Last time, when Gulabrao worked the spinning in China, they were pleased.

With Greetings,

Fraternally yours,

Sd/- S.A.DANGE
GENERAL SECRETARY

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55, GIRGAON ROAD,
BOMBAY 4 (INDIA)

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5

Dt: 5th August '55.

PAVHA MANSION
KAMALAY MARKET
NEW DELHI (INDIA)

President: V. CHAKKARAI CHETTIAR, M.L.C. (Madras).

General Secretary: S. A. DANGE.

Dear Comrade:

The AITUC has received an invitation from All Union Central Council of Trade Unions to select three textile representatives to go in a delegation to U.S.S.R. We have suggested the following names:

1. Com. R.K. Bhogle, Mill Mazdur Union, Bombay.
2. " K. Ramani, Coimbatore.
3. " V. Karmegam, Textile Workers' Union, Madurai.

The above named comrades are requested to make all arrangements for passports, visas etc. and inform this office as to what steps they have taken regarding the same.

The delegation may have to leave India by the last week of August.

Greetings,

Fraternally yours,

Encl. 1 copy of)
Govt letter)

1/13/55

For SECRETARIAT

P.S. Please also supply the following information urgently:

1. Occupation
2. Date & place of birth, along with 4 photoes.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 5th August '55.

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Dear Com. Ramani,

It is possible that we may succeed in including one more person in the delegation to USSR.

We do not know if Com. Karmegam knows either Hindi or English. We consider it will be good in case you can also go to USSR. You can be of help to our Madura Comrade.

Hence we suggest you make necessary arrangements for securing passport to USSR and all countries in Europe including U.K. Inform immediately if you can go. In case you are going you may have to go over to Delhi on or before 24th August, so that you can discuss with Com. Dange and others on textile problems of our country.

Greetings,

Fraternally yours,

Mos

For SECRETARIAT.

P.S. The delegation may have to leave India by 30th or 31st August.

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1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5

Dt: 5th August '55

~~PAWHA MANSION
KAWALA MARKET
NEW DELHI (INDIA)~~

President: V. CHAKKARAI CHETTIAR, M.L.C. (Madras).

General Secretary: S. A. DANGE.

Dear Comrade Ramani,

It is decided that you also proceed to U.S.S.R. in the Textile Delegation along with Com. Karmegam and Bhogle of Bombay.

We are also expecting Shri Arjun Arora, Secretary General of the S.M.M.S., Kanpur to join the delegation, as it is now possible to have four representatives of the AITUC in the delegation.

You are requested to make necessary arrangements for passport etc.

Greetings,

Fraternally yours,


For SECRETARIAT

P.S. Please also supply the following information urgently:

1. Occupation
2. Date of birth and place, along with 4 photoes.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 5th August '55.

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Dear Comrade Yusuf,

Just learnt that you are out. Apart from the problem of the settlement, you have now to exert more seriously and very tactfully to preserve unity of the S.M.M.S.

You might have read in the press that the U.S.S.R. unions have invited a textile delegation from India. The AITUC has three seats. I propose that one seat be given to Arjun, though the S.M.M.S. is not in the AITUC. I am writing to Arjun about it. The other names are Bhogle from Bombay and Karmegam from Madurai and Ramani from Coimbatore.

I hope you are in good health after the "rest".

Greetings,

Fraternally yours,



(S.A.DANGE)
GENERAL SECRETARY.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 5th August '55.

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Dear Comrade Arjun Arora,

There is a proposal to send a textile delegation to the U.S.S.R. consisting of three or four people.

I want them to be mainly workers in weaving or spinning. One of them may be a non-worker T.U. leader.

Are you agreeable to go, so that you can represent Kanpur? Though the S.M.M.S. is not affiliated to the AITUC, we are willing to include you as its representative in our quota of delegates.

Consult with other colleagues and let me know immediately.

With Greetings,

Fraternally yours,



(S.A.DANCE)
GENERAL SECRETARY.

USSR Textile Delegt.



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Tanganani

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தமிழ்நாடு தொழிலாளர் காங்கிரஸ்,
6/57, பாலையா, சென்னை-1.

Tensile Delegation
USSR.

3.8.55.

(V)

Dear P.B.C.
Dear P.B.C.,

~~we~~ we received your note
re Tensile delegation to S.U. we suggest the
three names.

1. K.N. Chinmoyam (worker) - G.S. Mill
workers union, Kattoor, Coimbatore
2. V. Karunegam (worker) - G.S. Textile
workers union, Alagaradi, Madurai
3. S. Krishnamurthy - Secy AITUC.

This is the list we are submitting
at Kanchi, Ranai, Tarami & Coimbatore. we
await your direction to us & to 3 centers.
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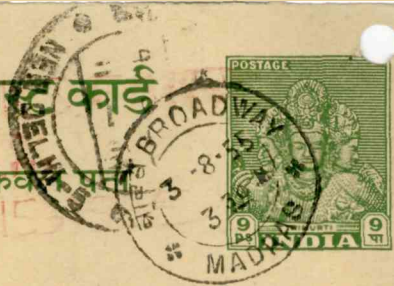
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नाम P. Balachandra Menon

Secretary

पता A. I. T. U. C

डाकखाना 1C/15 Rohtak Road

जिला New Delhi - 5

Indian Trade Union Congress
157, Broadway, Madras-1

Handwritten notes in Hindi at the bottom left.

No. 3981PF/VIII-124/55

Dated Lucknow August 13, 1955

Subject:-Grant of passport facilities to Sri Arjun
Arora of Suti Mill Mazdur Sabha.

A. I. T. U. C.	
Received.....	16/8/55
Replied.....	

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter dated August 11, 1955 on the subject noted above, I am desired to inform you that for obtaining a passport Sri Arjun Arora should be advised to submit an application to the District Magistrate of his district in the prescribed form obtainable from him. The District Magistrate would then forward the application to the Regional Passport Officer, to the Government of India, Queensway New Delhi for necessary action as International passports are no longer dealt with by the State Government.

Yours Sincerely,


(B.J. KHODAIJI)

To

The Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
New Delhi-5.

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Dt: 11th August 55.

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To
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Embassy for the USSR in India,
NEW DELHI.

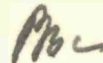
Dear Sir,

Particulars in respect of Shri.
Arjun Arora for the purpose of visa arrangements,
are given below:

1. Date of Birth - 6.10.1912
2. Place of Birth - Kanpur

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,



For SECRETARIAT.

V. Karvegar Mathurai

8.8.55

Dear Comrade.

Regret that
I have sent the photos
by an express
letter. Therein
I have enclosed
my
copies of photo
and a letter. Rest
in my next letter.

Thanking You.

Yours Fraternal
V. Karvegar

For. V. Ramraj

Tex. Delegation to USSA

Recd- 11/8/55
(1154)



Case.

नाम S. A. DANGE

पता General Secretary.

डाकखाना All India Trade Union.

जिला 1-C/15 Rohtak Road
Congress.

New Delhi - 5

Madras

9.8.55

Dear P.B.C,

The following is particulars
for Ramani for Visa to be obtained

Name - K. RAMANI

OCCUP. - TRADE UNIONIST

Date + place
of Birth - 3-7-1916

EDAPPAL village (Madras State)

Present address - 6/157 BROADWAY, MADRAS-1

He is sending 4 passport photos. Karneyan too will
likewise do it.

Respectfully

Yours faithfully
ICTK Jayama.

Textile Delegation to USSR.

Recd- 10/8/55
(1149)

Tamil Nad Trade Union Congress,
6/157, Broadway, Madras-1.



नाम P. Balachandran Menon
Secretary

पता A. I. T. U. C.

डाकखाना 10/15 Rohtak Road

ज़िला New Delhi - 5

6/157 Broadway
Madras - 1 - 8/855

Dear P. B. C., III

~~Received~~ your telegram & letters
concerning delegates to S.U.; glad that both
Ramesh & Karunga are included. The particulars
for visa will be sent by telegram tomorrow.
Karunga has applied for medicine for passport
Awaiting your further directions

Yours faithfully
KTK Dejuma

D-Tamilnad
(1132)

A.I.T.U.C.
9/8/55

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DELHI-5



नाम P. Balachandran
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President: V. CHAKKARAI CHETTIAR, M.L.C. (Madras).

General Secretary: S. A. DANGE.

Dear Comrade:

Please send immediately a short
biography of yours, not exceeding 20 lines.
This is needed in connection with visa arrange-
ments.

This may be treated as URGENT.

Fraternally yours,

For SECRETARIAT.

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To
C/c
Com. Arjun Arora.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 18th August 55.

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To
The Regional Passport Officer,
BOMBAY.

Sir,

This is to inform you that Shri R.K. Bhogale of the Mill Mazdoor Union, Bombay has been nominated by the All India Trade Union Congress as one of its delegates to visit the Soviet Union. The All India Trade Union Congress will meet all his expenses in this connection.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

P. Balachandra Menon
(P. BALACHANDRA MENON)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Copy to:

Shri R.K. Bhogale, BOMBAY.

अखिल भारतीय ट्रेड यूनियन काँग्रेस
ALL-INDIA TRADE UNION CONGRESS

T. U. LAW BUREAU :
R. L. TRUST BUILDING,
55, GIRGAON ROAD,
BOMBAY 4 (INDIA)

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5

Dt: 18th August 55.

~~TRAWLA MANSION.~~
~~BAMALA MARKET.~~
~~NEW DELHI (INDIA)~~

President: V. CHAKKARAI CHETTIAR, M.L.C. (Madras).

General Secretary: S. A. DANGE.

To
The Regional Passport Officer,
MADRAS.

Sir,

This is to inform you that Shri K. Ramani, Assistant Secretary of the Tamilnad Committee of the AITUC and Shri V. Karmegam of Madurai Textile Workers' Union, Madurai have been nominated by the All India Trade Union Congress to visit the Soviet Union in a delegation of the textile trade unions. The All India Trade Union Congress will meet all their expenses in this connection.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

P. Balachandra Menon

(P. BALACHANDRA MENON)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Copy to:

1. Shri K. Ramani, Madras
2. " V. Karmegam, Madurai.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
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Dt: 16th August 55.

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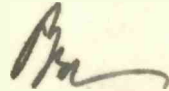
Dear Shri Mehrotra,

Your both the letters.

Comrade Dange is away to Poona.
Your letters will be placed before him on his
return and you will have a reply from him.

With Greetings,

Fraternally yours,



For SECRETARIAT

VIMAL MEHROTRA.

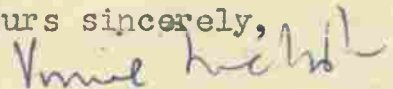
109/221, Jawahar
Nagar,

Kanpur, 13th August, 1955.

My dear Dongeji ,

I have not yet received any reply from
you. Please confirm the affair by return of
post so that the matter may be clear.

Yours sincerely,



(Vimal Mehrotra)

Shri S.A. Dongeji,

SUTI MILL MAZDOOR SABHA
KANPUR

E. U. P.

(1157)

Please reply to :

Ref. No.

A. I. T. U. G.
Received... 12/8/55
Replied.....

* 109/221 Jawaharnagar
Kanpur.

9-8-55

Dear Sir Dange,

I have to thank you for your letter
dated 7th August, 1955.

I am intending to go to U.S.S.R. as
the H.M.S. has desired me to do.

If you can make arrangement for my passage
I will be obliged.

Thanks.

Yours sincerely

Vimal Meirotra
(VIMAL MEIROTRA)

Sri S.A. DANGE.
PAWHA MANSION
KAMLA MARKET
NEW DELHI (INDIA)

URGENT.

Dear Com Ramani;

It is possible that
we may succeed in including
one more person in the delegation
to U.S.S.R.

We do not know if
Com Keiravani knows either
Hindi or English. If he does
not know either of the languages
he may find it difficult to
conduct himself. We consider it well
to good in case you can also go to
U.S.S.R. You can be of help to our
Madara Comrade.

Hence we suggest you
get up ^{now} ~~the~~ necessary arrangements
^{including} for ~~falling~~ to U.S.S.R. and all
arrangements in ~~London~~ in ~~charge~~ U.S.S.R.

Informed immediately if

you can go. In case

you are going, you

may have to go over to

Delhi ^{on 24th August} so that

you can discuss with ^{the} ~~some~~

Doyle & others on the ^{the} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~the~~

problems of our country.

Please reply.

George

The delegation may have

to leave India by

30th or 31st of August

K. T. K. Thangarani
6 Sarajali House
B. S. S. S. S. S.
Madras
Madras

copy to
P. Ramani
3 Anthony St
Royal Palace
Madras

After obtaining
passport for Karmegm
and endorsement for
Ramani sent them
to Velli by ~~air~~
24th in ~~post~~

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This Benigniss has to be
sent to the USSR Embassy
in the same manner as
we did in the case of
Argin Aroot.

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TAMILNAD TRADE UNION CONGRESS

(TAMIL-NAD COMMITTEE OF A.I.T.U.C.)

6/157, BROADWAY,
MADRAS-1.

Ref:—

Dated 20th August 1955

The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

With reference to your letter dated 18th instant, I send herewith a short biography of myself as required by you:

Short Biography of A. Kamani

I was born in Neappal village, Madras State on 3-7-1916 and was educated in the same village school. In the early age, I settled in Coimbatore (Tamilnad) and joined as a Textile worker in Kaleeswarar Mills, Coimbatore and worked for about 5 years. In the year 1934 Strike, I lost my job and I then joined Coimbatore Spinning & Weaving Mills as a spinner and worked for a few months. Later I joined Somasundaram Mills, Coimbatore as a weaver and worked for about 3 years. In the general strike of 1937, I was victimised for my trade-union activities and after that no mill was prepared to give me employment.

I along with other co-workers organised the Coimbatore Mill Workers Union in 1936 and was elected as its Secretary which post I held till 1954. I was also elected as a member of the General Council of AITUC. I was jailed in 1940 for trade union activities and later in 1941 detained as a detenu and was released in August 1942. Again in 1949 I was arrested and detained as a detenu for about 2 years for my trade union activities and was released in 1951. Now I am one of the Joint Secretaries of Tamilnad Committee of AITUC and a Member of the Working

TAMILNAD TRADE UNION CONGRESS

(TAMIL-NAD COMMITTEE OF A.I.T.U.C.)

6/157, BROADWAY,
MADRAS-1.

Ref:—

Dated 20th Aug. 1955.

The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

Received your letters dated 10th and 18th instant and a copy of the letter to the Reg-passport Officer, Madras.

I am sending herewith a short biography of xxx myself and I request you to see whether it is in proper order and do the needful.

I submitted my passport and application for endorsement on 17-8-55 and Com. Arumugam's application for passport also has come here to the Madras office on the same date. We have been contacting the officer daily and pressing to issue passports without delay. But till this time (3p.m. on 20-8-55) we did not get the same and we came to know from the officer that he is expecting orders from the Government of India. Again, only on Monday 22-8-55 we will be in a position to see the officer and do anything. We do not know if we would get it on 22-8-55 at all. We originally planned to start from Madras on 22-8-55 by Grand Trunk Express and reach Delhi on 24th. Now it is impossible and if we get the passport on 22nd we will have to then secure the income tax clearance certs. and then start.

Therefore, either on 23rd or 24th only it is possible to start. If we come by train either on 25th or on 26th only we will reach there. In the circumstances we want instructions on this and what we should do. If it is possible to get Air passage from Madras then we can reach on 28th itself.

FAMILIAR TRADE UNION CONGRESS

INDIAN TRADE UNION CONGRESS

Please do the needful with the Government of India to get the passport and endorsement and inform us urgently. Com. Karamani is in the city from 1 th.

With Greetings,

Yours fraternally,

J.R. Karamani
20/8

K. Karamani
Joint Secretary.



MILL MAZDOOR UNION

(RED FLAG)

Dalvi Building,
Parel Bombay 12.
Tel. 61124

BAPURAO JAGTAP

President

S. G. PATKAR

Gen. Secretary

20th Aug. 1955

Shri R.K. Bhogale was born on 15th September 1905 at Jambhovade in Ratnagiri Dist. of the State of Bombay. He was educated up to Vernacular 6th Standard and then in 1917 came to Bombay in search of work. He got employment in one of the textile mills in Bombay. He worked in various mills in Bombay and was gradually promoted to a Weaver, Jobber and Fancy Jobber. He joined the Trade Union Movement in 1928-29 by working for the historical Bombay Strike of 1928-29. He joined Civil Disobedience Movement in 1930 and participated in Jungle Satyagraha at Dhulia in Khandesh and underwent 6 weeks imprisonment. He was elected to Managing Committee of The Girni Kamagar Union in 1930. He was arrested, committed and detained in 1934 in connection with the famous 1934 textile strike being the Secretary of United Strike Committee. He was the Secretary of the B.P.T.U.C. in 1936-1937 and was elected to General Council of the A.I.T.U.C. in 1940. He was arrested in 1940 in connection with the textile strike of Bombay and was detained for more than two years. Since 1936 he was one of the Joint Secretary of the Girni Kamagar Union upto 1943 when he was elected as the ~~xxxxx~~ president of the Girni Kamagar Union and remained so upto 1951.

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He was elected to the Working Committee of the A.I.T.U.C. in 1943 and continued to be so up to 1954. He had to go under-ground in 1940 and was arrested in 1950 and detained up to the middle of 1952. He was elected to the Bombay Municipal Corporation in 1948.

At present he is one of the Member of the Managing Committee of the Mill Mazdoor Union Bombay and is a member of the General Council of the A. I. T. U. C.

R.K. Bhogale
(R.K. BHOGALE)

ADDRESS.

RAMCHANDRA KRISHNAJI BHOGALE,
4 GANESH BHUVAN,
GOKHALE SOCIETY LANE,
PAREL, BOMBAY 12.

Tex. Delegation to USSR (1247)

TAMILNAD TRADE UNION CONGRESS

(TAMIL-NAD COMMITTEE OF A.I.T.U.C.)

A. I. T. U. C.

Received... 23/8/55

Repled.....

6/157, BROADWAY,
MADRAS-1.

Dated 21st Aug. '55.

Ref:—

The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

We send herewith a biography of V. Karmegam
Genl. Secretary, Madras Textile Workers Union
as required by you in connection with his
application for visa.

Biography of V. Karmegam.

He was born on 8-1-1920 at Anuppannai,
Madurai (Tamilnad). He has studied upto
VI form at St. Mary's High School, Madurai.
In 1937 when he was a student he organised
the Bharat Matha Youth League, a pioneer
student organisation. On 26th Jan, 1941
he was arrested in connection with a student
demonstration and was sentenced for 9 months.
In 1942 he served as an organiser in the
Student Front for about 3 months.

He joined the Harvey Mills as a winder
in 1943 and served for 6 years. Since joining
mills, he was an active trade-unionist. He
was elected as Joint Secretary in 1945 and
he ~~left~~ ^{was with the} the mills service in 1948. Since
1949 he is serving as the General Secretary
of the Textile Workers Union. He was a detenu
for 2 1/2 years from 1949 and was released in 1951.
He was elected as a member for the General
Council of AITUC in 1949. ~~Attended the AITUC~~
~~session in Calcutta 1947 & Bombay 1949~~

Yours fraternally,

K. T. K. Rajam
General Secretary

Text Religation to USSR

A. Ramani

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(TAMIL-NAD COMMITTEE OF A.I.T.U.C.)

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A. I. T. U. C.
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6/157, BROADWAY,
MADRAS-1.

Dated 23rd Aug. 1955.

Ref:—

The Passport Officer (Regional)
Madras.

Sir,

Passport-endorsement.

I have submitted my passport no. 455249 for further endorsement to go to Soviet Union with an application and the necessary fee on 17-8-55 in your office.

I have also sent you copies of all the connected papers like (1) a letter from Ministry of External Affairs No. S. (71)/Sur/55 dated 26-7-55, New Delhi (2) a reply letter from All India Trade Union Congress dated 6-8-55 to make you understand the purpose of my visit to Soviet Union.

On the same date I understand an application for a passport from Sri V. Karmegam of Madurai also has reached your office from Madurai.

Further, the General Secretary of Tamilnad Trade Union Congress, Ar. A. T. A. Tangamani has written to you a letter dated 17-6-55 requesting you to expedite the matter. Another letter from the Asst. Secretary, A. I. T. U. C. also has been sent to you.

Since the date of application, myself and Ar. Karmegam were daily making efforts to get the endorsement and the passport and till this evening we didnot get any definite reply from you. Our air passage have been already booked from Delhi and we have to travel from Madras by train and reach Delhi in time. This kind of delay is certainly going to affect our efforts and we fear that ultimately we will have no

time to reach Delhi and proceed.

INDIAN CONSUL GENERAL, MADRAS

I am unable to understand why this kind of delay is made to give a further endorsement on my passport. I, therefore request you to give me the necessary endorsement immediately or your reply whether I would get the same or not to enable me to prepare for my journey.

I am expecting your immediate reply.

Yours faithfully,

J.R. Ramani
23/8

(K. Ramani)

Copy to the Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, Delhi.

All India Trade Union Congress, Delhi.

File
ETHB's trip made!

Recd 25-8-55

15/79 Civil Lines , Campore 24.8.55.

Dear Com. Menon,

I have not heard from you since I left Delhi.

I presume the earlier idea of our assembling at Delhi on the 24th Aug. has been given up.

Please send me the detailed information about our programme as soon as possible so that ~~we~~ I may give the friends here a few days notice.

Yours fraternally,

Arjun Arora
(Arjun Arora)

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Delhi-5
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Com. R.K. Haldulkar,
Vice President, A.I.T.U.C.,
NAGPUR.

Sub: Textile Delegation

Dear Comrade:

In this connection we issued a Circular on 28th July requesting W.C. members and Office-bearers to send suggestion of three names of textile leaders who can go as representatives of our organisation. The delegation had to leave this country in July-August. Later on it was finalised for 28th August 1955.

2. Your suggestion of Shri N.B.Mahendra; you will appreciate, is now too late to be considered, specially when he is yet to move the authorities for passport etc.

With Greetings,

Fraternally yours,

For SECRETARIAT

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MADRAS

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Tamil Nadu Trade Union Congress
6/157, ... Madras

Tex. Delegation to U.S.S.R.

MAERAS, 25th Aug. '55.

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Dear Comrade,

We are not in receipt of either the passport of Karmegam or any endorsement till this evening. In spite of our repeated representations no favourable reply has been received. The Passport Officer has written us to say that our applications are actively under consideration and every effort is being made to give an early decision in the matter. We confirm that a decision on our appln. will be taken and conveyed to us as soon as possible and without any avoidable delay.

We request you to kindly advise us in the circumstances.

Yours fraternally,

J.R. Anani

(Jr. Secy.) 25/8

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नाम All India Trade Union
Congress,
पता 1- C/15, Connaught Road,

डाकखाना Delhi- 5

ज़िला DELHI.

1-C/15 Rohtak Road,
Delhi-5
Dt: 27th August 55.

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Com. A.S. Nagapurkar,
Osmanshahi Mills Workers' Union,
Nanded (HYDERABAD STATE)

Dear Comrade:

With reference to your query regarding inclusion of your name in the textile unions delegation to USSR, we invite your attention to our Circular dt. 28th July 55, wherein we had stated that the delegation was to leave in July-August. The names were finalised during the second week of August itself and all the unions were informed through the T.U.R. (Vol. XII No. 12 - August 20, 1955).

Hence, it is now too late for inclusion of any new name.

Greetings,

Fraternally yours,

M. S. Chaudhary
12/2/55

For SECRETARIAT

Osmanshahi Mills Workers
Union Numbered 18-8-58

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The General Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
New Delhi;

Dear Comrade,

The General Secretary
All Hyderabad Trade Union
Congress has informed me
that my name has been
suggested by the P.T.U.C.
for a deligation of Textile
Unions to U.S.S.R. I
request you to kindly
inform me if the ~~deligati~~
personell of the ~~deligation~~
have been finalised, and
if my name has been
accepted so that I may
take make necessary

arrangements. Please let me
know the dates ~~of the~~ ~~con~~ ~~as~~ ~~was~~ ~~in~~
~~the~~ ~~delegation~~ is expected to be
your's.

A. S. Nagapuram
Osmanski Mills
Workers Union Nanded
(Hyderabad State)

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A. I. T. U. C.

Received... 22/8/55

Replied.....

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Hyderabad

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To

The General Secretary,

नाम

All India Trade Union Congress

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1-C/15 Rohtak Road

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T. N. T. G.
6/157, Gaudy, Madras.
27-8-55

Dear Comrade,

Myself & Karmegam received the endorsement
& the passport at 8.30 pm. Immediately we rushed
to the Income tax office. But, on account of Saturday
we did not receive the I.T. clearance cert. They said
that to-morrow (Sunday) the office will be opened
& kept for 1 hour for the sake of passengers going
abroad by plane. Therefore we will try to-morrow to
get the I.T. cert. If it is not possible to get to-morrow,
then we will only get it on Tuesday 30th Aug., Monday
being holiday for Moharram. If we get it to-morrow,
we will start by train on Monday morning. Other wise
we will have to start by train only on Wednesday morning.

EXPRESS DELIVERY

If you advice & also if possible that we can get the I.T. clearance cert. at Delhi itself, then please wire immediately & on receipt of the same we will ship by the next train.

Yours faithfully
J.R. Ranby
Jr. Secy



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नाम All India Trade Union Congress
पता 1 - C/15 Rohitans Rd.,
Delhi - 5
डाकखाना _____
जिला DELHI

Textile Trade Union Congress
6/157, Broadway, Madras 16

Dear Course,

I have to inform you that Com. Razani and Karm Megam left for Delhi to-day morning by Janatha Express and they will arrive Delhi on 31st morning. Yesterday they both applied and got the income tax clearance Certificate.

It would be very helpful if someone is sent to the Station to receive them.

Please advise us the date of departure of the Textile Delegation to Soviet Union.

With Greetings,

Yours fraternally,

Will Augustino
Office Secretary.

Madras,
29-8-55

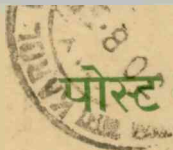
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