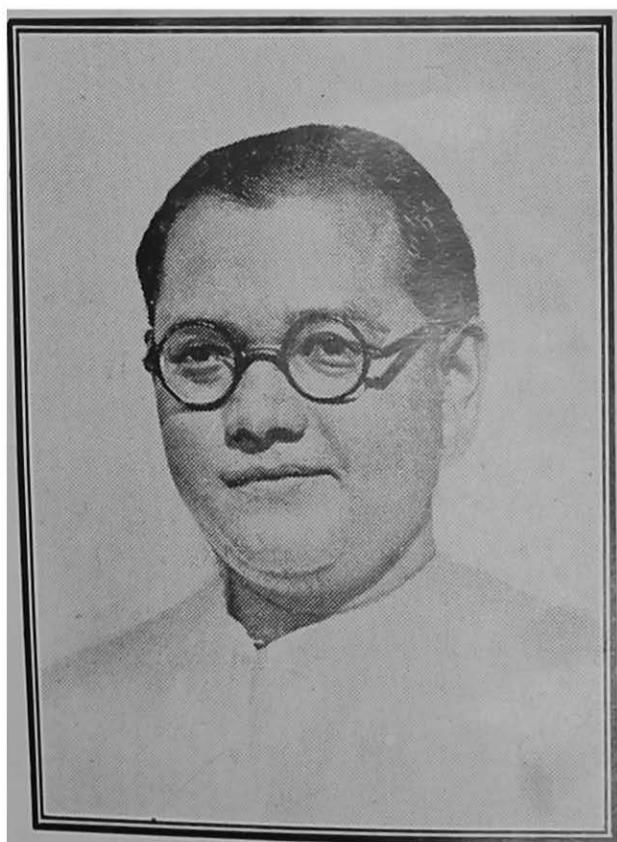


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## APPENDIX I

### GREETINGS AND FELICITATIONS

Innumerable messages greeting the Congress Session and wishing it all success came from all parts of India, Burma, Ceylon and outside. They were both from notable persons as also from foreign friendly institutions and associations wishing well with the Congress. And the messages of greetings from Indians overseas came from all over the world and bore a stamp of love that they bear to the motherland. The following are some of the noteworthy ones:

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, one of the oldest living congressmen and ex-President wrote from Shivakoti, Allahabad:

"My greetings to Congress and to all fellow-workers assembled at Haripura. Being under treatment, I regret I am unable to attend this great and important Session; but I will be with you in spirit and shall be praying for your success. I have no doubt the Congress will best advise the country how to effectively combat the Federation which has been laid down by Parliament and to impress upon Great Britain that for peace and friendship between India and England, India must cease to be a dependency and become a free and independent country with a constitution framed by her own people and calculated to enable her to promote her own needs and interests."

Sjt. C. Vijayaraghavachariar, an "old, a very old congressman, devotedly attached to the Indian National Congress," and an ex-President wrote from Salem expressing his inability to come all the distance from Salem at his ripe old age.

Babu Rajendra Prasad wrote from his sick bed at Cottage, Hospital, Patna:

"I am more deeply distressed and disappointed than I can express, to tell you that I am unable to be with you at the Congress Session which is going to be a momentous one. I had hoped almost against hope, and the doctors had been encouraging that hope, that it might be possible after all for me to come to Haripura. But I have had several relapses one after the other, the last one being last night, and it is now perfectly clear that I cannot come. I am sure the proceedings will pass off successfully and the Session will give fresh impetus to the struggle for Swaraj in which the country is engaged."

Dr. Khansaheb wired from Peshwar regretting inability to attend the Session, both for his brother, Shri Abdul Gaffar Khan and himself. Shri Bhanjuram Gandhi, Finance Minister, N. W. F. P., wired to say, "May deliberations guide destinies of Nation successful goal."

Babu Shivaprasad Gupta from Benares greeting the Session wired:

"महात्माजी के चरणों में नतमस्तक होकर मैं राष्ट्रपति का अभिवादन करता हूँ। आज हरिपुरा में हमारी कांग्रेस का ५१वाँ अधिवेशन हो रहा है। देश का बच्चा बच्चा इस अधिवेशन से स्वाधीनता के उस उद्देश को सुनने के लिए लालायित है, जिसे कांग्रेस ने व्यवस्थापिका सभाओं के जंजाल में पड़कर विस्मरणसा कर दिया है। . . . सद्दिवेक और सत्साहस का समय है। ईश्वर से प्रार्थना है कि यह अधिवेशन हमें नया जीवन और नया बल प्रदान करे।"

Babu Shri Prakasha wired, "Heartiest felicitations. Regret inability to attend. Best wishes."

Sjt. Satyamurti from Madras wired, "Illness prevents my attending. Please accept convey apologies. Wish Congress complete success. Vande Mataram."

Babu Hardayal Nag from Chandpur, Bengal, wrote to the President, wishing him all success and

praying for God's blessings upon him as President of the Session.

Mayor Shivashunnugam Pillai, Madras Corporation, wired offering best wishes for the success of Congress, and declaring that the Madras City will always show its loyalty to the Congress.

Mr. Silva, President, Jubbulpore Municipality wired wishing success and assuring all support to the Congress.

The All India Trade Union Congress greeted the Congress Session with the resolution:

"This meeting of the Executive Council of the A. I. T. U. C. conveys its greetings to the 51st Session of the I. N. Congress which is meeting at a critical situation created by the Viceroy and the Governors of the U. P. and Behar. . . . and assures the Congress of its full support and co-operation in any effective steps they propose to take to meet the situation."

Tinplate and Cable Workers' Unions, Jamshedpur, wired wishing success. The G. I. P. Workers wired saying, 'Heartily welcome bold ministry resignations in U. P., Bihar' and assuring that 'Workers (were) behind the Congress in the anti-imperialist struggle.'

Raja Mahendra Pratap wired greetings to the Congress, from Tokyo. Rash Behari Bose wired from Kyoto 'Congratulating ministers' wise resignation.'

Gangasingh, ex-president, Congress Committee, Rangoon, wired, "Burma's independence depends on India's independence. Convey Burma greetings."

The representative meeting of the Indian Community in the United Kingdom assembled wired to "send its warmest greetings and expresses solidarity with Congress in its struggle for Indian Independence, and sends best regards for Mahatma Gandhi and expresses anxiety for his health."

The Zanzibar Indians' Association, The Indian Association, Auckland (New Zealand), The Indian



National Committee, Japan, sent their greetings praying complete success in achieving freedom for the mother-country.

The Ceylon Indian Association, The Indian Merchantile Chamber of Ceylon, Young Folk Brotherhood, Maskeliya (Ceylon), The Gujarati Hindu Mandal, Colombo, Bharata Seva Sangam, Colombo, Youngmen Indian Association, Peraderuiya, (Ceylon) sent their warmest greetings to the Session and thanked the Congress for its sympathy with the cause of Ceylon Indians. The Lanka Sava Samaja Party of Ceylon sent their representatives to the Congress.

Editor, 'The Indian' of Malaya wrote :

"On behalf of the 630,000 Indians in this country, I have the rare privilege of sending our greetings and best wishes for the success of the Haripura Session."

Port Elizabeth Indian Congress wired wishing long life to Mahatmaji and complete success to the Session in its deliberations to liberate from "vassalage, and serfdom Indians within and overseas."

The Hindustan Association, Vienna, wired, 'Congratulations wishing progress with faith in the cause.'

Bharat Welfare Society, Marysville, California, sent their greetings and felicitations to the Congress.

Indian Association, Georgetown (B. G.), Indians in Mauritius, sent their greetings.

Tanyunsen from Shantiniken wired "Congratulations of 450 million Chinese people. All success unite whole India under Congress. India China join together; all peace-loving democratic nations join together (to) combat war-danger and annihilate militarism....."

The International Peace campaign representing 43 countries wired to Pandit Jawaharlal, "inspired by action (of) Indian people in defence (of) peace and vigorous support (to) China, send warmest greetings to you and Congress."

Friends of India, Oslo, Norway, "Send to the Haripura Congress our warmest greetings, sympathy and best wishes for the present and future of ancient and glorious Aryavarta. . . . May India enjoy full Swaraj and continue to give the example of Satyagraha and Ahimsa to her younger sister nations. is the fervent wish of Friends of India in Norway,"

Dr. Harold H. Maan wrote from London :

"Unfortunately I cannot leave England at present but I shall think of the great assemblage and shall hope that great policies will be decided upon which will carry further the work which has already begun for the benefit of the Indian masses, and especially for the benefit of the peasant population.

My heartiest good wishes for all attempts at progress in this direction."

The Joint Chairman of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Geneva, sent the following message to the Haripura Congress :

"I am sending in the name of my organization the sincerest wishes for the full success of the Congress."

In communicating its decision to send a representative to the Haripura Congress the "Friends of India" in London wrote :

"We send the most hearty good wishes for the success of your Conference. We feel that this will be one of the most momentous sessions in the history of the Indian National Congress and we hope that world-publicity will be given to its decisions. Never did the people of Great Britain so much need enlightenment as to the true feeling of the Indian people than at the present juncture and we look forward to this opportunity for Indian Statesmen to make the issues clear beyond dispute. May your great Leader's health be restored and the power and prestige of the Indian National Congress go from strength to strength."

The demonstration of 8,000 men held in Trafalgar Square in London to reiterate India's Independence Pledge for 1938 sent their greetings and wrote :

" This mass demonstration called by the India League in support of national independence for India, assembled at Trafalgar Square, historic in many fights waged by British men and women for their own freedom and in support of justice and liberty in other lands and for other peoples, proclaims the solidarity of the democratic and progressive people of Britain with the people of India in their great struggle against the forces of British imperialism and Indian reaction for the political independence of India and the social and economic emancipation of her masses."

Ben Bradley of the Meerut Conspiracy case wrote :

" The British Government are planning the introduction of the federal side of the constitution. They will steamroller it across with whatever support they can get. Therefore, the struggle against the constitution should be strengthened and concretised. A mass struggle should be developed for a Constituent Assembly based upon universal adult suffrage. This struggle should be linked up with the States peoples' struggle for responsible government and democratic rights."

Mr. C. T. Fegn, Consul General of the Republic of China in India, wrote :

" In view of the fact that our two countries are bound with the ties of a long standing friendship and since so much sympathy and support has been shown by the people of India towards our nation, it is therefore with much regret that I am unable to come owing to some urgent matter which will require my presence in Calcutta. Otherwise it would be a great honour for me to attend."

The India Independence Central Committee of Detroit, United States of America, wrote :

"Hindustanees of Detroit, Michign, consisting of Hindus and Moslems, join with us wholeheartedly in wishing you success and the speedy attainment of your goal of complete independence. We hope that under the banner and leadership of the Indian National Congress it will be possible for the people of India to forget their communal differences and present a united front against British Imperialism.

May I request that you will be kind enough to convey our message to the Congress in its Annual Session?"

The American League for India's Freedom sent 'warmest fraternal greetings from all of your American friends.'

## APPENDIX 2

The following office-bearers with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel formed the Working Committee of the R. C.

### OFFICE BEARERS

of the

### RECEPTION COMMITTEE OF THE SESSION

Darbar Gopaldas A. Desai	Chairman
Shrimati Bhaktilakshmi Desai	Vice Chairman
„ Vijayagauri Kanuga	„ „
„ Mithubahen Petit	„ „
Sjt. Manibhai Chaturbhai Shah	„ „
„ Kanaiyalal N. Desai	General Secretary
„ Narhari D. Parikh	Joint Secretary
„ Jivanlal N. Diwan	„ „
„ Bhogilal D. Lala	„ „
„ Kalyanji V. Mehta	„ „
„ Sanmukhlal G. Shah	„ „
Shrimati Jyotsnabahen Shukla	„ „
Sjt. Harivaden Thakor	G. O. C.
Shrimati Mrudula Sarabhai	Captain of the lady volunteers
Sjt. Chhotubhai Marfatiya	Treasurer
„ Dahyabhai L. Mehta	„
„ Mayabhai Teli	„
„ Venibhai Balubhai Jariwala	„

### CHIEF ENGINEER

Sjt. Ramdas Gulati

### AUDITORS

Ramanlal Govindlal & Co.

Natverlal Vepari & Co.

**NAMES OF THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LANDS  
FOR THE CONGRESS SITE**

Owners	Acres
Sjt. Chhotubhai Ambelal Desai	43
„ Kadod Masjid	86
„ Malek Mustafa Gulab	62
„ Hargovandas Narottamdas Shah	34
„ Maganlal Sunderlal and others	33
„ Sarvarvninga Ajamminya	32
„ Madhavbhai Kalyanbhai	27
„ Kevalchand Kapurchand Shah	23
„ Hariprasad Laxmishanker Bhatt	13
„ Ismail Ahmed Bangi	11
„ Nathubhai Vallabhbhai Patel	10
„ Kalabhai Kahnabhai Patel	9
„ Vallabhdas Shambhulal Shah	6
five other gentlemen	11

## CONSTRUCTION DEPT.

( Some notable figures )

## Residential Accommodation provided for :

Workers and Volunteers	10,000
Delegates	2,000
Families — persons	2,000
Visitors	16,000
Peasants	20,000
No. of shops	375
The Area occupied by the Exhibition	3,00,000 sq. ft.
Total area built over	35,00,000 sq. ft.
Space allotted to each section was as under :	
Dairy	10 Acres
Congress Pandal	20 "
Zanda Chawk	15 "
Exhibition	10 "
General Offices	5 "
Subject Committee Pandal	3 "
Workers' Quarters	5 "
Leaders' camp	15 "
Volunteers' camp	12 "
Lady volunteers' camp	3 "
Sanitation workers' camp	9 "
Kitchen workers' camp	10 "

### MATERIAL USED IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND ITS COST

Name of the material	Quantity	Cost		
		Rs.	As.	Ps.
Teak-rafters	70,000	35,499	14	—3
Bamboos	4,00,000	26,060	—4	—9
Bamboo-mattings	2,00,000	45,746	—9	—9
Palm-leaves mats	1,00,000	14,609	—15	—6
Coir-string bundles	1,000	5,182	—6	—6
Pack-string bales	16	765	—12	—6
Manilla ropes Cwts.	30	668	—15	—3
Khadi yards	17,000	6,246	—3	—6
Cement tons	230	9,901	—9	—0
Bricks	2,00,000	1,973	—11	—0
Tiles rent		462	—15	—0
Cement stone-slabs and pipes		9,771	—5	—6
Iron		1,765	—6	—0
Implements and tools		2,847	—11	—0
Vehicles		1,255	—0	—0
Total		1,62,757	—12	—6

### ACCOMMODATION CHARGES

	Rs.	As.	Ps.
Family hut	100	0	0
Special family hut with kitchen	150	0	0
Visitors — per cot	6	0	0
Delegates and R. C. members — per cot	5	0	0
Peasants' camp — per seat	0	4	0



## WATER-WORKS

Following is the description of pumps installed on the water-works.

Four motor-driven centrifugal pumps each delivering 40,000 gallons of water per hour.

Two oil engine-driven centrifugal pumps each delivering 20,000 gallons of water per hour.

Following are the length of mains and distributing pipes laid throughout the camp.

Diameter	16"	12"	8"	6"
Length	600'	2,500'	2,500'	2500'
Diameter	4"	3"	2"	1½"
Length	6,000'	6,000'	6,000'	1,200'
Diameter	1½"	1"	¾"	¾"
Length	700'	1,700'	800'	900'

## ELECTRICITY

Total number of lights and other connections were as under:

Lights	6,177
Strip lights	2,878
Flood lights	39
Fans	18
Switches	535

## ENERGY CONSUMED

32,235 units for lights and fans

14,750 units for pumps and the printing press

## SANITATION

Following is the arrangement provided for the sanitation of the Nagar:

Latrines	2,248
Urinals	1,472
Dustbins	2,000
Large pits for burying rubbish	64
Small pits for the same purpose	65
<i>Kachha</i> Channels	75,000 ft.
<i>Pacca</i> Channels	2,500 ft.

## LIST OF MATERIALS USED FOR SANITARY WORK

Brooms	1,550
Spades and shovels	416
Iron casks for storing water near the latrines	99
Curved tin plates with handles ( <i>Supdis</i> and <i>Tavethas</i> )	300
Buckets	448
Racks of iron and wood	100
Carts for carrying rubbish	30
Bullock-carts	56
Bicycles	15

And baskets, iron basins, brooms of various sizes, knives, axes, carpentry tools etc.

## DAIRY

Total milk production	3,07,880 lbs.
This was disposed of as under :	
Turned into butter	11,360
Separated, the cream whereof turned into ghee and the skimmed milk turned into condensed.	48,000
Turned into sweets	8,000
Fresh milk supplied to Congress kitchen	2,40,520
	<u>Total 3,07,880</u>

## The Congress Dairy cows' purchase price

	No.	Rs.	As.	Ps.
Rs. 10 to 20	15	287	12	0
Rs. 20 to 30	130	3,530	10	3
Rs. 30 to 40	218	8,272	14	0
Rs. 40 to 50	110	5,271	12	0
Rs. 50 to 60	26	1,392	0	0
Rs. 60 to 70	4	248	0	0
Rs. 70 to 80	3	230	0	0
	<u>Total 506</u>	<u>19,233</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Transport and other charges		9,220	11	0
		<u>28,453</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>

of these: 150 were of Gir breed

356 were of Kankreji breed.

## Cows' Selling Price

	No.	Rs.	As.	Ps.
Rs. 1 to 10	33	222	4	0
Rs. 10 to 20	106	1,530	8	0
Rs. 20 to 30	135	3,451	8	0
Rs. 30 to 40	169	4,477	4	0
Rs. 40 to 50	29	1,244	0	0
Rs. 50 to 60	14	1,044	8	0
Rs. 60 to 70	8	556	0	0
Rs. 70 to 80	8	584	0	0
	<u>Total 502</u>	<u>Rs. 13,110</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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Total 506

Donations in kind 3,402 0 0

16,512 0 0

This amount is earmarked for the improvement of the cow-breed and other cow-service work in Gujarat.

**RECEPTION**  
**51ST INDIAN NATIONAL**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

INCOME		Rs.	As.	Ps.
TICKET SALE		2,83,714	8	0
Reception Committee	1,34,623 0 0			
Visitors special	51,354 0 0			
„ General	63,867 8 0			
Subject Committee	33,870 0 0			
Exhibition proceeds		42,446	15	6
Ticket Sale	29,603 0 0			
Other income	12,843 15 6			
Kitchen		31,032	15	0
Cow donation		37,934	10	9
Dairy		13,843	3	0
Bazar		29,034	7	9
Printing		2,048	10	0
Accommodation fees		96,630	5	6
Family quarters	27,600 0 0			
Delegates' camp	5,855 0 0			
Visitors' camp	58,497 8 0			
Villagers' camp	3,255 12 0			
Water stand & other income	1,422 1 6			
Film proceeds		5,661	2	5
Photography licence fee		550	0	0
General donation		39,920	15	9
Construction Dept.	8,115 0 0			
Sheets etc.	4,229 11 6			
Corn etc.	5,983 5 6			
Medicines	4,036 11 0			
Cash & other income	17,556 3 9			
		<u>5,82,817</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>

**Gopaldas Ambaidas**  
 Chairman, R. C.  
 Bardoli, 15-10-'38

**Kanaiyalal Nanabhai Desai**  
 General Secretary, R. C.

**COMMITTEE**  
**CONGRESS, HARIPURA**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 11-10-1938**

EXPENDITURE	Rs.	As,	Ps.
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>			
Construction	2,24,388	11	1
General Office	21,520	14	9
Volunteers	36,141	8	6
Sanitary	20,732	1	11
Exhibition	23,565	14	9
Food supply	8,136	15	0
Kitchen	85,043	1	11
Dairy	49,897	10	3
Propaganda	2,105	7	3
General Stores	10,259	7	6
Printing Press	8,242	8	3
Accommodation	41,902	14	9
Publicity	1,350	13	0
Hospital	8,511	3	3
Preliminaries	1,304	6	9
Water-works	34,557	14	1
Electricity	19,718	12	0
Lights & Lamps	3,376	2	0
Bridge	19,070	14	9
Loud Speakers	5,034	8	0
Reserved for Report & other expenditure	5,000	0	0
	<u>6,29,861</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>
Less Sale proceeds of material		69,144	8 10
Construction matr.	49,094	15	3
Other matr. sales	20,049	9	7
		<u>5,60,717</u>	<u>4 11</u>
( Surplus )		<u>22,100</u>	<u>8 9</u>
		<u>5,82,817</u>	<u>13 8</u>
<b>Chhotubhai Bhaidas</b>	<b>Examined and found correct.</b>		
Marfatia	<b>(Sd.) Ramanlal Govindlal</b>		
<b>Dahyabhai Mehta</b>	<b>Shah</b>		
<b>Mayabhai Teli</b>	<b>(Sd.) Nataverlal J. Vepari</b>		
Treasurers, R. C.	<b>Registered Accountants,</b>		
	<b>Hon. Auditors</b>		

**RECEPTION COMMITTEE**  
**51 ST INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS, HARIPURA**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 11-10-'38**

**LIABILITIES**

Dairy Department	16,408 15 9
Chicago Radio Co.	1,001 0 0
For expenses (Stationery, Postage, & Report printing etc.)	5,000 0 0 22,409 15 9
Surplus of income & expenditure account as per statement	22,100 8 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>44,510 8 6</b>

**ASSETS**

Sundry Debtors	4,026 13 3
Cash & other Balances with Bank of India Ltd., Surat	26,834 4 2
with Surat Dt. Co. Bank	13,557 6 7
Cash on hand	92 0 6 40,483 11 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>44,510 8 6</b>

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We have examined the Balance sheet of the Reception Committee of the 51st Indian National Congress, Haripura, as on 11th Oct., 1938 and found correct according to the informations and explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Reception Committee.

(Sd.) Ramanlal Govindlal Shah  
 (Sd.) Nataverlal J. Vepari  
 Registered Accountants  
 Hon. Auditors

Gopaldas Ambaidas  
 Chairman,  
 Kanaiyalal Nanabhai Desai  
 General Secretary,  
 Reception Committee  
 Bardoli, 15-10-'38

Chhotubhai Bhaidas  
 Marfatia  
 Dahyabhai Mehta  
 Mayabhai Teli  
 Treasurers,  
 Reception Committee

# VITHALNAGAR. વિઠ્ઠલનગર.

SUBJECTS COMMITTEE PANDAL  
મસલાત સમિતિ મંડપ

LADY VOLUNTEERS

R. TAPTI

તાપી નદી

પૂલ  
BRIDGE

ગોશાળા  
DAIRY

મંડપ  
PANDAL

ઝંડા ચોક

JHANDA CHOK

EXHIBITION

OFFICES

સેવિકા

વિવાસ  
D E R S  
કુટુંબનિવાસ  
FAMILIES

ભોજનશાળા  
DINING HALLS

પ્રતિનિધિ  
DELEGATES

VISITORS

ઘોડાખાડી  
GHODA KHADI

રાજમાર્ગ  
MAIN ROAD

વાહન ભૂમિ  
PARKING GROUND

પશ્ચિમ બજાર  
WEST BAZAR

કાર્યકર્તા  
WORKERS

કોષ્ટક  
STORES

સૈનિક  
VOLUNTEERS

HOSPITAL

સ્વચ્છતા સંઘ  
HEALTH DEPT.

કુટુંબનિવાસ  
FAMILIES

રસોડા  
કાર્યકર્તા  
KITCHEN WORKERS

પૂર્વ બજાર  
EAST-BAZAR

ગ્રામીણો  
VILLAGERS

વાહન ભૂમિ  
PARKING-GROUND

ઘોડાખાડી  
GHODA KHADI

← બારડોલી ભણી  
TO BARDOLI

G.N

→ TO MADHI

હરિપુરા-મહાસમા પ્રકાશન સમિતિ