



2500th Buddha Jayanti Working Committee

NEW DELHI

August 22, 1956.

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Honorary Chairman
JAWAHARLAL NEHRU
Prime Minister of India

Dear Raniji,

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Chairman :
S. RADHAKRISHNAN
Vice President of India

An invitation has already been extended to you by the Working Committee for the 2500th Buddha Jayanti to participate in the celebration to be held in November and we are glad that you will be able to come.

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Members :
SAMPURNANAND
Chief Minister, U. P.

As part of the celebrations, a Symposium on the Contribution of Buddhism to Art, Letters and Philosophy will be held from November 26th to 29th, 1956, with the cooperation of the Unesco. The last day of the Symposium will be devoted to a broader discussion of the Message of the Buddha. I have been directed by the Working Committee to request you to lead the discussion at the morning session on November 26th, 1956 when the topic for discussion will be Buddhism's Contribution to Art.

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SRI KRISHNA SINHA
Chief Minister, Bihar

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BISNURAM MEDHI
Chief Minister, Assam

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SHANKAR DAYAL SHARMA
Chief Minister, Bhopal

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KUSHAK BAKULA
Deputy Minister, Jammu & Kashmir

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P. T. NAMGAYAL
Maharaj Kumar of Sikkim

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Secretary :
ASHFAQUE HUSAIN
Joint Secretary, Ministry of Education

The Working Committee very much hopes that you will find it possible to agree, and I am, in that case, to request you to kindly let me have a copy of your paper, together with an English translation, if it is not written in English, by October 1st, 1956 so that it may be printed for distribution in time. It is requested that the paper may consist of not more than 3,000 words. It is also proposed that the paper need not be read but that you may kindly speak for about fifteen minutes to introduce your paper. This time limit has been fixed

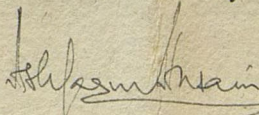
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with a view to enabling the largest possible number of participants to take part in the discussion.

I shall also be very grateful if you can kindly intimate your acceptance to this request at your early convenience.

Yours sincerely,


(Ashfaq Husain)

Rani Chuni Dorji,