



PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Dr. Chandrasekhar,

Earlier in the day you spoke to me about the Pope's statement regarding the population control. My feeling is that we should try to avoid any comment especially as he has merely reiterated the view of the Catholic Church. Catholic opinion is very sensitive on this point. A word which can be misconstrued may well make our task more difficult. I suggest that you also could have a word with our Catholic Members of Parliament about this matter.

I was so sorry to learn that you and your wife were not well. I hope you will soon recover completely.

With good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

(Indira Gandhi)

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