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Allahabad, Jan. 10- Pandit Padma Kant Malviya, president of the U.P. Forward Bloc, in a statement to the Press says that he has been approached by certain political parties to contest for the Lok Sabha seat from the Phulpur Parliamentary constituency. In fact the S.S.P. had been good enough to include his name in its final list of approved candidates.

But Pandit Malviya declined its offer with thanks. He expresses his gratefulness to the S.S.P. for the consideration shown to him by it all along.

President of U.P. Forward Bloc Pandit Padma Kant Malaviya, in a statement to the press says :-

"I am thankful to the S.S.P. for pledging their support to my candidature to the Parliamentary seat from Phulpur on the first instant and deleting my name from their list as published in the newspapers of the 9th instant. The people are naturally puzzled. To satisfy their curiosity I may only state that the fault is not that of the S.S.P. It is I who refused to contest on their ^{terms} ~~billet~~. ~~More than this I would not like to say at this stage.~~ Once more I thank the S.S.P. for the consideration shown to me all along, ~~and~~ ~~regret that I could not agree to their terms and~~ ~~will all their expectations from me."~~
