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Dear Moe:

I have already seen the letter from Penkar to which you refer.

At the meeting of the Overseas Commission last Thursday night, we decided to make good on my promise to the towns of Pen and Panvel that we would sponsor the salary of a cantor-teacher full-time for each congregation at the magnanimous sum of \$250.00 per year for each.

Insofar as the repairs and whitewashing of the building, I think that can wait until more important matters are disposed of. We may tell them that we are "considering" it.

The "sermon" suggestion by Penkar is something that I have heard all over India. They are very anxious to hear, see and read sermons by American rabbis. I would suggest that we give them the R.C.A. Manual and ask them to choose what they wish for dissemination. The trouble is, however, that a good deal of the material contained therein, in addition to not always being first rate, is not necessarily relevant to the condition and temperament of Indian Jewry.

A number of people have expressed a desire to have movies of a rabbi delivering the talk at the same time that a sound track projects his voice. They impressed upon me time and again the fact that this will make the teaching of Torah more real to them.

Sorry, you were ill for our last meeting. I do hope you are feeling better now.

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Norman Lamm