

Re: I know we should talk about this, but I don't think there is anything left to say

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To

Agastya

I completely understand you are disappointed in me, and that you don't think I am the right leader for ALN! I can promise you that I will sincerely do better in the future. I hope you continue the amazing and consistent work you are doing currently with ALN! While I don't think a "change in leadership" is possible, I ask of you to help me fix this instead of throwing away everything.

Thanks.

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On 13-07-2025 05:15, Agastya wrote:

> You could have spat on my face and I would have still tolerated that,
> [@Samaran](#).
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> Man, you hid things from me, showed extreme cowardice paired with
> shady practices to deal with the situation, even when others proposed
> the solution, and what you did was con me into participating in an
> event which violated my principles. You may be forced to violate your
> principles, but at least you could have been transparent to me that
> you would not hesitate one bit to still be a bootlicker of the animal
> oppressors; you could have been honest about it to me. You could have
> told me a minute before the commencement of NARD 15 Chennai. This
> feels like a betrayal. Not a mistake or an oversight. But a
> calculated action that you keep me in the dark, and carry ahead with
> the one thing that I was against. Did you stop to think even once,
> that "Hey, Agastya is clearly not okay with aligning with the
> oppressors? And that I am going to do these things behind his back.
> The least I can do is to be honest with him? To let him know?" Were
> you ever going to tell me this, Samaran?
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> You know other activists feared that ALN! will be a puppet of BCI.
> Your actions proved what they already feared. alnchennai is not
> posting about the event we did, for the money we collected, for the
> organisation that we did; all because we want to ensure BCI is not
> feeling butt hurt. I know ALN! is not a registered organisation, else
> this message would have been the vote of no confidence in you from my
> side to be able to lead ALN! My trust was already weakened in the
> leadership of the organisation, all throughout how we handled NARD.
> It was made much worse, the way, you were still sucking up to BCI
> afterwards. This just shows recklessness and lack of integrity. You
> could have been honest, man. I trusted you, and you shattered my
> trust with this.

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> ALN! was not a registered organisation, but I took it seriously, and
> did everything that was asked of me. I can't be associated with ALN!
> in any capacity until there is an immediate change in the leadership.
> Given that you don't even check the mails, it is safe to assume that
> nothing is happening immediately. I will still give you a week's
> time. And by next week, should I not hear from you how ALN!'s
> leadership is going to change, I would be formally resigning from my
> positions in ALN! and alnbangalore. That includes IT, copy-editing
> team, discord moderation, graphic-design team, github organisation
> maintenance, ALN! core member, alnbangalore activist, mail server
> admin, bitwarden admin, as well as any workshop conductor (which were
> tabled for future). Given ALN! never had a notice period, but it may
> not be easy to find replacement immediately, I'd carry out my duties
> for a month -- you can consider that as me serving a one-month notice
> period. Post which, I'd not be associated with, or helping ALN! in any
> capacity. Given the workshops we had planned were going to happen
> later this month and then in August -- I'd understand if you would not
> want to send me for those. Else, I'd reach out to you for tickets and
> wrap up my responsibilities within 5 weeks from now. Unless if the
> leadership of ALN! is changed with immediate effect.
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> Best,
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> Agastya