

More Endorsements for the Alternative Women's Reservation Bill

In MANUSHI 116, we had called for support for the Alternative Women's Reservation Bill drafted by the Forum for Democratic Reforms. We are encouraged by the fact that we have already received numerous endorsements from very eminent people in support of our Alternative Bill. In issue 117, we had published 200 of the several hundred endorsements that came to us. In this issue again **for lack of space, we are publishing only some of the names of those who sent us their endorsements.** We will be publishing more such endorsements in the next issue of MANUSHI.

We request MANUSHI readers and friends to collect as many more endorsement signatures as they can and send them to us. **We would be happy to send you copies of the Alternative Bill to assist you in this campaign.**

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