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My dear Prof. Krishnan,

I received your kind letter of 27th June and later, your photo as I was leaving for Madras to attend the Board of Studies meeting in Geology. I took leave in continuation and returned only two days ago. Hence the delay in replying to you. I like the photo you sent me immensely because it looks just like the Krishna Aiyangar I know- unconventional and absorbed in work. It reminds me of the foreign mail day in I.A.C.S. when you used to get lost for the anxiously awaited Journals.

Mr Balasundaram was very anxious to go to you immediately on the receipt of your letter. I asked him to wait till I returned from Madras by which time he could also adjust his private affairs. He was selected for the Mining Scholarship in our Government but gave it up wisely at my suggestion as I felt that it is a folly for young men of his brilliance to take to a course where average ability and physical stamina are the only requisites for success. ~~and it is a pity that he is not~~

He is very keen to do some sustained work in science without being anxious to get into 'jobs' and I feel most confident that he will make a great success under your

inspiring guidance. I need not write to you more about him as he will be with you in a couple of days. He is starting from here on 14th July night and reaching Calcutta on 16th morning by Nagpur- Bombay mail that reaches there by about 10 a.m. He is writing to some friend to meet him and help him to reach one of the Madrasi hotels in Central Avenue. I thought of writing to Sekhar but as he always tells me he is very busy in office, I am not doing so. If there is any scholar in the Association whom you can conveniently send to Howrah and who will put him up either in a hotel or in with him, I shall be obliged. But you need not do this if it is any great trouble.

My Balasundaram's ~~ss~~ resources are meagre. He is going there with the promise of help from his father (and ^{is} friends) who ~~are~~ not in very affluent circumstances as he is to retire soon and has daughters to marry. ~~See~~ Seeing his brilliant record a friend of the family ~~offerd~~ offered to give him moderate help. I was very keen that he should not be lost for higher work on account of initial financial handicaps and have asked him to have faith in his work and God and then all would be well. You will soon know from his work ~~ifxxxxxxxxxxxwork~~ what his capacities are. I am sure you will help him to get some scholarship if his progress justifies it. Both from the ~~point~~ point of view of environment and economy of living, it would be helpful if you

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My dear Prof Krishnan,

I am delighted to

learn from your kind letter of 22nd June that
I may look forward to the pleasure of
meeting you here on 30th June.

Secunderabad is the nearest station
to my flat & the train comes first to
Sec'bad. I shall be at the station to
take you home.

I shall in turn be satisfied by
whose.

Prof S. B. who was here about
a fortnight ago told me of the
circumstances of your leaving the
Association & going to Allahabad.

The last link with I.A.C.S which
played much part in our lives
is now broken! It goes back into
oblivion, & Allahabad is the richer

in finity and you find none a
much wider sphere to benefit
far larger groups of young aspirants.

please ask Dr. Ganesh to come
write you to His beloved. We are so near
each other & get so far.

Looking forward to the joy
of seeing you & wife my namaste,

Yours affectionately
C. Mahadeva.