

NATIONAL PHYSICAL LABORATORY

P.A. to

SIR K. S. KRISHNAN, F.R.S.
DIRECTOR

University Buildings
DELHI.

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Dear Sir,

I received your kind letter along with the cheque yesterday. Ambi must have written to you about the non-receipt of the cheque from Mrs. Rao, and it was very good that your cheque came in time; otherwise it would have been a bit awkward indeed. Please write to Madras and ask her to expedite sending the money. Of course even if the money is not received, you need not worry as it would be possible to carry on with the sum you have sent.

There was nothing so important as to bother you with a summary of the letters received in your absence; that was why I did not send you any. Only routine letters that could wait till you returned have been received. The more important ones are:

1. A letter from the Ministry of Railways regarding the establishment of an organisation for co-ordinating the research activities on railways with those of other research organisations in India from Mr. K.C.Bakhle. You have been requested to serve on the Committee. I have replied that they would be receiving your reply after your return.
2. A letter from the Vice-Chancellor, Lucknow University, requesting you to deliver a lecture or two on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee celebrations to be held in the last week of January.

I had sent you, soon after you left a T.A., bill form received from Mr. Satyaprakash. I wonder whether you received it as I have not heard anything from you in both of your letters regarding the same. I also hope you have seen Mr. Chadwick regarding your magnet.

Swamiji is naturally anxious to hear from you in detail, and I am sure you will write to him when you ^{are} a bit more free.

Sir S.S. has not yet arrived, but is expected to, on the 23rd. Dr. Gill has no place to work even though his equipment has arrived both from New York and Bombay. He has given the option to the Department to buy it outright, or pay the freight but consider the equipment as his personal property. The matter will be decided only after the return of DSIR. The work in the Laboratory is going on very smoothly and I do not think you will have any cause for complaint or worry on your return. The University seem to be pressing for the release of the room in which Swamiji's assistants are working. I also understand that the University has permitted the Council to occupy the University buildings uptill the end of July(?) The work at the site is not quite brisk as it was when you left, probably due to the non-receipt of the structures from England. It is anticipated that we will not be able to move into the new buildings before the end of March.

I meet Ambi occasionally and he told me that all is well at home. I also understand that he has written to you in detail. I presume you will be back by about the 25th, in time to attend the meeting at Bangalore and also the Science Congress in the first week of January next year.

With kindest regards,

Yours respectfully,

Ramanathan