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Dear Sir,

Hope this letter finds you in good health. I am fine here by the grace of my fellow human beings in whom I wish to see God.

Indeed, it was something beyond my expression and a blessing to have been amidst everyone at the IRRS hall to hear your seminar. As a youngster, I consider it a privilege to have asked and to have received a convincing answer to my concerned confusion, regarding my motherland - India. But despite of the fact that we constitute 1/5th the human inhabiting earth, our contributions make no sense to the world, when applying the theory of Ratio: Proportion, in comparison to small countries, too insignificant in size, on a map. But as a patriotic youngster, I am convinced of my confused-concern, so that I ~~may~~ ^{should} offer something very little, although too insignificant to a country of 950 Million (I'm afraid if it makes sense in India).

I am pursuing my Masters in Horticulture, specialising at UPLB on ornamental (post harvest physiology). I do understand my field is so contrasting to yours in solving food problem. But I would justify my existence to apply post harvest physiology into life, by its innocent, modest, humble aesthetic sense.

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As a youngster having to strive and make my dreams - castles - in air to reality. At the very outset I don't want to feel guilty of earning money. In this cruel world we "has" to yearn to make money, as it's money alone that can take us to places where we can access to have happiness, in this immoral / unrealistic / unlovely global village. Nonetheless, I have the willingness to stand alone, the confidence to challenge the conventional, the perseverance to do as I dream and "I" do possess an unreasonable passion for being my very best, of all the innate desire to be the plant a better more peaceful place! After all, each person should compete in search for his fortune with the expectation that the gains of each will in the end be the gain of the community as well.

Sir, I am in debt for words to express my admiration and love to you. As an individual, you have been striving to inspire and awaken the world to reality and to ensure that each individual achieves his potential to be a human, by first feeding him with food, the very cause & reason for the world to reach where it is, yearning to meet this basic need to sustain the very humanness on earth.

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Indeed your life and the gist of your very existence has been nothing short in proving that, indeed you are the Modern Bhishma in reality!

Sir, I am getting too restless ever since I've seen and heard you at IAS auditorium. Indeed your attitude in appreciating your field, and has inspired in setting your vision "to solve hunger." And after you've attended the World Food Summit '96 at Rome, you have outrightly expressed your guilt & concern at the ignorance of policy makers in setting a criminal target for 2015.

Well let me now appreciate my field of ornamental horticulture. And see how best I fit my post harvest physiology in providing aesthetic sense to life. This very fact if it could be true, gives me fear in placing our role as ornamental horticulturists. And I just can't imagine how exactly I should set my vision to fulfill our mission, when we have not set a target, to fulfill the most vital need. When we actually have to realize that the whole world goes to sleep mentally hungry for want of aesthetic sense in their lives.

Yes, I do understand many would (particularly our ^{good} non-Indians again) would perceive my thought as an

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impossibility to manifest in reality. But these very my own countrymen have ridiculed me so much, that has driven me mad again to probe my true inner voices. I have took time to equip with this thought, It will definitely take more time to equip & to face the actual reality in practical life. But it should just ^{be} simple if I am to convince myself to..... "He "who" has a "why" to live for, can bear almost any "how" !!!

Sir, the very gist of my entire perception has been, I should apologise and confess, has been taken from your mind of being a human to human. I'm too afraid, that I'm unable to pay loyalty fees to your patented thought !!!

But at this nascent stage in my determination to emulate what you were & what you are, and if being what ^{you} are, has inspired me so much. I am left with no option but to submit myself to you and wish in my humble way, that you would continue in your existence to pursue on your relentless pursuit, in being the very epitome of the "human" aspect. Sir, I have my humble prayers for your good health. Shall close with love, regards & prayers. I remain,

yours Affectionately,
George