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Dear Sri. Bhabha,

It was with profound sorrow that we learnt about the passing away of Sri. J.R.D. Tata a few days back. The entire nation - the Tata family of industries, the scientists, technologists, workers, may every one in the country like mourn the death of a Colossus like Sri. Tata.

For us at TIFR, he was very special. It was his encouragement and support that enabled Dr. Homi Bhabha to found the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research. Besides, as the Chairman of the Governing Council of TIFR, he grew and nurtured the institution. We were all hoping that Sri. Tata will be there for the Golden Jubilee Celebrations in 1995.

Such men appear only once in a millennium. It was indeed my great fortune to have had the great opportunity of interacting with him though in a small way and I will cherish those memories always.

Yours Sincerely
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