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~~Letter to Prof. 20/1/50~~

3, Vinayakan Kail street, Tambaram (East),  
Madras, 12.1.1950.

My dear Krishnan.

The Ramanujan Institute will start functioning in a few days time and I wish that you could be present at the inauguration which will be a simple one. Alagappa is attending to all matters connected with the Institute in spite of being — this is only a guess — in the midst of ~~serious~~ financial worries.

It seems that he is setting apart considerable properties (at Cannanore) for the Institute; a part of these properties fetches the trust a monthly rental of Rs 2,500, I am told. Nevertheless the Institute will need another 50,000 per annum, I think, even in the beginning.

You know that many mathematicians in this country have been poorly paid and some of these I should like to have as my colleagues at Karaikkudi. this is especially so in the South — have been ill paid for a long time so that it is no wonder that they are likely to ask for a higher salary than what they are now getting. For instance V. Ganapathy Iyer (V.G. Iyer) is getting, including all allowances, Rs 320 p.m. though I can think of no University professor in India who is more qualified than he is; V.G. I. is getting  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{1}{3}$  or  $\frac{1}{4}$  of half, one third or one fourth of what many lesser mathematicians are getting elsewhere in India.

I should like to have as my colleagues the following: —

S-S. Pillai. 750-50-1000. (Pillai wants to be started at 850/-)  
P. Kesava Menon: 350-25-600. [I don't know if Menon will accept this grade]  
V. Ganapathy Iyer: 600-25-800. [Present salary, including allowances: Rs 300]  
C. T. Rajeswaral: 500-25-700. [V.S.K. is now in Paris; the Govt. of France gave him a fellowship. V.S.K. is in a junior grade in Educational Service (Presidency)]  
V. S. Krishnan: 350-25-600  
Library: Rs 400 per month

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Visiting Professors: 1000 - 0 - 0 (on an average Rs 12,000)  
 Summer Seminars: 1000 - 0 - 0 (per annum)  
~~Junior~~ Fellows: 2 { 250 - 25 - 300  
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 Two junior Fellows: { 150 - 25 - 200  
 { 150 - 25 - 200.  
 Hostel & guest House: 500/-  
 Librarian (in course of time) (on an average Rs 6000/- per annum)

Stenographer, typist, clerk. (all in one, for the present).  
~~The~~ ~~clerks~~ Servants, etc.

Equipment: Blackboards, furniture, typewriter, mimeographing  
 apparatus, etc.

Library: I was told, but I have not checked it, that a  
 first-class mathematical library may cost Rs 200,000.

Buildings: ?

Do you think that we can persuade the govt. of India  
~~not to~~ to give us grants?

The expenses of the Institute may ~~double itself~~ will be  
 of the order of 200,000 a year in the course of 10 years.

I am going to phone in a day or two to arrange  
 for the transfer of the library of the India Math. Society.

[ Can I approach the govt. of India for financial assistance  
 for the India Math. Soc.? Buildings for the library, secretarial  
 assistance etc. ]

Yours affly T. Vijayaraghavan

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*Dr. K. S. Krishnan F.R.S.,  
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*Dr. K. S. Krishnan  
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5 OCT 1954  
MADRAS

3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1951

7 P.M.

5 OCT My dear Krishna,

I was very  
happy to get your letter  
of Oct. 1.

I had a telegram <sup>on the 1<sup>st</sup></sup> from  
U. S. E. F. J. Congratulating me  
on the award of a travel grant  
and a supplementary grant. The detailed  
letter which is to follow has not  
yet reached me - for the U.S.

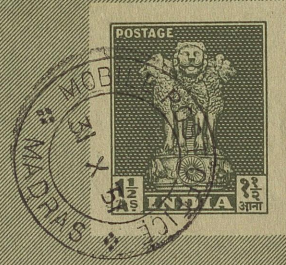
I want to leave either about  
the end of October or the end of  
December. The latter date will be  
more suitable for a case  
I could deliver the Presidential

address of the India Math.  
Soc. before leaving for the States.

Yours affly  
P. Vijayaraghavan

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"Krishna Vilas",

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Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 1951

My dear Krishna,

Alegappa Chettiar

is due back here in ~~the~~ or about  
the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. I think

that we could hold our committee  
meeting not later than Nov. 15.

I am expecting to hear  
from you any time

Yours affly

T. Vijayarajendra

Eckhart Hall where I spend most of the daytime.

Chandrasekhar is not lecturing in Chicago this quarter. [It is not quite easy to contact him from Yerkes the observation during the winter months when roads are slippery]. Chandrasekhar was telling me that he wrote to you about some matter referred to him

(about accepting some money for some purpose from me Sir

Patnaik by an official of the UNESCO, & that you

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AIR LETTER



VIA AIR MAIL  
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Dr. K. S. Krishnan Dsc., FRS.,  
Director, National Physical Lab.,  
NEW DELHI.  
INDIA,

SECOND FOLD

Didn't haven't replied to him.

I hope you got my previous letter re. the admission of India to the International Union of Mechanics.

Yours etc

T. Vijaya Rao

566  
~~466~~ International House

1414 East Fifty-ninth Street

Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.

Jan 24, 1952.

My dear Krishnan,

I have written to ~~the~~ Alagappa Chettiar  
Along with ~~me~~ a letter to <sup>Pattuchami</sup> my son

I have enclosed a letter to Alagappa Chettiar requesting that he might give sanction some leave salary to me. It is probable that Pattuchami might see A. with that letter or merely forward the letter to A. This is rather an urgent matter though I got some money here by way of advance from the Chicago University and sent it to Pattuchami to meet some ~~urgent~~ pressing demands for payment. I hope A. will sanction some leave salary.

I reached here on Dec. 31 after a pleasant journey. The stay at the International House is fairly comfortable and the charges reasonable. ~~As~~ I sometimes wonder what I shall do after my stay of 6 months in Chicago. If I travel about staying for a week or two at each place then the expenses might far exceed my ~~own~~ income. I wonder if the Smith-Mumford grant will take care of travel expenses when I visit universities on invitation.

When I reached Chicago it was ~~at~~ about the end of a cold wave; there was much snowfall after I came here and the sidewalks have been free from slippery ice for only 4 or 5 days. It is rather cold today; max: 18°F [yesterday's minimum was 0°F but that was at night time when one is inside an overheated building] The cold suits me all right and the conditions of my work are quite satisfactory. I have an 'office' in the

P.P.S. I received today from ~~me~~ an American whom I do not  
remember to have ever met a gift of \$25<sup>00</sup> for the  
Ramanujan Institute of Mathematics  
Institute.

(KARAIKUDI)

"KRISHNA VILAS"

Phone: 4023

VEPERY, MADRAS-7.

Jan 6 1953.

My dear Krishna,

I saw C.R. today and his  
first reaction was that he wouldn't accept  
the chairmanship of the Advising Committee.  
However he may reconsider it.

Meanwhile I hear that it has ~~been~~  
almost <sup>been</sup> decided ~~that~~ to shift the Institute  
to Karaikudi. And that it will be located  
in the Premises of the Institute of Electro-Chemical  
Analysis and that it is very probable that  
the Govt. of India will help financially  
(or take over) the Institute.

I had been to Thirupathi during the last  
week end. His Holiness the Sri Sri Sri  
wanted me to remind you of his letter  
to you suggesting that you visit the Hills  
at some early date convenient to you, if  
possible with Padma & her husband.  
Have you been to Thirupathi since <sup>to</sup> ~~been~~ leaving



door way on the east chred and the noise  
of the talk of the people (who have been  
asked to live ~~there~~ in the  
rooms beyond the eastern door) often  
causing interruptions.

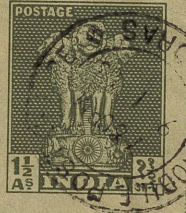
It seems to me that you  
too should give ~~it~~ more serious  
attention to these + possible  
future developments. It is odd  
that instead of sending you  
Puzal greetings I should be  
writing like this.

Yours  
T. Vijayarajan

Personal.

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T. Vijayarajan

19, Nagaswamiapuram

Madras - 4



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19, Nagaswaram

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Jan 9, 1953

7 PM

My dear Krishna,

No salary  
 disbursement has yet been made;  
 the Research Student needs money for  
 paying her hostel dues which are to  
 be paid by the 10<sup>th</sup> inst. [She had  
 to spend her savings for the trip to the  
 Danty Conference; t.a. will be paid  
~~late~~ along with the salary though]. And  
 so on. I doubt if a disbursement  
 will be made till sometime after Pongal.

There is an attender attached to the  
 Institute but I haven't seen  
 him since my return; he is working  
 elsewhere

Evidently I learn that  
 Gajappa is looking forward to  
 the possibility of washing off his  
 hands the responsibility for the  
 Institute but - surely he ought  
 to do ~~it~~ certain  
 things till such an event  
 takes place. ~~He~~ You should  
 visit the Institute when you next  
 come here. No black board, the

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19, Nagaswampnam  
Madras - 4

Jan 26, 1953

My dear Krishnan,

Please let me know the books that you wanted me to send you. [I am getting forgetful & I ~~am not~~ have mislaid the slip of paper in which I noted what you said].

Pattulani has to appear before the Viva Board on Feb. 9 and is likely to leave Madras on Feb. 2.

I shall try to send the books through him.

Yours affectionately

T. Vijayaraghava

19, Nagaswamyapuram, Madras-4

Sep. 7, 1953.

My dear Krishnan,

I am rather frightened at the look of things here. If you are writing to S.S.D. after the receipt of this letter please ask him to suggest to A. that he might request the Govt. to take over the Institute. Much as I should prefer the other solution, I doubt if it is realizable.

~~It~~ ~~has~~ ~~made~~ ~~me~~ <sup>I was</sup> very happy to spend a week with you at

Delhi.

Yours etc

T. Vijayarajaper

Ramanujan Institute of Mathematics

(KARAIKUDI)

"KRISHNA VILAS"

Phone : 4023

VEPERY, MADRAS-7.

29th March, 1954.

My dear Krishna

Dr.Chettiar is leaving for Delhi to-morrow morning and I expect that he will bring with him the plan of the site. I understand that the sites belonging to Dr.Chettiar in that area have been sold at Rs.1,850/- per ground. I trust that the architect of the CSIR will be able to draw a suitable plan keeping in mind that it is probable that the Institute will expand considerably during the next ten years.

With kind regards,

Yours

*aff*  
T. Vijaya

Dr.K.S.Krishnan, FRS.,  
No.3, Khusak Road,  
New Delhi-2.

P.S. Considering the costliness of the sites ~~ground~~ & the fact that many sites have already been sold away it seems to me that the architect will have to use much ingenuity if the plans are to be such as will permit adequate expansion in the near future.

P.P.S.

I had a letter <sup>today</sup> from Chandrasekaran

RAMANUJAN INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICS.

Announcing the sanction of Rs 9000/- (for 6 months) towards my pay I have sent "Krishna Vilas", a bill to him for his counter signature. I wish that the salary ~~can~~ maybe made payable direct to me.

"Krishna Vilas",  
Vepery, Madras-7,  
25th March, 1954.

Kindly let me know the amount of your T.A. bill

for attending the meeting of the Council of the Ramanujan Institute at Karaikudi so that I can include the amount in the pay bill to be sent to the Asoka Charitable Trust.

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Yours

Dr.K.S.Krishnan, FRS.,  
No.3, Khusak Road,  
NEW DELHI-2.

Since writing the letter below the clerk of the R. Inst. informs that A. has instructed that a sum of Rs 2500 may be sent to the Institute against a bill of Rs 4000/-. The amount due to me alone is Rs 2100/-

P.S.  
May 13, 1954  
I heard from

P.S.

May 13, 1954.

My dear Krishnan,  
I suppose there is nothing that you can do about the non-payment of salaries on due dates. Not even the bonus has been paid yet & I am availing myself of the excuse of the vacation for not going to the Institute, for I find it

himself to meet the clerk of the  
bearer & hear their requests  
for the payment of dues.

~~If it is not too late to~~  
If there is any point in doing  
so, please think of ways &  
means of having the Institute  
taken over by the Govt.

The present position is intolerable  
& I at any rate feel certain  
that A. is not likely to change

Yours affly  
T. Vijayarajaper

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Dr. K. S. Krishnan, FRS.,

No. 3, Khusak Road,

NEW DELHI-2.

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Dr. F. Vijayarajaper,

"Krishna Vilas",  
Vepery, Madras-7



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