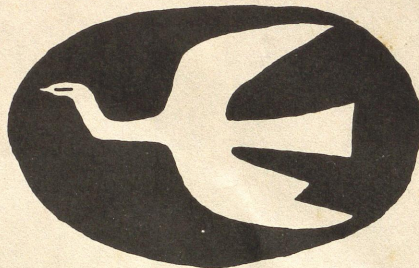


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Dear Prakash

In May I gave up with the Chinese travel agent and went by taxi to Inner Mongolia. Of course no cranes or geese, but excellent surroundings and good wetlands.

Thanks for your notes for the Asian report. We are printing it here and it will be ready by mid-November. That it is so late is due to the very late arrival of the Indian counts.

I was just away for one and a half months, mainly in Poland and the USSR. We prepared a meeting in 1989 in Estonia and I worked on many IWRB matters. I know much more about Demoiselle Cranes in the USSR with very disappointing numbers in west USSR.

I will send the reports shortly. You will also receive the Crane letter No 8. At the moment the processing by the machines is slower than my own production.

All the best to Swati (*especially!*)

Yours/sincerely

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(Development)