

डा० एम०एस० स्वामीनाथन्

अ०शा०पत्र सं० 730/26/78
Dated: 22 मार्च, 1978

प्रिय महीदय,

आपके दिनांक 16 मार्च, 1978 के पत्रांक 1996/एम एस/78 के लिए मैं आपका अत्यन्त आभारी हूँ। आपकी उदार भावनाओं के लिए मेरी ओर से आपको अनेक धन्यवाद। मैं विश्वास दिलाता हूँ कि अपने कृषि कार्य के लिए मैं अधिकतम प्रयास करूँगा।

सादर,

आपका

(एम०एस० स्वामीनाथन्)

श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव,
स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण राज्य मंत्री,
नई दिल्ली।

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8/2/78



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स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण
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MINISTER OF STATE
FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
INDIA
NEW DELHI-110011

16 मार्च, 1978

प्रिय डा० स्वामीनाथन जी,

समाचारपत्रों के समाचार से ऐसा लगा कि आप भारतीय कृषि अनुसंधान परिषद् को छोड़ने पर तैयार हैं, जिसके कारण माननीय प्रधानमंत्री को आग्रह करना पड़ा कि आपका वहाँ बना रहना जरूरी है। वे देश के मूर्खन्य नेता और विचारक होने के साथ-साथ देश के प्रधानमंत्री भी हैं।

मेरा भी संबंध अब आपसे पुराना कहा ही जा सकता है। पहले भी और अब भी आग्रह है कि आप इस स्थान पर रहकर देश के अनुसंधान भाग का मार्गदर्शन करते रहें।

यह समय की आवश्यकता है कि आप ग्राम विकास के कार्य को तीव्रतापूर्वक लागू करने की योजना बनायें। जनता सरकार भी ग्राम विकास और कृषि विकास को प्रमुखता देकर कार्य आरम्भ कर रही है। ऐसे अवसर पर आपकी इस विभाग में उपस्थिति जरूरी है, यह आसानी से अनुभव किया जा सकता है।

कर्तव्य परिश्रमपूर्वक करने का मार्गदर्शन करते रहें।

शुभ कामनाओं सहित,

आपका,

(जगदम् बी प्रसाद यादव)

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महानिदेशक,
भारतीय कृषि अनुसंधान परिषद्,
कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली।

Dear Sir,

I am most grateful to you for your kind letter No. 1996/MS/78 dated March 16, 1978. I thank you for your generous sentiments. I assure you that I shall do my best to be of service to our agriculture.

With my best regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sw
(M.S. SWAMINATHAN)

Shri Jagdambi Prasad Yadav,
Minister of State for
Health and Family Welfare,
New Delhi

Dear Dr. Swaminathan,

I write this as I hurriedly proceed from P.M.'s house to catch the plane for Nagpur. In the meeting with him today morning I could not contain myself & mentioned to him what I had learnt from Dr. Gopal Krishna that you are feeling compelled to resign from your present office. This resignation looks very much like a mere orientation given to the Govt. by the

justice more than his own feeling. He is one of the fittest persons to be requested to continue that he has personally felt & has asked you to continue in this regard.

That is what I told you that he has asked you to continue in this regard. I plead a behalf of you that you should continue for some more years. I must have met you personally but that not being possible I give this letter to someone to deliver. So please think about this P.M. - as requested by him

with regards best wishes

Yours sincerely
Deviendra

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PRIME MINISTER

New Delhi,
January 31, 1978

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Yours sincerely,

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Morarji Desai

Shri Ugrasen, MP,
170, North Avenue,
New Delhi.

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T. THAKUR

G. KISHAN SINGH

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New Delhi

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Sunday 26
Dec.

Chancellor

Dear Swami,

I have been thinking about you a lot lately and wondering what the news was: are you staying in ICAR or not? Yesterday I heard indirectly that you had resigned. Is this a more recent action than that you had already taken when last we met in late November?

I am anxious - both because of my concern for India & for you - to talk with you before I become involved in the round of talks. Could you kindly have lunch

with me (O'Brien at 1:30) &
let me call at the office any
time your name in the morning?

I promise to be brief
if at office; lunch would
probably be more relaxing for
both of us!

Warm regards

Sincerely

J.C.C.

The Directors of the Research Institutes and the Laboratories of the ICAR on getting the news of Dr.M.S.Swaminathan, Director General, ICAR's seeking voluntary retirement unanimously resolved in a meeting held today as under:

"The Directors are greatly distressed over the voluntary retirement sought by Dr.M.S.Swaminathan, Director General, ICAR from his present position, perhaps on account of few individuals creating repeatedly unpleasant situations. The scientific community both in this country and abroad are fully aware of and appreciate massive contributions to agricultural research, education and development. In addition to his own contributions, he has given a dynamic leadership and new directions in all the above fields of agricultural, animal and fisheries sciences. His contributions in providing better and dignified working opportunities to scientists and administrators and other allied staff do not require any mention.

Under these circumstances and owing to the present commitments, the need for his continued leadership is all the more necessary. Directors express their full and deep faith and solidarity in his leadership and feel that if the ICAR Society is deprived of his services at this critical juncture, our nation will be poorer to that extent. Therefore, in the wider interest of the country the Directors resolved that the services of Dr.Swaminathan as Director General ICAR may be continued."

Directors present at the meeting:

1. D. SUNDARESAN, N.D.R.P. *[Signature]* 10/3
2. C.M. Singh IVRI *[Signature]*
3. N.C. Copaladani CTRI, Rajahmundry *[Signature]* 10/3
4. J. THULJARAM RAO SBI, Coimbatore *[Signature]*
5. K.S. MURRAY, NBSS-L, P. J. Orissa *[Signature]* 10/3
6. KISHAN SINGH I.I.S.R. Lucknow *[Signature]* 10/3

7. K.G. Tejwani, CS&WCR&TI, Delhi.

8. B.D. Datta - IAFRI Ghanoua

9. K.L. Mehra

NBPGR

N. Belli

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The Directors of the Research Institute... of the ICAR on getting the news of Dr. N.S. Swaminathan's... ICAR's seeking voluntary retirement... held today as under:

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4. T. V. Raghavan
5. K. S. Singh
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- Memoranda NRPOR, N. Delhi
8. K. A. Tejwani CSWERTI, Delhi
 9. B. D. Bhatia ICRP, Ghaziabad
 10. D. N. Borahakur ~~ICAR~~ ICAR Research Complex for NEH Region, Shillong
 11. N. M. Nayar. CPRI, Kasaragod
 12. Ch. Krishnamoorthy Orland, Hyderabad
 13. Daranga Sinha IASRI, N. Delhi
 14. R. Seetharaman AICRIP, Hyderabad
 15. H. K. Pande CRRI - Cuttack
 16. B. B. Nagarich C.P.R.I.
 17. T. P. S. Teotia ILRI, Ranchi
 18. J. P. Tandon VPKAS Almora (U.P.)
 19. M. V. Reddi Project Director oilseed
 20. V. G. Jha C. I. F. - R. I.
 21. N. Hrishni CTCRI
 22. H. S. Mann CAZRI Jodhpur
 23. E. G. Silas CHERI Cochin
 24. V. SUNDARAM CTRL, Bombay
 25. CHOKHEY SINGH CICR Nagpur

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H. S. Mann

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V. SUNDARAM

CHOKHEY SINGH

March 27, 1978

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D.O.No. 784/29/78-

I thank you for your letter of the 10th March, 1978. It was a real pleasure having you with us for a longer period this time. I am only sorry that my own preoccupation with organisational matters and with my other responsibilities prevented me from spending more time with you. I do hope that you can come for a little longer stay as a Visiting Professor.

As you say, we are in a very interesting phase in the evolution of our society and economy. If we are able to develop a synthesis of science and spirituality we would have been able to demonstrate a new way of life in which bread and freedom can be combined with certain basic human values.

Thank you once again for your encouraging letter. We shall do our best to keep our agriculture moving.

With my best regards,

Yours sincerely,

M 27/3
(M.S. Swaminathan)

Dr. James Mac Key,
Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding,
Royal Agricultural College of Sweden,
S-750 07, Uppsala 7,
Sweden

Back to me.

James
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Uppsala, 10th March, 1978.

Dr. M.S. Swaminathan
81, Shahjahan Road
New Delhi
India.

Dear friend,

Well home again I just like to send you a few lines indicating my great appreciation for all hospitality, arrangements and not least the new positive impressions I had from India and its agriculture.

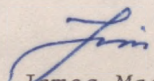
I was deeply impressed by the "go" you had all of you and the respect shown by the society, the politicians, and the industry for your contributions. I envy this atmosphere coming from a country where people have learnt only to demand but not to deserve and struggle for their high standard. We are also now going backwards while you and many other so-called developing countries move forwards as quick as possible with relation to investment needs, education standard, and conservatism. We both need a change in generation to change pattern. Even though there appears to be a shift in the appreciation of science in our society, the scientists have long been accused as responsible for pollution, social complexity, etc. Very slowly they learn as was so clearly shown by the green revolution that scientists only offers solutions, the society chooses how to use them. It is, indeed, time for us to learn from you and not as have been the general thoughts at least in the developed countries the other way round.

It is also interesting to observe that apathy appears to evolve at the extremes of existence. The very poor and those who have everything or almost everything are not the same kind of people as those who have something to struggle and fight for and can see at least some of the goals possible to realize. Apparently, man is created for such a situation, not for leisure. Your society with all these big differences demonstrate clearly how easy man adapt for one or the other pattern. In this respect, the right kind of scientiest is alway privileged, since his curiosity and to large extent also his ego always pushes him to go on and to strive. For him work is pleasure. You, yourself have had a grand opportunity to have this experience and feel content with yourself. In order to appreciate it properly, adversity has to come into the picture and I felt that you have had this as well but not too much to break you down in any way. I have felt the same though in a smaller scale for everything compared to you.

With these reflections I hope that you understand my great satisfaction with my stay in India. Being a born optimist I prefer to look upon the positive sides, in this case knowing that many drawbacks of your society cannot be solved before a certain level of education and standrad is reached.

Best regards and wishes also to your wife and family with many thanks for a grand hospitality.

Yours sincerely,


James Mac Key