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Dear Mr. Gole

It was a pity that we could not meet in Bombay. I hope that you could understand, being only day in Bombay and having arranged a trip with mr. Humayan Abdulali, that it was not possible to stay in the hotel on that day. But you received the binoculars and certainly you can do good work with it. Within a few weeks Steve Madge with Birdquest will visit your country with a group of ornithologists. I suggested both Steve as well as Ian Presst on the possibility of binoculartransport to India and I hope it will succeed. I regretted that I had not keep one binocular, for the guard of the Great Indian Bustard reserve in the Thar had none. And he must have one. Now I asked Steve.

Thanks for the book of Salim Ali. I am glad with it. In spite of the lack of water, we had good experiences. Indeed Suarashtra is wonderful. Nal Sarovar was a desert, however, good experiences along the Gulf of Kutch; the visit to the Desert Coursers Camp was a highlight and so was the Thar. Thanks for all your help and I hope that we can keep contat. If I had time I should visit your country more regularly but I am, as you, a businessman.

I shall prepare a report of mine visit and of course you shall have one. Together we observed 290 birdspecies in twoandhalf weeks.

kind regards

