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My dear Prof Krishnan,

I thank you very much for your kind letter and the very valuable explanations you have been pleased to give regarding my queries. I am glad that you like to send a few of the reprint copies of your "Article in the Earth's Age" to Tamil loving Science students in Ceylon, and as requested by you I give below the names of a few persons who are likely to be interested in the

article:—

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I believe that the above persons will read the article with interest and benefit, and shall be much obliged to you for sending same to them. If you can spare one more copies, you may also please include the following:—

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GRAPHITE With regard to the Graphite flakes, Prof.
Wadia also told me that you are
carrying out some very important

research as it and that we should endeavour
 to collect a few good specimens and send
 them to you. Unfortunately, we have not yet got any
 good crystalline flakes of the type you
 described to me in Benares, except those
 specimens where the graphite is found
 interleaved with MoS which were sent to
 you last time. However, the Mines Branch
 of ~~this~~ ^{our} Dept. has been informed about it
 and the Inspector of Mines who visits the
 Phumbago Mines has been requested to look out
 for some good flaky crystals. When we
 get a suitable collection, Prof Wadia will
 be very glad to send you the same.

You will be interested to hear
 that Prof. Wadia has agreed to the
 request of the Ceylon Government to stay
 longer in Ceylon and shape our Dept, and
 so we are privileged to be able to work
 under his guidance for at least a
 couple of years more. Owing to the

present situation which has necessitated
 our moving to smaller buildings, our
 work has been somewhat modified, but
 Mr. Wadia doesn't think that these should
 interfere with the progress of Scientific
 Research. Recently he has discovered
 some good deposits of Peat, Kaolin,
 Magnesite, Sulfurite, Iron Ore, Glass Sand,
 Thoriumite, etc and reported to Govt. on their
 economic aspects.

It is a pity that neither the Bombay
 University of which he is an alumnus,
 nor the Calcutta University where he was
 Professor, has thought of conferring a Doctorate
 (Honoris Causa) on Mr. Wadia although his
 work on the Syntaxis of the Himalayas
 has received international reputation.

Thanking you again and with
 all respects

Yours Sincerely,
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