

25th March, 1958.

My dear Mahalanobis,

Thanks for your letter of 17th March. I really do not believe that I ought to aim at being in India before the beginning of December, for whatever they do about my former Chair in Cambridge, it is certain that I shall have a good deal to attend to. This would give December to New Delhi, and January and February to Calcutta. I should not need to be in Australia before about mid-March, for it will still be very hot at that time in places so far north as Sydney. I hope this later date will not inconvenience you, for so far as I can judge it will make a great deal of difference to the convenience of my own arrangements.

I was glad to see in the current Nature that geomagnetic readings have been taken of the igneous lavas from Taj Mahal, confirming Irving's remarkable observations on the Deccan traps, which you may recall I was anxious to obtain for him from Krishnan many years ago. It seems that the movement of India relative to the pole can be traced over a wide range of latitude in the Goandwana series.

Sincerely yours,