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Subject: Condolences

Dear Dr. Soumya

I read about the passing of your father and doyen among scientists, Dr. M. S. Swaminathan.

We are reading a lot, and indeed more can be said that would stand testimony, about the contributions of your father to India and to science.

At the same time, you have lost a second parent in a short period of time. There must be a void in your and your sisters' lives.

Both your father and mother lived full lives, probably equivalent to two or more lives for most others.

Nevertheless, the loss will be felt.

Please accept my heartfelt condolences.

With warm regards

Bhaskar