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Dear Sowmya

I am so very sad to hear of Prof Swaminathan's passing away. India, and the world have lost a passionate and visionary leader. As a daughter, I know how painful it is to lose a parent, the hole in one's life feels so deep. But there are happy memories to fill the whole, and no death can take those from you.

My deepest condolences to you, your sisters and your family.

Warm regards

Shireen