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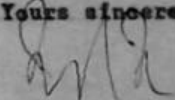
My dear Sugata,

This is just a line to say that in response to a suggestion made from Patna I am planning to arrive in Varanasi by IC-411 at 0910 hours on 25th December and to return to Delhi by IC-402 at 1335 hours on the 26th. The purpose of my visit is to meet J.P., and have a talk with him about various matters. I have wired my plans to him and have requested him to keep some time for me on the afternoon or evening of the 25th or the morning of the 26th. I shall be obliged if you will kindly, while arranging his programme, keep a little time for me for this purpose.

I need hardly say I look forward to seeing you and Amritanand Das while I am in Varanasi.

I do not know when JP is himself arriving in Varanasi but I shall visit your Institute on the morning of the 25th. I shall be staying overnight at the Clarks Hotel.

Yours sincerely,


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PS: I shall be in Delhi at the Indian International Centre from the morning of the 21st to the afternoon of the 23rd and at Ashoka Hotel from the evening of the 23rd to the morning of the 25th when I leave for Varanasi.