

C/o The Indian Bank Ltd.,
Infantry Road,
Cantonment,
Bangalore.-1.,
Mysore State. S. India.
23rd. September. 1964.

To,
Shri S. Gurdarshan Singh,
L. A. S.,
Deputy Commissioner,
"Calvert Lodge",
Kulu,
Kulu Valley,
PUNJAB.

Both of us have a request, it is this, that you kindly on the 9th. of October on our behalf have a nice function to mark the 90th. Birth Anniversary of my husband's Father, Prof. Nicholas Roerich, which may be at his Samadhi, or in front of the Roerich Gallery at Naggar. I am enclosing for you two items which you may read for us, there, to people who come there. It is sent to the Press, and it will appear, in some papers, if Kulu has a Press it may appear about the function. I would like Photographs to be taken also so that we may send some copies there to the Roerich Museum, in New York, and to other countries including the USSR. It will be of great interest to all people to know that this event in Kulu, the home of this Great Master!

It would be very nice if Jimmy, and his Mother, and all our friends attend this important occasion. Please ask them on our behalf, it is a great pity we shall not be able to be there at that time, but I know that both of you will do this with love for us, and on our behalf.

My husband's broadcast will be heard from Bangalore on the 9th. of October at 9.-15. PM., and from the All India Radio Delhi on the 12th. of October at 8.- 30. PM., so do listen to it.

You know best whom to invite, they should also see the paintings on this day, after your talk. Both the enclosed items will be most interesting for the people to hear, as they will have an idea of this great man, who lived and passed away there. Doctors, and all people who are able to come, may be please be asked to attend. Send to me any news papers in the Punjab who may publish this event, and any other news about the 90th. anniversary.

I am asking Vishnu to have Puja on this day, and feed the poor also. I hope he does so in a fine way.

With our affectionate wishes to you both, and our love,

Yours sincerely,
Devika Rani Roerich
(DEVIKA RANI ROERICH.)

KULU VALLEY,
PUNJAB.

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7th October 1964.

MRS. LAJGURDAVSHAN SINGH
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S
HOUSE CALVERT LODGE
KULU VALLEY
PUNJAB

THANKS YOUR WIRE STOP PLEASE ALSO HAVE
PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF THE OCCASION

DEVIKA RANI

Mme. D.R. Roerich
C/o. The Indian Bank Ltd.,
Infantry Road, Cantonment, BANGALORE 1.

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9th. October. 1964.

Our very dear Lajji,

Thank you very much for your most welcome letter of the 3rd. October which reached us today, and which I am answering now, as we have a lot of guests from today in the afternoon till the 12th. of this month, and then we go for a few days to Mysore, as the Government of Mysore is giving to my husband 2 honours on the 16th. of this month. One is a Special honour from the Mysore Government for special and distinguished services, and the other is as a unique Artist of International repute- this really very nice, and I am very happy, ofcourse, he full deserves it, and they should be proud of him.

We are very happy to know that you both are arranging the function on our behalf for the 90th. Birth Anniversary of Prof. Nicholas Roerich our Father today, and that you will make this function really well, anything that you both will do, will always be fine, and of this we are sure. All the expences we shall pay for, so please send the bill to us. It is best that Vishnu also gives you the account, and you may please send us the bills of Vishnu as well. I wonder if you will be able to listen to the Radio this evening from the AIR, Bangalore? I do not know if AIR, Delhi will have it at 8.-30, PM. on the 12th, as I heard that they may have it on another day. Still let us see if you have heard my husband's broadcast from that or any other Station, as they will have it on various days from all the Stations of AIR. Perhaps you can send some photographs also to the Amritsar papers, Tribune? with the proper caption, and a small well written article? I enclose and send an article which is very nice, if you find some papers there which write on this occasion, do send me some copies. Thank you, for saying you will send to me the photographs and also the negatives of this function, I will have our man print them well, and will send to you one set. Later more if needed. Please send later to us the estimate for the Flush, I will in a week or so be able to send you the plan. Thank you very much for all this trouble. We look upon you both and your family as our own, that is why dearest Laj, we have requested you for us, and on our behalf to observe this sacred day- May God Bless you both and give you joy and peace in your life always. The Spirit of our Father and Mother will be with you today, and Bless you! With our love and all best wishes, and thanks for all your care,

Ever yours affectionately,

Devika Kauri (Roerich)

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C/o The Indian Bank Ltd.,
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21st. October. 1964.

My dearest Lajji,

Thank you so much for your letter of October the 13th. and for all the news about the 9th. of October which was observed in Naggar. We are most grateful to you both for being there on our behalf to observe this great day, and to know that your dear husband read talk of my husband at the time. This was his Radio Talk which is being broadcast all over India, just now we had news that it was broadcast in Calcutta. Did you hear it from Delhi, it was on the 11th. so Air people wired from Delhi. Here, it was very clear on all stations, Bombay was on the 9th. also. Now it will go to all other stations of All India Radio, and we had many letters saying how much it was appreciated. Thank you very much for your wire on the occasion of the 2.- Awards given to my husband, one was a very special Award for Service in the field of Art, it is the rare award here called the SERVICE AWARD, and the other was for distinguished service also, and as a great artist, it was nice in Mysore when we went to receive these awards. We wish to thank you both for all you did during the 9th. of October, and are very glad to know that so many people came to Naggar for the Puja and Tea. NOW PLEASE SEND TO US THE EXPENSES FOR THE SWEETS FROM PATHANKOTE AND THE BILLS FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN, we must have this please, as you must not in anyway spend for this occasion. Vishnu also must send his expences please. We would like to have the NEGATIVES OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS MADE, so that our man here can get good prints, we shall be happy to send to you a set also or two sets, and then we shall send the rest to the USA, and USSR., and to other lands, where the 90th. birth anniversary is being observed. Thank you very much for all the trouble you have taken, it must have been very nice indeed, was it a nice day? Who came? Did the people from also the villages come? I must make a sort of nice article on this event in Naggar, that is why I wish to have details, how many came, who came, what sort of day it was, and if the villagers came, from Naggar, and other villages, etc. Did they see the paintings, when was the talk read, where, and so on. I will then have a nice article written by a journalist friend. Papers all over India have paid their tribute to Prof. Nicholas Roerich, and all over the world also. Many publications will come out in his name, yes it is wonderful that the Russian Glaciers have been named after both Prof. Roerich and my husband! We hope to come to Naggar perhaps in November, but we are not sure, we shall be in Delhi during the 3rd. week of November, and then will see if it is possible to go to Kulu. We would like to very much indeed. We shall send the design of the bathrooms for the fittings of the flush soon, it is really most necessary.

With our affectionate greetingst to both of you,

Devika Ramesh

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C/o The Indian Bank Ltd;
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1st November. 1964.

Personal
To.,
Mrs Laj Gurdarshan Singh,
C/o The Deputy Commissioner,
" CALVERT LODGE",
KULU,
Kulu Valley,
PUNJAB.

My dearest friend,

Thank you very much for your nice letter of the 27th. October which made us very happy, as it firstly comes from you both, and then the nice description of the Tea and the Pooja, and the list of people who attended the function on the 9th of October which was the 90th. Birth Anniversary of the late Prof. Nicholas Roerich gives us a fine idea of this day at Naggar. It is very good that the talk of my husband was read to all the people, and as you mentioned before everyone was very happy.

Yes, please send to us as soon as possible the bills for things bought etc. on this date for the occasion, Vishnu's also must please be with it, and he must make it a final one, and not leave anything over for any other account later, as it is not necessary, it must be one as then we shall put it all that way. Sometimes they are apt to carry forward some things, but if it is explained, then he will do so.

Whether the press covered the function or not really does not matter now as all the major papers did cover the 90th. birth anniversary, you must have seen it in the TRIBUNE AMBALA also? It is very good that you will kindly send us the photographs as well as the negatives, we shall use the best for inclusion in the booklet with some important messages etc. of this occasion, as we shall soon be leaving for Delhi around the 15th. of November or so, even a few days earlier as it depends on meetings in Bombay and Delhi, it would be very nice indeed to get all this data before -e, as then at once we shall send a Cheque also from here for the photographer as he will need to be paid? He must please make out a bill, it is so sad that these days one has to have a bill for everything, but as you know it is so. I am sorry that the Johnson's did not come, they would have liked it very much.

In haste and with our affectionate greetings, and love to you all,
Yours affectionately,

(DEVIKA RANI ROERICH.)
Devika Rani

I will send you the
design for the plumber soon.

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18th. November. 1964.

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My very dear Lajji,

This is in haste to tell you that we are leaving today for Bombay, and go on to Delhi from there on the 23rd. and will stay there till our meetings are over. We come back here to Bangalore on the 1st of December if all goes well, as we have guests coming to stay with us. It will therefore not be possible for us to visit Kulu, but we shall be again in Delhi, and then we may just pay a flying visit there. It is such a month when so many things happen all the time, and we have lot of work to do. I will send to you a very fine booklet printed on the occasion of the 90th. Anniversary of Prof. Nicholas Roerich.

We ordered, and paid advance for some Durries for the stairs in our house, from the Government Emporium in Kulu, and the Manager took the measurements, and told us, and all along told Vishnu that it would be ready soon, he promised us when we were there that he would have it ready by the first weeks of July. Now, he writes to Vishnu that he is unable to do so, and only is able to give it in smaller strips, so I asked Vishnu to go to you, and to request you to help him in this matter, so that the work is done. It is wrong of the Manager to say he can do it, and say this all these months to Vishnu, and then suddenly say he cannot do it. When we gave the order, he was certain it could be delivered and made. Kindly look as to what has happened, as they may not listen to just Vishnu.

You must also please send to us the money spent for the Sweets from Patankot, as we would like to finish the accounts, I am not sure what Vishnu has done, and will be very happy if you could kindly have the sum spent sent to me. Also the Negatives, and the Photographs taken and the Bill of the Photographer, it is necessary to close all this in December, that is why please send for Vishnu, and ask him, also please tell us how much was spent for the man to go to Patankot etc. We have been so busy that as yet my husband has had no time to make the design for the Flush in the Bathrooms, on our return he will do so. We hope you both are well? How are your fine children, how is your little girl? Please remember us to them. How is your Father, please remember us to him also.

With our greetings to you both,

Yours affectionately,

Mrs. Laj Gardarshan Singh, (DEVIKA RANI ROERICH.)
"CALVERT LODGE",
KULU.
PUNJAB.