BOTANY DEPARTMENT IOWA STATE COLLEGE AMES, IOWA

December 3, 1931

The Director Himalayan Research Institute Roerich Museum 310 Riverside Drive, New York

Dear Sir:

I have been informed by my friend Dr. Morgan that you are starting a laboratory in the Himalayas in India embracing several lines of scientific research. I am interested in that project, since I was born, brought up and received my early training there. I am here in this country from the last 10 years, both as a student, research worker and teacher. I am planning to return sometime next year.

I graduated from the Oregon State College, completed my graduate work at the University of California and the University of Chicago. Last year I was Head of the Biology Department, St. Marys, Kansas, teaching plant physiology and biochemistry. I was in charge of breeding with the California Packing Corporation during 1927. At the present time I am writing a book: "Recent Advances in Pharmacological Chemistry" here. Thus far I have published 22 original research papers in this country, India, England, Germany, Japan and Australia. My interest lies in all the basic sciences, particularly in biochemistry, plant physiology and pharmacological botany.

In case you are looking for a man with these qualifications, at the top of the language facilities and knowledge of the Himalayan territories, I am sure I will be able to satisfy you. I plan to leave in the early part of the next year, so I would appreciate to hear from you in case you think that I can be appointed in your laboratory there.

In case there is any further inquiry that you may wish to make, I would be very glad to answer.

Thanking you, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) R.C. Malhotra
163 Hyland Avenue
Ames, 10wa

December 7, 1931

Mr. R. C. Malhotra 163 Hyland Avenue Ames, Iowa

My dear Mr. Malhotra:

We have received your letter of December 3rd and shall certainly keep your name on our list in view of future possibilities.

Should you ever come to New Yor, we would be very glad to see you, and to have an interview with you.

Sincerely yours,

Vice-President