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Dear Friends,

I send you my best wishes on the occasion of the "ICTS at Ten celebrations"!

My office in Mumbai was across the corridor from Spenta and Avinash's and this gave me the opportunity to witness, at close quarters, the birth of the ICTS. Today, ten years later, you have all gathered in this marvelous new campus to celebrate the completion of ten years of its existence!

We, in the TIFR family, are especially proud of how far ICTS has come in these intervening years. It is a thriving organisation today, humming with exciting new programs and high quality research.

I take this opportunity to thank so many people who have worked so tirelessly to make this possible. Especially, Prof. David Gross, who from the beginning has been a pillar of strength; Dr. Kakodkar, Dr. Banerjee, Dr. Sinha and Dr. Basu, under whose successive tenure as Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, this campus was completed and the centre has taken shape, and Mr. Ratan Tata, Prof. C.N.R. Rao, Dr. Kasturirangan and the other distinguished members of the TIFR Council, who have given steadfast support to the ICTS all throughout. But most of all- the real heroes- Spenta, Avinash and Rajesh who have steadfastly steered this ship through so many troubled waters. They deserve a special round of applause!

I have high hopes from the ICTS. As India comes of age again, it must assume its traditional role of being at the cross currents of intellectual thought. I have full faith that the ICTS, with assistance from our friends across the world, will help bring this about.

Thank you!

With warm regards,

(Sandip Trivedi)