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Dear Kamala Behn, Shobhana, Chanda and All.

This morning newspaper brought me the sad news of Radhakrishna. Naturally, for some time I was under an unexpected strain and shock. Couldn't imagine this. Last year when I met him at the Gandhi Darshan he was quite healthy, though he said due to his physical conditions he wasn't going around much these days.

Well, this is the meaning and end of life. Everyone should meet this day. So one rationalises and finds consolation. I can imagine how difficult it must be for all of you. A loving husband, a caring father, an inspiring friend, a timely advisor and good guide, a convinced activist, a strong fighter, a good thinker, a firm supporter, an ideal dreamer, and above all a close personal companion - in all these roles I had known him for 35 years. Due to distance and levels of activities, during the last 4-5 years I haven't met him much. Actually I was planning to meet him and discuss with him for 3-4 hours in the coming September-October.... And now only memory and some tears...

Kindly include me in your surroundings when all of you

will sit quiet, after all the rituals are over, and remember all the best of days and worst of days, events of inspiration and times of hardships, in which he stood like a rock and struggled relentlessly in the interest of the people around, the society, the country and for a noble cause. This collective union of our minds and souls will prove to be our strength for the future and will provide peace and tranquility to the departed soul. It has been my privilege to participate in this great personal loss of all of you.

When I come to Delhi I won't miss all of you this time.

With best of regards and love,

Yours Sincerely,

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(E.P. Menon)