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Dear Asiya, dear Obaid -

The week in Bangalore is still in the
frontyard of my mind. It was good seeing
your new existence and being with you
again.

The meeting was excellent. I had
lots of enjoyable, worthwhile talks
with students and faculty. Many of
the lectures and posters had some
memorable news. I was thoroughly
impressed by the many bright young
people around. Science seems to have
advanced considerably in the last 15 years
since the Drosophila Conference in Bombay.

We had as much fun outside the meeting.

The friends you invited to your house, the musician after the concert, the excursion through the wide country to the two temples, and the way back in night and rain, - are all unforgettable.

Most impressive of all: the visit at the construction site of the new Institute, the beautiful location, the thoughtful architecture and the thorough execution, - homage to Obaid. Hope it will soon be completed and working.

It was all a great treat. Thank you so much. We hope to see you soon again, here or in India.

Yours, Martin

P.S. Ap sends her greetings and a family report to keep you up on the news.