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It was great to meet you recently in Delhi and to renew our old friendship. I really appreciate that you and Suneeta were able to attend the dinner hosted by Glitnir Bank and our Ambassador.

The evening in your home was also superb and I found our conversation on Indian politics enlightening and highly interesting. Based on my own experience, I can recommend that you invite young leaders of the Congress party to one-on-one discussions about current and future social and political issues.

I would like to thank you for your support of the Himalayan glaciers research project. I asked the Icelandic scientists to contact you when they return from Sikkim. I hope they took my advice. They are prominent members of the academic community in Iceland and I have no hesitations in recommending them for the tasks they want to tackle in India.

Finally, please remember that you and your wife Suneeta are welcome to visit Iceland anytime as my guests. It would be a great pleasure to receive you here later this year or at the soonest opportunity available.

Pela Lanene

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