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I am very sorry indeed that I will not be present in your midst on the occasion of the 12th Convocation of the University. Such occasions provide an opportunity for one to come in contact not only with our young graduates and scientists, but also a number of renowned academicians and persons who have dedicated their life at the alter of Saraswati. Therefore my inability to be in your midst is in fact my loss. But for doctors' advice, I would indeed have been very happy to be in your midst. I hope on some future occasion I shall have an opportunity of meeting you.

Many successful students in their various examinations will be receiving diplomas and degrees on this occasion. I wish them all a happy and successful career. I know the hardships and difficulties that await our young men, though fully qualified, when they enter life on the completion of their academic career. I can only say that difficulties are meant to be surmounted. I am sure you shall prove worthy alumni of the University to which you belong if you are able to overcome the challenges and obstacles in life that face you and make a mark in the country.

There are others who unfortunately may not have been successful in the previous year's examinations. My sympathies are there for them and I wish them better luck next time. In any case, they should never allow themselves to be overwhelmed by despair, for even the darkest clouds have a silver lining.

In this short message it is not possible for me to convey my feelings of concern and desire for the prosperity of the young graduates and other students. I am sure the convocation address by Dr. P.K.Ghosh will provide you the guidelines for your future career. I also convey my good wishes to the Vice-Chancellor who will be presiding over the function in my absence.

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