

ODYSSEY AI – 78A with Shariar Karim's “MILESTONES AND MEMORIES”

LAST FLIGHT : AI -78 on 18th June 2021 “A Tale of Two Cities”
FLIGHT :THIS FLIGHT: AI -78A on 22nd June 2021 “MY LAST SLIP FLIGHT”
NEXT FLIGHT: AI -79 on 23rd June 2021 “The Crash OF Kanishka”



“ MILESTONES AND MEMORIES – 78A ”
**NAMASKAAR, WELCOME ABOARD FLIGHT AI – 78A,
ON TUESDAY, 22nd JUNE, 2021**

Turning back the pages of history, Today we have reached the 22nd of JUNE, 2006
THIS DAY, THAT YEAR I returned from
“ MY PENULTIMATE FLIGHT & LAST SLIP FLIGHT TO LONDON & NEW YORK ”

After flying around and across the world for 38 years and 4 months, it was time for my last slip flight to London & New York. A Retirement Party was generously arranged by a common Doctor Friend at his ranch in the outskirts of New York. Two sets of my Crew Colleagues operated different flights from Mumbai to rendezvous in New York and gave me an unforgettable Farewell. My Family from different parts of U.S.A. and Canada also flew down to wish me for the culmination of a DREAM CAREER with our National Flag Carrier – **AIR-INDIA**. At the end of this last slip flight, I presented all my Crew with Certificate of Gratitude which is attached.





Our gracious host arranged for Limousines to take us from the Crew Hotel in New York to his Ranch to Celebrate my Farewell Party.

We had Lunch on the Lawns of his sprawling Ranch where all present paid their Tributes.
I was not allowed to speak !
In the evening we had Dinner at the Sheraton Hotel, where I gave my Thanksgiving Presentation and didn't allow anyone to speak !!



My Farewell Presentation at my Retirement Party in New York, where I dedicated each of my 38 years to 38 Family Members and close Friends who were part of my Flying Years. As a Token of Gratitude, a Lamp was lit for each person. The 38 Lamps were held up to display a surprise message in the end.

*38 years of excellence!!!!
1968-2006.*



With appreciation to Mr. Shariar Karim

magna cum laude

Picture Post Card presented by our Host to all Guests as a Memento of the Grand Farewell Party at the Sheraton Hotel

This Flight Souvenir is presented to

as a Token of Appreciation

for your immense contribution to the success of this Flight which involved 5 Sectors, took 9 Days; Logged 33-55 Hrs. Reached out to 1532. Passengers and covered a total Distance of 26186 Kms.

*I wish to Congratulate you on your fine performance and urge you to always give of your very best in the service of our great
Airline **AIR-INDIA**.*

*It has been a Pleasure and a Privilege to have flown with You and I will always cherish the memory of
This Flight.*

Thank You, Good Luck, Good Bye, God Bless.

Your In Flight Supervisor,

Shariar Karim

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