

# ODYSSEY AI – Comments received from Orbit 2 with Shariar Karim's “MILESTONES AND MEMORIES”

## ***ODYSSEY AI – MILESTONES AND MEMORIES ORBIT 2: August 1 - 31, 2020*** ***A few Echoes from STARSHIP ODYSSEY AI . . . Your COMMENTS have left me STARSTRUCK. .1***

**AI-10 “MOMENT IMMORTAL” 1.8.2020** ★ **O.P. KATARIA** - I can visualise the vibrations that went through you when you shook hands with our beloved PM Rajiv Gandhi. you penned down an incredible composition that is so fittingly attributed to this magnetic personality. Your picture along with him is a treasured possession which has a prominent place in your living room.

★ **SHAHNAWAZ KARIM** - This moment in time will never come again to meet our ex Prime Minister and write a poem for him. You have a memento which is unique, treasure it as one of your best.

★ **JNNATI DHURANDHAR** - This must have been an epic moment!.. You are the second person whom I know who has personally shared meaningful moments with Late Mr. Rajiv Gandhi and my admiration for you has scaled even greater heights.

★ **AI- 11 “PILLARS OF PRIDE” 1.8.2020** ★ **PROF. SUBIR BHATTACHARYYA** - Saw the wonderful conceptualisation of the theme, "Pillars of Pride" of 780 recipients with their names written by hand by one of their illustrious colleagues, himself a recipient, of a once famous glorious airline, Air India for their dedicated service. Your keeping a hand on the head of Maharaja, pictured speaks many things so well that it moves you emotionally and make you feel nostalgic.

★ **REETA BHATIA** - Admire your dedication and patience.

★ **SABINA KARIM** - Awesome

★ **KISHOR JAGIRDAR** - Awesome Karim bhai

★ **M.F. Alvi** - Lovely achievement

★ **AI- 12 “INDIA MY INDIA” 1.8.2020** ★ **AMU KADAM** - Wow, that's nice

★ **ANISA KHATOON** - Wow, great ideas of millennium diary. I had goose bumps thinking about it. Wonderful.

★ **SHAHNAWAZ KARIM** - It is a matter of great pride to receive an honour from the MD of Air India for your "Millennium Diary". Congratulations! The poem too has been written very beautifully. Glad to see the quality of your multi-talented output.

★ **VENKAT C. S VENKATASUBBAN** - Nice articles and memorabilia Sir. You were fortunate to have a pivotal role in the growth of Air India. I was a traveller in Air India from the mid 1950's through 1990's. A great Airline that deserves a great come-back!

★ **AI-13 “GOODWILL FLOWS – FRIENDSHIP SOARS” 10.8.2020** ★ **UNNATI DHURANDHAR** - So proud to read about this most generous gesture by the Government of India to Afghanistan. The gifting is as Magnanimous as a "Maharaja". Most beautiful poem in the most artistic calligraphy. I really enjoyed reading this post. The magnanimity of Air India is second to none. Be it the food, beverages or other in-flight services. (I can personally vouch for that). Also, I believe that they have been a far better employer as against other airlines in terms of duration of layovers, choice of hotels etc. I truly enjoy reading your memoirs.

★ **VIA BHATNAGAR** - Great poem, remember this historic flight to Kabul, catering to the flight out from our Hotel, flying via Dubai as Pakistani airspace closure. Most memorable flight.

★ **RAJ KUMARI SABHERWAL** - "Very beautiful. Your flow of words is amazing.

★ **ALEXANDER TRINDADE** - Superb Sir

★ **RAJENDRA GROVER** - Keep up the good work! Very nice gesture of people and govt of India

★ **RAKHU RITESH RAHATE** - "Wow Sir Shariar awesome collection.

★ **ANISA KHATOON** - "It is a great feeling to be part of something like this. Wonderful.

★ **ZULEIKHA MERCHANT** - "Must have been a proud moment for you and the rest of the crew. Afghanistan was a beautiful country but now finished due to war. War for what???

★ **SHAHNAWAZ KARIM** - A great moment in Air India's history...the gifting of an Air India aircraft to Afghanistan...this is a very rare gesture...God bless India. Your handwritten poem was as usual exquisite.

★ **HUTOXI PALAMKOTE DRIVER** - This is news to me. Was not aware of this. Thank you for sharing!

★ **VARADACHARI CHARI** - Oh! What a description of Godavari! Shariar excellent.

★ **SANJAY LAZAR** - Super

★ **MICHELLE VAS** - So many milestones. We are so proud of your work and accomplishments.

★ **PUSHPA VATNANI** - What a commendable career! Absolutely amazing! Proud of you.

★ **PRADEEP MUDHOLKAR** - Good work Sir

★ **AI -14 FACTUALLY FIGURATIVELY YOURS” 14.8.2020** ★ **PRATAPSIKH SISODIA** - Thanks for sharing! You would have done brilliantly in advertising with your way with words and ideas.

★ **REETA BHATIA** - Amazing Autobiography of our palace in the sky 747/400.

★ **ZULEIKHA MERCHANT** - Wow what an effort so well done

★ **EDNA D'MELLO PILLAI** - So well done

★ **NITIN GUNAJI** - Awesome

★ **EVARISTO MENDIS** - A lot of effort has gone into compiling this data. Good job.

★ **SABINA KARIM** - Great

★ **VINAY KAMAT** - Love your posts dear Shariar.

★ **ANLATA KALANTRI VASWANI** - Wow

★ **FAROOQ ALVI** - Lovely description. Around Feb 1990, I travelled to Dubai in transit for a week on 747 and was impressed by this plane and took another flight to Jeddah to perform Umrah. Keep sharing the golden events.

★ **VINOD PARDHI** - Very nice Sir.

★ **VIJAY BHATNAGAR** - Memories are the treasures that we keep locked up deep within the store house of our soul, to keep our hearts warm...Thanks for sharing.

★ **UNNATI DHURANDHAR** - I really enjoyed reading about facts n figures of the 747-400. What particularly caught my attention is the math and the effort that went into it.

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AI-15 "GOD BLESS OUR COUNTRY" 15.8.2020 ★ **DR. DEEPAK CHAUDHARI** - Very nice Congratulations ★ **MANJEET SINGH KOHLI** - You are really contributing in a big way. ★ **REETA BHATIA** - We may be miles away from our Motherland but celebrating it together with ur own team is a great feeling. Happy Independence Day. ★ **SHAHNAWAZ KARIM** - "Sare jaha se accha Hindustan humara..."What a lovely way to have celebrated India's Independence Day. Sherry your poem and handwriting is out of this world. ★ **AI-11 "PILLARS OF PRIDE" 2.8.2020** ★ **O.P.KATARIA** - As our voyage continues good memories keep flashing, thanks to you. You have left a mark that can never be obliterated. You are a PILLAR that will enshrine with PRIDE for ages. Merit awards may reflect the strength of Yesterday's and Hopes of tomorrow but that is only for ordinary mortals. To write in such beautiful hand the names of 780 winners in the slot is bewildering. You are truly an enigma! ★ **UNNATI DHURANDHAR** - 780 names handwritten!! That must have been some task!! Such a beautiful poem *Pillars of Pride*. "Yesterday's Strength's, and hopes of Tomorrow!...That is the line that caught my attention the most. ★ **AI-12 "INDIA MY INDIA" 1.8.2020** ★ **UNNATI DHURANDHAR** "India My India" ... as I read the poem my mind reached all the different states of India, the different regions, the different eras that history has witnessed as well as the political scenarios that I have witnessed since my early years. The Millennium Mantra, was a very interesting read as well. The start of each line was each letter of the Millennium. Such pains and efforts must have gone into the penning down of this poetry. Such a fantastic Memoir and indeed a priceless heirloom for generations to come. The last image.. One District, One Family, One Unforgettable Memory.. That one took me back to My GLT Days.. I truly treasure those. Thanks so much for jogging my memory about the GLT. ★ **O.P.KATARIA** - Millennium Diary INDIA MY INDIA eliciting 100 years of India's past and foreseeing the 100 years of the future (baffling) too is a very original concept I can imagine the Herculean task and research that must have gone into compiling the major events. India is a vast land of varied people cultures languages. It has a rich history that has been the envy of historians and scientists and men of spiritual reckoning. You have succinctly reflected that in your composition. Mr JN Gogoi must have been elated to release your bright idea on the annual function on August 1, 2001! It must have been a treat for every director to be presented a copy with a space to write the major events of their own life for posterity. The Millennium Mantra in the last page praying for world peace and the good for mankind and humanity is worthy a read. It is so enviable to see your multilateral contribution. ★ **AI-13 "GOODWILL FLOWS- FRIENDSHIP SOARS" 10.8.2020** ★ **UNNATI DHURANDHAR** - You are a proud AI Indian and have every reason to be. The wealth of experiences that you have gathered would probably not have happened had you preferred another profession. In my growing up years I too wanted to be a hostess, mainly because I wanted to see the world. I guess destiny had other plans for me and the rest is history. That is one of the scores of reasons why I enjoy reading your posts so very much. ★ **O.P.KATARIA** - You were so fortunate, rather merited to be on board the GODAVARI, flying to the land of majestic beauty - Afghanistan. You were also deputed to train their cabin crew, which you would possibly reflect in your next Odyssey. A great gesture by the govt to gift three 787's to Ariana Afghan Airlines, ingeniously titled by you, 'Goodwill flows.. Friendship soars'. ★ **AI-14 "FACTUALLY FIGURATIVELY YOURS" 14.8.2020** ★ **O.P. KATARIA** - The 747-400 was a massive spectacle from Seattle that had soared in the sky. I recall the way people flocked closest possible to the runway to get a glimpse of it. How brilliantly you have provided the Facts - Factuality & Figuratively. I am totally wonderstruck at how far you can go in your imagination and creativity!! How many times you must have filled the pot of oil to keep the Jamp burning to arrive at the total figure of 7,47,400.. It seems as if you were part of the Boeing set-up. This must have caused a stir in everybody's mind on reading it and would never be forgotten. Accolades to you, my dear friend Sharfar. ★ **AI-15 "GOD BLESS OUR COUNTRY" 20.8.2020** ★ **O.P.KATARIA** - You waste no time in organising any event. In fact many things happen only because of your initiative. I have witnessed that many a time. Independence Day fervour rests in every Indian. I felt so good to be with you in Singapore to celebrate this event way back in 1993. Your composition in bold letters attracted the participants and I could see twinkle in their eyes while reading it. Each line is momentous for the occasion. To find a place in your illustrious book means a lot. Thank you my dear friend. ★ **AI-16 "Ariana Afghan Airlines Training " 20.8.2020** ★ **O.P. KATARIA** - Our training department was considered as one of the best in the Aviation industry. Being given charge to train the Ariana cabin crew and other employees speaks so strongly the faith and confidence the management had in you. The press gave a good coverage. ★