

Sohrab Godrej and Population Foundation of India

Sohrab Godrej strongly believed in and advocated 'Help to bring India up quickly'. Towards this objective, one of the visible obstacle was the exploding population of the country. He strongly felt that the unmanageable population also resulted in the degradation of the environment and if we continued to ignore the problem, 'a tragedy was likely to follow.'

Throughout his life, Sohrab was a zealous advocate of the family planning programme. He was closely associated with the Family Planning Association of India and the Population Foundation of India, Delhi founded by JRD Tata.

During his birth centenary year, we bring to you a letter from JRD Tata to Sohrabji. He wanted Sohrab Godrej to be a member of the population foundation of India and its governing body

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(Dear Soli),

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Excuse me for sending you the identical letter I am writing to a number of Bombay leaders of industry and business on the subject of the Family Planning Foundation. I know that you are fully seized of the matter and are anxious to help us in our work. I shall propose at the next meeting of the Governing Board of the Foundation that you should become a member of the Foundation and its Governing Board. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

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(J. R. D. Tata)

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