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Dear Professor Balmukand:

Thanks for your letter and the enclosed memorandum. I think the latter was a very valuable general statement of the problem for its purpose. One further point, would perhaps be relevant to an agricultural economic committee, and that is that the problem of the poverty/^{and indebtedness}of the cultivator may or may not be due to family responsibilities. It is very often assumed that it is, in India, but on no satisfactory or sufficient evidence. It is certainly of importance in agricultural economics to know whether or not efforts at ameliorating the condition of the peasantry are being frustrated by the instinctive urge towards procreation, or whether in fact there is no such biological counteraction to be feared.

With best wishes for you and your family during the new year.

Yours sincerely,