Mr. Bharat Doshi expressing gratitude on behalf of the Doshi Family:

Good evening, Friends!

At the outset, I would like to mention, as already indicated in our invitation card, that the Lalit Doshi Memorial Lecture series will conclude with today's event, the 30th annual event, since Lalit passed away.

The Chairperson of the foundation and senior most family member Pratimabhabhi is present here for a short time and is not able to join on the dais due to physical difficulty.

On her behalf and on behalf of all the members of the Doshi Family, I would like to thank all my co-trustees, most of them are present here today and also remember and pay homage to Late Mr. Arun Bongirwar, Late Mr. B P Bam, Late Mr. S Prabhakaran and Late Dr. Homiar Vachcha who are no longer with us. I would like to thank all the past speakers and members of the jury for the awards and, donors, friends, volunteers and well-wishers who gave their immeasurable support in conducting this series.

At this juncture, I would like to express my gratitude to Prof. Ruby Pavri, Head of the Department of Psychology at St. Xavier's College who has been brilliantly compering this event for more than 20 years. In addition, I would specially mention two of my colleagues Mr. Srinivasan and Mr. Ashpak Shaikh who over the last several years have supported me with dedication and commitment in running various activities of the foundation. I request Prof. Ruby Pavri, Mr. Srinivasan and Mr. Ashpak Shaikh who are present here to join me on the stage and I would like all of you to join me in giving them a hearty applause.

And finally, friends, none of these lectures would have been successful without your presence and encouragement over the years.

A big thank you to you all!