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Dear Sir/Madam,

The High Commission of India in Malaysia and the Indian Cultural Centre in Kuala Lumpur have the pleasure to inform you that the National Visual Arts Gallery of Malaysia (2, Jalan Temerloh, Off Jalan Tun Razak, 53200 Kuala Lumpur, Tel: 4025 4990/4026 7000) is hosting an exhibition of the original paintings of Rabindranath Tagore in Kuala Lumpur from 3rd April to 15th July 2012 in commemoration of 150th birth anniversary of Asia's first Nobel Laureate. Tagore won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913. He was also a prolific author and poet, composer of songs, philosopher, painter and noted educationist. He was a leading figure in India's fight for independence from British rule and takes his place along with Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru as a founder of moder India.

2. Tagore traveled extensively during his life time (1861-1941). He visited Malaya in 1927, traveling from Singapore through Melaka, Kuala Lumpur and Ipoh, to Penang. During his travels he spoke at iconic institutions including the St. Francis Institution in Melaka, the Town Hall and the Victoria Institution in Kuala Lumpur and the Chung Ling High School in Penang. He laid the foundation stone of the Hu Yew Seah Chinese Society Hall at Jalan Madras in Penang which can be seen to this day. Throughout his Asian tours, Tagore referred to the resurgence of Asian civilizations and expressed the conviction that Asia would rise again to prosperity and peace.

3. The paintings have been drawn from collections of the National Gallery of Modern Art in New Delhi and the Viswabharati University in Shanti Niketan of which he is the founder. His paintings are considered to be a part of India's National Cultural Treasure.

4. The Exhibition hosted by the National Visual Arts Gallery is titled 'The Last Harvest'. Admission is FREE.

5. The High Commission of India invites your esteemed institution to encourage your students to visit the Exhibition so that they can avail of this unique opportunity to see the paintings by one of Asia's leading cultural icons.

Yours sincerely,

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