

Dear Professor Sundararajan:

First of all I wish to express my deep appreciation for the wonderful work you are doing for the Task Force to bring together distinct perspectives on psychology from various cultures from around the world. Also, I am aware of your excellent exposition of the traditional Indian perspective on rasa along with parallel notions from the Chinese tradition. On my part, I have been writing about the rasa perspective on emotions since 1997. Today I am writing you to help us publicize the work Professor K. Ramakrishna Rao and I have just published providing an overview of psychology in the Indian tradition.

In our book titled "Psychology in the Indian tradition" (New Delhi: Springer) our attempt has been to explain on the one hand, a distinctive approach to issues in psychology developed in the long and rich intellectual tradition of India, and on the other hand to provide an account of the contemporary relevance and usefulness of a variety of techniques of meditation developed within the Indian tradition.

A flyer about the book is attached. Attached also is a set of endorsements including two from persons well known to the group: Profs. Ken Gergen and Richard Shweder. I would very much appreciate if you circulate these among our colleagues in the Task Force.

Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely,

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