

A decorative border surrounds the page, featuring various celestial motifs. On the left side, there are several crescent moons in shades of blue and purple, some with a white crescent shape inside. Interspersed among the moons are stars of different sizes and colors, including yellow, orange, and white. The top and bottom borders also feature these star and moon motifs. The background of the page is a solid blue color.

Poem Factory?!
(Journey Macau-Hong Kong, Nov 2006)

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Whenever I go on a long tour abroad
My son, Mihir, makes a wish rather odd
"Dad bring me lots of toys," he starts to tell
And adds, "And send in a new poem on me as well!"

As if writing a poem can be something so easy
Where you can manufacture 'lines' without being choosy
Why do I agree to that, I don't know
Whatever he asks, I try not to say no

I've written a dozen poems on him till now
Yet my mind finds something, I don't know how

Topics, I always manage to find
Is it because; with me, God is kind?
Or because Mihir-though left by me behind
Is really never out of my mind?

-Prasad

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(Poem conceived on flight, not Mihir!)