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18 June, 1990

Prof. T. Smitinand  
Forest Herbarium  
Royal Forest Department  
Bangkhen Bangkok 10900  
THAILAND

Dear Prof. Smitinand,

Thank you for the copy of the Thai Forest Bulletin (Botany No. 18) which I received today.

The arrival of the Bulletin is opportune for it had been my intention to write to Bangkok seeking some biographical information concerning yourself. Now I am able to ask you personally.

Enclosed is a page of my forthcoming "Etymological Dictionary of the Grasses". You will notice that I have recorded *smitinandiana* named in your honor but neglected to keep a note of the genus. Would you please inform me of the genus concerned and any other grasses named in your honor? To make the entry comparable with others I would also be pleased to know your year of birth.

As you may know it was my good fortune to have Aree Thongpukdee as a student. She is a very able and also a very pleasant person. I miss her cheery face in the room next door.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

H.T. CLIFFORD  
Professor of Botany



THE FOREST HERBARIUM (BKF)  
ROYAL FOREST DEPARTMENT  
BANGKOK 10900 THAILAND

No. 47/1990

June 29, 1990.

Prof. H.T. Clifford  
The University of Queensland  
Department of Botany  
St. Lucia, Queensland  
Australia 4067

Dear Prof. Clifford,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 18 June 1990, requesting for my biographical information.

The following grasses have been named after me : Eulalia smitinandiana Bor and Isachne smitinandiana A. Camus.

I was born on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1920.

Yours sincerely,

(Tem Smitinand)

Dear Tem,

Thank you for your prompt reply to my letter requesting biographical information. I mentioned your letter to Sally Reynolds who sends her kind regards.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

18/7

24 April, 1991

Dr. C. Chaianan  
The Forest Herbarium  
Royal Forest Department  
Bangkok 9  
THAILAND

Dear Chumsri,

Enclosed is a page of my nearly completed "Etymological Dictionary of the Grasses". In order to complete the entry for *Chumsriella* your year of birth is required. I would be grateful for you to correct your entry and to return the page.

If you happen to see Aree Thongpukdee please give her my kind regards.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



H.T. CLIFFORD  
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