



"Time and tide wait for none." I heard this proverb from my school days. Now, I can realize this. As time passed, things are changes around us. Our life is like a flying bird, today we are here and tomorrow we will be there. To achieve our goals, we move from place

to place, table to table, this may be because of our business, work or studies. We keep our love, affection, sadness from our family, friends very far. But our hopes never end; hope to touch rays of the sun.

My journey started from a small town named Sapatgram, which belongs to Assam, a State of North-East India, with full of cultural and natural beauty and also famous for Assam black tea. Though India is organized with different culture, languages, religions, foods but we recognized ourselves as Indian. I got my master degree in Physics on 2009, from Tezpur Central University, Assam, India. Then time to fly, I joined PhD course under the guidance of Prof. Fu-Jen Kao, at Modern Optics Laboratory, Institute of Biophotonics, National Yang Ming University, Taiwan.

This is my first foreign visit at Taiwan, a small Island, full of happiness in different corners of life. The university is situated in the capital of Taiwan. The great views of whole Taipei city, full of buildings and covered with mountains, is clearly seen from our university campus. At the beginning, I had a cultural shock due to the languages, foods but gradually I lost it in my busy routine. Traveling around the world is the great opportunity to know more about the different cultures, languages from various parts of the world. Day starts and ends up in the dark room of laboratory. Gradually laboratory became another home, where I spend my day and night with the instruments and labmates. Being in lab, is the another opportunity to know some famous visiting scientists to our lab around the world.

Besides lab experiments, we have many activities inside or outside our university



campus; like cooking in dormitory with our labmates, playing different games, celebrations of different festivals. These help me to habituate with the Taiwanese culture. Cooking in dormitory with friends is enjoyable; we cook different items including Indian, Taiwanese, and Mongolian dishes. Sometimes, we did some experiments in cooking. Doing experiments in cooking is not as difficult as lab experiments.

Game, a hope, desire or happy moment, in our busy life. We play different games like badminton, football, long tennis, cricket, in campus which give us a pleasure. I also joined different festivals in campus organized by our university authority like Christmas party, New Year celebrations, which is also a great entertainment, talking with many friends, knowing each other from different parts of the world, eating many foods and also other activities. Besides in campus activities, I also join some activities outside the campus. Across the year, we celebrate different traditional Indian festival in Taiwan, which remind me life at home.

I also learn Chinese language from my local Taiwanese friends; it also gives me more pleasure when I speak with them and a few local people in the market. Sometimes, it is easy



to introduce me as I ask people "Do you know, Assamu nai cha?," then I replied as my home is in Assam. Before came to Taiwan. I don't know that Assam tea and Indian curry is popular here. When we cook for my friends and eat together I feel very happy. I visited some of the places in Taiwan. Some of the great views of Taiwan took place in my mind, which I share with..... All these activities became a part of my memorable moments being in Taiwan, which will be a chapter of my memory book.

