Technology and Ecology: An Egalitarian's View

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Dear Aadya,

How are you? I am good. I just got off the hologram conference for my book release. As it's Thursday night and its weekend already, so, I thought of writing to you (more like reciting it to the self-writing pen). You might be thinking, 'weekend? It's Thursday!' But for past couple of years the week ends on Thursdays.

The weekend might be three days long but on the working days I am snowed with work right up to my ears. For the last three years, I have been working for the Soccer AI refereeing management department, where the drones help the match referees in decision making in critical situations. We maneuver these drones to provide holographic videos replayed from all the angles of the field. Many such technologies and innovations have been introduced for different sports over the years.

As you know that writing has been my hobby for a long time, now I am a professional author. I publish my writings in the daily hologram (the holographic magazine) and I have published two online books. To enthrall the readers, I garnish my books with musical leitmotifs and 3D graphics.

About a decade ago, for the preservation of trees and minimal use of low-grade plastic for packaging, book printing was terminated. Widespread use of reading devices evolved over the years and now we have Holo-pads. They narrate holographic books with meticulous modulation and enthralling graphics. Albeit, I always had a knack for collecting books, so I still have the library of my old paper bound books, tucked safely in preserving shelves, it is one of the few physical book libraries present in the whole world. Nowadays the libraries consist of Holo-pads, holo-projectors, audiobooks and the AI librarians.

Earlier today, when I was in my book release conference, a queer incident happened. I was signing a book when my 'Garuda' drone delivery service dropped the package right on top of my holograph projector, and I was zapped back to my room with a digital pen in my hand and a package of organic and 3D printed groceries on the desk. I thought, how did the sensors of the drone not sense the holo-projector?! When I checked the settings on the widget, I saw it had been changed to emergency delivery (to be delivered upfront to the customer). I believe that this was the doing of my 10-year-old cousin, who might have got her hands on my delivery widget when she was visiting this Tuesday.

I am planning to visit my parents tomorrow; they live in the next town over, 150 kms from here. It is a 20-minute ride by the floating trains which are the major public transport system. The use of cars has been reduced drastically, very few people own private cars, all of which are either electrically powered or run on batteries. A long-distance Superloop has recently been established for interstate and international travel.

In the last quartet years, the major aim of all the countries of the United Nations of United Countries (UNUC) has been the restoration of the Ecology and for the same, a proposal of Technology and Ecology Pact (TEP) was signed. The Green revolution took place again and it started a series of movements for ecology-preservation. There is the Artificial Intelligence TE police assigned by the TEP organization all around the world that work with humans, side by side, to maintain the ecological balance.

I used to believe that AI and IOT will take over the world, but I was wrong. Instead AI and IOT augment us. AI and homo-sapiens make a great team, as someone once said that the brains of AI and wisdom of humans can do wonders.

We need to evolve technologically while preserving the ecology. If we maintain the balance while integrating technology and ecology, the world will never be Grey.

My DIAD (do-it-all-device) has been buzzing for a while, it's time to take Kieran, my dog, on a walk to the dog streets. I wish you well and hope you give your best in whatever you may do.

'The best way to predict future is to create it'
- Abraham Lincoln

Love,

Aadya