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Time is an intriguing entity. It races yet pauses, allowing us to grasp moments that build up to years. As I reflect upon my academic journey, the vivid memories of setting foot in Thailand to embark on my doctorate studies in 2017 seem as though they were from yesterday. Six years have, indeed, flown by. The wonderful experiences I gained during my time in Thailand still twinkle brightly in my heart, becoming an inexhaustible source of inspiration and motivation throughout my journey.

Life, however, often has a way of challenging us. With the global outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, I found myself unable to return to Thailand to continue my studies, resulting in a significant delay in my academic progress. The individual setback amid a global crisis left me feeling helpless and distressed, but it also instilled in me a profound appreciation for resilience and patience.

In the midst of all this, my father was struck by a cerebral hemorrhage. The sight of him battling this illness was heart-wrenching, igniting in me an even greater determination and courage. I sincerely wish him a speedy recovery, for his recuperation would indeed serve as another significant motivation in my life.

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