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Even—if I talk about the roads in Toronto, even if you say there's a lot of traffic and if it's horrible, you're still moving. But in India—like in Bombay—if there's [a] lot of traffic, it means you're actually stuck in one place for half an hour. You're not moving; you're not even moving an inch. You're just stuck in that place and you have to sit in the car and wait for what's going on. You don't really like to deal with that on a daily basis. If you talk about the subways here, the subways—there's a rush, but it's not that you're hanging out of the subway or something. In India, you do hang out of the trains, you have to. People are literally on the edge of the door, standing. Only their legs and hands are inside the train and their whole bodies are outside the train. There are times you have to deal with it on an everyday basis which is very stressful. It is not only work that stresses you out, it's the travelling. It's a very stressful life in India. So when we get here, it's much better; we find the lifestyle much better. And even the buses, everything, are much better.

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