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after long times the quantum fluctuations remain strong and become dominant over large physical distances, which the matter-driven universe is an example of. The study is carried out in minimal as well as nonminimal interaction settings. Implications of such quantum fluctuations are discussed.

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