

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**SHRI VIDYASAGAR RAO THANKS PEOPLE OF TAMIL NADU**

I had the privilege and honour to hold Additional Charge as Governor of Tamil Nadu.

Tamil Nadu is a front ranking state making significant strides in Information Technology, automobile industry, construction industry, health care etc., It is a place where culture and tradition have a seamless blend with modernity and is a symbol of peace and harmony. In the aftermath of demise of J Jayalalithaa, the then Chief Minister and during the protest for the cause of Jallikattu the people of Tamil Nadu had maintained peace and tranquility with great discipline. It is the grace of God and the hard work of people of Tamil Nadu that made the state to return to normalcy after facing the testing times caused by Vardah. The greatest assets of Tamil Nadu are its people, their simplicity, gentleness, hard work, friendly nature and discipline.

As Chancellor of Universities, I streamlined the process of appointment of Vice Chancellors by fixing a time frame for completion of process and prescribing qualification for the posts of VCs and Search Committee Members; ensured improving the quality of higher education, promoting green and clean initiative in the colleges and university campus. The Gates of Raj Bhavan, Chennai were opened to common man to experience its grandeur and splendour. Further to promote clean energy in Raj Bhavan, Chennai, a 400 Kwp solar power plant was installed at a cost of Rs.4.45 Crores and is ready for commissioning. This would cater to about 80% of the energy needs of Raj Bhavan and would save close to Rs.45 lakhs to exchequer annually.

I thank the present and past Chief Minister, Cabinet Ministers, all Political Party Leaders, Vice Chancellors, educationists, academicians, Members of Chambers of Commerce & Industry, various voluntary and social service organizations, Officials, Police Personnel and friends from Media.

I sincerely thank the people of Tamil Nadu for their love and affection, and the warmth and courtesy they extended to me during my tenure as Governor.

I wish the people of Tamil Nadu happiness, peace, progress and prosperity.

CH.VIDYASAGAR RAO  
GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU

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Raj Bhavan, Chennai  
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