

**HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU THIRU R.N.RAVI PRESIDED  
OVER COMMEMORATION OF 151<sup>ST</sup> BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF  
RENOWNED FREEDOM FIGHTER V.O.CHIDAMBARANAR HELD AT  
RAJ BHAVAN, CHENNAI TODAY (05.09.2022)**

Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Thiru R.N.Ravi presided over the commemoration of 151<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary of renowned and pioneer freedom fighter V.O.Chidambaranar held at Raj Bhavan, Chennai, today (05.09.2022).

Hon'ble Governor felicitated grand children of V.O.C, Thiru.Maragatha Valli Ranganathan , Thiru.C.V.Chidambaram, and V.O.C descendants.

In the presidential address, Hon'ble Governor hailed to V.O.Chidambaranar (V.O.C)'s politico-socio initiatives, sufferings and immense sacrifices for India's Independence. He emphasised on V.O.C's multifaceted roles as advocate, writer, poet, literature and administrator as an inspiration to the people especially the youth.

Hon'ble Governor elaborated how India was highly prosperous country in all fields especially in agriculture in the world before colonisation and was reduced to lamented poverty by reckless exploitation and suppressions.

Hon'ble Governor called the scholars, researchers and youth to be genuine gratitude payers to V.O.C and other freedom fighters for

their great service to the Nation by conducting dedicated research of their life and document them.

He highlighted the role of V.O.C in igniting freedom fire among the people across the country working collectively with other freedom fighters against British. V.O.C's historical initiative of Swadeshi movement in colonisation era by running a shipping company countering British's is driving force for our today's self reliant India under Nation's visionary, dynamic and bold leadership.

V.O.C inculcated the sense of collectiveness and compassion among labourers and farmers against excesses, exploitation and suppression. He galvanized the social reforms as well which includes women empowerment.

Hon'ble Governor urged the universities, colleges and school authorities to organise students' visit to Cellular Jail, Port Blair. It will make our future generation to empathise with sufferings and hardships of our great freedom fighters.

Hon'ble Governor mentioned that Nation has entered in to crucial phase in the journey of its destiny. The next 25 years is very significant to the Nation to reach the destination of becoming Viswa Guru by the year 2047 when the Nation will be celebrating 100<sup>th</sup> year of Independence.

For this great and sacred task, all people particularly the youth to give their best individually and collectively for the Nation's inclusive development. He urged the youth to dream big, work hard in pursuit of

their dreams thereby contributing in building Greater India as dreamt by V.O.C and Swami Vivekananda.

On this occasion, talented students spectacularly orated the life and message of V.O.C. along with other participants. A short film clippings on V.O.Chidambaranar's contribution for India's Independence were displayed that was witnessed by the teachers and the students with zeal.

**Floral Tribute to Dr.S.Radhakrishnan on Teachers' Day at Raj Bhavan, Chennai**

Earlier, Hon'ble Governor praised the great contributions of Former President Dr.S.Radhakrishnan who was philosopher, teacher as well. He paid floral tributes to his portrait on Teachers' Day at Raj Bhavan Campus. Further, he expressed greetings and best wishes to the Teachers who play a pivotal role in guiding the students, shaping their young minds to reach their destiny and achieve their goals.

In this occasion, the Madam Governor, Tmt.Laxmi Ravi, the Principal Secretary to Governor Thiru.Anandrao.V.Patil, I.A.S., Thiru.S.Ayyappan, Secretary, Vivekananda Kendra, Kanniyakumari, Vice-Chancellors, distinguished invitees, teachers and students participated.

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