

**HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU INAUGURATED CENTENARY  
CELEBRATIONS OF "PALACE FOR THE POOR" AND RESIDENTIAL  
SCHOOL AT RAMAKRISHNA MISSION STUDENTS HOME, MYLAPORE,  
CHENNAI, TODAY (26.06.2022)**

Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. R.N. Ravi inaugurated the Centenary celebrations of "Palace for the Poor" and Residential School at Ramakrishna Mission Students Home, Mylapore, Chennai, today (26.06.2022).

Hon'ble Governor lauded the founders and all those who helped with their sacrifices, devotion and contributions to the growth of this institution that serves those at the economic and social margin. He expressed his confidence in this institution serving humanity for centuries ahead committed to continue serving the humanity by following the mission and vision of Swami Vivekandanda to make Bharat, the world leader, the Vishwaguru by making it materially prosperous, intellectually superior and spiritually imbued with the basic tenets of Sanatan Dharma - Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (The world is a family).

Governor explained how Dharma is a far more comprehensive concept than religion. Dharma is all inclusive, and rooted in the understanding of integral unity of creations. It is essentially spiritual awareness of presence of the divine in all the elements of creation. Hon'ble Governor added that there is no word in English language or any European language equivalent to the word 'Dharma'.

Governor further explained that secularism as defined in the Constitution of India is State's non-allegiance to any one Panth (ways of worship) and not anti-Dharma. He recalled how Swami Vivekananda called Dharma as the Spine of Bharat.

Untold damage done to Bharat's spirituality by the colonial powers had deeply anguished Mahatma Gandhi who had insisted on spiritual resurgence of Bharat in the post-British India. Unfortunately the country drifted away from the core of this country that is Sanatan Spirituality.

Governor mentioned that the Country under a visionary and dynamic leadership is waking up to her destiny to be the world leader by 2047. Bharat's resurgence necessarily entail spiritual resurgence along with economic and technological resurgence. He emphasised the role of institutions like Ramakrishna Mission in the spiritual resurgence of Bharat and urged those associated with it to be conscious of their role in building a new Bharat.

Hon'ble Governor flagged the requirement to adopt ways and means to trigger and ignite the spiritual resurgence of Bharat to fulfil the desire of Swami Vivekananda of building a country with muscle of irons, nerves of steel and equipped with vedantic minds.

Hon'ble Governor released 'First Day Cover' to mark the celebrations and distributed benefits to the poor and downtrodden people in the function.

On this occasion, the most revered Swami Gautamanandaji Maharaj, Vice-President, Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission and Adhyaksha, Thiru.S.Gurumurthy, Editor, Thuglak, Padmashri.Dr.Nalli Kuppuswamy Chetty, Thiru.B.Selvakumar, Chief Post Master General, Swami Satyajnanananda, Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission Students Home, Thiru.S Varadharajan, Committee Member, distinguished invitees, members of Ramakrishna Mission Home and students, were in presence.

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