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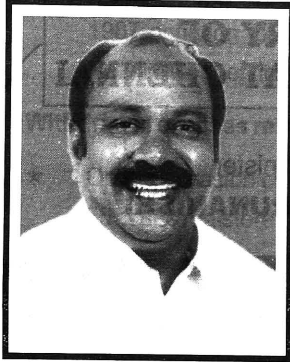
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Warriors, worthy citizens, wise council,
warm friends, wealth and vantage forts are
makings of a leader among rulers.

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PREFACE



When Wisdom, Courage, Kindness, Efficiency are traits of a leader, then the outcome would be best to put it in one word - "Splendid".

Our beloved and respected Leader and Chief Minister Dr. Kalaingar is one such ideal leader whose visions, dreams and achievements have brought radical changes and renaissance to the state of Tamil Nadu. The Philanthropist in him has brought about qualitative changes in alleviation of poverty, mitigation of financial risks for the common man, health benefits, social security and easy access to entertainment and information through various citizencentric schemes and acts.

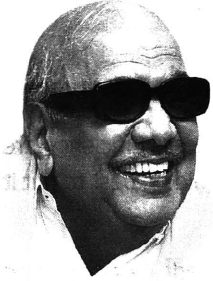
'Tamil Arasu', the magazine of the Government has initiated to compile the glorious achievement carried out by all the departments of the Government in the past three years under the dynamic leadership of our Hon'ble Chief Minister. The compilation entitled "The Three Year Achievements Galore" aims to make these achievements eternal and historical.

I would like to convey my best regards to all the departments that have made this successful journey possible.

I thank and appreciate the eidtorial team for such a wonderful outcome.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Parithi Ellamvazhuthi".

Parithi Ellamvazhuthi
Minister for Information



**BRANCH OFFICE OF
UNION MINISTRY OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AT CHENNAI**

Hon'ble Chief Minister

KALAIIGNAR M. KARUNANIDHI

- ★ The ESMA and TESMA acts used to dismiss 1,70,000 Government servants were repealed.
- ★ The Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Forcible Conversion of Religion Act; 2002 was repealed by an Act enacted on 31.5.2006.
- ★ The Social Reforms Department has been revived and will function as a department in Secretariat.
- ★ The Government had sanctioned in 1998 the family pension of Rs.1,500 and Ex-gratia amount of Rs.3 lakh to the families of persons who lost their lives during the



Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaaignar released the commemorative stamps in memory of the Dravidian leaders Sir. Pitti. Theyagarayar, Dr. C. Natesan and Dr. T.M. Nair on 17.9.2008.

1987 agitation for 20% reservation; the family pension has now been enhanced to Rs.2,000 benefiting 21 families.

Withdrawal of cases related to caste clashes

- ★ On the occasion of the centenary celebrations of Pasumpon Muthuramalinga Thevar, 55 cases registered in connection with group and caste clashes have been withdrawn.
- ★ 9 cases filed in various districts in connection with caste clashes have also been withdrawn.
- ★ 79 cases registered on political grounds have also been withdrawn.
- ★ The pension for freedom fighters has been enhanced from Rs.3,000 to Rs.4,000. The pension to their families has been enhanced from Rs.1,500 to Rs.2,000 from 1.5.2007.
- ★ The special pension of Rs.500 given to the descendents of Kattabomman, Marudhupandiyar, Muthuramalinga Vijayaraghunatha Sethupathy has been enhanced to Rs.1000 from 1.1.2008. 7 descendents of Kattabomman, 132 descendents of Marudhupandiyar and 80 descendents of Muthuramalinga Vijayaraghunatha Sethupathy benefit from this.

Issue of commemorative Postal Stamps

- ★ "Kurinchi Malar" special commemorative stamp, stamps in commemoration of the centenary celebration of "Vellore Voorhees College" and in commemoration of the 200th year of "Vellore Mutiny - 1806", in memory of Maa. Po. Si. Centenary celebration, in commemoration of the "150th year of Madras University", in commemoration of the centenary celebration of "Thiru. G.Varadaraj" of Coimbatore, in memory of "Parthalomeous Ziegong Bag", in commemoration of the "75th year of Tamil Nadu Cricket Association" in memory of "Dr. Alagappa Chettiyar", in memory of "Parthimar Kalaingar", in memory of "Ramalinga Adigalar" in memory of "Maraimalai Adigalar", in memory of Sir. Pitti. Theyagarayar, in memory of Dr. C. Natesan and in memory of Dr. T.M. Nair were released.

Appointment on Compassionate Grounds

- ★ The request made by Tmt. Indira, wife of Thiru. Pandaram who lost his life while trying to save people caught in floods, when she received the honourary medal was

accepted. She was appointed as Junior Assistant in Thirunelveli on compassionate grounds.

- ★ The branch office of the Union Ministry of External Affairs was inaugurated in Chennai on 26.8.2008.
- ★ New passport offices have been opened on 17.12.2007 in Madurai and on 14.9.2008 in Coimbatore.
- ★ Rs.25 lakh was donated for the grand celebration of the diamond jubilee of the National Defence Academy in Pune.
- ★ The Ex-gratia amount of Rs.2 lakh being granted by the State Government to the families of military and Border Security Force personnel who lose their lives on duty has been enhanced to Rs.5 lakh.
- ★ Rs.2 lakh Ex - gratia amount has been sanctioned to armed forces personnel who become severely incapacitated by losing both legs, both arms or both eyes; Rs.1 lakh for those who lose one of the limbs or eyes; Rs.50,000 for those who receive bullet or fire injuries.
- ★ The seat allocation for the children of Ex-Servicemen in engineering colleges have been increased from 81 to 150. For lateral entry, the seat allocation has been increased from 8 to 15.
- ★ The Government has ordered for reservation of one seat each in B.Pharm, B.Sc (Nursing) B.P.T. for children of Ex-servicemen.
- ★ 77 Ex-Servicemen have been appointed in various posts through the Directorate of Ex-Servicemen's Welfare.
- ★ 417 Ex-Servicemen, 11 dependants, 1 service officer have been appointed as 122 Village Administrative Officers through TNPSC and as 11 physical education teachers.
- ★ Uzhavar Thirunal, Telugu New Year, Mahavir Jayanthi, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's birthday have been declared again as public holidays.
- ★ Local holidays have been declared for 'Aadi Perukku' in memory of Deeran Chinnamalai on 26.7.2007 for Erode district and for Onam festival on 25.8.2006 for Coimbatore, Kanniyakumari and Nilgiris districts and on 27.8.2007 for Chennai district.

Welfare of Srilankan Refugees

- ★ 73,451 Srilankan Tamil refugees belonging to 19,705 families were accomodated in 115 camps, including two special camps in 26 districts. They are given various relief assistances.
- ★ This Government has succeeded in its efforts to get the approval of the Central Government to enhance the cash doles given to Srilankan refugees and has increased it by 100%. Rs.24.53 crore was disbursed in 2007 - 2008 and Rs.24.57 crore in 2008 - 2009. Rs.87.70 crore have been spent for giving rice subsidy to the refugees. Rs.93.30 crore have been spent for distribution of free clothes. Cooking utensils are given free of cost once in 2 years. The fixed expenditure of Rs.150 per family has been increased to Rs.250.
- ★ The Integrated Child Development Scheme has been extended to the children of the refugees from 2006. Similarly the assistance given under Dr.Muthulakshmi Reddy Maternity Assistance Scheme has been extended to pregnant women in the camps.
- ★ 20,045 children in the camps are enjoying the benefits of free education.
- ★ 24 hour free electricity supply is given to the camps.
- ★ As relief measures, Rs.39.90 crore in 2007 - 2008 and Rs.44.34 crore in 2008 - 2009 have been spent.
- ★ Hon'ble Chief Minister established the "Srilankan Tamils Relief Fund" and appealed to the public to contribute to the fund. Rs.50.84 crore have been received till 31.3.09.
- ★ Relief materials in 80 thousand packs worth Rs.10.07 crore, were sent by the ship 'MV Jork' on 13.11.08 from Chennai and were distributed among the Srilankan Tamils. Food items, clothes, utensils in 40 thousand packs and first aid materials worth Rs.7.67 crore in 50 thousand packs on 9.5.09 were sent by ships to the war affected Srilankan Tamils.

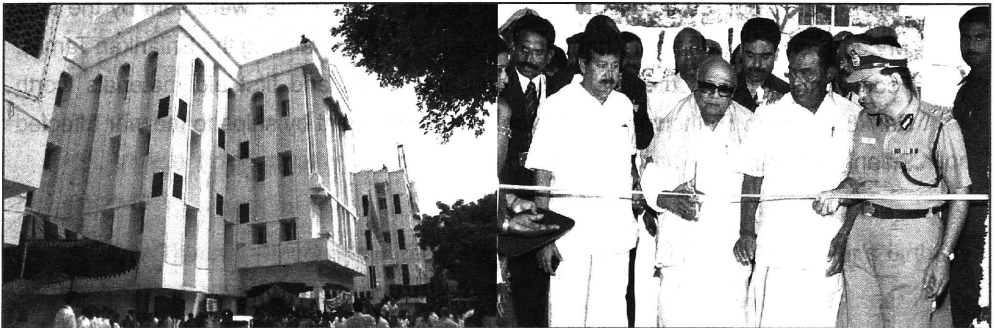
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MODERNISATION OF TAMIL NADU POLICE

Hon'ble Chief Minister
KALAIIGNAR M. KARUNANIDHI

- ★ The 3rd Police Commission constituted by the Government on 30.08.2006 to examine the various aspects of policing as well as the welfare of police personnel completed its study and submitted the report to the Government on 13.02.2008. The Committee constituted to study the recommendations have perused the 444 recommendations out of which 278 have been accepted.
- ★ 13 new police stations were opened. 67 Police Stations have been upgraded at a cost of Rs.11,21,11,000.
- ★ Out of 116 Police outposts, 22 outposts were upgraded into full-fledged Police Stations.
- ★ New Traffic Police Stations in 4 cities and 20 Traffic Police Stations on National Highways in accident prone areas were set up.



Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaaignar opened the new building of the Directorate of Forensic Sciences at a function held in the office premises of the Director General of Police at Mylapore, Chennai on 30.7.2008.

- * A Special battalion at Sundarampalli, Thirupathur Taluk, Vellore District with a strength of 955 has been formed at an expenditure of Rs.16.52 crore.
- * Chennai City Police have been bifurcated by creating the new commissionarte for Chennai Suburban areas on 21.7.2008.
- * Construction of New Annexe building of 1.71 Lakh SFT in the present Director General of Police Office Complex at a total cost of Rs.24.50 crore.
- * Construction of new multi storied building for Chennai Traffic Police at a total cost of Rs.25.46 crore.
- * Sanction of Rs.10.94 crore for construction of buildings for 3 District Police Offices at Salem, Thiruvarur and The Nilgiris.
- * Modernisation of 53 Police Stations at Rs.10.88 crore, upgradation of 25 Police Stations at Rs.1.15 crore have been completed.
- * The Hon'ble Chief Minister opened on 15.3.2008, the new Office building of the Inspector General of Police, North Zone built at a cost of Rs.38.98 lakh.
- * Sanction of Rs.2.55 crore has been accorded for construction of new buildings at Krishnagiri for Armed Police at Mannargudi for repeater station and at Marudham Campus, Chennai for Women Commando Training Hall.
- * The infrastructure facilities at the Police Training Academy at Perumani in Thoothukudi district are upgraded at a cost of Rs.3.39 crore.
- * 4,615 Police quarters have been constructed at a cost of Rs.200.55 lakh.
- * 2,437 Vehicles have been purchased at an expenditure of Rs.60.95 crore Hyundai Company has donated 100 cars to Chennai City Police. 101 TVS - Apache Motorcycles have also been purchased for the Chennai City Police.
- * Construction of 10 Sub - division offices at Gudiyatham, Thirupattur, Ambur, Pennagaram, Harur, Pollachi, Cheyyar, Thiruvannamalai, Samayanallur and Alangulam at a cost of Rs.157.25 lakh.

- ★ 14 boats purchased at a cost of Rs.86.47 lakh and are in use for coastal security.
- ★ Risk allowance for Police Personnel, from constable upto Additional Superintendents has been enhanced.

Welfare

- ★ Time bound promotion was implemented. 13,462 Grade II and Grade I Police Constables have been promoted.
- ★ Police Personnel can now make purchase at their nearby fair price shop at 50% concessional prices.
- ★ The new insurance scheme has been extended to police personnel to enabling them to receive financial assistance for medical treatment upto Rs.2 lakh in a block of 4 years.
- ★ The 42 Ex-Servicemen working on contract basis in Bomb Detection & Disposal squad and Dog Squad were made permanent.

Medals

- ★ The existing value of the cash prize for 'Gandhiyadigal Police Medal' has been enhanced from Rs.10,000 to Rs.20,000 as reward to police personnel for their outstanding work in eradication of illicit liquor.
- ★ Tamil Nadu Police won the 'overall championship' in the 55th All India Police Duty Meet conducted with the financial assistance of Rs.25 lakh by the State Government.
- ★ The Government 9th All India Police Band competition was successfully conducted from 1.2.2008 to 4.2.2008 in Tamil Nadu with a sanction of Rs.25 lakh.
- ★ A new medal called "Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Medal for Excellence in Technical and specialized services" was instituted to confer on the staff of Police Radio Branch, Dog Squad and Police Photographers.
- ★ Instructions have been issued to all police officers to accept any complaint from the public irrespective of the area of jurisdiction and file the First Information Report taking into consideration the nature of the complaint. If the jurisdiction comes under any other station, the already recorded FIR should be transferred to the respective station for further action.

- * Modern equipments have been distributed to various wings of Police at an expenditure totalling Rs.7,075.54 lakh.
- * The Economic Offences Wing has arrested 54 persons in connection with cases of cheating filed with the wing. In these years Rs.279.95 crore have been recovered and distributed to the cheated depositors. The properties worth Rs.15.91 crore belonging to the accused financiers have been attached.



At a function held in the Nehru Indoor Stadium, the Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar distributed the President of India Medal and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Medal to personnel of Police, Fire and Rescue service, Prisons, Home guards for exemplary service and addressed the gathering (12.9.2008)

- * Implementing the Government Policy on prevention of illicit liquor, serious actions has been taken leading to the filing of 3,50,558 cases against 3,28,117 persons including 71,530 women for offences of smuggling into the state illegally manufactured Indian made foreign liquor.
- * The number of villages blacklisted as producing illicit liquor has been reduced to 185 from 349 in Tamil Nadu.

Fire & Rescue Services

- * The North West division of the Fire Prevention and Rescue Department with headquarters at Vellore has been established on 19.9.2006.
- * Chennai Central Division has been established at an expenditure of Rs.7 lakh.
- * 3 new fire stations have been opened.
- * Global Positioning System has been introduced in Chennai, Madurai, Coimbatore and Tiruchi resulting in considerably less response time.
- * New ladders and vehicles with better functions have been purchased at Rs.21 crore in 2008 - 2009.

Prohibition and Excise Department

- * Licence for distillery has been given to Ambica Sugars and E.I.D. Parry (India) companies. Production has begin.
- * Special licence for distilling given to S.V. Sugars; construction work in progress.
- * Through increase in the sale price of excise stamp, Rs.23.80 crore in 2006- 2007, Rs.26.90 crore in 2007 - 2008 and Rs.39.60 crore in 2008 - 2009 have been earned as revenue.
- * Rs.7473.61 crore in 2006 - 2007, Rs.8,821.16 crore in 2007 - 2008, Rs.9,718.56 crore in 2008 - 2009 totaling Rs.25013.33 crore in 3 years have been earned as revenue through excise and sale tax by the department.
- * The monthly salary and bonus given to the 30,000 sales staff of TASMAC who work on contract or consolidated pay have been enhanced.

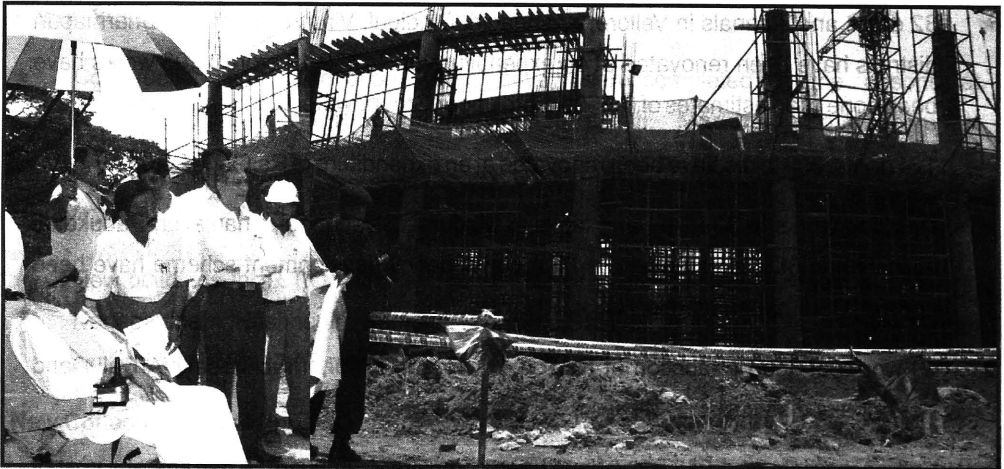
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INAUGURATION OF PROJECT FOR LINKING RIVERS

Hon'ble Chief Minister
KALAINAR M. KARUNANIDHI

- ★ Rs.665.47 crore in 2006 - 2007, Rs.679.57 crore in 2007 - 2008 and Rs.738.14 crore in 2008 - 2009 have been allocated for public works.
- ★ The Mettur dam was opened for irrigation on 12th June in 2006 and 18th July in 2007.
- ★ The Mettur dam attained its full capacity of 120 feet on 52 days in 2007 (21.07.2007 to 26.7.2007, 9.8.2007 to 18.8.2007, 27.8.2007 to 31.8.2007, 1.9.2007, 2.9.2007, 5.9.2007 to 13.9.2007, 18.9.2007 to 21.9.2007, 29.9.2007, 30.9.2007, 31.10.2007 and 1.11.2007 to 12.11.2007).



Hon'ble Chief Minister inspected the construction works at the New Assembly - Secretariat building at the Omathur Government Estate, Chennai and issued instructions after discussions with officials of Public Works Department (21.4.2009).

- ★ During the previous rule, the dam was opened on June 12 only once in 2001. It was opened on 6.9.2002, on 7.10.2003, on 12.8.2004 and on 4.8.2005.
- ★ Desilting was done at an expenditure of Rs.10 crore in Cauvery basin in 15 days.
- ★ Desilting in Coom, Adayar, Buckingham Canal, Otteri Nalla, Virugambakkam, Velachery was done at an expenditure of Rs. 4 crores.
- ★ Four reservoirs in Virudhunagar, Erode, Thiruvannamalai and Dindigul districts were built at an expenditure of Rs.200 crore and 11,796 hectares have been irrigated. Works are in progress to build 6 more reservoirs in Kanniyakumari, Vellore, Dharmapuri, Madurai districts at an estimate of Rs.146.20 crore.
- ★ 3 water tanks, 2 checkdams have been newly built at an expenditure of Rs.75.63 crore by which 1,643 hectares have been irrigated.
- ★ Checkwalls in Sivagangai, Thanjavur, Kanniyakumari, Tirunelveli, Vellore, Dindigul, Dharmapuri districts have been built at an expenditure of Rs.6.74 crore by which 2236.629 hectares of land have been irrigated. Also, the irrigation canals in cauvery delta districts have been desilted at an expenditure of Rs.10 crore.
- ★ 32 dams and 7 canals in Vellore, Krishnagiri, Dindigul, Virudhunagar and Dharmapuri districts have been renovated at an expenditure of Rs.439.12 crore. 103 works have been done at an estimates of Rs.500 crore under Groundwater Management Scheme.
- ★ 124 dams, 399 lakes have been renovated at an expenditure of Rs.624.32 crore.
- ★ Desilting works in 33 lakes and tanks in Madurai, Sivagangai, Thanjavur, Pudukottai districts and 365 lakes under the MLA constituency development scheme have been done at a total expenditure of Rs. 34.81 crore.
- ★ 49 works of flood protection at Rs.253.14 crore in Karur, Tiruchirapalli, Ariyalur and Perambalur districts.
- ★ Encroachments on 1,943 lakes have been completely removed. A barrage at a cost of Rs.189 crore is under construction across the cauvery river at Kattalai in Karur district.

- ★ Works are in progress for the Thamirabarani - Karumeniyaru - Nambiyaru River linking Project at an estimate of Rs.369 crore.

Buildings

- ★ New buildings at an expenditure of Rs.200 crore for the Government hospitals in Theni, Vellore, Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli districts, 4 new buildings for the Government Medical Colleges in Villupuram, Thiruvarur, Dharmapuri and Sivagangai at an expenditure of Rs.287.06 crore 15 works in additional buildings in hospitals, hostels, Guest Houses, nursing school buildings at an expenditure of Rs.181.91 crore have been built. Construction works are in progress for 263 Government Hospitals in 30 districts at Rs.252.76 crore.

Court Buildings

- ★ Construction of new court buildings has been completed in Tambaram, Perambalur, Dindigul, Vellore, Theni, Ramanathapuram, Namakkal, Karur, Aruppukottai, Sivagangai, Erode, Pudukottai, Cuddalore, Kumbakonam, Alandur at an expenditure of Rs.106.07 crore.

Prison Buildings

- ★ Construction and renovation works have been completed in the prisons at Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar, Tiruchirapalli, Madurai, Coimbatore at Rs.20.30 crore.

R.T.O. Offices

- ★ New buildings for R.T.O. Offices / R.T.O. Branch offices at Tiruchirapalli, Cuddalore, Nagapattinam, Krishnagiri, Sankari, Thenkasi, Sathyamangalam, Chidambaram at an expenditure of Rs.12.78 crore.

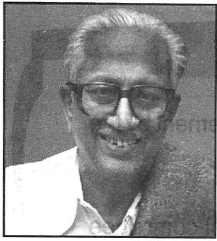
New Collectorate Buildings

- ★ New buildings for the offices and quarters for District Collectors, Tahsildars at Krishnagiri, Salem, Tirunelveli, Thiruvarur, Dindigul, Trichi districts were built at an expenditure of Rs.88.99 crore.

Government School Buildings

- ★ Laboratories, Classrooms, toilet buildings have been constructed at an expenditure of Rs.765.34 crore in 850 high and higher secondary schools. The State Library is being built in Chennai at an estimate of Rs. 165.76 crore.
- ★ 82 new buildings for students hostels have been built at Rs.49.39 crore.
- ★ The Mamallapuram Bus Stand has been built at Rs.3.32 crore.
- ★ New buildings for Government Guest Houses are built at Rs.4.19 crore in Chennai, Salem, Coimbatore, Thanjavur districts.
- ★ Construction works are in progress for the new Assembly Complex in Chennai at an expenditure of Rs.425.57 crore.

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ALLOCATION TO SOCIAL SECURITY NET INCREASED

Hon'ble Minister for Finance
Prof. **K. ANBAZHAGAN**

- * The allocation for Social Security Net which was Rs.7520 crore in the year 2005-2006 has been increased to Rs.15,520 crore for the year 2009 - 2010.
- * The expenditure of 567 crore for Tribal Sub - plan and special component plan for Scheduled Castes has been increased to Rs.2,649 crore in 2009 - 2010.
- * A record capital outlay of Rs.10,072 Crore has been provided for development of infrastructure in the state.
- * The State's outlay for the Eleventh Five Year Plan executed from 2007 - 2008 has been approved for Rs. 85,344 Crore. Rs.30,000 crore have been spent on developmental works in two years. Works at an estimate of Rs.17,500 crore are to be completed in 2009 - 2010.
- * The financial burden caused by the 6th Pay Commission's recommendations



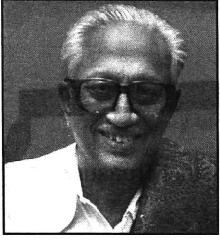
Hon'ble Finance Minister Prof. K. Anbazhagan arriving at the Legislative Assembly on 17.2.2009 accompanied by Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin and Hon'ble Information Minister Thiru. Parithi Ellamvazhuthi, to present the budget for 2009-2010.

and by allotments for various projects has been eased by efficient management by the Government.

- ★ As the process of pay fixation as per the recommendations of the official committee was not over in time, interim relief amount of Rs.4,247 crore as on 1.1.2009 was disbursed.
- ★ The Government has increased the rate of Dearness Allowance to Government employees, teachers, pensioners on par with the Central Government employees and the arrears have been paid in cash.
- ★ Arrears due to the implementation of the Fifth Pay Commission to the tune of Rs.872 crore have been disbursed in three installments to both the employees and the pensioners.
- ★ Orders have been issued to revive the sanction of full pension for 30 years of service and calculation of pension on the basis of last pay drawn or 50% an average of 10 months pay drawn before retirement whichever is higher.
- ★ The festival allowance for pensioners has been enhanced from Rs.500 to Rs.1,000.
- ★ The festival advance for Government employees and teachers has been enhancement from Rs.1000 to Rs.2000.
- ★ As the number of applications received from pensioners for reimbursement of their medical expenses was excessive, the Government sanctioned a subsidy of Rs.10 crore to the Tamil Nadu Pensioners Health Fund Scheme. All applicants were compensated.
- ★ The system of filing e-tender was introduced in two phases in 2007 - 2009; contractors were enabled to download tender forms free of cost from the website for tenders with purchase value above Rs.10 lakh. Also, the contractors can file the tenders online from 1.1.2008.
- ★ The website of the Treasuries and Accounts dept , "www.tn.gov.in/ karuvoolam" has links with several websites like that of Govt. of India, Reserve Bank of India and Auditor General.

- ★ A new Sub - Treasury at Papireddipatti, Dharmapuri district and a new district Treasury at Ariyalur have been opened.
- ★ Rs.246.59 lakh from Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund have been disbursed to 3,117 families.
- ★ The Government servants and pensioners in Chennai can now verify the credit of their salary and pension paid through ECS.
- ★ As announced by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the Government have introduced the new Health Insurance Scheme from 11.6.2008 providing financial assistance upto Rs. 2 lakh for a block period of four years as against the previous limit of Rs.1 lakh to the Government employees and their families for the entire service period of the Government employees. So far, 26,400 Government employees have been extended Rs.93.62 crore.

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**RECORD PLAN OUTLAY OF
RS.42,500 CRORE
FOR 2006-2009**

Hon'ble Minister for Finance
Prof. **K. ANBAZHAGAN**

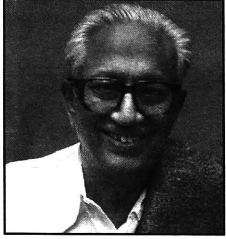
- ★ The plan outlay for 2006 - 2007 was Rs.12,500 crore. The plan outlay for 2007 - 2008 was an increased amount of Rs.14,000 crore. The plan outlay for 2008 - 2009 was Rs.16,000 crore thus resulting in a total record plan outlay of Rs.42,500 crore for 2006 - 2009.
- ★ The estimated Plan Outlay for 2009 - 2010 is Rs.17,500 crore. The sanction will be finalised after discussion between the Vice - Chairman of the Union Planning Commission and the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- ★ The Union Planning Commission has approved an outlay of Rs.85,344 crore for Eleventh Five Year Plan for Tamil Nadu. The Government will implement plan programmes with the objective of achieving an average annual growth rate of 9% in the State's economy during the plan period.
- ★ The Hill Area Development Programme was implemented with the Central Special Financial Assistance of Rs.35.50 crore each in 2006 - 2007 and 2007 - 2008 and Rs.42.93 crore in 2008 - 2009.
- ★ Soil conservation works, construction of gabion checks, check dams, collection walls, shola afforestation works, fire line scrapping, supply of hybrid vegetable seeds to farmers and road and bridge works were taken up.

Western Ghats Development Programme

- ★ 1279 numbers of low cost group houses to SC/ST were constructed.
- ★ The western ghats development programme was implemented with the special central assistance of Rs.17.04 crore each in 2006 - 2007 and 2007 - 2008 and Rs.20.61 crore in 2008 - 2009.

- ★ Horticultural Schemes have been taken up in an area of 440 hectares.
- ★ Eco-restoration, Eco-protection, Eco-development and Eco-stabilisation works were taken up in 1,180 hectares.
- ★ Under Chennai Metro Rail Project, works for two separate routes have been taken up. The first route will begin at Washermanpet and terminate at Chennai Airport; the second route will be operated between Chennai Central Railway Station and St. Thomas Mount.

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SPECIAL INITIATIVES FOR TAMIL DEVELOPMENT

Hon'ble Minister for Finance
Prof. **K. ANBAZHAGAN**

- ★ Legislation announcing the first day of 'Thai' as commencement of Tamil New Year was enacted in the Tamil Nadu Assembly and necessary notification was published on 11.2.2008.
- ★ Central Government declared Tamil as a classical language due to the continuous efforts of the Hon'ble Chief Minister; 'Enperayam' and 'Iymerunkuzhu' relating to classical language, were constituted under the presidentship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister. The Central Classical Institute of Tamil was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Union Minister for Human Resources Development, Thiru Arjun Singh on 18.08.2007. Government of Tamil Nadu contributed 16.59 acres of land in Perumbakkam village, Kanchipuram

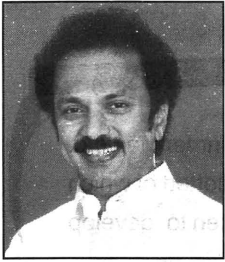


Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar unveiled the statue of Thiruvalluvar, laid foundation for the Muthamizh Arch and delivered his keynote address at the Muthamizh function held at the Delhi Tamil Sangam on 4.12.2008.

District to this institute. To function the Central Classical Institute of Tamil at Chennai, under the Presidentship of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Central Government allotted Rs. 76.32 Crores. Hon'ble Chief Minister opened the office of the Central Classical Institute of Tamil at Palar Illam, Kamarajar Salai, Chennai on 30.6.2008.

- * Thiru. Vi. Ka award to Sa.Pa. Arulanandam, Bharathiyar Award to Dr. Era. Manian, Bharathidasan Award to Kavignar Thamizhachi Thangapandian, Ki.Aa.Pe. Viswanatham to Prof. Pazhamalai and the Thiruvalluvar Award to Dr. Porko for 2008 were presented by Hon'ble Chief Minister at the Thiruvalluvar Day Function.
- * For giving fillip to development of scientific Tamil, Government have instituted the "Kaniyan Poongkunranar" award with a cash prize of Rs.1 Lakh to the best Tamil Software of the year.
- * All departments of Secretariat have been inspected under the special scheme for intensive implementation of official language scheme.
- * After assumption of office by this Government, the books of 65 Tamil scholars were nationalised and a sum of Rs.4.60 Crore was distributed as compensation by Hon'ble Chief Minister to the legal heirs of Tamil scholars who furnished necessary documents.
- * Official language seminars were conducted in 15 districts. Significant action has been taken to make Tamil as an official language in High Court.
- * In recognising the talent of Thirukkural Mutrodhal by 24 students, each student was given Rs.5000/- thus a total sum of Rs.1.20 lakhs was given.
- * The amount under the scheme of giving cash prizes to Best books was enhanced from Rs.10,000/- to Rs.20,000/- and that to the publishers was enhanced from Rs.2,000/- to Rs.5,000/-.
- * The Golden Jubilee function of the formation of Tamil Nadu State was celebrated on 1.11.06 at Chennai. Hon'ble Chief Minister felicitated the Ellai Kavalars in this function.

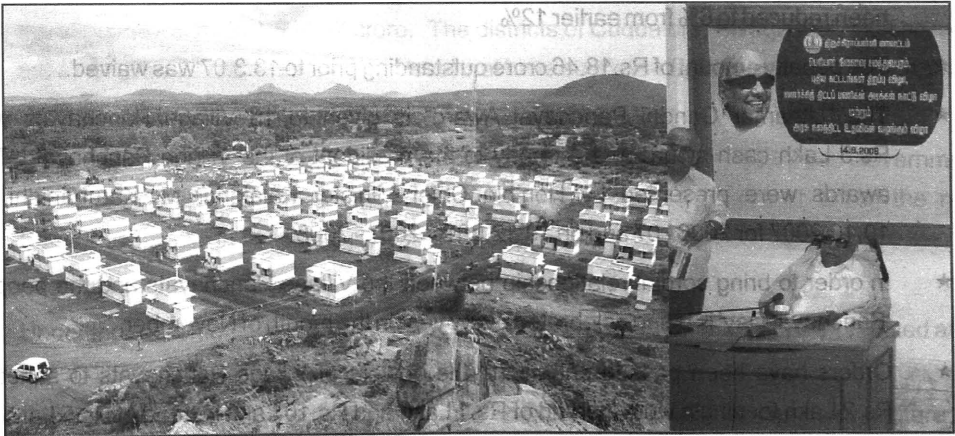
- * The Central Government has been reiterated and steps have been taken to announce Thirukkural as national book and to issue national awards in the names of Thiruvalluvar and Tholkappiyar.
- * Thirukkural books with English translation, were purchased for Rs.1.00 lakh and these books were placed in the rooms of private star hotels.
- * Rs.20.00 lakh was sanctioned by the Government for preparation and distribution of Hand Book containing details of Thiruvalluvar and for the distribution of translated Thirukkural book to the visitors of Thiruvalluvar Statue, Kanniyakumari. Further Necessary action is being taken in this regard.
- * Tmt. Sundarathammai, the grand daughter of Tamil Scholar Maraimalai Adigalar was given Rs.1.50 lakh as financial assistance and for medical expenses by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 2.12.06.
- * Tamil Lexicon of Madras University, is very much useful for the researchers and students. To revise, scrutinise, enlarge and to publish the Tamil lexicon, Hon'ble Chief Minister gave cheque for Rs.10 lakh to the Vice Chancellor Madras University on 7.12.07.
- * Hon'ble Chief Minister gave away Rs.10 Lakh to the Vice Chancellor, Dravidian University, Kuppam on 7.12.2007 for carrying out Comparative Research with other Dravidian languages, to translate Tamil Literature into other Dravidian Languages and to translate the literature of other Dravidian languages into Tamil.
- * A sum of Rs.10 lakh was given to International School of Dravidian Linguistics, Thiruvananthapuram, to enable the school to repay the debts borrowed during the years 2000 - 2004.
- * In the "Peragaramudali" series, for the publication of seven parts; Rs.14 lakh was spent and the books were released by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 16.1.2008 on the Thiruvalluvar Day function.
- * The monthly assistance of Rs.3,000 given to the Ellaikkavalars has been enhanced to Rs.4,000 from 1.11.2006. The assistance of Rs.1,500 given to their legal heirs has also been enhanced to Rs.2,000.



RURAL EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE SCHEME

Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister
Thiru. **M.K. STALIN**

- ★ Elections for 12,618 Village Panchayats, 385 Panchayat Union and 29 District Panchayat Unions were held in October 2006, 76% of the people voted in the elections.
- ★ Elections to Pappapatti, Keeripatti, Natarmangalam and Kottakachiyendhal Panchayats were conducted successfully after a decade. Hon'ble Chief Minister honoured the elected representatives and leaders of communities on 13.11.06.
- ★ A High Level Committee headed by the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development and Local Administration to provide additional powers and responsibilities to local bodies submitted its report to the Hon'ble Chief Minister. The Committee had given 99 recommendations on 39 subjects and orders have been issued on 61 recommendations.
- ★ The 8% allocation from the tax collection of the Government given to the local bodies as financial assistance was increased to 9% in 2007 - 08. This was further increased to 9.5% in 2009 - 2010.



Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar opened the Periyar Ninaivu Samathuvapuram at Malligaipatti, Marungapuri Union, Tiruchirapalli district through Video conference on 14.8.2009.

- ★ To increase the revenue of Local Bodies, part of the stamp duty, Entertainment tax etc. are given to Local bodies. In the year 2007 - 2008, Rs.270 crore were allotted of which Rs.180 crore have already been given to Local bodies. Action is being taken to develop the basic facilities at an estimate of at Rs.90 crore.
- ★ The financial allocation from the State Finance Commission to Village Panchayat offices has been increased from 47% to 60% from this year.
- ★ The entire subsidy amount received from the Twelfth Finance Commission of the Government of India has been given to the Village Panchayats.
- ★ A "Training Fund" has been created with Rs.3 crore allotted by the Government to provide training in Local Administration and Rural Development Schemes to Local Body Representatives. They are taken on tours to other panchayats where modern agricultural and horticultural methodologies are imparted to them.
- ★ For energy consumption in rural area, the charges were reduced from Rs.3.40/- to Rs.3/-.
- ★ The duration for paying electricity charges have been increased from 20 days to 60 days.
- ★ Meter has been fixed for all electric connections. The meter reading has been made the basis of billing.
- ★ For outstanding due to the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board by Local bodies the penalty has been reduced to 6% from earlier 12%
- ★ The penalty amount of Rs.18.46 crore outstanding prior to 13.3.07 was waived.
- ★ The "Uthamar Gandhi Panchayat Award" is given to 15 Village Panchayats with Rs.5 Lakh cash award and a trophy to the president of the Village Panchayat. The awards were presented by Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar M. Karunanidhi on 10.10.2007 for 2006 - 07 and on 19.12.08 for 2007 - 2008.
- ★ In order to bring cordial relationship between the Village Panchayats and the people, 'Panchayat Day' is being celebrated every year in the month of November.
- ★ Orders have been passed enhancing the powers of Village Panchayats to sanction Rs.2 Lakh for single work instead of Rs.1 Lakh and Rs.10 Lakh instead of Rs.5 Lakh for Panchayat Union and Rs.20 Lakh instead of Rs.10 Lakh for District Union from the Village Panchayats Common Fund.



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin participated in the Gramasabha meeting of the Karambakkam Village Panchayat in Thiruvallur district (2.10.2008)

- ★ Rural Development Scheme works totalling 1,53,600 works were completed out of the 1,54,000 pending works sanctioned as on 13.5.06.
- ★ Under the Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam, each Village Panchayat will be provided with a pond, library, playground, crematorium, burial ground, water supply schemes, street lights, fish rearing ponds, village shandies etc. In 5 years, Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam will be implemented in all 12,618 Village Panchayats.
- ★ In the past three years works were completed at a cost of Rs.1332.38 crore. Other schemes of various departments will be integrated in various villages.

Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme

- ★ The Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, inaugurated on 2.2.2006 is implemented in all districts. 20.36 crore man-days have been created; 22,406 works have been completed at the expenditure of Rs.1,657.37 crore. The districts of Cuddalore, Sivagangai and Dinidigul are among the 22 districts at national level that have successfully implemented the scheme.

Periyar Ninaivu Samathuvapuram

- ★ 145 Periyar Ninaivu Samathuvapurams were established in 1997 - 98 by this Government works are in progress to establish 95 new samathuvapurams, out of which the new Samathuvapuram in Tiruchirapalli district was opened on 14.6.09.

Indira Memorial Housing Scheme

- ★ Under Indira Memorial Housing Scheme, 1,77,597 new houses have been constructed at an expenditure of Rs.887.43 crore.
- ★ Repair works in 14,474 schools have been carried out at an expenditure of Rs.187.89 crore.

- ★ Road works to a total length of 19,527.77 km have been completed at an estimate of Rs.2,796.91 crore.
- ★ 41,123 works have been completed at an expenditure of Rs.1,055 crore allocated from the M.L.A. and M.P.'s Development funds.
- ★ Under the Backward Constituencies Subsidy Scheme, works were completed at an expenditure of Rs.97.21 crore.
- ★ 16,547 vacant posts have been filled in Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department.

Magalir Thittam

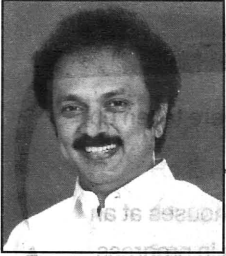
- ★ In Tamilnadu, 3,91,311 women Self Help Groups with 62.60 lakh members have been formed; their total savings amount to Rs.2,062.04 crore.
- ★ So far, Rs.5,403.27 crore has been disbursed as loan to women SHGs.
- ★ Rs.150 crore has been given to SHGs as revolving fund.
- ★ Rs.37.55 crore has been given as subsidy to 37,887 Self Help Groups for revolving fund.
- ★ Rs.89.11 crore has been given to 9,217 SHGs as trade loan subsidy. Rs.50 crore has been given to 4,772 SHGs as trade loan in 2008 - 09.
- ★ The 'Vaazhndhu Kaattuvom Thittam' is implemented with World Bank Aid at an estimate of Rs.717 crore in four phases.
- ★ Rs.285.72 crore have been spent for the Tsunami Emergency Assistance scheme implemented with aid from Asian Development Bank.
- ★ Rs.34.83 crore have been disbursed as subsidy for self employment to physically handicapped persons in coastal districts under Vaazhndhu Kaattuvom Thittam.
- ★ Rs.2.96 crore has been disbursed as working capital to 93 fishermen societies benefiting 25,000 fishermen members.
- ★ Construction of SHGs Complex near Valluvarkottam, Chennai at a cost of Rs.12.38 crore is in progress.
- ★ 160 milk producing societies were revived with supply of equipments worth Rs.80 lakh; 9 milk coolers and 37 milk parlours have been set up. Training on marketing milk was given to 4,045 SHG members.

- ★ 610 road works for a length of 698.46 km in coastal Village Panchayats were taken up at an estimate of Rs.94 crore.
- ★ Under Rajiv Gandhi Rehabilitation programme, reconstruction of 18,057 houses at an expenditure of Rs.494.73 crore near the shoreline in 11 coastal districts is in progress. Under Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam, the basic amenities such as roads, watersupply, streetlights, repair works are being provided in these areas.

Town Panchayats

- ★ A high level Committee was formed under the presidentship of the Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister to decide on providing additional powers to local bodies. Orders have been issued on 42 recommendations. 28,565 house sites have been regularized in Town Panchayats and Rs.7.25 crore collected.
- ★ Under the 12th Finance Commission's recommendations Rs.160.51 crore allocated for 561 Town Panchayats for 2005-2006 to 2009-2010.
- ★ Under the Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar, 1493 works at an estimate of Rs.74.05 crore in 140 town Panchayats were taken up in 2008-2009. 1438 works at an estimate of Rs.78.48 crore in 140 town panchayats were taken up in 2008-2009.
- ★ Out of the subsidy amount released by recommendations of 12th Finance Commission, 2097 works were completed at an estimate of Rs.32.10 crore in 2007-2008.
- ★ Fertilizer parks producing fertilizer from solid waste is functioning in 514 town panchayats.
- ★ 10,355 Women SHG members were engaged in Solid waste Management in 561 town panchayats.
- ★ Under Tsunami Emergency Assistance Programme, 384 works completed at an expenditure of Rs.35.02 crore.

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WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS

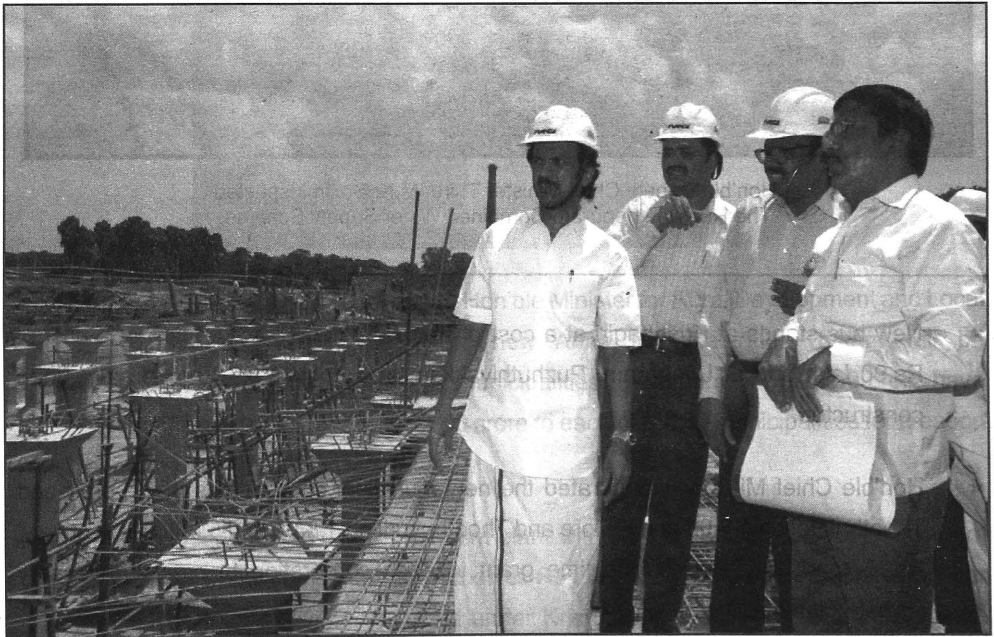
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister
Thiru. **M.K. STALIN**

- ★ The underground drainage works taken up under Tamil Nadu Urban Development Scheme III in Tiruppur, Inamkarur, Alandur and Valasarawakkam Municipalities are over.
- ★ Approval has been obtained from Government of India for implementing major infrastructure projects in urban areas at an estimate of Rs.5,856.34 crore under JNNURM and UIDSSMT schemes.
- ★ 1,227.26 km of roads were converted into BT/Cement concrete roads at an expenditure of Rs.191.56 crore.

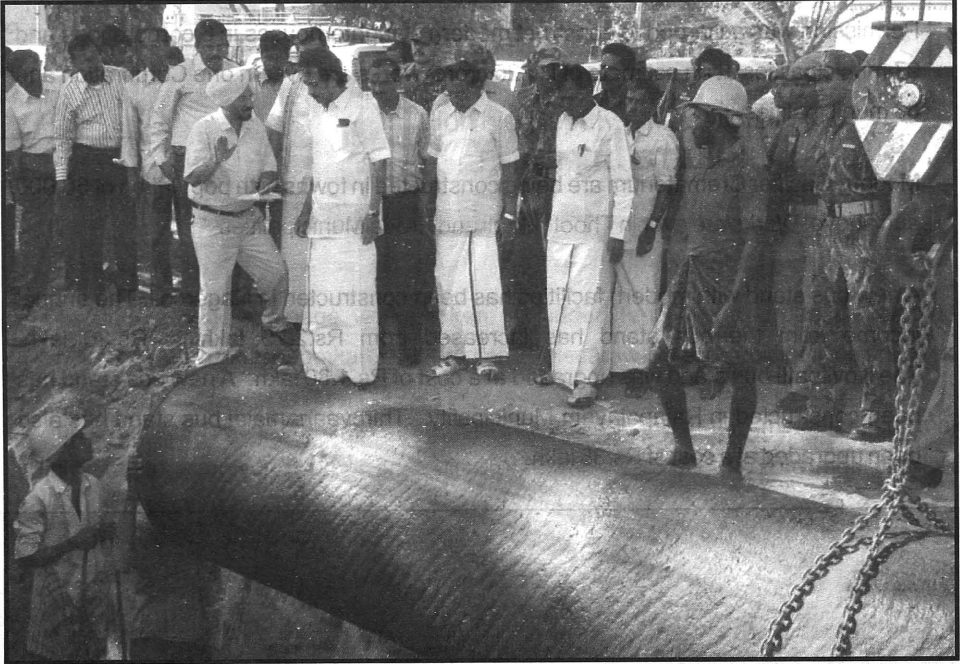


Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated Vellore Corporation and unveiled the memorial pillar on 1.8.2008. Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin and other Ministers are seen.

- ★ Permission was accorded to construct modern slaughterhouses in 6 corporations and 97 municipalities at an estimate of Rs.25 crore; works are over in one Corporation and 63 municipalities.
- ★ Modern Gasifier Crematorium are being constructed in towns with population of 60,000 and above. Works are over in Thoothukudi and Erode Municipalities.
- ★ A new bus stand with modern facilities has been constructed in Nagercoil. The annual income from the bus stand has increased from Rs.2.79 lakh to Rs.26 lakh. The Kovilpatti bus stand was upgraded at a cost of Rs.1.80 lakh. A new bus stand has been constructed in Rajapalayam Municipality. Thiruvannamalai bus stand has also been upgraded at a cost of Rs.38 lakh.

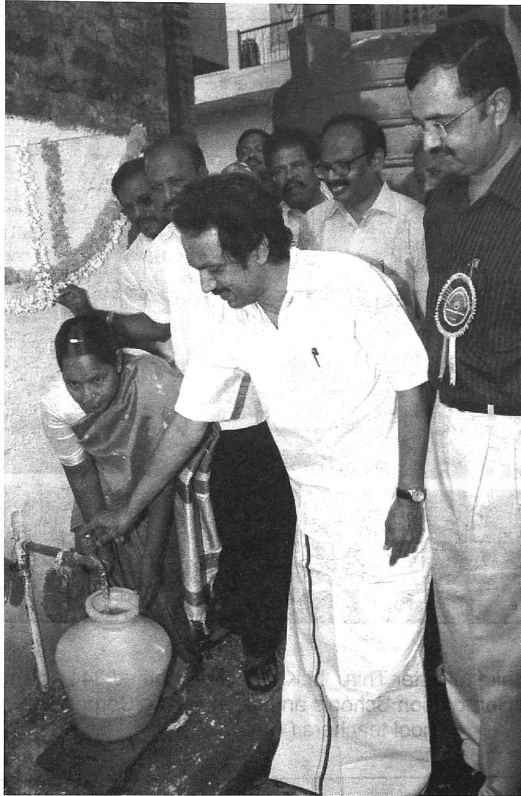


Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin inspected the works under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renovation Scheme going on at the Metro Water Distribution Station at Kilpauk, Chennai on 23.09.2008.



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin inspected
The Ramanathapuram Combined Water Supply Scheme.

- ★ New bus stands at Krishnagiri at a cost of Rs.678 lakh, at Nellikuppam at a cost of Rs.90 lakh and at Ullagaram, Puzhuthivakkam at a cost of Rs.30 lakh have been constructed.
- ★ Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the new municipal corporations of Tiruppur and Thoothukudi on 1.8.08 and Vellore and Thoothukudi on 1.8.08 and 5.8.08 respectively. Rs. 5 crore is given as one time grant to each corporation to create necessary infrastructure facilities.
- ★ The outstanding loan and interest amounting to Rs.787.42 crore pending with municipalities have been waived.



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin inaugurated the Metro water scheme of giving water connections for Rs.100 for houses less than 500 sq fit.

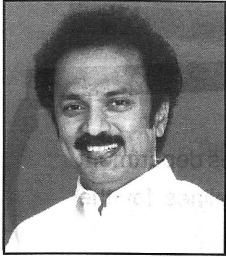
- ★ During the 2008 - 09 budget session, Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development and Local Administration announced that the new Anna Marumalarchi Thittam will be implemented in 30 financially weak municipalities. Accordingly, Rs.2,250 crore have been sanctioned to disburse Rs.22.50 crore to each of the 30 municipalities for creation of infrastructure and other schemes.
- ★ For the construction of water treatment plant with 530 million litre capacity, laying of pipes have been completed at a cost of Rs.296 crore at Sembarambakkam near Chennai to treat the water received under Krishna Drinking Water Supply Scheme. Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the service on 19.7.07 and 135 million litre water is treated and supplied to Chennai daily by this plant.



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin distributed 844 computers to Chennai Corporation Schools and incentives to Corporation School teachers (19.2.2009)

- ★ Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the Avadi Water Supply Improvement Project on 9.8.08 at an estimate of Rs.103.84 crore.
- ★ Construction of additional Sewage Treatment Plant at Perungudi with a capacity of 60 million litre per day is on at an estimate of Rs.61.19 crore.
- ★ In order to increase the Sewage treatment capacity of Chennai Metro Water, an additional Sewage treatment plant with a capacity of 54 million liter is being established at Nesapakkam at an estimate of Rs.58.87 crore.

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TRENDSETTING NEW INDUSTRIES IN TAMIL NADU

Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister
Thiru. **M.K. STALIN**

- ★ The Special Task Force for Industries department was formed with Hon'ble Chief Minister as Chairman and the representatives of various industries and trades as members on 8.11.2006.



The MOU between the Government of Tamil Nadu and Caterpillar India Inc. for implementing the expansion of Heavy Engineering Machine Manufacturing facility at an investment of Rs.800 crore was signed in the presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister on 18.12.2008.

- ★ A high level committee chaired by the Secretary to Government, Industries department was formed to identify the industrially backward blocks and fix guidelines for the development of new industries.
- ★ The new Industrial Policy was released on 5.11.2007.
- ★ For the first time in India, a new policy for tiny, small and medium industries has been introduced.
- ★ New MoUs with industries after 2006 :-
 - a) Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the production at the Motorola, U.S.A. Factory at Sriperumpudur with Rs.250 crore as investment - MoU on 7.6.2006 - the factory will provide employment to 3,560 persons. 10,680 will receive indirect employment.
 - b) Apollo Radial Tyres Ltd; MoU on 7.8.2006; is being set up at Orgadam with an investment of Rs.520 crore.
 - c) Tesolve Semiconductor Automobiles, USA - MoU on 18.08.2006 - investment Rs.1,000 crore. The factory will provide employment directly to Rs.1,700 and indirectly to Rs.5,100.
 - d) Dell Computers, Sriperumpudur - MoU on 14.9.2006 - investment is Rs.280 crore. Hon'ble Chief Minister opened the factory on 22.4.2008.
 - e) Growthlink Company, Cheyyar - MoU on 19.9.2006 - investment is Rs.300 crore - opened on 16.7.2008 and has been declared by Union Government as SEZ.
 - f) Samsung India Electronics Factory, Sriperumpudur - MoU on 10.11.2006 - investment is Rs.450 crore. Colour television sets are manufactured here.
 - g) Kapara Vehicle Production Factory, Orgadam - Sriperumpudur - MoU on 8.3.2007 - investment is Rs.300 crore. Hon'ble Chief Minister opened the factory at Sriperumpudur.
 - h) Sanmina (S.C.I), USA - Oragadam Technical Park - MoU on 19.6.2007 - investment is Rs.225 crore.

- i) Tata Steel Factory, Thoothukudi - MoU on 28.6.07 investment is Rs.2,500 crore.
- j) M.P.P.L. Renewable Energy Company - near Chengalpattu - MoU on 14.7.2007 - investment is Rs.1,373 crore.
- k) Hyundai Motors Factory - Phase II - Irunkattukottai - investment is Rs.4,000 - Hon'ble Chief Minister opened the unit on 2.2.2008.
- l) Renault and Nissan Car Factory, Oragadam - MoU on 22.2.2008 - investment is Rs.4500 crore - direct employment to 10,500 persons and indirect employment to 31,000 will be provided.
- M) Signef Solar, USA - Sriperumpudur - MoU on 17.3.2008 - investment is Rs.2,000 crore.
- n) M.R.F. Tyres factory at Perambalur - MoU on 2.5.2008 - investment is Rs.2,000 crore.
- o) Moserbaer Infrastrucuture Development Company's Photovoltaic Technological facility at Oragadam SEZ - MoU on 9.6.2008 - investment is Rs.2,000 crore. 2,000 persons will get employment.
- p) Nokia - Siemens Factory, Oragadam - MoU on 25.6.2008 investment is Rs.300 crore. Hon'ble Chief Minister opened the factory on 16.10.2008.
- q) Hanson Transmissions International Company factory at Palladam SEZ - MoU on 28.6.2008 - investment is Rs.1,500 crore - 1,059 persons have been provided employment.
- r) A.T.C. Tyres Factory at Gangaigondan SEZ in Tirunelveli district - MoU on 30.6.2008 invstment is Rs.400 crore.
- s) Daimler AG and Hero Commercial Vehicle Factory, Oragadam - MoU on 7.7.2008 investment is Rs.3,000 crore. Area is 397 acre. 4,000 will get direct employment and 20,000 will get indirect employment.
- t) Ashok Leyland - Nissan, Japan Medium Heavy Commercial Vehicle Factory, Ennore, Hosur and Pillaipakkam. MoU on 8.9.2008 - investment is Rs.4,150

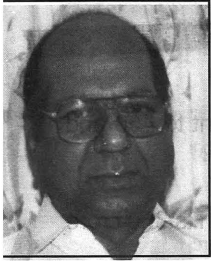
acre - area is 402 acre at Pillaipakkam 4,500 will get direct employment and 19,500 will get indirect employment.

- u) Harsha Group Oil & Gas Drilling Machine factory, Floatglass Factory, Manalur, Pillaipakkam and Sriperumpudur MoU on 29.9.2008. Investment is Rs.1,500 crore. 1500 will get direct employment and several thousand will get indirect employment.
- v) Caterpillar, USA Heavy Engineering Factory Expansion in India, Thiruvallur, Hosur and near Chennai. MoU on 18.12.2008 - investment is Rs.800 crore. 600 will get direct employment and 1,900 will get indirect employment.

- ★ Rs.32,133 crore have been invested in these 22 industries generating direct employment for 68,810 persons and indirect employment for 1,27,130 persons.
- ★ Out of these 22 industries, Caparo Vehicles Factory on 5.10.2007, Samsung India on 13.11.2007, Sanmina (SCI) Corporation in December 2007, Phase II of Hyundai Motors Factory on 2.2.2009, Dell Computers on 22.4.2008, Motorola Factory on 27.4.2008, Growthlink Factory on 16.7.2008, Belgium - Hansen Transmissions International Company's Factory, manufacturing gearbox for windmills in september 2008 and Nokia Siemens Factory on 16.10.2008 have been opened.
- ★ Orders have been issued to start 7 more factories.
- ★ Orders have been issued for expansion of Salem Steel Plant at an investment of Rs.2005 crore. 500 will get employment.
- ★ Various other industries like Dellby USA, Chennai Cements, Ariyalur Cement Factory, Bricklins at Kanchipuram, Salem, Thoothukudi, Manufacturing of Cement blocks in Coimbatore, Nagercoil, Madurai, Tiruchi and Ramanathapuram and upgradation of Virudhunagar Factory are under various processes.
- ★ Orders were issued for establishing Dalmia Cement Factory, Windmills in Tirunelveli and Coimbatore districts, Alison Transmission Inc. USA at Oragadam, DCW Ltd at Thoothukudi, Doosan Infracore Ltd at Pillaipakkam.
- ★ Alison Transmission Inc. USA at SIPCOT Oragadam Industrial park; orders on 20.10.2008; area 26.81 acre; Rs.350 crore investment; employment to 400.

- ★ DCM Ltd in Thoothukudi district; orders on 7.11.2008; direct employment to 460 and indirect employment to 327.
- ★ Doosan Infracore Ltd. At Pillaipakkam SIPCOT Industrial park in 35 acre; Rs.350 crore investment; employment to 450.
- ★ In total, orders were issued to start of new industries at an investment of Rs.5462 crore that will provide employment to 5347 persons.
- ★ During the periods 1991 - 1996 and 2001 - 2006 MoUs were signed only for 7 factories at an investment of Rs.4,280 crore. During 2006 - 2009, MoUS have been entered into for 29 industries at an investment of Rs.37,595 crore.
- ★ During the Tamil Nadu Cabinet Meeting held on 29.4.2008, approval was given for 13 new industrial projects with an investment of Rs.17,400 crore. This is the first time that so many projects have been approved in a single meeting of the cabinet. This is a milestone in industrial achievement.

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NEW POWER PROJECTS

Hon'ble Minister for Electricity
Thiru. **ARCOT N. VEERASWAMI**

Power Generation

- ★ TNEB has recorded its highest ever hydel generation by producing 6,292 Million Units in 2006-07 and the same was surpassed in 2007-08 which was 6,455 Million Units. During 2008-09, Hydro generating stations generated 5382 Million units.
- ★ Under Renewable Energy Sources, during 2006-07 and 2007-08, wind power totalling to a capacity of 813 MW, Cogeneration with a capacity of 137 MW and biomass to a capacity



An MOU was signed between Tamil Nadu Electricity Board and the Rural Electrification Corporation in the presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister for a loan of Rs.5612 crore to TNEB for starting two new power projects (10.10.2008)

of 64 MW has been added. During 2008-09 , wind power totalling to a capacity of 583 MW, Cogeneration with a capacity of 40 MW and biomass to a capacity of 42.7 MW has been added.

- ★ An additional gas based project with a capacity of 92 MW has been commissioned on 18.6.2008 at Valuthur in Ramanathapuram district.

National award for Valuthur Gas Turbine Power Station

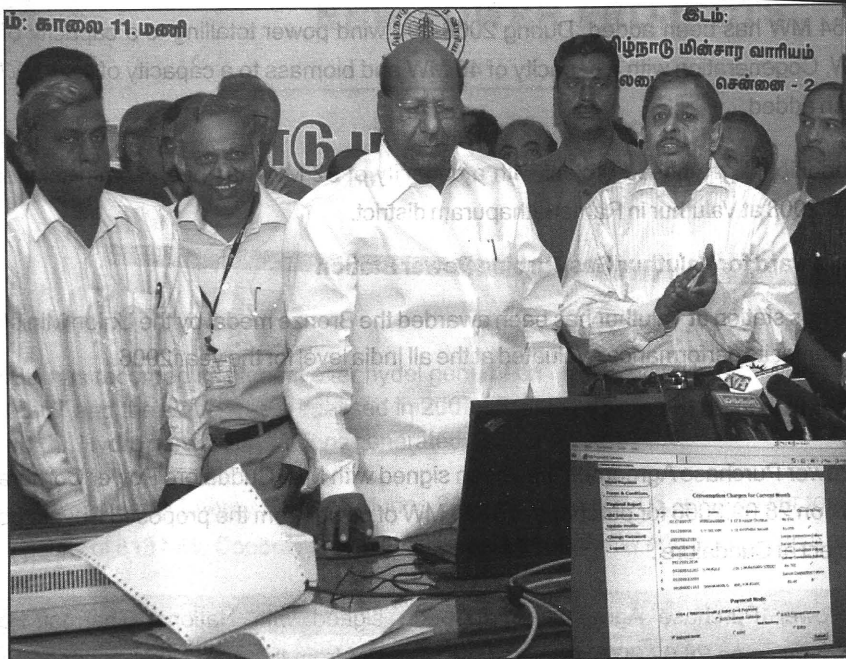
- ★ The gas station at Valuthur has been awarded the Bronze medal by the Union Minister of Power for its performance evaluated at the all India level for the year 2006.

Agreements in Field of Energy

- ★ A Power Purchase Agreement has been signed with M/s. Cuddalore Power Corporation Ltd., on 28.09.2006 for purchase of 1320 MW of power from the proposed Private power Project at Cuddalore .
- ★ A Power Purchase Agreement has been signed with National Thermal Power Corporation on 28.02.2007 for purchase of power from the proposed Simhadhri Super Thermal Power Project, Stage II.
- ★ An MoU has been signed between TNEB and Rural Electrification Corporation in the presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu for a long term loan to the extent Rs.16,000 Crores during the five year period starting from 2007-08 for capacity addition and power transmission works.
- ★ A Gas Supply Agreement has been signed between M/s. Pillaiperumalnallur Power Generating Company (PPN) and M/s. Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Ltd. (HOEC) on 28.04.2007 in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, for supply of natural gas. Works for the same is under progress.

New Thermal Power Projects

- ★ An MoU has been signed between TNEB and BHEL on 26.10.2007 in the presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to form a joint venture for establishing a 1600 MW thermal power plant at Udangudi in Thoothukudi District under joint venture.



Hon'ble Minister for Electricity Thiru. Arcot N. Veeraswami launched the facility of Paying electricity charges on - line (4.1.2009)

- ★ The North Chennai Thermal Power Station has achieved on unprecedented production of 1,695 million units in 2007 - 2008.
- ★ Project activities for establishment of a 1000 MW (2x500MW) Thermal Power Plant at Thoothukudi under joint venture with Neyveli Lignite Corporation have commenced.
- ★ Foundation stone was laid for the 1000 MW thermal power project at North Chennai proposed under joint venture between NTPC and TNEB by the Hon'ble Minister for power, Government of India on 05.09.2007. The capacity is to be expanded to 1500 MW by addition of 500 MW; works on this have been started.
- ★ Works for the 600 MW additional unit at North Chennai were inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister for Electricity on 21.01.2008.

- ★ Works for setting up of one additional unit of 600 MW capacity in Mettur Thermal Power Station have commenced on 25.6.08.
- ★ Required land to an extent of 1800 acres for establishment of 4000MW Mega power project in the Cheyyur area of Kanchipuram has been identified and the establishment of the project is under process.

Transmission and Distribution

- ★ 21,45,862 new service connections have been effected. 201 Substations has been commissioned. 19,555 Distribution Transformers have been erected. 3,412 Circuit Kms of EHT lines, 12,975 Kms of HT lines, 40,680 Kms of LT lines have been laid.

Erection of 400 KV line

- ★ TNEB is in the process of executing a 400KV line from Alamathy 400KV Substation to the proposed Sunguvarchatram 400KV SS at an estimated cost of Rs.56.55 Crores.

Service connection within 24 hours

- ★ The Government has issued orders to effect new domestic service connections within 24 hours, LT industrial service connection upto a load 5 HP within 1 week and commercial services above 5 HP load within 1 month. As per this, in 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09, a total of 17,19,019 domestic services, 3,72,248 LT commercial services and 54,595 LT industrial services have been effected respectively.

Grant Under RGGVY Schemes

- ★ The RGGVY Scheme will cover installation of 11,284 nos of 16/25 KVA Distribution Transformers and 45,911 KMS of HT & LT lines at an estimated cost of Rs.447 Crore for providing electricity connection to 5.24 lakh households in rural areas.

Employee Welfare Measures

- ★ In order to extend the benefit to 75,720 employees of TNEB and 68,518 Pensioners, 50% of the Dearness Allowance has been merged with the basic pay at a cost of Rs.125 Crores, with effect from 01.08.06.
- ★ In view of the Golden Jubilee of the TNEB, an amount of Rs.1000/- each has been given as incentive to 72,723 employees of TNEB and 46,035 Pensioners and 27,055 family

pensioners, totalling to 1,45,813 persons. An expenditure of Rs.14,58,130/- has been incurred towards this incentive.

- ★ Also 21,401 contract labourers and 5,646 part time labourers totaling to 27,047 have been given Rs.500/- each, incurring an expenditure of Rs.1,35,23,500/-.

Free Electricity to Housholds coming under Free Colour TV Scheme

- ★ Free electricity service connection has been provided to 3,08,541 households under this scheme.

Free Electricity to the 2 Acre Free Lands

- ★ For the scheme of 2 acre lands provided to landless farmers, free electricity is being extended for cluster of lands for irrigation purposes. Under this scheme, free electricity connection has been extended to 167 services in 21 districts.

Subsidies Given as Concessions to Various Consumers

1. Subsidy of Rs.3264.62 Crore towards Lowest Consumption Scheme by domestic consumers.
2. Subsidy of Rs.619.69 Crore towards free electricity for agriculture services.
3. Subsidy of Rs.127.3 Crore towards Free electricity agriculture services under Self Finance Scheme.
4. Subsidy of Rs.41.73 Crore towards Free Electricity Supply to hut dwellers.
5. Subsidy of Rs.105.07 Crore towards Free electricity Supply to handloom and powerloom weavers .
6. Subsidy of Rs.90.73 Crore towards reduction in tariff to powerloom weavers.
7. Subsidy of Rs.13.08 Crore towards reduction in tariff to places of public worship.
8. Subsidy of Rs.93.02 Crore towards reduction in tariff for Local Bodies/TWAD Board/ CMWSSB.

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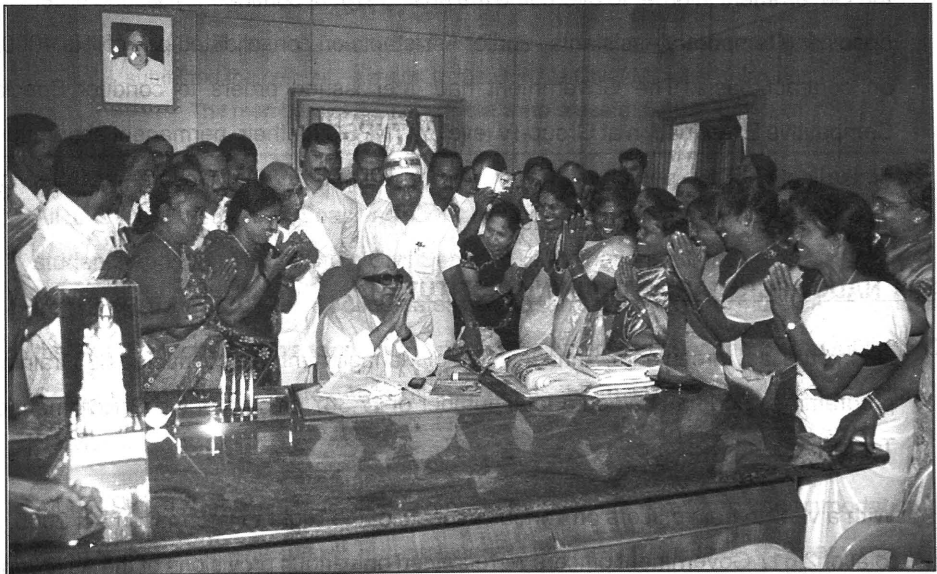




AGE LIMIT FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT INCREASED

Hon'ble Minister for Electricity
Thiru. **ARCOT N. VEERASWAMI**

- ★ The previous Government had withdrawn various benefits enjoyed by the Government servants and teachers. This Government in addition to the restoration of those benefits, have also extended additional benefits such as Repealing of TESMA 2003; Lifting of ban order for new recruitment, Regularisation of strike period as duty, Reducing of qualifying service for full pension from 33 years to 30 years; Sanction of Pongal Bonus /



The Office bearers of the Tamil Nadu Government Employees Union and Noon Meal Organisers Association called on the Hon'ble Chief Minister to convey their gratitude for his announcement extending the 6th Pay Commission's recommendations to employees of the State Government and various pay benefits to Noon Meal Organisers (16.8.2008)

Exgratia; Payment of VI Pay Commission arrears in 3 equal instalments; Increasing the quantum of Festival advance from Rs.1000 to Rs.2000/-; Sanctioning of 3 months salary as interim relief to all Government Servants and payment of Dearness Allowance at 64% with effect from 01.01.2009.

- ★ Based on the orders issued providing reservation in education and for appointments to Backward Class Christians and Backward Class Muslims at 3.5% each, the existing 100 point roster was revised to 200 point roster and orders were issued. Consequent on the withdrawal of the 3.5% reservation provided for the Backward Class Christians on their request, the said roster was further revised so as to enable the Backward Class Christians to compete within the reservation provided for the Backward Classes.
- ★ During General strike called for by the Government servants and teachers of the State, the Government in order to overcome the arising urgent contingency, issued orders for appointing temporary Assistants / Junior Assistants on consolidated pay of Rs.4000/- on contract basis. The Government had later issued orders to conduct Special Competitive Examination at Group-IV level by TNPSC for their permanent absorption. Accordingly, 5610 persons have been absorbed in the Government Service permanently in the regular vacancies.

TAMIL NADU SECRETARIAT TRAINING INSTITUTE

- ★ During the last three years, Anna Institute of Management has conducted 688 training programmes and has trained a total number of 17,367 officials of the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- ★ With a view to train officers on various aspects of the Right to Information Act 2005, a total of 2,617 Government officers were trained on various provisions of the Act during the last three years.



Justice Dr. A.K. Rajan, the Chairman of the State Administrative Reforms Committee, submitted the committee report to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaingar. The members of the Committee were present (3.10.2008)

- ★ All India Civil Services Coaching Centre, Anna Nagar, Chennai has been coaching students appearing for All India Civil Services Examinations. During the last three years from 2006-07 to 2008-09, 81 candidates have been selected for All India Civil Services. In the Civil Services Examination 2008, alone, 46 candidates coached by the All India Civil Services Coaching Centre, Anna Nagar have been selected for the All India Civil Services.
- ★ All India Civil Services Coaching Centre had earlier provided free accommodation and food for those students whose parental income was less than Rs.50,000 per year. which ceiling has now been enhanced to Rs. 1.00 lakh.

- ★ Decision was taken to merge all employees associations in secretariat and form a single association with members ranging from the category of Record Clerk to Additional secretary. Orders have been issued making modification in the by law.
- ★ The age limit for applying for Govt. jobs has been increased by 5 years.
- ★ Personal information about all secretariat officials and employees have been stored in computers. The process of replying to questions raised in the legislative Assembly with technical assistance from National Informatics Centre is being computerised.

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CROP LOAN FOR FARMERS OF JOINT LIABILITY GROUPS

Hon'ble Minister for Co-operation
Thiru. **KO. SI. MANI**

Waiver of Co-operative Loans

- ★ Rs.7,000 crore agricultural co-operative loans have been waived benefitting 22.81 lakh farmers.
- ★ To compensate the waiver, Rs.4,500.27 crore have been allotted in three years to co-operative societies.



An MOU was signed between the State Government and the Reserve Bank of India in the presence of Hon'ble Minister for Co-operation Thiru. Ko.Si. Mani for the development of the Urban Co-operative Banks in Tamil Nadu.

Loan Interest Rate Slashed

- ★ The interest rate for the crop loans was reduced from 9% to 7% in 2006 - 2007 and loan amounting to Rs. 1250.82 crore was given to 6,31,283 farmers till 31.3.2007. The 7% rate was reduced to 5% in 2007-2008 benefiting 6,48,397 farmers with loans amounting to Rs.1,393.97 crore and the rate was further reduced to 4% in 2008 - 2009. 6,91,192 farmers received Rs.1,570.49 crore as loan.
- ★ The target fixed for forming 10 thousand Joint Liability Groups, 1 lakh farmers as members and for disbursing revolving fund of Rs.10 crore to these groups at Rs.10,000 per group has been exceeded; 11,155 groups have been formed; Rs. 106.67 crore as crop loan have been given to 9,776 members.
- ★ 199 Primary Agricultural Co-operative banks have been rejuvenated.
- ★ Small trade loan upto Rs.4,000 has been extended to men also, Rs.52.57 crore have been disbursed.
- ★ Under the National Insurance scheme, small and tiny farmers were given a subsidy of Rs.1.27 crore and as subsidy to farmers to compensate loss of crop Rs.21.60 crore totalling Rs.22.87 crore was disbursed in two years. During 2008 - 2009, Rs.131.35 crore have been given to 6,01,885 farmers.
- ★ The interest rate has been reduced from 18% to 12% for non - form sector loans. They can repay the outstanding dues and avail the reduced interest rate and also avail waiver of penal interest of 3%. The penal interest was reduced to 1.5% p.a. from 27.12.2006. The time limit for payment of outstanding dues was extended to 30.9.2008.
- ★ Rules have been modified prescribing the distance between two fair price shops as 1.5 km instead of 2 km and 150 family cards instead of 200 cards are enough for newly opened part time shops. 159 new part time shops have been opened after 13.5.2006.

- ★ To ensure proper weights of the commodities, modern weighing machines have been distributed to 23,600 fair price shops at an expenditure of Rs.11.50 crore in 2006 - 2007.
- ★ The scale of pay for the co-operative fair price shop staff was revised; they are receiving a minimum pay of Rs.1,350 and the maximum of Rs.4,155.
- ★ The consumption of rice under public distribution scheme, has increased from 2,89,286 metric tonnes in January 2006 to 3,12,905 metric tonnes in January 2009.
- ★ Until 31.1.2009, 54,511 family cards have been issued.
- ★ Electronic billing machine is in use in 53 kerosene distribution centres.
- ★ The handling charges of the loadmen was increased by 10%. Orders have been issued to increase it once in three years.
- ★ To prevent smuggling of essential commodities to neighbouring states, a special patrol team with one Inspector and 5 policemen have been on duty in each of Kanniyakumari, Tirunelveli, Coimbatore, Krishnagiri and Vellore districts.
- ★ The Thiruparappalli - Karumaniyasa - Namdyan link project of an estimate of Rs.389 crore to benefit Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli districts has been taken up.
- ★ Tamil Nadu is a forerunner of setting up power plants in sugar mills. In our state, 19 private sugar mills have power plants with a total capacity of 404.19 MW.



**TAMIL NADU FORERUNNER OF SETTING UP
POWER PLANTS IN SUGAR MILLS**

Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture
Thiru. **VEERAPANDI S. ARUMUGAM**

- ★ Crop loan of Rs. 1,250.62 crore to 6,31,283 farmers in 2006 - 2007, Rs. 1,393.97 crore to 6,48,397 farmers in 2007 - 2008, Rs. 1,517.43 crore to 6,62,005 farmers in 2008 - 2009 have been disbursed.
- ★ Considering the welfare of the Adi-draavidar farmers, the loan amount of Rs. 3.47 crore they had borrowed from TAHDCO, its interest amount of Rs. 59 lakh, and the penal interest of Rs. 11.90 lakh totalling Rs. 5.25 crore have been waived.
- ★ The scheme of Free Electricity for Agriculture introduced in 1990 is continuing. Free electricity to the farmers who paid premium amount for 2,39,511 priority connections has been sanctioned with ante date of 1.4.2008 at an expenditure of Rs. 37.48 crore.
- ★ Under the revolutionary scheme of developing irrigation by interlinking the rivers in the state and taking the surplus water available during floods to the dry lands, the Cauvery - Gundaru link project has been taken up to build a barrage across Cauvery and take the water to the dry areas in Pudukottai, Sivagangai districts at an expenditure of Rs. 165 crore.
- ★ The Thamiraparani - Karumeniyaru - Nambiyaru link project at an estimate of Rs. 369 crore to benefit Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli districts has been taken up.
- ★ 10% of the total sugar production in our country is achieved in Tamil Nadu.
- ★ Tamil Nadu is a forerunner of setting up power plants in sugar mills. In our state, 19 private sugar mills have power plants with a total capacity of 404.19 MW.

Government is taking steps to set up power plants with a total capacity of 234 MW in 17 cooperative and other sugar mills at an expenditure of Rs.1,177 crore.

- ★ To compensate the loss incurred in 5.77 lakh hectare due to floods in November - December 2008 the Government has modified the ceiling of 2 hectare and has given Rs.388 crore as compensation to 10,40,000 farmers.
- ★ In 2006 - 2007, the Government of Tamil Nadu enhanced the price of sugarcane from the rate of Rs.802.50 per ton announced by the Union Government to Rs.1,025; in 2007 - 2008 from Rs.811.80 to Rs.1,034 and in 2008 - 2009, the recommended price of Rs.1,100, freight charges of Rs.90, incentive of Rs.30 totalling Rs.1,220 was given.
- ★ The Union Government fixed the price for paddy of normal variety at Rs.580 per quintal in 2006 - 2007. The Government of Tamilnadu increased it to Rs.620. The Union Government's price in 2007 - 2008 was Rs.775; the Sate Government increased it to Rs.825. In 2008 - 2009 too, the State Government increased the rate from Rs.850 to Rs.1,000.
- ★ In 2006 - 2007, the Union Government fixed the price for paddy of fine variety at Rs.610 per quintal. The State Government increased it to Rs.650. In 2007 - 2008, the State Government increased the rate from Rs.745 to 795. In 2008 - 2009, the State Government increased the rate from Rs.850 to Rs.1,050.
- ★ Under Crop Insurance Scheme, the Government decided to bear 50% of the premium expenditure from 2006. As a result the number of farmers increased to 9.88 lakh in 2008 from 1 lakh in 2006. In the current year, Rs.40 crore has been allocated to facilitate increase in the number to 25 lakh.
- ★ Food production in the State during 2005 - 06 was 61.46 lakh tonnes. It increased to 82.63 lakh tonnes in 2006 - 2007, to 84.46 lakh tonne in 2007 - 08 and to 91.11 lakh tonnes in 2008 - 2009.
- ★ The Tamil Nadu Water Resource and Land development project to develop water resources for irrigation purpose was taken up in 6.17 lakh hecatre of land at an estimate of Rs.691.42 crore.

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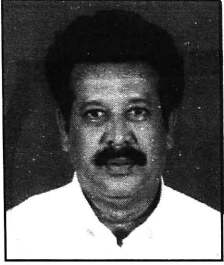
NEW HOSTEL BUILDINGS FOR LAW COLLEGES

Hon'ble Minister for Law
Thiru. **DURAIMURUGAN**

- ★ Entrance examinations for admission in law colleges was abolished.
- ★ The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University has entered into Memorandum Of Understanding with Universities like National University of Singapore, University of Oklahoma in USA, London, Metropolitan University and Youngson University of Korea.
- ★ In Dr. Ambedkar Government Law College, Chennai, the number of seats in the first year of both the three year and the five year degree courses has been increased from 80 to 321 and 80 to 241 respectively.
- ★ Orders were issued for starting separate section for teaching in Tamil in the first year of the three year and five year degree courses in Dr. Ambedkar Government Law College, Chennai. A stipend of Rs.400/- p.a. is paid to these students.
- ★ Orders were issued for starting M.L. degree course in the Government Law College, Tirunelveli and 15 students will be admitted in this course.
- ★ A sum of Rs.5,25,000 was given to 8 students in 2007, to participate in the International Moot Court competitions held in Vienna and Hongkong.
- ★ Similarly, Rs.5,25,000 has been given to students for participation in the moot court competitions in 2008.
- ★ Rs.3 lakh was given as assistance to 4 students to participate in moot court competitions held in Melbourne, Australia in 2007.
- ★ In 2009 also Rs.5,25,000 has been given to 8 students for participation in moot court competitions held in Vienna and Hongkong.

- ★ A post graduate Degree course in consumer law has been introduced in evening college come in 2008 - 2009.
- ★ Law books at an expenditure of Rs.38 lakh have been distributed to all Law College libraries.
- ★ A memorandum of understanding was signed with Indira Gandhi Open University in June 2008 offering a six month post - graduate diploma in computer law.
- ★ From 2008 - 2009, in three year Honours degree source, a new syllabus called Medical Technology Law Studies has been included. For the first time in India. The All India Bar Association has given its consent to start a three year B.L. (Honours) course for graduates in Commerce and Agriculture from next academic year.
- ★ A building for the Directorate of Legal Studies at Rs.65.83 lakh, hostel building for the Coimbatore Law College students, hostel buildings for boys at Rs.84 lakhs each in Tiruchi and Tirunelveli law colleges, additional rooms in the Coimbatore Law College boys hostel at Rs.22.37 lakh, additional buildings for Chengalpattu Law College at Rs.80 lakh and for Madurai Law College at Rs.76 lakh have been constructed.

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EDUCATION FEES CANCELLED

Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education
Dr. **K. PONMUDY**

Admission in Engineering Colleges

- * Under Government Quota 65% of seats in Non-minority Self Financing Engineering Colleges and 50% of seats in Minority Self Financing Engineering Colleges were made available. 50,000 students benefit from this every year.



Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaingar distributed appointment orders to 482 persons recruited for the posts of lecturer at a function held on 30.9.2008 at the Senate Hall, University of Madras.

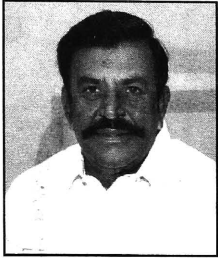
Abolition of Entrance Examination to Professional Courses

- ★ The Government abolished the common entrance test from 2007 - 2008 creating more opportunities for rural students to join professional courses. The minimum marks required for admission has been reduced from 2007 - 2008.
- ★ 50% of the fare for to and fro journey of the person accompanying a student coming for counselling is met by the Government.
- ★ The reservation of seats for children of Ex-servicemen has been increased from 81 to 150 in 2008 - 2009; for sportpersons it has been increased from 42 to 1000. 600 additional seats have been sanctioned for Government Engineering Colleges in 2008 - 2009.
- ★ Psychotherapy counseling is provided through academy of the psychotherapists to students of Arts & Science and Engineering Colleges. Rs.1,000 /- p.a. is given as stipend to 10,000 students of community colleges from 2008 - 2009.
- ★ A students' placement cell in the Directorate of Collegiate Education to enable students of Government Arts & Science colleges to avail employment opportunities has been established.
- ★ Shift system was introduced in all Government Arts & Science Colleges from 2006 - 2007. An additional number of 30,387 students benefit from this system. In the first phase 4 Government Polytechnic Colleges follow the shift system.
- ★ The education fees in Engineering Colleges was reduced from Rs.12,550 to Rs.7,550 from 2006 - 2007. Orders were issued to introduce grading method instead of marks from this year (2008 - 2009).
- ★ The payment of education fees for students of all Government and Government aided Arts and Science Colleges and Government Polytechnic Colleges has been exempted.

- ★ Free bus passes were issued to 90,000 students of all Government Arts & Science Colleges and 10,000 students of all Government Polytechnic Colleges from 2007 - 2008.
- ★ An MoU was signed with British Council to provide training in Business English to students of Government Arts & Science colleges in the state.
- ★ Rs.75.50 lakh as financial assistance to 302 Engineering Students at Rs.250 each has been given from Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund.
- ★ Under E.V.R. Nagammaiyar Free Education Scheme, the concession has also been extended to poor students of Post Graduate degree courses in Government and Government aided colleges from 2007 - 2008. The income ceiling for their parents has been increased from Rs.24,000 to Rs.50,000.
- ★ All self financing courses in Government Engineering and Arts & Science Colleges have been made regular courses enabling poor students to pursue higher studies.
- ★ From 2006 - 2007 to 2008 - 2009, 1765 lecturers have been appointed through Teacher's Recruitment Board in Government Arts & Science, Education and Engineering / Polytechnic Colleges. 2,600 lecturer posts have been sanctioned for Government aided colleges.
- ★ Anna University of Technology has been opened in Tiruchirapalli, Coimbatore and Tirunelveli.
- ★ As a result of serious efforts put in by the Government, a central Univeristy has been established in Thiruvarur.
- ★ Required land has been allotted to Union Government to establish the Indian Institute of Management in Tiruchirapalli.
- ★ 6 new Engineering Colleges through Anna Univeristy have been opened in Tindivanam, Villupuram, Panrutti, Thirukuvalai, Ramanathapuram and Ariyalur.

- ★ 7 Government Arts & Science Colleges have been opened at Mettur, Valparai, Perambalur, Orathanadu, Surandai, Kulithalai and Lalgudi.
- ★ Anna University entered into a MoU with the Sydney University of Australia for exchange of information on information technology, Nano technology, bio - technology, marine science technology, water and environment technology.
- ★ From 2006 - 2007 to 2008 - 2009 1,142 additional class rooms at an estimate of Rs.64.58 crore have been constructed in Government Arts & Science Colleges.
- ★ Renovation works at an estimate of Rs.1.5 crore have been finished at Bharathi Women's Arts College, Queen Marry's Women's Arts College and Quaid -e-milleth Women's Arts College, Chennai.
- ★ New building named 'Kalaigarnar Valagam' has been built in Queen Marry's College Campus to solve the problem of scarcity of space.
- ★ The 'Nano Technology Centre' at Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore is being upgraded as a speciality centre at an estimate of Rs.1 crore.
- ★ 42 new laboratories in 32 Government Colleges have been built at an expenditure of Rs.6.6 crore in 2007 - 2008.

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NEW BUSES INTRODUCED

Hon'ble Minister for Transport
Thiru. **K.N. NEHRU**

- ★ Metropolitan Transport Corporation has introduced 100 vestibule buses, 874 low floor vehicles and 30 air-conditioned Volvo buses and 1246 ordinary buses;
- ★ In State Express Transport Corporation, 615 Ultra Deluxe buses and 50 air-conditioned buses have been introduced;
- ★ In other Tamilnadu State Transport Corporations, 6135 buses including 50 air conditioned buses have been introduced. In total, 9655 new buses have been introduced. In 2009-10, with the financial assistance of State Government and the grant by Central Government under (JNURM) 3,500 new vehicles will be introduced.
- ★ In three years, 13,155 new buses have been put in service.

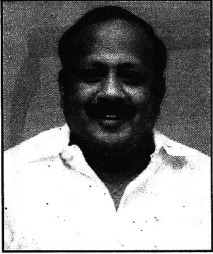


Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin flagged off the new ultra-deluxe air-conditioned buses of Chennai Metro Transport Corporation on 8.10.2009

- ★ 1737 new bus routes were introduced. 2632 existing bus routes have been extended.
- ★ Three new Transport Corporation Regions have been established with headquarters at Tiruvannamalai, Cuddalore and Thiruvallur.
- ★ In Transport Corporations 8492 drivers, 5207 conductors, 47 other categories of employees totaling 13746 persons were appointed.
- ★ 826 legal-heirs of deceased employees have also been appointed on compassionate grounds.
- ★ 12,724 drivers and 12,604 conductors have also been recruited as reserve.
- ★ From the year 2008-09, Hon'ble Chief Minister's Award for accident free drivers of Transport Corporations has been introduced.
- ★ The settlement period, which was modified as once in 5 years has been again converted as once in 3 years 12% increase in basic pay was given and 1,14,532 employees have been benefited. Because of this wage settlement, the financial commitment per year is Rs.205 Crore and the employee are getting up to Rs.2000/- instead of Rs.1000/-
- ★ In Metropolitan Transport Corporation and State Express Transport Corporation the system of monitoring the vehicle movement using GPS (Global Positioning System) Technology has been introduced in 600 buses. Further, by using the GPS Technology, automatic announcing system in buses has been introduced in 12 buses on trial basis.
- ★ During 2006-07 and 2007-08, employees of Transport Corporations were paid 8.33% bonus and 11.67% Ex-gratia totalling 20% by this Government by relaxing the ceiling amount from Rs.2,500/- to Rs.3500/-

- ★ During 2007 and 2008, employees of Transport Corporations were paid a sum of Rs.625/- as performance Incentive.
- ★ The retired employees of State Transport Corporations and family pensioners were paid Rs.150/- as Pongal gift similar to retired Government employees for the year 2007 and 2008.

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FREE HEART SURGERY FOR POOR CHILDREN

Hon'ble Minister for Health
Thiru. **M.R.K. PANNEERSELVAM**

- ★ 4,279 doctors and 5,183 nurses and 9,000 paramedics have been appointed in vacant posts. 1,249 doctors and 4,229 nurses working on consolidated pay have been appointed in regular time scale of pay.
- ★ 24 hour delivery care service has been started in 1,421 Primary Health Centres.
- ★ During 2008 - 2009, 2,59,133 deliveries were made in PHCs. Tamilnadu ranks first in India in such deliveries.
- ★ Only in the state of Tamilnadu, pregnant women are given nutritious food in PHCs. So far, 5,56,784 mothers have benefited by this scheme for which a sum of Rs.1.53 crore have been spent.



The children from Dindigul who received surgical treatment under the "Ilam Sirar Aruvai Sikichai Thittam" called on the Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar along with their parents and received his blessings (18.8.2008)

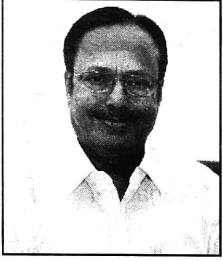


Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar flagged off 100 Mobile Medical Vehicles to provide medical service to rural people (24.12.2008) Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin, Hon'ble Union Minister Thiru. A. Raja and Hon'ble Minister for Health Thiru. M.R.K. Panneerselvam are seen in the picture.

- ★ Dr. Muthulakshmi Reddy Maternity Assistance Scheme, 14,37,170 pregnant women and mothers have been given Rs.706.10 crore as financial assistance.
- ★ Under Varumun Kappom Thittam, 10,299 health camps have been conducted benefiting 102.06 lakh people.
- ★ 110 new PHCs have been opened. 125 PHCs have been renovated.
- ★ Ilam Sirar Irudhaya Aruvai Sikichai Thittam and Pallisirar Irudaya Aruvai Sikichai Thittam are being implemented. So far, 2,146 poor children have undergone heart surgery in 24 private hospitals for which Government has spent Rs.12.75 crore.
- ★ The '108' Ambulance service has been started at an expenditure of Rs.32 crore. 35,877 patients have benefited so far.
- ★ Modern medical equipments for MRI Scan, CT Scan, Colour Doppler, Semi Autoanalyser, Cobaltherapy have been distributed to various Government Hospitals and PHCs at an expenditure of Rs.350 crore.

- ★ 385 mobile medical teams at an expenditure of Rs.37.18 crore have been set up.
- ★ New medical colleges at Villupuram, Dharmapuri, Thiruvarur, Perambalur and Sivagangai were sanctioned.
- ★ Chief Minister Kalaingar Insurance Scheme for life saving treatment inaugurated; Rs.200 crore has been sanctioned.
- ★ The Government Mohan Kumaramangalam Medical College Hospital, Salem and Government Rajaji Hospital Madurai have been upgraded at an expenditure of Rs.300 crore.
- ★ The Stanley Medical College Hospital is being upgraded at an expenditure of Rs.100 crore.
- ★ New buildings are constructed for Government Hospitals at an estimate of Rs.300 crore.
- ★ Under Tamil Nadu Health scheme, new buildings for 226 Government Hospitals are constructed at an estimate of Rs.241 crore.
- ★ The Trust for Children affected by AIDS has been set up with Rs.5 crore.
- ★ Rs.7.2 crore have been spent to implement the scheme for vaccination for jaundice.

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NEW INDUSTRIAL ESTATES

Hon'ble Minister for Rural Industries
and Animal Husbandry
Thiru. **PONGALUR N. PALANISAMY**

- ★ Rs.4.51 crore in 2006 - 2007 and Rs.19.95 crore in 2007 - 2008 were given as capital subsidy to 402 industries.
- ★ 12 Autorickshaw Industrial Co-operative Societies were formed in 2008 - 2009 under Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation. Rs.7 crore as loan was disbursed to 823 auto drivers from minority communities.
- ★ A separate Board has been set up to examine policies and projects for the development of Micro, Small and Medium enterprises.
- ★ 32 factory sheds and 1,416 developed industrial sites have been allotted in various industrial estates.
- ★ Raw materials worth Rs.16.724 lakh weighting 40,560 metric tonnes have been supplied to micro and small industries through 17 raw material godowns.
- ★ 12 new industrial estates have been established at a cost of Rs.1474.20 lakh.
- ★ Development works are in progress at a cost of Rs.61.10 crore in Ambattur, Thirumazhisai industrial estates.
- ★ Infrastructure development works have been completed at an expenditure of Rs.215.50 lakh in Ko-Pudur (Madurai), Salem, Erode, Ariyamangalam (Tiruchirappalli) Theni and Dharmapuri industrial estates and such works are in progress at an estimate of Rs.104.20 lakh in Kanchipuram, Thanjavur and Nagapattinam Industrial Estates.
- ★ Similarly, infrastructure development works have been completed at an expenditure of Rs.3.77 crore in Tiruchengode, Krishnagiri, Pudukottai, Namakkal, Dindigul, Pillayarpatti, Konam, Vadalur, Thiruneveli Pettai, Ranipet, Virudhunagar Industrial Estates; such works are in progress at an estimate of Rs.5.67 crore in Karur, Katpadi, Thiruvannamalai, Mathur, Kappalur, Thirumullaivayil, Vazhavandhankottai (Phase 3) industrial estates.





EGG PRODUCTION INCREASED

Hon'ble Minister for Rural Industries
and Animal Husbandry
Thiru. **PONGALUR N. PALANISAMY**

- ★ Two Land Development Banks in the coastal districts of Kanchipuram and Thanjavur under the World Bank aided Tsunami Emergency Reconstruction Project established.
- ★ Under the Western Ghat Development Scheme, fodder development activities have been undertaken on 1,474 acres of land.
- ★ Small bags containing seeds like Stylo, Karamani were distributed to 73,371 farmers.

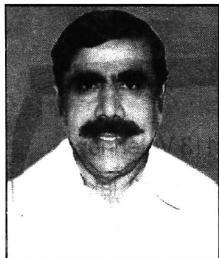


Hon'ble Minister for Rural Industries and Animal Husbandry Thiru. Pongalur N. Palanisamy distributed appointment orders to 67 persons who had completed training as Veterinary Inspectors (6.7.2009)

- ★ 5 syley pits have been set up each in Hosur and Chettinad livestock farms at an expenditure of Rs.20.55 lakh.
- ★ Under Kaalnadaï Paadhukappu Thittam inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister 13,695 Veterinary Medical Camps have so far been organised. 168.47 lakh animals and 35.13 lakh farmers benefited by these machines worth Rs.410.85 lakh have been provided free of cost.
- ★ Animal disease Intelligence units have been established in Krishnagiri, Nagapattinam, Karur, Virudhunagar, Dharmapuri districts at an expenditure of Rs.88.76 lakh.
- ★ New equipments at a cost of Rs.15.40 lakh for 55 mobile Veterinary Units and replacement of equipment at a cost of Rs.20 lakh at 200 Veterinary sub- centres have been made.
- ★ Essential equipments at a cost of Rs.38 lakh have been purchased for Poultry Vaccine Laboratory at Ranipet.
- ★ 51 new Veterinary dispensaries, 30 new sub-centres 55 new visiting sub - centres were set up at an expenditure of Rs.218.24 lakh.
- ★ 444 sub centres have been upgraded as Veterinary Centres. A pet clinic at an estimate of Rs.20 lakh has been opened at Adayar, Chennai. The collection fee for pet animals has been cancelled.
- ★ For Grass Cutting equipments given to 60 women SHGs, for upgrading of the quality of lambs, for prevention of Blue Tongue disease and to provide basic facilities at disease intelligence units, Rs.134.16 lakhs have been spent.
- ★ 8 Mobile Laboratory Vehicles have been purchased for Rs.96 lakh.
- ★ So far, 3 lakh artificial insemination, 1,490 Farmer's Awareness Camps, 1380 infertility clinics have been conducted.

- ★ Under the World Bank Aided Tsunami Emergency Reconstruction Project, 113 Veterinary Centres and extension centres have been built at an expenditure of Rs.866.70 lakh. Training in first aid, deworming, vaccination to 82 youth and training in Animal Husbandry to 10,000 farmers have been provided.
- ★ Government have allocated Rs.50 lakh to pay compensation to the farmers if there is a need for destroying birds due to Avian flue.
- ★ 1,21,500 metric tonnes of maize have been distributed at subsidised rate as poultry feed.
- ★ The egg production in the Sate has increased to 8,044 million in 2006 - 2007, to 8,394 million in 2007 - 2008 and to 8,810 million in 2008 - 2009.
- ★ The milk production has increased to 55.60 lakh metric tonnes in 2006 - 2007, to 55.86 lakh metric tonnes in 2007 - 2008 and to 56.74 lakh metric tonnes in 2008 - 2009.

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LAND RECORDS MADE AVAILABLE ONLINE

Hon'ble Minister for Revenue
Thiru. **I. PERIYASAMY**

- ★ Perambalur District was bifurcated forming the new district of Ariyalur on 23.11.2007. The districts of Coimbatore and Erode were demarcated forming the new district of Tiruppur on 22.2.2009.
- ★ The Revenue division of Dharmapuri was bifurcated forming the new division of Harur on 13.2.2009.



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin distributed house-site pattas to 2500 beneficiaries. Hon'ble Minister for Revenue Thiru. I. Periyasamy and the Chennai City Mayor Thiru. M. Subramanian are also seen (26.2.2009)

- ★ 5 new taluks of Thandarampattu, Athur, Ponnamaravathi, Karambakudi and Sulur have been established.
- ★ There are 32 districts, 74 revenue divisions, 211 taluks and 1,21 sub - taluks in Tamil Nadu.
- ★ New buildings for 8 taluk offices at an expenditure of Rs.1,016.40 lakh were constructed in 2006 - 2007.
- ★ New taluk office buildings in 4 places and D.R.O quarters at Thiruvannamalai have been constructed in 2007 - 2008 at an expenditure of Rs.11.75 crore.
- ★ Construction works for 7 RDO quarters at Rs.119 lakh, 3 DRO quarters at Rs.105 lakh are in progress
- ★ The new office complex of the Collector of Salem is under construction.
- ★ During 2008 - 2009, construction of Ariyalur district Collectorate, additional buildings for the district collectorates of Dharmapuri and Coimbatore, newly formed Harur Revenue Divisional Office building, Namakkal Revenue Divisional Office, additional buildings for Ponneri Revenue Divisional Office, meeting hall in Thiruchengodu Revenue Divisional Office, the Collector's Office and camp office in Ariyalur, the Collector's camp office in Nagapattinam, renovation of Erode District Collector's camp office, the district revenue Officer's camp office in Ariyalur at an estimate of Rs.895.96 lakh, reconstruction of buildings for the newly formed 10 taluk offices at Rs.761.88 lakh, construction of 29 tahsildhar quarters at Rs.178.64 lakh and 16 Revenue Inspector quarters at Rs.52.46 lakh are in progress.
- ★ Administrative sanction has been issued for construction of a new building for the Tiruchirapalli collectorate at an estimate of Rs.12 crore.
- ★ The process of issuing permanent community certificate for school children at the school itself has been reintroduced.
- ★ Land taxes and other taxes for the 1,415th Pasali to the tune of Rs.11.52 crore were waived in 2006 to compensate the loss incurred by farmers in 22 districts during the 2005 floods.

- ★ Rs.388 crore as compensation have been disbursed to 10.4 lakh farmers who lost their crop in 14.25 lakh acres during the northeast monsoon rain floods in 2008. Land tax for that year was waived in 11 affected districts.
- ★ Examinations were held for those employed at the pay of Rs.4,000 p.m. and 777 selected candidates have been appointed in Revenue department as junior assistants.
- ★ In order to post Village Administrative Officer in each village, orders were issued; 2,770 Village Administrative Officers have been appointed till 31.3.09.
- ★ Every year dhoties and sarees are distributed free to people below poverty line in both urban and rural areas.
- ★ The Ex-gratia amount given to the families of those who die during floods or heavy rains has been enhanced from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.2 lakh.
- ★ The relief amount given for loss of crop due to rains has also been enhanced from Rs.4,000 per hectare to Rs.7,500 per hectare. The ceiling of 2 hectare is cancelled. Relief will be given to the entire affected area.
- ★ Compensation for loss of cattle in floods will be given to all dead cattle.
- ★ Government sanctioned Rs.1,064.42 crore for immediate relief and rehabilitation of people affected in floods.
- ★ The 'A' Register and chittas have been computerised in all villages in the state. Touch screen computers are available for the use of the public. Rs.19.05 crore has been earned as revenue by issuing copies of documents using computers in all districts except Chennai. Details of land documents are available online.
- ★ The maps prepared at the computer centre of the Chennai Central Survey Office have been sold for Rs.51.75 lakh so far.
- ★ All village maps have been computerised. Land Survey and Planning Directorate is computerised.
- ★ Under the scheme of issuing free house site pattas who have been living on poromboku land, 6,69,375 free pattas have been distributed to poor people till 31.3.2009. 1,74,785 Adi-draavidar people, 13,309 tribals, 2,54,469 backward

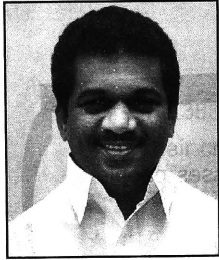
classes people, 1,96,359 most backward classes and 30,473 other classes people have benefited.

- ★ Under the scheme for distribution of poromboku land to landless poor farmers, 1,75,467 landless poor farmers have been given 2,10,499 acres of land so far. 41,014 adidravidar people received 44,487 acres of land; 3,263 tribals received 3,862 acres; 65,641 backward classes people received 81,459 acres, 50,787 most backward classes people received 60,389 acres and 8,656 others received 19,728 acres.
- ★ Under the Tamilnadu Agricultural Labourers, Farmers Social security and Welfare Scheme 2006, family Identity cards have been issued to 74,91,116 families from 22.12.2006 to 31.3.2009; 1,70,70,725 persons have been enrolled as members. Till 31.3.09, Rs.283.116 lakh have been given as assistance to 3,97,910 persons.

TAMILNADU HOUSING BOARD

- ★ Construction works were not taken up by TNHB during 2001 - 2006.
- ★ Construction by TNHB was begun in 2006 - 2007. The Board has created 1,495 house sites, 2,768 multistoried apartments, 348 houses during 2006 - 09.
- ★ Approval has been accorded in 2008 - 09 for construction of 11,311 units at an estimate of Rs.4.19 crore.
- ★ Construction of Commercial Complex at Ellis Nagar, Madurai at an estimate of Rs.4.19 crore and community centre at Thiruvanmiyur, Chennai at an estimate of Rs.175 crore is in progress.
- ★ Rs.1286.24 crore have been earned by TNHB as revenue from the sales of 2,720 houses, 451 apartment houses, 14,259 house sites and 403 commercial sites.
- ★ 57,643 sale deeds have been handed over.

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INCREASE IN ARRIVAL OF TOURISTS IN TAMIL NADU

Hon'ble Minister for Tourism and Registration
Thiru. **N. SURESH RAJAN**

- ★ The arrival of tourists that declined to 7.7% in 2005 has increased steeply to 29% in 2007 and further increased to 36% in 2008.



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin inaugurated the "Hop On - Hop Off" Travel scheme of the Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation (20.2.2009).

- ★ In Tamil Nadu Rs.177.14 Crore have been spent for development of tourist centres. Due to this, the arrival of International tourists stands at 2nd position and the arrival of domestic tourists stands at 3rd position in the country.
- ★ Tourism developmental activities are being undertaken under allocation from the State Government to the extent of Rs. 1,206.18 lakh in 2006-07, Rs. 1,212.14 lakh in 2007-08 and Rs. 1,557.47 lakh in 2008-09.
- ★ Tourism developmental activities are being undertaken by also getting financial assistance from the Central Government to the extent of Rs.1,841.41 lakh in 2006-07, Rs. 2,748.91 lakh in 2007-08 and Rs. 2,270.00 lakh in 2008-09.
- ★ For the development of tourist centres in Western Ghats section, a sum of Rs.2.40 crore was sanctioned and the works are being undertaken.
- ★ Tamil Nadu Tourism bagged Three National Awards for 2006 & 2007, and for 2007-08 one more National Award under Best Collateral Publicity.
- ★ A Government Order for imparting training as tourist guide to about 400 youths who graduated through Anna Institute of Management was issued and in the first phase training was given to 395 graduates. This year 233 graduates will attend the training.
- ★ For the development of tourist centres in Kanniyakumari, Madurai, Thanjavur, Puliyancholai, Chettinad, Srirangam, Marina, Vellore fort, Elagiri and Kumbakonam, a sum of Rs.4,589/- lakh has been allotted and works are being undertaken.
- ★ Under Village Tourism Development Scheme, works to the extent of Rs.3.87 Crore were completed at Kazhugumalai, Theerthamalai, Devipattinam, Thiruvaidaimaruthur, Thirukurungudi, Kurangani and Thadiyankudisai.
- ★ Works are likely to commence for implementing the Sound and Light Show in Thanjavur Big Temple Complex at an estimated cost of Rs. 1.50 Crore.
- ★ For the implementation of audio guide facilities in the world heritage monuments sites like Thanjavur, Dharasuram and Gangaikonda Cholapuram, a sum of Rs. 61.46 lakh has been sanctioned.
- ★ For advertising about the important tourism centres of Tamil Nadu through the domestic and international publicity campaign, short films on Navagraha Temples and Arupadai Veedugal, Tourist Friendly Autos, Mamallapuram Monuments have been produced.

- ★ A hand book about Jain temples in Tamil Nadu was released for the first time.
- ★ To facilitate immediate access regarding information relating to tourism, touch screens have been installed by the Department of Tourism at various important tourist centres at a cost of Rs. 9.91 lakh.
- ★ Tamil Nadu Tourism has embarked upon a novel programme called "Virunthinar Potruthum, Virunthinar Potruthum" - for inculcating a high degree of sophistication and practice for Tourist Friendly Culture among stakeholders in the State. The training programmes were conducted in Chennai, Dharmapuri, Salem, Erode, Thanjavur, Thiruvavur, Nagapattinam, Villupuram, Vellore, Kancheepuram, Cuddalore, Kanniyakumari, Madurai, Coimbatore, Tiruchirappalli and Tirunelveli.
- ★ TTDC launched the Hop-on; Hop-off tour from Chennai to Mamallapuram and Chennai City tour.

ART AND CULTURE

- ★ Violin and mirudhangam sections have been introduced in 17 district Govt. music schools in 2006-2007.
- ★ Bharathanatyam dresses have been distributed free of cost at an expenditure of Rs. 8.10 lakh in 2006-2007 to students of Govt. music colleges and 17 district Govt. music schools.
- ★ All students of music colleges are given a scholarship of Rs. 250 each from 2007-2008.
- ★ Electrification and air-conditioning of Tagore Auditorium in the Govt. Music College have been completed at an expenditure of Rs. 6.50 lakh in 2007-2008.
- ★ Computers have been purchased at a cost of Rs. 3.15 lakh for Govt. Music Colleges in Madurai, Coimbatore, Thiruvaiyur in 2008-2009.
- ★ On the occasion of the completion of 50 years since the inception of Tamil Nadu Iyal, Isai, Nataka Mandram Rs. 5 lakh was sanctioned in 2006-2007 to celebrate the Golden Jubilee.
- ★ The financial assistance given every month under the scheme of financial Assistance to artistes in impoverished condition was increased from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1000 in 2006-2007. 6391 artistes are getting the assistance now.

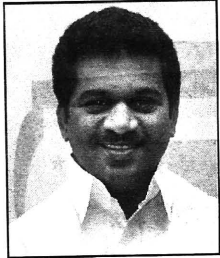


Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaingar introduced the Platinum and Gold Cards of TTDC to increase the influx of tourists to Tamil Nadu Hotels. Hon'ble Minister for Tourism Thiru. N. Suresh Rajan is seen (9.7.2008)

- ★ The Govt. has accepted the proposal to construct a guest house in the Iyal, Issai Nataka Manram campus. So as to facilitate the stay of visiting artistes and as announced in 2007-2008. sanctioned Rs. 40.60 lakh for the purpose.
- ★ Folk Artistes' Welfare Board has been constituted to take care of folk artistes. Rs. 1 Crore have been sanctioned initially and financial assistance of Rs. 2,06,500 has been disbursed to 147 members. 14,632 artistes have so far become members of the board.

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INCREASE IN REVENUE THROUGH REGISTRATION

Hon'ble Minister for Tourism & Registration
Thiru. **N. SURESH RAJAN**

- ★ In three years, 80,15,982 documents have been registered through which Rs.11,739.40 Crore of revenue has been earned.
- ★ Farmers and entrepreneurs of tiny industries have been given exemption of stamp duty for mortgage and pledged jewels.

Curtailing Impersonation while Registration

- ★ To curtail Impersonation and forgery while registering Government have made it compulsory to affix photo and fingerprint of buyer and seller on the sale deeds and photo and fingerprint for presenter in respect of other document for registration.



Hon'ble Minister for Tourism and Registration Thiru. N. Suresh Rajan inaugurated the training for the 55 Sub-Registrars recruited by TNPSC and released the hand book (4.9.2008)

- ★ Hologram stickers are affixed on document to ensure the genuinity of certificate.
- ★ Registration of Hindu marriages have been made compulsory with effect from 22.10.2007.
- ★ 15 new sub Registrar Offices have been constructed at a cost of Rs.225 lakh.
- ★ 450 Sub-Registrar Offices out of the total number of 569 Sub- Registrar Offices have been computerized.

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- ★ Under the scheme 2,599 documents were finalised and Rs.82.45 Crore earned as revenue.

Exemption of Stamp Duty

- ★ The heirs of Kargil Martyrs were exempted from paying stamp duty and registration fees for registering houses allotted by the TNHB.
- ★ Stamp duty has been exempted for documents of sale and lease distributed to I.T Companies in Tidel Park.

Concession in Stamp Duty

- ★ As per the new Industry Policy 2007, 50% concession on stamp duties given to private sector including those in industrial parks for sale and lease documents.
- ★ 50% concession on stamp duty and registration fees based on the value of the property is given to small and tiny Industries in SIDCO Industrial estates and 50% concession is given to private industrial estates also based on the documents of sale and mortgage.
- ★ Out of the 40 Sub-Registrar Offices closed in 2003, 10 sub - Registrar Offices were reopened on 19.9.07 at an expenditure of Rs.2.05 crore and 5 Sub-Registrar Offices were reopened on 26.2.09 at an expenditure of Rs.59.15 lakh.
- ★ Notice boards to guide the public on registration procedures have been put up in 258 Sub - Registrar Offices at a cost of Rs.10 lakh.
- ★ In order to preserve important documents of the public, registered documents and CDs, 903 cup boards have been purchased for the new Sub - Registrar Offices.
- ★ In 2008, 938 Stamp Vendors have been appointed in the vacancies in areas outside municipal corporations.

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Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar opened the new office of the Central Research Institute of Classical Tamil housed in the 'Palar House' on Kamarajar Salai, Chennai.

Hon'ble Ministers Prof. K. Anbazhagan and Thiru. Duraimurugan, Dr. Avvai Natarajan, Dr. Silamboli Chellappan attended (30.6.2008).



Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Thiru. M.K. Stalin called on His Excellency the Governor Thiru. Surjit Singh Barnala and the Hon'ble Chief Minister Kalaignar on 30.5.2009 and received their blessings.

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