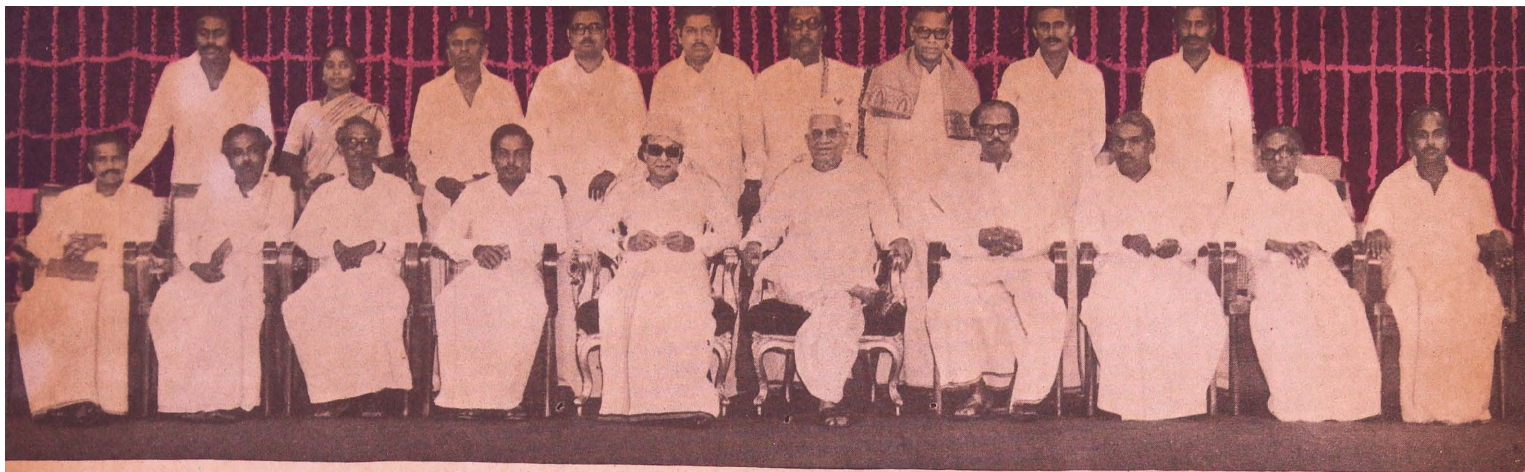


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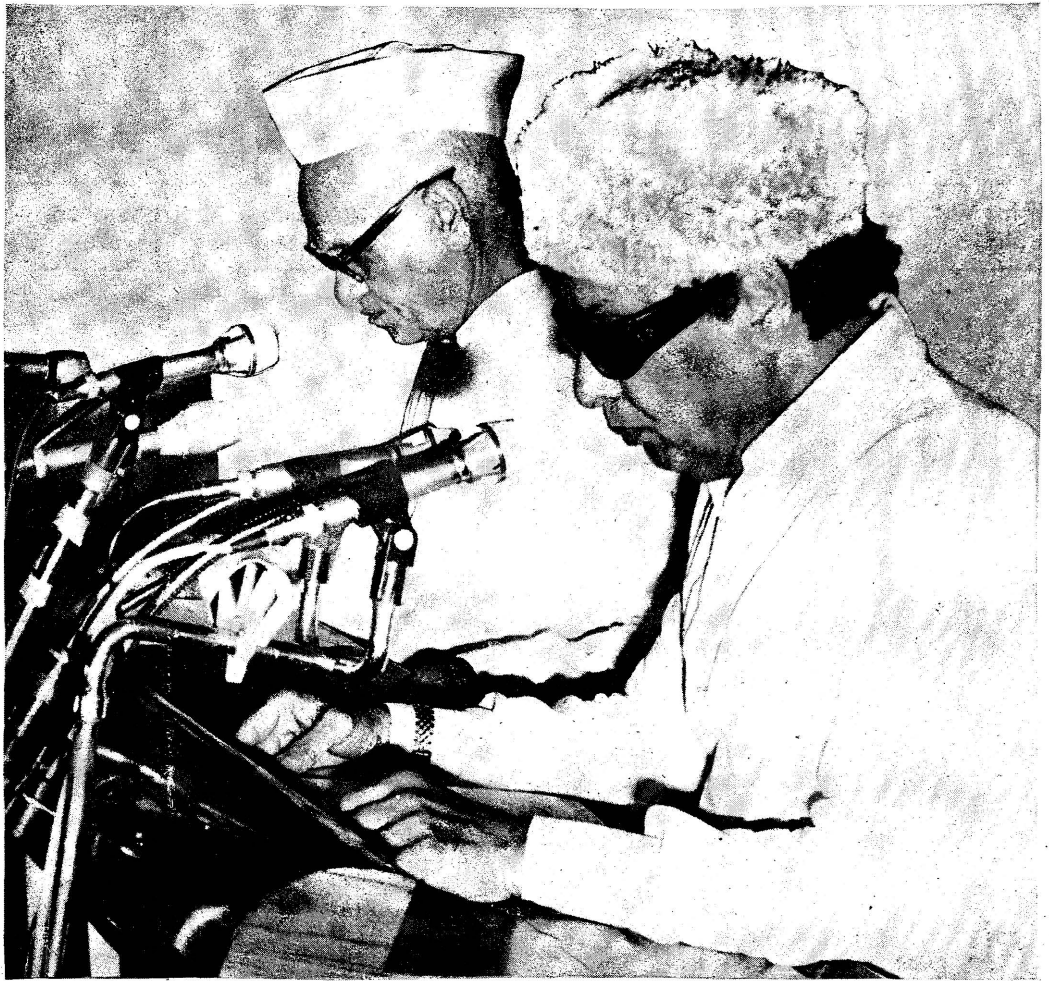
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Prabhudas B. Patwari (G), V.R. Nedunchezhiyan M (F), K.A. Krishnasamy, M(R.I.), R.M. Veerappan, M (I & R.E.), K.Kalimuthu, M(A).

Standing : M. Vijayasarithi, M (HW), Gomathi Srinivasan, M (SW), S.N. Rajendran, M (H&K), K. Raja Mohammed, M (Irr.), P. Kulandaivelu, M (LA),
S. Raghavanandham, M (Lr.), Dr. H.V. Hande, M (H), S. Thirunavukkarasu, M (I), S. Muthusamy, M (T).

THIRU. M.G.RAMACHANDRAN

being sworn in as Chief Minister of
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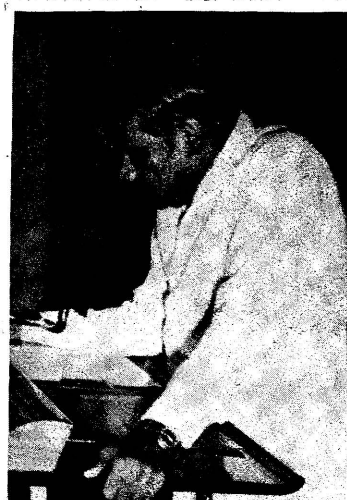
The Governor Thiru Prabhudas B. Patwari,
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Minister for Electricity



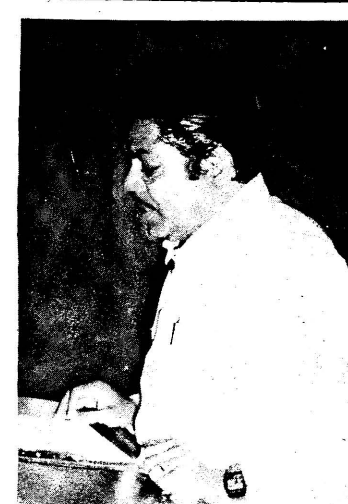
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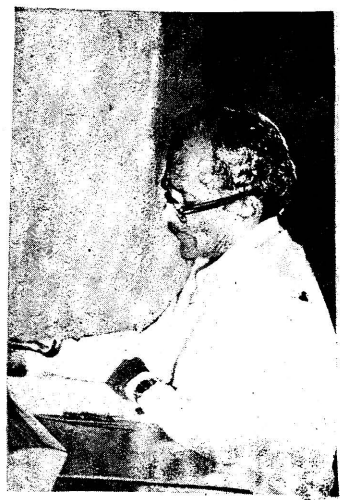
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Minister for Harijan Welfare



Tmt. Gomathi Srinivasan,
Minister for Social Welfare





Thiru M.G.R. Chief Minister-designate is seen garlanding the statue of Mahatma Gandhi, at the Marina.



OUR PLEDGE

We, the Council of Ministers who have assumed Charge of the Government of Tamil Nadu in the name of Arignar Anna take the following pledge before the people's forum:—

We shall strive to fulfil the promises made during the elections on behalf of the AIADMK.

We shall try to bring succour to all those living below the poverty line, irrespective of caste or creed, to improve their standard of living.

We shall work for the welfare and progress of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward classes.

The rights and interests of the minorities will be protected in all ways.

The interests and welfare of the farmers, handloom weavers, fishermen, workers, teachers, policemen Government employees and all working classes will be safeguarded and fostered.

Since 1967 you have accepted that only the policies of Arignar Anna will bring progress and prosperity to Tamil Nadu and have been giving continuous support for his policies.

We shall continue to work for the greatness of Tamil language and culture, plead for the rights of the state, serve the interests of the people of Tamil Nadu and uplift the poor and the down trodden without any difference of caste or creed, to give them all better living conditions.

We shall extend our goodwill and care to all political parties dispassionately. We expect that they will also extend their co-operation to us with the same feeling.

You are always our source of strength and we seek your co-operation and good wishes.

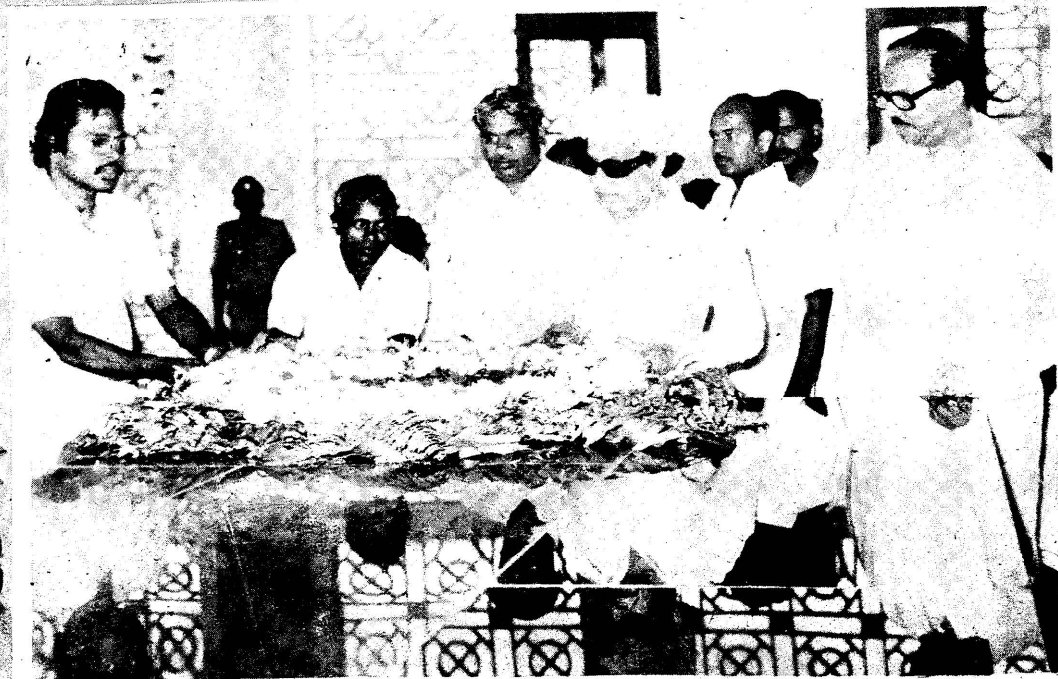
We pledge to work for the establishment of an egalitarian social order as envisaged by Arignar Anna.

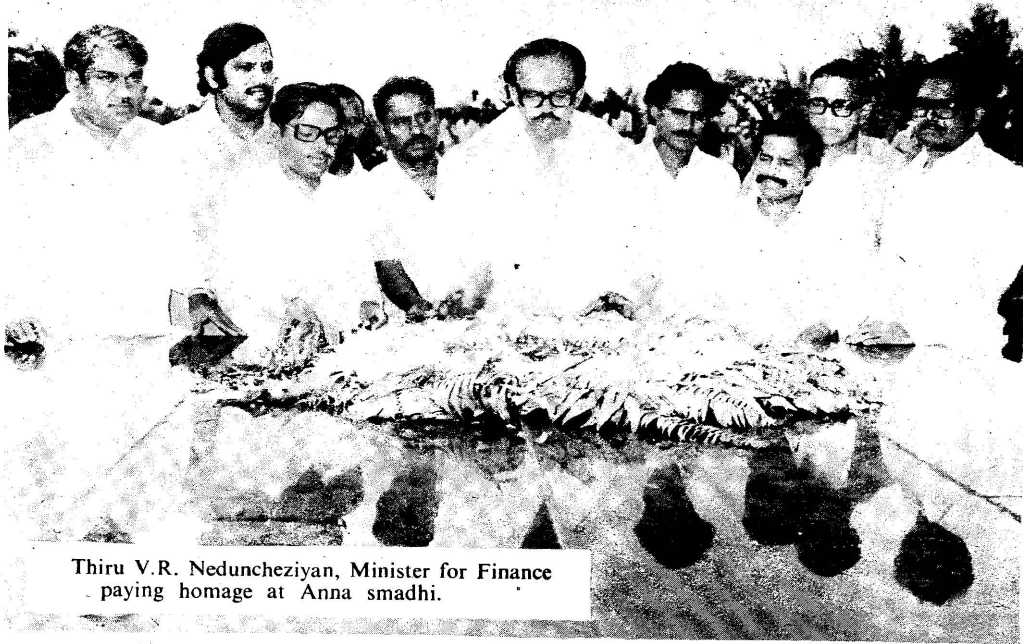
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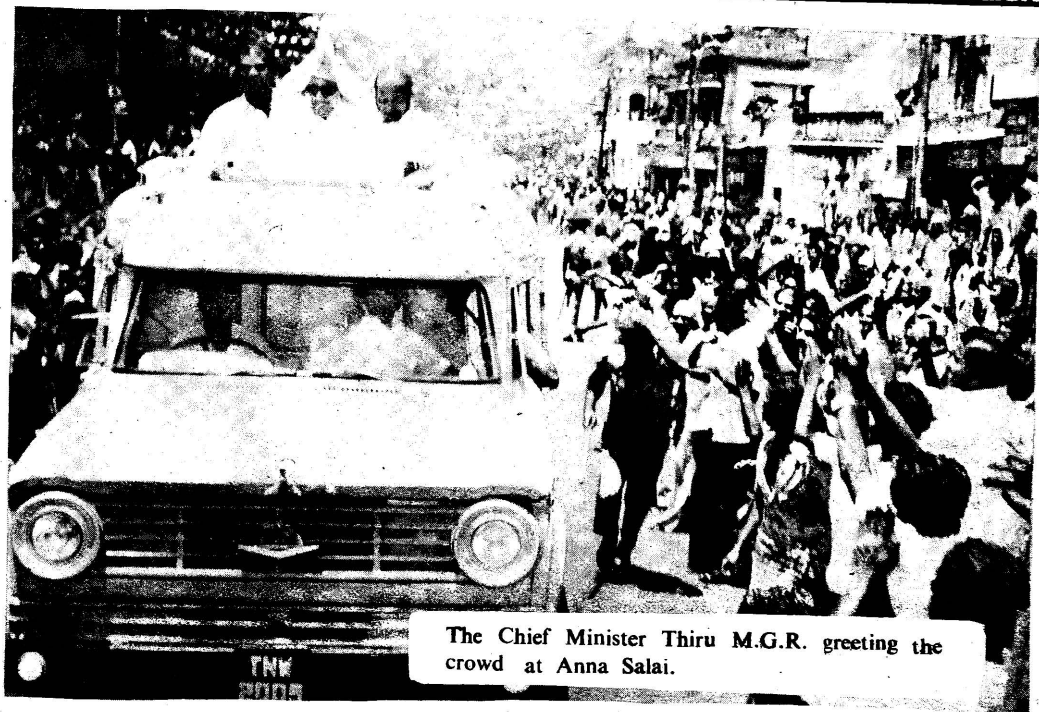
Thiru M.G.R., Chief Minister-designate
garlanding the statue of Rajaji.

Thiru M.G.R., Chief Minister - designate
paying his respects at the Kamaraj memorial.

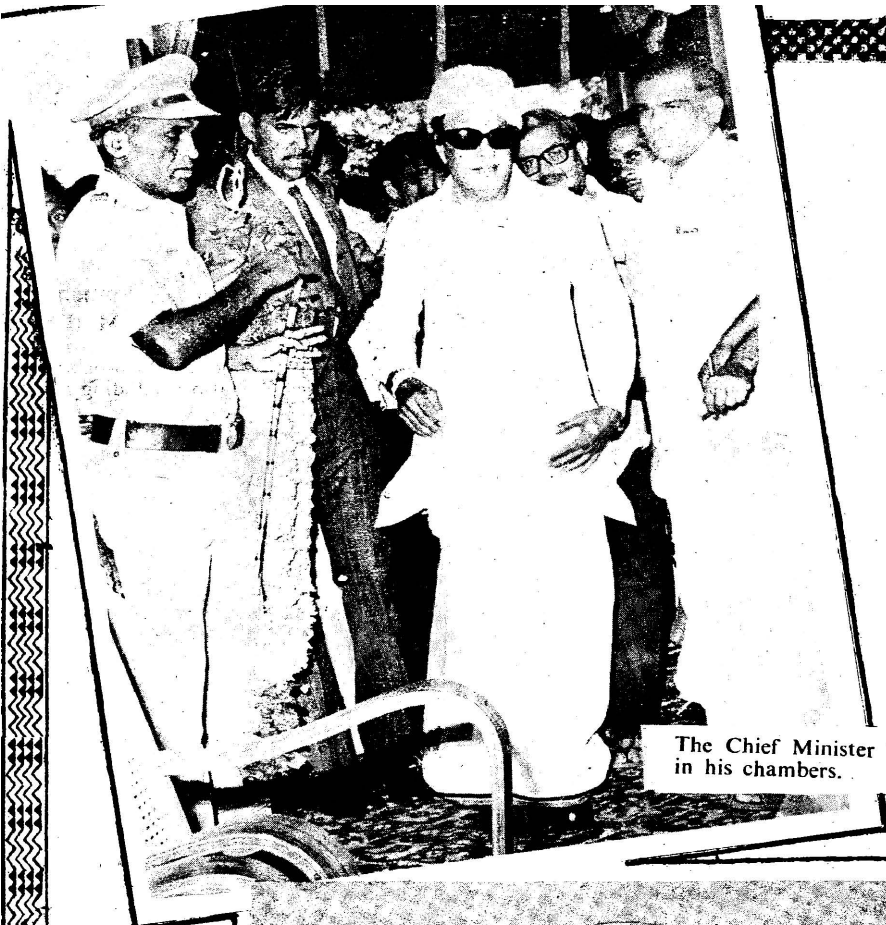




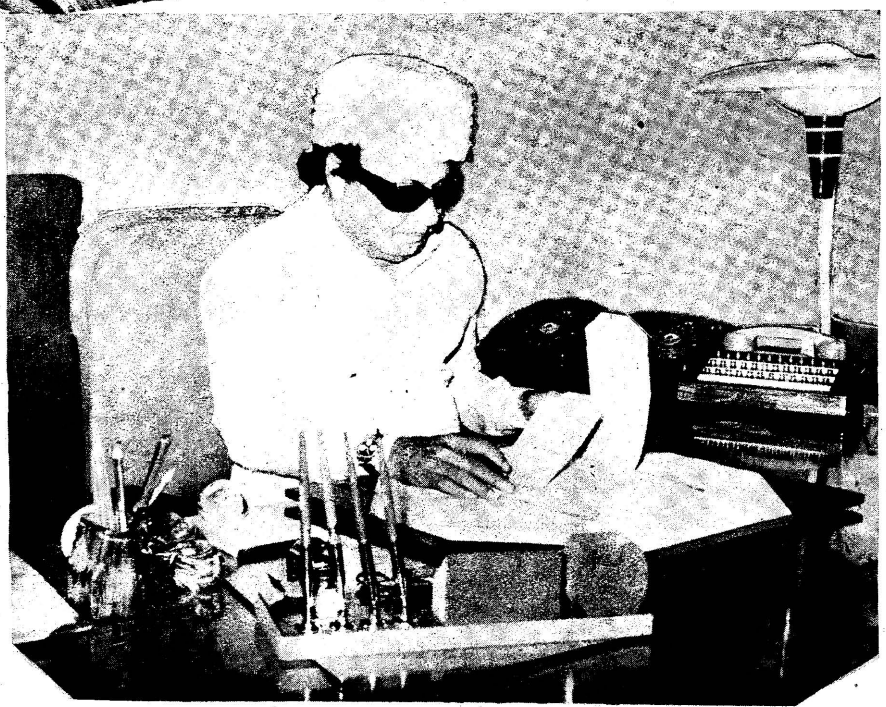
Thiru V.R. Neduncheziyan, Minister for Finance
paying homage at Anna smadhi.



The Chief Minister Thiru M.G.R. greeting the
crowd at Anna Salai.



The Chief Minister Thiru M.G.R.,
in his chambers.



PORTFOLIOS OF MINISTERS

Thiru M. G. Ramachandran,
Chief Minister (C.M)

Public, General Administration, Indian Administrative Services, District Revenue Officers, Deputy Collectors, Police, Prevention of Corruption, Public Works Department and Establishment Matters relating to Public Works Department.

Thiru V.R. Nedunchezhiyan,
Minister for Finance M(F)

Finance, Planning, Legislature, Elections, Food, Fisheries, Backward Classes, Youth Service Corps, Price Control and Ex-Servicemen.

Thiru S. Ramachandran,
Minister for Electricity M(E)

Electricity, Iron and Steel Control.

Thiru K.A. Krishnasamy,
Minister for Rural Industries M(R.I)

Rural Industries including Village, Cottage and Small Industries, Milk, Dairy Development and Registration.

Thiru S. D. Somasundram,
Minister for Revenue M(R)

Revenue, Commercial Taxes, Excise and Census.

Thiru R. M. Veerappan,
Minister for Information and Religious Endowments. M(I.R.E)

Information and Publicity, Film Technology, Tourism, Tourism Development Corporation, Cinematograph Act, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments, Forest and Cinchona Grant of Liquor Permits and Minerals.

Thiru C. Aranganayagam,
Minister for Education M (Edn)

Education including technological education and Official Language.

Thiru K. Kalimuthu,
Minister for Agriculture M (A)

Agriculture, Agricultural Refinance, Agricultural Engineering Wing and Agro Engineering.

Thiru C. Ponnaiyan,
Minister for Co-operation and Law. M (C&L)

Law, Courts, Prisons, Legislation on Weights and Measures, Registration of Companies, Debt Relief including Legislation on Money Lending and Legislation on Chits and Co-operation.

Thiru P. Kulandaivelu,
Minister for Local Administration M (LA)

Municipal Administration, Panchayat Unions, Community Development, Rural Indebtedness, Bhoodan and Gramdhan and Highways, and Panchayats.

Thiru S. Raghavanandham,
Minister for Labour M (Lr.)

Labour, Housing, Slum Clearance Board, Statistics, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board Town Planning and Accommodation Control.

Dr. H. V. Hande,
Minister for Health M (H)

Health

Thiru K. Raja Mohammed,
Minister for Irrigation M (Irr.)

Agro Service Co-operation Societies, Irrigation including Minor Irrigation and Wakf.

Thiru S. Muthusamy,
Minister for Transport M (T)

Transport, Nationalised Transport, Motor Vehicles Act and Ports.

Thiru S. Thirunavukkarasu,
Minister for Industries M (I)

Large Scale Industries, Mines and Textiles.

Thiru S. N. Rajendran,
Minister for Handlooms & Khadi M (H&K)

Handlooms, Khadi, Prohibition excluding grant of liquor permits and Passports.

Thiru M. Vijayasarithi,
Minister for Harijan Welfare M(HW)

Harijan Welfare, Stationery and Printing, Government Press, News Print Control, Hill Tribes and Bonded Labour and Employment and Training.

Tmt. Gomathi Srinivasan,
Minister for Social Welfare M(SW),

Social Welfare including Women & Children Welfare, Animal Husbandry, Beggars Home, Orphanages, Indian Overseas, Refugees and Evacuees and Correctional Administration.

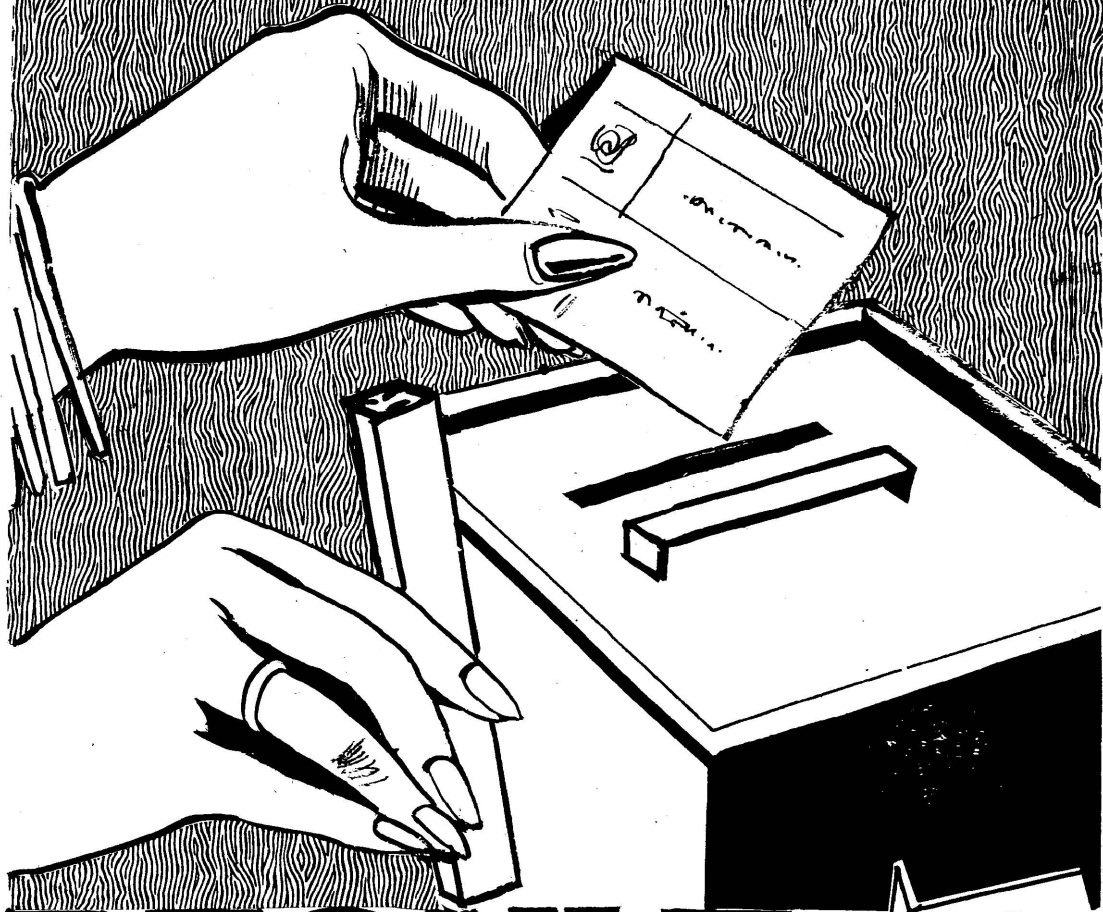
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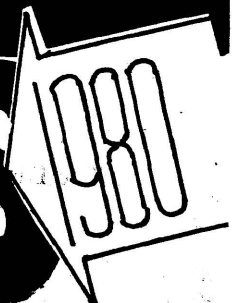
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TAMILNADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTION



RESULTS



MADRAS CITY

1. ROYAPURAM

Electorate ..	1,16,630
Votes Polled ..	74,988
Valid Votes ..	74,319
Invalid Votes ..	669

Ponnurangam, P.	DMK ..	37,390
Ramiah, M.	IND ..	181
Nagalingam S.	IND ..	192
Pandian, D.	CPI ..	36,455
Vivekanandhan, K.	JANATA(S) ..	101

2. HARBOUR

Electorate ..	1,12,040
Votes Polled ..	61,058
Valid Votes ..	60,430
Invalid Votes ..	628

Selvarasan, A.	DMK ..	32,716
Habibullah Baiq, Dr.	AIADMK ..	21,701
Sivashanmugam, M.	IND ..	307
Balasundaram, T.S.	JANATA(JP) ..	570 6

3. DR. RADHAKRISHNAN NAGAR

Electorate ..	1,46,769
Votes Polled ..	91,527
Valid Votes ..	90,648
Invalid Votes ..	879

Rajasekaran, V.	INC(I) ..	44,076
Amsa, M. (Tmt)	IND ..	117
Ambalavanan, D.	IND ..	60
Arumugachamy, K.	JANATA(JP) ..	8,685
Rajagopal, R.	IND ..	143
Ismail, P.M.	IND ..	70
Elumalai, S.P.	IND ..	103
Isari Velan	AIADMK ..	36,888
Balaranjan, P.	IND ..	115
Baskara Pandian, A.	IND ..	196
Lakshmiopathi, K.V.	IND ..	195

4. PARK TOWN

Electorate ..	1,20,797
Votes Polled ..	68,990
Valid Votes ..	68,098
Invalid Votes ..	892

Somu, N.V.N.	DMK ..	38,095
Arumugha Naicker, A.	JANATA(JP) ..	6,556
Manakchand Nahar	IND ..	146
Lalchand Daka, S.	IND ..	23,197
Jagajothi alias Govindarajulu, C.	JANATA(S) ..	104

5. PERAMBUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,48,248
Votes Polled ..	91,400
Valid Votes ..	90,258
Invalid Votes ..	1,142

Balan, S.	DMK ..	49,269
Murugaiyan, V.	CPI ..	40,989



6. PURASAWALKAM

Electorate ..	169,938
Votes Polled ..	1,01,569
Valid Votes ..	1,00,724
Invalid Votes ..	845

Anbazhagan, K.	DMK ..	52,729
Mani, D.	IND ..	439
Manivanan, D.	IND ..	535
Valampuri John	AIADMK ..	47,021

7. EGMORE (SC)

Electorate ..	1,17,282
Votes Polled ..	63,041
Valid Votes ..	62,427
Invalid Votes ..	614

Elayaperumal, L.	INC(I) ..	38,200
Sivanesan, D.R.	INC(U) ..	23,444
Ponnurangam, M.	IND ..	783

8. ANNA NAGAR

Electorate ..	1,69,720
Votes polled ..	1,05,653
Valid votes ..	1,04,731
Invalid votes ..	922

Karunanidhi, M.	DMK ..	51,290
Akilan alias Hari	IND ..	166
Hande (Dr) H.V.	AIADMK ..	50,591
Kanriappan, T.	IND ..	54
Duraiswamy Nadar, N.	IND ..	28
Ramesh, B.	IND ..	70
Varada Desigan, O.A.	IND ..	67
Veerappa Gounder V.T.R.	IND ..	96
Velsami Nadar, S.	IND ..	34
Jebamani, R.	JANATA(JP) ..	2,335

9. THEAGARAYANAGAR

Electorate ..	153,113
Votes Polled ..	84,892
Valid Votes ..	84,164
Invalid Votes ..	728

Sourirajan, K. (Dr.)	IND	42,566
Sancar, K. Bharathiya	JANATA	3,716
Chandran Jeyapal, R.E.	DMK	36,100
Swaminathan, T.	JANATA(JP)	1,462
Natarajan, K.	IND	130
Vaseekaran D.	JANATA(S)	94
Warrier, N.K. (Dr.)	IND	42
Jagannathan, E.	IND	54

10. THOUSANDLIGHTS.

Electorate ..	1,41,773
Votes Polled ..	81,628
Valid Votes ..	80,691
Invalid Votes ..	937

KRISHNASAMY, K.A.	AIADMK	40,499
Sadiq Pasha, S.J.	DMK	40,192

11. CHEPAUK.

Electorate ..	1,00,569
Votes Polled ..	59,148
Valid Votes ..	58,639
Invalid Votes ..	509

Raghumankhan, A.	DMK	32,627
Abdul Kader, M.S.	AIADMK	23,401
Kandaswamy, S.V.	JANATA(JP)	2,517
Ranganathan, K.N.	IND	94

12. TRIPLICANE

Electorate ..	1,13,394
Votes polled ..	64,425
Valid Votes ..	63,798
Invalid votes ..	617

Haja Sheriff, K.S.G.	INC(I)	33,664
Gopalakrishnan, N.	JANATA(S)	567
Chandra Mohan	IND	108
Ramaswamy, G.	JANATA(JP)	1,811
Lakshmiah, C.	IND	485
Jayalakshmi (TMT). V.	IND	377
Sridharan, V.K.	INC(U)	26,786

13. MYLAPORE

Electorate ..	1,43,818
Votes Polled ..	83,831
Valid Votes ..	83,089
Invalid Votes ..	742

KAPALI, T.K.	AIADMK	41,260
Kalivaradhan, G.	BHA. JANATA	3,015
Kavimani, R.S.	IND	205
Manoharan, K.	DMK	37,944
Manakchand Nahar	IND	65
Yusuff Haroon, M.A.	IND	182
Loganathan, R.	IND	418

14. SAIDAPET

Electorate ..	1,44,121
Votes Polled ..	85,049
Valid Votes ..	84,261
Invalid Votes ..	788

Purushothaman, D.	DMK	40,403
Subramani, A.,	JANATA(JP)	4,870
Saidai S. Doraiswamy	AIADMK	38,706
Peter, A.J.	IND	282

CHENGALPATTU DISTRICT

15. GUMMIDIPUNDI

Electorate ..	1,23,571
Votes polled ..	86,905
Valid Votes ..	85,387
Invalid Votes ..	1,518

Munirathinam, R.S.	AIADMK	41,845
Paranthaman, M.	JANATA(JP)	9523
Venu, K.	DMK	34,019

16. PONNERI(SC)

Electorate ..	1,35,012
Votes, polled ..	84,245
Valid Votes ..	83,033
Invalid Votes ..	1,212

Chakrapani, Era	AIADMK	42,408
Elumalai, A.P.	IND	111
Sivalingam, K.	IND	350
Cihinnaraj, G.	IND	234
Seman,		
Thalapathy, Dr. C.V.	IND	313
Nagalinga, P.	DMK	27,490
Munivel, R.S.	JANATA(JP)	4,619
Vetriveeran, G.	IND	7,508

17. THIRUVOTTIYUR

Electorate ..	1,53,890
Votes polled ..	1,03,302
Valid votes ..	1,02,296
Invalid Votes ..	1,006

Kumari Anandan, IND (G.K.N.C.)	48,451
Elumalai, T.P.	JANATA(JP) 8,604
Nityanandam, M.	IND 248
Loganathan, T.	INC(I) 44,993





18. VILLIVAKKAM

Electorate ..	1,91,966
Votes polled ..	1,20,815
Valid votes ..	1,19,548
Invalid Votes..	1,267

Prabakaran, J.C.D.	AIADMK ..	57,192
Kanagasabai, R.	JANATA(JP) ..	5,235
Subbu, K.	DMK ..	56,489
Theodore, C.	IND ..	382
Balasubramaniam, N.	IND ..	250

19. ALANDUR

Electorate ..	1,66,900
Votes polled ..	1,01,383
Valid Votes ..	1,00,332
Invalid Votes..	1,051

Abdul Razack, K.M.	AIADMK ..	50,345
Sampath, N.P.L.	INC(I) ..	44,506
Duraivelu, D.	JANATA(JP) ..	2,919
Raghupathy, T.L.	IND ..	2,562

20. TAMBARAM

Electorate ..	1,79,412
Votes polled ..	1,17,561
Valid Votes ..	1,16,326
Invalid Votes..	1,235

Pammal Nallathambi	DMK ..	59,931
Gajendran, M.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,999
Munu Adhi	AIADMK ..	53,746
Mervin	IND ..	219
Mohan, Dr. G.	IND ..	188
Ranganathan, K.	IND ..	169
Jothi, T.	IND ..	74

21. TIRUPPORUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,04,235
Votes polled ..	66,622
Valid Votes ..	65,749
Invalid Votes..	873

Chockalingam, G.	DMK ..	33,287
Krishnan, N.	IND ..	338
Govindarajan, M.	AIADMK ..	30,990
Dhanapal, V.	IND ..	572
Jayachandran, N.	IND ..	562

22. CHENGALPATTU

Electorate ..	1,15,925
Votes polled ..	77,315
Valid votes ..	76,245
Invalid votes ..	1,070

Anoor Jagadeesan, P.C.	AIADMK ..	40,466
Ramachandran, S.P.	IND ..	465
Natarajan, K.	INC(I) ..	35,314

23. MADURANTHAKAM

Electorate ..	1,11,475
Votes polled ..	84,133
Valid Votes ..	82,549
Invalid Votes..	1,584

Ukamchand, S.D.	AIADMK ..	46,922
Ahamed Basha, A.	IND ..	299
Arumugham, C.	DMK ..	35,113
Veerappa		
Gounder, V.T.R.	IND ..	215

24. ACHARAPAKKAM (SC)

Electorate ..	1,02,790
Votes polled ..	71,590
Valid votes ..	70,347
Invalid votes ..	1,243

Ganesan, C.	AIADMK ..	35,233
Manavalan, C.M.	DMK ..	35,114

25. UTHIRAMERUR

Electorate ..	1,28,261
Votes polled ..	89,390
Valid votes ..	88,172
Invalid votes ..	1,218

Jagath Rakshakan, S.	AIADMK ..	43,303
Arumuga Gounder, K.	IND ..	171
Seetharama Naicker, T.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,434
Mani, P.	IND ..	564
Murugesan, M.	IND ..	983
Ramadoss, S.	INC(I) ..	41,717

26. KANCHEEPURAM

Electorate ..	1,30,410
Votes polled ..	96,439
Valid votes ..	95,445
Invalid votes ..	994

Venkatasubramanian, P.	AIADMK ..	46,051
Anandhan, J.	IND ..	519
Chandrakumar, K.	JANATA(JP) ..	4,350
Sambandan, V.	DMK ..	43,859
Ranganathan, M.	IND ..	437
Vajravel Chettiar, K.M.	IND ..	229

27. SRIPERUMBUDUR(SC)

Electorate ..	1,16,680
Votes polled ..	71,516
Valid votes ..	70,553
Invalid Votes..	963

Yasotha, Tmt. D.	INC(I) ..	37,370
Ayyavoo, T.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,842
Jagannathan, S.	AIADMK ..	31,341

NORTH ARCOT DISTRICT

32. ARAKKONAM (SC)

28. POONAMALLEE

Electorate ..	1,49,060
Votes polled ..	78,888
Valid votes ..	77,860
Invalid votes ..	1,028

Rajarathinam, D.	DMK ..	38,018
Sambandhan, Dr.	IND (GKNC) ..	26,930
Chinnaswamy, P.	IND ..	8,547
Thiruvengadam, G.	BJANATHA ..	1,605
Moorthy, M.	IND ..	2,246
Laxmipathy Naidu	IND ..	514

29. TIRUVALLUR

Electorate ..	1,13,728
Votes polled ..	73,737
Valid votes ..	72,595
Invalid votes ..	1,142

Pattabhiraman, S.	AIADMK ..	30,121
Sagariya, D.	IND ..	235
Selvaraj, M.	IND ..	4,794
Purushothaman, R.	INC(I) ..	24,585
Munirathnam Naidu, V.	JANATA(JP) ..	12,560
Varadarajan, T.	IND ..	300

30. TIRUTTANI

Electorate ..	1,11,452
Votes polled ..	73,548
Valid votes ..	72,270
Invalid votes ..	1,278

Shanmugham, R.	AIADMK ..	35,845
Shanmugham, P.V.	IND ..	1,456
Siranjeevalu Naidu, C.	JANATA(JP) ..	8,967
Subramania Raju, D.	IND ..	248
Namachivayam, T.	INC(I) ..	25,754

31. PALLIPET

Electorate ..	1,13,473
Votes polled ..	76,589
Valid votes ..	75,308
Invalid votes ..	1,281

Narasimhan, P.M.	AIADMK ..	26,377
Ekambara Reddy, A.	INC(I) ..	25,967
Swaminathan, E.M.	IND ..	22,964

Electorate ..	1,24,404
Votes polled ..	75,248
Valid votes ..	74,355
Invalid votes ..	893

Vijayasathy, M.	AIADMK ..	36,314
Anniappan, M.	IND ..	404
Natarajan, S.M.N.	IND ..	758
Varadharajan, M.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,486
Jayaraj, G.	INC(I) ..	35,393

33. SHOLINGHUR

Electorate ..	1,17,710
Votes polled ..	73,525
Valid votes ..	72,442
Invalid votes ..	1,083

Gopal, C.	AIADMK ..	35,783
Annammalai Reddiar, V.S.	IND ..	401
Kandappan, A.	IND ..	330
Periaswamy		
Reddiar, A.M.	IND ..	302
Moorthy, K.	DMK ..	35,626

34. RANIPET

Electorate ..	1,26,741
Votes polled ..	83,912
Valid votes ..	82,529
Invalid votes ..	1,383

Durai Murugan, D.	DMK ..	44,318
Asvathamam, S.	IND ..	349
Abdul Subhan, S.A.	IND ..	367
Renu, N.	AIADMK ..	37,064
Moorthy, R.T.S.	IND ..	431

35. ARCOT

Electorate ..	1,14,631
Votes polled ..	75,111
Valid votes ..	73,695
Invalid votes ..	1,416

Sethuraman, A.M.	AIADMK ..	35,998
Akbar Basha, B.	INC(I) ..	34,058
Amirthalingam, T.R.	IND ..	460
Baskaran, N.	JANATA(JP) ..	3,179



36. KATPADI

Electorate ..	1,21,383
Votes polled ..	69,967
Valid votes ..	68,676
Invalid votes ..	1,291

Poongavanam, N.A.	CPI ..	31,918
Shanmugasundaram, A.K.	INC(I) ..	26,639
Ranga Reddy, T.R.	JANATA(JP) ..	7,214
Jayavelu, M.A.	IND ..	2,905

37. GUDIYATHAM

Electorate ..	1,10,942
Votes polled ..	71,317
Valid votes ..	70,365
Invalid votes ..	952

Sundaram, K.R.	CPM ..	30,869
Ganesan, P.A.	IND ..	735
Sundararajulu, A.K.	JANATA(JP) ..	17,832
Wahab, K.A.	IND ..	20,929

38. PERNAMPET (SC)

Electorate ..	1,13,142
Votes polled ..	67,410
Valid votes ..	66,323
Invalid votes ..	1,087

Murthy, G.	AIADMK ..	30,048
Rajarathinam, G.	INC(I) ..	24,713
Rajagopal, P.	JANATA(JP) ..	8,982
Samanan, K.	IND ..	1,044
Tamilarasan, A.	IND ..	288
Perumal, B.	IND ..	517
Munuswamy, S.	IND ..	731

39. VANIYAMBADI

Electorate ..	1,15,231
Votes polled ..	73,649
Valid votes ..	72,424
Invalid votes ..	1,225

Kulasekara Pandian, N.	AIADMK ..	38,049
Abdul Latheef, M.	IND ..	34,375

40. NATRAMPALLI

Electorate ..	1,27,003
Votes polled ..	87,220
Valid votes ..	85,881
Invalid votes ..	1,339

Anbalagan, T.	AIADMK ..	42,786
Raju, N.K.	DMK ..	36,161
Namachivayam, K.P.	JANATA(JP) ..	6,934

41. TIRUPPATTUR

Electorate ..	1,24,811
Votes polled ..	79,212
Valid votes ..	78,158
Invalid votes ..	1,054



Sundaram, B.	DMK ..	42,786
Ramaswamy, G.	AIADMK ..	34,682
Raja, T.V.	IND ..	690

42. CHENGAM (SC)

Electorate ..	1,02,993
Votes polled ..	56,773
Valid votes ..	55,816
Invalid votes ..	957

Swamikannu, T.	AIADMK ..	26,823
Arumugham, P.	IND ..	3006
Arumugham, A.	INC(I) ..	25,987

43. TANDARAMBATTU

Electorate ..	1,10,889
Votes polled ..	73,723
Valid votes ..	72,540
Invalid votes ..	1,183

Venugopal, D.	DMK ..	46,326
Kasinathan, U.	IND (GKNC) ..	25,257
Muniswamy Kandan, K.	IND ..	593
Ramu Reddiar	IND ..	364

44. THIRUVANNAMALAI

Electorate ..	1,20,155
Votes polled ..	93,952
Valid votes ..	92,609
Invalid votes ..	1,343

Narayanaswamy, K.	INC(I) ..	54,437
Kannan, S.	IND ..	266
Gangadharan Chettiar, S.	IND ..	456
Shanmugam, P.U.	AIADMK ..	36,052
Vaidyanathan, S.	IND ..	244
Venkatesan, K.R.	IND ..	520
Narayanaswamy, S.	IND ..	634

45. KALASAPAKKAM

Electorate ..	1,14,081
Votes polled ..	83,961
Valid votes ..	82,443
Invalid votes ..	1,518

Thiruvengadam, P.S.	DMK ..	44,923
Dhanapal, C.	IND ..	2,994
Natesan, A.P.	IND ..	1554
Viswanathan, C.N.	AIADMK ..	32,972



Shanmugam, A.C.	AIADMK ..	42,928
Ethiraju, G.	JANATA(JP) ..	3,956
Selvaraju, E.	DMK ..	37,877

50. CHEYYAR

Electorate ..	1,14,683
Votes polled ..	79,877
Valid votes ..	78,432
Invalid votes ..	1,445

Babu Janarthanam	DMK ..	43,341
Vizhi Vendan, K.A.	AIADMK ..	35,091

51. VANDAVASI (SC)

Electorate ..	1,24,765
Votes polled ..	77,852
Valid votes ..	76,678
Invalid votes ..	1,174

Kuppuswamy, C.	AIADMK ..	38,501
Ashok Ilayaraja	JANATA(JP) ..	1,178
Radhakrishnan, D.	IND ..	410
Kanniappan, G.	DMK ..	36,019
Mohanavelu, A.	IND ..	570

46. POLUR

Electorate ..	1,11,477
Votes Polled ..	73,891
Valid votes ..	72,475
Invalid votes ..	1,416

Balaraman, L.	INC(I) ..	35,456
Subramanyam, K.J.	IND ..	1,183
Selvan, A.	AIADMK ..	33,303
Murugesu Gounder, P.C.	IND ..	635
Vediappan, K.G.	IND ..	1,898

47. ANAICUT

Electorate ..	1,11,926
Votes polled ..	67,386
Valid votes ..	66,034
Invalid votes ..	1,352

Viswanathan, C.	AIADMK ..	35,242
Vajravel Mudaliar, K.B.	IND ..	1,505
Jeevarathina Mudaliar, R.	INC(I) ..	29,287

48. VELLORE

Electorate ..	1,36,556
Votes polled ..	87,595
Valid Votes ..	86,803
Invalid Votes ..	792

Devaraj, V.M.	DMK ..	43,126
Ranganathan, A.K.	AIADMK ..	38,619
Easwaran, K.	JANATA(JP) ..	4,489
Basheer, S.M.	IND ..	380
Balasundaram, K.P.S.	IND ..	189

49. ARNI

Electorate ..	1,17,556
Votes polled ..	86,392
Valid votes ..	84,761
Invalid votes ..	1,631

52. PERANAMALLUR

Electorate ..	1,21,424
Votes polled ..	75,491
Valid votes ..	74,043
Invalid votes ..	1,448

Venkatesan, P.M.	AIADMK ..	32,645
Elango, N.V.	IND ..	13,56
Parsuvanathan, S.	JANATA(JP) ..	82,75
Margabandhu, R.	INC(I) ..	31,767

SOUTH ARCOT DISTRICT

53. MELMALAYANUR

Electorate ..	1,18,992
Votes polled ..	82,275
Valid votes ..	81,027
Invalid votes ..	1,248

Chinnadurai Gounder, A.	AIADMK ..	39,572
Kothandam, H.	IND ..	331
Perumal Nainar, V.	INC(I) ..	39,374
Rathinaswamy, T. S.	IND ..	1,750

54. GINGEE

Electorate ..	1,24,732
Votes polled ..	84,975
Valid votes ..	83,558
Invalid votes ..	1,417

Ramachandran, N.	DMK ..	41,708
Iniyadayalan, G.	IND ..	415
Ganesan, N.	IND ..	467
Krishnaswamy, G.	AIADMK ..	40,075
Subramania Gounder, M.	IND ..	636
Dharuman, D.	IND ..	257

55. TINDIVANAM

Electorate ..	1,07,921
Votes polled ..	71,404
Valid votes ..	70,343
Invalid votes ..	1,061

Thangamani Gounder, K.M. INC(I) ..	29,778
Radhakrishnan, R. JANATA(JP) ..	15,953
Rajaram Reddi, R. AIADMK ..	24,302
Thiruneelakanda Gounder, A. IND ..	310

56. VANUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,23,245
Votes polled ..	74,770
Valid votes ..	73,512
Invalid votes ..	1,258

Muthuvelu, N. DMK ..	38,883
Irusan, A. IND ..	394
Kanakaraj Vanur, V. IND ..	600
Ramajayam, M.N. AIADMK ..	33,635

57. KANDAMANGALAM (SC)

Electorate ..	1,34,779
Votes polled ..	70,444
Valid votes ..	69,450
Invalid votes ..	994

Kannan, M. AIADMK ..	34,368
Gandhimathi (Thirumathi) A. IND ..	409
Dhasaradhan, V. JANATA(JP) ..	1,897
Nagamani, G. IND ..	765
Madhavan, P. INC(I) ..	32,011

58. VILLUPURAM

Electorate ..	1,33,842
Votes polled ..	89,452
Valid votes ..	88,340
Invalid votes ..	1,098

Palaniappan, K.P. DMK ..	45,952
Rajarathinam, M. AIADMK ..	40,792
Ramakrishna Padayachi, G. IND ..	531
Jothi, V. IND ..	1,065



59. MUGAIYUR

Electorate ..	1,20,828
Votes Polled ..	75,703
Valid votes ..	74,269
Invalid votes ..	1,434

Sundaramurthy, R. INC(I) ..	39,490
Ragothaman, G. AIADMK ..	31,869
Natesa Kander IND ..	897
Vijayakumar, R. IND ..	775
Ramu, N. JANATA(JP) ..	905
Joseph S. IND ..	233

60. THIRUNAVAILUR

Electorate ..	1,07,753
Votes polled ..	77,139
Valid votes ..	75,627
Invalid votes ..	1,512

Subramanian, V. DMK ..	36,517
Jayaraman, A. IND ..	1,749
Duraivelavan, D. (IND)RPI ..	1,017
Manoharan, T.N.G.A. AIADMK ..	36,344

61. ULUNDURPET (SC)

Electorate ..	1,31,665
Votes polled ..	73,967
Valid votes ..	72,385
Invalid votes ..	1,582

Rangaswamy, K. DMK ..	40,068
Kandaswamy, M. IND ..	439
Dharmalingam, P.M. IND ..	1,765
Natesan, K. AIADMK ..	30,113





62. NELLIKUPPAM

Electorate ..	1,11,615
Votes polled ..	74,462
Valid votes ..	73,455
Invalid votes ..	1,007

Krishnamurthy, V.	DMK ..	40,526
Govindarajan, C.	CPM ..	28,415
Seetharaman, R.V	IND ..	859
Dhandapani C.	JANATA(JP)..	3,655

63. CUDDALORE

Electorate ..	1,33,227
Votes polled ..	83,610
Valid votes ..	82,646
Invalid votes ..	964

Babu Govindarajan	DMK ..	40,539
Uthiran, N.S.	IND ..	109
Narasimhan, T.R.	IND ..	191
Balakrishna, V.	JANATA(JP)..	4,077
Raghupathy, A.	AIADMK ..	37,398
Rajamanickam, M.P.	IND ..	171
Viswanathan, R	IND ..	161

64. PANRUITI

Electorate ..	1,12,704
Votes polled ..	87,102
Valid votes ..	85,891
Invalid votes ..	1,211

Ramachandran, S.	AIADMK ..	44,557
Chinnadurai, K. U	IND ..	354
Seenu alias Srinivasan,	JANATA(JP)..	681
Nandagopala		
Krishnan, Dr.	DMK ..	40,070
Palanivelu, R. Pavalur	IND ..	229

65. KURINJIPADI

Electorate ..	1,16,509
Votes polled ..	78,410
Valid votes ..	77,231
Invalid votes ..	1,179

Thangaraju, A.	AIADMK	38,349
Elumalai, T.	IND ..	2,083
Selvaraj, M.	DMK ..	35,390
Dayalana, T.	IND ..	929
Palanivelu, R.	IND ..	118
Palaniappa Nadar, P.	IND ..	246
Muthu Pattuswamy, M.	IND ..	116

66. BHUVANAGIRI

Electorate ..	1,18,311
Votes polled ..	85,123
Valid votes ..	83,931
Invalid votes ..	1,192

Swaminathan, V.V.	AIADMK ..	41,207
Hasanudin, K.S.	IND ..	34,883
Sachidanandam, A.	IND ..	1,194
Neduncheliyan, A.	JANATA(JP)..	6,647

67. KATTUMANNARKOIL (SC)

Electorate ..	1,05,613
Votes polled ..	74,916
Valid Votes ..	74,022
Invalid votes ..	894

Ramalingam, E.	DMK ..	44,012
Rajan, M. R.	IND ..	660
Mahalingam, P.S.	CPM ..	29,350

68. CHIDAMBARAM

Electorate ..	1,12,269
Votes polled ..	81,763
Valid votes ..	80,699
Invalid votes ..	1,064

Ganapathy, K.R.	AIADMK ..	41,728
Kaliamoorthy Durai	DMK ..	38,461
Dharman Pathar, K.	IND ..	229
Murugesan, A.	IND ..	281

69. VRIDHACHALAM

Electorate ..	1,24,287
Votes polled ..	88,899
Valid votes ..	87,510
Invalid votes ..	1,389

Thiagarajan, R.	INC(I) ..	45,382
Ramanadhan C.	AIADMK ..	41,234
Ramachandran D.	IND ..	894

70. MANGALUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,30,395
Votes polled ..	85,076
Valid votes ..	83,178
Invalid votes ..	1,908

Kaliamoorthy, P.	AIADMK ..	40,678
Appavoo, S.Y.P.	IND ..	397
Elangovan, R.	IND (B.JANATA) ..	988
Gandhimathi, Tmt. A.	IND ..	408
Kamaraju, S.	INC(I) ..	39,495
Sarguru, N.	IND ..	1,212

71. RISHIVANDIAM

Electorate ..	1,08,378
Votes polled ..	76,451
Valid votes ..	74,810
Invalid votes ..	1,641

Sundaram, M.	INC(I) ..	38,238
Abdul Wahab, T.	IND ..	703
Govindaswamy, P.	IND ..	2,552
Deiveegan, M.	AIADMK ..	33,317

72. CHINNASALEM

Electorate ..	1,15,587
Votes polled ..	76,384
Valid votes ..	75,055
Invalid votes ..	1,329

Sivaraman S.	INC(I) ..	39,370
Ambayiram A.	AIADMK ..	34,123
Kuppan V.	IND ..	1,562

73. SANKARAPURAM

Electorate ..	1,13,528
Votes polled ..	74,274
Valid votes ..	72,831
Invalid votes ..	1,443

Kalithcerthan, S.	AIADMK ..	36,352
Abdul Wahab	IND ..	619
Dharmalingam, N.	IND ..	3,049
D. Muthuswamy	INC(I) ..	32,811

DHARMAPURI DISTRICT

74. HOSUR

Electorate ..	1,06,169
Votes polled ..	52,921
Valid votes ..	51,913
Invalid votes ..	1,008

Venkatareddi, T.	INC(I) ..	25,855
Krishnamurthy, K.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,446
Kullappa	IND ..	744
Kothandaramiah K.S.	IND ..	21,443
Seetharama Reddy, S.	INC(U) ..	1,889
Ramakrishna Reddy, R.	IND ..	536

75. THALLI

Electorate ..	1,12,047
Votes polled ..	62,815
Valid votes ..	61,542
Invalid votes ..	1,273

Rajarama Naidu, D.R.	INC(I) ..	25,558
Munireddy, N.	CPI ..	13,383
Vijendriah, D.C.	JANATA(JP) ..	22,601

76. KAVERIPATTINAM

Electorate ..	1,10,168
Votes polled ..	70,859
Valid votes ..	69,296
Invalid votes ..	1,563

Samarasam, Dr. K.
Perumal Gounder T.
Varadarasan, A.S.
Venkatesan, S.

AIADMK ..	35,434
IND ..	13,77
IND ..	574
DMK ..	31,911

77. KRISHNAGIRI

Electorate ..	1,06,266
Votes polled ..	57,662
Valid votes ..	56,327
Invalid votes ..	1,335

Chinnarasu, K.R.
Kamalanathan, M.
Krishnamurthy, S.
Fairoze Basha, P.M.

AIADMK ..	28,020
DMK ..	26,223
JANATA(JP) ..	1,901
IND ..	183

78. BARGUR

Electorate ..	1,12,369
Votes polled ..	70,730
Valid Votes ..	69,665
Invalid votes ..	1,065

Duraisamy, B.S.
Periasamy, V.
Murugesan, K.

AIADMK ..	39,893
IND ..	727
DMK ..	29,045

Rajaram, K.
Arumugam, R.
Ramalingam, K.
Santhnantham, P.M.

AIADMK ..	44,218
IND ..	747
IND ..	659
INC(I) ..	31,614

79. HARUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,24,169
Votes polled ..	70,223
Valid votes ..	69,383
Invalid votes ..	840

Sabapathy, C.
Annammalai, K.
Raman, Dr. K.S.
Natesan, T.V.

AIADMK ..	40,009
IND ..	258
IND ..	1,715
INC(I) ..	27,401

80. MORAPPUR

Electorate ..	1,06,081
Votes polled ..	76,413
Valid votes ..	75,370
Invalid votes ..	1,043





Nachimuthu, K.P.	AIADMK	48,845
Abdul Azeez, N.B.	IND	195
Kandappan, S.	DMK	29,977
Pachaiappan, M.C.	JANATA(JP)	4,560
Palanisami, T.K.	IND	233

85. TARAMANGALAM

Electorate	1,19,790
Votes polled	83,584
Valid Votes	82,203
Invalid votes	1,381

Semmalai, S.	IND	49,597
Asaithambi, K.	IND	290
Arumugam, K.S.	IND	1,193
Narayanan, R.	INC(I)	27,214
Perumal, S.R.	CPI	3,909

86. OMALUR

Electorate	1,15,489
Votes polled	742,50
Valid votes	72,846
Invalid votes	1,404

Sivaperuman, M.	AIADMK	42,399
Marimuthu, C.	DMK	30,447

87. YERCAUD (ST)

Electorate	99,409
Votes polled	57,141
Valid votes	56,218
Invalid votes	923

Thiruman	AIADMK	28,869
Kaliappan, R.	IND	185
Natesan, R.	DMK	27,020
Rajagopal, V.	IND	144

88. SALEM I

Electorate	1,38,312
Votes polled	97,777
Valid votes	97,010
Invalid votes	767



KUPPUSAMY, N.	AIADMK	43,096
Srinivasan, M.R.	IND	713
Sugadev, G.	JANATA(JP)	1,089
Theedhan, K.	IND	269
Balasubramanian, R.	INC(I)	29,967
Mariappan, T.M.A.	BJP	236

81. PALACODE

Electorate	1,13,628
Votes polled	75,709
Valid votes	74,487
Invalid votes	1,222

Munuswamy, M.B.	DMK	38,999
Balasubramaniam R.	AIADMK	34,864
Krishnan, P.	IND	624

82. DHARMAPURI

Electorate	1,14,697
Votes polled	74,964
Valid votes	73,671
Invalid votes	1,293

Aranganathan, S.	AIADMK	33,977
Ponnusamy	JANATA(JP)	7,222
Vadivelu, D.N.	INC(I)	32,472

83. PENNAGARAM

Electorate	1,12,908
Votes polled	66,802
Valid votes	65,591
Invalid votes	1,217

Theertharaman, P.	(IND)GKNC	34,590
Appunu Gounder, K.	JANATA(JP)	3,520
Marimuthu, K.	DMK	27,481

SALEM DISTRICT

84. METTUR

Electorate	1,26,625
Votes polled	84,911
Valid votes	83,810
Invalid votes	1,101

Krishnaraj, G.	AIADMK	..	50,975
Ammanullakhan	(IND)IUML	..	31,745
Ganesadasan, M.	IND	..	228
Soundappan	IND	..	467
Palanisamy, S.A.	B.JANATA	..	597
Palaniappan, A.K.	JANATA(JP)	..	12,391
Balu <i>alias</i>			
Balasubramaniam A.V.A.	IND	..	123
Ramakrishnan, O.R.A.	IND	..	145
Rajendran, S.R.V.	IND	..	286
Jaya Gopal, T.K.	IND	..	52

89. SALEM II

Electorate	..	1,23,202
Votes polled	..	80,162
Valid votes	..	79,450
Invalid votes	..	712

Arumugam, M.	AIADMK	..	40,975
Anbazhagan, K.	INC(I)	..	36,235
Seerangan, M.	IND	..	446
Solai Erusan	JANATA(JP)	..	1,594
Thana Mannar, M.	IND	..	200

90. VEERAPANDI

Electorate	..	1,25,708
Votes polled	..	89,186
Valid votes	..	88,061
Invalid votes	..	1,125

Vijayalakshmi Selvi, P.	AIADMK	..	51,034
Asokan, V. <i>alias</i>			
Asoka Kumar, G.V.	IND	..	127
Srinivasan, K.P.	DMK	..	35,061
Thangavel, T.K.	IND	..	508
Nallathambi, M.M.	JANATA(JP)	..	1,331

91. PANAMARATHUPATTY

Electorate	..	1,13,432
Votes polled	..	78,923
Valid votes	..	77,238
Invalid votes	..	1,685

Rajaram, K.	AIADMK	..	44,218
Arumugam, R.	IND	..	747
Ramalingam, K.	IND	..	659
Santhanathan, P.M.	INC(I)	..	31,614

92. ATTUR

Electorate	..	1,13,439
Votes polled	..	73,095
Valid votes	..	71,886
Invalid votes	..	1,209

Palanimuthu, C.	INC(I)	..	38,416
Kandasami	AIADMK	..	31,525
Kangani C.N.	IND	..	1,945

93. TALAVASAL (SC)

Electorate	..	1,31,995
Votes polled	..	74,433
Valid votes	..	72,935
Invalid votes	..	1,498



Rajambal, Tmt. T.	INC(I)	..	38,217
Devarajan, M.	AIADMK	..	34,718

94. RASIPURAM

Electorate	..	1,26,614
Votes polled	..	86,672
Valid votes	..	85,463
Invalid votes	..	1,229

Ramalingam, K.P.	AIADMK	..	49,779
Athiappan, M.	IND	..	127
Subramaniam, A.K.	IND	..	294
Perumal, K.	IND	..	246
Manickam, P.A.	IND	..	230
Manickam, T.S.	B.JANATA	..	380
Muthu, P.T.	DMK	..	34,175
Rangasamy, P.	IND	..	232

95. SENDAMANGALAM (ST)

Electorate	..	1,29,835
Votes polled	..	70,162
Valid votes	..	69,020
Invalid votes	..	1,142

Sivaprakasam, S.	AIADMK	..	37,577
Rajagopal, V.	IND	..	900
Vadama Gounder, S.	INC(I)	..	30,543

96. NAMAKKAL (SC)

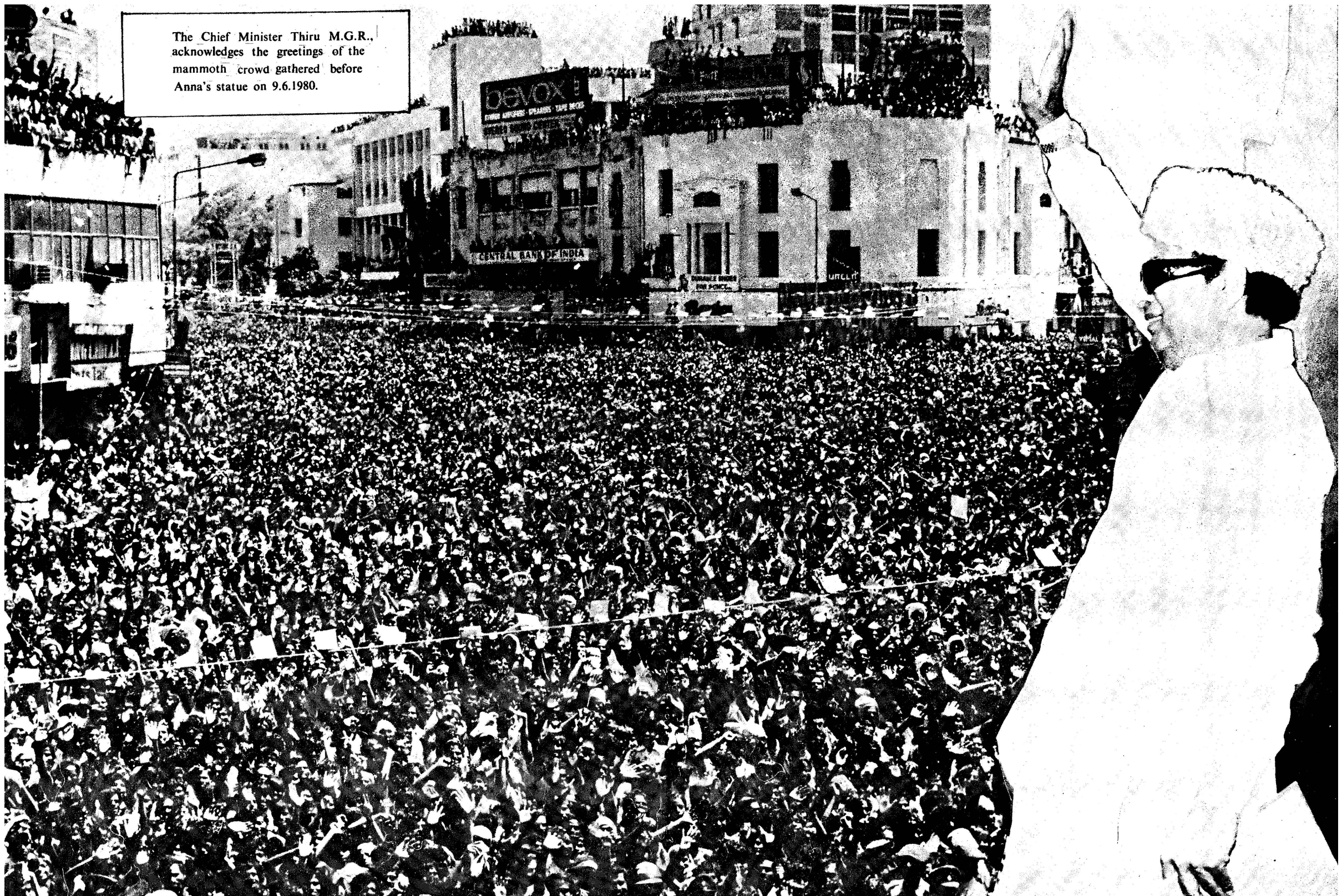
Electorate	..	1,34,869
Votes polled	..	83,743
Valid votes	..	82,757
Invalid votes	..	986

Arunahclam, R.	AIADMK	..	42,850
Arjunan,	IND	..	521
Kondan	IND	..	429
Veluswamy, K.	DMK	..	38,957



Thiru M.G.R., Chief Minister garlanding the statue of Arignar Anna at Anna Salai.

The Chief Minister Thiru M.G.R.,
acknowledges the greetings of the
mammoth crowd gathered before
Anna's statue on 9.6.1980.





Thiru M.G.R., Chief Minister

97. KABILAMALAI

Electorate ..	1,31,119
Votes polled ..	88,345
Valid votes ..	86,948
Invalid votes ..	1,397

Vellappan, C.V.
Chengottaiyan P.
Paramasivan V.S.
Mani A.

AIADMK ..	39,224
INC(I) ..	33,823
JANATA(JP) ..	13,032
IND ..	869

98. TIRUCHENGODE

Electorate ..	1,88,788
Votes polled ..	1,26,809
Valid votes ..	1,24,904
Invalid votes ..	1,905

Ponnaiyan, C.
Ganesan, D.K.
Kaliyannan, T.M.
Subramaniyan, A.
Subbramanian, N.
Palanivel, A.

AIADMK ..	69,122
IND ..	866
INC(I) ..	52,046
IND ..	709
IND ..	968
IND ..	1,193

99. SANKARI (SC)

Electorate ..	1,48,309
Votes polled ..	82,243
Valid votes ..	80,666
Invalid votes ..	1,577

Danapal, P.
Kandasamy, R.
Manickam, T.K.
Varadarajan, R.

AIADMK ..	45,664
JANATA(JP) ..	1,329
IND ..	564
DMK ..	33,109

100. EDAPADI

Electorate ..	1,43,256
Votes polled ..	98,875
Valid votes ..	97,554
Invalid votes ..	1,321

Ganesan, I.
Arthanari, R.
Subramaniya
Gounder, K.S.
Natarajan, T.
Periyathambi, C.
Ramasamy, P.
Logavasikaran, A.
Jayadevan, P.

AIADMK ..	37,978
IND ..	4,544
INC(I) ..	17,884
IND ..	32,159
IND ..	403
IND ..	317
IND ..	157
JANATA(JP) ..	4,112

COIMBATORE DISTRICT

101. METTUPALAYAM

Electorate ..	1,40,096
Votes Polled ..	83,099
Valid votes ..	81,860
Invalid votes ..	1,239

Palanisamy, S.
Arivudainambi, K.
Thaimalaisamy, O.
Ponnusamy, S.K.
Ramasamy, N.R.
Vijayan, K.

AIADMK ..	48,266
IND ..	233
IND ..	136
IND ..	593
IND ..	321
INC(I) ..	32,311

102. AVANASI (SC)

Electorate ..	1,30,646
Votes polled ..	62,625
Valid votes ..	61,409
Invalid Votes ..	1,216

ARUMUGAM, M.
Palaniswamy, K.P.
Palaniswamy, S.N.

CPI ..	33,294
JANATA(JP) ..	44,92
INC(I) ..	23,623

103. THONDAMUTHUR

Electorate ..	1,65,819
Votes polled ..	1,02,139
Valid votes ..	1,00,495
Invalid votes ..	1,644

Chinnarasu,
Manikkavachagam, R.

AIADMK ..	57,822
DMK ..	42,673

104. SINGANALLUR

Electorate ..	1,48,591
Votes polled ..	99,859
Valid votes ..	98,582
Invalid votes ..	1,277

DMK ..	44,523
JANATA(JP) ..	1,2032
IND ..	452
IND ..	273

CPM ..	41,302
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105. COIMBATORE (WEST)

Electorate ..	1,34,754
Votes polled ..	79,658
Valid votes ..	78,959
Invalid votes ..	699

Aranganayagam, C.
Ramanathan, M.
Rajendran, C.P.
Krishnan, S.
Syed Mohamed, M.K.

AIADMK ..	38,061
DMK ..	35,634
IND ..	143
JANATA(JP) ..	4909
IND ..	212

106. COIMBATORE (EAST)

Electorate ..	1,40,417
Votes polled ..	74,845
Valid votes ..	74,172
Invalid votes ..	673





Ramani, K.	CPM	..	33,666
Arunan, K.	IND	..	157
Kumari Ganga Nair	INC(I)	..	33,533
Nadaimannan			
Parthasarathy N.	IND	..	182
Ramani Kumar, G.	BJANATA	..	870
Venkatachalam, K.R.	JANATA(JP)	..	5,406
Maruachalam, V.	IND	..	358

107. PERUR

Electorate	..	1,49,766
Votes polled	..	99,725
Valid votes	..	98,486
Invalid votes	..	1,239

Kovai Thambi	AIADMK	..	47,308
Natarasan, A.	DMK	..	46,823
Palanisami, E.M.	JANATA(JP)	..	4,355

108. KINATHUKKADAVU

Electorate	..	1,18,093
Votes polled	..	81,786
Valid votes	..	79,915
Invalid votes	..	1,871

Kandasamy, K.V.	AIADMK	..	42,822
Doraiswamy, S.T.	INC(I)	..	37,093

109. POLLACHI

Electorate	..	1,34,946
Votes polled	..	94,943
Valid votes	..	93,334
Invalid votes	..	1,609

Rathinam, M.V.	AIADMK	..	52,833
Kannappan, M.	DMK	..	39,797
Kannaiyan, P.	IND	..	704

110. VALPARAI (SC)

Electorate	..	1,16,974
Votes polled	..	83,022
Valid votes	..	81,658
Invalid votes	..	1,364

Karuppaiah, A.T.	CPI	..	46,406
Kuppusami, M.	IND	..	1,670
Kovai Thangam	INC(I)	..	33,354
Detchanamoorthy, V.	IND	..	228

111. UDUMALPET

Electorate	..	1,34,138
Votes polled	..	98,140
Valid votes	..	96,619
Invalid votes	..	1,791

Kulandaivelu, P.	AIADMK	..	50,570
Mariappan, R.T.	DMK	..	46,049

112. DHARAPURAM (SC)

Electorate	..	1,22,883
Votes polled	..	78,720
Valid votes	..	77,285
Invalid votes	..	1,435

Periasamy, A.	AIADMK	..	43,319
Krishnan, K.	IND	..	205
Nagarajan, K.	IND	..	542
Palaniammal (Tmt.) V.P.	DMK	..	32,887
Balakrishnan, A.K.	IND	..	332

113. VELLAKOIL

Electorate	..	1,26,161
Votes polled	..	92,510
Valid votes	..	90,972
Invalid votes	..	1,538

Ramasamy, D.	AIADMK	..	56,975
Nallasenapathy Sakkarai			
Manradiar, N.	INC(I)	..	32,024
Nallamuthu, K.	IND	..	1,233
Lingasamy			
Gounder, K.N.	IND	..	740

114. PONGALUR

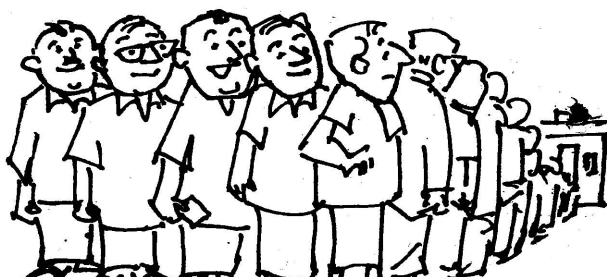
Electorate	..	1,09,334
Votes polled	..	69,918
Valid votes	..	68,370
Invalid votes	..	1,548

Kandaswamy, P.	AIADMK	..	40,116
Chinthanai Thandral, S.	IND	..	1,834
Balasubramaniam, S.R.	INC(I)	..	26,420

115. PALLADAM

Electorate	..	1,28,604
Votes polled	..	84,714
Valid votes	..	83,337
Invalid votes	..	1,377

Paramasiva Gounder	AIADMK	..	40,305
Kumarasamy, K.N.	INC(I)	..	32,345
Muthuswamy, A.P.	IND	..	2,826
Ramaswamy, S.	JANATA(JP)	..	7,861





116. TIRUPPUR

Electorate ..	1,59,871
Votes polled ..	1,12,580
Valid votes ..	1,11,215
Invalid votes ..	1,365

Manimaran, R.	AIADMK ..	63,371
Palanisamy, M.	IND ..	549
Mohan Kandaswamy <i>alias</i>		
Kandaswamy Gounder, P.	INC(I) ..	39,276
Venkat Raj, S.	JANATA(JP)	7,760
Vaiyapuri Mudaliar, P.	IND ..	259

117. KANGAYAM

Electorate ..	1,26,155
Votes polled ..	83,177
Valid votes ..	81,914
Invalid votes ..	1,263

Krishnaswamy, K.G.	AIADMK ..	45,950
Sivasabapathi, M.	DMK ..	343,41
Subbramaniam, K.J.	IND ..	826
Chenniappan, C.	IND ..	471
Murugesan, P.	IND ..	326

118. MODAKURICHI

Electorate ..	1,45,802
Votes polled ..	97,347
Valid votes ..	95,526
Invalid votes ..	1,821

Balakrishnan, S.	AIADMK ..	56,049
Elachiappan, K.	IND ..	162
Ganesamoorthy, A.	DMK ..	38,402
Rangasamy, K.C.	IND ..	335
Bharathi, M.S.	IND ..	578

119. PERUNDURAI

Electorate ..	1,29,785
Votes polled ..	82,006
Valid votes ..	80,837
Invalid votes ..	1,169

Nallappan, T.K.	CPI ..	44,210
Arumugam, S.S.	IND ..	264
Kumaraswamy		
Gounder, T.N.	IND ..	742
Gopalan, T.C.	JANATA(JP) ..	2,183
Palan iappan,	IND ..	895
Jeganathan, N.K.P.	INC(I) ..	32,543

120. ERODE

Electorate ..	1,75,563
Votes polled ..	1,11,480
Valid votes ..	1,10,104
Invalid votes ..	1,376

Muthusamy, S.	AIADMK ..	62,342
Ayavoo, K.	IND ..	179
Karunakaran, C.	IND ..	257
Karuppannan, M.S.	IND ..	451
Chakkrapani, R.	IND ..	113
Shanmugasundaram, A.	IND ..	73
Sainathan, R.	INC(I) ..	43,839
Subramaniam, G.S.	IND ..	159
Balakrishnan, N.	IND ..	268
Varadharasan, K.V.V.	JANATA(JP) ..	2,423

121. BHAVANI

Electorate ..	1,19,674
Votes polled ..	73,679
Valid votes ..	72,517
Invalid votes ..	1,162

Narayanan, P.G.	AIADMK ..	44,152
ChithaGounder, E.	IND ..	720
Manickam, N.	JANATA(JP) ..	4,719
Madheswaran, M.B.V.	INC(I) ..	22,926

122. ANDHIYUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,08,662
Votes polled ..	61,565
Valid votes ..	60,462
Invalid votes ..	1,103

Guruswamy, P.	AIADMK ..	34,498
Karuppan, M.	JANATA(JP) ..	4,588
Muthuswamy, T.P.	IND ..	714
Vadivel, T.G.	DMK ..	20,662

123. GOBICHETTIPALAYAM

Electorate ..	1,14,861
Votes polled ..	76,368
Valid votes ..	75,278
Invalid votes ..	1,090

Sengottaiyan, K.A.	AIADMK ..	44,703
Ramaswamy, K.N.K.	IND ..	622
Subramaniam, K.M.	INC(I) ..	29,690
Nachimuthu, B.C.	IND ..	263

124. BHAVANISAGAR

Electorate ..	1,21,236
Votes polled ..	81,368
Valid votes ..	79,858
Invalid votes ..	1,500

Subramaniam, G.K.	AIADMK ..	38,557
Sekar, P.S.	IND ..	162
Nanjan, P.	IND ..	197
Karuppusamy, N.K.	JANATA(JP) ..	12,778
Kolandaivel, K.N.	IND ..	312
Sampuranam Swaminathan, Tmt.	DMK ..	27,852

125. SATHYAMANGALAM

Electorate ..	1,13,957
Votes polled ..	72,021
Valid votes ..	70,132
Invalid votes ..	1,889

Rangasamy, R.	AIADMK ..	35,096
Rasappa, C.R.	INC(I) ..	35,036

NILGIRIS DISTRICT

126. COONOR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,12,613
Votes polled ..	61,386
Valid votes ..	60,555
Invalid votes ..	831

Ranganathan, M.	DMK ..	34,424
Balasubramaniam, A.	IND ..	158
Periasamy, C.	AIADMK ..	22,756
Makaliappan, E.M.	JANATA(JP) ..	3,217

127. UDHAGAMANDALAM

Electorate ..	1,11,534
Votes polled ..	69,347
Valid votes ..	68,560
Invalid votes ..	787

Kallan, K.	INC(I) ..	35,528
Adolphus Mayson	IND ..	220
Gopalan, B.	AIADMK ..	25,628
Chikkaiah, N.	JANATA(JP) ..	7,184

128. GUDALUR

Electorate ..	1,14,612
Votes polled ..	64,054
Valid votes ..	62,990
Invalid votes ..	1,064

Hutchi, K.	DMK ..	36,780
Subramaniam, R.	IND ..	2,362
Narayana Nair, M.S.	CPI ..	23,636
Velli A.	IND ..	212

MADURAI DISTRICT

129. PALANI (SC)

Electorate ..	1,29,839
Votes polled ..	79,942
Valid votes ..	78,830
Invalid votes ..	1,112

Palanivel, N.
Chandran, R.
Mani, S.R.P.

CP (M) ..	41,874
JANATA(JP) ..	1,310
INC(I) ..	35,646

130. ODDANCHATHRAM

Electorate ..	1,31,378
Votes polled ..	79,193
Valid votes ..	77,922
Invalid votes ..	1,271

Kuppuswamy, K.	AIADMK ..	35,269
Palanichamy, S.K.	INC(I) ..	23,882
Palaniappan, A.P.	IND ..	18,480
Mariappa Gounder, V.S.	IND ..	291

131. PERIAKULAM

Electorate ..	1,26,755
Votes polled ..	82,116
Valid votes ..	81,051
Invalid votes ..	1,065

Gopalakrishnan, K.	AIADMK ..	43,774
Kamatchi, R.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,149
Subaiah, M.	IND ..	330
Sheik Abdul Khadhar, K.	INC(I) ..	34,938
Palanisamy, K.	IND ..	640
Ramu, S.	IND ..	220

132. THENI

Electorate ..	1,32,271
Votes polled ..	94,327
Valid votes ..	92,949
Invalid votes ..	1,378

Jeyaraman, V.R.	AIADMK ..	51,534
Alagarraja, N.R.	INC(I) ..	41,415

133. BODINAYAKANOR

Electorate ..	1,31,024
Votes polled ..	86,259
Valid votes ..	85,275
Invalid votes ..	984

Subramaniam, K.M.B.	AIADMK ..	50,972
Ramachandran, K.S.M.	INC(I) ..	34,013
Muthaiah Pillai, M.R.	IND ..	290

134. CUMBUM

Electorate ..	1,31,390
Votes polled ..	97,743
Valid votes ..	96,696
Invalid votes ..	1,047

Gopalan, R.T.	AIADMK ..	47,577
Kambam Mahendran, A.K.	DMK ..	35,395
Kanudurai, S.	IND ..	365
Gudalore Chandrasekaran	IND ..	12,800
Kokilapuram Ponnu Chettiar	IND ..	386
Surilivelu, A.	IND ..	173
Kamuthurai, S.	IND ..	365



Ponnammal, Tmt. A.S.	KC	..	48,892
Manivasagam, A.	DMK	..	30,480

140. SOLAVANDAN

Electorate	..	1,15,880
Votes polled	..	84,264
Valid votes	..	82,975
Invalid votes	..	12,89

Chandrasekaran, A.	INC(I)	..	41,720
Manian, P.S.	AIADMK	..	41,255

141. TIRUPARANKUNDRAM

Electorate	..	1,61,546
Votes polled	..	1,02,199
Valid votes	..	1,01,180
Invalid votes	..	1,019

Kalimuthu, K.	AIADMK	..	61,247
Krishnan, J.S. (Janaki)	IND	..	658
Sambasivam, U.	IND	..	176
Seeni Thevar, P.	DMK	..	38,740
Seenivasa Naidu, A.	IND	..	99
Sunda Thevar, P.	IND	..	260

142. MADURAI (WEST)

Electorate	..	1,52,756
Votes polled	..	96,495
Valid votes	..	95,646
Invalid votes	..	849

Ramachandran, M.G.	AIADMK	..	57,019
Kamaraj, A.C.	JANATA(JP)	..	2,178
Krishnan, J.S. (Janaki)	IND	..	119
Subburasu, K.	IND	..	124
Mayandi, S.	AIFB	..	130
Muthuramalingam, Pon.	DMK	..	35,953
Velusamy Nadar, V.M.S.	IND	..	123

143. MADURAI (CENTRAL)

Electorate	..	1,33,812
Votes polled	..	79,199
Valid votes	..	78,617
Invalid votes	..	582

Nedumaran, P.	IND(GNKC)	..	45,700
Karuthapandian, T.K.	IND	..	78
Krishnan, K.S.	IND	..	121
Seshachari, R.V.	BJP	..	1,077
Narayanasamy, S.	IND	..	75
Palanivel Rajan, T.T.R.	DMK	..	31,566

144. MADURAI (EAST)

Electorate	..	1,32,153
Votes polled	..	75,348
Valid votes	..	74,701
Invalid votes	..	647

Sankaraiah, N.	CPM	..	36,862
Abdullah, M.	IND	..	57
Krishnan J.S. (Janaki)	IND	..	343
Muthuram,	IND	..	153
Rajaram, S.N.	IND	..	238
Ramamoorthy, M.K.	INC(I)	..	30,923
Ramamoorthy, N.S.	JANATA(JP)	..	5,647
Lakshmanan, O.K.	IND	..	382
Sreedharan, V.	INFB	..	96

135. ANDIPATTI

Electorate	..	1,26,984
Votes polled	..	75,545
Valid votes	..	74,415
Invalid votes	..	1,130

Rajendran, S.S.	AIADMK	..	44,490
Kandasamy, K.	INC(I)	..	16,508
Gurusamy, N.V.	JANATA(JP)	..	9,889
Muthusamy, S.	IND	..	455
Vetrivendan, A.	IND	..	3,073

136. SEDAPATTI

Electorate	..	1,18,078
Votes polled	..	71,286
Valid votes	..	70,169
Invalid votes	..	1,117

Muthaiah, R.	AIADMK	..	42,012
Thangarajan, R.S.	DMK	..	28,157

137. TIRUMANGALAM

Electorate	..	1,17,383
Votes polled	..	76,864
Valid votes	..	75,766
Invalid votes	..	10,98

Chinthan, N.S.V.	INC(I)	..	35,181
Ingarsal, K.A.	JANATA(JP)	..	1,833
Krishnan, S.	IND	..	873
Perumal, A.R.	AIFB	..	31,679

138. USILAMPATTI

Electorate	..	1,22,773
Votes polled	..	72,102
Valid votes	..	71,029
Invalid votes	..	1,073

Andithevar, S.	AIFB	..	33,857
Karuthapandian, P.K.	IND	..	605
Santhana Thevar, L.	DMK	..	15,033
Muthuramalingam, P.K.M.	IND	..	21,534

139. NILAKOTTAI (SC)

Electorate	..	1,23,442
Votes polled	..	80,581
Valid votes	..	79,372
Invalid votes	..	1,209

145. SAMAYANALLUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,51,996
Votes polled ..	95,389
Valid votes ..	94,410
Invalid votes ..	979

Baluswamy, A.	AIADMK ..	50,612
Chinnappan, M.	IND ..	303
Subash Chandra Bose, P.	DMK ..	42,958
Muniyandi, K.	IND ..	253
Rakkan, M.	IND ..	284

146. MELUR

Electorate ..	1,37,381
Votes polled ..	1,00,156
Valid votes ..	98,912
Invalid votes ..	1,244

Veeranan Ambalam, K.V.	INC(I) ..	54,003
Ayyavoo, A.	IND ..	516
Ramamoorthy, V.	IND ..	502
Krishnan, J.	IND ..	1,356
Paramasivam, A.M.	AIADMK ..	41,849
Ramu, N.	IND ..	686

147. NATHAM

Electorate ..	1,17,138
Votes polled ..	71,405
Valid votes ..	70,261
Invalid votes ..	1,144

Andi Ambalam	INC(I) ..	36,859
Alagarsamy, T.	IND ..	32,471
Somasundaram, A.	IND ..	509
Manickam, C.	IND ..	422

148. DINDIGUL

Electorate ..	1,58,089
Votes polled ..	1,01,523
Valid votes ..	1,00,547
Invalid votes ..	976

Varadharajan, N.	CPM ..	55,195
Abdul Kadhar, N.	INC(I) ..	43,676
Pitchaimuthu, V.	IND ..	674
Muthukrishnan, S.	IND ..	413
Mustafa, P.M.	IND ..	589

149. ATHOOR

Electorate ..	1,53,445
Votes polled ..	96,498
Valid votes ..	95,171
Invalid votes ..	1,327

Vellachamy, A.	AIADMK ..	55,359
Rajambal, Dr.	DMK ..	38,990
Panneerselvam Udayar, P.	IND ..	5,07
Palanichamy, R.	IND ..	315

150. VEDASANDUR

Electorate ..	1,56,681
Votes polled ..	92,832
Valid votes ..	90,985
Invalid votes ..	1,847



Balasubramanian, V.P.	AIADMK ..	58,128
Raju, G.P.V.	INC(I) ..	32,857

TIRUCHIRAPPALLI DISTRICT

151. ARAVAKURICHI

Electorate ..	1,35,527
Votes polled ..	88,464
Valid votes ..	87,482
Invalid votes ..	982

Chennimalai alias Kandasamy P.S.	AIADMK ..	45,145
Shanmugam, K.	IND ..	1,125
Sadhasivam, S. Dr.	INC(I) ..	40,233
Raman S.	IND ..	979

152. KARUR

Electorate ..	1,51,461
Votes polled ..	1,07,841
Valid votes ..	1,06,981
Invalid votes ..	860

M. Chinnasamy	AIADMK ..	54,331
M. Appavoo	IND ..	332
Sivasamy	JANATA(JP) ..	5,465
Natesan	IND ..	828
S. Nallusamy	DMK ..	46,025

153. KRISHNARAYAPURAM (SC)

Electorate ..	1,25,588
Votes polled ..	79,827
Valid votes ..	78,847
Invalid votes ..	980

Thangavel Raj	INC(I) ..	43,623
Sannasi, M.	IND ..	640
Rangaraj, O.	AIADMK ..	34,584

154. MARUNGAPURI

Electorate ..	1,16,714
Votes polled ..	77,143



	Valid votes ..	76,282
	Invalid votes ..	861
Rajakumar,	AIADMK ..	32,021
Abdul Hasan, V.K.M.	IND ..	533
Andi, K.	RPI ..	1,271
Ramanathan	INC(I) ..	28,444
Vairamani Gounder, N.	IND ..	14,013

155. KULITHALAI

	Electorate ..	1,20,320
	Votes polled ..	85,017
	Valid votes ..	84,072
	Invalid votes ..	945
Karuppaiah, R.	CPI ..	44,525
Periasamy, C.	IND ..	2,737
Muthusamy Poosari, C.	IND ..	474
Srinivasa Reddiar, P.E.	INC(I) ..	36,336

156. THOTTIAM

	Electorate ..	1,21,278
	Votes polled ..	88,181
	Valid votes ..	87,268
	Invalid votes ..	913
Periasamy, R.	INC(I) ..	37,426
Onthachi Pillai, P.	IND ..	427
Kannaiyan, V.K.	IND ..	275
Muriri Masilamani	IND ..	524
Jeyaraj, T.P.M.	IND ..	37,119
Shanmuga		
sundaram, K.M.	IND ..	11,497

157. UPPILIAPURAM (ST)

	Electorate ..	1,28,076
	Votes polled ..	88,643
	Valid votes ..	87,465
	Invalid votes ..	1,178
Arangarajan, V.	AIADMK ..	43,263
Palanimuthu, R.	INC(I) ..	40,997
Perumal O.K.	IND ..	1,121
Perumal, K.	JANATA(JP) ..	1,751
Ramaraj	IND ..	333

158. MUSIRI

Electorate ..	1,35,272
Votes polled ..	1,04,678
Valid votes ..	1,02,868
Invalid votes ..	1,810

Rajamanickam, M.K.	AIADMK ..	53,697
Natarajan, R.	DMK ..	49,171

159. LALGUDI

Electorate ..	1,30,260
Votes polled ..	1,00,892
Valid votes ..	99,995
Invalid votes ..	897

Anbil Dharmalingam	DMK ..	40,899
Gangadharan, R.	IND ..	16,016
A. Swamikannu	IND ..	38,099
Perumal, A.K.	IND ..	4,981

160. PERAMBALUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,21,376
Votes polled ..	70,968
Valid votes ..	69,977
Invalid votes ..	991

Raju, J.S.	DMK ..	28,680
Angamuthu, M.	AIADMK ..	24,224
Natesan Veepanthattai	IND ..	389
Palanimuthu	JANATA(S) ..	529
Vadivelu, K.	IND ..	16,155

161. VARAGUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,17,112
Votes polled ..	75,094
Valid votes ..	74,110
Invalid votes ..	984

Perumal, N.	AIADMK ..	39,476
Ganapathy, M.	IND ..	436
Gathamuthu, P.	JANATA(JP) ..	921
Chinnaian, P.	INC(I) ..	33,277

162. ARIYALUR

Electorate ..	1,16,592
Votes polled ..	88,716
Valid votes ..	87,531
Invalid votes ..	1,185

Arumugam, P.	DMK ..	45,980
Ashokan, S.	AIADMK ..	36,776
Aramirdhan, A.S.	IND ..	3,695
Ganesan, A.	RPI ..	738
Murugesan, K.	IND ..	342

163. ANDIMADAM

Electorate ..	1,01,568
Votes polled ..	72,601
Valid votes ..	71,532
Invalid votes ..	1,069

Krishnamurthy, S.	AIADMK ..	36,120
Sivasubramanian, S.	DMK ..	35,412

164. JAYANKONDAM

Electorate ..	1,18,164
Votes polled ..	88,026
Valid votes ..	87,102
Invalid votes ..	924

Thangavelu, P.	INC(I) ..	39,862
Tmt. Rajalakshmi ,ERA	IND ..	773
Karunamoorthy	IND ..	11,512
Selvarajan, D.	AIADMK ..	34,955

165. SRIRANGAM

Electorate ..	1,29,664
Votes polled ..	93,051
Valid votes ..	91,921
Invalid votes ..	1,130

Soundrarajan, R.	AIADMK ..	49,160
Swaminathan, V.	INC(I) ..	42,761

166. TIRUCHIRAPALLI

Electorate ..	1,05,277
Votes polled ..	71,693
Valid Votes ..	71,182
Invalid votes ..	511

P. Musiriputhan	AIADMK ..	35,361
P. Kathaperumal	IND ..	565
A. V. Krishnamoorthy	DMK ..	33,183
N. Subramaniam	JANATA(JP) ..	1,878
M.J. Selvanathan	IND ..	195

167. TIRUCHIRAPPALLI II

Electorate ..	1,25,957
Votes polled ..	78,400
Valid votes ..	77,496
Invalid votes ..	904

Soundrarajan, K.	AIADMK ..	43,029
Kadhar Mohideen, K.M.	IND ..	34,467





168. TIRUVERAMBUR

Electorate ..	1,33,342
Votes polled ..	91,442
Valid votes ..	90,703
Invalid votes ..	739

Gurusamy alias

Annadhasan	AIADMK ..	51,012
Thinakaran, K.	IND ..	644
Murugesan, K.S.	DMK ..	39,047

169. SIRKALI (SC)

Electorate ..	1,16,654
Votes polled ..	86,875
Valid votes ..	85,388
Invalid votes ..	1,487

K. Balasubramaniam	AIADMK ..	49,334
K. Subbaravelu	DMK ..	36,054

170. POOMPUHAR

Electorate ..	1,09,786
Votes polled ..	86,389
Valid votes ..	84,879
Invalid votes ..	1,510

N. Vijayabalan	AIADMK ..	45,292
S. Ganesan	DMK ..	39,587

171. MAYURAM

Electorate ..	1,09,869
Votes polled ..	78,001
Valid votes ..	77,045
Invalid votes ..	956

Kittappa, N.	DMK ..	37,671
K.P. Anbalagan	IND ..	1,724
S. Santhanam	IND ..	649
B. Balavelayutham	AIADMK ..	37,001

172. KUTTALAM

Electorate ..	1,12,552
Votes polled ..	83,980
Valid votes ..	82,892
Invalid votes ..	1,088

Rajamanickam, R.	DMK ..	44,254
Idumbayan, R.	IND ..	5,274
Veeraiyan, G.	CPM ..	33,364

173. NANNILAM (SC)

Electorate ..	1,15,349
Votes polled ..	85,897
Valid votes ..	85,013
Invalid votes ..	884

A. Kalairasan	AIADMK ..	44,829
K. Balasundaram	IND ..	495
M. Manimaran	DMK ..	39,689

174. TIRUVARUR (SC)

Electorate ..	1,21,907
Votes polled ..	91,547
Valid votes ..	90,786
Invalid votes ..	761

M. Chellamuthu	CPM ..	45,557
Kuppusamy (Kovi)	DMK ..	43,959
Manali Nethaji alias		
Panneerselvam	JANATA(JP) ..	1,270

175. NAGAPATTINAM

Electorate ..	1,12,499
Votes polled ..	86,729
Valid votes ..	85,843
Invalid votes ..	886

R. Umanath	CPM ..	44,105
S.S.R. Ramanatha Thevar	INC(I) ..	41,738

176. VEDARANYAM

Electorate ..	1,07,177
Votes polled ..	86,593
Valid votes ..	85,955
Invalid votes ..	638

M.S. Manickam	AIADMK ..	52,311
K.V.M. Subramanya	JANATA(JP) ..	988
Gounder		
N. Meenaskhisundaram	DMK ..	32,656



177. TIRUTHURAIPUNDHI (SC)

Electorate ..	1,27,669
Votes polled ..	1,02,254
Valid votes ..	1,01,396
Invalid votes ..	858

P. Uthirapathy	CPI ..	62,051
V. Vedhayan	INC(I) ..	39,345

178. MANNARGUDI

Electorate ..	1,21,083
Votes polled ..	92,778
Valid votes ..	91,996
Invalid votes ..	782

M. Ambigapathy	CPI ..	51,818
K. Kunjithapatham	IND ..	5,895
M. Gopalsamy	INC(I) ..	33,496
Thenkondar	JANATA(JP) ..	787
P. Veeraiah Thevar		

179. PATTUKOTTAI

Electorate ..	1,19,533
Votes polled ..	97,072
Valid votes ..	96,249
Invalid votes ..	823

S.D. Somasundaram	AIADMK ..	52,900
N. Mathivanan	JANATA(JP) ..	1,047
A.R. Marimuthu,	INC(I) ..	42,302

180. PERAVURANI

Electorate ..	1,15,008
Votes polled ..	96,904
Valid votes ..	95,643
Invalid votes ..	1,261

M.R. Kovendan	AIADMK ..	56,010
A. Palanivelu	INC(I) ..	39,633

181. ORATHANAD

Electorate ..	1,21,363
Votes polled ..	93,769
Valid votes ..	93,047
Invalid votes ..	722

T. Veerasamy	AIADMK ..	47,021
Thailappan, T.M.	D.M.K. ..	45,402
Kuppusamy, T.	IND ..	624

182. THIRUVONAM

Electorate ..	1,18,707
Votes polled ..	91,518
Valid votes ..	90,663
Invalid votes ..	855

N. Sivaganam	INC (I) ..	44,748
Durai Govindrajan	AIADMK ..	44,686
D. Sambandam	IND ..	1,229

183. THANJAVUR

Electorate ..	1,28,484
Votes polled ..	81,691
Valid votes ..	80,781
Invalid votes ..	910

S. Natarajan	DMK ..	40,880
A. Ramamoorthy	IND ..	39,901

184. TIRUVAIYARU

Electorate ..	1,10,334
Votes polled ..	78,164
Valid votes ..	77,322
Invalid votes ..	842

Subramanian, M.	AIADMK ..	42,636
G. Elangovan	DMK ..	32,967
Saliangalam Kavignar		
V. Kulumian	IND ..	810
V. Sundararajan	IND ..	208
S. Swayamprakasam	IND ..	701

185. PAPANASAM

Electorate ..	1,06,374
Votes polled ..	72,529
Valid votes ..	71,766
Invalid votes ..	763

Rajaraman, S.	INC(I) ..	36,101
Sakkarai alias		
Gnanaprakasam	JANATA(JP) ..	560
Selvaraju, U.	IND ..	260
Soundararajan, R.V.	IND ..	831
Nagaraja Moopnar, D.	IND ..	698
Narayanasamy Govi	AIADMK ..	33,152
P. K. Raja Mohamed	IND ..	164



186. VALANGIMAN (SC)

	Electorate ..	1,00,415
	Votes polled ..	73,087
	Valid votes ..	72,479
	Invalid votes ..	608
Tmt. Gomati	AIADMK ..	40,667
Kannusamy, S.K.	JANATA(JP) ..	343
Chellappa, A.	DMK ..	29,502
Sreenivasan, A.	IND ..	1,967

187. KUMBAKONAM

	Electorate ..	1,18,130
	Votes polled ..	81,577
	Valid votes ..	80,453
	Invalid votes ..	1,124
Pakeer Mohamed, E.S.M INC(I)	..	45,038
Radha, S.	AIADMK ..	35,415

188. THIRUVIDAIMARUDHUR

	Electorate ..	1,18,003
	Votes polled ..	89,468
	Valid votes ..	88,054
	Invalid votes ..	1,414
S. Ramalingam	DMK ..	46,943
K. Rajamanickam	AIADMK ..	41,111

189. THIRUMAYAM

	Electorate ..	1,23,324
	Votes polled ..	87,342
	Valid votes ..	86,344
	Invalid votes ..	998
Sundararaj, N.	INC(I) ..	39,479
Pulavar Ponnambalam	AIADMK ..	39,256
Seenivasan, S.	IND ..	7,609

190. KOLATHUR (SC)

	Electorate ..	1,27,362
	Votes polled ..	89,868
	Valid votes ..	88,754
	Invalid votes ..	1,114
Marimuthu, T.	AIADMK ..	50,810
Keerai A. Tamilchelvan	DMK ..	37,200
Rasu, G.	IND ..	327
Ramasamy, A.E.	IND ..	417

191. PUDUKOTTAI

	Electorate ..	1,30,812
	Votes polled ..	96,889
	Valid votes ..	95,877
	Invalid votes ..	1,012
Sri Rajkumar Vijayaragunatha	..	..
Thondaiman	INC(I) ..	47,660
Shakul Hameed, S.	IND ..	422
Kuttayan, V.	IND ..	700
Subbiah, K.R.	CPI ..	46,387
Chidambaram, R.	IND ..	708

192. ALANGUDI

	Electorate ..	1,32,592
	Votes polled ..	1,08,046
	Valid votes ..	1,070,11
	Invalid votes ..	1,035
Thirumaran, P.	AIADMK ..	59,206
Kulanthaisamy, M.	IND ..	530
Balakrishnan, A.	IND ..	2,296
Pusparaju, T.	INC(I) ..	44,605
Mathinirairchelvam, M.	IND ..	374

193. ARANTANGI

	Electorate ..	1,36,966
	Votes polled ..	1,03,790
	Valid votes ..	1,02,604
	Invalid votes ..	1,186



Thirumavukkarasu, S.	AIADMK ..	50,792
Karuppiiah Muthaiyar	..	..
Mandangudi, M.	IND ..	1,477
Vysar, R.	IND ..	174
Muthiah alias Papa N.	JANATA(JP) ..	4,388
Ramanathan, C.	IND ..	8,769
Mohamed Mashood, M.	IND ..	36,519
Mani, K.M.P.	IND ..	485

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194. TIRUPPATTUR

	Electorate ..	1,16,068
	Votes polled ..	82,778
	Valid votes ..	81,776
	Invalid votes ..	1,002

Valmiki, V.	INC(I) ..	34,342
S. Madhavan	IND ..	20,116
Shanmugam	..	..
Koothaguidi, S.	CPI ..	18,141
Veerapathiran	IND ..	282
Samiappan alias	..	..
Andiappan	IND ..	8,199
Vallnattan, A.	IND ..	696



Paramalaim, K.	IND	..	38,435
Krishnan, U.	INC(I)	..	36,824
Ramasamy, R.P.	IND	..	507
Ukkra Pandian, K.	IND	..	311

200. PARAMAKUDI (SC)

Electorate	..	1,23,848
Votes polled	..	81,515
Valid votes	..	80,616
Invalid votes	..	899

195. KARAUKUDI

Electorate	..	1,33,753
Votes polled	..	90,895
Valid Votes	..	89,886
Invalid votes	..	1,009

C.T. Chidambaram	DMK	..	46,541
R.M. Alagappan	IND	..	697
P. Kaliappan	AIADMK	..	42,648

Thavasi, R.	AIADMK	..	43,710
V. Govindan	IND	..	383
A. Ilamaran	DMK	..	34,876
V. Kairasi Pandian	IND	..	1,298
K.M.A.S. Selvaraj	IND	..	349

201. RAMANATHAPURAM

Electorate	..	1,27,008
Votes polled	..	82,423
Valid votes	..	81,527
Invalid votes	..	896

196. TIRUVADANAI

Electorate	..	1,36,737
Votes polled	..	91,454
Valid votes	..	90,601
Invalid Votes	..	853

S. Anguchamy	AIADMK	..	34,392
N. Arumugam	IND	..	16,578
A.P.M. Ramanatha Thevar	INC(I)	..	32,406
S.M. Savari Muthu, Udaiyair	JANATA(JP)	..	7,225

T. Ramasamy	AIADMK	..	46,987
Yedavalli Balasubramania Sastry	IND	..	160
Panai Mani, A.	IND	..	292
Tmt. Jeenath Sherfuddin	INC(I)	..	32,755
S. Kaliappan	IND	..	343
Shahul Hameed, Y.	JANATA(JP)	..	990

202. KADALADI

Electorate	..	1,38,693
Votes polled	..	79,329
Valid votes	..	78,284
Invalid votes	..	1,045

S. Sivasamy	CPI	..	34,437
N.M.K. Seenii Pulavar	IND	..	545
M.P. Kalimuthan	IND	..	3,343
V. Malaikannan	DMK	..	34,381
R. Subbramanyam	IND	..	1,342
Raman, E.	IND	..	1,790
Madann Meera, T.K.S.	IND	..	1,117
VeeraVaidyanathan, M.S.	IND	..	250

V. Sathiyamoorthy	AIADMK	..	40,246
T.S.O. Abdul Khader	IND	..	37,010
V. Durairaj	IND	..	250
K. Marudasamy	IND	..	175
R.C. Subramaniyam	IND	..	603

203. MUDUKULATHUR

Electorate	..	1,34,626
Votes polled	..	84,084
Valid votes	..	83,043
Invalid votes	..	1,041

198. SIVAGANGA

Electorate	..	1,16,688
Votes polled	..	73,360
Valid votes	..	72,579
Invalid votes	..	781

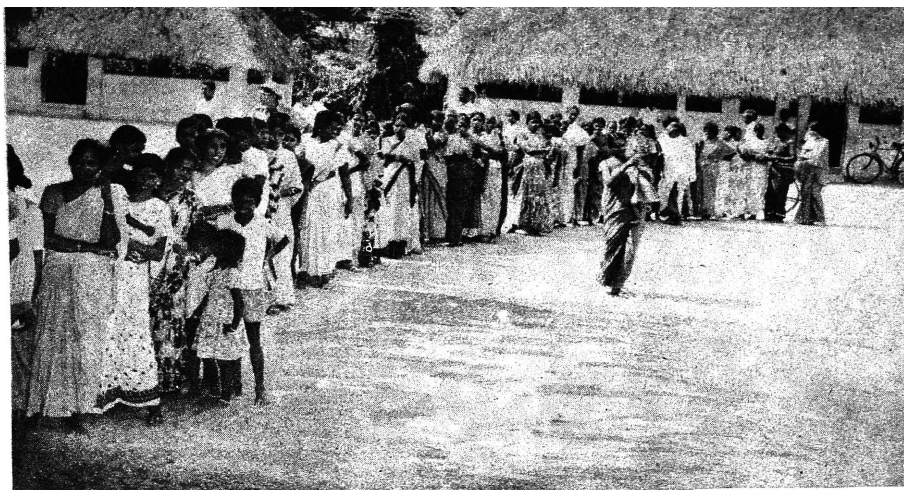
O. Subramaniyan	INC(I)	..	41,327
Kallakondan, V.	IND	..	530
N. Muthusamy	IND	..	847
Bharathi	IND	..	29,875
N. Natarajasamy	IND	..	29,875

Dhanakodi Thevar, K.	IND	..	42,711
Salakrishnan, S.	INC(I)	..	37,175
Raman, E.	IND	..	1,790
Madann Meera, T.K.S.	IND	..	1,117
VeeraVaidyanathan, M.S.	IND	..	250

199. MANAMADURAI

Electorate	..	1,18,672
Votes polled	..	76,938
Valid votes	..	76,077
Invalid votes	..	861





204. ARUPPUKKOTTAI

Electorate ..	1,16,985
Votes polled ..	80,387
Valid votes ..	79,347
Invalid votes ..	1,040

M. Pitchai	AIADMK ..	42,589
Palani Kudumban, K.	IND ..	507
V. Thangapandian	DMK ..	30,904
K. Karuppiah	IND ..	4,742
K. Jawahar	IND ..	157
P. Ramasamy	IND ..	130
K. Karalan	IND ..	318

205. SATTUR

Electorate ..	1,36,299
Votes polled ..	1,00,402
Valid votes ..	99,314
Invalid votes ..	1,088

K.K.S.S.R.Ramachandran	AIADMK ..	54,720
M. Kulandaivel	IND ..	202
C. Lakshmana	IND ..	171
Subbarajulu	IND ..	171
Soudi S. Sundara	DMK ..	43,795
Bharathi	IND ..	215
Alagu Sundaram, A.	IND ..	124
A. Jaganathan	IND ..	87
S. Jaganathan	IND ..	87

206. VIRUDHUNAGAR

Electorate ..	1,22,637
Votes polled ..	83,482
Valid votes ..	82,454
Invalid votes ..	1,028

M. Sundarajan	AIADMK ..	40,285
Srinivasan, P.	DMK ..	29,665
S. Balasubramanian	JANATA(JP) ..	12,504

207. SIVAKASI

Electorate ..	1,35,976
Votes polled ..	87,398
Valid votes ..	86,561
Invalid votes ..	837

Balakrishnan, V.	AIADMK ..	53,081
S. Ramakrishnan	IND ..	163
A. Innasimuthu	IND ..	275
S. Alagu Thevar	DMK ..	27,348
V. Chinniah	IND ..	225
V. Jayaram	IND ..	251
M. Jesudoss	IND ..	549
A. Kaliappa Nadar	IND ..	145
P. Algar Rajan	JANATA(JP) ..	4,084
K. Gopalakrishnan	IND ..	252

208. SRIVILLIPUTHUR

Electorate ..	1,29,712
Votes polled ..	90,874
Valid votes ..	89,536
Invalid votes ..	1,338

Thamaraikani, R.	AIADMK ..	46,882
Kalasalingam, T.	IND ..	12,459
Suriyanarayanan, R.	IND ..	406
Karuppiah Thevar, P.	INC(I) ..	29,216
Pandi, K.	IND ..	366
Muthiah, A.	IND ..	207

209. RAJAPALAYAM (SC)

Electorate ..	1,31,952
Votes polled ..	87,786
Valid votes ..	87,003
Invalid votes ..	783

Mookaiyan, P.	IND ..	38,339
Chinnasamy, A.	IND ..	17,119
Paraman, K.	IND ..	489
Pottupottan, K.	INC(I) ..	29,758
Maran, S.S. Dr.	IND ..	12,98

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210. VILATHIKULAM

Electorate ..	1,16,745
Votes polled ..	76,930
Valid votes ..	75,766
Invalid votes ..	1,164

Perumal, R.K.	AIADMK	..	40,728
Ramakrishnabhat, Y.	IND	..	132
Kumara Kurubara			
Ramanathan, S.	DMK	..	34,088
Chellamy, P.	IND	..	343
Thomas, T.	IND	..	367
Perumalsamy Naicker,			
O.S.	IND	..	108

211. OTTAPIDARAM(SC)

Electorate	..	1,09,571
Votes polled	..	64,720
Valid votes	..	63,464
Invalid votes	..	1,256

Appadurai, M.	CPI	..	33,071
Veluchamy, O.S.	INC(I)	..	30,393

212. KOILPATTI

Electorate	..	1,13,218
Votes polled	..	77,599
Valid votes	..	76,777
Invalid votes	..	822

Alagarsamy, S.	CPI	..	39,442
Kalidoss, S.	JANATA(JP)	..	6,281
Gurusamy, A.N.A.	IND	..	262
Jayalakshmi Tmt. V.	INC(I)	..	30,792

213. SANKARANAYANARKOIL (SC)

Electorate	..	1,21,949
Votes polled	..	66,128
Valid votes	..	65,107
Invalid votes	..	1,021

Durairaj, P.	AIADMK	..	31,818
Paneerselvam, K.	IND	..	345
Madan, K.	DMK	..	29,436
Minavadi, U.	IND	..	3,000
Muthiah, P.	IND	..	508

214. VASUDEVANALLUR (SC)

Electorate	..	1,16,791
Votes polled	..	66,641
Valid votes	..	65,541
Invalid votes	..	1,100

Krishnan, R.	CPM	..	33,107
Eswaran, R.	INC(I)	..	29,921
Ayyadurai, alias			
Anandharaj, S.	Janata(JP)	..	2,513

215. KADAYANALLUR

Electorate	..	1,10,304
Votes polled	..	76,596
Valid votes	..	75,380
Invalid votes	..	1,216

Sahul Ahammed, A.	IND	..	38,225
Abdul Kadar Sahib, S.T.	IND	..	175
Kani alias Mohinuddin			
Pitchai, A.N.	AIADMK	..	36,354
Kumarasamy Thevar, S.	IND	..	357
Ramachandran, S.	IND	..	173
Ramanathan, P. S.	IND	..	96

216. TENKASI

Electorate	..	1,14,840
Votes polled	..	74,565
Valid votes	..	73,457
Invalid votes	..	1,108

Sattanatha Karayalar, K.	AIADMK	..	36,638
Kaliyanasundaram, H.S.	IND	..	404
Mohideen Pichai, M.	IND	..	452
Raman alias T.R.			
Venkataramanan	INC(I)	..	35,963



217. ALANGULAM

Electorate ..	1,15,519
Votes polled ..	77,718
Valid votes ..	76,604
Invalid votes ..	1,114

Navaneetha Krishna

Pandian, R.	G.K.N.C.	41	271
Royappan Nadar, M.	IND		504
Dorai Singh, E.	DMK		34,587
Ramakrishnan, M.	IND		242

218. TIRUNELVELI

Electorate ..	1,20,570
Votes polled ..	84,151
Valid votes ..	83,394
Invalid votes ..	757

Nedunchezian, V.R.	AIADMK	48,338
Pandian, N.M.	IND	613
Rajathi		
Kunchithapatham (Tmt)INC(I)		34,142
Ilan Thevar Chandrasekar	IND	301

219. PALAYAMKOTTAI

Electorate ..	1,16,635
Votes polled ..	78,504
Valid votes ..	77,729
Invalid votes ..	775

Karuppasamy Pandian, V.	AIADMK	45,049
Seetharaman Suba	DMK	32,680

220. CHERANMAHADEVI

Electorate ..	1,05,348
Votes polled ..	75,059
Valid votes ..	74,274
Invalid votes ..	785

Pandian, T.H.	AIADMK	42,793
Sundaram, A.	IND	1,69
Rathanasabhapathy, V.	INC(I)	30,683
Rajendran, P.	IND	222
James, M.	IND	407

221. AMBASAMUDRAM

Electorate ..	1,04,484
Votes polled ..	66,914
Valid votes ..	65,966
Invalid votes ..	948

Easwaramoorthy alias

Soranam	CPM	31,262
Shangamuthu Devar, S.	INC(I)	26,975
Subramaniyan, K.V.	IND	6,999
Sethu Ramasamy, N.	IND	730

222. NAGUNERI

Electorate ..	1,19,072
Votes polled ..	71,163
Valid votes ..	70,383
Invalid votes ..	780



John Vincent, M.	AIADMK	36,725	Kesava Adithan, S.	AIADMK	35,499
Samikalai Nadar, S.	IND	281	Kandasamy, K.P.	IND	65
Subbareddiar, G.	IND	440	Kesavan, K.	IND	948
Thangaraj, J.	INC(I)	32,676	Samsuddin alias		
Jeyaraj, P.	IND	261	Kathiravan	DMK	34,294

223. RADHAPURAM

Electorate	1,16,959
Votes polled	71,382
Valid votes	70,519
Invalid votes	863

Muthuramalingam, E.	IND(GKNC)	38,044
Ganapathy Nadar, S.	IND	124
Kirupanithi, A.	IND	480
Subbaiah, P.	IND	257
Dawson, V.G.	IND	206
Nellai Nedumaran	DMK	31,408

224. SATTANKULAM

Electorate	1,23,284
Votes polled	60,457
Valid votes	59,900
Invalid votes	557

Ramasamy, S.N.	IND(GKNC)	24,700
Ganesa Pandian, M.A.	JANATA(JP)	1,0349
Savari Muthu, S.R.	IND	208
Subramaniyam, C.	IND	260
Dhanushkodi Adithan, R.	INC(I)	23,688
Rajasingh, A.P.	IND	695

225. TIRUCHENDUR

Electorate	1,32,757
Votes polled	72,248
Valid votes	71,730
Invalid votes	518

Samsuddin alias		
Syed Ahammad	IND	161
Ramadoss, M.S.	IND	56
John Britto G.A.D.	JANATA(JP)	707

226. SRIVAIKUNTAM

Electorate	1,11,712
Votes polled	68,823
Valid votes	67,968
Invalid votes	855

Ramasubramaniyam	AIADMK	26,502
Ashok Kumar, S.	IND	3,890
Aditanar, Si.Pa.	IND	12,119
Shanmugam, V.	INC(I)	24,404
Chelliah, L.	IND	542
Pothiah Pillai P.	IND	511

227. TUTICORIN

Electorate	1,42,776
Votes polled	94,722
Valid votes	94,032
Invalid votes	690

Rajendran, S.N.	AIADMK	54,171
Arunachalam, V.	IND	496
Krishnan, R.	DMK	39,365

KANYAKUMARI DISTRICT

228. KANNIYAKUMARI

Electorate	1,12,972
Votes polled	75,475
Valid votes	74,851
Invalid votes	624



Muthukrishnan, S.	AIADMK ..	35,613	Mohamed Ismail, P.	JANATA (JP)	19,758
Aruldas, P.	IND ..	3,737	Selvamony, B.	IND ..	147
Anandan, P.	JANATA(JP)..	6,986	Pauliah, A.	INC(I) ..	15,618
Mathevan Pillai, A.	INC(I) ..	28,515	Lawrance, K.	GKNC ..	17,434
			Joseph, Dr. T.C.	IND ..	60

229. NAGERCOIL

Electorate ..	1,30,424
Votes polled ..	72,284
Valid votes ..	71,824
Invalid votes ..	460

Vincent, M.	AIADMK ..	39,328
Gandhi M.R.	BJANATA ..	693
Kuruzmichel, A.	JANATA(JP)..	1,512
Suganatham, M.	IND ..	115
Tiraviam, A.	DMK ..	30,045
Ramachandran, R.	IND ..	131

230. COLACHEL

Electorate ..	1,15,330
Votes polled ..	64,720
Valid votes ..	64,076
Invalid votes ..	644

Retnaraj, S.	DMK ..	42,949
Santhosham, M. Dr.	AIADMK ..	21,127

231. PADMANABHAPURAM

Electorate ..	1,01,364
Votes polled ..	53,447
Valid votes ..	53,017
Invalid votes ..	430

232. TIRUVATTAR

Electorate ..	1,01,139
Votes polled ..	62,255
Valid votes ..	61,757
Invalid votes ..	498

Hemachandran, J.	CPM ..	29,463
Thomas Marshall, P.	IND ..	225
Thopias, P.	INC(I) ..	17,099
James, J.	JANATA(JP)..	14,970

233. VILAVANCODE

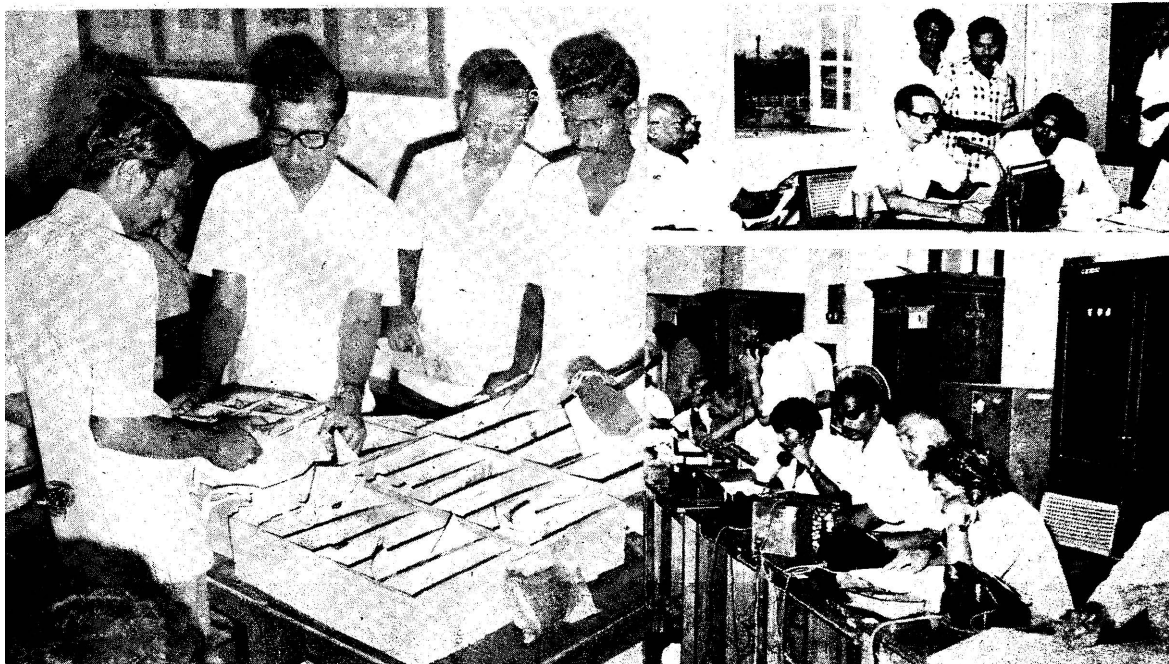
Electorate ..	1,22,522
Votes polled ..	64,355
Valid votes ..	63,673
Invalid votes ..	682

Mony, D.	CPM ..	34,170
Davisraj, P.	DMK ..	25,348
Packianathan, S.	JANATA(JP)..	3,370
Purushothaman, N.	IND ..	372
Manas, C.	IND ..	413

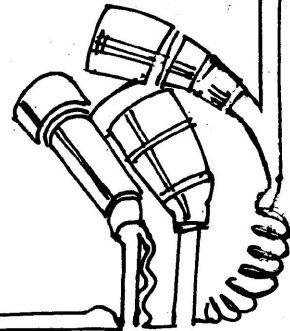
234. KILLIYUR

Electorate ..	97,360
votes polled ..	58,596
Valid votes ..	58,073
Invalid votes ..	523

Vijayaraghavan, P.	JANATA(JP)..	31,521
Russel Raj, C.	DMK ..	16,691
Radhakrishnan	AIADMK ..	9,861



“WE, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA,
having solemnly resolved to constitute
India into a
SOVEREIGN, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
and to secure to all its citizens:
JUSTICE, social, economic and political:
LIBERTY of thought, expression, belief,
faith and worship ;
EQUALITY of status and of opportunity;
and to promote among them all
FRATERNITY assuring the dignity of the
individual and the unity of the nation;
IN OUR CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY
this twenty-sixth day of November 1949
do **HEREBY ADOPT, ENACT,**
AND GIVE TO OURSELVES
THIS CONSTITUTION’.



Definitions of “democracy” are legion and many treatises have been written on essential features of democratic system. But, one definition of democracy scribbled by an anonymous military officer appears to be apt and meaningful. As stated by an American writer, a young American military officer in Tokyo was asked to write a two-minute definition of democracy to be broadcast over a national hookup of the Japanese Broadcasting corporation. The young officer had no special qualification for meeting this assignment, but he understood, like any other ordinary man, certain ideas of democracy shared by all believers in democracy. He scribbled thus : “There is no hard and fast answer. Some of the best thinkers in the world have different ideas about it. Ideas about democracy keep changing too. In fact, many people believe democracy is strong because it is growing idea. Nevertheless, there are certain ideas which are shared by all believers in democracy. First, they all believe that the most precious thing in the world is the individual human being. A democrat believes that the seeds of worth in every person should have a chance to grow into full flower. That is what is meant by that statement that all men are created equal and have equal rights. Democracy is

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also an ideal of government. A democratic government is designed to give everyone an equal opportunity for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. In the words of Lincoln, it is a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. All these ideas are really ideals. They have not been realised fully in any part of the world. But they are the ideals that democratic people everywhere are striving to attain.”

Evidently, this young military officer, though he was a novice in the field of political science and Constitutional law, brought out in his inimitable way two important points. First, he rightly said that best thinkers in the world have different ideas about democracy. In other words, what he means is that the word “democracy” has come to mean different things to different people. This actually accounts for varieties of democracies, ranging

from one-party democracy, at one end, to partyless-democracy, at the other. In between these are found direct democracy, representative democracy, parliamentary democracy and Presidential democracy.

Needless to say that people may not show any enduring concern for a democracy which deludes persons or conceals real state of affairs in a state. They may respect and sustain a democratic system, which creates in them an unabated sense of participation in the working of the government and which affords an opportunity to them to share in the direction of the State. It is in this connection one has to realise the significance of the second point made by the young officer, according to which “there are certain ideas which are shared by all believers in democracy.” Interestingly enough he mentions two of them, of which the second idea, namely, that “democracy is an ideal of government” is of particular importance, for it is in every respect, in its origin, complexion, motivation and action, a government of the people.

One of the most important dynamics of such a democratic system is election. Prof. McIver has said that “democracy is not a

way of governing, whether by majority or otherwise, but primarily a way of determining who shall govern, and, broadly to what ends." If so, election is undoubtedly an important tool to make the determination as to "who shall govern, and, broadly to what ends." Such determinations made by the people periodically through elections are the *sine qua non* of a democratic system. It is, therefore, interesting to analyse the role of elections in the democratic system

In a democratic system elections play three important roles. They are : (1) Election as a means to associate people with the process of choosing party candidates; (2), Election as a method in the making of legislatures; and (3) Election as a means to reflect and register the aggregation of preferences of the people.

In countries where legislatures are elected by territorial Constituencies, two methods are used to choose official candidates. In Britain, for example, the choice of candidates is normally made by the constituency unit of the political party, subject, of course, to some degree of approval from the central party organization. Where constituency units or local units of the party fail to choose candidates, the central office of a party may suggest some names and ask the local units to accept them. The selection is made locally by a committee and ratified by a local meeting of party members. All these matters are left entirely to the parties themselves and are not regulated by the State. On the other hand, in the United States these selections have been regulated by law through the various systems of primary elections. In primary elections voters choose the candidates of the party who will be put forward at the later election to the legislature. There are two types of primaries. One is called "closed" primary, in which each voter may take part in the election of the party of which he is a member. This is used in some States. The second type is described as "open" primary—used in some other States—in which all voters, irrespective of the fact whether they belong to a party or not, may participate, each voter selecting in the polling booth the candidates of his choice.

It may be noted that the American system of primary election has greater merit than the British 'locality rule' for the former affords

greater opportunity to the people than the latter to participate in the process of choosing official candidates of the parties. As pointed out by Prof. K.C. Wheare, "the object of instituting and regulating primary elections was to associate the people with the process of choosing party candidates and thus to curb the power of party oligarchies and bosses." In this respect "open" primary election plays a greater role than the 'closed' primary election.

In Tamil Nadu, as in other parts of India, British system of electoral process has been adopted. Matters pertaining to the choice of official candidates are left entirely to the political parties. Three major political parties, which contested in the recent election, are All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kalagam (AIADMK), Dravida Munnetra Kalagam (D.M.K.) and Congress(I). In selecting the official candidates, the central organization of these parties exercised complete control.

The second important role of elections is discernible in the making of legislatures. In this matter both direct and indirect elections are used. A scrutiny of Important Constitutions of a number of countries would show that the lower houses of legislatures are, almost invariably, directly elected, while the upper houses are usually indirectly elected. As far as the exercise of legislative functions is concerned, upper houses are usually subordinate to the lower houses. Therefore, it is correct to surmise, as has been done by Prof. K. C. Wheare, that "generally speaking, indirect election plays a subordinate part in the making of legislature." It is also said that territorial constituencies with direct election would be a natural and intelligible method of organizing electorate. From these it follows that direct election plays a superior role in the making of legislatures in a democratic system.

In Tamil Nadu, by virtue of Art. 170 (1) of the constitution, members of State Legislative Assembly are chosen by direct election from territorial constituencies in the State. The State has been divided into 234 territorial constituencies, from which people have chosen their representatives by direct election. The members of the Legislative Council of the State, excepting those nominated by the Governor under Article 171 (3) (c), are indirectly elected in accordance with

the stipulations in Article 171 (3) of the Constitution. Therefore, elections in Tamil Nadu, both direct election from territorial Constituencies and indirect election, have played their role fully in the making of legislature.

Finally, election is a method through which people express their preferences or make their choice from different alternatives presented by the political parties. According to a classical theory of democracy, the democratic method is that "institutional arrangement for arriving at political decisions which realizes the common good by making the people itself decide issues through the election of individuals who are to assemble in order to carry out its will." Election is the essence of democracy. In fact, in liberal democracies elections are seen not only as a choice of the leading men but also as popular decisions on issues.

One problem, which is inextricably linked with the election process, is about the motives which inspire voters' preferences. There are two theories about the motives. First is sociological theory, according to which voters are largely ill-informed, not only about politics in general, but more specifically about issues at stake in the election campaign. Their views about what is happening during a campaign are likely to be determined far more by their previous political attitudes than by accurate information. Voters generally are not personally involved in political questions and have a very low political motivation. Further, it is said that for large number of voters, the vote reflects a persistent partisan position which is determined by the individual's environment. Class, religion, family background, ethnic grouping, sex, local or regional characteristics, organizational affiliations—all these and other environmental factors go to shape the attitudes and party attachments of individuals and groups.

The second is an economic analysis of the motives, according to which the voter will decide between parties on the basis of some assessment of possible returns to himself. This theory is based on the twin suppositions that parties determine their political strategies or positions by reference to expected electoral reactions and that voters will react to changes in the party positions.

The two theories present a contradictory analysis of the motives

which inspire the voters' preferences. The contradictions between them have been succinctly brought out by Prof. Jack Lively when he said that the economic approach postulates the rational voter, whereas the sociological approach presents a picture of the irrational voter; the former presupposes an exact and direct interaction between party policies and electoral responses, and latter stresses the irrelevance of the party battle to voting decisions. In view of this, it is difficult to think that any one of these two theories taken singly is able to explain motives of voters' preferences in an election. It is possible to think that both environmental factors and possible economic gains may together determine the voters' preferences in an election, and very often in elections the economic factors may exert greater influence than environmental factors. Besides, there are certain psychological factors, like individual or group prejudices and impulses, public sympathy towards a party due to unfair treatment meted out to it by other political forces or superior political authority and public indignation towards a party due to its abrasive and crude politics, which may have some bearing on the determination of voters' preferences in an election. Therefore, it is difficult to say that one single theory, whether it be sociological, economic or psychological, is capable of explaining the motives which inspire voters' preferences.

Now it is convenient to analyse in the light of the aforesaid theories the recent election to the Tamil Nadu State Assembly. Three major parties, AIADMK, DMK and Congress (I), which contested the election in Tamil Nadu, put before the people two alternatives in the form of manifestoes. The manifesto released by the AIADMK party specified ten-point action programme for the uplift of the weaker sections of society, including women. The measures promised by the party under this programme are: one rupee a day to every man and woman of employable age in families below the poverty line during the days when they have to remain without work; house-sites for the homeless; a monthly allowance of Rs. 50 to unemployed graduates; special nutrition allowances for three months at Rs. 50 per month for lactating mothers; cash grants of Rs. 100 to those who are on the verge of death due to starvation; one kilo of rice

free of cost to families below the poverty line for every purchase of five kilos of rice; free supply of text books and notebooks upto the tenth standard to Adi Dravida students; etc. Thus, the ten-point programme promised a wider ranging monetary benefits to a large number of people. Besides, the manifesto spelled out schemes to uplift the Harijans, to improve the conditions of farmers, gold smiths and government employees.

The DMK—Congress (I) alliance put before the electorate 23—Point common minimum programme, which promised extension of free education upto the degree level, to unemployed graduates, sale of gold to the poor at reduced prices for Thali, immediate relief to agriculturists from their debt burden, remunerative prices for farm produce and distribution of surplus land to landless peasants. In addition to these, the programme mentions some other schemes.

These three political parties, along with their allies, carried on the electoral battle with great vigour, and finally in the election AIADMK emerged victorious by winning 129 seats. In fact, the AIADMK party improved its position in this election by winning three more seats than in the previous election. Thus, the people in Tamil Nadu made a clear choice between the two alternatives and registered their preference in favour of the AIADMK and its programmes. In other words, the people not only made their choice of leading men, who should govern for the next five years, but also indicated their decision on issues which were at stake in the election.

The important question, on which one has to ponder over now, is: what factors contributed to, or what motives inspired, voters' preferences? It may be noted that the contesting political parties carefully assessed the position of various communities and caste groups in the constituencies and fielded in majority of the constituencies candidates belonging to predominant caste groups. This virtually nullified to a great extent the caste influence in the election. Besides, the election campaigns centred round very much on administrative, economic and other secular issues. So, the sociological factors were virtually relegated to the background. Therefore, the sociological factors seemed to have had not much influence on

the voter's choice. If they had any influence, it was only marginal.

But, the bold announcement of monetary benefits made in the AIADMK manifesto and the far-reaching concessions made in favour of various sections of the people and attractive welfare schemes stipulated therein had obviously raised a hope in the minds of the voters as to the possible returns to them if the manifesto were to be transformed into active public policy of the government. It is a matter of common knowledge that in every democratic society the unattached and ideologically non-committed voters greatly outnumber the attached and ideologically committed voters. Tamil Nadu is no exception as far as this phenomenon is concerned. Naturally, therefore, the large number of unattached voters were influenced not so much by the ideological stances of the political parties as by their assessment of possible returns to themselves if they were to choose one manifesto in preference to the other. It is true that the manifesto of the DMK - Congress (I) alliance also announced number of monetary benefits, concessions and programmes. But, a glance at the AIADMK manifesto would show that it is more clear, bold and forth right in its announcement and wider in its sweep than the other. Therefore, it is not surprising that 10-point programme stipulated in the AIADMK manifesto had a greater impact on the voters, and their choice in the election was greatly influenced by the economic factors, that is, by their assessment of possible returns or economic benefit to themselves.

The foregoing analysis would show that democracy is a polity wherein the people decide through elections held at regular intervals as to "who should govern and broadly to what ends." Election is therefore one of the most important dynamics of democracy. The people have made their choice in the recent election and the democratic norm requires that the choice so made by the people must reflect in the formulation and execution of government policies. That is essentially the function of the party chosen for the purpose.

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**STATEMENT SHOWING THE POSITION OF THE PARTIES ELECTED TO THE
TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS
HELD IN MAY 1980.**

<i>Name of the Political Party</i>				<i>No. of seats won.</i>
1. All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	..	..	..	129
2. Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	..	..	..	38
3. Indian National Congress (I)	..	..	..	30
4. Communist Party of India (Marxist)	..	..	..	11
5. Communist Party of India	..	..	..	10
6. Janata (JP)	..	..	..	2
7. Indian National Congress (U)	..	..	..	—
8. Bharathiya Janata	..	..	..	..
9. Janata (.)	..	..	..	..
10. Independents	..	..	..	14
Total				234

GENERAL ELECTIONS TO TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY 1980.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCIES	..	..	234
TOTAL ELECTORATE	..	..	2,91,99,152
TOTAL VOTES POLLED	..	..	1,91,01,083
TOTAL VALID VOTES	..	..	1,88,45,006
PERCENTAGE OF POLLING	..	..	65.41
INVALID VOTES	..	..	2,56,077
PERCENTAGE OF REJECTION	..	..	1.35

<i>Name of political party</i>				<i>Number of seats contested</i>	<i>Votes Secured</i>	<i>Percentage of votes secured.</i>
1.	AIADMK	..	..	177	73,00,494	38.739
2.	DMK	..	..	114	42,48,790	22.545
3.	INC (I)	..	..	112	38,60,015	20.482
4.	INC (U).	..	..	3	52,119	0.276
5.	JANATA (JP).	..	..	94	5,23,823	2.779
6.	CPI	..	..	16	5,63,083	2.987
7.	CPM	..	..	16	5,89,550	3.128
8.	BHARATHIYA JANATA	..	..	10	12,189	0.064
9.	JANATA (S) RAJ NARAIN	..	..	4	1,395	0.007
10.	INDEPENDENTS	..	..	483	16,93,548	8.986
				..	1,029	1,88,45,006
						100

GENERAL ELECTION 1980
TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
STATISTICAL INFORMATION

NUMBER OF VOTES SECURED BY

<i>Name of District</i>	<i>INC(U)</i>	<i>INC(I)</i>	<i>CPI</i>	<i>CPM</i>	<i>Janatha-jp</i>	<i>Bhara- tiya Janatha</i>	<i>Janatha (s) Raj Narain</i>	<i>AIADMK</i>	<i>DMK</i>	<i>Indepen- dents.</i>	<i>Total</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
1. Madras City	50,230	1,15,940	36,455	40,989	33,942	6,731	866	3,00,067	4,48,755	72,302	11,06,277
2. Chengalpattu	..	2,80,206	..	..	62,052	1,605	..	6,12,185	3,63,320	1,34,647	14,54,015
3. North Arcot	..	2,97,737	31,918	30,869	63,525	..	..	6,42,900	4,10,503	1,10,030	15,87,482
4. South Arcot	..	3,35,949	..	57,765	33,895	..	..	7,00,033	4,42,126	70,002	16,39,770
5. Dharmapuri	1,889	1,41,253	13,383	..	37,779	236	..	2,55,293	1,53,659	63,753	6,67,245
6. Salem	..	3,05,992	3,909	..	38,349	977	..	6,95,753	2,28,746	1,35,243	14,08,969
7. The Nilgiris	..	35,528	23,636	..	10,401	..	..	48,384	71,204	2,952	1,90,105
8. Coimbatore	..	2,57,955	79,700	74,968	46,815	870	..	5,24,793	2,88,386	12,209	12,85,696
9. Periyar	..	1,96,058	44,210	..	26,691	..	..	4,18,322	1,21,257	11,062	8,17,600
10. Madurai	..	4,61,621	..	1,33,931	28,206	1,077	..	6,81,097	2,97,272	2,63,675	18,66,879
11. Thiruchirapalli	..	3,42,959	44,525	..	101,015	..	529	6,13,154	3,18,397	2,03,235	15,32,814
12. Thanjavur	..	3,22,401	1,13,869	1,23,026	4,995	..	..	6,22,365	4,69,564	61,430	17,17,650
13. Pudukkottai	..	1,31,744	46,387	..	4,388	..	..	2,00,064	37,200	60,807	4,80,590
14. Ramanathapuram	..	2,73,803	52,578	..	24,803	..	..	4,45,540	2,47,510	2,88,418	13,32,652
15. Tirunelveli	..	2,99,637	72,513	64,369	19,850	..	..	4,34,615	2,35,858	1,81,149	13,07,991
16. Kanniyakumari	..	61,232	..	63,633	78,117	693	..	1,05,929	1,15,033	22,634	4,47,271
GRAND TOTAL	52,119	38,60,015	5,63,083	5,89,550	5,23,823	12,189	1,395	73,00,494	42,48,790	16,93,548	1,88,45,006
Percentage of votes secured	0.27%	20.48%	2.98%	3.12%	2.77%	0.06%	0.007%	38.74%	22.54%	8.98%	

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