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The most Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu,
Thiru. Banwarilal Purohit Sir, the Chancellor of
Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University,

Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, the
Pro-Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education
University **Thiru.K.P.Anbalagan** Sir,

Esteemed Additional Chief Secretary to
Governor of Tamil Nadu **Thiru. R. Rajagopal** Sir,

Distinguished Chief-Guest of this
Convocation **Justice Thiru N. V. Balasubramanian**
Sir,

Most respected Principal Secretary to Higher Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. Mangat Ram Sharma Sir,

Respectful Members of Syndicate and Academic Council,

Dr.N.Ravindranath Tagore, the Registrar i/c and Controller of Examinations,

Faculty members and non-teaching staff of the University,

Special invitees and various Endowment Donors,

The Correspondents, Principals, Teaching faculties and student-teachers of the affiliated colleges of education from various parts of Tamil Nadu,

All the brilliant graduands present here to receive their degrees, the rank holders, parents of the graduands, Friends from the News Media, and Print Media, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I deem it a great honour in extending a warm welcome to this august gathering on this 8th Convocation of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University.

Today, the gracious presence of the Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor is a great blessing to all of us, especially the graduands. Our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor is the most revered political personality transforming the political affairs and political philosophy in a grand way for the last four decades. Our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor is a mass leader with spotless image with deep concern for the poor and the downtrodden. His political life was born when he decided to contest the election to fight against the persistent neglect of Vidarbha, a backward region in Maharashtra.

Our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor was the Governor of Assam before taking the reins as the Governor of Tamil Nadu and was also holding the additional charge of Meghalaya. Our Governor-Chancellor was also an active member of Parliament

from the Nagpur Lok Sabha Constituency for three times.

One of the most important contributions of our Governor-Chancellor was the revival of "The Hitavada", an English Daily founded by Gopala Krishna Gokhale, the mentor of Mahatma Gandhi. It was because of our Hon'ble Governor's leadership that "The Hitavada" has become a leading newspaper of Central India, whose voice was vibrant across the country.

Our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor has been constantly and continuously associated with many social, charitable, religious and sports organizations and has generously donated for the cause of education and social work.

Our Hon'ble Prime Minister's ideological schemes like Green India, Clean India, Skill India, Ek Bharath Sheresta Bharath are highly cherished by our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor in Tamil Nadu.

On behalf of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, I extend a warm welcome to our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor Sir.

I am extremely happy to welcome our Pro-Chancellor and Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education **Thiru. K. P. Anbalagan**. Our Higher Education Minister is known for his simplicity and lofty ideals and thinking. In good coordination with our Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu **Thiru. Edappadi K. Palaniswamy**. Our Hon'ble Minister guides all the Universities in the State to achieve International Standards with superior teaching and quality research. Our University looks forward to Hon'ble Minister's constant support and valuable guidance to achieve excellence in teacher education. I extend a very warm welcome to you, Sir!

The dynamic and resourceful Additional Chief Secretary to Governor of Tamil Nadu **Thiru. R. Rajagopal, IAS**, is with us. It is my privilege to welcome you Sir!

It is my pleasant duty to welcome our esteemed Principal Secretary of State Higher Education **Thiru. Mangat Ram Sharma, IAS**,

who is most effectively and efficiently coordinating for the promotion of Higher Education in the State:

We have a fine and lively academic atmosphere here with the presence of our Chief Guest **Justice Thiru. N. V. Balasubramanian**, Former Judge, High Court of Madras, Chennai on this auspicious day.

Justice Thiru. N. V. Balasubramanian is from a respectable orthodox family in Myladudurai. He did his Law Degree at Madras Law College and he started his career as Advocate and with his consistent and committed service, he accomplished the position as the Judge of High Court of Madras. He practised Direct Laws, Indirect Laws and Commercial matters and he was counsel for Income Tax, Food Corporation of India and later elevated as a Judge of High Court of Madras in January 1996. He was a Chairman of Consumer Forum, Puducherry.

As the Chairman of the Committee on Fixation of Fees, he has made valuable recommendations streamlining the fee structure for the Professional Colleges including Teacher

Education Colleges in the State of Tamil Nadu. I am honoured to extend my hearty welcome to you Sir!

The quality of teachers reflects the social-cultural ethos of a society. The New Education Policy (1992) rightly points out, “No society can raise above the quality of its teachers.” To realise this noble view of National Education Policy, the Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University was founded in the year 2008 for promoting excellence in Teacher Education. At present, the University has 718 colleges of education under its state-wide jurisdiction which includes 7 Government, 14 Government Aided and 697 private self-financing colleges of education, including 9 colleges of education for special education to train the teachers for physically challenged candidates.

Mahatma Gandhi says “Education should be so revolutionized as to answer the wants of the poorest villager, instead of answering those of an

imperial exploiter". Dr.D.S.Kothari, the Chairman of the Indian Education Commission 1964-1966 emphasizes that "The destiny of India is now being shaped in her classrooms."

To realize these noblest ideals, the Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University is firmly committed to quality teacher preparation, top class research activities, professional development of teachers, innovative methods of teaching and promotion of information and communication technology in teaching and learning process.

At present, this University functions with six departments of Study and Research, namely, Pedagogical Sciences, Value Education, Educational Psychology, Educational Technology, Curriculum Planning and Evaluation and Educational Planning and Administration. The teaching faculties of these six departments are continuously engaged in teaching and need-based and socially relevant research activities.

The University supports and encourages full-time and part-time research Ph.D Scholars

by providing them with monthly stipends. The University also grants permission to Government and Government Aided affiliated Colleges of Education to have Research Centres in their colleges to offer Ph.D and M.Phil Degree Programmes.

The NCTE-SRC, Bangalore has granted recognition to start a 2-year full-time M.Ed Degree Programme in our University campus from the academic year 2017-2018 and the programme has been started from the academic year 2017-2018.

Constituent Colleges of Education

I am glad to state that our University will be opening two Constituent Colleges of Education one at Edappadi (Salem) and other at V. Maruthur (Villupuram), out of five Constituent Colleges of Education announced by the Government of Tamil Nadu under Rule 110 for establishment at a cost of Rs.15.00 crores.

The construction work of the above two constituent colleges has been completed

at an estimated cost of Rs.9.67 crores and the 4-year Integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed Degree Programmes will be offered in these colleges from the academic year 2019-2020 after obtaining recognition from the NCTE, New Delhi.

I am proud to place before the august gathering that the University is constantly involved in various academic and research activities:

- Orientation Programmes are periodically organized for teacher educators of the affiliated colleges of education to develop better understanding of the new frontiers in the field of teacher education;
- Our faculty members prepared learning materials in English and Tamil for all the pedagogical subjects of B.Ed Degree Programme and they are available on our University website, with which more than one lakh student-teachers can have free access for quick reference and better learning even at home through their mobile phones;

- Capacity-building programmes are regularly organized to our faculty members on various new concepts of teacher education;
- The Department of Curriculum Planning and Evaluation has organized a two-day workshop on “Tamil Computing” in April 2018.
- I am glad to state that the MHRD has sanctioned a Project under ‘*Pandit Madhan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching*’ with a financial grant of Rs.5.25 crores to Dr.M.Govindan, HOD, Department of Educational Psychology to establish Faculty Development Centre at our University.
- The Indian Council of Social Science Research has sanctioned Rs.1.75 lakhs for organizing a National Seminar/Conference on “Skill Development and

Goal Setting Strategies for Urban and Rural Students” to Dr.P.C.Nagasubramani, Associate Professor, Department of Pedagogical Sciences.

- The Department of Value Education has organized a two-day workshop on “Development of Positive Thinking” in April 2018.
- The Department of Educational Technology has organized a one day seminar on “Research Free from Plagiarism” in April 2018.
- The Department of Educational Planning and Administration has organized two-day National Colloquium on “Mechanics of Thesis Writing” in April 2018.

The University, as an inter-university exchange of expertise, has signed MoUs with Mother Teresa Women’s University, Kodaikkanal, and Alagappa University, Karaikudi for promoting

academic co-operation and collaboration in the areas of inter-disciplinary research.

Following the Hon'ble Prime Minister's conceptual vision of digital India, the University has gone on digital online storehouse of all academic awards viz., Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees, Mark Statements with the National Academic Depository for the benefit of the students.

The Teachers Education University always emphasizes all-round development of our teacher graduates.

To encourage students to display their non-cognitive talents through sports and cultural activities, the University annually conducts Sports and Cultural Meet at Districts and Zonal Levels.

In this convocation, a total of 34,943 candidates are going to receive their respective degrees. Among them, 33,802 are B.Ed candidates, 1083 M.Ed candidates, 18 M.Phil candidates and 40 Ph.D scholars.

The pass percentage of female candidates in the B.Ed Programme in the academic year is as large as 88.26, whereas the percentage of male candidates is only 11.74, and this indicates that the Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University is really a boon to the female population in the State to acquire a professional qualification in teaching.

I would like to present that in this convocation, 45 Rank Holders will be receiving their respective degrees with Medals, Prizes and Cash Awards under various endowment schemes as per the entitlements besides 17 M.Phil Students and 40 Ph.D Students will receive their Degrees with the blessings of Hon'ble Governor Chancellor.

As the Vice Chancellor of this University, I assure the esteemed gathering that the influence of this University will reflect through our well-trained teacher graduates in all spheres of the emerging global society.

This 10-year old University has found its present splendid development and expansion and

this has become possible only with the abundant support of Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor of our University, the Hon'ble Chief Minister and the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education.

I profusely thank the Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor and all other dignitaries for their constant and continuous support and guidance for the development of Teacher Education University. Once again, I wish to place on record my sincere and hearty thanks to one and all.

Now, I respectfully request our Hon'ble Governor-Chancellor to declare open the 8th Annual Convocation of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University.

Thank you one and all once again.



Prof. S. THANGASAMY

Prof.S.Thangasamy, whose pen name is “Kokila Thangasamy”, named after his birth place “Kokilapuram”, a naturally beautiful village in Theni District. He is the second Ph.D awardee in Education from Madurai Kamaraj University.

Prof.S.Thangasamy is a prolific and creative writer, a poet, a good orator, an inspiring teacher and an efficient team leader committing his whole life to promotion of teaching, learning, research and extension activities from primary education level to higher education level.

Previously Prof.S.Thangasamy served as a Principal of a Government-aided College of Education at Gandhigram, Professor & Head of the School of Education at Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai and Professor & Director of the Centre for Educational Research, Madurai Kamaraj University at Madurai.

Prof.S.Thangasamy has acquired a good experience in the University developmental administration by actively participating as Member of Syndicate (Manonmaniam Sundaranar University), Member of Senate (Madurai Kamaraj University), Member of Academic Council (Madurai Kamaraj University & Tamil Nadu Open University), Member of Planning Board (Tamil Nadu Open University) Member of Finance Committee (Manonmaniam Sundaranar University & Gandhigram Rural Institute) and Member of Board of Studies at Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Madurai Kamaraj University, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tamil Nadu Open University and Tamil University.

Prof.S.Thangasamy, who primarily loves children, teachers and schools, has written more than 60 books on teaching and learning. Above all, he received the Best Book Award from the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu for his book “Child-centred Education” in 2002 and “World Tamil Achievement Award” from Shri. Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu in 2018. Further, his books on “Sirantha Asiriyaraga..!”, “100 Inspirational Quotes for Teachers”, “To Speak English” are the best companions for anyone who wishes to become a better teacher in their life.