<u>Dr. R. Velraj, appointed as Vice-Chancellor of the Anna University, Chennai</u>

Date: 10.08.2021

Thiru Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu and Chancellor of the Anna University, Chennai has appointed Dr. R. Velraj, as Vice-Chancellor of the Anna University, for a period of three years with effect from the date of his assumption of office.

Dr. R. Velraj, has a rich teaching experience of 33 years. He has worked as Director, Institute for Energy Studies Anna University, Chennai, and Director, Anna University-FRG Institute for CAD/CAM, presently working as Professor, Institute of Energy Studies, Anna University.

He has a vast research experience having published 193 research papers in Indexed Journals with H-Index 52 and citations more than 10,000. He has also presented 29 papers in International Academic/Research events and organised 4 International Academic/Research events. He has presented 31 research papers in National Level Conferences and authored 3 books. In addition, he has executed 15 research projects worth of Rs.17.85 crore. He has guided 33 Ph.D. Scholars and 2 M.S. students. He is having 2 patents and 6 Memorandum of Understandings to his credit.

He formulated three courses for Ph.D. programme in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, introduced 9 new courses for Master of Engineering and involved in formulation of two academic programmes for Master of Engineering at Anna University.

He is familiar with the University Administration having 14 years of administrative experience as Director, Deputy Director and Head of the Division. Besides, he has also functioned as Member of Board of Studies, Member of Academic Council in Anna University and various Educational Institutions.

He has visited 7 foreign countries viz. USA, UK, Germany, Spain, Russia, South Korea and Australia for academic and research purposes.

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