## <u>Dr. R. Jagannathan, appointed as Vice-Chancellor of the</u> Periyar University, Salem

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

Dr. R. Jagannathan, has a rich teaching experience of 39 years. He has worked as the Dean Agriculture, Professor and Head, Agricultural Meteorology / Agro-climatic Research Centre and Adjunct Faculty in Tamil Nadu Agriculture University, Coimbatore.

He has a vast research experience having published 55 research papers in Indexed Journals, presented 14 papers in International events and organised 5 International Academic/Research events. He has presented 7 research papers in National Level Conferences and authored one book and co-authored four books. In addition, he has executed 8 research projects worth of Rs.764 lakhs. He has guided 14 Ph.D. Scholars. He is having one patent and two International Memorandum of Understandings to his credit.

He has conceived and implemented extension outreach

programmes and social indulgence schemes like On-campus training

for farmers of Tsunami affected area, 25 mass awareness

programmes on new Agricultural technology and 20 automated

weather based Agro-advisory system awareness programme for

Department of Agriculture.

He was conferred with the award of "Service for Agro

Meteorology in India" by Association of Agro Meteorology, India

(2017).

He is familiar with the University Administration having

functioned as Dean and Professor & Head for 8 years in Tamil Nadu

Agricultural University and Colleges. Besides, he has also functioned

as Member of Board of Studies, Chairman of Board of Studies,

Member of Academic Council in Tamil Nadu Agricultural University

and various colleges. He has visited 13 foreign countries viz. USA,

Australia, Spain, Germany, Norway, UK, Italy, Israel, Thailand,

Malaysia, Indonesia and Tanzania for academic and research

purposes.

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Sd./ Addl. Director (PR)