

**ADDRESS BY THIRU BANWARILAL PUROHIT, HON'BLE GOVERNOR
OF TAMIL NADU AT FINAL MATCH OF THE CHANCELLOR'S TROPHY
INTER-UNIVERSITY CRICKET TOURNAMENT ON 10.01.2019**

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Team Members,

Enthusiastic Cricket Watchers here

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Ladies and Gentleman

I am delighted to be here amidst you at this climactic moment of the Inter-University Cricket tournament. As you are all aware this is the first time that an Inter-University Cricket tournament is being held in Tamil Nadu. This has been organised by the Raj Bhavan this year to identify the talent at the University level and motivate more youngsters to take to competitive cricket.

Cricket is a popular game all over India. Our national team has been gaining the top honours in the international arena for more than 3 decades, time and again. You are the budding cricketers who can don the national honours if you are diligent and devoted to the game.

I have taken the initiative to institute a special trophy for the Inter - University Cricket tournament since I wish to see Tamil Nadu as the top cricketing state of India. In the past this state has produced outstanding batsmen and bowlers who have brought pride to India.

You all have a bright future ahead of you. Based on the performance displayed at the Inter - University Championship we shall pursue further action through the Vice-Chancellors to identify promising young cricketers amongst you and groom them for performing at the national level. May success smile on all of you in all your cricketing efforts.

All the teams that have participated in the cricket tournament deserve our fullest appreciation for the sporting manner in which they have conducted themselves. They should not feel disheartened if they have not tasted victory this time. I am sure that with sustained efforts and dedication the other cricketing teams will also better their performances next year.

I take great pleasure in extending my best wishes and greetings to all of you for the New Year and wish to particularly congratulate the members of the – University cricket team that has won the first Inter – University Championship.

Nandri Vanakkam....

Jai Hind....