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## THIRU.R.N.RAVI, HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU PAID TRIBUTES TO MAHATMA GANDHI ON HIS 153<sup>RD</sup> BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

Thiru R.N.Ravi, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu paid floral tributes to the statue of Mahatma Gandhi at Marina, Chennai today (02.10.2021) on his 153<sup>rd</sup> Birth Anniversary. Thiru M.K.Stalin, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Council of Hon'ble Ministers, dignitaries and officials also paid floral tributes. After paying tributes, Hon'ble Governor and Hon'ble Chief Minister witnessed the Bhajan and Charkha spinning performed by Chennai Sarvodhaya Sangam.

Hon'ble Governor visited Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan, Chennai and paid floral tributes to the portrait of Mahatma Gandhi. He inaugurated Khadi Rebate sales and has individually purchased and paid for Thanjavur plate and Natarajar statue. Hon'ble Governor highlighted the historical significance of the use of Khadi and appealed to the younger generation to purchase Khadi products for all seasons to strengthen the campaign 'Vocal for Local' and to increase the sale of Khadi products which will help the Handicraft artisans. Thiru R. Gandhi, Hon'ble Minister for Handlooms and Textiles and other dignitaries participated in the function.

Following this, Hon'ble Governor paid floral tributes to the Gandhi Statue in the campus of Raj Bhavan. Thiru Anandrao V. Patil, I.A.S.,

Secretary to Governor, Senior Officials and staff of Raj Bhavan also

participated.

Later, Hon'ble Governor inaugurated the Exhibition highlighting

the dedicated life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi and Azadi Ka

Amrit Mahotsav at Koyambedu, Chennai being conducted for three

days by the Regional Outreach Bureau, Chennai under Ministry of

Information & Broadcasting, Government of India. Hon'ble Governor

released two books titled "Gandhi Ordained in South Africa" written by

Thiru. J.N. Uppal and "The Story of India's Partion" written by

practising Gandhian Thiru. Raguvendra Tanwar. First copies of these

books were received by Thiru. D.K.Oza, I.A.S. (Retd.) and Thiru.

Naresh Gupta, I.A.S. (Retd.) respectively. He also flagged off Mobile

LED Vans depicting videos commemorating the contributions of

Mahatma Gandhi and other renowned freedom fighters.

Raj Bhavan, Chennai-22.

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