

HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU, THIRU.R.N.RAVI
INAUGURATED THIRUKKURAL CONFERENCE – THIRUKKURAL
TO THE HUMANITY FOR WORLD PEACE AND HARMONY,
TODAY (07.10.2022)

Hon'ble Governor Of Tamil Nadu, Thiru.R.N.Ravi Inaugurated Thirukkural Conference – Thirukkural To The Humanity For World Peace And Harmony, at Vivekananda Auditorium, Anna University, today (07.10.2022).

Hon'ble Governor in his Chief Guest address congratulated the efforts of Kural Malai Sangam for their sustained initiatives to take Thirukkural to all parts of the country and the world through UNESCO. He hailed the great Sage Thiruvalluvar, as a bright sun in the galaxy of ancient sages of Bharat, gave the Thirukkural the 'Fountain of Spirituality and Wisdom' and he highlighted the richness, literary genius and beauty of the Tamil language brought out by Thiruvalluvar in his magnificent literary work Thirukkural. Every word of every Kural is a symmetric, poetic and literary masterpiece.

Hon'ble Governor elaborated on the spiritual depth of Thirukkural, a unique blend of Dharmashastra and Nithishastra. i.e, spirituality and righteous conduct of every human.

Hon'ble Governor mentioned that Thirukkural is not just a code of ethics and morality or a code of conduct. But it is an epic book holding the essence of Bharatiya spirituality. The 'Aadhi Bhagavan' quoted in the first Kural 'Aadhi Bhagavan' is found in all the Indian languages. It is at the core of Indian Spirituality. The teaching of Ahimsa and ways of freeing from the cycle of birth and death(Moksha) through renunciation as described in Thirukkural have been the core of Sanatan Spirituality including the tenets of Jainism and Buddhism.

G.U.Pope, was perhaps the first English missionary who translated Thirukkural in English. Governor described the background of his coming to India. G.U.Pope ,de-spiritualizing the sacred text of Thirukkural in his translation.

Governor told the audience that India was awakened and marching ahead with resolve and energy towards its destiny to be the Vishwa Guru in the Amrit Kaal by 2047, for which spiritual

resurgence is crucial. For the benefit of the world, India must rise. Thirukkural belongs to humanity and it must get the due place that it deserves. It has to be restored in its full glory for which the role of researchers and scholars is pivotal. He urged them to acknowledge, imbibe and enlighten the world with the eternal spirituality and wisdom of Thirukkural.

On this function, Prof.R.Velraj, Vice Chancellor, Anna University, Thiru.P.Ravikumar, President, Kural Malai Sangam, Tmt.Malarvizhi, Honorary President , Kural Malai Sangam, Thiru. Manuneethi Manickam, President, Manuneethi Foundation, Tamil Scholars, Distinguished Invitees, Dignitaries, Students and Officials participated.

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