

**HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU THIRU.R.N. RAVI INTERACTED WITH
EX-SERVICEMEN AND NCC CADETS AT COIMBATORE**

Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, Thiru.R.N.Ravi visited Coimbatore and met officials of District Sainik Welfare Board and Ex-Servicemen of Coimbatore District today (10.03.2022). He interacted with ex-servicemen and enquired about their welfare.

In his interaction, Hon'ble Governor remembered the selfless services rendered by the Ex-Servicemen for the Nation. Hon'ble Governor advised them to create a social media group among the Ex-servicemen of the districts so that they could communicate and help each other as a family. The social media groups may be created at Taluk level or at District level.

He remembered the services of the soldiers of the Indian Defence Forces and suggested an idea to construct a Martyr's memorial for our soldiers who made ultimate sacrifices at Coimbatore. The Nation cannot forget them. The District Administration may find the land requirement for the same. He also suggested to have some memorials in the schools of the martyr's villages, which will inspire the students with a sense of pride and duty.

In order to instil a sense of family among the ex-servicemen he has advised them to have a get together at least once or twice in a year. Such an event may be organised by the District Ex-service Welfare Office.

On behalf of the District Administration the District Revenue Officer, Tmt. Leela Alex welcomed the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu and the Assistant Director of Ex-servicemen Welfare Office, Major C.Saravanan briefed the Hon'ble Governor and the gathering regarding the welfare schemes being extended to the Ex-servicemen and achievements done by the District Ex-servicemen Welfare Office.

During the year 2020-21, an amount of Rs. 1,66, 17,631/- was given as financial assistance to the Ex-servicemen / Wards of Coimbatore District. From the Hon'ble Prime Minister's Scholarship scheme an amount of Rs. 10,62,000/- was given to wards of ex-servicemen.

Following this, Hon'ble Governor interacted with NCC cadets of Coimbatore. He urged that the cadets to dream big, work hard, have self confidence, and maintain good health and develop proper time management and cultivate reading habits to succeed in life and become a better citizen.

He shared with them how the Hon'ble Prime Minister Modiji gives so much importance to the NCC cadets because they are the futures of our Nation. He told them how so many positive changes are happening in our country and India is emerging as a World Leader. He cited the recent example of fast and smooth evacuation of Indian students from the war-zone of Ukraine by wielding due influence on the heads of the warning countries by the Hon'ble Prime Minister himself.

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