## THE ADVENT CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER CELEBRATION AT RAJ BHAVAN, CHENNAI, TODAY (21.12.2022)

Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Thiru. R.N.Ravi accompanied by Tmt.Laxmi Ravi, Lady Governor, today (21.12.2022) hosted The Advent Christmas Get-Together Celebration at Raj Bhavan, Chennai.

Hon'ble Governor in his presidential address, reiterated the Lord Jesus's message of immense love, countless compassion and limitless forgiveness, with that he guided the humanity to live happy and harmonious. Lord Christ belongs to the humanity and not pertain to any particular religion. Even at the time, Jesus was put on cross and he was suffering with pain and going through lot of hardships, he sought forgiveness for those who tormented him.

The Governor emphasized that world is steering towards serious challenges of resultant of selfishness and greed, reckless exploitation of nature, unprecedented pandemic, climate crisis, mass destruction, unleashing violence etc. At this juncture, the message of Lord Jesus is more relevant even today. The lines of Mahatma Gandhi's thoughts urging the people to be more kind and patience with each other and to help downtrodden people. It is Bharath's tradition and culture of treating others as our own and our age old, Vasuthaiva Kutumbakkam (world is one family).

The Governor highlighted that while India has taken G-20 presidency, amidst foreseeing issues in the universe, Nation has vast responsibility to shape the world to the destiny of peace and prosperity for the sake of humanity. The Governor expressed the compliments and the best wishes to the people for happy, healthy and prosperous Christmas as well the New Year wishes.

During this celebration, earlier Christmas carols were performed by three troupes under the aegis of South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur (SZCC). Special address was delivered by the Most Right Reverend Stanley Sebastian, Vicar General. Hon'ble Governor lit the candles and the Lady Governor cut the Christmas Cake.

On this occasion, Thiru.Anandrao V Patil, I.A.S., Principal Secretary to Governor, Vice-Chancellors of universities, Consulate Generals to India, Padmashri awardees, industrialists of G-20 Nations, Judges, distinguished invitees, dignitaries, Members of Madras Bar Association, Heads of Educational Institutions, sports personalities, representatives from Christian fraternity, and representatives from Northeast region, faculty members, and students were participated.

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