## <u>Raj Bhavan – Tamil Nadu</u>

## HIGHLIGHTS OF HON'BLE GOVERNOR THIRU. R.N.RAVI'S VISIT TO CHENNERI VILLAGE AND FELICITATION OF PADMA SHRI AWARDEES, THIRU.VADIVEL GOPAL AND THIRU. MASI SADAIYAN AT CHENNERI VILLAGE, CHENGALPATTU DISTRICT ON 02.03.2023.

1. Hon'ble Governor visited Chenneri Village in Chengalpattu District. Hon'ble Governor walked through the streets in the Irular colonies and met the members of the Irula community at their homes. Governor visited the exhibition stalls of indigenous products of Irular tribes and 'Vaazhndhu Kaattuvom' the Irular Women Welfare Society at Chenneri village, Chengalpattu District, and had an in-depth discussion about their ventures.

2. Hon'ble Governor felicitated Padma Shri Awardees, Thiru. Vadivel Gopal and Thiru. Masi Sadaiyan.

3. In his address, the Hon'ble Governor spoke the introductory address in Tamil and conveyed his heartiest congratulations to the Padma Awardees for having been conferred with the prestigious award. He extended his immense gratitude to the snake-catchers of the Irula community for their selfless service to the society. Hon'ble Governor said that like any other profession, the profession of snake-catchers, which saves hundreds of thousands of lives, should be duly respected and recognized. He also emphasised the importance of modernising this ageold profession. Hon'ble Governor said that our Nation will grow only when the communities like Irula grow. He invited representatives of community leaders to share their challenges, problems, and suggestions. 4. Following this, Hon'ble Governor interacted with students and the teachers of Chenneri Government Middle School. During his interaction, mentioned that each of the students are the future of the country and urged teachers to help students in building their self-confidence and aiming high in the life. He asked teachers to read, discover & experiment innovative ideas and methods for effective learning. Hon'ble Governor distributed Tamil copies of "Exam Warriors" authored by Hon'ble Prime Minister Thiru.Narendra Modi.

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