

நவி மும்பை தமிழ்ச் சங்கம் NAVI MUMBAI TAMIL SANGAM

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Annual Report of the Managing Committee for the year 2023-24

Dear esteemed members,

The Managing Committee of Navi Mumbai Tamil Sangam is happy to present its Annual Report for the year 2023-24 for your kind perusal and approval.

During 2023-24, the previous Managing Committee organised the events of the Sangam from 1-4-23 to 27-8-23 and the subsequent events were organised by the current Managing Committee. These have been compiled and presented in this report for your kind consideration and approval.

Condolence:- After the last AGM, our life member Mr. Ramanarayanan (LM No. 196) attained the lotus feet of the Lord and we offer our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family.

During the last AGM, our membership was 898 and this year the Managing Committee has scrutinised the applications of 20 individuals and has recommended their names for ratification by the AGM. After their ratification the Sangam's membership number would become **918**.

During the last year the Managing Committees conducted 16 monthly meetings. During the period 1-4-22 to 31-8-23, the previous Managing Committee had conducted 6 meetings and from 1-9-23 till 31-3-24 the current Managing Committee had conducted 10 meetings.

The Managing Committee wishes to place on record the achievements of some of our life members during 2023-24. Galay foundation of Tamil Nadu had organised a short story competition and our member Mrs. Prasanna Venkatesh (LM 724) was awarded a special prize for her short story. Our mridangam Guru Mr. M.S. Parameswaran (LM No. 821) was awarded the prestigious 'Kala Sarathi' award by the Art of Living Foundation at Bangalore. We congratulate Mrs. Prasanna Venkatesh and Mr. M.S. Parameswaran for their achievements and wish them many more such laurels in the near future.

We thank our teachers Mrs. Baby Rani, Mrs. Kanagavalli, Mrs. Mahalakshmi Ragunath, Mrs. Madhuri Ramanathan, Mr. Nitin Gaikwad, Guru M.S. Parameswaran, Guru Gayathri Subramanian of G.V. Ramani Natyakala Foundation for their valuable contributions to our Sangam.

We thank our Librarian Mrs. Savithri Ravi Shankar (LM 312), member Mrs. Prasanna Venkatesh (LM 724), Mrs. Pushpa Mahadevan (LM 788) and the well wishers of our Sangam Mrs. Geetha Neelakantan, and Mrs. Bama Moorthy, who happen to be the wives of our life members for sparing their most precious time and efforts to streamline the arrangement of books in our library subsequent to renovation.

We thank our Statutory Auditors M/s. B. Shankar & Co and our bankers, Punjab Nationa Bank and Abhyudhaya Bank for their valuable services rendered to the Sangam. We thank M/s. Perfect Printing Press for the excellent services rendered by them to the Sangam.

We thank all the schools who render their support and cooperation for our educational initiatives.

We thank our caterers, decorators, sound system providers, for their valuable services. We thank the Tamil Dailies Dhinakaran and Dhinthanthis for consistently covering our events. We also thank the e-papers Thamil Aram and news band for their continued support.

We thank our office manager Mr. S. Rajagopal, building supervisor Mr. Murugan Yadav and office assistant Mr. Dukiram for their valuable support in all our activities.

We thank our Board of Trustees for the whole hearted support and encouragement rendered by them in the execution of our administrative duties and in the promotion of our cultural activities. We look forward to their valuable guidance and support in our future endeavours too.

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| 1. | 14-4-23 | Tamil New year Day celebration | We thank our sponsors for this event Mr. Muthu (LM 756) and Mr. G. Bairava Subramanian (LM 787) |
| 2. | 10-6-23 | Kaviyarasu Kannadaasan Birthday celebration | This program was conducted in collaboration with Kaviyarasu Kannadasan Thamizh Peravai and sunshine music troupe |
| 3. | 19-6-23 | Tamil Textbook distribution to schools. | Our Sangam coordinated with various schools in Mumbai and the Tamil Nadu Textbook corporation. As per our request, the Tamil Nadu Text Book Corporation donated text books worth Rs. 3 lakhs . These were brought to Navi Mumbai at Sangam's cost and were distributed free of cost to the various schools. |
| 4. | 8-7-23 | After the renovation our Sangam's classes to teach Tamil, Carnatic music, Mridangam, spoken Marathi, classes commenced once again | Students participated in these classes with great enthusiasm. |
| 5. | 6-8-23 | Tamil virtual University Examinations were held | 38 students appeared for the certificate course examinations. |
| 6. | 15-8-23 | Independence Day flag hoisting celebration | The President of the Managing committee Mr. S. Ehambaram hoisted the flag. Sangam's members and students participated in the event. |
| 7. | 23-8-23 | The renovated building premises was officially inaugurated by the honourable Minister for Tamil Development Mr. MP.Saminathan | Members and Tamil scholars participated in the event |
| 8 | 27-8-23 | Elections for the Board of Trustees and the Managing committee were held in the Sangam premises. | Election Commissioner Mr. H. Subramanian (LM 581), Returning Officers Mr. P. Balasubramanian (LM 320) and Mr. R. Jayaraman (LM 131) conducted the elections in an excellent manner. |

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| 9 | 1-10-23 | Our Sangam participated in the centenary celebration function held in honour of Kalignar Dr. M. Karunanidhi. Our Sangam received the award for the 'Best Tamil Sangam' in this function. | Honourable Transport Minister of Tamil Nadu, Mr. S. S. Siva Sankar conferred this award upon Navi Mumbai Tamil Sangam. |
| | 24-10-23 | Vijayadasami Vidyarambam was held in our Sangam. | New students were enrolled in Tamil, Music, Mrudangam and Dance classes conducted in our Sangam. |
| 10. | 28-10-23 | Bharath Ratna Dr. APJ abdul Klam's birthday celebration was celebrated as 'Youth Talent promotion Day' | Scientist Mr. G. Gouthaman presided over this function and Journalist Mr. Lakshman Sundar was the Chief Guest on this occasion. |
| 11 | 25-11-23 | A humorous debate (pattimandram) was organised to ear mark the festive season. | The founder of Mumbai Humour Club Mr. Arumuga Pandian presided over the debate. Mrs. Boooma Sundararaajan, Mr. Rangaraj, Mr. Shantaram Seth and Ms. Yamini Shekar participated in the debate. |
| 12 | 23-12-23 | Sangam facilitated the collection of cloth food grain and other essential items for the victims of floods in Tiirunelveli. | This camp was held in the Sangam from 23-12-23 to 27-12-23. |
| 13 | 7-1-24 | Sangam's 46 th AGM was held on this date | Mr. P. Kothanda Raman (LM 678) was the Chairperson for the AGM. |
| 14 | 10-1-24 | A condolence meet to honour the memory of ex Chairman of the BOT Mr. N. Mahadevan was held at the Sangam | Sangam's members and the family member of Mr. N. Mahadevan participated in this meeting and paid their tributes. |

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| | 12-1-24 | Our Sangam participated in the celebration of Tamil diaspora event conducted by the Government of Tamil Nadu online. | |
| 16 | 16-1-24 | Thiruvalluvar Day was earmarked by the inauguration of a new online literary event 'inaiyathil ilakkiya thuli' | 'Educationist Mrs. Amla Stanley delivered a talk on 'Thirukuralil natpu' |
| 17 | 26-1-24 | Republic Day flag hoisting celebration | Mr. S. Ehambaram, Chairman of the Board of Trustees hoisted the flag. Members and students of Tamil Sangam participated in the event. |
| 18 | 4-2-24 | Members and well wishers of Tamil Sangam participated in the Grand Pongal Feast | The feast was inaugurated by the Ex Deputy Mayor of Navi Mumbai Mr. Avinash Lad. |
| 19 | 9-3-24 | Students who passed the Tamil Virtual University Examination were felicitated and their certificates were distributed. Certificates were issued and | Students, teachers and parents participated in this event |
| 20 | 9-3-24 | Our Sangam's signature event of Tami Esai Aradhani was held in a grand manner. | Teachers and students from several leading music schools participated in the event and paid their tributes to 'Thamizh Trinity' by singing Tamil compositions. |
| 21 | 9-3-24 | International Womens' Day was celebrated with fun and frolic | Ladies from various linguistic and cultural backgrounds participated in this cosmopolitan event. |
| 22 | 23-3-24 | The Secretary of Ayakudi Amar Seva Sangam Mr. S. Sankararaman was felicitated by our Sangam. Differently enabled Students of Sahayogini Sanstha Kopar khairane rendered a cultural program on this occasion. The office bearers of the Sanstha were also felicitated. | Members of the public and our Sangam members participated in this event. |

Sd/ Rajasri Nagarajan President Sd/-Meenakshi Venkatesh Secretary