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## KASHI TAMIL SANGAMAM 3.0 TO BE HELD AT VARANASI FROM 15<sup>TH</sup> TO 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

# HON'BLE GOVERNOR FLAGS OFF THE JOURNEY OF FIRST BATCH OF 212 DELEGATES TO KASHI TAMIL SANGAMAM BY SPECIAL TRAIN

Shri R.N. Ravi, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu flagged off the journey of the first contingent of 212 delegates to Kashi Tamil Sangamam 3.0 event by a special train today (13.02.2025) from Dr MGR Central Railway Station.

Shri Kaushal Kishore, Additional General Manager, Southern Railway, Shri B. Vishwanath Eerya, Divisional Railway Manager, Shri Tej Partap Singh, Additional Divisional Railway Manager, Senior Branch Officials of Chennai Division, Eminent members of Kashi Tamil Sangamam Committee, namely, Prof. V. Kamakoti, Director, IIT Madras, Dr. Nalli Kuppuswami Chetti, Dr. Sudha Seshayyan, Shri R Chandrasekaran, Director of CICT, Representatives from Ramakrishna Mutt, staff and rail users participated in the event.

The delegates comprising of students, writers and teachers were accorded a grand reception at Dr MGR Central Railway Station and were facilitated through help desks for boarding the Kashi Tamil Sangamam special train that left for Banaras at 14.45 hours today.

Shri R.N. Ravi, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, extended a warm welcome to the inaugural batch of delegates, presenting them with roses. He also honored the students with delegate bags, a special memento of their participation in the Kashi Tamil Sangamam 3.0.

### Special trains by Southern Railway for Kashi Tamil Sangamam 3.0:

To facilitate seamless connectivity for passengers from Tamil Nadu to Varanasi for Kashi Tamil Sangamam 3.0, Southern Railway is operating 05 pairs of special trains in coordination with implementing agencies for the program viz. IIT Madras and Banaras Hindu University (BHU). These trains will depart from Dr. MGR Central Railway (02 services), Kanniyakumari (02 services) and Coimbatore Railway station (01 service) connecting important cities enroute in Tamil Nadu.

### Kashi Tamil Sangamam 3.0:

Kashi Tamil Sangamam 3.0 is to be held from 15<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025. This year's theme honors the revered sage Agastiyar. This year event holds special significance, coinciding with the grand celebration of Maha Kumbh Mela at Prayagraj. The 10 day long cultural event will feature exhibitions, seminars, workshops, book releases, and other informative activities.

Nearly, 1080 delegates from TamilNadu from different spectrum of life, namely students, writers, teachers, artists, farmers, professionals, and researchers are participating in this year event. Additionally, 200 students across all Central Universities are to participate in this enriching experience, the celebration of shared heritage, traditions, and knowledge.

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