



PROFILE OF
DR. M. RAJARAM, IAS (RETD)

A BRIEF RESUME OF
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Dr M Rajaram is a former civil servant of 1992 batch with seasoned and practical approach in administration. He has a Post Graduate degree in English and Education, a BL Degree and PhD in HRD.

He is a distinguished administrator with diversified experience in governance of several significant sectors such as land revenue, health and family welfare, urban and rural development, education, housing, tourism, transport, industry, etc. He has been the District Collector of Thanjavur and Chennai and also Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Hindu Religious Endowment Department. He is an academician, decisive problem solver, adroit in framing and implementing the policies of the government with flair for new initiatives. He is currently serving as the Non - Judicial Member, Tamil Nadu Lokayukta.

He has served the State of Tamil Nadu for over 40 years with an unblemished track record and several accomplishments in various important assignments while maintaining a reputation for impeccable integrity and professionalism.

His efficiency in civil administration brought him many prestigious awards, notably the Best Collector Award, Malcolm Award, Anna Award, St Johns Ambulance Award from Government of Tamil Nadu, Gandhi Award, Anna Literacy Award, HUDCO Award, National Award for Cultural Tourism, Rural Tourism and Best Collateral Publicity, CNBC Travel Award for Best Weekend Getaway, SevaRatna Award and Poet Laureate Award from World Poets Congress, Mongolia.

He received encomiums from spiritual leaders such as Swami Dayanada Saraswati, Sri Sri Ravi Shanker, etc for organizing Hindu Spiritual Fairs.

He is a passionate Educationist and his research papers have received much acclaim at the national level. He has published more than 40 books, to mention a few: Quality in Educational Administration, Who will Bell the Cat?, Elemental Warriors, Food for Thought, Passport for Success, Blossoms in English, Yellow Line, Glory of Thirukkural, Better Tomorrow, Towards Better English, Glory of Tamil, Gita for Students, Tic Tok Tic, Corporate Wisdom, Revolutionary Saint Ramanujar,

Musical Geniuses, Oriental Wisdom, I sing the Glory of this Land, A Brave New World, Eternal Lamp, Universal Wisdom, English version of Ponnaiyin Selvan, etc. He is best known for his English translation of Thirukkural for which Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, former President of India has paid a very well-deserved tribute in his foreword for this book. He belongs to the scholar-civil servant tradition with strong roots to our rich and undiscovered cultural and spiritual heritage.

He is closely associated with organisations like International Sivananda Vedanta Centre, Narayani Peedam, Theosophical Society, Indian Red Cross Society, Brahma Kumaris, and Sharada Ashram.

He was the President, Indian Officers Association which was established for the dignity of the Indian Officers in 1903. He organised the 110th Annual Convention of IOA to disseminate about the ancient glory of India inviting Sri Venkiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India, Sri Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu and received commendations. His support to the cause of women education, particularly the tribals in Kancheepuram and Salem districts is noteworthy.

In the words of Mr N Vittal, IAS Former Chief Vigilance Officer of India Dr M Rajaram, IAS is a sparkle of light in the Civil Service. No wonder his hard work, straight forward outlook and service mindedness earned him the Best Collector Award. Nature is never too generous to give too many good qualities in one individual. If it grants one, it withdraws another. While this is the general rule there are some exceptions. Dr MRajaram is one such exception.

His interest and involvement in Tamil cover a wide spectrum of activities like translation of ancient Tamil Classics into Mandarin, Arabic, etc and setting up Tamil galleries.

BIODATA

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EDUCATION QUALIFICATION

MA (English) - Madurai Kamaraj University -1978

MEd (Education) - Madurai Kamaraj University -1982

PhD(HRD) - University of Madras – 1992

BL - University of Madras – 1993

POSITIONS HELD IN GOVERNMENT

- *Post Graduate Teacher, 1979-82*
- *District Education Officer, 1982-83*
- *Inspector Of Anglo-Indian Schools, 1983-85*
- *Inspector of Matriculation Schools (I/C), 1983-85*
- *Chief Educational Officer, 1985-88*
- *Deputy Director Of School Education, 1988-89*
- *Secretary, Tamil Nadu Parent Teacher Association, 1988-99*
- *Joint Director Of School Education, 1990-96*
- *Administrative Officer, SAF Games Village, 1995-96*
- *Joint Commissioner (Prohibition & Excise), Chennai 1996-97*
- *Sub-Collector, Vellore, 1997-98*
- *Sub-Collector, Tiruvallur, 1997-98*
- *Deputy Commissioner of (Health), Chennai Corporation, 1998-99*
- *District Collector, Thanjavur and Chennai, 1999-01/2004-05*
- *Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board, 2001-02*

- *Commissioner of Labour, 2002-03*
 1. *Chairman, Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board*
 2. *Chairman, Tamil Nadu Auto Workers Welfare Board*
 3. *Chairman, Tamil Nadu Manual Workers Board*
 4. *Vice Chairman, Tamil Nadu Labour Welfare Board*
- *Director of Rural Development & Panchayat Raj, 2003-06*
- *Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Housing Board, 2006-07*
- *Commissioner of Tourism/ Managing Director, TTDC, 2007-09*
 1. *Commissioner of Art & Culture, Chennai*
- *Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Cement Corporation, 2009-10*
- *Transport Commissioner, Tamil Nadu, 2010-11*
- *Principal Secretary to Government, Tamil Development, Religious Endowment & Information, 2011-16*
- *Member/Chairman, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, 2016-18*
- *Non-Judicial Member, Tamil Nadu Lokayukta, 2019- till date*



110th Convention of IOA



With Hon'ble Governor, CH Vidya Sagar Rao



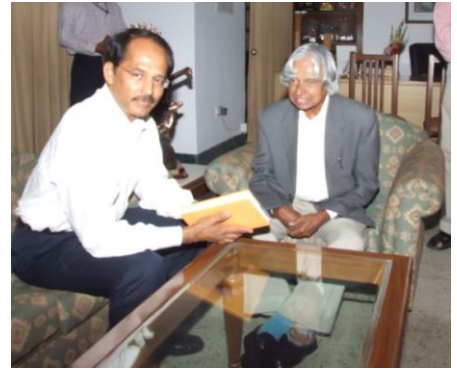
*With Hon'ble Lt Governor Puducherry,
Tmt Kiran Bedi*



*With Hon'ble Chief Minister,
Dr Kalaingar Karunanidhi*

BOOKS AUTHORED

- *Who will Bell the Cat? (Tamil and English)*
- *Community School Relations*
- *Changing Faces of School Inspection*
- *Manora (English & Tamil)*
- *Quality in Educational Administration*
- *Innovations in School Inspection (Tamil& English)*
- *HRD in Educational Administration*
- *Pearls of Wisdom- Thirukkural*
- *Glory of Thirukkural*
- *Thiruvalluvar and Buddha*
- *Honey Dews*
- *Enrich Your Life*
- *Joy of Learning*
- *Life Lessons from Mahatma*
- *Better Tomorrow*
- *Better English*
- *Blossoms*
- *Food for Thought*
- *Elemental Warriors*
- *Glory of Tamil (Tamil)*
- *Tic-Toc-Tic*
- *Better Tomorrow -Higher Education*
- *Success Mantra in Bhagavad Gita*
- *Oriental Wisdom*
- *I Sing the Glory of this Land*
- *Corporate Wisdom*
- *Musical Geniuses*
- *Golden Bytes*
- *PonniyinSelvan – English*



*With Perasiriyar
Thiru K Anbalagan*



*Worshipful Mayor M K Stalin
releasing Dr Rajaram's book*

PAPERS PRESENTED/ARTICLES WRITTEN

- *Drug Abuse, 1988*
- *Equality in Education, 1988*
- *Better Results in Schools, 1989*
- *HRD in Educational Administration, 1990*
- *Foster Parent Scheme, 1990*
- *Progress of School Education in Tamil Nadu, 1991*
- *Education of Girls in Tamil Nadu, 1992*
- *Effective Teaching, 1992*
- *Intellectual Abilities of Children, 1993*
- *School Complex System, 1993*
- *Educational Planning, Administration & Financing, 1993*
- *Educational Scenario-Commitments & Responsibilities, 1993*
- *Concept of Star Schools, 1994*
- *The Need of the Hour – Job Oriented Courses, 1994*
- *Examination Reforms, MIDS, 1994*
- *Management Principles in Thirukkural, IIPA, New Delhi, 1999*
- *Education in the Next Millennium IIPA, 1999*
- *Management Principles in Chola Kingdom, 2000*
- *Slum Improvement through People's Participation, New Delhi, 2002*
- *Transit Schools in Chennai Slums, National Labour Institute, New Delhi -2003*
- *Child Labour Elimination in Tamil Nadu-National Labour Institute, New Delhi-2002*
- *Empowerment of Dalit Women Village Panchayat Presidents, 2004*
- *Path Breaking Women Panchayat Leaders, NRD Hyderabad, 2003*
- *Eco - Tourism in Tamil Nadu, GOI New Delhi -2004*
- *Rural Tourism WTO, London - -2004*
- *Cultural Tourism in Tamil Nadu-PATA-Rajasthan-2004*
- *Cultural link between India and Indonesia, Bali, 2007*

- *Road Safety Policy in Tamil Nadu- New Delhi, 2005*
- *Housing needs of the MIG –HUDCO- New Delhi, 2006*
- *The role of Government in Spreading Tamil Literacy among the Tamil Diaspora- International Institute of Tamil Studies, Chennai, 2013*
- *The Cultural Link between Tamil Nadu and South Korea-Institute of Asian studies , Chennai, 2011*
- *Thiruvalluvar a Political Genius – International Tamil Conference-KL, Malaysia, 2014*
- *Ancient Glory of Tamils- Adelaide, Australia, 2014*
- *Ecology in Tamil literature-World Tamil Organisation-Madurai, 2015*
- *The Link between Tamil and other languages, Madras University, 2014*
- *Corporate Wisdom in Thirukkural-Durban, 2014*
- *Women poets in Sangam literature IITS, Chennai, 2015*
- *Commerce in Sangam period, Asian Institute of Studies, 2015*
- *The Need for Value Education in schools CBSE GOI- Sripuram, 2017*
- *Artificial Intelligence CBSE, GOI -Sripuram, 2019*
- *Excellence in Governance-Madras Management Association- Chennai, 2019*
- *Governance in Thirukkural, Madras Management Association, , Chennai, 2019*
- *KuralAmudu One in a Million Hindustan University-2019*
- *Success Mantra In Gita-Bharathiya Vidya Bhavan Chennai-2019*
- *Healing Power of Narayaneeyam, Chennai-2020*
- *Business Ethics in Tamil Literature, Chennai, 2022*
- *Executive Excellence, Sai Ram University, Chennai, 2022*

INTERNATIONAL EXPOSURE

- *2007 - W T M, London*
- *2007 – PATA, Bali*
- *2008 – ITB, Berlin*
- *2003 – Mid-Career Training, Washington DC*
- *2010 - Executive Excellence Training, Seoul*
- *2015 - World Congress Of Poets, Taiwan*

- 2015 - *International Tamil Conference , Malaysia*
- 2015 - *Cultural Exchange Programme , South Australia*
- 2015 - *Tamil Association at Auckland, New Zealand*
- 2017 - *World Poets Congress, Mongolia*
- 2016 - *International Sivananda Vedanta Centre, Montreal*
- 2016 - *21st Century Crane Summit, Taiwan*
- 2001 – *INDUS Project – Child Labour Elimination*
- 2006 – *World Bank – Women’s Development*
- 2009 - *Asian Development Bank - Tourism Projects*



*With Dr Yu Hsi Chairman,
World Congress of Poets Chairman,
Crane Summit 21st Century International Forum*



*International Tamil Conference-
Malaysia-2015*

SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- *Integrated Education, New Delhi, 1988*
- *Inter-Sectorial Co-Ordination for Health Care, Bangalore, 1990*
- *Management in Government, New Delhi, 1991*
- *Prospective Planning for Education, New Delhi, 1991*
- *Early Childhood Education, UNICEF, New Delhi, 1994*
- *Executive Excellence, Anna Institute of Management, 1994*
- *Total Quality Management, Anna Institute of Management, Madras, 1994*
- *Zero Budgeting, Madras, 1985*
- *Project Implementation on AIDS, NACO, Bangalore, 1998*
- *Public-Private Partnership, IIPA, New Delhi, 1999*
- *Planning for Social Mobilization, NIRD, Hyderabad, 2001*

- *Trade Regime at IIFT, New Delhi, 2002*
- *Great Indian Travel Bazaar, Jaipur, 2008*
- *International Workshop on Rural Tourism, New Delhi, 2008*
- *Glorious India-Adelaide, Australia -2016*
- *KuralAmudu- KL Malaysia- 2019*

CONFERENCES/EVENTS ORGANIZED

- *New National Policy on Education, Chennai, 1985*
- *World Peace March, Chennai, 1986*
- *40th Independence Day/Freedom Run, Chennai, 1987*
- *International Thirukkural Conference, Madras, 1988*
- *Gandhi for School Teachers, Madras, 1988*
- *Olympic Run, Madras, 1989*
- *World Environment Day, Madras, 1989*
- *Sir Welfred Cockcroft, British Council, Madras, 1989*
- *Guidance and Counselling, Trivandrum, 1990*
- *Human Chain for World Total Literacy, Madras, 1990*
- *Keep Marina Clean, Madras, 1991*
- *Quality Improvement in Schools, Madras, 1993*
- *Hospital Waste Management, Chennai, 1998*
- *AIDS Awareness for Truck Drivers, Chennai, 1998*
- *Awareness on Leptospirosis, Chennai, 1998*
- *World Animals Day Rally, Chennai, 1998*
- *Sustainable Chennai, Chennai, 1998*
- *Acute Flaccid Paralysis, Chennai, 1998*
- *Campaign Against Crackers Chennai, 2002*
- *Sensitization Programme for Tourist Officers, Chennai, 2004*
- *Sensitization Programme for Tourist Guides, 2004*
- *Eco-Tourism and Medical Tourism, Chennai, 2004*
- *TAAI Convention at Chennai, 2004*

- *Tourist Care Training Programmes for Auto/Taxi Drivers, Traders, Airline Staff, Police, Etc., Chennai, 2004*
- *Bed and Breakfast Scheme, Chennai, 2004*
- *Role of Teachers in Emerging Indian Society-Chennai 2009*
- *International Thirukkural Conference- Chennai 2015*
- *Guidance and Counseling for PTA Personnel*
- *Leadership at the Frontier of Tomorrow-110th Annual Convention of Indian Officers Association- Chennai, 2018*
- *KuralAmudu - One in a Million-Taiwan, 2018*
- *Tamil Glory, Anna Centenary Library- Chennai, 2019*
- *Role of Civil Service in Nation Building - Anna Centenary Library, Chennai, 2019*

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

EDUCATION (1979 - 1997)

- *Opened 120 rural schools with active public participation*
- *Organized Inter School Parliament and Computer Literacy Programmes*
- *Introduced Foster Parent Scheme, job oriented courses, etc*
- *Ensured improvement of standard in Tribal Schools*
- *Recruited 15,000 teachers and introduced school cluster system*
- *Represented Tamil Nadu in the Inter-State Board for Anglo-Indian Schools, New Delhi*
- *Established book banks in 1500 schools*
- *Implemented Star Schools concept.*
- *Prepared DPEP project report for the World Bank*
- *Served as a Member for the selection of research fellow and UNICEF Early Childhood Education Project*
- *Prepared the strategy report for achieving universal primary education before the year 2000 in Tamil Nadu*
- *Introduced school complex systems in corporation schools*
- *Implemented the system of green glass boards in Star Schools*
- *Introduced job oriented courses for plus-one students in Corporation schools*
- *Ensured smooth functioning of 100% Corporation schools during the state-wide teachers agitation*
- *Prepared an action plan to improve the quality of education in schools*
- *Implemented computer education in all schools in Thanjavur District and received commendation from the Government*
- *His PhD thesis became the basis for regulating unregistered nursery and matriculation schools*





HEALTH (1998 - 1999)

- *Introduced public-private partnership in solid waste management*
- *Introduced food handlers certificate system to prevent serving unwholesome food*
- *Initiated proposals for power generation from garbage*
- *Reduced absenteeism of sanitary workers from 30% to 6%*

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

As Sub – Collector, Tiruttani(1997 - 1998)

- *Released 50 bonded labourers and received commendation from the Government for being the 1st district in the state to release bonded labourers*
- *Curbed illegal sand mining and smuggling of rice to neighbouring state*
- *Prevented major communal clashes*
- *Medical help for physically and visually challenged persons*

As District Collector Thanjavur (1999 - 2001)

- *Prevented communal clashes by forming peace committees in villages*
- *Released and rehabilitated 200 bonded labourers*

- *Received commendation from the Chief Minister for computerising records in 906 villages in Thanjavur District with high-speed network*
- *Formed Grievance Redressal Cells in all Taluk Offices*
- *Issued 10,600 house-site pattas for the homeless*
- *Provided Braille watches, hearing aids, tricycles, calipers, etc. to 1500 differently-abled*
- *Issued free bus/train passes to 500 differently-abled persons*
- *Organized coaching classes for SC/ST students*
- *Successfully conducted 2 Parliament elections and one Assembly election*
- *Distributed 8500 Kisan Credit Cards*
- *Introduced Petitions Counter System in all taluks in Thajavur District*
- *Seized 5000 litres of illicit fermented wash and punished the culprits*
- *Thanjavur District topped in implementation of school health programme*
- *Organised free skin care programme*
- *Launched special drive to undertake repair works in all Primary Health Care Centres/Hospitals/ Girls schools*
- *Provided marriage assistance to 5776 poor women*
- *Curtailed eve teasing, dowry harassment, screening of obscene films and pasting of obscene posters in Thanjavur District and received commendation from Government*
- *Distributed credit to 800 women vendors under micro-credit system*
- *Closed 3 industrial units for misusing rectified spirit*
- *Arranged eye surgery for 900 needy people*
- *Developed Manora, a historical monument as a tourism destination*
- *Modernized Saraswathy Mahal Library, Thanjavur*
- *Monitored de-silting operations through district-level monitoring panels with former representatives*
- *Successfully managed both drought and flood situations*
- *Issued community certificates to 40,000 students through their respective schools*

- *Set up Career Guidance Centre for IAS/Medical aspirants*
- *Provided sodium vapour lamps in all villages and earned the name as trendsetter*
- *Formed youth Red Cross Wings in all IITs, Polytechnics and Colleges*
- *Introduced Students' Safety Insurance Schemes*
- *Provided free ambulance/mortuary van services at Government hospitals in Thanjavur/Kumbakonam and Pattukottai*
- *Formed Kural Nagar – a hamlet of social equality with people belonging to various communities*
- *Organised school improvement conferences and mobilised*
- *Received commendation from Government for effective functioning of Farmers Market (UlavarSandai) in Thanjavur, Kumbakonam and Pattukottai*
- *Abolished two-tumbler system in Thanjavur District*
- *Rescued the villagers trapped in flood waters in Kollidam river with army support*
- *Received commendations from Government for Tsunami Relief Work*
- *Raised the performance of Thanjavur District from 20th to 1st position*
- *Retrieved 1200 acres of objectionable government lands from encroachers*
- *Received the Best Collector Award from Govt of Tamil Nadu for service to the differently-abled*
- *Curbed illicit liquor and brought Thanjavur District to number 1 position*
- *Achieved 100% enrolment in primary schools in Thanjavur district*
- *Instrumental in forming 5 Samathuvapurams (Equality Villages) with all facilities*
- *Received commendation from Government of Tamil Nadu for implementing common burial grounds in 24 Panchayats*
- *Organised National Scout Camp for youth to promote national integration*
- *Set up Rural Libraries and Rural Sports Centres in 159 village panchayats*
- *Enrolled 5000 agricultural labourers under Tamil Nadu Agricultural Security Scheme*
- *Had the distinction of opening ten fair price shops run exclusively by women in Thanjavur District*



SLUM CLEARANCE (2001 - 2002)

- *Constructed 15,600 tenements to rehabilitate slum dwellers*
- *Provided entrepreneur training to 7369 (SC/ST) women from slums*
- *Supported Harijan Seva Sangh Girls hostel*
- *Provided entrepreneur training to 750 women (SC/ST) in Chennai slums*
- *Rehabilitated 1375 child labour and admitted them in transit schools*



LABOUR (2002 - 2003)

- *Formed LokAdalat for the 1st time in Labour Department and settled major industrial disputes in Ashok Leyland, Larsen & Toubro and Hindustan Motors, and received commendations from the Hon'ble Chief Justice of Madras High Court*
- *Organized LokAdalat and settled 425 claims & received commendation from Hon'ble Chief Justice of Madras High Court*
- *Constructed 499 houses for beedi workers*
- *Instrumental for pension scheme for construction workers*
- *Launched the State Action Plan to eliminate child labour and made it as a social movement*
- *Resolved the disputes in Tea Plantations as a Member of Inter-Ministerial Committee on Plantations*



RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2002 - 2003)

- *Computerization of all 6522 Panchayats and 385 Block Panchayats*
- *Relief measures in Tsunami- affected districts and received commendation from Government*
- *Established 626 kiosks for farmers*
- *Provided 38,990 houses for the poor*
- *Retrieved 1120 acres of Bhoodhan land from encroachers*
- *Received Awards under Nirmal Gram Purashkar from GOI*
- *Received commendation from GOI for best performance in rural sanitation and rural connectivity*



HOUSING (2006 - 2007)

- *Retrieved Board lands worth Rs.378.60 crore from encroachers*
- *Re-engineered the Tamil Nadu Housing Board and made it 'Debt-Free' and created surplus fund to the tune of Rs350 crores*
- *Resolved the dispute between the Board and the landowners and paved the way for the distribution of sale deeds to the allottees pending for more than 20 years*



TOURISM (2007 - 2009)

- *Topped in accessing Central Government funds*
- *Established Medical Tourism Information Desk*
- *Popularized lesser known tourist destinations*
- *Introduced tourist friendly autos, Hop On Hop Off Bus Services, etc*
- *Increased gross profit of TTDC by 64%-*
- *Identified new tourist destinations in the state*



INDUSTRY (2009 - 2010)

- *Achieved 100% production in all units for the 1st time in TANCEM*
- *Increased the net profit by 300% in TANCEM*
- *Planted trees in abandoned mining areas as a green cover*



TRANSPORT (2010 - 2011)

- *Enabled Tamil Nadu to become the 1st state in the country:*
 - *Software for taking action on drunken drivers*
 - *E-Lot system for granting of EV permits for vehicles from other state*
 - *Online registration of applications for Learners' License*
 - *SMS facility for the citizens to know the tax payment status*
 - *Speed Governors for school/college vehicles*
 - *Alteration of two-wheelers with retro-fitment kits for the disabled*
 - *Road Safety Awareness films*

HINDU RELIGIOUS ENDOWMENT (2011 - 2016)

- *Arranged mass wedding for 1000 couples from the under-privileged sections*
- *Digitalized all temple records*
- *Retrieved 850 acres of temple lands from encroachers*
- *Instrumental for Annathanam Scheme in Temples*
- *Renovated over 300 temples in SC/ST habitations*
- *Implemented NithyaPooja in all remote village temples*
- *Renovation of 120 temples in dilapidated condition*
- *Performed Kumbhabhishekam in 1000 temples*
- *Organised Rejuvenation Camps for Temple Elephants*
- *Renovated 400 Temple Tanks*
- *Renovated 500 old Temple Cars*
- *Removed non-believers acting as Fit Persons in temples*
- *Improved the infrastructure for comfortable darshan and holy dip at Rameshwaram*
- *Received National Award for promoting Spiritual/ Cultural and Rural Tourism*



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LANGUAGE (2011 - 2016)

- *Translated several Tamil classics to English, Mandarin, Arabic, etc*
- *Re-Published rare Tamil books of*
- *17th, 18th and 19th Centuries*
- *Published a glossary of Tamil Administrative works*
- *Created 56 Awards for Tamil scholars*
- *Opened gallery for Thirukkural and Sangam Literature*
- *Opened museum for Ancient Tamils Glory*



INFORMATION (2011 - 2016)

- *Digital Audio Work Station in Information Department*
- *Received Republic Day Awards, GOI, New Delhi*
- *Created Data Bank on all Government schemes*
- *Instrumental for building ten memorials for freedom fighters*
- *Organised 100 years of Indian Cinema festival*
- *Enhanced the pension and family pension paid to journalists*

TAMIL NADU PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (2016-2018)

- *Digital valuation of answer scripts of competitive exams*
- *Easy mechanism for disposal of appeal petitions by affected persons*
- *Awareness film for online application for jobs*

IOA (2017- 2019)

- *Conducted the 110th Annual Convention in association of MMA and received appreciation from the Hon'ble Vice President of India and the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu*

- *Upgraded the library*
- *Strengthened medical dispensary with more facilities*
- *Introduced reflexology, acupuncture, etc.*

BHARATH CULTURAL CENTRE

- *Founded BCC to take Thirukkural and Bhagavad Gita worldwide through dance and music*
- *Scripted a musical dance drama KuralAmudu “AayirathilOruvan” (One in a million) based on Thirukkural*
- *Successfully staged “AayirathilOruvan” in many places in Tamil Nadu, Taiwan and Malaysia*



INTERACTION WITH NATIONAL LEADERS



With former President Sankar Dayal Sharma



With former President R Venkatraman



Central Labour Minister Sahib Singh Varma



With Mr Anna Hazare



With former President, Dr APJ Abdul Kalam



AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 1990 - Anna Literacy Award from Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu
- 1995 - Gandhi Award from Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu
- Commendation from the Secretary General, SAF Games, VII
- 1999 - Malcolm Award for Literacy Service from TN Government
- 2000 - Best Collector Award from Tamil Nadu Government
- 2000 - St. John Ambulance Award
- 2002 - HUDCO Award for Low Cost Housing
- 2003 - National Award from GOI for Cultural Tourism
- National Award from GOI for Rural Tourism
- National Award from GOI for Best Collateral Publicity
- 2008 - CNBC Travel Award
- 2010-Harijan Bandhu Award
- 2014 – SevaRatna Award for service to the blind
- 2017 – Poet Laureate Award, World Poets Congress, Mongolia



COMMENDATIONS

*for all I commend the efforts you have taken in effectively organizing the seminar on
The New National Policy on Education at Rajaji Hall on 12.6.1985*

Dr.K.Venkatasubramanian,

Member, State Planning Commission

13.6.1985

*Students Book Fair Committee immensely thanks you and congratulates you for
providing dynamic leadership to successfully complete the 3rd Students Book Fair*

K V Mathew

Organiser, Students Book Fair Committee

12-6-1986

*The Freedom Forty Run was successfully conducted on 7.8.1988. The success of the
Run is no small measure due to the timely help rendered by you.*

G.BhujangaRao, IAS

Collector of Madras,

8.8.1988

*I am happy to place on record the appreciation of the government for the excellent and
meritorious work done by you in the successful implementation of the Dummy
Numbering System in the Higher Secondary Examination held in April 1988*

Dr.H.B.N.Shetty, IAS

Secretary to Government (Education)

17.10.1988

*The Divisional Conference on Education held at Vellore on 29.9.1988 was well
organised with your sincere efforts and cooperation.*

Dr K Venkatasubramanian

Member, Planning Commission.

31-10-1988

I convey my appreciation for the excellent arrangements made by you for the success of the Students Rally in connection with the 41st Anniversary of Independence Day.

K. Gopalan

Director of School Education

11.11.1988

You impress me a lot with your dedication to work and approach to the problems. Your books on education are very inspiring highlighting the problems and solutions for the successful implementation of the New Education Policy.

C Subramaniam

Former Governor of Maharashtra

14-11-1988

It is indeed a great pleasure to appreciate your kind cooperation and help in arranging a fabulous Cultural Programme during the Flag Day function held on 7.12.1988

J.S.Syiem, IAS

Collector of Madras,

9.12.1988

At the outset let me thank you for your enthusiastic and active cooperation extended in the successful conduct of the recently concluded Olympic Run at Madras on 25.6.1989

R.V.Gopalan, IAS

Director of Sports and Youth Services

26.06.1989

I commend your excellent coordination co-operation and good work for successfully organising Republic Day Carnival on 26th January 1990

M.M.Rajendran, IAS

Chief Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu,

15.02.1990.

I understand that the proposals for promoting Dr M Rajaram is under consideration of the Government. A number of initiatives have been taken by him for improving the quality of education in Corporation of Madras. Breaching the continuity at this stage would be a setback in the efforts to improve education in the Corporation. I therefore request the Government to upgrade the post of Education Officer and allow him to continue his services in the Education Department.

R Poornalingam, IAS

Special Officer

Corporation of Madras

8-1-1994

You have been able to make remarkable changes in the Educational Administration of the Corporation of Madras. You have impressed me with your dedicated and committed service to the cause of education.

R.Poornalingam, IAS

Special Officer, Corporation of Madras, 10.5.1994

Dr M Rajaram maintained cordial relations with all sections of society and all associations in his career. It is rare to find such an officer.

Tamil Nadu Arasu Aluvalargal Kalagam

6-7-1994

I place on record your active involvement in the revision of syllabus during 94-95.

K Deenaband, IAS

Joint Secretary to Government

Education Department

29-7-1995

Mere words cannot express our heartfelt thanks to you for the excellent organisation of the 7th SAF games held at Chennai.

*Major B.PhadLan,
Deputy Chief-de-Mission,
Bhutan Contingent,
27.12.1995.*

On behalf of our Nepalese Contingent to the 7th SAF Games, we would like to thank you for all your kind hospitality during our stay for the games held from 18th to 29th December 1995.

*Sharad Kumar Bhattarai,
Chief-de-Mission, Nepalese Contingent,
29.12.1995.*

World is full of people who lead their life not merely to exist but as an example to be followed. These kind of men influence and motivate the younger generation by the magnitude of their achievements. Dr Rajaram is one such person who has silently engraved his name in the record books. One could be proud of his contributions to the society and he is also one man who is ahead of one's times. His support to women's education, particularly among the tribals in Kancheepuram and Salem districts, is noteworthy. He is a sincere and honest officer. His approach to facing the problems and service mindedness dazzles me. "Pearls of Inspiration" by Dr MRajaram, IAS is a wonderful store house for guidance.

*Justice Venkatasamy
Former Judge, Hon'ble Supreme Court of India
2-1-1996*

It was an honour for me to lead the Pakistan Contingent in 7th South Asian games held at Chennai. The fine arrangements at SAF Games Village Chennai was marvellous and it is highly appreciated.

*PirAftabHussain Shah Jilani,
Chief-de-Mission, Pakistan Contingent,
7th SAF Games,
6.02.1996.*

With reference to your paper, "Who Will Bell the Cat?" on education has been awarded with the prize for the year 1984. Let me avail this opportunity to commend your meritorious work.

*T K D Nair
Director,
National Institute of Planning and Administration
1-6-1996*

I extend my hearty congratulations on the excellent way you have completed the election process. I commend your excellent performance in totally curbing illicit mining and smuggling of rice in Thiruttani sub division.

*S.K.Prabakar, IAS
Collector, Tiruvallur District
13.03.1998.*

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you for the unstinted co-operation and wholehearted support you had extended during the conduct of the World Women's Volleyball Grand Prix.

*Dr.B.SivanthiAdityan
Volleyball Federation of India
7.09.1998.*

I was delighted to hear the good news of your selection to the IAS which you richly deserve for your straightforward outlook, industry and affable qualities. Your rich experience in education will stand you in good stead. No wonder you will add glory to all the assignments assigned to you in future.

J A Ryan

Former Director of School Education

5-2-1999

I am really proud of you and I was elated by the rich encomiums paid to you by Hon'ble Chief Minister Dr Kalaingar. The Government function at Thanjavur

Dr K Venkata Subramanian

Former Vice Chancellor

Pondicherry Central University

19-5-99

I Congratulate you as you are the first district to release and rehabilitate bonded labourers in such an early manner.

P.W.C. Davidar, IAS

Director of Handlooms and Textiles

24.09.1999

The General Election to Lok Sabha 1999 have just concluded. The job has been completed efficiently. I place on record my appreciation of the excellent work done by you and your team of officials in conducting the Elections.

A.P.Muthusamy IAS

Chief Secretary, 8.10.1999

Dr M Rajaram has taken very earnest and effective steps to involve the office under speedy implementation of development schemes. He is very effective in coordination and public relations.

P.S.Pandian, IAS

Principal Commissioner and Revenue Administration, 10.10.1999

I convey my appreciation for your stellar performance for the Flag Day Collections

Dr.C.Rangarajan

Governor of Tamil Nadu, 1999

The 1999 Election has come to an end. It has been a challenge for the Election Commission of India at a difficult time of the year. You have worked long hours with dedication and courage to bring it to a successful conclusion.

Dr.M.S.Gill

Chief Election Commissioner

11.10.1999.

I am delighted to see that you are doing great things in Thanjavur as Collector. I am proud of you

Dr.Venkatasubramanian

Former Vice-Chancellor

Pondicherry Central University

1.11.1999

I am happy that as District Collector and the Director, SaraswatiMahal Library you have been taking keen interest in the upkeep of the famous SaraswatiMahal Library which is a priceless National Heritage.

A.Padmanaban

Governor of Mizoram 23.11.1999

You are one of the very few Collectors in Thanjavur to have done so much for Indian Red Cross Society Thanjavur District Branch. The new blood bank will be a golden hue in your cap

SarojiniVaradappan

President

Indian Red Cross Society. 21-2-2000

You have taken extraordinary interest in the efforts towards collection of co-operative loans. Let me take this opportunity to convey my appreciation for your efforts.

Dr. Mrutyunjay Sarnagi, IAS

Registrar of Co-operative Societies, 25.02.2000.

I would like to place on record my appreciation for the good work done by you in computerizing all the taluk offices in Thanjavur district. You are one among the few Collectors who are forerunners in this field.

Dr. Chhatra Sal Singh, IAS

Principal Commissioner of Revenue Administration, 29.02.2000

I congratulate you for the excellent work done in implementing taluk level computerisation project in Thanjavur District.

Dr. N. Vijayaditya

Director General,

Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India, 3.03.2000

I wish to place on record the security arrangements made during the recent visit of Her Excellency the Governor of Tamil Nadu to our district. This was possible only due to your inspiring and dynamic leadership which motivated all of us to put in our best efforts.

Amaresh Pujari, IPS

Superintendent of Police, Thanjavur District. 4.04.2000.

Dr M Rajaram is a successful bureaucrat. Truly he is a civil servant turned scholar.....

Dr A Ananthakrishnan

Former Vice Chancellor

Anna University

22-4-2000

I congratulate you for the excellent work done in implementing Taluk level computerization project in Thanjavur District.

Dr N Vijayaditya

Director General

Ministry of Information Technology

New Delhi

3-7-2000

Your efforts in rising contribution from MPs, MLAs and from the general public for setting up Sports-Cum-Recreation Centres is praiseworthy.

K.AshokVardhanShetty, IAS

Secretary to CM, 20.07.2000

I convey my deep appreciation for the extraordinary efforts made by you for the Flag Day 2000,

P.S.RamamohanRao

Governor of Tamil Nadu 27.07.2000

Lt Gen S Padmanaban Chief of Army Staff (Designate) conveyed his deep appreciation of your assistance and cooperation during his visit to Thajavur on 11-9-2000

Col. S K Mangotra

Commanding Officer, Trichy. 12-9-2000

Your book on Quality Education highlights several aspects in the academic and administrative domain. This book will be a beacon light for Education Administrators.

G Balasubramanian

Director (Academic)

CBSE

18-9-2000

The management of Stella Maris College is pleased to nominate you as our external Advisor in matters related to academics and CSR initiatives. Your rich experience will surely build a sustainable partnership in the corporates.

SrSofi

Principal, Stella Maris College

5-10-2000

Without your help, it would not have been possible for us to provide an excellent learning opportunity to the IAS Trainee Officers. The officers informed me that you took great personal care to ensure that all arrangements were properly made. I would also like to record our appreciation for the efforts made by you and your colleagues.

LalchandSinghi IAS

Deputy Director,

LalBahadurSastri National Academy of Administration Mussorie

5-10-2000

It is indeed heartening to know your excellent performance during 1999 to 2000 in the implementation of the Rural Development Schemes.

A.P.Muthuswamy, IAS

Chief Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu

13.10.2000.

I congratulate you for your stellar performance in all the health related programmes in Thanjavur District

L K Tripathi, IAS

Secretary to Government

Health Department

29-3-2001

This is to place on record the excellent personal efforts you have taken to reduce crimes against women in your district.

Ms. Santha Sheela Nair IAS

Secretary to Government, Home, Prohibition & Excise

16.04.2001

This is to convey my deep appreciation for the excellent performance shown by you in enforcement of prohibition.

Ms. Santha Sheela Nair IAS

Secretary to Government, Home, Prohibition & Excise

17.04.2001.

Your period in Thanjavur District as Collector is a golden period. Your fight against corruption can never be forgotten. You maintained the dignity of the office of Collector by treating everyone alike. You really strived hard to serve the public with love and compassion.

A Vallavan

Founder President

People's Service Centre

Thanjavur

6-6-2001

I am extremely happy to see your report on the Rain Water Harvesting work taken up in the Slum Clearance.

Ms. Santha Sheela Nair IAS

Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration

11.02.2002.

Dr M Rajaram is a born humanist. His deep commitment and concern for the most needy people endeared him to me.

S Ramakrishnan

Amar Seva Sangam. 6-7-2003

Dr M Rajaram is very quick in grasping and has proved himself in dealing with labour issues. He has a zeal to work and is always ready to do more than the call of duty. Very efficient, focused and motivated in achieving all his targets. He is a valuable team leader and always extends his support to his colleagues. He streamlined a number of processes associated with labour laws, especially workmen's compensation. He is a valuable asset to the organization. He easily achieves targets and many a time goes beyond the target. Setting new targets for the team. He always finds a way to get things done well. When the target gets tougher, he continues to have the best attitude to accomplish them. He is people oriented and enthusiastic with positive work ethics.

M D Pranesh, IAS

Addl Chief Secretary

Labour & Employment

Tamil Nadu

14-1-2004

DHAN Foundation is indebted to you for your unstinted support and cooperation for the rebuilding of Drinking Water Ponds (Ooranis) in Ramnad and Sivaganga districts. Again it is a great initiative from you on eco-tourism.

M P Vasimalai

Executive Director

DHAN Foundation

9-2-2004

While congratulating you on the smooth conduct of the poll, I am touched by your hard work, dedication and able leadership, Thanjavur District shall have a lot of development in all spheres in the times to come.

Shri C.D. Kyning IAS

Election Observer / Secretary to the Government Meghalaya,

3.5.2004.

Your book, “ Perspectives on Education ” is most useful for University students and research scholars

Dr Balagurusamy

Former Vice Chancellor, Anna University

9-1-2005

An article appreciating the efforts taken by the Rural Development Department, Tamilnadu, in the field of rural sanitation has been published in the August 17th Edition of India Today. This success is due to your able guidance and inspiration

Gangadeep Singh Bedi IAS

Collector, Cudalore District,

11.08.2005.

His suggestions, guidelines, ideas have been crucial in shaping the results. The officer is good in taking responsibility and willing to travel, tour and camp. He is having a good organizing capacity.

Dr.V.IraiAnbu, IAS

Secretary to Government, Tourism & Culture Department

29-08-2005

Your tireless and infatigable services for the development of Thanjavur district brought accolades abundantly from all quarters and your integrity, probity, simplicity and unassuming nature deserves special mention.

IIPA

Thanjavur

26—6-2006

CNBCC AWAAZ is to honour you for your most invaluable services for the tourism industry. This award and honour is conferred on you based on an objective study conducted by India's leading research forum, D-nivlsen Company.

Sanjay Pugaria

Editor, CNBC AWAAZ, Mumbai. 1-2-2007

His commitment levels are of the highest standards. His passion for work is simply outstanding. He is organized and prioritises his work. He is very focused and works in a professional manner. He has an extremely positive influence on his team. He credits his successes to his subordinates and takes the ownership in failures. He is always willing to take new challenges.

A Nagarajan, IAS

Principal Secretary to Government

Housing Department

11-5-2007

It is a pleasure to inform you that in a survey conducted by Outlook traveler magazine, readers have voted Ooty as the best hill station in Tamil Nadu.

Congratulations to you and your officials for winning this as the best winter destination and as well as the best state award. Tamil Nadu has figured as the best Tourism destination.

AlokSrivatsava

Associate Publisher

Outlook Group

16-6-2008

Dr M Rajaram has got good emotional quotient and excellent public relations. He is a pleasant and hardworking officer.

L.K.Tripathi, IAS

Chief Secretary to Government of Tamilnadu. 28-08-2008

Dr.Rajaram's translation of Thirukkural makes a garland of knowledge guiding the people on the right path. His translation is unique in its simplicity, elegance and maintenance of poetic rhythm. He has brought out the ancient wisdom of Tamils very cogently and beautifully in his book TamilinPerumai

Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam,

Former President of India

29-12-2008

TANCEM has been brought out of BIFR, reversing the negative growth.

Times of India

4-2-2009

An officer with pleasing manners and temperament willing to take up responsibility and plan out his work.

K.S.Sripathy, IAS

Chief Secretary, Government of Tamilnadu

05-04-2009

Dr.M.Rajaram is good in taking responsibility. He is having a good organisational capacity with good public relations. He has got emotional intelligence and can work unperturbed in any situations.He has compassion towards the weaker sections with a helping spirit.

Dr.V.IraiAnbu IAS

Secretary, Tourism & Culture Department, Government of Tamilnadu

26-05-2009

Tamilnadu Cements has achieved 100% production target for the first time in the 40 years history of TANCEM. The efforts of Dr.M.Rajaram are primarily responsible for this achievement.

Dr.RajeevRanjan, IAS

Principal Secretary, Industries Department

Government of Tamilnadu. 24-10-2009

Your paper presented on the occasion of BCTF Convention “Role of Teachers in Emerging Indian Society” was very thought provoking and path breaking.

Langinger

President, British Colombia Teachers Federation

Dec 2009 Madras

Dr.M.Rajaram has reversed the negative trend and propelled Tamil Nadu Cements to positive direction.

M.F.Farooqui, IAS

Principal Secretary, Industries Department. 13-02-2010

Your English translation of Thirukkural, "Pearls of Inspiration" is very inspiring and rewarding.

Justice A R Lakshmanan

Former Judge, Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. 26-2-2010

Dr.M.Rajaram IAS accomplished all the targets fixed by the Government and his performance is outstanding.

Gnanadesikan, IAS

Principal Secretary to Government

Home, Prohibition & Excise, Government of Tamilnadu

30-08-2010

Dr.M.Rajaram is hard working and sincere. The officer has good planning capability and generally works methodically. He is exceedingly good in execution and field work. He has a very good style of leadership and generally obtains willing support of his subordinates. He has good communication skills and work efficiently to ensure timely execution of jobs assigned to him.

M.F.Farooqui

Additional Secretary, Environment & Forest

Government of India, New Delhi

31-08-2010

He has taken initiatives in spreading road safety awareness. He is pleasant and a sincere officer. Executes task enrolled to him with commitment. He is responsive to weaker sections and capable of carrying out effectively.

K.Gnanadesikan IAS

Principle Secretary, Home, Prohibition and Excise Departments

Government of Tamilnadu

14-05-2011

I convey my deep appreciation of the beautiful translation of 'Thirukkural' into English and your deep commitment to the cause of Tamil and 'Thirukkural'. Surely your spiritual bent of mind will steer the Department of HR&CE to a greater height.

KundrakudiPonnambalaAdigalar

11-8-2011

Dr.M.Rajaram is a highly dedicated and committed officer. He is very hard working and sincere. The officer has good planning capability and generally works methodically. He is good in execution and field work. He has a good style of leadership and generally obtains willing support of his subordinates. He has good communication skills and works efficiently to ensure timely and good execution of jobs assigned to him. He is also an outstanding officer with good record of service. The officer is very sincere and undertakes any responsibilities. He has a brave personality.

DebendranathSarangi, IAS

Chief Secretary, Government of Tamilnadu

23-11-2011

Dr.Rajaram's book "Bon Voyage" is helpful in many ways because of the details that he has gone into in preparing one for a journey. He has also drawn references from age-old custom and Indian mythology to enlighten the modern "E" traveller of today.

Gajsingh, Maharaja of Jodhpur. 17.02.2012

There are two kinds of people in the world: People who achieve and those who don't. Dr M Rajaram is a born achiever. .

SriGaj Singh

Maharaja of Jodhpur

17-02-2012

thatYour book on Thirukkural unfolds a mosaic of ideas. All the lines in this book are not uncut gems but cut gems, beautifully presented in prolific words and epigrammatic style and not wasted one word at all.

Dr T N Ramachandran

Eminent Scholar

Thanjavur. 3-6-2012

An outstanding,dynamic and effective officer.Excellent problem-solving abilities and leadership skills. He is able to suggest creative and practical solutions to issues and problems. His vast knowledge of field conditions also stands in good stead. He handled all his responsibilities in an efficient and timely fashion. He is exceptional in that he has great interest and aptitude for the Tamil language and has written several books. His attitude towards weaker sections is helpful and sympathetic. He is a good team leader and brings out the best in his subordinates. His interaction with colleagues is cordial. He is also very willing to share his experience with junior officers and to guide them.

M.V.Chunkath, IAS

Chief Secretary, Government of Tamil Nadu. 23.06.2012

Dr Rajaram is a friend, philosopher and guide to all. If one reads his book Thirukkural, Pearls of Inspiration one will be enlightened with ease.

Dr V C Kulandaisamy

Former Vice Chancellor

Indira Gandhi National Open University

2-10-2012

Your service to the cause of Tamil and Tamils is very impressive. The grant of Rs one crore by the Government of Tamil Nadu has been sanctioned during your tenure as Secretary, Tamil Development Department

Mahatma Gandhi Institute

Mauritius

5-12-2012

A hardworking and efficient officer. Maintains excellent relations with his peers and subordinates. He has good communication skills.

SheelaBalakrishnan, IAS

Chief Secretary, Government of Tamilnadu

19.11.2013

Dr.M.Rajaram is a member of India's top Civil Service, and has a distinguished track record of more than 22 years of service. Dr.Rajaram has struck an excellent balance between his office works and literary pursuits

N.Vittal, IAS (Retd.)

Former Chief Vigilance Commissioner of India

7.03.2014

Dr.M.Rajaram is a renowned scholar, able administrator and distinguished diplomat. I sincerely congratulate Dr.M.Rajaram IAS for his incredible dedication and efforts in promoting Thirukkural worldwide

Dr Rajan R Natrajan

Deputy Secretary, Office of the Secretary of State

Maryland, USA18-4-2014

Institute of Seon, Korea commends your invaluable service to Thirukkural, especially your initiative to translate Thirukkural into Korean.

Dr Jinwol Lee

Founder Director

Institute of Seon. 24-4-14

The Church of South India deeply thanks you for initiating action to observe 200th Birth Anniversary of Robert Caldwell as a Government function

Rev Dr JJ Christudas

Bishop

Tirunelveli Diocese. 5-5-14

If you want to describe about Dr M Rajaram, he is a modern incarnation of Plato, because Plato says: what are the qualifications of a guardian, what are the qualifications of a Government official and how you deal with your problems or surmount all those difficulties.

V R Lakshminarayanan, IPS

Former DGP, Tamil Nadu. 5-9-2014

Happy to note the infrastructural improvements in Rameshwaram temple during your tenure as secretary to government.

Jagadguru of Sringeri Mutt

9-9-2014

President Barack Obama has conveyed his deep appreciation of your English translation of Thirukkural, "Pearls of Wisdom".

Katie Johnson

Secretary to Barack Obama

Dr M Rajaram is an able administrator with a soft approach to deal with people and problems. He is also a distinguished academician well versed with the issues and challenges in the field of Education.

YatiswariRamakrishnapriyaAmba

Sharada Ashram. 1-1-2015

Dr Rajaram has held many vital positions and sensitive assignments as administrator and gained abundant knowledge and fantastic experience.

Dr M Ananthakrishnan

Former Vice Chancellor

Anna University. 26-2-2015

I would like to place on record our sincere appreciation for your unstinted and selfless service rendered towards the successful conduct of Tamilnadu Global Investors Meet 2015

C.V.Sankar

Addl. Chief Secretary to Government

Industries Department, Government of Tamilnadu

10-09-2015

Nature is never too generous to give too many good qualities in one individual. If it grants one, it withdraws another. While this is the general rule there are some exceptions. Dr M Rajaram is one such exception. His interest and involvement in Tamil cover a wide spectrum of activities like Translation of ancient Tamil Classics into Mandarin, Arabic, etc and setting up Tamil galleries

Dr V C Kulandaisamy

Former Vice Chancellor Anna University. 5-10-2015

We appreciate your efforts to consecrate more than 1000 temples and renovate hundreds of temple cars during your tenure as Secretary of HR & CE Department.

Virgin Mary

Hindu Society of Victoria

(Australia). 27-10-2015

Dr M Rajaram, IAS is a sparkle of light in the Civil Service. No wonder his hard work, straight forward outlook and service mindedness earned him the Best Collector Award.

N Vittal, IAS

Former Chief Vigilance Officer of India. 2-2-2016

“Oriental Wisdom” by Dr M Rajaram is a pill for all the ills in the society today. It is a practical treatise on the path to success.

Hon'ble Ch Vidyasagar

Governor of Tamil Nadu. 3-1-2017

I am delighted to read your book, “Tic-Tock-Tick” and I really appreciate your literary pursuits and a deep commitment to the weak and the needy. May the new generation draw inspiration from your books.

Kurien Joseph

Judge, Supreme Court of India. 8-2-2017

This is a personal note to convey my sincere appreciation of your selfless service and outstanding contribution to relief and rehabilitation work in the Tsunami affected areas of Nagapattinam District. I have been truly inspired by the dedication with which you worked and rose above the call of duty in this hour of crisis.

Ms. Santha Sheela Nair, IAS

Secretary to Government,

In-charge of Tsunami Relief Operations

10-7-2005

We deeply record our sincere thanks for your active and personal involvement in successfully organising the World Chess Championship Match, 2013.

P R Venketrama Raja

President

Tamil Nadu State Chess Association

10-9-2013

Your book, "Tic Toc Tick" is very enterprising in nature with a lot of useful tips for women, professionals, students, executives and entrepreneurs with solutions for quintessential time management issues which all of us face in our day-to-day life.

Dr M S Swaminathan

Founder Chairman

M S Swaminathan Research Foundataion

5-6-2014

Dr Rajaram's 'Pearls of Wisdom' (English translation of Thirukkural) will not confine to the borders of Tamil Nadu or for that matter India, it should go to the whole world and become the property of the world. It is well worth to keep a copy of this book on the table of everyone. Every line is food for thought and it has to be read and re read. It is a treasure to be cherished by one and all.

Dr H V Hande

Former Health Minister

Tamil Nadu

3-10-2021

MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

Thanjavur turns role model in law and order

Indian Express

5-1-2000

Incentives, subsidies announced to encourage investors in Tourism

The Hindu

3-6-2008

Temple tanks renovation in full swing in Tamil Nadu

The Hindu

29-4-14

Tamil development department has taken several measures to translate Tamil classics into foreign languages

The Hindu

29-3-14

M Rajaram, Transport Commissioner, has tightened up safety norms for school buses

Times of India

29-1-2010

Collector initiates innovative agricultural practices in Thanjavur District

Daily Thanthi

20-12-2000

Collector encourages organic farming in Thanjavur District

Dinamalar

5-11-2000

District Collector organized sale of kitchen garden plants in farmer's market (UzhavarSandai). Daily Thanthi. 17-3-2000

Farmers thank the Collector Dr M Rajaram for organizing farmers tour to Punjab

Dinamani

Daily Thanthi

4-4-2000

Collector suspends licence of fertilizer shops indulging in malpractices

Daily Thanthi

Dinakaran

17-2-2000

Farmer's grievances boxes installed in farmer's markets in Thanjavur District

MalaiMurasu

Daily Thanthi

14-8-2000

Collector ensures availability of all varieties of quality paddy seeds for farming activities

The Hindu

Dinamalar

9-6-2000

Intense campaign by the Collector for rain harvesting scheme

The Hindu

10-6-2000

Farmers thank Collector for adequate compensation for crop damage.

The Hindu

7-7-2000

Farmer's markets in Thanjavur District will function up to 10 pm during Diwali and Pongal holidays

Dinamalar. 24-10-2000

Public appreciation for the Collector for issuing Community Certificates for students in all schools

Dinakaran

21-10-2000

Refrigeration facilities in farmer's markets in Thanjavur District

Daily Thanthi

16-6-2000

Loan Collections without distraint proceedings against farmers

The Hindu

20-6-2000

Cultivation of vegetables in the farmer's markets

The Hindu

Daily Thanthi

4-6-2000

Collector's initiatives to step up functioning of farmer's market commended by CRA

MalaiMurasu

Daily Thanthi

15-10-2000

Tenfold increase of paddy production in Thanjavur District

Daily Thanthi

7-6-2000

Farmer's Forums inaugurated by Collector

Daily Thanthi

26-4-2000

Integrated pesticide management – demonstration launched by the District Collector

The Hindu

2-6-2000

Record sale at Farmer's Markets. 16,800 farmers benefitted

Dinamalar

17-7-2000

Pension scheme for farm labourers in Thanjavur District

Indian Express

9-2-2000

First place for Thanjavur in kuruvai paddy cultivation

Dinakaran

2-9-2000

Collector ensures water supply to the tail-end areas

Dinamalar

5-11-2000

Collector intensifies action against patrol bunks indulging in malpractices

Dinamalar

4-4-2000

Appreciation for the Collector for redeeming lands under encroachment

Daily Thanthi

7-6-2000

District administration ropes in police force for drive against illicit liquor

The Hindu

14-4-2000

Collector ropes in community support for of Rural Sports Centres

Dinakaran

9-6-2000

Rural Sports Centres in all the 350 Village Panchayats in Thanjavur District

Daily Thanthi. 14-5-2000

Justice Jain, Chief Justice, Madras High Court, commends the District Collector for his efforts in the maintenance of the Court buildings

Dinamalar

Dinamani

30-7-2000

Liberal contribution from Thanjavur District for the Gujarat earth quake. Collector presented Gujarat relief fund cheque to Mr M K Stalin, Chennai Mayor

Daily Thanthi

31-1-2001

Grievance Redressal Camps in Thanjavur without fanfare.

Daily Thanthi. 9-6-99

Collector launches tree planting campaign in schools

Dinakaran

17-11-2000

Best Collector Award to Thanjavur, District Collector M Rajaram.

The Hindu

Indian Express

Daily Thanthi

Dinamalar

4-11-2000

St John's Ambulance Award for Thanjavur District Collector, M Rajaram.

The Hindu

Indian Express

Daily Thanthi

Dinamalar

25-11-2000

Humanitarian Award by Thanjavur District Handicap Association to District Collector, Thanjavur M Rajaram.

The Hindu

Indian Express

Daily Thanthi

Dinamalar

19-9-2000

Chief Minister Karunanidhi commends the work of District Collector M Rajaram for effective redressal of public grievances

The Hindu

Indian Express

Daily Thanthi

Dinamalar

19-9-2000

Chief Minister Karunanidhi commended District Collector Rajaram for his good work in "UzhavarSandai" in Thanjavur

The Hindu

Indian Express

Daily Thanthi

Dinamalar

16-12-2000

Thanjavur District is a fore runner in the eradication of leprosy. World Bank appreciation for District Collector Rajaram

Dinakaran

3-5-99

Dr AP J Abdul Kalam commended Dr M Rajaram, for his English translation of Thirukkural

Daily Thanthi

13-5-1999

Intense efforts by District Collector, Rajaram to curb illicit brewing of liquor

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