HON'BLE TAMIL NADU CHIEF MINISTER ORDERS CHIEF MINISTER'S MEDAL AWARDED TO POLICE OFFICERS/ PERSONNEL ON THE OCCASION OF INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING, 2025

"Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Police Medal for Outstanding work in eradicating the drug production and illicit trafficking in the State" are awarded to the Police Officers/Personnel since 2023. Subsequently, based on the announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity, Prohibition and Excise, on 22.04.2025 during, Prohibition and Excise demand in the Legislative Assembly, the number of the above medal has been increased from 5 to 15 vide G.O.Ms.No.263, Home (SC) Department, dated 06.06.2025. On the basis of the recommendations of the DGP/HoPF, the Hon'ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister has awarded the Medal to the following Police officers/personnel:-

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Name, Rank & Serving unit Tvl./Tmt.

1. Ashish Rawat, IPS., Superintendent of Police, Sivagangai District.

- A.Marimuthu,
 Inspector of Police,
 Prohibition Enforcement Wing, Melur,
 Madurai District.
- M.Vasanthakumar,
 Inspector of Police,
 Perumanallur Police Station,
 Tiruppur District.
- N.Raja Singh,
 Inspector of Police,
 Intelligence Section,
 Greater Chennai Police.

- S.Radha Krishnan, Inspector of Police, R-3 Ashok Nagar L&O Police Station, South Zone, Greater Chennai Police.
- M.C.Ramesh,
 Inspector of Police,
 Prohibition Enforcement Wing, Ambattur,
 Avadi Police Commissionerate.
- K.Babu Suresh kumar, Inspector of Police, NIB CID, Salem.
- T.Anbarasi,
 Inspector of Police,
 Central Intelligence Unit,
 Chennai Zone.
- 9. S.Ramesh,
 Special Sub Inspector of Police -558,
 Crime Headquaters,
 Chennai.
- 10. N.Dhanabalan,
 Sub Inspector of Police,
 D-3 Podanur L&O Police Station,
 Coimbatore City.
- 11. M.Eranian, Sub Inspector of Police, Valivalam Police Station, Nagapattinam District.
- 12. K.Kathiresan, Sub- Inspector of Police, Kumuli Police Station, Theni District.
- 13. C.Gurusamy,
 Special Sub–Inspector of Police –121,
 Central Railway Police Station, Chennai.

- M. Suseendran,
 Special Sub- Inspector of Police 3580,
 NIB CID, Dindigul.
- 15. C. Murugan, Inspector of Police, Serious Crime Squad, Madurai City.

The above recommendees have performed following special assignment:-

- 1. Thiru Ashish Rawat, IPS Superintendent of Police, Sivagangai District, during his tenure at Thanjavur District, has worked enormously towards drug eradication and against drug trafficking. In the year 2024, totally 243 cases were registered, 373 accused were arrested and 1031 kgs Ganja seized. The entire Network Ganja via Odisha, Andhra Pradesh to Tamil Nadu and finally Sri Lanka (GOATS corridor) was also tracked and mapped and previous offenders, their kingpins and network and Modus operandi were analyzed.
- 2. Thiru A.Marimuthu, Inspector of Police, PEW, Melur, Madurai, took significant measures to gather intelligence regarding the illegal possession and sale of Ganja and totally he seized 733 Kgs of Ganja in various cases. Further, as per tip-off information from NCB, he seized 123 Kgs of Ganja smuggled from Andhra in two Cars and handed it over to NCB, Madruai.
- 3. Thiru M.Vasanthakumar, Inspector of Police, Perumanallur PS, Tiruppur District, seized 39.8 Kgs Ganja and 2.5 kgs of gutka products in various cases. Also conducted awareness events for the school/college students, on the ill-effects of taking Ganja/Gutka.
- 4. Thiru N.Raja Singh, Inspector of Police, Intelligence Section, GCP, Chennai, seized 92.45 Kgs of Ganja and 25.159 kgs of Methamphetamine concerned in 32 cases and arrested 88 accused. He along with a special team, seized 38 kgs of Ketamine and 1.5 kg of Methamphetamine and he interrogated the

accused Sitlapakkam Raja and exposed the connection with Sri Lankan drug network Kanji Pani Imran (Russia) and Chinna (Canada).

- 5. Thiru S.Radha Krishnan, Inspector of Police, R3–Ashok Nagar Law & Order Police Station, T.Nagar District, South Zone of Greater Chennai Police took steadfast efforts in combating drug related crimes led to significant seizures and arrests. Totally, he seized 6.45 kgs of Ganja and 72.63 grams of Methamphetamine from the various accused arrested in various cases.
- 6. Thiru M.C.Ramesh, Inspector of Police, PEW, Ambattur, has registered 41 Ganja cases and seized 288 Kgs of Ganja and detained 4 criminals under Goondas Act. He played a major role in tracking and arresting the kingpin for the distribution and sale of Gutka and seized 5.5 tonnes of Gutka in Nazarethpet on 06.01.2025 and arrested 3 accused.
- 7. Thiru K.Babu Suresh Kumar, Inspector of Police, NIB CID, Salem, registered 95 cases and seized 1195.950 kgs of Ganja and 2.050 kgs of Hashish Oil and 79 accused were arrested. 3 fugitive trial accused have been secured by him by making consistent efforts and produced them before the Court. 3 habitual offenders ie., Jeevanantham, Ranjith and Ilayarasu were detained under Goondas Act.
- 8. Tmt. T.Anbarasi, Inspector of Police, Central Intelligence unit, Chennai Zone, collected secret information about the prohibitionists and drug offenders and seized illegal cannabis and synthetic drugs like LSD, Methamphetamine. In various cases, she seized 1013 kg of ganja, 4677 fake foreign liquor bottles, 857 foreign liquor bottles, 8134 Tamil Nadu liquor bottles.
- 9. Thiru S.Ramesh, Sub Inspector of Police-558, Crime, Headquarters, Chennai, has played a vital role in the fight against drug trafficking by providing crucial support in computer-based operations and digital investigations through advanced data analysis and technical expertise. Timely sharing of accurate and vital information to officers/ teams entrusted on field duty resulted in securing the absconding accused.

- 10. Thiru N.Dhanabalan, Sub Inspector of Police, Podanur PS, Coimbatore City has been instrumental in gathering intelligence on drug offenders, often working covertly and keeping a vigilant eye on the activities of criminals involved in drug trafficking and assisted to I.Os in 55 cases and arrest of 169 accused and seized 161.498 kgs Ganja, 77 grams Methamphetamine. He also assisted the I.Os for sponsoring detention for 23 accused under Goondas Act.
- 11. Thiru M.Eranian, Sub Inspector of Police, Valivalam PS, Nagapattinam District, during his tenure at Thittachery and Thirukkannapuram Police Stations stopped the sale of illicit cannabis, gutka and liquor and booked more cases in illegal liquor. In a crime team in Nagapattinam district, he secured 74.800Kgs of Ganja, one container truck and arrested 23 Offenders.
- 12. Thiru K.Kathiresan, Sub Inspector of Police, Kumuli PS, Theni District, during his tenure in Special Anti-Narcotics Task Force of South Zone, conducted three operations in Andhra and arrested 4 drug offenders. Totally he and his team seized 1646 Kgs of Ganja and arrested 69 drug offenders in several cases. He also seized 98 vials of psychotropic drug MEPHERTERMINE-SULPHATE-INJECTION IP and arrested 14 criminals, who were selling this drug injection to youth in Chinnamanur areas.
- 13. Thiru C.Gurusamy, Special Sub–Inspector of Police–121, Central Railway PS, Chennai, during his service at NIB CID Madurai and Virudhunagar District, he secured 48 accused and seized 239 Kgs Ganja. In the year 2024, he independently secured 100 accused and seized 632.700 Kgs Ganja. Accused and contrabands were produced before the PEW and assisted in registering 88 cases.
- 14. Thiru M.Suseendran, Special Sub–Inspector of Police–3580, NIB CID, Dindigul, while he was looking after court work in NIB CID, there was a huge pendency of 5 UI cases, 11 NTF cases and 225 PT cases. Due to effective

steps taken by him, 16 accused were sentenced for 10 to 15 years. So far, the judgment delivered in 124 cases and only 101 cases are pending in Court hearing. In the year 2024 alone, he put his efforts into 49 cases ended in conviction.

15. Thiru C.Murugan, Inspector of Police, Serious Crime Squad, Madurai City, has made many special efforts to control the rowdyism and illicit production and trafficking of drugs. Besides this, he has done storming operations on the orders of the Superior Officers and he has assisted in seizing more than 3927 Kgs of Ganja and registered more than 100 NDPS Act cases in Madurai City.

These Medals will be presented by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on the occasion of Independence Day Celebration, 2025.

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