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# SOUTHERN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' SANGH



(Registered and affiliated with NFIR, INTUC & ITF)

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**Shri.Thirunavukkarasu Avl.,**  
**President / TN Congress.**

Respected Sir,

### Sub : Centenary Celebration of Founders Day on 07.02.2019 at UH/PER.

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We SRES takes immense pleasure in inviting you to the rich cultural and heritage place of Unity House, Perambur as a Chief Guest for the Centenary Celebration of Founders Day to be held on 07.02.2019 at Unity House / Perambur at 11.00 hrs.

SRES organization was started on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 1919, the second oldest Union in India. We have already celebrated Silver jubilee, Golden Jubilee, Diamond Jubilee and Platinum Jubilee and entering the centenary celebrations. The foundation stone for this building, which is our own, was founded by the **Father of Nation Mahatma Gandhiji** along with Kasturibai Ammaiyar on 03.09.1927 on which occasion he had addressed the gathering. Many eminent freedom fighters came to our Union office. **Baghavan Shri.Puttaparthi Saibaba** visited our Union office on 5 occasions and blessed SRES and its cadre. We are also running an ITI College for the wards of our members, which was opened by Baghavan Shri.Puttaparthi Saibaba on 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 1983. Shri.Jayaprakash Narayanan has opened our own building at Jolarpettai and Shri.K.Kamarajar had opened a Branch at Tambaram. Smt. Indira Gandhi had opened our Sulerpet Branch Office. All our immovable properties are in the name of **'TRUST FOR GANDHIAN TRADE UNION MOVEMENT AMONG RAILAYMEN'**. SRES had also participated in the Freedom Struggle led by our Founder Periyavar T.V.Anandan ex M.P., who was also the President of NFIR & SRES. Due to his efforts the Pension Scheme came with back date effect from 1954. Many of our leaders and cadre have courted arrest during freedom and labour struggles.

Many office bearers of SRES were holding the highest post in India. The then President of India **Shri.V.V.Giri** was holding the post of President of SRES from 1929 to 1934. **Shri.Sreenivasa Iyyengar**, All India Congress President was holding the post of President of SRES from 1927 to 1929. Vice President of SRES **Shri G.Ramanujam** was holding the post of Governor of Goa / Orissa and also he was the President of INTUC. Many were holding the post of State Ministers. Now, the Chair of President/SRES is occupied by our dynamic Leader Dr.M.Ragavaiahji.

We therefore request your august presence as a Chief Guest for the function for grand success. Kindly consent your approval to attend the programme.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(P.S.Suriyaprakasam)  
JGS/NFIR & GS/SRES