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CHIEF MINISTER



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Date: 14.12.2009

Dear Pm,

I am happy to learn that the Government of India is going to create "Indian National Institute of Epigraphy (NIIE)". It is a great gesture in channelising the preservation of our ancient inscriptions and protect them for posterity. Thiru Iravadham Mahadevan, a great champion for protection of archaeology and a Padmabhushan Awardee has proposed the establishment of Indian National Institute of Epigraphy (NIIE) in Tamil Nadu, at the meeting held by the Central Advisory Board of Architecture (CABA) on 02.12.2009.

His proposal is highly valid, as Tamil Nadu has got maximum number of inscriptions, approximately one lakh in number. Out of these 60,000 are Tamil inscriptions. The Government of Tamil Nadu is willing to allocate land for the establishment of Indian National Institute of Epigraphy in Tamil Nadu.

I will be grateful if you could kindly consider my request and pass necessary orders early, so that this announcement can come as a welcoming prelude to World Tamil Classical Language Conference to be held in the month of June 2010 in Coimbatore.

Your intervention is fervently solicited in this regard.

*K. Karunanidhi*  
Yours sincerely,  
*M. Karunanidhi*

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