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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## ORDERS PONGAL MEDALS TO 3184 POLICE & OTHER UNIFORMED SERVICES PERSONNEL ON THE OCCASION OF THE PONGAL DAY, 2024

In recognition of the Outstanding Devotion to Duty displayed by personnel of the Police, Fire & Rescue Services, Prisons and Correctional Services departments and with a view to motivate them, the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Medals are announced and awarded on the occasion of the Pongal Day, every year.

This year, the Hon'ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Thiru M.K.Stalin has ordered award of "Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Constabulary Medals" to 3000 police personnel (Men and Women) in the rank of Police Constables, Women Police Constables Grade-I, Police Constables Grade-I, Women Head Constables, Head Constables, Women Special Sub-Inspectors of Police and Special Sub-Inspectors of Police.

Further, Hon'ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister ordered for award of "Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Medals" to 119 Fire and Rescue Services Personnel in the rank of Leading Fireman (Special Station Officer), Leading Fireman, Driver Mechanic (Special Station Officer (Transport)), Driver Mechanic and Fireman (Upgraded Leading Fireman) and 59 Prisons and Correctional Services Personnel (Men and Women) in the rank of Grade-I Warders (Men) and Grade-II Warders (Men and Women) are also being awarded in recognition of their outstanding devotion to duty. The monthly medal allowance of Rs.400/to the recipients of these Medals will be sanctioned with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024, irrespective of their ranks.

In addition to the above awards, the Hon'ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister has ordered for award of the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Medal for Excellence in Technical and Specialised Services to 6 personnel, 2 each from the Police Radio Branch, Dog Squad and Police Photographers. The officers/personnel will receive the lumpsum grant depending upon their ranks.

The medals along with Scroll signed by the Hon'ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister will be presented to the recipients at a ceremonial medal parade to be held in due course.

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