

PRESS RELEASE

Text of the D.O. letter dated 18.1.2013 addressed by **Selvi J Jayalithaa**, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to Shri Ajit Singh, Union Minister of Civil Aviation, Government of India, New Delhi is reproduced below:-

"I understand that the new Domestic Terminal II and the Expanded and Modernized International Terminal II of the Chennai Airport are ready for inauguration. They will be welcome additions to the infrastructure of the City of Chennai which is seeing ever increasing numbers of air passengers both domestic and international.

At present, the existing Domestic Terminal in the Chennai Airport is named after Perunthalaivar K. Kamaraj while the existing International Terminal is named after Peraringar Anna, both distinguished former Chief Ministers of Tamil Nadu. I consider that it would be most fitting if the new Domestic Terminal II in Chennai Airport is named after Bharat Ratna Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. MGR who was one of the most illustrious, charismatic and popular Chief Ministers of Tamil Nadu. Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. MGR's name is eternally embedded in the hearts of the people of Tamil Nadu. Therefore, this gesture would be greatly welcomed by the people of Tamil Nadu who continue to have the greatest admiration and affection for Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MGR.

I would be grateful if the Government of India could kindly consider this request and make a suitable announcement prior to the inaugural function of the new Domestic Terminal II of Chennai Airport."

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