

Report on FICCI's TANENERGY SUMMIT & AWARDS 2022 "Marching towards attaining \$1 trillion GDP vision for Tamil Nadu" Wednesday, 21 September 2022 at Vendhar Hall, Hotel Ramada Plaza, Guindy, Chennai

FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council in association with Government of Tamil Nadu (Department of Energy) organized its 12th edition of **TANENERGY SUMMIT & AWARDS 2022** held on 21 Sep 2022 at Vendhar Hall, Hotel Ramada Plaza, Guindy, Chennai wherein around 200 industry leaders and other various stakeholders from energy sector participated and benefited. **VOLTECH Group, EVERRENEW Energy Pvt Ltd, SBI, Sun Automation, eClouds** were sponsors for the summit. The Anna University (Institute for Energy Studies) and PMA India were the Knowledge Partners for the summit.

Thiru. V. SENTHILBALAJI, Hon'ble Minister for Electricity, Non-Conventional Energy Development, Prohibition and Excise, Molasses, Government of Tamil Nadu said the state government's target is more than 43% target set by the Union power ministry and added that private participation is indispensable as the state alone cannot achieve the target, given the time and financial restrictions. He also added "The state government would soon increase the capacity of its windfarm to 106MW and 13,000 MW hydro projects are also in the pipeline. Last year, TANGEDCO absorbed 100% of wind energy generated".

Citing that state's present captive generation is just 25% of the total demand, he said that the government is working towards adding an additional 20,000 MW by 2030. Claiming that Tamil Nadu is one of the best industry-friendly states, he said, "We have addressed the delays in getting the new service connections and now industries would get supply at the earliest. In the last 10 years, electricity demand increased only by 29% till 2016 and 24% till 2021. However, we anticipate that there will be 10 lakh new connections every year," he said. He justified the recent hike in tariffs and added that the concerns of MSME sector were addressed after they raised objections.

The Chief Guest, Hon'ble Minister was very happy to handover the Memento & Trophy to the awardees.

Thiru. BHUPESH NAGARAJAN, Co-Chairman, FICCI TNSC & CMD, Indira Projects highlighted the fact that TN is one of the largest GDP contributing states in India and also that our state share in renewable energy on the energy basket is quite substantial, he mentioned that our lofty aim is to achieve 1 trillion-dollar economy by 2030 under the able leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister. **Thiru. M. K. Stalin**, energy, being the major driver of economy and plays a significant role in achieving this vision for Tamil Nadu.

Thiru. M. UMAPATHI, CMD, Voltech Group, **Thiru. R. VENKATESH**, Group CEO, EVERRENEW ENERGY PVT LTD and **Thiru. M NANDAKUMAR**, Convener, Energy Panel, FICCI TNSC & MD, NANWIN Energy LLP were also spoke at the summit. **Mr. R Sudharsan**, State Coordinator, FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council proposed the vote of thanks.

Caption (L to R): Thiru. M NANDAKUMAR, Convener, Energy Panel, FICCI TNSC & MD, NANWIN Energy LLP, **Thiru. M. UMAPATHI**, CMD, Voltech Group, **Thiru. BHUPESH NAGARAJAN**, Co-Chairman, FICCI TNSC & CMD, Indira Projects, **Thiru. V. SENTHILBALAJI**, Hon'ble Minister for Electricity, Non-

Conventional Energy Development, Prohibition and Excise, Molasses, Government of Tamil Nadu, **Thiru. R. VENKATESH**, Group CEO, EVERRENEW ENERGY PVT LTD