



FICCI National Executive Committee Meeting 2023
Saturday, 29 April 2023 at Hotel ITC Grand Chola, Guindy, Chennai

FICCI organized its **National Executive Committee Meeting** on Saturday, 29 April 2023 at Hotel ITC Grand Chola Guindy, Chennai wherein **The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M. K. STALIN**, was the **CHIEF GUEST** and graced the **FICCI NECM 2023** along with Hon'ble Minister for Information Technology and Digital Services **Thiru. T Mano Thangaraj** and Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) **Thiru. T. M. Anbarasan**. More than 300 senior delegates including FICCI NECM Members, FICCI Members, Industry Captains, Associations/Affiliated Chambers were participated and benefited.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu released '**FICCI-Deloitte Knowledge Paper on Accelerating Tamil Nadu's Progress to Becoming One-Trillion Dollar Economy by 2030-31**' during the inauguration. The report identifies three strategic focus areas such as *Made in Tamil Nadu*, *Brand TN* and *Led by TN* where Tamil Nadu can leverage its current strengths and competitive advantages to effectively grow its economy and these key areas are likely to have the greatest impact in boosting the economy towards the one trillion mark.

Addressing the meeting, **Thiru. T. Mano Thangaraj**, Hon'ble Minister for Information Technology and Digital Services, Govt of Tamil Nadu, spoke on the developments in the area of information and technology in the state, with policies and programs aimed at making of the brand Tamil Nadu. The Hon'ble Minister said that Tamil Nadu is pioneer in areas relating to education, technology, infrastructure and the state government is making all efforts to meet the challenges at the global level. The IT department is focusing on research and development with the creation of well-equipped labs in the state. He further added that the Government of Tamil Nadu would be happy to collaborate with FICCI in various programs of the state.

Thiru. Subhrakant Panda, President, FICCI said that it is remarkable that Tamil Nadu has 15 per cent of PhDs and 11 per cent of postgraduates in the country. The state can truly become an innovation and R&D hub. There is also a lot of scope in chemicals and specialty chemicals in addition to traditional strengths like auto and textiles, he added while assuring the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M. K. Stalin of all support to accelerate the State's journey to becoming a one trillion-dollar economy.

Dr. Sangita Reddy, Past President, FICCI and Chair of G20 Empower, **Dr. Anish Shah**, Senior Vice President, FICCI, **Thiru. Harsha Vardhan Agarwal**, Vice President, FICCI, **Thiru. Shailesh K Pathak**, Secretary General, FICCI, **Dr. G S K Velu**, Chairman, FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council also spoke on the occasion.



Photo Caption (L to R): **Thiru. Shailesh K Pathak**, Secretary General, FICCI, **Thiru. Harsha Vardhan Agarwal**, Vice President, FICCI, **Thiru. Subhrakant Panda**, President, FICCI, **Thiru. T. M. Anbarasan**, Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), GoTN, **Thiru. M. K. STALIN**, The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, **Thiru. T. Mano Thangaraj**, Hon'ble Minister for Information Technology and Digital Services, GoTN, **Dr. Anish Shah**, Senior Vice President, FICCI, **Dr. G S K Velu**, Chairman, FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council, **Thiru. Arun Chawla**, Director General, FICCI.
