

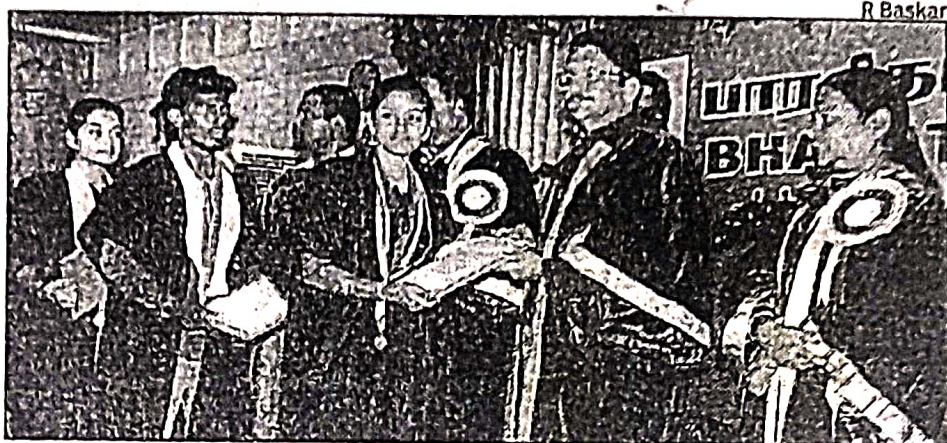
Trichy: Terror attacks are orchestrated by only a set of people as no religion propagates hate and violence, said acting Tamil Nadu Governor Vidyasagar Rao here on Friday. Addressing a gathering of eminent priests and saints from Vaishnavite tradition as part of the Sri Vaishnava Sanghoshthi at the 1,000th birth year celebration of Sri Ramanujacharya at Srirangam, he said Ramanujacharya strived for the welfare of the masses.

Recalling his initiative to build a dam at Thondanur in present-day Karnataka, the governor said Ramanujacharya foresaw that reliable source of water was necessary for the economic well-being of a society. The governor said that propagating the philosophy of Sri Ramanujacharya was the need of the hour to strengthen the fabric of harmony and unity.

The governor said that India being the birthplace of many faiths, the social reformers and saints preached truth, ahimsa, tolerance and nurtured love and compassion. "They cultivated in the people the spirit of unity and oneness and inculcated great values but it is worrying to see that today peace and tranquility are disturbed by the acts of terrorism," said the Governor.

Acharya believed that unless all sections of the society recognized the contributions of each other, the emotional health of a society would suffer and he opened the temple doors to all.

'Innovate, dream to better society'



Governor Vidyasagar Rao gives away certificates to the students of Bharathidasan University during the 33rd convocation ceremony

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Trichy: Saying that the competitive modern era has redefined the expectations of a successful graduate, N Valarmathi, director, microwave remote sensing satellite programme, urged youngsters to use innovation as a tool to address real problems faced by the common man.

Delivering the convocation address at the 33rd convocation at the Bharathidasan University on Friday, she said that graduates have an important role to play in contributing to the country's growth. She urged them to focus on improving productivity and capabilities for new developing new products.

Asking the graduates to never forget the goals they have set for themselves, she

said that it will help them to be at their best and achieve greater heights to make life purposeful.

"It is necessary to have thorough knowledge across disciplines. One needs to be an innovator, a dreamer who can create solutions that better our society and future," she said.

Reminding the graduates of the words of former president Dr A P J Abdul Kalam who asked the youth of the nation to have the courage to think differently and invent, she asked the graduates to not get daunted by the new world of competitions and take it as an opportunity to broaden their horizons.

A total 75,035 candidates were awarded degrees. Among them, 614 candidates received them from governor and chancellor of the university Vidyasagar Rao.