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National Informatics Centre (NIC)

The State Government acknowledges with gratitude, the pioneering role played by NIC in sowing the seeds of e-Governance in India.

NIC, under the Department of Information Technology of the Government of India, is a premier Science and Technology organization, at the forefront of the active promotion and implementation of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) solutions in the government. NIC has spearheaded the e-Governance drive in the country for the last three decades building a strong foundation for better and more transparent governance and assisting the governments endeavor to reach the unreached.

NIC has leveraged ICT to provide a robust communication backbone and effective support for e-Governance to the Central Government, State Governments, UT Administrations, Districts and other Government bodies. It offers a wide range of ICT services. This includes NICNET, a Nationwide Communication Network with gateway nodes at about 53 departments of the Government of India, 35 State/UT Secretariats and 603 District collectorates to service ICT applications. NICNET has played a pivotal role in decentralized planning, improvement in Government services, wider transparency of national and local Governments and improving their accountability to the people. NIC assists in implementing ICT projects, in close collaboration with Central and State Governments and endeavors to ensure that state-of-the-art technology is available to its users in all areas of ICT.

Tamil Internet Conference, Coimbatore

The Government of Tamil Nadu decided to conduct the Tamil Internet Conference 2010 (TI 2010) along with the World Classical Tamil Conference during 23-27, June 2010. The TI 2010 is ninth in the series held in Cologne, Germany (2009), Singapore (1997, 2000, 2004), Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India (1999, 2003), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (2001) and San Francisco, California, USA (2002). The main objectives and goals of the TI 2010 are -

- to showcase the development of Tamil internet till date and to identify necessary steps / efforts to increase presence of Tamil language in internet
- to establish a linkage/ bond between Tamil literary scholars and Tamil internet developers/ technical persons
- to motivate the younger age groups into use of Tamil on the Internet.

In order to achieve the above goals, a conference, a huge exhibition, and School and College level competitions were organized. The Conference was organized in co-ordination with International Forum for Information Technology in Tamil (INFITT) at the same time as World Classical Tamil Conference announced by the Government. The conference featured live eGovernance stalls by a large number of Government departments thus enabling the citizens to have a glimpse of how information technology can and will influence their everyday lives.



Tamil Internet Exhibition at the World Classical Tamil Conference, Coimbatore, June 23 - 27, 2010