the people of Tamil Nadu to burst the crackers between 6.00 AM to 7.00 AM and 7.00 PM to 8.00 PM on Deepavali.

As per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, Public are requested to celebrate safe and pollution free Deepavali by following the Do's and Don'ts:

## Do's:

- i). Public shall burst fire crackers of less polluting and low sound generating green crackers.
- ii). Burst the crackers as community fire cracking in a common place with the permission of district administration / local bodies through the local Welfare Associations etc.

## Don'ts

- i). Avoid bursting of joined (Series) fire crackers which creates huge noise.
- ii). Avoid bursting of fire crackers in silence areas like hospitals, schools, courts and religious places.
- iii). Avoid bursting of fire crackers near huts and fire prone areas.

Deepavali is a family festival and is enjoyed by all. The Government of Tamil Nadu is making a sincere appeal to the people to celebrate a noiseless, smoke free and safe Deepavali with families, relatives, friends and neighbours.

In this regard, I would like to request the School Education Department to issue necessary instructions from your office to all the Schools in the state through the concerned Heads of Departments / Institutions may kindly be given to create awareness programmes involving college students, National Cadet Corps (NCC) etc, so as to comply with the above said order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and to make this Deepavali a safe and Pollution free.

-Sd-Chairperson

## Copy to

- All District Environmental Engineers
   Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board
- 2. All Joint Chief Environmental Engineers (Monitoring)
  Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board

For Chairperson