

AGRASRI Regular Activities/Programmes

The Academy of Grassroots Studies and Research of India (AGRASRI) is organising multi-farious activities and programmes, besides its regular research studies, publications, field visit reports, exposure visits, seminars, conferences, workshops, round-table meetings and capacity building & training programmes for elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions, Self-Help Group Members, Youth and Women leaders and Social Activists at the grassroots level:

❖ Chittoor District Formation Day Lecture Programme (1 April Every Year):



Chittoor District was constituted on 1st April 1911 by carving out some areas from Tamil Nadu and Karnataka regions. Chittoor District is a birth place of many legendary personalities and gifted many eminent policy makers, presiding officers, world renowned educationalists, philosophers, jurists, doctors and literary scholars to the nation as well as state, include the first Vice-President and second President of India *Dr.Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan*; the first Deputy Speaker and second Speaker of Lok Sabha *Shri Madabhushi Ananthasayanam Ayyangar*; two Premiers of Madras Presidency *Sir Raja of Panagal Shri Ramarayaningal* and *Shri Bollini Munuswamy Naidu*; one President of All India Congress Committee *Shri Panapakam Anandacharyulu*; one Chairman of the Composite Madras State Legislative Council *Shri R.B. Ramakrishnam Raju*; world renowned philosopher *Shri Jiddu Krishnamurthy*; world renowned educationist *Dr. Cattamanchi Ramalinga Reddy*; author of Maa Telugu Talliki Mallepudanda *Shri Sankarambadi Sundarachari*; two Speakers of Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly *Dr. Agarala Easwara Reddi* and *Shri Nallari Kiran Kumar Reddy*; and two Chief Ministers of Andhra Pradesh *Shri Nallari Kiran Kumar Reddy* and *Shri Nara Chandrababu Naidu*. *Shri Rabindranath Tagore* translated *Jana Gana Mana* from Bengali to English and also set it to music in Madanapalle, a town in Chittoor district.



On the eve of the Centenary Celebrations of the Chittoor District (1911-2011), the Academy of Grassroots Studies and Research of India (AGRASRI), a professional research foundation, being headquartered at Tirupati, has instituted the Chittoor District Formation Day Lecture programme in the year 2011. The Academy is organising the Chittoor District Formation Day Lecture every year on the formation day of the District, i.e. on 1 April, at Tirupati/Chittoor since 2011 onwards, on contemporary themes of sustainable development of Chittoor District.

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