

REPORT

**STATE LEVEL
CONSULTATION MEET
22-01-25
YMCA - CHENNAI**



OneAccord

SOCIO ECONOMIC FORUM

INTRODUCTION



The following report outlines the schedule and key details of the State-Level Consultation Meeting organized by the One Accord Socio-Economic Forum on 22nd January 2025 at YMCA, Vepery, Chennai.

The Board of Directors of the One Accord Socio-Economic Forum decided to invite district coordinators to participate in discussions and contribute to strategies for advocating the socio-economic development of Christian minorities in Tamil Nadu. To enrich the discussions, we invited Thiru. Mano Thangaraj, Advisor of One Accord Forum and Former Minister of Tamil Nadu, as a special guest to share his expertise in this area of intervention. Moreover, the event aimed to unite Christian leaders from 15 districts of Tamil Nadu and formulate a structured plan to address the challenges faced by Christian minorities.

Programme Highlights

Opening Prayer

The State Level consultation meeting commenced with an opening prayer led by Pastor. Isaiah from Vellore, invoking blessings and guidance for the day’s discussions and activities. Thereafter the programmes were followed as per the schedule.

Sl. No.	Programme	Incharge
1	Opening Prayer	Rev. Isaiah, Vellore
2	Welcome Address	Thiru. Naveen
3	Self-Introduction	
4	Vision Casting	Thiru. Mano Thangaraj MLA
5	Q&A Session	Moderated by Thiru. Mano
6	The Need for One Accord Socio-Economic Forum	Thiru. Isaac Livingstone
7	Strategic Planning & Action Plan for Tamil Nadu	Moderated by Thiru. Mano
8	Feedback Talk	
9	Vote of Thanks	Thiru. Ronald. COO/OAF
10	Closing Prayer	Ps. John Wesley, Salem



THIRU. NAVEEN

Co-founder, OAF & Proprietor
Global Logistics

WELCOME ADDRESS

Thiru. Naveen, Co-founder of OAF & Proprietor of Global Logistics, delivered the welcome address, setting the tone for the event and greeted all attendees and dignitaries. He wished and thanked the district coordinators for their extended guidance and support for organizing successful Seeding meetings at their respective districts in the recent days.

SELF INTRODUCTION

Participants from Ranipet, Tirupathur, Karur, Namakkal, Salem, Coimbatore, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Thuthukudi, Kanniyakumar & Chennai introduced themselves, fostering camaraderie and mutual understanding among attendees.

VISION CASTING

Thiru. Mano Thangaraj, MLA, delivered a detailed presentation on the vision, mission, and objectives of the One Accord Forum (OAF). He outlined its primary goal of uniting Christian denominations, leaders, and professionals to advocate for socio-economic progress.

He emphasized that OAF's vision is unprecedented in India, aiming to bring together eminent Christian individuals under one roof to amplify the collective voice of their community. Highlighting the fact that Christians constitute 15-20% of Tamil Nadu's population, he stressed the importance of unity, awareness, and education within the Christian community. He urged all gatherings and fellowships to recognize the seriousness of the challenges faced and to stand united in securing both basic and separate rights.



THIRU. MANO

Advisor, OAF & Former
Minister of TamilNadu.

Q&A SESSION AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions Adopted:

1. *Engagement with Christian Heads:* It was resolved that OAF will initiate a meet with the Christian leaders of various denominations and sensitize them about the vision and activities of the One Accord Forum (OAF) at the district level.
2. *Legal Awareness Campaigns:* OAF will conduct legal awareness programmes all the districts, focusing on Christians' basic and separate rights.
3. *Media Support:* Thiru. Isaac Livingstone, extended his support to telecast a show on Christian Legal Awareness through the Sathyam TV Channel.
4. *Ethical Participation:* It was emphasized that members of the forum should contribute selflessly, without expectations of personal rewards or recognition.
5. *Social Responsibility Initiatives:* It was proposed that OAF organize socially responsible events, such as tree-planting programs across Tamil Nadu.
6. *Visibility and Outreach:* Members requested the creation and circulation of an OAF brochure to enhance visibility and outreach.
7. *Youth Inclusion:* It was resolved to actively include youth members in the forum to strengthen participation and representation.
8. *Engagement with Bishops and Christian Heads:* Thiru. Mano Thangaraj will personally meet all Christian Heads and Bishops to seek their support and guidance for the growth and expansion of OAF.
9. *Neighboring District Participation:* It was decided to invite neighboring districts to participate in the upcoming Seeding Meeting scheduled to be held in Trichy on 4th February 2025.
10. *Digital Connectivity:* Thiru. Ronald, COO of OAF, will create a WhatsApp group for the attendees to facilitate discussions and strengthen relationships among members.

THE NEED OF OAF

THIRU. ISAAC

Co-founder, OAF &
MD - Sathyam TV

Thiru. Isaac Livingstone delivered an insightful talk on the rationale behind establishing the forum, highlighting its significance in addressing the challenges faced by Christian minorities in Tamil Nadu. He reassured the members that his TV channel reporters would always serve as a supportive voice to address issues raised against Christians. His inspiring words captivated the audience, motivating them to fully commit to the mission.



By sharing his experiences and the struggles faced by Christian institutions, he ignited a sense of responsibility among professionals, emphasizing that it is everyone's duty to stand up and advocate for the rights and welfare of Christian minorities in Tamil Nadu.

STRATEGIC PLANNING & ACTION PLAN FOR TAMIL NADU

During the session, Thiru. Mano Thangaraj facilitated the development of a comprehensive strategic plan and actionable steps to achieve the forum's objectives.

The following points were agreed upon:

1. Compile a list of potential and like-minded individuals from various areas, including panchayats, villages, taluks, and districts.
2. The members should be from the category of Professionals, Doctors, Lawyers, Businessmen, Church leaders, Social Workers, eminent people, professors, Minority school heads, influencers among youth, retired Government officials and etc...
3. Personally approach and engage with these individuals to encourage them to join the forum.
4. Set an initial target to register 150 members as part of a pilot project.
5. The target of 150 registered members is to be achieved by the end of February 2025 (28-02-2025).
6. Campaign updates and progress should be shared through WhatsApp messages in the group named "OAF District Core Members."

FEEDBACK TALK



Participants expressed their appreciation for the forum, stating that such an initiative is the need of the hour. They conveyed their unwavering support and well wishes for the forum's growth and success. Some attendees emphasized that this forum should achieve great heights and convey to the government that it is a unique and groundbreaking initiative, spearheaded by Thiru. Mano Thangaraj as an advisor and the founding members of the forum. Participants also acknowledged the partnership with Sathyam TV as a significant strength, further motivating them to actively engage in advocating for the rights of Christian minorities.

VOTE OF THANKS

Thiru. Ronald expressed heartfelt gratitude to all participants, organizers, and dignitaries for their invaluable contributions to the success of the program.

CLOSING PRAYER

The event concluded with a heartfelt closing prayer led by Rev. John Wesley from Salem, seeking divine blessings for the successful implementation of the forum's vision and goals.

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