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**Ontario extends Stay-at-Home Order to June 2**



**Provincewide State of Emergency to remain in effect to further reduce transmission of COVID-19 variants**

Ontario's Stay-at-Home Order and third provincial State of Emergency will be extended to June 2 while vaccination efforts are expanded. Enhanced public health and workplace safety measures currently in place remain unchanged and all measures for non-essential retail under the provincewide emergency brake (i.e., curbside pick-up and delivery only) will continue to apply. The Province of Ontario's COVID-19 response framework (colour-coded zones) remains paused.

"Make no mistake, we're not out of the woods yet," Ford said during a newsconference on May 13th. "As much as we're seeing a decline, which is good, everyone is moving forward, we're getting the vaccines in to people's arms, but we just can't risk it. Just hang in there, we aren't asking a lot, just a couple more weeks," he said. Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. David Williams said that while the province's daily COVID-19 case counts are "coming down," Ontario has a "ways to go." "Our ICU numbers have backed off, that's encouraging. But if you look at our numbers now, we're about where we were at the peak of the second wave," Williams said. The province logged another 2,759 infections Thursday May 13, the fourth day in which case numbers have remained below the 3,000 mark.

Williams said earlier this week that the province would need to see daily COVID-19 case counts below the 1,000 mark before significantly loosening restrictions.

No gatherings are permitted indoors or outdoors. Everyone is required to remain at home except for essential purposes, such as going to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing healthcare services (including getting vaccinated), for outdoor exercise, or for work that cannot be done remotely.

Ontario's case numbers have gradually declined as vaccinations have increased. However, the threat of COVID-19 variants to the public and to the province's healthcare system remains high, and more time is required before transmissions in the third wave can be controlled and the Stay-at-Home Order can be safely lifted. The variants are more infectious and result in a higher risk of death and hospitalization, including in younger populations.

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## Average selling price of \$1,090,992 was basically flat relative to March 2021.



Home sales in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) set a new record for April and amounted to more than quadruple that from April 2020 – the first full month of the pandemic. Bucking the regular seasonal trend, April 2021 sales actually declined month-over-month. A similar trend was noted for the number of new listings reported.

GTA REALTORS® reported 13,663 sales through TRREB's MLS® System in April 2021 – a 12.7 per cent decrease compared to March 2021, but more than quadruple the number of sales reported in April 2020, when the economic impact of COVID-19 was arguably the worst. Compared to the ten-year sales average of 10,000 for the April 2010 to April 2019 period, the April 2021 sales result was up by 36.6 per cent.

New listings followed a similar track – down by 8.4 per cent compared to March 2021, but more than triple the number of new listings reported in April 2020. Compared to the ten-year new listings average for the April 2010 to April 2019 period, the April 2021 new listings count was up by 18.3 per cent.

"While sales remained very strong last month, many REALTORS® noted a marked slowing in both the number of transactions and the number of new listings. It makes sense that we had a pullback in market activity compared to March. We've experienced a torrid pace of home sales since the summer of 2020 while seeing little in the way of population growth. We may be starting to exhaust the pool of potential buyers within the existing GTA population. Over the long term, sustained growth in sales requires sustained growth in population," said TRREB President Lisa Patel.

The MLS® Home Price Index Composite benchmark was up by 17.8 per cent year-over-year. The Composite benchmark also increased on a monthly basis, but the pace of monthly growth decelerated. The average selling price of \$1,090,992 was up by 33 per cent compared to April 2020, but was basically flat relative to March 2021. This was in contrast to most years in the past when the average selling price increased between March and April.

"Despite a modest slowing in market activity in April compared to March, selling prices for all major home types remained very high. Low borrowing costs during COVID-19 clearly had an impact on the demand for and price of ownership housing. While the pace of price growth could moderate in the coming months, home prices will likely continue on the upward trend. Renewed population growth over the next year coupled with a persistent lack of new inventory will underpin home price appreciation," said TRREB Chief Market Analyst Jason Mercer.

## Designer tips for your laundry room

(NC) No longer just for utility or something to hide behind closed doors, the laundry room has evolved to become a multifunctional space designed to be both beautiful and efficient. To help you refresh yours, Jane Lockhart, award-winning designer, shares her top design trends:



### Functionality first

Before you decide to experiment with colours and various textures, you'll want to think of the main tasks you need to complete while in this space. The number one request designers get asked when upgrading a laundry room is counter space. Whether you add a flat surface on top or beside the machines, having a clean, large expanse to spread out and fold laundry is a must.

### Multipurpose fixtures

The laundry room is now used for much more than washing and drying clothes, and is becoming the cleaning hub for the entire home. We're seeing larger, raised sinks installed with shower fixtures for dog washing, full-sized showers to clean up before entering the rest of the house and, of course, storage for the mudroom.

### Space-saving appliances

There's an increasing demand to bring full-size capacity laundry units to compact spaces, which is exactly what the LG WashTower is designed for. The sleek single unit is shorter than conventional stacked units, allowing it to fit into nearly any laundry space. Unlike conventional stacked pairs, the control panel is perfectly positioned to be easy to reach, with both washer and dryer controls in the middle of the set.

### Have fun and personalize

Treat your laundry room like any other room in your home. Update floors with attractive luxury vinyl, then decorate with a colourful rug, hardy plants and cheerful art. To brighten up the space, move your laundry room to a sunny area in the house for natural lighting. If that's not an option, recessed lights on dimmers are a great solution that let you set the ambience.

### Add entertainment

The laundry room can even appeal to your sense of sound. Wireless audio speakers fit into the palm of your hand, taking no space at all. So, bring music or audio books with you while folding the laundry or waiting for the spin cycle to finish.

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## Ontario Expanding Access to Dental Care and Affordable Prescription Drugs for Vulnerable Seniors



The Ontario government is updating the income eligibility thresholds for the Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program and the Seniors Co-Payment Program to allow more of Ontario's most vulnerable seniors to have access to dental care and affordable prescription medications.

In 2019, the Ontario government launched the Ontario Seniors Dental Care program to provide free routine dental care for eligible low-income seniors across the province. The Seniors Co-Payment Program enables low-income seniors to access the medication they need with no annual deductible and a reduced co-payment for each prescription.

"Seniors deserve to have access to better health care system, our government is committed to provide quality dental care and the prescription medications for our seniors" Said MPP Logan Kanapathi, MPP for Markham-Thornhill. "This will help to improve their quality mental and physical health". Starting August 1st, 2021, eligibility thresholds for both programs will be updated to reflect cost of living increases in Ontario and align with income support programs for seniors. Income thresholds will be updated for single Ontarians aged 65 and over, from \$19,300 to \$22,200, and for couples with a combined annual income, from \$32,300 to \$37,100.

This will allow approximately 7,000 more seniors to access the Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program and 17,000 more seniors to access the Seniors Co-Payment Program in 2021-2022.

For the Seniors Co-Payment Program, seniors who are eligible under the new income thresholds are encouraged to apply now in advance of the start of the upcoming benefit year on August 1st, 2021. Application that can be found online or request an application

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On the first day of the month after an Ontarian turns 65 years old, seniors are automatically enrolled in the Ontario Drug Benefit (ODB) program, which covers most of the costs of more than 5,000 prescription drug products. Seniors pay the first \$100 of their prescription drug costs each year (the deductible) and up to \$6.11 for every prescription (the co-payment).

The Seniors Co-Payment Program, under the Ontario Drug Benefit Program (ODB), allows eligible seniors that are enrolled in the program to pay no annual deductible for their drugs and a reduced co-payment of \$2 for each prescription, improving access to essential drugs that they may not otherwise be able to afford.



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## Easy ways to transform your kitchen



(NC) Whether you're into flipping houses or embarking on small DIY projects, there are many ways to transform your kitchen on budget and on time. Getting started can seem overwhelming, but lifestyle and DIY expert Erin Trafford shares her best advice on how to tackle a kitchen reno.

### Set goals and priorities

Renovating can be a daunting task and preparing for demolition day can be equally as overwhelming. Before you start, create a list of projects big and small, and set goals and timelines for each task. Creating a to-do list will help you focus on priorities, such as choosing finishes and organizing trade assistance, while managing your personal tasks at the same time.

### Choose your layout wisely

A small kitchen is a reality in many homes. If you're struggling to decide on the best layout, consider drawing multiple options. Once you have your favourite, tape it out on the kitchen floor to test the functionality of the new design.

### Consider one-stop shopping

To simplify the renovation process, consider a one-stop shop for products and expertise. Home Hardware Building Centres offer design advice, tools and quality materials to complete your renovation project — big or small — from start to finish.

### Save where you can

The cost of a kitchen reno can add up quickly, so consider splurging on a few investment pieces and finding ways to save on the rest. Establishing your must-have upgrades, such as appliances, countertops and backsplashes, will help you identify where you want to spend money and where you can cut back. If you're looking for ways to work with what you've got, try painting cabinets or changing out hardware. Refinishing rather than replacing original hardwood flooring can also save you thousands.

### Select a timeless paint

Bold looks are great, but they don't stand the test of time. When selecting the theme for your kitchen, choose classic colours that will last more than one season. Match the paint to the overall décor and the mood you want to set. For a cozy, coastal retreat, try hues of green with greyish undertones. If you want a look that will last for years to come, choose neutrals for a brighter and more modern space.

### Illuminate your kitchen

If your current kitchen isn't already brimming with natural light, try an upgrade. Brighten your home with warm lighting such as LED recessed lights or an accent pendant over the sink to mimic the feel of natural sunlight.

Find more information on everything you need to complete your reno at [homehardware.ca](http://homehardware.ca).

## 3 easy ways to create a calming space at home

(NC) Most of us are spending more time at home than ever before. With our spaces being used for both work and living, they should be as comfortable and calming as possible. Create a peaceful sanctuary in your home with these three easy tips:

### Spend time decluttering

The adage "messy room, messy mind" rings even truer when you're home all the time. It's hard to feel relaxed when there is chaos in your space. Before you tackle the clutter, determine how much time you have. The last thing you want to do is run out of time and end up with an even bigger mess than you started with.

Consider dividing your space into manageable sections so you can declutter during the dedicated time. Clear and organize the clutter by donating, selling or keeping. Donate what you don't need to a local charity, sell online using a social media platform and reorganize the items you want to keep. Don't forget to clean and dust the new space you've uncovered.

### Plant power

Not only can plants help cleanse stale air and eliminate harmful toxins in a room, they can improve the aesthetic of your space. Consider a little greenery to turn around your everyday mood. Don't have a green thumb? Choose potted plants or florals that are easy to care for, such as succulents or snake plants.

### Colour your way to calm

A fresh coat of paint in the right colour goes a long way towards creating a soothing space where you can relax. Design a peaceful retreat with calming hues such as whites, greys and creams. Try Beauti-Tone Paint's Essential Whites Collection, which features a palette inspired by fresh sea air, rays of sunlight and sandy beaches.

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## 4 ways to embrace the space beneath your deck



(NC) Many of us don't realize that the space below a deck can offer tremendous potential. With a little creativity and the simple addition of an under-deck drainage system, the area can be used for any number of purposes, from storage to additional living space.

Using a network of troughs and downspouts, deck drainage systems divert water away from a deck, protecting the area underneath and allowing it to be outfitted with everything from furnishings to ceiling fans, lighting and entertainment components.

Here are four ways to embrace the space beneath a deck.

### 1. Dine al fresco.

An open-air dining area takes any meal from ordinary to extraordinary. Think beyond the traditional grill and patio furnishings to create an elegant gathering spot below the deck complete with a large dining table and cozy area for post-meal stargazing. Incorporate soffit lights into the ceiling to enhance ambiance and extend the usability of the space.

### 2. Grill in the great outdoors.

From birthday parties to barbecues, there's no need to miss a moment of fun with a fully

equipped outdoor kitchen. With the Trex RainEscape system, which installs above the joists of the deck, gas lines and electrical wiring can be run safely and discreetly between the deck surface and a soffit ceiling to accommodate whatever may be on the menu.

### 3. Watch TV whatever the weather.

Outdoor fun is no longer at the mercy of the weather. Whether you're looking to catch a big game or indulge in the latest must-watch binge, nothing beats an open-air entertainment area outfitted with all the comforts of home and situated just steps away from refreshment refills and a restroom.

### 4. Store with style.

When properly shielded from the elements, the space beneath a deck is ideal for storage. Seasonal items such as pool equipment, patio furniture and yard games can be safely tucked away — impervious to animals, insects and moisture. Depending on size, this space can even be used to house lawnmowers, bicycles and recreational vehicles.

Find more ideas and inspiration at [trexrainscape.com](http://trexrainscape.com).



## Small business recovery tips and tricks



(NC) Small businesses are the bread and butter of our economy and our communities. It takes many years of hard work and dedication to make it as a small business. Since most small to medium-sized businesses struggle to survive their first five years, making it through this past year and the next, calls for some major support and resources.

Here are a few tips and tricks to help small businesses recover and stay strong.

### Embrace new opportunities

It might seem scary to try something new right now, but shopping habits have changed, and it's time to innovate. Shifting to online and social media sales was the saving grace for many businesses last year. If that's what you did, use your new capabilities to make your online presence a long-term bet. Keep improving the user experience so customers keep coming back and take advantage of online tools like good SEO practices to boost your ability to connect with consumers.

### Partner up with the community

Chances are there are other small businesses nearby facing the same struggles you are. Get together to share your experiences and learn from one another. You don't have to go through this alone as a business owner. You never know, you might even be able to help each other out with new cross-promotions and partnerships.

### Update your contingency plans

As we've seen, the COVID-19 situation changes all the time, so you need to stay flexible. There's no magic date when all of this will be over, and recovery will be an ongoing process. So, be sure to create and frequently re-evaluate your business plans. Regularly re-assess your spending and cashflow, and revise top goals and priorities. Have ideas ready for what you'll do differently in a potential next lockdown, such as, how you will communicate with your customers or offering flexible hours.

### An easier way to find support

Many small business operators try to do everything themselves. Your mental health and your business will thank you if you can streamline your day-to-day tasks and get support on the go.

The Canada Business app 2.0 is a one-stop shop for government supports and information for businesses, including links to available funding and training to help stabilize and grow your business.

You can search and filter for resources based on your situation, location or other keywords. There's also a chat feature to help you get tailored recommendations, and the option to set up personalized notifications on program changes.

Having this information right on your phone can speed up the task of going through all your options and give you answers right when you need them. Find more information at [canada.ca/business-app](https://canada.ca/business-app)

## Lucrative careers for a cooped-up graduate

(NC) Most parents of teens and young adults are having a tough time seeing their kids in limbo during the pandemic. But this is a great time for them to work on their education and career goals, and to do some research on exciting jobs that will also pay the bills.

If your child is struggling with their major, post-secondary path or next steps in the workforce, here are some careers to consider:

### Marine careers

Perfect for those who love the water and want to help protect our environment, the Canadian Coast Guard is a great place to start looking. Offering plenty of adventure, some in-demand jobs include rescue specialist and roles with marine communications and traffic services. The organization is especially looking to hire people from various groups to build a more inclusive and diverse workforce.

### Healthcare careers

We've all seen the growing importance of healthcare in recent months. While nurses and doctors are always needed, new aspects of care like virtual appointments are opening up opportunities for those without medical or science degrees. Think jobs in administration, technology and digital.

### Inclusion careers

We're currently seeing a much-needed realization that everything from workplaces to entertainment sources should be accessible to everyone and represent the diversity of our population. This means many companies are transforming hiring and everyday practices – and they're looking for people in human resources to support this shift. You can help create a more equitable future by joining this growing field, with job titles like diversity and inclusion specialist and equity officer.

Find more information on marine careers at [ccg-gcc.gc.ca/careers](https://ccg-gcc.gc.ca/careers).



## Pandemic-proof careers for your kids



(NC) We all want our kids to lead happy and successful lives. But after seeing the challenges brought on by the pandemic, you know this means finding employment in a secure, stable industry. If your child is entering the job market, looking for work or deciding on a post-secondary major, here are some sectors to consider:

### Education

Despite the disruptions to schooling, we've seen that classes must always continue. The demand for teachers and other educators continues to rise, and with remote learning unlikely to go away fully, a variety of online and in-person jobs in education will be necessary to help kids keep learning.

### Information technology

Computer and software technicians are always in demand in an increasingly digital world. But beyond steady work, IT has several benefits matched perfectly to weathering a pandemic. It straddles multiple industries and businesses, meaning even if one business goes down, a dozen others are waiting to take you on. Like education, IT also lends itself perfectly to remote work. Apply your skills from the safety of your home in a field that only

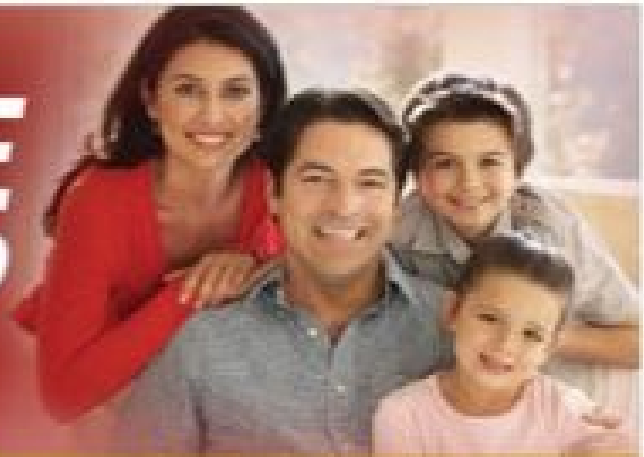
### Government work

Not only are government positions stable, but they all focus heavily on developing employees and building careers. Positions aren't limited to desk work either. The Canadian Coast Guard is actively hiring for a variety of exciting careers that combine active, outdoor work with stability, benefits and a focus on career advancement.

Whether in search and rescue, technician roles on and off the water, or even communications, the Canadian Coast Guard has positions and careers for every skillset and interest. **Find more information at [ccg-gcc.gc.ca/careers](https://ccg-gcc.gc.ca/careers).**



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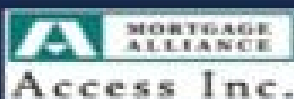
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The Connecting GTA Networking Club was founded by Suresh Kumar, President & CEO of Keshden Consulting Group.

Suresh is passionate about delivering value in every connection that he makes. As a Specialist Business Strategist & Coach, he revels in efficiently maximizing potential and fostering professional relationships within organizations. And as the Founder and CEO of Connecting GTA, he is dedicated to help propel your business forward.

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## தமிழ்நாடு முதலமைச்சராக பதவியேற்றிருக்கும் மு.க. ஸ்டாலினுக்கு பிரதமர் வி.உருத்திரகுமாரன் கடிதம்!



தமிழ்நாடு சட்டசபைத் தேர்தலில் பெரு வெற்றி பெற்று இன்று தமிழ்நாடு முதலமைச்சராக பதவியேற்றிருக்கும் மு.க. ஸ்டாலின் அவர்களுக்கு வாழ்த்தினைத் தெரிவித்துள்ள நாடுகடந்த தமிழ் அரசாங்கத்தின் பிரதமர் வி.உருத்திரகுமாரன் அவர்கள், இவங்கைத்தலின் தமிழ் தேசிய இனப்பிரச்சனையில் இந்திய மத்திய அரசின் கொள்கையில் எழுத்தமிழ் மக்களுக்கு சாதகமான மாற்றங்களை ஏற்படுத்தவதற்கு தங்களின் பங்களிப்பை நாம் எதிர்பார்க்கிறோம் என கோரியுள்ளார்.

இது தொடர்பில் முதலமைச்சர் மு.க. ஸ்டாலின் அவர்களுக்கு அனுப்பிய கடிதத்தில் தெரிவிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளதாவது, தேரூர் ஸ்டாலின் அவர்கட்கு,

இன்றைய நாம் (07.05.2021) தமிழ்நாடு மாநிலத்தின் முதலமைச்சராகப் பதவியேற்றிருக்கும் தங்களுக்கு நாடுகடந்த தமிழ் அரசாங்கத்தின் சார்பிலும், எழுத்தமிழ் மக்கள் சார்பிலும் வாழ்த்தினைத் தெரிவித்துக் கொள்வதில் நாம் பெருமகிழ்வடைகிறோம்.

நடந்து முடிந்த தமிழ்நாடு சட்டசபைத் தேர்தலில் திராவிட முன்னேற்றக் கழகத்தின் தலைமையில் கூட்டணிக் கட்சிகளை ஒழுங்கினைத்து வழிகாட்டி, அனைத்திந்தியாவிலேயே தமிழ்நாட்டையும் தங்களுடைய தங்குகித் திரும்பிப் பார்க்க வைக்கக் கூடிய அளவுக்குப் பெரு வெற்றியைப் பெற்றிருக்கிறீர்கள். ஐந்து தசாப்த கால அரசியற்பட்டறிவில் வழிநின்ற செயற்பாட்டு, மத்திய அரசின் எதிர்ப்பையும் எதிர்த்துக் கொண்டு தங்கள் அடைந்ததும் இப் பெரும் வெற்றி தங்கள் ஆளுமைக்கும் அயராது உழைப்புக்கும் கட்டியும் கூறுவதாக அனைத்திருக்கிறது.

தமிழகத்திலும், எழுத்திலும் தமிழ் தேசிய மாண்பினையும், தமிழர் மரபினையினையும், சமூகத்தினையினும் நிலைநிறுத்தி, பண்பட்டிருச் செழுமை மிக்க வாழ்வை வாழ்வதற்குத் தொடர்ச்சியாகப் போராடி வருகின்ற மக்களாகத் தமிழ் மக்கள் இருக்கிறீர்கள். எழுத்தில், தமிழ் மக்கள் சிங்கள இனவாதப்படுத்தின் இனஅழிப்பை எதிர்த்துக் கொண்டு தமது சுதந்திரத்துக்காகத் தொடர்ச்சியாகப் போராடி வருகும் மக்களாக இருக்கிறீர்கள். எழுத்தில் வாழும் தமிழ் மக்களின் பாதுகாப்பு தமிழகத் தமிழ் உறவுகளால் உறுதி செய்யப்பட்டு வேண்டியதொரு சூழலே இவங்கைத் தலில் தற்போதும் நிலவுகிறது.

2009 ஆம் ஆண்டு தமிழ்நாட்டில் கலைஞர் முதலமைச்சராக இருந்த காலத்தில் இடம் பெற்ற முன்னிலைப்பக்கால் எழுத்தமிழ்நாடு அழிப்பைத் தடுத்து நிறுத்த முயலவில்லையே என்ற வேதனை எம்மையோர் தங்களுக்கு இப்படித்தனை நாம் அறிவோம். தங்கள் தற்போது தமிழ்நாட்டில் முதலமைச்சராக வந்திருக்கும் இன்றைய காலகட்டத்தில் எழுத்தமிழ் மக்களின் நல்வாழ்வுக்காக தங்களால் இயன்ற முயற்சிகளை எடுப்பீர்கள் என நாம் நம்புகிறோம்.

தமிழக அரசின் அமைச்சகத் துறைகளில் ஒன்றாக இதுவரையராலும் அமைத்திருந்த 'வேளிநாடு வாழ் இந்தியர்கள்' எனும் துறையை 'வேளிநாடு வாழ் தமிழர் நலம் துறை' எனத் தங்கள் மாற்றியமைத்திருப்பது எமக்கு நம்பிக்கை தருவதாக அமைத்திருக்கிறது. எழுத்தமிழ் மக்களையும் மனத்திருத்திவோ தங்கள் இம் மாற்றத்தைச் செய்ததாக எழு மக்கள் கருதுகிறார்கள். இவ் அமைச்சர் மனக்களாக உலகத் தமிழர்களை ஒன்றிணைப்பதும் இந்தப் பெருங்கடல் புவியார் அரசியலில் தமிழர் காத்திரமான பங்களிப்பாக விளங்க வைப்பதும் அமைய வேண்டும், அதற்கான தங்களுது அரசின் செயற்பாடுகளில் நாடுகடந்த தமிழ் அரசாங்கமும் இணைந்து பணியாற்ற ஆயத்தமாக உள்ளது என்பதையும் இவ்விடத்தில் பதிவுசெய்து கொள்கிறோம்.

இவங்கைத்தலின் தேசிய இனப்பிரச்சனையில் இந்திய மத்திய அரசின் கொள்கையில் எழுத்தமிழ் மக்களுக்குச் சாதகமான மாற்றங்களை ஏற்படுத்தவதற்கு தங்களின் பங்களிப்பை நாம் எதிர்பார்க்கிறோம். தமிழ்நாடு சட்டசபையில் அனைத்துக் கட்சிகளாலும் நிறைவேற்றப்பட்ட தேசிய இனப்பிரச்சனை தொடர்பாக எழுத்தமிழ் மக்கள் மத்தியிலான வாக்களிப்பு, தமிழ்நாடு அழிப்பைத் தொடர்பாக அனைத்துலக குற்றவியல் நீதிமன்ற விசாரணை போன்ற விடயங்கள் தற்போது கிட்டப்பில் போடப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன. தங்கள் இவற்றை மீளக் கையில் எடுத்து, இவ் இலக்குகளை எட்டுவதற்கு உதவக்கூடிய தோழமைச் செயற்பாடுகளை மேற்கொள்வீர்கள் என்ற எதிர்பார்ப்பும் எமக்கு உண்டு.

எழுத்திலும், தமிழகத்திலும் வாழும் எழுத்தமிழ் மக்களின் வாழ்வில் மேம்பாட்டுக்கு உறுதுணையான திட்டங்களைத் தங்கள் முன்னெடுக்க வேண்டும் எனவும் விரும்புகிறோம்.

தங்கள் தமிழ்நாடு முதலமைச்சராக இருந்த காலத்தில் எழுத்தமிழ் மக்கள் விடுதலை அடைந்தார்கள் என்பதனை வரலாறு பதிவு செய்வதாக அமைட்டும்.

கனவு மெய்ப்பட்ட வேண்டும். தமிழர் வாழ்வு தளைத்தோங்க வேண்டும்.

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