

The Death Anniversary of Legendary freedom fighter Shri V.O.Chidambaranar was observed on 18.11.2017. Shri Pon Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Shipping and Finance paid homage to the legendary Freedom fighter by garlanding the Statue of Shri V.O.Chidambaranar, at Port Estate. Shri I. Jeyakumar, IRTS, Chairman, V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust, Shri S.Natarajan, Deputy Chairman, V.O. Chidambaranar Port Trust, also garlanded the Statue of Shri V.O.Chidambaranar. Trustees, Union Leaders, Head of the Departments Officers, Employees, Port School Children and Public also homage to the National Leader.

Shri Pon Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Shipping and Finance stated that Museum on V.O. Chidambaranar on par with global standards would be established at Tuticorin within a span of one year. He further stated that the establishment of Museum on V.O. Chidambaranar would pave way for the future generations to know more about Swadeshism and the sufferings undergone by the leader in operating two ships to compete against the British. He further stated that the plans are on the anvil by the Port to Deepen the Harbour Basin & Approach Channel to facilitate draft of 16.50 metres (12.80m present draft), Modify the Harbour Entrance to 230 metres (153m present width), strengthen the berths 1 to 6 and convert the berths 3 & 4 as Container Terminal to handle Very Large Container Carriers (VLCC) up to 14000 TEUs capacity. He further added that the Outer harbor would be established on completion of the above projects at the Port.

