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The Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu will inaugurate the new Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Telugu at Nellore on 21st January

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The Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu will inaugurate the Classical Telugu Centre at Nellore in the presence of Union Human Resource Development Minister Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' on the 21st January 2020. The Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Telugu (CESCT) which is under the Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Mysore has been shifted to Nellore, Andhra Pradesh which was earlier functioning from Mysore. Governor of Andhra Pradesh, Chief Ministers of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and other dignitaries have also been invited as guests of honour for the inauguration ceremony of the centre and to grace the occasion. The establishment of this Centre at Nellore would facilitate to focus its activities for the development of this rich Classical Telugu through Research, seminars, debates and various activities.

In this regard, a one day group discussion of experts in Classical Telugu has also been organized on 20th January, 2020 by the Centre in which Experts in Classical Telugu from various parts of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and other parts of the India have been invited for the function and also to participate in the discussion. It has been proposed to discuss issues on various topics concerning Classical Telugu and also about the preparation of a road map on the preservation, propagation and promotion of the Classical Telugu so that the richness of this language can be taken to greater heights. The Vice President of India will also be participating in the concluding part of the discussions and will offer his valuable views on the issues discussed by the Experts.

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