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FOREWORD

Narsanror Institute of Leadership Training (NILT) which strives to train Christian Leaders who are filled with the spirit of Jesus Christ and who have the commitment and zeal, in order to lead the people of India who have not tasted Jesus Christ, into the true light extending towards eternal life. In this direction many scholars have worked to bring out the glorious ideologies of Indian philosophy and thought. One such thought relates to the contribution of noble ideologies by Dravidians to the world. The author of this book has brought out the origin and development of that ancient philosophy which is the basic foundation for the spiritual and religious development in India.

I had the privilege of witnessing the deliberations of the National Seminar on Dravidian Philosophy held in Oct.2000 at the Dravidian University, Andhra Pradesh. The main thrust of the seminar on the Dravidians' influence in the development of Indian philosophy emphatically presented by Dr.J.D.Baskara Doss, a Trustee of NILT, has inspired me to encourage him to bring out this marvelous piece of work as a book. I recognise the co - operation extended by my co - trustees.

I join with my co-trustees Thiru.A.J.Rajasekaran, Thiru.R.Soundar Rajan and Thiru.V.Simon Paul and Board Members Thiru.Yves Joseph, Thiru.B.Sridhar, who are instrumental in publishing this book which will clear the dark clouds hovering over the real truth and throw light on Indian Philosophy.

G.J.Pandithurai
Managing Trustee,
NILT.

PREFACE

The Dravidian University at Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh, had arranged for a National Seminar on 'Dravidian Philosophy' in October, 2000 and I was commissioned to present a paper on Dravidian Philosophy.

It was indeed a memorable experience as I had the opportunity to interact with the eminent scholars of Philosophy, Tamil and Sanskrit. In the midst of the deliberations a few Vedic scholars were unable to digest the fact that the exponents of Indian Philosophy were Dravidians and the Indian Philosophy originated not from Vedas but from Dravidas.

This booklet is an improvised version of the above presentation at the Dravidian University. I take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Dravidian University which serves as an inspiration to bring out the glorious ideologies of Dravidians to the world.

I am grateful to the Narsanror Institute of Leadership Training, Chennai - 80 for publishing this work. I am thankful to God that G.J.Pandithurai, Founder President, A.J.Rajasekaran, Vice President, R.Soundar Rajan, Secretary, V.Simon Paul, Treasurer and other members Yves Joseph, B.Sridhar and had shouldered in bringing out this publication.

I am sure that this booklet will serve as an instrument in bringing out the suppressed glories of the Dravidians.

J.D. Baskara Doss.