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LAW DAY SPEECH :

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(Sitting at Madurai Bench)

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My esteemed Brother and Sister Judges (1) President, Secretary and other Office Bearers of (1) Madurai Bar Association of Madurai Bench of Madras High Court (MBA); (1) President, Secretary and other Office Bearers of (3) Madurai Bench of Madras High Court Bar Association (MMBA); (4) President, Secretary and other Office Bearers of (4) Madurai Bench High Court Advocates Association (MBHAA); and (5) President, Secretary and other Office Bearers of Women Advocates Association, Madras High Court Madurai Bench (WAA); and Ladies and Gentlemen;

2. To Celebrate the 'Law Day', today we have all assembled here. In the year 1949, the Constituent independent India unfolded and delivered our Constitution. The aspirations of the people were documented by our 'Founding Fathers', after deliberations, in its present form.

3. Two months after the adoption of the Constitution, it was brought into force and we are celebrating November 26th as the 'Law Day' in our country. Today, consciousness about one's rights has risen to great heights and a Court of Law while dispensing justice, is to negotiate this aspect in a real and proper perspective. An 'Homo-Sapiens' expectation has its limitations and waiting for a longer period in the present scenario may not be possible. It is apt to recall and recollect the words of 'Chief Justice

Warren' who said both the Court and the Law belong to the people - to have it serve their needs' speak to them to voice their aspirations. The viability of the Judicial institutions squarely depends upon its acceptability by the people.

4. Ours' is a country with rich customs, cultural heritage and multi traditional values. Admittedly, Lawyer's are the officers of Court and 'Agents of their clients'. The Judges and the Lawyers are to work in unison with the sole aim of delivering Justice and serving the Society at large and this can be achieved by remaining United.

5. Today, the Justice dispensation of the country has high expectations from one and all. As a matter of fact, Article 51(g) of the Constitution of India enjoins a duty upon every citizen to protect and improve the Forest, Wile Life, Lakes, Rivers etc. The Courts of Law determine all types of cases as 'Defender of Democracy' and quite responsive to the changes takes place in the Society. The Judiciary in our 'Justice Delivery System' is a perfect example in regard to the faith, confidence and expectations of millions of people and this must be kept alive.

6. With these, I convey my greetings on this memorable occasion of 'Law Day' to one and all and thank the Members of the bar from various associations for providing me an opportunity to take amidst all of you.
