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Your Grace/Excellency,

Greetings,

The Regional Centre has taken an immediate action after the announcement from the Government and stopped its Administration and Technical Staff 90 of them from 20th March till date.

We have kept in our Regional Centre only 7 of our technical Staff and the 5 priests working around 14 to 16 hours every day to keep Madha TV going and quench the spiritual thirst of our faithful all over the world.

We also appreciate and render our gratitude to our Chairman, Most Rev. Dr. S. Singaroyan for his practical guidance and support in taking forward this media mission.

The demise of Most Rev. Dr. Soundararaju, one of our Board of Directors and Head of the Department of Programme, is a great loss for Madha TV family. Madha TV with great difficulty due to the curfew and lockdown, we were not able to arrange an OB Van from any News channel for the LIVE streaming of his funeral service from Vellore. But, with the support of Polimer TV Fr. Jackson made possible the LIVE streaming with online technology and made a successful LIVE streaming of the entire service on Madha TV through all the cable networks, DTH and OTT platforms. People from all over the world watched this event.

1. During the Holy week the Regional Centre has worked to bring LIVE all the Liturgical Celebrations from Luz Church and the Easter Vigil from the Santhome Cathedral through Madha TV.

The Services were in both in Tamil and English.

The Regional Centre and Madha TV family thanks His Grace Most Rev. Dr. George Antonysamy for his great support in these days by celebrating all the Tamil Services in Madha TV.

The Regional Centre also thanks Rev. Frs. Peter Thumma, Fr. Prasad Ignatius, Fr. Gnani, Fr. Joe SJ, Fr. Pangiras and Fr. Earnest SDB for helping us to celebrate the English Masses in the Holy Week.

2. Madha TV also brought LIVE the entire holy week liturgical celebration of the Holy Father from Vatican LIVE in Madha TV. Especially, the special Urbi et Orbi was telecast LIVE and the following day the entire service was telecast into Tamil.

3. The Madha TV staff priests worked night and day to produce programme for this season of Lent and Easter.

4. We have introduced new LIVE programmes in this lockdown period so that we can make the people to get engaged and know more about the Holy Bible and Church Teachings.

5. Some dioceses like Coimbatore, Madurai, Trichy, Kumbakonam, Dharmapuri, and individuals Mr. Leo from Salem and Our Chairman Bishop are also trying their best to shoot Mass and programmes and send them through online for telecast.

6. Madha TV has displayed the Bank Details and contact Details of TASOSS and encouraged the people to support its humanitarian service at this time of pain and suffering. People from all over the world have sent their financial support.

7. In this hard time with skeleton staff producing daily 9 hours of new programme for telecast is a Herculean task, but by God's grace and people's support we are able to take this media mission forward.

8. With the support of Fr. Wilson and his team from Anugraga, Dindigul, a special Counselling programme, to win over Corona panic have been produced as daily episodes and telecast on Madha TV.

9. A special Skype interview has been arranged to telecast the opinion of the Madha TV viewers from all over the world. Especially viewers from European Countries, UK, Canada and USA.

10. We the 5 Staff priests of Madha TV have made a sacrifice of our one month salary Rs.50,000/- and helped the poor street people by giving them a little support to buy food and needed things.

11. After Easter Madha TV telecasts LIVE English Mass from its Chapel on week days and on Sundays at 6.00pm

12. On Sundays Madha TV telecasts LIVE Tamil Mass at 6.00 am, 8.15 am, 1.00 pm and 1.00 am

13. Madha TV also supports the Syromalabar Faithful by telecasting their rite Tamil mass on Sundays at 4.00 pm

14. Madha TV also supports the Malankarai Faithful by telecasting their rite Tamil Mass on Saturdays at 5.00 pm

15. The Madha TV staff priests conduct LIVE Eucharistic Adorations on Wednesdays and Fridays at 11.00 am.

We appreciate our TNBC and TNLBC President Most Rev. Dr. Antony Pappusamy and all our Archbishops and Bishops and Fr. Sahayaraj from the TNBC Secretariat for the great support in encouraging our faithful to watch Madha TV through your circulars and newsletters. We also appreciate Most Rev. Dr. George Antonysamy for emphasising the importance of Madha TV to be placed in the Arasu Cable permanently, while he was invited to the TN Secretariat by the state government for a special meeting during the Holy Week.

Thank you,

With prayers,  
Fr. David  
Secretary and Treasure,  
TNBC Commission for Social Communications,  
CEO,  
Madha TV.