



## STATUE of EQUALITY

### ABOUT STATUE OF EQUALITY

- **Global Appeal for Equality:** The fund for global equality created by the public society called Sri Ramanuja Sahasrabdi (SRS) serves as a global appeal for a more compassionate humanity, celebrating the virtues of mutual respect and opportunity through four key pillars, and the Statue of Equality. These four pillars are:
  - *Global Service:* Enabling people to consciously conserve environment, training volunteers to respond to environmental disasters, educating citizens on reducing their carbon footprint, and promoting bio diversity
  - *Education and Youth Development:* Providing economic, social, familial, cultural, and educational support to children and students of all communities irrespective of religion, caste, race, creed, color or gender
  - *Access to Healthcare:* Supporting hospitals and offering free medical awareness campaign for cancer detection and prevention, organ donation, and championing high-quality healthcare at a low cost
  - *Improving Human Rights:* Empowering all people with resources, skills, and knowledge to lead self-supportive lives
- The Statue of Equality is more than a statue, it is a timeless symbol and global appeal for peace to inspire compassion and humility, celebrating the virtues of mutual respect and opportunity.
- India is a pluralistic global center for ethnic diversity and culture, leading a peaceful and co-existing life. In spite of the relentless efforts of the invaders, works of the great leaders like Sri Ramanuja gave strength to survive with her own encompassing culture and serving as a symbol and example for the world.
- The Statue of Equality is run by the SRS, a global non-profit organization with a foundational belief that every human irrespective of nationality, caste, creed, race, gender, color, or political opinion is entitled to a healthy life filled with strength, confidence, love, sharing, joy, and perpetual bliss.



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- The Statue of Equality site was launched in celebration of the 1,000<sup>th</sup> birthday of Sri Ramanuja, an icon of equality who shared revolutionary thoughts on placing the neglected on the same platform as the elite at a time when society was gripped with class and gender based discrimination.
- The Statue of Equality Complex is being constructed in southern India in the scenic Sri Ramanagar village around 16 miles from Hyderabad city, a major global technology hub.
- A 216-foot-high deity of Sri Ramanuja, weighing 1500 metric tons, made of Panchaloha (a combination of 5 metals) is being installed on Bhadra Vedi, an extra-ordinary stage with a meditation hall.
- The statue will be surrounded by 108 centers of inspiration called Divya Desams, which are being built in stone, rich with ornate architectural detailing.
- The Statue of Equality was founded by His Holiness Tridandi Chinna Jeeyar Swamiji, a divinely ordained monk, and globally recognized spiritual leader to promote equality, peace, and selfless service to humankind.
- In 1982, His Holiness founded the Jeeyar Educational Trust (JET), a global non-profit organization to provide education to underprivileged and visually challenged children, and also to provide scriptural education to prepare Vedic scholars. Later a special program called Prajna was introduced to children as personality development course to prepare the best citizens of the world.
- For more than 36 years, the organization has been serving over 100 million people in over 27 countries.