

**High Commission of India**  
**Kuala Lumpur**

**Press Release**

High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur extends its deepest condolences on the sad demise of 102 year old Madam Anjali Ponnusamy, Indian National Army Veteran and member of the Rani of Jhansi regiment.

2. High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur remains deeply indebted to Madam Anjalai for her selfless efforts in India's freedom struggle. Madam Anjalai joined the Rani of Jhansi regiment, the first women's army in the world in 1943. She followed the troops up to the Burma-India border as part of the efforts to liberate India from British rule.

3. High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur commemorated the 101<sup>st</sup> birthday of the veteran last year at the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Indian Cultural Centre, KL during which she was felicitated with a "Silver Plaque" in recognition of her invaluable service.

4. H.E. Shri.B.N.Reddy, High Commissioner of India to Malaysia personally offered his condolences to the bereaved family of Madam Anjalai Ponnusamy and paid his respects to the departed soul.

5. Earlier today, a minute of silence was also observed for the departed soul by the visiting National Defence College delegation, led by Mr Priyank Bharti IAS, comprising of senior military and civilian officers, in the presence of Tan Sri Dato Sri' S A Vigneswaran, PM's Special Envoy to India & South Asia and H.E.Shri.B.N.Reddy, High Commissioner of India to Malaysia.

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