MINISTER FOR MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

TAMIL SOCIETY OF THE NT CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

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Darwin is continuing to lead the way as a multicultural city with the Tamil Society celebrating their 30th Year Anniversary of being in the Territory.

Minister for Multicultural Affairs Peter Styles said he was proud to be attending the significant milestone tonight and was impressed with the tireless work put in by the society.

“According to the 2011 Census it is estimated there are 300 members in the Tamil community living in Darwin,” Mr Styles said.

Mr Styles said Darwin was very much a multicultural city, one he was proud to be part of with more than 50 different ethnic groups represented.

“Tonight is such a momentous occasion for the Tamil Society and it’s a great honour to be attending,” he said.

“Darwin really leads the way in multiculturalism and in the sharing of all our different cultures from our many community groups - I believe the rest of the world can learn off us.”

The Tamil Society of the Northern Territory continues to interact and share their culture to the wider community.

The Society organise two or three cultural functions a year mostly around Tamil New Year, Deepavali and Christmas.

Mr Styles said one hugely popular event which the Tamil Society was involved in was India at Mindil with the occasion being organised by the Indian Cultural Society.

“This colourful event brings India to Darwin with Indian food, music and dance and draws thousands of people,” Mr Styles said.

“India on Mindil will be held next Saturday – and I hope to see you all there.”

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