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Palaniswami has pledged AIADMK with BJP: Stalin

EPS wants to safeguard himself from trials by Central agencies, says CM. He accuses the AIADMK leader of lacking the courage to raise his voice against the Centre to protect the State's interests

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Symbolic honour: Chief Minister M.K. Stalin presenting the Periyar Award to DMK MP Karimozhi on Wednesday. M. MOORTHY

Chief Minister and AIADMK president M.K. Stalin on Wednesday accused AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K. Palaniswami of having pledged his party with the BJP to "safeguard himself from raids by Central agencies".

Addressing a massive gathering at the DMK's Mupperum Vizha organised by the party's Karur unit, Mr. Stalin alleged that Mr. Palaniswami did nothing for the State when he was in power, and did not have the courage to raise his voice against the Centre to safeguard the interests of the State. Instead, he had given an *Adimat Sastham* (slavery charter) to the Centre. Believing that the BJP was still with the AIADMK, he had been making baseless accusations against the DMK government.

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He alleged that the BJP-led Centre was acting against the interest of the State to curtail its growth.

Mr. Stalin said Prime Minister Narendra Modi led the BJP to three consecutive

election victories, but he could not make an impact on Tamil Nadu as the ideals of Dravidian Kaitham founder Periyar E.V. Ramasamy, and former Chief Ministers C.N. Annadurai and Karunanidhi were deeply rooted in the State.

Mr. Stalin also presented various awards. While Mr. Stalin received the Periyar Award, former Minister Pongalur Palaniswamy was presented with the Mursoli Selvam Award.

Social justice pledge

Earlier in the day, the Chief Minister, his Cabinet colleagues, elected representatives and government officials took the social justice pledge on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Periyar.

Paying tributes to Periyar, Mr. Stalin said, "Periyar is a great fire that burns down caste-harred. He is a beacon of light for rationalism and the rise of Tamil people. Periyar shall endure forever, everywhere."

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