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Archbishop Mar Joseph Perumthottam,

It is extremely saddening to learn about the passing away of Archbishop Emeritus Mar Joseph Powathil. My deepest condolences are with you in this hour of intense grief.

Blessed with a pleasant and benevolent demeanour, Archbishop Emeritus Mar Joseph Powathil endeared himself to everyone who had the good fortune of meeting him. An educationist, he worked with great passion to spread the light of knowledge. His efforts to impart education to all, cutting across artificial barriers were admirable.

Archbishop Emeritus Mar Joseph Powathil remained devoted throughout his life to the upliftment of the poor and disadvantaged sections of the society. He was also known for his work in the empowerment of farmers and strived for inclusive socio-economic development of the people.

Archbishop Emeritus Mar Joseph Powathil will continue to live through his ideals and values, which will inspire younger generations to render selfless service to the society and nation.

May the Almighty grant strength to the members of Archeparchy of Changanacherry as well as to the admirers of Archbishop Emeritus Mar Joseph Powathil to endure this grievous loss.

May the departed soul rest in peace.

(Narendra Modi)

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