



**Bas Balkissoon, MPP**  
**Scarborough-Rouge River**



## **A Personal Message from MPP Bas Balkissoon**

I am pleased to offer my greetings to everyone attending Thaalam 2014: The Ultimate Gaana Competition on March 22, 2014.

The Canadian Tamil Youth Alliance (CTYA) provides Canadian Tamil youth with the forum to become outstanding leaders and citizens in our society. It is important to help youth build a strong foundation which is paramount to leading a productive, fulfilling life. I would like to thank CTYA for the work they do in helping to develop future leaders in the arts and culture.

This evening's performance allows individuals to express themselves and their views through dance, allowing them to use their creativity and skills. I want to congratulate the youth taking part in this competition for their confidence and enthusiasm in displaying their talent to their supporters and members of the community. I wish each performer the best of luck and hope they surpass their expectations and goals.

On behalf of the Legislature of Ontario, please accept my best wishes for a successful and memorable celebration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bas Balkissoon". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Queen's Park, Toronto  
March 22, 2014