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சிவசாமி குளித்துவிட்டுத் துல்லியமாக இருந்தான். 'சிவசாமி, 'பொழுது புலர்ந்தது நாம் செய்த தவத்தால்'னு பாட்டு ஒண்ணு இல்லே? யாருடா எழுதினது?' 'மகாகவி பாரதி எழுதியது அண்ணா. பூபாளத்திலே பாடணும். அது 'நாம்' இல்லை அண்ணா 'யாம்'. அடிமைத்தனம் என்னும் உறக்கத்திலிருந்து பாரத மாதாவை எழுப்புவது அண்ணா. சுப்ரபாத சி.டி.யை ஆன் பண்ணட்டுமா?' 'சித்த இருடா. குப்பை வண்டி வந்து போற நேரம் இல்லே? அது போகட்டும்' என்று சொல்லி முடிக்கும் முன் தார் போடும் எஞ்சின் போல சிங்கமாக கர்ஜித்து, தெருமுனைத் தொட்டியிலிருந்து குப்பைகளை ஹைட்ராலிக் விசை மூலம் தூக்கி வயிற்றில் வாங்கிக் கொண்ட லாரி மேலும் சில சாமி ஆட்டங்களுடன் கிளம்பியது.

'அடுத்ததாக ஸ்கூல் வேன் வரணுமேடா. ஹாரன் குரல் வளையை நெறிச்சு டிரைவர் கதி கலக்குவாரே.' 'இன்னிக்கு வராது. சனிக்கிழமை ஆச்சே.' 'அப்பா, நிம்மதி. எம்.எஸ். சி.டி.யை ஆன் பண்ணுடா.' திடீரென்று 'தீப்பிடிக்க... தீப்பிடிக்க முத்தம் கொடுடா...' என்று பெப்பியாக வாசலில் வந்து நின்ற ஆட்டோவிலிருந்து வந்த பாட்டைக் கேட்டுக் கடுப்பாகிப் பஞ்சாமி காலைக் கடன் களை முடிக்கப் போகிறார்.

டாக்டர் பஞ்சாமிக்கு சப்தங்கள் என்றால் எப்பவுமே அலர்ஜி. தெருவிலிருந்து இவ்வளவு சத்தமா? 'சிவசாமி, நாம் காட்டாங்கொளத்தார் போயிடலாமடா. என்னாலே இந்த அட்டாக்கைத் தாங்க முடியலே.'

'அப்படியே செஞ்சுடலாம் அண்ணா.' 'சிவசாமி, பப்ளிஷர்கிட்டேயிருந்து தகவல் வந்ததா?'

'D.T.P.க்குக் கொடுத்திருக்காராம்.' 'எழுபதிலும் எழுந்து ஓடலாமே!' என்கிற தலைப்பில் ஒரு கனத்த புத்தகத்தை டாக்டர் பஞ்சாமி விவரமாக எழுதி முடித்திருந்தார். எழுதிய களைப்புத் தீரப் பத்து நாட்கள் ஜாலியா இருக்கப் போறேன் என்று அறிவித்துப் பேனாவை மூடிய அவர் காதுகளையும் இறுக மூட முடிந்தால் எவ்வளவு சுகமாக இருக்கும் என்று எண்ணிக் கொண்டார்.

'சிவசாமி, மகர யாழ், மத்தளம், புல்லாங்குழல் ஒலி எல்லாம் எங்கேயோ மதுர மாகக் கேட்கும்னு கம்பர் பாடியிருக்கார் இல்லையா? அயோத்யா காண்டத்திலே தானேடா? நம்ம அயோத்யா மண்டபம் பக்கத்திலே கிடை யாதா? இப்போ பார் 'கிரேம் மா கிரேய்! அரக் கிரேய், மொலக்கிரேய், பாலக் கிரேய், பொன்னாங்கணிக் கிரேய்... கிரேம்மா கிரேய்'னு வந்து தாக் கறாடா. அடுத்த மாசம் காட்டாங்குளத்தார் போயிடலாம், சரிதானே?'

'பரம சந்தோஷம் அண்ணா.' அடுத்த மாசம் ஒரு விடியற்காலையில் டாக்டர் பஞ்சாமி நீண்ட காகிதங்களில் பரபரவென்று எழுதிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார். குப்பை லாரி தன்னுடைய ராஜா வீதிப் புறப்பாட்டை வழக்கமான சப்த ஜாலங்களுடன் செய்து கொண்டிருக்கிறது. அரக்கர்களின் இம்சைகளைக் காதிற் வாங்காத ரிஷியின் தீவிரத்துடன் எழுதிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார்.

பக்கத்து வீட்டுக் கேசவன் அவர் மனைவியே துடுக்கிடும் வகையில் அமானுஷ்யக் குரல்களை எழுப்பிப் பல் தேய்த்து, தொண்டை வெளிவராமல் தடுத்து வாயைக் கொப்பளித்து, துப்பிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார். இருப்பினும் பஞ்சாமி மெய் வருத் தம் பாராது, கண் துஞ்சாது, பசி நோக்காது, தீவிரமாக எழுதிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார்.

டெலிஃபோன் அடிக்க சிவசாமி எடுக்கிறான். 'சச்சிதானந்தம்! யாரு? சிவசாமிங்கனா? நான்தான் முல்லைப் பதிப்பகம் செங்கை சோமநாதன் பேசறேன் வைத்தியர் ஐயா இருக்காரா?'

'எழுதிண்டு இருக்கார்.' 'இருக்கட்டும், இருக்கட்டும். முதல் புத்தகம் அட்டகாசமா வந்திருக்குய்யா, அடுத்ததை எழுதச் சொன்னேன். மாட்டேன்னு அடம்பிடிச்சவரை நீர்தான் ஏதோ வசியம் பண்ணி எழுத வைச்சிருக்கீர்.'

'அதெல்லாம் பெருசா ஒண்ணுமில்லை ஸார்.' 'ஆமாம், ஏதோ காட்டாங்குளத்தார் போகப் போறேன் னாரே?'

'அதெல்லாம் ச்சும்மா! மாட்டார் ஸார். மாம்பலம்தான்.' 'ஓரே கூச்சலா இருக்குன்னு அலுத்துண்டாரே?' 'அதெல்லாம் அடுத்த புத்தகம் எழுதற ஆர்வத்திலே காதிலே விழாமப் போச்சு. அட்வான்ஸா வெயிட்டான செக் வேற கொடுத்தீங்களா அதான். 'சத்தமா? எங்கேடா சத்தம்?'னு என்னையே மடக்கிறார்.'

'சிவசாமி! பெரிய ஆளையா நீர். மாம்பலம் வீடு எழுதறதுக்கு ராசியான இடமனு சொல்லி வேப்பிலை அடிச்ச அவரை 'நூறை நோக்கி ஓடுங்கள்'னு அடுத்த புத்தகத்தை எழுத வைச்சுட்டீர். காட்டாங்குளத்திலே என் சின்ன மச்சினி கலைச்செல்விக்கு அவருடைய வீட்டைப் பிடிச்சுக் கொடுத்திட்டீர். நீரும் உமக்குப் பிடிச்ச மாம்பலத்தை விட்டு நகராமல் உட்கார வழி பண்ணிட்டீர். ஆமாம் மாம்பலத்திலே அப்படி என்னய்யா இருக்கு? விமலா, கமலா, அமலா, வத்தலான்னு ஏதானும் 'லா' ஈர்ப்பு இருக்கா?'

'சே! வாயை அலம்புங்க ஸார். நான் கட்டை பிரம்மச்சாரி. பிள்ளையார் பக்தன், மாருதியோட சிஷ்யன், பிஷ்மருடைய அடிப்பொடி!'

'சரி இருந்துட்டுப் போங்கய்யா. ஆனால் மாம்பலத்திலே வெங்கடேஸ்வரா போளி இருக்கே. பருப்பு போளின்னா சிவசாமிக்கு உசிரனு டாக்டர் சொல்லி இருக்காரே? உமக்கு 108 போளி மாலை சாத்திடறேன். எழுத்தாளர் ஐயாக்கு அடிக்கடி தார்க்குச்சி போடுங்க. கூப்பிடுங்க அவரை, லைனில் இருக்கேன்.'

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Long gate abandoned on pavement



A 24 ft long sliding gate has been lying along the compound wall of a house near the junction of Bazullah Road and Hanumantha Street (T. Nagar) for several days.

Private staff to monitor pedestrian plaza

If encroachments crop up along the pedestrian plaza in T. Nagar or there are any issues related to parking or traffic congestion, a special team will soon set things right. The corporation has roped in a private contractor to monitor the plaza.

Senior officials of the civic body said a six-member operations and maintenance team had been deputed to remove small encroachments on the pedestrian plaza and ensure that vehicles are not parked without authorisation. The team will also be in charge of the cleanliness of the stretch as well as guiding visitors. The 1.4 km stretch with wide footpaths was built at a cost of Rs. 39.86 crores. The team will comprise two security guards and four sweepers, headed by a facility manager. Their jurisdiction will be from Pandy Bazaar right up to Anna Salai. "We have started operations but it will take time for the staff to be trained properly. After a week, citizens can expect the work to be systematic," the official said. The decision comes in the wake of persistent complaints from residents and regulars about small shops encroaching on the plaza.

'Harinaama Sankeerthanam' on Friday

ISKCON and Tamilnadu Brahmin Association have jointly organised 'Harinaama Sankeerthanam' from 6.30 p.m to 8 p.m on Friday, March 13 in Muthumaari Amman Temple (Dr. Ramasamy Road, K. K. Nagar). All are welcome.

More details can be had in 91766 51942 and 94441 56169.

Sai Seva Chakra conducts free Veda classes

By Our Staff Reporter

Sri Sai Seva Chakra (15, Bharathi Street, West Mambalam) conducts free Veda, bhajans and sloka classes on Sundays in its premises from 3.30 p.m to 4.30 p.m.

It also conducts these classes in the following venues.

On Saturdays and Sundays from 6.30 a.m to 7.30 a.m in Sri Krishna Gana Sabha, Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar.

On Mondays, Wednesdays and Tuesdays from 5 p.m to 6 p.m in Sarva Priya Ganapathi Temple (Moorthy Street Extension, 7th Avenue, Ashok Nagar).

On Mondays and Thursdays from 8 p.m to 9 p.m in No 15, Bharathi Street, West Mambalam. All are welcome.

More details can be had in phone 98843 05676.

Multi-level parking lot in Thyagaraya Road nearing completion

With the multi-level parking lot in Thyagaraya Road (T. Nagar) nearing completion, the Corporation is set to construct another one in Vadapalani, near South Perumal Koil Street.

The on-going project, under the Smart City Mission, is being constructed at an estimated cost of Rs. 36.54 crores, spanning 1,488 sq. meters and will have 8 levels for parking, two for 2-wheelers and 6 for cars.

It is expected to de-congest the streets in T. Nagar and facilitate a smooth transition for visitors to the pedestrian plaza. It will be able to accommodate 550 2-wheelers and 250 cars.

The Vadapalani project is to be taken up at an estimated cost of Rs. 4.3 crores and the tenders for design, engineering, procurement and construction have already been floated, said corporation officials.

The parking lot in Vadapalani is likely to incorporate new 'Smart Shuttle Parking' technology where cars will be allotted vacant parking slots automatically.

Reconstruction of shopping complexes proposed

By Our Staff Reporter

The Corporation has proposed to reconstruct 152 shopping complexes in 15 zones in Chennai including T. Nagar.

According to a senior Corporation official, the new complexes will have facilities available in private malls.

Talk on Tamil literature today

By Our Staff Reporter
Kuvikam Illam (Flat No. 6, A Wing, Silverpark Apartments, Thanikachalam Road, T. Nagar) has organised a talk on Tamil literature by Sundararaman Chintamani (Motivational Speaker) at 5 p.m on Sunday, March 8 in its premises. All are welcome.
More details can be had in 97910 69435.

Kuvikam Illam was started to promote Tamil literary activities.

It is managed by Kirubandan and Sundararajan. They said that the name Kuvikam was coined to signify combined activity of 'gathering' and 'focus'.

It e-publishes literary articles every fortnight, and the articles can be read in the website <https://kuvikam.com>. The e-magazine has been in publication for more than 6 years and has so far published more than 4000 digital pages containing stories, poems, contemporary articles, short films and audio files all of which can be accessed and read in the website.

Tamil authors and young writers can get their writings published in print at nominal cost through Kuvikam Pathippam, the organisation's printing wing.

It also offers a platform for readers to exchange books.

The Illam functions from 4 p.m to 7 p.m on weekdays and from 10.30 a.m to 1.30 p.m on Saturdays and Sundays.

Thirukalyanam in Arcot Road temple on Thursday

By Our Staff Reporter
Under the auspices of Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamigal and Sri Vidhu Shekara Bharathi Swamigal of Sri Sharadha Peetam (Sringeri), Thirukalyanam will be performed for Sri Venkatachalapathy from 9 a.m to 12 noon on Thursday, March 12 in Sri Sharadambal Temple (Arcot Road, Kodambakkam, opposite Sekar Emporium).
All are welcome.

Free Balavikas classes on Saturdays, Sundays

By Our Staff Reporter
Balavikas classes will be held for students in the 5-17 years age group on Saturdays and Sundays in C2, 2nd Floor, Shivani Apartments, 23/9, Chakrapani Street Extension, West Mambalam.
The students will be taught bhajans, slokas, how to cultivate good habits and to respect elders. Moral stories from epics will be narrated.
On Sundays, the classes will be held from 10 a.m to 12 noon, and on Saturdays, after school closing hours. For registration, call V. Vasanthakokilam in 94426 43479.

Medicinal seedlings planted in Sharma Park



By Our Staff Reporter
The members of Exnora Greater Chennai, Rajasthan Pathrika (an online Hindi newsletter) and Lions Club of Central Madras jointly planted seedlings of medicinal plants in Corporation Sharma Park (Habibullah Road, T. Nagar) on March 3 to mark World Wildlife Day.

Krishnammachari donates Rs. 7.5 lakhs to Vedic Science Research Centre

By Our Staff Reporter
R. P. Krishnammachari (Managing Director of Tex Bioscience Private Limited, 4th Avenue, Ashok Nagar) donated Rs. 7.5 lakhs to Vedic Science Research Centre on March 3.
The Research Centre, started in 1997, publishes periodicals and research papers on Vedas and related fields, and also propagates Vedic culture among youth in colleges and other venues.



Retired govt official robbed in MTC bus

A retired government official was allegedly robbed of 11 sovereigns in an MTC bus on Feb. 29.
According to the complaint by V. Parthasarathy (70), he boarded the bus (on route 11A) at T. Nagar. When he alighted at Spencer Plaza stop on Anna Salai, he was shocked to find that the bottom of the handbag he was carrying was torn and the valuables stolen. Police sources said that the septuagenarian was carrying a 6-sovereign chain and a 5-sovereign necklace.
Parthasarathy, a resident of Mandaveli, is a retired revenue inspector. He was returning from a relative's house when he was robbed. Police suspect the robbers may have followed Parthasarathy from T. Nagar. The Thousand Lights police will examine CCTV camera footage along the bus route to check if any suspicious-looking person alighted from the bus before the senior citizen got off.

Cable drum on pavement a safety hazard



By Our Staff Reporter
A large empty cable drum belonging to Tamilnadu Electricity Board (TNEB) has been dumped across the pavement on Somasundaram Street (T. Nagar), adjoining the Corporation playground.
It is prevented from rolling by a few stones kept underneath. But there is the likelihood of the roller going over the stones and on to the street posing a danger to unwary pedestrians and motorists.

Shivprasadh felicitated by Karur Narada Gana Sabha

By Our Staff Reporter
Dramatist S. Shivprasadh was felicitated by Karur Narada Gana Sabha on Feb. 29 during its platinum jubilee celebrations. His drama troupe R.S. Manohar Nxgs presented the plays Chanakya Sabadham and Kadaga Mutharaiyan on Feb. 28 and 29 in which he played the lead role.



Two local residents held for Anna Salai crude bomb attack

Police on March 4 detained two men, both residents of Periya Rajapillai Thottam (T. Nagar) in connection with the incident of hurling of a crude bomb on a car on Anna Salai in Teynampet at around 4 p.m on March 3.
According to the police, the attack was a planned attempt on the lives of history-sheets 'CD' Mani and 'Kakkathoppu' Balaji, both of whom were in the car.
While the "targets" narrowly escaped, shop fronts close to the road were damaged in the attack.
The detained suspects, one of whom is a college student, were identified by the registration plate numbers on their bikes caught on a CCTV camera.
The visuals also helped to deduce that a group of eight men were following the car on Anna Salai with the intent to attack.
A case was registered under Sections 3 of Explosive Substances Act and 4 of TN Public Property Act.

Satsang in K. K. Nagar on March 14

Sri Sarada Devi Seva Sangh, K. K. Nagar has organized its monthly satsang at 6 p.m on Saturday, March 14 in Plot No. 106, Dr. Lakshmanasamy Salai, K. K. Nagar.
Swami Vimurtanandaji Maharaj (Manager, Sri Ramakrishna Math, Chennai) will be lead the satsang.
All are welcome. More details can be had in 98407 07601 and 97909 16060.

Picnic spot to come up along Buckingham Canal

Work on developing a picnic spot along the Buckingham Canal, near Tidel Park, will begin next month.
The picnic spot, to be developed on a 2-km strip of land measuring around 25 acres, is expected to get modern play equipment and landscaped space for cultural events.
The project was announced by the government last year. A meeting of civic officials was held after preparation of the detailed project report.
"The picnic spot will have a food area. People will be permitted to bring their own food. Shops will not be permitted in the area," said an official.

The eastern side of the canal will get a dense forest of indigenous trees, said the official. Work is expected to be completed in a year. "The picnic spot will have various features for the safety of children. Brainstorming sessions with engineers have been held to ensure that the space is safe for children and senior citizens," said the official.

The space will have features that differentiate it from the pedestrian plaza in T. Nagar. "The space will celebrate biodiversity. Its landscaping will be unique, restoring the canal to its original condition," he said.

Currently, the space for cultural events on the pedestrian plaza in T. Nagar has not been used for events, owing to congestion in the area. This area is expected to host more events relating to culture, attracting tourists.

All sewage outfalls on the stretch of the canal will be plugged shortly. Engineers are exploring options to prevent pollution of the canal before resettling residents along it. "Water in the canal should be clean after the launch of the project. Only then will the project be successful," said the official.

Industrialist donates Rs. 2 lakhs to PHC

By Our Staff Reporter
D. K. Jhaver (an industrialist) donated Rs. 2 lakhs to P u b l i c



Health Center (Lake View Road, West Mambalam) for buying medical equipment.
The donation was received by R. Kannan (Secretary, PHC).
The donation was arranged through Dr. Balaji Srinivasan (Orthopedician in PHC).
Jhaver is the Chairman of Til Healthcare Pvt. Ltd., a pharmaceutical company.
He is also in charge of Ekal Vidyalaya project under which primary education is provided for students living in rural and

New designer studio for women in K.K. Nagar

Bharni Design Studio, an exclusive tailoring and designer studio for women and children, was opened recently in VPS Tower (9, Rajamnaana Salai, K.K. Nagar).
The shop specializes in stitching bridal blouses, kurtis, anarkalis and western gowns.
It is currently running a 'Stitch Two and Pay for One' offer. R. Lathamaheswari (Proprietor) is a graduate in Fashion Designing.
She told *Mambalam Times* that her aim is to provide designer clothes and stitching at an affordable cost. She said that the shop is well-equipped with advanced tailoring machinery and its tailoring staff are well-experienced.
"I am also planning to provide bridal wears and party wears on rent in the near future", she said.
The shop also undertakes hand embroidery, aari and zardosi works. Her contact number is 9962176172

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Coronavirus outbreak was predicted in 2008

By B. R. Shivaji & Divya Saiprasad

"In around 2020 a severe pneumonia-like illness will spread throughout the globe, attacking the lungs and the bronchial tubes and resisting all known treatments. Almost more baffling than the illness itself will be the fact that it will vanish as quickly as it arrived, attack again ten years later, and then disappear completely".

This prediction was made by Sylvia Browne in her book "End of Days: Predictions and Prophecies About the End of the World" published in 2008. Given that most of her predictions, especially about missing persons, were later disproved, this one seems to be exceptionally correct. More than 100,000 cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) have been reported worldwide since December and continuing to increase alarmingly.

However, some observers say that although the term "prediction" is a subjective one, it may come as no surprise that Browne claimed to have foreseen an international respiratory disease outbreak, considering that the SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) outbreak of the early 2000s occurred before her book was published.

The term "severe" would certainly apply to some cases of COVID-19, which has been deadly for thousands of patients in 2020. The illness appears to be more lethal than the seasonal flu, though some of the cases are quite mild or asymptomatic.

Finally, they say that it would be subjective to describe the coronavirus as "baffling". Coronavirus infections are not new, although COVID-19 is a new strain, and because of that, no vaccines or therapeutic treatment exist yet to fight it. And, of course, no evidence exists that COVID-19 will "suddenly vanish". In fact, health professionals have stated that it might become a seasonal illness.

These observers concluded by rating the claim a "mixture". Although it could be argued that stating a respiratory illness would sweep through the world in 2020 was accurate, other elements of the book's passage are unknown or unlikely, and of course "predicting" a worldwide outbreak of a respiratory illness when one has already happened could be more a matter of lucky guessing than predicting.

Sylvia Browne was an American author who claimed to be a medium with psychic abilities. She appeared regularly on TV and radio shows. She died at the age of 77 though she had predicted that she would die when she was 88.

She was frequently discredited for making pronouncements that were later found to be false, many relating to missing persons. She was a convicted criminal, having faced theft charges in 1992.

Despite the considerable negative publicity, she maintained a large following until her death in 2013. She had published a number of books.

In 2010, the *Skeptical Inquirer* published a detailed three-year study by Ryan Shaffer and Agatha Jadwyszczok that examined Browne's predictions about missing persons and murder cases. Despite her repeated claims to be more than 85% correct, the study reported that "Browne had not been even mostly correct in a single case".

The dreaded coronavirus (COVID-19), which originated in Wuhan in China in December, has been reported all over the world and the number of persons affected and dying increasing daily.

In India, as on March 6, 31 persons had been declared affected with the virus. The first infection was reported in Kerala with two more being reported there later. All three tested positive but have since recovered. The following are the details of cases reported from other States/cities: Delhi (NCR) 3, Agra 6, Ghaziabad 1, Telangana 1, Rajasthan 17 (includes 16 Italian tourists).

Meanwhile, some 16,076 crew members and passengers on 452 ships from China and other coronavirus-hit countries have been scanned and denied permission to disembark at Indian ports as a precautionary measure, a shipping ministry official said on March 5. However, all possible help is being provided, in keeping with World Health Organisation guidelines, for those among them suffering from fever or any other symptoms, he said.

As on March 6, a total of 100,162 cases have been reported from 93 countries and territories with China accounting for 80,559 (3,042 deaths). The cruise ship *Diamond Princess* (which started with 706 passengers and crew on board) and was also affected, is still anchored in Yokohama in Japan though several passengers have since been evacuated to their respective countries. Outside China, S. Korea, which reported 6,593 cases (42 deaths), Italy 3,858 (148) and Iran 4,747 (124) top the list after China. 55,812 of the 100,162 cases have recovered and there were 3,406 deaths. 34,666 patients are in mild condition and 6,278 in serious condition.

Damaged tank dumped under transformer

By Our Staff Reporter

A 5000-liter tank in a damaged condition has been lying under the TNEB transformer next to the garbage bin on Jothi Rama-lingam Street (Vazhai Thoppu, West Mambalam) for several days.

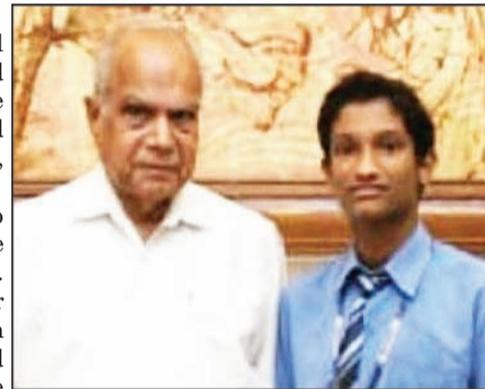


Velammal student wins award for 'promising project'

By Our Staff Reporter

K. Rudhayan (Class 9 student in Velammal Main School, Mogappair) was presented 'promising project' award for his project in the 27th National Children's Science Congress held in Thiruvananthapuram, organised by NCSTC, Government of India.

His project, 'Light weight paper by Nano Technology', was certified Grade A+ and was the only one selected from Tamilnadu. Considering his achievement, Governor Banwarilal Purohit blessed him in Raj Bhavan on March 3. 19 projects from the junior and senior categories on the theme 'Science technology and Innovation for a clean, green and healthy nation' were selected at the national-level conference attended by 658 delegates from different states.



Junction box on carriageway endangers motorists

By Our Staff Reporter

A damaged and unused EB junction box has been lying on the margin of Soundarajan Street (outside Door No. 8), T. Nagar for a fortnight.

It poses a grave danger to motorists as it is blocking a part of the street.

A nearby resident told this reporter that the junction box is not visible at night and minor accidents take place frequently.

He added that on the night of March 1, a motorcyclist had a narrow escape when he saw the box suddenly and skidded when he swerved to avoid it. He managed to balance himself in time.



Garbage woes in Manickam Street

By Our Staff Reporter

Garbage is being dumped daily outside a vacant plot in Manickam Street, West Mambalam.

The area has also been converted into an open urinal though a warning board has been fixed at the spot.

The residents of the street told this reporter that it is suspected that garbage like food waste is being dumped by nearby eateries. They also said that in spite of several complaints to Corporation officials, garbage is not being cleared regularly. They added that the unhygienic condition has led to proliferation of mosquitoes.



Awareness program held

By Our Staff Reporter

A special awareness program was conducted for 250 patients with kidney problems by TANKER Foundation (Flat 11, 3rd Floor, Abiramee Apartments, 11, Thirumurthy Street, T. Nagar, Ph: 4309 0998) last week to commemorate 'World Kidney Day' on March 12.

The event was organised by Rajalakshmi Ravi (Head of TANKER Prevention and Awareness Programme). Preethi (Senior Dietician, MMM Hospital) spoke on the importance of diet for dialysis patients.

Velammal student wins trip to NASA

By Our Staff Reporter

Amrith G. R (class 11 student in Velammal Main School, Mogappair)



emerged runner-up in the under-18 category in the International Space Science Competition 2020, through ISSC - 2020 (National level) test conducted by Go4guru Inc., USA. He has qualified to participate in the International Level Competition (final round) to be held in May 2020 in the USA and will get an opportunity to visit NASA and interact with astronauts. 2 lakh students appeared in the online science aptitude test in October 2019, and 14 were selected from India for the final round in the US.

Sweets stall-cum-mini restaurant opens in Gopalakrishna Street

By Our Staff Reporter

Subham Caterers (Mylapore) launched Subham Ganesan (sweet stall-cum-mini restaurant) on March 5 in 27, Gopalakrishna Street, T. Nagar.

Nalli Kuppasamy inaugurated the unit. Actors Delhi Ganesh and Sachu, and S. Sankaran (Chartered Accountant) were present.

As an inaugural offer, 500 gm. mixture is being offered free on minimum purchase of items for Rs. 500.

Mini breakfast is served from 7 a.m to 11 a.m and lunch from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Tiffin items/snacks are available in the evening.

It also offers marriage services including mandapam decoration, catering and accepts party orders.

Dishes range from the traditional Vathakuzhambu to Punjabi delicacies like 'stuffed paratha'. It has a branch in Pallikaranai. Its contact number is 98410 19066.

Free classes on Mahaperiyavaa's hymns

By Our Staff Reporter

The members of Kanchi Periyava Forum Bhajan Group (T. Nagar) will conduct free classes on the hymns composed by Jagadguru Shri Chandrasekharendra Saraswati Swamigal (Mahaperiyavaa) in various venues in T. Nagar and West Mambalam.

There is no age restriction.

All are welcome.

Details of venues and timings can be had in 98847 34183.

If anything interesting is happening in your neighbourhood please inform Mambalam Times.

Garden waste lying outside Corporation Park



By Our Staff Reporter
A large heap of garden waste including cut branches of trees and dried leaves has been blocking the entire pavement outside Corporation Park (1st Avenue, Ashok Nagar) for several days.

reporter that as the park is cleaned only once a week the waste accumulates and is dumped outside the park. The conservancy workers find it difficult to clear the heap at one go. They have appealed to Corporation officials to clean the park daily.

Unused police booth lying on Rajabather Street



By Our Staff Reporter

A police assistance booth was shifted from Thyagaraya Road to Rajabather Street during the development of the Pedestrian Plaza.

It is now lying unused and blocking the usable width of the carriageway on the street.

Nearby residents have appealed to the police to remove the booth from the spot.

Sand dumped in park inconveniences visitors



By Our Staff Reporter

Sand used in repairing roads has been dumped inside the Corporation Park on 12th Avenue, Ashok Nagar.

Visitors told this reporter that the sand lying in the children's play area is causing hindrance to children and that on the walking track is making it unsafe for senior citizens.

Roadside vendors evicted



By Our Staff Reporter
The Corporation launched a special drive on March 5 to evict roadside vendors from G. N. Chetty Road, Habibullah Road and Narasimhan Road in T. Nagar. They included a number of eateries and petty shops with temporary structures. Their loaded carts were seized.



All the temporary structures were pulled down and the debris taken away in lorries. A Corporation official told this reporter that the damaged pavements on these roads would be relaid. He added that steps would be taken to prevent future encroachments.

Fire tender parked on pavement



By Our Staff Reporter

Due to paucity of space in the compound, a fire tender was seen parked on the pavement outside the new T. Nagar Fire and Rescue Station (adjoining R4 Soundarapandianar Police Station, Bashyam Road, T. Nagar).

Matrimonial meet for Telugu brahmins tomorrow

By Our Staff Reporter

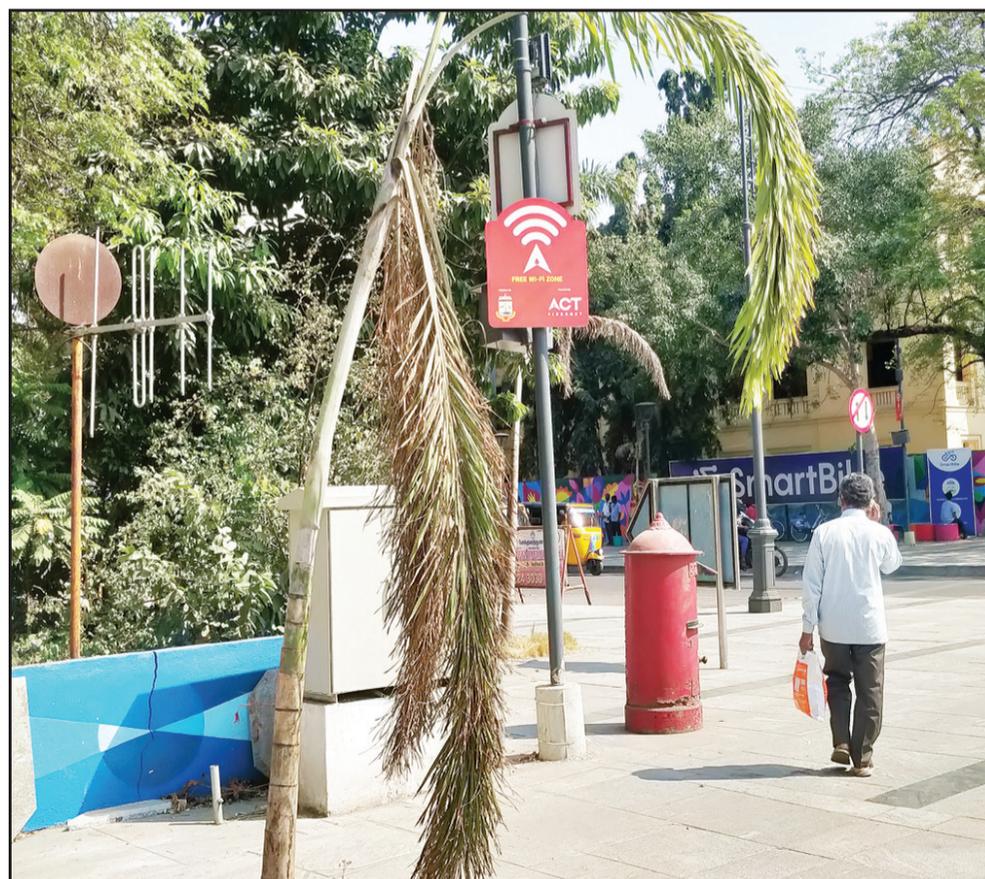
Telugu Brahmana Mahasabha (33, Easwaran Koil Street, Sankara Mutt, West Mambalam) has organised a matrimonial meet for Telugu Brahmins from 8 a.m to 3 p.m on Sunday, March 8 in Infosys Hall (Ramakrishna Mission School, Bazullah Road, T. Nagar).

Those who want to participate should bring horoscopes, bio-data and photos of the boy/girl for whom alliance is sought.

The registration fee is Rs. 500.

More details can be had in 99627 68780.

Plants wither on Thyagaraya Road



By Our Staff Reporter

A number of ornamental saplings planted on the Pedestrian Plaza (Thyagaraya Road, T. Nagar) have started to wither.

Some of these 6 to 8 ft tall plants are likely to fall.

Vedic Shanthi homam for senior citizens in March

By Our Staff Reporter

Sri Bhuvaneshwari Charitable Trust, in association with Sanantha Kalyana Mandapam and Mathru Chaya Foundation, has organised Vedic Shanthi ritual for senior citizens including inmates of old age homes in and around Chennai on March 28 and 29 in Sri Sanantha Kalyana Mandapam (Madampakkam Main Road, Rajakilpakkam).

The program will include paraayanam, music concerts and other spiritual programs. Interested couples and individuals can register their names by March 7 in 98407 87957 or sbctrust@yahoo.com

Discourses on 'Saisath Saritha'

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Sri Shirdi Sai Meditation Mandir (6, Sarojini Street, T. Nagar) there are discourses on 'Sri Saisath Saritha' at 6.30 p.m on Sundays in its premises.

T. Thiruvalluvan (Founder) told *Mambalam Times* that mass spiritual healing is conducted at 7.30 p.m on Thursdays and Sundays.

All are welcome.

More details can be had in phones 2643 2323, 4212 5118 and 94444 53777.

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Delay in laying storm water drain irks residents

Sir, It is more than three months since the Corporation began widening of the storm water drain near South Usman Road flyover (towards Kodambakkam side) in T. Nagar.

The work is progressing at a slow pace and residents say that they have been enduring the chaos on the stretch for quite sometime.

Reflectors and signboards meant to caution passers-by are not in place. Motorists are put to risk negotiating the narrowed stretch. Pedestrians are also having a tough time as they have to walk on the carriageway as the entire footpath and a portion of the road has been taken up for the stormwater drain work. **S. Naresh, Lake View Road, T. Nagar**

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61st Street (Ashok Nagar) encroached upon

Sir, 61st Street, off 7th Avenue which is an important link to a nearby school, has been encroached upon in many ways.

Garbage is being dumped on the road despite a bin being provided. A vendor has piled up a large number of watermelons on the pavement.

A car belonging to a local travel agency has remained parked on the road margin for several days. On the other side of the platform, debris and other household waste is being dumped on the pavement leaving little space for pedestrians.

Students are forced to walk on the road, thereby risking their lives.

The road is used to dump road laying material, discarded wooden boxes, unwanted soil/bricks, etc. Added to these woes, private cab operators park their vehicles on both sides of the narrow road. Neither the Corporation nor the traffic

police have taken action in spite of several complaints.

I appeal to the officials concerned for immediate action. **S. Krishnamoorthy, 2/4, 61st Street, Ashok Nagar, Ph: 94446 04886**

Advertise in the Classified Columns of Mambalam Times for immediate response.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pavement widening repercussions

Sir, Without widening the road, under the 'Smart City' project, the pavements of Pondy Bazaar on Thyagaraya Road (T. Nagar) were widened.

This has led to narrowing of Thyagaraya Road, forcing the implementation of one-way traffic on the busy road which has resulted in diversion of vehicles to some side streets, leading to



problems for residents on these streets living peacefully for decades. What was the need to widen the pavements, which were causing no problems for several decades, of the road lined with shops and many roadside vendors (who were later evicted and moved to a commercial complex on the road)? The vibrant atmosphere of Pondy Bazaar, with shoppers strolling here and there and entering and exiting shops, has been lost too. Secondly, the glaring light from the wide monitors installed across the pavements are blinding, especially for motorists. The programs telecast on these screens may also divert the attention of motorists, thereby leading to accidents.

I appeal to Corporation officials to remove the displays as they are also blocking the way for pedestrians. Also in future projects, I appeal to the officials to not widen pavements at the cost of the road width. **A. Jainulabdeen, 51, 85th Street, Ashok Nagar, Ph: 9444419083**

Coronavirus and bus conductors

Sir, At a time when the whole world is in the grip of coronavirus, community hygiene has become paramount to safeguard against infection.

Also, those in public service who come in regular direct contact with members of the public should be extra careful.

In this connection, one cannot but mention the unhygienic habits of the conductors of MTC buses.

More often than not, the conductors can be seen using saliva to wet their fingers to choose and issue tickets to the passengers.

This can be a dangerous source for spreading any infection like coronavirus. To curb this habit, MTC must equip its conductors with a wet sponge to ease the removal of tickets. **V. S. Jayaraman, 31 Motilal Street, T. Nagar**

Appeal to MTC to restart 70M service

Sir, I am a resident of K. K. Nagar. Bus route no 70M (formerly 18M) from Vadapalani to Tambaram via K. K. Nagar was withdrawn without notice.

It is causing hardship to the residents of K. K. Nagar as this was the only direct bus to places like Guindy, Pallavaram, Chromepet and Tambaram. Though buses on 70C now pass through West K. K. Nagar, they are not useful for passengers travelling from stops like Amman Kovil and PSBB School.

The sudden withdrawal has caused much hardship to schoolgoing students, senior citizens and the general public. I appeal to MTC authorities to restart the service immediately. **V. Jayarajan**

Appeal to remove garbage bin kept near temple entrance

Sir, There is a temple located at the junction of Rangan Street and Rameswaran Road (T. Nagar).

The area near the entrance to the temple is unhygienic as garbage is overflowing from the bin kept next to the entrance.

Passersby and devotees visiting the temple are forced to cover their nostrils while passing due to the awful stench from the putrefying garbage.

I appeal to the Corporation officials to remove the bin from the spot. **V. S. Narayanaswamy, Motilal Street, T. Nagar**

Plea for shelter for bus-stop near PSBB School

Sir, I appeal to MTC and Corporation officials to build a shelter at Padma Seshadri School bus stop on Lakshmanasamy Salai.

With summer approaching, it will help passengers waiting at the stop, especially students and the elderly.

Till a shelter is built, I also appeal to MTC to erect a post with a board indicating the existence of the stop and bus route numbers. **V. Jayarajan, K. K. Nagar.**

OBITUARY

S. NEELAKANTAN

S. Neelakantan (resident of Sri Padhuka Apartments, Postal Colony 1st Street, West Mambalam. Ph: 2371 2154) passed away on Feb. 25. He was 93, and had been a resident of West Mambalam for 35 years.

He had retired as Senior Superintendent from ICF, Perambur. He is survived by his wife N. Bagyam and daughter-in-law S. Geetha.



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JAFFERKhanpet, 9, Lakshmi Street, 600 sq.ft, new, 2 bedrooms, hall, kitchen, 1st floor, independent house, balcony, rent Rs. 10000. Selvam, Ph: 7358236858.

WEST MAMBALAM, Godhavari Apartment, 167, Lake View Road, opp. Public Health Centre, 835 sq.ft, 2 bedrooms, 1st floor, 24 hours water, lift, car park, rent Rs. 18000, immediate occupation. Raj, Ph: 9841046803, 98416 19098.

ASHOK NAGAR, 48, 11th Avenue, near Pazhamudhir Cholai, 2000 sq.ft, 3 bedrooms, hall, modular kitchen, 1st floor, extra - ordinary wood work, balcony, 24 hours water & good ventilation, western & Indian toilet, CCTV, security, home theater setup, power back-up. Contact: Ramachandran, Ph: 95661 79922, 97105 85571.

WEST MAMBALAM, 4, Venkatachalam Street, near Duraiswamy Subway, independent, 1st floor, 900 sq.ft, separate entrance, 2 bedrooms, hall, kitchen, verandah, bath cum western toilet, 2-wheeler parking, Brahmins only, rent Rs. 15000. Ph: 94444 18596, 28142474.

Corporation relays 100 roads, work on 270 others underway

Various roads across the city, including bus route and interior roads, are being re-laid by the Corporation. Officials said that work on around 100 roads has been completed, while work is underway in around 270 roads.

Data sourced from the civic body shows that work on 39 bus route roads has been completed, while in around 39, work is underway. Work on another 106 roads will begin soon. In all, Rs. 44 crores will be spent on this in the 2019-20 financial year. Major roads that have been re-laid completely are Ethiraj Samsal and Meenambal Salai in north Chennai and Habibullah Road, St. Mary's Road, Usman Road flyover and New Avadi Road in central Chennai.

As far as interior roads are concerned, work on 60 roads has been completed, while work on 140 roads is underway. Work on another 750 roads will be taken up soon. The expenditure for interior roads is around Rs. 150 crores for the 2019-20 financial year. Some interior roads that received a face-lift include Arul Nagar Second Street, Ganapathy Nagar Third Street, Kannadasan Street, Bharathiyar Street and Annaswamy Street in the north and central parts. Work on some bus route and interior roads pending from the previous financial year is also underway, an official said.

Women's Day celebrations on March 15

Tambras of Chennai District has organized special programs from 11 a.m to 3 p.m on Sunday, March 15 in Amarabarathi Kalyana Mandapam (12, West Tank Street, Thiruvanniyur) as part of International Women's Day celebrations.

There will be Villupattu, drama, talent show and games exclusively for women. More details can be had in 91764 63232 and 98411 58018.

6-month certificate course in Sanskrit

Sanskrit Bharathi will conduct classes for the next batch of 'Balakendram' 6-month Certificate Course in Sanskrit for children in the 6-12 years age group. The classes will be conducted on Wednesdays from 5.30 p.m to 6.30 p.m in 1st Floor, 47, Krupasankari Street, West Mambalam. There is no fee. For more details, call 99401 22883.

Now, a health mix with sprouted grains

S. Vijayalakshmi (resident of LIG Flats, 7th Avenue, Ashok Nagar), who markets a health mix, has introduced a new one with sprouted grains (ragi, wheat, cumbu, moong dhal), almond, cashewnut etc. The mix can be used to make porridge for breakfast. She has been selling health mix with millets for three years.

"Millets are God's gift for diabetics and they are hypertension-friendly too," she said. 300 gm. and 500 gm. packs are available at her residence. She can be contacted in 97907 72370

Garuda utsavam in Kothandaramar Temple tomorrow

By Our Staff Reporter

Garuda utsavam will be conducted at 7 p.m on Sunday, March 8 in Kothandaramar Temple (K. R. Koil Street, West Mambalam).

All are welcome

Thiruvagasam paaraayanam at 8 a.m tomorrow

By Our Staff Reporter

Nirmala Ravi (Founder of Eesan Adi Pottri and resident of Ashok Nagar) will perform 'Thiruvagasam' paaraayanam from 8 a.m to 2 p.m on Sunday, March 8 in Sri Vaidyanatha Sai Baba Temple (Senthamil Nagar, Ramapuram).

All are welcome.

More details can be had in 99417 55111.

Special prayers for board exam students



By Our Staff Reporters

As the Std. 12 board examinations began on March 2, a special prayer was arranged for the students in Jaigopal Garodia Hindu Vidyalaya (Postal Colony, West Mambalam) before they entered the examination hall. The students also sought the blessings of their teachers. The examinations conclude on March 31.

Samskritha Bharathi appeals for full-time volunteers

By Our Staff Reporter

Samskritha Bharathi ('Seva', 3rd Floor, 79/56, Dr. Azhagappa Road, Purasawalkam) has appealed for full-time volunteers in the 40-60 years age group to support the organisation's activities.

Interested persons may report at 10 a.m on March 29 in its premises.

Food will be provided. Free accommodation will also be provided for those coming from outside Chennai.

For more details, call 2643 2635 or 91764 12754.

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'Weaving Therapy' for persons with learning disabilities

A 'Weaving Therapy Center' was opened recently in Darul Ansar Centre for Applied Learning (16, B. N. Reddy Road, T. Nagar) for those suffering from autism and learning disabilities.

It was inaugurated by V. Nandakumar (Additional Commissioner of Income Tax). According to a faculty member, the Center provides individualized learning experience with a compre-



hensive program designed to help the differently abled achieve a better quality of life. He said that weaving a piece of cloth has a good therapeutic value and inculcates a sense of achievement and fulfilment in such individuals. The weaving activity also improves patience, concentration and composure in those suffering from hyperactivity, he added.

More details can be had in 4901 4554 and 98842 70480.

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