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## தமாஷா வரிகள்

ஜே. எஸ். ராகவன்

உரையும் மறு உரையும்!

1) ராமாயண அணில் மாதிரி ஓரடி முன்னே எடுத்து வையுங்கள் - ராமேஸ்வரத்தில் மோடியின் அழைப்பு.

\*\*\*\*\* அணிலைப் பற்றிப் பேசும்போது அதன் மேல் இருக்கும் வரி ஜி.எஸ்.டி வரி என்று விளக்கினாரா?

2) ட்ராஃபிக் ராமாசாமியின் வாழ்க்கை வரலாறு படமாகிறதாம்.

\*\*\*\*\* சகட்டு மேனிக்கு ஒட்டப்பட்ட போஸ்டர்களை அவரே கிழித்துவிடுவார் தானே?

3) பெரிய ரயில் நிலையங்களைத் திருமணத்துக்கு வாடகைக்கு விட முடிவு.

\*\*\*\*\* 'கெட்டி மணி, கெட்டி மணி' என்று குரல் கொடுத்து ஸ்டேஷன் மாஸ்டர் பச்சைக் கொடி காட்டினவுடன் தான் தாலி கட்ட வேண்டி வரலாம்.

4) ரோம் நகரில் தண்ணீர் தட்டுப்பாடாம். எட்டு மணி நேரம் தண்ணீர் வராதாம்.

\*\*\*\*\* சென்னையிலிருந்து ரோமுக்குப் போன ரோமிஸ்டுக்கு Do like Romans in Rome என்கிறதிலே என்ன கஷ்டம்?

5) கிண்டி பூங்காவில் வெள்ளை நாகப் பாம்பு வருகை.

\*\*\*\*\* வெள்ளை யானை, வெள்ளைப் புலி அதிக வரவேற்புக்குப்பின் அடுத்தது வெள்ளைக் காக்காய் தானே?

6) நாய்களுக்காக ஜெர்மானிய ரேடியோ ஸ்டேஷன் 24 மணி நேரமும் இசை நிகழ்ச்சிகளை ஒலி பரப்புகிறது.

\*\*\*\*\* வாலை ஆட்டி இசையை ரசிக்கும் ஜெர்மன் நாய் அல்சேஷன், ஒலிபரப்பில் தடங்கல் ஏற்பட்டால் ஸ்டேஷனுக்குள் நுழைந்து கடித்துக் குதறிவிடாதோ?

7) காவிரி, முல்லைப் பெரியாறு தண்ணீர் பிரச்சனைக்காக இதுவரை வக்கீல் செலவு ரூ. 40 கோடியாம்.

\*\*\*\*\* அதாவது பணம் தண்ணீர் மாதிரி செலவாகிறதா?

8) ரயிலில் வழங்கிய பிரியாணியில் இறந்த பல்வி.

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9) ரூ. 200 கோடி விலை கொடுத்து வாங்கிய ஸ்பெராரி கார் ஒரு மணி நேரத்திலேயே விபத்தில் சிக்கி எரிந்து சாம்பலாகி விட்டதாம்.

\*\*\*\*\* காரையும் காசையும் மெகா கரியாக்கினவர் விதியைக் கரிச்சக் கொட்டிக் கொண்டதான் இருப்பார்.

10) கமலின் புதிய படம் 'தலைவன் இருக்கிறான்.'

\*\*\*\*\* ரியலி? மெய்யாலுமா? நெசமாவா? பாஸ்! தலைவனா? எங்கே? யாரு?

11) ஓயாமல் தன்னைப் பார்த்து ஏனாமாக சிரித்துக் கொண்டிருந்த மனைவியைக் கொன்ற அமெரிக்கர்.

\*\*\*\*\* கணவன் மனைவி உறவு இப்படி சிரிப்பா சிரிக்கணுமா என்பன?

12) ஜப்பானில் தயாரிக்கப் படும் அரிதான விஸ்கி பாட்டிலின் விலை ரூ. எட்டு லட்சமாம்.

\*\*\*\*\* இதில் குபீர்னு உடைத்துப் பாமர கோலி சோடாவைக் கலந்து குடிப்பது அபச்சாரம் இல்லையா?

13) வீணா (Veena) வாசிக்கும் அப்துல் கலாம் சிலைக்கு அருகில் கீதையா, குரானா, பைபினா என்பதில் சர்ச்சை.

\*\*\*\*\* கலாம் இதை 'வீணான்' சர்ச்சையாகத்தான் கருதுவார்.

14) கர்னா கபூர் தன் குழந்தை டபுரை ஒரு நாளைக்கு 20,000 முறைகள் முத்தமிடுகிறாராம்.

\*\*\*\*\* ஓர் சின்ன முத்தக் காட்சிக்கு இவ்வளவு ரீ-டேக்கா என்று குழந்தை முன்கலாம்.

15) பெங்களூரில் நடந்த சர்வதேசப் பூனைக் கண்காட்சியில் 73 பூனைகள் போட்டி.

\*\*\*\*\* நீதிபதிகளாக ரஷ்ய, ஜெர்மனி ஆர்வலர்கள் இருந்தது இந்தியா பூனைகளை இன்னும் சகுனத் தடையாகப் பார்ப்பதாலாக இருக்குமோ?

16) பெல்காமில் உள்ள உணவு விடுதியில் வாட்ஸ் அப், பேஸ்புக் உபயோகிக்கத் தடை.

\*\*\*\*\* மொபைலைப் பார்த்துக் கொண்டே அடுத்தவர் தட்டிவிருந்து சாப்பிட்டு விடுகிறார்களா?

17) குர்கான் அருகில் உள்ள கிராமத்தில் மர்ம மனிதன் ஒருவன் பெண்களின் நீண்ட கூந்தலைக் கத்தரித்து ஓடி விடுகிறானாம்.

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18) இன்போசிஸ் சதா மூர்த்தி 21 வருடத்திற்கு முன் காசிக் குப் போனபோது பட்டுப் புடவை வாங்குவதை விட்டுவிட்டாராம்.

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19) ஃப்ளோரிடா வங்கியில் நுழைந்து கொள்ளை அடித்தவன் உடனே தெருவில் பணத்தை வீசி எறிந்து கொண்டே நிர்வாணமாக ஓடினானாம்.

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## More debtors file complaints against film financier Bothra

By Our Staff Reporter

More cases of harassment and cheating have been filed against film financier Mukanchand Bothra, who was arrested by the Central Crime Branch (CCB) recently.

According to an investigating officer, Bothra had charged exorbitant rates of interest for the loans he advanced to several persons, including film personalities, and harassed them in several ways to recover the money and much more than was owed to him.

Based on a complaint filed by Mani of Virugambakkam, CCB officers arrested Bothra and his two sons, Sandip and Gagan last week.

In the ensuing days, three more complaints have been registered against the financier.

According to an investigation officer, G. Senthil of T. Nagar took Rs. 83.5 lakhs as loan from Bothra for developing PRC International Hotels. Even after he repaid the amount with interest, Bothra and his sons threatened him and sought Rs. 4.24 crores more. They criminally intimidated Senthil and also released advertisements in newspapers, claiming to have bought the hotel from Senthil in settlement of the loan and outstanding interest.

In another complaint filed, J. Sathishkumar (a film producer) has alleged that Bothra was trying to cheat him by demanding Rs. 1.98 crores against a loan of Rs.15 lakhs he had taken from him in 2016. In the complaint, he has also alleged that Bothra has also been harassing him with threats to his life.

Similarly, in another case, Anand Nahar, a jeweller from T. Nagar, has alleged that Bothra was demanding Rs.2.75 crores against a Rs.5-lakh loan taken by him in 2014.

According to the police, Bothra's modus operandi was to make use of the distress situation of borrowers to advance loans at exorbitant interest and obtain blank cheques and signed promissory notes, and blank papers to threaten them at the time of repayment.

## 100 saplings planted in CIT Nagar



Workers of MGR-JJ DMK Party planted saplings in CIT Nagar 5<sup>th</sup> Main Road, CIT Nagar on July 30 to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> day of the new party.

The initiative was taken by K. Madhavan (General Secretary).

He said that 100 saplings were planted to coincide with the 100 days of the party.

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## College girl run over by bus

By Our Staff Reporter

19-year-old K. Hashitha, a 1<sup>st</sup> year college student, was run over by a college bus when she was riding her bike on Arcot Road, Kodambakkam at around

2 p.m on July 31.

She was returning home from her college in T. Nagar when the accident happened. According to a police official, the bus hit Hashitha's two-wheeler from behind.

"She lost her balance, fell down and was crushed by the wheels of the bus," he said. She was rushed to a nearby hospital, where she was pronounced dead on arrival by the doctors.

Police sent the body to Kilpauk Medical College and Hospital for autopsy.

The Pondy Bazaar traffic police registered a case of rash and negligent driving and arrested the bus driver Velu (33).

## Moneylender, 4 accomplices held for abducting, threatening debtor

By Our Staff Reporter

Pondy Bazaar police arrested a moneylender and his four accomplices in T. Nagar on July 31, for abducting and assaulting a 52-year-old man for failing to repay a loan of Rs. 1.50 lakhs taken by him to purchase a SUV.

According to the police, A. Paramasivam (a resident of Palavakkam) had taken a loan of Rs. 1.5 lakhs in 2015 from Naresh Kothari (a private financier in T. Nagar) for buying a SUV.

He deposited the original vehicle registration certificate with Kothari to borrow the money but later did not repay the principal or the interest even after receiving several warnings and threats from the lender.

When Naresh was not able to recover the money, he hatched a plan with his brother Kamalesh Kothari and three friends to abduct Paramasivam and recover the loan from him.

They kept tabs on Paramasivam's movements and on July 31, followed his SUV as he was driving to T. Nagar.

When he reached his destination, the group accosted him, bundled him into the rear of his own vehicle and took him to Kothari's office.

The group beat him up and demanded that he make immediate arrangements to repay the loan with interest.

Paramasivam agreed and, under the pretext of calling his friend to arrange for the cash, alerted him of his plight and location.

The friend immediately informed the police control room and a team from Pondy Bazaar Police Station rushed to Kothari's office, rescued Paramasivam and arrested the members of the group. They have been remanded to judicial custody.

## Fire Dept. finds most highrise stores in T. Nagar unsafe

By Our Staff Reporter

Two months after Chennai Silks (Usman Road, T. Nagar) was ravaged by fire, a fire audit conducted by Tamil Nadu Fire and Rescue Services Department (TNFRS) has found that around 50 of the high rise superstores in T. Nagar are susceptible to the fate of Chennai Silks.

The audit was ordered by the High Court. In its report, the Fire Dept. has stated that almost all the buildings have violated fire safety norms, and some of these buildings do not even have basic fire safety equipment.

According to a TNFRS official, though notices were issued to the owners of these buildings in previous audits, the situation has not changed and the building owners are blatantly violating the prescribed norms. He said that none of the buildings has proper ventilation or emergency exits in case of fire. All ventilation gaps have been sealed for centralized air-conditioning.

He said that it puts the lives of staff and customers on higher floors at great risk as they will be trapped.

## Metro Rail to introduce contactless cards

By Our Staff Reporter

Chennai Metro Rail Limited has invited tenders to introduce contactless smart cards which can be detected by scanners in stations even if a passenger keeps it in a pocket or bag.

With contactless smart cards, commuters need not wait in queue to swipe their smart cards to enter or exit the platform.

The trip fare will be automatically deducted from the card when the passenger passes the detector at the destination station.

Metro Rail has made it mandatory for commuters to buy smart cards to travel across the underground corridor from Nehru Park to Thirumangalam.

Passengers travelling across the elevated lines from Little Mount to Airport and Koyambedu to St. Thomas Mount continue to use tokens besides smart cards.

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## TAMIL CINEMA 75 - A LOOK BACK

By RANDOR GUY

Tamil Cinema & Music 64

Interestingly Meiyappan brought out a 'Drama Set' of 'Naam Iruvar' under the 'Columbia' label and marketed it through his Saraswathi Stores. The set consisted of six 78-rpm records with important and essential sequences and songs of the movie. It sold well in those days and today the set is a collector's item.

Besides its box-office success, 'Naam Iruvar' ushered in a new era in the phenomenal growth of the Bharathanatyam dance art form in India and abroad with 'Kumari Kamala' becoming an icon and cult figure. Moreover, it set a welcome trend of making movies with a contemporary story, setting and milieu, thus giving Tamil Cinema a new direction away from the clichéd beaten track of mythological, folk-myths, folk tales and all. That was the signal and significant achievement of 'Naam Iruvar'. All credit to Meiyappan. The movie made history in many ways and is fondly remembered today after half century and more.

When movies began to talk Tamil in 1931, only mythologicals and folk tales were made. No stories based on contemporary themes known as 'socials' in were attempted until 1935. During this year, two social-movies were made and one of them was 'Dambachari'.

It came in the wake of the stunning success of 'Bhama Vijayam' (1934), and was made by the same producers Chellam Talkies and directed by M. L. Tandon. It was based on a very popular stage play about a married man being caught in the web of a professional dancing girl or devadasi, which leads to his utter ruin and the destruction of his family. A familiar theme of that period, it is believed to have been based on the life of a rich man who went down the hill in a similar manner. His wife was an epitome of female chastity. Indeed the play had a subtitle, 'Utthama Manaivi' (it means in Tamil 'a good or noble wife'). The vamp was named 'Madanavalli' and this character became so famous that many girl children born in the Devadasi community during that period were named 'Madanavalli'!

During the early decades of the 20th century, there was a legendary stage star and actress named Balamani Ammal with her own drama troupe and 'Dambachari' was one of her biggest hits. Her drama troupe consisted mainly of women who played male roles. Indeed this lady played alternately the hero and heroine in the play with stunning success. In those days there was a local train plying between Kumbakonam and Thanjavur to enable people attending the play to get back to their homes after the show in towns and villages on the way. This train was known as 'Balamani Special'! Saris and many other things used by women were named after Balamani!

There was one man in this troupe working as manager and as comedian, C. S. Sama Iyer. He played as many as eleven roles in the play, each with a different make-up, costume and get-up. For each character from a different stratum of society, he spoke in a different language such as Tamil, Telugu, English, Hindi, Malayalam, Kannada and more. With different accents too. Those were the days when make-up and make-up materials were highly primitive. Despite this, he was a roaring success and contributed in great measure to the popularity of the play. Not many are aware that the then Governor of Madras, Lord Willingdon, bestowed on him the title 'Charlie Chaplin of India'!

'Dambachari' was made in 1935 with M. R. Krishnamurthy as hero and P. S. Ratna Bai and her buxom sister Saraswathi Bai as the wife and temptress respectively. However, the film version was not much of a success as expected for more than one reason. Moviegoers of the day did not take kindly to Krishnamurthy and the Bai Sisters in contemporary roles. They had become typecast in the roles of gods.

(To be continued)

## Chain snatchers rob 50 sovereigns

By Our Staff Reporter

On July 31, chain snatchers robbed 50 sovereigns of jewellery worth nearly Rs. 10 lakhs from at least 10 women in the city. No arrests have been made.

The cases were reported in T. Nagar, Mylapore, Anna Nagar, Kilpauk and Pulianthope.

The robbers, all of them men on bikes, targeted single women walking on the road.

A case of chain snatching was reported at around 2 p.m on July 31 in Brindavan Road Extn., off Arya Gowda Road, near its junction with Varadappan Street.

According to the police, most of these chain snatchers are youths. "There are a number of habitual chain snatchers under our radar, but these appear to be a new crop looking for a quick buck," they said.

## Rs. 50000 donated to charitable wing of Radhathri Nethralaya

By Our Staff Reporter

JCI Chennai Royals and Inner Wheel of Madras Central donated Rs. 50,000 to Gurupriya Vision Research Foundation (GVRF) (the public charitable trust of R a d h a t r i Nethralaya,

12, Hindi Prachara Sabha Street, T. Nagar).

Dr. Vasumathy Vedantham (Managing Trustee of GVRF) said that the Trust has conducted more than 200 cataract and vision screening camps in public venues and schools so far. More details can be had in 2433 2229 and 94454 38681.



## Trench covered with debris to caution motorists

By Our Staff Reporter

Corporation workers have used debris collected from a demolished pavement to cover the trench under Usman Road flyover, near Prakasam Road to caution motorists.

The trench was formed when Corporation used a JCP machine to remove the accumulated garbage dumped by roadside vendors and other shop owners at the spot under the flyover.



## Retd. teachers honoured with 'Adhyapaka Sri' title

By Our Staff Reporter

Viveka Bharathi, a social service organization, organized 'Guru Poor-nima - Teachers' Day celebrations' last week in Guru Balaji Marriage Hall, T. Nagar.

V. Mohan (resident of Sathyanarayana Street, West Mambalam), who

had retired as Asst. Headmaster and Post Graduate Sanskrit Teacher from Sir M.Ct.M School (Purasawalkam) along with S. Ranganatha Sarma (a



retired Sanskrit teacher) and Srimathi Revathi Balasubramaniam (a retired Tamil teacher) were honoured with the title 'Adhyapaka Sri' for their decades of meritorious service in the field of school education. R.B.V.S. Manian spoke on 'Teachers - Past and Present'.

## Delay in Metrowater work affects residents

By Our Staff Reporter

Metrowater workers dug a 15-ft long trench in the margin of Parthasarathypuram Road, T. Nagar ten days back to detect leakage in the underground pipeline.

The earth from the trench has been dumped on the roadside, thereby reducing the width of the road by half in the 15-ft stretch.

Motorists are having a tough time crossing the stretch due to the narrowed width and slippery road. According to nearby residents, the work is progressing slowly and on some days no work is done.

"When we ask the workers, they say it will be finished today, but then they vanish for the next couple of days. The trench is filled with stagnant rain water which too is a health hazard," said a resident. The residents have appealed to Metrowater officials to complete the work and close the trench at the earliest.



## Free talk on 'Governing Business and Relationship' on Saturday

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Vedanta Institute (Madras), R. Aravindan will give a free talk on 'Governing Business and Relationship' on Saturday, Aug. 12, from 10 a.m to 11.15 a.m in Hotel Pratap Plaza (168, Kodambakkam High Road, Mahalingapuram).

All are welcome.

For registration, contact Chithra Sundarrajan in 98404 93904.

## Mahotsavam in Ayodhya Mandapam from Aug. 9 to 12

Sri Ram Samaj has organized Sri Devi pooja mahotsavam from Wednesday, Aug. 9 to Saturday, Aug. 12 in Ayodhya Mandapam, West Mambalam. The utsavam will start with Soundarya Lahari at 8 a.m on Aug. 9.

Lakshmi sahasranaama archanai and kuthuvillakku pooja will be performed daily in the morning.

The mahotsavam will conclude with Sri Anjaneya utsavam on Aug. 12 at 10 a.m.

All are welcome.

## Discourse on Bhagavad Gita today

Under the auspices of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama (5, Maharaja Santhana Salai, T. Nagar), Swami Satyaprabhananda will give a discourse on Bhagavad Gita in Tamil at 5.30 p.m, on Sunday, Aug. 6 in the Ashram's premises. All are welcome.

For more details, call 2814 3896.

## Discourse on 'Vishnu Keerthanam' and 'Raghavendra Sthuthi' on Aug. 9

Palakkad G. Ramanathan will present a musical discourse on Vishnu Keerthanam and Sri Raghavendra Sthuthi at 5.30 p.m, on Wednesday, Aug. 9 in 100A/3, Ponnambalam Salai, K. K. Nagar on the occasion of 346<sup>th</sup> Aradhana Day.

All are welcome.

## New office-bearers for Thyaga Brahma Gana Sabha

N. Krishnamoorthy was elected as the President of Sri Thyaga Brahma Gana Sabha (103, G. N. Chetty Road, T. Nagar) for the period 2017-20 last week.

The other office-bearers elected are R. K. Moorti (Vice President), S. V. S. Mani and T. K. Raghunathan (Honorary Secretaries), and B. Gopalakrishnan (Treasurer).

## Free spectacles for 40 persons



**By Our Staff Reporter**  
Preethi Sai (Founder, Shirdi Sai Baba Devotees Trust, United India Colony 1<sup>st</sup> Main Road, Kodambakkam) donated spectacles to 40 persons detected with vision problems during the free eye check-up organized in her residence on July 28.

Sankara Nethralaya examined nearly 100 persons and detected that 14 were suffering from cataract. Free surgery has been arranged for them in the hospital.

The Trust is involved in a number of social service activities. For more details, visit the website [www.shiridisai.org](http://www.shiridisai.org).

## An evening of Carnatic/light music on Aug. 12

**By Our Staff Reporter**

Nalaiya Sigarungal (which promotes upcoming classical, semi-classical and light music singers) will celebrate its 11th anniversary on Saturday, Aug. 12, from 5 p.m in Ramarau Kala Mandapam (Habibullah Road, T. Nagar).

The following is the program:

- 5.30 p.m: Carnatic vocal concert by Kavya Rajendran.
  - 6.30 p.m: Light music show by Ram's Cute Musical Birds.
  - 7.30 p.m: Cine music show by winners of ZeeTamil Saregamapa, Vijay Super Singer and Sun Singer reality shows.
- The program will be handled by film music director Chris Martin and the orchestra by S. Ram's Cute Musical Birds.
- The event will be attended by celebrities from the music field and cine industry.
- All are welcome.

## Central Govt. pensioners' meet on Aug. 12

**By Our Staff Reporter**

The All India Central Government Pensioners Association (Radhakrishnan Street, T. Nagar) will hold its 49<sup>th</sup> general body meeting on Saturday, Aug. 12, from 9 a.m to 1 p.m, in Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya, 58, Venkatanarayana Road, T. Nagar.

M. Kumaresan (ENT Specialist) will address the meeting. Se. Va. Ramanusan will be the guest of honour.

Problems affecting pensioners and elders, and 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission will be discussed.

All are welcome.

## Water tankers have become a lifeline for many residents

**By Our Staff Reporter**

Water to a number of localities in the neighbourhood is supplied only through tanker lorries.

Photo shows residents queuing up to collect water from a tanker in Ganapathy Street, West Mambalam on Aug. 1. According to the residents, they receive water through tanker once in 3 to 4 days which is primarily used for cooking and drinking.



## Concerts by leading musicians from Aug. 11 to 13

**By Our Staff Reporter**

Rajhesh Vaidhya (renowned veena artiste) has organized concerts by leading musicians on Aug. 11, 12 and 13 in Sri Ramakrishna Kalyana Mandapam (18, Raju Street, West Mambalam) to pay tribute to Sri Chandrasekarendra Saraswathi Swamigal.

The following is the program:  
Aug. 11: 4 p.m: Nadaswaram concert by Mambalam M. K. S. Siva & party; 5.30 p.m: Keyboard concert by Vignesh; 7 p.m: Concert by Rajhesh Vaidhya music troupe.

Aug. 12: 4 p.m: Vocal concert by Brindha Manickava-

sagam; 5.30 p.m: Kanjira by quartet B. Shree Sundarveena artiste) has organized concerts by leading musicians on Aug. 11, 12 and 13 in Sri Ramakrishna Kalyana Mandapam (18, Raju Street, West Mambalam) to pay tribute to Sri Chandrasekarendra Saraswathi Swamigal.

Aug. 13: 6 a.m: Sri Maha Periyava pallaku procession through nearby streets; 9 a.m: Veena ensemble by the students of Ravna-The International School of Veena; 9.45 a.m: Devotional songs by the students of Kunnakuddy School of Music; 11 a.m: Concert by Rajhesh Vaidhya music troupe; 4 p.m: Vocal concert by Prithivi Harish; 5.30 p.m: Keyboard

## Cultural events in Thyaga Brahma Gana Sabha from Aug. 10

**By Our Staff Reporter**

Thyaga Brahma Gana Sabha, T. Nagar will confer 'Pravachana Sudha Vani' title on Kalyanapuram R. Aaravamudachariar (Harikatha exponent) and 'Vani Kala Nipuna' title on S. P. Ramh (vocalist), C. N. Srinivasamurthy (violin vidwan), H. Sivaramakrishnan (ghatam exponent), Himaja Ramsharan (Bharatanatyam dancer) and S. S. Sundararajan (Theater artiste) on Thursday, Aug. 10, the inaugural day of its annual musical festival, in Obul Reddy Hall in its premises.

The Sabha, in association with Indo National Limited, will conduct its 18th annual Sri Jayanthi Music Festival from Aug. 10 to 24 in its premises. The festival will feature leading musicians and Namasankeertanam exponents.

The yearly event is dedicated to the memory of P. Obul Reddy and P. Gnanamba. N. Gopalaswamy (Chairman, Kalakshetra Foundation) will inaugurate the event. M. Murali (Managing Director, Sri Krishna Sweets) will preside and V. V. Subramanian will felicitate the awardees.

The following is the schedule for concerts till Aug. 13:

- Aug. 10: 4 p.m: Namasankeerthanam by Gyaneshwar Ramakrishnan Bhagavathar; 7 p.m: Vocal concert by Lalitha Mohan, accompanied by Neela Jayakumar (violin) and V. R. Jayakumar (mridangam).
  - Aug. 11: 4.30 p.m: Abhang bhajans by Bhuvaneshwari and group; 6.45 p.m: Vocal concert by Archana and Aararthi, accompanied by Sai Rakshit (violin), K. H. Vineet (mridangam) and Sunil Kumar (kanjira).
  - Aug. 12: 4.30 p.m: Namasankeerthanam by Nangai Sisters Akshaya and S. Abhinaya; 6.45 p.m: Vocal concert by Vivek Sadasivam, accompanied K. J. Dileep (violin), N. C. Bhardwaj (mridangam) and S. Krishna (ghatam).
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**Faded bands on central median pose danger**

*By Our Staff Reporter*  
The alternating white and black bands for visibility and warning, painted on the 2-ft tall central median at the junction of Reddy Road and Govindan Street (West Mambalam) have faded. Also, there are no alternating black and white squares drawn on the foot-wide top of the median. A truck's right front wheel hit the median at around 10 p.m last week, but there was no untoward incident. Motorists have appealed to Chennai Corporation to repaint the bands and also to install reflectors along the median.



**FIR registered against HR & CE officials**

*By Our Staff Reporter*  
Following directions from the Madras High Court based on a complaint filed by R. Venkatraman (a resident of K. K. Nagar), senior officials of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (HR & CE) Department were among the 10 persons against whom an FIR has been registered by the Idol Wing of the Tamilnadu police in connection with a case relating to the theft of six idols from a temple in Thanjavur district. The complainant has alleged that idols of Vinayakar, Pushpakarani, Valli, Theivanaai and Chandrasekar Amman were missing since 2013 from Sri Viswanathaswamy Thirukkoil (Keezhmanakkudi) and a Vinayakar idol from Sri Idumbeswarar Thirukkoil (Srirangarajapuram). He had further alleged that though the idols were missing, the officials deliberately did not disclose it. No complaint was lodged with the police, he said.

**Old woman carries empty drum on head**



An elderly was seen carrying a large empty plastic drum on her head at around 3 p.m on Aug. 3 in G. N. Chetty Road, T. Nagar. She told this reporter that due to acute shortage of water, she purchased the used drum to store water.

**Talk on Thiru Arutpa on Tuesday**

*By Our Staff Reporter*  
Under the auspices of Vallalar Sanmarga Sangam (V.O.C Street, MGR Nagar, Ph: 94453 43706), M. B. Babu will give a discourse on 'Thiru Arutpa - நாராயண மலை' at 6 p.m on Tuesday, Aug. 8, in Sakthi Vinayagar Temple (P. T. Rajan Salai, K. K. Nagar). All are welcome.

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**Commuters miss early trains at intermediary metro stations**

Sir, On the morning of Aug. 4, I reached Ashok Nagar Metro station at 5.50 a.m to catch the 6 a.m train to the airport. To my surprise and annoyance the main entrance itself was not open and there was no way for me to enter the station. The security staff stationed outside said that the doors will be opened only after the ticketing staff arrive at around 6 a.m. In effect, the first train that one can take from Ashok Nagar is at 6.20 a.m only. He also said that it is the same situation in all the other intermediary stations and anyone wanting to take an earlier train needs to board only at the starting points like Koyambedu/Alandur. So, I wonder whether someone boarding the 5.50 a.m train at Koyambedu and alighting at Ashok Nagar will be stuck inside the station till it is opened. Even with the infrastructure in place it is not being put to use because of poor administration. What is the point in operating trains without commuters being able to board them. I hope the CMRL officials take immediate steps to correct this lacuna. **N. S. Kannan, Ashok Nagar**

**If Aadhaar data is not hackable, why lock it?**

Sir, The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), the statutory authority behind the issue of Aadhaar cards, had issued an advisory to the public that Aadhaar number/data stored online is secure and safe from hackers. Now, it has included a feature in its website www.uidai.gov.in to lock and unlock one's Aadhaar details and has also issued an advisory recommending Aadhaar card holders to use the feature for safety as the card is linked to one's bank account, PAN, gas connection and other utilities. Wittingly or unwittingly, UIDAI has let the cat out of the bag. If the details are so secure, why does it need a digital locking facility? At a time when Aadhaar is most sought after for almost every transaction, and its data can be misused, how can one feel safe about his/her money or personal data? It is definitely a worrisome future for the Aadhaar cardholders. **V. S. Jayaraman, 31, Motilal Street, T. Nagar**

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T. NAGAR, No. 90, Dhandapani Street, near Railway Station, 1 bedroom, hall, kitchen, western bathroom, A/c, Cot, T.V, furnished, rent Rs. 9000, advance Rs. 40000, bachelors / spinster / office., Contact: Vimal. Ph: 94441 16320.

WEST MAMBALAM, No. 11, Gokulam Colony, near Satya Narayana Temple, 1 bedroom, 1 big hall, kitchen, service area, ground floor, semi furnished, 2-wheeler parking only. Ph: 94441 40686, 96772 97222.

**WEST MAMBALAM, No. 4 & 5, Apoorva Apartment, Flat No. 5, Jubilee Road, 2 bedrooms, 1056 sq.ft, 2nd floor, no lift, 2 attached Western toilets, built-in cupboards in both rooms, no car park. Ph: 99418 12546.**

ASHOK NAGAR, No. 16, Raghava Reddy Colony East Street, near 12th Avenue, 2 bedrooms, hall, kitchen, new ground floor house, fully woodwork, covered car park, North facing. Contact: Satish. Ph: 90439 40898, 93805 66667.

ASHOK NAGAR, No. 11, 10th Avenue, near Krishna Sweets, 2 bedrooms, hall, kitchen, 1000 sq.ft, 1st floor, lift, CCTV, car park, security, rent Rs. 18000, family / bachelors / office. Ph: 93642 44555.

T. NAGAR, No. 31, Dr. Sadasivam Road, 2 bedrooms, hall, kitchen, ground floor, semi furnished, car park, rent Rs. 25000. Ph: 93810 08943.

**Special offer on shoulder pain therapy on Monday and Tuesday**

By Our Staff Reporter

Jayam Ortho Care (4, 6th Cross Street, United India Colony, Kodambakkam) will offer consultation and therapy for shoulder pain at a discounted rate of Rs. 600 on Monday, Aug. 7 and Tuesday, Aug. 8 in its premises.

Dr. Arun Kannan (Orthopaedician) will be available for consultation. The fee includes consultation, investigation (digital X-ray) and 5-day physiotherapy.

Those who have symptoms of shoulder pain like difficulty in lifting the arms, pain in hands or lifting weights can benefit from the therapy. The phone numbers of the clinic is 2484 4718 or 87544 98680.

**7-day beautician course for women from Monday**

By Our Staff Reporter

Jaimaa Charitable Trust (1st Floor, Flat 1A, Vengesh Apartments, 16, Karuneeagar Street, Vadapalani) has organized a 7-day 'Basic Beautician Course' for women from Monday, Aug. 7.

The classes will be conducted from 10 a.m to 12 noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Participants will be taught threading, waxing, pedicure, manicure, facial, head massage, hot oil massage, dandruff treatment and neck treatment. A nominal fee will be charged to support the Trust's activities. More details can be had in 99400 30939.

**New office-bearers for Sri Ram Samaj**

S. Ravichandran was elected as President of Sri Ram Samaj (47, Arya Gowda Road, West Mambalam) in a meeting on July 30.

The other members elected are T. Ganesan (Vice President), T. S. Venkatesan (Secretary), A. V. Raman (Asst. Secretary) and P. V. Balasubramanian (Treasurer).

**Talk on GST on Saturday**

By Our Staff Reporter

Bharat Vikas Parishad, Ashok Nagar branch will conduct its next general body meeting on Saturday, Aug. 12 in Guru Balaji Kalyana Mandapam (3, Sundaram Street, T. Nagar, near Natesan Park).

J. Murali (Chartered Accountant) will speak on 'GST, its impact and implications' at 6 p.m. All are welcome.

More details can be had from V. Ravichandra (President, Ph: 7871333545) or S. Srinivasan, Ph: 93810 97506).

**Mass chanting of Vishnu Sahasranaamam in schools on Wednesday**

Vishva Vishnu Sahasranaama Samasthanam, in association with Sri Krishna Sweets, has organized 'Mazhalayin Mozhiyil Madhavanin Namangal' - mass chanting program of Sri Vishnu Sahasranaamam - in more than 150 schools in Tamilnadu from 9 a.m to 9.30 a.m on Wednesday, Aug. 9. More than 10 schools in the neighbourhood are participating in the program. For more details, call 94441 39096.

**Gajendra moksham program in temple tank**

By Our Staff Reporter

Gajendra moksham program will be conducted at 6 a.m on Monday, Aug. 7 in the tank of Sri Kothandaramar Temple, K. R. Koil Street, West Mambalam. The idol of Sri Ranganathar will be taken in procession in Garuda vahanam in the temple. All are welcome.

**CMDA 'no' to RTI query on plan for new commercial building**

The Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA) has rejected an RTI application filed by B. Kannan (a resident of T. Nagar and a senior member of T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association) seeking the approved plan diagram of a multi-level commercial store under construction on Duraisamy Road, T. Nagar citing risk to the firm's business.

The RTI application, filed on July 7, sought a copy of the 'approved plan diagram' of the building. According to CMDA's website, the plan applicant Siva Aruldurai has been permitted to construct still plus three floors, including a basement, for commercial purposes. In its response on July 26, the CMDA has written to the applicant that the information sought by him was not in any large public interest and hence should be exempted from disclosure.

According to the applicant, the entity building the store is under the scanner for building violations. RTI activists are of the opinion that CMDA is taking a biased view in favour of the builder. They said that even as per CMDA norms, the approved plan should be put up on a display board at the site. So, why are they refusing to provide the approved plan to the RTI applicant.

Kannan has decided to file an RTI application before the appellate body.

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**Vasantha Memorial Trust offers cancer medicine at subsidized rate**

By Our Staff Reporter

Vasantha Memorial Trust (33, 35th Street, Ashok Nagar) has launched a scheme to help patients suffering from Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (a common type of blood cancer).

Patients suffering from this type of cancer need to take the medicine 'Imatinib' lifelong.

The drug is available in India under several brands in the price range of Rs. 6,500 to 13,500 for a month's course. Not many can afford this amount which is a recurring expense all life.

So, to help such patients, in its new 'Nalam Aayiram - well being in a thousand' scheme, the Trust will provide a month's course of 'Imatinib' at Rs. 1000 irrespective of financial status of the patient.

In addition, patients can avail of free consultation with hematologists and get complete blood count test done free once in 3 months.

For more details, contact Vasantha Memorial Trust in 24717871 or 9791048379.

The Trust (a wing of Vasantha Memorial Cancer Centre) has been championing the cause of cancer patients since 1993 and has so far sponsored the treatment of over 2000 patients.

**Sai bhajans on Fridays**

Sai bhajans are conducted on Fridays, from 6.15 p.m to 7.15 p.m in Sri Krishnan Temple, Thanikachalam Road, Pondy Bazaar, T. Nagar. All are welcome.

**New Corporation owned shops not put to use**



Three new shops constructed by Chennai Corporation several months back in Anna Main Road, K.K. Nagar have not been let out and remain closed.

The area surrounding the shops is not maintained well.

Nearby residents told this reporter that the platform in front of the shops is misused by nefarious elements at night for drinking.

**Day-long free yoga program today**

Solai Yoga Training Center will conduct a free yoga session from 5 a.m to 8 p.m on Sunday, Aug. 6, in Bharathi Ram Kalyana Mandapam (Lake View Road, West Mambalam, near Naickammar Street). There is no age limit and anyone can attend. Participants can also join during the session.

All are welcome. More details can be had in 98407 93850, 94437 10006 and 73050 15754.

**Talk on 'Avani Avittam' today evening**

Nannilam Vai Rajagopala Ganapadigal (publisher and editor of Vaithikasri, a Tamil magazine) will give a talk on 'Avani Avittam, Gayathiri Japam' in Tamil from 3 p.m to 5.30 p.m on Sunday, Aug. 6, in Veda Bhavanam (488, TTK Road, Alwarpet. Ph: 94452 05011).

It will be followed by an interactive session on spiritual matters. All are welcome.

**Free introductory class for 3-month yoga course today**

By Our Staff Reporter

Atma Niranjana Yoga Vidyalaya offers a 3-month yoga course in its center in Guru Kripa (15/4, Thulukanam Street, off Brindavan Street Extn., West Mambalam, opposite Smart Minds Academy).

A free introductory class will be conducted from 6.30 a.m to 8 a.m on Sunday, Aug. 6.

The curriculum is based on the guidelines of Bihar School of Yoga.

It will cover asanas, pranayama, Vedic and tantric meditation, and dietary consultation to suit an individual's need.

Asanas to change pose and poise to help alleviate physical and psychological diseases, stress and discover hidden talents and potentials will also be taught.

For registration, call 98410 15444.

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