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எங்கள் குழுவில் என்னையும் சேர்த்து ரங்கு, ரகு, நட்டு, ஜெகன் என்று ஐவர் உண்டு. 'வாங்கடா, உட்காருங்கோ' என்று சகுந்தலா மாமி சொன்னவுடன் கொலு வைத்திருக்கும் கூடத்தில் விரித்த பத்தமடைப் பட்டுப் பாய்கள் ஒன்றில் தந்திக் கம்பிகள் மேல் உட்காரும் சிட்டுக்குருவிகள் போல வரிசையாக உட்கார்ந்து விடுவோம்.

உட்கார்ந்த ஐந்து நிமிஷங்களில் மாமியின் திருக்குமாரிகள் இருவரில் ஒருவர்கூட ஸ்தலத்தில் ஆஜராகவில்லை என்றால் நட்டு பாயைப் பிராண்ட ஆரம்பிப்பான். ஜெகன் நெளிவான். ரகு கனைப்பான். நான் கண்களை அங்குமிங்குமாக அபீட் எடுக்க வேண்டிய பம்பரம்போல சுழலவிட்டுக் கொண்டிருப்பேன்.

சுண்டல் தயாரிப்பில் நோபல் பரிசு பெற வேண்டிய திறமை சகுந்தலா மாமிக்கு இருந்தாலும் அழகிய பெண்களை ஈன்றெடுத்ததில் அதை விஞ்சியிருப்பவர். சீதா–கீதா இருவரும் இரட்டையர்கள். அதில் யார் சீதா, யார் கீதா என்று அறிய நாணயத்தை சுண்டிவிட்டுத் தான் பார்த்துத் தெரிந்துகொள்ள வேண்டும். இருவர் முகங்களிலும் கிளி கொஞ்சும். குரலில் குயில் போட்டி போடும். பொலிவில் மயில் தோற்கும்.

அன்று நாங்கள் போயிருந்தபோது சகுந்தலா மாமி தன்னைப் பாடச் சொன்னது ஒரு சம்பிரதாயத்திற்குத்தான் என்று உணராத ஒரு பெண்மணி, 'சிம்ம வாஹன சேவை தருவாய்...' என்ற பாடலை மிகவும் தூக்கலாக எடுத்து, எப்படி லேண்ட் ஆகப் போகிறார் என்று குழுமி இருந்தோரை பீதியடைய வைத்தார். மூன்றாவது படியில் இருந்த நாரதமுனி வண்ணம் தீட்டிய பொம்மையாக இருந்தாலும் தன் இரு கைகளையும் மகதியிலிருந்து விடுவித்துக் கொண்டு காதை மூடிக் கொண்டது போல ஒரு மாயை தோன்றியது. முதல் சரணத்தை ஆரம்பிக்கும்போது வாசலில் கட்டிப் போட்டிருந்த நாய் உறும ஆரம்பித்தது. பாட்டை சட்டென்று நிறுத்திய பெண்மணி வெற்றிலை பாக்கு வாங்கிக் கொள்ள எழுந்து கொண்டாள்.

'சிம்ம வாஹன சேவை யாருக்குடா வேணும்? சீதா–கீதா வேணுமா சேவைனா தேவை. இன்னும் கிடைக்கலையே?' என்று ஜெகன் என் காதைக் கடித்தான். ரகு அதானே என்றான். ரங்கு மாற்றுக் கருத்து ஒன்றும் சொல்லவில்லை. நானும் ஜெகனை ஆமோதித்தேன்.

சுண்டல் வந்தது. தேங்காய், மாங்காய் போட்ட பட்டாணி சுண்டல். இளம் சூட்டில் அருமையான பதத்தில் இருந்தது. வழக்கப்படி முதலில் சிறு தட்டில் எங்களுக்குக் கொடுத்துவிட்டு வீட்டுக்கு எடுத்துப் போகத் தலா ஒரு பொட்டலத்தையும் தந்துவிட்டு எங்களைக் குறிப்புடன் பார்த்தார். 'கிளம்புங்கோடா' என்று அதற்கு அர்த்தம்.

சுண்டல் வந்ததே தவிர அம்சமான ஸ்வீட்டுகளைக் கண்களில் காட்டவில்லையே என்ற ஏமாற்றம் எங்கள் கண்களில் கொப்பளித்தது. குழுவைத் தலைமை தாங்கி நடத்தும் நான் 'வாங்கடா, போகலாம்' என்று ஈனஸ்வரத்தில் முனங்கி எழுந்து கொள்வது போல பாச்சா காட்டினேன்.

இன்னும் ஒரு நிமிஷம் தாமதிக்காமல் இருந்திருந்தால் நாங்கள் மிஸ் பண்ணி இருப்போம். கொலுப் படிகளுக்கு இடப் பக்கத்தில் இருந்த அறைக் கதவு படாலென்று திறந்தது. வெளியே வந்த சீதா–கீதாவைப் பார்த்து வாயைப் பிளந்தோம். இருவரும் அரக்குக் கலர் பட்டுப் பாவாடையும், கிளிப்பச்சை மேலாக்கையும் அணிந்திருந்தார்கள். அன்றைக்குத்தான் மேலாக்குக்குப் பிரமோஷன். ரங்கு விழாமல் இருக்க என் தோளைப் பிடித்துக் கொண்டான்.

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'கட்டாயம் வந்துடறோம், மாமி' என்றோம் கோரஸாக.

கணக்கில் ரங்கு, ரகு, நட்டு, ஜெகன் எல்லாம் புலிகள். நான் ஒருத்தன்தான் எலி. அதுவும் சுண்டெலி. இருந்தாலும் அல்ஜீப்ரா, ஜாமெட்ரி என்று வேம்பாய்க் கசக்கும் கணக்கு சப்ஜெட்டுக்கு இந்த மாதிரி மனோகரமான சூழ்நிலையில் ட்யூஷன் எடுத்துக் கொள்ள யாருக்குக் கசக்கும்?'

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Velammal students visit Moscow

By Our Staff Reporter

The students of Velammal School (Mogappair) went on a guided tour of Moscow in Russia. They visited places of historical interest, churches, Baltic Sea, the Museum of Cosmonautics and Rocket Technology and Star City to view models of rockets and space suits.

The students were told about the rigorous training given to astronauts to prepare them for space travel.

They also visited Kaluga, the industrial capital of Russia, and the Mission Control Center in Korolev. They watched the acrobats in action in the Russian circus.

Golu exhibition by special children

By Our Staff Reporter

The special children, their parents and teachers of Vijay Human Services Day Care Centres (Sathya Garden, 29, P. V. Rajamannar Salai, K. K. Nagar) jointly arranged traditional golu in the school's premises for Navarathri.

Special children from 6 years onwards are admitted to the school.

It provides special care including speech therapy, occupational therapy and physiotherapy.

Regular training programs are also conducted for special children.

More details can be had in 98407 03199.

Bharathanatyam classes in Vani Mahal from Tuesday

By Our Staff Reporter

Sri Thyaga Brahma Gana Sabha (Vani Mahal, T. Nagar) and Sri Devi Nrithyalaya have jointly organised Bharathanatyam classes in Vani Mahal.

The classes commence on Tuesday, Oct. 8 (Vijayadasami Day) under the guidance of Sheela Unnikrishnan (Director, Sri Devi Nrithyalaya). Students will be selected after an evaluation at 2.30 p.m on Saturday, Oct. 5 in Vani Mahal. For more details, call 2815 2166.

Akhanda Sahasranaama paaraayanam on Oct. 12

Akhanda Sahasranaama paaraayanam will be held from 6.30 a.m to 6.30 p.m on Saturday, Oct. 12 in Sri Prasanna Venkatesa Perumal Temple (Mettupalayam Road, West Mambalam).

Vishnu Sahasranaama paaraayanam will be performed by students at 6.30 p.m on Friday, Oct. 11. All are welcome.

More details can be had in 98409 58822 and 98401 93982.

Tanker Foundation installs 4 more dialysis machines

By Our Staff Reporter

TANKER (Tamilnadu Kidney Research Foundation) will inaugurate four hemodialysis (dialysis) machines installed in Corporation Diagnostic Center (87, Kodambakkam High Road, opposite Valluvar Kottam, Nungambakkam) at 10.30 a.m on Saturday, Oct. 5.

The machines have been donated and will be inaugurated by Sundaresan and his family members.

All are welcome.

The 26-year-old Foundation has so far provided financial support totalling Rs. 2.71 crores for 3191 patients as one-time contribution ranging from Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 50,000 for transplantation, surgery or medication. It has also provided about 3 lakh free and subsidized dialysis procedures for 1482 patients.

The Foundation runs 9 subsidized dialysis units with 115 dialysis stations in Ambattur Rotary Hospital (Chennai), Corporation UPHC (Retteri), RCCT (Chennai), Corporation UCHC (Perungudi), Corporation PHC (Nungambakkam), RCME (Thiruverkadu), Chokkikulam (Madurai), RVS College of Nursing (Kannampalayam, Coimbatore) and RCVF (Vellore). Donations ranging from Rs. 1 to Rs. 6 lakhs can help to set up more dialysis machines. Donors can avail of exemptions under Section 80G of Income-Tax Act.

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Water supply to improve as Krishna water reaches Poondi

By Our Staff Reporter

Adding to the city's precarious water bowl, water from Krishna River (Andhra Pradesh) started arriving at the rate of about 100 cusecs (cubic meters per second) in Poondi reservoir on Oct. 30.

According to Metrowater officials, it takes at least 20 days for the Red Hills reservoir to get 450 million cubic feet of water (mcft.). Only after water reaches this level, Metrowater can distribute it to the city.

Metrowater officials said the 'zero point' at Uthukottai, 17 km. from Poondi, was getting a flow of 600 cusecs on Oct. 1, and will take at least 10 days for the level at Poondi to reach 1,000 mcft., after which water will be released to Red Hills reservoir, which is 45 km. away from Poondi.

Water in the Red Hills reservoir reached dead storage in April, when Metrowater stopped drawing water from there. Water managers are using pumps to draw water from dead storage at the reservoir which has got some water from the recent spells of rain.

"We will open the shutters at Poondi from where, by gravitational force, water will flow to Red Hills," an official said.

Red Hills has a treatment plant from where water is distributed primarily to Anna Nagar, Vyasarpadi, Patel Nagar, parts of Ambattur and Soorapattu. Water from Red Hills also goes to a treatment plant in Kilpauk from where pipelines carry water to Ayanavaram, Kilpauk, Thiru Vi Ka Nagar, Kolathur, Perambur and surrounding areas. Water from the reservoir also goes into a common pool to be distributed among several other parts of the city through pipelines and tankers.

The public works department has been maintaining the open canal connecting the Poondi and Red Hills reservoirs to ensure that there is no obstruction when Krishna water arrives.

The Andhra Pradesh government has agreed to release water from its Kandaleru reservoir for 45 days, after which the release will depend on the storage level in Kandaleru.

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Popular play Manidham Punidham to be staged today evening

The drama troupe R.S. Manohar Nxgs (West Mambalam) led by S. Shivpprasadh (resident of 44/21, Bagirathi Ammal Street, T. Nagar) will stage the play Manasaatchi, written and directed by K. N. Sundar, at 6.15 p.m on Tuesday, Oct. 8 in Shakthi Sangita Sabha (65, Anbu Nagar, 10th Street, Valasaravakkam).

The play 'Manidham Punidham', also written by K. N. Sundar, will be staged at 6 p.m on Saturday, Oct. 5 in Mylapore Fine Arts Club. The play will be presented by Naatya Naadha Nataka Sangamam started by S. Srutthi (daughter of Shivpprasadh).

Shivpprasadh is the nephew of thespian R. S. Manohar.

Manasaathchi deals with the travails of a person who refuses to go against his conscience, and portrays his fight against the ordeals he faced.

Though the main story line is not on suicides, it highlights the voluntary services rendered by SNEHA Foundation, which offers 24x7 counselling for persons suffering from depression.

Manidham Punidham is a socially relevant play where a temple property is sought to be usurped.

Entry is free for Manasaatchi.

For tickets for the play Manidham Punidham, call S. Shivpprasadh in 2499 7755.

Parked vehicles block carriageway near Aranganathan Subway

Cars are regularly parked near the entrance to Aranganathan Subway, near Kuppam Road (West Mambalam).

They block the carriageway causing obstruction to other motorists. They also pose the danger of accidents by collision at night due to poor visibility

Entry to Nandanam 1st Main Road at 1st Cross Street junction blocked

By Our Staff Reporter

Entry to Nandanam 1st Main Road, near 1st Cross Street junction, when coming from Lotus Colony side has been blocked with barricades.

The road provided a short route to reach Anna Salai.

The step was taken to prevent traffic congestion owing to restoring of 2-way traffic at Anna Salai-Venkatanarayana Road junction.

Manav Seva Trust appeals for donations

Manav Seva Trust (Sri Sankara Nilayam, 658/20, 47th Street, Sector 9, K. K. Nagar) has appealed for donations.

The Trust, with branches in Mumbai, Coimbatore, Theni and Pune, is involved in several social service initiatives.

They include the following:

Annadaanam in temples and public places thrice a month (twice on Dwadesi Day and once on Anusham Day).

Vastra Daanam: Donation of clothes to students studying in Vedapatashalas.

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Thaila Daanam: Free lamp oil provided for temples in and around Kancheepuram

Cremation and rituals: Help to poor families to perform last rites including cremation and the second-day religious ceremonies. The Trust is managed by a board of 4 trustees and 17 ambassadors.

Donations can be sent by cheque favouring Manav Seva Trust or by bank transfer,

For more details, call K. Jayaraman in 98406 28787 / 2366 1150

PSBB School team wins inter-school music contest

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The contest was based on the compositions of Oothukadu Venkatakavi.

Kids carnival conducted in Tods Den Preschool

By Our Staff Reporter

Tods Den Preschool (48, Burkit Road, T. Nagar) specialises in early childhood education for those in the 1 1/2 years-4 years age group.

It follows a research-based teaching approach focusing primarily on developing cognitive, motor, logical thinking and communication skills.

According to a staff member, the educators in Tods Den are well experienced and passionate about working with children, striving to bring out the best in each child.

It conducted a fun-filled carnival for kids up to 5 years on Sept. 22.

There were puppet shows, games, caricature, balloon shooting, tattoo, balloon sculpting, drawing, colouring, fancy dress and storytelling in the carnival.

The carnival provided an opportunity for parents to meet the educators and discuss their experiences about managing toddlers.

For more details about the preschool and the event, visit the page https://www.facebook.com/TODSDEN/ or call 98409 80800. Admission is open in Tods Den.

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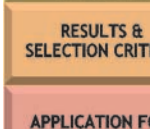

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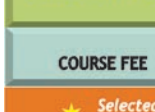

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By Our Staff Reporter

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Seminar on 'Vedic Astrology' next Sunday

By Our Staff Reporter

The Vedic Astrology Association for Social Awakening and Change (Subba Reddy Street, West Mambalam) will conduct a free seminar/interactive session on 'Vedic Astrology' from 5 p.m to 7.45 p.m on Sunday, Oct. 13 in Auditorium Hall, Koviloor Madalayam, Kuppaiah Street, West Mambalam.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vehicles parked on pavement of Govindan Street

Sir, Vehicles are permanently parked on the pavement of Govindan Street, West Mambalam, which causes hardship to pedestrians as they are forced to walk on the road, thereby risking their lives.

I appeal to traffic police to take stringent action against the vehicle owners to free the pavement for pedestrians. **Rathinavelan, West Mambalam**

Residents Association appeals against erroneous property tax revision

Sir, Following a meeting on Sept. 30 with the Corporation officials, the T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association (Motilal Street, T. Nagar) wrote to The Assistant Revenue Officer – Zone 10, raising objections to the erroneous method of taxing of some property owners of zone 5 and 10, and on harassing them over the appeals submitted against the revision. Without carrying out inspection, the Corporation has categorized a number of owner-occupied flats as tenanted, which has led to higher revision of tax for the period 2017-18, which was in addition to the general revision for the period 2018-19. Further, when the aggrieved owners went in appeal, the revenue officers asked them to submit copies of property documents, EC, EB card, planning permission and gas bill to prove that the flat is owner-occupied.

If the above documents were not initially verified, how did Chennai Corporation arrive at the conclusion that the flat was let out by the owner and charge a higher rate of property tax? When it is for the Corporation officials to substantiate their claim with proof, how can it abdicate its responsibility and ask the residents to submit documents instead? The point of producing the gas bill is fallacious, for, even when the premises is occupied by the owner, the gas bill does not need to be in his/her name. After years of paying property tax honestly and in time, the complainants are still at the mercy of the Corporation.

In view of the above mistakes, we urge the Corporation to revoke the revision for the period 2017-18 forthwith. The rollback of this revision for the period 2017-18 assumes importance in view of the considered decision to not collect the arrears for the past errors in calculation and suppression in area.

In view of the fact that the survey conducted is full of errors and omissions, we request the Corporation to provide a list of the property owners coming under Ward 136 so as to check who are all affected by this wrong classification. **Motilal Street Residents' Welfare Association, T. Nagar**

Will property tax revision lead to better amenities?

Sir, The property tax revision by about 150% seems a fait accompli, with the government not budging from its stand and the strident appeals of individuals as also the various Resident Associations not being heeded. With the coffers of the Chennai Corporation bound to swell with this steep increase in property tax and Metrowater charges, it is only fair to expect better quality roads, improved water supply and tighter security. As aggrieved citizens, we hope, by paying more taxes, the quality of civic amenities will improve. **P. K. Subramanian, Aishwarya Apartments, Gandhi Street, T. Nagar.**

Why not self-declaration for property tax revision?

Sir, A large number of appeals against property tax revision are still pending with the Corporation, and the affected owners are being put to a lot of hardship. The progress of hearing these appeals is very slow.

To put an end to this, I suggest that the Govt. introduce a system of self-assessment.

The affected owners can complete a self-assessment form, calculate and pay the tax, and submit the form to the Corporation along with proof of the payment. A copy of this form should be submitted to Metrowater with proof of payment of the levy.

This will ensure regular flow of revenue to the Corporation and Metrowater, touts will be eliminated, honest tax payers will not be harassed and there will not be so much accumulation of appeals.

The Corporation may scrutinise the forms and mention errors. It can also conduct inspection of the property to ensure that the information provided in the form is accurate

I request officers of Chennai Corporation to study the suggestion to resolve the issues over the long pending appeals against property tax revision. **R. Seetharaman, 5, 9th Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Ph: 89395 08693**

Metro water supply contaminated in Muthalamman Koil Street

Sir, The water drawn from the hand pump installed in our flat complex has a foul smell as it is contaminated with sewage water.

It poses a serious health hazard to the residents of the flats.

The residents of the street are suffering due to the unprecedented delay in laying metro water pipeline though all the streets surrounding it have been provided with piped water connection. Now, with the water drawn through hand pump also contaminated, what will the residents do? We appeal to the officials concerned to take immediate action in this regard. **N. Vijayaraghavan, 59/1, Muthalamman Koil Street, West Mambalam, Ph: 99626 64766**

OBITUARY

R. RAGHAVAN

R. Raghavan (Ayodhya Flats, 16/3, Murthy Street, West Mambalam. Ph: 2474 7723, 80895 57840) passed away on Sept. 21.

He was 74, and had been a resident of West Mambalam for 13 years.

He had retired from BSNL.

He is survived by his wife R. Girija, daughter S. Sowmya, son-in-law R. Sundar, brothers and sisters.

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By Our Staff Reporter

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Lec-dem on 'Adi Sankarar' tomorrow

By Our Staff Reporter

M. Vijayalakshmi and her students will present 'Adi Sankararin Ashtadasa Sakthi Peetangal', a lec-dem comprising songs describing the story of Adi Sankara, from 6 p.m to 8 p.m, on Sunday, Oct. 6 in Meenakshi Arts College, Kodambakkam.

She is a resident of Nu-tech Vijaya Apartments, 11/5, Rajunaicken Street, West Mambalam and has been running her music school Vijaya Kalalaya from her residence for more than 50 years.

She has presented a number of lec-dems with her students in various temples in Chennai.

Persons wishing to learn Carnatic vocal from her can register for the next batch of classes at the venue.

Her contact number is 9884484860.

Special poojas in Postal Colony temple today

Sahasranaama Paarayanam, bhajans and Upanyasam have been organised on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Sri Vada Mathura Kannan Temple (Postal Colony 3rd Street, West Mambalam). Arathi will be performed at 6 p.m daily.

It is proposed to renovate the temple under the supervision of HR and CE.

All are welcome.

'Harinaama Sankeerthanam' in K. K. Nagar on Friday

ISKCON and Tamilnadu Brahmin Association have jointly organised 'Harinaama Sankeerthanam' from 6.30 p.m to 8 p.m on Friday, Oct.11 in Muthumaari Amman Temple (Dr. Ramasamy Road, K. K. Nagar).

All are welcome.

More details can be had 91766 51942 and 94441 56169.

Blue Cross conducts special pujas for pets

By Our Staff Reporter

On the occasion of 'World Animal Day', Blue Cross of India conducted special pujas for the well-being of all animals on Oct. 2 in its animal shelter in 72, Velachery Road, Guindy and in CP Arts Centre (1, Eldams Road, Alwarpet).

More than 500 persons attended the poojas along with their pets.

Wins TT tourney

By Our Staff Reporter

M. Pawan (student of Velammal Matriculation School) won the SRM Nightingale Table Tennis tournament on Sept. 28.

He defeated C. N. Sridhar (a resident of West Mambalam) 11-9, 7-11 and 14-12.

Sale of organic farm products tomorrow

By Our Staff Reporter

Organic Farmers Market has organized an exhibition-cum-sale of produce of farmers on Sunday, Oct. 6 from 10 a.m to 1 p.m in 32/44, Madhavan Nair Road, Mahalingapuram, near Ayyappan Temple.

On sale will be indigenous rice varieties including kichli samba hand pounded boiled and raw rice, sona masuri hand pounded raw rice, kullakar boiled rice and aromatic rice, thooyamalli, pulses, sweeteners, salt and cooking oil.

Anand (Organizer) told *Mambalam Times* that they have aggregated a number of small and marginal farmers who cultivate only food crops. No middle men are involved and the sale proceeds go directly to the farmers to help them get the maximum benefit. He added that most of farmers participating in the sale own less than 2 acres of cultivable land and, in spite of failing monsoon, inadequate support from family members and lack of welfare schemes, are still passionate and rooted to the traditional method of farming.

For more details, call Anand in 98405 25516 or 99622 25225

Y's Men International embarks on tree planting drive

The members of Y's Men International (South India Region, West Mambalam) distributed 1000 boxes containing seeds among its members in a function in Malayalee Club last week.

The seeds will be planted in colleges, parks, schools and other public places, and steps will be initiated to nurture the saplings till they start to grow by themselves.

Prabakaran (Regional Director) inaugurated the program.

V. Ramesh (Madras District Governor) addressed the gathering and distributed the seeds. Y's Men International is located in 80 countries, and will soon complete 100 years.

More details can be had in 97909 04574.

Talk on Thiru Arutpa on Tuesday

Under the auspices of Vallalar Sanmarga Sangam (V.O.C Street, MGR Nagar, Ph: 94453 43706), Mozhiarasi Asokan will give a discourse on 'Thiru Arutpa" on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 6 p.m, in Sakthi Vinayagar Temple (P. T. Rajan Salai, K. K. Nagar). All are welcome.

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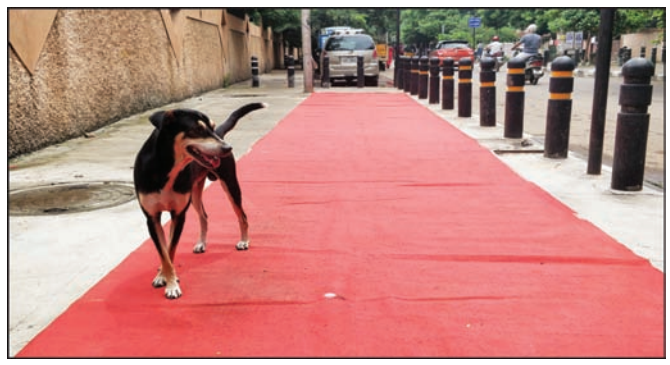
OBITUARY

S. BALASUBRAMANIAN (65 Years)

Mr. S. Balasubramanian alias Ramesh, resident of 17/35 Janakiram Street, West Mambalam, Ch-33 **(98405 01183)** passed away on Sept. 25, 2019. He was 65 and had been a resident of West Mambalam since his birth. He is a retired Commercial Supervisor, Southern Railways, Madras Central. He is survived by his wife G. Gayathri (Retd. Additional Secretary Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly), son Sundaresan, daughter-in-law Rajasree, grand-son Dhruv Iyer, daughter Mahalakshmi, son-in-law Nishanth & grand-daughter Reya.

Stray dog enjoys walk on red carpet

A red-carpet on the pavement of Bharathidasan Colony, K. K. Nagar welcomed this stray dog. The pavement

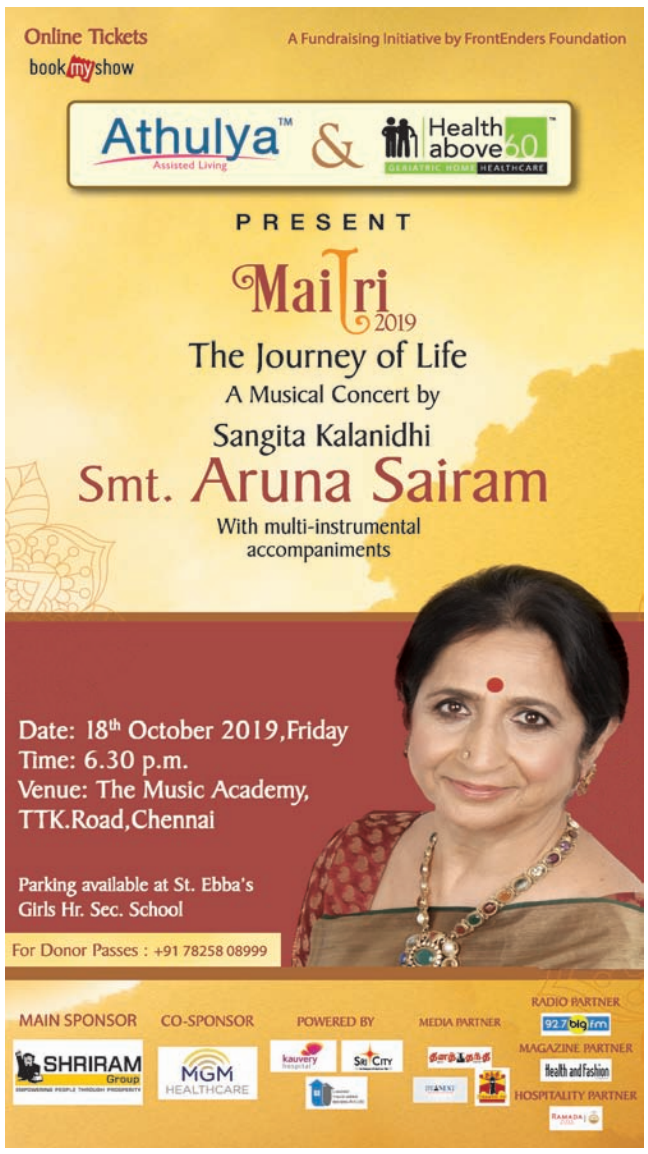


is also misused for parking 4-wheelers.

Photo shows an SUV and a minivan parked on the pavement on the section along which no bollards have been installed.

Discourse on Gita tomorrow

Under the auspices of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama (5, Maharaja Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar), Swami Satyaprabhananda will give a discourse on Bhagavad Gita in Tamil at 5.30 p.m, on Sunday, Sept. 29 in the Ashram's premises. All are welcome. For more details, call 2814 3896.



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Talk on Tamil literature tomorrow

Kuvikam Illam (Flat No. 6, A Wing, Silverpark Apartments, Thanikachalam Road, T. Nagar) has organised a special talk by Indran (Tamil Writer) on the yesteryear Tamil literary and socio-cultural magazine 'Subhamangala', started by Komala Swaminathan, at 5 p.m on Sunday, Oct. 6 in its premises.

All are welcome. More details can be had in 97910 69435.

300 benefit from heath check for differently abled

300 differently abled persons and family members benefitted from the free multi-specialty health check-up organised by Tamilnadu Udavikkaran Association in Ashok Nagar last week. Breakfast and lunch were provided for the participants. The association was founded by K. Gopinath. His contact numbers are 97908 20194 and 96772 15198.

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