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## Kumaran Silks reopens after being sealed for flouting COVID-19 norms

Kumaran Silks on Nageswara Rao Road in T. Nagar, which was sealed by the Corporation on Oct. 20 for flouting COVID-19 regul-

ations during the stock clearance sale on Sunday (Oct. 18), was reopened on Oct. 23 after the management gave an undertaking that the norms would be strictly followed.

A few shoppers could be seen when this Reporter visited the shop on Oct. 24 morning (Picture). Corporation officials said that representatives of the management met Corporation Commissioner G. Prakash and handed over a letter promising to strictly follow the regulations. Following this, Corporation officials removed the seals at 3 p.m on Oct. 23.



A huge crowd of shoppers had visited the showroom on Oct. 18 to take advantage of the discounts offered but caution was thrown to the winds. Neither was social distancing enforced nor wearing of masks ensured. Based on the directions of the Corporation Commissioner, the showroom was sealed on Oct. 20. Videos of overcrowding and customers failing to maintain physical distancing norms were widely shared on social media. (Picture on page 2)

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### Shoppers' crowd in Kumaran Silks



The crowd of shoppers seen in Kumaran Silks on Sunday (Oct. 18).

### Jewels worth Rs. 2 crores burgled from manufacturer

Gold and diamond jewels weighing about 4 kg and worth Rs. 2 crores were burgled by a masked man from a jewellery trader's sales office on Moosa Street in T. Nagar in the small hours of Oct. 21. However, since the burglar could not open the locker, 10 kg. of gold was left untouched.

Though the CCTV footage showed just one man entering the premises by scaling the compound wall, police suspect that more than one person could be involved.

Around 1 a.m., the masked man entered the office on the first floor of the building and gained entry by breaking open the door before escaping with the jewels kept in trays inside a cupboard.

The owners who reached the office in the morning were shocked to find the doors open and alerted police. Mambalam police reached the spot and conducted inquiries. Police said that the victims — father and his two sons — were into buying gold as bars and designing jewellery for sale to different showrooms.

They show the jewellery to shop owners who visit them and sell to those who show interest. The stolen 2 kg. of jewellery were samples kept in the trays for showing to shop owners. "The building had just a wooden door and cupboards which made the job easier for the burglar," said a police official.

Of the 2 kg. jewellery, 1 kg. was non-diamond and the other diamond jewels, said police, adding that a hunt has been launched for the suspects.

### Unused signal post resting on building



An unused traffic signal post is slanting and resting on a building at the junction of Kavarai Street and Govindan Road in West Mambalam.

### Subway storm water drain desilted



By Our Staff Reporter

Corporation contract workers desilting the storm water drain in Duraisamy Subway, T. Nagar. They filled the silt in sacks which were taken away in a van.

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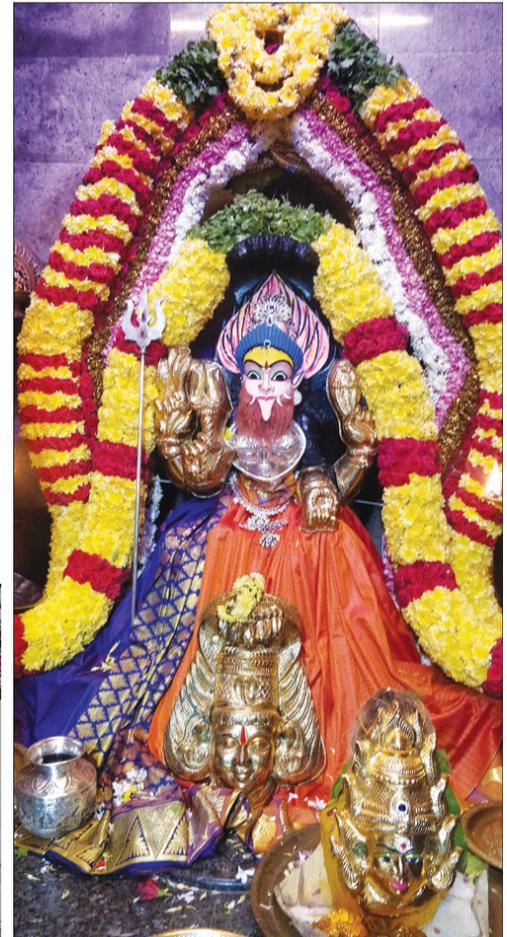
### Manhole closed following report in Mambalam Times



By Our Staff Reporter

Following the report 'Open manhole in Mambalam High Road threat to motorists' published in Mambalam Times (Sept. 27-Oct. 3 issue), the open sewer manhole in the middle of Mambalam High Road, T. Nagar was closed

### Special alangaaram for Nagathamman



By Our Staff Reporter

There was special alangaaram performed for the presiding deity of Sri Nagathamman Temple at S. V. Lingam Salai-P.T.Rajan Salai-Kamarajar Salai junction in Ashok Nagar on Oct. 22 as part of Navaratri celebrations.

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**Pumpkin homam in Kannan Temple on Oct. 26**

By Our Staff Reporter

On the occasion of Vijayadasami, Koosmanda (pumpkin) homam will be performed in the morning and evening on Sunday, Oct. 26 in Vadamathura Kannan Temple ( Postal Colony 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, West Mambalam).

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The election for the post of State President of Thamizh Nadu Brahmin Association (Thambrass) was notified on 17.09.2020 and the same was posted to all the State General Body Members numbering more than 3000. This Notification was published in the October 2020 issue of "Thambrass" Monthly Magazine also. The filing of Nomination was slated for 18.10.2020, Sunday at Madurai. Thiruvotriyur Sri.N.NARAYANAN alone has filed his Nomination paper. The same was verified and found to be in order. Since no other Nomination was filed, the Chief Election Officer declared that Thiruvotriyur Sri.N.NARAYANAN has been declared elected to be the State President of Thamizh Nadu Brahmin Association (Thambrass) for the period 2020-2025 (Five years). Thiruvotriyur Sri.N.NARAYANAN has been the State President of Thamizh Nadu Brahmin Association (Thambrass) from the year 2000 onwards. He has now been elected consecutively for another term of Five Years.

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By Our Staff Reporter

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She has been running her music school Vijayakalalaya from her residence for more than 30 years. She has presented a number of lec-dems with her students in various temples in Chennai. Admission will start on Vijayadasami (Oct. 26).

For details, call 98844 84860.

## Therapy equipment donated to PHC

By Our Staff Reporter

Specialty pain relief equipment called Intellect Neo (Therapeutic excellence at finger touch) worth Rs. 7 lakhs was donated by Sundaram Finance Ltd. to the Physiotherapy Department of Public Health Centre, West Mambalam.

## Pumpkin homam in Kannan Temple on Oct. 26

By Our Staff Reporter

On the occasion of Vijayadasami, Koosmanda (pumpkin) homam will be performed in the morning and evening on Sunday, Oct. 26 in Vadamathura Kannan Temple (Postal Colony 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, West Mambalam). All are welcome.

## Virtual session on 'Multiple intelligence'

By Our Staff Reporter

Velammal Nexus live streamed a virtual session on 'Multiple intelligence' by Pramila Kannan, educationist, on Oct. 21 in the 'Learn and Win' series on Velammal Nexus YouTube channel.

The session attracted several thousand viewers.

## Portion of post poses threat to road users



By Our Staff Reporter

The bottom portion of a post, jutting out at the junction of Thirumalai Road and Kodambakkam High Road in T. Nagar, is invisible in the dark and poses a threat to road users.

## OBITUARY

S. P. MOORTHY

S. P. Moorthy (resident of Natesan Street, T. Nagar) passed way on Oct. 11.

He was 66 and had been a resident of T. Nagar for 45 years.

He was managing director of Rathna Electricals in Pandy Bazaar and managing trustee of Sri Reddiapatti Swamigal charitable Trust (T. Nagar). He had been in business for about 40

years, starting at the age of 22. He was a staunch devotee of Sri Reddiapatti Swamigal. He was running three free devotional reading libraries (Vasagasalai) in T. Nagar (Natesan Street), Pillayarkuppam and Reddiapatti.

He helped spread Swamigal's teachings and conduct of Sri Reddiapatti Swamigal poojas all over the world.

He is survived by his wife Lakshmi and sons Rajesh, Ramkumar and Rajiv, daughters-in-law and grandchildren.

He was honoured with titles of 'Arulsatta Maamani', 'Gurucharana Dasan' and 'Sakthi Dasan' by Sri Reddiapatti Swamigal Trust.

His family can be contacted in 98844 31578.



## Coincidence or perfect timing?



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By Our Staff Reporter

Call it coincidence or perfect timing. *Mambalam Times* had carried a report 'Flats vacant for over 2 years' in its September 19-25 issue about

a block of flats (Balaji Apartments) at the junction of 50th Street and Postal Colony 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in West Mambalam lying vacant for more than two years.

The report said that one person had acquired all but one of the 11 flats whose owner was holding out. The building, not in very good condition, was expected to be demolished once

this flat was also bought.

To this Reporter's surprise, he saw pre-demolition work like removal of doors and windows going on when he passed the building this week.

## Monkeys trouble Mambalam residents

By Our Staff Reporter

Monkeys have made their appearance in Pushpavathiammal Street and nearby streets in West Mambalam and have been posing problems for residents during the past few days.

Residents said that they do not know from where the monkeys came. They began climbing the telephone posts initially but later started climbing to the terraces of houses.

Residents have informed the officials concerned about the monkey menace.



## 25<sup>th</sup> episode of Subhashitam this evening

By Our Staff Reporter

As part of the weekly online interactive short pravachana series organized by Sri Madhwa Samaj, West Mambalam, the 25th episode of Subhashitam will be presented on zoom from 7 p.m to 9 p.m on Sunday, Oct. 25.

Anugraha Sandesha will be by Sri Vidya Prasanna Theertha Swamiji, Sri Subrahmanya Matha, Kukkee Subrahmanya.

Pandit Satyadhyancharya Katti (Srimad Uttaradhi Math) will be the guest of honour and unveil 'The Essence of Subhashitam' e-Bulletin.

Pandit Vyasanakere Prabhajanacharya (Bengaluru) will preside over this Silver Jubilee Pravachana session. The topic will be 'Kapilnama Paramathmana Upadesha'.

Sri Madhwa Samaj will honour the pandits who have presided over the various episodes.

ZOOM login details: Meeting ID: 850 1629 8357 Password: 210013

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## Band program to create awareness on COVID-19



The Fire and Rescue Service band presented a program at the Burkit Road-Usman Road junction in T. Nagar on Oct. 23 to create awareness about the coronavirus pandemic.

It is conducting similar programs at various junctions in the city.

## 100-year-old dolls in neighbourhood resident's golu

Lakshmi Raghukumar (resident of Burkit Road, T. Nagar) has organized traditional Navarathrigolu in her house and most of the dolls are more than a hundred years old.

She said that though her ancestors had preserved the dolls with care, many dolls had been damaged. She repairs and repaints the dolls every year.



## Album of songs on deities released

By Our Staff Reporter

'Deiveega Isai Payanam', an album of 21 songs on various deities sung by Carnatic vocalist R. Ganesh, was released by R. Seshasayee (former Executive Vice Chairman, Ashok Leyland Ltd.) on Oct. 20.

The songs were penned by Thiruvallampozhil K. Ramkumar (Senior Vice President, Ashok Leyland) who has written the lyrics for over 100 such songs in various Kshethras. The songs have been tuned and sung by R. Ganesh.

The first copy of the album, in MP3 format, was received by T. Ananthanarayanan.



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## Crowds of shoppers a worry for residents of streets off Usman Road

With Deepavali approaching, residents of Motilal Street in T. Nagar and other streets off Usman Road are worried that the already crowded area will be inundated with shoppers.

The streets have already become narrow due to haphazard parking and the residents want the police and Chennai Corporation to regulate parking as heavy rush in the central shopping district can cause a spike in the number of COVID-19 cases, especially among residents. There are over 1,000 families living on Natesan Street, Ramanathan Street, Rangan Street, Mangesh Street, Pinjala Subramaniam Street, Venkatesan Street, Motilal Street, Mahalakshmi Street and other streets on both sides of Usman Road. Many of these residents are senior citizens.

"The elderly are not able to step out of their homes as two-wheelers whiz past constantly and there are too many vehicles parked on the road. Due to overcrowding, they seldom step out fearing that they will get infected," said V. S. Jayaraman, member, T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association.

Residents said that commercial establishments in the locality had not made provision for parking space for shoppers.

"The main menace is bike parking. They are parked on both sides of the road and the 30 feet wide road has hardly 10 feet space left. As vehicles are parked in front of apartment complex gates, many residents are not able to take their vehicles out. This worsens during holidays, Deepavali and other festival seasons," said another resident. Residents said that although they had informed the police about the problem, action had not been taken on the issue.

"We request the traffic police to tow away the vehicles which are found parked on the streets abutting Usman Road. Such haphazard parking should be monitored. Although there is a paid parking facility in Motilal Street, its staff make motorists park bikes on the road and collect hourly charges from them," said a resident who has been living in the locality for 50 years. B. Kannan, secretary, T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association, said that even the pavements on Usman Road are not spared. "Bikes are parked and hawkers have occupied the platform, leaving no space for pedestrians. The police and the Corporation are not willing to take action. Many do not wear masks and social distancing is not followed in many shops and hotels. Arrangements should be made to open shops on alternate days to avoid crowding," he said.

## A tribute to P. S. Narayanaswamy

By S. Shivprasadh

Puliyur Subramaniam Narayanaswamy (PSN), fondly known as 'Pichai', renowned Carnatic vocalist and music guru for hundreds of students, passed away on Oct. 16. He was 86. PSN was a contented

genius who had a tinge of humour. PSN was initially interested in singing only filmsongs, but his doctor father realized the hidden talent in him and, to kindle more interest in him in Carnatic music, started taking him to Carnatic music concerts. PSN had the ability to grasp the nuances of both music and Nagaswaram when he was initially under the tutelage of a Nagaswaram artiste and simultaneously got trained to play on the veena also. However, Mudi-kondan Venka-trama Iyer was his first Guru. As a young adolescent who had won several music competitions, PSN boldly started to showcase his talents at weddings etc. While PSN was amazed to hear the likes of Musiri Subramaniya Iyer, Ariyakudi Ramanuja Aiyengar and others performing during Madras Margazhi Month season, he was sceptical whether he could master the volumes of Carnatic music but, call it divine guidance, he came under the direct tutelage of veteran musician Semmangudi Srinivasa Iyer who was then officiating Principal of Swati Thirunal College of Music in Trivandrum. The traditional Gurukulam system enabled PSN to have the additional benefit of 'Keylvi Gnyaanam' by continuously hearing his Guru singing at home and while accompanying him during in concerts. PSN was mostly accompanied



Dr. V. Shankar (President, Sri Shanmukhananda Fine Arts & Sangeetha Sabha, Mumbai) Presenting 'Dr. M. S. Subbulakshmi Sangeetha Pracharya Award' to P. S. Narayanaswamy in Mumbai.

by Violin Maestro Pappa Venkataramaniam and Mridangam Maestro Palghat Mani Iyer.

PSN considered his disciples as his own children and grandchildren as he remained a child at heart and took pains to even cook for them. He was gifted with the unique talent to teach a child as well as an established artiste with the same enthusiasm. T. M. Krishna, Ranjani-Gayathri, Kunnakudi Balamuralikrishna, A. S. Murali, Nisha Rajagopalan, Amritha Murali, Gayathri Venkatraghavan, Abhishek Raghuram are among PSN's ardent disciple.

Though PSN belonged to the traditional Semmangudi Baani, he evolved an unique Baani of his own and encouraged his disciples also to develop and nurture their own styles. No wonder, rasikas have the privilege to hear all PSN's disciples presenting their own individually found niche in their presentations although they are the roots of the very same "Banyan tree PSN Sir".

(As a freelance columnist for over a decade, I had the good fortune to interact with PSN on numerous occasions.) The writer is a resident of T. Nagar and can be contacted in 28344876 / 7358696613.

## Shoppers crowd Ranganathan Street



By Our Staff Reporter

With the festival season on, shoppers have started flocking to Ranganathan Street in T. Nagar. Very few shoppers used to be seen earlier. The photo was taken on Oct. 20.

## Vans parked in Madley subway pose problems

A portion of the road in Madley subway in T. Nagar has been closed to traffic because of work on the Skywalk project, but vans are being parked in the subway posing problems for motorists and causing inconvenience to work on the project.



## Trench not closed properly



By Our Staff Reporter

A trench dug by Metrowater workers a few days ago at the junction of Tanjore Street and Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai in T. Nagar was not closed properly.

Tree branches have been placed in it to caution road users.

## Velammal's digital puppet making session



By Our Staff Reporter

Velammal Nexus live streamed a digital puppet making session in the 'Learn and Win' series on Oct. 23 by puppeteer Ramesh Kumar on its YouTube channel.

It was useful for beginners interested in learning how to make puppets. Several thousand viewers witnessed the session.

## Class X students can join CA course

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), as part a new rule, has allowed students who have passed Class X to enrol with the institute.

The ICAI said it will allow students to provisionally register for the entry-level CA foundation course after passing the Class X examinations. Though registration is allowed after Class X, admission will be regularised only if the student clears the Class XII examination.

Earlier, students could register for the course only after appearing for their Class XII examinations and write the foundation exam only after a four-month study period. Under the new system, this study period can be completed while pursuing Class XI and XII.

## Chief Minister promises free vaccination

Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami said on Oct. 22 that the state government will ensure free vaccination for all once a vaccine for COVID-19 is available for mass production.

Palaniswami made the announcement while talking to reporters after reviewing the COVID-19 preventive measures and developmental projects with officials in the Pudukottai collectorate.

## State-run shops sell onion at Rs. 45 a kg.

Heavy rains in Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh have sent onion prices skyrocketing, prompting the government to procure and sell it through State-run stores at Rs. 45 per kg – about half of the price for which it is being sold in retail shops in the city.

This was announced by Cooperation Minister Sellur K. Raju said on Oct. 20 after holding a review meeting with officials from the department.

"Onion price surge during every monsoon. The State government has been constantly monitoring the supply to ensure the price is not inflated. The government had made budget allocations to purchase onions at wholesale price. It will be sold with a small margin to help the public," added the Minister. Onion was being sold for around Rs. 50 to Rs 65 till last week. However, the severe shortage of supply at the Koyambedu wholesale market complex sent up the wholesale and retail prices within a matter of days. Now, it is being sold for Rs 85 and above at various markets across the city.

Pointing out that heavy rains in neighbouring states and also Maharashtra had affected supply of the produce, the Minister said that the authorities were monitoring onion trade on a daily basis and that all efforts were being taken to reduce the price.

"During the last monsoon season, the State had procured onions directly from Egypt which brought down the price. Officials from the Cooperation Department have started purchasing new stock; the consignments are on the way to Chennai," said an official.

## Date extended for engineering admission

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has extended the admission to engineering courses (UG and Diploma lateral entry) till November-end and the last date to begin classes for first-year students to Dec. 1, 2020. This was announced in the revised calendar for the 2020-21 academic session released on its official website aicte-india.org.

As per AICTE, the revision of the council's academic calendar has been done due to pandemic outbreak and the lockdown. The last date earlier was Oct. 20.

In case any institute has already started the first-year classes, AICTE has asked it to postpone them till Dec. 1, 2020. For students who are due to appear for the final-year or final-semester exam, AICTE has asked its affiliated institutions to hold special classes. The universities have been asked to start classes online or offline, or blended mode following the prescribed protocols or guidelines related to COVID-19 pandemic.

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# 2 streets no longer containment zones



Rukmani Street



Kripasankari Street

By Our Staff Reporter

Rukmani Street and Kripasankari Street, which had been declared COVID-19 containment zones a few weeks ago, are no longer under containment. Barricades have been removed from the streets by Corporation workers. But both the streets are in a unhygienic condition as garbage remains uncleared.

## Car parked in middle of road causes traffic jam

By Our Staff Reporter

A Maruti Swift (TN 18 AT 8430) parked right in the middle of the road at the Govidan Road - Mettupalayam Road - Kavara Street junction in West Mambalam caused a big traffic jam at around 1 p.m on Oct. 19.



The driver of an MTC bus was unable to turn right at the junction from Mettupalayam Road because of the parked car. Irritated motorists blew

their horns but there was no sign of the driver. Members of the public then moved the car to the road margin to help ease the traffic

congestion. They had a tough time as the car was locked and had to be lifted and moved. Traffic policemen arrived and locked the wheel of the car.

## A virtual platform for philatelists

Ramesh Ethiraj, a third-generation philatelist from the city, has launched an online platform called Worldwide Mint. "Before the pandemic, the city witnessed a lot of stamp exhibitions and we had decent footfalls at these events. Not only collectors but others were also interested in seeing stamp collections from pre-Independence days, some rare stamps and so on.

"During the lockdown, I noticed a spike in the number of people taking up stamp collection as a hobby. We have been collecting stamps for the past 50+ years and I wanted to share my collection with other collectors out there. That's how I launched Worldwide Mint. People can also buy stamps and other philatelic products from this platform," Ramesh said.

A stamp agent for 10 countries, he has 5000+ products including stamps from 1947 to 2020.

"We have costly stamps like those featuring Gandhi (Rs. 17,000), temple architecture (Rs. 32,500), etc. Worldwide Mint also has Gandhi stamps issued in various foreign countries, British India stamps and accessories to preserve stamps, currency and coins," the philatelist added.

For more details, visit the website <https://www.worldwide-mint.com/>

## New book available free



'Enakku 66', the second book authored by C. Sadanandan (resident of Saidapet), was released recently in Stenographers Guild, T. Nagar, by Dr. S. Sekar (Honorary Principal, Stenographers Guild and Founder-President, Humour Club, T. Nagar). It was received by Arcel Arumugam (Film Director).

The book is available free of cost.

The 48-page book consists of 10 topics including Indian democracy, women welfare, judiciary, third language, reservation policies and public servants.

Sadanandan worked as Deputy Commercial Tax Officer and was earlier co-ordinator of Humour Club.

His first book 'Enakku 60' was released in 2014.

He can be contacted in 99414 31060.

## Police Commissioner helps woman scooterist

A woman who fell from her two-wheeler on Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai found a surprise rescuer on Oct. 20. It was none other than City Police Commissioner Mahesh Kumar Aggarwal.

The motorist, Saradha (27) of St. Thomas Mount, was driving her scooter from Anna Flyover. She fell after hitting a car near Music Academy on Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai. The Police Commissioner, who happened to be passing by, stopped his vehicle, crossed the median and came to her rescue.

Aggarwal immediately asked his driver for a first aid kit and patched her up. He called up the traffic control room and a traffic inspector from Royapettah was sent to the spot. Saradha was taken to a nearby hospital and provided treatment.

## Tribute video released for COVID-19 frontline workers

A video paying tribute to the COVID-19 warriors in the city was released on YouTube.

Sung by playback singer Sathyaprakash and composed by Ghibran, the song 'Salaam Chennai' has been produced in collaboration with the Chennai Police and the IPL team Chennai Super Kings (CSK). The song has been penned by Karthik Netha and the video directed by Avinaash Hariharan.

Offered as a 'thank you' to those working on the frontlines of Tamilnadu's battle against COVID-19 viz. police, corporation workers and officials, doctors, nurses and healthcare workers, the song touches upon the hard work put in by those at the forefront of the COVID-19 fight.

A few players from Chennai Super Kings including L. Balaji, Harbhajan Singh and Suresh Raina have also been featured in the video.

Shot across the city's landmarks like Marina beach, Chennai Central station, Besant Nagar beach, LIC building etc., the video also features several beautiful drone shots of iconic places across the city.

The video link is [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IU\\_SCv1gbQ4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IU_SCv1gbQ4)

## Shops, hotels can be open till 10 p.m

All shops, restaurants and commercial complexes in Tamilnadu have been allowed to function till 10 p.m in view of the coming festive season and to facilitate further economic recovery, Chief Minister K. Palaniswami said on Oct. 21.

Barring shops located in full containment zones, all others can function up to 10 p.m by following the Standard Operating Procedure to prevent the spread of COVID-19, Palaniswami said in an official release.

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