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'அண்ணா, குறுக்கே முறுக்கு இரும்புக் கம்பிகள் இருந்தால் அப்படித்தான் தோணும். நான் திகார், நீங்க புழல்னு வைச்சுக் கலாம்.'

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'தெரியும் அண்ணா. மணிமேகலை படத்தில் பாபநாசம் சிவன் இயற்றி கே.பி.சுந்தரம்பா பாடின பாட்டு. ராகம் தோடின்னு நினைக்கிறேன்.'

'தோடியாவது, கேடியாவது? கட்டுப்பாடில்லாத சிட்டுக் குருவிபோல எப்போடா பறக்கப் போறேன்? அவிழ்த்துவிட்ட கழுதைபோல ஆர்யகொடா ரோடிலே எப்போ திரியப் போறேன்? சுதந்திரக் காற்றை எப்போடா சுவாசிக்கப் போறேன்? தண்டனை எவ்வளவு நாளைக்குடா? பதினாலு நாளா? இல்லை ஆயுள் தீட்சையா?'

'இதுவும் கடந்து போயிடும் அண்ணா. உங்க மச்சினி அடையாறு கேட்டரிங் காலேஜ் லெக்சரர் மஞ்சளா தான் ஸ்பெஷல் டயட் பன்றதிலே எக்ஸ்பர்ட் ஆச்சே. பேலியோ டயட், வீகன் டயட், லோ கார்ப் டயட் அப்பறம் கோவிட்ட யட்டுறது சொல்லி அசத்துவாங்களை அது மாதிரி கொரோனா டயட்டுன்னு கபசுர குடிநீர், சுமங்கலிகள் மஞ்சள் கரைச்ச மாதிரி ஆரத்தி, இப்படி விதவிதமாக உங்களுக்கு சப்ளை பண்ணத் தயாராக இருக்காங்களாம். இந்த ஏழை சிவசாமியோட ஜாரினி படக்குறு நடுவிலே புட்டுண்டுடுத்து. அமெரிக்காவிலே இருக்கிற டிரம்ப் கட்சிக்கு குரல் கொடுக்கிற காமாட்சி மாமிதான் நம்பனை எல்லாம் பொம்மலாட்ட சூத்தராரிபோல ஆட்டுவிக்கிறார்.'

பஞ்சாமி சிறையில் இருக்கும் தேசியத் தலைவர் ரேஞ்சில் கம்பிகளை உணர்ச்சியுடன் பற்றிக் கொண்டு பெருமூச்சு விடுகிறார். அரை மணிக்கு முன்னால் எண்ணி, சரிபார்த்து மறுபடியும் ஐயம் திரபுற எண்ணி எண்ணிக்கையைப் பதிவு பண்ணி இருந்தாலும் மறுகூட்டலுக்கு தயாராகக் கொள்கிறார். யார் கண்டது? திடீரென்று சில மாயமாகக் குறையலாம். இல்லை, கூடலாம்.

பஞ்சாமி உணர்ச்சிப் பிழம் பாக மாறுகிறார். 'சிவசாமி! குவாரன்டைன் என்பது ஒரு மருத்துவ அத்துமீறல். அதான் கொரோனா ஆஸ்பத்திரியில் மருந்து மாயங்களை திட, திரவ, வாய் நிலைகளில் வேண்டியதைக் கண்களை மூடிக்கொண்டு விழுங்கி யாச்சே? மருந்தைக் கொடுத்



து அணா, பெண்ணானு சொல்ல முடியாது. இன்னும் என்ன குவாரன்டைன்? ஒரு ஸ்டீம் எஞ்சின் மாதிரி நீராவினயை உள்ளுக்குள் வாங்கி ஜேம்ஸ் வாட்டே பெருமிதம் அடையற வகையில் அசத்தியாச்சு. இன்னும் என்ன குவாரன்டைன்? அது மட்டுமா? நெபுலைஸர் எடுத்துண்டு ஏதோ பட்டி பார்த்து ஓர்க் ஷாப்பிலே ஸ்பிரே பயிண்டு அடிக்கிற மாதிரி லொட-லொட சப்த ஜாலங்களை உள்வாங்கி அந்தக் கூத்தையும் அடிச்சாச்சு. இடத்தைக் கொடுத்தா மடத்தைப் பிடுங்கிற மாதிரி அடி மடியிலேனா கை வைக்கறா? சாப்பாட்டிலே என்னடா கட்டுப்பாடு?'

'தொற்று வரக் கூடாதாம் அண்ணா. நீங்க தெய்வாதீனமா பிரம்ம ராட்சஸன் கொரோனா பிடியிலிருந்து தப்பி வந்தவர். ஆகையினாலே அதோட குனியத்திலே மாட்டிக்காம இருக்கிற மாதிரி சக மனுஷாள் கிட்டேயிருந்தும் தள்ளி இருக்கணுமாம்.'

'அப்படின்னா? சப்பரமா இலையிலே உட்கார்ந்து, பெண்டுகள் வளை ஒலி கலகலக்க சாப்பாட்டைப் பரிமாற சாப்பிடக் கூடாதா? இந்த குவாரன்டைனை எல்லாம் எவ்வளவு கொண்டு வந்தான்? மூக்கே இல்லாத சைனாக்காரனுக்கு இந்த விஷமம் எல்லாம் தேவையா? இதுக்கு பதில் நம்ம மேலே ஒரு குண்டைத் தூக்கிப் போட்டா நம்ம மோடி அமர்க்களமாக எசப்பாட்டு பாடி ஓடஓட விரட்டத் தயாராக இருப்பாரே?'

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'அவருடைய பயம் அவருக்குடா. நீ இதிலே மாட்டிக்கலை. தனக்கு வந்தாதான் தெரியும் கொரோனாவும், குனியாவும். அடேய் சிவசாமி, பசிக்கிறதுடா. மஞ்சளா அனுப்பற சாப்பாடு எப்போ வரும்? வந்தாலும் எனக்கு ஆறுடி தூரத்திலேயிருந்து எப்படிப் போடுவா? மிருகக்காட்சி சாலையிலே ஏழடி கொழுத்த முதலைக்கு அன்ன ஆகாரம் போடற மாதிரி வீசி என் மூஞ்சியைப் பார்த்து ஏறிவாளா?'

'அண்ணா, அப்படி எல்லாம் நடக்காது. பாருங்கோ, கொரோனாவுக்குத் தடுப்பு ஊசி கண்டுபிடிச்சாங்களோ இல்லையோ கொரோனா கவசமனு கொல்லிமலையிலே ஆயிரத்தி எட்டு வருஷங்கள் தபஸ் பன்ற கொரோனா சித்தர் ஒருத்தர் எழுதின பதிகத்தைப் பாடினா கொரோனா விட்டுமீண்டு சொல்லி இருக்கா. பாட்டு இன்னி ராத்திரி என் கைக்கு வந்து சேர்ந்துடும். அதை உங்ககிட்டே அனுப்ப வேண்டியது என் பொறுப்பு. அப்பறம், அட என்ன இது? மஞ்சளா மேடம் ஏதோ சொல்ல வராங்க...'

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9,510 buses will be operated from Chennai to various parts of the State between Nov. 11 and 13 to help commuters during Deepavali. The buses will cater to travelers only within the State and Puducherry.

Similarly, a total of 3,416 special buses will be operated to Chennai from various parts of the State between Nov. 15 and 18.

The inter-state bus services from Tamilnadu to Karnataka, Kerala and Andhra will remain suspended until further notice. Mofussil bus services of TNSTC, which are currently terminated at the State borders, will continue during festival. However, the inter-State travellers can travel by train and flight. Currently, special trains and flights are being operated from Chennai to Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Hyderabad and other destinations.

TNSTC and SETC buses will originate and terminate at temporary bus stands to decongest the CMBT terminus (Koyambedu).

Buses bound for Ponneri, Gummidipundi and Oothukottai will run from Madhavaram bus terminus, while buses to Puducherry, Cuddalore and Chidambaram via ECR will ply from K. K. Nagar MTC bus stand.

Kumbakonam, Tindivanam, Thanjavur bound buses via Panruti will run from Tambaram Aringnar Anna MEPZ bus stand, and buses to Tiruvannamalai, Neyveli, Panruti via Tindivanam, Polur, Chetpet, Vandavasi will run from Tambaram railway station.

Travellers can book tickets through www.tnsc.in, www.redbus.in, www.paytm.com and www.busindia.com. For more details, call 94450 14450 or 94450 14436.

Broken sanitary ware removed following report in Mambalam Times



Before



Now

Following the report 'Broken sanitary ware dumped on pavement' published in Mambalam Times (Nov. 1-7 issue), the broken sanitary items on the pavement of Vijayaraghava Road, T. Nagar were removed from the pavement.

Cracker shops prepare for sales



While some cracker shops are being decorated and stocked with crackers for Deepavali sales, many others are awaiting licenses to begin sales.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Because of the difficulty in distribution due to Deepavali, there will be no issue of **MAMBALAM TIMES** dated November 15 to 21.

The next issue of **MAMBALAM TIMES** will be distributed on Sunday, November 22.

A Good Samaritan indeed

A physically challenged man had wheeled his tricycle down the slope of Duraisamy Subway in T. Nagar at around 11.30 a.m on Nov. 3 but could not proceed up the slope on the other side. He was waiting in the middle of the subway for someone to give him a helping hand when a youth on a 2-wheeler crossed him and went up the slope. To his pleasant surprise, the youth parked his bike on top of the subway, came down the subway and pushed the tricycle up the slope. Many physically challenged persons on tricycles face the same problem in the subway.



Bins stored on playground, lorries ruin surface



By Our Staff Reporter

Corporation workers are storing new garbage bins in the Corporation playground on Somasundaram Street, T. Nagar. The tyres of lorries transporting the bins create deep furrows in the wet surface making the ground unfit for playing cricket.

Regulars using the ground have appealed to Corporation officials to ensure that the playground is not used for other purposes.

Mambalam Railway Station deserted



By Our Staff Reporter

Mambalam Railway Station, which usually sees huge crowds just before Deepavali, wears a deserted look due to non-operation of trains because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Parking woes on Sivasailam Street

Sir, Sivasailam Street is misused for parking cars by outsiders.

The street is already narrow and there are three schools on the street. Some cars, with no number plates, remain parked on the street for a long time. Passersby also use the cover of these vehicles to urinate which is a health hazard for the street's residents.

As the street's width is reduced substantially, motorists and pedestrians suffer hardship and are put to risk. With some cars parked close to entrances of houses, the occupants find it tough to take out their vehicles. Once the schools reopen, the street will get jammed with school buses and vans, causing hardship to the students. We have complained to the traffic police but no action has been taken. I appeal to traffic police to remove the parked vehicles and install 'No parking' signs at several points. **R. Chandrasekaran, President, Exnora International, Sivasailam Street and Padmanabhan Street**



Stagnation in Lodhi Khan Street

Sir, Flooding after rains is a perennial problem in Lodhi Khan Street as the levels of the adjoining streets have been raised in the past few years.

Flooding occurs even after a short spell of rain, and it takes 2 to 3 days of sunshine for the street to dry. With the monsoon fast approaching, I appeal to the Corporation to raise the level of Lodhi Khan Street and also desilt the storm water drains to prevent waterlogging. **R. Jayakumar, Raman Street T. Nagar**



Garbage problems at Padmanabhan Street junctions

Garbage has not been removed for the past several days from Padmanabhan Street at its junctions with Sarathy Street, Periyar Road and North Usman Road.

Some of the bins are also damaged and the garbage is spilling out and spreading on the street.

These locations have been converted into open urinals.

The unhygienic condition of the junctions poses a health hazard to the residents in the vicinity. I appeal for immediate action for clearing the garbage and replacing the damaged bins. **R. Chandrasekaran (President, Exnora International, Sivasailam Street and Padmanabhan Street)**



Irregular garbage clearance from Veerasamy Street

Sir, Garbage collection is irregular in Veerasamy Street (West Mambalam), especially from the bin kept opposite SRM Nightingale School which is close to Thambiah Road junction. It leads to garbage accumulation and spillage around the bin.

Cattle, cows and dogs have a field day in rummaging through the garbage and strewing it all over the place.

The residents of the street are put to health risk, especially with COVID-19 threat looming large. Our complaints to the officials concerned fall on deaf ears.

I appeal to the Corporation to take immediate action to regulate the collection. **Pattabiraman, 18/27, Veerasamy Street, West Mambalam**



EB workers damage North Boag Road pavement

Sir, The big ditch dug by EB workers in the pavement of North Boag Road at its junction with Pandy Bazaar (T. Nagar) to lay new cables has not been closed properly.

It is causing inconvenience to pedestrians forcing them to walk on the busy road, risking their lives.

I appeal to the officials concerned to close the ditch properly and relay the damaged pavement. **N. C Anna-swamy, Ph: 73581 73256**



Pension Offices yet to start accepting life certificates

Sir, Due to the COVID-19 situation and the protocols to be followed, Pension Offices in the city have not started the exercise wherein pensioners can submit their life certificates.

So pensioners have to get it done through their respective bank branches where they maintain their PF account.

Every pensioner normally needs to submit 'Life Certificate' once a year during November to ensure continuity of pension. (The Central Government has extended the last date for submission of certificates to Dec. 31).

Since the process has been digitized, the pensioner has to biometrically authenticate his presence and that he is alive.

But many bank branches do not have the necessary equipment to get this done. Since the facility at the Pension Offices is likely to get delayed by another 15 days as informed by them, pensioners are advised to approach the banks for help.

SBI (T. Nagar, G. N. Chetty Road) and Indian Overseas Bank (Pandy Bazaar) are carrying out this exercise. **T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association, Rangan Street, T. Nagar**

Inner Wheel Club donates Rs.75,000 worth items to orphanage



Inner Wheel Club of Chennai Presidency donated Rs. 75,000 worth useful items to the orphanage Good Life Center (7B, Loganathan Street, near Vidya Theatre, West Tambaram) on Oct. 31.

They included face masks, bedsheets, pillow covers, innerwear, rice, provisions, sewing machines, wheel-

chairs, laptops and mobile phones for the educational purpose of the orphaned students under the care of the NGO. Usha Saraogi (District Chairman, Inner Wheel Club), its office-bearers and members, employees of Siemens

and other Good Samaritans contributed to the fund. The NGO provides shelter,

food and education for poor and abandoned/orphaned children.

At present it is caring for around 300 boys and 200 girls (including mentally retarded children) and elders.

For more details, contact Baskar in 94449 94151 or Lakshmi Priya Mohan in 98402 23811

Post with CCTV cameras resting on another post



By Our Staff Reporter
The post on which two CCTV cameras have been fixed is slanting and resting on another post on which also there is a camera on Venkatanarayana Road in T. Nagar near Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya. The result is that the cameras on the slanting post cannot focus on vehicles on the road.

Police assistance booths for shoppers



T. Nagar traffic police have opened temporary assistance booths in several places in T. Nagar including Burkit Road, Usman Road, Thyagaraya Road and North Usman Road to manage crowds of Deepavalli shoppers.

Improperly filled trench poses danger



A tree branch has been placed in an improperly filled trench at the junction of Thanikachalam Road and Vaidyanathan Street in T. Nagar to caution road users.

Residents' Association in Teynampet installs CCTV cameras

Seethamma Extension Welfare Association, which covers five streets in Teynampet, has installed CCTV cameras, speedbreakers and carried out beautification work in its area.

The COVID-19 lockdown helped the association raise the bar in terms of safety and cleanliness.

Last year, the association got unauthorised college vans parked on roads removed. Speedbreakers have enhanced road safety for motorists as well as pedestrians, said a resident.

After speedbreaker work was completed, the residents pooled money and the association went ahead in installing 21 CCTV cameras covering all the 5 streets and two 'Automatic Number Plate Recognition Cameras' facing K. B. Dasan Road.

To provide a clear view to the cameras, trees were pruned. A member told this reporter that beautification is an ongoing activity and the association has exhibited 'Clean Zone' boards in prominent locations on all the streets.

Award for Ungalukagha Charitable Trust founder



By Our Staff Reporter

Dr. Suneel (Founder, Ungalukagha Charitable Trust, T. Nagar) was presented 'Man of Service and Devotion' award by Thamizhnadu Brahmin Association (T. Nagar unit) on Nov. 4 for 'outstanding service' during the lockdown in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic.

The award was presented by Lakshmi Ragukumar (President, TAMBRASS). Dr. Suneel started Ungalukagaha Charitable Trust in Oct.23.

He has conducted more than 30 medical camps which benefited more than 18000 persons. 1194 persons underwent various types of surgery free of cost. 6,860 persons benefited from eight eye camps. 36 blood donation camps were conducted. Artificial limbs were given to 129 persons, 367 tricycles to physically challenged persons, financial assistance to 1462 underprivileged persons and essentials including clothes to 4520 persons including autorickshaw drivers and flat complex watchmen. Rs. 20 lakhs worth essentials were given to Little Angels School for the Blind and Deaf a few years back.

Dr. Suneel mobilised essentials worth more than Rs. 3 crores for the victims of floods in Chennai, Kerala, Orissa, West Bengal and Maharashtra.

He assisted Naveen, a 12-year-old student whose legs were crushed in an accident, to get imported legs in 2013. Costing more than Rs. 2 lakhs, they had to be replaced every alternate year.

He is to undertake a padayathra to Tirupathi. On the way, he will distribute essentials among villagers.

More details can be had in www.ungalukagha.org

Traffic police booth abandoned under flyover



By Our Staff Reporter

The base of a traffic police booth has been lying abandoned under the G. N. Chetty Road flyover in T. Nagar for several days even as corporation contractor workers are beautifying the pillars of the flyover with greenery.

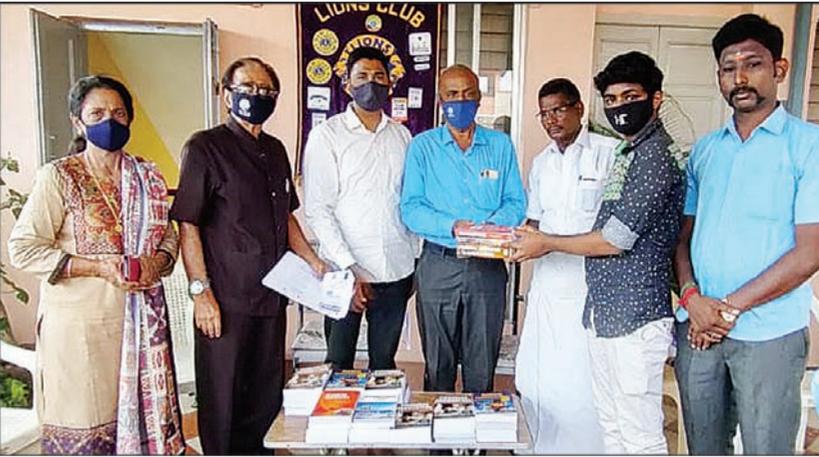
Textbooks distributed among college students

By Our Staff Reporter

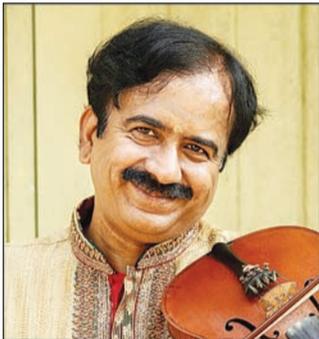
The members of Lions Club of Mylapore (Baroda Street, West Mambalam) distributed textbooks among deserving arts college students on Nov. 2.

A. I. Sait (District Chair-

person), Basker (Activity Chairperson), Farida Sait (Zone Chairperson), Rahim Shariff (President), Dr Murugan and Shakhthivel (Lion Leaders) distributed the textbooks. Students pursuing arts courses who need textbooks may contact 99626 08863.



Musician G. J. R. Krishnan pens tribute to soldiers



Renowned violinist, vocalist and composer G. J. R. Krishnan (a longtime resident of T. Nagar) and his students have composed a song titled 'Jai Poduvom' paying tribute to our soldiers.

The lyrics were written by Krishnan, and sung by his disciples Narayan Sharma from Bangalore and Vijayaa from Mumbai.

The music was composed by Vijayaa's disciple Rahul Pandey.

In the song, Krishnan has captured the trials and tribulations of soldiers, especially those guarding our borders, their travails of extremities in climate and living conditions.

The composition can be viewed on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NAem99FOVYI>

4 PSBB School students excel in pan-India quiz

By Our Staff Reporter

Four students from PSBB, K. K. Nagar were among the 12 students who won prizes in the pan-India 'Science and Technology Quiz' conducted online by Rotary Club of Chennai Galaxy.

This is the 4th consecutive year the quiz is being conducted, though done online this year due to the COVID-19 situation.

2200 students participated in the initial rounds of which 100 competed in the final round of which 12 were winners.

The prizes worth Rs. 5 lakhs included desktop, laptop, air-conditioner, tablets, smart watches and UPS.

Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya offers Electrician/Fitter/Wireman courses

By Our Staff Reporter

Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya (58, Venkatnarayana Road, T. Nagar) offers 2-year Electrician, Fitter and Wireman courses. The last date for submitting applications is Friday, Nov. 20.

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For more details, call 2434 3302 / 91766 24283 / 89397 71592. /9940508114.

Parking areas provided in T. Nagar



By Our Staff Reporter

Traffic police removed vehicles parked under the Usman Road flyover and fenced off the area to prevent traffic congestion during Deepavali shopping.

The following sites are

available for parking:

Sri RKM School (Bashyam Road, T. Nagar, opposite Panagal Park).

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Sri RKM School, Dhandapani Street.

Paid parking available on Ramanathan Street, Mahalakshmi Street, Mothilal Street and Natesan Street.

Aid distributed



By Our Staff Reporter

Dr. M. Murugan (Lions Club member and resident of West Mambalam) distributed sewing machines (3), tricycles for physically challenged (3) and sarees (100) among needy persons during his birthday celebrations in Pandian Hall, Station Road, West Mambalam on Nov. 3.

One more held for burglary in jewel shop

By Our Staff Reporter

Mambalam police on Nov. 2 arrested the fourth suspect in the Oct. 21 burglary that took place in the jewellery-making unit of Rajendra Kumar in Moosa Street (T. Nagar).

Identified as Amalraj, police apprehended him from a house in Saidapet where he had been hiding after the prime suspect Suresh was arrested on Oct. 30. Gold and silver articles worth of Rs. 2.5 crores were

burgled from the shop at night.

The other gang members arrested are the history-sheeter Venkatesan from Saidapet and Gangadevi.

After the burglary was reported, Mambalam police examined CCTV footage from the shop and zeroed in on two suspects, Suresh and his girlfriend Gangadevi, who were arrested in Tiruvallur.

During questioning, the duo named Venkatesan as the

mastermind behind the burglary. Venkatesan was arrested the next day from Cheyyar.

Police have so far retrieved 1.5 kg of gold, a pair of diamond ear studs and 11 kg of silver ornaments from the suspects.

According to Hari Kiran Prasad (Deputy Commissioner, T. Nagar) his team analysed about 400 CCTV cameras to track down the suspects.

The T. Nagar - Mambalam edition of **Mambalam Times** can be accessed in www.mambalamtimes.in

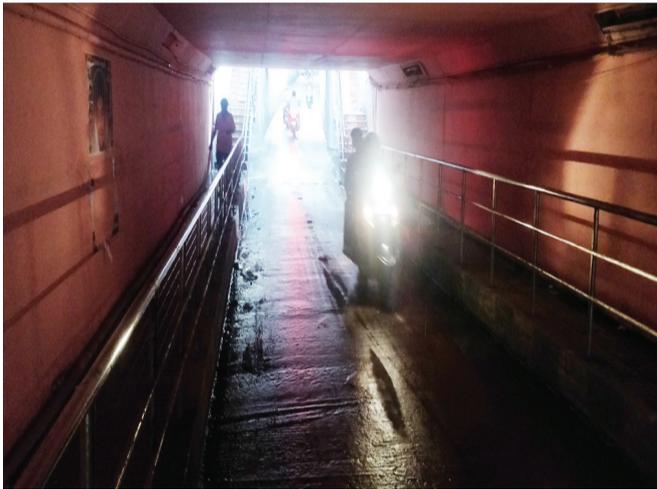
Tree trunk portions lying on road



By Our Staff Reporter

Portions of the trunk of a huge tree that was axed at the junction of Habibullah Road and G. N. Chetty Road in T. Nagar have been lying on the edge of the road for several days. They pose a danger to motorists as they cannot be seen when dark.

Rangarajapuram 2-wheeler subway in darkness



By Our Staff Reporter

Rangarajapuram 2-wheeler subway has been in darkness for a long time due to poor lighting.

Damaged barricades removed following report in Mambalam Times



Before



Now

Following the report 'Damaged barricades dumped on Mahalakshmi Street' published in *Mambalam Times* (Sept. 27-Oct. 3 issue), the damaged barricades dumped on Mahalakshmi Street T. Nagar were removed but vehicles are being parked now.

Ambulance donated to RMD Speciality Hospital

By Our Staff Reporter

Mahindra Finance donated a well-equipped ambulance to RMD Speciality Hospital (Ambarambedu unit of RMD Pain and Palliative Care Trust, T. Nagar, which serves villages in and around Kancheepuram and Sriperumbudur Districts) on Nov. 2.

The key of the vehicle was handed over to Dr. Republica Sridhar (Medical Director, RMD Speciality Hospital) in the presence of R. Vinothraj (Deputy Manager HR, Mahindra Finance), R. Vinayagam (Deputy General Manager, HR), K. S. Santhosh Kumar (General Manager, IT), B. Sathyanarayanan (Deputy Manager, IT) and others. More details can be had in 93810 16588.



Sweets, clothes given to leprosy patients



By Our Staff Reporter

Vedic Ravi (Founder, Members of Sri Bhuvaneshwari Charitable Trust and Jaimaa Charitable Trust distributed new clothes and sweets among leprosy patients and others on Nov. 6 for Deepavali. Those interested in supporting their projects may contact 93456 65918.

Service road in bad condition

By Our Staff Reporter

A portion of Usman Road service road near Duraisamy Road in T. Nagar is in bad condition due to storm water drain work in progress which is hindering movement of shoppers.



New sewage chamber built



Before



Now

Following the report 'Open drain poses danger on Venkatanarayana Road' published in *Mambalam Times* (November 1-7 issue), a new chamber was constructed and covered in place of the sewage chamber which had caved in.

Containment zones in city drop to one

With the decline in COVID-19 cases, the city now has just one containment zone (Manali). Fourteen out of the 15 Corporation zones now are free of any containment areas. On Oct. 9, the city had 70 containment zones. For the last few days, new daily cases have come down to around 700 and the total active cases in the city also came down to less than 7,000 on Nov. 3, as more than 1,200 persons recovered in 24 hours.

A total of 11 Corporation zones have active cases of only two percent including the five North Chennai zones - Thiruvottriyur, Manali, Madhavaram, Tondiarpet and Royapuram. Apart from the containment zones, the city presently has 302 streets with positive cases. Teynampet Zone has 43 streets with active cases followed by Adyar with 42 streets.

Corporation officials said that the Assistant Engineers in each zone have been told to monitor the busy places of shopping in the city. 95 per cent of the total infected COVID-19 patients have been discharged while the mortality rate is at 1.8 percent and active cases are at 3 percent.

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Keeping watch on shoppers

By Our Staff Reporter

A policeman keeps watch on the crowd of shoppers on Ranganathan Street, T. Nagar from the top of a tower using binoculars. The crowd is expected to swell as Deepavali approaches. Photo was taken on Nov. 5



Colleges and theaters to reopen on Nov. 10

By Our Staff Reporter

While the lockdown has been extended till Nov. 30, Tamilnadu Government has permitted theatres and multiplexes to reopen on Nov. 10 with 50 per cent capacity. Colleges, research institutes and other educational

institutions can also reopen swimming pools, beaches and tourist places will continue to remain closed till Nov. 30.

Rainwater diverted to temple tanks

By Our Staff Reporter

Corporation has devised a way to keep streets dry and also recharge groundwater through 20 temple tanks in the city.

Last week it was implemented in Vadapalani Murugan Temple to harvest rainwater diverted from the streets.

The infrastructure includes echo chamber and filtration technique by which rainwater on the streets is quickly drained and filtered before it enters the temple tank.

Earlier, 17 temple tanks across the city, including Virupacheeswarar Temple tank in Teynampet zone have been totally restored.

Excess rainwater from the roads or the rooftops of nearby houses is now diverted through chambers to the temple tanks after proper filtration.

Deepavali shoppers throw caution to winds

Though India has crossed eight million COVID -19 cases, the threat of infection does not seem to dim Deepavali preparations as crowds have started to throng the commercial hubs, especially in T. Nagar and Purasawalkam. The ever crowded Ranganathan Street (T. Nagar), which saw few shoppers since May, is

now teeming with shoppers with no social distancing being observed. Many shoppers can be seen without face masks. Health officials have warned shoppers to be careful as the threat of infection has not subsided and no vaccine is still available. The manager of a prominent showroom on Ranganathan

Street told this reporter that there is no way to manage the crowd or implement the mandated protocols, but they ensure that all staff members wear face masks.

The police have placed barricades at both ends of Ranganathan Street and divided the road with a median. They are also providing free face masks to shoppers found not wearing them and counseling them as well.

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