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பல்வேறு தலைவர்கள் தங்களது பல்வேறு தனித்தன்மைகளால் என்னை வியக்க வைத்திருக்கிறார்கள் என்றாலும் பெருந்தலைவர் காமராஜர் அவர்களின் எளிமை அவற்றில் தலையாய இடம் வகிக்கிறது.

அவரிடம் எப்போதுமே எனக்கு ஆழ்ந்த அன்பும், மரியாதையும் உண்டு. பலமுறை நான் டெல்லிக்குப் பயணம் செய்தது அவருடன்தான். தமிழகமெங்கும் சுற்றுப் பயணம் செய்ததும் அவருடன்தான். அந்தக் காலத்தில் அவரோடு நெருங்கிப் பழகிய காரணத்தால் அவருடைய எளிய வாழ்க்கையைக் கூர்ந்து கவனித்திருக்கிறேன்.

அவரது ஆடம்பரம் என்று எதையாவது சொல்லவேண்டும் என்றால் மூன்றுவேளை கதர்ச்சட்டை மாற்றுவதை மட்டுமே சொல்ல முடியும். சட்டை எப்போதும் பளிச்சென்று இருக்க வேண்டும்.

காரில் சுற்றுப் பயணம் போகும்போது ஒரு ரூபாய் அல்லது இரண்டு ரூபாய்க்கு சில்லறை நாணயங்களாக மடியில் கட்டிவைத்துக் கொள்வார்.

'எதுக்கு இவ்வளவு சில்லறை உங்களுக்கு?' என்று கேட்டால் 'போகிற வழியில் கார் நின்றுச்சினா பிச்சை எடுக்கிறவங்க காரை குழித்துக்குவாங்க. காசு போட்டால் போயிடுவாங்க, அதுக்குத்தான்' என்பார். கையில் கடிகாரம்கூடக் கட்டுவதில்லை. கேட்டால் 'என்னை சுற்றித் தான் எப்பவும் யாராவது இருப்பாங்களே... டைம் கேட்டா சொல்லிட்டுப் போறாங்க.... தனியா நான் வேற ஏன் கட்டிக்கணும்னேன்...' என்பார்.

ஒரு சமயம் நான் அவரிடம் ஓர் இக்கட்டான சூழ்நிலையில் மாட்டிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறேன்.

ஒரு தீபாவளி நெருக்கத்தில் அவருடன் டெல்லி போயிருந்தபோது தமிழ்நாடு கெஸ்ட் ஹவுஸில் அவர் தங்கியிருந்த அறையிலேயே என்னையும் தங்க வைத்தார். இரவு தூங்கப் போகும் முன் எனது 'வாஷிங்மென்ட்ஸ் திருமணம்' புத்தகத்தைப் படிக்க ஆரம்பித்தார். அவர் அதை முடித்துவிட்டுத் தூங்கும்வரை என்னால் விழித்துக் கொண்டிருக்க முடிய வில்லை. நான் தூங்கிப் போய்விட்டேன். வெகு நேரத்திற்குப் பின் அவர் என்னைத் தட்டி எழுப்பினார்.

'என்ன இப்படிக் குறட்டை விடறீங்க... நானே குறட்டை விடுகிறவன்தான்... நீங்க என்னையும் மிஞ்சிட்டீங்க. உங்க குறட்டை சத்தம் என்னைத் தூங்கவிடாது போலிருக்கு. பக்கத்து ரூமலே போய்ப் படுத்துக்குங்க' என்று சொல்லி அனுப்பிவிட்டார். அந்த நேரத்திலும் மறக்காமல் 'கதையைப் படிச்சு முடிச்சுட்டேன். நல்லா இருக்கு' என்று பாராட்டத் தவறவில்லை.

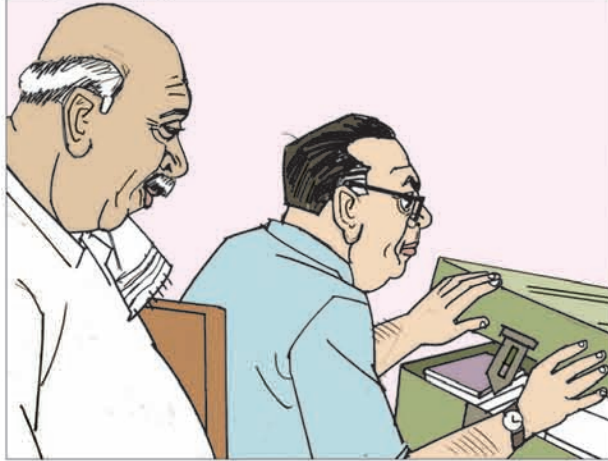
ஏதோ குறட்டை விஷயத்திலாவது பெருந்தலைவர் காமராஜரை மிஞ்ச முடிகிறதே என்று எனக்குள் பெருமை!

எப்போதும் பயணத்தின்போது அவருடன் ஒரு பெட்டி வரும்.

மல்லியில் நான் அவருடன் தங்கியிருந்தபோது எனக்குள் உள்ளூர் ஒரு குறுகுறுப்பு. அந்தப் பெட்டிக்குள் அப்படி என்னதான் இருக்கும்? என் நிருபர் புத்தி என்னைக் குடைந்து கொண்டிருந்தது!

இவரோ பிரமச்சாரி. எளிய வாழ்க்கை. ஒருநாள் அந்தப் பெட்டியைத் திறந்து சோதனை போட்டுவிட வேண்டியதுதான் என்று என் மனதுக்குள் தீர்மானித்துக் கொண்டேன்.

ஒருநாள் அவர் காரியக் கமிட்டிக் கூட்டத்துக்குப் போயிருந்தார். திரும்பிவர நேரமாகும் என்று தெரிந்தது.



அந்த நேரத்தில் ஒரு இரும்புச் சட்டத்தின் உதவியுடன் அந்தப் பெட்டியின் பூட்டை உடைத்துத் திறந்து விட்டேன்.

உள்ளே, John Gunther எழுதிய 'Inside Africa' புத்தகம், திருக்குறள், காண்டேகர், கம்ப ராமாயணம், மூன்று கதர்ச் சட்டைகள், ஒரு ஷேவிங் ஸெட், இரண்டு வேட்டி, மேல் துண்டு நாலு.

நான் இவற்றை ஆராய்ந்து கொண்டிருக்கையில் எதிர் பாராமல் காமராஜர் உள்ளே

வந்து விட எனக்குத் தூக்கிவாரிப் போட்டது.

'என்ன... என்ன... என்ன... பார்க்கறீங்க?' அவர் வருவதற்குள் என் துப்பறியும் வேலையை முடித்துவிட வேண்டும் என்ற முயற்சியில் தோற்றுப் போய், கைகால் வெலவெலத்து அவர் முன்னால் அசடு வழிந்து எதையோ உளறிக்கொட்டினேன்.

ஒரு கணத்தில் எல்லாம் புரிந்துவிட்டது அவருக்கு.

'அட்டே! கேட்டா நானே பெட்டியைத் திறந்து காட்டியிருப்பேனே! நல்ல பெட்டியைப் பாழாக்கிட்டீங்களே!' (அது ஒன்றும் அப்படி நல்ல பெட்டியில்லை, பழக்தான்!)

'இல்லை... பூட்டை சரிப்படுத்திடலாம்' என்று நான் சொன்னதும், அவர் பூட்டையும், பெட்டியையும் அப்படி இப்படி அசைத்துப் பார்த்துவிட்டு 'ம்... சரியா வராது... கிழே தினையாய் இருப்பார். அவர்கிட்ட சொல்லி சரி செய்யச் சொல்லுங்க!' என்று கூறிவிட்டு சற்று நேரத்துக்கெல்லாம் மீண்டும் வெளியே புறப்பட்டுப் போய்விட்டார்.

பெருந்தலைவரின் மரணச் செய்தி கிடைத்தவுடன் நான் ஒரு பூ மாலையுடன் திருமலைப்பிள்ளைத் தெருவுக்குப் பறந்தோடிப் போய், கண்ணீர் சிந்தியபடி அவருக்கு என் இறுதி அஞ்சலியை செலுத்திவிட்டுத் திரும்பினேன். செய்தி தீவிரமாகப் பரவாததால் கூட்டம் சேரவில்லை. போலீஸ் உயர் அதிகாரி நண்பர் பரமகுருவும், காமராஜரின் உதவியாளர் வைரவனும் மட்டுமே கண்கலங்கி நின்று கெண்டிருந்தார்கள்.

பின்னர் நண்பர் ராசாராம் அவர்கள் சொன்ன செய்தி காமராஜர் மீது எனக்கிருந்த மதிப்பை, அவரது எளிய வாழ்க்கை மீது நான் கொண்டிருந்த வியப்பைப் பன்மடங்கு உயர்த்திவிட்டது.

அதாவது காமராஜர் இறந்த அன்று அவரது பீரோவைத் திறந்து பார்த்தார்களாம்! அதில் வெறும் அறுபத்தேழு ரூபாய் மட்டுமே இருந்ததாம்!

இப்போதெல்லாம் என்னைப் பொறுத்தவரை என் தேவைகளை மிகவும் எளிதாக்கிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறேன். பயணம் போகும்போது வேட்டி, சட்டை தவிர வேறு எந்த டாம்பீசுமும் கிடையாது.

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Passengers unhurt after car climbs divider



By Our Staff Reporter

The driver of a speeding car lost control and climbed the divider at the entrance to Mahalingapuram flyover at around 7 a.m on July 28.

No one was injured in the accident.

The car suffered heavy damages in the accident.

Book on educationalist Sethu Kumanan released

By Our Staff Reporter

During a meet organised by the literary association Penakkal Peravai in T. Nagar last week, a book titled 'இயற்கையோடு இயல்பாக' on the life and achievements of educationalist Sethu Kumanan was released.

Sethu Kumanan is the Chairman of Sethu Bhaskara Group of Institutions that runs several schools.

Rs. 50,000, sponsored by Muthu Kumarasamy, Chandra Bose, N.C. Mohandas and Sivakamasundari, was distributed as scholarship to meritorious students from poor families.

Social workers Kanagavalli and Mukavari Ramesh were felicitated.

K. Gopinath (State General Secretary, Tamilnadu Udvikkaram Association for the Welfare of Differently Aabled) was present.

The program concluded with dinner hosted by N. Panchapakesan (Founder, Sai Sankara Matrimonials, Ashok Nagar).

Naamasankeerthanam in Krishna Gana Sabha till Aug. 9

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Sri Krishna Sweets (T. Nagar), Naamasankeerthanam will be held daily from 6.30 p.m to 8.30 p.m in Krishna Gana Sabha (22, Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar).

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சில சமயம் பேசவே விஷயம் இருப்பதில்லை. விருந்தினர்கள் வந்தால் எதைப் பற்றிப் பேசுவதென்று யோசிச்ச வேண்டியிருக்கிறது. பேசுவது ஓர் அரிய கலை. மேடைப் பேச்சுகளைப் பற்றி நான் சொல்லவில்லை. அது வேறு விஷயம். சாதாரணமாக நம் குடும்பங்களில் ஒருவருக்கொருவர் பேசுவது, சிநேகிதர்களிடம் பேசுவது ஆகியவற்றைத்தான் சொல்கிறேன்.

மௌனம் பல விதத்துக்கு நல்லதுதான். ஒரேயடியாக மௌனமாயிருப்பதைவிட பிறர் மனத்தைக் குளிரச் செய்யும் வகையில் பேசுவதுதான் அதைவிடச் சிறந்தது. மற்ற ஜீவராசி களுக்குக் கிடைக்காத வரப் பிரசாதம் நமக்குக் கிடைத்திருப்பது பேச்சுத்தான். அதை உரிய முறையில் பயன்படுத்திக் கொள்வதுதான் சரியாகும்.

கல்யாண வீடுகளில் சிலர் அசந்தர்ப்பமாகப் பேசுவதைக் கேட்கிறோம். ஒரு வீட்டில் பிரபல பாடகர் கச்சேரி செய்து கொண்டிருந்தார். அந்த சமயம் முன் வரிசையில் உட்கார்ந்திருந்த சில சகோதரிகள் அன்று காலை விமான விபத்தில் நேர்ந்த உயிர்ச் சேதங்களைப் பற்றி விவரித்துப் பேசிக் கொண்டிருந்தார்கள். திடீரென்று பாடகர் பாட்டையும் நிறுத்திவிட்டு, பக்க வாத்தியங்களையும் நிறுத்திவிட்டார். ஒரு நிமிஷத்தில் அந்த அம்மாளின் பேச்சு பந்தல் முழுவதும் கேட்டது. சங்கீதக் கச்சேரிகளில் பேசுவது மிகவும் கெட்ட வழக்கம். மேலும் கல்யாண வீட்டில் அசந்தர்ப்பமான பேச்சு மிகத் தவறுதானே?

ஓர் அம்மான் தன் பிள்ளைக்குப் பெண் பார்க்கப் போயிருந்தார். பெண் ஆரோக்கியமாக அழகாக இருந்தாள். அந்த மகிழ்ச்சியில் என்ன பேசுவது என்று தெரியாமல், 'என் பெரிய நாட்டுப் பெண் கல்யாணத்தின் போது நன்றாக இருந்தாள். எங்கள் வீட்டுக்கு வந்த பிறகு நான் எவ்வளவு பார்த்துப் பார்த்துச் செய்தும் இளைத்துத் துரும்பாகிவிட்டாள். எங்கள் வீட்டுச் சாப்பாட்டு ராசிபோல் இருக்கிறது!' என்று சொல்லிவிட்டாள். பெண்ணின் பெற்றோர் ஜாதகம் பொருந்தவில்லை என்று எழுதிவிட்டார்கள். இதில் என்ன ஆச்சரியம் இருக்கிறது?

நம்முடைய தவறு நமக்குத் தெரிவதில்லை. அதனால் கூடிய மட்டும் பிறர் செய்கையை கவனமாகக் கவனித்தால் குற்றம் எளிதாகத் தெரியும். அத்துடனில்லாமல் நாமும் இந்தக் குற்றங்களைச் செய்கிறோமா என்று அடிக்கடி நம்மையே ஆராய்ந்து கொண்டால் நல்ல பலன் இருக்கத்தான் செய்து. தவறுகளைத் திருத்திக் கொள்ள முடிகிறது.



பல வருஷங்களுக்குப் பிறகு எங்கள் வீட்டுக்கு ஓர் உறவினர் குடும்பம் வந்திருந்தது. அந்த அம்மாளோ, கணவரோ தங்கியிருந்த மூன்று நாட்களிலும் எங்களைப் பற்றி ஒரு வார்த்தை விசாரிக்கவில்லை. மலையா சுற்றுப் பிரயாணத்தையும், தங்களுடைய பெருமைகளையும், குழந்தைகளின் பிரதாபங்களையும் வாய் ஓயாமல் சொல்லிக் கொண்டிருந்தார்கள். எனக்கு மிகவும் குறையாக இருந்தது. ஏன்? அழகைக் கூட வந்துவிட்டது. பிறரைப் பேசவிடாமல் தாங்களே பேசும் சுபாவத்தை என்னவென்று சொல்வது?

இன்று பெண்களாகிய நாம் பல துறைகளில் வேகமாக முன்னேறிக் கொண்டு வருகிறோம். இன்னொருவர் மனம் நோகப் பேச வேண்டிய அவசியமில்லை. ஒவ்வொருவரிடமும் ஆண்டவன் அருளால் ஏதோ சில நற்குணங்கள், நற்செய்கைகள் இருக்கத்தானிருக்கும். சிலர் அபூர்வமான கை வேலைகள் செய்வார்கள், பாடுவார்கள், சமையல் கவையாகச் செய்வார்கள், குழந்தைகளை நன்றாக வளர்த்திருப்பார்கள். அவற்றை மட்டும் குறிப்பிட்டுப் பேசுவோமே!

கஷ்டப்படும் மனத்துக்கு ஆறுதல் அன்பான பேச்சுத்தான். அவர்கள் கஷ்டத்தை ஓரளவு நம் மனத்தில் பதிய வைத்துக் கொண்டு ஆறுதல் சொல்வோமானால் அது சர்க்கரை பூசின வார்த்தைகளாக மட்டும் இல்லாமல் இதயத்தில் ஊறின அமுதமாக அவர்களுடைய மனப் புண்ணை ஆற்றும்.

Dr. M.K. Srinivasan at hundred continues his lifetime of service to the needy



By Our Staff Reporter

Dr. M. K Srinivasan (resident of T. Nagar and Medical Director of Public Health Centre (PHC), Lake View Road, West Mambalam) celebrated his 100th birthday in Chakra Vinayagar Temple (Dhandapani Street T. Nagar) on July 29.

A patron of the temple, he continues to spearhead all the major festivals at the temple.

His family members, including his daughters Lakshmi and Malathi, and several dignitaries and senior doctors attended the function.

Dr. MKS, as he's affectionately known, started his career in 1951. Belying his age, he continues to practise and sees patients daily.

He has to his credit over 70 years of voluntary service at PHC, and has been its Medical Director for over 25 years.

Since the inception of the Centre by its Founder M.C.



Subrahmanyam in 1953 in a small hut with a lantern, Srinivasan has been serving in the capacity of on-call surgeon.

"I donated whatever allowance I was paid, back to Public Health Centre, which I do till date for any major or minor surgery I do there.", he said.

A student of Stanley Medical College, Srinivasan did his internship there as well, after which he was transferred to the Government Royapettah Hospital. After resignation from his paid service, he was appointed as honorary surgeon at Royapettah, where for 20 years, he was in charge of a surgical unit.

My motto has remained 'Service before self. Even today, I never refuse to see a

patient, no matter how my health condition is. I owe whatever I am to my late wife," he said.

As someone who started practising medicine when Penicillin was the only available antibiotic, he believes in constant learning, every day and every moment.

"I take care to see that I keep abreast with scientific advancement. When I was a student, we depended heavily on physical examination of the patient and asked a lot of questions before a diagnosis. In my practice today too, I focus on being a 'generalist' first, and then only a specialist.

Secret of my health is leading an organised life, dedication to my profession, social service and good eating habits, he said.

Venkat Hearing Solutions offers free audiogram test

By Our Staff Reporter

As part of its anniversary celebrations, Venkat Hearing Solution (41/18, Postal Colony 3rd Street, opposite Canara Bank, West Mambalam) offers free Audiogram Test.

Those diagnosed with hearing problems in the audiogram test can avail free hearing aid trials worth Rs. 1,500.

It is also offering special discounts on hearing aids with exchange offers.

All leading brands including Phonak, Unitron, Signia and ReSound are available.

Its contact numbers are 98400 04110 and 044-47854600.

Admissions open in Little Popsicles playschool

By Our Staff Reporter

Admissions are open for Vijayadasami in Little Popsicles playschool (3/5, Iyyappan Street, Perambur, Vivekanandapuram, West Mambala. Ph: 93452 13722) for children above 1.5 years.

Apart from the regular curriculum, other activities include Sensory Play, Motor Development, Nature Connect, Cognitive Skills and Holistic Development.

The playschool offers a safe and caring environment, and has experienced educators.

Discourses and music programs till Aug. 5

Gnana Advaita Peetam (7/15, New Giri Road, Satyamurthy Nagar, T. Nagar) has organised discourses and music programs daily till Aug. 5 in Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (East Mada Street, Mylapore).

The following are the program details:

Sunday, Aug. 2:

11 a.m: Discourse by Suchithra Balasubramanian

Monday, Aug. 3:

5.45 p.m: Vocal concert by Vaishnavi Ramadas

7 p.m: Odissi dance recital by Sujatha Mohapatra

Tuesday, Aug. 4:

5.45 p.m: Mohiniattam recital by Gopika Verma

7 p.m: Group bharatanatyam dance recital by Padmini Krishnamurthy and students of Gana Nilayam Trust

Wednesday, Aug. 5:

5 p.m: Discourse by U. Ve. Dhamal Ramakrishnan Entrance is free. All are welcome.

The programs are also telecast live at <https://live.svmf.in/krishna-utsavam>. For more details, call 044-65272991.

Free 4-month Tally course for poor students

Ramakrishna Mission Students' Home (66, PS Sivasami Salai, Mylapore) offers a free 4-month Tally course, both online and offline, for poor students whose family income is below Rs. 3 lakhs. Minimum graduates below 35 years from the Commerce stream are eligible to join the course.

The classes commence on Monday, Sept. 7.

The offline classes are held from Monday to Saturday in two batches from 10 a.m to 12.30 p.m and from 3 p.m to 5.30 p.m in the above premises and the online batch is held from 6 p.m to 8 p.m. As all applications need to be vetted for selecting deserving students from poor families, candidates are requested to apply early.

The Mission appeals to the readers of Mambalam Times to recommend underprivileged persons to join the course.

For registration, call Sri. R. R. Narayanan (Ph: 89396 74598) or R. Hariharan (Ph: 63690 33817) on weekdays between 2 p.m and 6 p.m, or send email with full details to rkmtally@rkmshome.org.

Gajendra Moksham held in temple tank



By Our Staff Reporter

Thousands of devotees participated in Gajendra Moksham celebration held for Aadi on July 29 in the temple tank in Kothandaramar Temple (K.R. Koil Street, West Mambalam).

Following the poojas, the deity was taken on a procession in the temple chariot around nearby streets.

Free 10-day spoken Sanskrit classes from Aug. 6

Sanskrita Bharati will conduct free 10-day spoken Sanskrit classes from Thursday, Aug. 6 to Saturday, Aug. 15 at various venues in T. Nagar and West Mambalam.

There is no age restriction and no prior knowledge of Sanskrit is necessary.

Interested persons can register at the venue.

For more details, call 7358425246 or 9930756743.

Online course for youngsters on Naalaayira Divya Prabandham

By Our Staff Reporter

A new initiative titled "The Spirit of Ramanuja", presented by Kannan Kazhal, has been launched to connect the younger generation with classical heritage.

Building on her extensive experience guiding women over the past few years, instructor Smt. Lakshmi is extending her dedicated 'Naalayira Divya Prabandham Pasuram' course specifically for youngsters.

The classes will be held online, offering structured learning with 2 sessions per week. Specific timings will be announced upon registration.

Interested persons can register for the course by contacting Smt. Lakshmi at 90030 20824.

Writes three Maths books for school students

By Our Staff Reporter

Three books on Mathematics, written for Std. 6 to 8 CBSE school students by S. Shanmugapriya (resident of T. Nagar), was released recently in Alpha School (CIT Nagar).

The books are titled 'Aris and Lyra: Trial of integers', 'Exponent Explorers' and 'Coordinate Geometry along with Workbook'.

Shanmugapriya said that the books combine illustrated characters with a comic touch with practice exercises to make abstract Maths concept easier for students to understand.

She said that the workbook is mapped to the NCERT syllabus.

The books are available online on Amazon (Kindle version) and Pothi.com.

Her contact number is 96770 12087.

Shanmuga Priya holds a post graduate degree in Mathematics.

Special poojas for Aadi in Ellaiaimman temple

By Our Staff Reporter

In connection with Aadi, special poojas will be held in Ellaiaimman Temple (Ellaiaimman Koil Street, West Mambalam) from Aug. 7 to Aug. 9. The following are the details:

Friday, Aug. 7: 8 a.m.: Abhishekam, 6 p.m.: Manjal kaappu and pushpa alangaram.

Saturday, Aug. 8: Abhishekam, 6 p.m.: Vibuthi kaappu and pushpa alangaram.

Sunday, Aug. 10: 8 a.m.: Abhishekam, 12 noon: Annadhaanam, 2 p.m.: Sakthi graham and procession, 7 p.m.: Agni graham.

All are welcome.

750 students participate in Yoga competition



The 14th South India Hall (Ramakrishna Mission School, T. Nagar). Around 750 students participated in the competition, and prizes were awarded to the winners in various categories.

Senior Rotarians including D. Suresh Jain (District Governor 3234), Uma Yuvaraj, Uma Maheswari and C. Muthusamy, yoga masters Ravi Arumugam and R. Nandakumar were present.

The event was organised and coordinated by K. S. Guruprasad (President, Rotary Club of Chennai Port City) and G. Shankar (Secretary).

Rotary Club of Chennai Port City has been conducting this tournament for the past 10 years.

Bicycles gifted to poor students



By Our Staff Reporter

Kalpavriksha Seva Trust (3, S.V. Nagarathinammal Street, West Mambalam) and Rotary Club of Chennai K.K. Nagar gifted bicycles worth Rs.25,000 to three beneficiaries at a program held in its premise last week.

Two bicycles were gifted to girl students studying in government schools and one to an entrepreneur.

The program was held in the presence of Raghunathan Ramarao (Founder of Kalpavruksha Seva Trust) and Vijayanthi Raghuraman (President of Rotary Club of Chennai K.K. Nagar).

Appeal for closure of Tasmac shop on Thambiah Road

By Our Staff Reporter

The residents of Thambiah Road (West Mambalam) have demanded for the closure of a Tasmac outlet functioning for the past several years on the road.

The residents said that when the new Tamilnadu government shut down Tasmac outlets functioning close to schools, hospitals and temples, four Tasmac outlets functioning in T. Nagar were closed.

Following those shutdowns, the rush at the Tasmac outlet in Thambiah Road has increased.

A nearby resident said that the shop is kept open from 12 noon to 10 p.m. He said that the customers drink in the open and throw the bottles at doorsteps or on roads. In the late evenings and at night, many get drunk and sleep on the pavement or outside the nearby houses, he said.

Also, the condition prevailing around the shop sets a bad example for the students as they are forced to watch drunkards squatting on pavements and often fighting with one another using abusive words.

He said that despite several complaints and promise of action by the officials, the outlet is continuing to function.

Discourse on Bhagavad Gita today

Under the auspices of Sri Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama (3, Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar), Swami Guruvanananda will deliver a discourse in Tamil on Bhagavad Gita at 5.30 p.m on Sunday, Aug. 2 in the Ashram's premises. All are welcome.

Thiruvvasagam discourse today forenoon

Nirmala Ravi will present a discourse on Thiruvvasagam at 9 a.m on Sunday, Aug. 2 in Sakthi Vinayagar Temple (Sathyamoorthy Block, Jafferkhanpet, behind R10 Police Station). All are welcome.

For more details, call 99417 55111.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Delay in storm water drain work affects residents



Sir, The storm water widening work started by Chennai Corporation on Lake View Road (near Public Health Centre, West Mambalam) is progressing at a slow pace.

The slow and unfinished work has resulted in water stagnation after rains, mosquito breeding, foul smell and damaged road surfaces. It is causing hardship to nearby residents, motorists and scores of patients visiting the charitable hospital daily.

More alarmingly, a high-tension power cable is lying exposed on the road, posing risk of electrocution to unwary passers-by, especially at night due to poor visibility.

I request Chennai Corporation to accelerate the work and complete it early. Also, TNEB must take immediate steps to bury the exposed high-tension cable. **Badri Kasturi, T. Nagar.**

Live EB cable poses danger to pedestrians



Sir, A heavy-duty power cable connecting to a nearby junction box is lying exposed on the pavement on Pinjala Subramaniam Street, T. Nagar.

It poses grave danger to unwary pedestrians, especially during dark hours due to poor visibility.

After heavy rains, water stagnates at the spot adding to the risk of electrocution.

I request Tamilnadu Electricity Board to take immediate action to bury the exposed cable below the earth to prevent any untoward incident. **S. Raghuram, Pinjala Subramaniam Street, T. Nagar.**

Poor upkeep of washrooms at metro stations

Sir, The washrooms at most of the metro stations are poorly maintained with broken taps and leaks.

Also, the washrooms restrooms are not cleaned periodically leaving them in unhygienic condition.

Though ten months back, Chennai Metro had announced a renovation plan for washrooms at all the stations with high footfall, no major work in that direction has taken place.

I travel daily between Ashok Nagar and Central metro stations for work.

At both these stations also, the washrooms are in a state of apathy.

The situation is worse in underground stations as the toilets are located outside the ticketed area, making them accessible to the general public, whereas elevated station washrooms are located beyond the ticket gates and are used almost exclusively by metro passengers.

I appeal to Chennai Metro to take immediate steps to repair the broken facilities at all the washrooms in metro stations and to ensure their regular upkeep for the benefit of the passengers. **R. Shanmugavel, 11th Avenue, Ashok Nagar.**

Water stagnates on Hindi Prachar Sabha Street



By Our Staff Reporter

As the road is damaged and there are several potholes, water stagnates after rains on Hindi Prachar Sabha Street (T. Nagar).

It causes hindrance to motorists and pedestrians.

Nearby residents appeal to Chennai Corporation to repair the road early.

This photo was taken on July 30.

Rotary Club celebrates Kargil Diwas by planting saplings



By Our Staff Reporter

In connection with the 27th Kargil Vijay Diwas on July 26, Rotary Club of Chennai Port City organised an environment-friendly program in Ramakrishna Mission School (Bazullah Road, T. Nagar).

Its members and students planted 27 saplings of na-

tive trees in the school.

Students took a pledge to nurture the saplings into healthy trees.

Rotarians including D. Suresh Jain (District Governor), Uma Maheswari Balakrishnan (District Chairman), K.S. Guruprasad and G. Shankar were present.

The Club's contact number is 94440 61166.

Leaning traffic light post near Madley Subway



By Our Staff Reporter

The traffic light post installed near the entrance of Madley Subway (Madley Road, T. Nagar) is leaning precariously, and can fall across the road at any time. It poses danger to motorists and pedestrians.

Nearby residents request traffic police to refix the leaning post early. This photo was taken on July 29.

Guru Purnima celebrated in Gnana Advaita Peetam

By Our Staff Reporter

Guru Purnima was celebrated on July 29 in Gnana Advaita Peetam (7/15 New Giri Road T. Nagar).

The same day, special poojas were held to Swamini Gnanananda Saraswati Mataji (the Founder of the Peetam) in connection with her 97th birth anniversary.

The Peetam is now headed by Shrihariprasad, Founder of Vishnu Mohan Foundation, which also functions from the same premises.

Corporation collects Rs. 165.45 crores property tax in July

Chennai Corporation has collected Rs. 165.45 crores in property tax during a special intensive collection drive held through July.

As part of the enforcement measures, civic officials sealed several commercial establishments, including Velavan Stores Silks Private Limited (Usman Road, T. Nagar) for non-payment of dues.

An official said that Velavan Stores was sealed as it had failed to pay property tax dues of over Rs. 15 lakhs despite several notices issued to it. The premises were subsequently reopened after the firm remitted the entire due amount.

Chennai Corporation has directed all property owners with pending dues to clear it immediately to avoid penal interest and further enforcement proceedings.

Six stations on Vadapalani-Porur corridor to open in October

By Our Staff Reporter

Even as Chennai Metro waits for the Central Government to fix an inauguration date for the operationally ready Poonamallee Bypass-Vadapalani corridor, six stations on the stretch, which were originally slated to open last month, are now expected to open by October.

The stations under construction are Saligramam, Avichi School, Alwarthirunagar, Valasaravakkam, Karambakkam and Alapakkam Junction.

When Chennai Metro starts operations from Poonamallee Bypass to Porur, trains will skip these stations before terminating at Vadapalani.

The 14.6 kms Poonamallee Bypass-Vadapalani stretch has already received mandatory safety clearances but remains idle as the Centre is yet to announce an inauguration date.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Pavements encroached

Sir, Pavements are encroached at several places in Ashok Nagar, forcing pedestrians to walk on the road and risk their lives.

Eateries and other roadside vendors have blocked the pavements on P. T. Rajan Salai, Lakshmanswamy Salai and Ramaswamy Salai in K.K. Nagar, and on 2nd Avenue (Ashok Nagar).

Even shopkeepers have occupied the footpaths by placing ads, display racks and merchandise, while two-wheelers and cars are also parked on the pavements.

The space designated for cycle track on P. T. Rajan Salai and Lakshmanswamy Salai and Ramaswamy Salai is fully encroached.

A timber merchant has converted a stretch of the pavement on 2nd Avenue (Ashok Nagar) into a godown by stocking timber and other items on the pavement.

As a number of students use the pavement to reach nearby schools, they are forced to walk on the road, thereby risking their lives.

I appeal to Chennai Corporation to rid all the affected pavements of encroachments. **R. Selvaraghavan, 11th Street, off 2nd Avenue, Ashok Nagar.**



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Ann Anra (Founder) said that the products are priced from Re.1 onwards.

She said that Wasted 360 collects used items excluding mats and pillows from households and other organisations to support ragpickers.

She said the collected items are segregated and those that need to be recycled are sent to authorised recyclers.

The money generated from the recycled items and from the sale at Rebirth are used to support deserving women and ragpickers. Rebirth Collective has outlets in Indira Nagar and Bangalore.

To donate used items, contact Wasted 360 in 97517 55522.

Wasted 360, founded by Ann Anra in 2019, works towards sustainable environment by providing solutions related to domestic and commercial waste and used items management, recycling and safe disposal through authorised recyclers.

Abandoned van blocks carriageway



By Our Staff Reporter

A van in dilapidated condition is seen abandoned on the road margin on Crescent Park Street (T. Nagar).

A nearby resident told this reporter that the van has been parked at the spot for more than 2 months.

He said that passers-by have converted the pavement adjoining the spot into an open urinal as the van provides them cover.

He appeals to traffic police to remove the van from the spot as it is blocking usable width of the carriageway, causing obstruction to motorists.

Damaged concrete posts block pavement



Two damaged concrete posts are seen dumped on the pavement at the junction of North Boag Road and Vijayaraghava Road (T. Nagar).

The concrete posts with exposed iron rods in rusted condition pose danger of grave injury to unwary pedestrians, especially at night due to poor visibility.

Nearby residents request Chennai Corporation to remove the posts from the pavement.

This photo was taken on July 30.

Satsang on Saturdays in Balaji Kalyana Mandapam

ISKCON (International Society for Krishna Consciousness) is conducting Satsang on Saturdays from 5.30 p.m to 8 p.m in Balaji Kalyana Mandapam, (Sundaram Street, T. Nagar).

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