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Anniyur

This is the 179th Paadal Petra Shiva Sthalam on

This is the 179th Paadal Petra Shiva Sthalam on the south side of river Cauvery and the 62nd Sthalam of Chozha Nadu. The temple is on the banks of river Arasalaru.

In Periyapuranam Sekkizhar records that Thirunavukkarasu Swamigal came to this temple after worshiping Lord Shiva of Thiruveezhimizhalai. Even though he didn't mention this temple in particular, but mentioned other temples on the way.

Moolavar: Sri Agnipureeswarar, Sri Agneeswarar, Consort: Sri Gowriparvathy

Some of the salient features of this temple are........

The temple faces east with a two-tier Rajagopuram.

A balipeedam and a Rishabam are after the entrance of Rajagopuram. In koshtam Dakshinamurthy,
Lingothbavar, Brahma, and Durgai.

In prakaram Vinayagar, Sri Valli Devasena
Subramaniar, Nalvar, Shiva Lingas, Bhairavar,
Suriyan, Chandran, Saneeswarar and Two
Chandikeswarar. Sthala puranam bas-relief is on the out side mandapam wall. In praharam Somaskandar and Natarajar.

Ambal is in a separate Sannadhi. Ambal is small and Dwarapalakas are in stone.

ARCHITECTURE

The temple consists of sanctum sanctorum, antarala, artha mandapam and a open mukha mandapam. A Vesara vimana is on the sanctum.

HISTORY AND INSCRIPTIONS

Since Thirunavukkarasu Swamigal has sung hymns in praise of Lord Shiva of this temple the original temple might have existed before the 7th Century. Later the same was reconstructed as a stone temple during the Chozha period and further extended/maintained during the Vijayanagara/Maratha period and Nattukottai Nagarathars. Maha kumbhabhishekam was conducted on 21st August 2002

LEGENDS

It is believed that Brahma, Agni, Sage Agasthiyar, Sanathkumarar, and Sanathanar worshiped Lord Shiva of this temple.

In another legend, Dkashan conducted a Yagna for which Maha Vishnu, Brahma, Ashtadikpalakas, and Pancha Bhutas including Agni and Devas attended. Lord Shiva was not invited for the same. When asked by Ma Parvati as Dakshayani, Dakshan didn't give a proper response. Angered Lord Shiva sent Veerabhadra and Ma Kali to destroy the Yagna.

Veerabhadra killed Daksha by cutting his head later replaced with a goat's head. The participants of Yagna were cursed and punished. In that, Agni was also cursed and lost his hands and tongue. He came to this place to worship Lord Shiva with Vanni's leaves and was relieved from the curse, restoring his hands and tongue. Hence Lord Shiva is called Agneeswarar. Agni also requested Lord Shiva to bless the devotees who are suffering from deceases related to "ushnam – Heat". The place was called Vanniyur (Vanni + oor) and was corrupted to the present name of Anniyur.

Parihara sthalam for Vastu and it is believed that blood pressure and heat (ushnam) related ailments will be cured if one takes a bath in Agni theertham and worships Lord Shiva. The 8 temples around this place are considered as Ashtadikpalakas, in which Anniyur is also one of them. It is auspicious to worship all these eight temples.

* Your Stars This Year:

Aries: Shared challenges bring you closer to another person, and working through problems together fosters a deeper bond. It could be a personal situation or a task; collaborating will create a deeper connection. If you happen to be alone, a new connection might grow even stronger through mutual support.

Taurus: Your partner may be a bit moody, and calm understanding will bring harmony. If you are single, someone will need your quiet presence for support. That will create another soft, emotional, and deepening experience. Listen with compassion and withhold any hasty reaction; otherwise, you will observe the bond.

Gemini: You will feel a deep sense of gratitude for the loyalty in your relationship. Some gestures of trust and care from your partner will remind you how strong your bonding is. For a single person, someone loyal and sincere may enter the scene, offering comfort and stability.

Cancer: This day to keep away from old arguments and choose peace for your love. Forgiveness would make space for healing and draw your heart near to your partner. Allow yourself to be open to new beginnings. Emotional balance and kindness will be the guiding forces during your conversations.

Leo: Might be a message filled with considerate words, an instance of unexpected sweetness, or a subtle act of love that brings a smile. If you are structuring your career as a cupid, somewhere, right now, a strong declaration will take you by surprise. If you are already holding hands in life, cherish the moment.

Virgo: The discussions about dreams and plans will illuminate your love life today. If in a relationship, share hopes with your partner and listen carefully to theirs. The honesty will build confidence and closeness. For singles, openly expressing your desires may be an attraction to someone who shares the same vision.

Libra: There is happiness in sharing a simple meal today. Eating light meals, sharing some light laughter, and basking in the comfort of being in each other's company will warm the heart. For the single, sharing meals with someone new creates a beautiful bond. If you're in a relationship, cherish these quiet moments.

Scorpio: Clearing of the mind about what it really needs in love. Single or coupled, feelings shall steady themselves. Time must be granted for contemplation on what truly brings peace to the heart and happiness. Self-awareness will draw forth a realisation of feelings, and this realisation will lead one to deeper levels.

Sagittarius: The perfect moment for you to make the very first approach today would be to take the step and break the ice. Waiting for the right moment to speak with that special someone, gather your courage and start the conversation. Your warm and natural energies will allow smoothness and comfort.

Capricorn: Your sharp observation allows you to detect minute signals of attraction. A gentle tone may betray someone's quiet feelings for you. If you are in a relationship, even minor gestures of love from your partner can serve as reminders of the deep connection you share.

Aquarius: Heartfelt advice about your love life may reach you from someone you trust. Listen carefully, as their words will carry wisdom and clarity. A friend can perhaps suggest a new perspective on love for you if you are single, but if you're in a relationship, accepting some gentle advice could give you insight into your partner's.

Pisces: Blame for your share in an argument would bring harmony. A simple apology or a cool discussion will enable the binding of emotional duty between one and the other. Singles, don't let your ego get in the way of forming new connections. The more you take your role into account kindly, the more love feels light. Choose harmony over pride and let your heart find.

PREDICTION FOR THIS WEEK 13.09.2025 TO 19.09.2025

The Alchemy of Concentration: Turning Thoughts into Power

When the human body starts to suffer many kinds of diseases, it is proved that the mind and intellect in the form of the soul has gone beyond concentration. So, concentration is really a great thing. Due to the concentration of the intellect, the effect of those ordinary deeds becomes great. Where there is concentration, the wastage of thoughts, words and deeds ends and you gain might. Through the power of concentration, you also develop the power of determination easily. And determination automatically enables you to achieve success.

Mind - intellect is present in a human being in the best form. He can control the atmosphere with the power of the mind - intellect. He can make the atmosphere [good] or spoil it. For example, the opponents of Nehruji used to oppose him a lot behind his back, and when he used to come in front of them and deliver a speech, all their opposition used to vanish. It is the wonder of the intellect; it is the wonder of the concentration of the intellect. Concentration produces so much power that if the whole world stands on one side and one soul that is stable in the soul conscious stage, which is praised in the Gita as "swaruupnishtha", stands on the other side, then it can have the willpower to face the whole world.

Those who become constant masters of their mind, those who control their mind through the power of concentration, they become the conquerors of the world by conquering their mind. Shankar is shown this way. He crossed all the limits. On the basis of what? On the basis of the concentration of the mind. This is why, he is called Vishwanath. Someone doesn't become the emperor of the world simply. The power of concentration increases so much that it can control the 5 billion human souls.

The sanskaars which don't end, the sanskaars which trouble you, what must you do to destroy them? You must assimilate the power of concentration.

Concentration is a method of treatment. What is this healing that they do nowadays? Healing, reiki or two-four such therapies are used in practice. That is nothing else but just concentration.

Question: What is the reason for not having concentration of the mind?

Answer: Our good and bad actions of the previous births don't let the mind concentrate. They make the intellect inconstant. The intellect becomes unsteady.

Question: What should we do to increase the concentration of the mind?

Answer: In order to assimilate the concentration of the soul, practice is necessary. 'Abhyasenatukaunteya, vairagyena cha grahyate.' Whatever act you perform on the basis of the superiority of the mind and the intellect will definitely bring about the transformation of the world. But for this, you require practice, concentration.

Concentration will come through asceticism. Due to developing asceticism, the intellect will be diverted from this world and become concentrated. And when the intellect achieves concentration, the mind power and the intellectual power will increase. The more someone has the power to accommodate with everything will move ahead. He will attain concentration. Then, no one will be able to make us unstable. For example, there is a lamp, the flame of the lamp will sway when there is wind and if there is no wind at all, the flame of the lamp will remain erect. The author is solely responsible for this article. The publisher or editor are not responsible.

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PUBLIC MONEY IN VAIN: Tamilnadu CM MK Stalin inaugurated fifty free water vending machines in chennai to boost clean water access smart water ATMs. It have been set up at various places like bus stands, government hospitals, educational institutions and temples. It was inaugurated on June 18 2025 one such water ATM is not working in Amman Kovil Street, Vadapalani (near Murugan Temple). More over the water booth side was not kept in public view. Many devotees visit Murugan temple can see only the back side of the water ATM booth. Will there will be solution soon?



Best teachers award

The members of Rotary Club of Madras Vadapalani honoured and presented best teachers award to 25 teachers working in various schools and NGO organisation supporting education to needy students in a function held at Padma Seshadri Bala Bhavan Senior Secondary School, K.K.Nagar on Sept.1 for the 21st consecutive years. The awards are presented by Padma Venkataraman (President of Women's India Association) in presence of V. R.Lakshmipriya (President of Rotary Club of Madras Vadapalani), S.Nevil P Rayan (Chairman, Vocational Service), Ayyanar (Director, Vocational Service) and John S.Mathew (Secretary).

Flyover works progressing at Teynampet-Saidapet stretch



The construction of the 3.20 km long four-lane elevated flyover on Anna Salai, between Teynampet and Saidapet, is progressing steadily. The project, launched by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on January 19, 2024, is being executed at an estimated cost of \$\mathbb{0}621\$ crore to ease traffic congestion along the busy corridor. Minister for Public Works, Highways and Minor Ports, A.V. Velu, recently inspected

the project site. With 40 percent of the work completed, the Minister directed officials to expedite the foundation, micro-piling, geo synthetic layering, and welding works in the metro tunnel and other sections. He emphasized the need to complete foundation the monsoon season. He also instructed officials from the Traffic Police, Electricity Board, GCC, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, and the Forest Department to coordinate at the work sites to ensure smooth progress without causing inconvenience to the public.



Bricklayer seriously injured

Ilangovan, a bricklayer from Masudi Street, Aminjikarai, was working on repairing the roof of a house in the Choolaimedu area Thursday evening. He suffered a spinal cord fracture after tripping and falling from a height of 15 feet. He has been admitted to the intensive care unit of the Kilpauk Government Hospital.

Fire officer arrested for accepting a bribe

Aziz, a resident of Valasaravakkam, applied online for a fire department certificate to open a new beauty salon in Ramapuram.

To grant permission for this, Ramapuram Fire Station Officer Elangovan demanded a bribe of Rs. 25,000; later, after bargaining, the amount was reduced to Rs. 10,000. Aziz, who did not want to pay a bribe, filed a complaint with the Chennai Anti-Corruption and Vigilance Department police. Aziz, who was told by Officer Ilango that the chemical-coated currency notes given by the police were handed over to firefighter Munusamy, was caught red-handed by the anti-corruption police who were hiding there.

After investigation, the Anti-Corruption Police arrested both Munusamy and Officer Elangovan.



Changes to Metro Rail service from the 15th

Due to the ongoing second phase of construction work above the Vadapalani Metro Station, transport services on the Green Line have been diverted. The metro rail service running from Koyambedu to Ashok Nagar will be temporarily rerouted from the 15th to the 19th.

From 5:00 am to 6:00 am, the metro trains will run at an interval of 14 minutes between Parangimalai - Ashok Nagar Metro Station; 14 minutes between Airport and Ashok Nagar; and seven minutes between Central and Koyambedu.

Metro rail service from Koyambedu to Ashok Nagar will be temporarily suspended. For the convenience of passengers during this time, special connecting buses will be operated every 10 minutes between 5:00 AM and 6:00 AM in the Koyambedu and Ashok Nagar metro rail station areas. Metro rail services will operate as usual from 6:00 AM

Open Abacus and Vedic Maths competition 2025

The Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Teacher Association (AMATA), an ISO 9001:2018 certified body, has announced the upcoming International Open Abacus and Vedic Maths Competition 2025, which will be conducted in an offline format from 11 am, September 20 and 21, 2025, at Seethalakshmi Hall, Poonamallee High Road, Maduravoyal. The competition is open to all Abacus students from any centre.

Model question papers will be provided in advance, and participants may select their level of entry based on the syllabus. Applications can be submitted via WhatsApp or email to the respective centre coordinators. For further more details contact: 8144443777 /

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Police take action to collect fine amounts from insurance companies

The amount of unpaid fines for vehicles involved in violations has exceeded 300 crores. As a result, the police in Chennai have implemented a new procedure that will require drivers to pay a fine before they can renew their vehicle insurance.

As the number of vehicles in Chennai increases, so do the number of traffic violations. The police are imposing fines on drivers who violate the rules.

In addition to the direct fine system, sophisticated surveillance cameras are installed at various locations to monitor and fine motorists who violate the rules.

Fines are being imposed for violations including speeding, ignoring signals, and not wearing a helmet. This fine can be paid through the device available at the traffic police, through Paytm, the app, or through the post office. However, many motorists have been not paying fines for years.

To collect this fine, advice is being provided through the 'call center' staff set up in each Assistant Transport Commissioner's office.

However, since many people are not willing to pay the fines, more than 300 crore rupees of fines are pending. In this situation, the Chennai Police have implemented a new procedure as a crackdown to prevent violations.

It has been made mandatory to pay insurance for vehicles. All types of insurance companies are connected to the app and website called 'Parivahan'.

On the insurance company's online page, you need to enter the vehicle number and renew the insurance. During the renewal, if the fine amount for the concerned vehicle is not paid, you will be advised to pay it immediately.



Unauthorised parking vehicles seized by Chennai Traffic Police



The Chennai city police seized two wheelers which was parked in no parking zone in South Perumal Kovil Street, Vadapalani.

The city police are conducting a regular drive especially in this area because people who are coming to shop or temple they park it in no parking zone. Even though there is a paid parking system available here. This initiative aims to clear the streets and generate revenue for city development.

Efforts to remove abandoned vehicles in Chennai have been ongoing for several years. Old vehicles parked on roadsides significantly impact traffic flow and become breeding grounds for disease-carrying insects like mosquitoes due to rainwater stagnation. The municipality's efforts aim to prevent these issues and improve urban living conditions.

The municipality's collaboration with the police ensures that any criminal links to the seized vehicles are thoroughly investigated before handovering to the owners. This step ensures transparency and legality in the process. This initiative reflects a comprehensive approach to urban management, addressing both environmental and public health concerns while improving traffic conditions in Chennai.

Awareness to students on police day

On the occasion of Police Day, an awareness program was conducted at the K.K. Nagar Police Station on Tuesday to educate school students about the activities of the police department.

45 students of Velankanni Matriculation School in K.K. Nagar went to the police station. Inspector Rathna Kumar explained the activities of day today work in the police department.

At that time, he said, 'There is no age limit for filing a complaint at police stations. Any aggrieved person can file a complaint.' He also explained the daily work of the law and order and crime branch.

The school students visited the police station's computer room, inspector's room and information board.



Ration items under the Thayumanavar scheme

Notice of Meeting of the Associations issued by the Registrar: In Chennai, under the patronage of Chief Minister M.K. Stalin's mother, family caregivers who are only senior citizens above 70 years of age and family caregivers with disabilities will go to their homes, the Public Distribution Scheme items for the month of September will be distributed from the 13th to the 16th. The distribution date can be found on the notice boards of the relevant fair price shops.

In this, on September 13, 14 and 15, Kodambakkam, Valasaravakkam will be held for 3 days, and from September 13 to 16.



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Damaged manhole

A Sunken manhole right in the middle of the busy in Munuswamy Salai, K K Nagar is posing a serious risk to the motorists, especially those travelling by two-wheelers, auto-rickshaws and small vehicles, besides inconveniencing the public due to splashing of sudden rain staging in the manhold.

The manhole on the arterial road near the Munuswamy Salai signal had sunken around a month ago. However, despite the stretch being used by thousands of vehicles, the authorities have not taken any action.

'Around noon an elderly couple passing by the spot on a moped had a narrow escape after the senior citizen riding the vehicle almost lost control after riding over the manhole. The vehicles coming behind them had to apply a sudden brake to avoid hitting them. The woman riding pillion, also aged and wearing a back brace, was seen limping away to the side of the road', said R Kumar, a regular commuter who saw the incident.

Besides the risk of a fall or other mishaps that those on smaller vehicles face, it also causes inconvenience to the people who comes out of bank nearby during the peak hours.



Heap of garbage in the 'parking' of Vadapalani Murugan Temple

Devotees are suffering due to garbage piled up in the parking lot of the Vadapalani Murugan Temple by

the Corporation

Vadapalani Murugan Temple is one of the famous temples in Chennai. Hundreds of devotees visit the temple every day.

On special days, the crowd of devotees increases manifold. Parking facilities have been set up on the temple grounds opposite the Valli Thirumana Mandapam for devotees to park their cars.

Currently, garbage collected in the area by the corporation has been dumped at this location. Due to this, devotees coming to the temple are facing difficulty in parking their vehicles.

Therefore, devotees have requested that the Corporation take action to remove the garbage in the area and prevent continued dumping of garbage.

Bullet Train proposed between Hyderabad and Chennai

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has proposed introducing a bullet train service from Shamshabad, near Hyderabad, to Chennai. Shamshabad is home to the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, making it a key transport hub. During a meeting with officials, the Chief Minister reviewed pending railway projects and discussed new proposals to meet future transport needs. He supported the idea of a railway line connecting the proposed 'Bharat Future City' near Hyderabad to Machilipatnam port in Andhra Pradesh via Amaravati, the state's capital. Reddy also instructed officials to prepare fresh proposals for new railway lines and stressed the importance of a 'Regional Ring Rail' around Hyderabad, to complement the planned Regional Ring Road (RRR).

Marriage Assistance Scheme

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Those who wish to apply for this can download the application form from the Tamil Nadu Government's online application portal and submit it by October 9th. The tenders will be opened on October 9 at 4 pm, it said.



Commercial gas cylinder price reduced

The price of a gas cylinder for commercial use has been reduced by Rs. 51.50 and is being sold at Rs. 1,738.

Public sector oil companies Indian Oil, Bharat and Hindustan Petroleum distribute cooking gas cylinders of 14.20 kg for households and 19 kg for commercial use. These companies adjust the prices of cooking gas cylinders on the first day of every month, in line with the prevailing crude oil prices in the international market.



Preparedness works at Virugambakkam canal Dy CM visits

Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi Stalin, visited on Monday and inaugurated a series of development works at approximately Rs. 30 crore at the Virugambakkam canal. The initiative is a pre-emptive measure ahead of the impending Northeast Monsoon season. The key projects launched include the dredging and desilting of the canal, the raising of existing retaining walls and the installation of chain-link fencing. These works are aimed at enhancing the canal's capacity, preventing water overflow and ensuring public safety during heavy rainfall.

The inauguration event was attended by a host of dignitaries, including Municipal Administration and Water Supply Minister K N Nehru, MLAs M K Mohan and AMV Prabhakaraja, Greater Chennai Corporation Commissioner J Kumaragurubaran and Metro Water Managing Director TG Vinay were present. The event saw participation from senior civic officials.



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A month after milling, GCC begins relaying the road in MGR Nagar

A fter more than one month since milling the road from Soolaipallam to MGR Statue junction in MGR Nagar in ward 137 of Kodambakkam zone, the Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) began the relaying works on Saturday night. The condition of the road had worsened due to the recent rainfall. For the last one month, motorists have been struggling through this stretch which is a shortcut to reach Ekkattuthankal, Jafferkhanpet and Guindy from the western suburbs.

During Friday evening rainfall, an auto-rickshaw with a woman passenger was trapped in a pothole in this damaged road. Fortunately, nobody was injured. A GCC official said that a layer of bitumen was laid in the potholes on Saturday night. The second layer will be laid within a couple of days, said the official. Deccan Chronicle had been reporting extensively about the poor condition of the road for the last one and a half years.

The stretch was dug up last year by the Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB) for various utility projects including drinking water pipeline and sewage line projects.

Despite the works completed a year ago, the stretch was left unattended. This road often sees traffic congestion with the MTC small buses struggling through this uneven road. Babu, a local resident, said the relaying will be a huge relief for the thousands of motorists. MGR Nagar is also a thickly populated area. Because of this, a lot of pedestrians use the road daily. All roads were dug up a year ago and left unattended with no work taking place, he said.

A daily commuter said that the authorities should relay the roads properly and remove the vehicles parked in the congested roads. Since there are a lot of commercial shops in the stretch, many mini vans and pick-up vans come with the materials for the shops. These vehicles are parked in front of the shops, not letting other vehicles pass. Many commuters nowadays take longer routes to reach their destination as they don't want to take risk, said the commuter.

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Vehicle encroachment a problem

A llegations have been raised that vehicle encroachments on the main road in the K.K. Nagar and Valasaravakkam areas have increased due to the negligence of the Corporation and the police.

Rajamannar Salai is one of the main road connecting Vadapalani to Koyambedu and K K Nagar to Ramapuram. This road, which is a bus route, carries thousands of vehicles every day.

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Similarly, the Alapakkam main road connecting Valasaravakkam, Arcot Road and the Maduravoyal-Poonamalli Highway is also causing congestion due to parking of private sewage trucks. The relevant police and municipal officials, who should be taking action to resolve this issue, are indifferent. Therefore, the demand has been strengthened that higher authorities should take action before accidents and incidents occur due to the encroachments involved.



