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Voice of GOD



Sri Sarguneswarar Temple, Karuveli

This is the 180th Paadal Petra Shiva Sthalam on the south side of river Kaveri and the 63rd sthalam of Chozha Nadu. Now this place is called Karuveli and also in the name of Lord Shiva as Sarguneswarapuram. During the ancient period, this place was called Karuvili and the temple was Kottidai, combined together called Karuvilikottaidai.

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 Sarguna Natheswarar, Sri Sarguneswarar, Consort: Sri Sarvanga Nayagi Some of the salient features of this temple are......
The temple faces east with an entrance arch on the roadside. Rishabam is in a mandapam before the 3-Tier Rajagopuram. Moolavar is of Swayambhu. In Koshtam, Narthana Vinayagar, Dakshinamurthy, Bhairavar, Brahma, Arthanareeswarar, and Durgai. In praharam Vinayagar, Sri Valli Devasena Subramaniar, Chandikeswarar, Nalvar, and two kings. Goddess Simha Vahini and Hanuman as Sanjeevi Anjaneyar near the Ambal sannathi.

ARCHITECTURE

Ambal is in a separate temple with a sanctum sanctorum, artha mandapam, and a Vimana over the sanctum. The main temple consists of sanctum sanctorum, antarala, and artha mandapam. The Sanctum Sanctorum is on a pada banda adhistanam with 3 patta kumudam. Prastaram consists of Valapi, kapotam and Viyyalavari. A 2-tier nagara - vesara vimanam is on the sanctum and sikaram is of vesara style. Koshtas are in the greevam only.

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. The same was reconstructed as a stone temple during the Chozha period and further extended by Vijayanagara/Marathas and Nattukottai Nagarathars.

The inscriptions recorded from this temple belong to the latter Chozhas, Rajathirajan-II, and Rajendran. Rajarajan-II's 4th reign year inscription records this place was under Uyyakondar Valanattu Vennattu Kulothunga Chozha Nallur Kottidai.

Maha Kumbhabhishekam was conducted during recent years on 27th March 1997, 14th July 2008 and 30th June 2017.

LEGENDS

Ma Parvati went to attend the Yagna conducted by Dakshan, without the permission of Lord Shiva. There She cursed the Yagna, Dakshan, and the Participants. Since she went without the permission of Lord Shiva, came to this place and did a penance to reunite with Lord Shiva. It is believed that Ma Parvati presented her as a pleasing and beautiful form to Lord Shiva. Hence Ma Parvati is called Sarvanga Sundari.

It is believed that Lord Shiva danced here as "Kodukotti" and hence place obtained the name Kottidai. Yama also worshiped Lord Shiva to get relief from his sins.

In a legend, the king named Sargunan was an ardent devotee of Lord Shiva. He came to this place and worshiped Lord Shiva. He attained Mukti ie freed from the cycle of birth and rebirth. Hence this place is called Karu + Illai – Karuvili (Karu – fetus, Illai – no). Hence Lord Shiva is called Sri Sarguna Nathar - Lord with good qualities.

* Your Stars This Year

Aries: Laughs can pave the way to intimacy. Being singled out for a while, the universe gently asks you to go down this path, dropping your guard and letting fun take precedence. Your charms will feel very natural after all. Do not underestimate the small acts; they incubate the heat that draws people to each other.

Taurus: Through cooperation, love grows over this week. Whether an established partnership comes into being or a tentative bond is formed, in any case, attempting to work together brings a sense of strong unity. Arrange for something practical, such as coordinating each other's individual tasks or proposing small goals.

Gemini: Highlights love in unexpected forms. You may be cared for in a manner that might feel, at least initially, somehow out of the ordinary-but truly sincere. Strive to understand the sentiment behind your partner's actions, rather than focussing merely on the style.

Cancer: A minor misunderstanding might mark your love life this week and test your ability to remain calm. Give yourself time for most considerations to become clear before reacting. A gentle conversation will deepen trust between you both. Single buddies might get the feeling that the signals are mixed.

Leo: The feeling inside could be very strong, that love wishes to protect one's own independence while drawing one closer. If one is in a relationship, there is balance when one's rhythm of life is respected while the partner yearns for connection. People may notice how potential mates admire confidence yet look for openness.

Virgo: Each day, the romance is stirred by the small things-love in soft words, warm smiles, and tender gestures. While in a relationship, observe your partner's quiet expressions of love. Singles may find an aura of charm surrounding those who simply enjoy life's simple pleasures without the pomp of presentation.

Libra: Likely to undergo testing times this week due to divergences in choices or priorities. In the case of a committed relationship, one may want to focus on work, while the other needs more time together. Instead of frustration, attempt to engage in honest dialogue. An attraction may arise toward someone who sees life.

Scorpio: The heart is healed this week by some kind act. Should you be in a union, your partner will do something thoughtful and yet remind them of love. For singles, some tender care will feel so suddenly meaningful that it will remind you that affection is still around. Allow yourself to collect all and soften to accept.

Sagittarius: Might find yourself comparing your love life to others. If you are in a relationship, instead of using outside comparisons, focus on the existing trust that you share. Singles often feel pressured about what their friends are going through; however, their time will come. The universe is working to help you realise.

Capricorn: Love finds depth through truth.
Open and respectful conversations will clear any doubts and foster closeness. When you are truly committed, expressing your feelings without any fear of weakening your relationship will make it stronger. For singles, a frank and direct.

Aquarius: Your love life is being brightened with laughter and lightness this week. If you have a partner, sharing jokes and funny moments can breathe new life into your relationship. Such an exchange or flirtatious conversation will easily create attraction. Universe reminding joy is a big way of connecting.

Pisces: The stable but independent choice will come to mind. If you are involved with someone, you might find yourself torn between craving their freedom and plunging into a more serious commitment. Singles might be wondering whether they want to settle down or continue exploring. However, the answer is not to rush into anything but to listen to your own inner voice.

PREDICTION FOR THIS WEEK 21.09.2025 TO 27.09.2025

The Era of Harmony That keeps the spirit Afloat

There was a poet by the name Shakespell.

'this world is a stage'. There is the broaddrama of here was a poet by the name Shakespeare. He said: 5000 years on this stage of four ages, four scenes. The shooting period of that drama is the Confluence Age. That purushottam Confluence Age arrives after every four ages where everything about who is the most elevated among the five billion souls, who is medium, who is the lowest, everything becomes clear. So, this Confluence Age is famous. It is famous in the scriptures too. It is also famous in other religions. The Muslims also celebrate its yaadgaar. They celebrate the month of Ramjaan. Just like they celebrate the Adhikmaas, Purushottammaas (intercalary month) among the Hindus. This Confluence Age is the confluence of the new world and the old world. There is the confluence of both, hell and heaven. This is the Confluence Age of immense sorrow and immense happiness.

It is called the Beneficial Age. It is because the old world ends and the new world begins. So, this is certainly the task of the Father, the Supreme Soul. This present time of the Confluence Ageis the most elevated time in the entire cycle. It is because the Confluence Age itself is the time of sowing the seeds of the elevated actions. It is the time of obtaining the visible fruits. At this time of the confluence each second is the most elevated.

This is that very Purushottam Confluence Age which is praised as the age of the Gita. And this isn't about hundred thousands of years. It is of 100 years at the most. You have a diamond like birth now, in the Confluence Age. That too, it is only when you experience it to be the age of joy. This Confluence Age is the age of enjoying. There shouldn't be the question of

feeling dejected at all. It is because this very Confluence Age is where you can make your fortune. The fortune that you make now, you have to experience it for the entire cycle—whether it is elevated or lowly. You can make it as much as you wish. Keep this slogan in mind—it is now or never.

Even a second of this invaluable Confluence Age is a treasure. Just like you make attainments from treasures, similarly you can make elevated attainments from each and every second of this Confluence Age. So, this time of the Confluence Age means each and every second is a bigger treasure than many multimillions. Even if you collect many multimillions on one side and keep a second of the Confluence Age on the other side, the single second of the elevated Confluence Age will outweigh it.

It is also said in the world: Ek ghari, aadhi ghari, aadhi mein puniiaadh. Tulsi sangat saadh ki, harai koti aparaadh. If you take the company of the true ones even for a second, for half a second or even for half of a half second, innumerous sins of yours will be destroyed.' This isn't praised for the Golden Age, the Silver Age, the Copper Age or the Iron Age. Actually, the praise 'one second, half a second' is of the Confluence Age. You won't find this treasure again in the entire cycle. So, something that you hardly get just once, you should value it so much. The author is solely responsible for this article. The publisher or editor are not responsible. For further details contact: 9445520108, 9891370007.

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Rangarajapuram Main Road, Kodambakkam.

Incomplete SWD structures completed

Even as Greater Chennai Corporation is racing against time to complete storm water drain work in several parts of the city before the onset of the northeast monsoon, unfinished work at several locations poses a risk to motorists and pedestrians. After publishing in Kodambakkam Times the unifinished work for rectified thanks to the authorities concern.

COMPUTER EDUCATION

Sewage mixing in drinking water tanks, residents fumes

esidents are suffering due to sewage mixing with drinking water in Ramaiah Residents are suffering due to sewage mixing with a suffering the Street in West Mambalam which is located near Vadivelpuram, despite the replacement of old underground sewer pipes 140th Ward, Kodambakkam Mandal. There are few houses surrounded. After several complaints by local residents the old underground sewer pipes on that street were replaced.

Even though a newly installed pipe has also broken, and sewage is mixing with



Government of India

drinking water.

When talking to Kodambakkam Times residents showed anger to the authorities concern and complaints poured in saying this problem is happening for many years. The Water Board has been unable to find a permanent solution. Unable to use sewage-contaminated water, we go to the homes of relatives and acquaintances to take baths. We have to buy canned water for drinking. This is what they said.

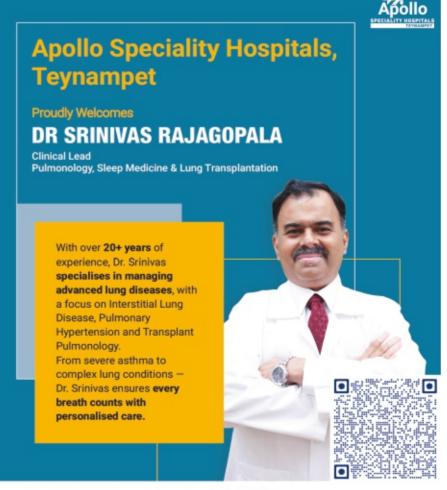
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Councilors meet

A t the Kodambakkam Zonal Committee meeting, councilors alleged that there was a delay in requesting contracts for the works allocated from the councilor's funds.

Councilors at the regional meeting alleged that there were delays in carrying out the work.

The Kodambakkam Zonal Committee meeting was held yesterday at the Zonal Office, under the chairmanship of its chairman Krishnamoorthy. Assistant Commissioner Murugesan, Executive Engineers Inian and Ranganathan and other officials participated.

The councilors spoke at the meeting:

Ravi Shankar, DMK, Ward 129: There are potholes in the newly laid roads. Rainwater accumulates in them. It is wrong to pay 'bills' to contractors who do not do the work properly. The councilor has allocated funds, but the work has not started. The rainwater drainage channel has not been dug. Due to this, there is waterlogging in the ward office.

Kannan, DMK, 138th Ward: MGR, Nagar, K K, road has been paved for half the distance. Even after more than 12 days, the road has not been paved in the

remaining part. The road needs to be repaired urgently. The councilor has allocated funds to set up a gym. However, a contract for the work has not yet been requested.

Ezhumalai, DMK, 133rd Ward: There are contract workers to maintain the park. The contractors are paying them only Rs. 8,000 as wages, despite being told that they will be paid Rs. 18,000. Workers should be paid their full salaries. Public toilets in the city are not cleaned. They should be maintained properly. Sridhar, DMK, 140th Ward: Development work has been started on behalf of CMDA at 'Amma' Park in West Saidapet. Even after several months, not even 10 percent of the work has been completed. The work should be expedited in consultation with the department officials.

Bhaskar, DMK, 130th Ward: Rainwater drainage work on the third street of Alagiri Nagar has not started with the councilor's funds. Why is there a delay in starting the works allocated from the councilor's funds? Sewage is overflowing on Karumariamman Street in Vadapalani. Stella Ratnam, DMK, 128th Ward: The sanitation

workers working at the corporation school have not been paid for three months. The covers of the underground sewers in the ward have caved in and are forming pits. Due to this, accidents occur. Contracts for works under the councilor's funds have not been requested. Yazhini, VC, 135th Ward: On behalf of the Drinking Water Board, the pit dug for the underground sewerage work on Ashok Nagar 9th Avenue has not been closed. Pits have been dug at 10 places on Puthur 11th Street to detect sewage mixing with drinking water. Barriers should be installed to prevent accidents from occurring due to these.

The contract for the works provided under the councilor's funds has not yet been requested. The work should be requested without delay and the contract should be started.

Uma Anandan, BJP, 134th Ward: Abandoned vehicles have been parked in places including Station View Road, BRP Street, West Mambalam. This is causing congestion. A bike mechanic shop is operating in a residential area in Postal Colony. Bikes are parked on both sides of the road near this shop and are being occupied.

Thus they spoke. 17 resolutions were passed, including road renovation and provision of drinking water facilities.

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Aacharya Mani Award

Ms. Kohila A., Middle School Tamil Teacher at Velammal Vidyalaya, Karambakkam, has been conferred the Aacharya Mani Award by the Chennai Sahodaya Schools Complex.

The award recognises her dedication to teaching and efforts to promote the Tamil language among students. The school management, staff, and students congratulated Ms. Kohila on her remarkable achievement.

Single ticket scheme to launch on 22nd

'Kumta' officials said that the 'Chennai One' app, which will allow users to travel on city buses, electric trains, and metro trains with a single ticket, will be launched on the 22nd.

Chennai has public transportation facilities such as city buses, suburban trains, and metro trains. In this, there are some practical issues when a person using one service switches to the next. In particular, passengers face various difficulties in paying for tickets and obtaining tickets through different methods.

As a solution to this, a plan to use a QR code to use subsequent services on a single ticket was announced in 2023

For this, a private company, the transport group 'Kumta', developed new software. Based on this, a new app has been created.



Accordingly, if passengers decide in advance which public transport services they want to use when going out, specify the routes and pay for them, they will receive a QR code ticket on their mobile phone.

People can travel on the respective public transport services by showing this code. There will be no need to buy tickets separately for each service. The scheme will be implemented after the trial run of this new app is completed.

The quiz questions on this app, named 'Chennai One', are currently attracting the attention of passengers on city buses. In this situation, this new app is set to be launched on the 22nd. 'Kumta' officials said that Chief Minister Stalin is set to launch this new facility.

Music concert

The Bhakti Ranjani music program was held on behalf of the Kala Ranjani Foundation and Sri Kalaranjini Music School at the Ayodhya Mandapam Hall, West Mambalam, under the chairmanship of Dr. J. Srinibabu, the Chairman of the Foundation.

The event was held on Saturday, 13 September 2025 from 6 pm to 9 pm and the special invitees of the event were Kalai Mamani Gnanajyothi Dr. J. Bala Subramaniam and Sewa Ratna Mrs. Shoba Raja.

Also, the musical program in which 108 musical groups participated and sang Sri Lalitha Sahasranamam in 21 ragas, which was composed by the administrator of this school, Dr. J.Srininabu, was very special. The people appreciated it very much. The style of singing Lalitha Sahasranamam was admirably mixed with swarams and chorus.

Mrs. Villivakkam Sushma Prasad also participated in this program and presented a devotional story about the grace of Sri Lalitha Ambika Amman along with many songs as Nama Sankirthan. Musician R. Annapoorani hosted the program. The Secretary of the school, Seva Ratna Mrs. R. Rajalakshmi delivered the welcome and vote of thanks. Mrs. Sangeetha Manimala Rao; Mrs.



Vasantha Rani Malathi Aruna Srinath, and Telugu Dharuni Women's Group executives participated in this program and made it special.

Next of this festival Special Eventful Video Mr. Jay. Basupramanian they launcher he put. In it School Administrator Music Organizer Dr. J. Srinibabu they Sri Vishnu to Sahasranath Raga set up only in the arena very hugely as a singer to sing 10,00,000 for music lovers learn giving the program to conduct in details Vishnu Sahasranamam Glory and as a video published.

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Experts review the new flyover in T. Nagar



The steel flyover, the first such structure in the city, will connect the ramp of the South Usman Road flyover to CIT Nagar 1st Main Road, extending up to the junction with CIT Nagar 4th Main Road this flyover is built to reduce traffic congestion and it was started in March 2023.

Accordingly, a flyover has been constructed for a distance of 1.2 km from the southern part of the Duraisamy Road - Usman Road flyover in T. Nagar, via South Usman Road to the Anna Salai junction.

The flyover is a two-lane. In this situation, a team of experts led by Arul Jayachathran from IIT Chennai tested the stability of the flyover on Thursday.

A 20-ton truck was driven on the flyover at speeds of 20, 30, and 40 km/h to test its stability. The vibrations caused by sudden braking were also studied.

Furthermore, concrete structures weighing 3 tons each were gradually placed on the overpass, up to 152 tons, for 24 hours, and their bearing capacity was tested.

The flyover is 100 percent solid. After the flyover is open to public use, there will be noise and vibrations from the flyover for more than 15 days.

This noise and vibration will occur until the 'bridge bearing' structure, which is designed to bear the load of the overpass, becomes stable. Drivers need not worry about that. He said.

Krishna Premi Swami's Jayanti celebrations

On behalf of the 'Brahma Sabha', the 92nd Jayanti Utsavam of Sri Sri Krishna Premi Swami, which is his incarnation day, began 14th Sunday day at the Ayodhya Aswamedha Maha Mandapam in West Mambalam

Krishna Premi Swamigal was born in the month of Aavani in the star Rohini. Therefore, his Jayanti is celebrated every year in this star.

His 92nd incarnation day is celebrated for eight days. On the first day, 14th Sundayy afternoon at 2:00 PM, Guru Paduka Thirumanjanam was held along with 'Premika' Guru Kirthanams; at 3:30 PM, Sri Ramayana Pattabhishegam was held; and at 4:00 PM, 100 devotees joined in for 'Lakcharchanai' Puja and Deeparathanai. Subsequently, at 5:00 PM, the 'Baduga' procession took place with the Nagara Sankirtan led by Mumbai Srinivasa Bhagavathar. The 'Baduga' procession took place along Murthy Street, surrounding the Ayodhya Mandapam. A large number of devotees participated in this in large numbers.

Every day, the program begins at 6:30 a.m. At 7:00 a.m., recitation of Srimad Bhagavatam and Vaishnava Samhita; at 9:00 a.m., Sri Sri Anna Shishya Pravasanam; and at 10:00 a.m., Prasina Sampradaya Nama Sankirtana and Puja.

At 3:00 PM, Ashtapati and Sri Sri Anna Sadakam; at 5:00 PM, Sri Vishnu Sahasranamam; at 6:00 PM, Sri Sri Anna Shishya Pravasanam; and at 7:00 PM, Bhakta Vijayam and Sri Vaishnava Samhita will be held.

On the final day, the 21st, at 9:00 AM, Unchavruti and Radhakalyanam will be held, and in the evening, Visakha Hari's music concert will be held. Devotees can participate throughout the day and receive the blessings of Swami.

Free spiritual journey by train from Rameswaram to Kashi

'The Hindu Charities Department is planning to take 600 devotees from across Tamil Nadu on a free spiritual journey by train from Rameswaram to Kashi.

On behalf of this department, they are planning to take a 10-day spiritual tour by train from Rameswaram to Kashi in the year (2025-2026). The application form can be downloaded from the office of the respective Regional Hindu Charitable Trust Joint Commissioner or from the website www.hrce.tn.gov.in.

The completed application should be submitted to the office by October 22. Must be a Hindu between the ages of 60 and 70. Annual income Rs. 2 lakh. Must submit income, medical, age proof and provide Aadhaar, PAN card, mobile number, 3 passport size photos. Must not have previously availed the government's free spiritual tour.

The Hindu Religious Endowment Office official said: We are going to take 600 people on a spiritual tour from Rameswaram to Kashi by train through 20 Joint Commissioner offices, 30 people each under each Joint Commissioner. The date for this will be communicated to the selected applicant. He said that he will take a holy dip in Rameswaram and have darshan of Lord Swami

and leave, go to Kashi and have darshan there, and be dropped off again in Rameswaram, press release said.

S. Sruuthi Presented MS Amma Fellowship

"Kalai Ilamani" S. Sruuthi, a dramatist, who had Done her MBA From GLIM has Received M.S. Subbulakshmi Amma Fellowship For The Consecutive Third Year, A Sum Of Rs. One Lakh From Chief Justice of Rajasthan High Court, Hon'ble Justice K. R. Shriram & his beloved wife in Drama Cetegory, given in the August Presence of Sabha President Dr. V. Shankar for & on behalf of Mumbai, Sri Shanmukhananda Fine Arts & Sangeetha Sabha In Commemoration Of M. S. Amma's 111th Birth Anniversary On Saturday, September, 13 at 6 pm at their own Auditorium. In All India level She is the One & Only dramatist to have received this Fellowship for the third Consecutive year.





Woman dies of burn injuries

Chitra, 48, is from Sathya Nagar, Arumbakkam. On the occasion of Vinayaga Chaturthi, her saree caught fire while lighting lamps. Relatives rescued her and admitted her to the Kilpauk Government Hospital. She succumbed to injuries. Police are investigating the case.

Two held for assaulting man

Two men from Bihar were arrested by the Vadapalani police on Sunday for allegedly tying up a meat shop worker, who also hailed from Bihar, assaulting him with an iron pipe, filming the attack and posting the video on social media. According to sources, the incident happened in a room on Vellalar Street, where Mohammed Javed, the victim, and the two accused – Faizan (18) and Mohammed Tedar (22) – were staying. The assault was carried out by a group which included Saurav and Asraf apart from Faizan and Tedar to take revenge on Javed for abusing Saurav in an drunk state.

Police officer who came to work drunk investigation underway

Prabhu, a police officer attached to Ramapuram police station, has a habit of coming to work drunk.

While on duty, he has been engaging in arguments and belittling fellow police officers and investigators who come to file complaints.

Prabhu, who came to work drunk, as usual, spoke disparagingly of his fellow police officers. Video footage of this was released.

Prabhu is being investigated after fellow police officers complained to higher authorities. It is said that departmental action will be taken soon.

Man arrested for cheating

Mathiyazhagan, 38, a resident of 45th Street, K.K. Nagar, is a pharmacist in a private company. He was introduced to Dr. Vanmathi and her husband Pinakash Ernest in 2016.

They have told that, "I know people in high positions in the medical and electrical fields. If you give me money, I will get you a job in the medical and electrical sectors, and they trusted and given several lakh rupees." But the promise was not kept and the payment was not returned. Subsequently Mathiyazhagan filed a police complaint. After investigation, the police arrested Pinakash Ernest, 38, of Ramapuram, and the wife Vanmathi is absconding.



Sharing over CoolLip 50-year-old murdered

A 25-year-old youth, who beat up a 50-year-old man to death in an inebriated condition as the latter refused to share his "CoolLip" (oral tobacco) with him.

The Mambalam GRP received an alert from the government hospital staff in Saidapet on Sunday night (September 14) about a man admitted to the hospital with injuries. He was found near Saidapet railway station. The man succumbed to his injuries during the early hours of Monday, after which the Railway police registered a case of suspicious death.

Results of the post-mortem examination suggested that the injuries on the man were not consistent with injuries inflicted by a train hit, and suggested the possibility of an attack by another person. When the police reviewed the CCTV footage at the Saidapet railway station, they noticed the victim was being attacked and kicked by a youth.

The deceased was identified as B Ramesh (50) of T Nagar. Using the CCTV footage, police traced the attacker and apprehended Mohammed Riyaz (25) of Kovilambakkam. The accused allegedly confessed to the interrogators that he assaulted Ramesh as he refused to share "CoolLip" with him. On Sunday night, Riyaz, in an inebriated state, was roaming at the Saidapet railway station when he noticed Ramesh seated on the platform.

On noticing cool lip packets in Ramesh's pockets, Riyaz had asked Ramesh to part with some. However, Ramesh told Riyaz that he did not have them with him. Enraged over this, Riyaz pushed Ramesh to the ground and repeatedly kicked him and fled the scene after the man became unconscious. The accused was produced before a magistrate and remanded in judicial custody.

Residential roads renovation; Contracts awarded to 13 companies

In Chennai Corporation, there are over 70,000 Urban Habitat Development Board houses in 20 wards in Teynampet, Kodambakkam and Sholinganallur zones. The roads here were maintained by the board. Due to lack of funds and insufficient maintenance staff, the roads here have not been renovated for many years.

In this situation, the government announced that the corporation would maintain the residential roads of the board. Following this, the corporation allocated Rs. 14 crore to renovate 104 roads covering 15 km in 20 wards.

The work has been divided into 21 packages and awarded to 13 contractors.

Officials said that the road renovation work will be completed soon as more contractors have been awarded the work.

UIDAI to launch mobile app for Aadhaar Updates

A adhaar, the 12-digit unique identification number issued by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), is one of the most important documents in the country. It is widely required for services such as opening a bank account and obtaining a mobile phone connection.

At present, any changes or corrections in Aadhaar details can be made through Aadhaar service centers, eservice centers, or online portals. To further simplify this process, UIDAI has decided to launch a dedicated mobile application called E-Aadhaar. With this app, Aadhaar holders will be able to update their details directly through their mobile phones. The facility is expected to allow changes in key information such as name, address, and date of birth, without the need to visit service centers in person. The new initiative is aimed at making Aadhaar services more accessible and user-friendly for millions of citizens across the country.



Veteran actor honoured

T' Nagar Based Veteran Actor Shivakumar was Honoured with R. S. Manohar's Birth Centenary Trophy by his nephew S. Shivpprasadh & granddaughter during the staging of S. Sruuthi's play "Agnipraveysamm" at Narada Gana Sabha recently during R. S. Manohar's Yearlong Centenary Celebrations.

You can avoid interest by paying property tax by September 30th

The Corporation has stated that if the property tax for the second half of the year due to the Corporation is paid by the 30th, separate interest can be avoided. In this regard, the Chennai Corporation has issued an announcement:

The property tax for the second half of the year due to the Chennai Corporation must be paid by the 30th. If payment is not made, separate interest will be charged monthly as per the Urban Local Bodies Act.

Property owners can also pay their property taxes through the Corporation Tax Collectors, Government e-Service Centers, and the Corporation website. Furthermore, property tax can be paid in all modes, including credit and debit cards.

You can also pay through 'QR code' and through WhatsApp at 94450 61913. Therefore, you are requested to pay the property tax immediately and cooperate with the development work of Chennai City. This is what it says.

MTC launches new bus service for differently-abled students

The Metropolitan Transport Corporation (MTC) has launched a new, free mini-bus service (Route S78) to assist hearing and speech-impaired students commuting from their hostel in Ashok Nagar to St Louis College in Adyar. The service was inaugurated on Sept .11. According to a hostel representative, the 25 students faced significant challenges, including crossing the busy 100-feet road multiple times, missing direct buses, and taking two connecting buses. After approaching Dr T Prabhu Shankar, IAS the Managing Director of MTC, a bus service was promised and delivered the very next day. The new bus departs from Ashok Nagar at 7.30 am, reaching the college by 8 am. It leaves the college at 2 pm for the return journey, arriving back at the hostel by 2.30 pm. This dedicated service is a major relief for the students, ensuring their safety and a hassle-free

Aadhaar must to book ticket in first 15 min from October

From October 1, the railway ministry will allow only Aadhaar-authenticated users to book reserved general tickets through the IRCTC website or app during the first 15 minutes after booking opens for any train. Currently, this restriction applies only to Tatkal bookings. "With a view to ensure that the benefits of the reservation system reach the common end user and are not misused by unscrupulous elements, it has been decided that with effect from October 1, 2025, during the first 15 minutes of opening of general reservation, reserved general tickets can be booked through the website of Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corpor ation (IRCTC)/its app only by Aadhaar authenticated users," press release said.



Reading Challenge

Velammal Vidyalaya, Vanagaram, proudly conducted a Reading Challenge to encourage a love for books and fluent reading among students. Participants were provided with a specially prepared booklet of around 1500 words and were given a week's time to practise and prepare themselves.

With great enthusiasm, students nominated themselves for the assessment, showcasing their confidence and eagerness to take part. During the evaluation, the budding readers displayed excellent fluency, pronunciation, and expression, making the event a delightful experience for all. The winners, who excelled in their performance, were honoured with small gifts as tokens of appreciation, adding smiles to their achievement.

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Congestion due to garbage piling up in Rajagopalan Street

The garbage accumulating in the Rajagopalan Street is causing chaos and traffic congestion.

People coming from places like Station Road and Lakeview Road pass through these roads and go to important places like Arya Gowda Road.

On this road, which is always full of traffic, some people are trespassing and dumping garbage on the roadside. As a result, half of the road is filled with garbage, causing traffic congestion.

Apart from this, there is a health problem in the entire area due to unclear of garbage, says a local residents from Velu Street.

The demand has grown stronger that the relevant authorities should monitor this and take steps to remove the garbage accumulated on the streets regularly.

Loosing shades

The shade provided by roadside trees offers comfort for travellers, pedestrians and the homeless on hot summer days. However, residents in Arya Gowda Road, Mambalam have complained that trees are being pruned indiscriminately, depriving them of shade. They said trees have been trimmed and large branches cut in the Mambalam at night over the past few days.

The residents said cutting and pruning of roadside trees had been happening on several streets over the past few weeks. "This happens only during night. Whenever anyone tries to trim a tree during the day, residents oppose it. So, they've started doing it at night, claiming that the Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) was pruning them. But the improper pruning techniques and excessive cutting of large branches can weaken the tree.

The shade the trees provide offer respite from the heat," he said. All the trees survived for many years. Over 200 of the 640 trees have been lost because of indiscriminate cutting and unscientific pruning.



Tangled, low-lying internet cables across Ganapathy Street pose safety hazard

Tangled, criss-crossing, loosely hanging internet cables across Ganapathy Street in West Mambalam are left unattended, causing a major inconvenience to the public.

The internet wires, tied loosely on poles, trees, and houses in several places, hang low, close to the ground. In one instance, a resident attempted to lift the cables with a stick to clear space in front of her home, which had been blocking her pathway.

These exposed fibre cables for the internet, which have increased in number over the years, now run along the streets without oversight. The responsibility lies with both fibre cable operators and the Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC).

Service providers - the internet operators, whose wires run along the street in most instances, are required to secure permission before laying cables, and they should maintain them safely. They are also liable for accidents caused by poor upkeep.

The city Corporation's electrical department, on the other hand, oversees poles, street infrastructure and attends to grievances. The department periodically conducts cable-removal drives, taking down unauthorised or dangling wires and



imposing fines on operators who fail to comply.

However, none of this seems to be carried out in
Ganapathy Street, where the wires continue to pose a
nuisance for pedestrians and residents. In the past year,

the civic body has cleared several kilometres of unregulated wires across the city, but fresh issues continue to surface.

The Corporation's Divisional Electrical Engineer said that operators must ensure wirings are done under norms and maintained properly. The official added that GCC will also intervene if violations are raised, 'The department does periodical removal of illegal cables', he added, assuring that the problem in Ganapathy Street will be solved in a week.



