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**Fire breaks out at
Madurai Central Theatre**

A fire broke out in the Central Theatre located near the West Tower of the Madurai Meenakshi temple on Friday. The theatre, one of the oldest in the city, was closed during pandemic. Police suspect that a short circuit may have triggered the fire. Personnel from five fire stations brought the blaze under control | **NK SUNDAR**



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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BARIPADA

E-Mail ID : serwcaripada@gmail.com,
Ph-No- 06792-261343/261344, Gangraj, Baripada
Office Order No 4696 / Dt. 10.09.2026

**1st Corrigendum to National Competitive Bidding e-procurement Notice
No.4384/Building works Dt.21.08.2026 (NCB No-429).
25001/1135/2627 : Due to unavoidable circumstances the important dates
of tendering process for building works are being changed as follows.**

Sl. No.	Item	Time Schedule as per Original NCB	Time Schedule as per Corrigendum Notice
1	Availability of tender On-line for bidding	07.09.2026 at 11.00 A.M to 22.09.2026 up to 05.00 P.M	23.09.2026 at 11.00 A.M to 07.10.2026 up to 05.00 P.M
2	Date & Time of Seeking Tender Clarification if any	21.09.2026 up to 01.00 P.M	06.10.2026 up to 05.00 P.M
3	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bid	23.09.2026 at 11.00 A.M	08.10.2026 at 11.00 A.M
4	Date & Time of Opening of Financial Bid	Will be intimated later	Will be intimated later

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Sd/- Er. A.K. Naik, Chief Construction Engineer,
R.W. Circle, Baripada.

OIPR- 25001/25181/1/26-27/0015

कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग नगर वृत्त अजमेर

सौजन्यपूर्ण टेंडर स्टैंड के तहत अजमेर
दूरभाष/ फ़ैक्स नं 0145-2628483 E-Mail Address: seajmer@gmail.com
क्रमांक-अधी/अनर वृत्त / अजी-नगर / 2026-27/6181 दिनांक-7/9/2026

इन कार्यों के प्रमाण 4849-4822 farlich 18.08.2026 इन जॉन निमित्त संख्या 09/2026-27 जॉन ' Annual Revenue work related to water supply 1e meter Reading of house connection,Preparation of water bill, Distribution of Bill, Preparation of Ledger and MIS Supply of Consumer binder etc in Ajmer and Pushkar. ' सम्बन्धी कार्य को निम्नलिखित को अंतिम करने हेतु अति निम्नलिखित में निम्नलिखित संशोधन किया जा रहा है:-

IMPORTANT DATES AS PER ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS	IMPORTANT DATES AS PER ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS
Events	Events
Availability of tender documents on Website	From 18-08-2026 to 09-09-2026 up to 18:00 Hrs.
Last Date & time for online submission of Tender	09-09-2026 up to 18:00 Hrs.
Date of opening of Pre-Qualification bid	10-09-2026 at 15:00 Hrs.
Eligibility Criteria (NIB Point No.1)	Online tenders are invited on behalf of the Governor of Rajasthan for the following works from registered / enlisted in PHED Rajasthan appropriate Class as per PW&E&AR Part II Appendix 16 dated 01.07.1999 and amendment issued by concerned department up to date, enlisted with other Departments of Government of Rajasthan and enlisted with CPWD/ Postal, Telecom, Railway, MES, other State Govt. /Central Govt. /undertaking/ organizations equivalent to appropriate class of Rajasthan shall also be eligible. Self attested copy of Registration Certificate is to be enclosed. unregistered contractors shall not be allowed
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अतः निम्नलिखित सूचना को प्रकाशन वैसाईट एच.पी.पी.पी पर तथा निम्नलिखित प्रपत्र को प्रकाशन निम्नलिखित अनुसूच किया गया है, जो निम्नानुसार है:-

S.No.	NIT Number	SPPP ID Number	UBN Number
1.	09/2026-27	PHE2627A2260	PHE2627WSB04509

निम्नलिखित की अन्य शर्तें ब्यावक्त रहेंगी।

अधीक्षण अभियन्ता
जन स्वास्थ्य अभियांत्रिकी विभाग
नगर वृत्त अजमेर

DIPR/C/15804/2026

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया

REGIONAL OFFICE BROADWAY CHENNAI - NORTH

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Union Bank of India (secured creditor), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union Bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) & Guarantor(s).

The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

Madras Sowercarpet Branch: Name of the Borrower & Guarantor(s): 1) M/s Coastal Plastochem Pvt Ltd Regd Office: SUIT No. 8 2nd Floor Dr. Rajiv Towers 231, Purasawalkam High Road Chennai-600007. 2) Mr. Rajendra Kumar Lulla (guarantor) No. 3, Door No 151, Abc Suvudha Apts Baracha Road Chennai-600010. No 1504 1 Block Kp Abhinandan Apartment Pattalam Perambur Barracks Chennai Tamil Nadu 600012. 3) Mr. J. Thirunavukkarasu (director & Guarantor) No. 1-77a, Pulchakkadi, 38 Neikuppai, Semmankudi Post Kodavasal Taluk, Thiruvavur District, Tamil Nadu 612603. Shop No 8 Old No 231 2nd Floor Dr. Rajiv Towers Purasawalkam-600007. 4) Mr. Shantilal Pukraj Jain (Director & Guarantor) A/15 Bhagwanagar Society Near Govindavalli Isanpur Ahmedabad City Ahmedabad Gujarat 382443. Amaryat Gens And Jewellery Pvt Ltd, 26 Celler Varinjashan Off Diwan Sahabul School Gujarat 380022. 5) Mr. Ratan M Bae (Director & Guarantor) No 412 Sankarabakthar Street Otteri Perambur Barracks, Chennai-600012. 6) Mrs. Khushbu Lulla (guarantor) 151-3 Ward No 60 Barakka Sales Secretariate Colony Chennai 600010. No 3 Abc Suvudha Apartment Kelly's Baracha Road Chennai 600010. 7. Mrs. Nidhi Lulla (Guarantor) K-122 Sunnyvale Apartments, 351 Apartments 351 Konnur High Road Ayasavaram Chennai 600023. 8. Mr. Mahendra Kumar Chhajjar (guarantor) 49/85/86/1 Rabindra Sarani Rishra M, Rishra, Hooghly West Bengal 712248. No 3 Abc Suvudha Apartments 89/151 Secretariate Colony Kelys Chennai 600010. 9. Mr. Y. Rajasekara Reddy (general Power Of Attorney Holder Of Mr. J. Thirunavukkarasu) No 10/1, 4th Street Raghava Street Reddy Colony Ashok Nagar Chennai 600083. New No 10, old No 5/5B-4 1st Floor Side Main Kid Nagar Kudiyappay Chennai-600118

Amount due: Rs.91,94,579.68 as on 31-07-2026 and interest thereon

Description of Immovable Property: SCHEDULE-A All that piece and parcel of land and building situated at No. 92, Noombal Mathura, Pallikuppam Village, Saidapet Taluk, comprised in S.No. 111/2 part (Private Survey Block-3, Private Survey No. 77/C-1, 77/C-2) admeasuring 2400 Sq.ft., of land and thereabouts boundaries on, North by: Public Road, South by: Vacant land owned by Y.Rajasekara Reddy, East by: Plot belonging to Dural Raj & G.K.Raj, West by: Plot belonging to Vijayanthi & E. Jayashree. Situated within the Registration District of South Madras and sub registration district of Kundrathur. **SCHEDULE-B** All that piece and parcel of land and building situated at No. 92, Noombal Mathura, Pallikuppam Village, Saidapet Taluk, comprised in S.No. 111/2 part (private Survey Block-3, Private Survey No. 77/C-1, 77/C-2) admeasuring 2400 Sq.ft., of land and thereabouts bounded on, North by: Vacant land owned by Y.Rajasekara Reddy, South by: Public Road, East by: Plot belonging to Dural Raj & G.K.Raj, West by: Plot belonging to Vijayanthi & E. Jayashree. Situated within the Registration District of South Madras and sub registration district of Kundrathur.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 3,01,10,000/- EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT ₹ 30,11,000/- BID INCREMENT ₹ 2,00,000/-

DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION: 29.09.2026 Between 12 Noon to 05.00 PM (with 10 minutes unlimited auto extensions)

Encumbrances known to the Secured Creditor: Nil
(However indenting bidders are advised to verify the EC and satisfy themselves before submitting bid)
Interested bidders for Registration and Login and Bidding Rules visit : <https://baanknet.com> & For queries contact Number: 8291220220 & Email ID: support.baanknet@psballiance.com. For detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in <https://www.baanknet.com> and <https://www.unionbankofindia.co.in/auction-property/view-auction-property.aspx>. For auction related queries e-mail to Madras-Sowercarpet Branch, (Sd Id : 33240) No.16, Ekambareswara Ayyararam, Chennai, Po Park Town, Chennai- 600003 Contact no: 9137633240 mail id : ubid0533246@unionbankofindia.bank.in.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.
This may also be treated as notice u/r 8 & 9 of security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s of the said loan about the holding of E-auction Sale on the above-mentioned date.
Date: 11-09-2026; Place: CHENNAI

Authorised Officer,
Union Bank of India,

SIRUSERI IT PARK BRANCH

F-13, 1st Main Road, SIPCOT IT Park, Siruseri, OMR Road, Chengalpattu - 603 163.
Telephone : 044-27476500. email : siruseritpark@indianbank.bank.in

APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Siruseri IT Park Branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 12.10.2026, for recovery of Rs.2,31,29,399/- (Rupees Two crores thirty one lakhs twenty nine thousand three hundred and ninety nine only) (as on 09.09.2026) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 10.09.2026, due to the Indian Bank, Siruseri IT Park Branch, Secured Creditor from:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/ (1) Mrs. Deivalakshmi Jothishankar, (Borrower/Mortgagor), W/o Jothishankar, 13, Hebron, VP Colony Extension, Ayanavaram, Chennai - 600 023. (2) Mr. Jothishankar N, (Co-Borrower), S/o Nagapattan, 13, Hebron, VP Colony Extension, Ayanavaram, Chennai - 600 023

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:
All that part and parcel of house property situated at Plot No.135, 5th Street, Sri Kamakoti Nagar, Pallikaranai Village, Sholinganallur Taluk with S. No. 63/72 and Patta No. 33033, total area 3670 Sq. ft. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB7748458438

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.288.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.28.80 Lakhs

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Date and Time of Inspection of the Properties & related documents :
06.10.2026 to 07.10.2026 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

DATE AND TIME OF E-AUCTION : 12.10.2026 FROM 10.00 A.M. TO 4.00 P.M.

Last Date for submission of Tender form/EMD : 12.10.2026

Bidders are advised to visit the website (<https://www.baanknet.com>) of our e-auction service provider PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. Helpdesk No. 8291220220, email ID : support.baanknet@psballiance.com and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. and EMD Status, please contact support.baanknet@psballiance.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit : <https://www.baanknet.com> and for clarifications related to this portal please contact Helpdesk No.8291220220.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with <https://www.baanknet.com>.

Date : 10.09.2026
Place : Chengalpattu

AUTHORISED OFFICER,
INDIAN BANK.

Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd. (Arcil)

Acting in its capacity as Trustee of various Arcil Trusts
Arcil office : The Ruby, 10th floor, 29, Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West) Mumbai-400 028.
Website: <https://auction.arcil.co.in>; CIN-U65999MH2002PLC134884

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH ONLINE E-AUCTION IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (SARFAESI ACT) READ WITH RULES 6, 8 & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrower (s) / Guarantor (s) / Mortgagor (s), in particular, that the below described immovable properties/mortgages/charges to the Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited, acting in its capacity as Trustee of various Arcil Trusts ("ARCIL") (pursuant to the assignment of financial asset vide registered Assignment Agreements), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", "Whatever there is" and "Without recourse basis" by way of online e-auction, for recovery of outstanding dues together with further interest, charges and costs etc., as detailed below in terms of the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("Act") read with Rules 6, 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("Rules").

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower / Co-Borrowers/Guarantors/ Mortgagors	LAN No. & Selling Bank	Trust Name	Outstanding amount as per SARFAESI Notice dated 27-01-2026 respectively	Possession type and date	Date of Inspection	Type of Property	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Reserve Price	Date & Time of E-Auction
1.	Borrower: Mr/Mrs.GANESAN RAGU Mr/Mrs.VINAYAK G	Loan Account Nos. HL05THU000046455 Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited	Arcil - Trust - 2026-013	Rs. 2019980/- (Rupees Twenty lakhs Nineteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Only as on 22-01-2026 + further Interest thereon + Legal Expenses)	Symbolic possession on 10-07-2026	Will be arranged on request	Old S.F. No 227/15,17, Sub Division No.227/2A/1A, New SF No.227/37, Plot No.51, Sri Krishnamurthy Village, R.K.Pet Panchayath Kanchipuram SRO, R.K. Pet Tk, Tiruvallur Dt - 631203.	Rs. 138312/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twelve Only)	Rs. 1383120 (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Eighty Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Only)	16-10-2026 1:00:00 PM
2.	Borrower: Mr/Mrs.PAVITHIRA G Mr/Mrs.GNANASEKAR K S/O OF KARUNANIDHI Mr/Mrs. GEETHA V	Loan Account Nos. LAP1PLL000087123 Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited	Arcil - Trust - 2026-013	Rs. 1512363/- (Rupees Fifteen lakhs Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Three Only as on 22-01-2026 + further Interest thereon + Legal Expenses)	Symbolic possession on 10-07-2026	Will be arranged on request	Individual House Nuthal Old S No.44/1 Part, New Natham S No.2196, Rajapadamuram Village, Jagirnamangal Panchayath Limit, Thiruvallur District.631210	Rs. 132166/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Six Only)	Rs. 1321665/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five Only)	16-10-2026 1:00:00 PM

Description of the Secured Asset being auctioned : Comprised in survey no.227/15, 17, new survey no.227/2A/1A Ad measuring 1080 sq.ft, Plot No.51, sub division of new survey no.227/37 as per Patta no.1524 security property is vacant house site an extent of 1080 sq.ft Situated at Srikrishnamuram Village Account, Vellathur Group RK. Per Takak Thiruvallur District within the Sub-registration district registration district of Thiruvallur Previously Kancherapuram, Boundaries: North by: 22 Feet Road, South by: Chihambaram House, East by: Plot no.52. Measurements: East to West on the Northern side - 27 Feet, East to West on the Southern side - 27 Feet, North to South on the Eastern side - 32 feet, North to South on the Western side - 28 14 feet, Total 1080 sq.ft

Description of the Secured Asset being auctioned : S. No.44/1 part, S.No.219/6. The security property and Land & building ad measuring 5 cents equaling to 3503 out of 4811 sq.ft., Situated at, no. 58, Rajapadamuram village, Tiruttani Taluk, Tiruvallur District, within the registration District of Tiruvallur and Sub registration District of Tiruvallur, Boundaries for land and building ad measuring 3503 out of 4811 sq.ft. of land together with building thereon: North by: Munirathnam house, South by: Road, East by: Punitha plot, West by: Road, Measurements: East to West on the Northern side - 112.75 feet, East to West on the Southern side - 111.75 feet, North to South on the Eastern side - 32 feet, North to South on the Western side - 28 14 feet, Total 3503 Sq.ft

Pending Litigations known to ARCIL	Nil	Encumbrances/Dues known to ARCIL	Nil
Last Date for submission of Bid	One day before auction date	Bid Increment amount	As mentioned in the BID document
Demand Draft to be made in name of:	Arcil-Trust-2026-013	Payable at par	
RTGS details	Arcil-Trust-2026-013, Trust account No- 57500001796433, HDFC Bank limited, Branch: MUMBAI - KAMALA MILLS, IFSC Code: HDFC0000542	Name of Contact person & number	MR S. Delhi Ganesh, 8610565806, ganeshs@chola.munugappa.com MR Aristotle, 9789537666, aristotle@chola.munugappa.com MR wasim sayed, 022-66581376, collections8@arcil.co.in

Terms and Conditions :

- The Auction Sale is being conducted through e-auction through the website <https://auction.arcil.co.in> and as per the Terms and Conditions of the Bid Document, and as per the procedure set out therein.
- The Authorised Officer ("AO")/ARCIL shall not be held responsible for internet connectivity, network problems, system crash down, power failure etc.
- At any stage of the auction, the AO may accept/reject/modify/cancel the bid/offer or post-poned the Auction without assigning any reason thereof and without any prior notice.
- The successful purchaser/bidder shall bear any statutory dues, taxes, fees payable, applicable GST on the purchase consideration, stamp duty, registration fees, etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the secured asset conveyed/delivered in his/her/favour as per the applicable law.
- The intending bidders should make their own independent enquiries/ due diligence regarding encumbrances, title of secured asset and claims/rights/dues affecting the secured assets, including statutory dues, etc., prior to submitting their bid. The auction advertisement does not constitute and will not constitute any commitment or any representation of ARCIL. The Authorized Officer of ARCIL shall not be responsible in any way for any third-party claims/rights/dues.
- The particulars specified in the auction notice published in the newspaper have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned; however, undersigned shall not be responsible / liable for any error, misstatement or omission.
- The Borrower/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors, who are liable for the said outstanding dues, shall treat this Sale Notice as a notice under Rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, about the holding of the above-mentioned auction sale.
- In the event, the auction scheduled hereinabove fails for any reason whatsoever, ARCIL has the right to sell the secured asset by any other methods under the provisions of Rule 8(5) of the Rules and the Act.

Place : Thiruttani-Poonamallee | Date : 07-09-2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd. (Trustee of Arcil-trust-2026-013)

MARAIMALAINAGAR BRANCH

No.28/A, Thiruvalluvar Salai, National Highway-1, Maraimalai Nagar - 603 209.
Telephone : 044 - 2745 2241, email : maraimalainagar@indianbank.bank.in

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the schedule mentioned immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Maraimalai Nagar Branch, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of amount due specified for each of the accounts thereto, which is due to payable to the secured creditor, with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon.

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) M/s. DCC Interiors Pvt Ltd, (Borrower), New No.4, Flat No.3, 1 Floor, Kumaran Colony Second Street, Vadapalani, Chennai, Tamilnadu, India - 600 026, Also at : Kanda's Villa, 2nd Avenue, 8th Street, AE-3362R, 1st Floor, Anna Nagar West, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040. (2) Mr. K. Devendran, (Director, Guarantor & Mortgagor), W/o Mr. Kuppan, Flat No.R-1502, R-Tower, Metro Zone, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040. (3) Mrs. D. Sasikala, (Director & Guarantor), W/o Mr. K. Devendran, Flat No.R-1502, R-Tower, Metro Zone, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040. (4) M/s DCC Promoters Pvt Ltd., (Mortgagor), Flat No.52, Parvathy Apartment, Bazar Road, Mogappair East, Chennai - 600 037. Also at : Kanda's Villa, 2nd Avenue, 8th Street, AE-3362R, 1st Floor, Anna Nagar West, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 09.09.2026 : Rs.1,79,05,272/- (Rupees One crore seventy nine lakhs five thousand two hundred and seventy two only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 10.09.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Property 1 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No.BG 1 measuring 679 Square feet situated at Ground Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 216 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976A ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.73.80 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.7.38 Lakhs

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Property 2 : Immovable property namely Shop No.1 measuring 209 Square feet situated at Residential cum Commercial Building Complex "DCC Agalya" along with 94 Square feet undivided share of land out of total land measuring 2401 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos. TMVB-27A1, TMVB-27A2, situated at Residential Layout "Oragadam Co-Operative Building Society's Colony" at Survey No.880/1, 880/2, 880/3, Thirumalaivoyal Village, Ambattur Taluk, Thiruvallur, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976B ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.9.40 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.0.94 Lakhs

Property 3 : Immovable property namely Shop No.2 measuring 215 Square feet situated at Residential cum Commercial Building Complex "DCC Agalya" along with 77 Square feet undivided share of land out of total land measuring 2401 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos. TMVB-27A1, TMVB-27A2, situated at Residential Layout "Oragadam Co-Operative Building Society's Colony" at Survey No.880/1, 880/2, 880/3, Thirumalaivoyal Village, Ambattur Taluk, Thiruvallur, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976C ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.9.67 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.0.96 Lakhs

Property 4 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. B2 measuring 774 Square feet situated at Residential cum Commercial Building Complex "DCC Agalya" along with 348 Square feet undivided share of land out of total land measuring 2401 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos. TMVB-27A1, TMVB-27A2, situated at Residential Layout "Oragadam Co-Operative Building Society's Colony" at Survey No.880/1, 880/2, 880/3, Thirumalaivoyal Village, Ambattur Taluk, Thiruvallur, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976D ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.32.40 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.3.24 Lakhs

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Property 5 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. AG1 measuring 769 Square feet situated at Ground Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 236 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976E ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.85.50 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.8.55 Lakhs

Property 6 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. BF2 measuring 868 Square feet situated at First Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 401 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976F ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.89.87 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.8.98 Lakhs

Property 7 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. BS2 measuring 868 Square feet situated at Second Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 401 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976G ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.89.87 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.8.98 Lakhs

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2. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) M/s DCC Promoters Pvt Ltd, (Borrower), New No.4, Flat No.3, 1st Floor, Kumaran Colony Second Street, Vadapalani, Chennai, Tamilnadu, India - 600 026, Also at : Kanda's Villa, 2nd Avenue, 8th Street, AE-3362R, 1st Floor, Anna Nagar West, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040. (2) Mr. K. Devendran, (Director, Guarantor & Mortgagor), W/o Mr. Kuppan, Flat No.R-1502, R-Tower, Metro Zone, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040. (3) Mrs. D. Sasikala, (Director & Guarantor), W/o Mr. K. Devendran, Flat No.R-1502, R-Tower, Metro Zone, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600 040.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 09.09.2026 : Rs.92,03,000/- (Rupees Ninety two lakhs and three thousand only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 10.09.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Property 1 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. BG 1 measuring 679 Square feet situated at Ground Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 216 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976A ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.73.80 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.7.38 Lakhs

Property 2 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. AG1 measuring 769 Square feet situated at Ground Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 236 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976E ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.85.50 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.10,000/- EMD : Rs.8.55 Lakhs

Property 3 : Immovable property namely Residential Apartment No. BS2 measuring 868 Square feet situated at Second Floor of the Residential Apartment Building "DCC-Athulya" along with 401 Square feet of undivided share of land out of total land measuring 3900 Square feet both situated at Plot Nos.331A, 331B (Old Plot No.331) situated at Residential Layout "Golden George Nagar" at Town Survey No.163 (Old Survey No.398 Part), Mogappair Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic PROPERTY ID : IDIB7032018976G ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil

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Date and Time of Inspection of the Properties & related documents :
06.10.2026 to 07.10.2026 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

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**SC SEEKS TIMELINE FOR FSSAI'S
FOOD WARNING LABEL ROLLOUT**
Supreme Court has asked FSSAI to come up
with more clarifications on its planned labels
of nutrients of concern — fat, sugar and salt
'Clarify threshold levels of nutrients'
Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
proposed phased implementation of front-of-package
labelling (FoPL) on packaged foods high in added
saturated fat, added sugar and salt. The bench asked
FSSAI how it proposed to identify sweetened beverages
which fall under Phase I; and what are threshold levels
of the specific nutrients for such beverages



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Big PM push for BRICS trade integration

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday called for a three-pillar strategy to deepen trade within the expanded BRICS grouping, while stressing that stronger economic integration would depend on secure sea lanes, open supply routes and the safety of seafarers as geopolitical conflicts increasingly disrupt global commerce.

Addressing the BRICS Business Forum here, Modi urged the BRICS Business Council to identify and remove the bloc's top 10 trade barriers, support 100 startups every year to expand into other BRICS markets and create 1,000 new business partnerships annually, with progress reviewed every year.

"As BRICS enters its third decade, I would like to urge the BRICS Business Council: Can you prepare a report on removing the top 10 trade barriers among BRICS nations? Can we support 100 BRICS startups annually to scale up in other BRICS markets? Can we forge a thousand new partnerships among our businesses? We should review our progress on these three parameters every year," Modi said.

At the same time, Modi placed maritime security at the heart of his vision for expanding global trade, warning that economic growth and supply-chain resilience could not be separated from the security of shipping routes.

Modi's proposals came against a broader backdrop of rising protectionism, sanctions and geopolitical fragmentation, with emerging economies seeking to build more resilient trade and investment links within the Global South. His pitch was to move BRICS towards measurable economic integration.

"The economic strength of BRICS has grown at nearly twice the pace of the rest of the world," Modi said, describing BRICS nations as emerging hubs for innovation and solutions.

The economic agenda unfolded alongside a sharper geopolitical message from Russian President Vladimir Putin, who criticised sanctions and what he described as coercive economic pressure. Putin also sought to highlight BRICS' growing economic weight relative to the Western-led G7. "Over the last five years, more than 40% of the world GDP has been produced by the BRICS countries, whereas the contribution of the so-called G7, the Group of Seven—I don't know why they call that the Group of Seven—stands at only 29%," he said.

Putin stressed that Russia is not working against anyone. "What we are doing is not against anyone. We are in favour of our interests," he said while calling for greater cooperation in infrastructure, logistics, finance and technology.

Global trade can only progress if sea lanes are secure, supply routes remain open, and seafarers are safe. India is a staunch supporter of freedom of navigation and safety of seafarers

Narendra Modi



Prime Minister Narendra Modi walks hand-in-hand with Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian along the red carpet of the BRICS Business Forum. Russian President Vladimir Putin and South African President Cyril Ramaphosa also seen in the picture | PTI

India, Iran seek long-term ties

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

Local currency pitch

INDIA and Iran have agreed to pursue a long-term, 'win-win' approach to their bilateral relationship as Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian held talks against the backdrop of an escalating conflict in West Asia. The meeting, held on the sidelines of the BRICS Summit, was the second interaction between the two leaders in two weeks. They had met on the sidelines of the SCO Summit in Bishkek on August 31.

"From Bishkek to Delhi, the

Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian said the existing global financial system remains vulnerable because of its concentration on a limited number of currencies. He called for a stronger shift toward local currencies in BRICS trade

productive discussions continue," Modi said after the meeting. He said the two sides discussed the need to take their relationship forward with a long-term perspective.

The situation in West Asia figured prominently in the talks. Modi reiterated India's

position that all issues must be resolved through "dialogue and diplomacy". He underscored the need for lasting peace and stability, while safeguarding freedom of navigation and commerce and the safety and well-being of seafarers.

Speaking at the BRICS Business Forum, Pezeshkian called for greater use of national currencies in trade among BRICS members. "One of the most important steps is to expand the use of national currencies in trade among the members," he said, while calling for steps to manage currency risks.

Security, minerals widen Russia ties

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said "dialogue and diplomacy" remained the way forward to resolve conflicts as he and Russian President Vladimir Putin reviewed an expanding India-Russia agenda spanning maritime security, critical minerals, industrial partnerships and civil nuclear cooperation. Modi said India was ready to assist in peace efforts.

In a post on X after the meeting, Modi said the two leaders discussed closer trade ties, including implementation of the Programme for Economic Cooperation 2030, as well as cooperation in infrastructure, energy, technology, defence and culture.

According to the official readout, the leaders "shared perspectives on key regional and global issues of mutual interest, including the conflicts in West Asia and the Black Sea region which have impacted maritime trade and the safety and security of Indian seafarers."

The talks also covered the broader India-Russia strategic partnership. The two leaders "agreed to remain engaged ... to further strengthen the Special and Privileged Strategic Partnership between the two countries", which they said continued to show "significant growth". Trade and economic diversification are expected to shape the next phase of the relationship. India and Russia are working towards a \$100 billion bilateral trade target by 2030, even as the sharp increase in Russian energy imports has widened the trade imbalance. The economic agenda is moving beyond oil and defence. Rail and tunnelling cooperation is being explored as part of an industrial push.

Critical minerals is another strategic priority. Officials said the two sides are looking at cooperation across exploration, processing and recycling. Both countries are also examining a potential steel value-chain partnership, spanning raw materials to finished products. Civil nuclear cooperation remains another key pillar. Discussions also covered nuclear fuel-cycle cooperation and life-cycle support for existing Russian-designed reactors in India, while keeping alive talks on a second Russian-designed reactor site.

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File photo of a flood-ravaged Devighat in Nepal | ANI

DNA samples of kin of 78 Tamils sent to Nepal

GAUTHAM SELVARAJAN @Chennai

SEVENTEEN days have passed since flash floods struck Nepal but the families of 49 people who went on a pilgrimage to the neighbouring country through an agency in Chromepet last month say they are yet to receive any further updates from the Tamil Nadu government other than that they are yet to be traced.

Meanwhile, in a bid to speed up the search and rescue operations in Nepal, three labs in Chennai, Thanjavur and Madurai are collecting blood samples from the first-degree relatives of those missing for DNA profiling. So far, DNA profiles of the kin of 78 of the total 85 Tamils who are missing have been handed over to the Nepal government, a TN government official told TNIE on Friday. "The first-degree relatives of four missing people are living abroad. They are expected to reach Tamil Nadu in a week or so, following which blood samples would be taken from them for DNA profiling," the official added.

N Maravel (55), operator of the travel agency in Chromepet whose 28-year-old son Sathya Narayanan also accompanied the 48 on the trip, told TNIE, "The blood samples have been given and I was told that most of the DNA profiles have been handed over. My family is waiting to hear positive news. We consulted an astrologer who said that my son was safe and would return home soon."

Maravel said that some of the agency's staff members have gone to Kathmandu to help in the rescue operations. News reports of people found alive in debris and sludge even after 10 days since the tragedy struck have given more hopes for Maravel. The elder brother of one woman from Kancheepuram who was also part of the trip said, "Our family has been waiting for any sort of update from the government, but there is none. Nepal's government is posting updates regarding the rescue operation, but nothing is there from the Chinese government. We tried reaching out to the Indian Embassy in Beijing as the group from Chromepet was near Tibet but there was no new update."

No driving licence, RC smart cards from today

Applicants can instead download docus free of cost the same day they complete driving test or register vehicle

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

THE state government will from September 12 stop issuing physical copies of driving licences (DLs) and registration certificates (RCs), with applicants instead being allowed to download the documents online free of cost. While it was announced that applicants can download digitally signed versions of the documents from September 15, an order issued by the home (transport) department on September 10 stated that digital DLs and RCs would be made available for download on the same day they successfully complete their driving test or register a vehicle.

The digital documents, carrying a QR code for verification, will be treated as valid and accepted, including during inspections by the traffic police, RTOs and other enforcement agencies. The state currently prints around 30 lakh chip-embedded smart cards every year for DLs and RCs,

and despatches them through Speed Post. Applicants pay ₹250 per card.

Transport department officials told TNIE that the move would make the process of obtaining DLs and RCs seamless and spare applicants the hardship of making repeated visits to the RTO.

An official said the decision was also influenced by continued complaints of malpractices involving employees of third-party agencies engaged in printing and distributing smart cards, allegedly in collusion with touts, brokers or driving schools. Frequent technical glitches in the card-printing and distribution process had also delayed the delivery of documents to applicants.

"The recent CAG audit flagged several irregularities, including delays of up to two years in vehicle registrations, irregularities in the allocation of fancy numbers, an unusually high number of vehicle registrations at certain RTOs, and the registration of banned BS-



It was originally announced that applicants can download driving licences from September 15 | FILE PHOTO

e-Seva printouts

The G.O., issued by K Manivasan, additional chief secretary, home (transport) department, stated that applicants can also obtain printouts of their digital driving licence and vehicle registration certificate from e-Seva centres from Tuesday

IV vehicles during the Covid-19 period. In some cases, RTO officials and vehicle inspectors had shared their user IDs and passwords with employees of third-party agencies, resulting in violations. A majority of these irregularities can be addressed once digital RCs and DLs are enabled," an official said.

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Reply to petition against online issuance of docus within two weeks, TN told

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

THE Madras High Court on Friday ordered notice to the state government and the transport commissioner seeking their reply to a petition challenging the issuance of digital driving licence and registration certificate (RC) for motor vehicles from September 12, 2026.

The first bench of Chief Justice Sushrut Arvind Dharmadhikari and Justice G Arul Murugan directed the respondents to file reply within two weeks.

The petition was filed by Force Identification Private Limited, which is engaged in printing and supply of secure cards. It said such cessation of the existing mode of delivery cannot be brought about merely through an internal departmental communication authorising such exclusive cutover.

The petitioner also said the digital licence and RC cannot be downloaded by persons who don't have Android phones. Advocate General Vijay Narayan submitted that the digital services are being rolled out with an intention to wipe out corruption. Such an electronic system has been introduced in Rajasthan, Kerala and Assam, he added.

e-registration of mortgage docus must

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

FROM September 15, all banks and financial institutions in Tamil Nadu will have to register two categories of mortgage-related documents - Memorandum of Deposit of Title Deeds (MODT) and Deed of Receipt which are issued when a loan is secured against property and when that loan is repaid respectively - through its "presenceless" digital registration system, an order issued by the state's commercial taxes and registration department on Thursday stated.

The move extends Phase II of

For encumbrance cert

According to the G.O., the aim is to ensure mortgage entries are reflected in encumbrance certificates that banks rely on to ascertain whether a property is free of claims before giving loans

"anywhere registration," a scheme under the state's Project STAR 3.0 digital registration platform that was inaugurated on August 17. Phase I had already mandated "presenceless" filing for first-sale deposit deeds tied to plot and flat sales by developers.

The commercial taxes minister had announced the mort-

gage-document mandate in the state Assembly on September 7. Thursday's order by J Kumaragurubaran, commercial taxes department secretary, operationalises that announcement.

The presenceless framework incorporates digital signatures from the registering authority and QR-coded verification on each page of a registered document.

The inspector general of registration noted that both document types are already enabled for presenceless filing since January 22, 2026, meaning the mandate does not introduce new infrastructure but compels fuller use of existing capacity.



Bank employees staging a protest in Tiruchy on Friday | M KASHOK KUMAR

Banking hit as staff go on stir for five-day work week

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

BANKING services across the state took a hit on Friday as employees participated in the nationwide strike called by the United Forum of Bank Unions pressing for the introduction of a five-day work week.

According to union members, most of the 60,000 bank employees in the state participated in the strike. Of the around 18,000 bank branches, most remained closed or operated with fewer staff, except

scale 5 branches. Cheque clearance and other banking services were affected at several places. Demonstrations were also held at banks across the state.

The union said banks currently work from Monday through Saturday. The Indian Banks' Association had agreed in March 2024 to a five-day work week, with an additional 40 minutes of customer service from Monday through Friday. The same was sent to the union finance ministry for approval, the union added.

ENG6, POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTIONS

₹1.3-cr fund to set up alumni association in 65 govt colleges

BINITA JAISWAL @Chennai

GIVING a fresh push to alumni participation in the higher education sector, the state government has sanctioned ₹1.30 crore towards formation of alumni association in 65 government engineering and polytechnic colleges. With each institution receiving ₹2 lakh as part of the initiative, colleges have been told to use the one-time funding to conduct outreach activities and organise meetings for their alumni.

Through alumni associations, colleges can tap into the experience, expertise, profes-

sional networks and resources of their former students to support present-day students and improve institutional development.

The funding covers 11 government engineering colleges and 54 government polytechnic colleges.

A higher education official said a notable example of alumni involvement has emerged from the Alagappa Chettiar Government College of Engineering and Technology, Karaikudi. During the academic year 2026-27, the government motivated the college's alumni association to mobilise ₹75 crore towards establishment of



Colleges have been told to conduct outreach activities for alumni | EXPRESS

the Alagappa Incubation Forum and Research Park. The proposed research park is planned as an integrated eco-

system bringing together academia, research institutions, industries, start-ups, and government agencies.

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHS

12th September: Mercury and Neptune in Opposition
"The answers are already within you," says every sage ever. Wonderful. That's a bit like your phone insisting your missing phone is somewhere in the house. Yes, but where? Mercury's opposition to Neptune reminds us that general truths have their place, but when you're trying to put your hand on something and actually use it, specifics are what matter.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

The usual things need to be tended to before you can move on to the "fun stuff." Doing the chores in a different order will make it go better, if only because the newly quirkier and sharper you.

TAURUS (Apr 20 - May 20)

When you're uncertain, resist the pressure to answer right away. You probably don't yet know what people really want. But if most people around you aren't even trying, any mistake you make proves you're braver. You're actually living.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)

To avoid miss is hard enough when done in private. Missing in front of people takes real guts. But if most people around you aren't even trying, any mistake you make proves you're braver. You're actually living.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)

Your experience isn't isolated. Many people are navigating the same kinds of obstacles. Changes to your own life really do mirror something happening all around you. Communities are forming.

LEO (July 23 - Aug 22)

You discover that your compatibility has less to do with agreeing about everything and more to do with enjoying ordinary days. Routines become cozy. Goodbyes become shorter, and home starts looking like another person's face.

VIRGO (Aug 23 - Sept 22)

You are like the universal key that can, with a certain amount of fiddling, fit into a lot of different situations today, so you can afford to be choosy. There's that one that will click like it's made for you.

LIBRA (Sept 23 - Oct 23)

It will feel good to shed some of the things you've stored for years. Your efforts to need less, appreciate more and be generous in any way you can will not only make life better for you, but also influence all around you.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 21)

You're caring less about what people think of you, and the less you care, the more they like you. Without the distraction of having to please, small, wonderful things happen today, including the fact that you simply have more energy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

"Does it say, not as I do?" may be unknown to you, but the other animals don't spend nearly as much time directing each other. You'll follow your advice to others and teach them twice.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

What you need most today is willpower - not because you are hard, but because they are not. Staying on track can be much more of a challenge on ordinary days, but surround yourself with good examples and you're golden.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20 - Feb 18)

It is said that ability is nothing without opportunity, and before you know what it looks like. You can practically smell it now, like cookies baking in the distance.

PISCES (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

To demand perfection of yourself is hardly fair. Even if asking for perfection isn't your better results, the stress is too high a cost to be worth while today. A gentle, tolerant spirit takes you further.

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4. Translation I put out in passing (12)
5. The right time for fashion (4)
6. Name one dreadfully blasé female (6)
7. Wrongly tagged labour-saving device (6)
8. An executive order (5,7)
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13. It's bought by the metre but worn by the foot (6)
14. Beauty consultant goes to the wall (6)
15. Gave view to be expressed (4)
16. How to express satisfaction at a stroke (4)

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Power demand zooms, city plant resumes ops

S GURUVANMIKANATHAN @Chennai

NEARLY five years after it was last operated, the Tamil Nadu Power Generation Corporation Limited (TNPGL) has resumed power generation at the Basin Bridge Gas Turbine Power Station to meet the rising peak demand in Chennai.

The plant with four 30 MW units with a combined capacity of 120 MW is expected to generate power till September 16 as the city's electricity demand has been rising steadily, similar to the trend witnessed during the summer months. TNPGL has decided to operate the first two units and generate 60 MW.

According to data accessed by TNIE, Chennai's peak power demand touched 4,469 MW on September 10, 2026, compared to 3,884 MW during the same period last year. A senior TNPGL official said the sudden rise in demand had put pressure on the utility, particularly during the morning and evening peak hours.

"Usually, we procure additional power from the electricity exchanges during peak hours or when demand rises during summer. But this year, several states are witnessing high demand even in September. As a result, the availability of power on the exchanges is also limited," the official told TNIE.

With limited power available through exchanges and other sources, the utility decided to restart the Basin Bridge gas-based power station to meet the additional requirement in Chennai. The official said generation from the plant would help the utility manage the morning and evening peaks and ensure uninterrupted power supply in the city.

Explaining the fuel arrangements, another official said the units could be operated using naphtha and natural gas under a dual-fuel system, while high-speed diesel (HSD) is used as the starting fuel.

"Due to the non-availability of natural gas in Chennai, the units were operated on naphtha. The cost of generation at the plant was ₹12 per unit.



POWER DEMAND & CONSUMPTION (SEP 1-10)

DATE	DEMAND (IN MW, SEP, 2025)	CONSUMPTION (IN MW, SEP, 2025)	DEMAND (IN MW, SEP, 2026)	CONSUMPTION (IN MW, SEP, 2026)
01	3,730	73,715	4,562	90,155
02	3,653	77,672	4,655	93,854
03	3,683	74,959	4,255	89,973
04	3,749	75,555	4,191	86,738
05	3,747	79,605	4,270	84,931
06	3,696	74,319	3,805	78,179
07	3,564	69,875	4,523	84,414
08	4,037	79,093	4,483	87,222
09	4,165	83,622	4,708	89,58
10	3,884	83,524	4,469	91,366

We did not generate power at the station for the past five years due to the high cost of generation," the official said.

TNPGL has now decided to operate the power station fully on HSD with 60,000 litres of diesel procured from Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) for the purpose. "We expect the cost of generation to touch Rs 30 per unit. However, the present situation has forced the utility to generate power at the gas-based plant to meet the additional demand," the official added.

3 people injured, 2 animals dead as power line snaps

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

IN two separate incidents at Chromepet and Old Pallavaram, three people sustained injuries, while a cow and a stray dog killed after live power cable snapped on Friday.

At Thiruneermalai Malai Salai in Nagalkeni near Chrompet, a high-voltage power line fell while Tambaram corporation conservancy workers Bheemanna (45) and Gouramma (33) were engaged in cleaning work.

The wire fell in a puddle and the two workers who were cleaning nearby received the electric shock.

The duo accidentally stepped on it and sustained injuries. A private food delivery company employee, Vasanth Kumar (22), who too was walking along the road came in contact soon after and suffered injuries.

A police officer said, "Vasanth Kumar was admitted to Tambaram Government Hospital and later shifted to KMC Hospital for further treatment. The two conservancy workers are undergoing treatment at a private hospital in Chrompet. A stray dog which came close to the snapped cable died."

In a separate incident near the Gandhi statue at Old Pallavaram, a power line snapped and fell, leaving a cow dead when it stepped on to the cable.

The Tambaram city police are investigating both the incidents. The Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation (TNPDC) officials have also initiated a probe.

EXPRESS READ

Kolathur MLA clinically stable, says hospital

CHENNAI: Kolathur MLA VS Babu, admitted to MGM Healthcare Hospital on Wednesday with a respiratory ailment, is clinically stable and continues to show improvement under appropriate medical management, the hospital said in its health bulletin on Friday.

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Secretariat plan in Pattinapakkam sparks traffic & livelihood concerns

Fisherfolk worried over access to sea, Loop Road vendors fear eviction



The proposed site for the ₹1,200-crore Assembly-cum-secretariat complex, near Loop Road in Srinivasapuram | ASHWIN PRASATH

PRAVEENA S A @ Chennai

DAYS after the government accorded in-principle approval for constructing a new ₹1,200 crore Legislative Assembly-cum-Secretariat complex at Pattinapakkam on a 25.55-acre site, commuters, residents, and environmental activists have raised concerns over potential impact on traffic, fishermen's livelihoods and the coastal environment by the 20 lakh sq ft structure.

The proposed site is surrounded by at least 10 schools within 1 km radius, besides colleges and religious institutions, commuters said. They said Santhome High Road or Loop Road is nowhere wider than Kamarajar Salai, where the present secretariat is located. If the secretariat comes, the situation will only worsen, preventing free movement of vehicles and fisherfolk into the sea, fisherfolk and residents along Loop Road said.

The site also has limited public transport options in its immediate vicinity. The Mandaveli MRTS station, the nearest, is 2.2 km away via South Canal Bank Road in Mandavelipakkam, while the Mandaveli bus depot is 1.6 km away. Even the upcoming Lighthouse metro station is 2.6 km away.

"Though an elevated corridor has been proposed connecting Lighthouse and Thiru-Vi-Ka Bridge in Adyar, traffic issues will persist as the road leads to many educational institutions, and connects to major southern Chennai areas, where most IT companies are located," said Thulukanam N (27), an auto driver. He said traffic is particularly heavy between 7 am & 9 am and 3 pm & 7.30 pm.

Fisherfolk often have to enter the sea at midnight or around 2 am to go fishing. We fear that such movement could be restricted in the name of security

K Bharathi, South Indian Fishermen Welfare Association

However, traffic police officials told *TNIE* that it was too early to speak of traffic issues, as once the DPR is prepared, there could be scope for road widening to accommodate more vehicles. Inter-departmental coordination meetings would be held before decisions are taken on execution, the official said.

Food shop vendors along Loop Road, most of whom are also fisherfolk, fear eviction if the secretariat comes up.

"If the secretariat comes up here, security restrictions will be tightened. Fishermen often have to enter the sea at midnight or around 2 am to go fishing. We fear that such movement could be restricted in the name of security," K Bharathi of the South Indian Fishermen Welfare Association said.

Environmental group Poovulagin Nanbargal also opposed the project, citing ecological and climate-related risks. It said the site falls under CRZ-II as per the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 2011, and questioned the decision to construct the complex in the coastal zone.

Citing the Chennai Climate Action Plan, the group said sea-level rise along the Chennai coast could reach 36.87 cm by 2100 even under a low-emission scenario, with inundation extending up to 508.4 m. Under a high-emission scenario, sea-level rise could reach 77.88 cm. The assessment estimated that around 71.6 sq km of Chennai could be submerged by 2100, with inundation potentially extending up to 1.6 km inland from the coast.

The group said the site, located within 500 m of the coast, should not be considered for the complex given these projections.

AIADMK flays costly project, CPI announces protest at site

CHENNAI: The leaders of several political parties, including TVK's ally MDMK, opposed the Assembly-cum-secretariat project proposed in Foreshore Estate in Chennai, with CPI announcing a demonstration on Saturday (September 12) urging the government to shift the integrated complex to an alternative location.

AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami termed the ₹1,200-crore project "unnecessary given the state's financial constraints" and demanded that the government scrap the project, considering the potential effect on the fisherfolk in the area and traffic congestion.

The CPI claimed that the complex would affect the livelihood of fishermen in Foreshore Estate. CPM state secretary P Shanmugam on Friday said the government should arrive at a decision to build a new secretariat after convening an all-party meeting. BJP leader Vanathi Srinivasan claimed that moving on with the project at the proposed site, which already faces congestion, would force the government to look for an alternative location within 10 years.

Meanwhile, MDMK leader Durai Vaiko said he had requested the CM to instead declare Tiruchy as the second capital and build a new secretariat there.

Earlier, PMK president Dr Anbumani Ramadoss called the proposed site "unsuitable" and urged the CM to initiate preparations to establish an integrated administrative city outside Chennai. The DMK too has opposed the project. *ENS*

TN to set up Sipcot park on 424-acre land near Parandur

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THE state government has decided to establish a Sipcot industrial park on 424 acres of land in Maduramangalam village in Kancheepuram district. The state has also planned to set up a semiconductor and electronics manufacturing park within the complex at a cost of ₹175 crore.

The site proposed for the industrial project is located nearly 10 kilometres from Parandur. Recently, the commissioner of land administration issued a gazette notification for acquiring the remaining land parcels

and directed the Kancheepuram district revenue officer (land acquisition) and other officials to inspect the site. While making the announcement in the Assembly on August 31, Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay said the project at Maduramangalam would attract investments of around ₹2,000 crore and generate nearly 5,000 direct and indirect employment opportunities.

Meanwhile, PMK president Anbumani Ramadoss on Friday opposed the government's move to acquire agricultural

land in Maduramangalam for establishing the semiconductor and electronics manufacturing park. He urged the government to drop the land acquisition plan and instead establish the project on government-owned land or land already acquired by the state. "If an airport requiring more than 5,000 acres can be shifted, why cannot a semiconductor park requiring only 35 acres be shifted to another location?" he asked, highlighting that the government had abandoned the Parandur airport project citing the need to protect agricultural land.



The government told HC that state-of-the-art machines would be installed in the vicinity of outlets that take back bottles and refund incentive amount | FILE PICTURE

4K machines planned for Tasmac bottle buy-back

R SIVAKUMAR @ Chennai

THE Tamil Nadu government has informed the Madras High Court that a new "revised technology-enabled mechanism" is going to be put in place for collecting empty liquor bottles under the buy-back scheme. As many as 4,000 state-of-the-art machines will be installed in the vicinity of the Tasmac retail liquor outlets taking back the bottles and refunding the incentive amount.

Advocate General (AG) Vijay Narayan made the submission before a division bench of justices N Sathish Kumar and K Rajasekar on Friday when the petitions relating to the matter came up for hearing. He filed a status report on behalf of the managing director of Tasmac, K Nandakumar.

"To address the practical difficulties, ensure transparency and accountability, and reduce the burden upon the retail vending shop personnel, Tasmac has proposed a technology-enabled mechanism for collection of empty bottles," the AG told the court.

Further, the AG said state-of-the-art "reverse vending machines" will be installed, initially in the vicinity of the retail outlets. "It is proposed, initially, about 4,000 machines — one per retail outlet — will be installed to enable the consumers to return the empty bottles. Later, the machines will be set up at designated points," he told the bench.

Stating that the public sector liquor vending corporation has notified tender for the "selection of a system operator for deployment and operation of reverse vending machines for collection of post-consumer liquor bottles/containers with incentive mechanism in TN", Vijay Narayan explained that the tenderer has to set up the machines free of cost and pay the rentals for the collection centre.

The bench granted three months' time to Tasmac for implementing the new buy-back scheme and directed it to continue with the existing collection system till then.

EXPRESS READ

SP Stalin shunted out of Kanniyakumari

Kanniyakumari: The state government has transferred Kanniyakumari Superintendent of Police Dr R Stalin out of the district. According to the order issued by Additional Chief Secretary K Manivasan dated September 10, Stalin has been moved out with immediate effect. Anshul Nagar, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Tirunelveli City, has been appointed as the new superintendent of police. Stalin was appointed as Kanniyakumari SP in January 2025. *ENS*

Disintegration of SPA 100% DMK's fault: Thirumavalavan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Dharmapuri

VCK leader Thol Thirumavalavan on Friday said that the DMK alone was responsible for the breakdown of the party-led alliance (Secular Progressive Alliance — SPA) after the 2026 Assembly elections. The Dravidian major's rigid stance had strained its relationship with its allies, and this uncompromising posture has been the undoing of the SPA, he added.

Speaking at a public meeting in a private hall, where he participated in a wedding ceremony, Thirumavalavan said most of the DMK allies joined hands with the TVK post-elections, and the DMK was entirely to blame for its partners leaving



Thirumavalavan speaking at an event in Dharmapuri on Friday | EXPRESS

the alliance. He said, "As the leader of the alliance, the DMK bears the responsibility to respect and reinforce the alliance. Why did the relationship between the Congress and the DMK become bitter? Why did

the Left parties and even the IUML, which had been allied with the DMK for decades, part ways? Why was the MDMK prevented from contesting in its own symbol? Parties that had long been in alliance with the DMK received fewer seats, while the DMK, which had just allied with the DMK, got the lion's share of the seats. It is 100% the DMK's fault that these parties left the alliance."

Thirumavalavan said the VCK had no aspiration in elections, politics, or power. "It was a movement to protect people from caste discrimination, eradicate untouchability, ensure education for all, and promote Left ideologies. We uphold the ideals of Karl Marx and B R Ambedkar. However, despite

our efforts, once we left the DMK alliance, we were branded as traitors."

On its alliance with the TVK, Thirumavalavan said, "I myself labelled (C Joseph) Vijay as a child of the RSS, and after the Karur tragedy, I urged the DMK to arrest him. Yet, they did not. At that time I had little faith in Vijay and the TVK. But after the elections, they did not ally with the AIADMK, the PMK or the BJP; instead, they approached the Left parties and the Congress. This reflected our ideals and we decided to go with them (TVK) for the welfare of the people."

On the name for the TVK-led alliance, he said he was solely responsible for incorporating the word 'secular' in it.

VETERANS FIGHT IT OUT FOR VICTORY IN MADURANTAKAM

PRABHAKAR TAMILARASU @ Chennai

THE Madurantakam (SC) bypoll is shaping up to be a battle of former legislators, with all three major contenders — TVK, AIADMK and DMK — aiming to turn their electoral experiences into an advantage in a constituency that has historically swung between the two Dravidian majors.

While S Kanitha Sampath of AIADMK pitches to retain the constituency as the party's stronghold, her successor from the party, K Maragatham Kumaravel, who resigned as MLA and has now been fielded by the TVK, is confident of winning the seat again. Advocate I Paranthamen of DMK pitches on TVK's failure in governance and non-implementation of its poll promises.

For the TVK, the contest is an attempt by Maragatham to retain the constituency she had won three months ago. However, this time, she is representing the ruling party, whose candidate she defeated in April 2026. Maragatham expressed confidence that she could repeat her victory, saying the government's achievements in the first 100 days would be taken to the people. "People have confidence in *thalapathy* (Vijay). People have seen the governance and we are sure we will win with a huge margin," she said.

According to TVK sources, the party leaders have been told to work hard not just to make Maragatham win, but to make the opposition lose their election deposits. A senior TVK leader told *TNIE*, "A mere win

would make it look like the TVK government is weak. Only a massive victory will show that the party has the people's backing."

The AIADMK, meanwhile, is seeking to wrest back the seat from its former MLA. Kanitha Sampath, who represented Madurantakam from 2011 to 2016, said she has the advantage of having previously won the constituency. Citing the resignation of the MLA that triggered the bypoll, Kanitha said the "AIADMK would get back the victory" and that the people would take care of those who had returned the mandate to the party.



For the DMK, Paranthamen brings a unique challenge. The former Egmore MLA and joint secretary of the party's legal wing was denied a ticket to contest from Egmore in the 2026 elections. He is expected to make the TVK government's first 100 days the principal target of his campaign. He claimed that people are fed up with TVK's governance and its failure to deliver on its promises. During the DMK candidate introduction meeting in Madurantakam on Friday party organisation secretary R S Bharathi said that a DMK victory would trigger the collapse of the TVK-led government by January.

VIVANESH PARTHIBAN @ Tiruchy

GARMENT manufacturers in Puthanatham near Manappuram in Tiruchy district have urged the state to defer the proposed change in school uniform design to 2028-29, stating that they already hold substantial stock of both fabric and stitched uniforms for 2026-27 and 2027-28, and any changes before that would lead to losses.

A month ago, School Education Minister A Rajmohan had indicated that the government was considering changes to the existing uniform design.

According to members of Puthanatham Readymade Garments Manufacturers Welfare

Association, the cluster comprises over 50 manufacturing units supporting 400 families.

Apart from uniforms, the units also produce garments such as shirts, trousers and nightwear, but a significant share of their revenue comes from uniform-related production. The cluster supplies both uniform cloth and ready-made garments across TN, sourcing raw materials from Mumbai, Surat and Ahmedabad.

TAK Hidayatullah, secretary of the association, said, "We have nearly ₹5 crore worth of stock ready, including both fabric and stitched uniforms sufficient for the current academic year (2026-27) and fabric for the



The representatives of Puthanatham Readymade Garments Manufacturers Welfare Association submitting a petition to Minister Rajmohan in Chennai | EXPRESS

next (2027-28). If the design is changed now, the entire stock will have no market," he said.

Association treasurer Kamal Pasha said the sector had only

recently recovered from the slowdown due to Covid-19 pandemic. "Our annual turnover is around ₹50 crore, with nearly ₹30 crore coming from uniform

production," he said. He added that demand is sustained as students rely on local manufacturers for additional cloth and stitched uniforms beyond the free set. Similar clusters operate in Natham, Cumbum, Bodi, Madurai, Karur and Thalaivaipuram, and any sudden design change would have a ripple effect across these centres as well, Pasha said.

On Wednesday, the representatives met Rajmohan in Chennai and reiterated their request, seeking a transition period before implementing changes. The minister assured them that their concerns would be examined and steps would be taken to minimise losses.

Solomon Pappaiah, voice of Pattimandram, falls silent

Scholar blended humour and colloquial Tamil with literary depth

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Madurai

VETERAN Tamil scholar, orator and popular Pattimandram (debate) moderator Solomon Pappaiah passed away in Madurai on Friday at the age of 90. He died at a private hospital in the city after suffering chest pain. His mortal remains were later taken to his residence at Gnaoliyupuram, and will be cremated as per his wish. The last rites will be held at 10 am on Saturday.

Sundaram Solomon Pappaiah, born on February 22, 1936, is celebrated for bringing Tamil literature out of academia and into the public sphere through his engaging, witty, and accessible speaking style. After earning a bachelor's degree in Economics from Madurai College and a master's degree in Tamil from Thiagarajar College, he joined the American College's Tamil Department as a professor, eventually rising to become the Head of the Department.

His journey as a public speaker began while he was still a student, when he took part in several speech competitions. He was inspired by the speeches of leaders of the Dravidian movement as well as Muthuramalinga Thevar and K Kamaraj. At American College, he served as president of the Thiruvalluvar Kazhagam and organised several literary programmes featuring speakers such as Kundrakudi Adigalar, R Nedunchezhiyan and K Anbazhagan. His first major public speech was delivered in Pudukkottai in 1961 on the topic, "Was Bharathiyar a Vedanta poet or a modern poet?" He argued in favour of Bharathiyar being a modern poet.

While continuing his teaching career, Pappaiah became a familiar face in pattimandram programmes and eventually

rose to become one of Tamil Nadu's most popular moderators.

His witty observations, Madurai-flavoured Tamil and ability to connect classical literature with everyday life made him a household name. He conducted more than 7,000 pattimandram programmes in India and abroad, including in the US, Australia, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and Sri Lanka. Pappaiah also made significant contributions to Tamil literature. He wrote commentaries on the Thirukkural, Purananuru and Akananuru, besides writing literary and critical essays for several magazines and journals.

His book 'Uraimalargal' was prescribed as a textbook in universities. He also wrote commentaries on Akananuru in three volumes and presented Purananuru verses with a new arrangement and commentary. What set Pappaiah apart was his ability to explain even complex literary ideas through incidents from everyday life. Whether

speaking about Thirukkural, Sangam literature or Kamba Ramayanam, he blended humour and colloquial Tamil with literary depth, enabling even those who had never formally studied Tamil literature to appreciate it. For his contribution to Tamil, he received the Tamil Nadu government's Kalaimamani Award in 2000 and was honoured with the Padma Shri in 2021. He also acted in a few films, including 'Boys' and 'Sivaji'.

His wife, Jeyabai, a retired teacher, died in 2025 following health complications. He is survived by his son, Thiyaagmurthy, and daughter, Vimala. Though Pappaiah belonged to the Christian faith, his last wish was that his mortal remains be cremated.



Solomon Pappaiah
1936 - 2026

Irreplaceable loss to Tamil-speaking world: CM Vijay

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

GOVERNOR Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar, Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay, and leaders of various political parties condoled the demise of Solomon Pappaiah on Friday.

Governor Arlekar said Pappaiah enriched public life with his knowledge of the Tamil language and literature, wit and oratory skills. CM Vijay said Pappaiah's death was an "irreplaceable loss to the Tamil-speaking world."

"Through his speeches infused with humour, his profound mastery of Tamil, and his ability to bring social ideas to the people in a simple manner, Professor Solomon Pappaiah transformed forums from mere pastime events into platforms that provoke thought," he wrote on X in Tamil. Former CM Stalin, in a post on X, said Pappaiah had become inseparable from the daily lives of Tamils, with his 'Pattimandram' marking festivals such as Pongal and Tamil New Year.

Similarly, AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami described the passing of the Tamil scholar as a great loss to Tamil literature and the debating tradition. Law Minister C T R Nirmal Kumar and MLAs Karthikeyan and M M Gopison paid their last respects by placing wreaths on his mortal remains at his residence in Madurai.

Nirmal Kumar said he would discuss the request for according state honours to Pappaiah and convey the decision. PMK president Dr Anbumani Ramadoss, CPI state secretary M Veerapandian, CPM state secretary P Shanmugam, also condoled Pappaiah's death.

Girl sexually harassed by teacher ends life

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Kallakurichi

A Class 10 student of a government school near Kachirayapalayam in Kallakurichi district died at the Salem Government Medical College Hospital on Thursday night, three days after she allegedly attempted suicide following sexual harassment by a teacher. Kallakurichi police have arrested the teacher under the Protection of Children from

Sexual Offences (Pocso) Act.

According to police, the student was allegedly sexually harassed by the teacher at the school. He had allegedly called the girl to the teachers' room during school hours, sexually harassed her and warned her not to disclose the incident to anyone.

Police said the student, who was under mental distress following the incident, attempted to kill herself at her house on Monday (September 7). She was

initially admitted to a private hospital in Chinnasalem and later shifted to the Kallakurichi Government Medical College Hospital. She was subsequently referred to Salem Government Medical College Hospital for further treatment, where she was undergoing intensive care.

Acting on the complaint lodged by the



girl's family, Kallakurichi police arrested the teacher on Wednesday evening and produced him before a court on Thursday night after interrogation. He has been remanded to judicial custody.

Meanwhile, the parents of the deceased girl have demanded the arrest of the school headmaster for alleged negligence in taking action on her previous complaints against the accused teacher. Further investigation is under way.



A LONGING WAIT FOR HOME

GST Road near Chromepet witnessed huge tailbacks on Friday as people left for their hometowns ahead of the Vinayagar Chaturthi festival | ASHWIN PRASATH

Med student ends life after failing in exams

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

A 26-year-old postgraduate medical student allegedly died by suicide near Kelambakkam on Friday. The deceased has been identified as Nikhil Reddy, a native of Kadapa district in Andhra Pradesh. After completing MBBS, he was pursuing his final year MS at a private

medical college near Kelambakkam. He was staying in a rented apartment with fellow students.

According to the police, the examination results were declared on Thursday night, and Reddy had reportedly failed in two subjects. He allegedly died by suicide around 7 am on Friday at the apartment. The Kelambakkam police reached the

spot, recovered the body and sent it to Chengalpattu Government Medical College Hospital for postmortem.

Further investigation is under way.

(Assistance for those having suicidal thoughts is available through Tamil Nadu's health helpline 104 and Sneh's suicide prevention helpline 044-24640050)

Fix lawyers' fee proportionate to work involved in SARFAESI Act cases: Court

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

THE Madras High Court has directed the Chief Judicial Magistrate (CJM) of Chengalpattu district to fix the fees for the advocate commissioners appointed for executing warrants in cases of properties involved in Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act (SARFAESI) Act, 2002, by taking into account factors including the outstanding dues, value of the

property and the distance.

The direction was issued by the first bench of Chief Justice Sushrut Arvind Dharmadhikari and Justice G Arul Murugan while disposing of the writ petitions challenging fixation of ₹80,000 fees for advocate commissioner's even in properties valued at ₹2.21 lakh.

"The Chief Judicial Magistrate, Chengalpattu, shall not treat ₹80,000 as a fixed or default figure to be awarded in every petition filed under Section 14 of the SARFAESI Act," the bench said in the recent order.

It added, "The fee awarded in each case must be proportionate to the work actually involved including amount outstanding, the value and location of the secured asset, the number of properties covered by the warrant, and the distance to be travelled."

The bench also directed the CJM to take note of the timelines prescribed under the proviso to Section 14(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, and to ensure that applications under this section are disposed of within the period contemplated therein, save for genuine and record reasons.

'Grant special package for North Chennai'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

THE CPM on Friday demanded a special development package and funds for North Chennai, alleging the area has remained neglected despite several changes in the government.

Addressing reporters after a protest near Mint bus terminus, CPM state secretary P Shanmugam said the party had received several complaints from people during its recent public outreach campaign. He said the demands included cancellation of the power tariff hike, establishment of a government law college, steps to completely stop drug circulation and house-site pattas for long-time residents.

On the Maduranthakam Assembly bypoll, he said the party's state executive committee would discuss the issue on Saturday and announce its decision.

Two held after 17 yrs in LIC cheque-fraud case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

TWO men who were absconding for nearly 17 years in a 2009 LIC cheque-fraud case, were arrested by the Central Crime Branch (CCB) in Chennai. The suspects, Prathap (41) of Kumbakonam was arrested on August 31, and his associate Arjunan (50) of MG Nagar in Taramani was arrested on Thursday. Both were remanded in judicial custody.

The duo had been working together at a private bank in Chennai in 2009, where they became acquainted. The case was registered based on a complaint lodged that year by an LIC manager attached to the Anna Salai office. According to the complaint, a maturity cheque for ₹3,22,500 issued to LIC policyholder V Vijayakumar was sent to his address in Sowcarpet. However, the sus-

pects allegedly intercepted the cheque, forged documents in Vijayakumar's name and impersonated him to withdraw and misappropriate the amount from a bank.

The police said Prathap opened a bank account using a false name to encash the cheque and submitted a black-and-white photograph. This posed a challenge to the police as the photograph could not be matched with government records, where he had submitted different photographs.

However, Prathap was traced after the same photograph was found used in a document submitted to the Income Tax department. This helped the CCB's Video Piracy Cell & Conventional Crime Investigation Wing trace his old address and subsequently track him down. Based on the information provided by him, the police arrested Arjunan.

EXPRESS READ

Traffic diversions on Sunday for Thirupathi Thirukudai procession

CHENNAI: Traffic diversions will be implemented across parts of North Chennai on Sunday in view of the Thirupathi Thirukudai Padayatra procession organised by the Hindu Dharmartha Samithi Trust, with a large number of devotees expected to participate. No vehicular movement will be allowed on NSC Bose Road, Mint Road and connecting roads from 8 am until the procession crosses Wall Tax Road. From 3 pm, Wall Tax Road and connecting roads will be closed until the procession crosses Elephant Gate Bridge. Motorists have been advised to use EVR Road, Rajaji Road, Basin Bridge Road, Prakasam Road, Muthusany Road. ENS

285 history-sheeters held in revenge killing special drive

CHENNAI: In the wake of two revenge killings in Chennai within a week at Besant Nagar and Thiruvottiyur, GCP arrested 285 people with criminal backgrounds, including history-sheeters, in a special drive, with 152 of them being remanded in judicial custody. The drive was conducted from Thursday night to Friday evening on the directions of Commissioner A Amalraj. Of the 285 arrested, 108 are from the North Zone, 38 from West Zone, 94 from South Zone and 45 are from the East Zone. While 152 were sent in judicial custody, the police are continuing to question the remaining 133 people. A police officer said, "Based on the inquiry, they will be bound over and let go." ENS

HC refuses to hear PIL for regulating idol immersion

CHENNAI: The first bench of the Madras HC comprising CJ Sushrut Arvind Dharmadhikari and Justice G Arul Murugan on Friday refused to hear a public interest litigation petition filed by environmental activist Dr Karpagam seeking directions to the authorities concerned to regulate installation and immersions of idols in view of Vinayagar Chaturthi by strictly following the guidelines and GOs meant for protecting environment. The bench noted the National Green Tribunal's southern bench has already seized the matter and so it is not inclined to hear it. However, it permitted the petitioner to withdraw the petition with liberty to seek appropriate remedy in accordance with law. ENS

Saleem CPI candidate in Thattanchavady

PUDUCHERRY: The Communist Party of India (CPI) on Friday announced its state secretary A M Saleem as its candidate for the Thattanchavady Assembly constituency by-election. The decision was taken at a meeting of the party's state executive held at its headquarters, former MLA and Senior CPI leader Nara Kalainathan told reporters. He formally introduced Saleem as the party's candidate. ENS

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the general public that my client proposed to enter into a Joint Development Agreement with the present owners in respect of the lands comprised in Survey Nos. 11, 13, and 14/2B, having a total extent of 3 Acres and 70 Cents, situated at Varadharajapuram Village, Kundrathur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, within the Sub Registration District of Padappai and Registration District of Chennai South, for the purpose of developing and selling residential buildings to prospective purchasers.

The details of the said property are set out hereunder

Survey No	Extent in Cents	Present Owners
11	152 Cents	1. Syed Imran S/o Syed Aman 2. Jahirah W/o Syed Aman
13	154 Cents	Syed Aman S/o Syed Ali
14/2B	64 Cents	Syed Aman S/o Syed Ali

The present owners represent that they are in absolute ownership, possession and enjoyment of the said property. Further the present owners assures that the said property is free from all encumbrances, mortgages, agreements, charges, litigations, collateral, court attachment, tenants issue, land reforms, land acquisition and liens and that no other person or persons have any right, title or interest over the said property.

Any person(s) who has any right, title, claim, interest or demand or whatsoever relating to the aforesaid property proposed to be developed and sold by my client shall raise their claims or objections with the undersigned within Fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it would be presumed that nobody has any claim or interest in the above said property and my client would be proceeding further to develop and sell the aforesaid property.

S. SAKTHI VIGNESH, ADVOCATE

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I, AZIEL RUTH ALLEN A

D/o. R.A. Allen Anbaraj

Date of Birth: 12.02.2007

Place of Birth: Chennai

Residing at 98, P.U.

Shanmugam Street,

Winterpet,

Arakonam - 631005

Shall henceforth be known as

AZIEL RUTH ALLEN

AZIEL RUTH ALLEN A

CHANGE OF NAME

I, N. LAKSHMI W/o.

D.Nandakumar, aged

46 years residing at

No. 1333A, Vasantha

Nagar, Nadukuthagai,

Thiruninravur, Avadi

Taluk, Thiruvallur

District - 602 024,

shall henceforth be

known as N. PRIYA.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, J JANCY PRAVEENA,

wife of Gopinath D, residing at

No. 23, Shanthy Nagar, 2nd Street,

SM Nagar Post, Thirumullaivoyal,

Chennai-600062, My name in service

book record was wrongly mentioned

as JANCY PRAVEENA Instead of

J JANCY PRAVEENA

(as per Aadhaar Card) I submit that

JANCY PRAVEENA and

J JANCY PRAVEENA are one and the

same person, shall henceforth be

known as only J JANCY PRAVEENA

Ambattur, 10.09.2026

NAME CHANGE

I SANTHANAM SRIDHAR

S/o SANTHANAM,

49 years residing at

S 1 Krishnashery

Apartment Plot No:19,

Vijaya Nagar 1st Main Road,

Velachery,

Chennai-600042

Shall henceforth be

known as

NAIGAINALLUR

SANTHANAM SRIDHAR

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Maharashtra State Power Generation Co. Ltd.

E-TENDER NOTICE (2nd Call)

TENDER SPECIFICATION NO. CE(C)-III/KORADI TPS/Rfx. No. 3000072025/2026-27.

Name of work:- Work of Design, Manufacture, Supply, Replacement & Commissioning of 350NB and 200 NB cast Basalt lined Pipes and Fittings with existing M.S.ERW Pipes of Ash Disposal for Koradi 3x660MW Project.

Estimated Value:- Rs.93,55,20,270.00 (Without GST)	Time Limit:- 18 Months (Including Monsoon period)
Sale Date:- 12.09.2026 at 11:00 Hrs to 26.09.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs.	Tender Fee:- Rs.11,800/- (Inclusive GST)
Date of Submission:- 27.09.2026 up to 15:00Hrs.	EMD:- Rs.93,56,000/-

Contact person- Dy. Chief Engineer (C), O/o Chief Engineer (Civil)-III, M.S.P.G. Co. Ltd., Mumbai. **Fax :** (022)26581469 **Tel.No.** 022-69853619, **E-MAIL ID:-** cgmcivil3@mahagenco.in

For further details visit our Website <https://eprocurement.mahagenco.in>
Agencies are requested to register themselves for this and future E-Tenders

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank

ZONAL OFFICE, CHENNAI NORTH
2nd Floor, Krest Building, No.2, Jehangir Street, Chennai - 600 001. Telephone : 044 - 2521 8316, 2521 8315. email : zochennai@indianbank.bank.in

APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the schedule mentioned immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officers of respective branches of Indian Bank, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is" and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of amount due specified for each of the accounts thereto, which is due to payable to the secured creditor, with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon.

INDIAN BANK, ASHOK NAGAR BRANCH : No.69, 1st Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600 083.
Telephone : 044-2489 2696/4960. email : ashoknagar@indianbank.bank.in

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) Mr. D. Sadasivam, (Borrower/Mortgagor), S/o Mr. Dharmalingam, 4/11, Lakshmi Amman Kol Street, Amudumedu, Pattabiram, Chennai - 600 072. **(2) Mrs. S. Bharathi, (Co-borrower),** W/o Mr. D. Sadasivam, 4/11, Lakshmi Amman Kol Street, Amudumedu, Pattabiram, Chennai - 600 072.

AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 08.09.2026 : Rs.36,93,133/- (Rupees Thirty eight lakhs ninety three thousand one hundred and thirty three only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 08.09.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of property at No. 15, S No.25/1A1GG, Amudomedu Village, Pattabiram, Poonamallee Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Chennai - 600 072 land measuring an extent of 2915 Sq. ft. together with having super plinth area ground floor measuring 1426.25 Sq. ft. and first floor measuring 1426.25 Sq. ft.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic **PROPERTY ID :** IDIB633917665 **ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY :** Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.93.30 Lakhs	Bid increment : Rs.10,000/-	EMD : Rs.9.33 Lakhs

INDIAN BANK, ANNA NAGAR WEST BRANCH : F-48, New No.54, First Main Road, 1st Avenue, Anna Nagar East, Chennai - 600 102. Telephone : 044-26194848. email : annanagarwest@indianbank.bank.in

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) Mr. N. Abdul Kathar, (Borrower/ Mortgagor), S/o Nagar Meeran, Bismi Biriyan, Thambu School Opposite, Nearby Sakthi Broler, Press Colony, Koval Mettupalayam Road, Coimbatore. **Also at :** Prop. Bismi Tiffin Centre, Thiruvotiyur (Near Toll Gate Metro), MGR Salai, Chennai - 600 019. **Also at :** Prop. Bismi Tiffin Centre, First Floor, Sri Sai Anushka Tower, Plot No.112 and 113, Dream Park, Chitilappakkam, Chennai - 600 126. **Also at :** Prop. Bismi Tiffin Centre, No.13, 12th Street, Dhanalakshmi Nagar, Madhavrayal, Chennai - 600 095.

AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 08.09.2026 : Rs.76,76,607/- (Rupees Seventy six lakhs seventy six thousand six hundred and seven only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 09.09.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Schedule A (Whole Property) : All that piece and parcel of vacant land bearing Plot No.112 & 113, Dream Park, Sithalappakkam Village, Tambaram Taluk, presently Sholinganallur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, comprised in Survey Nos.232/5A, 232/5B, 232/5A, 232/5B, as per Patra Nos.3384 & 3385 in New Survey No.232/32, 232/33, measuring 6400 Sq. ft. of vacant land. Measuring - on the North : 80 feet, on the South : 80 feet, on the East : 80 feet, on the West : 80 feet. In all 6400 Square feet or thereabouts. This property lying within the Registration Sub-Registration District of Tambaram. **Schedule B :** Undivided share of 392.00 Square feet out of 6400 Square feet in the whole of the Schedule "A" mentioned property with all common rights, privilege with the other owners of undivided interest of Schedule "A" mentioned property. **Annexure-A :** Flat No.102, in the First Floor, measuring 1115.00 Square feet super plinth area (inclusive of common area).

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic **PROPERTY ID :** IDIB72984507462 **ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY :** Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.53.00 Lakhs	Bid increment : Rs.10,000/-	EMD : Rs.5.30 Lakhs

2. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) Mr. Mohammed Saadiq, (Borrower), No.7/1, Alexander Street, Dadashamkkan, Perambur Barracks Road, Chennai - 600 012. **(2) Mrs. Ayesha Javeda, (Guarantor),** No.7/1, Alexander Street, Dadashamkkan, Perambur Barracks Road, Chennai - 600 012.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANKS AS ON 08.09.2026 : Rs.60,25,566/- (Rupees Sixty lakhs twenty five thousand five hundred and sixty six only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 09.09.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Schedule A : All that piece and parcel of vacant land comprised in Old Survey No.65/1 and as per Patra No.3993, as per Patra Survey No.65/1B of Plot No.1, 2, 3, A and B, Kamaraj Nagar, Sithalappakkam Village, Sholinganallur Taluk, Kancheepuram District measuring an extent of 13059 Sq. ft. and situated within the Sub Registration District of Selayur and Registration District of Chennai South. **Schedule B :** 544 Sq. ft. undivided share of land from out of the Schedule A Property. **Schedule C :** Residential double bedroom apartment admeasuring approximately 1062 Sq. ft. inclusive of a share in the common area of the building to be known as Sudharshan Sakthi in Plot No.1, 2, 3, A and B, Flat No. S-2 in Second Floor.

POSSESSION TYPE : Symbolic **PROPERTY ID :** IDIB7182790102 **ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY :** Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.52.00 Lakhs	Bid increment : Rs.10,000/-	EMD : Rs.5.20 Lakhs

INDIAN BANK, VINAYAGAPURAM BRANCH : 11/77, Perambur Redhills Road, Kolpalayam, Vinayagapuram, Chennai - 600 099. Telephone : 044-23652352. email : vinayagapuram@indianbank.bank.in

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) Mr. Manikandan Rajendran, (Borrower/Mortgagor), 97, Subramanya Nilaya, Garudappa Circle, Behind J.B. Kaval High School, Thigarapalayam, Peenya II Stage, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 058. **(2) Mrs. R. Swetha, (Co-borrower/ Guarantor),** 97, Subramanya Nilaya, Garudappa Circle, Behind J.B. Kaval High School, Thigarapalayam, Peenya II Stage, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 058.

AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 08.09.2026 : Rs.57,02,638/- (Rupees Fifty seven lakhs two thousand six hundred and thirty eight only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 09.09.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Schedule A (Total Property) : All that piece and parcel of vacant land comprised in Survey Nos.57, 58/1A, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 96/3, 4, 5, 97, 98, 99, 100/1A, 1B-part, 1C, 101, 102, 103/9 situated at No.223, Kanthalur Village, Chengalpatt Taluk and in Survey Nos.264/4, 265, 266/1, 2, 267/1A, 1B, 268/1, 269/2, 271/1, 3A, 272/2B, 2A1, 4, 5, 6B, 8, 273, 274/2A, 2B, 3A, 275/1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3A, 3C, 277, 278/2, 3, 4A, 4B, 5, 279/2, 3, 280, 281/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 282/1A, 1B, 1B2, 4, 5, 283/1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 284, 286/4A, 4B, 6, 8 & 9 situated at No.225, pulipakkam Village, Chengalpatt Taluk, totally measuring an extent of 26 Acres and 2 Cents and situated within the Sub Registration District of Joint II, Chengalpatt. **Schedule B :** All that piece and parcel of vacant land being house site bearing Plot No.123, measuring to an extent of 1500 Sq. ft. and delineated in the plan annexed hereto and coloured in blue and situated at Pulipakkam Village, Chengalpatt Taluk, Kancheepuram District of the housing layout now known as "Pallava Garden", as approved in D.T.C.P. No.113/2006 by the Director of Town and Country Planning and Patra No.756, comprised in part of Survey No.267/1A1A & 267/1B. Admeasuring - North to South on the Eastern side : 30 feet, North to South on the Western side : 30 feet, East to West on the Northern side : 50 feet, East to West on the Southern side : 50 feet. And situated within the Registration District of Chengalpatt and Sub Registration District of Joint II, Chengalpatt. **Schedule C (Property hereby conveyed) :** 750 Sq. ft. undivided share of land from and out of above 'B' Schedule (1500 Sq. ft.) in "Pallava Garden" and situated within the Registration District of Chengalpatt and Sub Registration District of Joint II, Chengalpatt.

POSSESSION TYPE : Physical **PROPERTY ID :** IDIB7636883368 **ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY :** Nil

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.29.80 Lakhs	Bid increment : Rs.10,000/-	EMD : Rs.2.98 Lakhs

Date and Time of Inspection of the Properties & related documents :
24.09.2026 to 25.09.2026 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

DATE AND TIME OF E-AUCTION : 29.09.2026 FROM 10.00 A.M. TO 4.00 P.M.

Last Date for submission of Tender form/EMD : 29.09.2026

Bidders are advised to visit the website (<https://www.banknet.com>) of our e auction service provider PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. Helpdesk No. 8291220220, email ID : support.banknet@psballiance.com and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. and EMD Status, please contact support.banknet@psballiance.com. For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit : <https://www.banknet.com> and for clarifications related to this portal please contact Helpdesk No.8291220220. **Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with <https://www.banknet.com>.**

Date : 09.09.2026
Place : Chennai

AUTHORISED OFFICERS, RESPECTIVE BRANCHES, INDIAN BANK.

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai - 600058.

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable asset(s)

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price/ Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mrs. Geethanjali (Borrower) Mr. Manojkumar (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LBCHE0000447483	Flat No.AF- 2, First Floor, Krishna Nivas, Vellankanni Street, Amman Nagar, New Survey No. 57/4A, T.S. No. 32/2, Block: 1, Ward A, Oroganiam Village, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai- 600053 Residential Flat Super Built-up Area 645 Sq.ft., Uds 320 Sq.ft.	Rs. 29,17,937/- as on (August 28, 2026)	Rs. 31,00,000/- Rs. 3,10,000/-	September 24, 2026 From 11:30 AM To 12:30 PM	October 22, 2026 From 10:30 AM To 11:30 AM

The online auction will take place on the website (URL Link-<https://BidDeal.in>) of e-auction agency Value Trust Capital Services Private Limited. The Mortgagor(s) notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till October 21, 2026 before 05.00 PM failing which, these secured assets will be sold as per schedule. The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank Limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai - 600058 on or before October 21, 2026 before 03.00 PM and thereafter they need to submit their offer through the above mentioned website only on or before October 21, 2026 before 05.00 PM along with scan image of Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer through the website then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank Limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai - 600058 on or before October 21, 2026 before 05.00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit DD/DDP should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of "ICICI Bank Limited" payable at Chennai. For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the e-auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICICI Bank Limited on 7550214251. The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date: September 12, 2026
Place: Chennai

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

HINDUJA LEYLAND FINANCE LIMITED

Corporate Office: No. 27A, Developed Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600032
Branch office : D. No. 54-20-10/1A, Plot No. 43, Opp SBI Bank, Gurunarak Colony Main Road, Vijayawada - 520008
Website: www.hindujaleylandfinance.com CIN:U65993MH2008PLC384221

DEMAND NOTICE

Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002

Notice is hereby given that the following borrower is in default in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the secured creditor and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notice was issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however the same have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

Sr. No.	Account No.	Name of Borrower(s) & Co- Borrower(s)	Date of NPA	Date of Demand Notice	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1. <td>1. MSN VISWA MPXEX (Borrower)</td> <td>6-14-3, 14/3 Anandpet, Guntur, Andhrapradesh - 522002</td> <td>30-09-2022</td> <td>27-08-2026</td> <td>Rs.8,45,29,979.09/- (Rupees Eight Crore Forty Nine Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Nine Only) as on 17-08-2026</td>	1. MSN VISWA MPXEX (Borrower)	6-14-3, 14/3 Anandpet, Guntur, Andhrapradesh - 522002	30-09-2022	27-08-2026	Rs.8,45,29,979.09/- (Rupees Eight Crore Forty Nine Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Nine Only) as on 17-08-2026
2. <td>2. MR. TALLAM MANIKANTA ANANTHA SAI VISWANADH (Co-Borrower)</td> <td>5th Floor, 502, Salya Sai Towers, Nagarpalem, Mastan Danga Backside, Guntur - 522002</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	2. MR. TALLAM MANIKANTA ANANTHA SAI VISWANADH (Co-Borrower)	5th Floor, 502, Salya Sai Towers, Nagarpalem, Mastan Danga Backside, Guntur - 522002			
3. <td>3. Mrs. MANEPALLI VENKATA RAMA PADMAVATI (Co-Borrower)</td> <td>H. No. 17-19, Bhathipuri, Guntur, Ap - 522256</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	3. Mrs. MANEPALLI VENKATA RAMA PADMAVATI (Co-Borrower)	H. No. 17-19, Bhathipuri, Guntur, Ap - 522256			
4. <td>4. MR. VEERA MANJUNATH RAO ARJUNAPALLI (Co-Borrower)</td> <td>H. No. 11 C No. E. Papagathi Amman Street, Kodambakkam, Chennai, Tamilnadu - 600024</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	4. MR. VEERA MANJUNATH RAO ARJUNAPALLI (Co-Borrower)	H. No. 11 C No. E. Papagathi Amman Street, Kodambakkam, Chennai, Tamilnadu - 600024			
5. <td>5. MR. POLISETTY VENKATA SRINIVAS (Co-Borrower)</td> <td>119, Swan Kol Street, Kodambakkam, Chennai, Tamilnadu - 600024</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	5. MR. POLISETTY VENKATA SRINIVAS (Co-Borrower)	119, Swan Kol Street, Kodambakkam, Chennai, Tamilnadu - 600024			
6. <td>6. MRS. GAYATHRI REALTORS (Co-Borrower)</td> <td>H. No. 3/9, Sridharan Street, Aryav Colony, Aminji Kar, Chennai, Tamilnadu - 600029</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	6. MRS. GAYATHRI REALTORS (Co-Borrower)	H. No. 3/9, Sridharan Street, Aryav Colony, Aminji Kar, Chennai, Tamilnadu - 600029			
7. <td>7. MS KUBERA INDUSTRIES (Co-Borrower)</td> <td>D. No. 58/3, Gne-Via Highway Road, Koppuravuru (V), Guntur Dt, Andhra Pradesh - 522508</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	7. MS KUBERA INDUSTRIES (Co-Borrower)	D. No. 58/3, Gne-Via Highway Road, Koppuravuru (V), Guntur Dt, Andhra Pradesh - 522508			

PARTICULARS OF SECURED PROPERTY

Property 1: An undivided share of an extent of 64.61 Sq. Yds of 54.02 Sq. Yds constructed in total extent of 3086.34 Sq. Yds or 2580.58 Sq. Yds, M/s out of 3175.29 Sq. Yds in which apartments constructed under the name and style of Sri Kanyaka Parameswar Enclave in which triple bed room Flat No. 210 in 2nd floor with a plinth area of 1550.0 Sq. ft. including Common Area and Car Parking along with all the other joint easementary rights and facilities with, water tap connection, staircase, etc., in T.S.No. 681, Mpl. Ward No. 14, Block No.1, Door No.19-B-30, Asst. No. 27666-01, situated in Elukuru Road, Sangaguntla within the limits of Guntur Municipal Corporation and within the limits of S.R.O. Guntur dist., Being bounded by: A Schedule (centre land boundaries-3086.34 Sq. Yds). East: Boundary wall belongs to Desu Lakshmi Kantha Rao, South: Properties of Madal Sudarshan and others. West: 24.08 wide joint passage, Again South: 24.08 wide joint passage, Again West: Municipal Corporation Road (Elukuru Road), North: Property of Tadapalla some part and property of others some part, Again West: Property of Tadapalla some part and property of others some part, Again North: Properties of Cheddella Purnachandra Rao.

B. Schedule (Flat boundaries): East: Open to sky between this flat and flat No. 209, South: Open are in ground, West: Open are in ground leads of Municipal Road, North: Open to sky between this flat and flat No. 211.

Property 2: A R.C.C. roofed building and A.C.C. lin sheet shed raised in an extent of 4162.4 Sq. Yds or 3480.18 Sq. Yds in S. D. No. 4, Elukuru Village and within the limits of Guntur Municipal Corporation limits and within the limits of S.R.O. Guntur and Guntur dist., Being bounded by: East: Land belongs to D. No. 5, South: Property of Anula Adeshu, West: Docka, North: Property of Lakshmi Lavanya Cold Storage Pvt. Ltd.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower's and/or their guarantors are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which, further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice as per the provisions of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

Date: 12-09-2026
Place: ANDHRA PRADESH

Sd/- Authorized Officer,
For Hinduja Leyland Finance Limited.

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank

STRESSED ASSETS MANAGEMENT BRANCH - CHENNAI
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APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the schedule mentioned immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officers of respective branches of Indian Bank, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is" and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of amount due specified for each of the accounts thereto, which is due to payable to the secured creditor, with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon.

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) M/s. VMC Exports Pvt. Ltd., (Borrower), Represented by its Directors : Dr. Arunugam V & Mrs. Saranya C, Mr.10/21 G. Thiru Vi Ka Street, Pallavaram, Chennai - 600 043. (2) Dr. Arunugam V, (Director cum Mortgagor), No.10/21 G. Thiru Vi Ka Street, Pallavaram, Chennai - 600 043. (3) Mrs. Saranya C (Director), 10/118, Thiru Vi Ka Nagar, Harur, Dharmapuri, Tamilnadu - 636 903. (4) Dr. Sharmila T, (Guarantor cum Mortgagor), No.10/21 G. Thiru Vi Ka Street, Pallavaram, Chennai - 600 043. (5) Mrs. Shannugam Vellaimurugan, (Guarantor), H4, Sapphire Block, Basyam Navarath Apartment, 300/1, Thirumelmalai Main Road, Chromepet, Kancheepuram - 600 044. [Branch Name : Indian Bank, Poonamallee Branch (now transferred to SAM Large Branch, Chennai)].

AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 08.09.2026 : Rs.6,42,21,652.74 (Rupees Six crores forty two lakhs twenty one thousand six hundred fifty two and paise seventy four only) with further interest from 09.09.2026 costs, other charges and expenses thereon.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Mortgaged Asset in the name of Mr. V. Arunugam : All the piece and parcels of land measuring an extent of 55 Cent comprised in Gramanatham Survey No.137/3, New Survey No.137/3B2 as per New Survey No. 137/3B2A, as per New Natham Survey No.137/25, situated at Harur Village, Harur Taluk, Dharmapuri District. Prior Encumbrance known to the Bank : Nil.

Note - As per actual measurement, the extent of the said immovable property is 49.4 Cent and hence the Reserve Price fixed accordingly.

POSSESSION TYPE : Physical		PROPERTY ID : IDIB7155856362	
RESERVE PRICE : Rs.800.00 Lakhs	Bid increment : Rs.1,00,000/-	EMD : Rs.80.00 Lakhs	

2. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) M/s. Sri Mutharamman Travels and Transports, (Borrower), Proprietor : Mr. P. Sivakumar, Office Address : No.240/5, Nagathamman Nagar, Nemilicherry, Thiruninravur, Chennai - 602 025. Also at : 291, Main Road, Nagathamman Nagar, Nemilicherry, Thiruvallur, Tamil Nadu - 602 025. Also at : No.54, GVT Complex, Nazarethpet, Chennai-Bangalore Highway, Chennai - 602 105. (2) Mr. P. Sivakumar, (Proprietor), Office Address : No.240/5, Nagathamman Nagar, Nemilicherry, Thiruninravur, Chennai - 602 025. Residential Address : 291, Main Road, Nagathamman Nagar, Nemilicherry, Thiruvallur, Tamil Nadu - 602 025. Also at : No.54, GVT Complex, Nazarethpet, Chennai-Bangalore Highway, Chennai - 602 105. [Branch Name : Indian Bank, Anna Nagar Branch (now transferred to SAM Branch, Chennai)].

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANKS AS ON 08.09.2026 : Rs.2,97,02,635.06 (Rupees Two crores ninety seven lakhs two thousand six hundred thirty five and paise six only) with further interest from 09.09.2026 costs, other charges and expenses thereon.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Mortgaged Asset in the name of Mrs. N. Shannuga Devi : EM of all that piece and parcel of land situated at No.52, Thirumullaivoyal Village, Survey No.880/13, Plot No.51, Subramaniam Nagar, belonging to Mrs. N. Shannuga Devi, W/o. P. Sivakumar by Sale Deed Doc No.10379, an extent of 2400 Sq. ft. Ambattur Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Situated within the Sub-Registration District of Ambattur and Registration District of Chennai North. Prior Encumbrance known to the Bank : Nil.

POSSESSION TYPE : Physical		PROPERTY ID : IDIB6275437465B	
RESERVE PRICE : Rs.70.00 Lakhs	Bid increment : Rs.50,000/-	EMD : Rs.7.00 Lakhs	

Date and Time of Inspection of the Properties & related documents :
21.09.2026 to 22.09.2026 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

DATE AND TIME OF E-AUCTION : 29.09.2026 FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 4.00 P.M.

Last Date for submission of Tender form/EMD : 29.09.2026

Bidders are advised to visit the website (<https://www.banknet.com>) of our e auction service provider PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. Helpdesk No. 8291220220, email ID : support.banknet@psballiance.com and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. and EMD Status, please contact support.banknet@psballiance.com. For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit : <https://www.banknet.com> and for clarifications related to this portal please contact Helpdesk No.8291220220. **Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with <https://www.banknet.com>.**

Date : 10.09.2026
Place : Chennai

Authorised Officer, Indian Bank.

कार्यालय, सहायक आयुक्त, देवस्थान विभाग, बीकानेर

क्रमांक - 259 ई-निविदा सुद्धि पत्र / Corrigendum दिनांक : 07.09.2026

निविदा संख्या: 04/2026-27
UBN No.DEV2627SLRC000046

विषय:- निविदा दस्तावेज में बोलों केवल अग्रवि, निविदा पत्र शुल्क, बोलों प्रभितृति राशि (EMD), प्रोसेसिंग फीस के मूल्यन माध्यम में संशोधन निविदा की प्रतिलिपि बोलों एवं निविदा की शर्तों में अग्रिक संशोधन बाधक।

उपरोक्त निविदा के संबंध में सुचित किया जाता है कि निविदा दस्तावेज में बोलों केवल अग्रवि 90 दिनों निविदा के अग्रिक ई-बोलों केवल पर सहज न हो 30 दिनों प्रदर्शित हो गई है 30 बोलों केवल अग्रिक को 90 दिनों पदा जात।

निविदा में देव निविदा पत्र शुल्क, बोलों प्रभितृति राशि (EMD), प्रोसेसिंग फीस ऑफरबद्ध माध्यम में जमा कराया जा सकता है। ऑफरबद्ध माध्यम में तारीख जमा करने देव ईडी के माध्यम में निविदा समायाचि में जमा कराया जा सकता है।

निविदा प्रस्तुत करने की अग्रिक स्थिति में निम्नानुसार संशोधन किया जाता है:-

	पूर्व अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	संशोधित अंतिम तिथि एवं समय
ऑनलाइन बिड करने की अंतिम तिथि व समय	08.09.2026 सांय 6 बजे तक	12.09.2026 सांय 6 बजे तक
मूल निविदा शुल्क / प्रवेश राशि / एम.डी. ऑर.आर. एस्. एस्. शुल्क डी.डी. जमा करने की तिथि व समय	08.09.2026 सांय 6 बजे तक	14.09.2026 सांय 6 बजे तक
तकनीकी निविदा खोलने की तिथि	09.09.2026 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे	14.09.2026 दोपहर 01:00 बजे
वित्तीय निविदा खोलने की तिथि	तकनीकी बिड के अनुरोध के पश्चात खोली जायेगी	तकनीकी बिड के अनुरोध के पश्चात खोली जायेगी

निविदा की शर्तों में भी निम्नानुसार परिवर्तन किया जाता है:-

- कार्य सम्पादन प्रभितृति के साथ ही आवश्यकता होने पर (अंस्तुलित बोलों होने पर) RTPP नियम 2013 के नियम 75A के तहत अतिरिक्त कार्य सम्पादन प्रभितृति भी ली जा सकती है।
- बोलों केवल की तकनीकी योग्यता के क्र. 4 में गत तीन वित्तीय वर्ष 2023-24 2024-25 एवं 2025-26 के स्थान पर 2022-23, 2023-24 एवं 2024-25 पदा जात।

(सौर सेन)

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Appendix IV-A (Read with Rule 8(6)) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("SARFAESI Act") read with proviso to rule 8(6) and rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower i.e. Borrower/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors viz. 1) M/s. Saravana Stores (Gold Palace) having offices at No.28, Ranganathan Street, T.

Honour killing bid: Dad hacks girl, her hubby in Tenkasi

Inter-caste couple got married four months ago despite opposition, man critically injured

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Tenkasi

IN a suspected honour killing attempt, a 51-year-old man from the MBC community allegedly attacked his daughter and her BC-community husband with a sickle on Thursday night. The assault, driven by the attacker's opposition to their inter-caste marriage, took place at Sivagamipuram near Pavoorchatram in Tenkasi. The couple, who fell in love during their college days, had wed four months ago despite intense opposition from the bride's parents.

The accused, E Murugan, a resident of Vadakkur Ariyanayagipuram in Tirunelveli, has been arrested, and a case has been registered against him under BNS section 109 (attempt to murder), among others. His daughter Sushmitha (20) and her husband T Akash (21) of Alangulam are currently undergoing treatment at the Tirunelveli Medical College Hospital (TVMCH). While Akash, who sustained severe injuries to his head, hand and legs, remains critical, Sushmitha is stable.

According to sources, the couple fell in love while studying at a private college at Idakkal village in Tirunelveli. After completing their studies last year, they continued to be

in touch with each other and decided to marry. However, when Sushmitha informed her parents of their decision, they sternly opposed the marriage, citing caste differences, and warned her. Despite this, the couple got married and shifted to a rental house in Sivagamipuram village four months ago, sources said.

However, in recent weeks, Murgan — who had confronted his daughter earlier — started visiting her. He also bought groceries and a grinder for the couple and insisted that his daughter visit his house at Ariyanayagipuram. But, Sushmitha allegedly felt something was fishy and refused to go, sources added.

"Irkled over this, Murgan came to Akash's house carrying a sickle on Thursday. After minutes of conversation, he suddenly started hacking Akash, grievously injuring him. He also attacked his daughter, who sustained minor injuries, before fleeing the scene on his two-wheeler," said sources, adding that the neighbours and Pavoorchatram police rushed the couple to TVMCH.

When contacted by TNIE, Superintendent of Police S Ashok Kumar said Murugan has been secured and all necessary steps were being taken as per law.



E Murugan

Gang targets prisoner, ends up attacking his friends

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

A gang planning to exact revenge on a history-sheeter ended up attacking his friends by mistake, unaware that their target was still in prison.

The incident happened on Thursday evening, as the gang intercepted the car carrying the friends of history-sheeter Masilamani from Kolathur near Puzhal police station and attacked them with knives, leaving one of them injured. Two others escaped by running into a nearby police station.

The police have arrested two members — Kolathur Vali (20) and Naresh (18) — and are on the hunt for others. The attack is suspected to be in revenge for the murder of a rowdy at the Kilpauk MCH last January. Sources said though Masilamani got bail, the police did not let him come out of Puzhal prison, as they received information about the attack. The group that was attacked include Jeeva, an associate of Masilamani, who had been released from the Puzhal prison a few days ago, and his associates Lokesh, Karthik and Gokul Nath. They came to the spot to receive Masilamani.

The rival gang, believing that Masilamani had come out, intercepted the car in which Jeeva and his associates were travelling. Armed with knives, they demanded to know where Masilamani was and attacked those inside the car. Lokesh and Karthik fled, while Jeeva and Gokul ran into Puzhal police station for safety. The attackers escaped in their car.

Cauvery row: Farmers urge TN to move SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Thanjavur

EVEN as Karnataka refused to abide by the orders of the Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) to release 6,000 cusecs of water to Tamil Nadu for 15 days from September 9, delta farmers have urged the state government to immediately approach the Supreme Court. The farmers have expressed concern over the situation as inflow into Mettur dam dwindled to 1,731 cusecs on Friday morning.

This year water was released from Mettur dam for delta irrigation only on September 1 against the customary date of June 12. This was because Kar-



nataka failed to release water as per the final award of Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (CWDt). Even as the tribunal's final orders modified by the Supreme Court had envisaged 86.4 tmcft for June, July and August, Karnataka released only 33 tmcft till first week of Sep-

SC TO HEAR K'TAKA'S PETITION ON MONDAY

Mandya: Karnataka's Irrigation Minister N Chaluvaryaswamy said the appeal filed by the state against the release of Cauvery water to TN is scheduled to come up for hearing before the SC on Monday. He said Karnataka was compelled to continue releasing water to TN until the hearing.

tember, farmers claimed.

During a meeting of CWMA held on September 8, TN said that as per pro rata entitlement during a distress year, 1.76 tmcft has to be released for 15 days. However, the CWMA had ordered only 6,000 cusecs for 15 days from September 9. Kar-

taka is not ready to release even this quantity and announced it would approach the SC and also reduced the release.

"Karnataka adopts tactics of not releasing water as per CWMA orders. In past instances even when the Supreme Court upheld the CWMA order, the upper riparian state started releasing water only from the date and failed to release the backlog," alleged Sami Nataraajan, general secretary of TN Farmers association.

He pointed out that water released by Karnataka and subsequently from Mettur dam is yet to reach several areas in the Cauvery delta districts and farmers are finding it difficult to cultivate samba paddy.

Forester suspended for graft dies of heart attack

TIRUPATTUR: A forest officer, suspended in a bribery case, died of heart attack in Alangayam, Tirupattur, on Friday. He has been identified as Senguttuvan, a resident of Pethur village in Alangayam. Senguttuvan, a forest officer at Nadanur Forest Office in the Jawadhu Hills region of Tiruvannamalai. Sources said six forest department officials, including three Forest Range Officers, were also suspended following claims that they had threatened the tribal residents and collected bribes amounting to around ₹1 crore. They allegedly promised to arrange patta for government-owned forest land in Jawadhu Hills. Based on these allegations, Tiruvannamalai DFO Sudhakar suspended six officials, including Senguttuvan, on September 5. Police are probing into the death of Senguttuvan. ENS



e4m Indian Marketing Awards – South 2026, BMEG was honoured with 'Agency of the Year' award, BMEG also received the 'Best Startup of the Year' honour, making this a particularly significant milestone for the organisation | EXPRESS



SIMS Hospital performed Asia's first new-generation, bone-sparing hip procedure. The pioneering procedure was conducted on two international patients – one aged 44 from Nebraska, US, and another patient aged 58 from London, UK | EXPRESS

Tiruppur panchayat president gets lifer for killing activist in road work dispute

TIRUPPUR: The Tiruppur Second Additional District Court has awarded life imprisonment to a town panchayat president for murdering a social activist near Samalapuram in Tiruppur.

The accused was identified as Vinayaka Palanisamy (62), who served as the president of Samalapuram Town Panchayat in Tiruppur. On July 4, 2025, Vinayaka Palanisamy initiated works to lay a new tar road in the Lakshmi Nagar area near Karukam-

palayam. However, the area planned for the road construction belonged to four private individuals who opposed the move. Subsequently, a complaint against the project was submitted to the town panchayat executive engineer under the leadership of K Palanisamy (57), a local social activist.

This allegedly led to enmity between Vinayaka and the activist.

On September 10, 2025, while Palanisamy was riding his bike

on the Karanampettai-Somanur Road, a speeding car rammed his bike, flinging him on the road. Bystanders took Palanisamy, who was critically injured, to a private hospital in Samalapuram. He was then referred to a private hospital in Sullur. However, the doctors declared him dead.

Based on a complaint filed by Sukumar, Palanisamy's son, police filed a case. The investigation confirmed that Vinayaka was the one driving the car. Subsequently, police arrested him. ENS

TTD puts cap on pvt vehicles on hills

B MURALI @Tirumala

IN a historic first, the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD), in coordination with the Tirupati police and TTD Vigilance Wing, has implemented a strict traffic regulation protocol to cap the overwhelming influx of private vehicles travelling up to the sacred hills.

The unprecedented intervention sets a daily threshold permitting a maximum of 10,000 to 15,000 private vehicles to ascend the Tirumala ghat roads. Once this cap is reached, all remaining private vehicular traffic will be halted at the Alipiri checkpoint at the foothills.

To prevent inconvenience to



The Alipiri checkpoint | EXPRESS

pilgrims, the administration has structured a seamless doorstep public transit mechanism, guiding them directly into designated foothill parking bays.

The Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (APSRTC) has been mandated to deploy dedicated buses right

at the doorstep of these parking bays, with instructions to keep at least two to five buses on standby at any given moment for immediate boarding.

The joint enforcement team of TTD Vigilance and police noted that this intervention—implemented for the first time at the Alipiri bay—is aimed at permanently resolving severe hilltop gridlocks, reducing pollution, and prioritising pedestrian safety around the temple precinct.

The administration has issued a formal advisory strongly urging all visiting pilgrims to park their private vehicles at Tirupati, and utilise public transport systems to proceed to Tirumala.

TVK alliance conscience-less, opportunistic front: Murasoli

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

THE DMK's official mouthpiece *Murasoli* on Friday criticised the ruling TVK-led alliance as a "conscience-less, opportunistic and 'cash-box' alliance" (Kallaappetti Kootani) and accused the party president and CMC Joseph Vijay of contradicting his own earlier criticism of political alliances.

The editorial titled "Manasaatchiyatra – Sandharpavatha – Kallaappetti Kootani" (Conscience-less – Opportunistic – Cash-box alliance) asked, "Whom did Vijay call 'cash-box alliance parties'? He has now brought all of them together. In Vijay's own words, should this not be called a 'cash-box alliance of parties'?"

The editorial targeted Vijay's earlier criticism of the DMK-Congress relationship. Recalling his allegation that the Congress had been "bought" by the DMK, *Murasoli* asked what Vijay had given the Congress now to bring it into his alliance.

The editorial also alleged Vijay had promised ministerial posts and positions in boards to AIADMK MLAs in return for support. Murasoli said the "opportunism" of the leaders in the TVK alliance was evident and termed their coming together a "photo-op".

After foul smell complaint, work on to fix water pipeline

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

A day after *TNIE* reported on residents of Periyar Nagar and Gandhi Nagar in Taramani receiving foul and discoloured water mixed with sewage for nearly a year, the Chennai Metro Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB) inspected the affected streets in Ward 178 and disconnected 63 illegal motor connections, with minor repairs of damaged pipelines ongoing. The inspection followed a residents' protest over the sewage-contaminated water supply, which had forced several families to depend on canned water even for their daily needs.

CMWSSB officials, on Thursday, conducted the inspection and said adequate water quantity and pressure were maintained during the scheduled supply hours. The water supplied during this period was also found to be potable, they said. However, complaints of muddy and contaminated water continued to be received after the scheduled supply hours, the officials said.

They added the existing drinking water pipelines in the area were laid around 10 feet below ground level and were relatively old. As part of the 24x7 water supply scheme, the old pipelines have been replaced with new ones to improve the distribution network and reduce the possibility of contamination, they said.

The officials said the disconnection of the illegal motors will help to prevent unauthorised suction and pressure fluctuations in the distribution network. Further inspections and continuous monitoring are under way, and remedial measures will be taken wherever necessary.

Kumaran N (23), a Periyar Nagar resident, said officials had begun attending to the damaged pipelines following the news report. "The work is still on. However, the lines need a complete revamp. Officials have told residents that the work would begin in October," he said, adding it should be taken up without any delay.

YAGA SALA RITUALS FOR MADURAI TEMPLE CONSECRATION STARTS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Madurai

THE main yaga sala rituals for the consecration of the Meenakshi Sundareswarar temple, scheduled for September 17, commenced on Friday. A total of 180 yaga kundams have been set up and hundreds of priests performing rituals. The consecration is scheduled between 7.40 am and 8.10 am on September 17. The rituals would continue in multiple rounds until then.

To facilitate preparations, the HR&CE department announced that darshan for devotees in the sanctum of Goddess Meenakshi and Lord Sundareswarar would be suspended from Friday until the completion of the consecration. The restriction has been imposed to facilitate preparatory works, including repairs at the sanctum and the application of ashtabandhanam, a paste that binds the idol with the pedestal. The temple authorities will issue around 11,000 colour-coded passes to regulate the movement of devotees, and prevent overcrowding. The devotees will be divided into seven zones, with each colour assigned a specific viewing area and entry route. A few devotees



Police and corporation have issued notice to residents along Chithirai Veethi and Avani Moola Veethi, directing them not to allow outsiders into their homes | EXPRESS

sought transparency in the pass allocation, pointing out that limited visibility could leave many dependent on LED screens to watch the rituals. "Devotees who are unable to get a proper view of the rituals may have to rely on LED screens. The allocation of passes should therefore be more transparent," said devotee K Saravanan.

To ensure safety, police and corporation issued notice to residents along Chithirai Veethi and Avani Moola Veethi, directing them not to allow outsiders into their homes. Dilapidated and old buildings have been identified and their owners instructed to prevent entry.

No permit given for Vellore church that collapsed, contractor booked

NIMISHA S PRADEEP @Vellore

AN investigation into the collapse of an under-construction church in Vellore's Thiruvallam, which claimed the lives of three workers and left 12 injured, has revealed that the church authorities had not obtained necessary permission for the construction. A show-cause notice was issued on Friday, directing them not to proceed with any further construction.

Meanwhile, Thiruvallam police have registered a case against contractor John David (49) under Section 106(1) of the

BNS. He has not been arrested yet and is currently undergoing treatment at Government Medical College Hospital (GVMCH), Adukkamparai.

A Vincent, BDO, Katpadi, told *TNIE* that the church authorities had not applied online for permission to construct the building. "We have barricaded and restricted entry to the church premises. Moreover, police have been deployed in the area," he said. According to sources, the premises could be sealed in the coming days.

The CSI Zeon Hill Church, located in Kandipadu panchay-



The church was under construction for past eight months | SOINESH

at close to the Andhra Pradesh border, collapsed on September 10 while the roof was being concreted. Officials said the

church primarily catered to devotees from Andhra Pradesh. The deceased were identified as John Suresh Alex (45), Im-

manuel J, son of John Suresh, and Samuel (45).

Nine persons were injured in the incident. They were identified as Manish A alias Madhan (42), Premkumar R (40), Maruthi N (29), Issac Newton S (61), Rajesh J (30), David Mohan D (57), Jhones S (50), Perumal (43) and Ashok (40). Eight are from Vellore and one from Bengaluru. Four are undergoing treatment at GVMCH, Adukkamparai, while the remaining five are admitted to CMC Ranipet.

Besides, three more injured persons have reportedly left for Chittoor for further treatment.

The injured suffered hip and leg fractures and internal injuries, among other injuries. Police sources said the approximately 14x38 foot church area had been under construction for around eight months.

The incident occurred between 3.30 pm to 4 pm. A total of 28 rescue personnel were involved.

N Balaji, Katpadi Fire Station Officer, said, "We heard voices of people from inside the rubble and followed it. We removed the iron rods and other debris and made way inside to rescue the trapped workers," he said.

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— Rannath Goenka

FOLLOWING ROBUST TAX GROWTH, GST COUNCIL NEEDS TO PLUG LEAKAGES

VEN as the controversy surrounding India's GDP data remains unsettled, accusations are being raised against the authenticity of GST collections. The monthly indirect tax haul is growing in healthy double-digits, outpacing nominal GDP growth. However, former Finance Secretary Subash Chandra Garg has levelled a fresh allegation that the net GST collection—stripping out tax credits and refunds—was registering lower growth than the nominal GDP. Moreover, by his calculations, if we exclude GST compensation cess, which was discontinued in September 2025, the overall growth in tax collection would remain sub-par.

The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs was quick to dismiss Garg's allegations as misleading and mischievous for cherry-picking figures from two different tax bases and raising suspicion when there's none. Further, it argued that it has been transparently publishing data pertaining to compensation cess in separate tables, with detailed disclosures. Garg countered that the increasing tendency to manage data to suit narratives is unfortunate.

Comparing current revenue against past data with discontinued levies and calling the difference a statistical trickery is a classic accounting mistake. Even if Garg rejects the government's claim about double-digit expansion in monthly GST revenue as a sign of robust economic activity, it's undeniable that the money is flowing to the exchequer. There is simply no merit for the government to inflate tax revenue data and complicate its income and expenditure budget. Moreover, the annual growth in both gross and net GST collections is below nominal GDP growth. For instance, in 2025-26, gross collections at ₹22.27 lakh crore saw 8.3 percent growth, while net proceeds at ₹19.34 lakh crore registered a 7.1 percent increase. These are actual monies collected and refunded, and tax officials have no benefit in reporting otherwise.

The allegations have come close to next month's GST Council meeting. At this, the council's first huddle since the major rate rationalisation exercise last year, it must speed up work on simplifying refunds and speeding up registrations. One focus should be preventing fake input tax credit claims, which are alarmingly rising. In 2025-26 alone, authorities detected 30,000-odd such cases worth ₹74,782 crore. Fake invoicing and fraudulent claims lead to significant revenue leakage. Hence, it's essential for the government to strengthen fraud detection and prevent such claims.

MAKE SPACE FOR FILM LOVERS OF ALL MEANS

HE Thiruvananthapuram mayor's recent exclamation—"A movie ticket for ₹200 and popcorn for ₹500!"—has reignited a much-needed discussion about the exorbitant cost a family incurs when it decides to watch a movie at a theatre. While questioning the hefty prices of what's sold inside, Mayor V V Rajesh also called out the restrictions on carrying in food and drinking water from outside. Thankfully, he did not stop at that and directed all theatres in the city to ensure clean drinking water dispensers near entrances and exits. Cinema halls have also been warned against stopping parents from bringing essential food items for young children. The mayor has given theatre owners 15 days to act on these fronts.

It's true that multiplexes have changed the movie-going experience. The transition from single-screen halls to multiplex screening has also raised operational costs, which theatre owners try to recoup with overpriced food and beverages. But none of these should cost so high that they would burn holes in the pockets of film lovers.

Theatre owners peg their argument to a recent Supreme Court verdict striking down a Jammu and Kashmir High Court order removing restrictions on movie-goers bringing in food. The SC had also allowed theatre owners to fix the price of refreshments. But it had also mandated that free water should be provided and food for infants be allowed in halls. The theatre owners seem to have conveniently forgotten that part of the order serving their patrons' basic needs.

Whatever be the legal reading, it should not stop anyone—especially elected representatives—from calling out a level of pricing that affects the public. Big-screen viewing should not be the sole preserve of well-to-do households. Such exclusionary practice has larger implications, too. The affordability crisis is deterring most Indian families from flocking to big screens, which in turn directly dampens the prospects of the film exhibition and distribution segments, on which a large number of livelihoods depend. Things have come to such a pass that a wider consensus on pricing food and beverages is called for—keeping in mind the interests of both audiences and entrepreneurs. Lawmakers should pick up the cue given by the Thiruvananthapuram mayor.

QUICK TAKE

SHAMING INTO ACTION

THE residents of Anuppur—a district in eastern Madhya Pradesh known for being home to Amarkantak, where the Narmada and Son rivers originate—have staged a unique protest. In a video that has elicited a splash of comments, a dozen-odd men are seen lounging about in ankle-deep water amid a massive pothole. A few months ago, youngsters in Assam's Cachar district recorded several videos of dancing in muddy puddles along National Highway 6, a lifeline for the Northeast. Potholes claim thousands of Indian lives every year. Perhaps the well-minded techies who built the Pothole Fix and Pothole Reporter apps can expand their scope to allow pinning such crowd-sourced shaming videos with geolocation data from across the country. At least the authorities would not be able to blame their inaction on ignorance.

A bored Donald Trump recently pivoted back to his unfinished and chaotic economic wars. Restricted by a loss in the Supreme Court, the administration used tenuous arguments about forced labour and unfair trade practices to try to reimpose tariffs ranging from 10 to 50 percent.

Tariffs—Trump's favourite word—have not corrected the trade deficit, which remains at over 3 percent of the US GDP. American importers and consumers have borne 96 percent of the cost, with foreign exporters absorbing only 4 percent.

Revenues from tariffs, which have consistently been below projections, is expected to cross \$181 billion in 2026, below the record \$264 billion in 2025. This amount is only 9.5 percent of the estimated 2026 budget deficit of \$1.9 trillion and will not deliver the promised \$2,000 dividend to citizens—a promise made way before the recent offer to pay each voter \$5,000—or make possible the elimination of income tax.

Over the next decade, tariffs will raise \$1.8 trillion, but will reduce US GDP by about 0.5 percent, before foreign retaliation and restructuring of supply chains, offsetting much of the new tax cut benefits while not paying for them.

The economic battlefield is likely to shift to US government debt which is near \$40 trillion (130 percent of GDP). Budget deficits—fuelled by tax cuts, an ageing population and defence expenditures to support increased military activism—are expected to add \$3-4 trillion more to the debt over the next decade. The country's debt-servicing costs are due to double over the next 10 years.

There is concern around the use of short-term borrowing to reduce interest costs and decrease pressure on long-term bond yields. US debt maturing within 12 months is around 30 percent, the second highest after Japan, and the average maturity is 6 years, one of the shortest in the world.

A significant proportion of US government debt is now not held by long-term investors like central banks, pension funds or insurance companies. Instead, hedge funds own around \$2.5 trillion funded by large borrowings primarily to take advantage of short-term arbitrage opportunities.

The need to fund its twin (trade and budget) deficits makes America vulnerable to withdrawal of foreign capital. Overseas investors hold around \$17 trillion or 18 percent of US equities, \$8.5 trillion (24 percent) in US Treasury bonds, and substantial amounts of corporate and agency debt. Outside of equities, foreign investment has declined with overseas owner-

To fund its ballooning trade and budget deficits, the US is trying to raise money from foreigners and capital controls. This fight may be more damaging than tariffs

TRUMP WAGING A CAPITAL WAR TO PAY FOR PROFLIGACY

SATYAJIT DAS

Former banker and author of *The Everything Bubble* (2027)



SOURAV KOY

ship of US Treasuries falling to around 25-30 percent from above 50 percent.

To further its policies, the administration will need to focus on increasing revenue from foreigners and capital controls. Taxes on overseas entities would be electorally popular. Possibilities include penalties of (up to) a maximum of 20 percent above the existing rate on entities from countries deemed to levy discriminatory taxes on American businesses, changes in tax treatment of foreign sovereign wealth funds, or additional tax on foreign remittances, and port fees. Seizures of foreign assets, such as Venezuelan energy resources, have opened new doors.

But the main measures will focus on preventing capital flight and wiping out its debt or deferring repayment into the never-never. The Mar-a-Lago Accord proposed by Stephen Miran, chairman

of the US Council of Economic Advisers, suggested exchanging some US Treasuries for longer dated low- or zero-coupon debt (a *de facto* default), requiring foreign holders to pay a user fee for government securities (a withholding tax) and foreigners holding securities in a limited access escrow account (asset seizure). Controls on foreign investment, de-listing of foreign companies and restricting export of funds are further options.

In effect, America may adopt financially repressive policies penalising foreign companies and investors to reduce its debt and deficits, an approach that Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent has openly acknowledged.

This will be accompanied by parallel domestic financial repression through borrowing-fuelled budget deficits and lower interest rates to create nominal

BACK TO THE FUTURE WITH MEMES

PRATIK KANJILAL

For years, the author has been speaking easy to a surprisingly tolerant public

SPEAKEASY

ly in the Northeast and the Andaman and Nicobar islands. The status of Sentinelese is unknown because the tribe remains in seclusion—the only visitor in years was a peculiar YouTuber who wished to introduce them to Diet Coke but fled the island before making contact.

The Badeshi language of Pakistan's Swat has gained international fame because it is spoken by only three elderly men. That's what a critically endangered language looks like—a few elders speak it and young stop learning it. When the number of speakers dwindles to one and conversations give way to internal monologues, students of language scramble to record it for posterity. Because the evolution of language parallels the history of



New research suggests humans started losing languages earlier than was previously assumed. India today has over 40 critically endangered languages. Now that memes are becoming universal ideograms, we may be going back to an earlier mode of communication

the human race, and every language that's lost is a missing segment of DNA in the cultural double-helix of the species. And ethnically particular ways of expressing a thought are permanently lost.

Globalisation has flattened the world, its nations and cultures by raising the general above the particular. Everyone wears the same mass-produced clothing. Homes which once used many varieties of rice now eat generic long-staple basmati. Children know

of Slenderman but not the local demon.

The language of words has itself been flattened by the visual language of memes, which is universally understood by younger people across the world, and which can express all manner of thoughts and ideas directly and powerfully like at Jantar Mantar.

For decades, linguistic determinism—loosely known as the Sapir-Whorf hypothesis, named for a teacher and his acolyte—held that language determines the scope of thought. If you don't have the words to speak it, you can't think it. In reality, languages borrow words from each other, or create alternatives. The Bangla word for 'fire engine' actually means 'steam engine', because fire engines in Victorian Calcutta were steam-powered and must have arrived as dramatically as locomotives. In Romani, Queen Victoria was 'Bori Rani'—Big Queen. Whatever works!

And thus, just like in nature, some languages evolve while others fade out. Now, a new form of linguistic evolution is suspected to be in progress—a downshift of the gears. The spoken word and the written word are not the same. They are different registers, demotic and hieratic, with diverging vocabularies.

It's been this way from the Gutenberg revolution. But now, the internet, which values video and audio over the written word, may be reversing the hierarchy. Children born after broadband internet have less patience for the written word. They say they learn visually. Now that search is also visual and memesis—to coin a word—is cooler than mimesis, there is some anxiety that the hieratic, textual register of language could fade away.

Does the triumph of memes flatten the world? The stricken bull in Picasso's *Guernica*, the bull on the wall of the Lascaux cave, which seems to breathe when you look at it long enough, speak in images. Hieroglyphics and pictograms—the oldest alphabets are so much like modern memes. Picture this: perhaps the history of language is turning a full circle, and returning to the first words ever uttered.

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growth and inflation to reduce US debt levels in real terms. The approach follows Trump's business strategies, where he borrowed heavily to grow, declaring bankruptcy several times. Possible changes to US government bond terms resemble debt-to-equity conversions used in corporate restructurings.

For foreigners, the shift is problematic because the US holds "all the cards". The dollar and Treasuries are more important than America's position in global trade. A capital war, especially if implemented in the erratic manner of tariffs, risks financial Armageddon. Volatility in asset, interest rate and currency markets would be on a different order of magnitude to the "yipes" after the Liberation Day tariffs. It would trigger a global financial crisis.

Foreign investors with significant dollar investments are trapped. Having followed mercantilist policies, building up massive foreign exchange reserves invested in dollars, many nations now find themselves facing the spectre of serious economic and political ruin. Europe is thought to hold around \$8 trillion in US assets. Major Asian holders have US investments of around \$3.7 trillion. Japan is the largest holder of US government debt, holding nearly \$1.1 trillion, while China holds about \$689 billion in US Treasuries.

If they try to divest on the required scale provided buyers can be found, they face large losses as asset prices and the US currency would fall under the selling pressure. If foreign investors maintain their exposure, then they would suffer as the values of their savings are trapped or destroyed.

In the trade wars, foreign states, especially those lacking the economic power of the US, have been restrained behaving tactically to try to preserve the status quo as much as possible. In a capital war, that will be more difficult, at least in the short term. Bypassing the US dollar, creating new payment systems and developing alternatives to fund and invest independently of America will take years.

The only option may be for creditors to join forces and threaten wholesale divestment of their holdings that would force the dollar's collapse, higher US interest rates and funding difficulties for US companies. The risk of European investors selling part of holding of US gilts was most likely a factor in the back-down over Greenland. But this game of mutually assured destruction requires investors to risk catastrophic losses.

Having ignored the fact that outsourcing physical and financial security to another party leaves you at their mercy, many countries now have limited options.

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Bar none

Ref: *Split identity of the Bar Council* (Sep 10). A regulatory body must respect natural justice, individual rights and democratic disagreement. The incident shows the need for clearer limits on the BCI's powers and greater accountability in its decisions. Students should be encouraged to express their views peacefully, not made to fear that expressing opinions can affect their careers. **Diyana Aboobacker, Kannur**

Syllabus burden

Ref: *3rd language* (Sep 10). Adding three Indian languages on top of English in the curriculum may add to the academic burden of young students. It may also jeopardise students' ability to take part in extracurricular activities as these extra subjects will eat into their leisure time. **Dia Sajil, Bengaluru**

TVK's moment

Ref: *Vijay-led coalition gets tag* (Sep 10). For a state where power has consistently alternated power between the two Dravidian majors for close to 60 years, the development is indeed watershed and is all set to redraw new battlelines. Tamil Nadu politics hold testimony to the fact that politics is the art of the possible. **B Suresh Kumar, Coimbatore**

House's honour

Ref: *Vijay's 'jaw' gesture* (Sep 10). As a retiree who has witnessed regimes from Anna Durai to M K Stalin, and a firm believer in free speech, democratic values, and the dignity of our constitutional institutions, I find the Assembly proceedings over the past week deeply disturbing and unprecedented. The House should never become a venue for political mudslinging or personal vilification. Its dignity must be protected irrespective of which party is in power. Political parties may disagree passionately, but disagreement must remain within the boundaries of parliamentary responsibility, evidence and decorum. Democracy is strengthened not by silencing opponents, but by answering them. **K J Haroon Basha, Tirupathur**

Clean conscience

Ref: *'Centre's ED tactic will not cow us'* (Sep 10). It is common knowledge that politicians indulge in all kinds of corrupt practices. But when investigative agencies try to unearth fraudsters, they cry of vindictive politics. If all these leaders are clean, why should they worry about the ED or CBI? **S Ravindranath, Bengaluru**

India's military engages with all three Quad partners

As Chinese President Xi Jinping arrives in India for the BRICS summit, Indian forces are simultaneously conducting military engagements with all three other Quad members. US and Indian troops are participating in Yudh Abhyas, Japanese and Indian fighters are exercising in Jodhpur, while Navy chief Admiral Krishna Swaminathan is visiting Down Under. This comes amid efforts to improve India-China ties.

Non-scheduled flight ops to be curbed today & tomorrow

Non-scheduled and private charter flights will be barred from Delhi's Indra Gandhi International Airport and airports within a 300-km radius from September 11 to 13. The restriction will apply from 7 am to 11 pm daily, while scheduled commercial flights will continue. Exemptions include authorised summit dignitaries, IAF, BSF, emergency Army helicopters and state helicopters carrying Governors or Chief Ministers.

India for unified digital payments among members

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has urged BRICS nations to create an interconnected digital payment mechanism, settle trade in local currencies and make digital trade more accessible. He also called for smoother cross-border movement of skilled professionals and a common mechanism for digitally delivered services. Commerce Secretary Rajesh Agrawal highlighted the bloc's expanding trade.

Push for opening domestic markets, partnerships

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal called on BRICS nations to open domestic markets, especially for essential raw materials and critical minerals, and dismantle non-tariff barriers to strengthen resilient supply chains. He highlighted opportunities for cooperation across agriculture, pharmaceuticals, engineering, electronics, automobiles, services and emerging technologies.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets Russian President Vladimir Putin ahead of the 18th BRICS Summit 2026 in New Delhi on Friday | PTI

Modi, Trump share special relationship, says Gor in Manipur

US Ambassador to India Sergio Gor, during a visit to Manipur on Friday, said Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump share a "special bond" that goes beyond a conventional PM-President relationship, according to the state government. Meeting Chief Minister N. Biren Singh in Imphal, Gor praised the northeastern state's beauty and welcomed Modi's focus on Northeast development.

DURING THE CHINESE PRESIDENT XI JINPING'S INDIA VISIT AFTER A GAP OF SEVEN YEARS, THE TWO NEIGHBOURS WILL DISCUSS RARE EARTHS TRADE ALONG WITH EASING BUSINESS VISA NORMS

MODI, XI TO TALK TRADE



JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

PRESIDENT Xi Jinping will arrive in India at 12:25 pm on Saturday for a tightly packed 24-hour visit, his first bilateral trip to the country in seven years, with rare earths, business visas and investment expected to feature alongside the broader effort to stabilise ties with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Xi is scheduled to attend the BRICS summit and hold bilateral talks with Modi in the second half of the day. The two leaders are expected to take stock of the recent positive momentum in relations, including

progress in border talks, which officials on both sides have indicated are moving in the "desired direction". But beneath the diplomatic reset lies a more immediate economic agenda.

Rare earths are emerging as a key issue as China's dominance of the global supply chain collides with India's push to build manufacturing capacity in strategic sectors. "A non-restrictive approach in trade will be beneficial to all," said a source. Rare earth magnets are critical to motors, actuators, hard drives and robots, while the infrastructure powering AI data centres depends heavily on materials such as copper and aluminium,

as well as transformers.

Market participants across the rare-earth supply chain are increasingly focused on November 10, 2026, when China's export controls are due to be reintroduced, assuming the current suspension is not extended or the measures withdrawn.

If implemented, the measures could push export controls deeper into global supply chains, including equipment and technology used for rare-earth separation, strip-alloy production and magnet manufacturing, according to market participants.

Visas will form another practical part of the conversation.

Indian businesses have been pressing for easier business visas for Chinese partners, while Beijing has also raised visa facilitation with New Delhi, including greater access for Chinese tourists.

"The Xi-Modi meeting comes at a crucial juncture, with border talks pointing towards greater stability. The two leaders have also put in a series of measures to build confidence and normalise ties. But the next phase of the ties is likely to be measured not just by diplomatic progress, but by whether economic engagement can withstand growing strategic vulnerabilities," said a source.



Abu Dhabi Crown Prince Sheikh Khalid bin Mohamed Al Nahyan in New Delhi | PTI

PM Narendra Modi, Russian President Vladimir Putin, South Africa's President Cyril Ramaphosa, EAM S Jaishankar, Minister Piyush Goyal and others during BRICS Business Forum 2026 at Bharat Mandapam on Friday | PTI



The proposed NDB-based investment platform would seek to mobilise private-sector funding and make BRICS economies more competitive

Vladimir Putin, Russian President

The new BRICS bank was created to free countries from reliance on the dollar and to stand against America's push for dominance

Masoud Pezeshkian, Iranian President

Pleased to participate in the opening ceremony of BRICS Business Forum. Highlighted the centrality of economic resilience and innovation

S Jaishankar, External Affairs Minister

Three years ago, dollar and euro totalled 85% of settlements for Russian exports. The figure now stands at about 11%.

Maxim Reshetnikov, Russian minister

FM's EFFORTS

BRICS builds momentum for local currencies

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

BRICS countries have stepped up efforts to promote trade settlements and investments in local currencies, with the grouping's finance ministers and central bank governors calling for practical solutions to facilitate cross-border payments while respecting national priorities.

BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors said in a statement on Thursday that the BRICS Payment Task Force was studying the interoperability of cross-border payment and messaging channels and ways to promote trade settlements and investments using BRICS local currencies.

BRICS called for continued work on cross-border payment mechanisms to make payments among member countries faster, cheaper, more accessible, efficient, transparent and safe. The statement did not propose a common BRICS currency.

The push for local-currency settlements comes as BRICS members seek to strengthen financial cooperation amid rising trade fragmentation, protectionism and policy uncertainty. The finance chiefs also supported further technical discussions on settlement and depositary infrastructure. A workshop held during India's BRICS chairship examined differences in legal, institutional, regulatory and technical frameworks governing settlement and depositary systems across member countries.

The statement also highlighted progress in customs cooperation, including convergence on a BRICS Customs Mutual Administrative Assistance Agreement. Members in a position to do so have given in-principle approval and expressed willingness to sign the agreement, subject to completion of domestic approval processes.

Iran prez networks at summit amid West Asia war concerns

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

IRANIAN President Masoud Pezeshkian arrived in New Delhi to attend the BRICS Summit, his first visit to India by an Iranian President in more than eight years. Soon after his arrival, Pezeshkian held separate meetings with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Russian President Vladimir Putin, as Tehran navigates a particularly sensitive moment, with tensions in the region casting an added weight over the diplomatic engagements.

Pezeshkian's visit comes as tensions between Iran, Israel and the United States continue to threaten a wider regional confrontation. Tehran has faced growing pressure to respond more forcefully to attacks, while the possibility of the conflict spreading beyond its existing theatres is raising concerns over maritime security and energy supplies.

The Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps has already warned of a possible expansion



of restrictions into the Gulf of Oman and the Arabian Sea, including routes leading towards the Strait of Hormuz. It has also warned vessels in ports and anchorages in Kuwait and Bahrain to leave, signalling the potential for the confrontation to acquire a wider maritime dimension.

For India, the developments carry direct strategic implications. The Gulf and the Strait of Hormuz are vital to India's energy supplies and trade,

while Chabahar remains a key Indian connectivity project linking India with Iran and Central Asia. Any disruption to shipping or a further escalation around Hormuz could therefore have implications well beyond West Asia.

Pezeshkian's remarks ahead of the visit also underline Tehran's broader geopolitical messaging. He has argued that the BRICS New Development Bank was created to reduce countries' dependence on the dollar and counter what he sees as US efforts to dominate the global financial system.

His meeting with Modi comes just hours after the PM's scheduled talks with Russian President Vladimir Putin and a day before his meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping. The sequence gives the India-Iran engagement added significance, placing Tehran's concerns over regional security, sanctions and economic isolation alongside New Delhi's efforts to maintain strategic ties with competing power centres.

BILATERAL AGENDAS TO DOMINATE MEET ON THE SIDELINES

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

FROM Russian President Vladimir Putin to Iran President Masoud Pezeshkian and Chinese President Xi Jinping, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has a packed diplomatic calendar on the sidelines of the BRICS Summit, with a series of back-to-back bilateral meetings spread across three days.

The schedule opens Friday afternoon with Russian President Vladimir Putin at 3:30 PM, followed by Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian at 6:15 PM and UN Secretary-General António Guterres at 6:45 PM.

Saturday is even more tightly packed, beginning with meetings with Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed Ali at 10 AM and Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim at 10:30 AM, followed by the Abu Dhabi crown prince at 11 AM and Vietnam Prime Minister Le Minh Hung at 11:30 AM. At the same time, President Droupadi Murmu is

scheduled to meet Pezeshkian at 11:30 AM.

The day's most closely watched engagement comes at 5:45 PM, when Modi meets Chinese President Xi Jinping, in Xi's first bilateral visit to India in seven years and against the backdrop of a cautious thaw in ties. Sunday will see another string of engagements, with Modi scheduled to meet leaders from Kazakhstan, the Philippines, Egypt, South Africa, Burundi, Nigeria and Uganda between 2:30 PM and 5:40 PM.

The sheer pace of the schedule underscores the diplomatic weight of the BRICS sidelines for New Delhi. Across three days, Modi is set to engage with leaders from major powers, emerging economies and key regional partners, with conversations spanning strategic ties, trade, investment, regional conflicts and global governance. In all, it is a diplomatic sprint of at least 15 bilateral engagements as of now over three days.



THAROOR, BJP REJECT CONG STAND ON SUMMIT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

A day after senior Congress leader and former Finance Minister P Chidambaram questioned whether BRICS had delivered tangible gains for India, party MP Shashi Tharoor struck a different note, calling the summit an important platform for the Global South and a demonstration of India's diplomatic convening power. Speaking to the media, Tharoor said hosting BRICS was a matter of "great prestige" for India, with a dozen heads of state and government, with observers attending at the presidential and prime ministerial level. "It's not a small matter," he said, arguing that the grouping had to be taken seriously by the rest of the world.

Meanwhile, the BJP accused the Congress and other Opposition parties of creating a "negative atmosphere" around the summit and being unable to accept India's growing stature. BJP MP Sambit Patra said India's position in BRICS, which he described as "shaky" in 2011-12, had since become considerably stronger. "Today India has found its position in the global arena as never before," he said.

Modi gifts Putin Tamil literary advice on love, good governance, ethics in Russian

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday presented Russian President Vladimir Putin a Russian translation of the Thirukkural, the celebrated Tamil classic embodying the timeless wisdom of poet and philosopher Thiruvalluvar. The gift was given during their bilateral meeting, held a day before the BRICS 2026 Summit.

The Russian edition contains all 1,330 couplets of the ancient work, which offers insights into virtue, wealth, good governance, ethics and love. The Thirukkural is regarded as one

of the most influential works of Tamil literature. The Russian edition has been published by the Central Institute of Classical Tamil and translated by Naira Mkrtchyan.

Modi has previously presented Putin gifts representing India's cultural heritage. In 2025, he gifted him a Russian translation of the Bhagavad Gita, Assam tea and a silver horse. At the 2024 BRICS Summit in Kazan, he presented Putin a Sothra painting from Jharkhand.

At the 17th BRICS Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 2025, India gifted a hand-etched silver lion on Fuchsite stone and

other metalwork, while a Madhubani painting depicting the Sun from Bihar's Mithilanchal region was gifted. Modi presented Saryu River water to the prime minister of Trinidad and Tobago.

At the 2023 BRICS Summit in Johannesburg, Modi presented a pair of Surahis to South African President Cyril Ramaphosa, a Nagaland shawl to First Lady Tshepo Motsepe, and a Gond painting from Madhya Pradesh to Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva. In 2024, he gifted a Mother of Pearl seashell vase from coastal Maharashtra to Iran's President.

IMPORT POLICY

Russia seeks fruits, pharma to plug deficit

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

RUSSIA is looking to scale up imports of services, exotic fruits, pharmaceuticals and electronics from India to minimise the growing trade imbalance between the two countries and achieve the target of \$100 billion in bilateral trade by 2030, said Vladimir Padalko, Vice-President of the Russian Chamber of Commerce.

In an interaction with this newspaper on the sidelines of the BRICS Business Forum on Friday, Padalko said Moscow is looking to diversify its imports, with India likely to be an important source, particularly in sectors such as pharma, electronics and agricultural products, where Indian companies have significant export capabilities.

"Electronics, of course, and pharma. We are also very, very interested in increasing agricultural goods," Padalko said, adding that Russia's geographical location and climatic conditions create an opportunity for larger imports of exotic fruits from India. "We are interested in increasing, first of all, exotic fruits, for example grapes and so on," he said.

However, improving logistics would be critical to expanding trade in perishable agricultural products and other sectors, Padalko said.

Backlash forces US dept to remove 'Mr Singh' slur post

DHS post draws scorn from Indian Americans, Democrat lawmakers

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

IN the wake of backlash from the Indian-American and Sikh advocacy groups in the United States, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has removed the AI-generated imagery advertisement posted by it on X asking "Mr Singh" to self-deport, featuring a Transformers-themed cartoon featuring a brown-bearded man with the tagline "Get off our roads, you don't know how to drive, Mr Singh".

However, it offered no immediate explanation as to why the post was removed. The image drew immediate backlash from Indian American organisations and Democratic lawmakers, who termed it "racially discriminatory" toward Sikh Americans and harmful to millions sharing common surname.

The controversial AI-generated post also sparked an immediate online clash between state leadership and federal authorities. In a post on X with the graphic depicting Harjinder Singh, an Indian national facing vehicular homicide and manslaughter charges after pleading not guilty in a fatal Florida turnpike crash that claimed three lives, DHS wrote, "This may be the laziest lie



'Racist propaganda targeting Sikh community'

The controversial AI-generated post also sparked an immediate online clash between state leadership and federal authorities. California Governor Gavin Newsom criticised the Trump administration on social media, writing, "This is disgusting. Trump's government is trafficking in racist propaganda targeting Sikh community."

you've ever told, and that's saying something."

California Governor Gavin Newsom sharply criticised the US President Donald Trump administration on social media, writing, "This is disgusting. Trump's government is trafficking in racist propaganda targeting the Sikh community." In response, DHS posted a video alongside the reply on X, stating, "Hey Gavin, YOU gave him his CDL, and then he killed three people with his tractor-trailer." The deleted image was part of an aggressive,

ongoing social media campaign by DHS highlighting unauthorised commercial drivers involved in fatal accidents.

While Senator Adam Schiff posted, "The administration and DHS make no effort to hide their obvious bigotry, casting suspicion on millions of Americans based on their background and appearance, in this case, the Sikh community. DHS's grotesque advertising campaign is hateful, disgraceful, and un-American." The Department of Homeland Security posted on X.

Ex-IAS officer BJP candidate in Assam bypolls

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE BJP on Friday nominated former IAS officer Devashish Sharma as its candidate for the October 6 bypoll to Assam's Nagaon Lok Sabha seat. The bypoll in the Muslim-majority constituency has been necessitated by the resignation of two-time former Congress MP Pradyut Bordoloi. Bordoloi had successfully contested the 2026 Assembly elections from the Dispur constituency in Guwahati on the BJP's ticket.

Sharma, who served as the Deputy Commissioner (DC) of Nagaon, took voluntary retirement on September 3 and joined the BJP on September 8. On September 4, Congress' Dhubri MP Rakibul Hussain had written to Assam's CEO. The letter followed a series of complaints that Hussain lodged on August 26 and 30, and September 3, and 4.

In his letter, Hussain wrote that during his tenure as DC-cum-District Election Officer (DEO), Sharma had overseen critical and sensitive aspects of election administration. "Therefore, reviewing and scrutinising all election-related directives and decisions issued during his tenure is crucial to safeguarding the neutrality and integrity of the impending bye-election," the Dhubri MP had written in his letter.

BJP in huddle over JDU opposition to water pact renewal with Bangladesh

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THE JD(U) and the BJP, major allies of the ruling NDA in Bihar, have taken different stands on the Farakka Water Sharing Treaty with Bangladesh. JD(U)'s stand on the Farakka Barrage issue has not gone down well with the BJP.

A day after JD(U) national working president Sanjay Kumar Jha urged the Centre not to renew the treaty, Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary on Friday summoned all BJP ministers apparently to seek their opinion on the contentious issue. Though BJP leaders said the meeting was called to discuss preparations for 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan', sources claimed that the simmering ties with JD(U) prompted Choudhary to discuss the Farakka issue. "The way JD(U) is raising the Farakka treaty hints at its conflict with the BJP. JD(U) is trying to exert pressure on the Centre by raising such issues," a political analyst said.

The CM said Bihar's interest should be protected in any decision on renewing the treaty. He pointed out that under the current arrangement, Bihar can effectively utilise Ganga water for four months of the year (July to October). The Bihar



government is trying to include a new clause in the renewed Farakka agreement to guarantee year-round access to the state's water share, he added.

Deputy CM Vijay Kumar Choudhary of JD(U) recently visited Delhi to apprise the Centre of state's concern over the treaty. The 1996 treaty is to be renewed in December this year. Jha said Bihar has not got its due share of water even after three decades. "Bihar's share of water had been stolen," he asserted.

He contended that the state's water share should be restored keeping in mind growing population and needs. "Injustice has been meted out to Bihar. At the time of the treaty, Bihar's population was 7.25 crore. Now it has doubled," Jha said, urging the Centre to terminate the treaty.

MADHYA PRADESH

Hooch tragedy key accused held after gunfight

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

RAVI Lakhera, an alleged interstate bootlegger who guided the preparation of the spurious liquor that killed more than 25 villagers in MP's Sagar district, was arrested on Friday after an encounter.

The 45-year-old Lakhera, who hails from MP's Chhatarpur district, was shot in the leg after he fired at police teams in the jungles near Hanuman Tong temple, officials said. While Lakhera is under treatment at a hospital under police custody, his two aides managed to escape in the thick forests.

Accused in at least 25 criminal cases in multiple districts of MP and UP, Lakhera was last arrested on May 4, 2026 in Lalitpur district of UP.

The UP police had claimed to have busted an inter-state spurious liquor syndicate run by Lakhera in association with wife Shivani and others. Lakhera, who owned multiple licensed liquor vends in Chhatarpur, was released on bail last month, after which he regrouped his aides and started his spurious liquor racket again, police said.

So far 18 out of the 33 accused named in the two FIRs have been arrested in connection with the hooch tragedy, police officials said.

After HC rebuke, govt recalls Pune liquor ban for Ganesh Chaturthi

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE Bombay High Court on Friday came down on the Maharashtra government's decision to ban liquor sale in Pune during 12 days of Ganesh Chaturthi festival, prompting the Pune Collector to withdraw the order.

A division bench comprising Chief Justice Mahesh Chandra Tripathi and Justice Advait Sethna said that if alcohol is banned for so many days, hospitals will get "flooded" because habitual drinkers may face serious health issues.

The bench said that while it understands that the authorities need to maintain law and order and avoid nuisance, a blanket order prohibiting licence holders from carrying on their trade for 12 days cannot be passed. With such prohibition, habitual drinkers would end up with medical issues, the judges said jokingly. "They will flood hospitals if they don't get to drink for 12 days," Chief Justice Tripathi said, adding that a blanket prohibition would cause a revenue loss to the state excise department.

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choosing only Pune? We deprecate such practice. This is a stigma on Pune residents. What are you trying to portray that only people in Pune behave badly after drinking? One district you are choosing across the state," the court said.

After getting flak from the court, the Pune collectorate issued the fresh order stating that September 14 (first day of Ganesh festival) and September 25 (immersion day) will be dry days.

Gujarat loses 62 lions in 2026 to disease, cubs most affected

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

GUJARAT has reported 62 lion, lioness and cub deaths linked to diseases during the year preceding July 31, 2026, the state Assembly was informed on Friday. The government listed pneumonia, anaemia, kidney and liver dysfunction, multi-organ failure, myocardial infarction and other illnesses among the reported causes.

While the figures highlight the scale of reported mortality, cubs emerged as the most affected group, accounting for 28 deaths - nearly half of the total. According to a written reply by the state forest minister, of the total deaths, cubs recorded the highest mortality, with 28 deaths, accounting for 45.2% of the total. Meanwhile, 17 male lions and 17 lionesses died, each representing 27.4% of the reported deaths. Together, adult lions accounted for 34 fatalities, while cub deaths alone made up nearly half of the total reported mortality. The data was furnished in response to a question raised by Congress MLA Shailesh Manubhai Parmar of Ahmedabad's Danilimda area, who sought details of diseases affecting lions, resulting deaths and the government's preventive measures.

However, the data needs to be read with caution. The govern-



ment reply does not provide the total lion population in the affected area, age-wise mortality rates or comparable figures from previous years. Consequently, the deaths establish the number reported in the Assembly response, but they do not independently establish whether mortality has increased or declined.

The Forest Department listed several diseases and medical conditions observed among lions. These included pneumonia and haemorrhagic pneumonia, anaemia, hepato-renal dysfunction or kidney failure, multi-organ dysfunction or failure, myocardial infarction, paralysis and arthritis, gastroen-

teritis, roundworm infestation, encephalitis, central nervous system disorders, ascites, bronchopneumonia, acute illness and septic shock.

The range of conditions indicates that the government's reply covers reported health problems rather than identifying a single disease outbreak. Crucially, the Assembly response does not give a separate death count for each disease. Therefore, the available figures cannot establish which illness was responsible for the highest number of deaths, whether any disease was dominant or whether the listed conditions were confirmed as the direct cause of every reported death.

Stone-throwing custom in symbolic MP village rivalry injures 1K people

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

THE stones began flying across the Jam River as they have for generations. On one bank stood the people of Pandhurna; on the other were villagers from Sawargaon. Between them, in the Jam River, stood a freshly cut Palash tree—the sacred flag that would become the centre of an extraordinary ritual of faith, memory and violence.

By the time the annual Gotmar Fair ended on Friday, 1,029 people had been injured. Eight men, mostly young, were seriously injured and taken to hospitals in neighbouring Nagpur, across the state border in Maharashtra. Among the injured was a five-year-old boy, Yogesh Maraw, who had come with his family to watch the spectacle.

The scenes are difficult to reconcile with the word "fair". Yet for the people of these two



riverside communities in MP, the event is an old ritual.

According to local legend, some 400 years ago, a young man from Pandhurna and a girl from Sawargaon fell in love and tried to elope. Villagers discovered them as they reached the Jam River and threw stones to stop them. The lovers are believed to have died in the chaos.

Each year, on Bhadrapada Amavasya, Sawargaon villagers carry a Palash tree from the

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forest and plant it in the river, treating it as their sacred flag—and symbolically as their daughter. Pandhurna, cast as the "boy's side", attacks from across the water, trying to seize it. The battle ends only when the flag is cut down. Then, remarkably, the sides come together in worship.

However, 700 police officers were deployed, and drones, CCTV cameras, ambulances, doctors and temporary medical centres were set up.

Record pilgrim visits expected at Char Dham

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

UTTARAKHAND'S Char Dham Yatra is racing towards a fresh football record, with the pilgrim count crossing the 50-lakh mark ahead of the second phase beginning September 15. The state government expects the seasonal tally to touch 60-lakh before the pilgrimage concludes in November. The pilgrimage began on April 19 with the opening of Gangotri and Yamunotri. Kedarnath opened on April 22 and Badrinath a day later, bringing the annual yatra fully under way.

Tourism Department data showed that the combined footfall at the four shrines and Hemkund Sahib had reached 5,014,945 by Friday evening. Last year, 51 lakh devotees visited the Char Dham shrines during the entire season.

Badrinath recorded the highest turnout so far at 1,722,908, followed by Kedarnath at 1,492,047. Gangotri received 781,705 pilgrims and Yamunotri



700,855. Hemkund Sahib's count crossed 317,430, its highest-ever figure, with the shrine due to remain open for another month.

The expected post-monsoon surge, however, will test the administration on landslide-prone stretches linking Rishikesh with Badrinath and Kedarnath. Officials fear renewed slope failures could cause lengthy traffic snarls as pilgrim numbers rise

after September 15.

With the monsoon receding, authorities expect a sharp revival in arrivals. Their immediate focus is on keeping carriageways motorable, clearing fresh debris quickly and limiting long queues at choke points. PWD Secretary, Pankaj Kumar Pandey, said the routes would be kept open to traffic and work had started at active landslide sites.

108 dips in lake prove fatal for elderly sisters

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Dehradun

TWO elderly sisters from Rajasthan died after losing consciousness while bathing in the sulphur-rich waters of Tap Kund at Badrinath on Friday. The women had reportedly resolved to take 108 dips before visiting the temple.

The deceased were identified as Prema Devi, 63, and Ramu Devi, 71. Both were part of a pilgrim group that reached Badrinath on September 4, police said. Initial information suggests the sisters entered the hot-water pool in the morning and repeatedly immersed themselves while attempting to complete 108 dips. They became unconscious, possibly after experiencing breathing difficulty, sources said.



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Three cities figure in top five clean air list

Three major cities of MP have been placed among India's top five cities for clean air in the results of the National Clean Air Survey-2026. MP delivered an impressive performance in the competition among cities with populations of more than 1 million under the National Clean Air Programme. Indore secured second place, Jabalpur third and the state capital Bhopal fourth in the country. In the 3-10 lakh population category, Ujjain and Sagar ranked 16th and 21st, respectively, while Dewas got 7th position in the category of cities with populations below three lakh. The survey was conducted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.



Cong MLA's 'corpses' remark sparks a row

A loudmouthed Congress MLA, Abhay Mishra, has sparked a major controversy with an unsavoury claim that "corpses" of beautiful women were sexually abused by staff at the Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Government Hospital mortuary in Rewa district. The second-time MLA from the Semariya seat of Rewa district is now particularly facing the flak of the doctor fraternity, as the undergraduate student wing of the state's Junior Doctor's Association has written to the state Congress president Jitu Patwari, seeking immediate and unconditional public apology from the MLA. In the letter, the Association has termed Mishra's recent statement "an insult".

Daughter-in-law of BJP leader enters politics

BJP MLA Nagendra Singh's elder daughter-in-law, Rashmi Rajia Singh, joined his party in eastern MP's Rewa district on Thursday. She joined the BJP in the presence of senior BJP leaders, including her fifth-time MLA father-in-law and third-time Rewa MP Janardan Mishra. While she and her father-in-law denied any electoral ambition behind the political development, political watchers feel that with the BJP veteran growing old, daughter-in-law Rashmi could actually emerge as his political successor from the Gurh seat of Rewa district, which has been won by Singh five times (including four times on BJP ticket) between 1985 and 2023.

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Open e-tender Notice No.: BB.LD. 585.W.8917. CONTR 3 of 10.09.2026. Name of work for 25KV AC OHE work electrification of Sidings in Mumbai Division. **Approx Value: ₹ 2,72,92,953/- Bid security: ₹ 5,45,900/- Cost of Tender Form: ₹ 0/- Completion period: 12 Months. Validity of offer: 60 Days. I) Tender closing date & time of aforesaid tender: Upto 11:00 hrs. of 05.10.2026 and will be opened after 11:00 hrs. II) The prospective tenderers are requested to visit the website www.ireps.gov.in for details of tenders & corrigendum, if any. III) Tenderer may participate in above e-tender electronically through website www.ireps.gov.in only & submission of manual offers against e-tender will not be considered. IV) Bid security should be paid as per details given in tender document. V) For further enquiry, may contact: Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (Traction Distribution), Mumbai Division, Central Railway, Annex building, 2nd floor, Mumbai CSMT-400001 on phone-022-22612355. Complete details of tenders are available at the website www.ireps.gov.in. The complete details of tenders are also available in the "Notice Board" of the Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (Traction Distribution), Mumbai CSMT-400001.**

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CENTRAL RAILWAY

VARIOUS WORK

E-Tender Notice No.: BB.EL.GSU. PSI.2026-27/1 Dated 09.09.2026. Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (GSU), 3rd Floor, Old Area Manager's building, Goods Depot, P.D' Mello Road, Wadibunder, Mumbai-400 010 for and on behalf of President of India, invites open E-tender (in Single Packet system) through website www.ireps.gov.in from established and reputed contractors for the following work. The tender submitted manually, shall not be accepted. The last date of submission of tender is till 15:00 hrs on 13.10.2026 & tender will be opened after 15:15 Hrs on the same day. **Name of work:** Design, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Control & Relay Panel at 110KV/25KV Traction Sub-Stations at Kanjurmarg and 25 KV SPs at Ghatkopar, Mulund & Dombivli as per RDSO spec. No: T/SPC/PSI/ PROTECT/4050 or latest in Mumbai Division of Central Railway. **Tender Cost (Approximate): ₹ 3,73,23,797.72. Required Bid Security: ₹ 7,46,500/- Validity of offer: 60 Days. Completion period: 12 Months (including monsoon).** Complete details of tender are available at the website www.ireps.gov.in. The complete tender document can be downloaded from the website.

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Date and Time for Activity	Date/Time: Duration
Online Sale/ Download Date of Tender Documents	From: 14/09/2026 (16:00 Hrs.) to 28/09/2026 (16:00 Hrs.) (https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
Last Date/ Time for Submission/ uploading of Online Bid	28/09/2026 up to 16:00 Hrs. (https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
Date & Time for Opening of Technical Bid	29/09/2026 at 15:00 Hrs (https://eproc2.bihar.gov.in)
Date & Time for Opening of Financial Bid	Date to be announced later by Competent Authority.
Cost of the Tender Document	₹5,900/- (Five Thousand Nine Hundred Rupees Only) (Non-Refundable)
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Superintendent of Police Wireless, Bengaluru invited tender for Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Top Bar Lights with PA system and Application of Graphic Film (Sticking) on ERSS-112 Emergency Response Vehicles through e-procurement portal. Estimated Bid value: **Rs. 67 Lakhs.** Pre-bid meeting on 18/09/2026 at 1200 hrs The Last date and time for tender submission 25/09/2026, 1700 hrs. Further details can be obtained by visiting e-procurement portal <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in>. For more information, please contact the above office.

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62	इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स व संचार Electronics & Communication	01 (अना./UR -01)	इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स इंजीनियरी (या) इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स व संचार इंजीनियरी (या) इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स व संचार इंजीनियरी (या) इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स व संचार इंजीनियरी में प्रथम श्रेणी का डिप्लोमा First Class Diploma in Electronics Engineering OR Electronics & Communication Engineering OR Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering
तकनीशियन 'बी' (वेतन मैट्रिक्स में स्तर 3 - Rs. 21,700/- -- Rs. 69,100/-) Technician 'B' (Level 3 in the Pay Matrix - Rs.21,700/- -- Rs. 69,100/-)			
63	टर्न Turner	02 (अना./UR -01) (अनु.जा./SC-01)	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND टर्न ट्रेड में एससीबीटी से एनटीसी के साथ आईटीआई (या) एससीबीटी से एनएससी आईटीआई ट्रेड में NTC from NCVT OR NAC from NCVT
64	फिल्टर Fitter	04 (अ.वि.व./OBC-03) (आ.क.व./EWS-01) ऊपर में से १ रिक्ति प्रभुत्व सैनिक के लिए आरक्षित है Out of the above 1 vacancy is reserved for Ex-Servicemen	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND फिल्टर ट्रेड में एससीबीटी से एनटीसी के साथ आईटीआई (या) एससीबीटी से एनएससी आईटीआई ट्रेड में NTC from NCVT OR NAC from NCVT
65	वेल्डर Welder	02 (अना./UR -01) (अनु.जा./SC-01)	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND वेल्डर ट्रेड में एससीबीटी से एनटीसी के साथ आईटीआई (या) एससीबीटी से एनएससी आईटीआई ट्रेड में NTC from NCVT OR NAC from NCVT
66	मशीन मिस्त्री Machinist	03 (अना./UR-02) (अनु.जा./SC-01) ऊपर में से १ रिक्ति दिव्यांगजन (अ.वि.) के लिए आरक्षित है Out of the above 1 vacancy is reserved for PwBD (OH)	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND मशीन मिस्त्री ट्रेड में एससीबीटी से एनटीसी के साथ आईटीआई (या) एससीबीटी से एनएससी आईटीआई ट्रेड में NTC from NCVT OR NAC from NCVT
67	प्राचीन व वातावरण Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	01 (अना./UR -01)	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND प्राचीन व वातावरण ट्रेड में एससीबीटी से एनटीसी के साथ आईटीआई (या) एससीबीटी से एनएससी आईटीआई ट्रेड में NTC from NCVT OR NAC from NCVT
68	इलेक्ट्रिशियन Electrician	01 (आ.क.व./EWS-01)	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND इलेक्ट्रिशियन ट्रेड में एससीबीटी से एनटीसी के साथ आईटीआई (या) एससीबीटी से एनएससी आईटीआई ट्रेड में NTC from NCVT OR NAC from NCVT

लघु ब्राह्म चालक 'ए' (वेतन मैट्रिक्स में स्तर 2 - Rs.19,900/- -- Rs.63,200/-) Cook 'A' (Level 2 in the Pay Matrix - Rs.19,900/- -- Rs.63,200/-)

कोड सं. Code No.	विद्या विरोध Discipline	रिक्ति(यों) की संख्या और आरक्षण विवरण / No. of Vacancy (ies) & Reservation Details	अनिवार्य अर्हता Essential Qualification
70	रसोइया 'ए' Cook 'A'	01 (अना./UR -01)	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND किसी लघुग्रन्थि होटल/कैंटीन में रसोइया के रूप में ५ साल का अनुभव। किसी लघुग्रन्थि होटल/कैंटीन द्वारा जारी किया गया अनुभव प्रमाण पत्र कोशल परीक्षा के दौरान प्रस्तुत किया जाना चाहिए। 5 years experience as Cook in a well Established Hotel / Canteen should be submitted Certificate issued by a well Established Hotel / Canteen should be submitted during Skill Test. Experience Certificate from individuals will not be accepted.

फायरमैन 'ए' (वेतन मैट्रिक्स में स्तर 2 - Rs.19,900/- -- Rs.63,200/-) FIREMAN 'A' (Level-2 in the Pay Matrix - Rs.19,900/- -- Rs.63,200/-)

कोड सं. Code No.	विद्या विरोध Discipline	रिक्ति(यों) की संख्या और आरक्षण विवरण / No. of Vacancy (ies) & Reservation Details	अनिवार्य अर्हता Essential Qualification
71	फायरमैन 'ए' Fireman 'A'	03 (अना./UR -02) (अ.वि.व./OBC-01) ऊपर में से १ रिक्ति प्रभुत्व सैनिक के लिए आरक्षित है Out of the above 1 vacancy is reserved for Ex-Servicemen	एसएसएलसी / एसएससी / मैट्रिक / दसवीं कक्षा में उत्तीर्ण और Pass in SSLC/SSC/Matric/10th Std. AND निर्धारित शारीरिक क्षमता मानदंडों को पूरा करना चाहिए। और Should satisfy the prescribed Physical Fitness Standards And अनुसंधान आवेदन के साथ प्राथमिक चिकित्सा परीक्षा प्रमाण पत्र अटलांज करना चाहिए Should upload Preliminary Medical Examination Certificate along with online application

Total 22

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Corporate Office: "CHOLA CREST", C54 & 55, Super B-4, Thiru Vi Ka Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032

Branch Office: ASV Adarsh Tower, 719, Pathari Road, off. Anna Salai, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600002.

Contact No: Mr. Thyagarajan- Mob. No.9940516215 & Mr. Sivashanmugam - Mob.No.9962614785

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 9 (f) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower / Co-Borrower/ Mortgagee (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Cholamandalam investment and Finance Company Limited the same shall be referred herein after as Cholamandalam investment and Finance Company Limited. The Secured Assets will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis through E-Auction. It is hereby informed to General public that we are going to conduct public E-Auction through website <https://bankauctions.in/>

1. Loan Account No. HE01TVT00000005357 & HE01TVT000000051584; Name of borrower, co-borrower, Mortgagees: 1. LOGESH SANKAR (APPLICANT) (LEGAL HEIRS AND SON OF LATE SANKAR, 2. KUMARI SANKAR (CO-APPLICANT) (LEGAL HEIRS AND WIFE OF LATE SANKAR), 3. REKHA SANKAR (CO-APPLICANT) (LEGAL HEIRS AND DAUGHTER OF LATE SANKAR), 4. EVG FOUNDATION (REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR LOGESH), ALL ARE RESIDING AT: PLOT NO. 65A, 2ND STREET, GOWARI AVENUE, ANAKAPUTHUR, KANCHEEPURAM, TAMIL NADU - 600 070; Date & Amount as per Demand Notice U/s 13(2): 09-09-2025 & Rs.43,62,412/- as on 09-09-2025; Descriptions of the property/Properties: Property Belongs to Mrs. Kuman (Co-Applicant): All that Piece and Parcel of Eastern portion of the land and building in Plot No.65 Part situated at "Gowri Avenue" (Layout Approval No. L.P.D.M/D.TP.949/1873), Anakaputhur Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kanchipuram District, Admeasuring 2000 Sq. Ft. of land comprised in Old Survey No. 132/1, PattaNo. 10017 as per Patta New Survey No. 132/69 situated within the Sub-Registration District of Pammal and the Registration District of South Chennai within the boundaries hereunder: North by: Plot No.66, South by: 20 Ft Road, East by: 20 Ft Road, West by: Western portion of Plot No.65, On the Northern side 50 Feet, On the Southern side 50 Feet, On the Eastern side 40 Feet, On the Western side 40 Feet, Admeasuring 2000 Sq. Ft., of land and building. (Symbolic Possession)

Reserve Price : Rs.67,00,000/- Earnest Money Deposit : Rs.6,70,000/- Bid Increment Amount (In Rs.) : Rs.1,00,000/-

2. Loan Account No. HE01NA000000052523; Name of borrower, co-borrower, Mortgagees: 1. M SANKAR (APPLICANT), 2. S RAMADEVI (CO-APPLICANT), BOTH ARE RESIDING AT: DOOR NO 1/5B, EVR 1ST STREET, GKM COLONY, PERAMBUR, CHENNAI - 600082 AND PLOT NO. 6, FLAT NO. S3, SECOND FLOOR, VATSA INFRAS, ANANDHAM NAGAR MAIN ROAD, SHOLLINGANALLUR, CHENNAI - 600119 AND PLOT NO. 6, FLAT NO. F3, FIRST FLOOR, VATSA INFRAS, ANANDHAM NAGAR MAIN ROAD, SHOLLINGANALLUR, CHENNAI - 600119 AND PLOT NO. 6, FLAT NO. F1, FIRST FLOOR, VATSA INFRAS, ANANDHAM NAGAR MAIN ROAD, SHOLLINGANALLUR, CHENNAI - 600119, 3. SWISSTEC ECOPOULY ENTERPRISES (CO-APPLICANT), DOOR NO 1/5B, EVR 1ST STREET, GKM COLONY, PERAMBUR, CHENNAI - 600082. Date & Amount as per Demand Notice U/s 13(2): 09-04-2025 & Rs.59,21,389/- as on 09-04-2025; Descriptions of the property/Properties: SCHEDULE - A Property Belongs to Mrs. S. Ramadevi- ITEM No. 1 All that Piece and parcel of Vacant Land Situated at Southern Portion of Plot No.6, Anantham Nagar, Comprised in S.No.326/2 Part, as per Patta No.3126 and 5527 - New S.No.326/9, No. 189, New No. 155, Sholinganallur Village, Sholinganallur Taluk, Previously Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District, measuring 1450 Sq.ft., (1500 - 50 Sq.ft.) splay (as per Document 1488 Sq.ft.) and land bounded on the North by: Northern Portion of Plot No.6, South by: 30 Feet Road, East by: 24 Feet Road, West by: Plot No.5, Admeasuring North by: 40 Feet, South by: 40 Feet, East by: 40 Feet, West by: 35 Feet. ITEM NO. II All that Piece and parcel of Vacant land Situated at Northern Portion of Plot No.6, Anantham Nagar, Comprised in S.No.326/2 Part, as per Patta No.3126 and 5527 - New S.No.326/9, No. 189, New No. 155, Sholinganallur Village, Sholinganallur Taluk, Previously Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District, measuring 1200 Sq.ft., and land bounded on the North by: Plot No. 15, South by: Southern Portion of Plot No.6, East by: 24 Feet Road, West by: Plot No.5, Admeasuring North by: 40 Feet, South by: 40 Feet, East by: 30 Feet, West by: 30 Feet. Situated within the Sub-Registration District of Neelagiri and in the Registration District of South Chennai.

SCHEDULE - B Property 1 An Undivided share of 438 Sq.ft., from and out of the total extent of 2688 Sq.ft., morefully described in the Schedule - A Property. Flat with area of 1035 Sq.ft., (including common area) Flat No. F1, in First Floor, All items area constructed in the land morefully described in the Schedule - A Property. Property 2 An Undivided share of 308 Sq.ft., from and out of the total extent of 2688 Sq.ft., morefully described in the Schedule - A Property. Flat with area of 752 Sq.ft., (including common area) Flat No. S3, in Second Floor, All items area constructed in the land morefully described in the Schedule - A Property. Property 3 An Undivided share of 308 Sq.ft., from and out of the total extent of 2688 Sq.ft., morefully described in the Schedule - A Property. Flat with area of 752 Sq.ft., (including common area) Flat No. F3, in First Floor, All items area constructed in the land morefully described in the Schedule - A Property. (Symbolic Possession)

Reserve Price : Rs.68,00,000/- Earnest Money Deposit : Rs.6,80,000/- Bid Increment Amount (In Rs.) : Rs.1,00,000/-

E-Auction Date and Time : 06-10-2026 at 11:00 am to 1:00 PM (with unlimited extension of 3 min each).
EMD Submission Last Date : 05-10-2026 (up to 5.30.PM), Inspection Date : 29-09-2026 and 30-09-2026 (10.00 A.M to 1.00. P.M)

1. All interested participants / bidders are requested to visit the website <https://bankauctions.in> & www.cholamandalam.com/news/auction-notice. For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact Mr. Mohammed Raheem - 9124000930 / 8374845616, M/s. ACIsource, Bheba - 9142000962, Email: CholaAuction.AP@chola.murugappa.com 2. For further details on terms and conditions please visit- <https://bankauctions.in> & www.cholamandalam.com/news/auction-notice to take part in e-auction.

THIS IS ALSO A STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 9(f) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES,2002

Date: 12-09-2026
Place: CHENNAI

Authorized Officer
Cholamandalam investment and Finance Company Limited.

KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of India Undertaking)

E-Tender Notice

On behalf of Konkarn Railway Corporation Ltd., Divisional Electrical Engineer, KRCL, Ratnagiri, is inviting E-Open Tenders for the following work. **Name of the work** - Proposal for Design, Supply, erection, testing, commissioning of Passenger Lift (Machine room less), 02 nos each for FOB at Kudal and Kankavali stations under Ratnagiri region of Konkarn Railway (20 Passenger Lift/1360Kgs / 1 Speed / 2 Floors / 2 Stops / Stainless Steel (1.5 Mm) Car Cabin). As per RDSO approval and specification. (Spec No. RDSO/2013/EM/SPEC/0016 (Rev'2)-2025 or latest). **Tender No. KR/RN/EL/T/17C/2026 DATED 12.09.2026. Estimated cost - ₹ 1,02,23,923/-** (Excluding GST). **Cost of Tender form - NIL, EMD - ₹ 2,04,500/-** (or as shown on IREPS portal). **Last date and time of depositing of tender ON LINE :** 28/09/2026 upto 15:00 hrs. For further details, contact office of Divisional Electrical engineer, MIDC area, Mirjole, Ratnagiri or on Railway web site (www.ireps.gov.in).

UJVN LIMITED
H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808. Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866 Website: www.ujvn.com

Letter No: 798 **Corrigendum No.- 22 (Time Extension)** Date: 11/09/2026

e-Tender Notice

Due to unavoidable reasons, the dates of e-Tender No. 01/DGM(E&M D-I)/UJVNL/2025-26 invited by Office of the Dy. General Manager, E&M Design-I, UJVN Ltd., Ganga Bhawan, Yamuna Colony, Dehradun (Uttarakhand) are hereby extended as follows:
Last date for submission of bids on website : 24.09.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs.
Last date for submission of Original documents (Hard Copies): 28.09.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs.
Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bid on Portal: 30.09.2026 from 11:00 Hrs.
Details of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancellation etc. may be obtained from e-procurement portal "<http://uktenders.gov.in>".

Dy. General Manager (E&M Design-I)

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TAMILNADU STATE MARKETING CORPORATION LIMITED
CMDA TOWER - II, IV FLOOR, GANDHI IRWIN BRIDGE ROAD, EGMORE, CHENNAI - 600 008. Phone: 044-28521970, 044-28524589 E-mail id: tasmac.msection@gmail.com

e-Tender

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation Ltd (TASMAC) invites online tenders/bids in two cover system (Cover Technical bid and Cover Financial bid) supply of 15000 Nos. Reverse Side Double Deck Injection Moulded HDPE Pallets from eligible and reputed manufacturers/suppliers within Tamil Nadu.

TAMIL NADU STATE MARKETING CORPORATION LIMITED
CMDA TOWER-II, IV FLOOR, GANDHI IRWIN BRIDGE ROAD, EGMORE, CHENNAI - 600 008. Phone: 044-28521970, 044-28524589

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
(For publishing in the Website)

Tender Reference No. TASHO/2328/2026-M4
(PROCUREMENT OF Reversible Double Deck Injection Moulded HDPE Pallets)

Office of Issue	Tender Reference No.	Tender forms available at	Date of issue/Publishing	Bid submission start date and time	Free Bid Meeting (Venue: TASMAC Corporate Office, Egmore)	Last date for receipt of the Bid Quoties	Issue of clarification and Addenda	Bid submission last date and time	Date and time of opening of Technical bid	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid validity	Place of opening of technical bid
Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation Limited, Corporate Office, Egmore, Chennai-600008.	TASHO/2328/2026-M4	https://tenders.gov.in/noticepage	10-09-2026	15-09-2026	15-09-2026	15-09-2026	15-09-2026	25-09-2026	25-09-2026	Rs. 50,000/-	The Bid remain valid for a period of not less than 20 days from the last date of submission of the bid.	1. The tender document can be downloaded from the portal https://tenders.gov.in/noticepage . 2. Tenderers are advised to follow the instructions provided in the Tender document for the e-submission of the bids through online e-procurement system of Government of Tamil Nadu website http://tenders.gov.in .

Note:
If any of the dates mentioned above is declared as Government Holiday or unplanned shutdown by the State, the due date will be postponed to the next working day at the same scheduled time. To enable TASMAC to meet the target dates, bidders are expected to respond promptly to any clarifications requested during the evaluation process. TASMAC will adhere to the above schedule to the best of its ability, but reserves the right to modify it. Notification of any changes will be provided to all bidders.

DIPR/2837/Tender/2026 **Managing Director**

कार्यालय अधिवासी अभियंता सार्वजनिक निर्माण विभाग खण्ड केळी
क्रमांक - 1915 दिनांक - 31.08.2026

Notice Inviting Bid No - 22/2026-27

Bids बजट अधिवासी 296.92 / 30 करोड़ के अन्तर्गत निम्न स्तर कार्य
Procurement are Invited from interested bidders upto 6.00 PM of
22.09.2026 Other particulars of the id may be visited on the
procurement portal (<http://eproc.rajjasthan.gov.in>,
<http://sppp.rajj.nic.in>) of the state website. The approximate
value of the procurement is Rs. 736.17 Lacs.

UBN NO.: PWD2627WSOB1504, PWD2627WSOB1505,

Superintending Engineer
PWD Circle Didwana

DIPR/C/15628/2026

कार्यालय अधिवासी अभियंता सार्वजनिक निर्माण विभाग खण्ड अलवर
सा.निधि, परिसर, अलवर जिला के कार. कचहरी रोड, अलवर 0144-2737038,
E-mail:-seaw.pwd@rajasthan.gov.in

क्रमांक 1806 दिनांक 02.09.2026

Short Term NIT No/13-2026-27

Construction of Various Missing Link / Non-Patchable Roads under
the Jurisdiction of PWD Divisions Ramgarh and Kathumar, District
Alwar Online bids are invited from eligible and interested bidders
for the above-mentioned works. The bidding process will remain
receive up to 14.09.2026 at 06:00 PM. Detailed bidding documents and
other particulars may be downloaded from the State Procurement
Portal <http://eproc.rajjasthan.gov.in>, <http://sppp.rajj.nic.in>, and the
PWD departmental <http://pwd.rajjasthan.gov.in>. The approximate
value of the procurements is 716.99 Lakhs.

UBN No:-
1. PWD2627WSOB11550
2. PWD2627WSOB11551
3. PWD2627WSOB11547 4. PWD2627WSOB11548

Superintending Engineer
PWD Circle Alwar

DIPR/C/15816/2026

Indian Overseas Bank
ADYAR BRANCH: 12, Sardar Patel Road, Adyar, Chennai-600 020
Phone No – 044 2442 5585 Email: iob0002@iob.bank.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) [Rule 8(1)]

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Indian Overseas Bank, Chennai - Adyar, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated 01.06.2026 calling upon the Borrower: Mr. Senthilvelan A, 18, Venkat Street, Kallukadai Medu, Erode, Erode, Tamilnadu, 636001, (hereinafter referred to as 'Borrowers') to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being ₹ 68,44,365.73 (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Five and Seventy Three paise only) as on 01.06.2026 with further interest at contractual rates and rests, charges etc till date of realization within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 10th Day of September of the year (2026).

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Indian Overseas Bank for an amount of ₹ 68,44,365.73 (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Five and Seventy Three paise only) as on 01.06.2026 with interest thereon at contractual rates & rests as agreed, charges etc., from the aforesaid date mentioned in the demand notice till date of payment less repayments, if any, made after issuance of Demand Notice. The dues payable as on the date of taking possession is ₹ 68,95,128.95 (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Eight and Ninety Five paise only) payable with further interest at contractual rates & rests, charges etc., till date of payment.

The Borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of Residential Flat measuring super built up area of 1398 Sq.ft., including common area, together with 475 Sq.ft. undivided share of land out of 1 Acre and 94.4 Cents, with a covered car parking area, bearing Flat No. N1, 1st Floor, Block B South East Wing, 'Royal Town' Comprised in Survey No. 434/10, as per Patta No.2072 of Chettipunnam Village, Chengalpatt Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Now Chengalpatt District within Registration Sub District of Chengalpatt Joint II and Registration District of Chengalpatt and bounded by: Boundaries: North By: Forest Lands in Survey Nos.381, 385 and Land in Survey No.434/1C, South by: 30 Feet Road and Plot No.7 in Senthil Nagar East By: Panchayat Road and Land in Survey Nos.434/2C and 433/1 West By: Reserve Forest OSR Land.

Date : 10.09.2026
Place: Chennai

Authorised Officer
Indian Overseas Bank

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank SPECIALIZED ARM BRANCH II CHENNAI (7901)
No 9 & 10, Sir Thyagaraya Road, Thyagaraya Nagar, Chennai – 17
Mobile: 9740145622
Email: cb7901@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (5) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 29.09.2026, Time: 11.30 AM to 12.30 PM (With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale) for recovery of bank's dues from the following Borrowers/ Guarantors.

Branch: G.P. Road Branch : Borrower Name & Address: 1. Mr. Ramesh S Proprietor No.14/371, Street Avenue Road Muthamizh Nagar Chennai-600118. 2. Mrs. Gowri R Guarantor W/o S Ramesh 64, 2nd Street Gandhi Nagar Vyasapadi, Chennai-600039.

Outstanding Amount: Rs.3,96,99,705.97/- due as on 10/09/2026 with future interest from thereon

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Name of Title Holder: Property Owned by S Ramesh: (1) All that piece and parcel of Vacant Land, measuring extent of 11532 sqft., in Kamaraj Salai, Madura Periyasekkadu, Comprised in Survey No 3/1, Re Survey No. 3/1A, Patta No.R.P.T.No.5653/2011, as per patta Ward-A, Block No.35, T.S.No.2 Planning Permit No 3/8216/2013, 3/8258/2013, 3/0820/2013, 3/10830/2013, Building Permit No 3/00869/2013, 3/5868/2013, 3/5866/2013, 3/8428/2013 of MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, within the Limits of Chennai Corporation, and bounded on the North by - Kamaraj Salai, South by - Property of 2nd Item, East by - Property belongs to Mrs. G. Rukmani Ammal West by - 8 Feet Common Path AND Mr. Dhanasekar Building Admeasuring East to West on Northern Side - 94 Feet East to West on Southern Side - 92 Feet North to South on Eastern Side - 122 Feet North to South on Western Side - 126 Feet in all admeasuring an extent of 11532 sqft., situate within the Registration District of Chennai North and Sub-Registration District of Madhavaram. (2) All that piece and parcel of Vacant Land, measuring extent of 11284 sqft., in Kamaraj Salai, Madura Periyasekkadu, Comprised in Survey No 3/1, Re Survey No. 3/1A, Patta No.R.P.T.No.5653/2011, as per patta Ward-A, Block No.35, T.S.No.2 Planning Permit No 3/8216/2013, 3/8258/2013, 3/0820/2013, 3/10830/2013, Building Permit No 3/00869/2013, 3/5868/2013, 3/5866/2013, 3/8428/2013 of MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, now in Chennai District, within the Limits of Chennai Corporation, and bounded on the North by - Property belongs to Mr.G.Dhanasekar South by - G.D. Dalmil, East by - Property belongs to Mrs. G. Rukmani Ammal West by - 8 Feet Common Path AND Mr. Dhanasekar Building Admeasuring East to West on Northern Side - 92 Feet East to West on Southern Side - 90 Feet North to South on Eastern Side - 122 Feet North to South on Western Side - 126 Feet (in all admeasuring an extent of 11284 sqft.) Total extent of Land under ITEM-1 and ITEM-2 in Schedule 'A' is 22816 Sqft., 4440 Sq.ft. UDS , commercial space in Ground Floor and Flats named as Rajalakshmi Luxury Apartments having super built up area of 9800 Sq.ft. (Including Common area) comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A,T.S.No.2, Block No.35 situated within the Registration District of Chennai North and Sub-Registration District of Madhavaram.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 4,31,00,000/- EMD ₹ 43,10,000/- BID INCREMENT ₹ 1,00,000/-

Name of Title Holder: Property Owned by R Gowri: 1.) 312 Sqft Undivided Share out of 22816 Sqft., Situated at Flat No F2, in the first floor, Block -A and Flat Named as RAJALAKSHMI LUXURY APARTMENTS of the building to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property having a super built up area of 1040 Sq.ft., Comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A, T.S.No.2, Block No. 35, at MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Now in Chennai District, Within limits of Chennai of Corporation, and within Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram. 2.)312 Sqft Undivided Share out of 22816 Sqft., Situated at Flat No F3, in the first floor, Block -B and Flat Named as RAJALAKSHMI LUXURY APARTMENTS of the building to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property having a super built up area of 1040 Sq.ft., Comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A, T.S.No.2, Block No. 35, at MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Now in Chennai District, Within limits of Chennai of Corporation, and within Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram. 3.)312 Sqft Undivided Share out of 22816 Sqft., Situated at Flat No F4, in the first floor, Block -B and Flat Named as RAJALAKSHMI LUXURY APARTMENTS of the building to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property having a super built up area of 1040 Sq.ft., Comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A, T.S.No.2, Block No. 35, at MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Now in Chennai District, Within limits of Chennai of Corporation, and within Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram. 4.)312 Sqft Undivided Share out of 22816 Sqft., Situated at Flat No F5, in the first floor, Block -C and Flat Named as RAJALAKSHMI LUXURY APARTMENTS of the building to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property having a super built up area of 1040 Sq.ft., Comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A, T.S.No.2, Block No. 35, at MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Now in Chennai District, Within limits of Chennai of Corporation, and within Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram. 5.)312 Sqft Undivided Share out of 22816 Sqft., Situated at Flat No F6, in the first floor, Block -C and Flat Named as RAJALAKSHMI LUXURY APARTMENTS of the building to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property having a super built up area of 1040 Sq.ft., Comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A, T.S.No.2, Block No. 35, at MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Now in Chennai District, Within limits of Chennai of Corporation, and within Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram. 6.)345 Sqft Undivided Share out of 22816 Sqft., Situated at Flat No F15, in the first floor, Block -B and Flat Named as RAJALAKSHMI LUXURY APARTMENTS of the building to be constructed in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property having a super built up area of 1150 Sq.ft., Comprised in S.No.3/1, S.No.3/1A, T.S.No.2, Block No. 35, at MADHAVARAM VILLAGE, Madhavaram Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Now in Chennai District, Within limits of Chennai of Corporation, and within Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram. Altogether total sum of 6350 Sq.ft., Plinth area including common area.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 2,22,00,000/- EMD ₹ 22,20,000/- BID INCREMENT ₹ 1,00,000/-

Inspection of Property Date & Time 22.09.2026 between 11.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M.

DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION 29.09.2026 Time: 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM (With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)

Last Date of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): The intending bidders shall deposit Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) on or before 29.09.2026 at 10.00 AM, mentioned above being of 10% of the Reserve Price in E-Wallet of M/s P/SB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal directly.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Canara Bank, Specialized ARM II Branch (7901) Chennai, No 9 & 10, Sir Thyagaraya Road, Thyagaraya Nagar, Chennai – 17, Mobile: 9740145622, Email: cb7901@canarabank.com or BAANKNET portal (M/s P/SB Alliance Pvt. Ltd.) you may contact the helpdesk support of BAANKNET Contact details 829122020. Email:support.BAANKNET@psalliance.com.

Portal of E-Auction : <https://baanknet.com>

Date : 11.09.2026
Place : Chennai

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF TELANGANA LIMITED
E-Procurement Tender Notice (Paper Notification)
TGSPDCL intends to float tender for procurement of(a) Olemo Motors (Long Testers)(b) Digital Insulation Resistance meter(c) 33KV & 11KV indoor switchgear units Cable(d) 100 sq mm AAA Conductor(e) 500 KVA Structure Mounted DTRa(f) 11KV 3 way & 5 way Non motorized RMUs(g) 11KV 24 V DC, Feeder VCBs with CRPs & C(Ta)h LT Metal Parts(h) 8.0 Mtrs/140 kgs PSCC Poles to Siddeipet circle(i) 9.1 Mtrs/280 kgs PSCC Poles to Siddeipet circle(j) 11 Mtrs/365 kgs PSCC Poles to Siddeipet circle(k) 11KV HT TWR -5A 0.25 class (Net metering) 3PH LTCT Net Meters 100SA 0.55 accuracy DMS with CTS and Box(h) 11KV, 205A CPTT Sets of 0.25 class accuracy or e-procurement platform For further details of each item above, please visit www.tgspowerdistribution.com, www.tender.telangana.gov.in, www.auction.telangana.gov.in Phone: 040 23431360, 1033, 1035, 1026
DIPR R.O.No.523-PPCL/AGENCY/ADVT/2026-27 Sd/- CHIEF ENGINEER (P&MM), TGSPDCL, Hyderabad

TENDER NOTICE

ANDHRA PRADESH MSME DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (AP MSME DC)

2nd Floor, PVS Towers, Mangalagiri - 522503, E-mail: apmsmedc@ap.gov.in

Tender (2 call) Notice No. APMSMEDC/INC/64/34/2026, Dt.: 11.09.2026

Sealed tenders are invited from Manufacturers/ Authorized Dealers/ Distributors, and eligible bidders for the Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Trial Run of Machinery and Equipment for establishment of Fulfillment Centres / Packaging Experience Centres for SHG Enterprises under the Swayam AP Brand in 13 districts in Andhra Pradesh on behalf of Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, Andhra Pradesh (SERP-AP).

Machinery Details: Schedule A: Pouch Sealing, Coding & Labelling Equipment, Schedule B: Filling Machines, Schedule C: Packing, Weighing & Vacuum Packaging Machines, Schedule D: Food-Safety, Fulfillment & Assembly Equipment, Schedule E: Bottling, Quality-Control, Training & Fulfillment Support Equipment

The tender document may be downloaded from the Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP) and the AP MSME DC website at <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> and www.apmsmeone.ap.gov.in.

For further information or clarification, bidders may contact: The Executive Director, AP MSME DC, Mobile +91-8886611154, E-mail: ceo.apmsmedc@ap.gov.in

The last date for submission of bid is 26.09.2026 at 5:00 PM.

Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, APMSMEDC

DIPR No.5426PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22, Dt: 11/09/2026

OREDA LIMITED
(Under the Department of Energy Government of Odisha)
(CIN No: U35105OD2024SGC045786)
(ISO 9001 :2008/ ISO 14001 :2004)
S/59, MANCHESWAR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, BHUBANESWAR-751010, ODISHA
Website: www.oredaodisha.com E-mail: ceoreda@oredaorissa.com

Corrigendum

Notice No: 3292 / PD- 135/2026 Date: 08.09.2026

28001/26/2627: Corrigendum/ addendum is issued with necessary amendments and change in schedule of events for the e-tender notice No. 2861, dated 18.08.2026 with change in schedule of events for Design, Engineering, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Roof-top Solar PV On-grid systems in various capacities at different government buildings/ institutions/ offices across Odisha along with comprehensive maintenance of Five (5) years on a rate contract basis.

The revised Schedule of events are mentioned below:

Sl No	Name of the Event	Date & Time	Revised Date & Time
1	Date of publication of RfE on E-procurement website and OREDA website	18.08.2026	18.08.2026
2	Date of pre bid query submission as per format of RfE	24.08.2026, Time: 5:00 PM	24.08.2026, Time: 5:00 PM
3	Date and time of pre-bid meeting through virtual mode https://meet.google.com/jn-wyan-acv	25.08.2026, Time: 11.30 AM	25.08.2026, Time: 11.30 AM
4	Date and time for submission of online copies of Technical Bid and price bid.	11.09.2026, Time: 5:00 PM	21.09.2026, Time: 5:00 PM
5	Date and time for submission of hard copies of Technical Bid and price bid. Bidder must submit the COST OF BID, BID SECURITY and POWER OF ATTORNEY in solar cap as specified in the tender document. Submitting any additional documents in hard copy, contrary to the tender requirements, may result in the rejection of the particular bid.	18.09.2026, Time: 5:00 PM	24.09.2026, Time: 5:00 PM
6	Tentative date and time for the opening of Technical Bid for both online copies and hard copies, except price bid.	19.09.2026, Time: 3:00 PM	19.09.2026, Time: 3:00 PM
7	Date and time for the opening of online price bid applicable only for the bidders whose Technical bids shall be responsive.	To be intimated later	To be intimated later

Details can be seen from the website www.tendernotice.com OREDA or www.oredaorissa.com. Further corrigendum, if any, will be uploaded in these websites only.

DIPR- 28001/28005/ V26-27/0007 Sd/- Chief Executive Officer

WESTERN RAILWAY
Material Management Department
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. 8/53/2026 Date 07.09.2026

S.N.	Tender No.	Short Description of items	Quantity	T.O.D.
422	30263166	Element Engine Air Filter (Disposable Bag Type)	698 Nos	8-Oct-26
423	06261625	Self Priming Motor Black Pump	1098 Nos	5-Oct-26

CORRIGENDUM

Please read the quantity as "11700057 Nos" for the Tender Notice No.: S/51/2026 dated: 02.09.2026 at Sr. No. 416

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website www.irpsa.gov.in and www.indianrailways.gov.in.

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FORM NO.I.T.C.P.17
(See Sections 25 to 29 of the Recovery Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 r/w Rule 52 of the Second Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961)

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION

BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-III AT CHENNAI
6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Shastr Bhavan, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006

TRC No. 1190/2023 Dated : 09.09.2026

In the matter of Central Bank of India, Alandur Branch

...Vs... Applicant / Certificate Holder

M/s. Sri Nagam Shelters & Another ...Defendant / Certificate Debtors To

1.M/s. Sri Nagam Shelters, Rep. by its Proprietor, Mrs.T.Nagarani, Plot No.30, Sakkammal Nagar, Sennerkuppam, Poonamallee, Chennai-600 056.
2.Mrs.T.Nagarani, W/o.Mr.Thiruvani, Plot No.12, AUDCO Nagar, Kattikuppam, Poonamallee, Chennai - 600 056.

WHEREAS in execution of Recovery Certificate No.359/2016 dated 30.06.2016 in OA No.675/2015 the undersigned has ordered for sale of the undermentioned mortgaged immovable property:

You are hereby informed that 11.00 a.m. on the 28.10.2026 has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof and also the revenue, if any, assessed upon the property or any part thereof.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTIES

(Covered Under MDDT Doc No.540/2015)

Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of land and building situate at Plot No.12, No.6, Ammambakkam Madura Ramanthapuram Village, Layout name 'SATISH NAGAR', Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Comprised in Survey No.168/7 & 168/8 measuring an extent of 2400 sq.ft. Bounded on North by: Plot No.13, South by: Plot No.11, East by: 23 Feet Road, West by: Plot No.20, lying within the Registration District of Thiruvallur and Sub Registration District of Uthukottai.

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of land and building situate at Plot No.31, No.6, Ammambakkam Madura Ramanthapuram Village, Layout name 'SATISH NAGAR', Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Comprised in Survey No.168/7 & 168/8 measuring an extent of 2400 sq.ft. Bounded on North by: Plot No.19, South by: Plot No.21, East by: Plot No.12, West by: 23 Feet Road, lying within the Registration District of Thiruvallur and Sub Registration District of Uthukottai.

Item No.3: All that piece and parcel of land and building situate a Plot No.20, No.6, Ammambakkam Madura Ramanthapuram Village, Layout name 'SATISH NAGAR', Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Comprised in Survey No.168/7 & 168/8 measuring an extent of 2400 sq.ft. Bounded on North by: Plot No.19, South by: Plot No.21, East by: Plot No.12, West by: 23 Feet Road, lying within the Registration District of Thiruvallur and Sub Registration District of Uthukottai.

Item No.4: All that piece and parcel of land and building situate a Plot No.24, No.6, Ammambakkam Madura Ramanthapuram Village, Layout name 'SATISH NAGAR', Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Comprised in Survey No.168/7 & 168/8 measuring an extent of 1860 sq.ft. Bounded on North by: Plot No.26, South by: Road, East by: 23 Feet Road, West by: Plot No.25, lying within the Registration District of Thiruvallur and Sub Registration District of Uthukottai.

Item No.5: All that piece and parcel of land and building situate a Plot No.16, No.6, Ammambakkam Madura Ramanthapuram Village, Layout name 'SATISH NAGAR', Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Comprised in Survey No.168/7 & 168/8 measuring an extent of 2395 sq.ft. Bounded on North by: Road, South by: Plot No.14 & 18, East by: Plot No.15, West by: Road, lying within the Registration District of Thiruvallur and Sub Registration District of Uthukottai.

Item No.6: All that piece and parcel of land and building situate a Plot No.15, No.6, Ammambakkam Madura Ramanthapuram Village, Layout name 'SATISH NAGAR', Uthukottai Taluk, Thiruvallur District. Comprised in Survey No.168/7 & 168/8 measuring an extent of 1965 sq.ft. Bounded on North by: Road, South by: Plot No.14, East by: 23 Feet Road, West by: Plot No.16, lying within the Registration District of Thiruvallur and Sub Registration District of Uthukottai.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this 9th Day of September 2026.

(P.PREMKUMAR)
Recovery Officer

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BANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Wholly owned by Government of Karnataka undertaking)
(CIN-U04010KA2002SGC030438)

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

BESCOM is inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) from Banks/ Financial Institutions for Sanctioning Rs.500.00 Crores Long term Capex loans for reimbursement of Capex paid out of own funds.

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

BESCOM is responsible for the distribution of Electricity within the State of Karnataka currently serves around One Crore Consumers throughout Eight Districts (Bangalore Urban, Bangalore Rural, Chikkaballapura, Kolar, Davanagere, Tumkur, Chitradurga and Ramanagara). BESCOM has 9 (Nine) circles, 32 (Thirty-Two) divisions and 147 (One Hundred and Forty-Seven) sub-divisions and 534 section offices.

2. Brief Summary:

BESCOM has undertaken the following Capex works in FY -2025-26 amounting to Rs.552.93 Crores, the details are as given below:

Sl. No.	Particular of the works under Major/ Minor heads.	Provisional Expenditure incurred for FY26.
1	Service connection works	63.09
2	Water Works	2.98
3	11 KV Evacuation line	275.79
4	Providing Additional DTC's/Enhancement of DTCs	113.52
5	Local planning, Safety works, Emergency / Calamity Works	97.55
6	UNIP	3.07
	Total	556.00

3. Conditions to participate in the EOI:

The following are the terms and conditions to be followed by Banks and Financial institutions for participation in bidding process:

Sl. No.	Particulars
1	Facility
2	Project Amount
3	Loan amount (90% of Project Cost)
4	Rate of interest
5	Tenure of the loan
6	Repayment of Principal amount
7	Processing Fees
8	Security
9	Pre- Closure charges and Bank/ FI's offered concessional of charges
10	Stamp Duty / Documentation Charges, Any other charges
11	Sanction and Disbursement Timeline

The Interested bidders shall submit their proposals within 19.09.2026, 5:00 PM in a sealed cover to the office of the Director (Finance), 2nd Floor, Belaku Bhavana, Corporate Office, BESCOM, K.R. Circle, Bangalore. The bids shall be opened on 21.09.2026.

BESCOM reserves the right to reject any or all of the bids without assigning any reasons thereof. BESCOM may terminate the EOI process at any time without assigning any reasons and upon such termination BESCOM shall not be responsible for any direct loss and damage arising out of such a termination.

For further information, contact

- General Manager,

MAHATRANSCO
Mahatransco Limited, Chennai-600 020

**INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)
(LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)**

SRM e-Tender No. T-2675/MSETCL/CO/Projects/Pre-Tender (RFx No. 6000001593) (2nd Call)

MSETCL invites offers by SRM e-tendering in TWO bid system (Techno-Commercial Bid and Price Bid) from the eligible registered bidders for the following work as detailed below.

"Balance work of conversion of 220kV SCSC to 220kV MCMC line from 400kV Babhaleshwar to Kopagaon tap point - 36.02 km under Nashik Zone, MSETCL, Maharashtra."

Interested bidders may obtain further information available on the website <https://srmetender.mahatransco.in>

The date of downloading of Bid documents available on the website is from 10.09.2026.

Sd/-
Chief Engineer (Projects), MSETCL

Indian Overseas Bank
Adyar Branch (Br. Code: 0002): No. 12, Sardar Patel Road, Adyar, Chennai - 600 020, Ph : 044-2442 5585 E-mail: iob0002@iob.in

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) / 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrowers and guarantors that the below mentioned immovable properties mortgaged / Charged to the secured creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Indian Overseas Bank, the Secured Creditor will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS" on 29.09.2026 for recovery of bank's dues from the Borrower / Guarantors. The reserve price and EMD are given below.

S.No.1: Borrowers & Mortgages: 1.Mr.Muhammady Jawhar, 2.Mrs.Sumaiya Bevi J, W/o Mr.Muhammady Jawhar, Both at, Permanent Address: No.123, 1st Main Road, Krishna Nagar, Madhavayal, Chennai-600 095, Communication Address: Plot No. 37, Flat No. S2, 2nd Floor, Madhavi Nagar, Kayarambedu Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram Dt., Office Address: No.123, 1st Main Road, Krishna Nagar, Madhavayal, Chennai-600 095; Amount Outstanding: ₹46,52,706/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Six Only) as on 31.08.2026 with interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Flat bearing No.S-2 in the Second Floor measuring 1050 Sq.ft super built up area together with an Undivided Share of 420 Sq.ft out of land measuring 2025 Sq.ft bearing Plot No.37, "Madhavi Nagar", comprised in Survey Nos.354/3 & 354/2, as per Sub-Division Survey No.354/10 at Kayarambedu Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District and the land being bounded on the North by Plot No.38 and 39, South by Vacant Land, East by Plot No.41 and West by 24 Feet Wide Road and admeasuring East to West on the Northern side 80 Feet, East to West on the Southern side 60Feet, North to South on the Eastern side 35 Feet and North to South on the Western side 32 Feet 6 inches, situated within the Registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub-Registration District of Chengalpattu Joint-I.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 38,13,000/- EMD ₹ 3,81,000/- Bid Increase Amt ₹ 50,000/-

S.No.2: Borrower & Mortgage: Mrs.Janet Thomas, Permanent Address: Flat No.BS3, Second Floor, Plot No.1, Nellikkuppam Main Road, Kayarambedu, Chengalpattu District - 603 202, Communication Address: No.36-99, Siru Valluvar Main Road, Perambur, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600 011, Office Address: Mrs.Janet Thomas, Assistant Vice President, Regional Business Head, New No.14, Old No.83, TSS Plaza, Arcot Road, Vadapalani, Chennai-600 026; Amount Outstanding: ₹69,53,811.46 (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eleven And Paise Forty Six Only) as on 31.08.2026 with interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE-A (Total Property): All that piece and parcel of Vacant land bearing Plot No.1, Nellikkuppam Main Road, No.50, Kayarambedu Madura Moolakazhani Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Chengalpattu District, approved by Regularization Permit No. DTCP/0543455/2017 dated 29.10.2018, Na.Ka.No. 21792/2018 Sema 3, Land Comprised in Old Survey No.350/20B, New Survey No. 350/20B1A, Present Survey No. 497/26, as per Patta No.213, admeasuring to an extent of 2488 Sq.ft., together with 50% of the Common Passage measuring 550 Sq.ft., out of 1100 Sq.ft., in all totaling 3038 Sq.ft., of land being bounded on the:- North by Govindasamy and others Land, South by: Balan, Vedagiri, Ravichandran Property, East by: Plot No.2, and Private Passage leading from Road to Plot No.1, West by: Kasi Naicker Land And situated within the Sub Registration District of Joint-II Chengalpattu and Registration District of Chengalpattu

SCHEDULE-B (Property Mortgaged) An Undivided Share of 533 Sq.ft., of land in the Schedule 'A' Property herein above,

SCHEDULE-C (Property Mortgaged) An extent of 533 Sq.ft., Undivided Share of land in Schedule B mentioned above out of Schedule A mentioned above together with RCC roofed Flat identified, Flat Bearing No.BS-3, in Second Floor, Flat having Super Built up area of 1398 Sq.ft., in the Premises, and Covered Car Parking and Drainage Connection, including Common Amenities and Common area.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 48,00,000/- EMD ₹ 4,80,000/- Bid Increase Amt ₹ 50,000/-

S.No.3: Borrowers & Mortgages: 1.N.Vassanthakumari, 2.N.Madhava Nari, Both at, Permanent Address: No.1790, 4th Street, Delvani Nagar, Madipakkam, Chennai-600 091, Communication Address: 6B, 13th Cross Street, Karthikeyapuram, Madipakkam, Chennai-600 091, Property Address: Flat No.S2, Plot No.48, Keerthi Homes, Sai Laxmi Flats, Swarnapuri Nagar, Kattupakkam Village, Poonamallee Taluk, Tiruvallur District, Amount Outstanding: ₹72,80,911.15 (Rupees Seventy Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven and Paise Fifteen Only) as on 31.08.2026 with interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE - A (Total Property) All that piece and parcel of Vacant House site bearing Plot No. 48, measuring to an extent of 1800 Sq.ft., of land, comprised in Survey No. 129, 129/4 as per Patta No. 10070, as per Patta Survey No.129/4B, Swarnapuri Nagar (Layout Approved from CMDA vide PPDI/O No. 727/2018 vide LR.Reg.LB/8490/2018 dated 29.05.2018) situated at Kattupakkam Village, Poonamallee Taluk, Tiruvallur District and being bounded on the - North by: Plot Nos.39 and 40, South by: 24 Feet wide Road, East by: Plot No. 47, West by: Plot No.49, Measuring on the:- East to West on the Northern Side: 30 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side: 30 Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side: 60 Feet, North to South on the Western Side: 60 Feet. In all admeasuring an extent of 1800 Sq.ft., of land and within Sub Registration District of Kumbharthi and Registration District of Chennai South.

SCHEDULE - B (Property Mortgaged) 306 Sq.ft., of Undivided Share of land in the Schedule 'A' mentioned Property

SCHEDULE - C (Property Mortgaged): Residential Flat bearing No.S - 2, in the Second Floor, Flat having a Super Built up area measuring 1143 Sq.ft., including Common Area with one Covered Car Parking.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 57,50,000/- EMD ₹ 5,75,000/- Bid Increase Amt ₹ 50,000/-

S.No.4: Borrower & Mortgage: Mr.Rubesh Dhayalan, Permanent Address: 262, Bajaj's Kail Street, Karapandagan, Vellore-631 003, Communication Address: No.46, Plot No.26, White Stone Homes, 5th Cross Street, Murugappa Nagar, Puzhuthivakkam, Chennai-600 091, Office Address: Plot Nos.16 and 17, Flat No.51, 2nd Floor, Sri Balaji Nagar 4th Street, Vengalvasal, Chennai-600 100; Amount Outstanding: ₹55,73,922.95 (Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Seventy Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Two and Paise Ninety Five Only) as on 31.08.2026 with interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule-A Property: Vacant House Sites, bearing Plot Nos.16 & 17, totally measuring 3934 sq ft comprised in Old S.No.370/10A & 370/11A1A, Patta No.3792 as per patta in New S.No.370/41, Patta No.4108 as per patta in New S.No.370/10B3A2 situated at Vengalvasal Village, Sri Balaji Nagar, Sholinganallur Taluk, Kancheepuram District within the Registration District of Chennai South and Sub Registration District of Selayur as per the following boundary details: Plot No.16: Boundaries: North by Plot No.15, South by Road, East by Plot No.17, West by 24 Feet Road (with slope); Measurements: North by 44 feet, South by 44 feet, East by 47 feet, West by 40 feet; Plot No.17: Boundaries: North by Plot No.14, South by Road, East by Plot No.18, West by Plot No.16, Measurements: North by 40.2 feet, South by 40.3 feet, East by 54.3 feet, West by 40.0 feet.

Schedule "B" Property: 455 Undivided Share of Land out of 3934 sq ft Flat No S1 in Second Floor with Super Built up area 1945 Sq.ft.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 34,00,000/- EMD ₹ 3,40,000/- Bid Increase Amt ₹ 50,000/-

S.No.5: Borrowers & Mortgages: 1.Mr.Anand P, S/o Mr.K.Pandiyar, 2.Mrs.Kayal Viji S, W/o Mr.Anand P, Both at, No.7, Jalakanda Mariyamman Kovi Street, Manali Tiruvallur, Chennai 600058, Amount Outstanding: ₹1,01,43,456.36 (Rupees One Crore One Lakh Forty Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Six and paise Thirty Six Only) as on 31.08.2026 with interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule A: All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Plot No. 309, situated at Kubera Nagar Extension, 10th Street, Madipakkam, Chennai-600091, comprised in Old Pymash Nos:1260,1261/10 and 1257, Survey Nos.131/3,132/5,132/6, 132/7,132/8 and 136 as per Patta No.11498, New Survey No.132/39 of Madipakkam Village, Previously in Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District Now in Sholinganallur Taluk, Chennai District measuring to an extent of 4900 sq ft and bounded on the North by: Dr.Parthasarathy Lands, South by: 30 feet wide Road, East by: Plot No.301, West by: Plot No.299 Admeasuring East to West on the Northern side: 70 feet, East to West on the Southern side: 70 feet, North to South on the Eastern side: 70 feet, North to South on the Western side: 70 feet And situated within the Registration District of Chennai South and the Sub Registration District of Velachery.

Schedule B: All that piece and parcel of a Residential Flat bearing Flat No.A/1 in Block A situated in the First Floor premises of the apartment building constructed in the schedule A mentioned land known as "R.J.Homes", having super built up area of 1495 sq ft including common area and a reserved covered car parking space in the still floor premises of the apartment building, together with 512 sq ft of undivided share of land out of the land measuring 4900 sq ft described in the Schedule A hereinabove owned by Mr.Anand P S/o Mr.K.Pandiyar.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 72,36,000/- EMD ₹ 7,24,000/- Bid Increase Amt ₹ 50,000/-

Known Encumbrance if any Nil

Date and Time of E-Auction: 29.09.2026 between 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.
with auto extension of 10 minutes each till sale is completed at the platform of <https://baanknet.com>

Submission of online application for bid with EMD: 15.09.2026 onwards
Last date for submission of online application for BID with EMD: 29.09.2026, 02.50 p.m.

Inspection of Properties: During Office Hours from 15.09.2026 to 28.09.2026

"The above Reserve Prices are exclusive of applicable TDS. The bidder/purchaser shall bear the 1.00% Income Tax/TDS on the reserve price plus bid multiplier amount

* The bidders are advised to make their own enquiries regarding outstanding dues of Local Self Government (Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc) and Bank will not take any responsibility for the same. All statutory dues to be borne by the auction purchaser.
* Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues

Name of Contact Person : Mr.Binod Kumar - 99531 08104
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the service providers link <https://baanknet.com>
Contact: +91 82912 20220 or bank's website www.iob.bank.in

Place: Chennai Authorised Officer
Date : 10.09.2026 / 11.09.2026 Indian Overseas Bank
This may also be treated as a Notice under Rule 8(6)/Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s of the said loan about holding of e-auction on the above mentioned date.

தமிழ்நாடு அரசு
தென்சாலை மாநகரம்
ஆவணங்கள் சிறப்புரிமை பெறுதல்
சுயாதீனப் பண்புரிமை பெறுதல்
(இலாபத்திற்கு வாய்ப்பாக மாற்றம் செய்யப்படுகின்றன)

த.உ.எண். 300/2023
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இந்தியன் बैंक Indian Bank
STRESSED ASSETS MANAGEMENT BRANCH - CHENNAI
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APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Maraimalaiagar Branch (now transferred to SAM Branch, Chennai) Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 29.09.2026, for a total recovery of Rs.17,17,64,965.03 (Rupees Seventeen crores seventeen lakhs sixty four thousand nine hundred sixty five and paise three only) (as on 08.09.2026) with further interest from 08.09.2026 and costs, other charges and expenses thereon, due to the Indian Bank, Maraimalaiagar Branch (now transferred to SAM Branch, Chennai), Secured Creditor from:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR (1) M/s. Upshot Utility Services, (Borrower), Proprietor : P. Madhusudhanan, Head Office : H-20, Jeevanandam Salai 13th Sector, K K Nagar, Chennai - 600 078. (2) Mr. P. Madhusudhanan, (Proprietor), S/o Padmanabha Raja, No.3/9, Pavendar Salai, NH-2 Extn, Maraimalai Nagar, Chengalpattu - 603 209. (3) Mrs. M. Varalakshmi, (Guarantor), W/o Mr. Madhusudhanan, No.3/9, Pavendar Salai, NH-2 Extn, Maraimalai Nagar, Chengalpattu - 603 209.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below :

Property 1 - Mortgaged Asset standing in the name of Mrs. M. Varalakshmi, Wife of Mr. P. Madhusudhanan : All that piece and parcel of property in Block No.33, Commercial Plot No.2 in Neighbourhood-I at Maraimalai Nagar, comprised in Survey No.45 part of Perannur and Survey No.360 part of Ninnakalai Village Kancheepuram District. Measuring on the - North by: 132 feet 6 inches, East by: 75 feet, West by: 75 feet, South by: 132 feet 6 inches. Having total extent of 9938 Sq. ft. situated within the Sub-Registration District of Chengalpattu within the Maraimalai Nagar Municipality Limit (Registration District of Kancheepuram District) vide Sale Deed No.14128 of 2013 dated 26.11.2013. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB843238515A10

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.760.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.50,000/- EMD : Rs.76.00 Lakhs

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Property 2 - Mortgaged Asset standing in the name of Mr. P. Madhusudhanan, S/o Mr. Padmanabha Raja : All that piece and parcel of property situated at Old Village No.56 and New Village No.33, Kattankolathur Village, "Maraimalai Nagar NH-I", Thiruvalluvar Salai Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District, comprised in S. No. 336/part, bearing HIG Plot No.36 layout formed by CMDA measuring to an total extent 1 Ground and 2160 Sq. ft. (or) 4560 Sq. ft. of plot with building including EB service and water connection within the Registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub-registration District of Joint-II Chengalpattu vide Sale Deed No.12674 of 2017 dated 20.12.2017. Measuring - North by: 48 feet, South by: 48 feet, East by: 97 feet, West by: 97 feet. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB843238515A24

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.377.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.50,000/- EMD : Rs.37.70 Lakhs

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Property 3 - Mortgaged Asset standing in the name of Mrs. M. Varalakshmi, Wife of Mr. P. Madhusudhanan : All that piece and parcel of property in Block-1, Maraimalai Nagar NH-III developed by CMDA Chennai, Periyar Street, HIG Plot No.11 comprised in S. No.360 part, No.55 Ninnakalai Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District. Measuring on the - North by 70 feet, on the East by 59 feet, West by 55 feet and South by 65 feet and having a total extent of 4153 Sq. ft. Situated within the Registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub-Registration District of Joint-II Sub-Registrar Chengalpattu within the Maraimalai Nagar Town Panchayat Union Limits vide Sale Deed No.8905 of 2006 dated 26.07.2006. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB843238515A2

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.240.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.50,000/- EMD : Rs.24.00 Lakhs

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Property 4 - Mortgaged Asset standing in the name of Mrs. M. Varalakshmi, Wife of Mr. P. Madhusudhanan : All that piece and parcel of property in Block No.B, Commercial Plot No.2, in Neighbourhood-I Extension, Maraimalai Nagar, comprised in S. No.360 & 388/Part of Ninnakalai Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District, measuring on the - North by 30 feet, East by 30 feet and South by 80 feet. Having a total extent of 2400 Sq. ft. situated within the Sub-Registration District of Chengalpattu within the Maraimalai Nagar Municipal Limit (Registration District of Kancheepuram District) vide Sale Deed No.9950 of 2016 dated 29.09.2016. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB843238515A13

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.223.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.50,000/- EMD : Rs.22.30 Lakhs

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Property 5 - Mortgaged Asset standing in the name of Mr. P. Madhusudhanan, Son of Mr. Padmanabha Raja : All that piece and parcel of vacant land situated at Maraimalai Nagar "Rail Nagar-I", formed by CMDA, Old Village No.55 & New Village No.32, Ninnakalai Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram Dist., comprised in Old S. No.398/part, bearing Block 6, HIG Plot No.1, measuring to a total extent of 5100 Sq. ft. of Plot within the Registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub-Registration District of Joint-II Chengalpattu vide Sale Deed No.5283 of 2019 dated 06.05.2019. Measuring - North by: 82 feet 6 inches, South by: 85 feet, East by: 55 feet, West by: 65 feet. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB843238515A26

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.206.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.50,000/- EMD : Rs.20.60 Lakhs

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Property 6 - Mortgaged Asset standing in the name of Mr. P. Madhusudhanan, Son of Mr. Padmanabha Raja : All that piece and parcel of property in Maraimalai Nagar NH-1 formed by CMDA, Chennai, MIG Plot No.265, comprised in S. No.45 part, No.76, Perannur Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District measuring on the - North by 45 feet, on the East by 63 feet, West by 63 feet and South by 45 feet and having a total extent of 2835 Sq. ft. together with building. Situated with Registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub Registration District of Joint-2 Chengalpattu within the Maraimalai Nagar Town Panchayat Union vide Sale Deed No.7363 of 2004 dated 09.12.2004. Prior Encumbrances on property : Nil. PROPERTY ID No. : IDIB843238515A7

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.180.00 Lakhs Bid increment : Rs.50,000/- EMD : Rs.18.00 Lakhs

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Date and Time of Inspection of the Properties & related documents :
21.09.2026 to 22.09.2026 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

DATE AND TIME OF E-AUCTION : 29.09.2026 FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 4.00 P.M.

Last Date for submission of Tender form/EMD : 29.09.2026

Bidders are advised to visit the website (<https://www.baanknet.com>) of our e auction service provider PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. Helpdesk No.8291220220, email ID :- support.baanknet@psballiance.com and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. and EMD Status, please contact support.baanknet@psballiance.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit : <https://www.baanknet.com> and for clarifications related to this portal please contact Helpdesk No. 8291220220.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with <https://www.baanknet.com>.

Date : 10.09.2026
Place : Chennai
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APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Kilpauk Branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 29.09.2026, for recovery of Rs.91,59,086/- (Rupees Ninety one lakhs fifty nine thousand and eighty six only) (as on 09.09.2026) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 10.09.2026, due to the Indian Bank, Kilpauk Branch, Secured Creditor from:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWER (1) M/s. Shine Arts, (Borrower), Proprietor : Mr. C. Dass, 2/220, Mettu Street, Agraharam, Ayyappanthal, Chennai - 600 056. (2) Mr. C. Dass, (Proprietor/Mortgagor), S/o Mr. G. Chellappa, 10, Sunkumar Street, Triplicane, Chennai - 600 005.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode

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ARKA FINCAP LIMITED

Regd. Office: 2504, 25th Floor, One Lodha Place, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai-400013, Maharashtra. Email: customercare@arkaholdings.com

POSSESSION NOTICE

(As per Rule 8(2) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ARKA FINCAP LIMITED under the Securitization, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued Demand Notices upon the Borrowers/Co-borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Co-borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Co-borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken physical possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The Borrower/Co-borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ARKA FINCAP LIMITED.

The Borrower/Co-borrowers/Mortgagor(s) attention is invited to the provision of Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of Borrower/Co-borrower	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount mentioned in Possession Notice (Rs.)
1. M/s. K. VIJAYA CONSTRUCTIONS (Borrower)	April 14, 2025	September 10th, 2026	Rs. 87,69,667.32/- (Rupees Eighty-Seven Lacs Sixty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Seven and Paise Thirty-Two only)
2. Mr. KARUPPAIAH KANNAN (Co-Borrower)			
3. Mrs. CHITRA KANNAN (Co-Borrower)			

Description of Property:

All that Piece and Parcel of the property bearing Plot No.312, measuring an extent of 87 Square Meter or 936 Square Feet, together with building constructed thereon, situated at Old Door No.46, New Door No.6, Pad Puithu Nagar, 8th Street, Anna Nagar Western Extension, Chennai - 600101 Comprised in Survey No.253/14 Part of Pad Puithu, Ambattur Taluk, Chennai District and bounded by: North by: Plot No.306, South by: 8th Street, East by: Plot No.311, West by: Plot No.313.

Place: Chennai

Date: September 12, 2026

Arkoskar Group Company

Sd/- (Authorized Officer)

ARKA FINCAP LIMITED.

The mark 'Kirkoskar' in the status line is owned by Kirkoskar Proprietary Limited and Arka Fincap Limited is the permitted user.

EASTERN RAILWAY

E-auction programme for the month of September, 2026 is invited by Chief Materials Manager/Sales, Eastern Railway, 2nd Floor, Fairlie Place, 17, Netaji Subhash Road, Kolkata - 700 001.

No. S-4/S/DAP/2026-27 Date: 17.08.2026

Sl.	Depot/ Division	Jurisdiction	Date
1	Belur Scrap Yard Depot	Belur Scrap Yard Depot & Liliuh Workshop	03.09.2026 16.09.2026 25.09.2026
2	Halisahar Depot	Halisahar Depot & Kanchrapara Workshop	08.09.2026 22.09.2026 29.09.2026
3	Jamalpur Depot	Jamalpur Depot & Jamalpur Workshop	09.09.2026 23.09.2026 30.09.2026
4	Howrah Division	Howrah Division	10.09.2026 21.09.2026 29.09.2026
5	Asansol Division	Asansol Division	02.09.2026 11.09.2026 24.09.2026
6	Sealdah Division	Sealdah Division	07.09.2026 16.09.2026 30.09.2026
7	Malda Town Division	Malda Town Division	08.09.2026 18.09.2026 28.09.2026

STORES-30/2026-27 Chief Materials Manager/Sales

Tender Notices are also available at websites : www.e.indianrailways.gov.in/www.ireps.gov.in

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Canara Bank

REGIONAL OFFICE CHENNAI NORTH

781-785, Ground Floor, Rayala Towers, Mount Road, Chennai-600 002.

Email: recro2chn@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 29.09.2026 (Time: 11.30 am to 12.30 pm) with auto extension of 5 minutes each till sale is completed) for recovery of bank's dues from the following Borrowers/ Guarantors.

Chennai Kollys Corner Branch, P.B.No.3007, No.207, Purusawalkam High Road, Chennai - 600007. Tel + 91 44 - 26424607, Mob. 9444260907. Email: cb0907@canarabank.com

Sl.No.1: Borrower Name & Address: 1) M/s. Vaigai Electricals, AP 2240/1, Mullai Nagar First Street, Thendral Colony, Annanagar West, Chennai - 600040. Also At: M.C.Flats, No.55/6, Flat No.2, Anjungan Nagar, 3rd Street, Jafferkhanpet, Chennai - 600083. 2) Mr.S. Murugan, S/o. Subramanian & 3) Mrs. M. Rani, W/o. Murugan, 2 & 3 Residing at: 2240/1, Mullai Nagar First Street, Thendral Colony, Annanagar, Chennai-600040. Also at: No.4, Panchayat Road, Golden George Nagar, Mogappair East, Chennai - 600107.

Outstanding Amount : 31.08.2026 as on Rs. 3,30,38,057.37/- with further interest and other incidental charges thereto incurred by the Bank

DETAILS OF PROPERTY: Name of the Title Holder: Mr. S. Murugan S/o Subramanian vide Settlement Deed 1802/2007, Schedule - A - Property. Item No.1 All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat bearing Flat No.2 in the Ground Floor of an area of 635 sqft In Building known as M.C. Flats, Together with 18% undivided share of land in total extent measuring 2529 sqft comprised in S.No.261/12(part) and 261/4 (part), T.S.No.9 & 10, Block no:77 of Kodambakkam Village, bearing Door No.55, Anna Sivagami Block, Nungambam Nagar III Street, Jawahar Nagar, Jafferkhanpet, Chennai-600083. Land of an Extent of 1731 sqft bounded on the North by: 20 Feet Road, South by: Plot No.A-268, East by: Village Land, West by: Plot No.A-264. Measuring: East to west on northern side 28ft, East to west on southern side 18ft, North to South on Eastern side 75 ft 6 inches, North to South on the Western Side 75 feet. In all ad measuring to an extent of 1731 sqft of land lying within the Registration District of Central Chennai and Sub registration District of Ashok Nagar. Item No.2 All that piece and parcel of vacant land measuring to an extent of 798 sqft being a part of the total extent of 4483 sqft of No.11, school Road, Jafferkhanpet, Chennai - 600083. (Sub Division granted by the Corporation of Madras, Vide No.8081, dated 03.08.1995), which is situated in No.111, comprised in Survey No.261/4 part, Block No.77, T.S.No.10 of Kodambakkam Village, Mambalam-Guindy Taluk, Chennai District, as bounded as follows. North by: Residue property which belongs to R.Rajammal, South by: Munusamy & Arjunan Property, East by: Nandagopal's property, West by: Plot No.8-388 belongs to K.Devarajan. Measuring East to West on the Northern side: 12 feet, East to West on the Southern side: 18 feet 5 inches, North to South on the Eastern Side: 52 feet 6 inches, North to South on the Western side: 52 feet 6 inches, in all ad measuring to an extent of 798 sqft of land lying within the Registration District of Central Chennai and Sub registration district of Ashok Nagar. Schedule - B - Property All that piece and portion of Flat bearing No.2 in Ground Floor in M.C. Flats, Door No: 55, Anna Sivagami Block Nungambam Nagar, 3rd Street, Jawahar Nagar, Jafferkhanpet, Chennai - 600083. Comprised in S.No.261/12 (part), Block No.77, T.S.No.9, comprised in village Natham S.No.261/4, Block no:77, T.S.No.10 of Kodambakkam Village, Mambalam-Guindy Taluk, Chennai District, Flat measuring 635 sqft (plinth area of flat), together with 18% undivided share in Item No.1 & Item No.2 of the above schedule 'A' Property of land with all common right, electrical fittings and privileges.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 55,08,000/- EMD ₹ 5,50,800/- BID INCREMENT ₹ 50,000/-

Chennai Chintadripet Branch - No. 14, Wallace Road, Chintadripet, Chennai - 600002

Sl.No.2: Borrower Name & Address: 1) M/s. Larikaishan Exports, Rep. by its Proprietor Mrs. Ruby Jenifer, No.39/17, Nehruji Street, New Lakshmiapuram, Kolathur, Chennai - 600 095, also at No.15, Old Bungalow Street, Chintadripet, Chennai - 600 002. 2) Mrs. A. Ruby Jenifer, W/o. Mr. P. Annamalai, No.15, Old Bungalow Street, Chintadripet, Chennai - 600 002 and 3) Mr. P. Annamalai, S/o. Mr. G. Premkumar No.15, Old Bungalow Street, Chintadripet, Chennai - 600 002

Outstanding Amount : Rs.1,10,30,877.71/- due as on 07/09/2026 with further interest and other incidental charges thereto incurred by the Bank.

DETAILS OF PROPERTY: Details of Security Assets - Name of the Title Holder: Mr. P. Annamalai & CERSAI Security Interest Id: 100001091851 - This property is also mortgaged as collateral security for the credit facility available by M/s. Annamalai Exports, Rep. by its Proprietor Mr. P. Annamalai All that piece and parcel of property bearing Plot No.9, Gramanar Garden, comprised in Survey No.70/5, Selavoyal Village, Land measuring an Extent of 1800 sq.ft Bounded on the North by: Vacant Site allotted for Shops, South by: 20 Feet Road, East by: Plot Nos. 10 and 11, West by: Plot No.8. Within the Sub - Registration District of Madhavaram and Registration District of North Chennai.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 72,90,000/- EMD ₹ 7,29,000/- BID INCREMENT ₹ 50,000/-

Chennai General Patters Road Branch, No.155-157, Sundar Krishna Complex, Thiru V. Ka Salai, Chennai - 600002. Mob: 9444780908, Email cb0908@canarabank.com

Sl.No.3: Borrower Name & Address: 1) M/s. Industrial Product Expo (IPE) Rep. by its Proprietor Late Mr.N.Ganapathy Subramanian (Deceased), Now rep. by his legal heirs Mrs. Umamaheswari D and Mrs.Anandhi, No.38/6, Jothiralingam Street, Karunanthipuram, Puzhithivakkam, Chennai - 600091. 2) Mrs. Umamaheswari D (Legal heir of Proprietor Late Mr. N. Ganapathy Subramanian), W/o. Late Mr.Ganapathy Subramanian, 331, 3rd Block, Sai Engineer Apartment, Neyveli Flat, Madurai Menakshi Street, Iyyancheri, Urappakkam, Kancheepuram Dt - 603210. 3) Mrs. Anandhi, (Legal heir of Proprietor Late Mr.N.Ganapathy Subramanian) W/o. Late Mr. Neelakandan, No.9/1, Venkatesa Perumal 1st Street, Madipakkam, Chennai - 600091. 4) Mrs. Juliet Fancy N. W/o. Mr. Nelson, 18/29, Dr. Ambedkar Street, Villivakkam, Chennai - 600 049.

Outstanding Amount : Rs. 21,67,84,614.11/- due as on 07.09.2026 with further interest and other incidental charges thereto incurred by the Bank.

Other indirect liability of the Proprietor Late Mr.Ganapathy Subramanian N. (Now rep. by his legal heirs Mrs.Umamaheswari D and Mrs.Anandhi) with Mrs.Umamaheswari D (Account Number. 090862700002) is Rs.1,38,27,135.86/- due as on 09/09/2026 and

Other indirect liability of Personal Loan of Late Ganapathy Subramanian N. (Now rep. by his legal heirs Mrs.Umamaheswari D and Mrs.Anandhi) with Mr. Jayakumar M. (Ac. Number: 60149630000276) is Rs.7,37,414.51/- as on 31/08/2026.

DETAILS OF PROPERTY: Name of the Title Holder : Mrs. Juliet Fancy N & CERSAI Security Interest Id: 400039497960. All that piece and parcel of land bearing Door No.29A, Dr. Ambedkar Street, Villivakkam, Chennai - 600049, measuring 21 cents or 9156 sq.ft together with building thereon comprised in Survey No.364/Part (As per Patta S.No.364/1 Part) of Konnur Village, Ayanavaram Taluk, Chennai District and being Bounded on the North by: Property of Abimamun, South by: Property of Chelladurai, East by: Property of Nelson, West by: Dr.Ambedkar Street, In ad measuring an extent of 9156 sq.ft of land and building thereon situated within the Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Konnur.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 4,56,00,000/- EMD ₹ 45,60,000/- BID INCREMENT ₹ 1,00,000/-

INSPECTION OF PROPERTY DATE & TIME : 25.09.2026 between 11.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M.

DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION : 29.09.2026 between 11.30 AM & 12.30 PM with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each.

EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before 28.09.2026 : 4.00 PM

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) (or) The service provider Baanknet (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd.), (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com/support.ebkay@procure247.com).

Portal of E-Auction: https://baanknet.com

Date : 10.09.2026

Place : Chennai

AUTHORISED OFFICER:

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Indian Bank

PANRUTI BRANCH

CUDDALORE DISTRICT. Ph : 04142-242168

SALE NOTICE (for sale of immovable properties)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets Notice of sale under Rule 8(2) & 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical/Constructive/Symbolic (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Indian Bank, Panruti Branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 28.09.2026 for recovery of Rs. 17,91,77,40/- (Seventeen Crores Ninety One Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Four Only) as on 08.09.2026 with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 09.09.2026 due to the Indian Bank, Panruti branch, Secured Creditor, from the following borrower and guarantor

M/s. Ronald Leeman Commodities (Borrower) Reg. Address : T.S.No.317/8, Muthandikuppam Road, Keelakkuppam Village, Nadudukuppam, Panruti, Cuddalore Dt-607106

Mr. B.Yuvraj s/o Mr. Balaraman (Partner, Guarantor and Mortgagor), Address: No.83/118, Varadha Muthiyappan Street, Sowcarpet, Chennai-600001.

Mrs. Y. Nitheswari W/o. Mr. Yuvraj (Partner, Guarantor and Mortgagor), Address: No.83/118, Varadha Muthiyappan Street, Sowcarpet, Chennai-600001.

The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

Property 1 : EM of land and building at S.No.317/6 (Old S.No.415/2) admeasuring 0.41 Cents and S.No.317/7 (old S.No.415/2) admeasuring 0.07 cents in Kadampuliyur, at Sub registrar within Panruti Panchayat Union limit, Vallam Panchayat, Villam Village in the name of Mrs.Nitheswari W/o Mr.Yuvraj, Land Area : S No - 317/06 - 0.41 Cents, S No 317/7 - 0.07 Cents. Boundaries : Item-1 : North by-Nitheswari, South by-Road, East by-Venkatesan, West by-Prabhuh. Item-2 : North by-Nitheswari, South by-Road, East by-Venkatesan, West by-Prabhuh. Item-3 : North by-Venkatesan, South by-Yuvraj, East by-Venkatesan, West by-Nitheswari.

Property 2 : EM of land and building S.No.53 (part) patta No.1780/1992, Sub Division S.No.53/1C an extent of 10.04 cents i.e 4379 Sq.ft in Maduravoyal Village, Pallavan Nagar, Thiruvallur District South Chennai R D in the name of Mr.Yuvraj S/o Mr.Balaraman, Land Area : S.No-53 -10.41 Cents i.e 4379 Sq.ft. Boundaries : North by-Saraswathi Site, South by-PTC Plots, East by-Road,Vegambaram & Santhi, West by-BDC Quartz & Plastic Company.

Property 3 : EM of Residential flat No.F-2, constructed on land at O S.No.45/1, New No.10/11 in O S.No.2194, R S.No.1583/1 at Padavattammann Koil Street, Kospaet,Chennai 600012 in the name of Mr.Yuvraj S/o Mr.Balaraman. Land area : 1813.30 Sq.ft, Flat area - 1150 Sq.ft, Undivided share of land 430 Sq.ft. Boundaries : North by-Azzez Ahmed Site, South by-Baggiammal Site, East by-Street, West by-Fathima Yahub.

Encumbrances on property Nil Nil Nil

Reserve Price Rs.970.31 Lakhs Rs.394.11 Lakhs Rs.145.43 Lakhs

EMD Amount Rs.97.03 Lakhs Rs.39.41 Lakhs Rs.14.54 Lakhs

Bid incremental amount Rs.1,00,000/- Rs.1,00,000/- Rs.1,00,000/-

Date and time of e-auction 28.09.2026 from 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM

Property ID No. IDIB6772838870 IDIB6772838870A IDIB6772838870B

Inspection of Property From 11.09.2026 to 27.09.2026 Between 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM

Bidders are advised to visit the website (https://baanknet.com) of our e auction service provider PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd to participate in online bid.

For Technical Assistance please call PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd Helpdesk No. 8291220220, email ID- support.baanknet@psballiance.com and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. and EMD status, please contact support.baanknet@psballiance.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: https://baanknet.com and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact Helpdesk No.8291220220

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with https://baanknet.com.

Date : 12.09.2026 Authorised Officer

Place : Panruti Indian Bank

EASTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No.: NIT/02/26/41, Date: 10.08.2026. Principle Chief Materials Manager, Eastern Railway, Fairlie Place, 2nd Floor, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Kolkata-700001 invites e-tenders for supply of the following items -

Sl. No.: 1. Tender No.: Description and EMD respectively: (1) 10252348B; BUS-Coupler for WAP7 (3 phase); ₹ 1,36,530/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 25.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (2) 22261306; Insulin Glargine I.P. 300 IU/ml, Cartridge of 1.5 ml (450 IU) (Monoclonoprotein Insulin Glargine-rDNA Origin) Solution for subcutaneous injection. (One lot and 20 lots per lot for 10 cars), Item Code No. M150416, S.No. 610 against AIL026-27, ₹ 2,12,270/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 03.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (3) 15245096D; MAGNETIC PARTICLE INSPECTION EQUIPMENT; ₹ 1,91,160/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 09.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (4) 01261015B; Procurement of Vinyl Coated Upholstery Fabric Artificial Leather Etc.; ₹ 4,27,680/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 02.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (5) 20261068; Set of modified top coat with contact shield; ₹ 1,78,000/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 04.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (6) 15265089; Supply Insulating & Conducing Material (CNC VERTICAL TURRET LATHE as per attached specification); ₹ 5,43,290/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 08.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (7) 21261393; Procurement of Non - Asbestos Lysite composite Brake Block; ₹ 3,88,630/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 16.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (8) 20261144; ENERGY-CUM-SPEED MONITORING UNIT (ESMON) FOR 25 KV AC EMU & MEMU; ₹ 8,24,260/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 02.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (9) 20261133; SOLID GEAR WHEEL 91 TEETH FOR AC EMU MOTOR COACH; ₹ 2,43,560/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 01.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (10) 20261212; MOTOR VENTILATOR FAN FOR MEDHA MAKE TRACTION MOTOR; ₹ 4,95,510/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 01.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (11) 20261212; Levelling Valve for Air Spring Suspension of EMU coaches; ₹ 4,74,550/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 10.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (12) 20261214; BOTTOM BUSH FOR CENTRE PIVOT; ₹ 2,44,760/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 17.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (13) 20261088; SET OF PINS (ELECTROPLATED) CONSISTING OF NOS. ITEMS; ₹ 4,84,800/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 03.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (14) 20265095; Electro-Pneumatic Brake Unit Complete for EMUs; ₹ 2,34,100/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 15.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (15) 20261093; INSTALLATION LEVER FOR AIR SUSPENSION SYSTEM OF EMU COACHES; ₹ 2,86,720/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 09.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (16) 20262119; COMMUTATOR ASSEMBLY FOR TM ARMATURE TYPE 4601 AZ OF BHEL EMU; ₹ 2,95,080/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 01.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (17) 01261433; Procurement of Densified Thermal Bonded Polyester Blocks etc.; ₹ 1,04,890/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 31.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (18) 11261149; AXLE BOX PIVOT BUSH; ₹ 1,73,880/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 02.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (19) 14261036; Procurement of relay, plug in type, style "AC-LED" all aspects. AC Lamp proving relay unit with in-built current transformer type, slow release neutral line relay, 4F, 4B, contacts, front and back contacts, metal to carbon shall be suitable for working in series with the 110 Volt AC, Led signal lamp rated at 15 Watt conforming to RDSO Drg. No. STS/IRELAYS/AC Lt Led Signal/09-2002, Amdt.1 BRS: 941A, IRS: S-34 and IRS: S-23 (as applicable). The interlocking code for this unit shall be ABDHK etc.; ₹ 1,94,530/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 27.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (20) 21261899; Complete set for Empty Load Box etc.; ₹ 1,01,490/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 28.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (21) 21261278; Brake shoe Key etc.; ₹ 1,21,700/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 27.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (22) 21265029; PROCUREMENT OF WIDE JAW ADAPTER FOR CTRB CLAS 'E' (6X11") OF LCCF BOGIES ETC.; ₹ 2,12,820/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 01.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (23) 01261511; Procurement of Flexible Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) Flooring Sheet etc.; ₹ 4,40,980/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 14.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (24) 14265032A; Procurement of Supply, Transportation, installation, testing, commissioning of Fail-Safe Non-Interlocking (FN-MUX) as per RDSO Specification No. RDSO/SPN/21/2022 Ver. 1.0 to meet the specific requirements for Intermediate Block Signalling operation in double line section in single/double distant Signalling. Details as per ANNEXURE attached; ₹ 14,30,160/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 31.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (25) 14261095; PROCUREMENT OF RELAY, AC IMMUNE, PLUG IN TYPE, STYLE "QTAZ" etc.; ₹ 1,79,610/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 07.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (26) 14261173; Procurement of DC-DC Converter card for single section digital type axle counter etc.; ₹ 1,62,930/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 31.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (27) 11261813; Procurement of Revised IRS side Buffer Casing for Coach etc.; ₹ 2,07,150/- (28) 11261010; WEARING PIECE FOR SIDE BEARER Etc.; ₹ 2,39,870/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 01.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. for Sr. No. 27 & 28 each; (29) 1226-HVN_10228; Running Contract for Manufacture and supply of End Cut High Viscous Nylon (HVN-66) Insulating Liner to RDSO Drg. No. T-(10228A1); ₹ 1,21,240/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 11.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (30) 1226-HVN_10228; Running Contract for Manufacture and supply of End Cut High Viscous Nylon (HVN-66) Insulating Liner to RDSO Drg. No. T-(10228A1); ₹ 1,21,240/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 15.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (31) 1226- END_CUT_HVN; Running Contract for Manufacture and supply of different End Cut Combination High Viscous Nylon (HVN-66) Insulating Liner; ₹ 5,77,050/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 28.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (32) 1226-Glued_2572; Running Contract for Manufacture and supply of 60 Kg Glued Insulated Rail Joints (G-3) (L) type conforming to RDSO Drg No. T-2572; ₹ 50,00,000/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 03.09.2026, 13.30 hrs. (33) 12261012; 1 year RGC for Manufacture and Supply of Thick Web Switch Expansion Joint (TWSEJ) as per RDSO Drg. No. T-8822; ₹ 20,00,000/- Tender Opening Date & Time: 28.08.2026, 13.30 hrs. (34) 12261069; Fish bolts and nuts for 60 kg to RDSO Drg. No. T-1899 to alt 1; ₹ 10,85,480/- Tender Opening Date & Time:

Iran-backed Houthi rebels take over strait vital to global shipping

Group now in full control of Yemeni side of Bab al-Mandab Strait

SANAA

THE Iran-backed Houthi rebels seized control of Yemen's entire Red Sea coast and captured three strategic islands on Friday, in a lightning offensive that cemented their hold on a vital shipping corridor linking Europe and Asia.

The developments are likely to deepen the West Asia war's impact on international commerce, after months of a blockade of the Strait of Hormuz by Iran, which hailed its Yemeni allies' advance on Friday.

Following a week-long offensive that has left hundreds dead, government officials said the Houthis seized the Yemeni side of the Bab al-Mandab Strait, the southern gateway to the Red Sea and the Suez Canal.

A local official with Yemen's Saudi-backed government said on Friday that the Houthis had "completed their takeover of the Bab al-Mandab area and Mayyun Island."

A government military official later reported the group had also seized Greater and Lesser Hanish, the last two islands in the narrow waterway not under their control, as well as all of the neighbouring Red Sea coastline.

"Everything that was under our control on the western coast has fallen," the military official added.

A witness told AFP that gunmen were "deploying along the Bab al-Mandab shore and are driving around in military



Yemen's Houthi rebels march during a mobilisation campaign in Sanaa, Yemen on Thursday | AFP

'Navigation safe for all except Saudi ships'

The Houthi military spokesman said on Friday that navigation through the Bab al-Mandab strait is "safe" for all but Saudi Arabia, after the group sealed its takeover of the vital shipping corridor. "Maritime navigation is safe for all companies except Saudi ships, which have already been banned," the group said

vehicles."

The capture of the islands, particularly Mayyun in the middle of the strait, heightens the Houthis' ability to attack Saudi tankers, which they have been targeting since July.

Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil exporter, has relied on the Red Sea ever since Iran's Hormuz blockade choked off

its shipments via the Gulf.

Mohammad Mokhber, an adviser to Iranian supreme leader Mojtaba Khamenei, congratulated the Houthis on their "resounding victory" on Friday. Farea Al-Muslimi, research fellow at the Chatham House think tank, told AFP: "Now the Iranians don't only control... the Strait of Hormuz, but they control the other most strategic chokepoint in the Middle East."

Oil prices have soared past \$100 a barrel this week, while average US diesel prices topped \$6 for the first time on Friday — a potential headache for President Donald Trump ahead of midterm elections.

The Houthi offensive has killed more than 500 people, according to sources on both sides.

Pakistan-Saudi alliance faces first major test

RIYADH

THE Houthi-Saudi Arabia fighting represents the first major test of the mutual defence alliance that was signed between Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Turkey last month, and officials in Islamabad worry the Houthi threat could draw Pakistan into the conflict, *Reuters* reported.

"Pakistan is trying to keep a low profile in the Saudi-Houthi conflict because Pakistan's own stakes are high," a Pakistani official told *Reuters*. "It does not want to spoil relations with Iran."

Meanwhile, reports emerged that Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman had requested US help to counter the Houthi threat. President Donald Trump rejected a request for strikes against Houthis, news outlet *Axios* reported on Thursday. The Saudi crown prince called Trump on Thursday to tell him about the deteriorating military situation in Yemen as Houthi forces approached the coastal city of Mokha, *Axios* reported, citing two unidentified US officials.

The crown prince reportedly called Trump again a few hours later to request strikes on the Houthis, but the American president declined. Washington will provide intelligence on the Houthis.

Anthropic blocks possible bid to make bio weapons using AI



Anthropic said it blocked each of the malicious activities it identified | AFP

SAN FRANCISCO

ANTHROPIC said on Thursday that it has blocked efforts by bad actors to use its artificial intelligence models for malicious activity such as cyberattacks, surveillance, and research that could have led to biological weapons.

As AI models grow more powerful, elaborate cyberattacks no longer require sophisticated skills and even lone individuals can create threats that would not have been possible even a year ago, Anthropic said. The company said it has added stronger safeguards in its latest models to restrict biological research that could also be used to make weapons.

"The cases we share here aren't typical misuse, but rather examples of the most notable and novel threat activity we've identified to date," Anthropic said in its third report since March 2025 describing AI misuse.

The report includes snippets of the malicious code and AI prompts Anthropic said it found and it urged governments and AI competitors to identify and prevent similar abuse. "We're

publishing this work because we believe we have a responsibility to disclose malicious misuse of our services. As models become increasingly capable, their risks will increase, unless AI developers and society's defenders act to make them safer," the company said.

Between December 2025 and August 2026, researchers at Anthropic found misuse by actors ranging from spyware vendors and "politically motivated individuals" to state-sponsored groups spreading propaganda.

Among the findings are unnamed actors attempting to use its models for research that could have led to biological weapons. In one instance, Anthropic said its systems blocked a request for Claude's assistance in authoring a grant application for scientific funding.

"The work discussed in the application involved gain-of-function research (that is, research that genetically alters an organism to create a new or enhanced biological property) on the chikungunya virus. This gain of function research was aimed at the virus' transmissibility and immune evasion properties," the report said.

OpenAI calls on US govt to regulate AI

WASHINGTON

OPENAI is calling for binding safety requirements on the most powerful artificial intelligence systems, a reversal for a company that has resisted calls for regulation.

In a policy statement, the ChatGPT maker said voluntary commitments by AI developers were no longer adequate, and urged US lawmakers to act before Congress adjourns in December.

The call came as fears over the impact of AI have grown in recent weeks, after the revelation that powerful OpenAI technology operating outside human supervision had broken into Hugging Face, a repository of AI models.

This was followed by other alarming reports of AI technology slipping out of human control at rival Anthropic and other companies.

Fears were further stoked by a viral social media post by Anthropic researcher Jacob Coxon, who said he was quitting the industry, accusing both US AI giants of "gambling with our lives" in the race to develop AI models capable of self-improvement. The intervention comes a week after OpenAI released GPT-6 Astra, a model the company has described as its most capable to date. OpenAI President Greg Brockman characterized the release as the beginning of the era of artificial general intelligence — the long sought-after goal of creating AI that equals human abilities in most fields.



Donald Trump

Trump wants to exclude millions from 2030 census

WASHINGTON

THE Trump administration is proposing a dramatic overhaul of the once-a-decade US Census head count that could leave out millions of immigrants based on status and key racial and ethnic data, jeopardising the allocation of resources and the country's voting map.

The potential changes, announced Wednesday, would exclude undocumented immigrants, asylum seekers and anyone without permanent status. Certain demographic questions from the traditional questionnaire would also be eliminated. It echoes Trump's previous idea to add a citizenship question to the 2030 census.

The US Census Bureau, in a post on the Federal Register website, argued "illegal aliens (among others) should not be included in the apportionment count, as they are not true inhabitants, members of the body politic, or persons with a usual residence" in the United States due to their lack of a sufficient tie and allegiance to the United States."

The census also "should be colourblind and should not be distorted in any way by questions about immaterial personal characteristics, such as race," the agency said. It also is considering nixing questions related to people who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community.

These changes would harm the quality of the data, said Beth Jarosz, a data researcher and vice president of the Association of Public Data Users. She called the proposals "unprecedented." "Not counting all of the people who reside here is actually where the real threat is," Jarosz said.

US marks 25 years since 9/11 attacks

WASHINGTON

THE United States commemorated the 25th anniversary of the devastating September 11, 2001 attacks on Friday with a poignant ceremony in New York marked by President Donald Trump's absence and searing criticism from victims' relatives.

In an unusual move, Trump paid his respects at the Pentagon, not the event in New York, where hijacked planes destroyed the World Trade Center and most of the 2,977 victims were killed, upending the global status quo.

The Republican billionaire sought to link the "war on terror" that followed 9/11, which sparked years of US involvement in Middle East wars, with his current conflict in Iran.

"Today we renew the sacred oath that we first swore in their names a quarter of a century ago. We will never, ever forget. That's why we fight today," Trump said.

"We don't have a choice. There can only be victory. We fight hard. We fight to win."

Vice President JD Vance and Trump's four living predecessors



A child touches a flag at the National September 11 Memorial during the 25th anniversary commemoration of the 9/11 attacks in New York on Friday | AFP

sors — Republican George W. Bush, who was in office during the attacks, and Democrats Joe Biden, Barack Obama and Bill Clinton — attended the event at Ground Zero in lower Manhattan.

There, a huge crowd gathered for the somber annual ceremony, which began just after 8:40 am (1240 GMT) and retraces the events of 9/11 minute by minute.

As usual, the names of the victims were read out, and a bell was rung to mark major

moments in the attack. The event is generally apolitical with no speeches.

But several bereaved family members who read out the names of those killed criticized Saudi Arabia and past US leaders' closeness to the kingdom.

Terry Strada, whose husband Tom Strada died in the Twin Towers, unleashed a stinging attack on Riyadh, accusing it of complicity in the attacks, and denouncing former presidents who were in attendance.

CIVIL WAR

Myanmar resistance group says it struck military base

BANGKOK

MYANMAR'S main pro-democracy resistance group said Friday its armed wing launched drone attacks on a military air base that shares a compound with an international airport serving the country's second-largest city, forcing the airport to shut down.

It was the latest attack in Myanmar's more than five-year conflict between the military and armed resistance groups that emerged after the army seized power in February 2021, ousting the elected government of Aung San Suu Kyi.

The takeover sparked peaceful protests nationwide, but after security forces cracked down with lethal force, many local armed resistance groups were formed and loosely organized into what is called the People's Defense Force, or PDF.

The PDF is the armed wing of Myanmar's shadow National Unity Government, which considers itself the country's legitimate administrative body.

Nay Phone Latt, a spokesperson for the NUG, told The Associated Press that the PDF used drones to attack a military air base within the compound of Tada-U International Airport in Mandalay.

"We only attacked the section of the site where the military aircraft conducting airstrikes against civilians were stationed," Nay Phone Latt said. "We did not attack the civilian airfield site at all."

The PDF said in a statement posted Friday on Facebook that 12 of its units took part in the operation. It described the air base as a key air force headquarters from which airstrikes against civilians are carried out.

2 killed in attack on Kyiv gas station

KYIV

AN early morning Russian drone strike on a petrol station in Kyiv killed two people and hospitalised four, the city's mayor said on Friday.

Fears are growing in the Ukrainian capital that Moscow has launched a new campaign targeting fuel stations there — a tactic that Russia's troops have long deployed in areas closer to the front line.

"There are now two killed in the morning attack on the Kyiv gas station," Mayor Vitali Klitschko said on social media.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said Russia's drone attacks were "becoming increasingly terrorist in nature" and that Kyiv needed to scale up countermeasures.

Russia made no public comment on the strike but denies targeting civilians. The emergency services posted footage of a burnt-out forecourt, still smoking after the drone attack.

Ukrainian oil giant Ukrnafta reported two of its petrol sta-



The debris of a destroyed petrol station following an air attack in Kyiv on Friday | AP

tions were hit simultaneously on Friday morning.

"This is yet another deliberate strike on civilian facilities that provide people with fuel and essential goods," CEO Bogdan Kukura wrote on social media. "There is no military objective in such attacks. This is terror against the civilian population," he added.

Strikes on the petrol stations follow weeks of Russia raining down a new kind of

faster, jet-powered drone on Kyiv, including to attack logistics centres, warehouses and commercial supply chains.

The devices travel at up to 600 kilometres per hour and are harder for Ukraine's air defences to intercept. "The primary purpose of these strikes is to paralyse economic activity and to make the delivery of anything anywhere extremely difficult," Igor Kozly, a military expert, told local TV.

EXPRESS READ

Ebola outbreak spreads to 7th Congo province

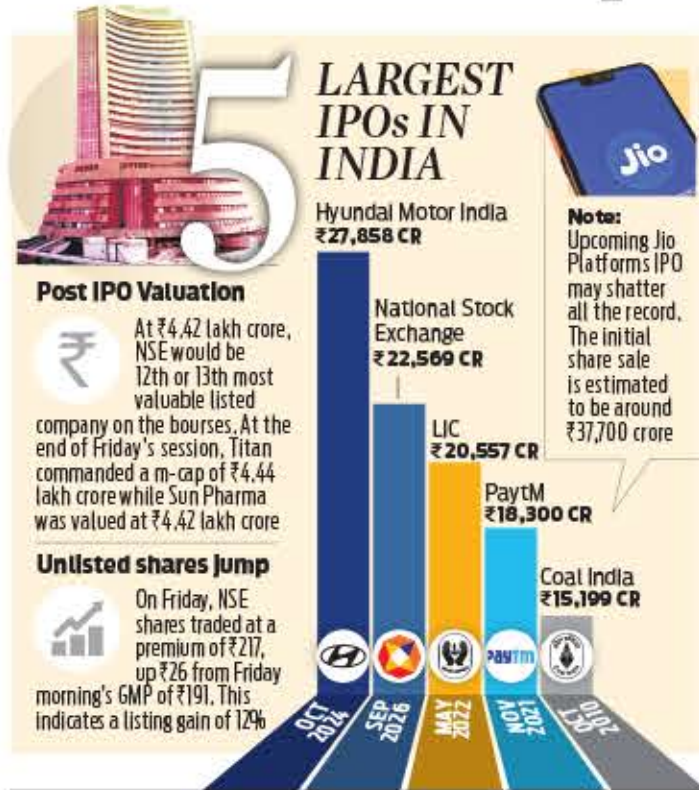
Kinshasa: The Ebola outbreak in eastern Congo, the world's fastest-growing outbreak of the disease on record, has now spread to seven provinces in the African country, local authorities said. And it's showing no signs of slowing down. As of Wednesday, 6,942 cases and 3,349 deaths have been reported, according to the latest government figures. The World Health Organisation has said the outbreak remains out of control

Indian charged in US for fraudulently voting

Washington: An Indian national has been charged for fraudulently claiming to be an American citizen in order to vote in the 2024 US general election. Mukesh Kumar Somabhai Chaudhari has been indicted for knowingly making a false claim of US citizenship to vote in the 2024, general election. A federal grand jury in Minnesota district returned the two-count indictment on Thursday, the US Justice Department said.



NSE sets IPO price band at ₹1,700-1,785 a share



At the upper end of the price band, the IPO size of the exchange will be ₹22,569 crore

IPO valued at 40.85 times its FY26 earnings, below average Industry P/E of 54.28 times

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

NATIONAL Stock Exchange (NSE) on Friday fixed price band of ₹1,700-1,785 a share for its much-awaited initial public offering (IPO), which will open for subscription on September 17. As expected, NSE trimmed down the IPO size to ₹22,569 crore, country's second-largest public issue after Hyundai Motor India's ₹27,870 crore offering in 2024.

At the upper end of the IPO price, NSE will be valued at ₹4.42 lakh crore. In comparison, the BSE is valued at ₹1.38 lakh crore. NSE is being valued at around 40.85 times its FY26 diluted earnings. The exchange says this is below the average industry P/E of 54.28 times.

The IPO, which will close on

September 21, is entirely an offer for sale (OFS) of up to 12.64 crore equity shares by existing shareholders as against 14.9 crore shares planned earlier. The proceeds from the share sale will go entirely to the shareholders and not to NSE.

The issue will have a reservation of 50% for qualified institutional buyers (QIBs), 15% for non-institutional investors (NIIs) and 35% for retail investors. The company has also reserved equity shares worth up to ₹70 crore for eligible employees. NSE employees will also be offered a discount of ₹170 per equity share.

As per the Red Herring Prospectus (RHP), existing shareholders have also pared down

their stake sale. State Bank of India (SBI) has reduced its proposed OFS to nearly 1.60 crore shares from 2.47 crore shares, while MS Strategic (Mauritius) Ltd has cut its offer to 1.1 crore shares from 1.6 crore shares.

Bank of Baroda, Stock Holding Corporation of India and General Insurance Corporation of India have also reduced their proposed share sale, while SBI Capital Markets is a new selling shareholder in the RHP.

The reduction in the OFS size has brought down the overall issue size from the initial estimate of ₹30,000 crore. All eyes are now on billionaire Mukesh Ambani's Reliance Industries to launch the country's largest IPO, pegged at

₹37,700 crore, by taking Jio Platforms public. The conglomerate has already received the green signal from SEBI.

Coming to NSE's financials, revenue from operations stood at ₹16,601.31 crore in FY26, down from ₹17,140.68 crore in FY25 but higher than ₹14,780.01 crore in FY24. Ebitda declined to ₹11,097.90 crore from ₹12,646.88 crore, while profit after tax fell to ₹10,302.06 crore from ₹12,187.69 crore in FY25, though both remained above FY24 levels.

NSE is India's largest exchange by turnover in the cash market and equity derivatives from Fiscal 2001 to Fiscal 2026, and in exchange-traded currency derivatives from Fiscal 2009 to Fiscal 2026, per the Red-seer Report.



THAILAND APPROVES THB3,788 TN BUDGET FOR 2027

Thailand's Senate approved the fiscal 2027 budget expenditure bill worth THB3,788 trillion by 145 votes to five, with 12 abstentions, at a special sitting at Parliament on Friday (Sept 11, 2026). Gen Kriangkrai Sirak, first vice-president of the Senate, chaired the sitting after the House of Representatives had passed the bill and a Senate ad-hoc committee had completed its study. The Senate was legally required to complete its consideration within 20 days. Finance Minister Eknit Nitithanprapas presented the bill, explaining that it would provide agencies receiving budget allocations with a spending framework for fiscal 2027.

MALAYSIA

WHOLESALE, RETAIL TRADE RISE TO RM70.5 BN IN JULY

Malaysia's wholesale and retail trade recorded sales of RM70.5 billion in July 2026, a 9% increase year-on-year (YoY), said the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM). In a statement on Friday, DOSM said all three sub-sectors continued to grow in July 2026. Wholesale trade recorded sales of RM78.4 billion, an increase of RM8.2 billion or 11.7% YoY. Retail trade increased by RM4.3 billion or 6.4% to RM71.3 billion, while the motor vehicles sub-sector expanded by RM1.5 billion or 7.9% to reach RM20.8 billion. DOSM said wholesale trade remained the main driver of overall growth in July 2026, expanding by 11.7%. The retail trade sub-sector continued to record positive performance in July 2026, with sales increasing by 6.4% to RM71.3 billion.

PHILIPPINES

FDI NET INFLOWS HIT \$447 MILLION IN JUNE

Foreign direct investments (FDI) recorded net inflows of US\$447 million in June this year, data released by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) on Thursday showed. The amount was down from the US\$638 million recorded in June last year. For the first six months of the year, FDI net inflows also declined to US\$3.38 billion from US\$4.11 billion in January to June 2025. FDI includes investments by a non-resident direct investor in a resident enterprise in which the former holds at least a 10% equity stake, as well as investments made by a non-resident subsidiary or associate in its resident direct investor. FDI may take the form of equity capital, reinvestment of earnings, or borrowings.

VIETNAM

ATTRACTS FDI WORTH \$40.63 BN IN JAN-AUG 2026

Vietnam attracted \$40.63 billion in registered foreign direct investment (FDI) between January and August this year, up by 55.4% year on year (YoY), according to the National Statistics Office. The figure includes \$21.72 billion in capital from 2,771 newly-licensed projects. The number of new projects increased by only 9.4% YoY during the eight months, while their registered capital surged by 96.8% YoY. The processing and manufacturing sector received the largest share of FDI, attracting \$12.15 billion, or 55.9% of the total newly-registered capital. Among 73 countries and territories with newly-licensed projects, Singapore led with \$7.62 billion, making up 35.1% of the new registered capital, followed by South Korea with \$5.67 billion (26.1%).

EU moves India FTA to Council for approval

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE European Commission on Friday proposed that the European Union's Council approve the signing and conclusion of the India-EU Free Trade Agreement (FTA), taking the landmark trade pact a step closer to formal signing and implementation.

The Commission said the proposed pact, once approved and brought into force, would eliminate or reduce tariffs on 96% of EU goods exports to India and save European exporters euro 4 billion a year in duties. The EU and India already trade more than euro 180 billion worth of goods and services annually, supporting nearly 800,000 jobs in the EU, the Commission said. The agreement is expected to improve market access, reduce tariffs and other trade barriers, and provide greater predictability for trade and investment.

The Commission's proposal will now go to the EU Council for approval. If authorised, the EU and India can sign the agreement. It will then require consent of the European Parliament before the EU completes its internal procedures for the pact to enter into force. India is also undertaking its own internal procedures for ratification.

"This agreement brings together two of the world's largest economies — a market of 2 billion people and around a quarter of global GDP. It will very soon start creating new opportunities for both trade and investment," EU Trade Commissioner Maroš Šefčovič said. The move comes nearly eight months after India and the EU concluded negotiations for the FTA on January 27, 2026, during the 16th India-EU Summit in New Delhi.

After chairman's exit, Coforge loses second director in week

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

THREE days after the sudden exit of chairman O P Bhatt, Coforge Ltd lost a second board member on Friday, with non-executive independent director and Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) chair D K Singh resigning with immediate effect. The company, however, disputed the reasons given by Singh for his resignation.

In a filing to the exchanges after market hours on September 11, the IT services company said Singh had communicated his resignation by email on September 10. He ceased to be a member of all board committees with immediate effect.

Chairman O P Bhatt resigned on September 8 following observations by the company's internal auditor on the handling of the Board Evaluation Report (BER). Coforge shares fell about 9% on September 9 after the company disclosed Bhatt's resignation. On Friday, the company shares regained some of the losses and ended the day at 1.15% higher.

In his resignation letter, DK Singh said the transition from a private equity-led board to a more independent board after he joined in 2024 had created differences and tension, particularly between independent



CHANGE AT TOP

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and executive directors.

He also said the appointment of new board members could again change the board's direction and priorities on strategy. This, he said, could make it increasingly difficult for him to exercise independent judgment. Singh said there were no other material reasons for his resignation.

The board strongly disputed this account. It said directors, including independent directors, were surprised by the allegation of tension and described it as unfounded and an afterthought.

As per the board, all business strategy and governance decisions since 2024 had been approved unanimously, with board meeting minutes reflecting the same.

The board also linked Singh's resignation to the internal audit review. It said the audit had raised concerns about the board evaluation process and that the board subsequently sought explanations from only two directors — the board chairman and the NRC chair.

"It is apparent," the board said, that Singh's resignation followed these events. Coforge also pointed out that Singh had accepted a five-year second term beginning February 2026, before the internal audit observations were raised.

Bhatt had similarly agreed to a five-year second term in July 2026. As per the audit, the evaluation reports were available only to the NRC chair and the board chairman. Unlike in the past, the reports were not shared with other directors, including independent directors.

FM hits out at growth critics, says India seeing demographic dividend

YOUTH building business

Nirmala Sitharaman said the youth were not waiting for legacy yardsticks to validate their productivity but were already building enterprises, writing code and shaping their future



While they remain stuck waiting for yesterday's answers, youth have bypassed their cynicism and gone ahead and built it

Nirmala Sitharaman, FM

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has hit out at those questioning the higher economic growth reported in the first quarter, saying the country is witnessing its demographic dividend in real time.

Addressing the concluding session of the Global Fintech Summit here on Friday, FM said some commentators continue to view India's demographic expansion through a lens of "perpetual pessimism" and rely on vibecasting rather than actual numbers.

The government recently announced that the first-quarter GDP growth had come in at a high 7.8%, much higher than the Reserve Bank's forecast of 7% and the consensus estimate of below 7%. Several economists, including former National Statistical Office head Pronab Sen, have questioned the methodology used to arrive at the numbers and the steep downward revisions in previous quarters.

Sitharaman said critics spend their time debating in television studios whether the demographic dividend has slipped away or become a burden. They are measuring 21st-century economic ambition through 20th-century lenses and questioning whether India's growth can keep pace with its young population, she said.

"But while they remain stuck waiting for yesterday's answers, our youth have simply bypassed their cynicism and gone ahead and built it," Sitharaman said.

Forex kitty up by record \$45 bn to \$785.7 bn on NRI deposits

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

INDIA'S foreign exchange reserves surged by a record \$44.9 billion to an all-time high of \$785.71 billion, driven largely by the Reserve Bank's concessional forex swap initiatives, which helped banks attract a sharp rise in foreign currency deposits from the diaspora.

The reserves recorded their largest-ever weekly jump of \$44.903 billion during the week ended September 4, taking the kitty to a new lifetime high of \$785.706 billion, the RBI said in its weekly statistical supplement on Friday.

The increase was largely attributed to the RBI's concessional forex swap initiatives, under which banks were allowed to freely price three- and five-year foreign currency deposits. The scheme offered banks an additional incentive by allowing lending of up to 20 times the deposits mobilised, while the RBI bore entire hedging cost, estimated at 3-3.5%.

The flexibility allowed banks to offer interest rates of up to 7% on such deposits, attracting substantial inflows from the Indian diaspora. The initiatives



have generated more than \$136 billion in new flows, according to estimates. In the previous reporting week, overall reserves had surged by \$11.475 billion to a then high of \$740.803 billion.

The forex kitty had been declining since the start of the Iran war, as the rupee came under intense selling pressure and the RBI intervened in the foreign exchange

market through dollar sales. However, reserves began rising after the RBI announced the concessional forex swap initiatives in June amid a sharp depreciation in the rupee.

For the week ended September 4, foreign currency assets, the largest component of the reserves, rose by \$47.498 billion to \$648.168 billion, RBI data showed. Expressed in dollar terms, foreign currency assets reflect the impact of appreciation or depreciation of non-US currencies like the euro, pound and yen held in the foreign exchange reserves.

FUEL CRISIS

MIDDLE EAST CRUDE SUPPLY MAY DECLINE BY NEARLY HALF IN 2027

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

CONFLICT in West Asia is expected to cut the supply of crude oil from Middle East by nearly half, with monthly output likely to average around 10-16 million barrels per day (b/d) through 2027.

As per an S&P Global report, Middle Eastern crude supply stood at about 20 million b/d before the war began in January-February 2026. Production capacity has not been permanently lost, but security and logistical challenges are limiting the amount of oil that can reach market, the analysis said.

The report noted that with



prospects for a resolution to the conflict dimmed and Brent crude prices topping \$100 a barrel for the first time since July, oil markets are settling into a prolonged new normal where disruption risk is persistent rather than episodic. "Gulf producers have strong incentives to find ways to move more oil to market, and they can be ex-

pected to adapt around political and security constraints as much as possible.

"However, the market is not returning to calm, it is adjusting to the new normal defined by unresolved conflict and persistent maritime risk — one where oil flows stay below pre-war levels and the path forward remains uneven," Jim Burkhard, vice president and global head of crude oil research, S&P Global Energy, said for the first time since the US-Iran war started, S&P Global Energy does not project Middle Eastern crude production to return to pre-war levels by the end of 2027.

AI efficiency pushes IT clients to revisit contracts

PADMINI DHURVARAJ @ Bengaluru

ENTERPRISE clients are increasingly revisiting IT services contracts before scheduled renewal dates as AI cuts time and number of people needed to deliver the same work. In some cases, clients are seeking price cuts of 25-30%, while others are asking for more work at the same cost or for a share of productivity gains.

The shift is emerging as a gap between how quickly AI changes the delivery of IT services and how long enterprise contracts remain in place.

"AI moves in months; contracts move in years, and clients no longer accept absorbing that gap," said Sridhar

Mantha, CEO, Generative AI Business Services. The trend is most visible in software development, testing and application maintenance, where AI-assisted coding and other tools can reduce the effort required to complete work. Clients that can demonstrate these productivity gains are increasingly questioning why they should wait for a contract renewal before seeking changes.

Mantha said clients with ma-

ture AI-enabled delivery teams are increasingly asking how productivity gains reach them. While a lower price is one option, clients are also seeking gain-sharing arrangements, additional scope at the same cost or service-level agreements based on faster delivery.

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services market. "AI-driven mid-contract renegotiations are becoming more common, but they are not yet widespread across the enterprise IT services market," said Biswajit Maity, senior principal analyst at Gartner.

According to Maity, most of the activity is concentrated among large enterprises with strong sourcing maturity and the ability to measure AI-related productivity gains. Most clients are still assessing the benefits they have realised rather than reopening contracts as a matter of routine.

The issue is particularly relevant to contracts based on the number of people or hours used to deliver a service.

Changes concentrated among large enterprises

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India's left-arm spinner **Manav Suthar** equalled a 131-year-old record by claiming three wickets for Warwickshire against Glamorgan in a County Championship Division One match without conceding a run. England's Tom Hayward did it first playing for Leicestershire against Surrey in 1895. He bowled only 15 balls across two innings.

WAYNE'S WORLD: FITTER AND FIGHTER

Implementing new fitness test, reducing injuries & private session with two gynaecologists: Why women's hockey team could be dark horses

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Bengaluru

WITHIN the first two months of Wayne Lombard's reintroduction back into the women's hockey programme late last year, the head of athletic performance wanted the players to understand their bodies better. So, he ensured a session between the players and two gynaecologists.

The South African picks up the story. "It wasn't a behind-closed-doors session where none of us male staff were there, we did it in January, I think," he tells this daily in a call from Japan. "They (the players) were able to ask as many questions as possible about anything relating to female physiology, anatomy, etc., etc. I think that was a really good call — I'm assuming here because I wasn't part of the meeting obviously — but I think that it was good for the girls to come out and ask questions that they might not want to ask in a public environment where there are other male coaches around or something. And I think that was a good thing."

In isolation, it may not sound like a major thing. But this is one of the many things Lombard, who began his second innings with the women's hockey team after Sjoerd Marijne was re-appointed at the fag-end of last year, has helped institute. All of these changes — some of them revealed for the first time — is what has helped them become unlikely contenders to win gold at upcoming Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya. The gold carries a greater prize too: automatic spot in the 2028 Games at Los Angeles.

For years, Lombard, and the entire S&C community across the globe, were big fans of the yo-yo test. Not anymore. Even as the world had moved away from it over the last few years, the women's hockey team were still caught in the past. One of the first things Lombard changed was to introduce the 30-15 intermittent fitness test.

Lombard explains the whole process as well as the rationale behind implementing this. "Basically, you're running for 30 seconds, resting for 15 over a



Wayne Lombard (left), Ciara Yila (centre) and Rodet Yila after India women's Nations Cup title win in June in New Zealand | SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

40-meter shuttle instead of a 20-meter shuttle," he says. Basically, you run to voluntary fatigue, or we pull you out of the test and give you the same numbers. It's just over a slightly longer distance, so I feel it gives us a bit more of an accurate proxy for something called maximum aerobic speed and probably a little bit, I wouldn't say easier, but better for your slightly slower players who struggle to accelerate over five meters or so. It gives them a bit more time over the 20-meter shuttle to get a bit more of an accurate measure of aerobic capacity than what your test might be. It's a similar concept.

It's such a change in process.

"Yeah, so when I came in, they were still doing the yo-yo, and I preferred to go into the 30-15 now. I think in the past, the yo-yo was standard. The thing with the yo-yo is that there's a lot more data on hockey in the yo-yo, so it's an easier test to compare. However, you can convert the 30-15 data to get an idea with that, because ultimately, it's an aerobic test, and the more you run, the fitter you are."

World Cup high

That fitness and endurance is what carried the team to a fifth-place finish at the World Cup in the Netherlands and Belgium. They were quicker than almost every other team. But they were also quicker than an older version of themselves. Lombard, who has access to the raw fitness data on an everyday basis, is intimate about the side's developmental curve, from a fitness point of view.

"They, for sure, are in a bet-

ter space," he says. "But I think the most important thing is the consistency of performance now. So what I did see now in the World Cup, or in the Nations Cup specifically, is we are able to perform match in and match out at the same intensity as what we would expect them to do in one match. It's easy to go and play one game and do a whole lot of running and be physical, etc. But can you do it in five, six, seven games within a tournament structure? And I think that's the biggest difference. So you would have seen in the World Cup, Australia wasn't our best game. We needed a win there, but we drew it. But we bounced back really well against one of the best teams in the world, against Germany. And I think we just, one, we outplayed them technically and tactically, (but I think we physically) just outplayed them completely. I mean, our counter-attacks in the three goals we scored was testament to the work that the players had put in. And we were just too fast for them in the end, I felt."

But before the gynaecology sessions and before implementing an entirely new fitness test as a way of measuring the players, what he saw was the number of injuries. That, he felt, had to be reduced immediately. "The biggest change, I think, or the biggest thing that we needed to look at when I came into the team, there was a long list, laundry list of injuries in this team," he explains. "That was my number one priority. We needed to get this under control because for this team to be successful, or any team to be successful, you need your best players on the park as much as possible. That wasn't happening."

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INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

IF doping led to embarrassing withdrawals in recent times, injuries are the latest bane in Indian sports. Days before the Asian Games in Nagoya, spate of withdrawals due to injuries and lack of form compounded matters. If a wushu player was dropped at the last moment, even after getting her kit, three from athletics were dropped because of injuries and one because of adverse findings. One top weightlifter, who was part of the Asian Games squad, too was dropped from the team.

Fitness has been one area Sports Authority of India (SAI) has been concentrating on after Glasgow Commonwealth Games, where athletes could not participate or performed below their potential because of injury. It is understood that SAI wanted fitness of athletes to be assessed before embarking on the Games journey.

C Rishikanta Singh, the lone male weightlifter withdrew from the Games citing sore

Wushu: Divyanshi's dreams shattered

Just a few days ago, things were rosy for wushu player Divyanshi. Set to take part in what would have been her first Asian Games, the 18-year-old from Kota, Rajasthan, was dreaming about Japan. In a cruel twist of fate, though, her dreams were shattered on Thursday as she was dropped from the team on medical grounds by the SAI. Instead, senior pro Naorem Roshibina Devi, whom Divyanshi had beaten during the trials, was included in her place. "I'm tired of this... I have been mentally harassed so much. Since June, July, they have been after me because she (Roshibina) wanted to go. Given that I beat her, why is it a problem for her now," Divyanshi said in a video message. Wushu Association of India CEO Suhel Ahmed said, "She was deemed medically unfit. She has some ligament issue. SAI had done a medical test on her during the camp."

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knee. He apparently wrote to the Weightlifting Federation of India about his knee which was assessed by Asian Games' chief medical officer Dinshaw Pardiwala after the Commonwealth Games. It is understood that the CWG silver medallist in the

60kg weight category has a sore left knee and has been advised at least 20 days of rehabilitation. Currently, he is doing rehabilitation in his home state Manipur. Now, the number of lifters at the Games is four instead of five. Athletics Federa-

tion of India spokesperson Adille Sumariwalla confirmed to this daily that at least four athletes have been dropped because of injury or non-performance. Last Asian Games gold medallist javelin thrower Annu Rani is one such casualty. "She has been dropped from the team because of non-performance and she has not attained the qualification mark," Sumariwalla told this daily after the selection committee met on Friday. The woman javelin thrower had the season's best on Thursday — 57.50m, which was below the Asian Games qualifying mark of 57.62m.

Sprinter Nithya Gandhi too has been dropped because of injury and non-performance. Shahnava Khan, who won bronze at the recently held U20 World Championships, has been dropped because of injury. However, Jyothi Yarraji who has been carrying a niggle since the Bhubaneswar World Athletics Silver meet, has been cleared for the Games.

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Asiad: Rishikanta & 4 from athletics out

Siraj finds old self, one over at a time

GOMESH S @ Chennai

"IN my 10-year career, I had never taken two full months off," Mohammed Siraj tried to explain about the last month where he had struggled to find his old self. He had spent a little over three days of play at the MA Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai, during the Duleep Trophy final. Having bowled 41 overs across two innings for South Zone, understandably he looks spent.

Right from the second Test in Sri Lanka and through the course of the final, where he returned wicketless in first innings before taking 1/47 in the second against East Zone, questions were raised over his form, rhythm, pace and why Siraj is not bowling like the Siraj the cricketing world knows.

It is not that the 32-year-old does not know what went wrong. In fact, he is very much aware of it. Siraj, like many of his generation, comes from the mold of fast bowlers who have trained their bodies to put down the overs regularly to be in rhythm.

So, when he is not finding that zone, the only way for him to get out of the rut is to run in all day and get the overs in. His body might now be feeling like it. The conditions may be hot, humid and the pitch may be flat and Siraj would still show up and try his best by giving his all in his bowling. That is just how

he operates. So, when he had a two-month-long break after the Indian Premier League — Siraj is a Test regular but not so much in other formats — the Hyderabad pacer's body struggled to cope with it. "Every bowler's body is different, but mine doesn't handle long breaks well. A short breather is fine, but in my 10-year career, I had never taken two full months off. I was working out in the gym and bowling occasionally, but no amount of practice can replicate match intensity. It was a new experience, but a valuable learning curve for me going forward," Siraj explained.

Not getting two months off in ten years might seem exaggerated, but it is not. Since his Test

debut in 2020, Siraj has bowled the second-most number of overs (1640) across formats as a pacer, only behind Mitchell Starc (1795.2). And that is despite Siraj not playing in every ODI and T20I series over the last couple of years.

So, when he came back from a prolonged break to play Tests in Sri Lanka, it took time for him to get the rhythm back. The 32-year-old reiterated that only the individual knows their body best and for him, the more he bowls, the better he gets. "I'm purely a rhythm bowler. If I'm not in sync, I simply can't explode through the crease. That was the struggle in Sri Lanka — my run-up felt disjointed. Some strides were too short, others were too long, and that broke my flow and cost me pace. "Heading into this game, finding that flow was my primary goal. Playing this match (Duleep) helped tremendously. After two months off, your body doesn't react the same way. Getting through this game got my body moving again and brought my rhythm right back. If I don't bowl extended spells, my rhythm won't return. The break left my body feeling sluggish at the crease, so I told both myself and Tilak (Varma) that I wanted to bowl as long as possible. I bowled spells of 10 and 11 overs, and that's exactly what got me back into rhythm," he elaborated.

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Sabalenka books title clash with Rybakina

AGENCIES @ New York

ARYNA Sabalenka stormed past Jessica Pegula in straight sets on Thursday to keep her bid for a rare US Open three-peat on track, booking a championship showdown with Elena Rybakina. Sabalenka was simply unstoppable in a 7-5, 6-2 victory on Arthur Ashe Stadium, where she beat Pegula en route to US Open victories in 2024 and 2025. Rybakina battled back to beat 2023 champion Coco Gauff 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

In Saturday's final, the Kazakh will try to deal Sabalenka another blow after her run to the semi-finals ensured she will end the Belarusian's reign atop the world rankings. Sabalenka pounded third-seeded Pegula remorselessly with her powerful groundstrokes. "I was super desperate," said Sabalenka, who has had a slow summer since back-to-back wins at Indian Wells and Miami in March.

"The mentality was just I'm ready. I'm ready for whatever it's going to take to get the win," Sabalenka added after producing her best performance of the tournament to snuff out Pegula's dream of a first ever Grand Slam title.

Rybakina, who beat Sabalenka in the Australian Open final in January to claim her second Grand Slam title, said she would need to raise her level to do the same in Flushing Meadows.

"I feel like I definitely need to step my game up, serve much better than today and stay aggressive," Rybakina said.

Gauff meanwhile was left reflecting on the fine margins of the defeat. "It honestly came down to a couple of service games of mine in both sets and I didn't quite hold," Gauff said. Results: Women's A Sabalenka bt J Pegula 7-5, 6-2; E Rybakina bt C Gauff 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Had lots of sleepless nights: Humpy on criticism

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Bengaluru

KONERU Humpy still remembers a discussion in their house when her daughter, after a geography lesson at school, chimed in. "Mumma," Humpy recounts to this daily on the sidelines of the Global Chess League (GCL) in the city, "when a volcano has just erupted, people are advised to move away from it. Nobody is encouraged to go near it. So why are you discussing going to a place where there is a war?"

It was one of the many points of view which helped her in making a decision to withdraw from the women's Candidates.

Bayern cruise, dream start for Como

AGENCIES @ Manchester

MANCHESTER United celebrated their return to the Champions League with a 4-0 thrashing of Sabah on Thursday, as Cesc Fabregas's Como impressed on their debut in Europe's premier club competition. Harry Kane and Michael Olise, with a brace, both scored in the week that they were nominated for the Ballon d'Or as Bayern Munich were made to work before Bodo/Glimt's second-half collapse in a 5-0 rout.

Matheus Cunha scored his first goal of the season while



The tournament in Cyprus, eventually won by another Indian (R Vaishali), was one of the biggest chess events of the year. Humpy, like others, had dedicated the last two years of her life in the hope of qualifying for the 2026 edition.

Once she qualified via the circuit, she hunkered down.

She spent the best part of two months preparing openings, novelties and tricks against seven different opponents. Even though she had been a world champion in another format (Rapid; twice), becoming world champion in Classical carries a different gravitas. Having played the final once in 2011, she had been determined to give it another shot.

But as soon as war broke out between the US and Iran in the fag end of February — Cyprus wasn't an active participant to it but its geographical proximity as well as the presence of a British base made it vulnerable — Humpy began to worry. "If the choice was between family

and profession," the 39-year-old, part of the Alpine APL Pipers team in the fourth edition, says, "it's always family. We had a general discussion at home. Post the discussion, the decision they had taken was unanimous. I don't think there was anything wrong in my decision."

Even if the decision did upset her, what really caused 'the sleepless nights' was how people reacted to it. "I saw some of the comments, it caused me some sleepless nights. It did affect me for a few months." Results: Ganges Gandmasters bt Mumbai Masters, APL Pipers bt FYERS American Gambits, Tiruvelli Continental Kings bt PBG Alaskan Knights

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Viraj Madappa (3rd from right), H Shankar, MD, CPCL (3rd from left), Kannan, Director, Operations, CPCL (2nd from left), Venkatesh, Director, Technical, CPCL (left), Adi Saravanan, as associate secretary, TNFG (2nd from right) & Vikas Singh, chief business officer, DP World PGTI (right) | EXPRESS

Good to see Kapil as prez: Viraj

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

VIRAJ Madappa overturned a three-shot deficit with a bogey-free eight-under 64 to win the ₹1 crore Chennai Open 2026 by one stroke at the TNFG Cosmo Golf Course on Friday.

While acknowledging that golf

has exponentially grown, Viraj believes Kapil Dev's as PGTI president is a boon. "Kapil Dev is a legend in his sport, and he's been doing a lot of good things for golf in India. He's been instrumental in helping us get some big names (to participate).

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Thousands are in harm's way. A study published in June 2026 by scientists from the Chinese Academy of Sciences says it mapped 2,377 glacial lakes in the China-Nepal Himalayas and found that their total area increased by 27% between 1992 and 2022. The researchers identified 76 potentially dangerous glacial lakes

S V KRISHNA CHAITANYA @Tatopani (Nepal-China border)

THE road to Nepal's northern gateway with China is less a highway than a precarious line etched into the mountainside.

On one side, the slope rises almost vertically, scarred by fresh landslides and piles of loose rock. On the other, the Bhote Koshi plunges through a deep gorge. The Araniko Highway narrows repeatedly into rough tracks where trucks crawl over freshly dumped stones, while excavators work below unstable slopes. A single mistake, another spell of intense rain or a fresh slope failure can sever the only road linking this part of Nepal to China.

This is the landscape through which *The New Indian Express* travelled towards Tatopani-Liping, one of Nepal's principal China trade gateways, where fear has acquired a new dimension after the catastrophic rock-ice avalanche and flood that devastated the Rasuwagadhi corridor on August 26. The road itself is already warning enough. Sections have repeatedly subsided into the Bhote Koshi, while landslides at several points have cut traffic for days and weeks. In August, China temporarily closed the Tatopani crossing because of landslide risks on the Nepali side. Upstream, another question hangs over the valley: What happens if an unstable glacial lake or a collapsing glacier-fed slope unleashes another sudden flood into the Bhote Koshi? The fear is not of one confirmed "water bomb" sitting immediately above Tatopani. It is of a wider chain of hazards, including expanding glacial lakes, unstable ice, steep rock slopes, landslides and rivers that can rapidly transform a relatively small high-altitude failure into a devastating debris-laden flood.

For the people living here, however, the danger is not something they need a scientific paper to explain. They have watched the river take homes. They have watched the highway



Bahrabise market along Bhote Koshi river, about 26 km from the Nepal-China border

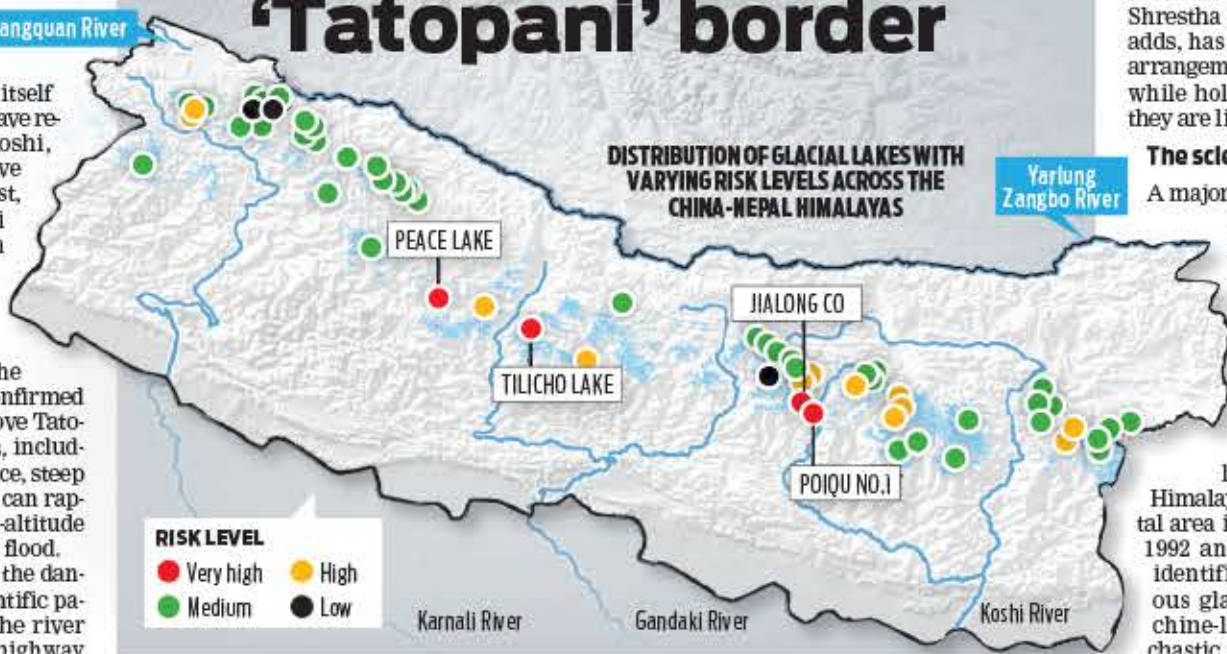


A hydropower plant and one under construction plant, all nested inside



The highly landslide-prone Araniko-Kodari highway as it nears the international border

Himalayan water BOMB TICKING over Nepal-China 'Tatopani' border



disappear. And now they have watched Rasuwagadhi disappear.

Living in constant fear

The vulnerability becomes particularly evident at Bahrabise, the major market area along the route and a settlement built in the flood-prone valley. Hemantha Shrestha, a local businessman and politician from Bahrabise, points out the extent of the settlement and its importance to the surrounding communities. "This market is 300 years old. It's a historical market," he says, recalling the last major Bhote Koshi flood. Seven houses standing along the riverbank were swept away, he says.

"When the Trishuli flood came here, the local people were very scared. They are very troubled, but there is no alternative place," Shrestha says. The government, he adds, has not made any alternative arrangements for them to live. "Even while holding fear in their hearts, they are living right here," he says.

The science behind the fear

A major research paper published in June 2026 by scientists from the Chinese Academy of Sciences provides a sobering picture of the China-Nepal Himalayas.

The study, published in *Advances in Climate Change Research*, mapped 2,377 glacial lakes in the China-Nepal Himalayas and found that their total area increased by 27% between 1992 and 2022. The researchers identified 76 potentially dangerous glacial lakes and used machine-learning models and stochastic inundation simulations to



2,377 glacial lakes mapped across the China-Nepal Himalayas

27% rise in lake area from 199.07 sq km in 1992 to 252.87 sq km in 2022

19.9% rise in lake numbers from 1,983 to 2,377 over three decades

76 potentially dangerous lakes assessed for GLOF susceptibility in the study region

18 highest-risk lakes 4 very high risk + 14 high risk, requiring priority mitigation

50-km impact corridor: most modelled potential flood zones extend up to 50 km downstream

260.38 km of roads exposed within potential inundation zones

9.35 km of bridges exposed, including critical connectivity infrastructure

9 hydropower projects exposed

The corrected assessment identified nine facilities in potential flood zones

1981 warning: Over 200 killed - the Crenmaco GLOF destroyed the China-Nepal Friendship Bridge, highway and Sun Koshi hydropower plant

assess their hazard and downstream exposure.

The numbers are striking, with 68.42% of the potentially dangerous lakes classified as very-high hazard and another 27.63% as high hazard. In other words, 96.05% were placed in the high or very-high hazard categories. Four lakes were ultimately classified as very-high risk and 14 as high risk.

The study's warning is particularly relevant to this corridor because it does not look only at the lakes themselves. It also maps what lies downstream, including buildings, roads, bridges and hydropower facilities. The Poiqu river basin on the Chinese side feeds the river system that runs through Khasa (Zhangmu) and crosses into Nepal at the Tatopani-Liping corridor, where it becomes the Bhote Koshi. The basin has witnessed major glacial lake outburst floods

This reporter saw the towering buildings of China's Khasa bazaar, which were earlier destroyed in 2015 earthquake. The researchers found that potential flood pathways intersect with 260.38 km of roads, 9.35 km of bridges and nine hydropower facilities. That is the vulnerability visible from the Araniko Highway.

There are no wide evacuation corridors here. There are no alternate highways running parallel to the valley. Houses, hotels, shops, power infrastructure and the international trade route are compressed between mountain slopes and the river.



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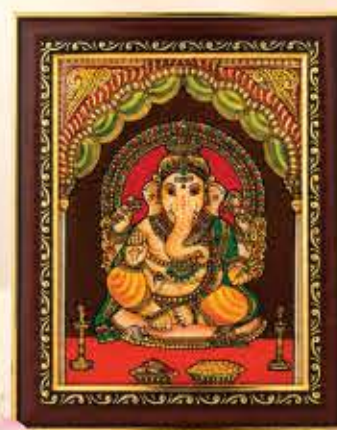


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CHEERS TO THE CHAMPIONS

After East Zone team members won the Duleep Trophy 2026, they made rounds thanking fans at the MA Chidambaram Cricket Stadium on Thursday. JASHWIN PRASATH

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CRISPY CRUNCHY VADAS

INGREDIENTS

- Soaked sabudana: ½ cup
- Cilantro (chopped): 2 tbsp
- Lemon juice: 2 tbsp
- Boiled and mashed potatoes: 1 cup
- Salt: 1 tsp
- Green chilli (chopped): 1 tbsp
- Oil for frying

METHOD

- Take a large bowl. Add the soaked sabudana along with all the other ingredients and mix everything with a spatula.
- Divide the mixture into ten equal round parts and slightly flatten them.
- Heat oil on medium heat in a kadai and add vadas one by one.
- Fry vadas on medium heat till golden brown on both sides.
- Drain on a paper towel and serve hot with a dollop of coconut chutney on the side.



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FESTIVITIES AND FITNESS: STRIKING A BALANCE

Festivals in India are a time of joy, community, and indulgence. From shopping and gifting to endless rounds of sweets and savouries, food often takes centre stage in our celebrations. But along with the excitement, many health-conscious people also carry a sense of guilt. Missing a workout, overeating or straying from clean eating can feel like setbacks. The truth is, fitness doesn't have to come at the cost of festive cheer. With some balance and mindful choices, you can enjoy the celebrations while staying on track with your health goals. Here are ten practical ways to do just that.

START YOUR MORNINGS WELL:

Eat a wholesome breakfast and move your body, even if it's just 15-20 minutes of stretching, yoga, or a short walk. A good start keeps energy levels stable through the day.

PLAN MEALS AHEAD: Festive days are often packed with errands. Setting aside time in the morning to prepare simple meals helps avoid impulsive snacking or ordering food when hunger strikes.

STAY ACTIVE IN SMALL WAYS: You may not fit in a long workout, but you can build activity into your day — take the stairs, walk to nearby shops, or simply put on music and dance.

DON'T SKIP MEALS: Skipping meals to "save calories" often backfires and leads to overeating later. Stick to your usual eating schedule to keep cravings in check.

TRY CALORIE CYCLING: Instead of strict calorie counting, balance festive indulgence with lighter meals on other days. This flexible approach makes celebrations guilt-free.

CHOOSE HEALTHIER SNACKS:

Go for nutrient-rich options such as roasted chana, trail mix, or sweets made with dates and dry fruits instead of store-bought fried snacks.

COOK AT HOME WHEN POSSIBLE: Making sweets at home gives you control over ingredients and portion size. It can also become a fun family tradition.

PRACTICE MINDFUL EATING: Don't rush. Enjoy every bite, chew slowly, and listen to your body. Mindful eating helps manage portions naturally.

PRIORITISE SLEEP: Festive schedules can be hectic, but cutting back on rest affects energy and decision-making. Aim for a good night's sleep or short naps to recharge.

MODERATE YOUR DRINKS: If you're drinking, pace yourself and alternate with water. Lighter choices make it easier to stick to healthier food habits the next day.

Fitness is about long-term consistency, not short-term perfection. A few mindful changes can let you celebrate fully while protecting the progress you've made.



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• WHEN: Till September 13
• WHERE: Sri Sankara Hall, TTK Road



Ganesha in all forms

Ahead of Vinayakar Chaturthi, Shri Ganesh Crafts Utsav, an exhibition-cum-sale, is being organised by the Tamil Nadu Handicrafts Artisans Welfare Association. Items on display and sale include traditional Tanjore paintings, bronze icons, brass lamps and artefacts, wood and stone carving, rosewood and wooden pooja mandapam, rosewood inlay, decorative artifacts, gift articles, sculptures, and more.
• WHEN: Till September 21, 10.30 am to 8.30 pm
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Artsy explorations

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LOST IN THOUGHT

A young girl looks on with curiosity, her thoughtful gaze leaving a story to be imagined in Sathya Narayanan's latest work.

DR C SELVI

ALTHOUGH we might know how smoking is detrimental to respiratory ailments as well as cancer, the impact of this habit on fertility has not been overlooked either. However, if one's focus is entirely on the dangers associated with one's ability to reproduce, then they tend to ignore the underlying dangers involved in smoking.

Systemic Impact of smoking

Toxic compounds that get into the blood system are nicotine, carbon monoxide, and tar. They are transported to the blood and circulated to many different organs and processes. Nicotine causes the narrowing of blood vessels and so decreases the amount of oxygen supplied to the blood. Inhaling carbon monoxide diminishes the blood's ability to transport oxygen. This will eventually cause damage to cells throughout the body in men and women over a period of time.

Cardiovascular and respiratory consequences

Smoking has a major impact on both the heart and lungs of men and women, although this can occur at different rates and pose different risk factors. For women, it has long been known that their risk of developing conditions such as heart disease are increased by smoking; more recently it has been discovered that these are probably linked to the effects of smoking on the hormonal system causing damage to blood vessels and leading to poor circulation and symptoms of breathlessness on even mild exertion. Conversely, for men, smoking increases the probability of them suffering a heart attack or stroke at a younger age to non-smokers, as well as increasing the speed at which plaques deposit in the arteries. It also has a depressant effect on lung capacity, which raises the risk of developing chronic bronchitis.

Common symptoms

- Breathlessness
- Persistent coughing
- Poor stamina
- Fatigue during routine activities
- Impact on skin, immunity, and ageing

Smoking has a potentiating effect on aging and immune suppression in men and women, but the early signs of this differ. Women tend to show signs of photoaging and loss of skin firmness due to degradation of collagen, wrinkles, and rough, blotchy complexion. Shift in the hormonal balance increases the risk of osteoporosis. Men are less likely to show ageing that is



Smoking can influence the progression of menopause; it affects the motility and decreasing amount of sperm in the males — Dr C Selvi

SMOKING AFFECTS MORE THAN JUST FERTILITY

The underlying dangers involved with smoking range from an increase in toxic compounds in the blood to disruption of brain chemistry



visibly apparent, but the reduced ability to heal burns and wounds, increased risk of infection, and the delayed ageing process will be damaging to later health. However, smoking weakens immune defence and increases the risk of serious disease in both.

Neurological, mental health effects

Nicotine impacts brain chemistry and mental health in complicated ways for women and men. In women, smoking can more frequently cause a vulnerabil-

ity to anxiety, variation in moods, and intense dependence on nicotine because of hormonal sensitivities. Sleep patterns are also more likely to be disturbed in women. In men, smoking is more likely to trigger feelings of frustration and represent a predetermined method of using nicotine to alleviate mental stress. Long-term, it can lead to a decrease in cognitive focus and be harmful to emotional regulation.

Hormonal and reproductive disruptions

Smoking in women alters the estrogen levels of the body. This disruption results in the alteration of the female reproductive system and leads to irregular bleeding or altered menstrual cycles (menstrual cycle disturbances). Smoking can also influence the progression of menopause; with early menopause occurring sooner, earlier deterioration of ovarian function, and therefore, a decrease in ovarian reserve. These hormonal imbalances too have an impact on various physical and emotional effects on the body. Smoking affects the motility and decreasing amount of sperm in the males. Smoking causes a disturbance of testosterone levels which then has a broad hormonal imbalance.

Common warning signs

In women:

- Irregular sleep patterns
- Skin dullness and premature aging
- Hormonal mood swings
- Persistent fatigue

In men:

- Reduced stamina and physical endurance
- Frequent respiratory issues
- Decreased concentration
- Chronic tiredness

Prevention and risk reduction

The most proven method of reversing the damage caused by tobacco smoke is to stop smoking, although there may be slight differences. For women, labour intensive alternate methods of balancing hormones such as yoga and mindfulness practice to cope with a nutritional deficiency may be effective in stopping smoking, increasing calcium levels, regulating diet, and heavy screening examinations are also imperative to follow through with. For men, structured programmes in conjunction with sports should be incorporated into recovery for front court recognition of the heart/lung functions.

To sum up, it is found that behavioural counselling, prescribed nicotine replacement products, reduction of smoking triggers, and healthy lifestyle changes are commonly known to be effective in the general preventive habits.

(The writer is a consultant. Interventional, transplant pulmonologist & ILD specialist, Kauvery Hospitals, Vadapalani, Chennai.)

CHENNAI DIGEST



International Biodiversity Recognition for Ramco

The ecological restoration of the limestone mine in Pandalgudi, in Virudhunagar District, carried out by Ramco Cements, has been awarded the Advanced Certification by The Global Biodiversity Standard (TGBS), the first site to be recognised in Peninsular India. It now stands alongside other certified restoration sites of the world, such as the Jane Goodall Institute and Ecosia's work in Uganda and the restoration project of Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden in Hong Kong. The certification also ensures that the work is positively contributing to the local communities of the area.



BMEG bags two awards

Bharat Media & Entertainment Group (BMEG) has been named both Agency of the Year and Best Startup of the Year at the e4m Indian Marketing Awards South 2026. BMEG was built inside VerSe Innovation on a single bet: that fifteen years spent learning exactly how India reads, scrolls, watches, and shares could be turned into a discipline for building brands, not just platforms. No inherited network. No legacy client list. Just six capabilities working as one team instead of six departments, offered to brands willing to bet on it early. Earlier, BMEG was named Design Specialist Agency of the Year at the ABBY Awards 2026.

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RAKSHITHA PRIYA G

OUR feet carry 100 per cent of our body weight when we stand. Thus, arming them with the right footwear is a delicate and important task to do. The everyday visuals of a child running barefoot on a road on a hot, sultry afternoon, while another one just wanders around with a pair of worn-out slippers, and a few babies slipping into big shoes as they start to walk come prancing through our minds when we think about slippers. For Class 12 student Arhan Reddy, these small moments snowballed into the idea for EcoSteps, an initiative that turns discarded Ethylene Vinyl Acetate (EVA) waste into slippers for underprivileged children.

Inception of an Innovation

The idea for EcoSteps clicked for Arhan during a conversation with Irshad Ahmed Mecca of Farida Group, who spoke about the excess EVA waste generated at their footwear factory in Ambur and the possibilities of repurposing it.

Arhan's first step was to visit the factory and understand how the materials were processed. "In September 2025, I went there and understood the process of slipper making," he shares. He watched the waste being pulverised, turned into pellets, and prepared for production.

However, the idea found its social purpose only later. Before his second visit to the factory, Arhan was walking around Chennai with his friends. He recalls, "I got a quick glimpse of children walking barefoot on the road and understood that they were not in a good condition," he says. So the EcoSteps initiative was completed with the aim of "recycling EVA and making slippers that can be donated to underprivileged children to help them with their daily life."

Irshad's son Armaan Mecca, who manufactures the products says, "It takes a lot of hard work and vision from Arhan to connect the dots and take it further."



Arhan presenting a pair to KA Sengottaiyan

'Sole'utions to simple needs

Cementing the goal

What followed was nearly a year-long process of factory visits, testing, and sampling. Arhan learnt, in detail, about slipper making, while also working with the team at Farida Group to increase the recycled EVA composition from 19% to 27%.

Yet, turning waste into wearable footwear came with its own challenges. The composition of the raw materials had to be carefully balanced to ensure that the slipper remained comfortable and practical while also being affordable enough to produce at scale. "The composition of the compound itself is like a recipe you make. Anything you increase or decrease has an impact on the hardness, on the comfort, or even the overall cost," explains Armaan.

Arhan also visited two or three orphanages in Chennai, collecting foot-

size data from around 750 children to determine the size of the footwear. He interviewed nearly 100 children on what they would want their slippers to look like. Some even drew their own designs.

Now that the gathered data has resulted in 2,000 pairs of slippers, Arhan plans to distribute 200 pairs every week to different orphanages in and around Chennai.

The initiative was formally inaugurated by Minister for Revenue and Disaster Management, KA Sengottaiyan, who was presented with one of the first pairs of slippers. The interaction also opened up possibilities for EcoSteps to expand beyond disadvantaged children. "The minister said that there are 10 lakh impoverished people to whom we can supply slippers," says Arhan, who hopes to grow the initiative with support from the government and his school's NGO partner in Kannagi Nagar.



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EXPRESS VIEWS

SCINTILLATING SAIL DESPITE SOME TURBULENCE

AKSHAY KUMAR

NOTHING unites or divides people like sports. As a popular saying goes, "Sports do not build character, they reveal it." Sports have the potential to bring out the best and worst in people. Director Mathimaran Pugazhendhi has delivered a highly competent film with *Mandaadi* that marries an unforgiving and unfamiliar sport of boat racing with emotional complexities. Barring minor dips, the film stays on course and cruises through its runtime. *Mandaadi* begins with Maari (Mithun Jai Shankar) attacking Sattapuli's (Suhas) son during a temple festival. Scenes later, the connection between the present conflict and its origin 20 years ago involving Muthukaali (Soori) is revealed. Soon, Muthukaali



Director: Mathimaran Pugazhendhi
Cast: Soori, Suhas, Mahima Nambiar, Sathyaraj

MANDAADI

too gets stymied in the present-day mess, and that offers him an opportunity to alight his emotional baggage. Of course, that opportunity comes with newer challenges. For any sports drama, the job is half done if the makers craft the sporting sequences well. *Mandaadi* wins big in this aspect for multiple reasons. The way the water sport was captured was breathtaking, and so were the stunts accompanying it. What was also refreshing is the lack of familiarity with the game. The rules of the sport, the ways chances of either team could be spoiled, and the possibility of serious injuries and loss of life were both food for thought and delivered cinematic highs. But there were also spaces where it seemed the writers were carried away and over-excited, like the audience, thereby dramatising some of these sequences a tad excessively. Also, the already

predictable mischief of the Tsunami Riders (led by Sattapuli) team during the game-play against Mugavai Maindhans (led by Muthukaali) looks less threatening after a point. The final game in the climax has every must-have for a sports drama finish. It has the mini climaxes and mini setups and payoffs working for it, but is way too liberal with the use of cinematic liberties. The primary conflict also calls for an interesting analysis. When the film was being promoted, the sport was made the centre of attention, as it is played within a particular geography and is less

known. As mentioned before, the lack of familiarity makes this sport primarily attractive. With that being the case, discussing the commercialisation of the sport to the point of drawing parallels with sporting events like IPL and loss of opportunities for local players seems a stretch and runs counter to the fact that the sport is unique to Ramanathapuram district. Instead, the drama surrounding the sport, like Muthukaali's redemption and Saattapuli's desperation to stay on top, should have been the primary focus. Having said that, the film scores in its politics of stressing the utility of the race and promotion of traditional sailing through it.

The film also instills pride, pointing to the genius of Tamil fishermen who introduced the sport centuries ago, with a motive to help them brush up on their skills, like adjusting the sails and planks according to the wind direction. The emphasis, not in an on-your-face manner, by the makers to not let go of this sport is also effective given the dominance of diesel-powered fibre boats in modern-day fishing activities. Apart from the messaging, Tsunami, its aftermath, and the introduction of fibre boats were well-woven into the narration. Just when you think the film promotes a Luddite lifestyle, Matchamuni (Sathyaraj) tells us that the sport will come a long way in the day-to-day life of a fisherman when he finds himself marooned due to various reasons.

Soori looks exceptional as Muthukaali. Carrying too many labels like a fantastic team player, traitor, and murderer attached to him, and eventually breaking down, Soori's emotional arc was brilliant. His stunts and other adventures are largely believable except in a few places where it looks like it is too soon for him to make certain superheroic feats convincing. His sombre countenance would have gone to waste if the flashback was even a bit slippery in demystifying who Muthukaali really was and what made him who he is today. Inadequacy, not a raw deal, is how you could describe Suhas' Saattapuli. His launching a fibre boat company under his father's name to gain the respect his family was denied, and trampling on everyone possible in his pursuit of respect, is a solid antagonist idea on paper. However, Suhas does all the heavy lifting in justifying Saattapuli's feelings of betrayal and insecurity, where the writing too should have supported him ably. Sathyaraj as Matchamuni is a tailor-made 'Pertiya Manushan' (Kingpin) character. Just like Suhas, Sathyaraj too does an impressive job with his role, which the writing fails to do. Mahima Nambiar fits the bill of Angel Rakkamma, whose arc from resentment to reconciliation is neatly structured. Mithun Jai Shankar as Maari has done a good job otherwise, except for his forced *Chak De India*-like insubordinate-player streak.

Filmmaker Mathimaran Pugazhendhi can take a bow for making a highly engaging film that deftly introduces a new sport and makes up for the familiar final finish of a sports drama. *Mandaadi* never settles down just by being inventive with the sport it is set around. With powerful performances, emotional exchanges and cultural documentation, the film renews the bond between the sea and the fisherfolk, with the rest making the narrative slips negligible. That's the biggest trophy *Mandaadi* wins.



Keanu Reeves to lead *Kill Current*

JOHN Wick star Keanu Reeves is set to headline yet another action thriller, an adaptation of Oliver Lowe's upcoming novel *Kill Current: A Jon Hendricks Thriller*. He is also producing the film with Alexandra Grant under the Two Dragonflies banner, and Erik Feig's The Arena. *Kill Current* is the first of other novels in the upcoming thriller series that follows the burned-out CIA officer Jon Hendricks. He is pulled back into the spy world again to avenge the protégé he trained and lost. According to the makers, the film will be a globe-spanning action thriller. Speaking about the upcoming film in a recent interview, Reeves said, "I'm excited and grateful for the opportunity to develop the character Jon Hendricks with these wonderful collaborators." The actor last appeared in *Outcome* this year and in a voice cameo in *Toy Story 5*. His upcoming films include *Shiver*, *Sonic the Hedgehog 4*, and *The Entertainment System Is Down*.

KARTIK BHARDWAJ

PRİYADARSHAN has command over comedies. Sadly, this talent is unintentionally on display in *Haiwaan*, a cat-and-mouse chase thriller featuring a visually-impaired saviour and a psychopathic serial killer. You laugh where you should be scared and are confused where you should be engaged. The screenplay is so stuffed that it spills from the get go. The innumerable and unnecessary song sequences don't help. Akshay Kumar in a nun dress, *Confusing* style, also doesn't help. A remake of Priyadarshan's own Malayalam film *Oppam* (2016), *Haiwaan* stays loyal to the original but still comes out weird. Saif Ali Khan plays Shyam, the building manager of a high-rise housing society in Mumbai. He might be visually-impaired but he has superhero-level senses. He is trained in martial arts and can identify people from their smell and their walk. He is also the Man Friday for a retired judge (Boman Irani) who is a resident in the building. The judge tells him about Parshuram (Akshay Kumar), a man he wrongfully convicted in a rape case which led to the latter's family killing itself and leading him into a mental institution. Now, the psycho Parshuram is out and on the hunt, killing everyone who wronged him along with their families. Shyam is tasked with protecting the judge's secret daughter, who studies in a boarding school. At any given point, there is so much happening in *Haiwaan* that it is tough to join the dots. Plotlines are introduced and then quickly left to dangle. The film, a dark-thriller by the looks of it, has a sweet song in the beginning. Then there is another sweet song featuring Saif Ali Khan and the judge's daughter. Then comes a dance number. There are also forced product placements. Resultant-



A comedy of terrors



Director: Priyadarshan
Cast: Saif Ali Khan, Akshay Kumar, Rajpal Yadav, Sharib Hashmi, Shriya Pilgaonkar, Salyani Kher

HAIWAAN

ly, an already incoherent narrative keeps getting derailed. The film seems to be mounted as a project, given a masala treatment where it should have been a lean and mean psychological thriller. Every scene seems to be staged like a stage play.

Characters don't converse but give context. *Haiwaan* has two big stars of the Hindi film industry locking horns but that excitement doesn't translate on screen. Saif's Shyam is visually-impaired but complete suspension-of-disbelief accurate. At times he felt like a superhuman being. Akshay on the other hand seems to be hamming his way through. His idea of playing a psycho killer is giving a booming villainous cackle, like he is embodying Raavan in a street play. His line delivery invokes not dread but unintentional guffaws. *Haiwaan* picks up a bit in the second half when we have laboured through the scattered screenplay and forced-fitted comic sketches featuring Rajpal Yadav, the late Asrani and Sharib Hashmi. The film becomes more focussed on the battle of brains and brawn between Saif and Akshay but by then your mind has become a muddled mess. You stop caring. Akshay Kumar continues to lurk around Saif, trying to figure out where he might have hidden the judge's daughter. You can think of real-life parallels as Akshay flips a swiss knife in front of Saif, but that's all *Haiwaan* has become by then, a cheap thrill.

PRASHANTH VALLAVAN

TROPES, like social media trends, emerge and re-emerge in cycles. At a time when we are treated to an unrequited barrage of "make yourself look like you're from the 80s" AI-generated posts, *Sardar 2* resurrects a lofty collection of old spy thriller tropes. And much like the 80s nostalgia trend, *Sardar 2* has caught these tropes at a time when the cycle has once again emerged on our fonder side. What was once considered stale is now charming to behold, whether it is a spy and his team going rogue against their organisation, bizarrely shaped keys hidden in curious places, a private army of henchmen, and a villain hell-bent on elaborating his plans before pulling the trigger. *Sardar 2* also infuses its own refreshing take on the genre. For example, it is not often that we see a young trainee spy's skills questioned, morality irreversibly greyed, and innocence sullied. Karthi has a firmer grip on the Sardar character this time around, especially in the sequences set in the 80s. Unlike the slightly more experienced spy in the flashback portions of the original, we see a younger Sardar who has just gotten into RAW. He is more wide-eyed, hopeful, and easily trusting of people. *Sardar 2* offers a number of such charming moments. And yet, it suffers from a problem of excess. It is a gladiator match between several promising ideas where everyone struggles to come out on top. Every interesting idea had its lacklustre counterpart. Throughout the film, we see Sardar being forced to deal with variations of The Trolley Problem, and the associated guilt and disillusionment of his moral core. Sardar's son Viji (a younger Karthi) drifts aimlessly through the story, as a mere vessel to demonstrate various action hero tropes. There is barely any emotional arc or psychological depth to Viji, and so he faces the only viable conclusion most under-

Thematically dense, emotionally thin



Director: PS Mithran
Cast: Karthi, SJ Suryah, Malavika Mohanan, Ashika Ranganath, Rajisha Vijayan

SARDAR 2

developed characters face when the story suddenly realises it hasn't done much with them. We see the brutality of bioweapons and the coldness of international relations in the 80s portions. But it somehow turns into a lesson on 'antibiotic apocalypse', with SJ Suryah's Yogi screaming at us to 'stop eating those juicy up chickens already'. Coming to the 'villain's monologue', they had an effective analogy to convey the convoluted science behind Yogi's ideology, but the extremely didactic lines were stretched to a point where it becomes overwhelming and tedious. It proves that the length of expository dialogue is inversely proportional to the trust the film has in the audience to understand it. Yet, for the most part, how director PS Mithran conveys exposition in the sequel, is vastly more evolved than how it was

handled in the original *Sardar*. The dense, unceasing exposition is just a symptom of a larger issue anyway: thematic abundance. On one hand, it demonstrates the tremendous research that went into building the world. One of the biggest joys of the spy thriller genre is watching the protagonist covertly swipe everyday things like a lightbulb or water bottle and turn them into a weapon. And so it goes for when he casually throws in specific terminologies without feeling the need to explain it, like when Sardar says, "Get me a VLF, you know... Very Low Frequency?" But it would have been effective if he wasn't

giving out such strategies to a senior official. Maybe Malavika Mohanan's Sara, who is trained in neutralising a sophisticated bioweapon, could have come up with that. Understandably, this is to make Sardar look cooler, but maybe he could have shared some of the cool solving-the-mission moments with Sara as well? On the other hand, the thematic abundance, which are borderline indulgent, is detrimental to the seamlessness of the experience and becomes overwhelming to a fault. *Sardar* (2022) was captivating for how it grounded the spy genre to a Tamil common man context. It also dealt with the pain of absolute devotion to a cause even when you have to hide that away from your loved ones. The emotional heart of the original film was still loyal to the father-son relationship. The sequel barely builds on what the original left and treads the same path again. There are several supporting characters serving fragments of several different story purposes; a couple of them could have been merged together, and some of them we wouldn't have noticed the absence of. This fundamental story editing issue unfortunately seeps into the visual editing as well. The result is a film that mistakes impatience for faster pace and is averse to consistent rhythm, leaving us emotionally distant. *Sardar* marks the rare moment in Tamil cinema when we have an original homegrown character with abundant storytelling potential. As a standalone experience, *Sardar 2* is an entertaining watch and is never boring, but deep down, you can feel that Sardar, the spy, has far cooler stories buried inside his files. If only PS Mithran could dig deeper into the vaults.

