

Farmers worried over surge in fertiliser, pesticide prices

M SARAVANAN @ Coimbatore

THE prices of essential chemical fertilizers and pesticides have been steadily rising over the past few weeks, pushing already struggling farmers into deeper crisis. Key fertilisers have seen sharp hikes from end of May to June, in which, a bag of Potash has jumped from ₹1,800 to ₹2,200, Super Phosphate from ₹600 to ₹800, complex fertilisers like Factomfos from ₹1,500 to ₹2,100, and Ammonium Sulphate from ₹950 to ₹1,400.

The rising prices has caused widespread concern as the state approaches critical planting seasons, including the Aadi Pattam and the Kuruvai season in the fertile delta districts.

“Until a few years ago, the union government maintained a Maximum Retail Price (MRP) for all fertilisers and absorbed international price fluctuations through generous subsidies to manufacturers. This shielded farmers from direct impact. However, the system has now been diluted. Only urea and DAP continue to enjoy full price control and heavy subsidy, while other fertilisers receive only a fixed subsidy amount. As a result, any rise in global prices is passed directly on to farmers,” said K Balakrishnan, secretary of agri wing

of Kausika Neerakarangal.

“With farming seasons approaching, the continued price spiral threatens to push many small and marginal farmers into deeper debt. Swift policy intervention from both central and state governments, coupled with support for sustainable practices, is needed to protect farmers,” he said.

Experts and farmer representatives are urging the centre to restore the earlier mechanism by substantially increasing subsidies to fertilizer companies to maintain stable prices for cultivators.

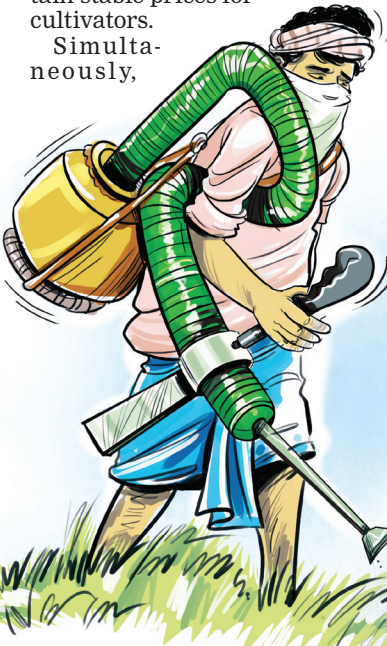
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the state government has been called upon not to treat the issue as solely a central subject. It should raise Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for agricultural produce and actively promote reduced use of chemical fertilizers.

According to farmers associations, farmers should be trained to prepare and use natural on-farm inputs through cost-effective organic methods. They also demanded that the distribution of ineffective ‘organic’ products under various schemes be stopped immediately. Instead, officials from the Department of Agriculture should be trained by premier institutions like ICAR and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU) to effectively disseminate proven low-chemical, high-yield techniques directly at the farm level, they added.

When contacted, agriculture department officials acknowledged the issue, attributing it to the prevailing international situation.

“The government is already providing substantial subsidies on certain fertilisers. While direct intervention to control prices is challenging, we have, launched awareness campaigns under the ‘Khet Bachao Abhiyan’ from June 1 across villages,” an official said.



Farm labourer electrocuted to death in Ammapet

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Erode

A 53-year-old agricultural labourer, engaged in harvesting tapioca in Olayur in Ammapet, was electrocuted to death after a low-tension power line snapped and fell on him on Friday morning.

Police sources said the victim — S Ravi (53) from Sengottai Colony near Guruvareddiur in Anthiyur —



S Ravi

was working on the farmland belonging to M Shanthi (55).

Around 7.40 am on Friday, a low-tension power line running across the field snapped, allegedly after a bird perched on it, and fell on the victim, electrocuting him on the spot, sources added. Though other farmhands rushed Ravi to the Guruvareddiur Primary Health Centre, the doctors declared him dead on arrival. Later, the body was sent to the gov-

ernment hospital in Anthiyur for autopsy. The Ammapet police registered a case and initiated an investigation. A senior TNPDC official from the Gobichettipalayam division told *TNIE*, “A report in this regard has been sought from local officials. We can respond regarding the cause of death only after examining the report.”

Ravi is survived by his wife, Rani (52), and his two children. His wife and son are also agricultural labourers, while his daughter is married and lives in Salem.

32-year-old man dies by electrocution

DHARMAPURI: A 32-year-old man died by electrocution near Theerthamalai in Dharmapuri district on Thursday. S Raja, a labourer from Ellanalli village in Nilgiris district, was working in Theerthamalai. While trying to lift an iron gate, it had accidentally touched a low-lying power line and was electrocuted. ENS

15-yr-old female elephant dies of ill health in STR

ERODE: A 15-year-old female elephant allegedly died of ill health in Jeerahalli forest range, under Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve (STR), in Erode district.

According to sources, a female elephant was found lying in a field, sick and unable to walk, near the forest boundary in Karalavadi village, within the Jeerahalli forest range, on Thursday evening. On information, forest officials and a team of veterinarians provided treatment. However, the elephant succumbed on Friday morning. Following this, a postmortem was conducted.

Speaking to *TNIE*, Yogesh Kumar Garg, Deputy Director of STR (Hasanur Forest Division), said, “The female elephant is probably about 15-years-old and was in an extremely weak condition when we found it. We suspect that it may have died due to ill health. However, full details regarding the death will be known only after the postmortem.” ENS



MP man at Erode mental rehab centre reunited with family after 12 years

P SRINIVASAN @ Erode

A mental health rehabilitation beneficiary from Madhya Pradesh, who was receiving care at a shelter in Talavadi, of Erode district, has reunited with his family after 12 years.

According to the police sources, in 2014, four individuals with mental disorders, including N Ashik Kumar (38), of Babera in Balaghat District in Madhya Pradesh, were found wandering near the court campus in Gobichettipalayam in Erode district. Seeing this, the Lions Club administrators filed a case in court, obtaining an order to place them in a shelter.

Subsequently, when steps were taken to admit them to Nazareth Illam in Talavadi, two of them were taken by their families.

Subsequently, only two people, including Ashik, were admitted to the shelter.

“Through continuous treatment, rehabilitation services, counselling, and compassionate care provided by Nazareth Illam over the years, Ashik gradually recovered and regained stability in his life. Subsequent efforts undertaken by Fr Arun Kumar, Director of the Home to trace his identity and family members proved successful. After 12 years of separation, Ashik is now being formally handed over to his parents and family members, on Friday, marking an emotional and joyful reunion,” a statement by Nazareth Illam said.

“Ashik Kumar comes from a lower-middle class family and he has a younger brother and sister. After completing Class 12, he studied till first year of ITI after which he went missing in 2010. A missing case was registered with the Balaghat

district police in 2010. However, Ashik did not remember how he had come to Gobichettipalayam,” a police officer told *TNIE*.

“He recovered from the treatment he received at the shelter. From the time of admission to the shelter, he had allegedly not spoken to anyone for a long time. So, no one knew what his mother tongue was. Ashik doesn’t know Tamil. He only replied in English, occasionally

with a few words, and that too only over the past few months. Recently, when someone in the shelter spoke in Hindi, Ashik approached him and spoke in Hindi, which is when realisation dawned” the officer added.

“Fr Arun Kumar asked Ashik to write on a sheet in Hindi. Since he did not know Hindi, he uploaded what Ashik had written to AI platform ChatGPT and translated it. Only af-

ter that did he learn the full details about Ashik. Fr Arun Kumar then approached the police of both states for assistance. He was handed over to his family in the presence of Balaghat police officials on Friday after necessary identity verification,” he added.

Fr Arun Kumar, a team of Talavadi police, led by constable A Martin, and administrators of the shelter were present during the event.



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Police officer

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This is to inform the General Public that State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Tamil Nadu has accorded Environmental Clearance for our proposed expansion of Hospital building along with a Nursing college and Residential quarters at S. F. Nos. 102/1A, 102/1B, 102/1C, 102/1D, 102/2, 102/3A1, 702/3A1, 702/3A2, 702/3B, 703/3B1A (Old S.F. No. 703/3B1), 703/3C1, 703/3C2 and 703/4 (Old S.F. No. 703/3B2B) of Kurudampalayam Village, Coimbatore North Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu. The copy of said clearance available at the website https://parivesh.nic.in/certificates/C_REX/5/1217637958/V_0_SIA_TN_INFRA2_566885_2026_1217637959_-signed.pdf

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Whereas, the Authorized Officer of Central Bank of India had taken possession of the following schedule mentioned properties on the dates mentioned below, under sec. 13(4) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, pursuant to the demand notice dated as mentioned below, issued under Sec 13(2) of the said Act, in the following loan accounts with right to sell the same for realization of Bank's dues plus interest as detailed hereunder. And whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues by the borrower / guarantor / mortgagor, the undersigned, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) (a) of the Said Act read with rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the website : <https://baanknet.com>

Branch : Udumalpet Branch. Name of the Loan Account : Borrower : Mrs. Tamilselvi Devaraj, Proprietor of M/s. Greenway Cocos, No.1/52, Kuralkuttai, Udumalpet, Tiruppur District - 642154. Amount Due : Rs.49,92,331.00 as on 11.06.2026 and interest plus other charges thereon. Demand Notice Date : 12.08.2024. Physical Possession taken on : 07.11.2024. Description / Schedule of Property : Property-1 : In Tiruppur Registration District, Udumalpet Sub Registration District, Udumalpet Taluk, In Chinnaveerampatti Village, Vetrivel Nagr Extension Site No.34 in Old S.F.No.36/1 New Sub Division S.F. No 36/1A in this an extent of 1750 Sq.ft of land. Reserve Price : Rs.18,50,000/- EMD : Rs.1,85,000/- Bid Increase Amount : Rs.1,00,000/-
Property-2 : In Tiruppur Registration District, Udumalpet Sub Registration District, Udumalpet Taluk, In Chinnaveerampatti Village, Site No. 37 Vacant Site in Old S.F.No.31, New S.F. No 31/1A1A, Sub Division Patta No.333, S.F.No 31/1A1A1 in this an extent of 2178 Sq.ft of land. Reserve Price : Rs.22,50,000/- EMD : Rs.2,25,000/- Bid Increase Amount : Rs.1,00,000/- Date of Auction : 29.06.2026. Time of Auction : 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM with auto extension of 10 minutes. Date of Inspection of the Property : On all working days between 22.06.2026 and 26.06.2026 between 10 AM and 4 PM with the prior appointment of branch manager. Last Date of Remitting EMD : 29.06.2026 up to 1.00 PM. Central Bank of India, Udumalpet Branch : Mobile No. 8489903035, Authorized Officer / Chief Manager - Mobile No. 8489903057

TERMS & CONDITIONS : 1. The auction sale will be online E-Auction/Bidding through website <https://baanknet.com> the above specified date & time (with unlimited auto extension of 10 minutes till the conclusion of sale). **2.** Bids shall be submitted through online on or before **29.06.2026 - 1.00 p.m.** **3.** The E-Auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS". **4.** Intending bidders are required to go through the website <https://baanknet.com> for detailed terms and conditions of auction sale before submitting their bids and taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **5.** Successful bidder/purchaser will remit TDS @ 1% on sale proceeds on immovable property/ies of value Rs.50.00 lacs and above as per Sec 194 IA of the income tax Act 1961 and deposit the same by furnishing the challan in Form 26QB and submit the Original receipt of TDS Certificate to Bank. **6.** For further any property related query may contact **Central Bank of India, Udumalpet Branch : Mobile No. 8489903035, Authorized Officer / Chief Manager - Mobile No : 8489903057, Central Bank of India, Regional Office, Coimbatore, recvcoimro@centralbank.co.in** during office hours during the working days and after Registration by the bidder in the web portal, intending bidder/purchaser is required to get the copies of the following documents uploaded in Web Portal before last date of submission of the bid viz 1) Copy of NEFT/RTGS Challan, 2) Copy of PAN Card, 3) Identification (KYC) viz self attested copy of Voter ID Card / Driving Licence / Passport etc., 4) Copy of proof of address, without which the bid is liable to be rejected.

Date : 11.06.2026
Place : Udumalpet

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ACADEMIC STAFF REQUIRED - CONTRACTUAL BASIS

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S. No	Post	Age Limit as on 03 Jul 2026	Consolidated Pay (p.m)	No of Vacancies
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1	Construction & Development Works of Godabarisha Mishra Adarsha Prathamika Vidyalaya at various locations in the district of Sambalpur, Odisha	NBCC/SBG/Odisha/NIT/26-27/22	15/06/2026	29/06/2026	₹ 17.81 Cr.
2	Construction & Development Works of Godabarisha Mishra Adarsha Prathamika Vidyalaya at various locations in the district of Bargarh, Odisha	NBCC/SBG/Odisha/NIT/26-27/20	15/06/2026	29/06/2026	₹ 11.43 Cr.
3	Construction & Development Works of Godabarisha Mishra Adarsha Prathamika Vidyalaya at various locations in the district of Dhenkanal, Odisha	NBCC/SBG/Odisha/NIT/26-27/15	22/05/2026	29/06/2026	₹ 17.34 Cr.
4	Construction & Development Works of Godabarisha Mishra Adarsha Prathamika Vidyalaya at various locations in the district of Bolangir, Odisha	NBCC/SBG/Odisha/NIT/26-27/21	15/06/2026	29/06/2026	₹ 40.62 Cr.

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