10 µg/m3 — The PM 2.5 level recorded at Alandur on Tuesday. Nitrogen dioxide level was at 8 µg/m3 against the prescribed standard of 80 µg/m3

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GCC floats ₹4.4 cr tender to rebuild Marina Beach ramp

Pathway for disabled suffered repeated damage during monsoon

PRAVEENA SA @ Chennai

FOUR years after the wooden ramp at Marina Beach near Vivekananda House was inaugurated for persons with disabilities (PwDs), the Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) has floated a ₹4.39 crore tender to rebuild the 240 metre pathway and maintain it for five years.

According to a corporation official, the new ramp will have narrower gaps between wooden planks, additional seating and a stronger structure. "The materials will largely remain the same, but the revised design will include narrower gaps between the wooden planks, additional seating and improved structural strength," the official told *TNIE*.

Built in 2022 under the Singara Chennai initiative at a cost of ₹1.14 crore, the existing pathway has repeatedly suffered damages during the monsoon. The GCC recently dismantled the damaged section and attempted to replace it with rubber mats, but reversed the decision after disability rights activists raised concerns about accessibility and the lack of a permanent structure. The re-



GCC recently dismantled the damaged section of the ramp to replace it with rubber mats | ASHWIN PRASATH

construction work is estimated at ₹2.17 crore, while another ₹2.21 crore has been earmarked for operation and maintenance (O&M) over five years.

The tender specifies Brazilian IPE hardwood planks, each 19 mm thick, for the decking. Runners made of Red Meranti, Nellarai or Babool wood will support the planks. The tender also provides for 26 circular precast seats, 30 informational and directional signboards. The work is scheduled to be completed within 90 days.

The five-year maintenance contract lays down daily cleaning and inspection conditions. The contractor must collect litter, clear bins and clean the handrails, seating and signboards. The pathway must remain free of obstructions that could impede wheelchair users, and waste must be disposed of through the GCC-approved system without being swept or washed into the sea or beneath the deck.

The contractor must also provide trained personnel to assist wheelchair users, senior citizens and other visitors with their consent. Security staff will monitor the pathway, prevent vehicles from entering the wooden deck and maintain a register. Defects such as loose planks, damaged handrails and unsafe gaps must be reported.

Preventive maintenance must be carried out twice a year, with each cycle completed within 24 days. The pathway can reopen only after inspection and approval by a corporation official. GCC engineers will inspect the facility monthly, while the contractor must submit monthly reports and rectify identified defects within seven days.

Bid floated for DPR for riverfront development

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THE Tamil Nadu Urban Infrastructure Financial Services Ltd (TNUIFSL) has floated a ₹23 lakh tender inviting consultancy firms to prepare a detailed project report (DPR) for riverfront development along three stretches in central Chennai covering 3.7 km.

The stretches include a 500 m section from Napier Bridge to the Cooum River mouth, 1.2 km stretch from Swami Sivananda Salai to Periyar Bridge, and 2 km stretch from Link Road to Dams Road. The project, proposed by the Chennai Rivers Transformation Company Ltd (CRTCL), aims to turn the riverfront into an accessible public space with pedestrian pathways, cycling facilities, recreational areas, cultural spaces and public amenities.

The consultant will assess the condition of river embankments and retaining structures, conduct topographical surveys and geotechnical investigations, and identify pollution sources. The study will also examine encroachments, bank erosion, and critical intervention zones.

The consultant is expected to recommend measures to prevent sewage and other wastewater from entering the river, taking into account upstream and downstream conditions. The proposals will also cover lighting, surveillance, safety measures and climate-resilient features, including flood-risk assessments and nature-based solutions. The study will assess user demand and expected footfall along all three stretches.

Plantation works are excluded from the DPR, as they will be carried out by the GCC. The civic body has already floated separate tenders worth nearly ₹50 lakh for plantation and maintenance along the Napier Bridge and Swami Sivananda Salai stretches. The consultant must also prepare a phased implementation strategy, identify the clearances required, assess land use and draw up an operation and maintenance plan. The DPR is to be completed within 30 days of awarding the contract.

'Relocate cattle roaming along Cooum to govt shed'

With several cattle left to roam along the Cooum river at various spots, including Spur Tank Road, animal activists in the city have urged the civic body to relocate them to its modern cattle shed. They questioned why the animals were being kept along the river when the corporation has a dedicated facility to house them. However, as the GCC charges owners ₹10 per day to house per cattle head, the owners often hesitate.



GEN ALPHA LEARNS ALPHA

On the occasion of Vijayadasami, children are being introduced to the world of learning through sacred initiation at Presidency Primary School in Egmore | ASHWIN PRASATH

Fin influencer ends life; dad alleges cyberbullying

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

A 27-year-old finance influencer died by suicide at a villa near Muttukadu on Monday night, weeks after his Instagram page and YouTube channel with 1.5 million followers were blocked. Police are probing whether online harassment following recent allegations that he was offering financial advice and investment-related services without the SEBI registration may have contributed to his death.

The deceased, V Harish of Puducherry, ran the YouTube channel 'Finance with Harish', where he posted content on finance and investments. His five-year-old channel was reportedly mass-reported and blocked in September. He subsequently launched a new channel, which police sources said was also reported and blocked.



V Harish

Police said Harish was found dead at the villa on Monday night. Though no suicide note was recovered, Harish's father J Vinayagam (51), in a police complaint, said his son had allegedly been subjected to cyberbullying by another YouTuber who he named as being responsible for Harish's death. Before his death, Harish had recorded a video in which he allegedly identified the YouTuber as the reason for his decision, he said in the complaint. Vinayagam alleged that he circulated defamatory content about his son through and thet Harish had been unable to cope with the mental distress.

In a video uploaded on October 18, the YouTuber had alleged that Harish had misled people by offering financial advisory services without being registered with SEBI as a Registered Investment Adviser (RIA). Meanwhile, Kanathur police have registered a case of unnatural death and are examining the allegations made by both sides. *(In case of suicidal thoughts, contact Sneha helpline at 044-24640050)*

Advocate arrested after wife dies by suicide

Chennai: A 27-year-old advocate was arrested on Tuesday after his 25-year-old wife died by suicide at their house near Somangalam on Monday, four months after their marriage. Ruling out the dowry angle, police said a quarrel over certain phone calls received by the woman preceded her death. The couple, Deepak and Rajeswari, quarrelled over the calls on Monday, and he allegedly took her phone and kept it away. Shortly after, Rajeswari took the extreme step. Rajeswari's relatives alleged that marital discord led to her death. Police have registered a case for abetment of suicide. ENS

Mayor Priya files cybercrime complaint over obscene post

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

GREATER Chennai Corporation (GCC) Mayor R Priya on Tuesday lodged a complaint with the Greater Chennai Police and the Tamil Nadu Cyber Crime Wing against an X handle, 'Yaazh Mynthan', alleging that it had published an obscene post misusing her image and carrying derogatory captions and sexually coloured remarks.



R Priya

In her complaint, Priya said the account @YarlMyn made false allegations about her character. Alleging that she had been repeatedly facing harassment and digital abuse because of her public position, she sought a probe into whether the account was part of a coordinated conspiracy by political opponents.

Highlighting her identity as a Dalit woman, she said the incident should also be examined in the context of the harassment faced by SC women in public life. She questioned the TVK government over the online abuse, and asked CM Vijay if it was fair to allow 'virtual abusers' to operate under the guise of 'TVK virtual warriors.'

Traffic diversions for Police Commemoration Day

Chennai: Traffic diversions will be in place from 7.30 am to 9 am on Wednesday in view of Police Commemoration Day parade at the DGP office in Mylapore. Vehicles from Santhome High Road towards Gandhi Statue will be diverted via Karaneeswarar Koil Street, Karaneeswarar Pagoda Street, Ambedkar Bridge and Dr Natesan Road. Vehicles from Labour Statue towards Gandhi Statue will be diverted via Wallajah Rd. Vehicles from Ice House junction to Kamarajar Salai will be diverted at Besant Road junction towards Kannagi Statue. Vehicles from RK Salai towards Gandhi Statue will be diverted via Lighthouse MRTS Road. ENS

2 boys' bodies found in Puzhal after 17-hr search

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai



Tharun Akash



Akhil Ram

THE bodies of two Class 10 students who drowned in the Puzhal Lake near Murugambedu on Sunday evening were recovered on Monday afternoon, after a 17-hour search by the Tamil Nadu Fire and Rescue Services and a coastal rescue team.

The deceased, R Akhil Ram (14) and M Tharun Akash (14), hailed from Thirumullaivoyal.

According to police, the two had gone to the lake on Sunday for a swim with their two classmates. Akhil and Tharun ventured into deeper water, while the other two boys managed to reach the shore and raised an alarm among local residents.

Upon alert, Pudur police personnel and the fire and rescue team from Ambattur Estate rushed to the spot and began a search. Seven divers, assisted by local youths, combed the lake with specialised equipment, including thermal imaging cameras. The search went on late into the night but was hampered by poor visibility.

Divers from the Marina coastal rescue team joined the operation on Monday, and the bodies were retrieved from the lake bed.

Teen caught over ₹32K theft dies by suicide

Chennai: A 15-year-old boy died by suicide in MKB Nagar on Tuesday after his parents questioned him over ₹32,000, which he had allegedly stolen from a woman's house in Kodungaiyur. Police said the boy, who lived in Vyasarpadi, had allegedly stolen the money on October 13. Following a complaint, police examined CCTV footage and identified him. As he was a minor, his parents were called and asked to return the money, following which he took the extreme step. (In case of suicidal thoughts, call TN's health helpline 104). ENS

40-year-old held for theft of LPG cylinders

Chennai: Kancheepuram police have arrested a 40-year-old man and recovered around 25 LPG cylinders stolen from schools and anganwadi centres across the district, after tracing the theft of two cylinders from an anganwadi centre. The accused is D Kalidhas of Moolappattu. The case began with a complaint about cylinders stolen from an anganwadi centre on Vaikunda Perumal Koil Street. Police identified Kalidhas from CCTV footage and intercepted him on Tuesday near Kancheepuram Hindu Medicals, allegedly with another stolen cylinder. ENS

Cops seize 101 kg ganja, 19.5 kg gutkha; 2 held

Chennai: The Tiruvallur police arrested two men in separate cases on Tuesday and seized 101 kg of ganja and 19.5 kg of gutkha from them. In the first case, police arrested Vijayakumar (30) of AP, after seizing 101 kg of ganja from the bags he was carrying at the Elavur Integrated Check Post. After a search of his bags revealed the ganja, police seized the contraband and registered a case. In the second case, police arrested Devaraj (38) of Chengalpattu, after seizing 19.5 kg of gutkha from his bag at the new bus stand in Tiruttani. ENS

Sewer lines in 227 streets cleared in a day

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

AS part of monsoon preparations, the Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Metro Water) cleared blockages in sewer lines across 227 streets in a single day on Monday, covering 9.6 km, to remove of silt from 218 manholes.

The board has also appointed special monitoring officers, including supervising engineers and assistant executive engineers, to coordinate sewer maintenance works and ensure swift action in the event of complaints or disruptions during the rainy season. The officers will work in coordination with the respective area officials to carry out the operations.

According to a press release, desilting and maintenance works are being carried out across its 15 zones to prevent sewage overflow and ensure uninterrupted sewerage services. Meanwhile, the board has intensified the collection and testing of drinking water samples in the 15 zones.

Residents can register complaints related to sewer blockages and other sewerage issues through the board's 24-hour control room by dialling 044-4567 4567 or the toll-free number 1916. Complaints can be sent via WhatsApp to 8144930308.

Job fraud: Ex-AAI official cheats 12 people of ₹23L

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

A 52-year-old former Airports Authority of India (AAI) official was arrested for allegedly cheating 12 people of ₹23 lakh by promising them jobs at the Chennai airport and its cargo terminal. The accused, K Kumari Kala of Kancheepuram, was remanded on October 14.

According to Airport police, the accused, K Kumari Kala of Kancheepuram, had worked as a senior superintendent at AAI before taking voluntary retirement in 2025. She later operated cargo transport vehicles on a contract basis, the police said.

Kala allegedly claimed that she could secure permanent jobs at the airport and cargo offices for educated youths from 2021 to 2025. She collected between ₹1 lakh and ₹2 lakh from each person, mostly the children of drivers operating cargo vehicles, and gave them fake job application forms.

When the applicants, who did not receive jobs even after six months, questioned Kala, she allegedly told them that their applications had been sent to the AAI headquarters in Delhi. The victims later learnt that she had retired and had no authority to recruit staff. Following a complaint by one of the drivers, she was arrested.

EXPRESS READ

Hoax bomb threat on Chennai-Goa flight

Chennai: A bomb threat was reported on an IndiGo flight bound for Goa at the Chennai International Airport on Monday evening, leading to the aircraft being isolated and its passengers evacuated. Though the Bomb Detection and Disposal Squad searched the aircraft, no explosives were found. According to a source, a staff member found a tissue paper inside the lavatory with a handwritten threat around 5.30 pm. The Bomb Threat Assessment Committee (BTAC) classified the threat as "specific" at 6.05 pm, the plane was towed to a designated isolation bay and passengers were offloaded. Security teams then carried out the prescribed procedures and the threat response was called off at 9.20 pm. A CSR has been filed and a probe is under way. ENS

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