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UPA government ruined India's reputation globally: Nirmala

Chennai, Feb 9: 'Factual record for posterity': Nirmala Sitharaman begins discussion on 'White Paper'. In her opening remarks during the discussion on the 'White Paper on the Indian Economy and its impact on the lives of people of India' in Lok Sabha, the Finance Minister said the paper is laid with responsibility so that the records have the factual information on the economy and that record shall be a record for posterity…for entire India's youth so that they know what effort it took for a PM with a vision to restore India to its glory.

"The UPA lacked neeyat and niyam [intention and adherence to rules]. You left the economy in critical state. It was under the leadership of Narendra Modi that the situation improved and now the country is well-respected across the globe," Sitharaman said.

"This is a serious document dealing with serious issues. It must be taken seriously. They will not be be able to silence my voice today.." the Minister amid Opposition uproar.Finance Minister Sitharaman said. "10 years of one government with some crisis & 10 years of a different government with different crisis. The comparison shown in this 'White Paper' clearly says how if the government handles it with true sincerity, transparency and putting the nation first, the results are there for everybody to see. When you don't put the nation first, when you put your first family first, and when you have other consideration than transparency, the results are out there for you to see. So what happened after 2008 when there was a global financial crisis and what happened post-COVID shows clearly that if the intent of the government is sincere results will be good," Sitharaman said.

The Lok Sabha is discussing the 'White Paper on Indian economy' which was on Thursday presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. The document outlined the 'crisis' created during the UPA era and the efforts to correct it in the 10 years of the Modi government. In the Rajya Sabha, four Bills are listed for consideration and passing. These include the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Bill, 2024, and the Jammu and Kashmir Local Bodies Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024.The Rajya Sabha on Thursday bid farewell to 68 retiring MPs, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi praising former PM Manmohan Singh for his commitment to lead the House and the country. The Upper House returned the Finance Bill 2024 and the relevant appropriation bills to the Lok Sabha, thus completing the exercise of passing the interim Budget for 2024-25. The Lower House, meanwhile, gave its nod to three Bills.

Narasimha Rao, Charan Singh, M.S. Swaminathan to get Bharat Ratna

New Delhi, Feb 9: Former prime ministers P V Narasimha Rao and Chaudhary Charan Singh as well as agriculture scientist M S Swaminathan will be honoured with the Bharat Ratna, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced on Friday.

The government had earlier announced the country's highest civilian honour for L K Advani and Karpoori Thakur.

"Narasimha Rao steered India through critical transformations and also enriched its cultural and intellectual heritage," Modi said on X.

Rao's visionary leadership, Modi said, was instrumental in making India economically advanced and laid a solid foundation for its prosperity, growth.

Charan Singh, P V Narasimha Rao, M S Swaminathan

"Bharat Ratna to Charan Singh dedicated to his incomparable contribution to country," the prime minister said.

"Swaminathan made monumental contributions to country in agriculture and farmers' welfare," Modi said.

He played a pivotal role in helping India achieve self-reliance in agriculture and made outstanding efforts in modernising it, the prime minister said.

Palaniswami asks AIADMK workers to oust tyrannical DMK Govt in TN

Tirupur, Feb 9: Tamil Nadu Leader of the Opposition (LoP) Edappadi K. Palaniswami (EPS) called upon the AIADMK party workers to work for ousting the DMK government and termed the DMK rule as "tyrannical" and "anti-people.

Addressing a party meeting in Tirupur he said that parties were exiting the INDIA bloc — which includes the DMK — like wheels coming off a running car.

"Last time, the DMK said [Congress leader] Rahul Gandhi was their Prime Ministerial candidate, but Congress could not even become an Opposition party. Wait and see; AIADMK will form the best alliance for the Parliamentary elections," he said. Alleging that national parties were not giving importance to States' issues, Mr. Palaniswami said that raising people's issues in Parliament would be the duty of AIADMK MPs (who are elected in 2024). He claimed that the AIADMK had exited the NDA because even when it had aligned with national parties, they were paying attention only to national issues and not lending an ear to the States. The AIADMK left the NDA "to protect Tamil Nadu's rights", he said, adding that the AIADMK would extend issue-based support to a government at the Centre that would address the issues of the people of the State."Over 40% of the youth use social media. Except for a section of the media, most outlets do not publish AIADMK news," he said.

Pakistan's perpetual predicament: Military vs politics

V.V.S.Manian

"Whatever results the elections may bring, it is unlikely that a sustainable democracy will emerge in Pakistan. They will only reinforce Pakistan's hollowed democracy, which has the form of democratic governance but is drained of substance and purpose". Mohammad A. Qadeer

One of the elections that I watched with interest was the Pakistan election. It is difficult to foresee an election without violence or a bomb blast before the voting. This year's election too had its quota of blasts. The election concluded at 5 p.m. on Thursday. The nation is waiting for the results after more than 12 hours. It is too early to conclusively say who is victorious until all the results are announced. Most believe that the country is heading for a coalition government.

More than 128 million voters across the country are registered to vote in the general elections, with nearly 18,000 candidates competing for 336 National Assembly seats and 749 Provincial Assembly seats. These seats will be filled through a combination of first-past-the-post elections for single-member constituencies as well as the allocation of reserved seats for women and non-Muslims through proportional representation.

Political scenario —past and present

Military interventions in political affairs have hindered the process of democratization in Pakistan. Since its creation in 1947, Pakistan has spent several decades under military rule (1958–1971, 1977–1988,

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Imran Khan claims Victory

Islamabad, Feb 9:

Jailed former Pakistan prime minister Imran Khan's party on Friday claimed victory in the general elections while alleging that results were being delayed to rig the outcome.

In a statement, the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party also asked PML-N's supreme leader Nawaz Sharif, who was the favourite to win as he was backed by the powerful Army, to concede defeat.

The PML-N, however, rejected the demand and claimed that it was winning Thursday's elections.

It's India vs Australia in U19 cricket World Cup final

Benoni, Feb 9: Australia overcame Ali Raza special to seal a place in the ICC Men's U19 World Cup final against India after defeating Pakistan by a wicket in the semifinal match here on Thursday.

Much like India on Tuesday, Australia decided to chase in the second semifinal against Pakistan. Hugh Weibgen's call was backed by his bowlers. Tom Straker led the charge with his six-wicket haul, to bowl out Pakistan for a modest total. Straker's 6/24 were the best figures by a bowler in a U19 World Cup semifinal or final.

An interesting chase brewed up as Pakistan fought back on the back of Ali Raza and Arafat Minhas. However, Australia managed to overcome Pakistan by the barest of margins.

Harry Dixon and Sam Konstas helped Australia to a steady start in pursuit of 180. The duo added 33 runs in the first Powerplay. Ali Raza, however, struck back for Pakistan at the start of the second Powerplay. He got one to nip back in and sent back Konstas' off-stump cartwheeling.

Soon after, Pakistan had a lucky break in the 14th over when Hugh Weibgen hit a full toss from Naveed Khan straight into the hands of Haroon Arshad at cover. Wickets continued to tumble as a miscommunication led to the run out of Harjas Singh in the 16th over, while Ryan Hicks played on a Ubaid Shah delivery in the next over.

Dixon and Ollie Peake then came together to rebuild the Australia innings. Their steady progress was informed by positive strokeplay, and soon Australia's chase was back on track. Dixon brought up his half-century in the 24th over. However, just when the game was turning in Australia's favour, Arafat Minhas bowled Dixon with a beauty. The left-arm spinner bowled with control, and Australia's asking rate went up.

The arrival of Tom Campbell helped a left-right batting combination in operation. Campbell and Peake did a follow-up to the previous partnership and helped Australia edge closer to their ask. Pakistan needed a special act to bring them back into the game, and Minhas provided exactly that. He bowled Campbell for 25 in the 39th over. Then Raza removed Peake for 49 to leave the game evenly poised.

Raza's double-wicket final over put Pakistan just one away from an appearance in the final. However, MacMillan kept his cool and saw Australia through in the final over.

Shahzaib Khan and Shamyl Hussain were off to their usual safe start, overcoming the Australia new-ball bowlers in the initial overs. First change bowler, Tom Straker broke this stand. Shamyl Hussain tried to pull the bowler but was caught in the ninth over. Callum Vidler struck in the very next over, with the big wicket of Shahzaib Khan.

The southpaw, who had led Pakistan's scoring charts in the U19 World Cup, tried to pierce Vidler past point but his shot was intercepted by Hugh Weibgen.

Pakistan's troubles continued in the second Powerplay. Straker had his second in the 15th over and Raf MacMillan contributed soon after, by trapping Ahmad Hassan leg before. Azan Awais and Haroon Arshad tried to reverse the momentum by stitching a fifth wicket partnership, but when a returning Mahli Beardman cleaned up the latter with a beauty, Australia were right on top. Straker cleaned up the tail to finish with 6/24

Nikhat, Arundhati in last 4 of Strandja boxing

Sofia, Feb 9: Reigning World Champion Nikhat Zareen and Arundhati Choudhary secured comfortable wins and moved to the semifinals of the 75th Strandja Memorial Tournament in Sofia here on Thursday.

In the first quarter-final of the day, Nikhat (50kg) was in action against France's Lkhadiri Wassila. It was a close encounter from the get-go as both the boxers looked well-prepared to tackle each other's move.

Nikhat used her quick movements and counter--attacking game to go ahead of her opponent in the first round. The second round started on a similar note as both the boxers were cautious and didn't commit much on the attacking front.

Though Nikhat managed to stay slightly ahead of her opponent in both rounds, it looked like the bout could go in anyone's favour.

It was the third round in which Nikhat looked at her absolute best as she dodged her opponent's attacks efficiently while delivering some quality blows. Lkhadiri tried to be more aggressive but the Indian pugilist was equipped to deal with it as she won the bout with a 5-0 unanimous decision.

Nikhat will now prepare to meet home favourite Zlatislava Chukanova in the semifinals on Saturday.

In the other match of the day, Arundhati Choudhary (66kg) showed a similar level of dominance against Matovic Milena of Serbia. Both the boxers played the game of patience at first, but it was Arundhati who took charge as she initiated multiple attacks, winning the first round with ease.

Arundhati continued her momentum in the second round while being defensively solid in the third, blocking multiple desperate attacking attempts from the opponent to clinch a 5-0 win to qualify for the semifinals. She will face Jessica Triebe?ov? of Slovakia on Saturday.

Sakshi (57kg) suffered a 2-3 defeat against Mamajonova Khumorabonu of Uzbekistan to exit the tournament in the quarters. Sakshi found it hard to get into the rhythm as the Uzbek boxer took full advantage and kept her at bay throughout the first and second rounds. The situation did improve in the third round as Sakshi tried hard to make a comeback and succeeded in winning the round but fell short of winning the bout. Late on Wednesday, Deepak (75kg) and Naveen Kumar (92kg) entered the quarterfinals with an identical 5-0 unanimous decision win over Asankul Uulu Sultan of Kyrgyzstan andVoisnarovic Darius of Lithuania respectively.

On Friday, seven Indian pugilists will compete in the quarterfinals. Amit Panghal (51kg) will be in action against Aldarkhishig Battulga of Mongolia, Lalit (54kg) will face Uzbekistan's Nortojiev Khujanazar, Sachin (57kg) will take on Kapanadze Giorgi of Georgia and Rajat (67kg) will face the challenge from Ukraine's Matiakubov Bozorboi.

Akash (71kg) will go head to head against Mckeever Eugene of Ireland, Deepak (75kg) will meet Ummatalievu Javokhir of Uzbekistan and Abhimanyu Loura (80kg) will take on China's Tuohetaerbieke Tanglatihan.

India's Prajwal gets wild card in Bengaluru Open

Bengaluru, Feb 9: The Karnataka State Lawn Tennis Association (KSLTA) on Thursday announced a wild card for Prjawal Dev in the singles main draw of the DafaNews Bengaluru Open.

The 27-year Dev was also named a reserve in the Indian Davis Cup team for the tie against Pakistan.

Dev had a decent 2023 season in which he finished runner-up at the ITF15k event in Thailand and also reached the semifinals in three other tournaments, including Mysuru.

"I would like to thank KSLTA for the wonderful opportunity to play in the main draw. I am privileged to receive the wild card and I am looking forward to the tournament. Hopefully, I can do well. I am coming off a good week in Chennai and hopefully I continue with that," Dev said, who is currently ranked 611.

"Expectation is there and I am hopeful I will live up to that," he said.

Having the Davis Cuppers in action, the KSLTA will soon announce more main draw wild cards for the tournament, which will conclude on February 18.

"Prajwal has the potential to break into top-500 soon and we want to allow him to achieve the feat at the earliest. He is a very talented player, and support at the right time is what a player needs. Our endeavour is to support local talent," tournament director Sunil Yajman said.

"We are delighted to give this opportunity to Prajwal. Hopefully, he will make full use of it," Yajaman further added

M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women won the University of Madras, Inter-Zone (Women) Ball Badminton Tournament trophy held at Thiruthangal Nadar Arts & Science College. In the final match, they beat Ethiraj College. The winning team with Dr. Archna Prasad, Principal, Dr. L. Amutha Sumankumar, Director of Physical Education, Ramesh, Ball Badminton Coach, M.O.P. Vaishnav College.

Bob's Banter

Robert Clements

Longing to Return..!

There was sadness in his eyes as he looked at me, "I long to return to my native place!" he said. I looked at his son with whom he lived, "Let him return!" I said and I saw the old man's eyes light up. With a heavy heart, his son took him back.

It was a month later or maybe more that I visited them again. "Dad's back!"

I went and met him as he looked at me, eyes filled with tears, "I missed them," he said, "I missed my family, and do you know what I found out Bob? That love most often is just where you are!"

As I walked home that day, I thought of that old story which we've heard very often, which comes in so many forms but which I'd still like to repeat today, both for your sakes and also mine, because so often even I forget that love in great abundance is right where we are and not in some 'native place'.

Ah well the story:

There once lived not far from the River Indus, an ancient Persian by the name of Al Hafed who owned a very large farm with orchards, grain fields and gardens. He was a contented and wealthy man. One day there visited this old farmer, a strange looking one eyed man who told Al Hafed that if he had a handful of diamonds he could purchase a whole country, and with a mine of diamonds he could place his children upon thrones through the influence of his great wealth.

Al Hafed heard all about diamonds and went to bed discontented because he thought he was poor. He said to himself: "I want a mine of diamonds!" So he lay awake all night, and early in the morning left his farm and family, borrowed money at interest and away he went in search of his diamonds.

He searched and at last when his money was all spent, he stood on the shore of a bay when a tidal wave came rolling in and the poor, afflicted, suffering man threw himself into that incoming tide, and he sank beneath its foaming crest, never to rise again.

One day, many years later his children by accident digging into the rough earth found diamonds more magnificent in all the history of mankind, exceeding even the Kimberley in its value in their own backyard, so goes the tale.

And as I walked home, I felt glad that the old man I'd just visited, unlike poor Al Hafed in the story, realized where his real diamonds lay! In his own backyard!

Are you one of those longing to return to some 'native' place, when the diamonds of love are right where you are?

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Narayani school students learn from Chandrayaan-3 director

Dr. Ravi Chaturvedi

As Chandrayaan-3 successfully made its lunar landing, social media witnessed an influx of heartfelt wishes from global leaders. Notably, even Fawad Chaudhry, the former Minister of Information and Broadcasting in the Imran Khan government of previously adversarial Pakistan, extended congratulations to the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) for its remarkable achievement. Mr. Chaudhry remarked, "A great moment for ISRO as Chandrayaan-3 lands on the moon. I can see a lot of young scientists celebrating this moment with Mr. Somnath, Chairman of ISRO. Only the younger generation with dreams can change the world. Good luck."

Josef Aschbacher, the Director General of the European Space Agency, lauded the lunar landing of Chandrayaan-3 as an "incredible" event. He commended the demonstration of new technologies and the accomplishment of India's first soft landing on another celestial body, expressing his thorough impression.

Abdulla Shahid, the former foreign minister of the Maldives, ex-speaker of parliament, and President of the 76th session of the UN General Assembly, expressed jubilation at India's space success. He declared, "India creates history! As a South Asian nation and neighbor, we are proud of the successful landing of Chandrayaan-3 near the moon's south pole. This is a success for all humanity, opening new areas of exploration. Congratulations, India. Congratulations, Prime Minister Narendra Modi." Similar messages of admiration poured in from various corners, eliciting pride among Indians.

However, a remote school in Malaikodi hamlet, Vellore district, celebrated this momentous occasion uniquely by inviting Dr. P. Veeramuthuvel, the Project Director of Chandrayaan-3, as the chief guest and resource person for a one-day workshop with the students. The event, blessed by Divine Narayani, was organized in Annalakshmi Mahal in Sripuram.

Approximately 500 students from classes VIII-XII and around 80 teachers were privileged to have Dr. P. Veeramuthuvel as a resource person for the educational and motivational workshop.

The event commenced with a prayer song by the students, and the traditional lamp was lit, imparting divinity to the occasion. S. Ramesh, the Chief Mentor of Sri Narayani Schools, introduced the distinguished guest, highlighting Dr. Veeramuthuvel's noteworthy achievements in the field of space science. He traced Dr. Veeramuthuvel's humble beginnings, progressing from a Government school in Villupuram to obtaining a Doctorate from IIT Madras, emphasising his educational journey.

Dr. M. Suresh Babu, trustee and director of the Golden Temple, an influential figure at Sri Narayani Schools, advised the students to make the most of the opportunity to interact with the esteemed scientist.

Dr. Veeramuthuvel shared insights into his early struggles, emphasizing that hard work, consistent effort, total involvement in one's pursuits, and being an obedient subordinate were crucial factors in his ascent to a prominent position. He spoke about the challenges of handling a team of 500 individuals involved in Chandrayaan-3.

The scientist elucidated the reasons behind the Chandrayaan-2 setback and the precautions taken to avert similar crises in Chandrayaan-3. Notably, ISRO scientists created a moon ambiance simulation on Earth, repeatedly testing it in the lab with the atmosphere of the Moon replicated. These meticulous preparations culminated in the historic success of Chandrayaan-3. The most captivating part of the interaction was the tense 19 minutes during the smooth landing, and the guest addressed a range of intriguing questions posed by the curious students.

As a fitting conclusion to the engaging session, Dharaniraj, the vice principal of the school, delivered a vote of thanks.

22–ஆம் ஆண்டு நினைவஞ்சலி

இராவில்லா சாமிநாத நாயுடு அவர்கள்

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மற்றும் குடும்பத்தினர்

GLOBAL VOICE

Supersonic Darling in offing

Next-Gen BrahMos captures global attention

-: R Muthu Kumar :-

The BrahMos missile is the pride of every Indian. The Indian defence segment is all set to shake the global market and grab centre stage with the BrahMos-NG missile, which is in the making, according to BrahMos export director Pravin Pathak. He revealed the information at the ongoing World Defence Show recently

BrahMos NG will be more stealthy than the current BrahMos missile and will have a smaller radar cross-section (RCS) such that air defence systems will find it more challenging to locate and engage the target, he revealed.

First flight samples of the new BrahMos-NG rocket will be collected for tests in tandem with the plant's development with a target launch date of late 2025 or early 2026.

In what could come as a significant boost to India's next-generation cruise missile capability, flight testing of BrahMos-NG, the Indo-Russian cruise missile, is expected to start before the end of 2025.

Brains involved in this project have underlined that despite what the name BrahMos-NG (next-generation) may suggest, the missile is not an upgraded version of the

India set to become defence game changer

BrahMos, actullay it will be a newer version with better all-around performance.

The imperative for reducing the weight of the BrahMos NG to around 1,200 kg from the 3,000 kg of BrahMos and the 2,500 kg of the BrahMos-A was to enable even a light fighter aircraft such as Tejas LCA Mk-1A to carry the missile they say.

It is crucial for equipping India's homegrown combat plane LCA Tejas with the BrahMos. And by reducing the weight, the fighter will be able to precisely locate and engage targets without the long delays associated with target detection and engagement linked with optical or radar imaging satellites.

Weapon systems management software of other IAF fighter planes with similar radars could be similarly upgraded to support carriage of the BrahMos-NG.

The announcement came when the Indo-Russian joint venture reportedly had $ 7 billion worth of orders in its portfolio and was looking for potential customers in the market. "The portfolio of orders of BrahMos has already reached US$7 billion, which includes both Indian and export orders," Pathak told reporters in a separate interaction.

Presently, there are approximately 12,000 BrahMos missiles in the Indian inventory across different platforms.

'Supersonic Darling'

BrahMos has become the 'Supersonic Darling' of the world because it is nearly "impossible" to detect it due to its supersonic speed, because once it goes into supersonic mode with Mach-3 speed, it gives very little time to the enemy to respond or react to an attack from the missile.

Experts have pointed out that the precision, and maneuverability of the projectile were extraordinary and speed-wise, it was the only missile that was supersonic throughout its flying trajectory.

The BrahMos is making waves across international markets in multiple regions, including Southeast Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, Africa, and the Caucasus.

In addition to the multi-dimensional capabilities of the BrahMos, whenever India has carried out a test, it has given 100 percent results.

India has been proving to be a credible supplier of military platforms, which was encouraging foreign sovereign states to procure it for their militaries.

One would not find any parallel to the BrahMos and whichever armed forces would have it in their arsenal, it would give them a cutting edge over their adversaries. And that is the reason why BrahMos was finding a big export market as many countries were looking forward to inducting it into their armed forces because of its features.

Moreover, the cost of production of a missile in India is much less than in most countries. When one considers the price of the BrahMos coupled with its technological superiority, it is a highly potent weapon for foreign nations to acquire.

As per reports, the launch of the BrahMos-NG from land, air, and sea is on the horizon and it will be a game changer, for sure.

Iran rules out direct talks with US on regional issues

Iranian Foreign Ministry Spokesman Nasser Kanaani said Monday that direct talks with the United States on regional issues were unnecessary.

He spoke at a weekly press conference in Tehran, where he answered a question about the need for negotiations between Iran and the United States to ease tensions in West Asia.

Kanaani said Iran's position was clear, and it had conveyed its message to Washington through mediators. The solution to the crisis and the tension in the region was clear, and so was the source of the crisis, which was the Palestinian issue.

He added the U.S. government was not part of the solution, but the problem, and it was escalating tensions in the region. He said this was not only Iran's view, but also that of many nations and governments.

Furthermore, he criticized the U.S. and British strikes on

the Houthi targets in Yemen, slamming it as a "crude move, in violation of international law and regulations, and aimed at diverting global public opinion from the source of the crisis in the region." "What is taking place in the Red Sea is the effect, not the cause," said Kanaani, accusing the U.S. of trying to expand the conflicts in the region, which would endanger international security and peace.

The U.S. and Britain have launched several rounds of strikes on the Houthi targets in Yemen since January in response to the group's attacks on ships linked to Israel in the Red Sea.

The Houthis said their attacks were to stop the Israeli strikes on Gaza, which began on Oct. 7, 2023, and to show solidarity with Palestinians.

Lanka President Wickremesinghe hopes to rejoin RCEP

Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe said on Wednesday that his country plans to join the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP).

The president said at the inauguration of the fifth session of the ninth parliament that there has been a significant turnaround in the nation's economic landscape.

Presenting his policy statement, Wickremesinghe said despite the 1.9 percent gross domestic product (GDP) deficit in 2022, Sri Lanka achieved a surplus by the end of 2023, marking the first such occurrence since 1977.

He said the country's tax registrations have surged from 437,547 to 1,000,029 between 2022 and 2023, and inflation, which stood at 50.6 per cent last year, has dramatically decreased to a mere 6.4 per cent on Wednesday.

Wickremesinghe also revealed that there has been a substantial increase in tourist arrivals.

From 194,495 visitors in 2021, arrivals surged to 1,487,303 in 2023, with over 200,000 tourists visiting in January this year, he said, projecting a further increase in annual tourist arrivals to 5 million in the future.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
(Testamentary and Intestate Jurisdiction)
O.P.No.174 of 2008

In the matter of Indian Succession Act XXXIX of 1925
In the matter of Indian Succession Act XXXIX of 1925
and in the matter of Last Will and Testament of the Deceased T.N.Venogopal Mudaliar

T.V.Ramachandran,
New No. 18 (Old No.7) Subba Street,
Choolai, Chennai - 600 112. .. Petitioner

/vs/

1. S.Bhuvaneswari (Died)
2. P. Usharani (died)
3. Mr.S.Ganesh Prabhu,
S/o.Mr.Shanmugam,
4. Ms.S.Yogana Prabha,
D/o Shanmugam,
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PS/o late P.Paramasivam
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S/o Late P.Paramasivam,
Plot No.11, Srinivasan Street,
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All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the above named T.N.Venogopal Mudaliar who was residing at New No.18 (Old No.7), Subba Street, Choolai, Chennai - 600 112 who died on 27.01.1998 are thereby cited to come and see the proceedings before the Learned Master sitting in Original side of High Court of Judicature at Madras on 15.02.2024 at 10.30. am and requested to file their objections, if they think fit, before the grant of letters of Administration.

Dated at Chennai on this the 1st day of February 2024,

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
(Testamentary & Intestate Jurisdiction)
O.P.No. 645 of 2023

In the matter of the Indian Succession Act, XXXIX of 1925
and
In the matter of the Last Will & Testament of Mrs. Meenakshi Natarajan (Deceased)

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4. Vasantha Gopalan
D/o. B.K. Natarajan
A 16/2, Shree Ram CHS Extension,
Near Shree Ram Welfare Society High School,
SV Road, Andheri (West)
Mumbai- 400058.
5. B.N Natarajan Ramanath
S/o B.K.Natarajan
16336 Eagleridge Court
La Mirada, California - 90638.
United States of America.
6. B.N.Ravindran
S/o B.K.Natarajan
No. 8/40 Vth Trust Cross Street,
Mandevelli, Chennai-600028.
7. B.N.Gurunath
S/o B.K. Natarajan
5022 Andrew Dr,
La Palma, California-90623.
United States of America.
8. Bhavani Kumar
D/o. B.K. Natarajan
3 Washington Lane,
Hopkinton, Massachusetts- 01748
United States of America.
9. Gopinath Natarajan
S/o. B.K.Natarajan
No. 5605 Cradlerock Circle Plano,
Texas 75093
United States of America. ...Respondents

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the above named Mrs.Meenakshi Natarajan, who was residing at No.8/40, 5th Trust Street, Mandavelipakkam, Chennai-600 028 and died on 19.11.2018, are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings before the Learned Master, sitting in the Original Side of High Court of Judicature at Madras, on 20.02.2024 at 10.30 a.m, and requested to file their objections, if they think fit, before the grant of Letters of Administration.

Dated at Chennai, on this the 29th Day of January 2024.

Govindaraj Balakrishnan
Assistant Registrar
Original Side-I
Madras High Court
Chennai-60010 4.

S.Rajasekar,
Counsel for Petitioner
Old.No.T-58b, New No.29 32 Cross Street,
Besant Nagar Chennai -600 090.

PUBLIC NOTICE

On behalf my client Mr.R.Mahaboob Basha (Aadhar No.5944 7842 1781) S/o Rahamathulla, residing at, No.120, Gandhi salai, Cheyyar town & T.k, Thiruvannamalai Dist-604 407, Tamilnadu. I hereby inform to the General Public that land situated in Puliyarambakkam Village under Registered sale deed Doc. No.5904/2010, dated 29.12.2010 registered at Cheyyar Sub-Registrar Office Joint-2 has been lost the originals on 03.01.2024, when my client proceeding from Cheyyar bus stand for taking Xerox of the said document. My client given the online complaint on 23.01.2024 Ref No.CAM24029773. If anybody finds or knows about the said document please contact me in the following address.

S.ARUMUGAM B.com., B.L., M.B.A.,
ADVOCATE.
No. 14, JR Complex, Arcot Road, Cheyyar - 604 407.
Tiruvannamalai District, Cell: 98438 87003.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Shankar Krishnan son of Late E.S.V.Krishnan, residing at New Door No. 108/5, Old Door No. 57/5, (Flat No. 5, Second Floor, "SREERAG", Door No. AK-57, Plot No. 57), 7th Main Road, AK-Block, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600040 and my client being a owner of the property (Flat) bearing New Door No. 108/5, Old Door No. 57/5, (Flat No. 5, Second Floor, "SREERAG", Door No. AK-57, Plot No. 57), 7th Main Road, AK-Block, Anna Nagar, Chennai-600040, an undivided share, right and interest of 16.91/100 being 666.15 Sq. Ft. in the total land measuring 3939 Sq. Ft. and the said flat in second floor measuring 1190 Sq. Ft. (including proportionate share in common areas) along with one open car parking in ground floor, land comprised in New T.S. No. 47/34, Old T.S. No. 47, Block No. 009C, Ward:001, Survey No. 129/1, land situated at Naduvankarai Village, Naduvankarai Town, Aminjikarai Taluk previously Egmore-Nungambakkam Taluk, Chennai District and the same having been purchased by his mother T.S.Sarojini by a registered Sale Deed bearing Document No. 4715 of 2005, Book No. 1, dated 14.12.2005, SRO Anna Nagar from M.Sri Rama Krishnan and Manju Sri Ram. My client states that his father E.S.V.Krishnan (Ellapully Subramania Venkatakrishnan) died intestate on 28.11.2008 and his mother T.S.Sarojini (Trichur Subramania Sarojini @ T.Subramania Iyer Sarojini) died intestate on 21.03.2022 and they both left behind their eldest daughter-Ms. Sharda Balakrishnan, their second daughter-Asha Krishnan Sudhama, their son my client-Shankar Krishnan and their youngest daughter-Jyothi Mahesh as their only legal heirs to succeed to the said property. My client states that on 06.02.2024 he lost/misplaced the Original Sale Deed bearing Document No. 4715 of 2005, Book No. 1, dated 14.12.2005, SRO Anna Nagar in respect of the said property in his above said residence and the same is not traceable.

Any body finding the same may return the same to my client or anybody having any claim in this regard may do so within SEVEN DAYS from the date of publication of this notice and failing which it would be construed that the same has been lost and no one is having any sort of claim/interest/right in the property.

K.SENTHIL,
ADVOCATE & NOTARY PUBLIC,
AI-92/A1, Flat No. 2, Ground Floor, Turmp Castle,
9TH Main Road, Anna Nagar,
Chennai-600040, Cell: 9444032526

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUDICATURE AT MADRAS
(Testamentary & bestala Arisdiction)
OP No 524 of 2023

In the matter of
The indkan Succession Act
XXXIX of 1925
And
In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament of
K Batu (Deceased)

B. Magesh,
Son of Late K Babu
Old No. 14/3, New No. 20,
5th Street, Rajamangalam
Villivakkam, Chennai-600 049. Peltioner

VS

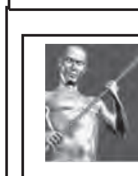
1. B. Suresh,
Son of Late K Babu
No.3, BHEL Nagar,
1st Cross Street,
Bharathi Nagar Extension,
Gandhi Nagar, Katpadi, Vellore-632 007,
Vellore District.
2. B. Ramesh,
Son of Late K Babu
No 38/F10, Golden Apartments.
Dayalu Nagar.
Kolathur, Chennai-600 099. Respondents

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the above named K Babu, who was residing at No 370, Sapthagin Apartments, Dayalu Nagar Main Road, Kolathur, Chennai -90, and died on 10.01.2021, are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings before the Learned Master, sitting in the Original Side of the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras, on 26.02.2024 al 10.30 am and requested to file their objections, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Dated at Chennai on this the 30th day of January, 2024.

Govindaraj Balakrishnan
The Assistant Registrar,
Original Side-1
High Court,
Madras-600 104

K.Selvaraj &
Sugirdha Selvaraj,
Counsel for Petitioner,
No.261, New Additional Law Chamber.
High Court Buildings,
Chennai-600 104.



KANISHK STEEL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

Registered Office: B-27(M) & B-27(N), SIPCOT INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX,
GUMMIDIPOONDI, THIRUVALLUR DISTRICT, TAMILNADU-601201
CIN:L27109TN1995PLC067863 www.kanishksteels.in Ph:044-42919700

Extract of unaudited financial results for the quarter and Nine Months ended December 31, 2023

(Rupees in Lakhs)

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended			Nine Months Ended		Year ended
		31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22	30/Sep/23	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22	31-Mar-23
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total income from operations (net)	9,279.94	10,122.92	9,015.66	29,061.73	29,612.87	40,220.89
2	Net profit / (Loss) for the period (before tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	301.89	(128.61)	239.85	704.95	1,391.38	1,425.41
3	Net profit / (Loss) for the period (before tax, after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	301.89	(128.61)	239.85	704.95	1,391.38	1,425.41
4	Net profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax, after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	235.66	(48.42)	233.06	95.16	295.80	949.89
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax and Other Comprehensive Ioncome (after tax)]	237.59	(48.42)	234.99	615.58	1,090.51	957.61
6	Equity Share Capital	2,846.57	2,846.57	2,846.57	2,846.57	2,846.57	2,846.57
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year						6,853.83
8	Earning per share (before extraordinary items) (of Rs.10/- each)						
	(a) Basic	0.83	(0.17)	0.82	2.14	3.85	3.34
	(b) Diluted	0.83	(0.17)	0.82	2.14	3.85	3.34

Note:
The above is an extract of the detailed format of the quarter ended and nine months ended December 31, 2023. Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listings Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) regulations, 2015. The full format of the Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter ended and nine months ended December 31, 2023 is available on the website of Bombay Stock Exchange at www.bseindia.com and on the website of the company at www.kanishksteels.in

For KANISHK STEEL INDUSTRIES LIMITED,

Date : February 09, 2024
Place: Chennai

Vishal Keyal
Chairman and Managing Director

TRINITY MIRROR
Friday 09 February 2024

FM's White Paper

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Thursday tabled a 'white paper' on the Indian economy claiming that the UPA government led by Dr Manmohan Singh inherited a healthy economy ready for more reforms but made it non-performing in 10 years.

The white paper stated that double-digit inflation prevailed during the UPA government and the country's banking sector ailed. The other macroeconomic parameters also reflected the poor state of economy which dented India's image and shook investor confidence.

The White Paper claimed that the UPA Government in its quest to maintain high economic growth severely undermined the macroeconomic foundations. "One such foundation that was severely weakened by the UPA government was price stability. Inflation raged between 2009 and 2014 and the common man bore the brunt," it said.

The White Paper said that the banking crisis was one of the most important and infamous legacies of the UPA government. It stated that in an era where capital flows dominate, India's external vulnerability shot up because of over-dependence on external commercial borrowings (ECB).

The white paper presented in Lok Sabha ahead of general elections said that the UPA government's response to the 2008 global financial crisis - a fiscal stimulus package to combat the spill-over effects - was much worse than the problem it sought to address.

The white paper said that the decade of the UPA Government was a lost decade because it failed to capitalise on the strong foundational economy and pace of reforms left behind by the Vajpayee government.

The White Paper also talked about 'pervasive corruption in various government activities, including in procurement, allocation of natural resources, and regulatory approvals.' The White Paper further said that as soon as the Modi government took over in 2014 India was put on the path of development by overhauling systems and processes. Interestingly, Congress party has come out with a 'Black paper' listing 'injustices meted out to people during the last 10 years of the Modi government

ISRO to launch INSAT-3DS on Feb 17

Sat to provide met services & disaster warning

Chennai, Feb 9: The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is gearing up for the launch of INSAT-3DS, a meteorological and disaster warning satellite, using its heaviest rocket Geo Synchronous Launch Vehicle (GSLV) from the spaceport of Sriharikota, SHAr-Range on February 17.

The GSLV-F14/INSAT-3DS Mission will take of from the Second Launch Pad 1730 on February 17, Saturday evening, ISRO said on Thursday.

In a post on X : ISRO said "GSLV-F14/INSAT-3DS Mission: The mission is set for lift-off on February 17, 2024, at 17:30 Hrs. IST from SDSC-SHAR, Sriharikota." "In its 16th flight, the GSLV aims to deploy INSAT-3DS, a meteorological and disaster warning satellite", it said.

"The mission is fully funded by the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES). @moesgoi #INSAT3DS", it said.

ISRO said the INSAT-3DS meteorological satellite will be deployed into the Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO).

Subsequent orbit-raising maneuvers will ensure that the satellite is positioned in a Geo-stationary Orbit.

The primary objectives of the mission are To monitor Earth's surface, carry out Oceanic observations and its environment in various spectral channels of meteorological importance; To provide the vertical profile of various meteorological parameters of the Atmosphere; To provide the Data Collection and Data Dissemination capabilities from the Data Collection Platforms (DCPs) and To provide Satellite Aided Search and Rescue services.

Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) is a three-stage 51.7 m long launch vehicle having a liftoff mass of 420 tonnes.

The first stage (GS1) comprises a solid propellant (S139) motor having 139-ton propellant and four earth-storable propellant stages (L40) strapons which carry 40 tons of liquid propellant in each.

The second stage (GS2) is also an earth-storable propellant stage loaded with 40-ton propellant. The third stage (GS3) is a cryogenic stage with a 15-ton propellant loading of liquid oxygen (LOX) and liquid hydrogen (LH2).

During the atmospheric regime, the Satellite is protected by Ogive payload fairing.

GSLV can be used to launch a variety of spacecraft capable of performing communications, navigation, earth resource surveys, and any other proprietary mission.

INSAT-3DS Satellite is a follow-on mission of Third Generation Meteorological Satellite from Geostationary Orbit.

Fully funded by the MoES, GSLV-F14/INSAT-3DS missionis designed for enhanced meteorological observations and monitoring of land and ocean surfaces for weather forecasting and disaster warning.

The satellite will augment the Meteorological services along with the presently operational INSAT-3D and INSAT-3DR satellites. Indian Industries have significantly contributed to the making of the Satellite.

Various departments of the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) such as the India Meteorology Department (IMD), National Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF), Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), Indian National Center for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) and various other agencies and institutes will be using the INSAT-3DS Satellite data to provide improved weather forecasts and meteorological services.

The salient features of the satellite included providing metereological services, data relay and satellite aided search and rescue services.

It carries 6 channel Imager, 19 channel Sounder, Data Relay Transponder (DRT) and Satellite Aided Search and Research Transponder (SAS and R).

INSAT-3DS marks a significant advancement in India's space capabilities. This satellite, designed to enhance weather forecasting and disaster management, represents a culmination of rigorous testing and collaboration between ISRO and various stakeholders.

The run-up to the launch of INSAT-3DS began with ISRO completing exhaustive tests and reviews of the satellite. On January 25, ISRO officially flagged off the satellite to Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, marking commencement of pre-launch activities.

INSAT-3DS is engineered to provide continuity of services to its predecessors, INSAT-3D (launched in 2013) and INSAT-3DR (2016), while also augmenting the capabilities of the INSAT platform. Its design, based on ISRO's well-proven I-2k bus platform, boasts a lift-off mass of 2,275 kg, making it a robust addition to India's satellite fleet.

Work for sustained global peace, UN Chief urges

United Nations, Feb 9: UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on Thursday called for efforts to unite for peace. "It is essential that we work for a just and sustainable peace, but a peace in line with the UN Charter and international law," the UN chief said at the press conference on his 2024 priorities at the UN headquarters in New York.

"Yesterday, I addressed the General Assembly focusing on priorities for this year and beyond," he said. "It is a long and detailed agenda - but the varied challenges are connected by a common thread. Peace. The need for peace in all its dimensions because peace is the tie that binds. But, too often, we face instead a Gordian knot," the secretary-general noted.

The top UN official spoke of the rising conflict and geopolitical divisions that threatened peace and security, the polarisation tearing through communities, the widening gap of inequalities under the guise of peace with justice, and the alarming rise in global emissions and temperatures challenging peace with nature.

"We are at a moment of truth - but we have a breakdown of trust. Trust in institutions. Trust in leaders. And also trust in governments and multilateral institutions," he declared. The solution, he proposed, was to make a "real and positive difference in people's lives. By solving people's problems".

"This is no time for pulling punches," he said, adding the age-old nuclear threat, the climate emergency, and the unchecked dangers of artificial intelligence were laid bare as existential challenges that required a united and organised response.

Amid the myriad of issues, there is a glimmer of hope, he assured. "Much can be done across the board." From ending conflict to addressing threats posed by artificial intelligence, taking climate action, and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, the path forward is clear, albeit challenging, the secretary-general added.

It is a call for a "serious conversation" between nations, a reform of outdated institutions, and an embrace of multipolarity with effective, renewed, and inclusive mechanisms of multilateral governance, the UN chief stressed.

As the Secretary-General outlined the New Agenda for Peace, the SDG Stimulus, the Global Digital Compact, and other initiatives, he emphasized the critical need for solutions to the conflicts in Ukraine and Gaza, highlighting their profound global consequences.

"Our world cannot afford to wait," he said.

The challenges are daunting, the path complex, but the call for peace, unity, and action resonates deeply within the walls of the United Nations and beyond, Guterres said.

POLITICAL VEIN

V.V.S. Manian

A week is a long time in politics

Harold Wilson

With changing pace of political scenarios, the fortunes of a politician or a party can change dramatically in the course of a single week. This was the inference of the British Prime Minister Harold Wilson who famously coined the phrase. But today, even a day or hours is a long time in politics as things change in a lightning- speed politics most unethically.

Quote:" In politics, sunny days and rainy days can change very quickly." Giulio Andreotti

(From the forthcoming book Encyclopedic Dictionary of Political Terms by V.V.S.Manian,published by Maya Publishing House, New Delhi 110086)

India-Saudi joint military drill held in Rajasthan

New Delhi, Feb 9: The India-Saudi Arabia joint military exercise - SADA TANSEEQ - aimed to achieve interoperability between the two forces and acquaint each other with operational procedures and combat drills under UN mandate, successfully validated at Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Rajasthan on Thursday.

The exercise was conducted in two phases. The first phase focused on combat conditioning and tactical training.The second phase culminated in physical exercises and validation, an official statement said here.

Both the Indian Army and Royal Saudi Land Force jointly took part in the validation phase which included creation of temporary operating base, establishing an intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) grid, establishing mobile vehicle check post, carrying out cordon and search operations in a hostile village, heliborne operations and conduct of house intervention drills.

The validation phase also witnessed platoon battle drills wherein firing of Infantry Combat Vehicles (ICVs) and various weapons took place.

This exercise has proved to be a harbinger for cementing ties between India & Saudi Arabia and forging a strategic relationship between the two great nations.

The Indian contingent of the 20th Battalion of The Brigade of Guards Regiment and the Saudi Arabian contingent comprising a group of 45 soldiers of Royal Saudi Land Force participated in the joint exercise.

The closing ceremony of the joint exercise will be held on on Friday to felicitate outstanding soldiers and to give an opportunity to both the contingents to reflect upon the lessons learnt.

The joint training has undoubtedly been an astounding success with significant milestones achieved towards building cordial relations between the two countries.

Centre hopes to fetch Rs. 96,318 cr from spectrum auction

New Delhi, Feb 9: The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday approved the telecom department's proposal to auction spectrum across multiple bands at a reserve price of Rs 96,317.65 crore.

Additional spectrum will improve the quality of telecom services and coverage for the consumers.

The auction will be held for spectrum in 800 MHz, 900 MHz, 1800 MHz, 2100 MHz, 2300 MHz, 2500 MHz, 3300 MHz and 26 GHz frequency bands. Spectrum will be offered for assignment for validity period of 20 years. A total of 10,523.15 MHz is being offered with a valuation of Rs 96,317.65 crore (at reserve price).

"To make spectrum available in the country in a transparent manner, the Cabinet had on September 15, 2021 had decided that every financial year spectrum will be auctioned. Accordingly, the spectrum which remained to be auctioned in 2022-23, the spectrum whose assigned period is expiring in 2024, along with some surrendered spectrum will now be auctioned," Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur said.

The Cabinet also approved six multi tracking projects across Indian Railways which would facilitate ease of travelling, minimize logistics cost, reduce oil imports and lower carbon emissions. The Union Cabinet also gave its nod to the extension of Fisheries Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) for another 3 years upto 2025-26 within the already approved fund size of Rs. 7,522.48 crore and budgetary support of Rs 939.48 crore.

India, France navies to enhance maritime ties

New Delhi, Feb 9: The 17th Indian Navy (IN) and French Navy (FN) held discussions and agreed to enhance collaboration and interoperability in the maritime domain.

The staff meetings were held on February 6 and 7 and co-chaired by Rear Admiral Nirbhay Bapna, ACNS (FCI) and Rear Admiral Jean Marc Durandau, Director International Engagements, FN, an official statement said here on Thursday.

The talks witnessed active participation from both sides. Major discussions included operational, training, SME exchanges, etc. Both sides also acknowledged the growing cooperation between the two Navies and agreed to enhance collaboration and interoperability in the maritime domain.

Parliament nod for Modi Govt's Interim Budget

New Delhi, Feb 9: The Parliament on Thursday gave its nod to the Modi government's interim Budget with Rajya Sabha returning the Finance Bill 2024 and related appropriation bills after discussion.

The Jammu and Kashmir Appropriation Bill, 2024 was also returned.

The Lok Sabha in its sitting on Wednesday approved the Finance Bill and other appropriation bills after discussion on them.

A total of 33 members in Rajya Sabha participated in the discussion on the interim Budget.

Replying to the discussion, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said that the government's focus in the interim Budget is on capital expenditure (capex) for asset creation.

"We have committed to spend about 17% higher than RE of 2023-24. Our outlay is higher than the projected GDP growth rate of 10.5% during the next financial year (2024-25)," Sitharaman said.

She emphasised that capex is spent on creating assets, which can be used by all citizens equally and their common infrastructure which improves the 'ease of living' for everybody.

The interim Budget has earmarked Rs 11.11 lakh crore capex for FY25. The allocation accounts for 3.4% of GDP.

'NATO threatening own people'

Moscow, Feb 9: NATO is creating an imaginary Russian threat to intimidate their own populations, Russian President Vladimir Putin said.

"They're trying to intimidate their own populations with an imaginary Russian threat. This is an obvious fact," Putin said, released on Thursday.

Russia has no interest in other countries, including in Poland and Latvia, Putin said. Russia could only send troops to Poland if Poland first attacked Russia, Putin added.

US airstrikes against Houthis

Washington, Feb 9: The United States Central Command (CENTCOM) said Thursday that the US military carried out seven "self-defence strikes" against the military equipment of Yemen's Ansar Allah movement, also known as the Houthis, including unmanned surface vessels and mobile anti-ship cruise missiles.

"On February 8, between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 p.m. (Sanaa time) [14:00-18:00 GMT], U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) forces conducted seven self-defense strikes against four Houthi unmanned surface vessels (USV) and seven mobile anti-ship cruise missiles that were prepared to launch against ships in the Red Sea," CENTCOM said

Santhosh Narayanan concert *Neeye oli* at Nehru Stadium on Feb 10

Chennai, Feb 9: Santhosh Narayanan is back on the live stage with his mesmerizing melody songs at his Neeye Oli concert.

Experience the magic of "Neeyae Oli" with the extraordinary Santhosh Narayanan on February 10, 2024, Jawaharlal Nehru Outdoor Stadium, Chennai, will come alive with soulful melodies.

Several musicians such as Dhee, Asal Kolar, Navz 47, and Shan Vincent De Paul join with the Santhosh Narayanan to provide an amazing experience.

A press meet was addressed by Santhosh Narayanan, Metro Rail Deputy Manager Vijaykumar, co-ordinator of the event Making Moments Arjun.

Santhosh Narayanan said, 'We give preference to fans in our 'Neeye Oli' concert. International musicians will also participate in the music concert.

We will sing not only songs of my musical but also songs of M.S. Viswanathan, A.R. Rahman, G.V. Prakashkumar, Anirudh, Yuvan Sankar Raja.

The Oli neeye music concert will 3 hours continuous song will give fans a different experience.'

Let's light up our hearts with the dazzling songs. Bookings for this concert are open now.

Pugazh starrer 'Mr. Zoo Keeper' audio launch

As the film titled 'Mr. Zoo Keeper' is gearing up for release soon, the audio launch and press meet was held in Chennai, with actor Soori taking part as the chief guest. Here are some excerpts from the event.

T. Jeba Jones and S Rajarathnam of J4 Studios are producing a film titled 'Mr. Zoo Keeper', which is directed by J. Suresh, featuring 'Cook with Comali' fame Pugazh in the lead. A commercial entertainer, the story of this movie revolves around an ordinary man's attempt to save a tiger. Yuvan Shankar Raja has composed music for this film.

Director Suresh said, "Yuvan is the backbone of this film, and we have shared a friendly bond for 25 years. But finding a producer for the film proved to be a challenge. That's when I met Jones, who immediately showed interest in kick-starting the project. And that's how the film came to be. Pugazh wholeheartedly dedicated himself to the film, actively participating in every discussion. He even acted alongside a tiger throughout the entire movie. This experience will undoubtedly serve as a significant breakthrough for Pugazh, and the film has turned out exceptionally well.

Actor Pugazh said, "My heartiest thanks to actor Soori for gracing this occasion. My humble thanks to Thomson sir for introducing me.The film has turned out exceptionally well."

Actor Soori said, 'Pugazh is a multi-talented individual, and it is delightful to see him becoming a favourite among households and families. Director Suresh is exceptionally talented, and I offer my congratulations to him. I sincerely hope that the film achieves tremendous success. "

Producer T. Jeba Jones, Producer Rajarathnam, Actor Muthukaalai, Actor Vijay Seeyon, Choreographer Radhika, Thomson,Actress Shirin Kanchwala also spoke at the event.

NAME CHANGE

I, GERMAINE CECILIA ELLAPPAN RAVI KUMAR, W/o. Ravi Kumar, Date of Birth: 20/12/1975, Residing at 1st Street, 2nd Main Road, Palaniappa Nagar, Madhavaram, Chennai – 600 060. shall henceforth be known as **GERMAINE CECILIA DCRUZ**

GERMAINE CECILIA ELLAPPAN RAVI KUMAR

NAME CHANGE

My Daughter, Old Given name: MITHRAA, Old Surname: SENTHIL KUMAR GAYATHRI, Date of Birth: 16.09.2015, residing at AS 2 Marutham Prestige, Bharathidasan Nagr 1st Cross Street, Tambaram West, Chennai – 600045. Shall henceforth be known as **New Given name: MITHRAA New Surname: SENTHIL KUMAR**

Sentil Kumar Navanidame, Father

NAME CHANGE

I, HARIHARAN GUNASEKARAN, S/o : Gunasekar, Date of Birth: 15/10/1991, (Place of Birth : PORAYAR), Residing at No 29, Ashok Brindavan Nagar, 1st Main Road, Queens Srivari Aprt, S2 Flat 2nd Floor, Near City Union Bank ATM, Iyappanthanagal, Chennai - 600056. shall henceforth be known as **HARIHARAN GUNASEKAR**

HARIHARAN GUNASEKARAN

NAME CHANGE

I, Karunakaran Rajagopal, S/O. - Rajagopalan Rangaswamy, Date of Birth: 15/03/1983, Residing at No.10/26, Mahalakshmi Flats, F2, Civil Aviation Colony, 1st Cross Street, Nanganallur, Chennai -600 061. shall henceforth be known as **Karunakaran Rajagopalan**

Karunakaran Rajagopal

NAME CHANGE

My Son, Sunil Kumar Kabeer Srisrimal, Date of Birth: 26.07.2018, (Place of Birth: Bengaluru, Karnataka), Residing at No: 9/13, Vinayaga Mudali Street, Sowcarpet, Chennai - 600001. shall henceforth be known as **KABEER SRI SRIMAL**

Sunil Kumar, Father

Date of Birth Change

I, Khaleelur Rahman Kaka, S/o. Mohammed Basheer Kaka, Mother Name: Habeebunnisa, Residing at No.113/50, Small Mosque Street, Pernambut – 635 810, Vellore District, Tamil Nadu. Shall henceforth be known as Date of Birth: Change **26.05.1961**

Shameema Begum Chanda

NAME CHANGE

I, GUNASEKARAN, S/o : Venkatesan, Date of Birth : 31/07/1959, Place of Birth : Villupuram, residing at No 29, Ashok Brindavan Nagar, 1st Main Road, Queens Srivari Aprt, S2 Flat 2nd Floor, Near City Union Bank ATM, Iyappanthanagal, Chennai - 600056 shall henceforth be known as **GUNASEKAR VENKATESAN**

GUNASEKARAN

NAME CHANGE

I, Mohideen Pillai Sevose Aboobucker, S/O Sevose Aboobucker, Date of Birth: 07.02.1968, (Native dist: Tirunelveli), Residing at No: 2/555, Lotus Colony, 2 nd Cross Street, Valluvar Nagar, Sithalapakkam, Chennai – 600131. Shall henceforth be known as **MYDEEN PILLAI SEVOSE ABOOBUCKER**.

Mohideen Pillai Sevose Aboobucker

NAME CHANGE

My Daughter, HARSHITHA, Date of Birth: 27.08.2008, Residing at No:2/47–D Type, 19th Street, Sidco Nagar, Villivakkam, Chennai – 600049. Shall henceforth be known as **HARSHITHA. K**

V.Karthigaivanan, Father

NAME CHANGE

I, Old Given name: Shkanda Vikash, Old Surname: Jeevanandan, Date of Birth: 14.03.1993, residing at No.388/475–A, Trichy Main Road, Sanjeevarayanpettai, Salem –636 006. shall hence forth be known as **New Given Name: SHKANDA VIKASH New Sur name: JEEVANANDAN MALAR VIZHI**

Old Given name: Shkanda Vikash, Old Surname: Jeevanandan

NAME CHANGE

I, YOUSUF ASIF, S/o. Yousuf Date of Birth: 02 / 09 / 1969, Residing at No. 4/120, Miyasa Street, Palacode, Dharmapuri, PIN – 636 808. Shall henceforth be known as NEW GIVEN NAME: **YOUSUF ASIFF**

YOUSUF ASIF

NAME CHANGE

I, Mumtaj Parveen Majrullah Basha, W/O. Majrullah Basha, Date of Birth: 03.07.1978, Residing at New No. .4/2, Old No. 59/60, A3, 1st Floor, Fakir Sahib Street, Royapuram, Chennai -600 013. shall henceforth be known as **MUMTAJ PARVEEN ABDUL RAHIM**

Mumtaj Parveen Majrullah Basha

NOTICE

I, R.Krishnan aged 87 years S/o. Late. C. Rangasamy Chettiar, residing at No. 963, TVS Colony, 53rd Street, Annanagar West Extn. Chennai-600 101. state that I have lost copy of Original Partition deed Vide No. 1977/1974 dated 29.8.1974 registered at Omalur S.R.O., Salem district on December 4th of 2023 due to heavy rainfall.

I have registered and got acknowledged from the Camp Office incharge at Chennai Corporation Division office ward No. 89 Vide No. 64/3, dated 15.12.2023

R.KRISHNAN

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform this General Public that my client Mrs.A.Shanthi, Wife of Mr.R.Anandh Kumar, residing at No.70, 6th Cross Street, Mettu Street, Athipet, Ambattur, Chennai - 600 058, issuing public notice stating my client Mother Late A.Janaki is the owner of the property situated at Chennai District, Ambattur Taluk,Athipet Village, comprised in Survey No.263/13, measuring an extent of 1488 Square Feet of Vacant Land, the said property Original Sale Deed dated 13.05.1993 bearing Document No. 2933/1993 on the file of Sub Registrar Ambattur. My client took the above said original Sale Deed dated 13.05.1993 bearing Document No.2933/1993, on 23.01.2024 while travelling from his house to take Xerox in Xerox shop near by Chennai Nolambur, Lakshmi Store at that time the above said original Sale Deed Document No.2933/1993 dated 13.05.1993, was misplaced by my client and inspite of best efforts, the same is untraceable.

Any person(s) having any claim in respect of the aforesaid document or is in possession of the above said document is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us within 10 days from the date hereof, failing which it shall be taken that there is no claim by any person to, against and/or in respect of the aforesaid document and shall also deemed that the said document is free from encumbrances. Any person dealing with the said document based on the said document will be doing to at their own risk.Client

R.Pandiyan B.A.B.L., M.L.,
K.Velmurugan Bsc. B.L.
Advocate & Notary Public
No. 11/4, V.O.C.9th Street,
T.V.S. Nagar Padi, Chennai – 50,
Cell: 94442 19979

NAME CHANGE

I, Old Given Name : Meenakshi Old Sur Name : Venkateshvar, D/o. Venkateshvar, Date of Birth: 17/01/1992, Residing at 560/11, St Marys School street, Chinthalakuppam, S R Kandigai, Gummidipoondi, Chennai 601201 Shall henceforth be known as **MEENAKSHI VEMPALLI**

Old Given Name : Meenakshi
Old Sur Name : Venkateshvar

NAME CHANGE

I, SWATI GUJAR, W/O. Vijay, Date of Birth: 26.07.1978, Residing at New No. .4/2, Old No. 59/60, A3, 1st Floor, Fakir Sahib Street, Royapuram, Chennai -600 123. shall henceforth be known as **SWATI VIJAY GUJAR**

SWATI GUJAR

NAME CHANGE

I, Old Sur Name: SYED GOSH BASHA, Old Given Name: RAHMAN BASHA, S/O. Syed Gosh Basha, DATE OF BIRTH: 21/07/1979, residing at No.30, Ground Floor, Hanuman Colony, Rajan Nagar 1st Cross Street, Injambakkam, Chennai - 600 115. shall henceforth be known as **New Sur Name: SYED GOSH BASHA, New Given Name: SYED ABDUL RAHMAN BASHA**

Old Sur Name: SYED GOSH BASHA, Old Given Name: RAHMAN BASHA

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my client Mr.Mohamed Navas Majeed, S/o.K.Abdul Majeed, residing at Plot No.113, 5th Floor, Apnakaa Appartment, Marshal Road, Egmore, Chennai–08. On 18.01.2024 about 07.30 pm he went to Ayanavaram Mettu Street for taking xerox he lost the Original Sale Deed Document No.636/2020 & 637/2020 in respect of of 175 Sq.ft and 275 Sq.ft Ramalingapuram, Chennai -600 012 comprised in Re-Survey No.42/2 Part as per town Survey Land register Survey No.38 of Ayanavaram Village, Ayanavaram Taluk, Chennai–600 012 In favouring him and Faisal and his wife Yasmin Sulthana registered on the file of SRO Anna Nagar. Inspite of Strenuous Search he could not trace the Original document. I therefore inform that if anyone comes across the above document require to inform eihter my client who is residing at the above address or else to me, .

Y.KAJA NAVAS, B.A.,B.L., Advocate
No.217-B, Law Chambers, High Court
Complex, Chennai–600104,
Cell:94445 44664

NAME CHANGE

I, **LIYAKATHULLA KHAN J** S/o: Jani Jahan M, residing at No. 24/17, Nallanna Lane, Royapettah, Chennai - 600014, Tamil Nadu, shall henceforth be known as **LIYAKATHULLA J**

LIYAKATHULLA KHAN J
(Old Name)

NAME CHANGE

I, **SHOBANA SRINIVASAN** D/o. Lakshmipathi Residing at C202, Appasamy The Bloomingdale apartments, East Main Road, Sankar Nagar, Pammal, chennai 600 075 shall henceforth be known as **SHOBANA L**

SHOBANA SRINIVASAN

NAME CHANGE

I, VASANTHALAKSHMI BUKKARAYA SAMUDRAM, W/o. Ramesh, Born on 04.11.1961, residing at No.16, Bhuvaneswari Nagar, 2nd Street, Chrompet, Chennai - 600044. Shall henceforth be known as VASANTHALAKSHMI CHAKRAVARTHY.

NAME CHANGE

I, **CHELLABABU MOHAN**, S/o. Mohan Krishnaswamy, Date of Birth: 01/08/1972, Residing at 3, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose street, Alamathi Road, Vellanoor, Chennai – 600062, shall henceforth be known as **CHELLABABU MOHAN KRISHNASWAMY**

CHELLABABU MOHAN

TWENTYFIRST CENTURY MANAGEMENT SERVICES LIMITED

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STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

Rupees in lakhs

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended			Nine months ended		Year ended
		31/12/2023	30/09/2023	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	31/12/2022	31/03/2023
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Income from Operations	1657.70	278.71	(359.66)	1673.36	(882.20)	(1362.11)
2	Other Income	3.64	1.90	4.23	7.04	11.72	14.40
	Total Revenue	1661.34	280.61	(355.43)	1680.40	(870.48)	(1347.71)
4	**Expenses**						
	Cost of materiasl consumed	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Purchase of stock in trade	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Change in invetories of finished goods, work in progress and stock in trade	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Employees benefits expense	44.62	36.01	40.41	116.12	113.83	149.55
	Finance costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Depreciation and amortisation expense	1.10	0.85	1.30	2.79	3.15	4.43
	Other expenses	9.43	9.81	6.21	34.50	36.50	53.29
	Total expenses	55.15	46.67	47.92	153.41	153.48	207.27
5	Profit/(Loss) before exceptional items and tax	1606.19	233.94	(403.35)	1526.99	(1023.96)	(1554.98)
6	Exceptional items	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Profit/(Loss) after exceptional items but before tax	1606.19	233.94	(403.35)	1526.99	(1023.96)	(1554.98)
8	Tax expense						
	Current tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Short provision of tax for earlier years	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.18
	Deferred tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.95
9	Profit/(Loss) for the period from continuing operations	1606.19	233.94	(403.35)	1526.99	(1023.96)	(1558.11)
10	Other Comprehensive Income	414.66	535.35	4.31	414.66	4.31	(35.44)
11	Total Comprehensive Income for the period	2020.85	769.29	(399.04)	1941.65	(1019.65)	(1593.55)
12	Paid-up Equity Capital	1050.00	1050.00	1050.00	1050.00	1050.00	1050.00
13	Earning per equity share (face value of Rs. 10 each) Basic /Diluted EPS	15.30	2.23	(3.84)	14.54	(9.75)	(14.84)

Notes:

1 The above unaudited financial results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 8th February 2024. The Statutory Auditors have carried out a limited review of the above Financial Results.

2 The company operates in only one business segment i.e. Capital Market operations.

3 The Company is engaged in the business of trading and investments in equity shares which is subject to fluctuations. Perfomance of the company for the quarter ended 31st December 2023 should not be taken as indicative of future performance, due to the nature of risks involved in trading and investments in equity shares.

By the order of Board
SUNDAR IYER
CHAIRMAN

Place: Mumbai
Date: 08/02/2024

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Extract of Statement of Consolidated Unaudited Financial Results for the Third Quarter and Nine Months ended December 31, 2023

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Particulars	Quarter ended 31.12.2023	Nine Months ended 31.12.2023	Quarter ended 31.12.2022	NineMonths ended 31.12.2022
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited
Income from operations	19,284.22	56,672.52	17,168.22	48,354.88
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary Items)	3,016.36	9,693.50	2,673.98	7,556.79
Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary Items)	3,016.36	9,693.50	2,673.98	7,556.79
Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and /or Extraordinary Items)	2,253.82	7,296.91	1,986.34	5,698.87
Toal Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)	2,871.14	7,965.44	3,337.23	6,248.83
Equity Share capital	1,007.16	1,007.16	1,003.65	1,003.65
Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 1/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)-				
(a) Basic (Rs.)	2.24	7.26	1.98	5.69
(b) Diluted (Rs.)	2.30	6.89	1.82	5.24
Notes :				
1.Key Standalone financial information				
Turnover	5,475.57	17,140.62	5,343.49	15,216.01
Profit/(Loss) before tax	1,101.23	3,298.50	1,191.63	2,656.31
Profit/(Loss) after tax	876.77	2,613.64	969.99	2,119.19

2.The above is an extract of the detailed format of the Financial Results for the quarter and nine months ended December 31, 2023 filed with the Stock Exchanges on February 08, 2024 under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 . The full format of the Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results are available on the Company's website, www.saksoft.com and on the website of the Stock Exchanges www.nseindia.com and www.bseindia.com.

For and on Behalf of the Board of Directors
Aditya Krishna
Chairman & Managing Director

Place: Chennai
Date: February 08, 2024

M/S. TATIA GLOBAL VENNTURE LTD

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Un Audited Financial Results for the Quarter and Nine Months ended 31.12.2023

(₹ in Lakhs)

Particulars	STANDALONE						CONSOLIDATED					
	Quarter ended	Quarter ended	Quarter ended	Nine Months ended	Nine Months ended	Year ended	Quarter ended	Quarter ended	Quarter ended	Nine Months ended	Nine Months ended	Year ended
	31.12.2023	30.09.2023	31.12.2022	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.2023	31.12.2023	30.09.2023	31.12.2022	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.2023
	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Audited)
Total Revenue from operations (Net)	28.01	27.22	25.34	81.93	370.25	483.28	32.52	29.01	27.06	91.16	375.29	490.88
Net Profit / (Loss) From Continuing Operations After Tax	15.49	17.98	15.36	47.76	337.07	438.07	18.58	13.99	15.55	46.93	338.09	439.31
Net Profit / (Loss) For the Period	15.49	17.98	15.36	47.76	337.07	438.07	18.58	13.99	15.55	46.93	338.09	439.31
Paid - up equity share capital (Face Value of the share Rs. 1/- each)	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20	1516.20
Other Equity						1044.48						1034.13
Earning per share (From Continuing and Discontinued Operations of Rs. 1/- Each)												
a. Basic	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.22	0.29	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.22	0.29
b. Diluted	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.22	0.29	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.22	0.29

Notes: The above is an extract of the detailed format of the Quarterly / Nine months Financial Results filed with the Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd under the Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015. The full format of the Quarterly / Nine months financial results are available on the Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd, www.bseindia.com and the company's website, www.tatia.co.in

M/s. TATIA GLOBAL VENNTURE LIMITED
Sd/-
S. P. BHARAT JAIN TATIA
Managing Director
DIN.No. 00800056

Place : Chennai - 600 007
Date : 08.02.2024

RCG launches Arumbugal project for children's cardiac surgeries

Chennai, Feb 9: The Rotary Club of Guindy initiated its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) endeavor, Arumbugal, in collaboration with Kanchi Kamakoti Childs Trust Hospital, Chennai. This noble initiative aims to provide cardiac surgeries for children whose parents belong to the lower income bracket.

The project, with a budget of USD 31,000, was made possible through the generous contribution of USD 21,000 from Mr. G Ramesh, Managing Director of Sellmore Marketing Private Limited, as part of their CSR commitment. The remaining funds were graciously provided by the club's members.

President of the Rotary Club of Guindy, PR Bala Chandar, conveyed heartfelt appreciation to the donors for their invaluable support. He expressed optimism that the project would significantly impact the lives of young ones afflicted with congenital heart conditions.

A Memorandum of Understanding was formalized between the club and Child's Trust Hospital. The signing ceremony, attended by MD Dr. Priya Ramachandran and Chief Surgeon Dr. Prashant Shah, solidified the partnership's commitment to providing essential medical care to deserving children. Dr. Priya expressed deep gratitude for the club's generosity and emphasized the importance of their continued collaboration to positively influence the lives of those in need.

The launch of the Arumbugal project marks a significant step towards ensuring access to critical healthcare services for vulnerable children, exemplifying the Rotary Club of Guindy's commitment to serving the community.

Shreekiran Josyer enthralls listeners

Our flagship event – the mikeless Sunday kutcheri enters into it's 17th year, this February. This month's Sunday Kutcheri organised by Sundaram Finance Group saw G Shreekiran from Bangalore giving a good performance enthralling the group of listeners that grew in number as the concert progressed.

He proved adept at mastering the songs presented and drew applause at the end of each song.

His choice of songs was outstanding, as he nearly covered the entire repertoire of various composers

G Shreekiran Josyer was accompanied by G Venkatesha Josyer on the violin and by Venkatasubramanian on the Mridangam

G Shreekiran Josyer along with the accompanists were felicitated with a memento by Sundaram Finance Group at the end of the performance.

Stella Maris College human chain on rights of disabled

Chennai, Feb 9: A Human Chain for the rights of the differently abled was organised by NSS Units of Stella Maris College outside the College premises. The main objective of the programme was to convey to the public about inclusive society and equal rights for all. The NSS volunteers held placards to create awareness to the public on the rights of differently abled.

Dr. Vaneeta Aggarwal, NSS Co-ordinator, University of Madras and Ms. Smitha Sadasivan, Member of State Advisory Board for PWDs, Govt. of TN flagged off Human Chain along with Ms. Jeyapriya, Vice-Principal (Shift II), Stella Maris College. Dr. Sr. Stella Mary, Principal i/c, Stella Maris College along with Programme Officers and Volunteers of NSS units sensitized the public on the rights of differently abled.

The NSS Units of Stella Maris College conducted a seven-day special camp titled "Empowering Youth for Nation Building" for the academic year 2023 – 2024. As part of the camp, volunteers were given exposure to urban communities, to conduct awareness programme to school children and also provide skill training and personality development sessions in order to equip them to be socially responsible citizens.

Siddha Wellness rally reaches Chennai

Chennai, Feb 9: The "Siddha Wellness Rally and Awareness Campaign" (SWARC), organized by the National Institute of Siddha (NIS) and Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS) under the Ministry of Ayush, reached Tambaram, Chennai today on its journey from New Delhi to Kanyakumari. This transformative bike expedition aims to raise awareness about the benefits of Siddha medicine, an ancient Indian system, and its potential for holistic healthcare.

On February 5th evening, the bikers arrived in Tambaram Sanatorium, continuing their journey from NIS/CCRS on February 6th morning. Spreading the message further, they held a Siddha Medical and Awareness camp at the newly inaugurated Kilambakkam Bus Terminus on February 6th morning.

500 Siddha medical kits and informative materials were distributed to the public, police personnel, and workers present at the bus stand. The kits, containing essentials like [details of kit contents], served as a tangible introduction to Siddha practices.

69.3 mn pets are homeless in India

Chennai, Feb 9: A global coalition of animal welfare experts in partnership with Mars, released the results from the largest-ever international study on pet homelessness, today. The ambitious 'State of Pet Homelessness Project' sets out to understand the scale of pet homelessness in 20 markets, and factors that contribute to pets being on the streets or in shelters, shining a light on the needs of a sizable hidden population of pets.

The report reveals that 1 in 3 pets are homeless in the world, estimating almost 362 million pets are still waiting to find a home. The global average of homeless pets across 20 markets is pegged at 35% of the total dog and cat population.

The findings from India reveal a stark picture with 69% of all cats and dogs without a home. Most homeless pets (60.5 mn) in India are living on the streets, while others (8.8 mn) are in shelters waiting to find a home.

69.3 million (69%) cats and dogs are homeless in India, accounting for approximately 19% of the global homeless pet population; 60.5 million (71%) dogs live on the street or in shelters in India, accounting for approximately 39% of the global homeless dog population.

8.8 million cats live on the street or in shelters, accounting for 4.25% of the global homeless cat population, While adoption from shelters is still low, 53% respondents from urban and rural areas would recommend adopting from shelters in the future.

Salil Murthy, Managing Director at Mars Petcare India, said: "The State of Pet Homelessness Report is a clarion call to address the urgent issue of pet homelessness, armed with compelling data and insights that guide us towards actionable solutions.

AINU launches Andrology Care Department

Chennai, Feb 9: AHH-owned Asian Institute of Nephrology and Urology (AINU), India's largest single-specialty hospital network of Urology & Nephrology Care, proudly announced the inauguration of its cutting-edge male reproductive and sexual health facility at AINU, Chennai hospital. As part of this announcement, AINU has also appointed its Fellowship-Trained Certified Microsurgical Andrologist and Urologist, Dr. Sanjay Prakash J, as the head of AINU Andrology, Chennai. Being the only certified Andrologist in Chennai, Dr. Sanjay brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the position, having earned a stellar reputation for his contributions to the field of andrology and urology.

Dr Arun Kumar, Managing Director, Chief Consultant Urologist, AINU, Chennai, said, "In the realm of men's sexual and reproductive health in India, there exists a significant gap filled by an unorganised sector lacking scientific qualifications. Adding to this, purchases from OTCs and adult content websites also have adverse side effects. This often results in patients undergoing misguided treatments, unnecessary investigations, and incurring substantial expenditures. As pioneers in Urology and Nephrology, we are acutely aware of the pressing need to rectify this deficiency. Hence, we have taken the decisive step to introduce specialized Andrology services. Spearheaded by our proficient and seasoned team of clinicians, this initiative aims to bridge the existing gap in Men's sexual and Reproductive Health.

Pakistan's perpetual predicament...

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and 1999–2008). After their respective terms in office, each of the past five prime ministers of Pakistan has faced convictions or imprisonment. The military is now alleged to have played a major role in working with the judiciary to keep former Prime Minister Imran Khan out of the elections.

These are the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) party, led by three-time former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, and the Pakistan People's Party, led by Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, the son of former president Asif Ali Zardari and assassinated former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto. Imran Khan is in prison and barred from running; which party is likely to win the election and what challenges lie ahead for the new government?

The Election Commission of Pakistan began announcing results today. Imran Khan's PTI-backed Independents are leading in five National Assembly seats, while Nawaz Sharif-led PML-N and Bilawal Bhutto's PPP are each leading in four seats, as per a report in the Pakistani daily Dawn. Former Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif is among the early winners from the Lahore constituency. Candidates backed by Imran Khan's party, PTI, have claimed victory as trends started to come in. PTI believes that there has been rigging of polling booths and deliberate stalling of results.

According to Reuters, the latest trend on Friday morning is that Pakistan's main political parties were tied neck to neck in early results on Friday after vote counts in the general election were hit by unusual delays that the government blamed on a suspension of mobile phone services.

Tough time ahead

The next newcomer will face terrible challenges in the country. It will face innumerable problems like economic and environmental challenges, improving relations with neighboring Taliban-run Afghanistan and India. Improving the infrastructure drastically, resolving the 365-day power outages, and containing religious and separatist militant groups.

Pakistan has been relying heavily on bailouts to prop up its foreign exchange reserves and avoid default, with the International Monetary Fund and wealthy allies like China and Saudi Arabia financing the country to the tune of billions of dollars. The IMF, which last July approved a much-awaited $3 billion bailout, has warned of sustained high inflation this year, around 24%, and a rise in poverty levels.

Poverty in Pakistan rose from 34.2% to 39.4% in just one year, with 12.5 million more people falling below the poverty line of the $3.65 per day income level. About 95 million Pakistanis now live in poverty. Pakistan also has the lowest per capita income in South Asia and the highest number of out-of-school kids in the world.

Whatever results the elections may bring, it is unlikely that a sustainable democracy will emerge. The new government will need to work hard to boost the economy, feed millions of starving people, and sustain a democracy. The challenge is too tough for the newcomer.

LIC MF launches MF Nifty Midcap 100 ETF'

Chennai, Feb 9: LIC Mutual Fund Asset Management Limited has announced the launch of a New Fund Offer (NFO) 'LIC MF Nifty Midcap 100 ETF'.

The NFO opened on 08th February 2024 and will close on 12th February 2024.

The Scheme will re-open for continuous sale and repurchase on 19th February 2024. Mr. Sumit Bhatnagar, Fund Manager – Equity at LIC Mutual Fund, is the Fund Manager of this Scheme.

The scheme will be benchmarked against Nifty Midcap 100 Total Return Index.

The investment objective of the scheme is to provide returns that closely correspond to the total returns of securities as represented by Nifty Midcap 100 Total Return Index, subject to tracking errors. There is no assurance or guarantee that the objective of the scheme would be achieved.

The minimum investment in the NFO is Rs. 5000/- and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter. Units will be allotted in the whole figures and the balance amount will be refunded, even if it falls below the minimum amount.

Speaking on the launch of the product Mr. Ravi Kumar Jha, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, LIC Mutual Fund Asset Management Limited, said: "LIC Mutual Fund is optimistic about the potential of LIC MF Nifty Midcap 100 ETF. Given the prevailing macro environment, we feel we are launching the Fund at the right time. As per International Monetary Fund Report, the growth in India is projected to remain strong in the upcoming years. Additionally, the Centre's positive outlook on high GDP growth rate and reduced market borrowing plan may bode well with the financial markets.

Platinum launches men's jewellery

Chennai, Feb 9: The latest collection from Men of Platinum offers a variety of pieces across neckwear, wristwear and rings that seek inspiration from the global trends in men's jewellery. Crafted from 95% pure and rare platinum, each design can be paired with a variety of outfits and styled in multiple ways.

Commenting on these trends, shared Pallavi Sharma, Business Director, PGI India said, "In 2024, the landscape of men's jewelry trends is evolving beyond traditional boundaries, extending far beyond the confines of a simple wedding band or watch. We are witnessing a vibrant transformation toward versatile pieces that embrace individuality, as men playfully experiment with jewellery, including eclectic stacker collections featuring flexi or semi-flexi designs. The trend highlights a dynamic shift towards round wristwear looks, adorned with a single signet charm. This year is a celebration of the harmonious blend of minimalism and effortless elegance, giving rise to adornments that resonate with the diverse expressions of contemporary masculinity."

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Statement of Unaudited Results for the quarter and nine months ended 31st December 2023

Rs. in Lakhs except Earnings per Equity Share)

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended			Nine Months ended on		Year ended
		31.12.2023	30.09.2023	31.12.2022	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.23
		Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	1081.44	1463.06	2248.27	4864.81	9852.71	11868.80
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(168.50)	(331.59)	(282.04)	(661.34)	(201.09)	(533.28)
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(168.50)	(331.59)	(282.04)	(661.34)	(201.09)	(533.28)
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(129.32)	(186.03)	(238.58)	(498.69)	(156.26)	(332.62)
5	Other comprehensive income (net of tax)	(0.54)	1.88	0.93	1.33	(1.40)	(2.68)
6	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(129.86)	(184.15)	(237.65)	(497.36)	(157.66)	(335.30)
7	Equity Share Capital	428.64	428.64	428.64	428.64	428.64	428.64
8	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1977.74
9	Earnings Per Share						
	a. Basic	(3.02)	(4.34)	(5.57)	(11.63)	(3.65)	(7.76)
	b. Diluted	(3.02)	(4.34)	(5.57)	(11.63)	(3.65)	(7.76)

Note:

1 These financial results have been prepared in accordance with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (Ind As) prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with relevant rules issued thereunder and in terms of the SEBI. (Listing obligations and disclosure requirements)

2 The above results were reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 8th February 2024 and subject to limited review by the statutory Auditors of the company.

3 During the current quarter also, the market conditions were adverse and the demand for yarn was poor. The raw material cost continues to be higher and the mismatch of cotton price vis a vis yarn price was also significant, there is a shift in pattern of yarn consumption i.e now demand is moving towards artificial fibres and recycle fibres which has let the company to under utilise its capacity for the current period also. The Company has worked single shift for the current quarter also and accordingly single shift depreciation has been provided for the said period / quarter. The above resulted in reduction in production and consequent revenue from operations and consequential loss for the period.

4 The Company's main business is manufacture and sale of yarn and related products. There are no separate reportable Segments as per Ind AS 108 - Operating Segments.

5 Previous period figures have been regrouped / rearranged wherever necessary.

By order of the Board
For SRI NACHAMMAI COTTON MILLS LIMITED

Place:SALEM
Date: 08.02.2024

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CHAIRMAN CUM MANAGING DIRECTOR
DIN: 00110260

Toyota Kirloskar participates in Bharat Mobility Global Expo

Chennai,Feb 9: Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM) has displayed its exciting range of advanced green technology product line-up, and its localization initiatives at the Bharat Mobility Global Expo 2024.The display at the pavilion is centred aroundthe theme 'Grow India - Grow with India',underscoringthe company'scommitment to key national priorities of , 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat', 'Energy Security', and'Carbon Neutrality'through 'Multiple Pathway Approach' for a brighter and sustainablefuture.

In its glorious 25 years of operations in India, Toyota has established itself as the bedrock of sustainability and innovation in manufacturing meeting the mobility needs of over 2.3 million consumers,thereby showing a strong commitment to the Indian market.

Masakazu Yoshimura, MD and CEO, Toyota Kirloskar Motor and Regional CEO,Toyota Motor Corporationsaid, "We are delighted to participate in the Bharat Global Mobility Global Expo 2024, as it provides an excellent opportunity to showcase our cutting-edge green vehicles technologies, reinforces our commitment for the Indian marketand demonstrating our alignment with critical national priorities such as 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat', 'Energy security' and 'Carbon Neutrality.

Groww Mutual Fund launches Nifty Smallcap 250 Index Fund

Chennai, Feb 9: Groww Mutual Fund is thrilled to announce the new fund offer of Groww Nifty Smallcap 250 Index Fund, expanding its diverse portfolio of investment options.

This index fund aims to provide investors with potential returns that correspond to the total returns of the Nifty Smallcap 250 Index (subject to tracking errors).

The Nifty Smallcap 250 Index represents 250 companies, ranking from 251st to 500th in the Nifty 500 Index. This particular index is weighted by free-float market capitalization, ensuring a *diversified representation across 21 different sectors.

It is designed to measure the performance of small market capitalization companies, a segment known for its potential growth in the stock market.

Sonalika Tractors launches 10 new variants of *Tiger*

Chennai, Feb 9: India's No.1 tractor export brand Sonalika Tractors is thrilled to introduce 10 new variants of 'TIGER' advanced heavy-duty tractors in 40 – 75 HP segment. Sonalika's latest range of tractors has been 'Designed in Europe' with a combination of 5 new engines options which includes industry's best and biggest engines (CRDS & HDM+), widest range of 5 different multi-speed transmissions to handle different operations and 3 different advanced & intelligent 5G hydraulics giving a choice of over 140+ auto settings.

The newly launched 10 new 'Tiger' tractors include 6 tractors with heavy duty mileage (HDM+) engines – Tiger DI 42 Power Plus, Tiger DI 745, Tiger DI 47, Tiger DI 50, Tiger DI 55 III, Tiger DI 60 Torque Plus and each of these tractors are equipped with HDM+ optimised rated RPM engines which leads to more power and torque in operating range, thereby leading to increase in fuel efficiency.

Alongside, the company also launched the industry's biggest 4-cylinder 4,712 cc engine in 4 tractors with CRDS technology – Tiger DI 55 CRDS, Tiger DI 60 CRDS, Tiger DI 65 CRDS and Tiger DI 75 CRDS. The advanced CRDS technology is environment friendly and offers 3 multi-modes – Power, Eco and Normal – to maximise farmer's productivity.

S.P. Apparels acquires Young Brand for Rs. 223 crore

Chennai, Feb. 9: S. P. Apparels Ltd (SPAL), a leading apparel manufacturer and exporter, has signed a definitive agreement to acquire 100 percent stake of Young Brand Apparel Private Limited (YBAPL) the subsidiary of Bannari Amman Spinning Mills Limited along with the garment unit situated at palladam of Bannari Amman Spinning Mills Limited and land and building situated at SIPCOT (The State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited) for a value of Rs. 223 crore.

Under a strategic acquisition initiative, SPAL plans to acquire a 51.33% stake from Bannari Amman Apparel Private Limited and undertake to acquire 49% stake in YBAPL from joint venture partners. To fund this acquisition, SPAL will leverage a balanced combination of internal accruals and borrowed capital.

P. Sundararajan, Chairman and Managing Director, S. P. Apparels Limited said, "YBAPL will improve the cross-sell synergy in terms of customer base and product offerings, as we are working towards further penetrating the US market. The acquisition will not only strengthen our export spread but also lay a strong foundation for sustainable and resilient business growth for us."

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EXTRACT OF CONSOLIDATED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31' DECEMBER 2023

Rs. in Crores

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		Year Ended
		Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Audited
		31-12-2023	30-09-2023	31-12-2022	31-12-2023	31-12-2022	31-03-2023
1	Total Income	2,117.39	2,352.09	2,020.37	6,723.43	5,606.62	8,190.19
2	Net Profit for the period before Tax	121.41	137.83	94.76	366.89	267.36	471.98
3	Net Profit for the period after Tax attributable to						
	- Equity shareholders of the Parent	84.48	72.02	51.56	230.91	163.66	314.52
	- Non-Controlling Interest	(2.91)	(0.02)	(0.35)	(2.98)	0.49	0.23
	Total	81.57	72.00	51.21	227.93	164.15	314.75
4	Total Comprehensive Income for the period after tax						
	- Equity shareholders of the Parent	83.75	143.28	52.62	302.82	167.79	313.43
	- Non-Controlling Interest	(2.91)	0.04	(0.36)	(2.92)	0.50	0.23
	Total	80.84	143.32	52.26	299.90	168.29	313.66
5	Paid up Equity Share Capital	23.63	23.63	23.63	23.63	23.63	23.63
6	Other Equity				7,092.94	6,691.79	6,837.43
7	Securities Premium Account				50.59	50.59	50.59
8	Net worth				7,120.65	6,722.69	6,868.06
9	Paid up Debt Capital				5,063.37	4,662.47	4,487.42
10	Capital Redemption Reserve				1.63	1.63	1.63
11	Debenture Redemption Reserve				-	-	-
12	Debt-Equity Ratio (in multiples)				0.71	0.69	0.65
13	Debt Service Coverage Ratio (in multiples)				1.70	1.33	1.31
14	Interest Service Coverage Ratio (in multiples)				1.80	1.75	2.06
15	Earnings Per share of Re.1/- each (Rs.p)						
	(Not Annualized)						
	Basic:	3.70	3.15	2.26	10.12	7.16	13.76
	Diluted:	3.70	3.15	2.26	10.12	7.16	13.76

Notes:

1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarter and Nine Months Ended Un-audited Statement of Profit and Loss that has been filed with Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarter and Nine Months Ended Un-Audited Statement of Profit and Loss are available on the Bombay Stock Exchange website www.bseindia.com, the National Stock Exchange website www.nseindia.com and on the Company's website www.ramcocements.in

2.For the other line items referred in regulation 52(4), 54(2) & (3)) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, pertinent disclosures have been made to the stock exchanges and can be accessed on the websites of the stock exchanges viz. www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com and that of the Company's website www.ramcocements.in

3.The above un-audited results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their Meetings held on 08-02-2024. The Statutory Auditors have carried out Limited Review of the above results.

4.Key Standalone financial information

Rs. in Crores

Particulars	Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		Year Ended
	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Un-Audited	Audited
	31-12-2023	30-09-2023	31-12-2022	31-12-2023	31-12-2022	31-03-2023
Total Income	2,113.10	2,342.79	2,018.09	6,704.87	5,590.68	8,171.97
Net Profit before tax	134.97	138.16	97.24	381.20	266.96	473.69
Net Profit after tax	93.38	101.30,	67.39	273.59	191.13	343.54

5.The previous period figures have been re-grouped/re-stated wherever necessary

For THE RAMCO CEMENTS LIMITED

Place: Chennai
Date: 08-02-2024

M.F.FAROOQUI
CHAIRMAN

Modi thinks states are municipalities: Stalin

Chennai, Feb 9: Deploring the plight of Chief Ministers, who are forced to protest against the Centre for their due rights, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on Thursday claimed that Prime Minister Narendra Modi was not giving the rights due for States and that he appeared to regard States as municipalities.

There was a time when former Prime Minister V P Singh, did not create a situation for Chief Ministers to visit the national capital, as he respected state rights. "But Prime Minister Narendra Modi is regarding states as municipalities. He doesn't seem to like States or Chief Ministers, though he had been Chief Minister of Gujarat before becoming Prime Minister," Stalin said in his video address to his Kerala counterpart Pinarayi Vijayan, who led a protest in New Delhi today "to protect federalism." Chief Ministers protesting in Delhi for their rights was the worst political situation in the country, he said and recalled that on Wednesday Karnataka Chief Minister Siddharamaiah staged a protest in Jantar Mantar accusing the central government of indulging in economic oppression.

The DMK MPs too have protested against the 'discriminatory approach' of the BJP government at the Centre in allocating funds to States, he said and added that days are not far off for the BJP government to answer.

The CM claimed that the first thing Modi did after becoming Prime Minister was to deprive the states of their rights – fiscal, lingual, education, and judicial. "Depriving the states of their financial rights amounts to cutting off oxygen supply. This is what the BJP government is doing. The Chief Ministers of BJP-ruled states should not think that this is something peculiar to the opposition party-ruled States. You will suffer the same fate tomorrow," Stalin said in his speech.

The Kerala Chief Minister and the CPI (M)-led Left Democratic government were on the same page with the Tamil Nadu government which is firm in opposing the "authoritarian rule" of the Centre, he said.

Public debt to finance public expenditure of States was the exclusive purview of the state legislature as per the Constitution, he said. However, the present dispensation at the Centre was restricting the borrowing limit of States for developmental initiatives, he added.

Founder Chairman of Ramco Group P.R. Venketrama Raja

Chief Executive Officer of Ramco Systems, Sundar Subramanian.

SVP, SBU Head of HR and Payroll, Ramco Systems, Rohit Mathur.

Ramco Systems launches *Payce*: Revolutionary platform-based payroll software

Chennai, Feb 9- Ramco Systems, global payroll technology provider has announced the launch of Ramco Payce, a platform-based payroll software which enables swift implementation, lightning-fast payroll processing, and enhanced accuracy, enabling organizations with fast, effortless and precise payroll management. Payce also capitalizes on advanced technologies such as serverless in-memory, data analytics, artificial intelligence and machine learning, along with Ramco's two decades of exceptional performance in this domain to help enterprises process payroll faster, effortlessly and accurately, while being easy to use.

As a platform-based system, Payce enables organizations to swiftly adapt payroll processes to varying employee numbers and demands in a business landscape characterized by dynamic workforce changes. Payce also facilitates remote access and management of payroll data, providing organizations with unprecedented control and oversight, minimizing delays and optimizing payroll management.

Chief Executive Officer, Ramco Systems, Sundar Subramanian said "Ramco systems has been successfully providing its service for more than 500 customers in around 60 countries, from top pharma, banks to different industries in different phases. Today, as we unveil Payce, we celebrate our steadfast dedication to achieving greatness. From its inception, Payce has been driven by the purpose to empower our customers with revolutionary payroll management. With its robust features, intuitive design, and deep integration of Al, Payce will not only streamline payroll operations, but also provide organizations with strategic insights", he said.

SVP & SBU Head, HR and Payroll, Ramco Systems Rohit Mathur, said, "In our relentless pursuit of innovation the launch of Ramco Payce marks a pivotal moment in our commitment to streamline and simplify the complex landscape of payroll processing. Payce will empower payroll professionals, enabling them to navigate with efficiency and ease, offering them a modern, user-centric and lightning-fast payroll processing solution with zero technical intervention. Bundled with self-service reporting, no-code rule builder and payroll workspaces, Payce marks the beginning of a groundbreaking shift in payroll transformation with an emphasis on rapid and seamless implementation and simplified operations. We eagerly anticipate delivering enhanced value to our clients through the innovative capabilities of Payce," he concluded.

Ramco Payce, designed to revolutionize payroll management brings quicker implementation from months to weeks. The system has enabled zero coding seamless integration with leading HCM Products. AI-driven payroll compliance provides real time, error-free updates, lightning-fast payroll processing with ability to process large amount of data within minutes. The guided implementation of Payce allows users with even less domain knowledge to excel in its implementation, thus revolutionizing the payroll service.

Apollo Cancer Centre introduces *Made in India* CAR T Cell Therapy

Chennai, Feb 9: In a ground-breaking development, Apollo Cancer Centres (ACCs) has emerged as the first private hospital group in India to have a successfully complete CAR-T cell program and to further augment it, the group will now provide access to 'Made in India' CAR-T cell therapy, beginning with NexCAR19™ (Actalycabtagene autoleucel), for the treatment of B-cell lymphomas and B-acute lymphoblastic leukaemia in patients aged 15 years and above.

Harshad Reddy, Director - Group Oncology & International, Dr. T Raja, Director of Medical Oncology at Apollo Cancer Centre, Chennai, Dr Preetha Reddy, Executive Vice Chairperson and Dr Revathi Raj, Senior Consultant - Paediatric Haematology Oncology.

Marking a historic moment in the country's medical landscape, Dr. T Raja, Director of Medical Oncology at ACC, Chennai, spearheaded the development of this revolutionary clinical program, and has successfully treated six patients till date.

CAR-T cell therapies, often known as 'living drugs' involve the extraction of a patient's T-cells (a type of white blood cells whose function is to fight cancer cells) through a process known as Apheresis. These T-cells are then genetically modified by a safe vehicle (viral vector) in a controlled laboratory setting, so that they express modified connectors on their surface called Chimeric Antigen Receptors (CARs).

These CARs are specifically designed to recognize a protein which is abnormally expressed on certain cancer cells. They are then multiplied to a desired dose and infused directly into the patient.

More than 25,000 patients have received this treatment modality. It is currently primarily indicated for patients with aggressive B cell Lymphomas, B cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia(B-ALL) and Multiple Myeloma.

Dr. Raja, said, "Having successfully treated patients with imported drugs, we are now poised to treat them with the indigenously built therapy."

On the occasion, Preetha Reddy, Executive Vice Chairperson, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd, said "Under the visionary leadership of Dr. T Raja, Director of Medical Oncology, our journey into gene-modified cell therapy signifies a new era in innovative cancer treatments, ensuring cutting-edge solutions for those facing B-cell lymphomas and B-acute lymphoblastic leukaemia. This further solidifies Apollo's dedication to delivering state-of-the-art clinical interventions, shaping the future of cancer care in India."

Dr Revathi Raj, Senior Consultant - Paediatric Haematology Oncology, Apollo Cancer Centres, said, "I am thrilled to witness the groundbreaking success of Apollo Cancer Centres' CAR-T Cell Therapy program, particularly the introduction of NexCAR19™, as it offers new hope for cancer patients fighting B-cell lymphomas and acute lymphoblastic leukemia. The achievement of successful clinical trials and commercial treatments at Apollo Cancer Centres represents a significant milestone in advancing cancer care, making it a historic moment in the country's medical landscape. "

Minister hands over Rs. 5 lakh solatium to building collapse victims in Nilgiris

Chennai, Feb 9: Minister for Labour Welfare and Skill Development CV Ganesan handed over cheque for Rs.5 lakh each, under the Tamil Nnadu Construction Welfare Board fund, to the families of six workers who died in the building collapse in Lovedale.

The minister said the assistance was given within 30 hours of the accident whereas it used to take up to eight years for families to get relief earlier. "Apart from ensuring speedy compensation to the victims and the injured, Chief Minister M K Stalin is keen on assisting their livelihood," Ganesan added.

Further, the minister directed district collector P Aruna to take steps to renovate the house of one of the injured worker and issuing patta to another injured worker besides providing them six months' worth of groceries and rice for two other injured workers.

Tourism minister K Ramachandran handed over compensation to the kin of the deceased and injured. While Rs 2 lakh each was given to the family deceased workers, Rs 50,000 each was given to the injured undergoing treatment.

Sexagenarian former Coimbatore Government Arts College Tamil professor Suriyakanthan alias Marudhachalam is on cloud nine in being chosen for the Tamil Nadu Government's Ilakkiya Mamani award. Post retirement, he is actively involved in farming at Ramachettipalayam, Sundakkamuthur on the outskirts of Coimbatore. Gifted to retire from the institution where he was once a student. Playback singer P Susheela honoured him at the Koniamman temple event in Coimbatore.

AIADMK seeks White Paper on foreign investment obtained by DMK Govt

Chennai, Feb 9: The AIADMK on Thursday demanded that the ruling DMK present a white paper on the foreign investment obtained since the last 32 months of its rule.

Also, the opposition party sought to know why no detailed statement on the measures initiated to make Tamil Nadu a one trillion dollar economy by 2030 was not furnished yet.

Referring to Chief Minister M K Stalin's overseas trips to the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, and Spain, AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami wondered in a statement here as to the size of the total investment committed by foreign firms since the last 32 months of DMK rule and how many of them materialised into projects.

"I have repeatedly insisted in the assembly and the media that the government should present a white paper on how many companies approached the government to start factories as per the memorandum of understanding signed with the state government," Palaniswami said in a statement here.

Listing out the steps taken by the previous AIADMK government since the tenure of former Chief Minister J Jayalalithaa in wooing global investors to the state, he said concerted efforts resulted in transforming Tamil Nadu into the second-largest economy in India. "That is, next to Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu contributed 8.47 per cent to the GDP and became the most industrialised state in India," the former Chief Minister said.

Also under his leadership, the government was able to attract many industrial investments even during the pandemic as he was easily accessible. A single window system was introduced, and a high-level committee under him ensured quick redressal of investor grievances, Palaniswami said in the statement.

But the panel formed under a Minister by the DMK government was "of no use" as the files had to be sent across several ministers before finally reaching the CM, he claimed.

Palaniswami questioned the rationale of Stalin embarking on a trip to Spain within a short span of 20 days from organising the Global Investors Meet here. "Stalin says his visit to Spain ensured the signing of the memorandum of understanding with three companies for a total commitment of Rs 3,440 crore to the state. He also said that there are opportunities for many companies to invest in Tamil Nadu in the future," Palaniswami said.

With two of the three companies that signed the pact with the Tamil Nadu government having their offices located in Chennai and Perundurai, respectively, what was the need for the Chief Minister to visit Spain, he asked and remarked that "a doubt has arisen among the people on whether the visit to Spain was to attract investment or to invest. The Chief Minister should explain.

Teacher turned farmer reaps Ilakkiya Mamani honour

M Rafi Ahmed

From teaching to farming, a nonagenarian retired school teacher Natabar Sarangi made heads turn as the brand ambassador for organic farming in Odisha. Perhaps taking a cue from him, a former government college Tamil professor Suriyakanthan alias M Marudhachalam (67) in Coimbatore is spending his retirement toiling in the farmland at Ramachettipalayam in Sundakkamuthur on the outskirts of the city.

Making Kovai proud, Suriyakanthan is one among the six literary persons chosen for Ilakkiya Mamani awards by the Tamil Nadu Government for 2022 and 2023. Though late, it's the latest for him as State recognition came to him post-retirement. Armed with two PGs in Tamil Literature and Tamilology, BEd, MPhil and doctorate, he served for 28 years at two private colleges and finally got government posting at the age of 50. He retired at Coimbatore Government Arts College where he was once a student.

Noteworthy to mention that Suriyakanthan's novels strangely reflect the light of the peasant society in Kongu region and was a translator for five languages. Critics compare his Manavaari Manithargal with Pearl S.Buck's "The Good Earth" and another novel 'Poorveega Boomi' is comparable with Premchand's "Gothan" (Hindi) Thagalizhi's "Iranditangazhi" (Malayalam) and also with Thomes Hardy's "Return of the native". Maanavaari Manithargal and Poorveega Boomi where named as 'twin epics' in Kongu region.

Moreover, Suriyakanthan is one among the select group of committed writers who with missionary zeal has recorded the lives of the sons of the soil. His pen triumphs in jubilating the greatness of nature. He has been a guide for 5 research scholars and ten MPhil grads and his area of specialisation is Modern Literature in Tamil and Comparative Literature.

Some of this poem collections include Sivappu Nila, Evarkal Kaathirukkirargal, Veera Vamsam besides essays are: Viruchamum Vizhuthukalum, Thirai Isaiyil Ilakkiya Muthiraigal, Manangalai Varudum Mayiliragu – (2000), Yer Munaikku Ner, Tamil Navelkalil Kirama Samudhayam, Pongum Poompunal while his short stories were: Eni Poruppathillai, Paal Manadhu, Thottathil Oru Veedu, Viduthalai Kiligal besides social novels. The list is endless.

It is interesting to infer that he worked as a sub editor in the Tamil Weekly Magazine "THAAI" (1981–84) and Tamil Weekly "JANARANJANI" (1985– 87) and was casual announcer at Coimbatore station of All India Radio from 1987 to 2017 (three decades) and was actively involved in the production of features, social plays, commentaries, lyric writing, light music and compering. Humble and simple, this Tamil literary personality is certainly the pride of Coimbatore.

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