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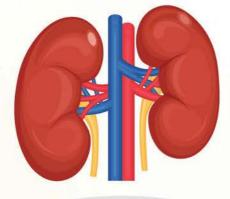
Tehneer Arangam, a forum of Dignity Foundation, hosts a get-together for senior citizens every week. The venue is Srinivasa Gandhi Nilayam on Ambujammal Street, off TTK Road. 'Radio Day' was the theme of this week's meet. Seniors at this meet used dummy phones to request a song to a volunteer who acted like a FM radio jockey: the song was quickly located online in a laptop and broadcast on an audio system.











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WEEKLY MEET FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Tehneer Arangam of Dignity Foundation is hosting its weekly meet for senior citizens on March 20, 11 am, for an hour at a venue in Alwarpet.

The theme for the meet is Women's Day. There will be games, a debate, conversations and impromptu performances by guests at the meet which is open to all seniors (men and women) of Mylapore.

The venue - Srinivasa Gandhi Nilayam, No.332, Ambujammal Street, TTK Road, Alwarpet (street off the Teynampet Post Office junction)

For free registration, contact - 7550207456, 9962526608

BLUE CROSS IS 60. BOOK RELEASE

Blue Cross of India is celebrating 60 years of its existence in Chennai city and the contribution it has made the past six decades.

In this connection, a book titled 'Memories and Milestones – 60 Years of the Blue Cross of India' authored by Sriram V. and Lashman will be formally released at 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 at the TAG - P. S. Dakshinamurthi Auditorium, 215, R.K. Mutt Road, Mylapore.

The book will be released by Justice P N Prakash, retired judge of the Madras Hugh Court.

Admission is by invitation. Not open to all.

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These are available at the newspaper's office on C. P. Ramaswamy Road, Alwarpet. Call 2498 2244 for details.

HARIKATHA ON ANNAMACHARYA. MARCH 16

Suchithra Balasubramanian will present a Harikatha concert on the theme - Tallapaka Annamacharya - at Arkay Centre in Luz. On Sunday, March 16, 6.15pm onwards.

On stage will be artistes S. Srikrishnan on violin, N. Chandrasekar on harmonium

and A. V. Manikantan on the mridangam. Open to all. This is a Madhuradhwani event.

Have info to share here? Mail mytimesedit@gmail.com

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The section of the GCC playground where civil work is on now (above); the eco blocks that will be assembled to create the water tank (below)

Underground tank being built inside Abiramapuram playground. To collect, retain rainwater

By Our Edit Team

A large water harvesting facility is now being built in the Chennai Corporation playground on St. Mary's Road in Abiramapuram.



A private company is setting up a giant waterretention tank below the playground, in one corner, using imported eco-blocks.

The tank, now being set up after earth excavation was completed last weekend, can hold 500 cubic meters (5 lakh litres) of storm water at any time besides recharging the groundwater aquifer hydrodynamically, said a senior executive of the company handling this project.

Once the tank is set up, the top-most layer will look exactly like the rest of the

playground. Though the contractor planned to lay turf here, the youths who play cricket and football here suggested that the ground be restored the way it was.'

This playground was chosen for the project because during monsoons, the ground collects a huge volume of water and much of it flows into drains or on to the local roads and obviously, runs into the sea.

With the new facility, the water will not only be saved but will percolate slowly and recharge the local area and hence improve groundwater levels.

A senior executive of the company executing this project said that eight playgrounds in Chennai have been chosen to set up this utility.

This project is funded by the National Disaster Management Authority.









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VINCENT's JOTTINGS

By VINCENT D' SOUZA

'Make me a list of places my kids can experience around them,.'

This was a request that came to me last week. From a friend who has two children, one aged 10 and the other aged 8.

In the city or beyond?, I asked him.

Let us start with the city, he suggested.

Off and on, I get messages from people, some known, some unknown, asking for tips on how best to explore this city.

Not on the known landmarks but of places that can be an experience.

I have a few favourites.

One - a long walk inside Fo

One - a long walk inside Fort St. George on a Sunday morning.

Two - a long walk in George Town on a Sunday morning -

five streets north of the Armenian Church and behind the General Post Office

Three - a long walk down Mount Road, now Anna Salai, from the office of 'The Hindu' newspaper to Buhari Hotel.

Four - a slow walk inside Kasimedu Fishing Harbour. And yes, I am keen to encourage parents to take their

children out to places that beckon us but we bypass. Here are four random picks. These are not my top four favourites. But they are certainly 'must do'.

Theosophical Society - a few tight regulations for entry but a 'must do' campus.

Madras Museum - some spots here may make you cringe but many of the exhibits are wow.

Central Station - which now has the 3rd longest name (??) in the world officially - not to be caught in the swirl of railway passengers but to take time to gaze at the many features of a grand railway station

Police Museum in Egmore - for the sheer variety of objects on display which also link to the present.

The summer holidays are just the time for these local trips. They will be stimulating, fun and memorable.

Much depends on how you curate a trip. And bundle it.
Perhaps a picnic touch to it. Perhaps a nice lunch after the tour.

Yes, we have plans for Sri Lanka and Goa, the Maldives and Kodaikanal.

But when children are denied the joy of exploring places around us, we are denying them core knowledge and simple experiences

They must get to see what fishermen do on the shore. Take a close look at the features of shops and buildings built a century ago. Feel the giant trees that stand in the heart of our city.

LETTERS FROM READERS

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Dog poop mess: Abraham Street

With reference to the issue of the mess created by dog poop, Abraham Street also stinks. Dog owners who walk their pets here do not clean up the mess created by their pets. These dog owners don't listen to us. How do I file a complaint with the civic body?

- Gopi Krishnan

Dog poop mess: Mandavelipakkam

It is difficult to eradicate the menace of dog poop. I have not heard of any law / regulation that can address this issue. In Mandavelipakkam, it is the street dogs which are causing this mess.

- Veeraswami Venkataraman

Shoddy work, this.

The repairs / relaying work on Luz Avenue, behind Nageswara Rao Park, undertaken in the middle of the night some days ago has been shoddy.

- Ramgopal

Desika Road converted to 'parking' zone

Vehicles are parked on both sides of Desika Road making it difficult for vehicular traffic movement. Traffic jams are a common scenario here. Parking on both sides of the Musiri Subramaniam Salai should also be discouraged by police. We request Traffic Police to act.

- Ganapathi S Vibhu

A salute for P. S. Sivaswami Ayyar

My heartfelt salute to P. S. Sivaswami Ayyar for his dedication to education at the beginning of the 20th century. Though he was a busy lawyer, he supported this cause. I feel proud to have had the opportunity to serve at SSK Higher Secondary School for 23 years, which is now celebrating its silver jubilee. I wish the institution continues to grow, as per his vision.

- Sumathi Muralidhar

Act against cattle owners: the dung is all over the streets

The phrase - If your dog poops you scoop — is at the core of a few community campaigns in Mylapore. It must also be noted that most of the dog poop on the streets is by stray dogs rather than pet dogs. So Chennai Corporation must address this issue and find a solution. Action must also be taken against cattle owners who let the animals free and excrete in public places.

- R. S. Kalyani

Cables from TANGEDCO junction boxes: why seen in the open?

On San Thome High Road, cables from the local junction boxes are seen all over the pavement and one wonders if they pose a danger to people. Surely, this is a crude way to lay cables.

- Sanjeevi Arul Joseph

MYLAPORE REWIND

This column carries excerpts from Mylapore Times, 1995 onwards. This week, we focus on July, 1995

Kolavizhi Amman Temple kumbhabhishekam (July 1 – 7, 1995)

People thronged in huge numbers to witness the kumbhabhishekam of Kolavizhi Amman Temple in Mylapore. It was celebrated on June 29. *Simha vahanam* preceded the main event that day. Related poojas and events began on June 27.

Two-day music fest in honour of MLV (July 1-7, 1995)

Bharatha Vasantham and Gita Vasantham are two events to be held at Alwarpet's Narada Gana Sabha in memory of Carnatic music great, M. L. Vasanthakumari.

On July 2, disciples of eminent gurus will perform Kuchipudi and Bharatanatyam to MLV's film songs. MLV's daughter and actress Srividya, singer P. Leela and actress Raja Sulochana will be present at this event.

On July 3, Radhika Anand, Sangeeta Shivakumar and Charumathi Ramachandran will take centre stage and present three separate concerts.

Students visit colonies to coax parents to send kids to school (July 1 – 7, 1995)

A special campaign to inspire parents in slum colonies to send their children to study was organised by Kumarajah Muthiah Middle School in R. A. Puram. Carrying placards, students took out a procession. They met families in Visalakshi Thottam and Sathyavani Muthu Nagar and spoke to them.

The headmistress of the school, M. V. Vijay-

alakshmi, said that the idea was to educate families on the importance of education .

Mylapore Times' Journalism training for students (July 1 – 7, 1995)

A Journalism Training Programme has been announced by *Mylapore Times*.

This is open to all students attending evening college. Training will be in the mornings. Covering desk and field activities, the programme includes reporting, news

gathering and editing.

M L Vasanthakumari

The sessions will be held in Mylapore and in Adver

Vidya Mandir duo in Bournvita Quiz semi-finals (July 1 – 7, 1995)

N. Ashwin of Class 8 and Vyas Shankar of Class 9, students of Vidya Mandir, Mylapore, won the second prize at the quarter finals of the Bournvita Quiz Contest to enter the semi-final round to be held in November. The duo from its sister school, Vidya Mandir, Adyar beat the Mylapore duo to reach the top slot in the quarter final round.

Novel exchange offer at Godrej store $(July\ 1-7,\ 1995)$

Excelsior Agencies, located on 4th Main Road, R A Puram, is a wholesale dealer of Godrej stainless steel products. The shop has offered to exchange old flasks for brand new Godrej stainless steel flasks.

You can also exchange old knives and scissors for new Fiskar knives and scissors. What's more, there's a 15% discount on the new product purchased. The offer is open for a week from July 1. The owner plans to give the old flasks to charity homes as his donation.

This column is curated by Kanaka Cadambi.

By Our Edit Team

The Children's Club Society held its 26th annual inter–school competitions during January and February 2025.

Some 350 children from 30 city schools participated in various competitions that included Carnatic vocal, and instrumental, bhajans, folk music and storytelling in Tamil / English /Hindi.

An art competition for children was also held; this one being the most popular event of this annual event of the Club.

The T. R. V. Sastri Rolling Cup was won by P. S. Senior Secondary School and the runner-up prize, Dr. Balasundaram Shield, was bagged by DAV Girls Senior Secondary School and Sri Sankara Senior Secondary School who tied on points.

The Club's Founder's Day event and prize distribution



P. S. Senior students excel in cultural, art contests

took place on February 23 at the Kasturi Srinivasan Hall, The Music Academy campus.

The guests for the event

were Prithvi Sekhar, an international-level tennis player and Renu Narayan, a popular storyteller. They took turns to give away the prizes. The Children's Club is located off V. M. Street and offers a variety of activities for children. Contacts
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Anti-socials target apartments vacated for re-development

By Our Edit Team

The owners of apartments in Janani Flats at Manickam Avenue, off TTK Road in Alwarpet, are an unsettled lot.

They vacated their flats in early 2024 for re-development and thieves, who have spotted this abandoned residential block, have been ripping off the electrical lines and plumbing in the blocks and making off with the loot.

In recent weeks, thieves have ripped off the doors and made off with small pieces of furniture that some house owners left behind.

Said one resident, "The apartments have been vacant since early 2024, on account of redevelopment plans with a prominent builder in the city.

The talks have not yet been concluded due to discussions on the agreement terms.

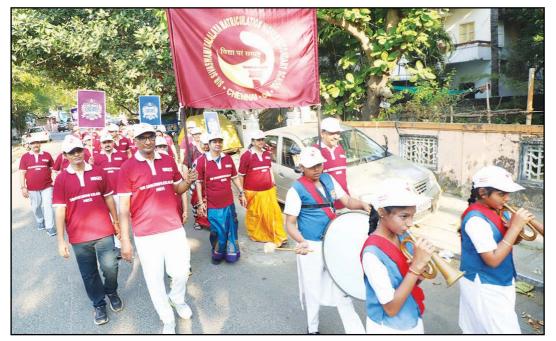
We have appointed a guard to be on duty at night time. But what upsets us is the vandalism that has taken place during the daytime."

The residents have now complained to the local police and hope some action by the police will keep off the thieves and stop the vandalism.









Sivaswami Kalalaya Matric School launches silver jubilee with symbolic march

By Our Edit Team

The launch of the silver jubilee celebration of Sir Sivaswami Kalalaya Matric Higher Secondary School (SSK MHSS) on March 9, Sunday, was simple and symbolic in nature.

A community of past students, members of the management and the school faculty took part in a 'march' which started that morning from the Radha Swamy Centre of Excellence where the school was located in its early years.

A school band provided the music for the 'march', more a procession, as the community walked down the neighborhood streets to the school's current campus on East Mada Street in Mylapore.

Present at this event was Srinivasan K. Swamy, president of the National Boys' and Girls' Education Society (NBGES) and



Dr. Vatsala Narayanswamy of the Society.

This school opened its doors on July 17, 2000 as a 'truncated school' offering only higher secondary classes and had just four staff and 96 students.

Today, it has 530 students and 36 staff with classes for the high school to higher secondary school levels.

As part of the silver jubilee milestone, the school has launched 'transformative student development' programmes as well as student-

corporate initiatives.

The Springboard Internship Programme provides students with hands-on experience in leading companies while the Student Corporates Outreach Programme (SCOPE) allows students to learn from senior business executives who also offer career mentorship.

Traffic police, residents of R. A. Puram discuss traffic issues that affect community

By Our Edit Team

Members of the Raja Annamalaipuram Residents' Association (RAPRA) presented a core list of traffic-related issues to Chennai Traffic Police officers at a community meet held on February 25 in the area.

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Dr V. Bhaskaran, IPS, deputy commissioner of Police (traffic – east), Christopher, assistant commissioner of police, Mylapore and Balakrishnan Pillai, Inspector (traffic) E4 police station attended the meeting.

Here are the main issues that were raised at the meeting –

1. Need for speed breakers on Third Cross Road at the junction of Fourth Main Road because of the heavy traffic flow all day.

2. Timers must be installed at traffic signals at Billroth Hospital intersection to facilitate pedestrians to cross the roads on all four sides

3. Two MTC bus stops have been erected next to each other on Second Main Road

for only one bus service which is on route 21G. This causes a pile up at Billroth Hospitals intersection. The bus stop in front of Satyam Apartments has to be re-

4. MTC bus drivers plying buses on Third Cross Road in front of Billroth Hospital use both the lanes and then turn extreme right or left to proceed further. Poses dangers.

5. Buses from Mandaveli through St Mary's Road have difficulty turning left into Third Cross Road due to non-

functional signal and also parking of vehicles at that junction in front of a tea stall and a provision store.

The deputy commissioner listened to the complaints and asked his juniors to address some issues right away. He said he would study the other issues and address them next.



23 volumes of all the works of Subramania Bharathi

The set is on sale at Alliance in Mylapore

By Our Edit Team

On February 18, at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Mylapore, Tamil Nadu governor R. N. Ravi felicitated Seeni Vishwanathan, a Padma Shri awardee-designate and the man who has, over many decades, devoted all his time to collate all the works of Subramania Bharathi.

Besides the governor, a host of people including scholar Dr Sudha Seshayyan and arts promoter and businessperson Nalli Kuppuswami Chetti spoke on Vishwanathan and his efforts in collecting essays, verses, scripts and songs of Bharathi.

Alliance Publishers of Mylapore has published 23 volumes of all the works of Bharathi collated and edited by Vishwanathan. These include essays and reportage, verses and plays, newspaper articles and editorials.

Alliance publisher V. Srinivasan said that the Bharathi set is of 23 volumes and has 15,000 pages and costs Rs.16.999.

"We intend to request school, college and national libraries to buy the full set because it is a valuable read and resource, "saod Srinivasan.

The set is on sale at Alliance, which has its store on R. K. Mutt Road, opposite the tank of Sri Kapali Temple. For details, call Alliance at 2464 1314.

Waste collection drive in R. A. Puram gets good response

By Our Edit Team

The localised waste collection campaign organised by civic activists in R. K. Nagar in R. A. Puram held last week-



end encouraged people of this area to get rid of waste easily. Held on March 8 and 9, with a parking lot used as the collection point which was open through the day, people came by to drop off the waste in boxes and bags.

Seen in the waste were many small, used medical accessories, useless RO systems and liquor bottles.

Residents of areas in and around R. A. Puram could drop off the waste at the collection counter. This campaign is held from time to time in collaboration with a private agency which recycles most waste. The R. K. Nagara group plans these campaigns.

Home-made podis and rice mixes. Mom and son produce these in the heart of Mylapore

By Preetha K.

Gayathri Chandrasekhar and Siddarth Chandrasekhar, the mother-son duo, residing in Alamelumangapuram, started a food brand six months ago.

It is called, simply, Dhaniya. Dhaniya stands for basic cooking podis and rice mixes.

What does this duo offer you?

Sambar podi, rasam podi, vatha kuzhambu podi, vegetable curry podi and idli milagai podi are available.

Rice mixes like paruppu podi, thengai podi, karuvepillai podi and murungkai olai podi are also made and sold. These products are available in 100 grams and 250 grams zip-lock standee packs which are easy to store.

"We used to buy masala powders from outside and when we looked around, we identified a huge space for authentic, homemade podis and more," says Siddarth Chandrasekhar, a chartered accountant.

Having prepared these podis at home for decades and perfected the flavour, the duo worked on a business plan Dhaniya was born.

Siddarth says he took some time to learning the skills of making these podis besides managing other aspects of the venture.

The ingredients for the podis are sun-dried, then roasted and ground - the duo do not use artificial flavours or ingredients. These products do not contain onion or garlic.

"The podis are currently made at our house by mom and me. We are plan-

ning to employ a few more people when we expand in the next couple of months," said Siddarth.

Sample from one batch of podis is taken out for cooking at the duo's residence and



only when it gets the OK sign, is shipped to customers. This, to ensure consistency and best quality.

Siddarth says there are more products down the line. His mother Gayathri lost one eye due to a botched cataract surgery but she is deeply involved in the business.

Home delivery of these products is available within the Mylapore and Mandaveli zones. For other places within and outside Chennai, goods are sent through India Post. They have a courier partner who handles delivery outside India.

Dhaniya is now based at Flat 2C, Sreshta Thiruarul, 48, Alamelumangapuram, Mylapore. To place orders, contact Siddarth at 9840724032.



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MASI MAGAM

The masi magam observance was the dominant scene on the shores of Marina beach on Friday morning. From Sri Kapaleeswarar Temple, the lord and ambal, neatly adorned, were taken out in a palanquin from the temple in Mylapore to a point on the Marina behind the light house. Under a make-shift tent, rituals related to masi pournami theerthavari were held. Similar processions from other Mylapore temples headed to this shore for the observance.



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Why is this community hall that cost over Rs.1 crore locked for months?

By Our Edit Team

Why has Chennai Corporation kept locked for some years, a community hall in San Thome's sea side that was built in 2021 for about Rs.1.4 crores?

This is a question that the former Mylapore MLA, R. Nataraj of the AIADMK is asking for the nth time.

And nobody seems to have an answer. Not

even the current MLA, Dha Velu of the DMK. "The hall is used for select events," the

"The hall is used for select events," the MLA said sometime ago; what he referred to was the space being let out for some NGO to hold a training camp.

But it has not been used for local community events like weddings, betrothals, birthdays . . .

The hall is located in ward 125, in the middle of the re-developed Nochikuppam area off Marina Loop Road.

It is spacious and can serve for community meetings, social functions and workshops too and best serves the families who reside in these seaside colonies.

When a local GCC staff was asked how one could book this hall, he pointed to a centralised facility where people can rent GCC properties.

But it is clear that hardly any events have been held here.

"When such a big sum of money has been spent on this hall, why is it locked and unused?", asks ex-MLA Nataraj.



Audiology and Speech Language Pathology: diploma, UG and PG courses

By Preetha K.

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SKATING COACHING FOR CHILDREN

By Our Edit Team

R. M. Anbunathan runs the Marina Academy of Speed Skating.

He has been conducting skating classes at the Marina beachside since 2005. Now, he conducts the classes at St. Ebbas School off Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai. He says he had to shift in May 2024 after Chennai Metro started work on the rail project on and off the

"Many of my students have participated in the district, state and national level skating competitions, won prizes. Some of them have also got admission into colleges through sports quota," says Anbunathan, who has held many leadership positions in the skating associations.

He says he has worked as the district, state and national referee for the past 25 years.

Hailing from Madurai, Anbunathan says he learnt skating from Aurthro Greeko from Argentina.

"Children above the age of 4 years can join my classes but before joining, I check their foot size. It has to match the size of the skates and only then, can the training be done. I first ask them to walk with skates on and then gradually the training begins. Learning to skate increases the concentration and the fitness level of the students," says Anbunathan who resides on Kallukaran street Mylapore.

He is now planning coaching classes for the summer holidays season.

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The south-west unit in Chennai city of the DMK party got up a public meeting on March 2 in Mylapore to mark the birthday of its leader and state chief minister M. K. Stalin.

Deputy chief minister Udhayanidhi Stalin was the main guest at the meet and he spoke, besides others like Chennai South member of parliament Thamizhachi Thangapandian and Mylapore MLA, Dha Velu.

The MLA said that some 100 women who had been trained in a series of tailoring courses run at his office campus the past months were gifted sewing machines. Cookers were given to flower sellers in the Mylapore area and members of local area women's self-help groups were given some financial assistance.

Panguni festival of Sri Kapali Temple will start on April 2



By Our Edit Team

The annual Panguni festival of Sri Kapaleeswarar Temple will start on April 2 and end on April 12.

The kodi yetram will be on April 3

The adhikara nandi procession is on April 5, starting at about 6 am while the popular Rishaba vahanam procession starts after the April 7 midnight hour, at about 1.30 am the next day.

The 'ther' procession is on April 9, starting around 7 am and the hugely popular arubathumoovar procession of the nayanmars, which draws people from across the city, is on the next day, April 10, starting from 3.30 pm.

Thirukalyanam is on April 12, with rituals starting around 6.30 pm.





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ONLY 10 KIDS IN THIS SCHOOL. ITS LEGACY IS BIG. A NEW TEAM WANTS TO GIVE IT A NEW LEASE



By Our Edit Team

There are only 10 students in this primary school. And by the end of the academic year, two will move on.

So what does one do to 'resurrect' this school, which in its heyday, in the 1940s and 50s, was perhaps Mylapore's most wellknown primary school?

A school that was commonly called Dadi Vadyar School, but formally Sri Karpagavalli Baliga Bala Patasala.

Because the man behind three such schools in the Mangollai - East Mada Street zone, Kadayam Dharmaraja Iyer, had a long, flowing beard.

Well, a group of six well-meaning men and women who form the new trustees that must manage the school have some ideas.

And they want to put everything into the project to sustain the memory of Dadi Vadayar.

The trustees want to act. First, create an alternate extry-exit point, spruce



Two, improve the classroom infrastructure. Three, get more teachers. Four, admit lots of local children, from amongst migrants and low-income.

Each is a challenge.
Their plans got a boost when many 'old boys' of the Dadi school re-connected. This was triggered by a video story in Mylapore Times and the thinnai school set erected for the annual Mylapore Festival this January - to celebrate Dadi Vadyar's contribution.

"We now have an active WhatsApp group alumni and many are excited even at this stage in life," says R. Sivakumar,

The 'big' connections will come in handy when funds will have to be raised if 'dreams' and to become reality.

"Going by the enthusiasm I have experienced, the vibes are positive," says Shvakumar.

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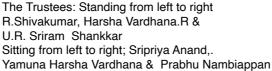
Shivakumar is a healthcare professional and is a resident of Mylapore for 50 years.

Yamuna Harshavardhana is an educator, author and independent researcher.

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Health was focus at this Women's Day event



By Ganga Sridhar

International Women's Day celebration at Mandaveli's Raja Street on March 8 took on a different tone this time – the community decided to spread the message of the importance of women's healthcare.

The day began with residents making use of a campaign to drop off recyclable waste at a counter at one end of the street in the morning

Later, a health check-up camp for women organised by Spectrum clinic in Raja Street was launched.

About 30 women made use of the services at the camp — where free tests for blood pressure, blood sugar, haemoglobin and bone mass density were taken and a specialist gynaecologist provided one-on-one consultation.

A master health checkup was available at a discounted

Maids who work in the area were motivated by the residents to take time out and get themselves tested and get free consultation from the doctors.

Dr Shanmugaboopathy spoke on osteoporosis, sharing tips on how one could identify the problem early and how people could address it.

Padha puja of senior women by their daughters marks this Women's Day event



The community at Ragamalika Apartments in Mandaveli celebrated Women's Day on March 8 evening with a string of snappy events held in the community hall. 30 women participated.

Women above 65 years were specially invited to take part in some of the events. Their children were invited to do padha puja and some of them spoke about their mothers. These young women then gave gifts to their mothers.

This was an emotional part of the evening's events, said Kalyani Muralidharan, part of the organising team here.



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Karate master A. R. Sundar has devised a short-term course. Offered at his two centres in Mandaveli zone

Senior karate master Shihan A. R. Sundar has curated a 20-classes course in the basics of karate and selfdefence. And neighbourhood women who have got to learn about it, signed up for this training and completed it, say that the course helps.

It gives them self-confidence, makes them feel

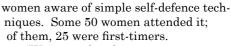
secure and they are aware that if harassed, bullied or attacked, they can challenge their attacker and if required, immobilise him.

"We get calls from young women who are migrating who are keen to learn basic karate," says Sundar

who is an 8th Dan Black Belt holder. Sundar manages two main training centres of the All India Boufuuukai Isshinryu Karate Association; one in Jeth Nagar and one near the Mandaveli MTC bus terminus.

Last Sunday (March 9), to mark International Women's Day, he and his team conducted a free camp at the Mandaveli centre to make





"We wanted to demonstrate to women how simple tactics can secure them if they are challenged," says Sundar.

He encouraged women at this meet to twist his arms, attack his eyes and repeat some aggressive, calculated moves as part of the drill.

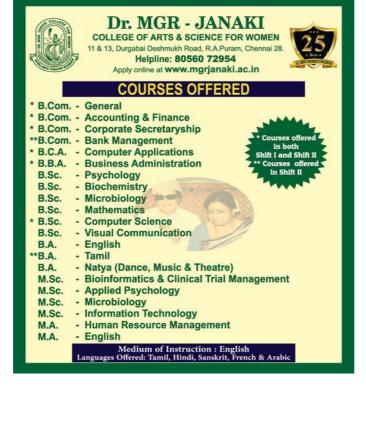
Sundar's short-term karate classes run for six weeks, 75/90 minutes daily, thrice a week.

He first launched his karate coaching centre in Jeth Nagar in 1995 and started the second centre in 2011. There are a few other small branches where classes are held.

"I used to have over 150 students but the pandemic changed everything," says Sundar. "Today, only men and women who are very keen, sign up for training."

You can call Sundar at 9840018628







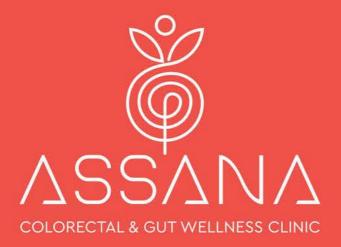
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