

ILLEGAL HOME FOR MENTALLY ILL: EIGHT BOOKED, 4 ARRESTED

KRITHIKA SRINIVASAN @ Villupuram

THREE days after probing Anbu Jothi Ashramam - a private home for the mentally ill and destitute in Villupuram - district police on Monday night arrested four out of the eight accused. The owners were hospitalised and will be arrested after discharge, while two workers are at large, police said.

According to the FIR accessed by TNIE, the accused persons were booked under IPC sections 344, 294 (b), 322, 354 (A), 370 (3), 374, and 324 read with 89, 92 (b), 92 (c) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

SASY (Social Awareness Society for Youth), a non-profit organisation demanded a probe into the owner's claims of cremating bodies. Owner Jubin Baby told TNIE that he would get these bodies from Mundiambakkam GH and local police. TNIE tried to reach out to the then-dean Dr Kundhavai Devi but got no response.

Koteswara Rao, a member of the Tamil Nadu State Mental Health Authority said any institution accommodating mentally ill persons must file a reception order or enter into the Community Service Register (CSR) with the local police sta-

tion as per Indian Mental Health Authority's guidelines. When asked about whether such records are maintained at Kedar police station, Superintendent N Shreenatha said, "No, there is no requirement to file CSR or any entry with the local police station when a home is taking in an inmate."

RLalitha, a human rights activist from SASY said, "The owner runs a network of homes across the country and transports people without any proper record." CB-CID must investigate this, she added.

Collector C Palani, in an exclusive interview with TNIE, said, "The owners along with six other workers have been booked under sections including rape. As per SMHA order, the home remains shut and district administration will seal it following official protocol. All inmates were rescued and are sheltered at Mundiambakkam GH. They will be sent home if a kin arrives to take them, otherwise, they will be shifted to government-approved shelters." "We assure you that we will curb the illegal homes in Villupuram. A complete list of approved homes with contact details will be announced very soon and any complaints on suspicious institutions can be reported at 94441 38000," he said.



BrahMos export can get \$3bn in 3 yrs

Southeast Asia and Middle-East show keen interest in acquiring made-in-India missiles: CEO

RAMU PATIL @ Bengaluru

WHILE Prime Minister Narendra Modi set an ambitious target of \$ 5 billion to be achieved by 2024-25 from the current \$ 1.5 billion, the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile alone has the potential of achieving \$ 3 billion by 2026. BrahMos Corporation, which specializes in supersonic cruise missiles, is all set to spearhead India's export push as many countries—especially those in South East Asia and the Middle-East—have shown a keen interest in acquiring the

made-in-India missiles designed and developed jointly with Russia.

The Indo-Russian Joint Venture which has significantly enhanced the war-fighting capabilities of the Indian armed forces, will start exporting the missiles to the Philippines by the end of 2023 and is confident of getting more export orders.

"Everyone is interested in BrahMos," CEO and MD of BrahMos Aerospace, Atul D Rane told TNIE on Tuesday. "The whole world looks at us, but we can only sell to countries agreeable to India and



A BrahMos missile is displayed on the Republic Day parade rehearsal in New Delhi (File photo)

Russia. Whole of Southeast Asia is approaching us. The Philippines came on board first. Middle-East is very inter-

ested," he added. Rane, who is also the Director General (BrahMos), Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO), said "BrahMos alone may be able to do around \$ 3 billion by 2026." "The Prime Minister has set a tough target, but we are making it tougher for ourselves," he said. BrahMos with a maximum range of 300 km is the export variant for land, sea, and air-based complexes. Its first export order to the Philippines is a shore-based BrahMos anti-ship weapon system. The deliveries will start from the end of this year.

Police say victim was depressed for past few weeks

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THEY broke open the door and found him lying unconscious on the floor. He was rushed to a private hospital, where he is currently being treated.

After preliminary investigations, police said he was allegedly depressed for the past few weeks. Further probe is on. (Assistance for those having suicidal thoughts is available on Tamil Nadu's health helpline 104 and Sneha's suicide prevention helpline 044-24640050)

Adani, BBC documentary issues: Stalin says PM must answer

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COMMENTING on the reply given by the PM in Parliament, Stalin said, "I learnt about speaking for hours without answering questions. Modi said people are his shield. But the people did not say that. Instead of responding to charges about Adani's issue or BBC documentary, his reply was filled with

mere wordplay. He did not answer DMK MPs' questions on the Sethusamudram project, NEEET, state's rights, interference of governors, and the governor's delay in giving assent to the bill banning online rumour-mongering." On Modi's question on DMK aligning with Congress which dismissed its government, Stalin retorted, "Can Modi ask this question? BJP

has aligned with the AIADMK which toppled the BJP government." The CM also charged that union budget has ignored Tamil Nadu and funds have not been allocated for establishing AIIMS in the state.

Stalin said a Supreme Court Bench headed by the Chief Justice of India is hearing the Adani issue. A detailed discussion should take place in Parliament

and a Joint Parliamentary Committee should inquire about it. Rahul Gandhi has raised pertinent questions. "But it is shocking to know that the PM did not answer any of them. Expunging the remarks of Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge is against democratic norms," the CM said.

On Modi's remark that the Enforcement Directorate has

brought all Opposition parties together on one platform, the DMK president said, "It is the confessional statement of the PM on the purpose for which the ED is being used. For the first time, he has admitted that he has indeed been wreaking vengeance on opposition parties. This is not good for the nation and for autonomous institutions."

State introduces 'green tariff' for HT services

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THE state has also introduced a renewable energy-based 'green tariff' for HT services. The green tariff would be an additional 10% over the HT category's respective tariffs.

The state also plans to develop a roadmap to electrify public and institutional fleets operating in the state.

Apart from electrifying vehicles of state transport undertaking through loan from multilateral agencies, state shall also

explore the possibility of providing bus charging infrastructure for private operators.

Vehicular fleets of educational institutions such as schools and colleges and private bus fleets, including staff bus operators for industrial establishments, would be encouraged to embrace EV system in a gradual manner. Aggregators shall be encouraged to partner with e-mobility providers and EV manufacturers to phase out Internal Combustion Engine

vehicles (ICE) vehicles from their fleet.

Sivasubramanian Jayaraman, National Lead - Electric Mobility and Transport Systems, Senior Programme Manager, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy, told TNIE, "The charging infrastructure part missing in the previous policy has been included in the new one. TN should create state-level guidelines and roadmaps to meet EV30@2030 targets."



EXPRESS READ

'Chinese' gas cylinder washes ashore in Nagai

Nagapattinam: Officials found an acetylene cylinder with Chinese writings on it shored up near the fishing hamlet in Nambiar Nagar, Nagapattinam, on Tuesday night. The coastal security group (CSG), however, tore down security threat scare by clarifying that the object is used for welding purposes alone. Sources said the shored-up cylinder weighed around 20 kilos and measured up to three feet. The CSG, after retrieving the object, took it to a safe location for further investigation. ENS

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT CHENNAI

(6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Shastri Bhavan, Haddows Road, Chennai - 600 006)

O.A. No.396 of 2022

Indian Bank, Stressed Assets Management Branch, Represented by its Assistant General Manager, No.52, 2nd Floor, Ethiraj Salai, Egmore, Chennai-600 008. IFSC Code : IDIB000A113 ...Applicant

-Vs- 1. M/s. Lora Polymers, Represented by its Sole Proprietor Mr. V. Rajaranjan, Registered Office and Factory : No.57/0 2B, Pazhanthandalam Main Road, Near Jayanthi Nagar, Shiridi Saibaba Nagar, Thirumudivakkam, Chennai GST No. : 33AHYR3553NIZG

2. Mr. V. Rajaranjan (Male aged about 42 years) Son of Mr. G. Varatharajan, Proprietor of M/s. Lora Polymers Residence: No.201 and 202, 5th Cross Street Extension, Jayendra Nagar, Sembarampakkam, Chennai - 600 073 PAN: AHYPR3553N ...Defendants

Sir Sub. : O.A. No.396 of 2022 - Indian Bank Vs. M/s. Lora Polymers & anr. -DRT-II, Chennai

The above case is posted to 27.02.2023 for your appearance. Please take Notice to appear on 27.02.2023 in person or through an authorised representative or through a Pleader at 10:30 AM before the Hon'ble DRT-II, 6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Shastri Nagar, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006, failing which the matter will be decided in your absence.

M. Balachandrar, Counsel for Applicant.

SALEM ERODE INVESTMENTS LIMITED. Extract of Statement of Unaudited Financial Results for the Quarter and Nine Months Ended 31.12.2022. Table with columns for Particulars, Quarter ending 31.12.2022, Nine Months Ended 31.12.2022, and Quarter ending 31.12.2021. Includes notes and company details.

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PRIDHVI ASSET RECONSTRUCTION AND SECURITISATION COMPANY LIMITED. NOTICE INVITING SEALED TENDERS-CUM-E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY OF M/S. SMART SHOPPERS PVT. LTD.

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