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From President's Desk . . .

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Dear (s)

Our coveted Educational Aid programme was conducted in a grandiose manner with Dr V Irai Anbu and R Nataraj embellishing the podium. We have a detailed report inside.

It was indeed heartening that the Economist turned politician appointed former Infosys Co-Chairman Nandan Nilekani as head of a Govt. project and described it as only a beginning which raises hope of more intellectuals in governance. This is a project to give each citizen digital identity enhancing the national security and plug illegal immigration that plagues the Eastern corridor of the country. The competence of the system integrators raises hope that the malaise of bogus ration cards, voter cards and BPL cards would not be carried forward. We look forward to having a tamper proof card with built-in biometric features and smart chip-enabled. So many bogus identity cards are present in the country either as ration cards, voter cards and BPL cards. Unless a proper verification process is carried out, the malaise of the current issuing system will be carried forward and effort and money will be wasted. This will take a long time and the target of three years looks very difficult. Down under the accusations of racial attacks are causing deep concern. The country already has a dubious record by their treatment of aborigines. There is huge contingent of Indian students and the education revenue earned is quite substantial. Hopefully this would end soon.

It was a very proud moment for the Nation at Vizag when our first nuclear-powered submarine INS Arihant, the most secretive military project undertaken apart from Pokhran tests was launched. The great efforts of Dr Raja Ramanna in conceiving this 6000 tonne platform is indeed laudable.

The most important day of the Nation will be celebrated with hoisting of the National flag. We have scheduled Eye camp on our Independence Day. Full details inside.

With regards - Editor

With best compliments from

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அன்புடையீர்,

நமது மருத்துவ மையம் மற்றும் பரிசோதனை மையத்தை நடத்த ஒரு நாளைக்கு சுமார் ரூ.1000 செலவாகிறது. ஒருநாளைக்கான செலவினை புரவலர்கள் ஏற்றுக் கொள்ள ஒரு திட்டத்தினை செயல்படுத்தியுள்ளோம்..

சைமா மருத்துவ மையத்தில் ரூ.1000 அளிக்கும் புரவலர்களின் பெயரினை, அவர்கள் குறிப்பிடும் நாட்களில் பலகையில் எழுதுவித்து அன்று அவர்களது நன்கொடை மருத்துவமனை மற்றும் பரிசோதனை மையம் வரும் நோயாளிகளின் மருத்துவ செலவிற்கு உபயோகப்படுத்தப்படும்.

உங்கள் முக்கியமான நாட்களான பிறந்த நாள், திருமண நாள் போன்ற இனிய நாட்களை மற்றவர்களுக்கு உதவும் வகையில் கொண்டாடுவீர்!

கல்விப்பணியில் சைமா

Year after year, we have been enhancing our reach and are trying to make more students benefit from our Educational Aid. Even in a metropolitan city like Chennai, there are children who cannot afford good dress and our distribution of uniform has been handy to good number of students in attending school with dignity. Besides distribution of Uniforms, we have been recognizing school toppers of schools in Triplicane. The financial aid to college students is somewhat recent activity and this year, we honoured the meritorious students of our SYMA Growth as well.

12th July was an important day and the overcast sky did give some anxious moments as this time, the dais was erected on the open auditorium. By the benevolence of God the function went off very well. The function started with Prayer. Our President TA Sampathkumar welcomed the gathering and made the presidential address tracing the origin, focussing our thrust areas and highlighting our success path thus far.

Students need to have role models on whom they can aspire to emulate and this year we had two distinguished guests – Dr V Irai Anbu, IAS and R Nataraj, IPS. The function was compered by S Sampathkumar and after introduction of the Chief Guests, mementoes were given to them by our Vice President - R Seshadri and our Treasurer Sudarshan.

Dr V Irai Anbu has been a distinguished administrator besides being a great literary person. His writings – Random Thoughts, HRM concepts in Thirukkural have evoked great responses. He started off telling that on enquiring about the origin of SYMA, he understood that the name Srinivas is not a person but ‘the presence’ – a reference to the almighty. He stated that many are deprived of opportunities and likened the deprived children to uncut diamonds which might look like pebbles. He commended the name “Bliss” for the newsletter of SYMA stating that whilst pleasure could be individualistic, bliss which is the ultimate satisfaction would be for the benefit of the society.

We were proud to have an upright Police Officer, winner Presidential Awards whose journey started in Tirunelveli, flowed through Ladakh, Kathmandu, Jammu & Kashmir and North East. It was happy moment to have a great person who had studied in Hindu High School of Triplicane and who had embellished high profile posts including the Commissioner of Police of the City. Mr R Nataraj IPS also has a passion for writing and displays concern for the society in his blogs and portrayed them exceptionally during his tenure as in charge of the Prisons. Thiru R Nataraj in his reverberating speech emphasized the foundation laid

by the mother in the formation of the growth of the child and quoted statistics contending that there is a huge gap between the children who start education and those who complete +2. He said that poverty, lack of opportunities were the major causes for the drop out. He dwelled on the schemes introduced for the inmates of Puzhal prison. He expressed concern on the fire accidents recalling the pathetic story at kumbakonam.

The toppers of SYMA Growth in + 2 “ P Amudambigai (1055), Sathya Priya (1033) R Dilip Kumar (1016) and Vaidyanathan (1004) along with the toppers in X Standard KS Ahmed Siddika (461), S Priyanka (443) and K Raja Durai (434) were honoured and given prizes – an award instituted in the name of V Krishnan by Ms Bharathi Baskar.

The toppers of schools from Triplicane in the 10th and 12th standards were honoured with a medal and prize – an award in the name of Mrs Rajalakshmi Padmanabhan – instituted by TA Ramachandran.

This year we provided uniform to around 1200 students and a small group representing the students was distributed uniforms on stage. Rest of the selected recipients were given uniforms immediately after the closure of the function. This year we provided financial assistance amounting to Rs.2000/- to 25 students.

SYMA as a socially responsible organization has been respecting and appreciating other organizations and individuals rendering service to the society. To us, when it comes to serving the society, there cannot be any competition as each would be unique in their own way and contribute to the well being of the society. This year we honoured D Venkatesh. (more details about this awardee on Pg. 3)

Our Secretary SR Ragunathan proposed Vote of thanks. SYMA is thankful to all the donors who are instrumental in our educational aid being conducted in such an eloquent manner. We are also thankful to all our volunteers for the collection and for their involvement in the organization for the programme. We place on record our thanks to Kumaran Stores and Sundaram Life Style for providing clothes at special rates. We thank Rapid Scan and MWN Press for the colourful brochures, Swaraj Mani for printing. Our special thanks are due to the Principal, HM, Staff and correspondents of NKT National Girls School for providing us the place for organizing the function. The programme concluded with National anthem. SYMA thanks all its volunteers and request all the members to actively engage themselves in all our activities.

SYMA GROWTH

For a Nation to develop, its educational wealth is of utmost importance. For enumeration, literacy is the ability to read and write but We look at Education in a broader sense. We strive at making children study well and get good marks in the school curriculum. The ultimate aim is to transfigure the human personality in a pattern of perfection through a process of enrichment of mind. After years of planning and some experimentation, we launched SYMA Growth and the result of the first year has been very encouraging.

Tirelessly, we continue our path and this year about 120 students have enrolled at our Tuition centre. Analyzing the need this year, we are tutoring English, Physics, Chemistry and Maths separately for the Tamil and English medium students of 12th standard. For the Commerce group, we are training them on Accountancy, Commerce and Business Maths. For the 10th standard Tamil medium students Science, Maths and English are being taught.

As we take upon ourselves additional responsibilities, we are guided and helped by many. We remain eternally thankful to the Headmaster and management of NKT National Boys High School for providing the place to us. We are thankful to the dedicated teaching staff who have been providing quality education - Mrs KN Vijaylakshmi, Mrs Vijaya Krishna, Mrs Devasena, Mrs. Subashini, Mr Venkatadri, Mr KS Venkatakrishnan, Mr Shahul Hameed, Mr Senthil Murugan, Mrs Lakshmi, Mr Venkatesan, Dr. Balasubramanian, Mr Varadhan and Mrs Gandhimathi. The centre activities continue to be efficiently coordinated by Mrs Vijayashree.

We are sure that the students will also put in concerted efforts and succeed well in the examinations.

கண்ணொளி தரும் சங்கரா மருத்துவமனை

We have been conducting Eye camp every year on 15th August and for this we are largely indebted to Sankara Eye Hospital. Here are some details about this hospital.

Established in 1984, Sankara Eye Hospital is an ISO certified non-profit charitable organization. The catch line reads "Miracles cannot cure the blind, together we can". The hospital provides high quality, cost effective eye care service to everyone. Their program titled 'Kannoli-Vision Saver' reaches out to rural poor. The hospital offers specialized treatment for all ophthalmic ailments and is recognised by most of the Insurers including 'Star Health' Remarkably, this hospital has so far performed close to 120000 cataract surgeries of which most are free. The hospital is housed in a three-storied building having 160 beds, three sophisticated operation theatres, served by highly trained and committed team of medical experts. There are special packages for paying patients.

They conduct camps at various locations and those below poverty line are selected for free surgery and taken to the hospital in their own vehicle. The friendly counselling on the steps to be followed in the post-operative period is a big boost.

The Hospital appears for generous support to create endowment from patrons on days of significance to the patrons. The interest accrued from donations will be utilized for free surgery to poor patients every year.

For more details please contact : Sankara Eye Hospital, Sri Sankara Nagar, Pammal, Chennai 600 075. Phone : 044 22484799 & 22485299

SYMA SEVA AWARDEE

D.VENKATESH

A 33 year old youth who has progressed phenomenally from a humble beginning. He has been in our midst in Triplicane starting with a small provision shop to that of a Tourist operator of repute. He has been donating blood from young age of 17 and has donated blood over 113 times. He has blossomed to be a model employer providing social security to many. Apart from the noble cause of blood donation, which he has been advocating by his deeds and by encouragement to his workers, he is involved in project 'dignity to the dead'. Involving Lions Club of Chetput 345-A, their group visit the Govt Hospital Mortuary and cremate unclaimed bodies with proper permission of authorities, thus ensuring dignified disposal of the dead bodies lying in the morgue. He was awarded "SYMA Sewa Award – 2009" for his social service. BLISS wishes long life and many accomplishments for this young entrepreneur.

Q The most magnificent edifice in the Capital is the 42-metre tall India Gate from which many important roads spread out. On 26th Jan every year, Prime Minister pays homage to the soldiers along with Heads of Armed Forces, before joining the annual parade at the Rajpath. Do you know when was this unveiled.

Ans : P4



ஸ்ரீநிவாஸ் இளைஞர்கள் நற்பணி சங்கம்

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பம்மல் சங்கரா கண் மருத்துவமனை
இணைந்து நடத்தும்

இலவச கண்புரை பரிசோதனை முகாம்

இடம் : ஸ்ரீசங்கரா சைமா மெடிக்கல் சென்டர்
29, T.P. கோயில் தெரு, திருவல்லிக்கேணி, சென்னை-5.
நாள் : 15.8.2009, சனிக்கிழமை.
நேரம் : காலை 8.30 மணி முதல் மதியம் 12.00 மணி வரை

அனைவரும் வருக!



சுதந்திர தின விழா

காலை 8.00 மணிக்கு
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தேசிய கொடி ஏற்றப்படும்.
அனைவரும் விழாவில் கலந்து
கொள்ள வேண்டுகிறோம்

வாழ்த்துகிறோம்

நமது சங்க உறுப்பினர் திரு. **M.A. வரதராஜன்** அவர்களின்
மகன் **கண்ணன் (எ)** ஆகாஷிற்கு 3.6.2009 அன்று
உபநயனம் நடைபெற்றது .

நமது சங்க உறுப்பினர் திரு. **K. கேசவன்** அவர்களின்
மகன் **ஆதித்யா கேசவனிற்கு** 28.5.2009 அன்று உபநயனம்
நடைபெற்றது.

நமது சங்க உறுப்பினர் திரு. **K.V. ஸ்ரீநிவாசன்** அவர்களின்
மகன் **K.V. அநிருத்திற்கு** 5.6.2009 அன்று உபநயனம்
நடைபெற்றது. வடுக்களுக்கு **BLISS** தனது வாழ்த்துக்களை
தெரிவிக்கிறது.

A: India Gate, designed by Edwin Lutyens is one of the largest war memorials. Originally it was All India War Memorial commemorating the soldiers of erstwhile British Indian Army who lost their lives WW I and Afghan wars. From 1971, it is Amar Jawan Jyoti (the flame of the immortal warrior) – the shrine is a black marble cenotaph with a rifle placed on its barrel, crested by a soldier's helmet. This was unveiled on 26th Jan 1972 by the then PM, Indira Gandhi in the wake of Indo Pak war of 1971. The now vacant canopy in front of India Gate earlier had the statue of King George V.

CELEBRATING MADRAS DAY

The founding day of Madras is considered to be August 22, 1639. It was on that day, in that year, that a sliver of land, where Fort. St. George stands today, was transacted by the East India Company. The deal was struck by Francis Day, his 'dubash' Beri Thimmappa, and their superior, Andrew Cogan, with the local Nayak rulers. It is believed that this deal was made on August 22, 1639. Out of the fort, grew settlements. Then the villages around it were brought together. And then, the old and new townes linked up. And then we had the city. Today, Chennai stands tall for a variety of reasons. Education, healthcare, IT, history, tourism, auto industries, movies, etc. And yes, it also has its warts. Madras Day celebrates the city.

வருந்துகிறோம்

நமது சங்க முன்னாள்
தலைவர் திரு. விஜயகுமார்
அவர்களின் தாயார்
ஜி பார்வதி 19.6.2009
அன்று காலமானார்.

அன்னாருக்கு **BLISS**
தனது ஆழ்ந்த இரங்கலைத்
தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறது.

அணுக வேண்டிய முகவரி : **சைமா BLISS**

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