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From Editor's Desk . . .

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The IPL extravaganza is finally over and on the last day of the month, Nation saw the Bharat Bandh enacted – life as usual, some claim while others say totally paralysed. Away from the cause or ideology, it is the muscle power, in metropolis like Mumbai, when train services are disrupted, the entire network tumbles. Some cadres are enough to make the shops down the shutters – the unprecedented hike in petrol prices made the Left and the right to make common cause.

Perhaps it was by a quirk of fate that he was in there, Manvinder Bisla ensured that KKR basked in glory in the finals of IPL 5 at Chepauk. Balaji's injury brought Lee in; forced to drop a foreigner, McCullum had to be and another wicket keeper had to replace him who became the MoM. Mandeep Singh was the emerging star. State of West Bengal celebrated alongside SRK as if this was a honour for the State itself. An IPL marred by allegation of fixing, rave party, police complaint, SRK ban and more culminated thus

Commoners were burdened with the steepest petrol hike ever but what followed was mayhem. Defying economic theories and logic, people craved to buy more after price hike. Long serpentine crowds at every bunk, fisticuffs and brawls at sweltering summer – all became routine. One was expected to be partially rolled back and on the other price rise was expected – both petrol & fuel were not available, putting the common man to much hardship.

Away from all madness, Vishwanathan Anand brought happiness to the Nation with retaining the World Chess Championship 2012 defeating Boris Gelfand at State Tretyakov Gallery in Moscow. After 12 games both had equal points; then Anand had the upper hand in the rapid games.

This year our Growth students performed moderately well and soon we will have plans drawn for the ensuing Academic Year. The application forms for our tuition centre SYMA Growth are being distributed and students will be admitted after personal interviews. We will be conducting our Educational Aid Function in July 2011 when we will distribute uniforms and financial aid to students. The brochure detailing our activities is ready and is being circulated to all members. Request you all to collect more funds, which will ensure that all our good work continues unabated in the years to come.

With regards – Editor

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Dear Patrons.

We are ever thankful to you for the benevolence and Financial Assistance For all our activitists including Medical Centre, Juition Centre and Educational Aid Programme, we collect funds during June of every year. You have patronise us in the past and this year too, we look forward to your donations for funding all our activities.

A Big THANK YOU to you ALL.

கல்விப்பணியில் சைமா

Education is the only tool which can uplift the Society and empower the lower echelons of the Society. We all know that education is of utmost importance and for various reasons, there are children who do not have access to quality education. With the primary aim of assisting the select students who we felt were average or on the margin - just wanting to be nurtured and cared for and ensure their success, we started our dream project 'SYMA Growth' – a full fledged tuition centre in July 2008. From that day onwards, lots of SYMA volunteers have strained themselves to ensure success of the project.

Education is the best of the riches that one can possess. Only Education can refine a person and ensure one's success in life. When it comes to facing the Public Examinations, students could lose focus and could fade away. When the students lacks self belief and is not able to understand what is being is taught, they stay away from the main stream, problem begins. It is also the innate inhibition, the lack of courage to ask questions or tell the Class teacher about their inability to comprehend that makes them feel aloof. Failure is a monster and could potentially destroy the student. A failed student not only loses studies but becomes an object of ridicule, loses self confidence and in the mental pressure to establish, some turn violent and some would even turn anti - social. SYMA Growth tries to touch these students and guide them securing their future.

Now into its 5th year, our professional tuition centre 'SYMA Growth' runs at NKT National Boys High School, Triplicane virtually on all days of the academic year professional tuition by qualified dedicated school teachers, free of cost to students. Last year we enrolled around 70 students in the +2 stream (39 in Science Group and 31 in Commerce Group). recently declared results, the students of SYMA Growth have fared moderately well. Of the 70, 60 have passed (86%). Among the 10 who have failed, there were 6 who had dropped out in between and in sometimes contributed to their own failure. Still, we would have been happier with a better performance, for which we will strive this year.

Statistically, 43 students have got more than 800 marks (66% &above); 6 of them have secured more than 1000 marks. We feel happy in the performance of our ward R. Sandhiya of NKT Girls Hr Sec School for securing 1137 / 1200 and standing first in our SYMA Growth. Special appreciations are due to her, as she got 200 in Accountancy; 200 in Business Maths; 195 in Commerce and 184 in Economics. We congratulate her and wish her the best of things in Educational career and in life.

We pray to Almighty for continued success of this project and look forward to continued support of you all. The success is due to the blessings of Lord Parthasarathi who guides us in all our steps. We express our gratitude and thanks to the Management of NK Thirumalachariyar Boys High School who provided us the infrastructure, the HM Mr N Venkatadri and his staff members. We must place on record our thanks and gratitude to those teachers who taught these students with great dedication, commitment and devotion. We thank all our teachers - Mr N Venkatadri, TS Sriraman, Senthil Murugan, KS Venkatakrishnan, Kannan, T Srinivasan, KN Subashini, Lakshmi Arulalan, Vijayalakshmi, Kanthimathi, Devasena, Vijayakrishnan, MK Sridharan – for their care and attendance. Our Coordinator Mrs Thara and the team who assisted her also deserve special appreciation.

Many of you have supported SYMA especially this project and it is time for SYMA to say thank you to all of you. Thank you.

GREETINGS TO THE NEW COMMITTEE OF SYMA

SYMA since 1977 has been expanding and we have futuristic goals planned with broad vision. We have regular ongoing projects for Education and Medical care besides various camps and other activities. We have been preparing for succession plans and continuance of long term objectives. SYMA is democratically run and every year we have our Office bearers elected in the AGM. This year the following have been elected as Office Bearers:

Committee: SR Parthasarathi President: TA Sampathkumar. **RS Kannan** Vice President: R Seshadry @ Durai

DV Raghavan R Vijayaraghavan Sadagopan MA S Sampathkumar; V Prasad

Secretaries :

Mrs Uthra Sarang R Sanjeevi

Mrs Shobhana Narasimhan TI Ramani Treasurers:

Ms D Saranva D. Sudharshan

Ms S. Revathi & Ms S Pavithra.

The New Committee met soon after the AGM and have already finalized the allocation of portfolio. Hearty Wishes.

HEALTH CAMP

From the responses, we are sure BLISS is read not only by SYMA members but members of their family as well and here is something that family members should not miss.

As you all sure know, SYMA as a responsible Social service organization has been conducting periodical medical camps, especially for old and needy. While SYMA Medical Centre functions for providing consultation, treatment and medicines to poor afflicted by disease, medical camps have a different purpose. Their primary aim is to detect ailments, if any, and ensure that appropriate medical treatment is provided at the early stages.

Most of our Members are active and in our day to day life, under go lot of stress and tension. We care for our families, care for the elderly relatives at home and care for the Society too. When people are pursuing material benefits, we find solace in doing service to others. All good – but somewhere in the hurly-burly of running life's race, sometimes we neglect to take care of ourselves. We feel that SYMA must care for its members too and ensure that our members are as fit as a fiddle.

For sometime now we have been debating on conducting a Medical Camp – one more of a complete master check up at that, for all our Members and their families – a camp where all health aspects would be taken care of; not mere routine check up for Diabetes and BP. Quality comes at a cost and this sure cannot be a free medical camp but when many members enroll, we would be in a position to have this done at substantially lower cost.

Now we have mooted the proposal and look forward to the feedback of all our members on the requirements. You can feel free to drop an e-mail to: 'srinivasyoungmensassociation@yahoo.co.in' with the caption 'Health camp for Members' or simply call at our Medical Centre and fill up the form or call Mr Sadagopan MA @ 9444018914

Take Care. Your Health is our concern too.......

ஒலிம்பிக் போட்டிகள்

இன்றைய விளையாட்டு போட்டிகளில் நான்கு வருடங்களுக்கு ஒருமுறை நடக்கும் ஒலிம்பிக் போட்டிகள் மிகவும் பிரசித்தமானவை. பண்டைய கிரீஸ் நகரத்தில் துவங்கிய இப்போட்டி, இன்று சர்வதேச அளவில் வீரர்கள் தங்களது திறமைகளை வெளிப்படுத்தும் போட்டிகளாக திகழ்கின்றன.

XXX ஒலிம்பியாட் என்ற பெயர் பெற்ற போட்டி இவ்வருடம் 27ஜூலை முதல் ஆகஸ்ட் 12 வரை லண்டனில் நடைபெற உள்ளது. இதற்கு முன் லண்டன்மாநகரத்தில் 1908, 1948 என இருமுறை போட்டிகள் நடந்துள்ள போதிலும், இவ்வருட போட்டிகள் பெருத்த ஆவலுடன் எதிர்பார்க்கப் படுகின்றன.

184க்கும் மேற்பட்ட நாடுகளிலிருந்து வீரர்கள், வீராங்கனைகள் வர உள்ளனர். சவூதி அரேபியா நாட்டிலிருந்து வீரர்கள் மட்டுமே கலந்து கொள்ள உள்ளனர். இவ்வணியில் எந்த போட்டியிலும் கலந்து கொள்ள ஒரு பெண் கூட இல்லை

ஒலிம்பிக்ஸில் கலந்து கொள்ள இந்தியாவில் இருந்து ஒரு பெரிய அணி, அலுவலர்கள், மேலாளர் என செல்ல உள்ளனர். துப்பாக்கி சுடுதல், டென்னிஸ், பாரம்பரிய ஹாக்கி, குத்துச்சண்டை மல்யுத்தம் இவற்றில் பதக்கம் பெறுவார்கள் என எதிர்பார்க்கலாம். ஒலிம்பிக்ஸ் என்றாலே ஓட்டப்பந்தயம் நினைவுக்கு வரும் 100மீ ஓட்டம் அதிக அளவில் உலகமக்கள் திரும்பிப் பார்க்கும் நிகழ்ச்சி. 42.195 கி.மீ தூரம் ஓடும் மாரத்தான் மிக கடினமானது. கிரேக்க வீரர் பெலிப்பிடிஸ், மாரத்தான் போரில் பெர்சியர்கள் தோற்கடிக்கப்பட்டதை சொல்ல ஏதென்ஸ் நகருக்கு ஓடிச்சென்றதை நினைவு கூறுவதாம்.

லட்சக்கணக்கான மக்கள் வந்து சேருமிடத்தில் பல வித இடர்ப்பாடுகள் நடக்கலாம். எனவே முன்னெச்சரிக்கை நடவடிக்கைகள் ஏற்பாடாகின்றன. ஒரு நிறுவனம் 400க்கும் மேற்பட்ட ஓட்டப்பந்தய வீரர்களை பகுதிநேர ஊழியர்களாக சேர்க்க உள்ளதாம். இந்நிறுவனம், ஏதோ விளையாட்டு நடத்தும் நிறுவனமல்ல. தபால்களை ஊர் ஊராக கொண்டு சேர்க்கும் DHL கூரியர் நிறுவனம் தான்.

லண்டன் தெருக்களில் அதிகமான போக்குவரத்து நெருக்கடி ஏற்பட்டு வண்டிகள் காலத்தில் செல்ல தடுமாறும் நிலை ஏற்படின், இவ்வீரர்கள் கால்நடையாக ஓடி தபால்களை சரியானநேரத்தில் சேர்ப்பிப்பார்களாம். விந்தையான உலகம்! அவர்களை சிந்தனை திறன் நிச்சயம் பாராட்டுக்குரியது.

Question: With London Olympics in focus, a large contingent of Indian athletes, Coaches, Managers and Officials are bound to travel to London. Do you know who is named the Chef de Mission of the Indian contingent?

APPEAL FROM SYMA - SUPPORT US IN OUR PROJECTS!!

SYMA is fortunate to have dedicated volunteers and empathetic patrons. From a modest beginning to whatever we are today, we owe everything to the patrons / philanthropists who have motivated, guided & helped us in rendering service. Our activities are mainly focused on Medical Centre and Laboratory run for the poor wherein free consultation and medicines are provided at a measly Rs.2/- per visit and our tuition centre - "SYMA Growth". Apart from Cleaning Campaigns, Eye Camps, Blood Camps and other camps, we also conduct Child Fest every year to inculcate in school children competitive spirit and discipline.

One of our prestigious projects is Educational Aid Programme through which we have been providing uniforms to school children and financial aid to college students. The requirement has been increasing every year. It is a hard truth that there are many school children who manage with just one set of uniform throughout the year, that too hard to come by. We strongly believe that we can make some difference to the way these unfortunate children attend their school.

Acquiring knowledge is the way of enlargement of the horizon of thought and breaking away from limitations of individuals. Quality education will discipline students and make them come out of narrow conservatism entrenched making them more enlightened in the pursuit of refining human life and adding values to the Society at large. Education not

only opens the gate to lucrative positions but also expands one's outlook to the Society making them better responsible citizens. Developed Countries have attained their glory not only through the wealth of natural resources, more so, from the quality of education and the resourcefulness of individuals. A literate Society is most potent and can ensure the well being and happiness of all its members.

For doing all these, We are constantly on the look out for sponsors. We look forward to your participation in any measure. Our Educational Aid programme takes place every year in the month of July. For all our activities taking place throughout the year, the collection is mostly done at the time of this Project. We request all our Members to donate liberally, reach out to all those known to you and collect funds with which we will be able to spread happiness to larger group of students. Cheques are to be drawn in the name of "SRINIVAS YOUNGMENS ASSOCIATION" payable at Chennai. In case any donor wishes to make a Bank transfer, we will provide details of our Bank A/c on Contributions to SYMA are eligible for deduction under Sec 80G (5) (vi)of Income Tax Act, as applicable.

You have all along supported us in a big way and we look forward to your continued support. Together we will ensure transformation towards a better Society. கருங்கடல் நீர் சென்று புயல்முகந்து பெய்யாக் கொடுக்கும் பிறர்க்கு என தாங்களும் உதவி தாங்கள் அறிந்தோரையும் உதவச் செய்க!

Ans in pg 3: The French term Chef de Mission is the generic term used to refer to Head of a diplomatic representation. It is also the title of the Team Manager in major sporting events like Olympics. The Former Captain of Indian Hockey team, Ajit Pal Singh who represented India from 1968 through 1976 is the Chef de Mission. Indian Boxing Federation's Secretary General Brig P K Muralidharan Raja is his deputy as nominated by IOA.

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