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BERTH A four-year-old boy travelling on the middle berth of Nagercoil-Coimbatore FALLS Express sustained grievous injuries after the berth fell upon him on the moving train

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Manjusha, wife of ADM Naveen Babu, mourns beside his body as it is being taken for cremation at Malayalapuzha in Pathanamthitta on Thursday l SHAJI VETTIPURAM

Panchayat prez booked in Kerala officer death case

Given the non-bailable nature of the charge, Divya may move court for anticipatory bail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kannur

A case has been registered against Kannur district panchayat president P P Divya on charges of abetment to suicide in connection with the death of Additional District Magistrate

(ADM) Naveen Babu. The case, invoking non-bailable section 108 of BNS, carries a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison. Given the non-bailable nature of the charge, Divya is expected to seek anticipatory bail P P Divya

from the Kerala High Court.

Naveen Babu was found dead at his residence in Kannur on Tuesday, a day after Divya publicly accused him of corruption during his farewell event. The investigation, led by Kannur Town station house officer Sreejith Koderi, has already re-

corded Divya's statement. The police have also submitted a report to the Thaliparamba Sub-Division Magistrate Court. Further inquiries in the case is expected to be extended to Pathanamthitta. Naveen Babu's family had

lodged a police complaint against both Di-vya and T V Prasanthan, who initially accused the official of bribery. However, the police declined to register a new case and instead opted to investigate the complaint alongside the primary

Though only Divya has been charged in the case so far, there might be chances that additional suspects are added. Despite the seriousness of the allegations, police have remained non-committal regarding Di-

6 missing cases filed related '6 parents in Nellai govt school got scam calls' to Isha Yoga in 15 yrs, SC told

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE Dew Delhi

THE Tamil Nadu police have filed a 23-page report in the Supreme Court on the cases registered against the Isha Foundation founded by Swami Jaggi Vasudev in the last 15 years. A three-judge bench of the Supreme Court, headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI), will hear

the case on Friday. As per the report about "persons who came there (Isha Foundation) for courses and found missing etc", submitted by K Kartikeyan, Superintendent of Police, Coimbatore district, a total of six missing cases were reg-istered at the jurisdictional Alandurai police station with respect to the foundation in 15 years. "Of the six, five cases were closed as further action was dropped. One case is still under investigation as the missing

person is not yet traced," the re-

port said. The report further said that as

on October 1, 2024, there were 217 Brahmacharis, 2,455 volunteers, 891 paid staff, 1,475 paid workers, 342 Isha Home School students, 175 Isha Samskriti students, 704 guests/volunteers, and 912 guests residing in cottages

The report further said that the foundation is constructing a crematorium on the campus. One S N Subramanian, who owns a property near the Isha Foundation, has raised objection and has approached Madras HC for stopping the construction of the crematorium. "The proceedings are pending and the crematorium is not functioning at present," the report said.

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der Section 174 of CrPC (police to enquire and report on suicide etc). "Out of which two cases are under investigation for want of forensic lab report," the report

said. Regarding a Pocso case registered by a local school principal against a doctor who was employed by 'Isha Outreach', the report said the doctor was arrested and denied bail. The case is under investigation.

The report said the police team held random inquiry about food, safety and other aspects with 558 persons apart from the two women whose father had filed a habeas corpus petition in the Madras High Court alleging that his daughters, aged 42 and 39, were detained on the foundation premises.

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THE state government circular itself cited 10 community service registers (CSRs) filed regarding such incidents in Firunelveli recently. Among them, five were filed in August. Many parents have also not filed any complaints despite losing money, it said.

"About six parents in our school received such calls and two of them have lost their money," said a teacher working at a government school in Tirunelveli. The teacher also shared

an incident where a student's mother received a call, and the scammer deposited ₹25,000 into her account. Moments later, not only was that amount withdrawn, but the ₹6,000 already in her account vanished as well. However, neither the school education department nor the

police have any idea how the

scamsters got access to the students' data.

The department said that the fraudsters approach parents through WhatsApp stating that their children have received scholarships.Later, they send a fake QR code and ask the parents to scan it to get the scholarship money. However, scanning the code results in with-

drawal of funds from the parents' accounts. The school education department, in partnership with the Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency, is providing Aadhaar enrollment facilities in

schools, aimed at smooth disbursement of scholarships and incentives. For example, ₹1.000 is provided to Class 12 vocational group students who complete a 10-day internship. But fraudsters are exploiting such initiatives, the circular read. Meanwhile, Tirunelveli police said they are looking into it.



FIT TO BURST

Puzhal Lake, which is approaching full capacity after the recent downpour in Chennai | SHIBA PRASAD SAHU

TN crash: Note says train derailed at intersection point

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE joint inspection note of the Bagmati Express-freight train collision near Chennai last week, prepared by seven senior railway officials, suggests that the train may have derailed at the intersection point.

the apprehension of sabotage afreport ter finding some loosened or opened parts during their

site inspection. A railway spokesperson said the joint inspection report cannot conclusively tell the reasons of the accident but it can



The Mysuru-Darbhanga Bagmati Express rammed into the stationary freight train at Kavaraipettai railway station at 8.30 pm on October 11, leaving several passengers

cal part opened or loosened at the accident site. Instead, they found nuts, bolts, rails, tongue rail, and other similar items in broken condition," said a safety expert after analysing the inspection report. He added, "The kind of damage these seven officials have recorded in the joint note goes on to show that the train derailed at the intersection point of the main line and the loop line.'

Production cost high for Green Magic

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TAMIL Nadu Milk Dealers Labourers Welfare Association president S A Ponnusamy also pointed out that said policy decision was made without a government order. Industry sources attribute Aavin's decision to the high demand for Green Magic in Chennai. In November 2023, Aavin proposed discontinuing Green Magic, however, the plan was shelved after strong opposition from consumers and politicians alike. Aavin purchases cow milk at ₹38 per litre and buffalo milk

at ₹47 per litre. Of the 36 lakh litres of milk Aavin procures daily, 26-27 lakh litres are sold in sachets, while the rest is converted into dairy products. Due to the relatively low-fat content in the milk, Aavin incurs additional expenses in purchasing butter or using its own butter and milk powder to meet the FSSAI standards, which mandate 3% fat in toned milk, 4.5% in standardised milk, 6% in full cream milk. As a result, the production cost for Green Magic rises up to ₹49-₹51 per litre, compared to its selling price of ₹44 per litre.



Admeasuring an extent of 1000 Sq. Ft or (92.90 Sq. Mtr) of House Site along with rights over the layout roads for ingress and egress to use the roads and all other appurtenances attached thereto. The Property is subjected to Nachipalayam village, Panchayat Limits. Reserve Price: Rs.4,50,000/-; EMD: Rs.45,000/-; BID Increment: Rs.5,000/-

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vya's potential arrest.

Another report of a threemember committee of senior railway officials had earlier raised

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be one of the inputs for the Commissioner of Railway

"The experts who have prepared the joint note didn't Safety to prepare the final say that they found any mechani-

