

STALIN ANNOUNCES SIPCOT INDUSTRIAL PARK IN NANGUNERI, SLEW OF NEW PROJECTS FOR TIRUNELVELI

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Chief Minister Stalin inaugurated 23 completed projects worth Rs.1,304.66 crore, laid the foundation stone for 20 new projects valued at Rs.309.05 crore, and distributed welfare assistance worth Rs.167 crore to 75,151 beneficiaries at a function held at Tirunelveli



industrial park will be developed on 1,200 acres of barren land in Moolakaraipatti.

In Tirunelveli city, a new Y-shaped railway flyover will be constructed at a cost of Rs.120 crore on Madurai-Kanyakumari Road. This will serve as an alternative to the existing railway level crossing in Kulavanigar Puram, located between the Palayamkottai and MGR bus terminals. A new wastewater treatment plant will be set up in Tirunelveli Corporation. The treated water from this plant will be supplied to SIPCOT's Gangaikondan industrial units and other industrial parks. This initiative aims to prevent wastewater discharge into the Thamirabarani River while ensuring a sustainable water

stone for Vikram Solar's 3 GW Solar Cell and 6 GW Module Manufacturing Plant, which will be established with an investment of Rs.2,574 crore, providing 2,500 jobs.

Speaking at the event Chief Minister Stalin said, "To promote the future industrial growth of Tirunelveli district, a new SIPCOT industrial park will be established across 2,291 acres in Nanguneri taluk, covering the villages of Marukalurichi and Thiruvaramangai Puram. Additionally, another SIPCOT

As part of his visit to Tirunelveli district on February 6, 2025, the Chief Minister attended events at the SIPCOT Industrial Park in Gangaikondan, where he:

Inaugurated Tata Power Solar's 4.3 GW Solar Cell and Module Manufacturing Plant, set up with an investment of Rs.3,800 crore, creating 4,000 jobs.

Laid the foundation

supply for industries. The Palayamkottai Ambasamudram Road in Melapalayam will be expanded into a four-lane highway at a cost of Rs.9 crore, under the Highways Department.

To enhance facilities for devotees visiting Arulmigu Papanasa Swami Temple in Ambasamudram taluk, Rs.5 crore will be allocated for infrastructure development.

For the economic upliftment of fisherwomen, a marine product value addition center and producer company will be established in the coastal region of Tirunelveli district at a cost of Rs.3 crore. Government orders for these projects will be issued soon, and the work will commence without delay.

UNION MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL INAUGURATES NATIONAL IP MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Students selected for an international moot court competition on International Property Rights (IPR) will be sponsored by The Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (CGPDTM). This was stated by Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal during his address at the inaugural ceremony of Vidhi Pragati: National IP Moot Court Competition, 2025 today in New Delhi.

DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, in collaboration with Centre for Innovation, Intellectual Property, and Competition (CIIPC) and IPR Chair, National Law University Delhi is organising the Vidhi Pragati: National IP Moot Court Competition, 2025. This competition is designed for participants to increase their advocacy skills, work on contemporary legal issues, and gain comprehensive knowledge of Intellectual Property Laws, its enforcement, and the latest case laws.

There is a need to create a robust regulatory framework with legal and policy assistance to withstand the unethical use of AI and also support effective deployment of modern technology,

he said. Shri Goyal noted that Artificial Intelligence is as good as the person who utilises its potential. He stated that technology can become a tool but can never substitute the human mind.

Speaking of the Moot Court Competition, the Minister highlighted the format's practicality in helping the students refine their legal acumen and open their minds. He also noted that participation in this format will enable the scholars to become thinkers, thinkers into innovators and innovators into leaders.

Shri Goyal highlighted that copyright and Artificial Intelligence is at the crossroads of an uncertain future. We can either ethically use AI to our advantage in regulating copyright or unethical means can be used to violate copyright protection. AI can either add to creativity or it can disrupt the authorship of genuine innovators and their rights, he said.

Minister Goyal noted that the Government is planning to engage with experts and young minds for suggestions on changes in regulations to adapt with modern technology.

Elucidating on the innovation boost received in the Union Budget 2025, the Minister noted that 50,000 Atal Tinkering

Labs (ATLs) have been announced and Rs 20,000 crore announced as part of the Centre's contribution in Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) Fund. He also highlighted the Rs 10,000 crore announced in the Budget for the Fund of Funds for startups and entrepreneurs to boost innovation.

Shri Goyal also mentioned the Government academic initiative, One Nation One Subscription, to provide country-wide access to scholarly research e-journals to students. He also spoke about the AI for Education fund of Rs 500 crore allotted in the Budget 2025 for the academia, government and the private sector to collaborate to promote innovation.

The Minister during his address suggested IPR to be made a mandatory subject in law colleges across the country. Law also needs to be understood by concepts of right and wrong in which AI can play an important role, he added.

Justice Shri Prathiba M. Singh, Judge, High Court of Delhi and Shri Himani Pande, Additional Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) graced the event as guests of honor. The theme of the competition is "Artificial Intelligence and Copyright." This theme is of paramount

importance in today's digital landscape, where the rapid advancement of AI technologies are fundamentally transforming the creative industries.

As AI-generated content becomes increasingly prevalent, crucial questions arise regarding authorship, originality, and the extent of copyright protection. This competition aims to nurture young legal minds, promote innovative thinking in intellectual property law, and underscore the importance of adapting copyright regulations in the context of artificial intelligence advancements. This competition presents an opportunity for the participants to critically engage with the challenges and opportunities that AI presents to the realm of copyright.

Scheduled to take place from 7th February 2025 to 9th February 2025, this premier event will witness participation from law schools across the nation, thus fostering a vibrant spirit of mooting and scholarly discourse.

In anticipation of reassuring responses from across the law schools, a total of 26 teams are lined up to exhibit a battle of the best showcasing a sheer competitive spirit. With a prize pool of Rs. 3.25 lakh, this moot will sufficiently reward the investment of time and resources in the participation.

ANGANWADI WORKERS TECHNOLOGICALLY EMPOWERED WITH THE PROVISION OF SMARTPHONES FOR EFFICIENT MONITORING AND SERVICE DELIVERY UNDER MISSION POSHAN 2.0

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Poshan Abhiyaan, an overarching scheme for holistic nourishment was launched on 8th March 2018 to improve nutritional outcomes for children, adolescents, pregnant women and lactating mothers. Under Poshan Abhiyaan, Incremental Learning Approach (ILA) was incorporated in order to build and strengthen the capacity of Anganwadi workers. Under the 15th Finance Commission, to address

the challenge of malnutrition, various components like Anganwadi services, Poshan Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent girls (of 14-18 years in Aspirational Districts and North-Eastern region) have been subsumed under the umbrella Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0).

Under Mission Poshan 2.0, Anganwadi workers (AWWs) have been technologically

empowered with the provision of smartphones for efficient monitoring and service delivery. IT systems have been leveraged to strengthen and bring about transparency in nutrition delivery support systems at the Anganwadi centres and for dynamic identification of stunting, wasting, under-weight prevalence among children (0-6 years). It has facilitated near real time data collection for

Anganwadi Services such as, daily attendance, Early childhood care and Education (ECCE), Provision of Hot Cooked Meal (HCM)/Take Home Ration (THR-not raw ration), Growth Measurement etc. This application is working as a job aid for Anganwadi Worker replacing the need for maintaining physical registers; thereby reducing her workload.

The learning modules on nutrition and early care and education for capacity building of all Anganwadi workers are readily available online on Poshan Tracker.

Further, Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi (PBPB) initiative was launched on 10th May, 2023 for upskilling of all Anganwadi workers to build their capacity to provide early childhood care and nutrition service to children below six years of age. As on date, 31,114 SLMTs (CDPOs, Supervisors and Additional Resource Persons) and 145,481 AWWs have been trained across the country under Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi programme.

UNION CIVIL AVIATION MINISTER SHRI RAMMOHAN NAIDU MEETS UNION AGRICULTURE MINISTER SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Union Civil Aviation Minister Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu met Union Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan at Krishna Bhawan, New Delhi today and discussed the problems being faced by red chilly farmers in Andhra Pradesh. During the meeting



Senior officers from the Ministry of Agriculture were also present. Later, speaking to the media Shri Rammohan Naidu said the Government of

Andhra Pradesh is planning to procure red chillies and he urged the Union Agriculture Minister to provide financial support to the state government under

various schemes. Stating that Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan responded positively to the request of Andhra Pradesh Government. Shri Rammohan Naidu said he had handed over a letter from Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh Shri Chandrababu Naidu explaining the problems of red chilli farmers to Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan.

GREATER CHENNAI RECORDS LOWEST FATAL ACCIDENTS IN A DECADE, IN JAN 2025

Chennai, 08 February 2025: The Greater Chennai region has recorded the lowest number of fatal road accidents in the past 10 years, barring the two months of total lockdown during the COVID-19 pandemic. January 2025 witnessed 29 fatal accidents, marking it as the lowest monthly figure

in a decade.

In December 2024, Chennai recorded 35 fatal accidents, while December 2023 saw 31 fatal accidents, making it the second lowest in the last 10 years. Jan 25 recorded 29 fatal accidents as against 48 in 2024, 46 in 2023, 44 in 2022 and 50 in 2021. Also, Monthly average of accidents has decreased from 63 in

2015 to 44 in 2024.

An initiative called ZAD (Zero Accident Day) launched in the month of Aug 2024 focussed on bringing awareness among the motorists also made significant impact in reduction of fatal accidents. During last year alone, GCTP has covered 455 schools, 221 colleges and conducted 2491 number of awareness

campaigns. The Greater Chennai Traffic Police (GCTP) acknowledges the efforts of motorists in adhering to traffic laws and the improvement in helmet compliance, both of which have contributed to this decline. GCTP remains committed to promoting road safety and further reducing accidents in the city.

HOW A TIER-3 ENGINEERING GRADUATE FROM CHENNAI TRANSITIONED FROM BENCH TO HIS DREAM JOB AT PAYPAY BY UPSKILLING FROM SCALER

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Vignesh Raja K, a talented software engineer from Chennai and an alumnus of Scaler Academy secured the position of Senior Software Engineer at PayPal through relentless dedication, strategic upskilling, and a passion for excellence in technology. Hailing from a modest background, his parents strived to provide him with essential education, support, and guidance.



Despite being economically disadvantaged and facing multiple challenges throughout his career, he worked consistently to improve his skills and achieve his goals. His story exemplifies how grit, determination, and the right kind of training can help you land your dream job.

Vignesh spent his childhood in T. Nagar (Thyagaraya Nagar), Chennai. He was drawn to coding and used to dabble in programs like C and C++. He wanted to pursue engineering at a good college but unfortunately could not crack JEE Main. This led him to enrol in computer science engineering at a Tier-3 college. In 2019, Vignesh graduated with distinction and began his career as a lateral hire at a prominent IT Services firm. However, he wasn't satisfied with the job, as he spent much of his time at the organisation on the bench, which impeded his ability to gain either skills or experience.

Vignesh had

always wanted to pursue a career in software engineering, but he struggled to bridge the skills gap. He soon realised that upskilling was how he could make this a reality, and began his journey to strengthen his system design skills.

In 2022, he switched to a MAANG company as an application engineer for higher pay to finance his upskilling courses. Before discovering Scaler, he tried upskilling through two other online education platforms but discontinued the courses as he wasn't happy with the curriculum, which did not give importance to Data Structures and Algorithms.

That is when he decided to enrol at Scaler. Scaler's well-structured curriculum effectively bridged the gaps in his skills and enhanced his training in Data Structures and Algorithms. As fate would have it, during his Software Development upskilling course, he landed a Software Developer role at PayPal.

This was possible due to the course's structured learning modules, practical approach, and mentorship, which gave him the confidence and skills to transition from an application engineer

to his dream software developer role.

On his journey, Scaler alumnus Vignesh said, "Two key aspects of Scaler that stood out for me are the DSA curriculum and mentorship from industry experts. The curriculum is structured to support everyone—from beginners to experienced coders. As an intermediate programmer, I struggled with data structure-based problems. Scaler assessed my skills and placed me in a batch with peers at a similar level, allowing me to learn effectively. We worked with professionals from top companies like Intuit and Google, who shared their expertise and helped us through complex problems while answering our queries and providing personalised guidance. Spending hundreds of hours learning from these experts gave me practical knowledge and insights into real-world problem-solving".

Vignesh also emphasises the importance of passion and learning in the journey toward a successful career in software development. He advises anyone pursuing a career in tech to focus on learning and building something

meaningful. 'Vignesh's journey is a great example of hard work and determination. Coming from a humble background in Chennai, he faced many challenges but focused on becoming a software developer. His persistence helped him transition from an application engineer to a Senior Software Engineer at PayPal.

His dedication to improving his skills made a difference for Vignesh, particularly in Data Structures and Algorithms. I'm proud to see Vignesh's success and hope his story motivates others to keep learning and upskilling. With the right resources, anyone can overcome their challenges and reach their career goals' said Abhimanyu Saxena, co-founder of Scaler and InterviewBit.

Scaler has been transforming careers and impacting the lives of professionals through its course offerings on new-age technologies. Scaler offers courses on digital technologies like software development, data science, and machine learning, a four-year residential undergraduate program and a master's programme.

With a structured curriculum and one-on-one mentorship, Scaler equips learners with the necessary skill sets to succeed in their careers. Through its offerings, aspiring tech professionals can upskill themselves to become full-stack developers, Back-end developers, data scientists, data analysts, and machine learning engineers.

INTERARCH STRENGTHENS ITS PRESENCE IN SOUTH INDIA AND EXPANDS CAPACITIES, PROJECTS 10% GROWTH FOR FY25

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Interarch Building Products Limited (BSE Code: 544232) (NSE: INTERARCH), a leading player in the Pre-Engineered Buildings (PEB) and steel structure industry, is strengthening its position to meet the growing infrastructure needs of South India. With a focus on sustainable building practices, cutting-edge technology, and innovative solutions, the company is strategically expanding its operations across the region.



Sriperumbudur facility, Mr. Manish Kumar Garg, CEO of Interarch Building Products Limited, provided a detailed overview, showcasing the process of how Interarch's Pre Engineered Buildings (PEB) are manufactured.

In addition to driving innovation in design and construction, the Sriperumbudur facility is instrumental in producing factories for emerging sectors like semiconductors and renewables, for clients like Tata Semiconductors, Agartas Energy, Havells, Blue Star and Amara Raja Energy & Mobility Ltd.

"We are at the forefront of meeting the infrastructure demands of South India with our sustainable and scalable solutions, particularly in the rapidly growing demand in semiconductors, renewables, and the

data centre sector.

By combining cutting-edge technology with a deep focus on sustainability, we aim to make a lasting impact on the region's development. Our initiatives further strengthen our leadership in the Pre-Engineered Buildings sector, committed to supporting the region's growth with energy-efficient, flexible solutions that meet the needs of both today and tomorrow," said Mr. Garg.

Interarch's R&D Centre in Chennai plays a key role in the company's success. The Centre focuses on providing value-engineered solutions across various sectors, from industrial projects to data centres, while improving design and manufacturing processes.

A major shift has been from manual to automated processes, using AI technologies that will reduce project

timelines by up to 30%. Additionally, the development of custom tools will boost efficiency and productivity. The company also focuses on training and mentoring new talent through its GET/PGET initiatives, ensuring a strong workforce for future growth.

Reflecting strong business performance, Interarch is targeting 10% revenue growth for FY25, driven by continued demand for sustainable, high-quality PEB solutions. For FY26, the company expects to maintain its momentum with a projected 10-15% growth, supported by ongoing expansion efforts and a robust order book.

As part of its long-term growth strategy, Interarch aims to achieve an annual installed capacity of 200,000 metric tons by mid-2025, driven by capacity expansions at its Kichha plant and other key facilities.

SRMIST IS HOSTING THE ALL INDIA INTER-COLLEGIATE BEACH VOLLEYBALL (M&W) TOURNAMENT

Chennai, 08 February 2025: SRM Institute of Science and Technology is hosting the All India Inter-Collegiate Beach Volleyball Men and Women Tournament at the Kattankulathur Campus, organized by the Directorate of Sports, from 3rd to 4th March 2025. This event holds

significant importance as it marks the first-ever beach volleyball tournament of its kind to be hosted in India, offering a unique opportunity for college athletes to compete on a national platform. Teams wishing to participate must complete their registration before the entry deadline on



February 25, 2025, at m@gmail.com. Prize Money Worth Rs. 1,00,000.

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TAMIL NADU DRIVES GODREJ CAPITAL'S EXPANSION: ACHIEVES 100% GROWTH

Chennai, 08 February 2025: Godrej Capital, the financial services arm of the Godrej Industries Group, has achieved 100% growth over the past year in Tamil Nadu. The South contributes more than 30% to Godrej Capital's INR 15,000 crore business, with Tamil Nadu accounting for INR 800 crore in Assets Under Management (AUM), highlighting Chennai as a critical growth market.



Tamil Nadu remains central to Godrej Capital's long-term vision, with the state expected to play a significant role in achieving the company's goal of a balance sheet of INR 30,000 crore by 2026.

The company has been focusing on empowering the Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector, with Chennai emerging as a key market for the company's expansion strategy in the state. Over the last year, Godrej Capital has increased its network of channel partners in Chennai from 150+ to 500.

This strategic expansion has enabled the company to offer a broader range of innovative financial products in Tamil Nadu. These products are tailored

to the unique needs of MSMEs, driving an increase in the customer base, which now stands at nearly 1,600.

Godrej Capital offers secured and unsecured financing options for businesses such as Business Loan, Loan Against Property, and Udyog Loan Against Property, catering to customers with varying collateral needs. The company has focused on providing a wider range of innovative offerings tailored to MSMEs' unique requirements. One such innovation is the recently launched Flexi Funds, an overdraft-like facility designed to help MSMEs manage their cash flow requirements more efficiently.

Additionally, Godrej Capital has expanded its footprint in Tamil Nadu with new branches in Kanchipuram, Salem, Madurai, and Coimbatore, alongside its existing stronghold in

Chennai. To support the dairy farming community, the company also launched Dairy Farm Loan in partnership with Creamline Dairy, driving economic growth in the sector.

Currently, Godrej Capital's total AUM stands at over INR 15,300 crore, serving over 30,000+ loan accounts nationwide through a network of 3,800 channel partners. The company plans to expand its distribution network to over 10,000 partners in the next two years, reinforcing its position as a key player in the financial services landscape.

Manish Shah, MD and CEO of Godrej Capital, said "With the rapid growth of the MSME sector, Tamil Nadu remains an essential market for us, with Chennai being a major contributor to our MSME lending business. Our customer-focused approach and innovative products

have been key to our success. In the state, we will continue to concentrate on industries such as manufacturing, textiles, electronics, and service-industries among others."

Looking ahead, Godrej Capital plans to introduce Supply Chain Financing soon, enhancing financial inclusion for MSMEs. The company also aims to scale its secured and unsecured business offerings to cater to a broader customer base, targeting diverse collateral options.

We have recently extended its partnership base for its first-of-its-kind platform, Godrej Nirmaan, a one-stop business solution to provide MSME owners with an all-inclusive opportunity to grow their businesses.

Godrej Nirmaan has partnered with 16 organisations, including DBS Bank India, Visa, Amazon, GeMTech Paras, Escrowpay, Onsurety, and CRISIL, among others, to help increase the market reach, simplify legal and compliance processes, provide financial assistance, enhance employee health and welfare, and provide business coaching for small businesses.

TOYOTA KIRLOSKAR MOTOR EXPANDS ROAD SAFETY COMMITMENT WITH SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF TOYOTA SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMME IN DELHI

Chennai 08, February 2025: Reinforcing its commitment to road safety, Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM) today successfully concluded its flagship initiative, the Toyota Safety Education Programme (TSEP) – "Road Safety – My Right, My Responsibility" – at KV No. 2 Cantonment, Dr. Sarvapalli Auditorium, Delhi. This impactful event was graced by Chief Guest Mr. Rajnesh Singh – Director,



Ministry of Heavy Industries alongside esteemed Guest of Honour Mr. S.K. Singh, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic) and TKM's senior leadership, including Mr. Vikram Gulati, Country Head and Executive Vice President - Corporate Affairs and Governance, Toyota Kirloskar Motor.

Designed to instil a sense of responsibility among young road users, TSEP actively engages school children, empowering them to become road safety ambassadors within their communities. This initiative is part of TKM's broader vision to achieve zero road fatalities by nurturing future generations to adopt safer and more responsible road usage.

Building on the success of TSEP Batch 1 in Bangalore and today's event in Delhi, TSEP will continue its expansion with sessions scheduled for Batch 2 in Bangalore on 8th February and Mumbai on 11th February. In 2025, the

program aims to reach over 70,000 students and 600 teachers across 140 schools, demonstrating TKM's unwavering commitment to nationwide road safety education.

A highlight of the event was the creative involvement of students in engaging activities such as poster-making, skits, songs, Mad Ads, and fact-based video presentations. These interactive sessions offered a platform for students to showcase innovative solutions for promoting road safety, making the learning experience both enriching and enjoyable. The event also featured award ceremonies recognizing the exceptional efforts of participants in advancing road safety awareness.

The program's measurable impact is evident, with participant awareness levels rising from 39% to 60% underscoring TSEP's effectiveness in instilling vital road safety knowledge and fostering positive behavioural change. To

sustain momentum, each participating school established dedicated Road Safety Clubs led by teachers, fostering peer-to-peer learning and ongoing student engagement. These clubs have become pivotal in sustaining road safety initiatives within school communities.

TKM's holistic 'Real World Safety & Quality' approach integrates safe vehicle manufacturing, user education, and traffic environment improvements to tackle India's road safety challenges. Since its inception in 2007, TSEP has impacted over 800,000 students nationwide, leveraging its 'Child to Community' model to encourage students to become proactive advocates for road safety within their families and communities.

TSEP employs a distinctive and impactful ABC Approach:

Awareness: Raising awareness about road safety rules.

Behavioural Change: Encouraging

positive behavioural shifts. Campaigns: Engaging communities through innovative campaigns. This comprehensive framework nurtures responsible behaviour and a lifelong commitment to safer road practices. Additionally, TSEP empowers educators by providing structured road safety training, enabling teachers to effectively guide students. The program also advocates for integrating road safety education into school curricula, ensuring sustained learning and lasting community impact.

Present at the occasion, the Chief Guest – Mr. Rajnesh Singh – Director, Ministry of Heavy

Industries said, "Road safety is a critical concern in India, and it is imperative that we address it through sustained and impactful educational initiatives. Toyota Kirloskar Motor's Safety Education Programme is a commendable step in this direction, engaging young minds to become ambassadors of road safety within their communities.

By instilling the right knowledge and behaviours at an early age, we are not only shaping responsible citizens but also contributing significantly to the vision of safer roads across the nation. I am confident that programs like TSEP will inspire more organisations to take active roles in promoting road safety."

SAMSUNG GALAXY S25 SERIES OFF TO A FLYING START IN INDIA AS CUSTOMERS QUEUE UP TO TAKE DELIVERIES

Chennai 08, February 2025: Samsung, India's biggest electronics company, today said that it received a record response for its flagship Galaxy S25 series in India, resulting in over 430,000 pre-orders. The pre-orders for Galaxy S25 series are 20% higher as compared to Galaxy S24 series in India.

"Galaxy S25 Ultra, Galaxy S25+ and Galaxy S25 smartphones set a new standard as true AI companions with Samsung's most natural and context-aware mobile

experiences ever created. We have seen strong demand for the Galaxy S25 series among young tech-savvy consumers, who are at the forefront of Galaxy AI usage. This year, we widened our flagship distribution network to 17,000 outlets, which has helped us tap demand in smaller cities," said Raju Pullan, Senior Vice President, MX Division, Samsung India.

The success of Galaxy S25 series reinforces Samsung's belief that consumers will



increasingly adopt seamless and intuitive AI solutions that impact their daily lives. For Galaxy S25 consumers in India, Google's Gemini Live will be available in Hindi since the start, underscoring the importance of India for Samsung.

Starting February 7, the Galaxy S25 series will be

available across retail stores and on Samsung.com as well as other online platforms.

Galaxy S25 Ultra is available in Titanium Silverblue, Titanium Black, Titanium Whitesilver and Titanium Gray. Galaxy S25 and Galaxy S25+ come in Navy, Silver Shadow, Icyblue and Mint.

CRIME AGAINST WOMEN ON RISE, PRIORITISE SAFETY OF GIRLS, PALANISWAMI TELLS DMK

Chennai 08, February 2025: AIADMK General Secretary Edappadi K. Palaniswami expressed shock over two reported incidents of violence against women in Tamil Nadu and urged the ruling DMK government to prioritize women's safety. In one incident, a woman sub-inspector of police was allegedly assaulted inside a police station in Sivaganga district. In another, a pregnant



woman was reportedly pushed from a Coimbatore-Tirupati train.

Referring to the Sivaganga case, Palaniswami criticized the DMK government, stating that law and order in

the State had deteriorated to the extent that even police stations were no longer safe for women. He called for stringent action against those responsible for crimes against women.

Expressing outrage over the second incident, he remarked that women in Tamil Nadu faced threats not just on the streets but also in schools, colleges, offices, and now even on trains. "It

is shameful that women cannot travel safely in the State," he said.

Palaniswami accused the DMK government of failing to ensure women's safety, arguing that such incidents continued to occur due to a lack of focused measures. He urged authorities to take swift and strict action against the perpetrators and ensure justice for the victims.

AAKASH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES LIMITED LAUNCHES AAKASH INVICTUS - THE ULTIMATE GAME-CHANGER JEE PREPARATION PROGRAM FOR ASPIRING ENGINEERS

Chennai 08, February 2025: Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), the national leader in test preparatory services, proudly announces the launch of Aakash Invictus, a groundbreaking and first-of-its-kind Advanced program for JEE preparation designed for the best and brightest engineering aspirants. This elite, high-intensity, personalized, AI driven and result-oriented initiative is engineered to enable students preparing specifically for IITs or reputed Universities abroad.

Aakash Invictus brings together around 500 best JEE Faculty, offering unparalleled mentorship backed by a track record of success in guiding over one lakh students to IITs. The curriculum is cutting-edge and meticulously designed for ambitious students aiming for top IIT ranks. The program features integrated phygital learning and exclusive study resources, ensuring precision-focused, AI-enabled, and adaptive preparation for JEE Advanced. The rigorous program includes a comprehensive revision and testing module that emphasizes targeted preparation during the final stages before the JEE (Advanced) exam.

Students will benefit from



specialized curriculum, doubt-clearing sessions and a meticulously crafted test series aimed at maximizing their performance. Aakash Invictus will have small batches so as to give more personalized attention to students.

Mr. Deepak Mehrotra, MD & CEO of Aakash Educational Services Limited, emphasized the program's significance, stating, "Aakash Invictus is not just a coaching program; it is a transformational journey for students aiming to secure top IIT ranks. This program brings together top-notch faculty with decades of experience, cutting-edge teaching methodologies and personalized, AI and tech-driven learning. Over the years, our educators have successfully mentored millions of students to secure admissions in top IITs.

The study material has been completely revamped, covering the entire curriculum and developed by some of the best experts in the industry. We firmly believe this is the best—if you can create better material, we will award you and

to refine their strategies.

Furthermore, the program integrates phygital study materials, combining the strengths of physical and digital resources to simplify complex problems, and provides recorded video lectures by expert faculty for flexible, on-demand learning.

Admission to Aakash Invictus is highly selective, with students chosen through a specialized entrance test to ensure only the brightest and most committed minds join the program. Designed as a two-year program for 11th joining students or a three-year program for 10th joining students, Aakash Invictus will be available at 32 cities across India—Delhi NCR, Chandigarh, Lucknow, Meerut, Prayagraj, Kanpur, Varanasi, Jaipur, Kota, Patna, Ranchi, Bokaro, Kolkata, Durgapur, Bhubaneswar, Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur, Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Indore, Bhopal, Hyderabad, Chennai, Mdurai, Dehradun and Bangalore and among others.

A dedicated team of researchers has developed the course to align with the highest academic standards and evolving exam patterns, ensuring a transformative educational experience for its participants.

welcome you to our team."

He further added, "This programme, which started a few months ago has already attracted 2500+ top students. Built on three key pillars – innovative pedagogy and courseware, expert faculty and advanced AI tools – Aakash Invictus will set new benchmarks in JEE preparation. All these brand-new features are backed by the credibility, trust, and technical expertise of Aakash."

A significant highlight of the program is its focus on innovation in study resources. Students will receive chapter-wise practice worksheets embedded with QR codes that provide detailed solutions and stepwise marking schemes, ensuring they excel in school and board exams alongside JEE preparation.

Additional features include workshops for competitive Olympiads, access to an extensive archive of past JEE question papers with chapter-wise breakdowns and solutions, and the JEE Challenger resource, which offers detailed insights, practice questions and analysis

CHENNAI METRO RAIL SIGNS CONTRACT FOR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT IN 3 STATIONS

Chennai 08, February 2025: Agreement for the Preparation of Detail Project Report for property development at MVN Nagar in Thirumangalam, Nandanam and Thousand Lights in CMRL Phase 2 stations. The Contract has been awarded to the consulting firm, a Joint Venture between Aarvee Associates Architects Engineers & Consultants Pvt Ltd and ANAROCK Property Consultants Pvt Ltd at a cost of Rs. 41.87 Lakh

(excluding GST).

The Letter of Acceptance (LOA) was issued to the Joint Venture consulting firm on December 20, 2024. In the presence of T. Archunan, Director (Projects), the Contract Agreement was signed by Rekha Prakash, CGM (P&D) on behalf of CMRL and by J.K. Nandana, Associate Vice President, on behalf of Aarvee Associates, along with S. Vinoth, Vice President of ANAROCK Property Consultants Pvt Ltd.



Senior officials of CMRL and the Consultant were present during the occasion.

CMRL has planned for non-fare revenue generation along with fare revenue by integrating the property development along with the metro

stations at MVN Nagar in Thirumangalam, Nandanam and Thousand Lights.

The property development at MVN Nagar will be seamlessly connected to the entry and exits of the upcoming Thirumangalam Metro station.

CLARIFICATION REGARDING THE UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT OF LADY PASSENGER FALLEN FROM TRAIN

Chennai 08, February 2025: An unfortunate incident occurred at around 10:25 hrs on 06.02.2025, when a 36-year-old lady passenger traveling on Train No. 22616 Coimbatore – Tirupati Intercity Express fell from the train in between Kavanur and Virinjipuram stations and sustained injuries. She was rescued by the villagers and taken to the nearby hospital. During GRP's investigation, it was found that a drunk intruder boarded the moving train at the last minute at Jolarpettai station and entered the ladies' compartment. The lady passenger, who was four months pregnant and traveling alone, was assaulted by the intruder and molested but she resisted bravely in reaction to which he reportedly pushed her off the moving train.

The victim fell between Kavanur

and Virinjipuram station, where locals rushed her to the nearest Government hospital in Vellore.

It is ascertained from the Medical Officer of Vellore Hospital that she is out of danger and has been shifted from Emergency Department. Since the passenger was pregnant, she also underwent examination by the Gynaecology Department and her foetus is safe. Presently, she is undergoing treatment at the Orthopaedic Department and her condition is stable.

The accused was identified using CCTV footage at the station premises and as a result of the swift action of GRP and RPF, the accused was arrested within 12 hrs of the incident.

Senior officials from Southern Railway will be visiting the injured passenger. Railway Administration has granted an ex-gratia of Rs.50,000 with a

cash award to the lady passenger.

Women security – preventive measures adopted in Southern Railway

Southern Railway is giving utmost importance to the safety and security of women passengers. The following preventive measures are being adopted in this Railway.

Mixed train escorts consisting of Male and Female RPF staff are being deployed in important vulnerable trains in the night time, especially for the security of women passengers.

The integrated Railway Helpline No.139 is operational all over India to address the issues on real time basis.

All the night trains including ladies coaches are attended by RPF personnel at important railway stations.

Crime prevention and Detection Squads and Crime Wings personnel are engaged for

prevention and detection of passenger offences especially against women.

CCTV Cameras are being installed at important stations and trains for monitoring the movement of undesirable elements. CCTV cameras are already installed at all major stations of Southern Railway, and now even the wayside/small stations are going to be covered fully by April 2025. It may be noted that the offender was apprehended swiftly due to the availability of CCTV Cameras at Jolarpettai station.

The officers and staff are attending women passengers at important platforms when they receive any distress call or complaints received through Rail Madad Helpline 139.

Close coordination is being maintained by both GRP & RPF in redressal of problems of women passengers in 24x7.

THEATRE LEVEL OPERATIONAL READINESS EXERCISE (TROPEX-25)

Chennai 08, February 2025: The 2025 edition of Indian Navy's capstone Theatre Level Operational Exercise (TROPEX), is currently underway in the Indian Ocean Region. This operational level exercise is conducted biennially with participation by all operational Indian Naval units along with substantial participation of Indian Army, Indian Air Force and Coast Guard assets. TROPEX 25 is aimed at validating Indian Navy's core warfighting skills, and ensuring a synchronised, integrated response to preserve and protect national maritime security interests in a contested maritime environment against conventional, asymmetric as well as

hybrid threats.

TROPEX 25 is being conducted over a duration of three months from Jan-Mar 25. The exercise is being conducted in various phases - both in Harbour and at Sea, integrating various facets of combat operations, cyber and electronic warfare operations, live weapon firings during Joint Work Up Phase and Amphibious Exercise (AMPHEX).

During the exercise, the combined fleets comprising approximately 65 Indian Naval Ships, 09 Submarines and over 80 Aircrafts of different types, are put through complex maritime operational scenarios to validate and refine the Navy's Concept of Operations including forward deployed sustenance



and interoperability with other Services.

TROPEX 25 is witnessing participation of platforms like indigenous aircraft carrier Vikrant, state-of-the-art Visakhapatnam and Kolkata Class destroyers, Kalvari Class submarines and aircraft fleet comprising MiG 29K, P8I, HALE Sea Guardian and MH-60R helicopters.

Towards enhancing synergy and jointness amongst the Services, IA, IAF and Indian Coast Guard have also been integrated into

the exercise, with participation of Sukhoi-30, Jaguar, C-130, Flight Refueller, AWACS aircraft, an Infantry Brigade with over 600 troops, and more than 10 ICG ships and aircraft.

Having grown in scope and complexity over the years, TROPEX 25 is a step forward in coordinated planning, precise targeting, combat effectiveness and credible joint operations in a dynamic environment, towards safeguarding India's national maritime interests. Anytime, Anywhere, Anyhow.