

CM inaugurates agri expo, announces 6 projects

Stalin distributes ₹1,400-cr worth assistance to 2.6 lakh people, lays foundation for 46 projects worth ₹63 cr

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CHIEF Minister M K Stalin on Saturday inaugurated the exhibition stalls and seminar sessions at the two-day "Agricultural Exhibition and Seminar - 2025" and announced six new projects in Tiruvannamalai, including a ₹12-crore SIDCO industrial unit in Endal village in Cheyyar taluk.

A total of ₹9.43-crore worth welfare assistance was distributed to 518 farmers at the agricultural exhibition, organised by the Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Department, opposite to the Government Higher Secondary School on Thirukovilur Road at Tiruvannamalai.

At the inaugural programme, CM Stalin said that three agricultural expos in total have been organised this year — one each in Erode, Chennai and Tiruvannamalai districts.

The chief minister visited the exhibition organised by various departments and inaugurated the agricultural seminar for the benefit of farmers.

The agricultural exhibition organised in Tiruvannamalai aims to disseminate comprehensive information on modern agricultural technologies, agricultural machinery and implements, climate-resilient crop varieties that offer significantly high yields, traditional crop varieties, post-harvest management techniques, value addition and marketing techniques, organic and natural farming, food processing, livestock and fisheries technologies and export-related awareness.

More than 250 indoor and outdoor exhibition stalls have been set up at the expo.



Farmers at the 'Agricultural Exhibition and Seminar-2025' organised on Thirukovilur Road in Tiruvannamalai | EXPRESS

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Chief Minister M K Stalin

₹1.4K-cr worth welfare assistance distributed

Following this, Stalin inaugurated completed works, laid foundation stones for new projects and distributed welfare assistance to beneficiaries during an event held at Kalaig-nar Ground in Malappambadi. As many as 314 completed works worth a total of ₹631.48 crore were inaugurated, foundation stones for 46 new projects worth ₹63.74 crore were laid and welfare assistance worth ₹1,400.57 crore was distributed to 2,66,194 beneficiaries. Speaking at the event, Stalin said, "It has been four

and a half years since our Dravidian Model government took office, and during this time, we have implemented numerous people-celebrated schemes, ensuring that every project reaches every household."

Besides the SIDCO industrial unit, Stalin announced a ₹5-crore project to establish basic amenities at the Parvathamalai Mallikarjuna Swamy Temple, a new building for Chengam Government Arts & Science College at ₹18.5 crore, a high-tech nursery for hybrid vegetable seedlings at Keezh Seesamangalam at ₹1 crore, an integrated agricultural extension centre at Maz-

haiyur at ₹3.94 crore, and a ₹2.4-crore seed processing unit with 250 MT storage at Athiyenthal.

Model school inaugurated

Later in the day, Stalin also inaugurated a newly constructed Government Model School building and hostels built at a cost of ₹56.47 crore and interacted with students. The school building has been constructed over an area of 4.52 acres at a cost of ₹19.33 crore. The boys' hostel has been constructed at ₹18.57 crore, and the girls' hostel at ₹18.57 crore. Each hostel can accommodate 400 students. The school has 22 classrooms, staff rooms for male and female teachers, multi-purpose hall, library, an art and crafts training room, three toilets for PwDs, 60 toilets, ramps, and laboratories.

DMK pursues anti-farmer projects: Assn

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UZHAVAR Urimai Iyakkam (Farmers' Rights Movement) boycotted the Tiruvannamalai agricultural exhibition on Saturday, accusing the DMK government of pursuing several anti-farmer projects. Later, during the day, the group also alleged that one of their members, Devan from Erumavetti village in Cheyyar, has been placed under preventive detention during CM MK Stalin's visit.

The association said that welfare assistance was being distributed at the same location, Malappambadi, where sand was stolen from a lake for the DMK's youth wing conference. They said that they would continue their struggle until action is taken against soil theft.

Further, the members alleged that the government continues to pursue "anti-farmer projects" such as the Parandur Airport, Melma SIPCOT expansion, and several other schemes. They accused the CM of deceiving the people by making claims that he too was a farmer, and likened him to "a tiger in sheep's clothing". They alleged that a case was foisted against 23 people, including farmers' leader Arul Arumugam, for protesting against the illegal mining of sand from Malakkampadi lake to lay roads for the DMK Youth Wing conference.



(Left) Collector VR Subbulaxmi delivering the inaugural address | EXPRESS

TAHDCO organises vendor development programmes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Vellore

TAMIL Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation (TAHDCO) conducted a regional-level vendor development programme and business facilitation workshop for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe entrepreneurs at the Park Inn on Saturday.

Collector VR Subbulaxmi inaugurated the programme, and in her address, explained its key features, the various schemes available for SC/ST entrepreneurs, and advised participants to utilise these schemes effectively.

TAHDCO Managing Director K S Kandasamy said the objective of the programme is to connect entrepreneurs with central and state public sector undertakings. He also elaborated on TAHDCO's ongoing initiatives, including the Annai

Ambedkar Entrepreneur Development Scheme, and highlighted the livelihood improvements achieved by beneficiaries through these schemes. During a Q&A session, officials clarified the doubts of entrepreneurs. Besides, a business facilitation workshop was conducted to enhance entrepreneurial skills, in which participants attended masterclasses on branding, packaging, digital marketing, financial management, and quality certification. Entrepreneurs were advised on the importance of creating a distinct brand identity, marketing strategies, basic branding guidelines, and skills required to sustain and grow their brands. Clear guidance was also provided on essential financial management aspects such as GST, income tax, record-keeping, and compliance requirements.

Teynampet DMS complex gets hoax bomb threat

Chennai: A bomb threat call received by 108 ambulance control room at the DMS complex in Teynampet kept the city police on high alert late on Friday. Police said the control room received a call around midnight from an unidentified person who claimed that a bomb planted in the building would explode shortly. The staff immediately alerted the police. A team from Teynampet police station, along with the bomb detection and disposal squad, conducted a thorough search of the office and surrounding areas and declared the call a hoax after several hours. Teynampet police registered a case. Preliminary inquiries revealed the call originated from Tirunelveli district. Police suspect a juvenile girl to be involved and are investigating. ENS



LOFTY ABODE

Baya weaver birds building intricately woven nests on palm trees at Arugankulam in Tirunelveli district | V KARTHIK ALAGU

TIDCO invites tender to set up chip building & testing centre

C SHIVAKUMAR @ Chennai

TAMIL Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) has floated a tender to establish a Centre of Excellence for Semiconductor Design and Testing Infrastructure Development which will support the full product lifecycle — from design and validation to pilot manufacturing.

According to sources, the centre will serve as a state-of-the-art facility supporting industries in semiconductor design, prototyping and testing. The initiative will act as a bridge between academia, start-ups and established manufacturers with emphasis on supporting medium small and micro enterprises and early stage ventures that typically lack access to capital intensive testing and fabrication infrastructure.

The centre will be housed in a for-profit special purpose vehicle (SPV) structured as a joint venture between TIDCO and the selected private proposer. TIDCO has offered grant support of up to 40% of the project cost, capped at ₹75 crore, excluding land costs. Grant disbursements will be milestone-linked and subject to verification by the state agency, while the remaining investment will be brought in by the private partner and its consortium members.

Irrespective of the size of the grant, TIDCO will retain a minimum 20% equity stake in the SPV or an equity share proportionate to the grant contribution, whichever is higher. This holding may be diluted to as low as

5% to accommodate future investors, subject to board approval, and the state agency has also kept the option open for additional equity investments. TIDCO will appoint the chairman and one director to the SPV's board, while the managing director will be selected through a defined process.

The indicative facilities envisaged for the centre include product testing, validation and certification laboratories equipped with automated test equipment, system-level testing, EMI/EMC, reliability, failure and safety testing infrastructure. Other proposed components include a battery management systems lab, a small-scale "inch fab", a design and prototype development centre capable of assembly and pilot fabrication, a customer experience gallery, and an authorised training and skill development centre. Bidders are free to propose additional facilities aligned to emerging technologies or market demand.

Operationally, the SPV will be responsible for marketing, operations and maintenance, and revenue generation. Potential income streams outlined in the tender range from testing and validation services and design support to component production, consulting and training programmes.

On land, bidders must specify their requirement and preferred location within Tamil Nadu. TIDCO has said it will facilitate land allotment on a nominal rental basis, subject to availability, though proposers may alternatively choose to house the centre in facilities developed on their own premises.

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College student, friend killed as lorry knocks down motorbike

Chennai: A college student and his friend were killed early on Saturday when a lorry carrying chicken rammed their bike near Poonamallee bypass. The deceased were identified as P Nirmal (19), a second-year B Com student, and S Santhosh (16), a load man at a vegetable market in Avadi. Both hailed from Parivakkam. Police said around 3.30 am the youths were heading out for refreshments when a lorry going from Nagari towards Royapettah, driven by A Nisar Ahmed (31), took a sudden left turn and knocked down their bike. Preliminary inquiries revealed that the victims were not wearing helmets. Both sustained severe head and abdominal injuries. Passersby alerted the ambulance service, but doctors at a private hospital nearby declared them dead. The Poonamallee Traffic Investigation Wing examined CCTV footage which confirmed the lorry driver's negligence. Ahmed was arrested and booked under sections 106 and 281 of the BNS Act. ENS

PUBLIC NOTICE

The property situated in Tirupathur District, Ambur Taluk, Madhanur, Devikapuram Village, under the jurisdiction of the Pallikonda Sub-Registrar, in Vaniyambadi Taluk, Schedule-A: Thottalam Village Panchayat, identified as: Government Survey No. (அ.ப.ச.எண்): 14/1A. Extent (ஏ): 1.43 Acres (ஃ): 3.66.

The aforementioned property was originally enjoyed by my client's Grandfather, Chinnasamy. After the demise of Chinnasamy, he left a Will in favor of his wife, Chinnammal. After her lifetime, the property was enjoyed by their daughter, Sagunthalammal. Following the death of Sagunthalammal, the property passed to her son, my client's father, MURUGESAN.

The above property has been enjoyed and possessed by the male descendants through generations and now belongs to my client, who is the absolute owner and has been enjoying the property with full rights.

On 10.12.2025, while my client was traveling from his house in Devikapuram Village to Madhanur on his two-wheeler to take a copy of the Will (Document No. 46/1980), the Original Document, which was kept in a handbag on the vehicle, was lost somewhere along the way. Despite searching in all areas and inquiring with people in the neighborhood, the aforementioned document could not be found.

Therefore, if anyone finds the Original Will mentioned above, they are requested to return it to the address mentioned above in person or by post.

R. SANTHIBOOSHAN, B.Com., B.L.,
Advocate & Commissioner of Oaths

#12, Loganathan Padmavathi Complex Gudiyatham Road,
Madhanur, Ambur Taluk, Tirupathur Dt., Cell: 8754729036.



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PUBLIC AUCTION THROUGH BIDDING NOTICE
APPENDIX- IV-A [See provision to rule 8 (6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given to the public in general that the below mentioned Borrower/co-borrower mortgaged the immovable property which is described hereunder to Five Star Business Finance Limited and the possession of the said immovable property ('secured asset/property') has been taken over by the Authorized Officer in accordance of the SARFAESI Act 2002 and rules there to. The secured asset will be sold through public auction by bidding for realization of the loan dues, applicable interest, charges and costs etc., payable to Five Star Business Finance Limited as detailed below. **The secured asset is being sold on and the bidding will be held on 29.01.2026 "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", "WHATEVER THERE IS" AND "WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS"** under the rule number 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter referred to as the rules) and on the terms and conditions specified here-under:

Name of the Borrowers & Account Number	Outstanding Amount & Demand Notice Date	Details of property	Reserve Price (INR) / EMD / Bid Increase Amount
1. Mr. ANNA GOPALAN, S/o, Duraisamy, W/o. Anna Gopalan, Both at: No.60(2), Kamaraja Nagar, Sholingur, Sholingur Taluk, Ranipet, Tamil Nadu-631 102. Property Address: 3. Mr. ANNA GOPALAN, S/o. Duraisamy, Plot No.56, Pajanal Kovil Street, Pulivalam Village, Walaja Taluk, Ranipet, Tamil Nadu – 632 505.	₹ 23,32,851/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lacs Thirty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty One Only) as on 16.01.2025. Demand Notice Date: 16.01.2025	All that piece and parcel of Vacant Land bearing Plot No.56, Pajanal Kovil Street, Pulivalam Village, Walaja Taluk, Ranipet District, (previously Vellore District), Comprised in Layout No.826/91 approved by the Director of Town Planning vide his order No.D.Dis. 56218/90/LA-3, Dated : 13th August 1991 and by order of the Commissioner, Panchayat Union, Sholingur No.ROC.4731/91, Dated : 20th August 1991, comprised in R.S.No.634, New Natham S.No.76/14, as per Patta No.47, land measuring an extent of 2294 Sq.Feet or 213.118 Sq.Meter, and Bounded on the North By- Plot No.65, South By-30 Feet Wide Road, East By- Plot No.57, West By- Plot No.55, Measurements East to West on the North Side-37 Feet 3 Inches, East to West on the South Side-54 Feet 6 Inches, North to South on the East Side- 50 Feet, North to South on the West Side- 50 Feet. The above property is situated within the Registration District of Ranipet (previously Arakonam) and within the Registration Sub-District of Sholingur.	Reserve Price : ₹ 15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Only) EMD: ₹ 1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) Bid Increment Amount ₹ 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)

Date/ Time of Auction : 29.01.2026 from 11:00 am to 01:00 pm
Date and Time of Inspection of the Property: From 02.01.2026 to 24.01.2026 between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm

Terms and Conditions of the Public Auction are as under:

- Public Auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS" and is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to Five Star Business Finance Limited. The bid form, Declaration, General Terms and Conditions of Public Auction can be obtained from Office of Five Star Business Finance Ltd., No.136, 1st Floor, Mahaveer Plaza, M.B.T.Road, (Near ICICI Bank), Ranipet - 632402.
- The Secured asset will not be sold below the Reserve price.
- To the best of the knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the properties. However, it is necessary that the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding any claims, charges, dues, encumbrances and should satisfy about the title, extent/measurement of the property prior to submitting their bid. For any discrepancy in the property the participating bidder is solely responsible for all future recourses from the date of submission of bid.
- No claim of whatsoever nature regarding the property put up for sale, charges/encumbrances over the property or on any other matter etc will be entertained after submission of the bid.
- The Authorized Officer will not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrance, property tax dues, electricity dues etc. or any other dues to the Government, local authority or anybody, in respect of the property under sale.
- The Public Auction notice/advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any offer, commitment or any representation of Five Star Business Finance Limited. The Authorized Officer shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/rights/dues.
- The Sale shall be subject to the rules/conditions prescribed under the SARFAESI Act 2002 and rules thereto.
- The interested bidders shall submit their bids along with EMD, which shall be payable only through D.D. in favour of "Five Star Business Finance Limited" payable on or before the 28.01.2026 about 5 p.m
- The Bids along with other documents must be submitted to the Authorized Officer in a sealed envelope mentioning "Offer for Purchase - ANNA GOPALAN's Property to reach the Authorized Officer on or before the last date of submission of the Bids.
- The bidder is supposed to submit the following documents at the time of submission of the bid: i) Proof of EMD paid ii) copy of the PAN Card iii) Proof of identification/ Address proof/Aadhaar Card/KYC (self-attested copies) without which the bid is liable to be rejected.
- The bidder alone can participate in the public auction proceeding and no other person is permitted.
- The successful Bidder must deposit the 25% of the purchase amount (after adjusting the EMD already paid) immediately upon the acceptance of the offer and declaration of the successful bidder by the Authorized officer, failing which the EMD paid shall be forfeited and cannot be claimed by the bidder from Five Star Business Finance Limited.
- The balance 75% of the purchase amount must be deposited by the successful bidder within 15 days, failing which the amounts already deposited by the bidder shall stand automatically forfeited without further notice and no request for refunds whatsoever shall be entertained. Further, the property will be put to re-auction and the defaulting bidder shall have no claim/right in respect of the property/amount and will not be eligible to participate in the re-auction, if any.
- No interest is applicable to EMD or any amount deposited by the bidder/successful bidder in respect of sale of secured asset.
- The Purchaser/successful bidder shall bear the (a) applicable stamp duty/registration/transfer charges; (b) all the statutory, non-statutory, conversion, electricity, sewage charges, any dues, cess, fees, taxes, rates, assessment charges etc. owing to any person, association or authority shall be borne by the successful Bidder only.
- Sale certificate shall be issued in the prescribed format in favor of successful bidder only.
- The successful bidder shall have to arrange for registration etc., at his/her/its cost of the sale certificate as per the provisions of prevailing Stamp and Registration Act. The successful bidder shall bear the charges for conveyance, registration fee, stamp duty, taxes, fee etc. as applicable.
- In case of sale of property subject to any encumbrances, the successful bidder/purchaser shall deposit money required to discharge the encumbrance including interest, cost, expenses etc. if any to the Authorized officer.
- In case if the public auction is stopped, stayed, postponed or rescheduled or cancelled, a public notice will be put on the notice board of Five Star Business Finance Limited, Ranipet Branch and no personalized/individual communication in this regard will be sent to any of the bidders or otherwise.
- Submission of bid by the bidders is construed that they have read, understood and accepted the terms and conditions governing the public auction.
- EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned on the closure of auction proceedings.
- The Authorized officer is not bound to accept the highest offer/bid and the Authorized officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all offer(s) or adjourn/postpone/cancel the public auction without assigning any reason therefor.

Date: 26.12.2025; Place: Ranipet
Authorized Officer, Five Star Business Finance Limited

