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NEW ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT COMPLEX AT RS 1,200 CR: CM VIJAY

The proposed Fort St George and the administrative response complex will have Namakkal Kavignar sibilities had increased modern fire-safety Maaligai. The main considerably over the systems, accessibility Secretariat building at past four decades, facilities for persons the Fort, covering while the available with disabilities and about 2.07 lakh sq ft, infrastructure had infrastructure conform houses the Assembly as largely remained ing to green building well as the offices of unchanged. An earlier standards. It will also the Chief Minister, attempt to address the include adequate ministers and Chief space shortage resulted parking, conference Secretary, besides the in the construction of a halls, public service Finance Department new Secretariat at the

CBCID FILES CASE ON DEEFAKE VIDEO IMPERSONATING CM

The scam videos, Cyber Crime Cell circulated across including one with registered a case the multiple social media Hindi audio, were same day and launched platforms. Police said



administrative responsibilities had increased considerably over the past four decades, while the available infrastructure had largely remained unchanged. An earlier attempt to address the space shortage resulted in the construction of a new Secretariat at the Fort St George, construction of which began in 1640 and was completed in 1644 by the East India Company, later became the seat of British administration and has continued to house the Tamil Nadu government's Secretariat after Independence.

investigation revealed that several similar AI-generated videos impersonating the chief minister were being circulated across multiple social media platforms. Police said Tamil Nadu Police cautioned people against responding to phone numbers displayed in such videos or joining WhatsApp groups promoted through them.

VICE-PRESIDENT OF INDIA MEETS SEYCHELLES PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION LED BY THEIR SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Ernesta on becoming the first woman Speaker of the Seychelles National Assembly and noted her participation in the 28th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) held in New

Highlighting the significance of 2026 in the bilateral relationship, the Vice President observed that the two countries witnessed two State Visits during the year. The Prime Minister of India participated in the 50th National Day celebra-

LOK SABHA SPEAKER GREETES THE PEOPLE ON THE EVE OF JANMASHTAMI

Lord Shri Krishna. The Lord Shri Krishna



The Vice President also recalled that in February 2026, India announced a Special Economic Package of

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occasion of the birth truth, justice, and
celebration of Shri humanity.

MOHAN BABU UNIVERSITY'S CONVOCATION 2026 UNFOLDS IN GRAND CELEBRATION

Tirupati, 04 Sep 2026: Mohan Babu University's Tirupati campus was abuzz with pride and celebration as the University hosted its Convocation 2026, commemorating the achievements and aspirations of its graduating class. The ceremony saw 3,516 students graduate across engineering, management, sciences and allied disciplines, marking a significant milestone in their academic journey and the University's continued growth.

The occasion was graced by esteemed dignitaries including AC Shanmugam, Former Member of Parliament Lok Sabha as Chief Guest; Rajiv Shukla, Vice President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI); and Ms. Anuradha Prasad, as Special Guest of Honour. The University also conferred

Paresh Maity, one of India's most celebrated contemporary artistes, in recognition of their outstanding contribution to Indian sport and the arts respectively. The graduating class was addressed by Vishnu Manchu, Pro-Chancellor, Mohan Babu University, under whose leadership the University has grown into one of the region's most dynamic institutions of higher learning.

The conferment of honorary doctorates on personalities of such stature is a matter of immense pride for the University and for Tirupati, reflecting Mohan Babu University's growing stature as an institution that draws national eminence to its campus.

In a moment of pride for the University, 75% of this year's



academic toppers great heights and across branches are become very successful in their lives. I believe much of this has been possible because of our strong focus on discipline as part of education. Great education should be paired with dignity and discipline because that is what defines a truly educated person. Respecting parents and understanding their sacrifices is something I want all the students to take with them along with their degrees. The guests who graced the ceremony with their presence show us what hard work and discipline can do in life."

Speaking at the ceremony, Dr M. Mohan Babu, Chancellor, Mohan Babu University, & Founder and Chairman, Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust, said: "Over 25,000 students have graduated from our institution since its establishment, and many have achieved line can do in life." His teachings, inspires us to uphold the spirit of harmony, and devotion to duty and service.

On this auspicious occasion, let us resolve to follow the ideals of Bhagwan Shri Krishna and continue working tirelessly towards building an inclusive and developed India".

The sacred festival of Janmashtami

PRESIDENT OF INDIA'S GREETINGS ON THE EVE OF JANMASHTAMI

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu in her message on the eve of Janmashtami says: -

"On the auspicious occasion of Janmashtami, I extend my heartfelt greetings and best wishes to all Indians living in India and abroad.

The life and teachings of Bhagwan Shri Krishna breathe new life into Indian cultural and philosophical heritage. Bhagwan Shri Krishna showed the path of truth, righteousness, justice, compassion and selfless service.

RAKSHA MANTRI HOLDS BILATERAL TALKS WITH BELGIUM'S DEFENCE MINISTER IN NEW DELHI

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: Raksha Mantri and industrial cooperation. The two ministers held a bilateral meeting agreed to expand with the Minister of bilateral ties through defence cooperation dialogue, high-level visits, training and capacity building.

Both leaders also discussed issues of regional peace & security and acknowledged the need for maritime security collaboration in the Indo-Pacific. They reiterated that the partnership between India and Belgium is based on shared values of mutual trust & respect. The meeting was conducted on the sidelines of a meeting between Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and the Prime Minister of Belgium Mr Bart De Wever in New Delhi.



CELEBRATING TAMIL EXCELLENCE IN ARABIA: MLA LEEMA ROSE UNVEILS "TOP 100 TAMIL LEADERS IN ARABIA" AT SIKARAM 2026 IN DUBAI

Dubai, 04 Sep 2026: A significant milestone celebrating the remarkable achievements of the Tamil community across the Arab world was marked at the grand Sikaram 2026 event in Dubai, with the launch of "Top 100 Tamil Leaders in Arabia – Edition 1."

The prestigious publication shines a spotlight on Tamil entrepreneurs, business leaders and professionals who have carved inspiring success stories through their vision, perseverance and leadership across Arabia.

The book was officially unveiled by Hon. Leema Rose, MLA, Lagudi Constituency, in the presence of WIT organizer Merlin. The ceremonial first copy was presented to the MLA by Vijayan Ayyappan.

The inaugural copies were received by prominent personalities including PSM Investment Group Chairman Habibullah, Mr. Haider of TVS Group, Kalaiaarasan of Compliance, Power Group Chairman Jahir Hussain, and Saravan Krishnamurthy of Lynx International.

More than a publication, "Top 100 Tamil Leaders in Arabia" is envisioned as a tribute to determination, ambition and the extraordinary contribution of Tamils who have built successful enterprises and leadership journeys far from their homeland.

Speaking about the initiative, Merlin, organizer of WIT, said:

MGM HEALTHCARE PERFORMS CHENNAI'S FIRST SPINAL CORD STIMULATION, HELPS RESTORE HAND MOVEMENT IN ROAD ACCIDENT SURVIVOR

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: MGM Healthcare, Chennai, has performed the city's first spinal cord stimulation electrode implantation, an advanced treatment in which small electrodes are placed near the spinal cord to deliver controlled electrical impulses that modulate nerve activity and support the recovery of movement and function.

The procedure was performed on a 30-year-old auto driver from Vellore who had lost movement in both legs and had severely limited movement in his hands below the elbows following a major spinal cord injury sustained in a road traffic accident a year ago. Following the procedure, the patient has shown gradual improvement in hand muscle strength. Currently the patient has shown excellent improvement in Distal Hand Power by MAR 1 Grade over 6 months.

The patient will require frequent programming of the spinal cord stimulation electrodes as his neurological function improves. His recovery is expected to continue over the next one to one-and-a-half years, with regular follow-up and rehabilitation playing an important role in maximising functional recovery.

When the patient was admitted in the hospital, doctors did an MRI scan of the cervical spine (C-spine) to assess the extent of the spinal cord damage following the accident. Clinical examination, together with the imaging findings, confirmed



"This is not merely a book featuring 100 names. It is an effort to document a legacy of achievement. Behind every leader featured here is a journey of courage, perseverance and determination. By celebrating those who have succeeded, we hope to inspire the next generation to dream bigger and create their own success stories."

More than a book, "Top 100 Tamil Leaders in Arabia" is a celebration of a community that has crossed borders, over come challenges and created a powerful legacy of success. And this is only the beginning — Edition 1 marks the start of a journey that promises to discover, document and celebrate many more inspiring Tamil success stories from Leadership Network Arabia.

Built around the inspiring vision, "100 Leaders. 100 Journeys. One Tamil Legacy," the initiative also aims to evolve into a meaningful Business & Leadership Network Arabia.



that he had an ASIA Grade B spinal cord injury, indicating a severe injury in which sensation is preserved below the level of injury, but normal motor function is largely absent. Following the diagnosis, the medical team opted for spinal cord stimulation to support neurological recovery. A 16-contact spinal cord stimulation electrode system was implanted, with the electrodes carefully positioned over the dura, the protective outer covering of the spinal cord, at the C5 level of the cervical spine.

The procedure was performed by the neurosurgical team comprising Dr. Roopesh Kumar, Director of Neurosurgery and Dr. Ajinkya Rewatkar, Consultant Neurosurgeon who led the electrode implantation and spinal cord stimulation treatment.

NOAH CENTINEO AND ANDREW KOJI GO HEAD-TO-HEAD IN EXPLOSIVE NEW _STREET FIGHTER_ TRAILER

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: Paramount Pictures and Legendary Entertainment have kicked off the global World Warrior Tour with an epic first-ever trailer launch across the iconic Shinjuku Yūnika Vision screens in Tokyo.

Stars Noah Centineo, Andrew Koji, Callina Liang and Jason Momoa were joined by local cast member Hirooki Goto, Japanese voice talent Eiko Kano, director Kitao Sakurai and Street Fighter game director Takayuki Nakayama for the first-of-its-kind event.

The New _Street Fighter_ Trailer Isn't Just Watchable. It's Playable. In conjunction with the Japan launch, Paramount Pictures and Legendary Entertainment

debuted the first-ever playable full-length movie trailer on YouTube, inviting fans around the world to fight their way through the new _Street Fighter_ trailer as they watch

Set in 1993, estranged Street Fighters Ryu (Andrew Koji) and Ken Masters (Noah Centineo) are thrown back into combat when the mysterious Chun-Li (Callina Liang) recruits them for the next World Warrior Tournament: a brutal clash of fists, fate, and fury. But behind this battle royale lies a deadly conspiracy that forces them to face off against each other and the demons of their past. And if they don't, it's GAME OVER!

Helmed by director Kitao Sakurai, Street Fighter is set to bring



the battle from the Don Sauvage, Vidyut Jammwal as Dhalsim, with Hadoukens, round houses, and all your favorite characters.

The cast includes Noah Centineo as Ken Masters, Andrew Koji as Ryu, Callina Liang as Chun-Li, Joe Anoa'i as Akuma, David Dastmalchian as M. Bison, Cody Rhodes as Guile, Andrew Schulz as Dan Hibiki, Eric André as

Street Fighter will release on 16 October 2026 across India in English, Hindi, Tamil and Telugu.

IESA CONNECT: INDUSTRY URGES GOVT TO PRIORITISE MADE-IN-INDIA BATTERY TECH

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: India's clean energy transition will depend on rapidly scaling up domestic battery energy storage technologies, with the country requiring an estimated 888 GWh of energy storage capacity by 2035–36 to meet rising power demand and ensure grid reliability. At the recently concluded India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Chennai Connect 2026, industry experts called for faster development, manufacturing and deployment of indigenous Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). Prof. Ashok Jhunjhunwala, Institute Professor, IIT Madras, highlighted the growing role of sodium-ion and long-duration technologies such as iron-air batte

ries, while stressing the need for domestic manufacturing across batteries, power electronics and the clean-energy supply chain.

Bindu Madhavi, Senior Director – Policy and Regulatory, IESA, said India must rapidly build technology, manufacturing capacity, grid infrastructure and a strong market ecosystem, with storage becoming an integral part of the power system. Bittu Singh, Manager – Power Trading and Sustainability, Customized Energy Solutions (CES), emphasised tailored power procurement strategies combining renewables, open access and storage. Smisty Sharma, Senior Manager – BESS, Waaree Energy Storage, highlighted



the growing adoption of modular and containerised BESS across data centres, hotels and hospitals, while Yashwanth Mahadevan, Chief Business Officer, Bridge Green Upcycle, pointed to AI-based battery health assessment, second-life applications and recycling as key elements of a sustainable battery ecosystem.

India's technology-agnostic approach is also creating opportunities across lithium-ion, sodium-ion, iron-air, zinc-based and vanadium redox flow batteries. Prof. Nitin Muralidharan, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, IIT Madras, stressed the importance of maintaining strong domestic manufacturing capabilities across battery chemistries. Adityan Devia, ESS Sales & Business Development, IMEA, noted that advanced BESS solutions are becoming essential for grid flexibility, industrial optimisation and decarbonisation. With 200+ member companies, IESA continues to promote energy storage, e-mobility and green hydrogen, aiming to position India as a global hub for clean-energy R&D, manufacturing and innovation.

SRMIST SHOTGUN SHOOTERS SHINE AT 27TH SOUTH ZONE SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP – 3 GOLD & 1 SILVER MEDAL

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: Our SRMIST Kumar, III B.Arch, Shotgun Shooters Kattankulathur Campus, secured two Gold Medals in the Double Trap Junior and Women's Categories, while Hrithikesh, I B.Tech, Ramapuram Pudukkottai Sports Campus, won one Gold Medal in the Double Trap Junior Men's Category and one Silver Medal in the Double Trap Youth



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MUSIC AND TRAILER OF KARTHI'S 'SARDAR 2' RELEASED

Chennai, 04 Sep 2026: Producers S. on behalf of Prince Pictures and I V Y Entertainment.

The music and preview launch of 'Sardar 2', the upcoming film directed by P. S. Mithran and starring Karthi, was held in Chennai. Actor Suriya was the special guest at the event and released the preview of the film.

Directed by B. S. Mithran, 'Sardar 2' stars Karthi, S. J. Surya, Malavika Mohanan, Ashika Ranganath, Yogi Babu, Rajisha Vijayan, Nasser, Ashish Vidyarthi, 'Nizhalgal' Ravi, Achyut Kumar, Devadarshini, Chinni Jayant, Jean Paul Lal, Babu Antony, Balaji Sakthivel and many others. George C. Williams has handled the cinematography for this film and Sam C. S has composed the music. Vijay Velukutty has handled the editing work and Rajeevan has handled the art direction. This film, which narrates the life story of intelligence officers as an action entertainer, will be released in theaters worldwide from September 10th.

*Speaking at the

event, Producer Lakshman Kumar said,*

"We have brought the big film Sardar 2 to the fans like a deep well dug in the ground of Thiruvavur Thyagaraja Swamy Temple. Thank you to all the actors, actresses and technicians who have collaborated with this film."

This is our dream project. It was my Great Wall of China, Karthi, who made this film with this level of quality.

"When director Mithran narrated the story, its grandeur was evident. He has crafted the film so elegantly. It is a beautiful story. He has created such a grand spectacle not only with action sequences but also with emotion. I request everyone to visit the theater on September 10th and enjoy Sardar 2," he said.*Director B. S. Mithran speaking,*

"I don't think I should talk about the film. The film should speak to the people. So I didn't talk about the film. But I want to talk about how this film came about."

First of all, I have to tell you about the



producer Lakshman Kumar. He was the one who first told us that we can make a sequel to Sardar. So this is his dream film. He also told me to give him full confidence and make it a great film. For this, I express my first gratitude to him.

It's a huge undertaking to think about creating such a grand film in today's economic climate.

Actor Karthi spoke at the event,

"Tamil cinema is not just for entertainment. Tamil cinema is the symbol of Tamil Nadu. Here, all of us would be happy if we scored 40 marks or 50 marks. But only a few people think that we should score 100 marks. The team of this film has thought that we should score 100 marks. Writing for 100 marks is not that easy. This film team has worked hard and created it.

Dreams can be written on paper in any

way. But to showcase it as a grand work like this... it needs a producer who is passionate about this story and believes in it. In that sense, if it weren't for Prince Pictures producers Lakshman Kumar and Venkatesh... our dream wouldn't have come true.

Some scenes in this film will make us feel scared just by watching them. This will create a wonderful connection with the audience and provide a different experience.

I have let my fans down a lot in the last three years. But this time I have not let you, the fans, down in any way. I have given it my all. Sardar 2 will be a film that you will be happy to watch and enjoy. We have made it by looking at what we do and seeing that the fans will be happy. We have paid extra attention to every scene so that you will like this film... understand it... This film should be a huge hit. He said.