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CM Announces Rs. 4 Lakh Relief for Firecracker Blast Victim's Family

Chennai, 23 Oct 2026: Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay on Thursday announced financial assistance of Rs 4 lakh to the family of a 40-year-old woman who was killed in an explosion at a private firecracker manufacturing unit in Anaikattu village in Vellore district on Wednesday. He also announced Rs 1 lakh for another woman who sustained serious injuries in the accident. The explosion occurred on October 21 while workers were manufacturing fire crackers at the unit. Gayathri (40), wife of late Ravi and a resident of Kottavur village, died on the spot. Another worker, Sangeetha (35), wife of Uthiran, sustained severe injuries and was initially admitted to Anaikattu Government Hospital. She was subsequently shifted to Government Vellore Medical College Hospital for advanced treatment.

Expressing grief over the incident, the Chief Minister conve yed his condolences to the bereaved family and directed officials to ensure specialised medical treatment for the injured woman. He ordered that Rs 4 lakh be provided to Gayathri's family and Rs 1 lakh to Sangeetha from the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund.