

Good start for turmeric ryots, price up by ₹600

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EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Dharmapuri

THANKS to the bountiful North-East monsoon in 2021, turmeric cultivation has been a success in Dharmapuri. Farmers said turmeric is fetching them returns of ₹ 7,500 - ₹9000 per quintal.

Over the past few years, turmeric cultivation was severely hit due to drought. Last year, South West and North-East monsoon together poured down over 1051 mm of rainfall, which is almost 200 mm beyond the average rainfall which brought cheer to farmers as yield increased.

K Gopal, a turmeric farmer in Marandahalli said, "We spend a significant amount of money and time for a successful harvest. Most farmers rely on drip irrigation as water is

scarce. But NE monsoon greatly reduced our burden and we harvested a good yield."

R Logesh, a farmer in Harur said, "Currently, the market is stable, so we are getting better prices. On average, a farmer can get between 15 to 20 quintals per acre. So farmers are already reaping good profits. It is

only the beginning of the harvesting season and we are already selling turmeric for ₹7,500 to ₹9,100 a quintal. Earlier, it was ₹600-₹800 lower these rates," he said.

Sources said, the prices were between ₹6800 and ₹8,400 per quintal last year. Rates vary according to the type of turmeric crop, sources added.

Agriculture marketing department officials said, "The demand for turmeric is high, so, prices are better than the previous years. We predict prices may increase further."

Hosur corpn resolves to expedite UGD project



The first meeting of Hosur municipal corpn council was held on Monday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Krishnagiri

SIX resolutions were passed at the Hosur Municipal Corporation Council meeting held in the city on Monday like preventing plastics disposal in Hosur Lord Chandrachood-eswarar car festival, a new bus stand, expediting underground drainage system etc.

Most of the 45 councillors urged the corporation to supply water twice a week, desilting drains, set up road facilities, install CCTV cameras to prevent crime and control stray dogs' menace.

The first Hosur Municipal Corporation Mayor SA Sathya asked the authorities to take

appropriate action over the demands. Mass cleaning and desilting drainage campaign would start next week in all wards, he added.

M Kuberan, ward 41 Councillor, said, youth consuming ganja has become rampant in public areas and urged the council to prevent it in HMC limit. G Sasidhe, ward 18 Councillor, said groundwater in his ward near Mookandapalli is polluted due to industrial wastes.

Few other ward councillors asked the Corporation officials for door-to-door garbage collection. HMC Commissioner K Balasubramanian and other officials responded to their demands.

Salem third in para-athletics competition

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Salem

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M SABARI @ Salem

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Further, there are demands that 50 per cent of zonal chairperson posts be allotted to women.

Makkal Needhi Maiam (MNMI) spokesperson R Anitha Sasikumar said, "Mayor post in eleven out of the 21 corporations were set aside for women. To make women more powerful in administration, they should be given representation at the zonal level also."

"The DMK says it provided 50 per cent reservation for women in local body elections. The Chief Minister must provide 50 per cent reservation for women in zonal chairman posts also. Only this will ensure equality in administration," Anitha Sasikumar said.

EXPRESS READ

Denkanikottai second in school attendance

Krishnagiri: Denkanikottai educational district secured the second rank in the State for students attendance during the month of February 10-28. Chief Education Officer KP Maheshwari said, "There are four educational districts in Krishnagiri district - Denkanikottai, Krishnagiri, Mathur and Hosur. Denkanikottai educational district has 62,056 students studying in 429 government schools and 54.83% of attendance marked in EMIS application which is the second highest in the State. Veppur educational district in Perambalur district topped with 55.30% among 46,668 students." The other districts - Krishnagiri got 45.71%, Mathur got 45.69% and Hosur got 33.25% - secured 23, 24 and 78 places respectively.

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