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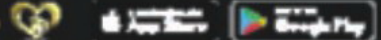
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Canada is a nation that has been shaped by immigration. With increasing global migration, like many other countries, Canada is experiencing a rise in the number of people claiming asylum. While housing and supports for asylum claimants are the responsibility of provinces and municipalities, the federal government recognizes the need for all levels of government to work together on solutions to address the current need.



\$700 million already delivered through the program, including over \$215 million for the City of Toronto.

On July 18, 2023, the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, announced funding that will ensure impacted communities have the capacity to keep a roof over the heads of vulnerable asylum claimants who want Canada's protection. This support will come through a one-time injection of approximately \$212 million in funding into the Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP), which will be extended until March 31, 2024. This includes approximately \$97 million in new funding for the City of Toronto. IHAP provides funding on a cost-sharing basis to provinces and municipalities for the costs of interim housing for asylum claimants. This funding is in addition to the nearly

In addition to IHAP, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) has been working with the most impacted provinces and municipalities to increase the amount of temporary housing. As of early July, IRCC had over 3,800 hotel rooms in six provinces to provide temporary housing to asylum claimants.

The international migration situation requires pan-Canadian co-operation and engagement, and the Government of Canada says it remains committed to working together to find solutions. The federal government said that it will continue to work closely with provinces and municipalities to ensure that there is support from all levels of government for those seeking refuge in Canada.

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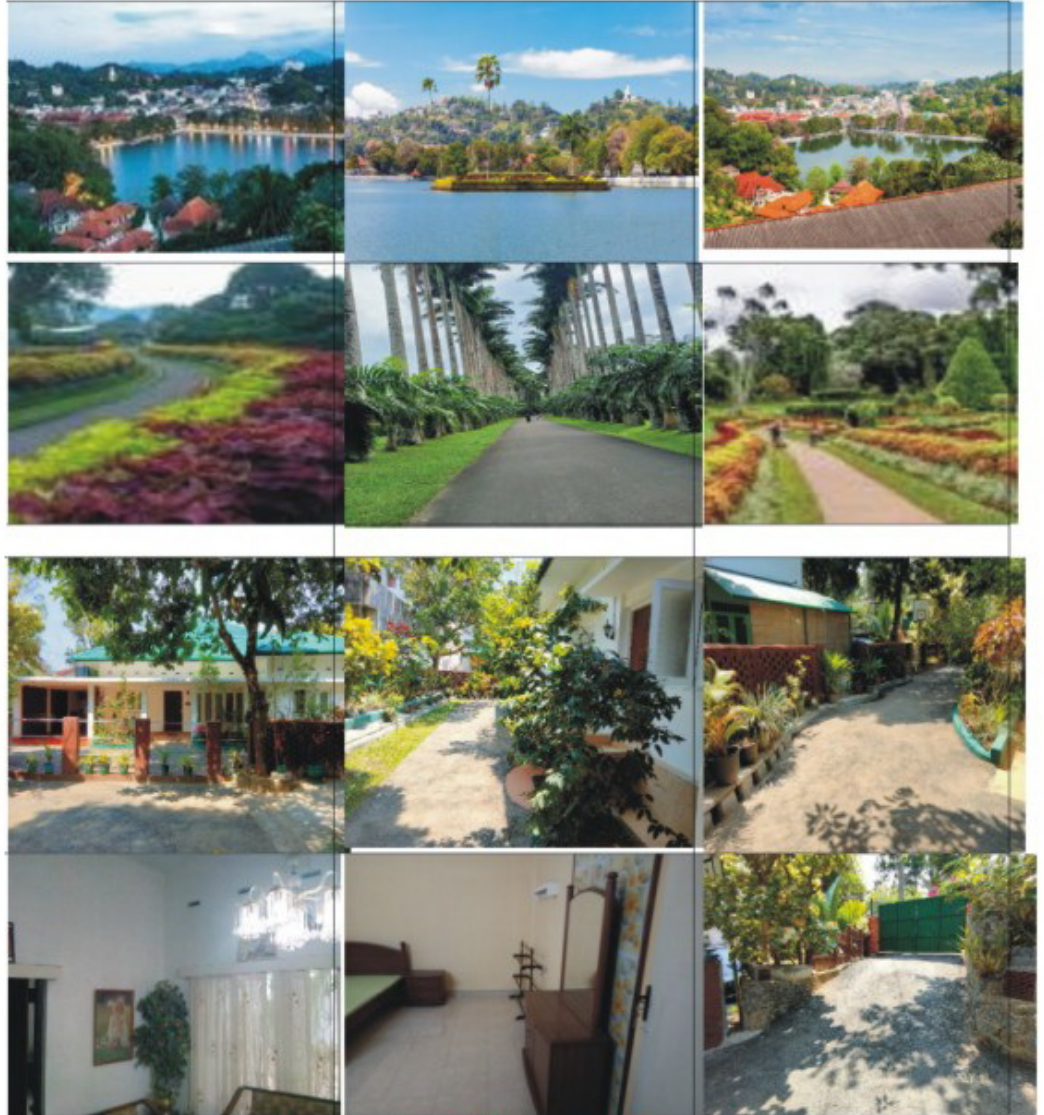
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Russian Invasion of Ukraine and the Lessons Learnt

By Thambu Kanagasabai LLM (Lond)



Soviet Union's break up in 1991 resulted in Ukraine becoming an independent sovereign state on 24 th August 1991 and was recognized and accepted as a UN member state. Russia is it's neighbouring border state and most of the Ukrainians speak Russian language. As such Russia wielded considerable influence in Ukraine's affairs.

The President of Ukraine Zelensky has been following a liberal path and has been leaning towards the western countries particularly Europe for political and economic reasons. Very recently Ukrainian president expressed his intention to join the NATO alliance to ensure security for his country particularly viewing Russia as its border neighbour.

Naturally this has irked Russia. Even though Russia was at war with Ukraine, it launched an invasion in April 2022 to pre-empt and stall the moves of Ukraine to become a member of European Union. Russia called it as "a special military operation" as Russia avoided to describe it as a formal declaration of war.

Russian pretext of Ukraine posing to danger to it's country's sovereignty and security, failed to gain international acceptance as there was no evidence to show that Ukraine was planning a military offensive or even any invasion of Russia except for the rebel Wagner group which was operation in Ukraine calling for the removal of Putin's regime. Now this rebel faction has folded up its operation and has also mended its relationship with Russia which in turn has pardoned this rebelgroup as they ended their armed resistance against Russia. This group is in Belarus which is under the control of Russia.

Russian president Putin though elected by the people has assumed dictatorial posture and being a super power, his attitude, approach and behavior are almost brazen, arrogant and unyielding. It is reported that Russian media is totally under the control Putin and Russian Government while public criticism of Russian government is not tolerated.

Putin is behaving with immunity as well as impunity. Those who criticize run the risk of enforced disappearances without any trace. The Russian government and Putin's disdain and trampling of human rights is forthright, defying and fully exposed.

While all these undemocratic actions and human rights violations are carried out openly with impunity, the UN and the Security Council are sitting and watching an alarming situation developing which could possibly go out of control as intentions of Putin are unknown, unrevealed and not explicit or frank.

Russian president could harbor the idea of restoring Russia to its previous position of Soviet Union before the break up in 1991 bringing all those states under its fold either through compulsion, military force, threats and / or cajoling.

Russia's commission of war crimes and crimes against humanity has been brought to light through media and even Putin's political enemies. For instance, deliberate attacks on civilian targets in Ukraine, massacres of civilians, torture and rape of women and children by Russian and local Russian militias have been widelyreported.

Besides forced disappearances of civilians from Ukraine to Russia including children from Russian occupied Mariupol, killing of civilians and sexual violence have also been reported by foreign media and correspondents. It is reported that so far 8 million refugees have fled and sought sanctuary from the invading

Russian forces. Besides about 3,500 casualties have been reported by foreign media based on estimates from reliable and independent sources.

In the meantime, International criminal court has declared President Putin as a war criminal. It is regrettable that UN and Security Council failed to initiate any pre-emptive measures at least to stall and disrupt the illegal invasion of marauding Russian forces.

If Putin is allowed to continue his rampage with illegal actions, Putin influencing other countries particularly African and Asian nations is real and glaring as money and economic assistance could sway these countries to come under the fold of Russian influence and possible political interference to benefit Russia.

It is therefore imperative that UN and Security Council must explore and devise appropriate measures to prevent and /or pre-empt the aggressive moves of a country against any country before it is too late like the horse which bolted from the staple. Putin having been being declared as a war criminal will serve only a limited purpose as he could continue his rampage while ensconced in the Russian throne with no necessity to travel abroad risking his life and safety except traveling to friendly states.

As is now UN, International agencies and other international organizations must not rest and function as statistics or data collecting bodies as happened in many other countries like Sri Lanka and Myanmar.

Counting the dead, wounded and disappeared should not be the primary functions of world organizations after watching the massacres and killings of civilians in a war.

Putin's calculation to possibly annex Ukraine within a few days went awry as the war is still continuing passing 500 days with Ukraine's successful counter offensives to recapture the Russian seized villages and cities. This is a lesson to all powerful states not to contemplate or consider swallowing of smaller and weaker neighbouring states.



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Sales & price in June remained above last years levels.

Home sales and the average selling price in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) in June 2023 remained above last year's levels. Seasonally adjusted sales dipped on a month-over-month basis. The seasonally adjusted average selling price and the MLS® Home Price Index (HPI) Composite benchmark were up compared to the previous month.

"The demand for ownership housing is stronger than last year, despite higher borrowing costs. With this said, home sales were hampered last month by uncertainty surrounding the Bank of Canada's outlook on inflation and interest rates. Furthermore, a persistent lack of inventory likely sidelined some willing buyers because they couldn't find a home meeting their needs. Simply put, you can't buy what is not available," said Toronto Regional Real Estate Board (TRREB) President Paul Baron.

GTA REALTORS® reported 7,481 sales through TRREB's MLS® System in June 2023 – up 16.5 per cent compared to June 2022. The number of listings was down by three per cent over the same period.

The year-over-year increase in sales coupled with the decrease in new listings mean market conditions were tighter this past June relative to the same period last year. The average selling price was up by 3.2 per cent to \$1,182,120. The MLS® HPI Composite benchmark was still down by 1.9 per cent on a year-over-year basis - the lowest annual rate of decline in 2023. On a month-over-month basis the seasonally adjusted average price and MLS® HPI Composite benchmark were up.

"A resilient economy, tight labour market and record population growth kept home sales well above last year's lows. Looking forward, the Bank of Canada's interest rate decision this month and its guidance on inflation and borrowing costs for the remainder of 2023 will help us understand how much sales and price will recover beyond current levels," said TRREB Chief Market Analyst Jason Mercer.

"GTA municipalities continue to lag in bringing new housing online at a pace sufficient to make up for the current deficit and keep up with record population growth. Leaders at all levels of government, including the new mayor-elect of Toronto, have committed to rectifying the housing supply crisis. We need to see these commitments coming to fruition immediately, or we will continue to fall further behind each month," stressed TRREB CEO John DiMichele. "In addition to the impact of the listing shortage, housing affordability is also hampered on an ongoing basis by taxation and fees associated with home sales and construction as well as the general level of taxation impacting households today. Going forward, we need to look at all of the factors influencing the household balance sheet and people's ability to house themselves," continued DiMichele.

JUNE 2023 - GTA HOUSING MARKET STATS - BY REGION					
HOUSE TYPES & AVERAGE SALE PRICE:	TORONTO	YORK	DURHAM	PEEL	HALTON
Average Sales Price	\$1,152,477	\$1,391,215	\$999,787	\$1,145,515	\$1,294,251
Detached	\$1,785,128	\$1,739,742	\$1,109,373	\$1,469,239	\$1,632,375
Semi-Detached	\$1,408,550	\$1,265,972	\$825,360	\$1,059,982	\$1,092,693
Townhouse	\$1,289,714	\$1,233,434	\$902,498	\$956,566	\$1,064,055
Condo Apt	\$770,263	\$719,400	\$609,667	\$632,360	\$708,209
Total # New Listings	5,788	2,864	1,860	3,166	1,546
Total # Active Listings	5,522	2,561	1,336	2,659	1,315
Total # Sales	2,832	1,302	898	1,383	787
Avg. Listing VS Property Days On Market (LDOM/PDOM)	15/20	13/19	11/15	13/19	14/19
YOY Avg. Price Change	-7%	-8%	-13%	-12%	-12%

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Bharathanatyam Arangetram of Rithika & Maya Jeristus, July 15, 2023.

Kalaikovil Academy Of Fine Arts presented a Thematic Bharathanatyam Arangetram, "Raavanan," of Rithika and Maya Jeristus, Disciples of 'Nattuvaanga Kalaimani – Natiyakala Kulanithi' Tmy. Vanitha Kugenthiran, on July 15, 2023 at Richmond Hill Centre For The Fine Arts, Richmond Hill.

This Arangetram was unique for 2 reasons. The Theme was about the Tamil King Ravanan and the entire songs and composition were produced just for this Arangetram. Ravanan is portrayed as a multi-headed Rakshasa (demon) king of the island of Lanka, and the chief antagonist in the Hindu epic Ramayana by Vaalmiki. But his good qualities are not brought forward. He is also a learned scholar. He was well-versed in the six shastras and the four Vedas. Ravana is also considered to be the most revered devotee of Shiva.

He was an expert in 64 arts and a great musician, especially known for his prowess on the Ravanahatha (a variety of the Veena); and astrologer par excellence and one who successfully ruled over all the three worlds.

The Orchestra included: Tmy. Vanitha Kugenthiran: Nattuvangam & Choreography; Thiru Ahilan Sivanandan : Vocal; Kugenthiran Kanaganthiram; Miruthangam; Kumari Priyah Ratnakumar: Veena; Miss. Ajanthie Mathanakaran: Flute and Mas Aharren Kugenthiran: Gadam. Chief Guest at the event was Tmy. Vasantha Daniel. Mr. Logan Kanapathi, M.P.P, Mr.Neethan Shan, Miss. Juanita Nathan and Dr. E. Balasundaram also addressed the audience.

Congratulations to Rithika & Maya, guru, and above all their parents without their commitment, hard work and perseverance nothing would have been accomplished. Story & Photos by Charles Devasagayam, M.A.





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Child Abuse: What are our responsibilities as a society?

Studies show that children who face many forms of violence or abuse, whether mentally or physically, develop aggressive behaviour that affects the social norm. Children are the future leaders of and significant in the society that we live in. Children's physical and emotional well-being is very important for a healthy community. Parents, teachers and everyone from the community have important roles to play in kids' lives to protect them and provide them a safe environment to live in. What is child abuse and how can it be identified?

Child abuse occurs every day in our society and is an issue that is often being neglected. Infants to teenagers could be victims of abuse. Child abuse takes place in many forms, such as physical abuse, emotional abuse, physical or emotional neglect, and sexual abuse. Physical abuse is a form of violence that is done intentionally by hurting the child, such as but not limited to hitting them with an object, kicking, pushing, choking, punching and painful grabbing.

When children go through physical abuse, they may have black eyes, burns, bruises, or broken bones. Children may be afraid to go to their homes or be around their caregivers. Sexual abuse is a form of violence that involves contact or non-contact sexual activities. That could include adults being involved with under aged kids, taking inappropriate pictures, sharing sexual photos and having inappropriate sexual talks. Sexual child abuse mostly involves close family members or trusted friend circles. Canadian Red Cross says that eighty five percent of child abuse victims know their sexual perpetrators.

Emotional abuse can occur as a result of sexual abuse, physical abuse and neglect. Identifying signs of emotional abuse is very difficult, but such children may experience anxiety, depression, decreasing performance at school or in their education, hurting themselves, low self-esteem, loss of interest in social activities, and isolation from extended family.

When these signs are noticed, it would best to have an open conversation with the child and caregiver.

World Health Organization estimated that about one billion children aged 2-17 years have experienced physical, sexual, or emotional violence or neglect in their life. This fact was revealed by American Academy of Pediatrics in March 2016. AAP published a result from 38 reports that were collected from 96 countries, on past-year occurrences of violence against children. ¹

This is evidence that shows the urgent need for the advocacy of child protection and to bring awareness about the violence against children in our society. Discipline and Abuse. Some people are confused between discipline and abuse. Children must be disciplined and taught responsibilities. Boundaries must be set for their well-being.

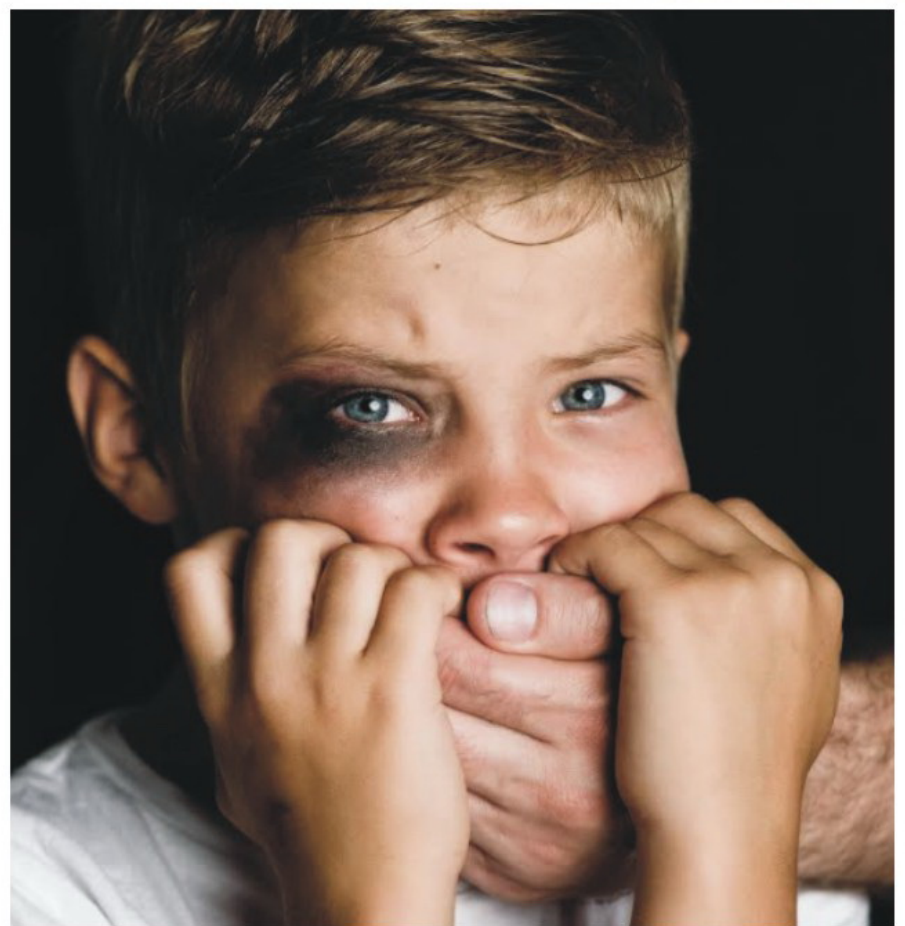
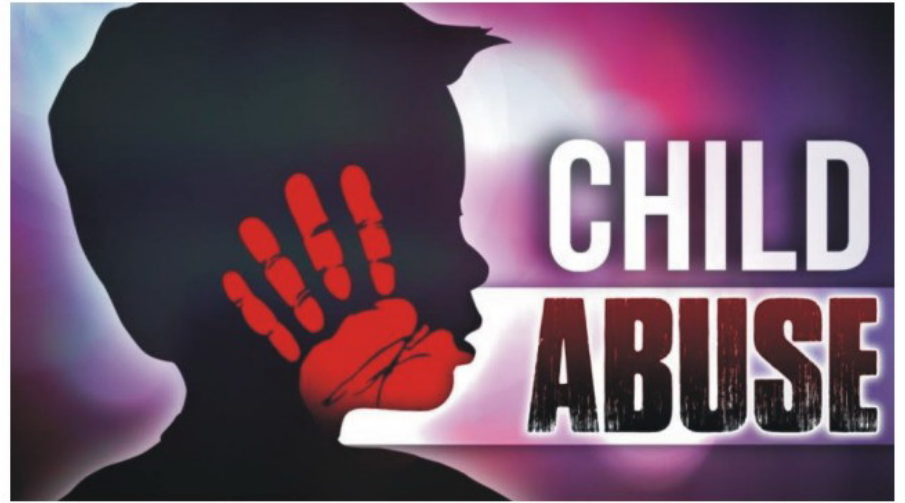
When parents discipline their child in anger, it causes conflict among them. Some children think that their parents abuse them because they are being disciplined. Some parents are reluctant to discipline their children in case it may be confused with abuse. Parents have responsibilities to teach their children positive behaviour and to be a good citizen of this society. Parents should teach their kids that they are accountable for their mistakes and misbehaviour, and make good decisions.

Child abuse is not an individual issue but a social issue. Society has responsible creating a safe environment to all. Domestic violence also has influences in child abuse. When children experience traumatic events, they live in shame and have unsafe feelings that affect their self-confidence, self-esteem, and behaviour. Some of them may become addicted to substances and alcohol, or develop physiological disorders. As a society, what we can do to protect each child and prevent violent abuse against them? It is very important to talk about the abuse, and bring awareness about them. All children and parents should be educated about the helpline and resources available to them.

If anyone faces any crisis, abuse, violence or mental health issues, there are helpline available to call and get assistance. Kids Help Phone offers free, 24/7 e-mental health services to young people in Canada. Children and parents should come forward and report the abuse boldly. Police and related officers should listen to each one of the reports, and protect their identity and dignity.

Perpetrators must be punished and exposed to society. The implementation and enforcement of laws against violence and bullying, norms and values against sexual abuse, and providing safe environments for our children will ensure harmony in our society.

¹ (1) Global prevalence of past-year violence against children: a systematic review and minimum estimates. Hillis S, Mercy J, Amobi A, Kress H. Pediatrics 2016; 137(3): e20154079.

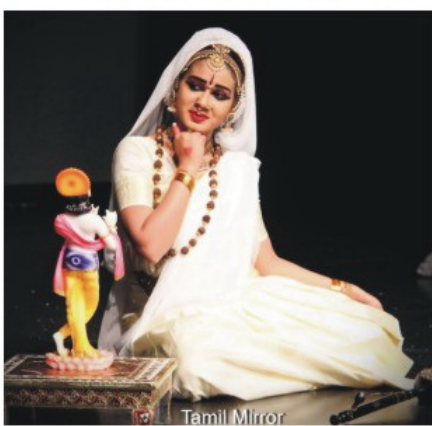
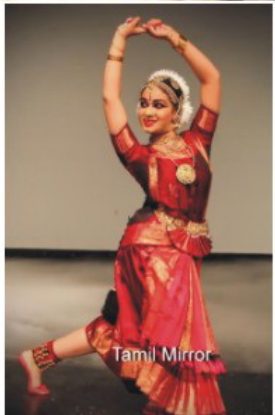


By Raji Patterson

'KRISHNAP PRIYAM,' June 30, 2023, Toronto.

'Nattiya Kalakshetra,' proudly presented 'Krishna Priyam,' by Thiruneta Sabesan, Disciple Of Guru Tmy. Thenujah Thirumaran, on June 30, 2023 at Fairview Library Auditorium, Toronto. Thiruneta, co- dancer Anjaly Jeyakanthan and others, namely Sabrena Thayananda, Richa Prabakaran, Jessica Athanasyar, Jasmine Lloyd, Lavina Thirumaran and Athrija Dilipkumar performed to a live orchestra.

The orchestra included: Arun Gopinath (Vocal); Rathiruban Paramsothy (Miruthangam), Priyah Ratnakumar (Veenai); Tmy. Thenujah Thirumaran (Guru / Nattuvangam); and Vishnu Kandanchatha (Flute). **Congratulations** to Thiruneta, Anjaly, all the accompanying artists their Guru and Parents. **Charles Devasagayam, M.A.**





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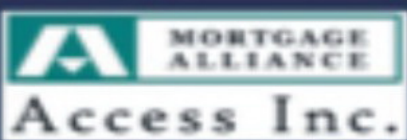
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Swaralaya Music Academys **10 th Anniversary Celebration**, was held on July 7, 2023 at Thamil Isai Kalaamanram Auditorium, Toronto. Congratulations to Isai Kalaimani, Tmy. Jeyakanthini Sampanthan teacher and all the Participants.

July 7, 2023.



இலங்கையில் தமிழர்கள் கொல்லப்பட்டபோது, திமுக-வினர் பதவிக்காக டெல்லிக்குச் சென்றனர்” - அண்ணாமலை சாடல்



காங்கிரஸ், தி.மு.க கூட்டணி ஆட்சியின் தவறுகளைச் சரிசெய்ய, பிரதமர் மோடியால் மட்டும்தான் முடியும் என்று வெளிப்படையாக ஒப்புக்கொண்டதற்கு, முதல்வர் ஸ்டாலினுக்கு தமிழக பா.ஜ.க சார்பில் நன்றி.’ - அண்ணாமலை இலங்கை அதிபர் ரணில் விக்ரமசிங்க இரண்டு நாட்கள் பயணமாக இன்று இந்தியாவுக்கு வந்திருக்கிறார். இந்த நிலையில் முதல்வர் ஸ்டாலின், பிரதமர் மோடிக்குக் கடிதம் எழுதியிருந்தார். அதில், 'இந்திய மீனவர்களின் பாரம்பரிய மீன்பிடி உரிமைகளைப் பாதுகாத்திடவும், இலங்கையில் வாழும் தமிழ் மக்களின் கோரிக்கைகளை நிறைவேற்றி, அவர்களது உரிமைகள் மற்றும் சுதந்திரம் பாதுகாக்கப்படுவதை உறுதிசெய்திடவும் இலங்கை அதிபரை வலியுறுத்த வேண்டும். கச்சத்தீவை மீட்டெடுக்கும் வகையில், மத்திய அரசு இலங்கை அரசுடன் செய்துகொண்ட ஒப்பந்தத்தை மறுபரிசீலனை செய்வதற்கு உரிய தூதரக நடவடிக்கைகளைத் தொடங்கிட வேண்டும்' என்பன உள்ளிட்ட கோரிக்கைகளை வலியுறுத்தியிருந்தார். இதற்கு பதிலளிக்கு விதமாக தமிழக பா.ஜ.க தலைவர் அண்ணாமலை அறிக்கை வெளியிட்டிருக்கிறார்.

அதில், ஹஹதமிழ்நாட்டின் முதல்வர் ஸ்டாலின், பிரதமர் மோடிக்கு எழுதிய கடிதம் முழுக்க முழுக்க, கடந்தகால காங்கிரஸ்-தி.மு.க கூட்டணி ஆட்சியின் தவறுகளை வெளிப்படுத்தும் ஒப்புதல் வாக்குமூலம். காங்கிரஸ், தி.மு.க கூட்டணி ஆட்சியின் தவறுகளைச் சரிசெய்ய, பிரதமர் மோடியால் மட்டும்தான் முடியும் என்று வெளிப்படையாக ஒப்புக்கொண்டதற்கு, முதல்வர் ஸ்டாலினுக்கு தமிழக பா.ஜ.க சார்பில் நன்றி. இலங்கையில், தமிழ் சகோதர சகோதரிகள் கொத்துக் கொத்தாகக் கொலைசெய்யப்பட்டபோது, இங்கே காங்கிரஸ் கூட்டணியில் பசையான மத்திய அமைச்சர் பதவியை வாங்க டெல்லிக்குப் பறந்தவர்கள், ஏதோ கடிதங்கள் எழுதியே பிரச்சனைகளைத் தீர்த்து விட்டதைப்போல இன்று பெருமையடித்துக்கொண்டிருப்பது நகைக்கத்தக்கது.

தி.மு.க ஆட்சியில், கச்சத்தீவு தாரை வாரக்கப்பட்டபோது, பா.ஜ.க தலைவர் ஜனா கிருஷ்ணமூர்த்தி அதை எதிர்த்து உயர் நீதிமன்றத்தில் வழக்கு தொடர்ந்தார். தமிழகத்தில் அன்று ஆட்சியிலிருந்த தி.மு.க, அந்த வழக்குக்குத் தேவையான ஆவணங்களைக்கூட நீதிமன்றத்தில் வழங்காமல், கச்சத்தீவு, நம் கைவிட்டுச் செல்லக் காரணமாக இருந்தது. அதன் பின்னர் தி.மு.க பல முறை, பல கட்சிகளுடன் சந்தர்ப்பவாத கூட்டணியில் இருந்து, மத்திய அரசில் அங்கம் வகித்தபோதும், கச்சத்தீவை மீட்க உறுதியான எந்த நடவடிக்கையும் எடுக்கவில்லை.

கச்சத்தீவைத் தாரைவார்த்த தி.மு.க கும்பலுக்கு, கச்சத்தீவு பற்றிப் பேச என்ன தகுதி இருக்கிறது... முதல்வர் ஸ்டாலினுக்கு ஒன்று சொல்லிக்கொள்கிறேன். உங்கள் குடும்பத்தினர் மத்திய அமைச்சர் பதவி வாங்க, தமிழர்களின் நலனை அடகுவைத்த அதே காலத்தில், அன்றைய குஜராத் முதல்வராக இருந்த பிரதமர் மோடி 2009-ம் ஆண்டு, பஞ்சாப் மாநிலம், லூதியானாவில் பொதுக்கூட்டத்தில் பேசும்போது, இலங்கையில் தமிழ் மக்கள் தாக்கப்படுவதற்குக் கடும்கண்டனம் தெரிவித்து, அதைக் கண்டும் காணாமல் இருக்கும் காங்கிரஸ், தி.மு.க கட்சிகளைக் கடுமையாகக் கண்டித்தார்.



இலங்கைத் தமிழர்கள் பாதுகாப்பை உறுதிசெய்ய வேண்டும் என்று அன்றைய காங்கிரஸ் அரசை வலியுறுத்தியவர். உங்களைவிட, தமிழ் மக்கள்மீது மிகுந்த அன்புகொண்டவர் பிரதமர் மோடி. இலங்கைத் தமிழர்களுக்கு 51,000 வீடுகள், அவர்களுக்கான தொழிற்கூடங்கள் அமைப்பு, தமிழர் பகுதிகளில் சுற்றுலாத்துறையை மேம்படுத்த நடவடிக்கை, இலங்கையின் மற்ற பகுதிகளை இணைக்கும் வண்ணம் சாலை, ரயில் போக்குவரத்து வசதிகள், காங்கேசன்துறை துறைமுகத்தை தமிழகத்துடன் இணைக்க கப்பல் வசதி, யாழ்ப்பாண தமிழ் கலாசார மையம், சென்னையிலிருந்து விமானப் போக்குவரத்து வசதி என, இலங்கைத் தமிழர்கள் வாழ்வு மேம்பட பிரதமர் மோடி செய்திருக்கும் நலப்பணிகள் ஏராளம்.

இலங்கையில் தமிழர்களுக்கு உரிமை வழங்கும் 13-ம் சட்டத்திருத்தம் கொண்டுவர, பிரதமர் மோடி இரண்டு முறை வலியுறுத்தியிருக்கிறார். மத்திய வெளியுறவுத்துறை அமைச்சர் ஜெய்சங்கர், கடந்த ஜனவரி மாதம் இலங்கைப் பயணத்தின் போதும் 13-ம் சட்டத்திருத்தம் கொண்டுவர வலியுறுத்தியிருக்கிறார். விரைவில் அது அமலுக்கு வரும் என்றும் உறுதி தெரிவித்திருக்கிறார். இலங்கை மீனவர்கள் கைதுசெய்யப்படுவது குறித்து நீலிக்கண்ணீர் வடித்திருக்கிறார் முதல்வர் ஸ்டாலின். முன்பு எப்போதும் இல்லாத அளவுக்கு, மீனவர்கள் கைதுசெய்யப்பட்டால், இந்திய அரசின் வெளியுறவுத்துறை துரிதமாகச் செயல்பட்டு, மீனவர்களுக்கு உடனடி சட்ட உதவிகளை வழங்கி, மீட்டுக் கொண்டுவருகிறது அவர்கள் உயிருக்கும் உடமைகளுக்கும் உத்தரவாதம் உறுதிசெய்யப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. ஆனால், தி.மு.க-காங்கிரஸ் கூட்டணி ஆட்சியில் மீனவர்கள் உயிர்களுக்கே பாதுகாப்பில்லாத நிலை நிலவியது. மத்தியில், தி.மு.க - காங்கிரஸ் கூட்டணியின் பத்தாண்டுக்கால ஆட்சியில், தமிழகத்தைச் சேர்ந்த 85 மீனவர்கள் கொல்லப்பட்டனர். ஆனால், பிரதமர் மோடி தலைமையிலான ஒன்பது ஆண்டுக்கால ஆட்சியில், ஸ்டாலினால் அப்படி ஒரு நிகழ்வைக் குறிப்பிட முடிந்ததா... காங்கிரஸுடன் மத்திய கூட்டணி ஆட்சியிலிருந்தபோது வாளாவிருந்துவிட்டு, தற்போது பிரதமர் மோடி, தி.மு.க-காங்கிரஸ் கூட்டணி உருவாக்கிய ஒவ்வொரு பிரச்சனைக்கும் தீர்வு கொண்டு வரும்போது, வழக்கம்போல தங்கள் ஸ்டிக்கரை ஓட்ட முயல்கிறது தி.மு.க' எனக் குறிப்பிட்டிருக்கிறார்.

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