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City employees must be vaccinated by Oct. 30. - Toronto Mayor

Toronto Mayor John Tory has announced that City of Toronto employees must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 by Oct. 30. Toronto had made tremendous progress fighting the pandemic, but the delta variant & seriously threatens that progress, Tory said. During a press conference held on Aug 19, doubt that the vast majority of city employees were already vaccinated, a vaccination policy was necessary, he further said. Employees would now be required to disclose their vaccination status by Sept. 13. Unvaccinated employees to receive education sessions on the benefits of Getting vaccinated. The city is not ruling out mandating regular COVID-19 testing for unvaccinated employees before the Oct. 30 deadline, but this was not a priority, Tory said. However, there will be exemptions to the new

Regulations — it currently does not apply to TTC and Toronto police employees. been in touch with those agencies and the heads of those agencies and indicated our strong wish and our strong desire to see them have a policy that follows through with that employed by the City of Toronto. But they have their own governance structure and separate boards and we want to be respectful of that in making sure that decisions are taken in the way they normally would be by those organizations, Tory said.

The mayor said that he was hopeful police and The TTC would follow suit. Immediately following the press conference, TTC chief executive Richard Leary released a statement saying that as of Sept. 13, the company would be requiring all employees, students and contractors to be vaccinated against COVID-19. However, the union that represents TTC operators has criticized the vaccination policy and announcement. Employees would now be required to disclose their Vaccination status by Sept. 13. Unvaccinated employees to receive education sessions on the benefits of He was "very concerned" about the new requirements for its members.

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Tory said he expects full compliance with the policy from city employees, but would not specify Any consequences for an employee who refused to get vaccinated by the deadline.

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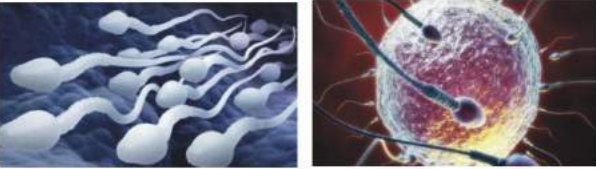
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விஞ்ஞானிகள் ஒரு பரிமாண முரண்பாட்டை கண்டறிந்துள்ளனர். அதாவது, தங்களை கவர்ச்சிகரமானவராக காட்டிக்கொள்வதற்கு ஆண்கள் எடுக்கும் நடவடிக்கைகள் அவர்களது குழந்தை பெற்றுக்கொள்ளும் திறனை பாதிப்பதாக ஆராய்ச்சியில் தெரியவந்துள்ளது.

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அடிக்கான உடற்கட்டையோ அல்லது தலைமுடி இழப்பதை குறைப்பதற்காகவோ ஆண்கள் எடுத்துக்கொள்ளும் மருந்துகளும், மாத்திரைகளும் அவர்களது ஆண்மையை பாதிக்கும் என்று தெரியவந்துள்ளது.

இதற்கான ஆராய்ச்சியில் ஈடுபட்ட விஞ்ஞானிகளின் பெயரை அடிப்படையாக கொண்டு, இதற்கு மோஸ்மான்-பேசி பாரடாக்ஸ் என்று பெயரிடப்பட்டுள்ளது.

நம்பத்தகனிடையேயான உறவில் பல்வேறு பிரச்சனைகளை ஏற்படுத்தும் இது, கருத்தரிப்பதை கடினமாக்குவதாக ஆராய்ச்சியாளர்கள் தெரிவிக்கின்றனர்.

"தங்களது ஆண்மையை பரிசோதிக்க மருத்துவமனைக்கு வரும் ஆண்களில் பலர் உடற்கட்டில் ஆர்வமிக்கவர்களாக இருப்பதை நான் பார்த்துள்ளேன்" என்று சுறுகிறர் அமேரிக்காவிலுள்ள பிரெளன் பல்கலைக்கழகத்தை சேர்ந்த மருத்துவர் ஜேம்ஸ் மோஸ்மான்.

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"தங்களை கவர்ச்சிகரமானவராக காட்டிக்கொள்ள நினைக்கும் ஆண்கள் அதற்காக எடுத்துக்கொள்ளும் மாத்திரைகள் அவர்களை மலட்டுத்தன்மை உடையவர்களாக ஆக்குகிறது."

உடற்கட்டை பெறுவதற்கு மருந்துகளை உட்கொண்டு ஹார்மோன்களை தானிட செய்து தசைகளின் வளர்ச்சியை அதிகரிப்பே இதற்கு முக்கிய காரணமென்று தெரியவந்துள்ளது.

இதபோன்ற ஊக்க மருந்துகளை பெரும்பாலும் உடற்கட்டு வீரர்களே பயன்படுத்துகின்றனர்.

"பெரும்பாலும் பெண்களை கவருவதற்காக உடற்பயிற்சி கூடங்களுக்கு செல்லும் ஆண்களின் தேர்வும் கவர்ச்சிகரமானவதோடு, அவர்களது ஆண்மையும் பாதிக்கப்படுவது முரண்பாடாக உள்ளது" என்று சுறுகிறர் பல்கலைக்கழகத்தை சேர்ந்த ஆலன் பேசி எனும் மற்றொரு ஆராய்ச்சியாளர்.

பரிசோதனையின் முடிவுகள் பிரமாதமாக இருக்கப்போகிறது என்று மூளையின் பிடியூட்டரி சுரப்பியை அனபோலிக் ஸ்டெராய்டுகள் போலியாக நினைக்க வைக்கிறது.

இவ்வாறு ஊக்க மருந்துகள் பிடியூட்டரி சுரப்பியை ஏமாற்றுவது, விந்தணு உற்பத்தியில் பெரும் பங்கு வகிக்கும் எ.பி.எஸ்.எச் மற்றும் எல்.எச் ஆகிய இரண்டு ஹார்மோன்களின் செயல்பாட்டை நிறுத்துகிறது.

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"அனபோலிக் ஸ்டெராய்டுகளை பயன்படுத்துபவர்களுக்கு 90 சதவீதம் மலட்டுத்தன்மை ஏற்படுவதற்கு வாய்ப்புள்ளது" என்று ஆலன் மேலும் சுறுகிறார்.

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CANADIAN ELECTION DATE SET FOR **SEPTEMBER 20.**



Canadian Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau on August 15 th 2021 requested the Governor General Mary Simon to dissolve the parliament and set voting day for September 20 th . Thus, Canada's 44 th federal election campaign began on Aug. 15 th during the fourth wave of the Pandemic.

Trudeau's political rivals accused him of staging a premature and risky play for power as Covid- 19 cases among the unvaccinated Canadians are on the rise.

Obviously they are in a disadvantaged position because Trudeau as the prime minister was at the podium every single day for the past 1.5 years updating the pandemic conditions. This gave him the advantage to expose himself to the Canadians . As a matter of fact handling the pandemic by Trudeau was appreciated by the general public.

This was reflected in the recent opinion polls.

Following is an election forecast from Vox Pop Labs with projected popular vote and number of

SEATS:		
Liberals:	36.4 %	182
Conservatives:	29.3 %	98
NDP:	18.7 %	36
Bolc Quebecois:	6.4 %	21
Green:	4.3%	1
Other	3.9 %	0

Trudeau said that democracy in Canada is robust even in a pandemic and requires an election now. He said that he needed a new mandate to make many more "consequential" choices on how to get through the pandemic-including mandatory vaccinations- and how to kick start the economy " to build back in really meaningful ways."

Those decision will " last not just for the coming months but the coming decades and Canadians deserve their say," Trudeau said to the reporters after meeting the governor general of Canada.

" The government and indeed parliament needs an opportunity to get a mandate from Canadians," Trudeau further said.
"Canadians deserve their say and that's exactly what we are going to give them."

He also said that, " I think people who disagree with this government or this direction should have an opportunity to make themselves heard."
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He also accused Trudeau for seeking a reward from voters for doing the 'bare minimum' to make life more affordable since the Liberals came to power in 2015. The opposition has only 36 days, minimum under Federal Law, to campaign and turn voters in their favour.

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By **Charles Devasagayam, M.A.**

5 factors to consider when relocating



(NC) Has the pandemic made you think about making a big move? If so, you're not alone — semi-rural and country life have become more attractive to many people craving more space.

In fact, one in three Canadians are considering relocating, according to a recent survey by insurance company Aviva Canada. If you're house hunting, here are some things to keep in mind:

1. Outdoor living space.

A property with enough outdoor space is essential for many families who have spent more time enjoying nature lately. Whether you need room for entertaining, gardening or a play area for kids, make sure you take the time to consider if the yard or patio fits your vision for outdoor living.

2. Affordable location.

In today's red-hot housing market, affordability is key. Though it's tempting to spend all your savings on the perfect place, make sure you can still manage the mortgage payments if interest rates rise or there's a family emergency. If you still need to go into the office occasionally, factor in higher commuting costs or the added expense of an additional vehicle.

3. Insurance impact.

As more people move away from large cities, this may come with some surprises. Not only are crickets much louder at night, but there's more to think about than just the mortgage and property taxes. "There are insurance considerations when it comes to rural versus urban properties," explains Phil Gibson, managing director, personal insurance and data science at Aviva Canada. "The age of the home, its proximity to fire hydrants or firehalls, and flood risk are all factors. That's why it's best to discuss these things with both your insurance broker or agent and your realtor before settling on your dream home."

4. Multigenerational living.

More Canadians are choosing to live with extended family members, whether it's to help care for aging parents or to share housing costs. If this is something you'll need now or soon, make sure any home you're looking at can potentially accommodate everyone, or factor in a big renovation budget.

5. Proximity to amenities.

Don't get caught up in how beautiful a home is if it's far from places that improve your quality of life. Everyone has their priorities — whether it's being near parks, restaurants or a local library. If you're planning a move away from the city, think about how often you'll want or need to return to see how far away it's reasonable to move.

How to make your kitchen your favourite room



(NC) No matter the size of your home, the kitchen is likely the hub of your everyday life. It's where you gather for meals, experiment with recipes and maybe even host impromptu dance parties. Since it's the centre of your home, why not make it your favourite room too?

Add a TV

Consider installing a TV so you can catch up on the news at breakfast or follow along with a cooking show for testing out a new meal. A smaller TV is ideal as you don't want to overcrowd the space. Before installation, ensure the unit is away from your oven and other electrical equipment. If you find a perfect spot but

there isn't an outlet close by, don't worry. You can hire a licensed electrical contracting (LEC) business to install an extra outlet for you, hide wires from view and make sure your space is safe from electrical harm.

But be careful when hiring someone to work in your home. Sometimes, unlicensed contractors offer their services for a lower cost. Always remember that in Ontario, only a LEC business can be hired to do electrical work in your home. So before getting started, verify their ECRA/ESA licence number to ensure they are authorized to do electrical work.

Turn up the volume

Larger kitchens allow for a variety of social gatherings, like having extended family help make a holiday meal together, or entertaining guests for a celebration. Setting up a sound system can add extra ambiance for relaxing music, podcasts or even party tunes. Choose a spot away from the sink to put speakers and any other equipment, so moisture doesn't affect any wires or cause a fire.

Major appliances for a facelift

If you're planning to fully renovate, dedicate some time for choosing the best appliances to fit your style and needs. Before putting everything in place, make sure you have the right electrical outlets. Some appliances like microwave ovens, refrigerators and dishwashers require dedicated circuits to protect you from potential accidents caused by overheating or overloading.

Use a ground fault circuit interrupter outlet for anything less than 1.5 metres from the sink. Hire a LEC business to assist with any electrical installation and be sure that they file a notification of work with the Electrical Safety Authority when the work begins.

With the right resources and expert help, small or big changes can transform your kitchen and make it your favourite room. Find more electrical safety tips at esasafe.com/safety.

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Establish an International Court for Self-Determination: TGTE



Present International Order is 'designed By the States, Of the States, and For the states' Currently there was no forum in the international arena where relevant stakeholders can discuss, debate, and resolve the right to self-determination in a peaceful manner"

— V. Rudrakumaran.

An International Court for Self-Determination is urgently needed to ensure justice for millions of people ruled by racist, discriminatory, and genocidal nation-states around the world.

Speaking at a webinar on "Right to Self-Determination of Nations under Occupation" on 31 July V. Rudrakumaran, Prime Minister of the Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE) urged Mr. Livingstone Sewanyana, the UN Independent Expert on the Promotion of a Democratic and Equitable International Order, to make recommendations either to the United Nations Secretary General or to the United Nations General Assembly to establish such a court.

While neither the Secretary General nor the General Assembly have the power currently to establish a tribunal to issue binding decisions, they could take some important steps forward in this regard. According to Prime Minister Rudrakumaran, even non-binding decisions could provide guidelines that will help fashion appropriate remedies for conflicts pertaining to self-determination. The senior TGTE leader made these observations in the presence of Mr. Livingstone Sewanyana, the UN Independent Expert on the Promotion of a Democratic and Equitable International Order, who was the main speaker at the webinar. The event was organized by the Global Tamil Movement and Association Bharati.

In his speech, Mr. Rudrakumaran congratulated the Honorable Sewanyana for his commitment and contribution to the promotion of democratic and equitable international order. He also extended Eelam Tamil solidarity to the representatives of the Western

Sahara, the Kurds, Southern Yemen, Palestine, Catalonia, Occidental Armenia, and Southern Cameroon. He said that in the view of Eelam Tamils the cause of conflict, unnecessary death, and destruction in the world was due to the fact that the prevalent international order is neither democratic nor equitable. He further said that the present international order is primarily designed 'by the states, of the states, for the states. He quoted the Tamil National Leader, Mr. Velupillai Prabhakaran, and said that the states do not act on righteousness nor justice, but rather on the basis of their self-interest.

He emphasized the fact that the international order is state-centric. He further stated that the international institutions, both the monetary institutions such as the IMF or World Bank and the judicial institutions such as the International Court of Justice [ICJ] or the International Criminal Court [ICC], are controlled by states. Non-state actors such as liberation movements and persecuted peoples do not factor into the decision-making process of these institutions.

Mr. Rudrakumaran further stated that Mr. Sewanyana was well aware of this problem and has committed to rectify it. He pointed out that Mr. Sewanyana in his report to the UN General Assembly dated July 30, 2019, stated that in order for the International Order to become democratic and equitable, one of his top priorities was to cease functioning on the basis of exclusion and include public participation in their decision-making process of traditional multi-lateral institutions.

Mr. Rudrakumaran further stated that the Eelam Tamils, despite having a traditional homeland and losing more than 100,000 people during the final stages of the war, are a prime example of the way the prevalent international order is indifferent to people fighting for the right to self-determination.

He said that Eelam Tamils, like the people of Scotland, Bangladesh, Croatia, and South Sudan have a distinct language and a distinct culture as well as the subjective elements identified by Judge Ammoun in the Western Sahara case with respect to self-determination, such as a conscious effort, concerted effort, lasting will, and real determination.

The TGTE leader said however currently there was no forum in the international arena where relevant stakeholders can discuss, debate, and resolve the right to self-determination in a peaceful manner. He pointed out that the actions of the Human Rights Committee were also frustrating, as when an individual brought complaint before it pertaining to the denial of self-determination the Committee simply dismissed it, stating, that an individual cannot bring complaint pertains to self-determination which belongs to the People. When a representative of a People brought a complaint, the committee dismissed it by questioning their credentials or locus standi.

For example, the Grand Captain of the Mikmaq Tribal Society in Canada was told that he had not shown himself to be the authorized representative of his society. And when



the Lubicon Lake Band in Canada posed the question whether they constituted a 'people', the Human Rights Committee claimed it could not address the issue at all. Also, many states such as the Sri Lankan one refuse to fully recognize or accept Article One of the United Nations' Civil and Political Rights Covenant, which pertains to self-determination. Thus, for Eelam Tamils that doors are completely shut from all sides.

Others who spoke at the webinar included Ms. Omeima Abdeslam, Representant Permanent of Front Polisario in Geneva; Professor Paul Newman, Human Rights Professor at Bangalore University in India; Ms. Layla Mohamad, Kurds' Human Rights Activist; Ms. Nadia Hafedh, Southern Independent Group Member and Head of the South Yemeni Women's Forum (SWYF) in Sandwell, England; Ms. Ghada Alrayan, Consultant and Researcher by Law for Palestine; Ms. Clara Serra, Lawyer and Member of the Association Sine Qua Non, Catalonia; Ms. Lydia Margossian, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Armenia Occidental; and Mr. Prince Ebechu George, Human Rights Activist, Southern Cameroon.

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**அமீரகம் - ஆப்கானிஸ்தான் இடையே
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விமான போக்குவரத்து ஆணையம் அறிவிப்பு**

தலிபான்கள் ஆப்கானிஸ்தானை கைப்பற்றியதை தொடர்ந்து அந்நாட்டு மக்கள் உயிருக்கு பயந்து அண்டை நாடுகளுக்கு தப்பி செல்ல துடித்து வருகின்றனர். இதற்காக விமானத்தில் தொங்கியடி சென்ற 3 பேர் கீழே விழுந்து பலயானது பெரும் சோகத்தை ஏற்படுத்தியுள்ளது.

அமீரக தேசிய சிவில் விமான போக்குவரத்து ஆணையம் வெளியீட்டுள்ள செய்திக்குறிப்பில் கூறப்பட்டிருப்பதாவது -

ஆப்கானிஸ்தானில் தலிபான் பயங்கரவாதிகளுக்கும் அந்த நாட்டு அரசுக்கும் இடையே நடந்து வந்த போர் முடிவுக்கு வந்து தலிபான் பயங்கரவாதிகள் ஆட்சி அதிகாரத்தை கைப்பற்றி உள்ளனர்.

ஆப்கானிஸ்தான் தலிபான் கட்டுப்பாட்டில் முழுமையாக வந்துள்ளது. இதில் தற்போது தலைநகர் காபூலில் உள்ள முக்கிய சர்வதேச விமான நிலையத்தில் பல்வேறு நாட்டின் போர் விமானங்கள் மற்றும் அரசு ஏற்பாடு செய்துள்ள மீட்டி விமானங்கள் சென்று வருகின்றன. இதன் காரணமாக அங்குள்ள ஓடுபாதையில் தரையிறங்கவும், அங்கிருந்து விமானங்கள் புறப்படவும் சூழ்நிலை தகுந்ததாக இல்லை.

ஆப்கானிஸ்தான் தலிபான்கள் வசம் போய்விட்டது என்ற செய்தி வந்ததுமே, உலக நாடுகள் பலவும் ஆப்கானிஸ்தானில் இருக்கும் தங்கள் நாட்டுத் துரைகங்களைக் காசி செய்பவம் பணிகளை தொடங்கின.

எனவே பாதுகாப்பு மற்றும் முன்னெச்சரிக்கை நடவடிக்கைகளை கவனத்தில் கொண்டு அமீரகம்-ஆப்கானிஸ்தான் இடையே பயணிகள் விமான போக்குவரத்துத் தற்காலிகமாக தடை செய்யப்படுகிறது.

மேலும், ஆப்கானிஸ்தானில் வசித்துவரும் தங்கள் நாட்டு மக்களை அங்கிருந்து வெளியேற்றும் பணிகளையும் தீவிரப்படுத்தின. இதனால் காபூலில் உள்ள சர்வதேச விமான நிலையம் நேற்று முன்தினம் காலை முதலே பூரூப்பானது. அமெரிக்கா, காபூல் விமான நிலையத்தை பாதுகாப்பதற்காக சுமார் 5,000 படைவீரர்களை அனுப்பி வைத்தது.

இதேபோல அங்கு நிறுத்தப்பட்டுள்ள அமீரக விமானங்கள் தொடர்ந்து நிலைமை சீராகும் வரை அமீரகத்துக்கு வரவழைக்கப்படாது. மேலும் அமீரகத்தில் இருந்தும் காபூல் நகருக்கு எந்தவிதமான பயணிகள் விமான போக்குவரதும் இருக்காது என அறிவிக்கப்படுகிறது.

ஆப்கானிஸ்தானில் வசிக்கும் வெளிநாட்டினர் காபூல் விமான நிலையத்தில் திரண்ட நிலையில், தலிபான்கள் ஆட்சியை கைப்பற்றியதால் பீதியடைந்துள்ள உள்நாட்டு மக்களும் அண்டை நாடுகளுக்கு தப்பி செல்வதற்காக காபூல் விமான நிலையம் நோக்கி படைபெருக்க தொடங்கினர்.

இவ்வாறு அதில் கூறப்பட்டுள்ளது.

மக்கள் கூட்டம் கூட்டமாக விமான நிலையத்துக்குள் நுழைந்ததால் விமான நிலையம் திக்குமிகுமிகுது. அதுதொடர்பாக வெளியான சில வீடியோ காட்சிகள் பார்த்துப்போதே பதைபதைப்பை ஏற்படுத்தின. பஸ் டிக்கட்டுகளில் முன்படிபடித்து ஏறுவதுபோல விமானத்தில் ஏற முற்படுகக்கண்களோடு ஓடு போதத்தில் முயற்சிக்கும் காட்சிகள் இணையத்தில் வைரலாக பரவி வருகின்றன.



அதேபோல மக்கள் விமானங்கள் மீது ஏறி நிற்பது போன்ற புகைப்படங்களும் பகிர்ப்பட்டு வருகின்றன.



இதற்கிடையில் அமெரிக்க விமானப்படை விமானம் ஒன்று ஓடுதளத்தில் இருந்து புறப்பட்டதும் மக்கள் சிலர் விமானத்தின் சக்கரங்களைபோட்டிய பகுதியில் தொற்றி கொண்டனர்.



பின்னர் விமானம் வானில் பறக்கும்போது அதில் தொங்கி சென்ற 3 பேர் அடுத்தடுத்து கீழே விழுந்து பலயாகினர்.

இதற்கிடையே விமான நிலையத்தை ஆக்கிரமித்த மக்கள் ஓடு பாதைகளிலும் கூட்டம் கூட்டமாக திரண்டு நிற்கதால் விமானம் புறப்படுவதிலும் தரையிறங்குவதிலும் சிக்கல் நிகர்கிறது.

இதனால் காபூல் விமான நிலையத்தில் அனைத்து விமான சேவைகளுக்கும் தடை விதிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. இதனால் இத்தியர்கள் உள்பட மற்ற நாட்டவர்கள் நாடு திரும்புவதில் சிக்கல் ஏற்பட்டுள்ளது. விமான சேவைகள் நிறுத்தப்பட்டு விமான நிலையம் முடப்பட்ட போதிலும் மக்கள் தொடர்ந்து அலை அலையாக அங்கு திரண்டு வருகின்றனர்.

விமான நிலையத்தின் நுழைவாயில்கள் அடைக்கப்பட்ட நிலையில் மக்கள் சுற்றுச்சுவர்களில் ஏறி குதித்து விமான நிலையத்துக்குள் செல்கின்றனர்.

இதற்கிடையே விமான நிலையத்தில் கூட்டத்தை கலைக்க துப்பாக்கிச் சூடு நடத்தியதாகவும் இதில் 5 பேர் பலயானதாகவும் அங்கிருந்து வரும் தகவல்கள் தெரிவிக்கின்றன.

இதற்கிடையில் ஆப்கானிஸ்தானில் இருந்து தப்பி சென்ற ராணுவ விமானம் ஒன்று உள்பேகிஸ்தான் நாட்டில் விழுந்து நொறுங்கியதாக தகவல் வெளியாகியுள்ளது.

காபூலில் இருந்து கத்தார் செல்லும் அமெரிக்க விமானப்படை காசி விமானம் விமானம் நூற்றுக்கணக்கானபேர் ஏறி அதில் பதுங்கி இருந்தனர். 640 பேர்கள் நிரம்பிய அமெரிக்க விமானப்படை விமானத்தின் படம் சமூக ஊடகங்களில் வைரலாகி உள்ளது.அமெரிக்க விமானப்படை சி-17 குளோப்பாஸ்ட்-3 ஓயர்நூறுக்கீழமை பீர்பகலில் காபூலில் இருந்து சுமார் 640 ஆப்கானிஸ்தானியர்களை பாதுகாப்பாக வெளியேற்றியதாக அமெரிக்க பாதுகாப்பு அதிகாரிகள் தெரிவித்து உள்ளனர்.

இந்த விமானம் குறைந்த ஆட்களை ஏற்றி செல்லும் விமானம் ஆகும். விமானிகள் அதிகம் பேரை ஏற்றிச் செல்ல முதலில் விருப்பவில்லை. இருப்பினும், பீதியடைந்த ஆப்கானிஸ்தான் நாட்டு மக்கள் ஓடு விமானத்தில் ஏறி அமர்ந்து இருந்தனர்.அதில் குழந்தைகள், வயதானவர்கள் இருந்தனர். அவர்கள் இறங்க மறுத்தனர். அதனால் அவர்களை இறங்கச் சொல்வதற்குப் பதிலாக, விமானப்படை விமானிகள் கத்தாருக்கு புறப்பட்டு சென்றனர்.



City of Trincomalee

திருகோணமலை

The recorded history of Trincomalee spans more than two and a half thousand years, beginning with civilian settlement associated with the Koneswaram temple in the pre-modern era. One of the oldest cities in Asia, it has served as a major maritime seaport in the international trading history of the island with South East Asia.

From its suburban village of Kankuvelli, some of Asia's earliest medical research at the "Agathiyar Thapanam", the Siddhar Tamil medical university established by Agastya, helped spread Tamil Tamraparniyam culture across the continent. In the ancient world, it was successively the capital of eastern kingdoms of the Vanni kingdom, developing under the Anuradhapura Kingdom, Pallava Dynasty, Chola Dynasty, Pandyan Dynasty, the Vannimai chieftaincies and the Jaffna kingdom through the Koneswaram shrine's revenue.

Trincomalee's urbanization continued when made into a fortified port town following the Portuguese conquest of the Jaffna kingdom, changing hands between the Danish in 1620, the Dutch, the French following a battle of the American Revolutionary War and the British in 1795, being absorbed into the British Ceylon state in 1815. The city's architecture shows some of the best examples of interaction between native and European styles. Attacked by the Japanese as part of the Indian Ocean raid during World War II in 1942, the city and district were affected after Sri Lanka gained independence in 1948, when the political relationship between Tamil and Sinhalese people deteriorated, erupting into civil war. It is home to major naval and air force bases at the Trincomalee Garrison. The city also has the largest Dutch fort on the island.

The Trincomalee Bay, bridged by the Mahavilii Ganga River to the south, the historical "Gokarna" in Sanskrit, means "Cow's Ear", akin to other sites of Siva worship across the Indian subcontinent. Uniquely, Trincomalee is a Pancha Ishwaram, a Paadal Petra Sthalam, a Maha Shakti Peetha and Murugan Tirupadaai of Sri Lanka; its sacred status to the Hindus has led to it being declared "Dakshina-Then Kailasam" or "Mount Kailash of the South" and the "Rome of the Pagans of the Orient".

The harbour is renowned for its large size and security; unlike any other in the Indian Ocean, it is accessible in all weathers to all craft. It has been described as the "finest harbour in the world" and by the British, "the most valuable colonial possession on the globe, as giving to our Indian Empire a security which it had not enjoyed from elsewhere". Popular tourist destinations include its beaches at Uppuveli, Sallii and Nilaveli, used for temple visits, surfing, scuba diving, fishing and whale watching, and the Kanniya Hot Springs. Trincomalee is served by a campus of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka and has been the inspiration of both domestic and international poetry, films, music and literature for many centuries.



History of Markham, Ontario



Canada. It is approximately 30 km (19 mi) northeast of Downtown Toronto. In the 2016 Census, Markham had a population of 328,940, which ranked it the largest in York Region, fourth largest in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), and 16th largest in Canada.

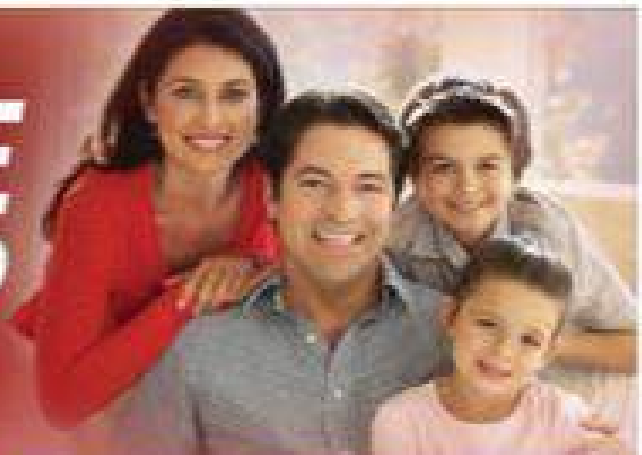
The city gained its name from the first Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, John Graves Simcoe (in office 1791–1796), who named the area after his friend, William Markham, the Archbishop of York from 1776 to 1807.

Indigenous people lived in the area of present-day Markham for thousands of years before Europeans arrived in the area. The first European settlement in Markham occurred when William Berczy, a German artist and developer, led a group of approximately sixty-four German families to North America. While they planned to settle in New York, disputes over finances and land tenure led Berczy to negotiate with Simcoe for 64,000 acres (260 km²) in what would later become Markham Township in 1794. Since the 1970s, Markham rapidly shifted from being an agricultural community to an industrialized municipality due to urban sprawl from neighbouring Toronto.[7] Markham changed its status from town to city on July 1, 2012.[8]

As of 2013, tertiary industry mainly drives Markham. As of 2010, "business services" employed the largest proportion of workers in Markham – nearly 22% of its labour force. The city also has over 1,000 technology and life-sciences companies, with IBM as the city's largest employer. Several multinational companies have their Canadian headquarters in Markham, including: Honda Canada, Hyundai, Advanced Micro Devices, Johnson & Johnson, General Motors, Avaya, IBM, Motorola, Oracle, Toshiba, Toyota Financial Services, Huawei, Honeywell and Scholastic Canada.

Indigenous people lived in the area of present-day Markham since the end of the last Ice Age and the city is situated on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Huron Wendat, Petun and Neutral people. In the early 1600s, when explorers from France arrived, they encountered the Huron-Wendat First Nation. The southwest corner of Markham is included in Treaty 13, known as the Toronto Purchase of 1787, which transferred roughly 250,800 acres of land from the Mississauga people to the British Crown for 10 shillings and fishing rights on the Etobicoke river. The remainder of Markham's land is covered by the Johnson-Butler Purchase of 1787-88 (aka Gunshot Treaty) and formally by the Williams Treaties, signed in 1923.

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Jaffna is the capital city of the Northern Province of Sri Lanka. It is the administrative headquarters of the Jaffna District located on a peninsula of the same name. With a population of 88,138 in 2012, Jaffna is Sri Lanka's 12th most populous city.[1] Jaffna is approximately six miles (9.7 kilometres) from Kandarodai which served as an emporium in the Jaffna peninsula from classical antiquity. Jaffna's suburb Nallur, served as the capital of the four-century-long medieval Jaffna Kingdom.

Prior to the Sri Lankan Civil War, it was Sri Lanka's second most populous city after Colombo. The 1980s insurgent uprising led to extensive damage, expulsion of part of the population, and military occupation. Since the end of civil war in 2009, refugees and internally displaced people began returning to homes, while government and private sector reconstruction started taking place.[2] Historically, Jaffna has been a contested city. It was made into a colonial port town during the Portuguese occupation of the Jaffna peninsula in 1619 who lost it to the Dutch, only to lose it to the British in 1796. During the civil war, the rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) occupied Jaffna in 1986. The Indian Peace Keeping Force (IPKF) briefly occupied the city in 1987. The LTTE again occupied the city from 1989 until 1995, when the Sri Lankan Army regained control.

The majority of the city's population are Sri Lankan Tamils with a significant number of Sri Lankan Moors, Indian Tamils and other ethnic groups present in the city prior to the civil war. Most Sri Lankan Tamils are Hindus followed by Christians, Muslims and a small Buddhist minority. The city is home to number of educational institutions established during the colonial and post-colonial period. It also has number of commercial institutions, minor industrial units, banks, hotels and other government institutions. It is home to many historical sites such as the popular Jaffna library that was burnt down and rebuilt and the Jaffna fort which was rebuilt during the Dutch colonial period.



Jaffna Sri Lanka



Jaffna is known in Tamil as Yalpanam and earlier known as Yalpanapattinam. A 15th century inscription of the Vijayanagara Empire mentions the place as Yalpaanayanpaddinam.[citation needed] The name also occurs on copper plates issued by Sethupathi kings of the same era.[3] The suffix -pattinam indicates the place to have been a seaport town.[4]

The origin of the name can be traced to a legend about the town's etymology. A king (supposedly Ukkirasinghan) was visited by the blind Panan musician, who was an expert in vocal music and one skilled in the use of instrument called Yal.[5] The king who was delighted to the music played with the Yal by the Panan, presented him a sandy plain.[6] The Panan returned to India and introduced some members of his tribe as impecunious as himself to accompany to this land of promise, and it is surmised that their place of settlement was that part of the city which is known at present as Passaiyoor and Gurunagar.[7] The Columbuturai Commercial Harbor situated at Colombuthurai and the harbor known as 'Aluppanthy' situated previously at the Gurunagar area seem as its evidences.[8]



Jaffna is a corrupted version of Yalpanam. The colloquial form of Yalpanam is Yappanam. The Ya and Ja including pp and ff are easily interchangeable. As soon as it went into foreign language, it lost the Tamil ending m and consequently stood as Jaffna

The Jaffna Municipal Council governs the City of Jaffna. It was established under the Municipalities Ordinance Act of 1865. Although other cities such as Kandy, Galle and Colombo had elected municipal councils soon after the 1865 ordinance, Jaffna did not have an elected municipal council for many years. This reflected the desire of the British bureaucrats to govern the city directly rather than share power with a highly literate electorate.[44] The first elected mayor was Cathiravelu Ponnambalam [45] Number of subsequent mayors were assassinated such as Alfred Duraiahappah, Sarojini Yogeswaran and Pon Sivapalan.[46] There were 15 years without elections after 1983.

The post civil war elections were held in 2009 after a gap of 11 years. The municipal council consists of 29 members.[47] As the original municipal council building was destroyed during the civil war, a new building is to be constructed for the current municipal council in 2011.[48]



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