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நச்சப் படாதவன் செல்வம் நடுவூருள்
நச்ச மரம்பழுத் தற்று. (குறள் 1008)

This is the 8th verse in chapter 101, titled "Useless wealth". The vices of wealth not used for charitable purposes had been explained in these ten verses.

"If nobody approaches a wealthy man for charity, his wealth is as harmful as fruits of poison tree, grown in the centre of a populated town."

FROM THE PRESIDENT DESK



Dear Probians,

In the first place, on behalf of all of you, I congratulate our Editor Dr.B.Sathyannarayanan for having brought out February issue of probuzz nicely. I wish him all success in his efforts in

times to come.

The breakfast meeting on 22nd February was quite eventful. Pallanguzhi competition conducted by Past President Dr.P.Balambal went off well. The winners will receive prizes in the ensuring International Women's Day Celebration.

Probian N.Lakshminarayanan was honoured in a fitting manner for his sustained Charitable disposition. As is known to you he recently donated ₹5 Lacs to Harvard University Tamil Chair, besides his earlier donations to Sevalaya (₹13 Lacs), Agaram Foundation, World Tamil Research Organization and many other Institutions in a big way. During the last breakfast meet he donated to our Club ₹30,000/- towards Educational Scholarship to poor and deserving students. We appreciate his gesture and thank him whole heartedly.

Probian Aruna Jadesan's Book "Happy Ageing and Healthy Living" published by our Club last year has won the best book award from All India Senior Citizens Confederation. I congratulate him on this happy occasion.

Similarly, I also congratulate Probian Gnanaraj for bringing out his Autobiography. He was duly honoured in our breakfast meeting last month.

Our much awaited Pondy tour on 29th February 2020 turned out to be a huge success. I wish to

quote what our Immediate Past President Probian R.T.Namasivayam had stated in his message :-

"Great Tour and understanding Company. Reached home by early morning. Very good arrangement with minute details by our Secretary. One of the unforgettable tours by Probus Club". I wish to profusely thank Probian, Ranganathan for his superb planning and effective execution. I hasten to thank Prob.Sadagopan, Prob.R.T.N., Prob.Annadurai, Prob. Veeraraghavan, Prob.N.R.Sampath and many other probians who ably supported Prob.Ranganathan.

In the van where Mr.Sadagopan travelled he conducted a Quizz programe in an interesting manner. It consisted of three parts. One about Rules and Regulations of Our Club, second, general knowledge and third, about Divine subjects. He made it quite interesting and useful.

I also sincerely thank all participating Probians who showed exemplary patience and decorum even where some inevitable delays occurred. At this moment I recall with thanks the initial efforts made by our V.P.Mrs.Lakshmi Natarajan, for this programe. However she could not join us due to medical treatment. I wish her good health with speedy recovery.

Looking ahead, International Women's Day Celebration will be held jointly with R.C.S.C. on 5th March 2020. It would have taken place by the time this reaches your hands. Let us hope and pray for its success.

With regards,
Yours sincerely

S. Gopalakrishnan

President - Probus Club of Chennai

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Dear Probians,

Loving Greetings to you and your family members.

In the beginning of the month, twenty of us visited the Anandham Old Age Home at Kallikuppam, Ambattur on 6th February, 2020. The visit was enjoyed by the 105 inmates as well as the Probians. Anandham has bagged the Best Old Age Home in Tamil Nadu Award three times and the founder Mrs. Bhagirathi got the Best Elder Care specialist Award. Sri Narayanan, Trustee briefed us about the Anandham, its philosophy and genesis. The Old Age Home was spic and span. They also have a medical ward inside. They run a hospital for general public and also have rooms in the second floor for the poor labour children who come after school for special tuitions. Their kitchen is run by the in-mates with automatic chappathi making machine, big cookers for rice and idlies and Sevai making machine. The dining hall was neat with Stainless Steel Tables and benches. They have big washing machines for washing bed sheets and blankets as well as the clothes. Solar water heaters were also installed. We all partook the lunch there. They have a big Library and a Recreation Hall with TV and

magazines. They admit only elders without children and without any source of income and other support after interview, investigation and recommendation of Trustees only. Probians entertained the inmates in the Prayer Hall and the inmates in turn sang some Bhajans. One of the lady inmate recollected her visit in her young days to the home of our Joint Treasurer, Pn Sadagopan G in Madurai. Pn B.Satyanarayanan sang an old Tamil Movie song and both IPP RT Namasivayam and PPP Dr. V. Balambal danced to the song. Altogether, we pooled the donations and an amount of ₹15,000/- was handed over to Anandham. On behalf of the Probus Club, we also donated ₹10,000/- out of our SJSCMBF (Silver Jubilee Senior Citizen Medical Benefit Fund) towards meeting the Hip Surgery and medical expenses of one of the inmate, Sri V.D. Sridhar. On the whole, the trip was a satisfying one.

In the Breakfast Meeting held at the Exhibition Hall of the Russian Centre of Science and Culture on Saturday, the 22nd Feb., '20, PPP Dr. M Singaraja Capt. continued his Workout Session on "Deep Relaxation and Meditation," immediately followed by the Pallanguzhi Competitions conducted by PPP Dr. V. Balambal. After the fellowship time, the Breakfast meeting started. The President, in his welcome address, appealed to all members to come in large numbers to the Women's Day Function to be held at

Dear Probnas,

I profusely thank our President, Secretary and fellow PROBIANS who appreciated PROBUZZ February issue and encouraged me in my future works. February month was full of activities. We has our visit to ANANDHAM senior citizen home, visit to Pondicherry, Panchmuga Anjaneyar temple, Pinnachikuppam where we met our senior member APPAVU and ended the trip with a visit to Poovrankuppam Narasimhar temple. I have never seen such a nice arrangement and all the office-bearers especially Secretary deserves our hearty congratulations. Of course the return was past midnight but our secretary took the trouble dropping all members at their doorsteps. Not even an iota of tiredness was felt by us. On my personal behalf, my hearty gratitude to Pn Ranganathan for the splendid arrangement. Likewise, BF meeting held on 22nd February, has been reported elsewhere.

Suitable photographs are included to remember those events. One anecdote in Tamil sent by Pn K.Panchalan, vice-president is included.

I thank Pn Annadurai, Joint secretary for his help in sorting out the photographs and I assure that I shall endeavour to add more and more interesting articles so that you will cherish reading the newsletter. Till then, wishing you all well.

Probian B.Sathyanarayanan, *Editor - PROBUZZ. . . News-Letter & Web-in-Charge*

Note: My regular cell number +91 98400 30703 (BSNL)(With whatsapp) is not properly working. For the benefit of our members I am giving additional phone numbers +91 73586 26780 (without WhatsApp) and 044-2472 1268. Please contact me at any time through any of the above three and for WhatsApp only BSNL. However I hasten to add that my facebook is the best bet to contact.

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the Russian Centre on Thursday, 05th March, 2020. He also announced the Happy News that the All India Senior Citizen Confederation adjudged the Book, "Happy Ageing and Healthy Living" authored by Pn Aruna Jatesan and Published by Our Probus Club as the Best Book of the Year.

Probian N. Lakshminarayanan was honoured for his contribution of ₹5 lacs to the Harvard University Tamil Chair and other Charitable purposes. He, in turn, donated ₹30,000/- towards Probus Educational Scholarship Scheme. Pn Gnanaraj was also honoured for bring out his auto biography book. The book titled, "Pursuit of Happiness," authored by Pn Aruna Jatesan was given free to those who gave their names in the last Breakfast Meeting.

Life Membership certificate was handed over to Kalaimamani T.K.S. Kalaivanan (dob: 15.01.1949) introduced by Pn N. Rammohan and he self-introduced himself and also sang some Bharathiar songs and Thirukkural. He gave two CDs released by him to the Secretary.

After introduction, the Guest Speaker Dr. Monica, Dentist spoke about the "Dental Awareness for Elders" using powerpoint. A dental check-up camp with free mouthwash and paste was also organised by her at the Breakfast venue. She spoke on the new techniques like implants and the need for having a good oral and dental hygiene.

Congratulations to the Four Probiants, viz., PPP Balambal V Dr., IPP Namasivayam R.T., Pn Parthasarathy B and Pn Ramaiah D.S. Dr., who bagged prizes In the various "Competitions for Elders" organised by Mylapore Thiruvalluvar Sangam, Nehuru Yuva Kendra, Min. of Youth Affairs and Sports, GOI and NSS, Ethiraj College at the Ethiraj College on 24th Feb. '20.

The Tour for Darshan of Manakkula Vinayagar and Aurobindo Ashram in Pondicherry and Panchavadi Anjaneyar near Pondicherry. was organised on Saturday, 29th Feb. "20. Twenty Seven persons including some non-probiants (Mostly close relatives of Probiants) joined the Tour and two vans 20 and 12 seaters respectively were arranged. Three Probiants could not join the Tour due to sudden health reasons. Breakfast was at the A2B at Mamallapuram. We could cover all the places scheduled and had lunch at the Panchavati Hanuman Temple. Thereafter, we visited Pelican Serene, a senior Citizen Village Gated Community campus behind Mahatma Gandhi Medical College, Pondicherry where Probian Appavu welcomed us and showed us around. The campus

houses are well designed, there is a medical ward, indoor sports room, club room, auditorium and a big dining hall. Pn Appavu and Sri Madhavan of SCB arranged for evening snacks and coffee. However, the visit took more than two hours and from there we visited Gangai Varaga Nadeeswarar Sivan Temple at Thirukanchi in Pondy. It is said darshan of Siva at the temple gives more Bliss than visiting Kasi Viswanathar. Sthala Purana has that Sage Agasthiar, Raghu, Kethu and Indiran prayed to the Sivan at the site. From there we proceeded to Poovarasan Kuppam and had darshan of a beautifully decorated Lakshmi Narasimha Perumal. Near the Temple, we halted at Saranya Silk Saree Shop. There were purchases to the tune of ₹80,000/-. The shop owner arranged for packed Idlies taken on the return journey as supper. Though the entire team is of Elders, the trip was safe and enjoyable. All were dropped near their residences or pickup points by around midnight. On the whole, all enjoyed the trip.

I thank Pn Manonmani K, Pn Dakshinarmoorthy C.M. & Pn Ramaswamy N. who sponsored the Breakfast in the Breakfast Meeting and the Probiants who gave Strip Advertisements in Probuzz News letter. Special thanks to Pn Appavu and Sri Madhavan of SCB for entertaining us at Pondicherry and Sri Sivakumar of Saranya Pattu Centre for the supper in the Pondy Trip.

I appeal to all Probiants to consider sponsoring the Probuzz Newsletter Strip Advertisement by contributing ₹800/- for inner Page and ₹1,000/- for first and last Page.

I also request those Annual Members who have not paid their Annual Subscription so far to send ₹600/- towards their Annual Subscription (₹500/-) plus Probuzz Newsletter Annual Subscription (₹100/-). If the subscription is not paid, they would not be eligible to vote in the on-coming Elections to be held in May, 2020.

I thank Sri Udayabhaskar, President, and Sri Dharmasivan of PONDICHERY Senior Citizen Association who met us and arranged for quick, special DARSHAN of Manakkula Vinayagar. Special thanks to Sri Dharmasivan who accompanied us in the van and guided us in other places visited by the tour team."

Wishing you all A HAPPY, HEALTHY & PEACEFUL Fellowship and Living

B. Ranganathan
Secretary

BREAKFAST MEETING HONORS:



President Welcomes



Kalaimamani
T.K.S Kalaivanan



P K Durai Samy, I.A.S



Pn Lakshmi Pathy



Pn Aruna Jatesan



Pn Dakshinamurthy



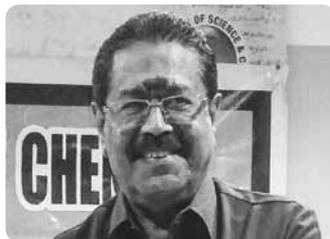
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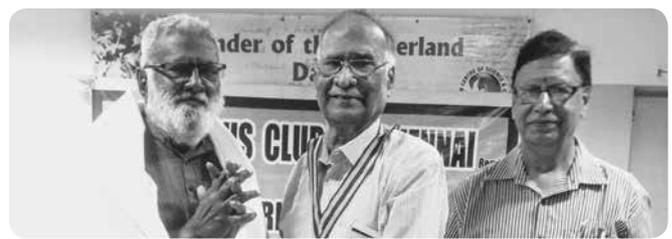
Pn Rajalakshmi



Pn S Ramachandran



Chief Guest Dr Monica
Honored



Pn Philanthropist Lakshminarayanan Honored



Octogenerian
Pn Arumugam and his wife honored



SCAW (Sleeping Children Around the Word) Bed kits distribution on 31st January 2020 at RKM Sharada Vidyalaya, T. Nagar, Chennai.



V P Pn Panchalan P P K Venkatachari
PPP V Balambal PP R T Namasivayam,
Secretary giving a gift jpg

LIST OF DONATION FOR FEBRUARY 2020		
S.No.	Name	Amount
A.	ANNUAL BOOKLET	
1	Pn Ramachandran C	120.00
2	Ranganatha Rao S	360.00
3	Venkatachari K	240.00
B	BREAKFAST SPONSOR	
4	Manonmani K	4,200.00
5	Ramaswamy N	4,200.00
C	BYE-LAW BOOKLET	
6	Jagannathan K	10.00
7	Somasundaram M	10.00
D	EC MEETINGS	
8	Panchalan K Dr.	2,500.00
E	EDL. SCH. SCHEME (ESS)	
9	Doraiswamy P.K.	15,000.00
10	Lakshminarayanan N	30,000.00
F	ESS-TOPUP	
11	Chandrasekaran P	5,000.00
G	HAHL BOOK	
12	Keerthivanan K Dr	1,000.00
H	ID CARD	
13	Jagannathan K	100.00
14	Kalaivanan TKS	100.00
15	Somasundaram M	100.00
I	OLD AGE HOME VISIT	
16	Balachander V	500.00
17	Keerthivanan K Dr	1,000.00
18	Namasivayam R.T.	1,000.00
19	Panchalan K	1,000.00
20	Panchalan K	1,000.00
21	Prabhakar M	500.00
22	Rajarampandian K	2,000.00

23	Sadagopan G	1,000.00
24	Sampath N.R.	5,000.00
25	Vijayaraghavan	2,000.00
J	PROBUZZ ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	
26	Geetha Viswanathan	100.00
27	Arumugam P.S.	300.00
K	PROBUZZ CORPUS FUND	
28	Jagannathan K	500.00
29	Somasundaram M	500.00
30	Well Wisher	20,000.00
L	PROBUZZ STRIP ADVT	
31	Kalaivanan TKS	800.00
32	Jagannathan K	800.00
33	Somasundaram M	800.00
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34	George Mathew Brig	10,000.00
N	SUNSHINE FUND	
35	Dakshinamurthy C.M.	500.00
36	Prabhakar M	1,000.00
37	Sadagopan G	500.00
O	WOMEN'S DAY FUNCTION	
38	Hariharasubramanian	5,000.00
P	LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE	
39	Jagannathan K	5,000.00
40	Somasundaram M	5,000.00
Q	MEMBERSHIP ADMN FEE	
41	Jagannathan K	100.00
42	Somasundaram M	100.00
R	PROBUS FELLOW FEE	
43	Vivekanandan ASR	15,000.00
GRAND TOTAL		1,43,940

We Wish A Very Happy Birthday To All Probians having Birthdays in April 2020

1	A-0156	01-04-1935	Venkataraman, S.	18	L-165	15-04-1941	Sampath, N.R.
2	PF 10	01-04-1948	Ramalingam K. Dr.	19	A-313	16-04-1933	Ramachandran P.L.
3	L-197	01-04-1937	Venkateswaran, C.N.	20	L-003	18-04-1932	Ramachandran C.
4	L-209	03-04-1954	Sivakumar P.	21	L-187	18-04-1947	Raghavendra Rao J.
5	A-389	04-04-1938	Nagendra Babu, B.	22	A-211	19-04-1939	Ramakrishnan V.
6	L-292	05-04-1923	Sarada Menon M.	23	L-259	19-04-1952	Manoharan S.
7	L-034	06-04-1946	Rasool, S.N.	24	L-111	20-04-1944	Harihara Sarma R.Prof.
8	L-086	06-04-1936	Abdul Khader M.M.	25	A-330	20-04-1947	Sundararajan, R.
9	L-268	07-04-1924	Lakshminarayanan N.	26	A-249	21-04-1942	Natesanarayanan M.R.
10	A-369	07-04-1943	Rajamohan B.	27	L-193	21-04-1941	Lakshminarayanan S.
11	L-321	07-04-1950	Srinivasan S.	28	A-274	24-04-1934	Rajagopalan T.
12	A-0325	08-04-1933	Viswanathan, V.S.	29	L-003	22.04.19	Mrs V.Balambal,
13	L-146A	11-04-1933	Rangabashyam P.G.		L-170	24-04-1944	Dr Rajagopal V.
14	L-002	11-04-1928	Ambrose S.P, I.A.S.	30	L-019	25-04-1939	Kishore R.B.
15	L-060	12-04-1943	Rama Prabhakaran Dr.	31	L-207	27-04-1928	Narayanaswamy, G.
16	L-222	15-04-1938	Venkatesan, R.	32	L-327	28-04-1951	Ashok Kumar S
17	L-064	15-04-1940	Venkatasubramanian,S	33	L-313	28-04-1949	Ravishankar R.V.

A Very Happy Anniversary To All Probians Who Have Wedding Anniversaries During This Period

1	PF-06	04-04-1976	Chidambaram M.	Mrs. Rajareka
2	L-047	06-04-1973	Srinivasan, T.R.	Mrs. M.S. Shantha
3	L-056	07-04-1961	Ramasubramanian, S.	Mrs. R. Jayalakshmi
4	L-188	11-04-1955	Srinivasan, T.G.	Mrs. Rajeswari Srinivasan
5	L-035	15-04-1973	Mohan Sundar Pandian	Mrs. Padmavathy Pandian
6	L-113	15-04-	Doraiswamy P.K.	Mrs. Uma Doraiswamy
7	L-258	15-04-	Uma Doraiswamy	Pn P.K. Doraiswamy
8	L-199A	17-04-1964	Varadarajan, S.V.	Late Shantha Varadarajan
9	L-214	18-04-1960	Duli Chand Jain	Mrs. Anoop Jain
10	L-179	20-04-1972	Lakshmi Natrajan Mrs.	Mr. S. Natrajan
11	L-119	20-04-	Ramesh K.	Mrs. Lalitha Ramesh
12	L-244	21-04-1973	Damodharan A.	Mrs.D.Vijayalakshmi
13	L-112	23-04-1962	Sundaram G. Dr.	Mrs. Lakshmi Sundaram
14	L-289	24-04-1958	Nagendra Prasad C	Mrs. C. Poshpalatha Prasad
15	L-146	28-04-1967	Rajendra Kumar Jalan	Mrs. Anila Jalan
16	L-314	28-04-1975	Venkataraman R	Mrs. Lalitha Venkataraman
17	A-0156	29-04-1963	Venkataraman, S.	Mrs. Bageerathi Venkatraman
18	L-209	29-04-1982	Sivakumar P.	Mrs. Devika Sivakumar
19	L-281	30-04-1979	Madavamoorthy D	Mrs. M. Comady

அப்பாக்களின் பெருமை

லாஸ் ஏஞ்சல்சில் கேசவனுடைய அலைபேசி விடாமல் அடித்தது. சென்னை எண்ணைப் பார்த்த அவன் வெறுப்புடன் எடுத்தான்.

“ஹலோ, ஹூ இஸ் தட்?”

“ஸார், கேசவன் தானே?”

“ஆமாம், என்ன வேணும்?”

“சங்கரா முதியோர் இல்லத்தில் இருந்து பேசறோம்”

“ஓ, இன்னும் பணம் அனுப்பணுமா? போன மாசம்தானே பத்தாயிரம் ரூபாய் அனுப்பினோம்”

“அதில்லை சார், வந்து”

“இதே வேலையாப் போச்சு உங்களுக்கு, பெத்த கடனுக்காக அவர உங்க ஹோம்ல சேத்தோம், சும்மா பணம், பணம்'னு கேட்டா எப்படி? வெளி நாட்டில வேலை செய்ஞ்சா பணம் கொட்டும்'னு நினைச்சிங்களா?”

“அதில்லை சார்”

“பின்ன என்ன, சிக்கிரம் சொல்லுங்க, I have lot of works to do”

“சார், உங்க அப்பா போன வாரம் காலமாயிட்டாரு,”

“சரி, காரியங்களுக்காக தனியா ஒரு லக்ஷம் கொடுத்திருக்கேனே, எரிச்சிங்களா, புதைச்சிங்களா?”

“அதுக்கு அவசியமே இல்ல சார், அவரு உடலையே தானம் பண்ணிட்டாரு, எனவே எந்த செலவும் இல்ல, அது மட்டுமல்ல, அவரு கண்ணு, மூளை என்று உறுப்புகளை தானம் பண்ணினதுக்கு கிட்டத்தட்ட ரூ 5 லக்ஷம் ரூபாய் பேஷன்ட்ஸ் தரப்புல இருந்து டொனேஷன் வந்திருக்கு. ஆக மொத்தம் 6 லக்ஷம் ரூபாயை உங்க அக்கவுண்டுல போடரதுக்கு, ட்டைல்ஸ் வேணும். உடனே அனுப்பறீங்களா...”

ஃபோனை எடுத்து கடுப்படித்தவர் அமைதி!!!.

(எப்பொதும் அப்பா தன் பிள்ளைக்கு நல்லதுதான் செய்வார் என்பது இப்போதாவது உரைத்ததா அந்த மேல்நாட்டு மகனுக்கு)

அனுப்புனர்

Pn K.Panchalan

Vice-President.

PONDICHERRY VISIT



The Theosophical Meeting on Sat. 21st March, 2020 and the Breakfast

Meeting on 28th March 2020 stand **CANCELLED**

as per Govt. Directives.

DATES TO REMEMBER : MARCH 2020

ROTARY MEET:

Two Probus members are invited to attend the weekly Rotary Meeting held every Tuesday at **HYATT Regency at Teynampet** as observers. Those who desire to represent **PROBUS CLUB** of Chennai are requested to contact **Probn.V.Balachander** and get confirmation Contact **+91 99629 01964**. Those who attended may send confirmation to the Secretary / Editor.

✦ 11.04.2020 – EC Meeting : 10.30 AM at Gopalapuram Boys High School, Chennai 86.

✦ 18.04.2020 – Madras Theosophical – Mylapore Lodge Meeting at the venue Karpagavalli Vidyalaya in Mankollai in Mylapore (off East Mada Street)

✦ 25.04.2019 – Breakfast Meet: 8.30 AM at the Russian Centre for Science and Culture.

LIST OF PROBIANS WHO ATTENDED ROTARY CLUB OF MADRAS MEETINGS IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2020

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Probian R.Kalyanasundaram

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