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Tamil Nadu Congress (Farmers wing) said. The farmers said till last year, Tiruchy district had accounted for a samba yield of about 6.5 tonne per hectare. "But due to poor supply and price hike, the yield will be only minimal", Nagarajan said. J Sekar, Joint Director (Agriculture) denied charges of shortage in supply. "So far this month, 1420 tonne of DAP has been supplied and 1234 tonne has been stocked for further distribution. Fertilisers like urea and potash have also been stocked in adequate quantities", Sekar added.

Air India Cancels Flights

Tiruchy: Air India Express cancelled flights in the Chennai-Tiruchy-Kuala Lumpur sector due to crew constraints and inevitable reasons. Passengers booked on the flights have been advised to contact Air India Express or their travel agents for alternate arrangements. ENS

DETAILS OF GROUNDED SERVICES	
■ 07 November: IX 622 - Chennai - Trichy	■ 11 November: IX 622 - Trichy - Kuala Lumpur, IX 621 - Kuala Lumpur - Trichy - Chennai
■ 08 November: IX 622 - Trichy - Kuala Lumpur IX 621 - Kuala Lumpur - Trichy - Chennai	■ 12 November: IX 622 - Chennai - Trichy
■ 10 November: IX 622 - Chennai - Trichy	■ 13 November: IX 622 - Trichy - Kuala Lumpur, IX 621 - Kuala Lumpur - Trichy - Chennai



Dalit Family Seeks Police Protection from Bootlegger

Adhi Thamizhar Peravai has taken up the issue with the concerned authorities

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Tiruchy: Aadhi Thamizhar Peravai, a Dalit outfit, on Friday, submitted a petition with the DSP here, seeking protection from an illicit liquor seller accused in the murder of a woman. As per the petition, the man, Vijayakumar, was buying liquor from TASMACH shops and selling it at Indira Colony in Okkarai village of Thuraiyur. When one of the villagers, Muthulakshmi, objected to the liquor sale in front of her house, Vijayakumar had threatened her many times. On the night of October 7, Vijayakumar, armed with a sickle, knocked and kicked on the door of Muthulakshmi's house. When Muthulakshmi,

her husband Muthusamy, along with their daughter Vennila, opened the door, Vijayakumar tried to assault Muthulakshmi with his sickle. Muthulakshmi ran out of the house to save her life, as Vijayakumar chased her threatening to kill her. **A WOMAN WHO WENT MISSING AFTER SHE WAS THREATENED BY THE ILLICIT LIQUOR SELLER REMAINS UNTRACED AND SUSPECTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED** fore dawn. Muthusamy too followed in search of Muthulakshmi, but was unable to find her.

He filed a complaint with the Thuraiyur Uppilaparam police station, the next day and Vijayakumar was arrested and imprisoned on October 9. Muthulakshmi was not found till date, but the dead body of a woman was found at Kallakurhchi Thalaimaram in Ariyalur district. As the police officials who found the body had buried it after post-mortem, the Aadhi Thamizhar Peravai had submitted a petition with the Ariyalur Tahsildar and police inspector to conduct a re-postmortem. Besides, the district functionaries of the outfit K Cholan and N Malarmanan had submitted a petition with the Tiruchy DSP seeking protection from Vijayakumar, if he managed to secure bail and come out.