

Kovai woman trapped in bitcoin snare, loses ₹70,000; inquiry on

She received message from UK woman, invested ₹5k initially and found ₹2.46 lakh credited

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Coimbatore

A WOMAN in Coimbatore has alleged that she has been cheated of ₹75,000 by an online trader with the bait of bitcoin.

In a complaint T Karthikeyan (29), a hotel employee staying at Parameswaranpalayam near Thondamuthur, that his wife Krithika received a message from a woman named Natasha from UK (the phone number begins with +44 code) who introduced herself as an online investor. She told Krithika, if she invested ₹5,000 in online trading, she would get returns of ₹52,000.

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T Karthikeyan, Husband of complainant

Hoping for a quick profit, Krithika invested the amount online on June 2 and she received bitcoins. Natasha then allegedly asked Krithika to send the bit coins to her to redeem its value in Indian currency and asked to check her profit in cryptoextra.com.

Believing in her, Krithika transferred the bitcoins to Natasha and checked the website and found that ₹ 2.46 lakh had credited in her name.

The suspect again ap-

proached Krithika and asked her to deposit ₹70,000 to release the ₹2.46 lakh. She assured her that the ₹70,000 will be refunded once the process of the money transaction gets completed. Subsequently, she paid ₹70,000 as two installments. However, she failed to give the money and demanded ₹1.5 lakh more to release all money including the initial investment.

Suspecting her, Krithika stopped communicating with her and lodged a complaint

₹1.5 lakh

Krithika paid ₹70,000 to a woman named Natasha from UK for the second time in two installments. However, Natasha failed to give the money and demanded ₹1.5 lakh more to release all money including the initial investment

with Cyber Crime police on Saturday. A case was registered under Section 420 of the IPC and section 66D of IT Act.



LOOKS LIKE A LOCKDOWN

Avinashi road wears a deserted look during the complete lockdown in Coimbatore city on Sunday | U RAKESH KUMAR

Jeyaranjan appointed VC of development council

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@ Chennai

THE State government named economist J Jeyaranjan as Vice Chairman of State Development Policy Council (SDPC) on Sunday. In a statement, Chief Minister M K Stalin also appointed Professor R Srinivasan of the University of Madras as a full-time member of SDPC, a body tasked with guiding the government while making policies in sectors like agriculture and industry. This apart, he nominated eight persons as part-time members of SDPC. They are experts in various domains.

The part-time members are: M Vijayabaskar, Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies; retired IAS officer K Deenabandu; Dr Sultan Ahmed Ismail, Director Ecoscience Research Foundation and former Head of Department of Biotechnology,

New College, Chennai; Dr G Sivaraman, Siddha Physician; Narthaki Nataraj, Bharatanatyam dancer; Mallika Srinivasan, MD of Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited; Dr J Amalorpavanathan, activist and retired Professor of Madras Medical College; and T R B Raja, MLA, Mannargudi.

Origin of the body

The State Planning Commission was formed by M Karunanidhi on May 25, 1971. It acted as an advisory body guiding policy coherence and launching of new programmes for the development of the State. After the Union government scrapped the planning commission, the State, in 2017, announced the formation of SDPC. In May last year, the government notified SDPC and appointed former AIADMK minister Ponnaiyan as its vice chairman. After the government change, he resigned.

CM to open Mettur dam on June 12

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@ Salem

CHIEF Minister M K Stalin is likely to release water from the Mettur dam for irrigation in the delta region on June 12, according to officials. The sluice gates of the dam is typically opened on June 12 every year and the water is released until January 28 in the next year. Officials told TNIE that the Chief Minister may also inaugurate the additional 500 oxygen-supported beds at Salem Steel Plant, which is expected to be completed in the next two days, is being monitored by Salem North MLA R Rajendran.

The water level at Mettur dam stood at 96.83 ft against its full capacity of 120 ft on Sunday. The storage was at 60.80 TMC against its full capacity 93.47 TMC.

3 held for smuggling liquor from Karnataka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Coimbatore/Salem

A 30-YEAR-OLD man from Tenkasi was arrested by the Sullur police for allegedly smuggling liquor bottles from Karnataka. Police seized 461 liquor bottles and ₹2.75 lakh cash along with a container lorry from him.

The suspect — S Gandhi (30) from Sokkampatti village — was caught in his lorry near Sullur by a special team. Police said he used to deliver furniture from Coimbatore to other places and recently he was delivering to Bengaluru. He purchased liquor from shops in Karnataka and took smuggled them via Hosur, Krishnagiri, Salem and Erode, revealed sources. He had planned on selling them for a higher price and while routing to Coimbatore, he had sold some to other districts, added the police.

Meanwhile in Salem, two persons were arrested on Sunday for selling liquor smuggled from Karnataka. During a vehicle check on Etteri Road, Hasthampatti police intercepted a biker, Hariharasudhan (46) of Kannururichi, and found that he had 118 liquor bottles that were smuggled from Karnataka. The police booked Hariharasudhan and seized the liquor bottles and the bike.

On Saturday, railway police found a passenger at Salem Railway Junction carrying 123 liquor bottles smuggled from Karnataka by train. The passenger, Vijay (30) of Attur, was later handed over to the Steel Plant PEW police, who registered a case. Further probe is on.

Homage paid to jawan killed in accident

Dharmapuri: Collector S Dhivadarshini on Sunday paid homage to a jawan from Palacode who died in a vehicle accident while on duty in Jammu and Kashmir. The remains of S Boopathi (27), who died last week, was brought to his native in Kamalpatti village and buried with military honours.

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2	HOSUR [TN]	GOPAL P	920060005442578	136400.00	30-04-21	54.5
3	SALEM [TN]	HARIPRIYA VEERAJU	921060050814293	111656.51	16-04-21	37.9
4	HOSUR [TN]	GOPAL P	920060013562228	103000.00	30-04-21	41.2
5	HOSUR [TN]	VIJAYAKUMAR SANGARAPILLAI	919060058870005	70967.76	27-10-20	27.8
6	TIRUCHENGODE [TN]	S PRABAKARAN	920060020562848	68423.00	10-05-21	23.5
7	TIRUCHENGODE [TN]	MURUGAN SELAMBAN	920060019258523	67538.00	10-05-21	22.6
8	HOSUR [TN]	SIDDHARTHAN G	919060011741113	56938.00	02-10-20	17

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