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Burial ground at Mink Shola being encroached upon

Udhagamandalam: The Public Awareness Association of Udhagamandalam has expressed concern over the escalating environmental problems created by the wastes from road side tea shops and eateries.

In a letter sent to the Commissioner, Udhagamandalam Municipality, the Secretary of the association G. Janardhanan said that the effluents were mingling with the stormwater and forming puddles. In course of time they become a major health hazard.

Silt

Since the work on removing silt from storm water drains is carried out in an haphazard manner the purpose is often defeated. As a result they become breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

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Regretting that encroachments were are proliferating inside the burial ground at Mink Shola near here,he regretted that steps are not being taken to evict the encroachers. On the contrary they are being encouraged by local politicians who are also threatening those in charge of the burial ground. Stating that denial of proper facilities to bury the dead is tantamount to violation of human rights, he underscored the need to fence the entire burial ground. Adverting to the recent death of boy studying in a private school here, Mr. Janardhanan said that the authorities concerned should ensure that the highest priority is accorded to the health of the students. Before admitting the students their health status should be verified.