

Little drops of condensate ...

... may make a mighty ocean that could help our country to manage its water resources more efficiently, says this Tiruchi-based academic

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Dr. Senthikumar Sadasivam, associate professor at the PG & Research Department of Biotechnology, National College in Tiruchi, is researching potential uses of recycled air-conditioner condensate water. He is seen holding a beaker of condensate collected at the college lab which is used instead of distilled water. Photo: M. Srinath

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