

LOCAL BODY ELECTIONS

# 10.5L voters to exercise franchise in Kurnool

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DISTRICT Collector G Veera Pandiyan has said that as per the State Election Commission notification, the elections for Kurnool Municipal Corporation, seven municipalities and a nagara panchayat will be conducted in Kurnool district.

Addressing media along with Superintendent of Police Dr Fakkeerappa Kagineelli and District Deputy Election Officer Kalpana Kumari at the Collector's Conference Hall here on Monday, Veera Pandian said with the issuing of notification, the model code of conduct has come into effect immediately in the district. The collector said urban local body elections would be conducted for Kurnool Municipal Corporation along with Nandyal, Adoni, Yemmignoor, Dhone, Nandikotkur, Atmakur and Allagadda municipalities and Gudur Nagara Panchayat.

He said the nominations can be withdrawn up to 3 pm on March 3. According to the schedule, the urban local body election would be conducted on March 10, he said and added the Election Commission would decide on re-polling, if necessary, on March 13 and the counting of votes would start on March 14 from 8.00 am. As many as 5,14,555 male and 5,33,628 female and 300 third



District Collector G Veera Pandiyan along with Superintendent of Police Dr Fakkeerappa Kagineelli and District Deputy Election Officer Kalpana Kumari addressing media at the Collector's Conference Hall in Kurnool on Monday

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● Superintendent of Police Dr Fakkeerappa Kagineelli says strict vigil has been kept on the strangers and anti-social elements 6,207 staff deployed for the elections

genders, altogether 10,48,483 voters would exercise their franchise in the election, the collector said. The district has around 302 wards, 80 routes, 39 sectors of the 979 polling stations, 302 hyper-sensitive, 288 sensitive and 389 normal polling stations. Strict measures would be initiated to prevent violation of model of conduct through video

graphing and web casting, he made it clear. A total number of 6,207 staff that includes 92 Returning Officers (ROs), Additional ROs 77, Assistant ROs 134, Presiding Officers 1,179, Assistant Presiding Officers 1,179 and Polling Officers 3,849 would discharge duties at the urban local bodies' elections. He appealed to voters to exercise

their franchise in a free and fair manner without any fear.

Superintendent of Police Dr Fakkeerappa Kagineelli said the election code would be in force at Kurnool Municipal Corporation and Nandyal, Adoni, Yemmignoor, Dhone, Nandikotkur, Atmakur and Allagadda Municipalities besides Gudur Nagara Panchayat. Entry and exit check posts have been set up at the urban local body elections.

Strict vigil has been kept on the strangers and anti-social elements. Special police bando bast has been made at the sensitive and hyper-sensitive areas besides filing bind over cases on the problematic persons, stated the SP. District Deputy Election Officer (DDEO) and Nandyal Sub-Collector Kalpana Kumari were also present in the press conference.

## Political activity picks up pace in Anantapur after SEC notification

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ANANTAPUR

WITH the State Election Commission issuing notification for the urban local body polls, there is a sudden spurt in political activity and many aspirants representing main political parties, the TDP and YSRCP going into a huddle with supporters. The homes of ex-councillors and corporators and fresh aspirants have become a beehive of activity. The Election Commission notification enthused political parties as the local body elections are fought on party and political lines.

There are eight municipalities and three Nagara Panchayats in the district. In all, there are 358 municipal wards for which 2,536 nominations had been filed in March 2020 and just at a time when the date of withdrawal of nominations was to expire on March 16, 2020, the SEC announced postponement of elections abruptly in the middle of election process.

Hindupur municipality has 38 wards for which 360 nomi-

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nations had been filed, Dharmavaram 40 wards and 241 nominations had been filed. Tadipatri with 36 wards received 230 nominations, Guntakal with 37 wards got 234 nominations. Kadiri with 36 wards received 270 nominations and Gooty with 25 wards got 121 nominations. Rayadurgam with 32 wards got 166 nominations and Kalyandurgam with 24 wards got 184 nominations and Puttaparthi and Madakasira with 20 wards each received 118 and 96 nominations respectively.

Anantapur Municipal Corporation and Hindupur Municipality were ruled by TDP in the

past. EX-MLAs of TDP are holding emergency sessions with supporters to determine candidates within their Assembly constituency domain. TDP of course for some time had been holding parleys expecting civic body elections anytime after panchayat polls and had been working out strategies to win civic body polls believing that urban voters will definitely be with the TDP as the party enjoys more urban support when compared to rural centric YSRCP. Political climate in the district suddenly is heating up.

Meanwhile, Collector Gandham Chandrudu told 'The Hans India' that the model code of conduct will come into immediate effect with the SEC releasing notification for the civic polls, picking up from where it stopped during last year March 15. According to the latest guidelines, those who want to withdraw from the electoral fray must come in person to effect withdrawal from contest and third-party withdrawal application will not be entertained.



TDP sarpanch aspirant's husband Bathina Loknath injured in attack by the YSRCP men at Atikalagundu village in Pathikonda constituency on Sunday late night during canvassing

## Tension grips Nalakadoddi as TDP, YSRCP men clash

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TENSION prevailed at Nalakadoddi village in Pathikonda constituency on Sunday late night when the supporters of YSRCP and TDP clashed with each other during canvassing for sarpanch elections.

In the clash, one Bathina Loknath, the husband of sarpanch aspirant, was injured. The cops of Pathikonda police station on learning about the incident immediately rushed to the village and took stock of the situation.

According to information, one Bathina Hemavathi of Nalka Doddi village is contesting for sarpanch post on TDP banner. Her husband Bathina Loknath accompanied with some villagers has gone to Atikalagundu village for canvassing on Sunday night. Atikalagundu is a majra village with which sarpanch would be single to both villages (Nalakadoddi and Atikala-

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● During canvassing, the YSRCP men warn them to go back else they will face dire consequences

attack of YSRCP men. Bathina Loknath, speaking to media personnel, said they were peacefully urging voters to support the candidature of a sarpanch aspirant.

In the meantime, Bobby Reddy and his associates intercepted and threatened us to leave from the village immediately. Before we could convince them to leave in some time, they attacked us and injured several people, including me, alleged Bathina Loknath.

Based on the complaint of Loknath, Pathikonda police registered a case. The women, who also participated in the canvassing, alleged the YSRCP men were threatening everyone. They have also injured women despite their repeated requests to set them free. The women alleged the YSRCP men have taken 4 cell phones and a woman has lost 2 grams of gold chain.

The third phase of polling is likely to start in the constituency on February 17.



Lions Club district chairman K V Ramana inaugurating the NCLP school at Rudrampet bypass in Anantapur on Monday

## Chittoor mayor post reserved for SC category

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CHITTOOR

WITH State Election Commission issuing of notification for urban local body polls, Municipal Commissioner P Viswanath said that election model code has come into force with immediate effect. As per the SEC instructions, all the flexi boards were removed and the idols of political leaders were covered with masks.

He said the elections would be held for 50 divisions and the Mayor post of Chittoor Municipal Corporation was reserved for SC category and added voters' list was updated and reservation of wards has been completed. He said that there would be no deviation in the implementation of all the ongoing welfare schemes. He reiterated that no civic employee should take part in political meets and added that no permission would be accorded for any employee for exempting the election duty. Town planning officer Nagendra and others were present.

## PM announces ex gratia for kin of Veldurthi victims

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AMARAVATI

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi has approved ex-gratia for the victims of the road accident in Veldurthi in Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh, which claimed 14 lives. In a tweet, the Prime Minister Office said here on Monday that "An ex-gratia of Rs 2 lakh each from Prime Minister's National Relief Fund would be given to the next of kin of those who have lost their lives due to the unfortunate road accident in Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh. Rs 50,000 would be given to those seriously injured."



## 4 civic bodies to go for polls in Nellore

NELLORE

AS the State Election Commission issued notification on Monday for conducting municipal polls, District Collector K V N Chakradhar Babu said the elections would be conducted for Atmakur, Naidupet, Venkatagiri and Sullurpet municipalities. Addressing the officials at Tikkana Bhavan at the Collectorate on the elections along with the observer P Basant Kumar, the collector said the election code will be in force from Monday itself. Election notification has not been given for Gudur and Kavali municipalities and in Nellore Corporation.

The Collector appreciated the efforts of administration for conducting the first and second phase of Panchayat polls in the district successfully. He said third phase of polls will be held for Naidupet and Gudur divisions on February 17 and fourth phase of polls on February 21 in Nellore division.

He said the State Election Commission directed to admit the recounting requests only within 15 minutes of completion of counting for one time and there would be no chance for the second recounting. They are arranging webcasting in 100 polling stations in Gudur and 50 stations in Naidupet.

## TTD to develop Veda pathasala in Keesaragutta

TIRUMALA

AFTER his inspection at TTD Veda Pathashala in Keesaragutta, near Hyderabad on Monday, EO Dr K S Jawahar Reddy instructed the engineering officials concerned to send proposals to take up the development works of the Vedic institution to improve facilities to cope with the increased strength of students in the Veda pathasala. Earlier, Vedapathasala Principal D Mallikarjuna Avadani informed EO that the hostel facility in the Pathasala is sufficient to accommodate only 40 pupils whereas there are 120 students studying at present in Veda Pathashala at Keesaragutta stressing the need of construction additional rooms to cope with the increased strength of students. He also sought EO for construction of a compound wall directly required to prevent wild animals straying into Yagashala and Vedapathashala premises for the safety of teachers and students.

The EO directed the officials concerned to send a detailed proposal immediately to take up the development works without any delay. Later the vedic students brought to



TTD EO Dr K S Jawahar Reddy inspecting TTD Veda Pathashala in Keesaragutta, near Hyderabad on Monday

the notice of TTD EO that though they have become accomplished pundits after pursuing eight years Vedic course in TTD, they are denied employment in Vedic related posts by the Endowments Department of Telangana State. The EO told them that he will definitely discuss the issue in the ensuing TTD Trust Board Meeting which is slated on February 27 to take it to the notice of the Telangana government.

The EO had darshan of Sri Ramalingeswara Swamy in Keesaragutta temple. TTD EO also visited TTD

Information Centre, Kalyana Mandapam, Guest House, Dining Hall which are under renovation in the centre at Himayat Nagar area of Hyderabad city. The officials concerned informed the EO that the works will be completed by this April. Later he also visited the SVBC Studio, HDPP Office and interacted with the employees in the city. Medchal Malkajiri Additional Joint Collector Vidyasagar, TTD DyEE Nagaraju, AEO C Naik, AEO Ramesh, Manager of Kalyana Mandapam Ramesh were also present.

## Five arrested for ganja smuggling

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NELLORE

POLICE arrested five persons involved in ganja smuggling in the city on Monday and recovered 4.250 kg of ganja from them. According to Vedayapalem police, Bhaskar, who resides in Bujabuja Nellore, has been trading ganja as he was getting it from Visakhapatnam and East Godavari districts.

Police, on a tip-off, conducted raids on the secret point located in the same area close to Technology Bhavan on Monday and apprehended Kudicheti Usha, Kamala Vinay, Arava Samprath, Konda Praveen, and SK Khaleel belong to various parts of the city while they were shifting the stocks. Vedayapalem Circle Inspector P Ramakrishna, SI B Lakshmana Rao, Nellore rural Tahsildar, and others participated in the raids. Vedayapalem police registered a case under respective sections.

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**CHANGE OF NAME**

I, GANGICHETTY KIRTHI KALYAN (old name), R/o. H.No.46-1-M-20B-2A, Chanikayuri Colony, Kurnool Dist., A.P. have changed my name as **GANGICHETTY KIRTHI KALYAN** (New Name). (TH\_01\_041)

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