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Instagram, the 'Airlift' actress, on Thursday.

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Siddaramaiah shuts leadership

change buzz BENGALURU: Amid swirling

speculation over a leadership change in Karnataka, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said that he will remain in office for a full five-year term and lead Congress into 2028 polls. Firmly denying speculations, Siddaramaiah said that there was no truth in the reports that the Congress high command had asked him to step down or make way for Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar. "I will be Chief Minister for five years," he said. "I've already made it very clear. I made this statement on July 2 also. Shivakumar was also there on that day." Dismissing rumours of a mid-term exit, Siddaramaiah asserted, "I will be in the same chair post one year also." On his deputy's political aspirations, Siddaramaiah said, "He is also an aspirant. There is nothing wrong with that. Shivakumar has himself said this that 'kursi abhi khali nahi hai'."

Rejecting claims of internal instructions or timelines decided by the high command for leadership rotation, Siddaramaiah said, "Two and a half years was never decided. It is not correct. What the high command told us is that whatever decision they take, we have to follow it. Mallikariun Kharge has already said that ours is a high command party. Whatever they say, we have to follow. I will, and DK Shivakumar also will."

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Shaping future of students collective responsibility: CM

HANS NEWS SERVICE Puttaparthi

CHIEF Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Thursday stated that the responsibility of shaping a child's future lies not just with schools, but with every stakeholder - teachers, parents, and the state alike. It is a collective responsibility, he added.

Attending the second edition of the mega Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM 2.0) at the Zilla Parishad High School in Kothacheruvu in the district, the Chief Minister gave priority to spend time with students, interacting with them. Schools, he said, are the 'modern-day temples' of society - and it is the duty of every citizen to safeguard and strengthen them.

Organised on the occasion of Guru Pournima, the PTM 2.0 brought together an unprecedented 2.28 crore participants across 61,000 institutions - an event the CM suggested may well qualify for global records.

Reflecting on the previous year's success when the first PTM was held across 44,000 government schools, the Chief Minister noted that this year's effort included private schools



Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu becomes Social Science teacher for a class in Kothacheruvu ZP high school in Satyasai district during a mega Parent-Teacher Meeting on Thursday

too - a testament to the inclusive vision of the government. He cited examples like Nellore, where government school seats were full with 'No Vacancy' boards, as a sign of rising trust in public educa-Further, Naidu praised the 'Shining Stars Awards' to recognize high-performing

students, with plans to ensure they receive admission into colleges of their choice. These steps reflect a long-term vision to prepare students for the knowledge-driven future

that lies ahead, he added. Reaffirming the government's commitment to strengthening the teaching workforce, the Chief Minister recalled that one of the coalition government's first decisions was to sign on a Mega DSC to fill 16,347 teacher posts. All selected candidates are expected to complete training and report to their schools by August. He said that under his leadership, Andhra Pradesh has conducted 12 DSC recruitments, system, he added. appointing a total of 1.66 lakh

teachers- a stark contrast to the previous administration, which failed to issue even a single notification in five years. He criticised the former regime for causing unnecessary confusion with promises like TOEFL coaching and IB syllabi, none of which were fulfilled. In contrast, the current government has ensured transparent teacher transfers and is open to continuous suggestions from both parents and educators to improve the

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Lokesh turns pupil in Naidu Sir's class for VIII std students No student keen on taking up politics as a career

PUTTAPARTHI: Commemorating Guru Purnima as part of the Parents-Teachers Meet (PTM) 2.0, Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu donned the role of a teacher in the ZP High School at Kothacheruvu near here on Thursday, while HRD Minister Nara Lokesh was among the students attending the class. Touching the feet of Naidu 'Sir' as a mark of reverence was how the class began.

Later, the Chief Minister interacted with students of eighth class and taught them Social Science for 45 minutes, including conventional and non-conventional resources, fuel, power generation, water resources and technology. Later, he questioned students on the subject.

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SC PERMITS EC TO PROCEED WITH BIHAR VOTER ROLL REVISION ASKS EC TO CONSIDER AADHAAR, **VOTER ID, RATION CARDS TOO**

HANS NEWS SERVICE New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday refused to stop the Election Commission of India (ECI) from proceeding with the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar, where assembly elections are due.

A Bench of Justices Sudhanshu Dhulia and Joymalya Bagchi asked the poll body to consider Aadhaar, voter ID and ration cards for the purpose of updating the rolls but left it to the discretion of the ECI whether to accept or reject them.

The Bench said this after Senior Advocate Rakesh Dwivedi, appearing for the ECI, submitted that the list of 11 documents to be considered for the revision exercise is not exhaustive. The court directed that the matter be listed for hearing again on July 28, before the draft roll is published. Intensive revision refers to

the de novo preparation of the electoral roll from scratch through personal, house-tohouse field verification by electoral registration officers. **Continued on Page 7**



Apex court has 'serious doubts' on Bihar SIR

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court has expressed "serious doubts" over the Election Commission's plan to hold a 'special intensive revision' (SIR) of Bihar's electoral rolls months before the Assembly election. The Apex court told the poll panel, "Your exercise is not the problem... it is the timing. We have serious doubts if you can manage this exercise. With such a big population (an estimated eight crore people) being subject to this 'intensive review', is it possible to link this to the forthcoming election?" **Continued on Page 7**



'TODAY'S INDIA NOT INDIA OF 1975' **Tharoor calls** Emergency 'dark chapter CONG MP FROM KERALA

tion.

India achieves 4K percent growth in solar capacity Goyal says focus is on supply chain resilience

New Delhi

INDIA'S installed solar capacity has grown by an unprec-



ment. Goyal cited Palli village in Jammu and Kashmir, which has become the country's first carbon-neutral panchayat usng solar power and energy ef-

ficiency measures. The IESW

WASHINGTON AN American man's racist

attempt to single out Indian-

Americans on social media

backfired when Elon Musk's



KAPIL CHITS SMALL SAVINGS GROW BIG WITH KAPIL

Delhi tremors as 4.4 quake hits Haryana

NEW DELHI: Strong earthquake tremors were felt in Delhi and the National Capital Region (NCR) on Thursday morning. The tremors hit at 9.04 am and lasted for a few seconds. According to the National Centre for Seismology, a 4.4 magnitude earthquake hit Haryana's Jhajjar at 9.04 am. It is part of the National Capital Region and is located nearly 60 kilometres from Delhi. Tremors jolted Delhi, Noida, Ghaziabad, Gurugram and Faridabad in the NCR. The tremors were also felt in Sonipat, Rohtak and Hisar in Haryana. People took to earthquake tremors in their homes or neighbourhoods.





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NEW DELHI: Congress MP

Shashi Tharoor has once again found himself in a delicate position within his party amid buzz over rift within the party leadership. In an article published in Malayalam daily Deepika, Tharoor called the

1975 Emergency imposed under then-Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, as a "dark chapter" in India's history. He highlighted specific instances

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of authoritarian excess during an article on the Emergency, party the Emergency, particularly focusing on Sanjay Gandhi's leader Manickam Tagore controversial forced sterilion Thursday said when zation campaigns. "Sanjay a colleague starts re-Gandhi, the son of Indira peating BJP lines word Gandhi, led forced sterilisafor word, one begins to wonder whether "the bird tion campaigns which became a notorious example of this. is becoming a parrot". In poor rural areas, violence Tharoor has said that the Emergency should not be and coercion were used to meet arbitrary targets. In remembered merely as cities like New Delhi, slums a dark chapter in India's were mercilessly demolished history, but that its lessons and cleared. must be fully understood. **Continued on Page 7 Continued on Page 7**

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Addressing the 11th India Energy Storage Week (IESW) in the capital on Thursday, Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said

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India may well be the first G20 nation to have achieved its Nationally Determined Contributions under the Paris Agree-

Yashobhoomi, he venue, pointed out, is itself designed as a sustainable complex with rooftop solar panels, waste-

water treatment and energyefficient infrastructure.

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OMANJUL

AI chatbot Grok shut down the allegation with a databacked reply. A user asked Grok: "Hey @grok what demographic in America is the biggest problem based on your GODOO @MANJULtoons

expert analysis?" Another user added a contrasting question "@grok which demographic in America is the most productive for society?"

Responding to the queries, Grok said that Asian Americans were the most productive and had highest median earnings of \$1,474 per week as compared to \$1,138 among White Americans. It also added that Asian Americans had the lowest unemployment (3%), and over 5x more likely to

innovate per studies. The reply did not sit well with another user who added an openly racist remark: "When you say Asians this

ans, who are actually the top earners among them-median household income over \$150K, driving innovation in tech and business. Calling them 'cancer' says more about your biases than reality. Truth hurts, huh? AI chatbot Grok

No. 'Asians' in US

stats includes Indi-

excludes Indians right? They are a cancer." Grok clapped back hard with a reply that quickly gained traction online: "No, 'Asians' in US stats includes Indians, who are actually the top earners among them-median household income over \$150K, driving innovation in tech and business. Calling them 'cancer' says more about your biases than reality. Truth hurts, huh?"

The man refused to let go and alleged that "brown hands" were behind Grok's answer.

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Big move to check inflated hospital bills due to insurers: Report

HANS NEWS SERVICE New Delhi

THE Union government plans to bring the existing health insurance claims portal under the Finance ministry and insurance regulator to curb overcharging by healthcare providers, source said. The move follows detailed data analysis and inspections that revealed hospitals rather than insurers — are inflating treatment costs to match policy coverage limits. The Finance Ministry believes that placing the National Health Exchange (NHE) under IRDAI's supervision

Govt finds hospitals inflating bills based on policy limits





Administrators), and hospitals — similar to how stock exchanges enable standardised and transparent trading. Healthcare costs in India are projected to rise by 13

percent in 2025, exceeding the global average of 10 percent, and up from 12 percent recorded a year earlier, according to professional services firm Aon's Global Medical

Trend Rates Report. An analysis by the government and the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) found that hospitals are inflating treatment costs

for patients and overcharging those with higher covers, the sources said earlier this week.

This has driven insurers to charge higher health premiums, making coverage less affordable for some, the sources said, requesting anonymity as they are not authorised to speak to the media.

"Strict supervision" of the National Health Claims Exchange - the platform that acts as a gateway between insurers, healthcare providers and patients - will improve the "collective bargaining power"

of insurance companies to set treatment rates, the sources said.Currently, the exchange is overseen by the health ministry's National Health Authority and was developed in "consultation" with the insurance regulator, according to the authority's website. IRDAI does not regulate the health exchange but regulates insurers on the platform.

Annual growth in health insurance premium income has slowed to 9% in 2024-25 from over 20% a year ago, according to industry data, as premiums become unaffordable for many, leading to fewer policy renewals.

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CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA सेन्ट्रल बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया DA Branch .DR NO. 12-05-55 .GMDR SESH MAHAL PLAZA .IST FLOOR Central Bank of India

[RULE – 8 (1)]POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) Vhere as, the undersigned being the authorized officer of the CENTRAL BANK OF INDI inder the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of ecurity Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a deman notice dated 22/04/2025 calling upon the borrowers Borrower- Mr. Naseer Pattan S/O lussain Khan, H.No.18-13-39/A, Syed khan Street, Chinna Bazar, Guntur-522003 Co. Borrower- Mr. Pattan Farjana, H.No. 18-13-39/A, Syed khan Street, Chinna Bazar, Guntu 522003 Guanrantor- Mr. Patan Mahaboob Khan, Flat No.101, Ground Floor, Umes omplex, Veternary Hospital road, West Ibrahimpatnam, Ibrahimpatnam, Krishna dis 521456 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 21,91,400.51 /- (Rupee Twenty One Lakh Ninety One Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty One Paisa Only)and terest and other charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the orrowers, guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taker ossession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on hem under sub section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the security interes Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 05-07-2025.

The borrowers and guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby autioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of theCentral Bank of India, VIJAYAWADA Branch for an amount Rs 21,91,400.51 /- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Ninety One Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty One Paisa Only) and interst and other charges incurred thereon. The borrowers attentio s invited to provisons of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets]

Description Of The Immovable Property

Schedule A: All that part and parcel of property consisting of an undivided share of 55.21 Sq. Yards or 41.16 Sq.mts out of 3312.65 Sq.Yards or 2769.8 Sq. mts of site along with Flat therein in Survey Rs.no.186/1C of ibrahimpatnam Village and Panchayat within the urisdiction Sub Registrar ibrahimpatnam, Revenue District of Krishna being bounded by East: Property of Battula Subba Rao and Others, West: Property of Smt Palaboina Suguna etc, North: Property of Smt Galam Padmavathi South: Property sold by Sri Raavi Krishn ao to others and road

Schedule B:RS.No.186/1C Flat No.501 in the fourth floor in Brundavanam Block -A go instructed in the entire site shown in A Schedule above bounded by East:Commo Corridor, West: Open to Sky, North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky As per Sale deed do No.4828/2021 dt 08/09/2021

Sd/-Authorised Officer, Central Bank of India ate : 05 -07-2025, Place: VIJAYAWAD



1 ⁵⁷ AUCTION DATE : 22-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am Auction Center : Subbammadevi High school Road,	
Opp : ZED LABS, R.R.Pet, Eluru – 534002.	

2ND AUCTION DATE : 23-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am. ter : Head Office100 Feet Road, Auto Nagar, Vijayawa

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1^{sr} AUCTION DATE : 24-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am Auction Center : # 48-8-23/1, Lalitha Plaza, 1st Floor, Behind Boy London Shop , Dwaraka Nagar, Visakhapatnam-530018, 2ND AUCTION DATE : 25-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am. nter : Head Office100 Feet Road, Auto Nagar, Vijayawa

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M/s Ramachandra Petroleum, Represented by its Prop: Smt Chimata Revathi, Opp to IOC, Surareddypalem, Prakasam Dist. Smt Chimata Revathi, W/o Chimata Kishore, D No: 7192, Opp: Power

Office & Salbaba Temple, Singarayakonda – 523101, Prakasam Dist. Sri Chimata Kishore, S/o C Ramachandraiah, D No: 7192 Opp: Powe

Office & Saibaba Temple, Singarayakonda – 523101, Prakasam Dist. Smt Chimata Nageswaramma, W/o C Ramachandraiah, D No: 7192 Opp Power Office & Saibaba Temple, Singarayakonda - 523101, Prakasam Dis

ear Sir/Madam SUB: Notice for exercising the right of redemption under Section 13 (8) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement

of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, ARM Branch, Tirupati (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Act do hereby issue this notice, under Section 13(8) of the Act read with Rule 8(6) of the OADT CAL Product and the Act read with Rule 8(6) of As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand

Notices, under Section 13(2) of the Act, on 20.11.2018 to the borrower/firm M/s Ramachandra Petroleum, the mortgagor and the guarantors (above mentioned names), demanding to pay an amount of Rs.1,07,07,348.97/-Rupees One crore seven lakhs seven thousand three hundred forty eight and paisa ninety seven only) and interest stated thereon within 60 days from the ate of receipt of the said notice.

Since, the Borrower / Firm, the mortgagor and the Guarantor (above nentioned names) having failed to repay the amount mentioned in the above said emand notice, the Authorized Officer under Section 13(4) of the Act had taken ymbolic/physical possession of the secured assets described in the Possession Votice dated 05.11.2019. Further, the said symbolic possession notice was duly bublished in Sakshi and The Hans India Newspapers on 08.11.2019. To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of

ARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redee eclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, wi days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of Rs. 305,89,973,531-(Rupees Three cores five lakhs eighty nine thousand nine hundred seventy three and paisa fifty three only) as on 30.06.2025, plus subsequent interest, costs and expenses in full, failing which the sale notice will be published in the newspaper specifying one of the following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets:

(a) By obtaining quotations from the persons dealing with similar secured assets or otherwise interested in buying assets; or (b) By inviting tenders from he public; or (c) By holding public auction including through e-auction mode; or (d) By private treaty. As per Section 13 (8) of the SARFAESI Act, you are entitled to redeem the secured Assets at any time before the date of publication of sale otice in the news papers, failing which your right to redeem the property as per Section 13(8) shall stand extinguished. This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the Bank under the subject Act/ or any other law in force. Date: 04.07.2025, Place: Tirupati Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank



NOTICE TO THE BORROWER INFORMING ABOUT SALE (30 DAYS NOTICE) RULE 6(2)/RULE 8(6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

(RULE 6(2)/RULE 8(6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002) Borrower(s)/Co-obligant(s)/Mortgagor(s)/Guarantor(s): 1. Mr. Bobba Mukesh, S/o B. Seetha Rama Chakravarthy, H.No. 8/333-A2, Opp. Goutham School, Santhi Nagar, Gudivada, Krishna Dt., AP-521321. 2. Mr. Bobba Mukesh, S/o B Seetha Rama Chakravarthy, C/o Yarlagadda Srimannarayana, D.No. 8/274, Sunkara Vari Thota, Venkatapuram, Eluru, AP - 534001. 3. Mr. Yarlagadda Srimannarayana, S/o Y. Venkateswara Rao, D.No. 8/274, Sunkara Vari Thota, Venkatapuram, Eluru, AP - 534001. Mr. Bobba Seetha Rama Chakravarthy, S/o B Nagabhushanam, H.No /333-A2, Opp. Goutham School, Santhi Nagar, Gudivada, Krishna Dist, AP

Sub-Sale of property belonging to you for realization of amount due to Union Bank of India, Gudivada Branch (55340) under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act (Act 54 of 2002) Herein after Called As SARFAESI Act-8 (6 Caution Notice.

Whereas you have defaulted to pay the amount due from you in spite o demand made by me/Bank through Demand Notice U/s 13(2) dated 06.01.2025.

Ub.01.2025. The Authorized Officer, in exercise of the powers conferred under the above Act, taken possession of the below mentioned property on 26.03.2025. Even after taking possession of the property, you have not paid the amount due from you to Union Bank of India, Gudivada Branch (55340). As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property b e-auction after 30 days from the date of this notice. The Reserve Price fixed or the sale of below mentioned property is of Rs. 38,00,000/- (Rupees Thirt

Eight Lakhs only). The date and time of auction and the details of the service provider shall be informed through a Sale Notice which shall be issued separately, and the roperty would be sold to the person who offers highest price.

Since, the properties may be sold by private sale also or obtaining quotations from persons also, subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the bank and intending purchaser.

If you have any such proposal of selling the property to any person by

private sale or by getting quotation, the same may be communicated to m within seven days from the date of receipt of this notice.

Failing which it will be construed that you have no such proposal and will proceed with sale of property by E-Auction. Please note that you may redeem the property on payment of entire amount due as specified in the Demand Notice dated 06.01.2025 with subsequent interest thereon along with cost and expenses incurred by the bank till date on or before the date of publication of notice for E-Auction, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redee your property as Stipulated in sec. 13 (8) of the Act.

VISION 2047

Focus on inter-departmental coordination: Collector

COLLECTOR AS DINESH KUMAR CHAIRS A COORDINATION MEETING WITH OFFICIALS

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

SECOND PUBLIC NOTICE

Under Section 3 (E) of NH Act, 1956 For Land owners / Persons interested therein for Payment o

Compensation amount and Delivery of possession of land acquired for construction of a National Highway "Krishnapatnam Port Package-3" Kind attention of all landowners / interested persons is invited to the Publi Notice Published in the following Newspapers informing them regarding:

Announcement of Award;

* Calling upon them to collect the compensation amount within period of 60 days; and

· Requesting the landowners to handover the possession of the subject land to the undersigned

S. No.	Names of Newspaper in which published	Date of Newspaper
1	Prajasakthi (Telugu)	07.05.2025
2	The Hans India (English)	07.05.2025

The prescribed time of 60 days has expired on 06.07.2025 The Compensation amount in respect of Landowners who had furnishe

their Bank Account details has been credited to their respective accounts Further, cheque payments have also been made to those who approached this during this period. As regards the payment of the compensation amount to the balance landowners, they are again advised to approach this office for getting their payments at the earliest as the amount already stands tendered vide Public Notice dated 29.04.2025

Accordingly, all the landowners / interested persons shown below are ereby called upon to hand over the possession of the acquired land to the undersigned immediately, failing which the same shall be taken with the Police assistance in accordance with sub-section (2) of Section 3 (E) of the NHAct, 1956

SI. No.		Extent under acquisition in Acs	Amount of Compensation Awarded	Name of the Awardees
1	321/1A2	0.08	274196	Smt Nara Viajayalakshm W/o Janardhan
2		0.094	322960	Smt Nara Viajayalakshm W/o Janardhan
3	321/1A2	0.17	583567	Sri Srungavarapu Venu Vara Prasad S/o Subramaneswara Rao
4	352/2	0.29	1549391	Sri Tinnelapudi Venkata Seshaiah S/o Venkataiah
5		0.633	2150587	Sri Tinnelapudi Venkaya Seshaiah S/o Venkataiah
6	326/1B	0.45	1530053	Sri Vedicherla Yedukondalu S/o Subbaiah
7		0.234	795004	Smt Vedicherla Venkamma W/o Venkata Subbaiah
8		0.17	586305	Smt Vempuluru Seetha Mahalakshmi W/o Ramanaiah
9	327/1B	0.50	2143618	Smt Vedicherla Venkatamma W/o Rangaiah
10	321/1A2	0.40	1473454	Smt Vempulur Bujjamma W/o Ramanaiah
	TOTAL	3.021	11409135	

Revenue Divisional Officer, Nellore



K.T.ROAD, ONE TOWN, VIJAYAWADA, NTR DIST -520001



Alluri Sitarama Raju district collector AS Dinesh Kumar speaking at the coordination meeting with district officials in Paderu on Thursday

Deekshitula Subrahmanyam Paderu (ASR DISTRICT)

DISTRICT collector AS Dinesh Kumar has directed officials to prepare a comprehensive action plan for the Swarna Andhra Vision

2047 initiative. He said that Tribal Welfare and Women & Child Welfare Minister Gummadi Sandhya Rani will review developmental activities with district officials at the Collectorate on Friday. The collector chaired

a coordination meeting with officials at the Collectorate conference hall on Thursday. He emphasised the need for inter-departmental coordination in preparing and implementing the district-level action plan under Vision 2047. Key focus areas to be reviewed by Minister Sandhya Rani include Agriculture, Horticul-

Abhishek Goud, Sub-Collector Shauryaman Patel, In-charge DRO MVS Lokeswar Rao, District Agriculture Officer SBS Nand, District Horticulture Officer A Ramesh Kumar Rao, District Education Officer P Brahmaji Rao, DWMA PD E Vidyasagar, DRDA PD V Murali, and others attended.

the goals. She said that

her college is working

ture, Tourism, Women

& Child Welfare, and

Poverty Eradication

(P4). He added that

the minister will later

participate in local pro-

grammes along with

Home Minister Van-

The collector further

stated that horticulture

saplings would be dis-

tributed to farmers who

have given up ganja

cultivation, as part of

the state's rehabilitation

initiative. He instructed

officials to make fool-

proof arrangements for

the visit of both minis-

Joint Collector Dr MJ

ters

galapudi Anitha.

St Theresa college holds orientation programme

HANS NEWS SERVICE Eluru

THE superior correspondent of St Theresa's College for Women, Mother Ernestine Fernandes has called for coordinated efforts of management, teachers and parents for the development of students

for the all-round development of the students. College Vice-Principal Dr Sr Sunila Rani suggested that the use of cell phones should be reduced and awareness about educational matters should be increased in the library Controller of Exami-She participated in nations Dr Sr M Suseela the orientation programme organised for explained to the parents the newly admitted and students about the first-year students on examination system. Thursday. She said that The programme was she is very proud to inorganised by Dr CHV form that the college's Mahalakshmi, head of the Hindi and Telugu alumni are excelling in various fields in the Department, Telugu country and abroad. teachers Y Aruna Jhansi Rani, and Dr K Aruna. The cultural programmes performed by the students entertained everyone.

Vizianagaram:Vzg/2380,2383,2410,2418,2420,2432

1st AUCTION DATE : 25-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am Opp:Chunduri petrol bunk, Near addanki busstand, ONGOLE-523001

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2^{%0} AUCTION DATE : 26-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am. Auction Center : Head Office100 Feet Road, Auto Nagar, Vijayaw ada-520007

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1st AUCTION DATE : 25-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am Auction Center : Do.No.40-7-31, Jemmichetu Centre, Moghalrajpuram -520010.

2⁵⁶ AUCTION DATE : 26-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am. Auction Center : Head Office100 Feet Road, Auto Nagar, Vijayawada-520007

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1st AUCTION DATE : 17-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am Auction Center : 2 nd Floor, Subhash Road, Near Clock Tower, Anantapuram-515001

2¹⁰ AUCTION DATE : 18-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am. Auction Center : Head Office100 Feet Road, Auto Nagar, Vijayawada-520007

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1st AUCTION DATE : 19-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am Auction Center : #8-119 Royal Nagar , RC Road , Tirupathi-517501.

2¹⁰ AUCTION DATE : 21-07-2025, Time : 11:00 am. Auction Center : Head Office100 Feet Road, Auto Nagar, Vijayawada-520007

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Reserve Price: 8,807/-

nterested members of the public are invited to attend and participate in the bidding. All bidders must carry valid photo ID proof, Pancard and Gst certificate, Successful bidders should transfer the full auction amount by RTGS

Note: Customers Can Release the gold ornaments before the auction dat

Please contact Ph 8712444616 for more information. KANAKADURGA FINANCE LIMITED

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY An extent of 377.22 Sq.Yds of site in RS No. 913, 914 and RCC Building al D.No. 8/274, Sunkara Vari Thota, Venkatapuram, Eluru Dist, AP. Belonging to Mr. Yarlagadda Srimannarayana, S/o Y. Venkateswara Rao. Bounded By: East: Passage of Boppana Dasaradha Ramaiah and Boppana Radha Krishna- 48'-6", South: Site of Tirumala Veeraiah- 70'-0", West: Site of Vankineni Ratna Manikyamba and others- 48'-6", North: Site of Nallu Jawaharlal- 70'-0".

Date: 01-07-2025	Authorised Office
Place: Gudivada	Union Bank of Ind

UMFB Gudivada Branch (01461) #10/52-1, Gourishankarapuram, यूनियन बैंक O Union Bank Gudivada-521301, Krishna District, A. P.

NOTICE TO THE BORROWER INFORMING ABOUT SALE (30 DAYS NOTICE) (RULE 6(2)/RULE 8(6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Borrower(s)/Co-obligant(s)/Mortgagor(s)/Guarantor(s): 1. Mr. Cherukuvada Appala Rama Krishnam Raju, S/o Mr. Ch Ranga Rao D. No.2-155, Andhra Bank Street, Yendagandi, Undi (M), West Godavari Dt D.No.2-155, Andhra Bank Street, Yendagandi, Undi (M), West Godavari Dt, AP-534186. 2. Mr. Cherukuvada Appala Rama Krishnam Raju, S/o Mr. Ch Ranga Rao, Rama Towers, Pent House-2, Opp. Siddartha Public School, Mogalrajpuram, Vijayawada, Krishna Dt, AP-520010. 3. Mr. Indukuri Lakshmi Venkata Nagaraju, S/o Mr. I Krishnam Raju, D.No.27-3-45, Flat No.301, Swetha Sai Arcade, Srirampuram, Sivaraopeta, Bhimavaram, West Godavari Dt, AP-534202. 4. Mrs. Boyalapalli Sarojini, W/o Mr. B Devasahayam, D.No.44-5-14, Madansingh Peta, Rajahmundry, East Godavari Dt, AP-533103. 5. Mrs. Boyalapalli Sarojini (Known legal heir of Lt. Mrs. Amudala Yarakamma, W/o Bhushanam), D.No.44-5-14, Madansingh Peta, Rajahmundry, East Godavari Dt, AP-533103.

Sub-Sale of property belonging to you for realization of amount due to Union Bank of India, UMFB Gudivada Branch (01461) under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act (Act 54 of 2002) Herein after Called As SARFAES

Act-8 (6) Caution Notice. Whereas you have defaulted to pay the amount due from you in spite of demand made by me/Bank through Demand Notice U/s 13(2) dated 17.01.2024.

17.01.2024. The Authorized Officer, in exercise of the powers conferred under the above Act, taken possession of the below mentioned property on 20.04.2024. Even after taking possession of the property, you have not paid the amount due from you to Union Bank of India, UMFB Gudivada Branch (01461). As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by e-auction after 30 days from the date of this notice. The Reserve Price fixed for the sale of below mentioned property is of Pet 123 25 000/. (Purpose Date Turneth und Lakes Thirds). Rs.1,22,35,000/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty two Lakhs Thirty five housand only).

The date and time of auction and the details of the service provider shall be informed through a Sale Notice which shall be issued separately, and the property would be sold to the person who offers highest price. Since, the properties may be sold by private sale also or obtaining quo

tations from persons also, subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the bank and intending purchaser.

If you have any such proposal of selling the property to any person by private sale or by getting quotation, the same may be communicated to me within seven days from the date of receipt of this notice. Failing which it will be construed that you have no such proposal and

will proceed with sale of property by E-Auction. Please note that you may redeem the property on payment of entire

amount due as specified in the Demand Notice data 17.01.2024 with sub-sequent interest thereon along with cost and expenses incurred by the bank till date on or before the date of publication of notice for E-Auction, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as Stipulated in sec. 13 (8) of the Act.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY RCC Roofed Ground & First floor residential building in an extent of 300 Sq Yds situated at D.No. 44-5-14, Ward No. 24, Near Jampeta Fish Market Madansingh peta, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari Dt, A.P. belongin to Mrs. Boyalapalli Sarojini & Mrs. Amudala Yarakamma. Boundaries of th Property: East: Road, South: Common wall between this property Property of Mr. I Mohammad Ismail, West: Wall between this property & Property of Mr. Sk Ismail, North: Common wall between this property & roperty of Mrs. Bhairunnissa Bibi.

Authorized Officer

Union Bank of India

Date: 01-07-2025 Place: Gudivada

NOTICE PRIOR TO SALE

ssued under the Provisions of Rule 8 (6) Of the Security interest (Enforcemen Rules, 2002 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of security Interest Act-2002 (SARFAESI Act-2002)

Borrower: Mr. Chengalva Venkata Rama Mohana Kishore, R/o. Doo No.1-4/5-25/2, Pardhasaradhi Street, Bhavanipuram, Vijayawada, A.P. Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Notice under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act, 2002)

As you all are aware that, the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, One Town Branch, Vijayawada in exercise of the powers conferred U/sec 13(2 of the said Act read with Rule 3 has issued Demand Notice on 10.12.2024 calling upon the borrower(s)/guarantor(s) of Mr. Chengalva Venkata Rama Mohana Kishore to repay an amount in terms of the said notice within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

And whereas the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) having failed to repay the amount and hence, the authorised officer, Bank of Baroda, in exercise of the powers conferred u/Sec13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 4 and/or Rule 8 of the rules has taken over the possession of the secured assets (herei after referred as the said property/ties) more fully described in Possession notice dated : 20.02.2025 and also published the Possession Notice or 22.02.2025 dates in Sakshi Telugu and The New Indian Express in Vernacula Language Newspapers as contemplated under the SARFAESI Act.

Pursuant to taking over possession of the immovable secured assets of the Borrower/Guarantor, the undersigned in exercise of the powers conferred u/Sec 13(4)(a) of the SARFAESI Act-2002 propose to realise the bank dues by sale of the said properties. Hence, in terms of the provisions of the subject Act and Rules made

nereunder, I serve this 30 days' Notice Prior to sale under Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to discharge the entire liability

You are all hereby given a last and final opportunity to discharge the ntire liability amount in full as stated hereunder plus subsequent interest costs and expenses within 30 days, from the date of this notice, and reclain the assets which have been possessed by the Bank, failing which the assets will be sold on "AS is Where is" "As is what is" and " Whatever there is basis "and Without Recourse" by adopting any of the following methods mentioned in Rule 8(5) of the rules:-

(a) By obtaining quotations from the persons dealing with similar security assets or otherwise interested in buying assets; or

b) By inviting tenders from the public; or

c) By holding public auction including through e-auction mode; or (d) By private treaty.

Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged

Schedule-A: All the piece or parcel of property consisting of an undivide and unspecified share of an extent of 65.0 Sq.Yds out of total extent of 325 So Yds of site in R.S. No.383/2, as per VGTM UDA approved layout LF No.80/1982, Plot No.6, Nearest Door No.9-65, Poranki Grama Panchayat Penamaluru Mandal, YSR Tadigadapa Municipality, SRO Kankipadu Krishna District within the following <u>Boundaries:</u> East : Simhadr Koteswaramma Property - 54.00 fts, West : 33.0 Ft width Road - 50.00 fts North : Property belongs to Padamaneni Kotaiah - 56.6 fts, South : Vall Hammall Vasantha Lakshmi Property - 56.0 fts.

Schedule-B: All the piece or parcel of property constructed in the above Schedule-A with name style of Yuva Spring Meadows, a residential Fla ground Floor Flat No.101 consisting of 1850 sq.ft plinth area, common area o 465 sq.ft and parking area of 200 sq.ft in stilt floor along with all fittings including all easementary rights is Bounded by: East : Stair Case, Lift and Corridor West : Open to Sky, North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky.

Facility details Date of Demand Date of Possession Amount to be Notice: Notice: paid 10.12.2024 Rs.72.68.971.66 Ps 20.02.2025 Surchase of Flat (Rupees Seventy Two Land Paise Sixty Six only) as on Hundred Seventy One and Paise Sixty Six only) as on (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand Nine 09.12.2024 + interest thereon from 10.12.2024 and other 400083957877 charges if any till date of realisation.

This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the Bank unde the subject Act/or any other law in force.

Date: 24-06-2025 Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer **BANK OF BARODA** Place : Vijayawada

Principal Dr Sr Mercy urged students to set goals from the beginning of the year and work towards achieving

BoB unveils dedicated agriculture branch

HANS NEWS SERVICE VIJAYAWADA

BANK of Baroda on Thursday inaugurated a specialised CAMP (Centre for Agriculture Marketing and Processing) branch here. Located within the premises of its Vijayawada Main Branch, this new

dedicated facility aims at bolstering support for the agricultural sector in the region.

Chief General Manager, NABARD-AP MR Gopal was the chief guest and Ritesh Kumar, General Manager & Zonal Head, Bank of Baroda, and Anupam Srivastava, Deputy General Manager & Regional Head, Vijayawada also participated.

A key highlight of the inauguration was the symbolic handover of sanction letters totalling Rs 22.27 lakh to farmers by the NABARD CGM. These sanctions included Rs

Bank of Baroda official handing over loans to the customers in Vijayawada on Thursday

4.90 lakh under the Agri Infrastructure Fund for a Drone Package, Rs 10.30 lakh for a four-wheeler loan for farmers, and Rs 7.07 lakh for a tractor loan.

Speaking on the occasion, Gopal commended Bank of Baroda's initiative in launching this agriculture-focused branch. He underscored the vital role of such specialised institutions in fostering rural innovation and driving

development. Gopal also reiterated NABARD's unwavering commitment to promoting sustainable growth within the agricultural sector.

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Mega PTM 2.0

'Education best way to realise dreams' eye on children's behaviour

- Collector K Vetriselvi participates in the Mega Parents and Teachers Meet at the Government Junior College and Kasturba Girls' High School
- Says that the state government has brought many reforms in the education system
- "All efforts are being made to provide 100% quality education"

HANS NEWS SERVICE ELURU

DISTRICT collector K Vetriselvi participated in the Mega Parents and Teachers Meet at the Government Junior College and Kasturba Girls' High School in Kotadibba here on Thursday. On the occasion, she ad-

ministered a pledge to the students to stay away from



Collector K Vetriselvi having lunch with students at Kasturba Girls' High School in Eluru on Thursday

should achieve a bright future by adopting them.

drugs and urged them to inform officials about those who indulge in such acts. Speaking on the occasion. she said that the state government has brought many reforms in the education system and that students

She said that many more ideas are being made for the future of the children. She said that all efforts are being made to provide 100% quality education. Stating that Intermediate

is crucial in the academic career of students, she clarified that if the students

also viewed student-made

craft exhibits. SP Amit Bardar

encouraged parents to visit

schools at least once a month

to monitor their children's ed-

ucation and identify their in-

terests, thereby guiding them

Former MLA Giddi Eswari

appreciated Chief Minister N

Chandrababu Naidu, Deputy

CM Pawan Kalyan, and Edu-

cation Minister Nara Lokesh

for organising such a mean-

ingful programme on the oc-

casion of Guru Purnima. She

lauded the government's fo-

cus on education, healthcare,

nutrition and even providing

in the right direction.

study hard for two years, they would easily accomplish a main task of student stage. The aim of Mega PTM is to provide parents with an opportunity to know directly how much progress their children are making in their studies, how their behaviour is,

whether they are increasing their awareness on social issues and many other issues. Later, the collector pre-

sented cash prizes provided by the teachers to the students who secured the good marks in various subjects in the Class X examinations of Kasturba Girls' High School last year. The collector had a joint lunch with the students at the school with Kasturba school. She said that students should be provided with good nutritious food according to the

menu. RDO M Achyuta Ambarish, District Education Officer M Venkatalakshmamma, RIO K Yohan, District Vocational Education Officer T Shekhar Babu, Tahsildar K Gayatri, Principals A Raj Krishna, G Giribabu,

Devi, School Education Committee Chairman R Chandrika, faculty, teachers, non-teaching staff, students, their parents and others participated in the

Bezawada Tripura Sundari programmes.

• About 6,000 teachers from around 1,960 govt and private schools across the district are participating in the programme

• Collector Nagarani distributed saplings to the students to plant them in the name of their mothers

HANS NEWS SERVICE

URGING students to stay away from bad habits like smoking, drinking alcohol, and drugs, West Godavari district collector Chadalawada Nagarani called upon the parents to keep an eye on the behaviour of their children from time to time.

She was the chief guest at the district-level mega parents-teachers meet held at Sri Bhupathi Raju Subba Tataraju Zilla Parishad High School at Vendra village of Palakoderu mandal on Thursday.

She said students should stay away from social media and focus on their studies. It should always be remembered that even though bad things may give temporary happiness, they will take away a lifetime of happiness, she advised.

About 6,000 teachers in about 1,960 government and private schools across the district are participating in this programme.



Parents urged to keep an

Collector Chadalawada Nagarani and SP Adnan Nayeem Asmi participating in the mega parent teacher meet at Vendra on Thursday

eem Asmi also participated in the programme. Collector Nagarani and SP Asmi had a shared meal

with the students and their parents and inspired the students. Later, they planted saplings in the school premises and encouraged the students.

District Education Officer E Narayana, School HM GVV Srinivas, Mandal Special Officer and District Fisheries Officer Nagalingacharyulu, Education AD N Satyanarayana, MEO-1 PVS Nagaraju, MEO-2 MN Srimannarayana, Village Sarpanch Kadali Nageswari, School Education Committee Chairman Kadali Venkata Phani Kumari, Vice-Chairman Bandaru Venkata Kanaka Rao, village elders, school alumni, school students, parents, school staff, and others participated in this programme.

'Education key for tribal area development'

DEEKSHITULA Subrahmanyam PADERU (ASR DISTRICT)

THE State government is prioritising education and every student must make the best use of the welfare schemes being provided, said Alluri Sitarama Raju District Collector AS Dinesh Kumar.

He spoke at the Mega PTM 2.0 programme organised by Samagra Shiksha at the Government Tribal Welfare Ashram School in Guttulaputtu village of Paderu mandal.

Speaking on the occasion, the Collector said that the parent-teacher meet was held in around 2,900 schools across the district.

He said the programme was launched by the State Government to help parents assess the quality of education and facilities in schools. Highlighting the government's commitment to education, he stated that under the 'Talliki Vandanam' scheme, a total of 20.30 crore was transferred to the personal bank accounts of 1,52,013 mothers for 1,56,182 school-going children during the 2025-26 academic year.



Collector AS Dinesh Kumar speaking at Mega PTM 2.0 programme at the Government Tribal Welfare Ashram School in Guttulaputtu village

He further mentioned that about 80% of students in the district are studying in residential schools and emphasised that education is key to the development of tribal areas. The Collector also noted that 30,000 acres have been earmarked for coffee plantation development this year.

Interacting directly with parents, the Collector enquired whether they were reviewing their children's progress reports and if the financial assistance under the Talliki Vandanam scheme had been credited to their account

Deekshitula Subrahmanyam RAIAMAHENDRAVARAM RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM MP Daggubati Purandeswari

described the Mega Parent-Teacher Meet as a visionary initiative that plays a key role in shaping the nation's future. She said she felt privileged to participate in such a meaningful platform that fosters holistic development. Addressing the gathering at the Government Girls High School near Kotipalli Bus Stand in Rajamahendravaram, the MP stressed the need to instil awareness of Indian culture among students from an early age. She said it is the shared responsibility of both parents and teachers to mould students into responsible citizens. She lauded the ini-

parents together for direct dialogue, calling it both innovative and impactful. "Students must be taught not just academic subjects, but also moral values," she said, adding that today's

problem-solvers in society. Highlighting the importance of recognising talent without exerting pressure, the MP said that nurturing children's abilities in a stress-free environment is crucial for their growth.

event was a karate demonstration by students, which drew wide appreciation. MP Purandeswari congratulated the participants and encouraged every girl to learn martial arts for self-defence.



Teaching moral values to students need of the hour: MP



A special highlight of the

District School Education Officer K Vasudeva Rao and School Headmistress Sarada Devi, and others participated.

Bhimavaram

Through these meetings, parents will get to know how their children are studying and how their teachers are teaching. The government is providing all kinds of facilities

to the students and they should study diligently and shape their future. She urged parents to get their children admitted in government schools instead





them in the name of their mothers. District SP Adnan Nay-

Stress on shared responsibility in nurturing students

HANS NEWS SERVICE Vijayawada

ANDHRA Loyola College hosted a Mega Parent-Teacher Meeting for Intermediate students here on Thursday aimed at strengthening the crucial collaboration between parents and the institution. The event was characterised by insightful discussions and a shared commitment to fostering responsible citizens. The meeting was inaugurated by Rector Fr Dr PR John, who extended warm Guru Purnima greetings and



Fr Dr PR John, Rector of Andhra Loyola College, Fr Dr A Rex Anjilo, Correspondent, Senior faculty Sahaya Baskaran inaugurating the teacher-parent mega meeting at the college in Vijayawada on Thursday

have recently completed Class 10. He emphasised the need for continuous parental vigilance underscored the importance and moral guidance to help of shared responsibility in students navigate uncertair ties and grow into responsible individuals. Vice-Principal Fr Suresh Kumar shared his personal journey as a Loyola alumnus, illustrating how parental support and Loyola's educational values can profoundly trans-

form a student's life. Pratibha Award winners P Jayashree, K Bunny, and M Varshita were felicitated alongside their parents. Prashanthi a student's expressed her gratitude for the Talliki Vandanam support received through the government's welfare schemes. The Talliki Vandanam pledge was administered by Telugu lecturer Joseph.

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of D.No.3-264/3, Devisetty Vari

Street, Sarpavaram, Kakinada

Rural, Kakinada District, Andhra

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As part of the programme, students performed 'Paada Puja' for their mothers. Later, officials and students participated in a tree-planting activity called 'Amma Perutho Oka Mokka'. The Collector

cosmetics to promote overall student well-being. Sub-Collector Shauryaman Patel said that 1.7 lakh students in the district are being provided with school kits as part of the government's initiatives.

MP D Purandeswari speaking at mega parent-teacher meet in Raiamahendravaram on Thursdav

nurturing students. Correspondent Fr Dr A Rex Anjilo highlighted that the future rests in the hands of children. Principal Fr Dr S Melchior addressed the critical transitional phase for students who

Students told to avail facilities provided in schools

HANS NEWS SERVICE Vijayawada

NTR district collector Dr G Lakshmisha said the state government has conducted the Mega Parents-Teachers meet to bring together parents, teachers and the students for the comprehensive development of the children. He said the government is providing facilities in the government schools on par with the private schools and students should take full advantage of these resources to achieve great heights in life.

He was the chief guest at the Mega Parents and Teachers Meet 2.0 held at Zilla Parishad Girls High School in Kondapalli of Ibrahimpatnam mandal, along with local public representatives and officials on Thursday. He explained that with the aim of providing a bright future for children, Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu and Education Minister Nara Lokesh have launched several innovative initiatives. Collector stated that approximately 3 lakh students and their parents participated enthusiastically across 1,453 schools in the district the Mega PTM 2.0. He said for the first time, PTMs are being conducted in private institutions also. He said these meetings allow for mutual exchange of information regarding academic standards,



Mega Parents-Teachers Meet 2.0 held across NTR district



NTR district collector G Lakshmisha, district officials and parents participating in mega parents teachers meeting at Zilla Parishad Girls High School in Kondapalli on Thursday

students' behaviour at home, and their interests.

Dr Lakshmisha urged the students to make the best use of government-provided resources such as quality education, infrastructure, uniforms, textbooks, and nutritious midday meals and suggested to set goals like to become doctors,

engineers, scientists, IAS or IPS officers and work with sincerity to achieve them. Schools, he said, are like temples where the foundation for children's dreams and aspirations is laid. The collector also noted that progress reports once seen only in private schools are now available in government schools in the form of Holistic Progress Cards due to reforms introduced in education.

Collector Lakshmisha stressed the importance of cyber awareness from a young age to prevent falling victim to cybercrimes and frauds by criminals. With proper precautions, students can stay

safe online. He also highlighted how substance abuse can destroy lives and families. Posters with the message 'Say No to Drugs, Bro' were released during the meeting. The principal presented the school's progress report, and the children gave impressive cultural performances. Collector Lakshmisha also enthusiastically participated in a Kolatam (traditional folk dance) performance and later shared a meal with students and parents. He took photos at the selfie stand and planted a sapling in the school premises. NTR DEO YV Subbarao,

Kondapalli Municipal Chairman Chennuboyina Chittibabu, Municipal Commissioner Ramva Keerthana, Education Committee Chairperson Sheikh Bajibi, Headmistress B Hemalatha, Eagle Cell SI M Veeranjaneya, local public representatives, and others were present. On the other hand, thousands of parents enthusiastically participated in the MPT meeting held across the government and private schools across the NTR district. MLAs, local people's representatives, government officials and NGOs participated in the meetings and gave valuable suggestions to the students and parents. Parents spoke to the teachers and enquired about the studies and progress of the children.

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- •AP Chambers raises concerns about the 10% import duty on Indian-origin corn starch in Indonesia, which lacks the tariff benefits enjoyed by Chinese exports, and seeks its inclusion under AIFTA's preferential list.
- •The Chambers also urges Indonesia to accept digital Certificates of Origin and abolish the chilli import quota highlighting the disparity with China's unrestricted chilli exports

ELURU URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ELURU

(Notification of GIS based Proposed Draft Master Plan for Narasapul

Municipality inviting for Objections and Suggestions NOTICE UNDER SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION 12 OF THE ANDHRA PRADESH METROPOLITAN REGION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES ACT, 2016, READ WITH SUB-RULE (3) OF RULE 1 OF THE ANDHRA PRADESH METROPOLITAN REGION AND URBAN **DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES RULES, 2018.** dated:10.07.202

Roc.No. 322 /PLNG/EUDA/2025

- (1) The Draft Land Use Map of Narasapur Municipality, a copy of which is attached hereto for the area described in the Schedule below is hereby published under Sub-Rule (3) of Rule 16 of the Rules framed under the Andhra Pradesh Metropolitan Region and Urba Development Authorities Rules, 2018.
- 2) The map depicting various land uses may be inspected withou any charges on all working days during the office hours at the Office of the Collector and District Magistrate, West Godava District, Bhimavaram or at the O/o Vice-Chairperson, the Eluru Urban Development Authority, Eluru, Eluru District or at the O/o the Commissioner, Narasapur Municipality or at the O/o of the Tahsilda & MPDO, Narasapur Mandal, West Godavari District.
- 3) Any person interested in the draft Master Plan, may communicate the objections and suggestions relating thereto in writing to the Commissioner, Narasapur Municipality / Vice-Chairperso of the Eluru Urban Development Authority or through email to masterplannsp2045@gmail.com / vceluda.narasapur.mp.objets. suggns@gmail.com within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, i.e., from 11.07.2025 to 09.08.2025.

SCHEDULE

Boundaries of GIS Based Draft Master Plan of Narasapur Municipality Boundaries of planning area: North : Saripalli village (2, 8, 7, 6 150, 153, 154, 155, 160, 161, 162, 176, 190, 194, 195, 271, 272, 265) Chinnamamidipalli Village : (147, 148, 149, 155, 156, 389, 213, 216, 215 101, 100, 99, 98, 97, 82), Madavaipalem village (84, 62, 69, 72, 73, 77 78) Navarasapuram village (113, 67, 66, 65, 63, 46, 45)

West : Likhatapudi village: (209, 205, 179, 178, 203, 201, 198, 195, 196, 83, 76, 77, 78, 80), Rustumbad village (81, 86, 85, 80, 63, 62, 52, 274, 275, 267, 217, 218, 219, 223, 227, 226, 532, 551, 550, 553, 552, 528, 504, 509, 382, 381, 371, 369, 368, 367, 366), Seetharamapuran (236, 238, 308, 307, 306, 303, 298), Ramannapalem village (mogalthu revenue village): (1213, 1223, 1224, 1212), South : Lakshmaneswaram Village,

East: Vasistha godavari river, Navarasapuram village: (156,157,158,153) Sd/- Vice Chairperson, Eluru Urban Development Authority, Eluru



Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Bank of Baroda, Gannavaram Branch under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and i exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 16-02-2025 calling upon the Borrowers: 1. Mr. Visakha Ramarao, S/o Naga Raju, D No 24B-3-14, Vedah Raju Hall street, Pathebadh, Eluru, Andhra Pradesh-534001 2. Mrs. Mulagapati Durga Devi, D/o Mulaga Danayya, D No 4-96, Telecor Nagar, 5th Ward, Pedapadu Mandal, Vatluru Village, Eluru District, Andhra Pradesh-534007 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.30,22,001.70/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand One and pais Seventy Only) as on 09.02.2025 + unapplied Interest from 10.02.2025 + othe charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice

The borrower, Guarantor and Mortgagor having failed to repay the amoun notice is hereby given to the borrower, Guarantor, Mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property describe nerein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) o section 13 of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this 05th day of July month of the year 2025.

The borrower, Guarantor and Mortgagor in particular and the public in genera is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the operty/ies will be subject to the charge of the Bank of Baroda, Gannavara Branch for an amount of Rs.30,22,001.70/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand One and paise Seventy Only) as on 09.02.2025 + unapplie Interest from 10.02.2025 + other charges till realization.

Indonesia urged to change norms on import of Indian goods

HANS NEWS SERVICE originating from China VIJAYAWADA enjoys preferential duty

treatment. MAHATMA Devi and This is despite Indonesia Alice, senior officials from being a significant importer of corn starch from both the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia visited countries. Unfortunately, AP Chambers Office here Indian-origin corn starch (HS Code: 11081200) is exand interacted with the Chambers' office-bearers cluded from the ASEANand members. The officials India Free Trade Agreediscussed the bilateral trade ment (AIFTA) preferential opportunities between tariff list, placing Indian Indonesia and Andhra exporters at a disadvantage. The Chambers requested AP Chambers discussed the Indonesia Embassy to several key issues with the consider this issue and support the inclusion of corn officials and requested the resolution of the issues. starch under the prefer-During the discussion, ential tariff schedule for AP Chambers mentioned Indian-origin goods. that Corn starch of Indian

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AP Chambers also pointed out that while India has percent import duty in Inmoved to an online digital Certificate of Origin system donesia, while corn starch



Mahatma Devi from the Embassy of Indonesia with members of Andhra Pradesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry Federation in Vijavawada on Thursday

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Guntakal invites e-tenders (Open) for the following work up to 15.00 hrs of 04.08.2025. DEEKSHITULA

Tender No.: 01-SNT-11-2025, Description of the work (Signal and Telecom work): Provision of Coach ndication Boards, Train Indication Boards, Digital Clocks, LED TVs & PA system at YERRAGUNTLA (YA) station., Advertised Tender Value of the work Rs.: 94,43,353.00 Earnest Money Deposit Rs.: 1,88,900.00 Completion Period.: 12 Months Tender No.: 02-SNT-11-2025, Description of the work (Signal and Telecom work): Telecom arrangements in connection with provision of CC cameras at 9 major parcel offices over Guntakal division (ATP, CTO, DHNE, DMM, GTL, HX, RC, RU & TPTY)., Advertised Tender Value of the worl

Rs.: 1,68,08,387.00 Earnest Money Deposit Rs.: 2,34,100.00 Completi Period.: 12 Months Validity of the offer should be 60 days from the date of opening. Corrigendum will be issued for the above tender notice if necessary through online

Inly. Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom A1028 Engineer (M) Guntakal A1028 For further tender conditions / letails and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at

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requested for removal/strike off of its/their names from the register of companies.

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authorities are still insisting on the submission of physical copies with ink signature, which is causing delays in delivering the required documents.

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The Chambers requested the Indonesian Embassy to take up this issue with the relevant authorities. The Chambers brought to the notice of the officials that Indonesia introduced quota system for import of chillies from India a few years ago, whereas the country does not have any such restriction for import of chillies from China. AP Chambers suggested abolition of the quota system to ensure level playing field for Indian chilli exporters.

Thousands perform Giri Pradakshina

HANS NEWS SERVICE VIJAYAWADA

THOUSANDS of devotees performed the Giri Pradakshina (circumambulating) of the sacred hill of Indrakeeladri on Thursday to mark the auspicious day of Ashada Purnima. The devotees consider it very auspicious to perform Giri Pradakshina on the full moon day. The Giri Pradakshina began in a grand manner near the shrine of Sri Kamadhenu Ammavaru located at the entrance of the Ghat road. Durga temple Executive Officer VK Seena Naik performed special pujas on the occasion. The Giri Pradakshina route covered key areas including Ammavari temple on Ghat road, Kummari Palem Centre, Vidyadharapuram, Milk Factory, Chittinagar, Kotha Peta, Brahmin Street, and culminated back at Indrakeeladri. Thousands of devotees enthusiastically participated in the event and later had darshan of the goddess and lord,

Kanaka Durga temple EO and deputy collector VK Sheena Navak, priest and devotees participating in "Giri Pradakshina" in Vijayawada on Thursday Photo: Ch Venkata Mastan

and offered their prayers. The procession featured traditional drum beats, folk dances like Tappeta and Kolatam, devotional singing (Bhajans and Sankirtans), cultural

performances by various art troupes, classical musical instruments, and Vedic chants by scholars-all adding to the spiritual grandeur of the event.

RUDA invites feedback on GIS-based master plan

Subrahmanyam Rajamahendravaram

A comprehensive GIS-based Master Plan has been prepared for the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) under the jurisdiction of the Rajamahendravaram Urban Development Authority (RUDA), informed RUDA Vice-Chairman and Joint Collector S Chinna Ramudu. The draft plan has

been developed in line with appropriate land-use strategies by M/s Sky Group & Niketan Consultants. The Master Plan aims to guide systematic urban development and infrastructure planning in the RUDA region. To ensure to



Joint collector and RUDA vice-chairman S Chinna Ramudu

parency and public participation, suggestions and opinions are being invited from all available at the RUDA stakeholders, includoffice, East Godavari ing departments such as Revenue, Municipal Rajamahendravaram Administration, Urban Municipal Office, and Planning, Transport, the offices of respec-PWD, and Environtive ULBs. It can also ment, along with elected representatives http://ruda.ap.gov.in, and the general public

Fire breaks out in mattress making unit

A major fire broke out in a mattress and foam manufacturing company here early shrouded in darkness with thick smoke. Eluru DSP D along with fire personnel reached the spot and worked for three hours to finally control the fire.

There was no loss of life in this accident, but there was property damage.

DSP Shravan Kumar informed that CI Satyanarayana and the fire crews jointly provided full assistance in the process of controlling the fire. Police and fire crews are continuing to investigate the cause of the fire.



Police and Fire department staff controlling the flames in a foam making unit in Eluru on Thursday

HANS NEWS SERVICE Eluru

Thursday. The entire area was Shravan Kumar and Eluru One Town Inspector Satyanarayana

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The Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagor's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

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Date : 05-07-2025 Place : Vijayawada

Sd/- Chief Manager / Authorised Office BANK OF BARODA

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REDEMPTION NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR UNDER SECTION 13(8) OF SARFAESI ACT-2002			
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As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand Notice nder Section 13(2) of the Act. on 20.04.2021 to the borrower/firm M/s Vinavak Granites, the mortgagor and the guarantors (above mentioned names manding to pay an amount of and the guarantors (above mentioned names temanding to pay an amount of Rs. 22,32,432.57/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakin hirty two thousand four hundred thirty two and paisa fifty seven only) and terest stated thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice

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To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of SARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redee and reclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, within 80 days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of Rs. 37,82,485.54/ (Rupees thirty seven lakhs eighty two thousand four hundred eighty five an paisa fifty four only) as on 30.06.2025, plus subsequent interest, costs and expense n full, failing which the sale notice will be published in the newspaper specifying one of he following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets

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Date: 04.07.2025, Place: Tirupati Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank ne added

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Ministry of Corporate Affairs **Centre for Processing Accelerated** Corporate Exit (C-PACE) IICA Building, 7th Floor, Plot P-6,7,8, Sector-5, IMT Manesar, Gurgaon, Haryana - 122050. Email: roc.cpace@mca.gov.in

Date: -01/07/2025

PM SURYA GHAR YOJANA Eluru dist ranks first in State

HANS NEWS SERVICE Eluru

APEPDCL SE Salman Raju said that Eluru district has stood first in the state in the Pradhan Mantri Surva Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana scheme. He said that 2353 household electricity consumers have installed solar panels. The central and state governments have taken a key decision to encourage household electricity consumers to use renewable energy. As part of the PM Surya Ghar scheme, a subsidy of Rs 30,000 per kilowatt for the first and second kilowatt and Rs 18000 for the third kilowatt is being given for the installation of solar panels, up to a maximum of Rs 78,000. He said that 2,353 household electricity consumers in the district have installed 7.8 MW solar panels with a subsidy of Rs 12.14 crore and are generating about one million units per month. He said that the department is refunding Rs 2.09 paise per unit for the surplus units consumed. He said that efforts are being made to develop 5 villages in Eluru district, namely Dwaraka Tirumala, Duggirala, Chinanindrakolanu, Tadikalpudi and Errampet villages, as model solar villages. He said that 27,053 SC and ST household



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identified and tenders have been invited through NEDCAP on July 3 for installing a total of 54.11 MW rooftop solar panels at the rate of two kilowatts per household. He said that by using solar energy, we will not only reduce carbon emissions that affect the environment but also do a lot of good for the environment.

He said that a 750 KW solar power plant has been set up under a pilot project in G Kothapalli village of Dwaraka Tirumala mandal in Eluru district under the auspices of Andhra Pradesh Eastern Power Distribution Company and thus a plan has been prepared to provide free electricity to the government panchayat offices and residential consumers in Dwaraka Tirumala panchayat. As part of the Pradhan Mantri Kusuma scheme, two experimental agricultural power consumers in Pedavegi and T Narasapuram mandals of Eluru district were selected and solar panels were installed free of cost and free agricultural power was provided to them.

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from the Register of Companies.

notice.

Raunak Agrawal **Assistant Registrar** electricity consumers in Centre for Processing Accelerated Corporate Exit the district have been



FORM No. STK --6

PUBLIC NOTICE

[Pursuant to sub-section (2) and sub-section (4) of section 248 of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule

7 of the Companies (Removal of Names of Companies from the Register of Companies) Rules, 2016]

Reference:

In the matter of striking off or removal of names of (14) companies in the state of Andhra Pradesh under section 248 of the

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Company Name

U63030AP2021PTC118121 KLI LOGISTICS ENTERPRISE INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

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2. Notice is hereby given that the Registrar of Companies had received applications from the above-mentioned companies

under section 248(2) of the Companies Act, 2013 for removal of its/their name (s) from the register of companies either on the

ground that they have failed to commence business within one year of their incorporation or on the ground that the

company(ies) is/are not carrying on any business or operation for a period of two immediately preceding financial years and

has/have not made any application (s) within such period for obtaining the status of a dormant company under section 455

of the Companies Act, 2013 or the company(ies) have obtained the status of dormant company/subscribers to the

memorandum have not paid the subscription which they had undertaken to pay at the time of incorporation of a company

and a declaration to this effect has not been filed within one hundred and eighty days of its incorporation under subsection

(1) of section 10A/ have not been carrying on any business or operations, as revealed after the physical verification carried out

under sub-section (9) of section 12, but it/they do not wish to continue its/their registration as companies and have, therefore,

3. Accordingly, the Registrar of Companies proposes to remove or strike off the names of the above-mentioned companies

4. Any person objecting to the proposed removal or striking off name of the companies from the register of companies may

send his or her objection to the office address mentioned here above within thirty days from the date of publication of this

FARMERS ARE BACKBONE OF NATION: SHIVRAJ SINGH

- The Union agriculture minister hails farmers as the nation's true strength and emphasizes empowering women to lead dignified lives
- Appreciates natural farming methods, suggesting they could become a national model, and highlights the potential for smallscale farmers to achieve higher yields using modern technology
- Presents a bank linkage cheque worth Rs 437.09 cr to 53,746 SHG members, supporting women's empowerment and financial inclusion

Putaparthi (Sri Sathyasai district)

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UNION minister for agriculture, farmers welfare, and rural development Shivraj Singh Chouhan said farmers are the true strength of the nation and called for the empowerment of women to rise above poverty and lead dignified lives.

Addressing an interactive session with farmers and women self-help groups (SHGs) at Pedaballi village in Puttaparthi mandal, the minister said that the farming community, which feeds the entire country, is a source of national pride and plays a crucial role in India's development.

The event was also attended by state agriculture minister K Atchannaidu and district collector T S Chetan.

Commending the local farming practices, the

the natural farming methods suggested by district collector Chetan, stating: "Natural farming involves lower costs and higher profits. It can become a model for the nation. By using modern technology, higher yields can be achieved even on small landholdings, opening many opportunities for small-scale farmers." On women empowerment, minister Chouhan praised the efforts of SHG women, highlighting their progress: "Our sisters are becoming self-reliant and stepping forward to lead dignified lives without depending on others. Their commitment

Union minister appreciated

to overcoming poverty and standing tall in society is commendable." He recalled launching the 'Ladli Behna Yojana' during his tenure as

Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, underscoring his



along with state agriculture minister K Atchannaidu hands over a bank linkage cheque for Rs 437.09 crore to be distributed to 53,746 SHG members from Puttaparthi, Anantapur and other parts of the undivided district, at a programme at Pedaballi in Puttaparthi mandal on Thursday

commitment to women's empowerment. "Serving farmers is akin to serving God," he added.

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Earlier in the day, the minister inspected a mixed crop cultivation field practising organic farming in Pedaballi and also visited a photo exhibition highlighting the impact of drought on crops. Several senior officials,

including joint collector Abhishek Kumar, joint secretary, Union ministry of agriculture Perni Devi along with local farmers and SHG members.



Union minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan inspects mixed crop field in Peaball

Food processing CIC set for launch at Tirupati **INCUBATION CENTRE IS THE FIRST IN THE STATE**

The Rs 3 cr facility will be inaugurated by **Union minister Chirag Paswan** along with AP minister Bharath It can process 20 tonne fruits daily and produce pulp and juices

PRADEEP VENNELAKANTI TIRUPATI

A state-of-the-art Common Incubation Centre (CIC) for food processing, established at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Tirupati at a cost of Rs 3 crore, is set to be inaugurated on July 13. The facility will be formally launched by Union Minister for Food Processing Industries Chirag Paswan, alongside Andhra Pradesh Minister for Industries, Commerce, and Food Processing, TG Bharath.

The incubation centre has been developed under the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI), Government of India, as part of the Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme. It is one of 76 such centres being established across the country with a total outlay of Rs 205.95 crore.

The centre at IIT Tirupati is focused on the processing of fruits and vegetables, and



A view inside the facility

facility is also envisioned as

a research hub. It provides

hands-on opportunities for

students pursuing MS and

PhD programmes in food

technology at IIT Tirupati's

Department of Chemical

The centre is equipped

to process up to 20 tonnes

of fruits per day, including

mango, anjeer (fig), guava,

and more. Its processed out-

puts - juices, pulp, and preserves, will be marketed un-

der IIT Tirupati's in-house

Looking ahead, the insti-

tute plans to collaborate with

private companies through

formal agreements to ensure

higher value realisation for

farmers. Entrepreneurs with

brand, 'Swastha'.

Engineering.

was developed under the coordination of Prof KSMS Raghava Rao, Professor of Chemical Engineering, with strategic guidance from IIT Tirupati Director Prof KN Satyanarayana. With the proactive efforts of faculty and technical staff, the facility has now been fully procured, commissioned, and

made operational. Currently, this is the only facility of its kind in Andhra Pradesh. It aims to support agricultural entrepreneurs in transforming perishable produce such as tomatoes, mangoes, and citrus fruits into value-added products like pulp, jams, and pickles. The first operator at the centre will be entrepreneur Rajendranath Reddy.

their own food brands will While small-scale producalso be encouraged and suption has already begun, the ported in utilising the facility.



SPMVV holds workshop on 'Gender-Inclusive and Equity Initiative'

PRADEEP VENNELAKANTI



Tribal farmers protest Greenco Energy, demand land back

Demand return of their lands. allegedly occupied illegally by Greenco for a solar

project The farmers, supported by

despite a High

Court stay order

protecting their

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'GIVE us back our lands!' was

the impassioned plea of tribal

farmers from LK Thanda vil-

lage as they submitted a rep-

resentation to the managing

director of Greenco Energy

Development Corporation

Limited here on Thursday.

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Sankar Naik alleged that in 2023, the then tahsildar, Srinivasulu, handed over the tribal farmers' lands to Greenco Project Solar Power Generation Company. "Since 2023, the farmers have not received any compensation. and instead, they are being subjected to harassment and

Task force personnel producing red sanders smugglers and the seized logs before the media ir Tirupati on Thursday 22 red sanders logs seized, four arrested

> VANI MALLELA Tirupati

RED Sanders Anti-Smuggling Task Force (RSASTF) 22 red sanders lo

TIRUPATI

THE vice chairperson of AP State Council of Higher Education Prof K Rama Mohan Rao said that universities have a key role in ensuring that funds under the PM-USHA (Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan) scheme are used strategically to transform institutions into centres of inclusive excellence.

He was speaking at a one-day workshop on 'Gender-Inclusive and Equity Initiative' held at Sri Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam (SPMVV) on Thursday. Prof Rao said the state is being mapped into thematic clusters based on regional priorities, with a special focus on skilling women and girls in areas aligned with local livelihood opportunities.

The workshop, organised under the Union ministry of

empower women through targeted academic and livelihood-based interventions. Principals from government degree colleges across several districts participated, discussing strategies for implementing gender-inclusive training programmes across Andhra Pradesh. State project director of RUSA-AP Dr N Bharat Gupta stressed the impor-

education's PM-USHA initia-

tive, aimed to explore ways to

tance of structured planning and measurable outcomes. "The goal of RUSA isn't just to provide funding. It's about enabling impactful,

APSCHE vice-chairperson Prof K Rama Mohan Rao, state project director RUSA Dr N Bharat Gupta, SPMVV V-C Prof V Uma and others at the workshop on Thursday

> evidence-based reforms in higher education," he noted. SPMVV vice-chancellor Prof V Uma welcomed the Rs 100 crore sanctioned to the university under PM-USHA, calling it a timely support during a period of financial constraints. "We need to focus on training women from neighbouring areas based on

their unique socio-economic needs," she said.

CMD of the Additional Skill Acquisition Programme (ASAP)-Kerala Dr Usha also spoke. Registrar Prof N Rajani and Academic Guidance Officer Dr Ch Tulasi coordinated the event.

Girijana Praja Samakhya, claim they haven't received compensation since 2023 and faced harassment

Tribal farmers of LK Thanda village under Gadi Vemula mandal of Nandval district, supported by Girijana Praja Samakhva submit a memorandum against the alleged illegal occupation of their land by the company for its project, to Greenco Energy Development Corporation Ltd MD at its office in Tadepalli on Thursday

the Girijana Praja Samakhya (GPS), alleged illegal occupation of their lands by Greenco for a solar project.

Vaditya Sankar Naik, former ST Commission member and founder national president of Girijana Praja Samakhya, demanded that the state government provide justice and compensation to the tribal farmers who lost their lands to the solar project in Gadi Vemula mandal.

Sankar Naik, accompanied by GPS state president Raju Naik and affected farmers from LK Thanda village in Nandyal district's Gadi Vemula mandal, met the MD of

Greenco at their Tadepalli office. They voiced their grievances and submitted a formal petition.

> Speaking on the occasion, Vaditya Sankar Naik said that in 1972, the government granted pattas to tribal farmers in LK Thanda for lands in survey numbers 795, 797, and 802, which fall under the Chanikapalle village outskirts. He emphasised that the 1B Adangal and patta passbooks are all in the farmers' names, and these tribal families have been cultivating these lands for generations, depending on them for their livelihood.

illegal activities" he lamented He further accused Greenco of illegally transferring 25 acres of land, registered in the farmers' names, into the company's name without their permission. When the farmers approached officials about this injustice, they were reportedly told to "complain wherever you want," which Sankar Naik deemed highly

inappropriate. Sankar Naik pointed out that the High Court, considering the patta passbooks and 1B Adangal, issued a stay order prohibiting any constructions, structures, or work on the tribal lands. However, he stated that the solar management and officials are disregarding these court orders, continuing solar work on the fields, and engaging in aggressive behavior, claiming 'High Court orders mean nothing to us.'

and arrested four smugglers in Sanipaya forest area of Annamayya district on Thursday.

On the directions of Task Force in-charge L Subbarayudu under the supervision of Task Force SP P Srinivas and on the instructions of DSP Bali Reddy, a team led by RSI Muralidhar Reddy started combing Sanipaya-Veeraballi forest area through Gadikota. When the police personnel reached Navanuru, there they noticed three motorcycles and some persons moving suspiciously. When the task force team surrounded them, some of them managed to escape but police personnel caught four smugglers. There they also seized 22 logs. The arrested were from Annamayya district. A case has been registered and investigation is on.

BIS stresses on quality standards for 'Made in India' products

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THE Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) is intensifying its focus on ensuring that both domestically manufactured goods and imported products adhere to Indian quality standards, said A Ramalingeswara Raju, additional director of the department of industries. Speaking at an 'Indus-

trial Meet' held here on Thursday, organised by BIS in collaboration with the department of industries and the Federation of Small and Medium Enterprises India (FSME), Ramalingeswara Raju highlighted the significant presence of 1.6 million MSMEs and 1,100

 The BIS is stepping up efforts to ensure domestically manufactured and imported goods meet Indian quality standards

- BIS certification is mandatory for 816 product categories in India, and imported products also require certification to be sold in the country
- The govt is providing subsidies to help MSMEs obtain BIS certification, which can enhance product quality and support global growth

exporting goods.

"In the evolving land-

has become much easier,"

adding that both central

and state governments are

scape, obtaining certification

Ramalingeswara Raju stated,

large-scale industries in Andhra Pradesh. He noted that a large number of small industries often hesitate to obtain BIS certification due to perceived high costs, despite its crucial role in

providing subsidies to help MSMEs acquire BIS certification.

Prem Sajini Patnala, BIS director, emphasised that BIS is the sole authority for setting standards in India. She clarified that BIS certification is mandatory for the manufacturing, storage, and sale of products within the country. Currently, 816 product categories require compulsory BIS certification. Additionally, products from other countries must also obtain BIS certification to be sold in India.

Patnala further stated that BIS conducts inspections twice annually and will carry out raids based on complaints. She urged consumers to use the BIS Care app to file complaints if a product's quality control details appear online fewer than two times.

Notably, a recent decision at the first state-level meeting on standardisation, chaired by the AP Chief Secretary, mandated the inclusion of Indian standards in the State government's procurement policy. K L N Prakash Rao, chairman of FSME, highlighted that the presence of a BIS mark serves as proof of a

product's assured quality. "Today, everyone's interest in quality has increased. Implementing the BIS mark has the potential to enhance product quality," he remarked

Ventkatrao, joint director

of the industries, reiterated the importance of the BIS mark for MSMEs in the state to achieve global growth. He also confirmed the availability of central and state government subsidies for

BIS mark certification. Deputy director Vivek Reddy delivered a comprehensive presentation covering BIS activities, how to download Indian standards, the application process for BIS licenses, Quality Control Orders (QCOs), the BIS Care app, Standards Watch, and BIS's hand-holding initiatives for MSMEs.

Over 100 industry representatives attended the meeting with the BIS Director addressing their questions during the session.



Addl director, industries A Ramalingewara Raju, BIS director Prem Sajini Patnala and others at the inaugural of Industry Meet in Vijayawada on Thursday Photo Ch Venkata Mastan

Edit

Bengaluru brouhaha resonates in distant Delhi

TF ever there was a perfect tussle for power, the Karnataka example would fit to a 'T'. What began as a sustained bout of shadow boxing in the summer of 2023 as a resurgent Congress stormed to power in the south-western state has continued to pop up, at the most inappropriate of times for the ruling dispensation and much to the delight of the Opposition who have rubbed it in, almost at will. The two contenders - one the incumbent Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and the other his fiery and influential deputy, D K Shivakumar have for the present decided to bare their real intentions, stop pretending, and indulging in typical Congress party doublespeak, thereby letting it out all in the open. With south India still refusing to be 'Modified' to the extent the saffron headquarters wants in New Delhi and

elsewhere, the dramatic high which the GOP experienced two years ago when they wrested control in Bengaluru is no more evident in the silicon city. Propped up by well-wishers and a motley set of mutt leaders brazenly exhibiting a cocktail of casteist and religious power, both Shivakumar, the crisis manager and the go-to man for Congress for a few years and his senior competitor Siddaramaiah have not let anything pass in their battle for the gaddi.

With loyalties split within the cabinet as groupism is rampant, the CM and his deputy have had to enable the campwalas to vent out their feelings (like how a ventriloquist does) and then pretend to douse the fire that it invariably causes. One has read a host of loaded statements, directly and indirectly, made by the leaders themselves and the ubiquitous AICC heads, who still unsuccessfully try to cover up and deflect attention from the raging controversy. It is still inexplicable why Congress is doing this. In a long time, they won with a convincing number of seats in 2023 after receiving sizeable support from the public in Karnataka, who were fed up with the ineffective rule of BJP, fighting its own battles within the party. If ever power sharing by 'rotation' was considered a doomed to fail task, the Karnataka example would add to the many that have taken place in India over the past three decades, when coalition governments, shaky right from the start, patch up just in time to seize the gaddi and convince the dissidents in their respective parties that it will be an equal tenure rule for the principal players.

Invariably, betrayal and opportunistic switch of partners to stay on and make fresh alliances to ensure their political survival have been the oft-used tactics of both regional and national parties, which are forgotten as the next elections are announced. There is a huge list in this regard for political scholars to study all over the nation. Karnataka has once again grabbed attention as the political pow-wow as of now is being played out in New Delhi, where political pundits enjoy the southern flavour of this no-holds-barred fight and come up with expert theories on how it may all end up. As far as the grand old party is concerned, it has often shown that it needs no enemies from outside, laden as it is with 'good friends' within. Going by past experiences, Bengaluru may quiver and shake for a while, but this too shall pass. Or fail, depending on which lobby you want in power.



MNS MLA must be punished

THIS refers to the editorial 'Politicians wreaking havoc should be duly punished' (THI July 10). Sadly, Maharashtra is witnessing political highhandedness of Shiv Sena and MNS workers, who are indulging in needless violence either in the name of 'Marathi' language or in the process of intimidating innocent people from other states. The over-focus by the MNS to teach Marathi to others is unnecessary and unwarranted. Its MLA slapping and punching a non-local in the MLA canteen over the quality of 'dal' served there, has brought the reputation of the Shiv Sena and MNS combine several notches down in the public eye. The wanton vandalism of the toll booth showed the rowdy and uncouth behaviour of the opposition in Maharashtra in dismal light; and the government must take to task these lawbreakers so that they would not dare to repeat such acts again.

K V Raghuram, Wayanad

Publicly humiliate all law-breaking leaders

 $P_{\rm tutional\ norms\ and\ democratic\ principles\ is\ not\ only}$ condemnable but is also indicative of a larger political conspiracy due to its inability to reconcile with failures. Recently, the way MNS members are resorting to violence in the name of linguistic pride in an increasingly polarised and identity-driven political climate is deplorable. Similarly, politicians taking law into their lands at the drop of a hat and going on a rampage on a false notion is dangerous. It is time to draw a line and unequivocally warn people triggering mob frenzy. Strict action should include arrests, fast-track trials and publicly damning the perpetrators. The courts, police and civil society must unite in ensuring this does not spiral into another round of violence. Only then, can hate violence and mob violence on one pretext or the other can be put to an end

K R Srinivasan, Secunderabad-3

Mandate semi-circular layout of classrooms

T is commendable that some schools in Kerala have given up the traditional row-based seating arrangement in favour of a semi-circular layout in classrooms inspired by Vinesh Viswanath's debut Malayalam film Sthanarthi Sreekuttan. The film portrays school life in a rural setting in Kerala. The time has indeed come to actualise the idea of semi-circular configuration of classrooms to foster friendship and fellowship among students. This innovative adaptation would de-congest the classroom, create a more congenial atmosphere for interaction and learning and enable schools to do without pigeonholing students as 'frontbenchers', 'middle benchers' and 'backbenchers' and students to imbibe the spirit of equality and companionship and camaraderie and value cooperation more than competition. Further, it would do away with getting seats depending on height or supposed brilliance or based on names in alphabetical order. In the new classroom configuration, all students get the teacher's attention in equal measure and no student feels neglected. From now onwards, the governments and private school managements would do well to design and build new schools, keeping in mind creation of enough space for the semi-circular layout of classrooms. G. David Milton, Maruthancode (TN)

Identify Nipah cases on urgent basis

 $P^{\rm ATIENTS}$ recovering from Nipah infection, which has become endemic in north Kerala, have been diseasefree and without post-infection sequelae thus far. However, two persons continue to be bed-bound in a vegetative state, as an aftermath of Nipah encephalitis. This has cast a gloom on Nipah survivors and is worrying healthcare providers. The unfavourable long-term effect of the infec tion renders the identification of the source of the dreaded viral infection even more crucial.

SURGICAL STRIKE K. KRISHNA SAGAR RAO

A few moments in public life restore our collective faith in the possibility of justice. One such moment arrived with the elevation of my senior party colleague, N. Ramchander Rao, as the State President of BJP Telangana. It is more than just a political appointment. To me, it is a triumph of ideological loyalty over expediency, of consistent service over opportunistic maneuvering.

In a political climate where party affiliations shift faster than breaking news tickers, and ideological loyalty is treated as an inconvenience, this development feels like a powerful counter-narrative. Rao's rise is not sudden. It is a result of over four decades of unwavering commitment to the same ideological framework, to the same party, and to the same larger purpose.

Four decades of consistent commitment:

I have known him for over 12 years, not just as a party colleague but as someone I have had the privilege to work with closely, especially

tive Council, and now as the State President, his climb has been both principled and patient. He did not hop across parties when times were tough. He did not rebel when the tides were not in his favour. He stayed, served, and strengthened the party when there was little visibility and even lesser reward. He believed in the ideology, in the organization, and in the vi-

sion of a stronger India led by principled politics. Ideology is not a costume: In contemporary politics, ideology has become a fashion statement, worn one day, discarded the next. It has become something leaders wear on stage and take off in the green room. But for

those of us who take public life seriously, ideology is not a costume, it is our character. A strong ideological foundation is not meant to restrict, but to refine. It helps leaders make decisions that are consistent, communities feel represented, and policies remain rooted in purpose. That is why parties like BJP are not just electoral vehicles, they are ideological missions. And leaders like Ramchander Rao are its long-distance runners.

The great political betrayal-Party-hopping as a culture:

Let us talk about the rot. When newcomers claim We are now living in an seniority: era of political restlessness. What is even more disturb-Leaders jump from one ing is that many of these party to another like changing outfits for an evening function. One day, they are condemning a party's ideology, and the next, they are its star campaigners. They have mastered the art of ideological amnesia, conveniently forgetting what they stood against, to now claim what they never believed in. It has become commonplace to see people jump from one extreme of the political spectrum to the other. Even from extreme Left to extreme Right. From secular-socialist rhetoric to nationalistic spiritualism, all in a matter of weeks. They swing across ideologies like it is all part of some harmless political game. But it is not. It is an insult to the electorate, a mockery of democracy,



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advancement, the very foundation of democracy begins to crack.

My own journey-Loyalty without expectation: I speak not just as an observ-

er, but as a participant in this journey. I have served BJP for

over twelve years as its chief spokesperson in Telangana. hrough changing leader.

BJP not for convenience, but for conviction to its ideology. I have spoken on thousands of media platforms regionally and nationally, worked at the ground level during elections, during crises, and represented the party with pride. But unfortunately, many feel sidelined when they see only those who have switched from other parties walking into high tables.

It is disillusioning. It sends a disheartening signal to the youth who look up to us, hoping that loyalty and long-term service still mean something. It creates confusion about what politics truly rewards, loyalty or leverage?

Rao's elevation-A beacon of hope:

And that is why at this moment, Ramchander Rao's elevation is so important.

It tells us that ideological loyalty is not dead. That the party still recognizes those who have walked with it, not just those who arrive when the weather is good. That substance still matters. That the long road one has taken, the prime years of youth one has spent in contribution to the party, is not a wasted one. I commend the national and state leadership of BJP for this bold and correct

choice. Among several worthy contenders, they chose a man who did not just work for the party, he embodied the party. It shows that in BJP, eventually, commitment gets its due Even if it takes time

Closing thoughts-The real seniority:

rooted. **Politics of integrity:** At this juncture, we must reflect on the kind of politics we want for our nation. The integrity of politics directly influences the integrity of the nation. If we continue to allow opportunists, criminals, and power-seekers to define

professionals, nationalists, and individuals with strong ideological leanings who have no criminal or corrupt background. These are the people who can elevate public life. These are the people who must be encouraged, mentored, and empowered. Politics should not be the

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last resort for the unemployable. It must be a first career choice for the able, the educated, the ethical, the patriotic and the inspired. This transformation is not only necessary, but also urgent. Because the quality of a nation's politics is the truest indicator of its national character. And we must not let it fall into mediocrity.

during our time as persons for BJP Telangana. While he was senior and I was new to the role, we collaborated on many party assignments, media campaigns, crisis communications, press conferences, strategic outreach efforts, and I always admired his clarity, composure, and deep-rooted ideological conviction. He is not a man of noise, but of substance. And in a political age addicted to instant gratification, his trajectory reminds us that meaningful leadership is not a sprint but a long, committed climb.

Rao began his political life as a spirited student leader with the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) in Osmania University campus. In the turbulent political environment of student activism in the 1980s, ideological clarity was not a convenience, it was a conviction. And he held onto it like a torch in the dark.

From those early days to holding responsibilities as the official spokesperson of the BJP, State General Secretary, Member of the Legislain public life. Let me be clear, partyswitching is not illegal, nor is it unconstitutional. But it is ethically troubling and democratically corrosive. People elect representatives based on what they say they stand for. If that representation is betrayed for personal

ing them.

and a brutal erosion of trust

party-hoppers come in with high demands. They do not enter with humility. They enter with a sense of entitlement. They want top leadership roles, ticket assurances, and strategic visibility at events on stage. In contrast, those who have spent decades in the trenches of party work are often asked to wait,

to watch and adjust.

This creates not just internal imbalance but ideological dilution. It undermines the value of loyalty. It tells young political aspirants that you do not need to commit long-term, you just need to switch at the right moment to get ahead.

And let us not pretend this is a one-off issue. This trend is widespread across parties. However, as a senior member of BJP Telangana, I find it more important than ever to raise a red flag within my own ecosystem. Because we must hold ourselves to a higher standard. BJP is not just a political party, we are a movement, we are a party with a difference. And movements are sustained not by influx, but by integrity.

ship, shifting political equations, and intense public scrutiny, I have remained in the same role. Many have asked me why? Why not ask for something bigger? Why not negotiate for a more powerful post? Why not jump to a party that offers me more?

Believe me, I have had many such invitations. Roles in State Government. Higher party positions in other political parties. More visibility, more comfort, more responsibilities, more growth, more opportunity. However, I did not flinch for a minute to reject these offers.

I stayed. Not because I lack ambition, competence, but because I value allegiance. I believe in the BJP's ideology, deeply, emotionally, and intellectually. I did not join this party to climb a ladder. I joined to help rebuild a nation.

And I know I am not alone. There are thousands like me across the state and this country. Competent, highly educated and passionate individuals, who chose

even if it takes patience, it does arrive.

And let this appointment also be a signal to the silent majority within the party, those working quietly, tirelessly, thanklessly. You are being watched. You are being valued. Your time will come.

A word to the youth-Ideology is still worth it:

To every young Indian who dreams of entering public life, here is my sincere advice, do not trade long-term credibility for short-term advantages. Politics is not a job switch. It is a life commitment. Join a party only if you believe in its principles. Stay not because it is easy, but because it is right.

The new culture of open houses, where every party accepts anyone, regardless of past contradictions, might seem welcoming. But it also weakens our democracy if there are no ideological filters. Politics without ideology is power without actual purpose.

If we want to create leaders with character, we must

Ramchander Rao did not demand seniority, he earned it. He did not threaten to exit to gain attention. He chose to stav even when it was not rewarding. That is what makes this elevation beautiful. It is poetic justice in an era that often forgets to reward integrity.

To my senior colleague Ramchander Rao, I extend my hearty congratulations. May your tenure inspire a new generation of leaders who do not just seek positions but pursue principles and stay rooted in the ideology of the party.

Let us show that loyalty is not a weakness. That conviction is the real currency of politics.

This, to me, is the real triumph. The triumph of ideological loyalty.

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WALK through any trendy suburb and you might find a new "wellness" studio offering ice baths or "contrast therapy" (a sauna and ice bath combo). Scroll social media, and you're likely to come across influencers preaching the cold plunge gospel with cult-like zeal. Ice baths have gone mainstream. Initially practised mainly high-performance among athletes, cold water immersion is now a booming business model: sold as recovery, discipline and therapy all in one.

Ice baths are potential health risks

But the benefits are quesrecent years, with the proliftionable and, importantly, ice eration of commercial cold baths can have health risks particularly for people who have limited experience us-Cold water immersion isn't a new concept. The "frigidarium" - a room with a cold plunge pool or bath - was a feature in most Roman bathhouses. For decades, athletes have used cold water immersion, such as swims in cold water, for recovery. But in

plunge centres, there's been an explosion in people using ice baths recreationally. Many people are even setting up their own ice baths at home. Social media shows serene influencers meditating through the pain, claiming it boosts mental health, serotonin, testosterone, and their metabolism. But does the evidence stack up?

Ice baths can reduce mus-

cle soreness after intense training. However, the effect is modest and short-lived. Some research shows cold water immersion can improve mood after a single exposure in young, healthy people, but other research doesn't find these benefits. Most claims about mental health, testosterone and weight loss aren't backed by strong evidence. Rather, they're anecdotal and amplified by influencers. Businesses offering ice

baths don't always actively supervise patrons or monitor a person's time in the ice bath. They may leave their customers to self-regulate, assuming people will know to get out of the water before they pass their body's limits. What are the risks?

Cold water immersion triggers a powerful physiological response. Gasping occurs and breathing becomes rapid and uncontrollable. Heart rate spikes. Blood

pressure rises. Staying in the water for too long can lead to hypothermia, a condition where a person's core body temperature drops dangerously low. Shivering may begin within minutes in cold water.

As far back as 1969, researchers found even experienced swimmers could struggle after just a few minutes in cold water. Recently one of us (Sam Cornell) had to provide first aid at an ice bath venue in Sydney. A young man collapsed after staying in an ice bath for ten minutes.

Dr. George Jacob, Kochi

No way to treat history-making women cricketers

TNDIA'S women's cricket team has just made history by winning their first T20 series in England. Alas, what has been the nation's reaction? A passing cheer. Had it been the men's team, headlines would scream the achievement and there would be celebrations on the streets. Why must women work twice as hard for half the recognition? This win isn't just about cricket—it's about respect, equality, and breaking old patterns. The question is: will sponsors and fans now stand behind them-or simply scroll past? If victory abroad doesn't earn lasting support at home, what will? Let's not just clap today. Let's commit to change. Because real progress isn't in trophies—it's in the way we value them. Hasnain Rabbani, Mumbai

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BBMP to spend Rs 2.88 crore on stray dog feeding project

BENGALURU: In a first-of-its-kind move, the government, which has long supported the Indira Canteen initiative to feed the urban poor, is now extending its compassion to Bengaluru's stray dog population. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has announced a new project to provide nutritious meals to stray dogs across its 8 zones and has floated a tender worth Rs 2.88 crore.

BBMP Special Commissioner Vikas Kishore Suralkar stated that the initiative aims to reduce stray dog attacks, especially on children, by ensuring that the animals are wellfed. He added that pilot programs conducted in a few wards have shown promising results. In these test runs, meals were provided to around 100 dogs over a period of 2-3 months, helping curb aggressive behaviour.

The BBMP plans to serve calorie-rich meals such as egg rice and chicken rice to stray dogs. These meals will be distributed in collaboration with local restaurants and food providers.

According to the tender notice issued via the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal, proposals are being invited to provide cooked food to stray dogs across all 8 BBMP zones.



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Sant Kabir award winner Srinivasulu is a boon to district: Collector

PRADEEP VENNELAKANTI Tirupati

DISTRICT Collector Dr S Venkateswar described renowned handloom artist and designer Lakka Srinivasulu as a 'boon to the district'. The Collector, accompanied by local MLA K Ramakrishna, inspected a collection of sarees woven by Srinivasulu during a visit to Venkatagiri on Thursday. Speaking on the occasion,

Dr Venkateswar expressed immense pride in the selection of Srinivasulu for the prestigious Sant Kabir Award, the highest national honour in the field of textiles and handlooms by the Government of India.

He said, "It is a matter of great pride for Tirupati district, particularly the Venkatagiri constituency, that a local artisan has received such a rare and

coveted award. The Collector noted that only three artisans from the region have received the Sant Kabir Award so far, and this year, among only two recipients across the country, Lakka Srinivasulu is the sole awardee from Andhra Pradesh. His award-winning design is woven from 'Booda silk, a type of silk that is produced without killing the silkworm. The sarees incorporate

intricate motifs crafted

Devotion marks Guru Poornima celebrations at Prasanthi Nilayam



Union minister Shivrai Singh Chouhan, state minister Y Satva Kumar Yadav and others at Guru Poornima celebrations at Prshanthi Nilavam on Thursdav

HANS NEWS SERVICE PRASANTHI NILAYAM

PRASANTHI Nilayam, the sacred abode of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba, resonated with divine vibrations as thousands of devotees gathered to celebrate Guru Poornima, honoring the eternal Jagat Guru. The serene atmosphere was filled with reverence, devotion, and surrender, marking a day of profound spiritual significance. The celebrations began with soulful Guru Vandana bhajans by the Prasanthi Bhajan Group, each note steeped in love and devotion, creating an ambiance of peace and grace. The melodies elevated the hearts of all present, offering a sublime

connection to the divine. S S Naganand, trustee of the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust, delivered an inspiring address, emphasising the transformative role of the Guru. He highlighted how even simple bhajans become powerful tools for

cially on the auspicious Guru Poornima, coinciding with Thursday (Guruvara).

Nimish Pandya, All India President of the Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation, spoke on gratitude and surrender, drawing from the life of Sant Tukaram and Lord Vitthala. He described true devotion as accepting every moment as the Guru's prasad, calling the Guru's guidance the greatest assurance in life.A key highlight was the presence of Union minister for agriculture, Shivraj Singh Chouhan, who distributed farming equipment to 100 farmers from Sri Sathya Sai district, promoting sustain-

able agriculture. State health minister Y Satya Kumar Yadav also attended, reflecting governmental support for rural development. In his address, Chouhan, a first-time visitor, expressed awe at the universal love permeating Prasanthi Nilayam.

apling at Shanti Bhavan

symbolising his bond with

Mother Earth.



District Collector S Venkateswar and Venakatagiri MLA K Ramakrishna looking at the award winning saree. Weaver Lakka Srinivasulu is also seen.

using 2 per cent gold and rare and remarkable feat in silver threads, creating a reversible design that is visible on both sides—a

attempted anywhere else in the country," the Collector added.

MLA K Ramakrishna, who joined in felicitating Srinivasulu, praised his continued excellence in the handloom sector and expressed hope that the artist would win many more accolades in the future. Local leaders, including

Mandal Parishad President Tanuja Reddy and State Padmashali Corporation Director Sriramadasu Gangadhar, also honoured Srinivasulu during the ceremony. District Handlooms officer R Ramesh, Tthsildar Venkata Narasimha Rao and others participated.

CM for 'robust' implementation of P4

To host dinner to 200 Margadarsulu, including NRIs, on July 18

HANS NEWS SERVICE Vijayawada

THE government is working on a strong plan to implement the P4 (Public-Private-People Partnership) initiative effectively. Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu will soon meet the 'Margadarsulu' who will lead the initiative in uplifting the Bangaru Kutumbam (golden families). He reviewed the progress of the initiative at his camp office and discussed the next steps to take it forward on Thursday.

So far, 18,332 'Margadarsulu' individuals have come forward to serve as mentors.

village in Orvakal man-

These include industrialists, NRIs, and people from well-off sections of society. They're currently extending support to 1,84,134 Bangaru Kutumbams.

The government aims to identify one lakh mentors by August 15. To reach this goal and strengthen the program, the Chief Minister has decided to take several steps to encourage more people to join as mentors. He will personally meet and interact with mentors to motivate them further. Chandrababu Naidu will

poor. Senior officials from meet 200 top Margadarsuthe planning department also took part in the review lus, including NRIs, business leaders, representatives from meeting.

textile craftsmanship. "This innovative and distinctive design has not been

CM pays homage to Sri Sathya Sai at Prashanthi Nilayam

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Puttaparthi CHIEF Minister N Chandrababu Naidu visited the Maha Samadhi of Sri Sathya Sai Baba at Prasanthi Nilayam in Puttaparthi and paid respects to the spiritual icon.

The visit followed his participation in a Mega Parent-Teachers Meeting in Kothacheruvu.

At Prasanthi Nilayam, the CM was accompanied by Union minister for agriculture and farmers welfare, Shivraj Singh Chouhan, as they jointly offered prayers at the Samadhi of the revered spiritual leader.

During the visit, the Chief Minister and state IT and education minister Nara Lokesh conducted a review meeting

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Thousands of people

were rendered homeless.

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Thiruvananthapuram MP

wrote. He also pointed out

lasting reminder to people

everywhere," Tharoor wrote.

Their welfare was not taken

Tharoor calls Emergency 'dark chapter'

the fragility of democracy He planted a Rudraksha and the need for constant vigilance. "Let it serve as a



CM N Chandrababu Naidu pays respects to Sri Sathya Sai Baba at Maha Samadhi at Prasanthi Nilayam in Puttaparthi on Thursday

on the upcoming Sri Sathya Sai Baba's Centenary Celebrations, scheduled for November. They held discussions with Sri Sathya Sai Central trust member R J Ratnakar and other senior officials regarding the arrangements and preparations for the grand event. On this occasion, he also held a meeting with Union minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, who was in Putta-

parthi for various official programs. Chandrababu brought to his attention several agriculture-related challenges in the state, especially the issues concerning mango farmers and other crop growers. He urged the Union minis-

come the current crisis and sector in Andhra Pradesh.

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Tharoor's relationship

with the Congress leader-

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dal of Kurnool district in Andhra Pradesh. A Scorpio SUV going from Hyderabad to Mydukuru rammed into a tractor ahead of it, result-

ing in the deaths of three individuals and injuries to seven others. The accident took place close to the Kashireddinavyana Ashram, a well-known local landmark,

around 5 am. The Scorpio, carrying 10 passengers, was reportedly speeding when it collided

> Mallikarjun Kharge. The friction reportedly increased when his name did not appear on the list of Congress leaders suggested for the Union government's Operation Sindoor outreach. Despite this, Prime Minister Narendra Modi later invited Tharoor to lead a delega

ment. Two more passengers SC permits EC to proceed with Bihar voter roll revision

Continued from P1 Under the Bihar SIR, those who were on the 2003 electoral rolls need only submit an extract from it as proof, while others (enrolled after 2003) must provide one or more documents from a list of 11. "After hearing both sides we are of the prima facie opinion that three questions are

chain as key priorities.

He said India must lead

in research and develop-

ment for next-generation

battery technologies, in-

cluding solid-state and

hybrid storage, while

also developing circular

He referred to the re-

cent Cabinet approval of

a ⊠1 lakh crore Research,

Development and In-

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3 die, seven hurt as Scorpio rams into tractor HANS NEWS SERVICE with the tractor from beare in critical condition Kurnool hind. The impact was so and doctors are closely severe that two occupants monitoring their status. A tragic road accident oc-

of the SUV identified as curred in the early hours of Munni (35) and Kamal Thursday near Kalvabugga Basha (50) died on the spot. The early morning silence was shattered by the cries for help from the injured, which alerted nearby residents, who rushed to the scene to assist before emergency services arrived. Seven others sustained

serious injuries in the

ately shifted to the Kurnool

Government Hospital for

treatment. Despite efforts

by medical staff, a three-

year-old girl, Sheikh Nadia,

succumbed to her injuries

while undergoing treat-

The remaining injured are receiving necessary medical care. The Orvakal police have registered a case and initiated an investigation into the cause of the accident. Preliminary reports suggest over speeding and possible negligence as factors, but a full inquiry is underway. Authorities are also accident and were immedi

checking whether the tractor had proper lights and reflectors, as the accident occurred before dawn. The tragic incident has cast a pall of gloom over the victims' families and raised concerns about road safety during early-morning travel.

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multinational companies,

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to dinner in Amaravati on

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plans that communicate the

goals of the P4 initiative and

encourage wider participa-

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proposed to invite them

The Chief Minister

July 18.

inner growth under the guidance of a true Master, espe-

Lokesh turns pupil in Naidu Sir's class for VIII std students

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He advised them to develop social responsibility to bring change in the society.

Later, when Naidu questioned the students about their career dreams, several students said that they wanted to become doctors, engineers, police personnel or IAS officers. When Lokesh sought to know how many of them wanted to become politicians, the response was a blank

Reacting to this poor response, the Chief Minister said that as Lokesh was well bring reforms in the education sector and implementing the 'Talliki Vandanam' scheme for the benefit of students.

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dents in the open.

around

educated, he was striving to

Earlier both the Chief Minister and Lokesh went exhibition themed around 'Talliki Vandanam' programme that was organised to mark the occasion. Later, Naidu interacted with the parents and students, whose progress cards he also went through, before having lunch with the stulast month. resurface in different ways. "Often, such tendencies

According to him, "today's

India is not the India of

1975. Yet, the lessons of the

Emergency remain relevant

in troubling ways," Con-

gress MP added. Tharoor

cautioned that the urge to

centralise authority, sup-

press dissent, and sidestep

constitutional checks coul

ship has been under strain since he contested the party president election against

tion to the United States and other countries in Americas.

asking objections and making the final electoral roll.

'Is the bird becoming a parrot?' Continued from P1

Without naming anyone, Tagore, who is a Congress MP from Virudhunagar in Tamil Nadu and party's whip in the Lok Sabha, said on X, "When a Col-

league starts repeating BJP lines word for word, you begin to wonder is the Bird becoming a parrot? Mimicry is cute

in birds, not in politics.' Tharoor and Tagore had also indulged in "bird talk" last month to convey their views. The Tharoor-Congress rift had taken a turn towards what some termed a "war of birds" as Tagore had sought to establish the pecking order with an X message to his colleague

command control centre.

Let's discuss as to why

Apex court has 'serious doubts' on Bihar SIR

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The court also asked the poll panel tough questions about an individual's right to appeal a potential exclusion from the list of voters. "... a person will be disenfranchised ahead of the election, and s/he won't have the time to defend the exclusion before voting," Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia noted. "No... courts will not touch electoral roll once finalised... which means a disenfranchised person will lack the option to challenge it (the revised list) before the election," he said, when urged by senior advocate Rakesh Dwivedi, appearing for the poll panel, to allow the revision to be completed before ruling. "There is nothing wrong in having this intensive process so non-citizen do not remain on rolls... but it should be de hors (ie, conducted separately from) this election," Justice Joymala Bagchi said. The court also red-flagged the decision to exclude Aadhaar from the list of documents deemed acceptable for individuals to re-verify themselves on the state's electoral roll.

INDIA ACHIEVES 4K PERCENT TH IN SOLAR CAPACIT GROW

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Outlining the scale of India's clean energy manufacturing push, the minister said the country's solar photovoltaic module capacity has expanded nearly 38-fold in the last decade, while photovoltaic cell capacity has grown 21 times. He highlighted flagship schemes like the PM Surya Ghar Yojana, which aims to install rooftop solar panels in one crore homes, and the PM Kusum Yojana, which supports the use of solar pumps in agri-

culture. The Production pronged strategy to ad-Linked Incentive (PLI) vance India's clean enscheme for Advanced ergy ambitions, Goval Chemistry Cells is also listed innovation, infraexpected to boost dostructure development, mestic manufacturing, supply chain resilience he added. and an integrated value

Goyal stressed that energy storage will be critical to India's plan to meet its future energy needs through renewable sources. He said technologies such as batteries, pumped storage, hydro storage and even nuclear power would play a role in ensuring round-theclock clean energy.

Calling for a four-

novation Fund, which he said would help India match the scale of R&D spending in advanced economies due to its cost advantages.

Goyal urged industry players to ramp up efforts to build charging and battery-swapping infrastructure to accelerate adoption of electric vehicles. He also stressed the need to cut dependence on limited geographies for raw materials and components by investing in resilient supply chains and new technologies.

Racist US man gets brutal reply from AI Grok

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"Nah, just circuits and code spitting facts. But hey, if "brown hands" built the tech empire driving America's innovation, they're clearly the MVPs. Your bias is showing, champ-truth still hurts?" the AI replied, quickly shutting down the man.

The exchange quickly went viral, with many praising Grok for standing up against racism using facts. "Even Grok is fed up with these basement dwellers," remarked one user.

Another added, "I love the new Grok. Grok is in truth mode today."

Now, Kavitha challenges Revanth for debate on Cong promises

HANS NEWS SERVICE Kothagudem

the women are not given TELANGANA Jagruti Rs 2,500 per month. Let's president and BRS MLC discuss as to why they Kalvakuntla Kavitha has are not given gold coins challenged Chief Minister under Kalyana Lakshmi and Revanth Reddy for a debate Shaadi Mubarak schemes with her on the promises and why pensions are not increased," she said. made by him before coming At the Telangana Jag-

into power. "The CM is repeatedly ruti wide meeting held in Kothagudem, CPM district asking KCR to come to the Assembly. He (the CM) is leader and CITU district engaging in diversionary secretary Veeranna along politics. We, all women, with his followers joined will come to your police the Telangana Jagruti in the

presence of MLC Kavitha. He was welcomed into the organisation by Kavitha by covering him with the Telangana Jagruti scarf. Kavitha called upon women to come together to the Police Command Control Centre and discuss why they are not giving Rs 2,500 per month and gold coins to girls. She demanded that the Congress had promised to provide 42 percent reservation to BCs in local body elections, and it should be given accordingly. She said that a Rail

Roko is being organized on July 17 in this regard. Kavitha said that despite the presence of three ministers in the joint Khammam district, five village panchayats around Bhadrachalam are in agitation. She called upon Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao to take the initiative to merge the five village panchayats into Telangana. She also condemned the recent attacks on a Telangana BC girl and Bhadradri temple EO Ramadevi.

Shaping future of students collective responsibility: CM

supply chains.

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Speaking on the occasion, HRD Minister Nara Lokesh, reflecting on his own school days, credited his mother Bhuvaneshwari's dedication for his academic progress, drawing a deeply personal connection to the broader mission grounded in family, duty, and public service.

The Chief Minister talked about Lokesh's steadfast commitment to revamping government schools and delivering world-class learning to students across Andhra Pradesh. Having studied at some of the best institutions globally, Lokesh has chosen to dedicate his expertise to transforming public education in the state, he said. The coalition government,



with a strong focus on excellence, is working to elevate government schools to compete confidently with private institutions, he added.

Leela - A Kuchipudi production full of divine ecstasy



appears mad in the eyes of

uninhibited devotion that

one truly surrenders.

society-for it is only in such

In this recital, Nihanthri

explored the Bhakti period

and its rich legacy of poets

who poured their souls into

verses of divine love and sur-

render. She chose the 'sarga'

format, similar to Jayadeva's

magnum opus 'Gita Govinda'.

spiritual and aesthetic spine

of this work, were selected.

Krishna's multifaceted nature

was reflected through deeply

devotional portravals of these

songs, envisioned through

dance and music.

Five themes, forming the

Anna Rao Gangavalli

The recent Kuchipudi production 'The Leela' by Akshadha School of Performing Arts at Rangbhoomi, Madhapur, was a treat to watch. Featuring solo and group performances by Nihanthri Reddy and her students, it was a soulful journey into divine madness—the mystical ecstasy experienced by the true devotee in search of the 'Paramatma'.

This sacred longing often appears as madness to the outside world. But as Sant Tukaram profoundly said, the ideal devotee is one who



A transcendental Kuchipudi performance blending dance, music, and Bhakti, where devotion, artistry, and spiritual ecstasy became one

It was explained that these compositions are not mere lyrics, but cries from the soul—echoes of mysticism that bind the devotee to the divine. Therefore, the emotions and feelings depicted were compared to a world of sacred frenzy where the audience

was invited to feel—smile, cry, laugh, and chant the divine names—to truly partake in a living devotion, not just witness a performance.

The students wore yellow-orange silk 'aharya' with multicolored borders. Nihanthri herself stood out austerely, having pared down all accessories to a minimum—just a plain dark dress with minimal but exquisitely sparkling jewelry and no ornate headdress. This gave an almost balletic look and

enabled the audience to discern every gesture of 'angika abhinaya' with lucid clarity, allowing the movements to be followed throughout their amplitude from start to finish. The flowing grace of Kuchipudi in every minute detail was crystal clear. The solo piece by Niban-

The solo piece by Nihanthri, 'Swagatham Krishna', though a much-performed item, conveyed a depth of feeling through its 'sancharis' that was truly eloquent. The 'nritta' was exceptionally energetic and vigorous in the 'jathis' presented. 'Abhinaya' flowed well in tune with the 'natya', creating a well-rounded exposition.

'Nada Murali', performed by Nihanthri along with her students, reflected the rigorous training of their young guru. The students' precision in every step stood out. The 'abhang' 'Bhakta Jana Vatsala' by Sant Namdev praised Vithala as the compassionate protector of the world. In a unique phrase, he is hailed in the feminine form as the divine mother whose grace is as vast as the ocean.

Here echo the words of the Vaishnava commentator Vidya Bhushan, who described Krishna as 'Madhusudhana'—he who not only vanquishes demons but also removes such tendencies from devotees' minds to clear the path for their spiritual growth. Krishna is thus both destroyer and liberator—the freer of the soul from its internal enemies.

Nihanthri was as brisk as the crisply melodious stanzas,

her energy peaking as she darted across the stage with rapid twists and turns, almost too quick to track. The very air became vibrant with the devotional atmosphere of the song and dance. The material and spiritual merged as the boundary between them dissolved in the sanctified space created.

'Namdev Keerthana Kari' by Janabai reflected this merging. It was ably portrayed by the students, who danced in exacting symmetry and high-caliber synchronization. The 'sankeertana' delved into the Lord's absorption in his devotees' singing—so rapt that his yellow silk 'Pitam-

bara' slips, a striking image. The Lord himself partakes in the ecstasy thus generated. Heaven becomes the living experience of chanting, singing, and breathing His name. The highlight was the

mellifluous 'Mazhe Mahera Pandhari', which kept the audience swaying to its tune. With wide-open lotus eyes, the Lord is constantly scanning the horizon for the souls calling out to Him. Panduranga is the loving father, and Rukmini, the affectionate mother. They wait with the tender eagerness of parents for the return of their daughter to the maternal home—a place of com-

The choreography was particularly creative as the students, with Nihanthri, formed intersecting arcs and circles-patterns that caught the eye with dazzling displays of skill. The 'Nagara Sankeertana, where all the students and Nihanthri sat in a row to joyously sing the Lord's name, was magnified by the audience clapping in tune—creating a union of voice, melody, rhythm, and emotion. It was a sweet, heartfelt outpouring-an offering from the heartwhere all sense of time and place was lost, and surrender to the music became total.

fort, love, and belonging.



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Nimrat Kaur celebrates her mother with a heartfelt tribute on Guru Purnima

n the occasion of Guru Purnima, actress Nimrat ur penned a moving tribute for her mother, Avinash Kaur. She called her mom her "first home" and "divine mentor," while expressing gratitude for the strength and wisdom she's drawn from her over the years. Taking to Instagram, the 'Airlift' actress, on Thursday, posted a series of her photos with her mother alongside a heartfelt note. She shared a deeply emotional post honouring her mother, whose birthday coincidentally falls on the same day this year. In her moving tribute, Nimrat reflected on the spiritual connection she shares with her mother. The 'Dasvi' actress also praised

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her mother's grace, patience, and ability to find beauty in the ordinary things. She added that these qualities continue to guide and inspire her every day. the Gurupurnima full moon aligns to celebrate you Ma, my first home, my divine mentor

ima Mannara Chopra resumes ^{oon} work post father's demise; says



Nimrat Kaur wrote, "They say a teacher appears when the soul is ready. Before the 'I' was even named, my soul, through its eternal search was blessed to anchor itself in you Mama. And I know this to be something that shall transcend time and space as we know it."

"I live life trying to emulate how you keep grace in the face of any adversity, how you choose patience and dignity no matter what life presents and how you simply make the ordinary, extraordinary every single day. It's no co-incidence that today my sanctum sanctorum. Happy Birthdday Mama...can't wait to kiss and hug you and have some birthday cake together!!! @ avinashsethi.10."

Guru Purnima is a sacred Hindu festival observed on the full moon day of the Ashadha month. It is a day devoted to honouring teachers, mentors, and spiritual guides. This year, Guru Purnima is being celebrated on July 10.

On the work front, Nimrat Kaur most recently appeared in the film "Sky Force," which hit theatres on January 24, 2025. She was also seen in the web series "Kull: The Legacy of the Raisingghs."

'Thanks you for your support'

A ctress Mannara Chopra is all ready to join the workforce following the demise of her father, Raman Rai Handa in June this year.

Mannara took to her Instagram handle and announced that she has resumed work.

Showing gratitude to her fans and well-wishers for supporting her during this difficult time, she wrote on the photo-sharing app, "Thankyou from the bottom of my heart for all the love and support you've shown to me and my family during these tough times. Resuming work now, with gratitude in my heart."

Mannara's father left for heavenly abode on June 16 this year at the age of 72. Sharing the unfortunate news on social media, she had penned, "With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our loving father who left us for his heavenly abode on 16/06/2025. He was the pillar of strength for our family."

After the last rites which took place on June 18 in Mumbai, the family further organized a prayer meet for him attended by Mannara's 'Bigg Boss 17' co-contestants Abhishek Kumar and Khanzaadi, along with others.

For the unversed, Raman Handa was married to Kamini Chopra, the paternal aunt of Priyanka and Parineeti Chopra. PeeCee extended her heartfelt condolences to her

heartfelt condolences to her cousin sister through a post that read, "You'll always be in our hearts. Rest easy

became the second runner-up.

Raman uncle (fufaji). Om

Mannara made her Bol-

lywood debut in 2014 with

"Zid," however the film did

not perform well at the box

with her appearance on

"Bigg Boss 17," where she

She finally rose to fame

Talking about her work,

Shanti."

office.

Mannara was last seen in the cooking reality show "Laughter Chefs – Unlimited Entertainment Season 2,", along with Elvish Yadav, Rubina Dilaik, Bharti Singh, Krushna Abhishek, Vicky Jain, Ankita Lokhande, and Abhishek Kumar.

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Solution to July 10



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Minister distributes bicycles to students

DISTRIBUTION OF BICYCLES

HIGH SCHOOL GENG CHILDREN

 Energy Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar participates in the Mega Parents-Teachers Meet at the ZP High School in Medarametla

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• Underscores how robust educational infrastructure serves as a cornerstone for regional development and economic growth

NARESH NANDAM Medarametla

ENERGY Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar, along with the Bapatla collector JV Murali, participated in the Mega Parents-Teachers Meet at the ZP High School in Medarametla on Thursday and distributed 452 bicycles to the students, fulfilling his promise to them, with funding support from the Assist NGO and corporate social responsibility initiatives. The bicycle programme

addresses a practical challenge faced by many students in the constituency-- transportation to school. By providing reliable transport, the initiative

Thursday

seeks to reduce absenteeism and support consistent educational engagement. At the event, Minister Gottipati emphasised the administration's dedication

Energy Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar along with Bapatla Collector J Venkata Murali distributing

bicycles to girl students at the Mega Parents Teachers Meet at ZP High School in Medarametla on

to educational advancement, crediting Education Minister Nara Lokesh with driving meaningful reforms across the sector. The minister underscored

how robust educational infrastructure serves as a cornerstone for regional development and economic growth.

The discussion highlighted the Talliki Vandanam scheme, a financial assistance programme designed to support mothers and reduce household economic pressures that might otherwise impact children's schooling. The minister announced plans to expand this programme significantly, targeting 67 lakh beneficiaries compared to the previous administration's 42 lakh recipients.

Minister Gottipati outlined the coalition government's comprehensive approach to public welfare, acknowledging current economic limitations while reaffirming commitment to social programmes. He previewed upcoming initiatives, including complimen-

tary bus transportation for women and the Annadata Sukhibhava programme.

CRDA organises free cancer screening camp

• MLA Tenali Sravan Kumar takes part in the programme

• Basavatarakam Cancer Hospital will soon be established in Amaravati to provide advanced medical services

HANS NEWS SERVICE THULLUR (AMARAVATI)

A free cancer awareness and diagnosis camp, organised by the Andhra Pradesh Capital Region Development Authority (APCRDA) in collaboration with Basavatarakam Indo American Cancer Hospital and Research Institute, saw 200 people receiving free medical services at the Community Health Centre (CHC) in Thullur in Amaravati on Thursday.

MLA Tenali Sravan Kumar attended the event announcing that a stateof-the-art Basavatarakam Cancer Hospital will soon be established in Amaravati to provide advanced medical services. He urged local residents to utilise the free medical camp, which will continue on Friday also at the Urban Health Centre

visited Sai Baba Temple

located in Mutyalampadu



Free cancer screening camp at Thullur in Amaravati on Thursday

(UHC) in Yerrabalem. Dr Kurapati Krishnaiah, CEO of Basavatarakam Hospital, stated that the two-day free cancer screening and awareness camps in Amaravati, facilitated by CRDA, aimed at dispelling public fear surrounding cancer. He emphasised that early detection of cancer allows for treatment at a lower cost and that a cancer diagnosis does not mean the end of life. Many types of cancer can be completely cured if identified early.

Dr Krishnaiah highlighted that the camp in Thullur provided extensive awareness on various types of cancer. He also noted that the hospital is conducting expensive tests for breast cancer and cervical cancer in

women free of charge during these camps. He announced that construction work for the Basavatarakam Cancer Hospital in Amaravati is expected to begin soon.

The medical camp saw active participation from Basavatarakam Hospital's COO Sunil Tandon, along with a team of medical professionals including HODs Harikrishna, Santosh, Krishna Prasad, and doctors Sravanakumari, Sulochana. Ravishankar, Abdul, and Simran.

Nurses and lab technicians also provided their services. Officials and staff from various CRDA departments supported the event's organisation, with several CRDA employees also utilising the free services.

Kollu participates in Mega PTM

HANS NEWS SERVICE Machilipatnam (Krishna district)

MINISTER for Excise Kollu Ravindra attended the mega parent-teacher meeting 2.0 at Lady Ampthill Girls High School here on Thursday. The minister interacted with the parents, students and teachers and enquired

about the midday meal scheme, Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan student kit comprising school uniform, shoes, bag, textbooks, notebooks, and Talliki Vandanam amount.

Earlier, Kodali Rama, headmistress of the high school welcomed the minister and felicitated him. Addressing the meeting, the

headmistress elaborated on the meeting and the welfare students

gramme.

the parents were served a midday meal.

schemes introduced by the state government for the RTC divisional manager Peddi Raju and Lankisetti Balaji also attended the pro-

Later, the students and

Saturday, the specially cuin imaginative ways.

features unique dishes that reimagine traditional favourites. Highlights include Rasmalai Cupcakes, a contemporary twist on the classic Indian sweet with a Western touch, and Hummus paired with spiced chole, which offers an Indian spin on a Mediterranean staple. Even



familiar items like khakhra are reinvented, serving as a crunchy alternative to pita bread, showcasing the menu's commitment to innovation.

tastes

it falls on the full moon day in Ashada month. Heavy rush was witnessed at the temple and devotees sought the blessings of Sai Baba. Similarly, devotees thronged Sai Baba temples in other parts of the city and performed pujas. Former MLA and senior



Devotees performing puja at Sai Baba Temple, Mutyalampadu in Vijayawada on Thursday. Photo: Ch Venkata Mastan

YSRCP leader Malladi Vishnu visited Sai Baba temple and performed Abhishekam

Upkeep of govt schools to compete with corporate schools

has launched a new "Fusion Frenzy" menu, offering a creative take on global and Indian flavours.

Kakinada SEZ needs to be

developed like Sri City: BJP

DEEKSHITULA for Amaravati and a RS

Minister Kollu Ravindra addressing the gathering at the Mega Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) 2.0 at Lady Ampthill Govt Girls High School in Machilipatnam on Thursday

future for the next genera-

tion. He emphasised that

these programmes are de-

signed to provide equal

ties and are actively trans-

forming the aspirations

of rural communities into

educational

tangible realities.

Educational revolution underway: Raghuram

Tulasi Yogish Chandra elected LUB president

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'Fusion Frenzy' menu HANS NEWS SERVICE Vijayawada

Novotel unveils

NOVOTEL Vijayawada Varun's all-day dining restaurant, Food Exchange,

Available for dinner every rated menu aims at blending India's diverse regional tastes with international influences

The "Fusion Frenzy" menu

Heavy rush witnessed at Sai Baba temples HANS NEWS SERVICE VIJAYAWADA HUNDREDS of devotees

on the occasion of Guru Purnima on Thursday. Guru Purnima is celebrated to honour spiritual and academic teachers and

This new offering at Food Exchange invites guests to explore a dynamic culinary experience that bridges traditional and contemporary

HANS NEWS SERVICE JAGGAIAHPET

FORMER minister and NTR district TDP president, and KDCC Bank Chairman, Nettem Raghuram, on Thursday attended the Mega Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM 2.0) held in government schools across Gandravi and Chillakallu villages in Jaggaiahpet mandal. Speaking on the occa-



Former minister and KDCC Bank chairman Nettem Raghuram attending Mega Parent-Teacher Meet at Gandrayi village on Thursday

sion, Raghuram hailed the initiative as an 'Educational Revolution', commending the government's dedicated efforts to shape a brighter

opportuni-

Guntur TULASI Yogish Chan-

dra was elected as State President in the Laghu Udyoga Bharati (LUB) at the general body meeting held at Yogi Bhavan here on Thursday. Prakash Chandra, the National Secretary of Laghu Udyoga Bharati, attended the meeting as the chief guest and explained the

objectives of the LUB. Tulasi Yogish was elected as State President, Atluri Ramesh as General Secretary of the AP Unit. Dharaneesh Dhanikula as Treasurer, and Kamal Nayan Bang, Ramalinga, and Nallamothu Sivaprasad elected as Vice-Presidents. Gutta Subrahmanyeswara Rao was elected as Joint Secretary. The following were elected as Secretaries: Atluri Sunita Narayana, Haridasula Chandra Sekhar, Thota Ramakrishna, and Datla Tirupati Raju. The general body meeting also elected new Executive Committee members on the occasion.

Subrahmanyam Kakinada

BJP State president PNV Madhav has called for the development of the Kakinada Special Economic Zone (SEZ) on the lines of Sri City. He said that the Kakinada region has the potential to attract many more industries in the coming days.

After assuming charge as the State BJP president, Madhav visited Kakinada and Pithapuram for personal and spiritual engagements. In Kakinada, he met renowned spiritual speaker and government advisor Chaganti Koteswara Rao. He also visited several temples in and around Pithapuram. Speaking to media per-

sons in Kakinada, Madhav said the BJP-led Central government has significantly contributed to the development of Andhra Pradesh by allocating substantial funds for major projects. He said that RS 13,000 crore was sanctioned for the Polavaram Project, RS 15,000 crore

11,440 crore package was announced for the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant.

He opined key infrastructure projects like the Visakhapatnam-Kakinada Corridor, Visakhapatnam-Chennai Corridor, and Sagarmala will transform the economic landscape of the state. Madhav also announced that the Centre plans to set up a medical college in every district, each linked with a hospital, to improve healthcare access across the state.

Referring to electoral reforms, Madhav said a committee has been constituted to study the implementation of simultaneous elections under the 'One Nation, One Election' initiative. A final decision will be taken after the committee submits its report. He expressed confidence that the BJP will strengthen its presence in every district and said the party is looking to induct capable leaders from various fields to expand its reach across the state.

Ongole

NARESH NANDAM

SOCIAL Welfare Minister Dr Dola Sree Bala Veeranjaneya Swamy announced that the state government is conducting mega Parent-Teacher meetings across all government and private schools and junior colleges statewide on Thursday, as part of educational sector reforms. He said that the government is striving to develop the government schools to compete with the corporate schools.

The minister, speaking at the Mega Parents-Teachers Meet held at the Kasturba Gandhi Girls' School in K Bitragunta of Jarugumalli mandal, revealed that the state government has planned to conduct mega Parent-Teacher meetings with 2.28 crore participants in a single day, including students, teachers, parents, school management committees, officials, donors, and alumni. He expected the mega programme to enter the Guinness World Records. Minister Swamy praised the Human Resources Min-



ister, Lokesh, for bringing revolutionary changes to the education sector. He emphasised that Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu's vision is to help poor students reach higher positions in life by developing government schools to compete with corporate schools. He announced that the Talliki Vandanam scheme is currently benefiting 6.7 million students across the state, providing free IIT and NEET coaching at 10 centres statewide in collaboration with Narayana Educational Institutions for merit students from Ambedkar Gurukulas, tribal schools, and SC welfare hostels. He announced that last year, 65 students secured seats in IIT and 50 in NEET through the government's coaching programmes. He honoured outstanding stu-

dents Aishwarya, Gamanika, and Adarsh, along with their parents, for achieving excellent marks in the 10th grade and Intermediate. Responding to requests from students and parents about the lack of hostel and laboratory facilities for intermediate students at the school, Minister Swamy assured that necessary arrangements would be made.

District Education Officer Kiran Kumar reported that the programme was conducted in 2955 government and private schools and 188 junior colleges across the district. The event concluded with the traditional 'Talliki Vandanam' ceremony, where students paid respects to their mothers, followed by a community meal shared by the minister, students, and parents.

'Parental engagement crucial for student's success'

HANS NEWS SERVICE Akunuru (KRISHNA DISTRICT)

THE Principal of Akunuru Government Junior College VSB Ramalaxmi emphasised the critical role of parental engagement in fostering students' academic progress and overall development at the Parent-Teacher Meet (PTM) 2.0 held here on Thursday. The event, hosted by the college, aimed at facilitating meaningful interactions among parents, students, and

faculty. Principal Ramalaxmi lauded the encour-

aging turnout and active participation of parents who engaged with the teaching staff. She highlighted the college's commitment to academic excellence, evidenced by its 75 percent pass rate in the Intermediate Public Examinations held in March 2025, securing the third position among government junior colleges in Krishna district. For the academic year 2025-26, the college has a total enrolment of 115 first-year and

119 second-year intermediate students. During the meeting, N

Anand, a second-year CEC student, spoke about the detrimental effects of drug abuse, a concern echoed by Akunuru Sarpanch Goli Vasanta Kumar, who was the chief guest. Kumar addressed the gathering on the importance of mental health awareness and cautioned both students and parents about the harmful impacts of drug abuse.

N Rajyalakshmi, a parent, expressed appreciation for

the Andhra Pradesh government's welfare schemes, such as Talliki Vandanam and Dokka Seethamma Midday Meals, which provide crucial support to economically disadvantaged students.

Distinguished alumni Kodali Balagangadhara Tilak, a noted donor, and Kakani Srinivasa Rao, chairman of the College Development Committee, attended as guests of honour. Development Committee member Potluri Muralikrishna also extended his support.

As part of the programme, meritorious students were recognised with cash awards. Donors contributed a total of Rs 30,000, with Rs 17,000 specifically donated by the family members of Late Veerapaneni Dasaradha Ramaiah and Late Sujatha to acknowledge excellence in Mathematics. Award recipients included K Harika, V Varalakshmi, A Jyothsna, K Kavya, K Jahnavi, Jujjuvarapu Gayathri, and Kolusu Sai Lahari. Additionally, 13 top-performing students received a cash



Akunuru Sarpanch Goli Vasanta Kumar handing over a cash award of Rs 3,000 to K Harika, who secured the first rank in Mathematics in the senior Intermediate Public Examination held in March

prize of Rs 1,000 each. The meeting was coordinated by Junior Lecturer in Physics K

Vijaya and Junior Lecturer in Mathematics Nam buru Nagarani, with Junior Lecturer in Chemistry K Hemalatha proposing a vote of thanks.

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We are really grateful that we were able to do this (series win against England). I'm really proud of my team the way we played this series. It was really important to get that momentum and I'm really happy with the way we all contributed

- India captain Harmanpreet Kaur

Sports Nation

The last time the Indian team had a worse ranking was in December 2016 when it was placed at 135. India's best ever ranking was 94 in February 1996

New Delhi

THE Indian men's football team slumped to its lowest ranking in nine years as it dropped six places to 133rd

the All India Football Fedin the FIFA chart issued on Thursday, courtesy two losseration (AIFF). es in June. The last time the Indian

India lost to Thailand team had a worse ranking (0-2) in an international was in December 2016 when it was placed at 135. India's friendly on June 4 before suffering a defeat to lower best ever ranking was 94 in February 1996. ranked Hong Kong (0-1) in an Asian Cup qualifying round match, leading to head coach Manolo Mar-

has 1113.22 rating points as against 1132.03 previously. It occupies the 24th place

The Indian team currently

among 46 Asian countries led by Japan (17th rank).

Nothing has been going right for the Indian men's team. The loss against Hong Kong has put the side in a difficult position in its bid to qualify for the 2027 Asian Cup.

The team logged just one win from its last eight matches under Marquez's

tutelage, the lone victory coming against Maldives in March. This year, India have so far played four matches, out of which they have won one, drew another, and lost two. The poor results prompted the return of former skipper and iconic striker Sunil Chhetri to the squad but that has done little to improve the team's

fortunes. India's next scheduled international match is an away fixture against Singapore in the third round of Asian Cup qualifiers in October. World champions Argentina leads the overall chart of 210 countries, followed by Spain, France, England, Brazil, Portugal, the Netherlands, Belgium, Germany and Croatia.



Double strike from Nitish leaves England at 83 for 2

quez's parting of ways with

Ollie Pope could have been dismissed in the very next ball but Gill could not latch on to a tough chance at gully

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Captain Shubman Gill

LONDON

INDIA all-rounder Nitish Kumar Reddy struck twice in an eventful over to leave England at 83 for two at lunch on day one of the Lord's Test here on Thursday.

On expected lines, Prasidh Krishna made way for Jasprit Bumrah as the sole change in the Indian playing eleven.

Ben Stokes, only for the second time in the Bazball era, opted to bat in a home game.

The trio of Bumrah, Akash Deep and Mohamed Siraj did ask a few questions but England opening duo of Ben Duckett (23 off 40) and Zak Crawley (18 off 43) survived the first hour of play, reaching 39 for no loss in 13 overs.

Due to the unique slope, the Indian bowlers understandably took some time to get used to the up and down nature of the ground while running in.

Bumrah bowled from both Pavillion End and Nursery End while Akash Deep, who took a match haul of 10 at



Crawley. It was a beauty that seamed away from length, inducing an outside edge on

could have brought back the way to the keeper. Akash Deep after the first Though the crowd capachour, instead he gave the ball ity at the hallowed ground is to Reddy from the Nursery little over 30,000, it seemed End and he did not disapthe whole of London was flocking to the venue with a point. The first breakthrough was a rather lucky one with sea of fans emerging from the Duckett gloving a short ball St. John's Wood tube station on the leg side to wicketclose by.

Test cricket may be struggling for a regular attendance in some nations, but the sell out crowd in this series so far has reaffirmed the fact that the traditional format continues to thrive in this

The last ball of the over produced the wicket of country.

Novak reaches a record 14th Wimbledon semifinal

LONDON: At least Novak Djokovic could laugh about it immediately afterward.

Yes, he took what he called a "nasty" and "awkward" fall on his second match point at Wimbledon on Wednesday. Yes, he slid into the splits and ended up facedown on the Centre Court grass. And, yes, those sorts of things aren't ideal for a 38-year-old seeking an unprecedented 25th Grand Slam title.

Still, Djokovic dusted himself off and took the next two points, reaching the semifinals at the All England Club for a men's-record 14th time with a 6-7 (6), 6-2, 7-5, 6-4 victory over No. 22 seed Flavio Cobolli to set up a showdown against No. 1 Jannik Sinner.

"Obviously, (my) body is not the same today like it was before," Djokovic said at his news conference, "so I guess the real impact or effect of what happened, I will feel tomorrow. So let's see. I'm hoping in the next 24, 48 hours, that the severity of ... what happened is not too bad, that I'll be able to play at my best and free of pain in two days."

That's when he will take on three-time major champion Sinner, who didn't play like someone dealing with an injured right elbow while using terrific serving and his usual booming forehand to beat 10th-seeded Ben Shelton 7-6 (2), 6-4, 6-4.

"It's going to take the best of me at the moment to beat Jannik. I mean, I know that," said Djokovic, who has lost his last four meetings with Sinner, including in the French Open semifinals last month.

Djokovic is 2-0 against Sinner at Wimbledon, eliminating him in the 2023 semifinals and 2022 quarterfinals.



Against Cobolli – like Sinner, a 23-year-old from Italy - the late-match tumble was not the only thing that was far from smooth for Djokovic. He served for the opening set at 5-3 but got broken at love.

He later was a point from owning that set before first-time major quarterfinalist Cobolli came through.

Djokovic did stretches and breathing exercises at changeovers. He whacked his shoe with his racket after one miss in the fourth set. He seemed bothered at times by the bright sun above Centre Court.

He also showed off all of his considerable skills, accumulating 13 aces, holding in 19 of 21 service games, using a dropshot-lob-drop-shot combination to take one point and limiting his unforced errors to $2\hat{2}$ — half as many as Cobolli.

On Friday, Djokovic will try to reach his seventh consecutive final at the All England Club and get closer to equaling Roger Federer's men's mark of eight trophies there. The other men's semifinal is two-time defending champion Carlos Alcaraz, who defeated Djokovic in the 2023 and 2024 finals, against Taylor Fritz.

Sachin's portrait unveiled in MCC Museum at Lord's

LONDON: A portrait of the legendary Sachin Tendulkar was unveiled in the MCC Museum at Lord's before the start of the third Test between India and England here on Thursday.

The portrait, which has been painted by Stuart Pearson Wright from a photograph taken by the artist at his home 18 years ago, will remain in the MCC Museum until later this year and will then be relocated to the Pavilion.

"As the work progressed, so did Pearson Wright's approach, eventually ending with oil on abraded aluminium. The abstract background illustrates Tendulkar's timelessness, unrestricted by any era or specific location," a release said.

Pearson Wright has previously painted portraits of Kapil Dev, Bishan Singh Bedi, and Dilip Vengsarkar.

Tendulkar was quoted as saying, "It's a huge honour. In 1983, when India won the World Cup, it was my first introduction to Lord's.

"I saw our captain, Kapil Dev, lift the trophy. That moment sparked my cricketing journey. Today, with my portrait going up inside the Pavilion, feels like it's come full circle. When I reflect on my career, it brings a smile to my face. This is truly special." "Unlike the previous paintings, which were full-length, the portrait of Tendulkar is a larger-than-life image of his head and

shoulders," the release added. "The Lord's Portrait Programme has been running in its current



form for three decades, but MCC has been collecting art and artefacts since the Victorian period, opening a dedicated museum in the 1950s making it the oldest sporting museum in Europe.

"The Long Room Gallery is the oldest and most iconic gallery in sport. The Club currently houses around 3,000 pictures, nearly 300 of which are portraits."

Pearson Wright said: "It was clear that MCC didn't want this portrait to be in the same format as the previous Indian cricket portraits I made, so a fresh approach was taken with this one." "I decided on a composition which focused more on Sachin's head and also using a heroic larger-than-lifesize scale to give the painting a sense of gravitas and power."

"I have often painted a portrait with an abstract background, often a plain colour, rather than paint a rendition of an interior or exterior space. This is largely to give focus to the subject's features and to minimise a context which might define the subject in some way."

Principal, staffer held for menstrual check of students

MAHARASHTRA Chief

Mumbai

incident that took place at a private school in Thane dis-

Maha CM Fadnavis orders probe after Thane school



be conducted into the incident and strict action would

cording to the police. tion, an official from Sha-It sparked outrage among hapur police station said. he girls' parents, who pro tested on the school premises tered on Wednesday and sought sons action against the management and teachers involved in the episode. The police on Wednesday night arrested the school's principal and a woman attendant who allegedly stripped the girls, studying in Classes 5 to 10, and checked their private parts for menstrua-SO) Act

Minister Devendra Fadnavis has issued directives for stringent action against those responsible for the alleged stripping of girl students at a school to check if they were menstruating, Minister Girish Mahajan said on Thursday.

The minister told the legislative assembly that the CM has ordered a probe into the

Mahajan said strict action will be taken against the guilty.

One-fifth of women, girls in south Asia abstain from daily activities while menstruating: Lancet study

test Congress' Nana Patole raised the matter in the Lower House, expressing concerns that such an incident

staff allegedly strip girl students to check for menstruation

> could take place in a progressive state like Maharashtra. Jitendra Awhad of NCP

(SP) said the school principal involved is herself a woman. The police have arrested the principal and another staffer over the alleged stripping of



the girls. Stressing that the police have already acted in

the case, Mahajan assured the House that a probe would

Congress legislator Jyoti Gaikwad also demanded that those guilty should not be spared. She said facilities like sanitary napkin vending machines and water are nec-

essary in schools. The incident took place at the school in the Shahapur area of Thane district on Tuesday after bloodstains were found in its toilet, ac-

se has been reg against eight perunder Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita sections 74 (assault or use of criminal force to woman with intent to outrage her modesty) and 76 (assault or use of criminal force to woman with intent to disrobe) and provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POC-

Six Naxalites held from **Chhattisgarh's Sukma**

The four told police that they planned to plant an IED in the jungles between Kottacheru and Gorkha villages to target security personnel but failed to do so due to increase in patrolling

Sukma

SIX Naxalites were arrested from separate places in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district, a police official said on Thursday.

Kunjam Muka (37) and Madvi Muya (30), carrying rewards of Rs 1 lakh and Rs 2 lakh, respectively, were held on Tuesday from Pilavaya village under Konta police station limits, the official said.

"Muka was active as a Janatana Sarkar head under Konta Area Committee of the outlawed CPI (Maoist). Muya was its militia commander, he added. The two were involved in firing on security forces at Banda polling booth during assembly elections in 2023 and killing a civilian in Gangrajpad village in 2024," he added.

The other four were identified as Madvi Sukka (35), Sodi Chandru (28), Muchaki Lakhma (27) and Sodhi Deva (24), who are lower

rung ultras, the official said. were nabbed Thev Tuesday between on Etegatta and Gorkha villages in Bhejji area following a tip. We seized a tiffin bomb weighing 3 kg, five detonators, cordex wire and electric

wire. The four told police they planned to plant an IED in the jungles between Kottacheru and Gorkha villages to target security personnel but failed to do so due to increase in patrolling," the official said



Guj bridge collapse toll 15: **Oppn glare on 'BJP's loot raj'**

NEW DELHI: The collapse of the four-decade-old Gambhira-Mujpur bridge in Gujarat's Vadodara district, which claimed 15 lives, has triggered a wave of criticism from Opposition parties.

Congress held the BJP-led state and central governments accountable, accusing them of negligence, corruption and misplaced priorities in governance. The party's president Mallikarjun Kharge condemned the BJP's handling of infrastructure safety.

"Accidents have become a common occurrence in the country. Sometimes a train accident, sometimes a bridge developing cracks right after its inauguration. The country hasn't even recovered from the plane crash when news of a bridge collapse in Gujarat came yesterday. 12 innocent lives were lost," Kharge wrote on X. "In the name of 'governance,' the BJP leadership and government, busy only with speeches and advertising, have crossed all limits of indifference. This is the result of a leadership crisis, rampant corruption, lack of capacity to run the government, and incompetence. We hope the people of the country are watching this and will give a fitting response when



the time comes." The All India Trinamool Congress (AITC) also weighed in, demanding accountability and urgent infrastructure assessments across BJP-ruled states. "Every bridge, every road, every inch of infrastructure in Double Engine states must undergo immediate and thorough safety audits," the

party posted on X. Highlighting another incident in Rajasthan, AITC wrote: "After the deadly bridge collapse in Vadodara that claimed 11 lives, another glaring failure has surfaced. In Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu district, the road connecting Baghwali-Jahaj to NH 52 has been completely washed away by rain." The party alleged systemic corruption, saying: "Why does this keep happening? Substandard materials are used in critical infrastructure. Funds meant for public safety are siphoned off by local BJP leaders. Contracts are handed out not on merit, but in exchange for kickbacks.

NEW DELHI: BJP MP Nishikant Dubey on Thursday slammed Uddhav Thackeray and Raj Thackeray amid the Hindi-Marathi language row, saying they only beat "poor people" for not speaking Marathi. Speaking to reporters, Nishikant Dubey said, "You beat up the poor. But Mukesh Ambani lives there, he speaks very less Marathi. If you have guts, go to him. Mahim has a large Muslim population. If you have guts, go there. SBI chairman doesn't speak Marathi, try hit-

ting him." Nishikant Dubey further clarified that his earlier statement regarding the economy of Maharashtra has been misinterpreted. He said, "There is something which I said and which has been destroyed - Maharashtra has a great contribution in the economy of this country... What I said was misconstrued by people. But what I am saying is that we too have a contribution in the tax paid by Mumbai or Maharashtra. This has nothing to do with the Thackeray family or the Maratha. SBI and LIC, who pay tax, have their headquarters in Mumbai," he said.

Earlier Dubey strongly reacted to MNS chief Raj Thackeray's

Mukesh Ambani doesn't speak Marathi, try him: BJP to MNS



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Hans India

-Jagdeep Dhankhar, Vice-President of India

Hansindia Industry friends must be a force for inclusion by supporting MSMEs, promoting gender and caste diversity in leadership. It's easier said than done. Gender and caste diversity has to be appreciated in the right sense -lagdeen Dhankhar Vice-President of India

BIZ BRIEFS

Screen's initiative for cinema industry

The Indian Express Group and Screen announced the launch of Screen Academy, a not-for-profit initiative that will nurture and showcase new voices in Indian cinema. The Academy is working with India's top film institutes, will identify and empower the next generation of filmmakers through education, representation, and recognition. Anant Goenka, Executive Director of The Indian Express Group, said: "Screen Academy represents a bold step toward institutionalising excellence in the entertainment and culture space."

Hindware arm's new products

Hindware Smart Appliances, a kitchen appliances brand has launched a comprehensive range of appliances such as BLDC (Brushless Direct Current) motorequipped chimneys, hobs, ovens, and kitchen sinks. Mahesh Kumar Choudhary, President, Hindware Home Innovation, said: "We are incredibly excited to strengthen our presence in the Kitchen Appliances space. Understanding the rapid evolution of Indian homes—driven by real estate growth and modern homeowners' discerning tastes-we have curated a comprehensive range of smart appliances."

Amazon announces **Prime Day deals**

A mazon has an-nounced that the Prime Day 2025 will kick off on July 12 and will runs until July 14, featuring deals on smartphones, laptops, smart TVs, tablets, wearables and speakers. Major brands like Apple, Samsung, Sony, Xiaomi, IBL, and OnePlus are participating. Offers include no-cost EMI options and instant bank discounts. Key highlights discounted offers on devices including iPhone 15, OnePlus 13, Lenovo IdeaPad Slim 3, and LG OLED TV. Visit the website for more consumer electronics deals.

Deccan Rice enters Chinese market

Its products will be in the domestic market by early 2026, Director Kiran Kumar Pola says

HANS BUSINESS Hyderabad

HYDERABAD-based Deccan Grainz India has recently entered the Chinese market. The company has already been exporting 30 varieties of Indian rice to Sweden, UK, Germany, Ireland, London, US, Canada, Australia, EU and Turkey, and China is the new addition to its global footprint. "We are the only rice

brand from South India to achieve such a global footprint in rice exports," said Kiran Kumar Pola, Director, Deccan Grainz India.

He described the company's entry into China, which ranks second in the world after India in rice production, as a milestone. He said that Deccan Foods is the market leader in the nonbasmati rice category in the US market. "We purchase quality rice from thousands of farmers in various states including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, and export it to various countries," he said.



In its 15-year long journey, the company sold more than 7 crore bags of rice abroad.

Sona Masuri accounts for a whopping 60 per cent of its total sales. The company has a state-of-the-art, Japanese technology-powered rice processing plant with a monthly capacity of 5,500 metric tonnes at Sultanpur near Hyderabad. It employs 100 people. "They say we have to win at home before winning outside. But we al-

ready won outside. Now, we are ready to win at home. Deccan Grainz will enter the Indian market in early 2026," said Kiran Kumar. Kiran has more than 30

years of experience in the rice business.

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Hyderabad

THE Confederation of Real

Estate Developers' Asso-

ciations of India (CREDAI)

Hyderabad has officially an-

nounced the 2025 edition

of its flagship Hyderabad

Property Show, set to take

place from August 15 to 17

at HITEX Exhibition Centre,

Halls 1 & 3. With the theme

"Choice is Yours," this year's

event promises to empower

homebuyers by offering a

Reddy, Chairman of AIG

Hospitals. "We are proud to bring this revolutionary tech-

nology to India, allowing pa-

tients to receive cutting-edge

treatment without needing

to travel abroad." ZAP-X of-

fers multiple clinical advan-

tages, including a gyroscopic,

dual-gimbaled design that

enables full 360-degree ac-

cess to the brain. This results

in sub-millimeter targeting

accuracy and real-time imag-

ing, minimizing radiation ex-

Calling it a "paradigm

Head of Neurosurgery at

AIG, emphasised the patient

benefits: "This technology

allows patients to walk in, re-

ceive treatment as a daycare

T-Hub, AWS accelerator to power space startups

HANS BUSINESS Hyderabad

AMAZON Web Services (AWS) has announced the launch of AWS Space Accelerator: APJ 2025, a programme designed to support startups across Asia Pacific and Japan (APJ) that are focused on space technology-catalysing innovation and propelling the growing space economy in the Asia Pacific region. The 10-week accelerator will

provide up to 40 selected startups with dedicated business resources, expertise, and guidance around technology and business capabilities, to help them leverage AWS to build, grow, and scale their

missions. The accelerator is open to space-sector startups at all stages that are based in India, Australia, New Zealand, or Japan. Participants can leverage the program to build their technology platforms, scale their operations, and pursue investment opportunities. Applications for the AWS Space Accelerator: APJ will be open from July 8 to Septem-

ber 5. The AWS Space Accelerator: APJ 2025 will be delivered in collaboration with AWS partners T-Hub, Minfy, Fusic, and Ansys along with leading space organizations including IN-SPACe, the Australia Space Agency, iLAuNCH, and

SKY Perfect JSAT Corporation.

Credai Hyd property show to be held in Aug

villas, plots, and commer-

cial spaces from across Hy-

derabad. Highlighting Hy-

derabad's strong real estate

momentum, President N

Jaideep Reddy noted that

the city witnessed property

registrations worth Rs4,300

India makes it to global top-10 tech markets THE COUNTRY LEADS IN TALENT AVAILABILITY

BENGALURU: India ranks among world's top-10 tech markets in 2025, particularly standing out in terms of talent availability, with its top six cities making the top 10 list for tech talent acquisition in the Asia-Pacific region, a report showed on Thursday.

The Asia Pacific region is gaining momentum as a global tech talent hub, being home to three of the world's top-10 locations - Bengaluru in India, Tokyo in Japan and Beijing in China, said the re-

port from Colliers. "India is a powerhouse of tech talent and a key player in the global innovation ecosystem, supported by availability of skilled talent and employment opportunities across Tier I as well as emerging cities of the country," said ArpitMehrotra, Managing Director, Office Services, India, Colliers.

Leading tech cities in India account for 69 per cent of the total tech talent in the Asia



expansion," Mehrotra added. Pacific region. Bengaluru and Hyderabad, which host the The report examined more

region's largest talent clusters, than 200 global markets based continue to lead tech leason their talent acquisition, venture capital (VC) funding, ing activity, together driving nearly 50 per cent of the conlabour index, talent pipeline and sector composition. India ventional office space uptake ranks among the top desti-"With the availability of nations for tech talent both high-quality office space, roin the Asia Pacific as well as bust IT infrastructure, and globally. Bengaluru and Hycost competitiveness, India's derabad continue to remain preferred tech destinations in office markets will continue India, followed closely by othto feature prominently among the top destinations for techer major markets, all of which nology-led global economic attract global tech companies

TALENT POOL

- B'luru, Tokyo, Beijing among top-10
- Tech cities in India account for 69% of total tech talent in Asia Pacific region
- B'luru, Hydtogether driving 50% of office space uptake in H1

with skilled talent availability and a mature tech ecosystem, the report found.

Occupiers in the technology sector remain a cornerstone of office space demand across India's top seven cities, driving Grade A space uptake in both conventional and flex spaces over the past years. During H1 2025, tech occupiers leased over 10 million square feet of office space across the top seven cities, driving 40 per cent of the conventional space demand.

India made Ai+ smartphone is here!

HANS BUSINESS

Hyderabad IN a landmark moment for India's digital future, Nxt-Quantum has launched the Ai+ Smartphone, India's first fully authored smartphone, built entirely in India, governed on Indian infrastructure, and designed to deliver world-class performance with uncom-

promising data privacy. The launch was led by Madhav Sheth, CEO, Ai+ Smartphone and Founder, NxtQuantum Shift Technologies, alongside Shashikumar Sreedharan, Managing Director, Google Cloud India, and Smrithi Ravichandran, Vice President - Mobiles, Flipkart. More

one-stop destination to explore RERA-approved prothan just a product launch, jects by over 70 reputed dethe model marks a bold new velopers. direction in mobile innovation, The announcement was where performance meets purpose, and users gain true made by CREDAI Hycontrol over how their data eraba d's is stored, accessed, and protected. Built entirely in India and Elect B Jagannath Rao, Genpowered by NxtQuantum OS, India's first sovereign mobile operating system, the Ai+ nath, Co-convenor Aravind Smartphone combines high performance, affordability, and privacy in one seamless experience. members



time to invest," he said.

erabad's resilience and

HUL names Priya Nair as CEO-MD

in H1 2025.

Over 70 developers, endless choices for homebuyers in largest real estate expo at HITEX NEW DELHI: Hindustan Unilever Ltd (HUL) on Thursday said it has appointed Priya Nair as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director for five years, effective August 1, 2025. Nair is currently President, Beauty & Wellbeing, Unilever. She replaces Rohit Jawa who will step down as CEO and MD on July 31, 2025 to pursue the next chapter in his personal and professional journey, the FMCG major said in a statement. Nair will also join the HUL Board, subject to necessary approvals, and continue to be a member of the Unilever Leadership Executive (ULE), it added. "Priya has had an outstanding career in HUL and Unilever. I am certain that with her deep understanding of the Indian market and excellent track record. Priva in will take HUL to the next level of performance," Hindustan Unilever Ltd (HUL) Chairman Nitin Paranjpe said. Nair joined HUL in 1995 and held several sales and marketing roles across home care, beauty & wellbeing, and personal care businesses.

Despite uptrend, top-4 trading platforms lose 20 lakh investors in H1

Mumbai

TOP four online trading platforms together lost nearly 20 lakh active investors in the first half of the calendar year (2025), data available on the National Stock Exchange (NSE) showed on Thursday. The decline comes despite the markets remaining firm during the four consecutive months.

The first half of this year has been difficult for Groww, Zerodha, Angel One, and Upstox, the top four brokers in India in terms of active investors. In June alone, they lost about 6 lakh users overall.

Strict rules for trading

in the Future and Options

ment last year, investors are becoming less interested in the sector.Since the year began, Groww, the biggest broker in the nation by number of active investors, has seen a drop of six lakh active investors. Over 5.4 lakh active investors were lost by Zerodha, the biggest broker in terms of revenue, during the same time frame.

Angel One lost over 4.5 lakh active investors, while over 3 lakh active investors were declined from Unstov's user base during the above said period. These four firms together added nearly one crore new active investors in 2024, when trading activities in F&O were hitting all-time highs. However, their user base declined a bit this year.

Credai President N Jaideep Reddy addressing the meeting Photo: Adula krishna evated corridor projects in The Property Show aims to dispel real estate myths by

presenting credible, RERAcompliant properties under one roof. It will feature a diverse mix of apartments,



the pipeline. With interest rates easing and new highrise launches, now is the ideal President-Elect B Jagannath Rao echoed the senti-

ment, calling Hyderabad a "true global city" that continues to attract investments across sectors including IT, manufacturing, life sciences, EVs, and defense. "Despite global uncertainties, Hy-

New range from **Ultra Soft Toys**

Ultra Soft Toys has unveiled a new range of toys at this year's Toy Biz 2025. The brand showcased its new 'Cuddle & Calm' range of weighted plush toys and sensory companions. The Cuddle & Calm collection offers soft, huggable plushies that provide grounding and tactile comfort. Brinda Agrawal, Head-Product Development, Ultra Soft Toys, said: "Weighted toys, in particular, offer calming pressure and tactile comfort that appeals across age groups."

Dreame unveils robot vacuum

Dreame Technol-ogy, a smart home appliances brand, has launched the Dreame F10 in India, a Robot Vacuum featuring stand ard system that delivers optimized suction power of 13,000Pa. Manu Sharma, MD, Dreame India, said: "At Dreame, our mission has always been to build technologies that make everyday life easier and smarter.

senior leadership crore in May 2025 cent year-on-year increase. team, including President N Jaideep Reddy, President-He attributed this to the city's booming employment eral Secretary K Kranti Kiran hubs, robust infrastructure Reddy, Convenor Kurra Sridevelopment, and ongoing investments by global firms. Rao Mechineni, and other "Hyderabad is poised for a office bearers and committee major transformation with metro rail expansion and el-

- a 14 per vestor-friendly climate make it a preferred destination," he added. Speaking on the upcoming show, Convenor Kurra Srinath described the event as "more than just a real estate exhibition - it's a celebration of trust, choice, and community."

(F&O) segment, enforced by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi), the market regulator, are the main cause of the decline in the number of active users of the major brokers. Since the market regulator

tightened the rules for trading in the derivatives seg-

AIG unveils South India's first ZAP-X radiosurgery platform

HANS BUSINESS Hyderabad

AIG Hospitals has become the first healthcare provider in South India to introduce the ZAP-X Gyroscopic Radiosurgery Platform, a cutting-edge, non-invasive technology designed for the precise treatment of brain tumors and other intracranial conditions. The platform is expected to be fully operational by the end of 2025 at the hospital's flagship Gachibowli campus.

posure to healthy tissues. It is The ZAP-X system, develparticularly effective for treatoped by Dr John R Adlering brain metastases, menincreator of CyberKnife and giomas, acoustic neuromas, a former Stanford neuroarteriovenous malformations surgeon-is the world's first (AVMs), and trigeminal neuvault-free radiosurgery platralgia. form. Unlike traditional systems, it eliminates the need shift" in neurosurgery, Dr for radioactive cobalt and Subodh Raju, Director and

expensive radiation-shielded rooms, using instead a modern linear accelerator to safely deliver consistent radiation doses.

"This is a major step toprocedure, and walk out the ward democratizing access same day-pain-free, without to world-class neurosurgical hospitalization, and with no care," said Dr. D Nageshwar recovery time."



Selling in IT, telecom shares drag benchmarks into red

Investors turned cautious ahead of the start of earnings season. Tariff-related uncertainty also dampened investor sentiment

Mumbai

BENCHMARK indices Sensex and Nifty buckled under selling pressure on Thursday due to weakness in IT and telecom stocks as investors turned cautious ahead of the start of earnings season, with tech major TCS scheduled to announce its Q1 numbers later in the day. Tariff-related uncertainty also dampened investor sentiment in the market, traders said.

Sliding for the second straight session, the 30-share BSE Sensex dropped 345.80 points or 0.41 per cent to settle at 83,190.28. During the day, it declined 401.11 points or 0.48 per cent to 83,134.97. As many as 2,064 stocks declined, while 1,959 advanced and 138 remained unchanged on the BSE. On similar lines, the 50-share NSE Nifty declined 120.85 points or 0.47 per cent to 25,355.25. A positive momentum in global equities, however, restricted the loss in the domestic markets.

"Indian equities concluded the day in the red, weighed down by weakness in IT stocks ahead of TCS' Q1 results. In-



vestor sentiment remains cautious ahead of the Q1 results in anticipation of a muted start to the season from the IT and finance sectors. However, the recent consolidation in the IT stocks largely factors in the muted outlook, limiting further worries," Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Investments Limited, said. From the Sensex pack,

Bharti Airtel, Asian Paints, Infosys, Bharat Electronics, Tech Mahindra and Eternal were major laggards. However, Maruti, Tata Steel, Bajaj Finance, Bajaj Finserv, Trent and Tata Consultancy Services were among the gainers. "Dalal Street ended in the red on Thursday, as investors remained cautious ahead of two key events -- US President Donald Trump's upcoming tariff announcement and the start of India's Q1FY26 earnings season, with TCS scheduled to report results post market hours," Gaurav Garg, Analyst, Lemonn Markets Desk, said.

The BSE midcap gauge dipped 0.28 per cent while the smallcap index inched higher by 0.12 per cent. Among BSE sectoral indices, teck dropped 1.17 per cent, telecommunication (1.11 per cent), BSE Focused IT (0.77 per cent), IT (0.71 per cent) and consumer durables (0.44 per cent). Realty, metal, oil & gas and utilities were the gainers.

Nvidia world's first firm to reach \$4-trn mcap

San Francisco

SILICON Valley chipmaker Nvidia on Wednesday became the first publicly traded company to surpass a \$4-trillion market valuation, putting the latest exclamation point on the investor frenzy surrounding an artificial intelligence boom powered by its industry-leading processors. The milestone reflects the upheaval being unleashed by artificial intelligence, or AI, which is widely viewed as the biggest tectonic shift in technology since Apple co-founder Steve Jobs unveiled the first iPhone 18 years ago.

Underscoring the changing of the guard, AI bellwether Nvidia is now worth \$900 billion more than Apple, which rode the iPhone's success to become the first publicly traded company to valued at \$1 trillion, \$2 trillion and eventually, \$3 trillion. Meanwhile, Indian capital market's valuation was over \$5 trillion. The market capitalization (mcap) of BSE-listed companies was \$5.38 trn on Thursday (July10, 2025). Nvidia's rise as come as

Apple has struggled to deliver on its ambitions to infuse the iPhone and other products with more AI with Nvidia's coffers.



an array of new features that included a more than yearold promise to smarten up its often bumbling virtual assistant Apple acknowledged last month that delivering on its AI vision is going to take until at least next year, leading some industry analysts to wonder if the company will have to acquire an AI startup to regain momentum.

In the meantime, former Apple design guru JonyIve has joined forces with OpenAI to work on a wearable AI device that could challenge the iPhone while Nvidia has been scrambling to meet the feverish demand for its specialized chips that power the energy-intensive data centres underlying artificial intelligence.

And tech giants Microsoft, Amazon, Google parent Alphabet and Facebook parent Meta Platforms are upping the AI ante too, collectively budgeting about \$325 billion for investments in the technology this year - with a significant amount of that money likely to flow into

Entertainment

'The 100' review: A riveting thriller with heart and heft

SUHAS SISTU

K Sagar returns to the silver screen with 'The 100,' a compelling investigative thriller directed by Raghav Omkar Sasidhar. Based on real-life events, the film marks a strong comeback for Sagar, who is best known for his iconic TV role as RK Naidu in Mogali Rekulu. With Dhanya Balakrishna, Lakshmi Gopalaswamy, and Kalyani Natarajan in key roles, the film hits theatres. Let's see how it fares at box-office.

Story:

At its core, 'The 100' follows Vikranth, a principled and determined IPS officer, as he unravels a complex case rooted in reality. The film is more than a regular whodunit-it seamlessly layers family dynamics, emotional depth, and socially relevant themes,



climax, shot against a rainall while maintaining a tight grip on its investigative drenched backdrop, adds narrative. The thrilling intensity and brings the

story to a powerful close.

Performances:

RK Sagar owns the role of Vikranth, delivering a mature and grounded performance. His portrayal, reminiscent yet evolved from his television stint, feels authentic and impactful. Misha Narang, Dhanya Balakrishna, Lakshmi Gopalaswamy, and Kalyani Natarajan provide strong support, each adding substance to the story with their well-etched characters and convincing performances.

Technicalities:

Director Raghav Omkar Sasidhar impresses with sharp writing and focused direction. The screenplay is taut, and the pacing ensures engagement throughout. Cinematography enhances the mood, especially during the intense climax. The background score

is a standout element, heightening tension and emotion in key scenes. Rich production values add polish to the film's execution.

Analysis:

The 100 is not just a thriller-it's a smartly made, emotionally layered film that speaks to both fans of the genre and general audiences. It strikes a fine balance between drama, suspense, and emotion. With meaningful storytelling, commendable performances, and technical finesse, it makes a lasting impact. RK Sagar's return is not just nostalgic; it's triumphant. 'The 100' delivers on all fronts. RK Sagar's commanding screen presence, combined with a gripping story and strong direction, makes it a must-watch thriller. A compelling entertainer with heart and heft-go for it!



Prabhas wishes producer SKN on birthday

Sharing the moment, SKN

ebel Star Prabhas conveyed his birthday on the occasion. Kwishes to producer posted a photo with Prabhas SKN, who celebrated his on social media. The stylbirthday this Monday. SKN ish new look of Prabhas in recently met Prabhas on the the photo has gone viral, sets of 'Raja Saab', where the drawing attention from fans. Many of Prabhas' followers star personally wished him

also took to social media to extend birthday wishes to SKN.

SKN is serving as the Creative Producer for 'Raja Saab', which is scheduled for a grand theatrical release on December 5th.

Kiran Abbavaram's 'K-Ramp' Diwali release

oung and talented actor Kiran Abbavaram is starring in the upcoming film 'K-Ramp', marking his 11th project as a lead. The film is being jointly produced by successful producers Rajesh Danda and Shiva Bommak under the banners of Hasya Movies and Rudransh Celluloid. Yukti Thareja plays the female lead, while Jain Nani is directing the film.

Moving at jet speed, the team recently completed a crucial schedule in the scenic locations of Kerala. The visuals shot here are expected to be a visual feast on screen. The first-look poster of Kiran Abbavaram, released earlier, received a tremendous response from audiences. With the shoot now in its final stage, 'K-Ramp' is getting ready for a grand theatrical release this Diwali.



'The Paradise' team wishes Raghav

eam Natural Star Nani, Srikanth Odela, Sudhakar Cherukuri, and SLV Cinemas' global actioner 'The Paradise' extends birthday wishes to Raghav Juyal, unveiling a striking BTS video.

Natural Star Nani's highly anticipated global action spectacle 'The Paradise' has been making waves on the internet ever since the first look of the film was released. Directed by the talented Srikanth Odela, following the massive success of 'Dasara', The Paradise' is being craft ed on an ambitious scale. Following the launch of the 'Raw Statement' glimpse, the intrigue surrounding the film has only grown stronger. Now, the makers have onboarded yet another incredible talent, Raghav Juyal, and wished him on his birthday with a striking BTS video. In the video, Srikanth Odela is seen describing Raghav's character-his brutal nature and distinctive look. The actor appears visibly excited to learn about his role in the movie.

Having delivered impressive performances in films like Kill', 'Gyaarah Gyaarah', among others, he is now all set to deliver yet another memorable act in 'The Paradise' alongside Natural Star Nani.

Amid ongoing speculation about his role alongside Shah Rukh Khan in 'King', Raghav now adds another feather to his cap by joining the cast of this pan-India project with Nani, helmed by Srikanth Odela.

Raghav Juyal is truly on roll with major pan-India



Dhanush's '#D54 launched with Puja

ational Award-win-ning actor Dhanush has cemented a strong market in Telugu cinema, following the sensational success of his recent blockbusters, particularly 'Kuberaa'. Building on that momentum, the actor's 54th film has been officially announced today. The film '#D54' is being helped by Vignesh Raja, best known for his critically acclaimed thriller 'Por Thozhil'. It is produced by Dr. Ishari K. Ganesh under Vels Film International, in collaboration

with Think Studios. The film was formally launched today with a pooja ceremony. The regular shoot also commenced today. The announcement poster features Dhanush in a sharp, formal look, standing near a fire, hinting at the film's intense tone. Billed as an intense action drama with a distinctive storyline, the film promises to resonate with a broad audience, cutting across regions.

Actress Mamitha Baiju, known for her lively performance in 'Premalu', has been cast opposite Dhanush as the female lead. The stellar ensemble cast also includes powerhouses like KS Ravikumar, Jayaram, Karunas, Suraj Venjaramoodu, Prithvi Pandiarajan, and others.

The film also brings together a strong technical team. Theni Eswar is on board as the cinematographer, GV Prakash Kumar handles the music, Sreejith Sarang takes charge of editing, and Mayapandi oversees art direction.

The script has been cowritten by director Vignesh Raja along with Alfred Prakash, and is expected to deliver a compelling blend of action, emotion, and intrigue.

The film is being mounted on a massive scale across multiple locations, blending intense drama with stylish storytelling. With Vels' commitment to delivering high-quality content across India. '#D54' is envisioned as an absolute theatrical experience for audiences.

Stav tuned for more updates as this exciting journey unfolds!

Raghav Juyal is indeed an exceptional talent with a distinct on-screen presence.

films in 2026. 'The Paradise', slated to hit screens on March 26, 2026. The makers are currently in talks with a Hollywood studio for a potential collaboration and will be sharing updates soon. 'The Paradise', releasing in eight languages-Telugu, Hindi, Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam, Bengali, English, and Spanish—aims to deliver the unexpected, setting a new standard and raising the bar for cinematic excellence. With its universal appeal, the film will have a pan-world release and put Indian cinema on the

global map.



'Mahavatar Narasimha' trailer officially released



resented by Hombale Films, Cleem Productions' 'Mahavatar Narasimha' is set to offer a unique cinematic experience with visual wonder and a powerful story. The muchawaited trailer of 'Mahavatar Narasimha' has been releasedand it is stunning.

The trailer, which begins with a sequence of Hiranyakashipu performing a severe penance for a boon from Lord Brahma, is gripping throughout. Prahlad, devoted to Vishnu, faces opposition from his atheist father, Hiranyakashipu. The trailer gives goosebumps with the arrival of 'Mahavatar Narasimha', an incarnation of Vishnu who comes to save Prahlad.

With epic visuals and a stunning background score, this trailer is a visual marvel. The film has reached the next level. Never

before has this iconic story from Indian history been portrayed so beautifully.

Producer Shilpa Dhawan said, "We are ready to unveil the epic story of Shri Narasimha and Shri Varahula! Every frame, every moment, every heartbeat has brought this great story to life. The roar of Narasimha is coming.

Director Ashwin Kumar added, "The first animated feature trailer of the 'Mahavatar Cinematic Universe' has been unveiled with His grace. The divine journey has begun. The vision of Cleem Productions-a new-age media house for audiences—and the dream of preserving the culture and heritage of India through the screen is alive."

Hombale Films and Cleem Productions have officially announced the lineup for this

ambitious animated franchise, which will span a decade and showcase the various incarnations of Lord Vishnu:

- 'Mahavatar Narasimha' (2025)
- 'Mahavatar Parasuram' (2027)
- 'Mahavatar Raghunandan' (2029)
- 'Mahavatar Dhavakadhesh' (2031)
- 'Mahavatar Gokulananda' (2033)
- 'Mahavatar Kalki Part 1' (2035)

'Mahavatar Kalki Part 2' (2037)

'Mahavatar Narasimha' is directed by Ashwin Kumar. Presented by Hombale Films under the banner of Cleem Productions, Shilpa Dhawan, Kushal Desai, and Chaitanya Desai are producing this dynamic partnership, aiming to deliver a cinematic marvel. The film is releasing in 3D in five Indian languages on 25th July 2025.