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Top Maoist leader Mallojula surrenders in Maharashtra

60 other cadres also lay down arms along with him

GADCHIROLI: Senior Naxalite Mallojula Venu-gopal Rao alias Bhupathi surrendered before police along with 60 other cadres in Maharashtra's Gad-chiroli district, officials said on Tuesday. One of the influential strategists in the banned organisation, Bhupathi, a member of the central committee and politburo, carried a bounty of Rs 6 crore, the officials said. They said the Naxals turned themselves in before the police around 10 pm on Monday. The cadres were brought to the Gadchiroli police headquarters in police vehicles from Hodri village, where they surrendered with 54 weapons, the officials said. The seized weapons include seven AK-47s and nine INSAS rifles, the officials added. The surrendered cadres include a member of the central committee, three Dandkaryana Special Zonal Committee (DKSZC) members and 10 members of a divisional committee of the outlawed CPI-Maoist, the officials said.

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SLP IN SC ON HC STAY ON BC RESERVATION

STATE SEEKS EARLY HEARING

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THE state government has filed a Special Leave Petition (SLP) before the Supreme Court challenging the interim orders of the Telangana High Court that stayed Government Order (GO) No 9, which enhanced reservation for Backward Classes (BCs) in local bodies from 25 per cent to 42 per cent.

Lawyers, representing the state government, made a mention before the Supreme Court registry seeking an early hearing of the SLP on Thursday or Friday. In its response, the registry as-



TPCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud meets Supreme Court lawyer and MP Abhishek Manu Singhvi in Delhi

sured that the matter would be placed before the Chief Justice of India (CJI).

It may be recalled that the High Court had granted in-

terim stay on 42 per cent BC quota order on October 9. Consequently, the ongoing local body election process came to a standstill.

Meanwhile, state PCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud said that the government has approached the apex court to secure a relief from the High Court stay and get the green signal to implement 42 per cent BC reservation in the local body elections.

Earlier, he held a series of meetings with legal experts, including Congress counsel Abhishek Manu Singhvi in New Delhi. He apprised Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy and the party high command about the progress on filing SLP in the apex court and the prospects of getting relief from there.

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BIHAR ASSEMBLY POLLS

BJP drops Speaker, fields 2 Dy CMs in first list of 71 candidates

NEW DELHI/PATNA

THE Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Tuesday announced its first list of 71 candidates for the upcoming Bihar Assembly elections, scheduled to be held in two phases on November 6 and 11.

The list features a mix of fresh and familiar faces, while also reflecting some bold choices, including the denial of ticket to Assembly Speaker and seven-time Patna Sahib MLA Nand Kishore Yadav.

In this first list, the BJP has retained 53 candidates and replaced nominees in 15 constituencies. The party is contesting 101 of the 243 seats as part of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) and is expected to release its second list of 30 candidates soon. Among the key candidates is Deputy Chief



Speaker Nand Kishore Yadav

Minister Samrat Choudhary, who currently serves as a Member of the Legislative Council (MLC). He will contest from the Tarapur seat. His fellow Deputy CM, Vijay Kumar Sinha, has been fielded again from his stronghold, Lakhisarai. Another notable name is Mangal Pandey, also an MLC and a minister in the NDA government, who will contest from Siwan.

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Sathya Sai Central Trust Managing Trustee R J Rathnakar with Vice-President C P Radhakrishnan in New Delhi on Tuesday

Vice-President to attend 100th birth anniversary of Sathya Sai Baba

AMARAVATI: Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has invited Vice-President C P Radhakrishnan to participate in the centenary celebrations of Sri Sathya Sai Baba. R J Rathnakar, Managing Trustee of Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust, met the Vice-President in New Delhi on Tuesday and formally invited him to the centenary celebrations.

During the meeting, Rathnakar apprised the Vice President of the various humanitarian and spiritual activities undertaken by the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust.

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TG writes to CWC, opposes Banakacherla

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HYDERABAD

IN its bid to register a strong protest against the Banakacherla project taken up by the Andhra Pradesh government before the Union government, the Telangana government has written a strongly worded letter to the Central Water Commission (CWC) and Polavaram Project Authority (PPA).

In his missive to the CWC Chairman, state Engineer-

Top engineer shoots strongly worded anti-AP missive to CWC and Polavaram Project Authority



in-Chief (Irrigation) Mohd Amjad Hussain said the Telangana government has

already raised several objections as regards the Polavaram-Banakacherla Link project

(BPLP) that is proposed by the AP government. He sought action as per the provisions of the AP Reorganization Act 2014. The official pointed out that the ministry of Jal Shakti has directed CWC to reject the pre-feasibility report and also requested the union ministry of Environment and Forests not to undertake any appraisal of the Banakacherla proposal and outrightly reject grant of ToR (Terms of Reference) in the upcoming meeting of EAC. Continued on Page 7

Modi my 'good friend', Munir 'favourite field marshal': Trump

SHARM EL-SHEIKH

US President Donald Trump played a balancing act at the Gaza Peace Summit in Egypt's Sharm el-Sheikh, calling Pakistani Army Chief Asim Munir "my favourite marshal," while also praising his "very good friend," Prime Minister Narendra Modi. "Prime Minister Sharif of Pakistan and I have to say, my favourite Field Marshal from Pakistan, who is not here but the Prime Minister is here," said Trump, as he invited Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif to address the historic Gaza Peace Summit.



In his address, Sharif lavished praise on President Trump, calling him a "man of peace" and renominating him for the Nobel Peace Prize. The Pakistani Prime Minister also thanked the US President and his "wonderful team" for their intervention in the India-Pakistan conflict in May this year.

"Suffice to say, had it not been for this gentleman, who

knows, India and Pakistan are both nuclear powers. Had he not intervened with his wonderful team during those four days, the war could've escalated to a level where no one would've lived to tell what happened," Sharif said.

In response, Trump jokingly said he didn't expect that from Sharif.

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HYDRAA reclaims 1,000 acres till date

M M FAROOQUI
HYDERABAD

THE Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Protection Agency (HYDRAA), which targeted encroachments on government land, including lakes, parks, and roads since its inception in July last year, has freed over 1,000 acres of land in Greater Hyderabad region till date. The agency conducts eviction drives, removes illegal structures, and secures reclaimed land to protect public property.

HYDRAA, which was formed on July 19, 2024, as

The reclaimed land is valued at around Rs 50,000 cr, says agency's chief Ranganath

HYDRAA in Numbers

Formed: July 19, 2024
Total drives: 100 in 14 months
Reclaimed: Over 1,000 acres
Removed: 600 encroachments
Freed land value: Rs 50,000 cr
Rejuvenated: 6 lakes



per the directions of Chief Minister Anumula Revanth Reddy, conducted more than 100 drives to remove about 600 encroachments. In the process, it reclaimed around 480 acres of government land, 235 acres of lakes and 220 acres of roads and several other unauthorized

structures. The agency also removed encroachment on more than 15 acres of nalas and 25 acres of parks.

According to HYDRAA Commissioner AV Ranganath, the reclaimed land is valued at around Rs 50,000 crore. The agency also rejuvenated six lakes at a cost of

Rs 58.40 crore. Due to the rejuvenation of six lakes, their area has increased from 105 acres to 180 acres as the agency retrieved about 75 acres of encroached land.

The Commissioner said that HYDRAA is receiving a positive response from the citizens. Continued on Page 7

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Cyber complaint filed over abusive Facebook reel targeting PM Modi

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A formal complaint has been lodged with the Cyber Crime Department in Hyderabad regarding an abusive and defamatory Facebook Reel targeting the Prime Minister of India.

The complaint, submitted by Perala Shekhar Rao on Wednesday, alleges that the content posted by a user under the profile name "Drhelpai" contains objectionable language that violates both social media community standards and Indian cyber laws.

In his written complaint addressed to the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Rao urged authorities to initiate an immediate investigation, take



legal action against the individual responsible, and ensure the removal of the offensive content from the platform. He emphasised that such posts not only constitute cyber abuse but also amount to defamation of a public authority.

Rao has attached screenshots of the Reel as evidence. He expressed hope that the Cyber Crime Department would act swiftly to uphold the dignity of public discourse and prevent the misuse of digital platforms for character assassination.

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For more details please visit: <https://tender.telangana.gov.in> (Tender ID No. 636049)
Sd/- Dr. G. Srijana, IAS, CEO-SRDS/Director, RD
DIPR R.O.No. 9202 -PP/CL/ADVT/1/2025-26, Dt: 14.10.25

FORM NO.14 [See Regulation 33(2)]
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Also At: Plot No. 3, Survey No. 173, Vanasthalipuram, Saheb Nagar Kalan Village, Hayathnagar Mandal
(C4) V. Malleswari W/o. Lakshmaiah Naidu, Sarangu, Aged: 64 Years, Occ: Business, Plot No. 5, Raghavendra Nagar, Raghannaguda, Turkayamjal Rangareddy, Telangana-0
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DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD (DRT1)

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SC orders Prabhakar Rao to provide iCloud ID, password in phone-tapping case

SC directs former intelligence chief T Prabhakar Rao to reset and share his iCloud credentials with forensic experts amid investigation into alleged phone-tapping

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HYDERABAD

IN a significant development in the case, the Supreme Court has asked former intelligence wing head T Prabhakar Rao who is facing charges of phone-tapping to provide the correct ID and password for his iCloud and other backups to the investigating agency.

"As and when the petitioner is summoned, he shall take steps to reset and activate the password in the presence of forensic experts as submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner," a bench of Justices B V Nagarathna and R Mahadevan

ordered. The court was hearing the State's application to vacate its order granting Rao interim protection from arrest.

Appearing for the State, Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta said there was no progress due to lack of cooperation from Rao. He said the facts are shocking and that the officer had formatted his devices, thereby destroying electronic evidence.

Senior Advocate D S Naidu, appearing for Rao, denied that he was not cooperating. He said everything the investigators asked for had been shared with them except the password to his personal iCloud devices. He

added that the investigators have Rao's devices and submitted that Rao had been summoned 11 times and questioned for 18 hours and it was recorded.

On the iCloud password, he said, "I (Rao) have forgotten that. It is a very old account". He offered to reset it in the presence of forensic experts.

When Justice Nagarathna referred to the charge that he had deleted data from the devices, Naidu said it was not Rao but the department computer experts who deleted it following standard security protocol. "I am not the only one in the department...I have

not deleted anything on my own...If only I deleted, the information should still be there in the department...It is a norm that is practised in any security department," he submitted.

Justice Mahadevan pointed out that it was only Rao who had access to his iCloud account and asked, "What is the guarantee that you have not deleted anything from it as of now?"

Naidu said "electronic footprints will be there...it cannot be erased" and computer experts can check. He said all official devices have been handed over and only his personal account is there which has nothing official.



EAGLE gets big AI push to step up fight against drugs

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THE Elite Action Group for Law Enforcement (EAGLE), Telangana's renowned anti-narcotics Task Force, has launched a set of Artificial Intelligence utilities on its official portal to covering gaps to fight against illicit drugs.

With the unveiling of Sahay AI and Shield AI, officials hope to make real-time reporting and risk evaluation accessible to ordinary citizens while keeping the identity and safety of informants at the forefront.

One of the star attractions, Sahay AI, is a user-friendly tool for sharing vital information about drug use, trafficking, or suspicious substances. Citizens visiting the Telangana EAGLE website can spot the "EAGLE AI" tab on the right-hand panel.

A click opens the Sahay section, inviting witnesses, whistleblowers, or locals concerned to log the details of drug-related incidents. Uniquely, the platform accommodates both anonymous and identified reports, which could bolster the trust of wary community members, who might otherwise fear a backlash.

Alongside tip collection, EAGLE's new tools introduce Shield AI a digital risk assessment mechanism. Residents troubled by incidents or rumours can enter the Shield section and opt for a Take Risk evaluation.

The system guides users through a concise, interactive questionnaire that is simple enough for laypersons but relevant to the dynamics of narcotics

presence. Based on their answers, Shield AI instantly signals the threat level, flagging high risk zones or assuring minimal concern.

If a report indicate significant danger, the portal flashes up-to-date phone numbers for alerting the authorities, increasing the chance of timely intervention by police or drug enforcement agencies.

In recognition of addiction's grip on youth and families, EAGLE's website compiles comprehensive reference materials. Vic-



times and their kin can find listings of state rehabilitation centres and the 24/7 EAGLE helpline, providing counsel on everything from medical detoxification to recovery advice.

This strategy is not just about crime-fighting; it is a move toward integrating government efforts, public responsibility, and the therapeutic community to curb both supply and demand. The deployment of Sahay AI and Shield AI arrives against the backdrop of growing national concern about narcotics in urban and rural areas.

Telangana's law enforcement officials see this as part of a "broader effort to strengthen anti-narcotics enforcement and public outreach," inviting a tech-savvy population to act as both eyes and advocates.

Harish casts doubts on govt's intent to stall Banakacharla

Union Minister informed Revanth Reddy that the Godavari-Banakacharla project's Pre-Feasibility Report has been submitted appraisal

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FORMER Minister T Harish Rao on Tuesday questioned whether the Telangana government truly intends to stop the Banakacharla project, being constructed by Andhra Pradesh, or if it is simply misleading the public by issuing backdated letters.

In a letter dated September 23, 2025, Union Jal Shakti Minister C R Patil informed Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy that the Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) of the Godavari-Banakacharla project has been submitted for techno-economic appraisal and that the permission process is underway.

Harish Rao pointed out that he had raised this issue publicly on October 11, during a press conference at Telangana Bhavan. Despite he highlighting the matter, Harish Rao said, the state government has not taken any concrete action or issued a clear response.

He criticised the Chief Minister for failing to send any letter to the Union Min-



ister opposing the granting of permission to the illegal Banakacharla project, calling it a "clear betrayal of the people of Telangana."

Despite the fact that the Andhra Pradesh government issued a tender notification for the DPR of the Banakacharla project on October 6, 2025, neither the

Chief Minister nor the Irrigation Minister had taken any steps to write to the Union Minister objecting to this development.

Harish Rao also questioned why the Telangana Irrigation Secretary has not written to the Secretary of the Union Jal Shakti Ministry, even at this stage. He

asked what was the purpose of sending a letter from the ENC to the Central Water Commission (CWC) with a backdated signature, when no real-time effort being made to prevent the illegal project.

While the Andhra Pradesh government is pushing forward with construction at full speed, the Congress-led Telangana government is trying to divert attention by releasing backdated letters, misleading the people. He alleged that the state government is deliberately remaining silent while Andhra Pradesh is attempting to divert Godavari waters under the guise of floodwaters through the illegal Banakacharla project.

Harish Rao said only Revanth Reddy can answer why his government has remained silent when the BJP government in Maharashtra, the TDP government in Andhra Pradesh, and the Congress government in Karnataka were all strategically acting to undermine Telangana's share of both Krishna and Godavari waters.

Food safety teams swoop on spice units across city; unearth violations

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HYDERABAD

AS part of the ongoing drive against adulterated spices, the Telangana Commissioner of Food Safety inspected more than 30 spice manufacturing and repacking units in Hyderabad and Rangareddy districts. Over 40 samples of chilli, turmeric, black

pepper, coriander, curry leaf powder and bay leaves were collected for testing.

The comprehensive inspection across all districts of Telangana detected serious violations at Srivari Spices & Foods Ltd, Jalpally (Rangareddy district) and Divine Spices situated at Kapila Nagar Colony, Bandlaguda Jagir, Hyderabad.

"The teams detected pest and rodent infestation, poor hygiene, absence of FoSTaC-trained supervisor, unlabelled/expired products and lack of medical fitness records for the workers," said a senior food safety officer.

During the inspection, 15 kg of black pepper and 18 kg of bay leaves contaminated with rat faeces

Senior Cong, TDP netas join BRS; hail KTR's leadership

Senior Congress leader Ali Masqati said he joined the BRS as he believes it is a truly secular party

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HYDERABAD

SENIOR Congress leader Ali Masqati and former Telugu Desam Party (TDP) leader Shakeela Reddy joined the BRS party on Tuesday.

BRS Working President KT Rama Rao welcomed them into the party at his residence in Nandinagar. Speaking on the occasion Ali Masqati said that the BRS was a truly secular party, and that he decided to join under the dynamic leadership of KT Rama Rao.

"The present Congress government is not secular. Under the leadership of K Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), minorities in Telangana witnessed remarkable progress through numerous welfare initiatives. However, the Congress government has completely ne-



Senior Congress leader Ali Masqati joins the BRS in the presence of party working president KT Rama Rao in Hyderabad on Tuesday

glected minority welfare," he said, sharply criticising the Congress party's current policies. "KCR is a genuine secular leader, who delivered inclusive growth and visionary governance for all sections of society," Masqati

added. The former TDP senior leader Shakeela Reddy announced her resignation from the TDP and officially joined BRS. "I have joined the BRS to work under the leadership of former Chief

Minister K Chandrashekar Rao and KTR. During the BRS regime, Telangana witnessed historic development, but the current government has failed to bring any new initiatives. People are once again looking up

to KCR's leadership for progress and stability," she said. She also expressed her commitment to work actively for the victory of the BRS candidate in the upcoming Jubilee Hills by-election, expressing confidence that the party will secure a decisive win in the constituency.

Young political aspirant Rohit Sharma also joined the BRS on this occasion, expressing admiration for KTR's leadership. "I am deeply inspired by KTR's vision and leadership. I joined the BRS today to contribute to Telangana's development under his guidance," he said.

KTR welcomed all the new members warmly, expressing confidence that their joining would further strengthen the BRS and add momentum to the party's efforts for Telangana's development and welfare.

JH ASSEMBLY BYPOLL

Vote theft: KTR skewers Cong for deploying dubious methods

BRS Working President accuses Congress of "conspiracies and machinations" to manipulate the voter list, highlighting 23,000 new votes and illegal distribution of voter IDs

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HYDERABAD

THE political atmosphere in Telangana intensified on Tuesday with the BRS Working President K T Rama Rao launching a frontal assault on the ruling Congress party, alleging massive electoral fraud and a blatant disregard for democratic principles ahead of the upcoming by-election.

In a detailed presentation to the media, K T Rama Rao accused the Congress of employing various "conspiracies and machinations" to manipulate the voters' list, insisting that despite these illegal attempts, the BRS would still emerge victorious.

K T Rama Rao initiated his critique by pointing out "abnormal" changes in the electoral rolls. He stated that while the voters' list saw an addition of 23,000 new votes, a simultaneous and unexplained deletion of 12,000 existing votes occurred, stressing that the sudden increase in voters raised "many doubts." The BRS specifically alleged that the Congress party candidate had "taken over the duty of the Election Commission" and engaged in



the illegal distribution of voter IDs, even extending these cards to minors.

K T Rama Rao further questioned the direct involvement of the Chief Minister and PCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, noting that their photographs were prominently displayed during the related voter list distribution event. He confirmed that the Election Commission (EC) itself has already registered a case regarding the distribution of 'fake ID cards' by the Con-



gress candidate.

BRS party workers conducting a field analysis over just two days uncovered nu-

merous instances of alleged fraud. K T Rama Rao cited specific examples: a visit to the Sanskriti Avenue Apart-

ments, where 43 votes were registered, found that the owner explicitly denied any connection to the individuals listed; a small 80-square-yard house in Booth Number 125 was found to have 23 listed votes; and the house of a local Congress party leader was alleged to contain 32 "bogus votes."

The BRS highlighted the case of Srinivas Reddy, a resident of Sircilla, who discovered his vote was registered in the Jubilee Hills constituency without his knowledge, confirming the practice of "vote theft." K T Rama Rao asserted that all these "atrocities" were committed in a hurried manner and filled into the voters' list by the Congress government in a single day, adding that the Congress candidate, Naveen Kumar Yadav's, own brother, Venkat Praveen Yadav, holds three votes.

Recalling that the party formally met and submitted a letter to the CEO detailing all the evidence and objections, K T Rama Rao expressed dissatisfaction there was no response from the EC. He threatened the party would approach the High Court on the issue.

BRS, Cong get locked in verbal over Sunitha's public display of 'emotion'

BC Welfare and Agriculture Ministers allege Maganti Sunitha's public tears are being used for political mileage, while BRS leaders dismiss criticism as mudslinging

BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar and Agriculture Minister Thummala Nageswara Rao alleged that BRS was exploiting Maganti Sunitha's grief for political gain in the Jubilee Hills by-election

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A war of words between state ministers and BRS leaders on BRS candidate M Sunitha crying in public triggered a political row. The ministers alleged that BRS was trying to garner sympathy votes on the death of MLA Gopinath by forcing Sunitha to weep at the first public meeting organised as part of the launch of the by-election campaign in Jubilee Hills assembly

constituency.

BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar alleged that BRS candidate Maganti Sunitha was enacting dramas and trying to seek votes through emotional appeals in the Jubilee Hills by-election.

Taking part in party programmes at Yousufguda on Tuesday, Prabhakar said he sympathised with Maganti Sunitha, who lost her husband and sitting BRS MLA Maganti Gopinath. "But by crying on stage and during political speeches, she is trying to seek sympathy votes. The BRS leaders are not ready for a debate on the development of Jubilee Hills in the last ten years. Instead, sympathy dramas are being enacted like in cinemas," Prabhakar said. He alleged that a few BRS workers were instructing her to cry on every stage and at every programme, labelling it "artificial crying."

Meanwhile, Agriculture Minister Thummala Nageswara Rao alleged that the BRS was trying to derive political mileage through Maganti Sunitha's emotions. "The BRS is not leaving any opportunity, even a woman's tears. They want to get back to power through sympathy and loot," he said.

Countering the two ministers, BRS leader and former minister Srinivas Goud charged that the Congress leaders were not in a position to tolerate the growing popularity of the BRS in the by-election bound Jubilee Hills constituency. He claimed the ministers had resorted to mudslinging and personal attacks on the BRS candidate.

On the issue of fake votes, Prabhakar clarified that the state government had not interfered in any way, alleging that BRS and BJP were responsible for "vote chori" and "dada giri."



Asaduddin Owaisi slams BRS for neglecting Jubilee Hills ahead of by-poll

Asaduddin Owaisi highlights lack of basic amenities in Jubilee Hills and calls for development while warning voters against BJP's growing influence

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All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul-Muslimeen (AIMIM) president and Hyderabad MP Asaduddin Owaisi has sharply criticised the Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) for neglecting the Jubilee Hills constituency. He claimed that the party has failed to bring any development to the area during its decade-long rule, leaving voters to face injustice at the hands of the BRS.

In the run-up to the Jubilee Hills bypoll, Asad Owaisi pointed out that the BRS has squandered the opportunity in Jubilee Hills, despite being in power for a 10 years. Asad said, "The Jubilee Hills constituency has been neglected during the last decade of BRS governance. In every division of the constituency, residents are dealing with overflowing sewage, inadequate storm water drainage and persistent water stagnation, a lack of basic amenities in slums, no Basti Dawakhana, and poorly



maintained roads. There has been no development and the BRS has wasted 10 years in Jubilee Hills."

On Tuesday Asad said, "There is a significant amount of work to be done in the Jubilee Hills Assembly segment. A lot of land available that can be utilised for public purposes, TMREIS schools can be established, and various development projects can be initiated," he stated. "We want the Jubilee Hills to be a developed constituency," Asad added.

There are around 1.35 lakh

Muslim voters in the Jubilee Hills Assembly constituency, predominantly in Borabanda, Safdarnagar, Habeeb Fatima Nagar, Erragadda, Rahmathnagar and Yousufguda.

Asad said that with the lack of development in the constituency, he met the authorities and sanctioned the projects in Shaikpet, Borabanda, Rahmathnagar and Erragadda areas. "Not a single major work had been carried out in the constituency. Whatever development took place is only after I approached the MA&UD and

GHMC officials," he pointed out.

Asaduddin Owaisi said, "MIM's reach is not limited to only Muslim voters. We had a corporator from a backward class community in the Jubilee Hills constituency earlier. We take along other backward class communities as well."

For fielding a candidate for bypoll, Asad said "Within one or two days, a decision on fielding a candidate will be taken after consulting the party members."

Recently, at a public meeting in Shaikpet, Asad asked the voters to support a young and local candidate, who can actively serve the people while preventing the BJP from gaining ground.

He appealed to minority voters, stressing that the community's support would be crucial in stopping the BJP from expanding its political influence in Hyderabad. "We must make sure that the BJP does not become a force to reckon with here," he said.

Nomination rush in Jubilee Hills: 20 contestants file papers

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FOR the Jubilee Hills Assembly bypoll, scheduled for November 11, as many as 11 nominations were filed by the aspiring candidates on the second day. So far, 20 candidates filed 22 nomination papers.

The process of filing nominations began on Monday at MRO Office, Shaikpet, Road No 2, Banjara Hills. Assistant Returning Officer Prem Kumar said that on Tuesday as many as 11 nominations were received from the candidates.

The nominations were filed by the independents – Bingi Ramulu, Kandadi Manipal Reddy, Gonti Srekanth, Mulya Sanjeevulu, Panugotu Lalasingh, Vemula Vikram Reddy, Pabbathi Srikrishna, Machcherla Venkat Reddy (Paata Party), Mohammed Mansoor Ali (Anna YSR Congress), Jajula Bhaskar (Shramajeevi Party) And Lantu Chandra Shekhar (All India Kisan Janata Party).



ARO Prem Kumar said that Vemula Vikram Reddy, an independent filed his nomination papers twice.

The city police made fool-proof arrangements at the Shaikpet MRO office in view of the nominations filing

process. To maintain order, vehicles were not allowed within a 100-metre radius of the nomination centre.

Senior police officers inspected the security arrangements and reviewed the situation on the ground. The

police implemented strict measures to ensure that the nomination process proceeds smoothly and without any untoward incident.

Authorities have also instructed candidates and their representatives to strictly adhere to the guidelines issued by the police during the filing of nominations.

As per the schedule, nominations will be accepted till October 21. Scrutiny of papers will be held on October 22, and the last date for withdrawal of nominations is October 24. Polling for the by-election will be conducted on November 11, and counting will take place on November 14.

BRS launches innovative campaign for Jubilee Hills Assembly by-poll

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THE BRS leaders are taking up an innovative campaign in the Jubilee Hills Assembly constituency to attract voters during the by-election. While the party leadership has introduced the 'Baki Card' (Debt Card), former Minister Ch Malla Reddy performed a haircut for a voter in a barber shop, surprising the locals.

The campaign has already intensified, just two days after the Election Commission of India issued the notification for the by-poll. The BRS leadership, led by Working President K T Rama Rao, had the upper hand with the 'Baki Card' initiative. Rao asked party workers to distribute the cards to everyone deceived by the Congress government, ex-



plaining the promises the Congress owes, such as Rs 48,000 to the elderly (based on the promised Rs 2,000 per month) and Rs 40,000 for women under the Mahalakshmi scheme.

Known for his humorous style, Malla Reddy grabbed headlines early on Tuesday by entering a barber shop and surprising a patron by beginning to cut his hair with a trimmer. Later, he

sought votes by offering a shawl to a woman and was seen dancing with a baby in a nearby house, entertaining the local community.

A senior party leader stated that the aim of the innovative campaign is to attract voters and remind them of the Congress party's unfulfilled promises, adding that more such innovative campaigns will follow.

JH by-poll: KCR hands over B-form to Maganti Sunitha

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BRS Party chief K Chandrashekar Rao on Tuesday handed over the B-form to Maganti Sunitha Gopinath, who is contesting as the party candidate in the by-poll for the Jubilee Hills constituency.

Along with the B-form, BRS chief handed over a cheque of Rs40 lakh on behalf of the party toward election expenses. Late Maganti Gopinath's daughter and son, former minister Maheshwaram MLA P Sabita Indra Reddy, Secunderabad MLA T Padmarao Goud, Amberpet MLA Kaleru Venkatesh, Mush-



BRS chief K Chandrashekar Rao hands over the B-form to Maganti Sunitha Gopinath, the party's candidate for the Jubilee Hills bypoll, in Hyderabad on Tuesday.

former Miryalaguda MLA N Bhaskar Rao and other party leaders were present on the occasion.

The BRS candidate will be filing her nomination papers in a simple manner on Wednesday with just

four leaders. The party has decided to take up a massive rally in her support on October 19.

KTR slams Congress, calls criticism of Sunitha's emotions 'immoral'

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LASHING out at the criticism by Congress leaders, BRS Working President K T Rama Rao on Tuesday said that Congress leaders who criticised Maganti Sunitha's emotions were "immoral people." The BRS leader said, "Society is seeing how shameless Congress leaders are who criticise her feelings. Maganti Sunitha got emotional that she lost a big person in the family but got a big family like Jubilee Hills. It is outrageous that Congress leaders are making such comments and slandering on this issue. It has not even been six months since her husband died. As a woman, shouldn't she feel the pain and anguish of losing the head of the family?" He further stated, "Filing an illegal election case against Maganti Gopinath's daughter is also proof of the Congress party's immoral politics. It is a matter of grave condemnation that Congress leaders are engaging in immoral politics on such issues."

TG govt releases ₹252.87 cr for Indiramma Indla Scheme

This marks the first time that such a large amount has been released to the beneficiaries in a single week

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THE state government is releasing substantial funds to the beneficiaries under the Indiramma Indla Scheme. As part of this scheme, Rs 2232.21 crore has been released so far in the current year and deposited in the accounts of the beneficiaries, Housing Corporation Managing Director V P Gautham said in a statement. It is known that funds are released directly into the accounts of the beneficiaries every Monday, depending on the construction work of the respective house. This week, a record Rs 252.87 crore was deposited in the accounts



of 22,305 beneficiaries. This marked the first time that such a large amount has been released to the beneficiaries in a single week since the launch of the scheme.

The Housing Corporation Managing Director also

stated that construction work is progressing in full swing under the scheme across the state, with currently about 2.18 lakh houses in various stages of construction. The details of payments made so far under the Indiramma In-

dla Scheme are as follows:

Payments for basement level constructions: 1,43,963 (Rs 1439.63 crores) For roof level constructions: 46,206 (Rs 462.06 crores) Slabs completed: 16,576 (Rs 331.52 crores).

₹88.45 lakh cash; 255 litres of liquor seized ahead of Jubilee Hills by-poll

Election enforcement teams ramp up surveillance; 48 cases registered for Model Code of Conduct violations since October 7

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AHEAD of the Jubilee Hills Assembly by-poll, police have ramped up security measures and conducted extensive inspections across the constituency. The teams of enforcement departments so far seized Rs 88.45 lakh in unaccounted cash and 255.56 litres of liquor during the ongoing election surveillance operations.

The Hyderabad District Election Officer (DEO) and GHMC Commissioner R V Karnan directed election officials to carry out checks across the city following the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) of elections.

As per the DEO, since October 7, cash of Rs 88,45,200, 255.56 litres of liquor, less than a kilogram of narcotics, and Rs 72,740 worth of goods and freebies were seized. A total of 48 cases were registered, and 29 First Information Reports



(FIRs) were filed for the violation of the MCC.

R V Karnan said that a dedicated MCC Control Room has been established to coordinate with the Returning Officer (RO), Flying Squads (FSTs), Static Surveillance Teams (SSTs), Police, Excise, and other concerned departments for effective monitoring.

Moreover, the eVigil Application Control Room has been established at the Vigilance Wing, Head Office, GHMC. All griev-

ances received through the eVigil Application are promptly verified and assigned to the nearest FSTs within 5 minutes. The FSTs reach the location within the next 15 minutes and take necessary action within 30 minutes.

Additionally, a dedicated Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC) Control Room has been established to monitor and record all major Telugu news channels on a 24/7

basis. The DEO said a total of 45 FSTs and 45 SSTs have been constituted with 15 each deployed in the field at any given time. R V Karnan confirmed that PTZ cameras have been installed in each FSTs vehicle, and all FSTs and SST vehicles are integrated with GPS tracking systems for continuous supervision and real-time monitoring from the MCC Control Room at the GHMC Head Office.

KAVITHA TO LAUNCH STATE-WIDE PADAYATRA SANS KCR'S IMAGE

HYDERABAD: Telangana Jagruthi President Kalvakuntla Kavitha will be taking up a padayatra (foot march) travelling across the state, starting from the end of October. Kavitha has been interacting with intellectuals, educationists, and caste organisations on how to move forward with her agitation for a 'Social Telangana'. Following several rounds of discussions, the Jagruthi leader has decided to tour all the districts in the state.

Interestingly, Kavitha has decided to tour districts without the photograph of her father and BRS chief K Chandrashekar Rao. It is learnt that Kavitha has asked Jagruthi leaders not to use KCR's photograph, but instead to use the photo of Professor Jayashankar in the posters. The former BRS leader said that she would take up the welfare of the people of Telangana and BC (Backward Classes) welfare as the main agenda of her politics. She has been stating that she would be exposing the Congress on its promises to the BCs.

Hyderabad Traffic Police launch crackdown on mobile phone use while driving

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IN response to a persistent and dangerous traffic violation, the Hyderabad Traffic Police have escalated their efforts with a focused enforcement drive against the use of mobile phones by motorists while driving or riding on two-wheelers. This move aims to curb distractions responsible for many road accidents.

The traffic authorities reported a staggering 80,555 cases booked for mobile phone usage while driving or riding from January 1 to October 12, 2025.

Highlighting the urgency, during the recent special enforcement drives on October 13 and 14 alone, 2,345 violations were recorded.

Joint Commissioner of Police D Joel Davis, IPS, spearheading the traffic wing, personally appealed

to motorists to refrain from this risky practice, emphasising that "No Call Is More Important Than A Life."

In Hyderabad, using a handheld mobile phone while driving attracts a Rs 5,000 fine, with repeat offences potentially leading to higher penalties and case escalations. The police have consistently highlighted these dangers through various campaigns and stricter enforcement, leveraging AI-powered surveillance to detect violations.

The Hyderabad Traffic Police also called upon vigilant citizens to assist in curbing violations by reporting them through official social media channels, or via the Traffic Helpline (9010203626) and e-Challan helpdesk (8712661690). The intensified crackdown aligns with the broader traffic management and accident reduction goals.

Massive reshuffle in Irrigation Dept as 106 officials transferred

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IN a major reshuffle, the State Irrigation Department transferred 106 irrigation officials on a single day on Tuesday.

The state government was serious about the allegations that No Objection Certificates (NOCs) were issued indiscriminately by irrigation officials in Hyderabad, allowing illegal constructions on lands within the Full Tank Level (FTL) limits of tanks and ponds. As a result, the Irrigation Department transferred 51 irrigation officials from the city and sent them to the districts on On Duty (OD) status.

The 51 engineers ranged from Assistant Engineer (AE) to Deputy Chief Engineer (DCE) and were working under the Hyderabad Chief Engineer. Another 55 engineers working in the districts were transferred to the Hyderabad Circle

Chief Engineer's office on duty.

Irrigation Department Principal Secretary Rahul Bojja issued orders to this effect on Tuesday, stating that the adjustment of employees would continue until further orders are issued.

The Irrigation Department recently conducted an investigation into allegations that NOCs were issued for illegal constructions within the Kothakunta Cheruvu FTL in Mankhal village of Maheshwaram mandal, Rangareddy district, and many sensational facts came to light. The investigation by the HY-DRRA and Irrigation Department revealed that the NOC was issued stating that the Kothakunta tank FTL was spread over 8.284 acres when it was actually 2.03 acres. After allegations were made about this matter, it was proven that the records related to the issuance of the NOC were destroyed.

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IN a landmark development that would propel Andhra Pradesh onto the global technology map, tech giant Google announced on Tuesday that it would invest a whopping \$15 billion (nearly Rs 1.33 lakh crore) on setting up an AI infrastructure hub in Visakhapatnam, which would include a gigawatt-scale data centre in partnership with diversified Adani Group.

The game-changing project is likely to generate 5,000-6,000 direct jobs and 20,000-30,000 total jobs. The AI hub in the state's coastal city will be Google's largest outside the US and will include a data centre fuelled by clean energy and a fiber-optic network. Adani Group's AdaniConneX will partner with Google on the project, along with Bharti



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu, Google Cloud CEO Thomas Kurian and state IT Minister Nara Lokesh during an event where the state government signed an MoU with Google for the Google AI Hub in Visakhapatnam

Airtel, India's second largest mobile operator. The mega investment will be made over the next five years (2026-2030). The facility is expected to be operational by 2029. "It's the largest AI hub that we are going to be investing in anywhere in the world outside of the US," Google Cloud CEO Thomas Kurian said after signing the formal agreement with the AP government at Bharat AI Shakti, a Google-hosted event, in New Delhi.

The historic agreement was signed in the presence of Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu, Union Ministers Nirmala Sitharaman and Ashwini Vaishnaw, and IT Minister Nara Lokesh.

The Google's AI hub will serve as the foundation for what Chief Minister Naidu described as "India's first AI City", a massive ecosystem

integrating cloud infrastructure, high speed connectivity, clean energy, and innovation hubs across key sectors such as healthcare, education, agriculture, manufacturing, and finance. The Visakhapatnam hub will also be linked via undersea cables to Singapore, Malaysia, and Australia, strengthening India's global digital backbone.

Speaking at the MoU signing ceremony, Naidu called the agreement "a truly historic and auspicious day, marking one of the biggest technology milestones for Andhra Pradesh and India." "Google's investment will make Visakhapatnam the world's next big digital powerhouse," he said. "This centre will serve as the foundation for India's first AI City and the largest AI and data hub outside the US. Additionally, Vizag will host

Google's cable landing station, bringing the spirit of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam alive as India connects the world," he said.

Naidu thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Ministers Nirmala Sitharaman and Aswini Vaishnaw for their support, and credited IT Minister Nara Lokesh for his efforts in bringing the project to fruition. He revealed that Prime Minister Modi, during discussions, expressed interest in organizing a global AI conference in February 2026 in India, further positioning the nation as a global technology leader. "Our goal is to make AI accessible to every household," Naidu said. "Through our One Family, One Entrepreneur mission, we aim to empower people with tools of innovation and data-driven governance."

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman described the project as a "turning point" for India's digital economy. "The establishment of both a sea cable landing center and a Google data centre in Visakhapatnam is a major step forward. Such visionary projects are possible only under dynamic leadership at the Centre and in Andhra Pradesh," she said.

Union IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said Google's investment reflects confidence in India's technology policies. "This decision will change lives across the country. Andhra Pradesh's proactive data center policy and tech-first governance make it the right place for such an investment," he said, adding that India is expanding digital links to Southeast Asia and the Northeast through new submarine cable systems.

Google Cloud CEO Thomas Kurien called Visakhapatnam a "rising global connectivity hub".

Twelve countries will be connected from Visakhapatnam through Google's sub-sea cable system, Kurien said. "The center will host our full AI stack, including Gemini AI, and serve as a launchpad for India's AI innovation. We see Visakhapatnam as a place that can produce world-class AI talent," he added. The Visakhapatnam hub will "serve not just India, but much of the world," he added.

Uttam prods babus to clear hurdles for Devadula project

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Mulugu, Jangaon, Yadadri, Suryapet, and Siddipet districts.

STATE Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N Uttam Kumar Reddy directed the Irrigation department to remove all procedural hurdles for the Devadula scheme, expedite pending works, and ensure that irrigation benefits reach every farmer in the drought-prone areas of north Telangana.

Officials informed the minister that the Devadula scheme, conceived to lift 38.16 TMC of water from the Godavari River near Gangaram village in Jayashankar Bhupalpally district, is designed to irrigate 5.57 lakh acres in upland and semi-arid areas of nine districts. These include Hanamkonda, Warangal, Karimnagar, Jayashankar Bhupalpally,

The project involves a total lift of 469 metres and is being implemented in three phases. The land acquisition report indicated that 32,079 acres have been acquired out of the required 34,386 acres, leaving a balance of only 2,307 acres to be secured, largely under Phase-III components. Uttam Kumar Reddy instructed officials to complete

all pending land acquisition, lining, and mechanical works within the next financial year and to prioritise the commissioning of the remaining pump houses. He said all outstanding contractor payments must be cleared promptly to ensure uninterrupted progress.

Reiterating the government's resolve, the minister said that the Congress administration would ensure the Devadula project becomes fully operational within two years, providing dependable irrigation to nearly six lakh acres. He added that the project's completion would stabilise the existing ayacut, improve crop productivity, and enhance drinking-water availability. "Every rupee spent must translate into water flowing into the fields," he concluded.

TS govt renames Nalgonda school in honour of Komatireddy Prateek

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THE Telangana Government on Tuesday issued orders naming the Bottuguda Government School in Nalgonda as Komatireddy Prateek Government School. Minister for Roads and Buildings and Cinematography Komatireddy Venkat Reddy took up the initiative to reconstruct the dilapidated primary and high school buildings at Bottuguda into a state-of-the-art facility.

The new school building, constructed at a cost of around Rs 8 crore through the Komatireddy Prateek Foundation, is equipped with world-class infrastructure and modern educational amenities.

Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that providing quality education to underprivileged children in a well-equipped government school is his foremost objective. "From the very beginning, my aim has been to ensure that children from poor families study in an environ-



ment on par with corporate schools," he stated.

The Minister announced that digital classrooms, computer education, and bilingual (English and Urdu) teaching will be introduced, supported by highly qualified faculty appointed through the Prateek Foundation. He expressed confidence that Bottuguda Government School would soon become a model institution in Telangana.

Reaffirming his commitment to the education and healthcare sectors in Nalgonda, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy said that over the next three years, all Anganwadi centres, Government Schools, and Colleges in the constituency will be developed in phases. The Minister announced that the school will soon be inaugurated by Chief Minister Revanth Reddy in the coming weeks.

BJP Kisan Morcha slams Telangana govt over 'negligent' paddy procurement

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BHARATIYA Janata Kisan Morcha State President Basava Lakshmi Narasaiah has launched a scathing attack on the Telangana state government, accusing it of negligence and lack of integrity in handling the post-monsoon paddy procurement process.

Addressing the media on Wednesday, Narasaiah highlighted the plight of farmers across the state, particularly in the combined districts of Nalgonda, Warangal, and Khammam, where untimely rains have damaged harvested paddy due to the absence of timely procurement centres.

Despite the government's

estimate of 48 lakh metric tonnes of paddy production, Narasaiah alleged that procurement centres remain unopened and payments to farmers have stalled due to the diversion of funds. "This delay is causing immense distress to farmers who are already reeling from crop losses," he said.

The BJP leader demanded that the state government immediately open procurement centres on a war footing and ensure that every grain is purchased at the Minimum Support Price (MSP) fixed by the central government. He also warned rice millers against exploiting farmers and urged them to adhere strictly to MSP norms. Narasaiah further ac-

cused the Congress-led state government of continuing corrupt practices inherited from the previous BRS regime. He criticised the unfulfilled promises of a Rs 500 bonus for poor-quality grain and the non-implementation of the "Rythu Bharosa" assurance scheme.

On a positive note, he praised the central government's "PM Dhan Dhanya Krishi Yojana," which he said would channel Rs 5760 crore over six years to support agriculture in districts including Narayanpet, Gadwal, Nagarkurnool, and Jangaon. Narasaiah reiterated the BJP's demand for fair MSP, timely bonuses, and a corruption-free procurement system.



Factionalism is tarnishing Medaram Jatara, alleges BJP

State Vice-President Dr Kalyan Nayak accuses three Ministers of engaging in a "struggle for supremacy" that is undermining the sanctity of the tribal festival's arrangements and promoting "percentage politics" in tender allocations

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THE BJP has strongly criticised the Telangana government over alleged factionalism and procedural irregularities surrounding the Medaram Jatara, one of the largest tribal festivals in Asia and a revered symbol of Telangana's cultural and spiritual heritage.

Dr Kalyan Nayak, State Vice President of BJP, accused Ministers Seethakka, Ponguleti Sudhakar Reddy, and Konda Surekha of engaging in a "struggle for supremacy" that is undermining the sanctity of the Medaram Gadde. He condemned what he described as the arrogance of power and blatant disregard for the temple's spiritual significance, asserting that the ministers' internal factions are demeaning the temple's honour.

The BJP leader expressed deep concern over the politicisation of administrative arrangements, specifically pointing to alleged "percentage politics" in tender allocations for the festival. "Percentages are not for anyone—it is time to make arrangements for the devotees," he asserted, calling out the government for diverting noble intentions into paths of commission-driven contracts. Dr Nayak highlighted the deliberate sidelining of a previously engaged company with proven experience, which was replaced through opaque tendering processes. He warned that this action is against transparency and ignores the uniqueness of the temple, compromising both the logistical integrity and spiritual dignity of the Jatara. He lamented that the reverence traditionally accorded to the Medaram Gadde is

now being manipulated for political gain, with the sentiments and spiritual wealth of devotees being turned into a 'percentage' panchayat.

The BJP has demanded the immediate cancellation of the allegedly inappropriate tenders and urged the government to entrust the work to an experienced organisation that respects the temple's sanctity. The party also called on the Ministers to set aside their internal power struggles and prioritise the safety and spiritual experience of the devotees who attend the mass event.

Dr Nayak warned that if the government fails to provide a clear and accountable response to the allegations of manipulation, the BJP will initiate a state-level agitation to safeguard the dignity of the Medaram Jatara and uphold the sentiments of the devotees.

Rampally's diya makers grapple with competition, rain to ignite festive spirit

Despite competition from Rajasthan and recent material losses from unexpected rain, a local unit aims to produce over one lakh traditional earthen lamps for Diwali

NUVULASMRITHI
HYDERABAD

AS the glow of Diwali approaches, the quiet lanes behind Suvarna Function Hall at Rampally X Road are already lit with the spirit of the festival, not by electric lights, but by the tireless hands shaping them. Rows of freshly moulded diyas line the open grounds, drying under the tentative sun, ready to illuminate thousands of homes this season.

A local pottery unit here has geared up to produce more than one lakh earthen lamps in five different designs, ranging from small traditional diyas to large decorative pots. The smallest diya is priced at just Rs 1.50 per piece, making them affordable for households, retailers, and bulk buyers alike. The unit, run with the help of ten dedicated artisans, continues its operations day and night to meet soaring



demand.

Yet, their journey has not been without obstacles. The potters admit that competition from traders arriving from Rajasthan has cut into their seasonal earnings. Additionally, unexpected rains

recently soaked several batches of freshly made diyas, forcing the artisans to redo their work and incur material losses. Despite the setbacks, morale remains high.

"We mix only sand and

clay with no chemicals. It's all natural, and this is our own family run business. I am studying and working here too," shared Kummari Harish, a young employee who balances education with traditional craftsmanship.



The warm glow of an earthen diya still holds a soulful charm that no artificial light can replace. This year, the demand has already begun early, with customers arriving in groups to stock up for pre-festival home decorations. The potters say they will continue production right up to Diwali day, ensuring that no home is left without the traditional flame of celebration.



P Ramesh Kumar Reddy (eighth from left), Principal of Regency College, and Ravi Trivedi (sixth from left), Recruitment, MGR VIRA Consultancy, present a trophy and cash prize to Anish, Captain, and Aravind, Vice-Captain, along with teammates of the overall champions IHMCA, during the most prestigious cricket tournament—Regency Premier League (RPL 5.0)—organised by Regency College of Culinary Arts & Hotel Management at BSR Grounds, Bandlaguda, Nagole, Hyderabad, on Tuesday.

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India’s global reset: Rebuilding ties with Canada, US and the West

INDIA and Canada have agreed on an “ambitious roadmap” to restore and rebuild bilateral relations, which sharply deteriorated following the killing of a Khalistani Sikh extremist in the North American country in 2023. This is a pleasant surprise, as the then prime minister, Justin Trudeau’s party, the Liberal Party, returned to power this year. It may be recalled that Trudeau played a pivotal role in souring Indo-Canadian relations. The objective of the new roadmap is to advance “cooperation in various domains, including trade, investment, agriculture, science and technology, civil nuclear collaboration, artificial intelligence, critical minerals, and energy,” said External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar after meeting his Canadian counterpart Anita

Anand in New Delhi. This should be seen as part of a major reset in India’s engagement with the world: there is new urgency in boosting relations with other countries, especially the West. After months of bitterness over US President Donald Trump’s peevish remarks about India, the two countries have also decided to hold trade negotiations this week. India has reportedly promised to import US energy and gas as it aims to placate Washington’s concerns over the issue of Russian oil purchases.

Trump’s conciliatory tone in his statements has played a part in ensuring this. British Prime Minister Keir Starmer’s recent visit should also be viewed in the same light. It has helped widen engagements between the two nations in critical areas such as trade, technology,

defence, and security. His trip was preceded by Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s visit to London in July, when the two countries signed a crucial comprehensive economic & trade agreement (CETA) that is currently awaiting ratification. Around the same time, the Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA), which India signed with the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) in March 2024, came into effect. The EFTA, comprising Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein, is a vital bloc for India’s export diversification strategy. EFTA nations have pledged substantial long-term investments in India’s manufacturing and services sectors in return for tariff concessions, establishing a new model for future trade negotiations. India is also actively

negotiating a broader free trade agreement (FTA) with the European Union, its largest trading partner in goods. The growing economic interdependence, catalysed by Trump’s aggressive tariffs, has created strong momentum for an ambitious FTA that could remove regulatory barriers, liberalise services, and enhance investment protections.

With more than 6,000 EU companies already operating in India, both sides see immense potential in expanding cooperation in sectors such as digital technologies, renewable energy, pharmaceuticals, and green mobility. These developments have also effected a shift in India’s external engagement—from reactive diplomacy to a proactive and strategic recalibration of partnerships. The empha-

sis is on diversification, resilience, and technological collaboration. Whether it is through rebuilding trust with Canada, reviving trade talks with the US, strengthening strategic ties with the UK, or pursuing ambitious economic integration with Europe, India’s foreign policy today reflects a confident, globally oriented vision. This transformation is being driven by both geopolitical and economic imperatives. In an era of fragmented global supply chains, energy insecurity, and technological competition, India’s ability to maintain balanced relations with major powers while pursuing its developmental priorities is becoming its most valuable diplomatic asset. The new roadmap with Canada, therefore, is not an isolated event but part of a larger narrative.

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RAVULAPATI SEETARAMARAO

THE idea that “a job is a man’s defining characteristic” belongs to an older era. In today’s modern age there’s no need to give that saying any weight. What matters now is whether jobs are available to everyone — are people with education actually getting work?

That is the question we need to ask. Are jobs meant only for the educated lot? No. Eligibility should be judged only by job-related requirements — physical fitness, education and skills, among others, must be taken into account. This piece is not meant to analyse job availability across the whole world. It is limited to understanding what the employment situation is like in India.

Health and education are inseparable. You can learn only if you are healthy. In the past, rural areas had more people in good health. Today, there is not much difference between villages and towns when it comes to protecting people’s health.

Previously there was less need for people in villages to search for jobs. Formal schooling was not a requirement for most village work. Agricultural labour, farm tasks and various trades were plentiful; people earned their livelihoods and did not struggle to put food on the table on an everyday basis. Simply put, illiteracy did not prevent people in villages from getting work and the migration to towns was much lower.

In the past, resources for education in villages were extremely limited. Village life revolved around temple scholars teaching basic lessons; there were only a few schools and no higher education institutions. Most village students studied only up to about the fifth grade. To study beyond that, they had to go to nearby towns or cities. Those engaged in farming and trade had only minimal financial resources, so higher education was virtually inaccessible to them.

Times have changed! The value of education is finally understood! The determination to study no matter what—regardless of being poor or rich—has become widespread. That is why village elders now routinely work hard to send their children to towns for higher education. The belief that “higher education means studying in America” has taken hold.

In the 1980s and ’90s, go-



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ing abroad became easier for students who had reached a certain level in life. Education loans were readily available in banks and villagers mortgaged their fields and property and sent their children overseas for further studies. While studying and working there, many sent their earnings back to their parents, which improved the financial standing of their respective families. When villagers became better off, they migrated to towns seeking a more comfortable life. Their children, who would visit occasionally, also preferred town life.

With the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act assuring at least 100 days of work (some kind of employment

for every adult in each village, a regular cash flow began to reach people alongside their livelihood. As a result, traditional manual and agricultural labour that young people used to do in the villages appeared burdensome.

The quest for urban life and luxury and people heading to the city, rang in drastic changes in village life. Agricultural work and field-level labour declined, as a result of which the rural agricultural system began to suffer. Unemployment figures began to increase in villages, while government schemes and welfare programs remained only on paper.

In fact, the culture of doing hard work for a livelihood disappeared from the

rural fabric. In this situation, ordinary B.A. and M.A. graduates and young people were subject to unemployment woes even in towns. Jobs matching their education were hard to find, and hiring of such people for low-level work steadily declined.

Every incumbent government promises job calendars before elections, but those promises are just for namesake — there’s no evidence of actual follow up. Outsourcing practices that treat workers like expendable pieces have created an unstable, uncertain life for youth. Under the guise of welfare schemes, governments are trying to buy votes in villages and towns — especially by pacifying young people — but it’s unfortunate that they haven’t been able to create government jobs and meaningfully address the unemployment issue. It’s true that the recent policies announced by US President Donald Trump are hitting India hard. For new applicants (skilled non immigrants) the H 1B visa fee has surged to nearly six times the current fee — making it much harder for those hoping to go to the US for work.

Moreover, this approach will severely affect many long standing software companies in the United States in the coming years. Bringing in new workers under this visa has become risky. Un-

der the lottery system, until now roughly 85,000 people went each year; that number has reportedly plunged dramatically recently. There could be many difficulties ahead in hiring specialised workers.

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In fact, we must not forget that for many years India’s youth-driven economic growth was largely due to progressive policies followed in the US. That said, given the current situation, Trump and others are firmly convinced that America’s economic rebound is the result of its lighter, more permissive policies. Other countries don’t have the right to dismiss that belief.

If we can develop our own products, jobs and skills without being intimidated by tariffs, even if the benefits don’t come today, we can achieve the results we hope for tomorrow.

(The writer is a retired IPS officer, who has served as an Additional DGP of Andhra Pradesh)

LETTERS

Remembering Dr Kalam, the ‘people’s president’

THE ‘World Students Day’, instituted by the UN, is celebrated annually on October 15 to commemorate the birth anniversary of out former president Dr Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam. The day celebrates his extraordinary efforts in science, education and the military. Hailed as the “Missile Man of India” for his outstanding achievements in developing ballistic missiles and launch vehicle technology, and his commitment to education and his rapport with students led to the inception of this day. The ‘World Students Day’ focuses on encouraging students to become leaders and innovators and about how education can transform the mindset of individuals and help them shape a better future for all. India’s 11th president had embarked on his avowed mission to transform India into a fully developed country by 2020, through the ‘Lead India’ campaign. Dr Kalam always spoke of a good society that can be built when students have knowledge and are proficient in their subjects, thanks to the pioneering role of teachers. The life of Bharat Ratna, popularly hailed as the ‘people’s president’, stands as an inspiration to students and the global youth.

Dr Burra Madhusudhan Reddy, Karimnagar

Kalam’s life an inspiration to Gen Z

MANY great Indian personalities have been born in October, including Mahatma Gandhi, Lal Bahadur Shastri and Dr Homi Bhabha. We remember with reverence Dr APJ Abdul Kalam-scientist, ‘Missile Man’, Bharat Ratna and ‘people’s president’-every October 15, marking his birth anniversary. I recently reread Wings of Fire (Expanded Edition), which has sold over two million copies since its publication in 1999. The edition features a moving foreword by his private secretary, Harry Sheridan, and around 50 new photographs that bring alive his inspiring journey. In 2002, when persuaded to contest the presidential election, BJP’s Pramod Mahajan asked him for an auspicious time to file his nomination. Kalam replied, “Any time is auspicious for me,” explaining that for as long as the Earth rotates and orbits the Sun, every moment is blessed by science, not astrology. Whether politicians have honed scientific thinking or not, his words remain a timeless lesson in scientific thinking for Gen Z and generations beyond.

N Nagarajan, Hyderabad

Educate girls for their safety

THIS has reference to the article ‘Didi shocks the nation’. Everyone knows the ground realities. As per the 2022 NCRB report, approximately 31,516 rape cases reported across the country. On an average 86 such cases are reported each day. Many girls stay in hostels to be safe when away from their family. Hostels and colleges are like home away from home. It is the responsibility of the principals to create rules that no inmate leaves the campus late evenings without permission. They must mention the reason for going out, the location and when they are likely to return. The security staff must call the girl’s parents and inform them that their daughter is going out late evenings. Every girl must be educated about aspects needed to ensure their safety. Meanwhile, police and legal authorities need to punish culprits responsible for heinous crimes almost immediately. That is the only solution to deter the culprits from indulging in macabre crimes.

G Murali Mohana Rao, Secunderabad-11

Mamata must prioritise safety of girls

The recent incident of gang-rape of a medical student in Durgapur has sparked nationwide outrage. This reflects the deteriorating law and order situation in West Bengal. It is shocking that Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has shifted the blame on the college authorities wondering how the girl had come out of the campus at midnight. Despite systematic sexual exploitation and reign of terror by the ruling party hooligans, the silence on the part of the government and police inaction against the perpetrators are a clear pointer that saving the goons was more important than rendering justice to victims. Even as the incident highlights the vulnerability and safety of women due to state’s negligence, it is time the court intervenes and ensures the harshest retribution to the perpetrators.

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BENGALURU ONLINE

TN man ‘sends hoax bomb threat’ to residences of CM, Dy CM

BENGALURU: A probe has been launched to trace a man from Tamil Nadu who allegedly sent a hoax email recently threatening to blow up the residences of Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar, police said on Tuesday.

The emails were sent from a particular ID to the Tamil Nadu DGP on October 11, following which officials of the Karnataka police were immediately alerted and necessary precautionary measures were taken, they said.

The purported email from aarna.ashwineshkh@outlook.com claimed that “four RDX devices and several IEDs” had been planted at the residences of both the Chief Minister and the Deputy Chief Minister and would be “detonated remotely.”

As per protocol, precautionary measures were initiated, and the Bengaluru police carried out combing operations at both residences with the bomb detection and disposal squad. However, after thorough checks, the emails were declared a hoax, a senior police officer said. A case was registered by the police on their own against the sender of the purported email at Halasuru Gate police station under sections 351(4) (criminal intimidation) and 353(1)(b) (statements conducing to public mischief) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), the officer said. “The particular email ID has been tracked to a man from Tamil Nadu and efforts are on to nab the culprit.

Read more at <https://epaper.thehansindia.com>

The voice within and the need for poetry

Every individual needs poetry in life- not just as written verses, but as the inner rhythm of thought



DR MYLAVARAM CHANDRA SHEKAR

A human being speaks — but not always from the heart. In today’s ultra-connected world, dominated by artificial intelligence (AI) and instant messaging, our communications are often filtered through screens, algorithms, and trending narratives.

When the heart wants to speak in its own rhythm, it takes the form of poetry.

A poem is born out of the urge to express what we truly feel. When we fail to convey our emotions directly — whether silenced by power imbalances in geopolitics or the high-pressure environments of business boardrooms — those emotions find their way through words.

Gentle, honest and rhythmic, poetry becomes not an ornament of language, but the purest reflection of the human mind, able to cut through the noise of propaganda, market sensationalism, and technological over-

load. Poetry is not just an emotional flow; it is also a courageous voice that seeks to unveil truth. In an era where deepfakes and misinformation shape public perception, poetry helps us distinguish between reality and illusion, allowing us to see things more clearly. Where news reveals facts, a poem adds a heartbeat to those facts, humanising headlines about conflict, recession, innovation, or migration. It is this pulse that links the lived experiences of people to unfolding events — and serves as a reminder to people in power of the human consequences beneath the statistics.

Over time, poetry has evolved:

Today’s poet is not confined to flowers, the moon, rivers or nature. The modern poet writes about computer screens, smartphones, supply chains disrupted by conflict, and the human mind caught between economic volatility and the rapid pace of technological change. The poet observes how technology — from AI to blockchain — changes not only our surroundings but also our inner world, bringing with it questions of privacy, autonomy, and identity.

Poetry acts like a mirror — one that reflects our



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weaknesses, hopes, fears, and the most profound aspects of our consciousness. On the global stage, this mirror reflects the anxieties of societies facing job displacement due to automation or the divisiveness fuelled by social media echo chambers. Once we begin to see ourselves through this mirror, change starts within.

Every true poem asks a question: “Who are you really?” The search for this answer becomes a journey toward self-understanding, an inner resilience that is much needed in a time of rapid political, economic, and technological flux.

The fact is that poetry is also a form of knowledge

sharing. In business education, a lesson may fade from one’s memory, but a poem about a leader’s vision, an entrepreneur’s struggle, or a worker’s dream stays in the heart. Poetry teaches not just about what to think, but how to think — with empathy, with creativity and with an appreciation for complexity.

Through simple words, poetry sparks imagination and keeps erudition alive across generations, bridging the knowledge gap that often exists in the pursuit of innovation, policy and enterprise.

In society, differences of opinion are natural — whether over trade policy, climate action or regulation

of new technologies. Poetry builds bridges of understanding across those divides.

A poet brings different perspectives onto the same page and encourages respect for each of them, much as successful global businesses and diplomatic initiatives navigate diverse viewpoints to reach a consensus. Poetry is not a voice of division; it is a song of connection, essential for collaboration and peaceful progress in our interconnected world.

Every individual needs poetry in life — not just as written verses, but as the inner rhythm of thought. A poem can offer courage when words fail, comfort when silence feels heavy, and clarity when the mind is restless, whether one is a policymaker, entrepreneur, student, or citizen seeking direction amid uncertainty.

Life is like a pair of horses pulling a chariot — it needs balance, patience, and direction to reach its destination.

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compassion.

The question “Why poetry?” may sound simple, but its answer is infinite. For every heart that feels deeply — especially in a world transformed by geopolitics, business cycles, and technology — a poem is already being written within. Poetry is the voice of that inner self — a bridge between the silent heart and the speaking mind. It guides us gently toward understanding ourselves, and through that, understanding the world. This version weaves in the roles that policy, business, and technology play in shaping today’s emotional and cultural landscapes, and highlights poetry’s power as a counterbalance and guide in a complex, rapidly changing world.

Summary:

In a world of constant noise — from news feeds about global summits to the buzz of financial markets and relentless social media updates — poetry brings back silence. This silence helps us listen to our own hearts and regain perspective amid the turbulence of geopolitics and economic uncertainty.

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BJP demands immediate arrests in Eata Madhukar suicide case

State President N Ramchander Rao alleges political vendetta and police collusion drove the Vemanapally Mandal President to suicide after he was falsely accused in an SC/ST atrocity and rape case

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TELANGANA BJP President N Ramchander Rao has demanded immediate and stern action against those named in the First Information Report (FIR) related to the death of BJP Vemanapally Mandal President Eata Madhukar, who allegedly died by suicide on October 10 in Neelwai village, Mancherla district. The BJP leader accused local Congress leaders and police officials of orchestrating a campaign of harassment that drove Madhukar to take the



extreme step. On Wednesday, Rao led a delegation of senior party leaders and met the Ramagundam Police Commissioner. He submitted a memorandum demanding the arrest of Congress leaders Rudrapatla Santosh, Gali Madhu, and Chintakindi Lakshmi. He also called for the suspension of Sub-Inspector Koteswar and Circle Inspector Bansilal, alleging dereliction of duty and political bias.

According to Rao, Madhukar had intervened to help villagers disturbed by loud

DJ music played by Congress activists beyond permissible limits. In retaliation, a false SC/ST atrocity and rape case was allegedly filed against him at Neelwai Police Station. "Despite repeated attempts to seek help, Madhukar's pleas were ignored by the police. His mental agony was compounded by the intimidation and false cases foisted upon him," Rao told reporters.

Earlier in the day, Rao had travelled to Neelwai village to console Madhukar's grieving family. He described Madhu-

kar as a brave and committed party worker who had been working tirelessly for the upcoming ZPTC elections. The BJP chief alleged that the Congress government is misusing police machinery to suppress opposition voices and intimidate BJP workers.

Rao warned that the BJP would launch a state-wide agitation if action is not taken swiftly. "The culprits must be identified and punished according to law. We will not rest until justice is delivered," he declared

NALSAR hosts Indo-German International Law Conclave

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NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad, in collaboration with Heidelberg University, Germany, inaugurated on Wednesday a three-day international law conclave titled "Dialogue of the Hemispheres: Recent Developments in International Law Regarding the Relationship of Global South and Global North." The event, held from October 15 to 17 at the NALSAR campus, aims to foster academic exchange, collaborative research, and policy dialogue between scholars and institutions from both hemispheres. The conclave opened with a Postdoctoral Symposium featuring junior professors and researchers from Germany alongside Indian academics. Key themes include AI regulation, climate change litigation, cross-border surrogacy, corporate law reforms, and data protection. The sessions are designed to promote comparative legal analysis and strengthen Indo-German academic cooperation. A highlight of the event is the Law Professors Meet, where distinguished faculty from India and Germany are presenting on critical topics such as international judicial cooperation and third-world approaches to international law. The inaugural ceremony featured Prof Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice Chancellor of NALSAR, and Prof Marc-Philippe Weller, Vice President for International Affairs at Heidelberg University, who delivered the Keynote Address.

BIG TWIST IN HARYANA IPS OFFICER SUICIDE CASE

Another cop shoots self; accuses dead ADGP of graft



Sandeep Lather and Puran Kumar

ROHTAK/CHANDIGARH

A Haryana cop in Rohtak has allegedly committed suicide, accusing the deceased officer, Y Puran Kumar, of corruption, police said on Tuesday. The deceased has been identified as Sandeep Lather, who was posted with the cyber cell of Rohtak Police.

In his final video, ASI Sandeep expressed support to former Rohtak SP Narendra Bijarnia who was shunted after the incident. In the video, Sandeep said that Bijarnia is an honest police officer. Police sources said that Sandeep played a role in the arrest of head constable Sushil Kumar, an aide of Puran Kumar.

"ASI Sandeep was a very hardworking and an honest

person in our department. We received information that a body has been found after which we reached here," Rohtak Superintendent of Police S S Bhorla told reporters at the incident site.

Asked about the video and the note, he said, "To say anything at this stage is difficult. The forensic team is investigating."

In a video recorded before his death, Sandeep levelled serious allegations against Puran Kumar, comparing his act to the sacrifices made by freedom fighter Bhagat Singh. He is heard saying that "the country will awaken when we sacrifice ourselves on the path of truth." Puran Kumar's name had recently surfaced in a bribery case.

Rahul urges swift action over IPS officer's death

NEW DELHI: Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday strongly criticised the delay in action on the assurances given to the family of late IPS officer Y Puran Kumar by the Haryana government, urging it to allow his "final rites to take place peacefully, and end this drama."

Gandhi visited the residence of Puran Kumar and his wife, and IAS officer Amneet Puran Kumar, in Sector 24, Chandigarh.

After meeting the bereaved family, Rahul Gandhi told reporters, "A tragedy has taken place with a government officer. The Chief Minister of Haryana had given his word to the family that an inquiry would be conducted and appropriate action would follow. However, that promise remains unkept."

Expressing concern over the mental state of the officer's daughters, he added, "The daughters of the deceased officer, who have already lost their father, are under immense pressure and distress." The Congress leader pointed out that Y Puran Kumar and his wife belong to the Dalit community, alleging that the officer faced long-standing institutional discrimination.

Surekha's private OSD removed

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THE State government has removed Forest and Environment and Endowments Minister Konda Surekha's private OSD N Sumanth from the services on Tuesday. In an order issued by State Pollution

Control Board Secretary, the services of Minister's OSD Sumanth has been terminated on administrative grounds with immediate effect. He was appointed as OSD in December, 2023 and his contract was extended till 2025-end. Officials said that Sumanth's high-handedness in the

administration of Endowments department and also Forest and Environment wings drew strong criticism. His alleged role in creating rift between Konda Surekha and Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy in awarding contract works for Medaram temple development was also suspected.



Endowments Minister Konda Surekha

Modi 'good friend', Munir 'favourite field marshal': Trump

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"Wow! I didn't expect that. Let's go home, there's nothing more I have to say. Goodbye everybody. That was really beautiful and beautifully delivered, thank you very much," he quipped.

The US President then praised India and his "very good friend" Prime Minister Modi for doing a fantastic job. "I think Pakistan and India are going to live very nicely together," Trump said, while looking at Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, who responded with a chuckle.

Prime Minister Modi was also invited to the Summit but chose to skip it and deputed Minister of State Kirti Vardhan Singh in his place.

'What sort of friendship is this?'

Cong jabs PM after Trump praises Pak's Munir

NEW DELHI

The Congress on Tuesday attacked the government over US President Donald Trump's praise for Pakistan Army Chief Asim Munir, saying what kind of signal is the American leader sending to India, in spite of PM Narendra Modi's "desperate attempts" to ingratiate himself with him. What sort of friendship is this between Trump and Modi, the opposition party asked, citing instances of Trump's praise for Munir and past meetings between the two. Congress general secretary in-

charge communications Jairam Ramesh said Prime Minister Modi keeps calling President Trump his good friend and to be fair the American leader also keeps calling Modi his good friend. "But what sort of friendship is this? President Trump hosted Field Marshal Asim Munir to an unprecedented lunch in the White House on June 18, 2025. This was the Field Marshal whose inflammatory and communally poisonous remarks provided the backdrop to the Pahalgam terror attacks orchestrated by Pakistan on April 22, 2025," Ramesh said on X.

Vice President to attend 100th birth anniversary of Sathya Sai Baba

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According to Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust, Radhakrishnan responded positively and shared that his aunt has been a devotee of Sathya Sai Baba since 1966. He expressed his awareness of the immense good work being carried out and deeply appreciated the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust's efforts in carrying forward his teachings and legacy with strength and dedication.

Rathnakar was accompanied by Adi Moolam, a long-standing devotee of Sri Sathya Sai Baba and Managing Director of Dinamalar.

The centenary birth anniversary celebrations of Sri Sathya Sai Baba are scheduled for November 22-23. Elaborate arrangements are being made for the celebrations at Puttaparthi in the Sri Sathya Sai District of Andhra Pradesh.

20 killed as moving bus catches fire in Jaisalmer

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According to an official report, 10 to 12 people have been confirmed dead although the toll may rise. The injured passengers were rushed to hospitals. At least 16 people were referred to Jodhpur for treatment in a critical condition, they said.

The cause of fire was not yet ascertained, however, a short circuit could probably have caused the fire, an official said.

The police, fire brigade sleuths and other agencies rushed to the spot for rescue work. District Collector Pratap Singh was supervising the rescue relief work. A group of army men was also assisting in the rescue operations.

Meanwhile, Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma expressed shock over the tragic incident, and asked the officials concerned to make all efforts to assist the injured. He has also proceeded to Jaisalmer to take stock of the situation.



JNTUH students secure Rs 4 lakh grant for Urban Air Mobility startup

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R Nithin, a third-year B.Tech IDP Civil Engineering student from University College of Engineering Science and Technology, Hyderabad (UCESTH), JNTUH, has secured a grant of Rs 4.0 lakh under the Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs (TIDE) Scheme of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India. The grant, facilitated through MSME-ALEAP-WeHub, will support the prototype development of an "Urban Air Mobility Vehicle" Nithin is the founder of the startup CAPSULE, which aims to revolutionise urban transportation. His co-founders, K Kavya and P Shiva, also third-year Civil Engineering students at JNTUH, are actively involved in

the design and development of the prototype. The trio's vision aligns with emerging global trends in smart mobility and sustainable urban infrastructure.

The grant marks a milestone for CAPSULE, which is currently incubated at JHub - Directorate of Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Start-ups (DEIS), JNTUH. Dr R Sridevi, Director of DEIS, confirmed the startup's incubation status and praised the team's commitment.

Vice-Chancellor Dr T Kishen Kumar Reddy and Registrar Dr K Venkateswara Rao on Wednesday congratulated the students and assured full institutional support. "This is a proud moment for JNTUH. We are committed to nurturing student entrepreneurs and supporting transformative ideas that can shape the future of mobility," said Dr Reddy.

India to resume postal services to US from today

NEW DELHI: India Post will resume all international postal services to the US from Wednesday. This follows a suspension due to new US import regulations. India Post has now set up a system to collect customs duties upfront in India. This ensures faster clearance and seamless delivery for shipments to the USA. All postal categories are now available for booking. Postal services to the US were suspended on August 22 following new regulations announced by the US government that change how goods are shipped into the country. The Ministry of Communications said that India Post has now established a compliant mechanism for Delivery Duty Paid (DDP) processing after extensive system development, coordination with CBP-approved Qualified Parties, and successful operational trials in the Delhi and Maharashtra Circles.

TG writes to CWC, opposes Banakacherla

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"Further, external agencies like Polavaram Project Authority (PPA) and Godavari River Management Board (GRMB) have communicated the observations/remarks on the PFR and explicitly stated that the diversion of additional 200 TMof water is not part of the approved DPR of Polavaram Project and contravenes with the operation schedule of Polavaram dam as envisaged in Annexure-G of GWDTA 1980", Amjad Hussain has said in the letter

The state government also furnished the comments of the State on the PFR stating that the project proposal envisages ex-

tensive changes in the dimensional features of components of Polavaram project and reiterating that AP's PBL proposal is in violation of APRA' 2014, GWDTA, PPA & EC and infringe water rights of Telangana besides creating adverse backwater and cascading submergence effects. He requested against undertaking any appraisal of the P-B link project.

The officials brought to the attention of the central water agency that the AP Water Resources department had issued a tender notification for preparing Detailed Project Report (DPR) of Polavaram-Banakacherla link project although Telangana sought an outright rejection of the project.

BJP drops Speaker, fields 2 Dy CMs in first list of 71 candidates

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The list also includes two former MPs: Ram Kripal Yadav, who lost to RJD's Misa Bharti in the last general election, will contest from Danapur; and Sunil Kumar Pintu, an ex-JD(U) MP from Sitamarhi who recently rejoined the BJP, will contest from the same seat.

Other sitting MLAs who have been denied tickets include Arun Kumar Sinha (Kumhrar) and Amrendra Pratap Singh (Ara). Patna Sahib will now be contested by Ratnesh Kushwaha.

The party has fielded nine women candidates in this list, including prominent names

like Renu Devi, Gayatri Devi, Devanti Yadav, and Rama Nishad. Shooter-turned-politician Shreyasi Singh has been retained from Jamui. A new entrant, IRS officer Sujit Kumar Singh, who resigned from civil service just a day before the announcement, has been given a ticket from Gaura Bauram—replacing his wife, Swarna Singh, the sitting MLA. This announcement comes just days after the NDA finalised its seat-sharing arrangement: BJP and JD(U) will contest 101 seats each, while LJP (Ram Vilas) will contest 29, and HAM (Secular) and Rashtriya Lok Morcha will fight on six seats each.

Top Maoist leader Mallojula surrenders in Maharashtra

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According to sources, Venugopal, alias Bhupathi alias Sonu, was considered one of the most influential strategists in the Maoist organisation and had long supervised platoon operations along the Maharashtra-Chhattisgarh border. However, growing differences between him and the top Naxal leadership in the recent months led to an internal conflict. Bhupathi had claimed that the armed struggle failed and appealed for a shift towards peace and dialogue, citing diminishing public support and the loss of hundreds of cadres.

TGCHE Chairman unveils international journal on Generative AI in education

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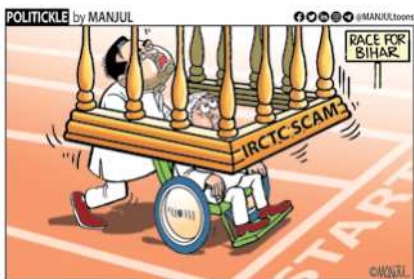
PROFESSOR V Balakista Reddy, Chairman of the Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), formally launched the Special Issue of the International Journal of Research and Analytical Reviews (IJRAR) at the TGCHE Office on Wednesday. The journal, which has an impressive impact factor of 9.47, was formerly listed under UGC-CARE and is published by Government Degree College (GDC), Gambhiraopet.

The Special Issue features 40 peer-reviewed research papers and adheres to international publication ethics and standards, reflecting the

scholarly rigour of Telangana's higher education institutions.

Speaking at the event, Prof Reddy emphasised the transformative potential of Generative AI in reshaping teaching, learning, and research. He noted its ability to enhance content creation, bridge learning gaps, and foster interdisciplinary collaboration. However, he cautioned against overreliance, advocating for ethical governance, digital literacy, and responsible integration of AI tools in academia.

The launch ceremony was also graced by Vice-Chairman Prof E Purushotham and Prof S K Mahmood, along with Secretary Prof Sriram Venkatesh.



THE FUTURE OF WORK THROUGH GEN Z EYES

PROF VIKAS DHAWAN

WHEN one looks at today's young generation i.e., Gen Z students, they see a fundamental shift in how careers are being imagined & pursued. For earlier generations, careers were often seen as financial anchors or pathways to security. You picked a profession, committed to it for decades, and it became the foundation of stability for the family. But for Gen Z, careers are deeply tied to identity, purpose lifestyle & not confined to the sense of security. This generation is rewriting the rulebook: careers are lifestyle choices, and lifestyle choices are career decisions. And they're not wrong.

The blending of work and life

For Gen Z, the old concept of "work-life balance" feels outdated. Instead, they talk about "work-life integration."A career is now no longer about what you do between nine and five. Instead, it's an extension of who you are, what you care about, and the type of life you wish to live. If you're passionate about travel, you're drawn to careers in content creation, global consulting, or hospitality. If wellness is at the

A deep dive into how values, creativity, and freedom are shaping the next era of career choices

center of your life, careers in fitness, nutrition, or mental health appeal. The career is chosen to complement life & that's what is imperative in the long run.

The very approach is reshaping industries. Employees today understand that younger professionals desire flexibility, autonomy, and purpose. They are less inclined to take up jobs requiring personal sacrifice, and more inclined to go for businesses that align with their values: whether it is sustainability, diversity, or social responsibility.

The magnificent rise of purpose-driven careers

Probably, the most striking pattern here is how strongly Gen Z aligns career decisions with personal values. For instance, many students nowadays are choosing careers in renewable energy, social entrepreneurship, or something like impact con-



sulting; not merely because these fields are growing, but because they align with their aspirations of contributing to society. Similarly, even in technology, there's a visible shift towards aspirational careers. Educators are of immense importance in this scenario as they're responsible for helping students connect the dots between where they are & what they strive to be.

Flexibility as a non-negotiable element

The pandemic accelerated trends that were already underway i.e., remote work, gig

opportunities & moonlighting as a career. Gen Z has imbibed this wholeheartedly. For them, a career shouldn't be confined to one employer or one role. They're comfortable with freelancing, side hustles & modern options like moonlighting. MBA students today are often seen running small e-commerce stores, freelancing as digital marketers, or creating YouTube channels alongside their studies. For this generation, income streams and career identities are increasingly fluid. These pursuits fit into the lifestyle they aspire to: creative, flexible, and self-

directed and that's what matters, ultimately.

Creating the future instead of waiting for it

Careers can draw a lot of fuel from Abraham Lincoln's famous ideology: "The best way to predict the future is to create it." When an educator applies this to career development, it translates to preparing students for the possibilities that don't yet exist. This is the only reason why we motivate students to view careers as growth paths. The values they maintain, the skills they gain, and the decisions they make should



all contribute to making the life they desire for themselves. Most of the time, it is absolutely necessary for students to combine technical expertise with human skills. If you're pursuing IT, understand how those tools affect people's lives. If you're in management, inculcate digital fluency. This integration makes them aligned with their lifestyle choices. After all, a fulfilling career is one that doesn't merely earn you a paycheck but enriches your way of living.

The role of educators & institutions

Marquee institutes have a responsibility to adapt. Traditional models of education revolving around academic knowledge have become outdated pretty quickly. In fact, we need to offer exposure to entrepreneurial thinking & that's super important. This way, students are prepared for life & not confined to the 9 to 5 hustle.

Gen Z is Genz owing to their refusal to separate who they are from what they do. Their careers are extensions of their values, passions, and aspirations. They are unapologetic about choosing professions that let them

live the lives they want & that means prioritizing creativity, global mobility, sustainability & wellness combined into an offering. As educators and mentors, our role is not to fit them into old moulds but to give them the tools, exposure, and confidence to design their own. Because in the end, careers should serve both: economic reasons & lifestyle decisions. And this generation, more than any before, knows it best.

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Equipping young with job-ready AI skills

NEW DELHI

IN a major step to bridge the AI skills gap in India, EY and Microsoft launched the AI Skills Passport, a free online programme designed to provide young Indians with the tools and knowledge needed to thrive in an AI-driven economy.

The initiative, aimed at individuals aged 16 and above, offers equitable access to high-quality AI education, preparing early-career professionals and students with essential, job-ready AI skills.

The launch in India follows a global roll-out earlier this year, which has already seen over 40,000 participants enroll and more than 13,000 complete the programme.

With NASSCOM reporting that only 31 per cent of professionals in India feel well-prepared to use AI tools, EY and Microsoft aim to empower youth to upskill and be future-ready in an increasingly digital landscape.

Monesh Dange, Partner and Leader, Alliances and Ecosystems, EY India, said, "In an era where AI is revolutionising work and redefining career paths, the launch of the AI Skills Passport addresses India's growing demand for skilled AI talent."

- **Free and inclusive learning:** A fully online, free programme available in English and Hindi, ensuring broad accessibility across regions and backgrounds.
- **Practical, career-focused curriculum:** Around 10 hours of content combining AI fundamentals, responsible AI, real-world applications, and career development support.
- **Verified credential for employability:** Participants enhancing their job prospects and credibility in the AI-driven economy earn a verifiable digital badge, enhancing their job prospects and credibility in the AI-driven economy

"Many professionals remain unprepared to harness AI's full potential. Together with Microsoft, we're committed to ensuring this programme is not only free but impactful at scale, providing access for everyone to build essential AI skills," Dange added.

The AI Skills Passport is a fully online programme with approximately 10 hours of content, available in both English and Hindi to ensure broad accessibility.

The programme combines modular video lessons, practical exercises, and asynchronous assessments, allowing learners to engage at their own pace.

It covers fundamentals of AI, responsible AI practices, and applications of AI across industries such as healthcare, finance, and

technology. Real-world case studies, hands-on exercises, and career guidance, including résumé building, interview preparation, and networking strategies, are integrated to help learners apply their skills and enhance employability.

Upon successful completion, participants receive a verifiable digital badge to strengthen their job profiles and career prospects in the AI-driven economy.

Bhaskar Basu, Enterprise Partnerships Leader, Microsoft India & South Asia, said, "AI is transforming India's digital economy, with youth at its core. The AI Skills Passport, launched in partnership with EY, reflects our vision of 'AI for all' and our commitment to fostering future-ready talent."

TODAY IS GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

Raising awareness about hand hygiene

ONE of the simplest and most effective ways to prevent the spread of disease is something we often overlook — washing our hands regularly. From classrooms and offices to hospitals and homes, proper hand hygiene is a powerful defense against germs, bacteria, and viruses that cause illness.

Every day, we touch countless surfaces — doorknobs, phones, keyboards, money — all of which can harbor harmful microorganisms. When we touch our eyes, nose, or mouth without washing our hands, these germs can easily enter our bodies, leading to infections such as the flu, common cold, food poisoning, or even more serious diseases.

Regular handwashing



with soap and clean water can reduce the risk of respiratory and diarrheal

infections by up to 40%. It's a simple habit with enormous health benefits

— one that protects not only you but also those around you. The key is to

wash your hands for at least 20 seconds, especially before eating, after using the restroom, after coughing or sneezing, and after touching public surfaces.

Raising awareness about hand hygiene is just as important as practicing it. Schools, workplaces, and communities can take small but meaningful steps — like putting up posters, organizing awareness drives, or teaching children the right way to wash their hands.

Clean hands symbolize care, responsibility, and respect for others. As global health challenges continue to rise, adopting regular handwashing as a daily habit is one of the easiest and most effective ways to build a healthier, safer world for everyone.

WORLD STUDENTS' DAY CELEBRATING THE POWER, POTENTIAL, AND PROMISE OF YOUTH

EVERY year on October 15, the world celebrates World Students' Day — a day dedicated to honouring the spirit of learning, creativity, and curiosity that defines students across the globe. The date marks the birth anniversary of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, India's former President, eminent scientist, and one of the most inspiring educators of our time. His life's message was simple yet powerful: "Dream, dream, dream. Dreams transform into thoughts and thoughts result in action."

World Students' Day is not merely a celebration; it's a reminder of the vital role students play in shaping the future.

In an era driven by rapid technological advancements, climate change, and global interconnectivity, today's learners are tomorrow's innovators, leaders, and problem-solvers. Their ideas have the power to redefine industries, influence societies, and build more inclusive and sustainable communities.

Modern education is



evolving beyond textbooks and examinations. It now emphasizes critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and compassion — the skills that truly prepare students for life.

The rise of AI, digital learning platforms, and experiential education has created new opportunities

for students to learn anytime, anywhere. However, with these opportunities come responsibilities — to use technology ethically, to think globally while acting locally, and to pursue learning not just for personal growth but for the collective good.

As we celebrate this day,

it's essential to reflect on the challenges students face today — academic pressure, mental health struggles, and the growing digital divide. Institutions, educators, and policymakers must work together to create environments that nurture curiosity and emotional well-being, ensuring that

learning remains a joyful, empowering experience.

World Students' Day also celebrates the spirit of resilience. Whether adapting to online learning, exploring entrepreneurship, or leading social impact projects, students continue to prove their ability to innovate even in uncertainty.

-Gautam Gambhir,

Pansare and his wife were returning home from their morning walk in the Samrat Nagar area of Kolhapur when two motorbike-borne men fired multiple rounds at them before fleeing.



Odissi dance enchants the audience

An evening of sublime Odissi unfolded as part of the 13th annual festival organised by Our Sacred Space Environmental and Cultural Centre. The performance featured the renowned Guru Sharmila Biswas and her disciple Raaginni Hindocha, who captivated the audience with their artistry and emotional depth. Their presentation beautifully blended tradition, innovation, and devotion, offering a memorable celebration of classical dance

ANNA RAO GANGAVALLI

AS part of their 13th Annual Festival, the Our Sacred Space Environmental and Cultural Centre organised an entrancing evening of Odissi dance at Chaurah Auditorium, Secunderabad, recently.

Senior Guru Sharmila Biswas is a leading dancer, choreographer, and teacher of Odissi. A prominent disciple of the legend Kelucharan Mohapatra, she is the founder of the 'Odissi Vision and Movement Centre' in Kolkata, which has been instrumental in the research of traditional folk-art forms as well as the Mahari or Devadasi tradition of Odisha. She delves into these for innovation in her productions, which have been presented at dance festivals worldwide. Her creative changes in content, technique, and costumes are a considerable contribution, recognised by the conferment of the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award. Demanding excellence, dedication, and discipline from her students, she has been instrumental in grooming a talented younger generation of Odissi dancers.

Raaginni Hindocha is a budding disciple of Sharmila

Biswas and has performed in many festivals in India and abroad as part of her Guru's repertory. Two compositions were showcased by Raaginni and one by Sharmila Biswas. The 'aharya' of Raaginni was in electric blue, standing out well on the lit-up stage.

'Ramashtakam' in 'misra raga' was a treat with its lilting music. The young dancer entered the stage starting with her back to the audience in the characteristic stylized Odissi looping movements full of grace. The tempo built up with slow and steady movements flowing into vigorously agile 'angika abhinaya' as the attributes of Lord Rama were brought out. Raaginni's honed gestures were full of both delicacy and solidity, indicating an apt student who has imbibed the knowledge imparted meticulously by her Guru while inserting a considerable flair of her own. This was a tribute to Sharmila's considered opinion that a student must display originality without merely copying identically an age-old choreography.

After performing a 'Pranam', she went on to delineate, while being in precise synchrony with every trill of music, the refrain — salutations to Rama, to whose feet



all gods prostrate, born in the dynasty of the Sun, whose beautiful face is decorated by 'Chandan'. Then comes the young prince fixing his arrows to the bow to destroy the demon disturbers of the sages' sacrifices and the redeeming of Ahalya. The dainty fluttering of her hands exactly mirrored the exuberant footwork, creating a thrilling effect. Hara's bow broke in Rama's hands, and he went to the forest for the cause of truth and justice. The golden deer was brought down with a single arrow after the dancer depicted its bounding playful movements. The King of Eagles,

Jatayu, was given 'moksha' by the Lord, who slew Vali, the King of Monkeys. The peerless prince who controlled and had the ocean bridged, conquered Lanka by destroying Ravana and his armies — is bowed down to in humble reverence.

The second piece, 'Gativilas' in 'jog raga', was full of exquisite 'nritta' movements and expressions where, one by one, several animals were brought to life by their natural interpretation through the strides which give the horse its power, the regal lion whose stamp is its majestic stance, the peacock with its glorious fantail who dances

effortlessly in its forest environment, the cuckoo whose body reverberates with the powerful vibrance of its melodious singing, and the hawk whose telescopic gaze enables it to swoop down on its prey like lightning.

The finale was 'Vilasini' by Guru Sharmila Biswas herself. This piece was inspired by Sharmila's meeting with, and immense regard for, the last Maharis of the Jagannath Temple. Filled with overpowering 'abhinaya', it created a palimpsest of emotions where the artiste revelled in her own mastery of layers of intricate imagery to bring 'rasa' to the audience. The simple scene of an aged Mahari or temple dancer remembering the old days — despite seeing her wrinkled reflection, being unable to control her urge to decorate herself and get dressed up in the morning — was turned into a masterpiece of imaginative choreographic creativity.

Every minute movement, faithfully reproduced visually, built up the character in rich detail to a subtly picaresque perfection brimming with an earthly vitality



in every pore. The sleeping dancer stirs and awakens; she knots her hair into a bun, fastening it with flowers, dots her forehead with 'Sindoor', places 'Kajal' in her eyes. Earrings for her ears are fastened, a garland is hung around her neck, forehead and body daubed with 'Chandan'. A brocade jacket covers her chest; adorned with necklaces, she wears a saree with a temple motif border. Bangles and armlets are worn; feet gaily coloured red with 'Alta' and decked with anklets. Being peered upon, she uses the curious observers to have her toe ring put on as she cannot reach it herself. After her dressing up is finished,

she runs eagerly to the mirror to see and admire herself; it was as though the artiste had vanished and a real Mahari was on stage going through her toilette

— a stunning 'trompe l'oeil' effect translated flawlessly to dance with surpassing skill. The conclusion witnessed the appreciative applause of the spellbound audience.



DEEPTI NAVAL DROPS A FOND MEMORY WITH HER FATHER FROM THEIR EUROPE GETAWAY

Veteran actress Deepthi Naval treated the netizens with a fond memory with her father from their getaway to Europe back in 1982. The photo showed the father-daughter duo posing outside the camper. Remembering the time with her dad, the 'Saath Saath' actress penned on her Instagram, "Sharing a precious memory of my father - In a camper through Europe - Piti and I - 1982. (sic)"

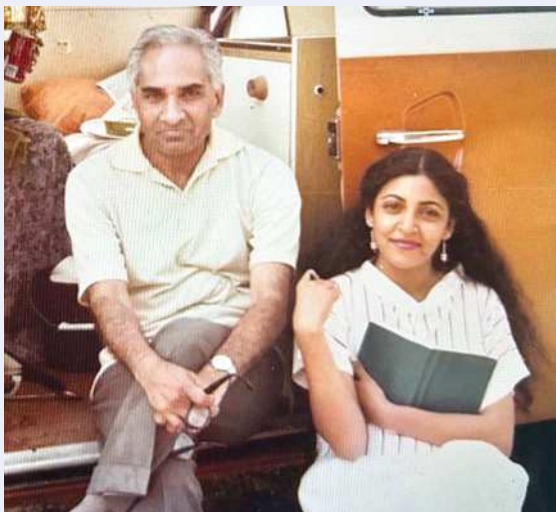
Adoring the throwback photo, an Insta user shared in the comment section, "This is one of the best beautiful picture of the day, u look so much pretty girl in this very picture. Deep regards."

Another netizen penned,

"No words to describe the classic immaculate Indian beauty." The third comment read, "Proud daughter of a proud father".

Earlier, Deepthi spoke about the monumental shift in the film industry over the years during an exclusive conversation.

Shedding light on the changes that she has witnessed in Hindi cinema from her era to the current times, Deepthi told IANS, "Well today, there is a lot of visual finesse in our movies. So that is something that I like the most. Our films are at par with the international standards. In terms of world cinema, we are as good as them technically and visually. There are a lot of skills today among all. Whether it is



the technicians or even the actors. Everybody is trained. Everybody has learnt their craft. You don't just stroll into the film industry, and become an actor, like me, I didn't learn anything. Everybody brings training. They are very focused".

"The younger generation are so focused, and they believe in their dreams. And

they are going all out for it. And these two are examples here. Jitesh and Alankrita. I find them very inspiring. Both of them. And our director, he is also very inspiring as a person. Cinema has changed a lot from the time when we were working earlier years to now. A lot of changes, I would say," she added.

Dia Mirza highlights India's vision for circular economy through deep-tech recycling initiative

BOLLYWOOD actress Dia Mirza took to social media to celebrate a breakthrough in sustainable innovation.

In her post, the 'Sanju' actress mentioned how the startup transforms up to five tons of unrecyclable plastic waste per month into high-quality circular materials while providing waste workers with higher wages, health benefits, and dignity, reflecting a vision of inclusive innovation. Dia emphasizes that this is more than just technological innovation — it's inclusive innovation. The plant not only tackles plastic waste but also benefits the people involved in the recycling process, offering 2-3 times higher salaries.

Sharing a series of her photos, the 'Rehnaa Hai Terre Dil Mein' actress wrote, "A milestone for people and planet Thrilled to back Without, an impact-first deep-tech material science enterprise, as they launch their pioneering FOAK Demonstration Plant in Pune — capable of transforming up to 5 tons/



month of "unrecyclable" plastic waste into high-quality, circular materials. This isn't just innovation — it's inclusive innovation. Cutting-edge recycling technology that gives waste workers 2-3x the salary, health insurance, paid leave, and above all, dignity and respect. At its heart lies systemic thinking and a vision of India leading the world in circular solutions."

"The launch comes at the heels of a

\$1.9 million Seed Funding round, supported by truly patient impact capital. I'm proud to join this journey as strategic advisor, investor, and advocate alongside partners who believe that science, justice, and sustainability can — and must — go hand in hand."

"A powerful reminder that real circularity includes people, not just materials. Here's to scaling this vision across India and beyond. Because when innovation meets inclusion, hope becomes action," she added. As an environmental advocate, Dia Mirza often shares posts to raise awareness about conservation and sustainability.

On the professional front, Dia was recently seen in the Netflix film "Nadaan" directed by Shauna Gautam. The movie introduced a fresh lineup of actors, including Saif Ali Khan's son Ibrahim Ali Khan and Khushi Kapoor, alongside veteran performers Mahima Chaudhry, Suniel Shetty, and Jugad Hansraj. Dia portrayed Nandini, the mother of Ibrahim's character, Arjun.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Breakwater (6)
- Any of the heavenly bodies, as the sun or moon (3)
- Bears, in Barcelona (4)
- Republic in SW Asia (4)
- European sea (6)
- Befall, occur or happen (4,5)
- Greek letter (3)
- Clumsy chap (5)
- Junkies (5)
- Monetary unit of Romania (3)

- In addition (3)
- Taken on to staff (5)
- Singer Cherry (5)
- Vitality (3)
- Husband's partner (4)
- Having three cusps (9)
- Japan (6)
- Propagated (4)
- Andre ____ : French writer, Nobel laureate in 1947 ? (4)
- Bond creator Fleming (3)
- Stoppage of flow or circulation (6)

DOWN

- Speak incoherently (6)
- Observer (8)
- Naval Off. In Charge (4)
- Guards of honour (7)
- Bone prefix (5)
- Amitabh Bachchan of course (3,1)
- Cowboy (7)
- Frequency unit (3)
- Swing about (4)
- Fret and fume (4)
- Extinct small horse (8)
- Collection of books (7)
- Causes to remember (7)
- Barely defeat (3)
- Federer's forte (6)
- Churchillian gesture (1-4)
- Basic monetary unit of Ghana (4)
- Eat sparingly (4)



Solution to October 14

SUDOKU



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Naomi Watts says she suffers from imposter syndrome

BRITISH actress Naomi Watts has opened up on suffering from imposter syndrome. The 57-year-old actress made the confession as she was honoured with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in Los Angeles in honour of her career achievements in the movie industry with the Mulholland Drive star admitting the accolade came "out of the blue".

Speaking ahead of her star ceremony, she said, "I can't even believe it. It's interesting, because I have all kinds of imposter syndrome. I've always felt like I'm supposed to struggle, I'm supposed to keep proving myself, and this sort of just came out of the blue. It's really lovely".

During the star ceremony on Monday, Naomi paid tribute to her husband Billy Crudup for his "phenomenal love and support" as well as her son Sasha, 18, and daughter Kai, 16, from her mar-

riage to actor Liev Schreiber, and her step-son Will, reports 'Female First UK'. She told 'Variety', "I struggled for so long. I'm so familiar with that side of things more than this incredible good fortune, celebrations like this. It's wonderful".

During her speech, Naomi applauded Sasha for coming straight from classes at the University of Southern California to attend the ceremony, saying, "I'm so proud of my kids. My son Sasha, a freshman at USC, is here straight from class. He rolled in, and he's blossoming into the kindest, most charismatic young man".

Naomi called Kai "fierce and fearless" and applauded Will for "following in his father's footsteps" as he prepares for college graduation.

As per 'Female First UK', it comes after Billy, who married Naomi in 2023, opened up about how they support

each other in their marriage.

He told 'People' magazine, "We've been doing this for a long time. "I think we have some idea of how each of us manages our careers, and so we do the best that we can to



just be supportive of the other person's agenda".

The couple previously admitted it is "much easier" to attend Hollywood events together.



‘Bigg Boss Telugu Season 9’ losing credibility?

MOSTLY DUE TO POOR CONTESTANT PICKS

SUHAS SISTU

BIGG Boss Telugu has long thrived on controversy, charisma, and compelling personalities. But season 9, so far, is eroding that foundation — and it’s not because of the host or the format. Though it came with the tagline ‘Idi chadarangamkaadu, raanarangam’ (It’s not chess, it’s war), the show is not showing the same fire it promised. It’s the weak selection of contestants that’s turning what should be a high-voltage reality show into a

forgettable routine. **Where’s the spark?** Contestant lineups in earlier seasons felt rugged, unpredictable, and teeming with clashing egos. This year’s cast, however, leans heavily into “safe” names and internet personas, many carrying baggage from past controversies. For instance, Sanjana Galrani entered the house with known legal issues, immediately shifting focus from the show itself to her personal drama. Flora Saini’s entry also brought pre-existing controversies to the fore

before she even got a chance to perform. **Rules break, respect fades** When viewers see contestants breaking fundamental rules—like the rule of speaking Telugu—without apparent consequences, it signals weak enforcement and less accountability. Bigg Boss himself had to scold contestants for repeatedly ignoring Telugu. That undermines the very structure that gives the show its gravity. **Drama by default, not design** Elsewhere, the show is

running out of organic tension. Relationships and fights feel manufactured. Wildcard entries like Divya Nikitha, selected despite having low support in the Agnipariksha audition, suggest favoritism over fair competition. When eliminations feel rigged or influenced by off-screen factors, viewers lose trust. **A show built on gamble, not formula** Bigg Boss is supposed to be about raw human unpredictability. This season, it has become a predictable exercise

in name value and past controversies. The result: a show that looks busy but lacks depth, and reinforces the idea that the franchise is banking more on spectacle than substance. With the latest wildcard entries like Divvela Madhuri and Ramya Moksha, who recently made headlines for their controversial public statements, the makers seem to be attempting a last-minute rescue operation to revive audience interest. These contestants bring drama potential, but whether they can inject real momentum into



the show—or simply add more noise without substance—remains to be seen. All eyes are now on how these wildcard contestants will shake up the

house dynamics in the coming weeks. If these contestants also fade like the rest—season 9 risks becoming one of its most forgettable chapters.

‘MeesaalaPilla’ from ‘MSVP Garu’: Vintage melody with modern touch

MEGASTAR Chiranjeevi has joined forces for the first time with blockbuster filmmaker Anil Ravipudi for the much-awaited family entertainer Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu. Touted to be packed with family emotions, humor, and mass appeal in Ravipudi’s signature style, the film is gearing up for a grand Sankranti 2026 theatrical release.

The promotional campaign began on a powerful note with the launch of the first single ‘MeesaalaPilla’, whose promo dropped during the Dussehra festival. Within hours, the track went viral across social media platforms, trending with thousands of fan-made reels and edits celebrating Chiranjeevi’s unmatched screen aura and the song’s vibrant energy.

One of the biggest talking points from the promo is the refreshing on-screen chemistry between Chiranjeevi and Lady Superstar Nayanthara. The duo is seen portraying a grounded and



charming husband-wife pair, offering a blend of fun, warmth, and emotional relatability—something audiences are already loving. The song boasts a melodious yet upbeat vibe brought to life by the soulful vocals of Udit Narayan and Shweta Mohan. Bhaskara Bhatla’s playful lyrics add a catchy

local flavor, while Bheem-sCeciroleo’s lively music makes “MeesaalaPilla” an instant chartbuster. Music lovers have already begun calling it one of the most addictive Telugu singles of the season. Produced by SahuGara-pati and Sushmita Konidela under the Shine Screens

and Gold Box Entertainment banners, the film has now set high expectations among audiences. With the first single making waves, all eyes are now on the next glimpse from Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu as excitement continues to build ahead of its festive release.



‘Mithra Mandali’ pre-release event sparks buzz

THE upcoming buddy comedy Mithra Mandali is gearing up for a theatrical release on October 16, generating strong buzz among audiences. Produced under BV Works and presented by Bunny Vas and SaptaAshwa Media Works, the film features Priyadarshi and popular digital star Niharika NM in lead roles. Directed by Vijayender S, the film boasts a huge ensemble cast including comedy icons Brahmanandam, Vennela Kishore, Satya, VTV Ganesh, and others.

As part of promotions, a grand pre-release event was held on October 13, graced by actor Sree Vishnu as the chief guest. Speaking at the event, he praised the team’s effort and said, “Mithra Mandali is full of heart and humor. It will make audiences leave the theatre with a smile.” He also appreciated Priyadarshi’s script choices and welcomed Niharika NM to Telugu cinema. Priyadarshi expressed confidence in the film’s entertainment value, saying, “If you don’t like this movie, don’t watch any of my future films!” Niharika NM added that she was delighted to officially

enter Telugu films with a project rooted in friendship and emotion. Producer Bunny Vas called Mithra Mandali a “clean family entertainer and an early Diwali gift”, while assuring audiences that the film will deliver non-stop laughs. Director Vijayender thanked his team for their unwavering support and invited audiences to enjoy the emotional and humorous journey of friendship on screen. With positive early buzz from trailers and songs, Mithra Mandali is set to entertain audiences starting October 16.

‘Bison’ trailer: Politically charged sports drama

YOUNG actor Dhruv Vikram, son of versatile star Chiyaan Vikram, is gearing up for what could be a defining moment in his career with his upcoming film Bison. Despite delivering strong performances in films like Adithya Varma and Mahaan, Dhruv is still awaiting that one big commercial breakthrough. Now, with acclaimed filmmaker Mari Selvaraj at the helm, Bison is generating strong expectations.

The trailer of the film, which released yesterday, has caught everyone’s attention with its intense narrative and emotional depth. Staying true to his film-making style, Mari Selvaraj once again chooses a socially grounded theme. The story follows Dhruv’s character, a determined young man from a marginalised community whose life revolves around his passion for Kabaddi. The trailer opens with his humble beginnings and turbulent journey, revealing the harsh oppression he faces from caste-based discrimination and societal prejudice.

Despite constant humiliation and setbacks, Dhruv’s character refuses to surrender, instead rising with resilience to fight for identity, dignity, and the pride of his people. The trailer promises a raw, realistic sports drama layered with emotional intensity and strong social commentary—hallmarks of Mari Selvaraj’s impactful storytelling.

Actresses Anupama Parameswaran and Rajisha Vijayan appear in strong rural roles, bringing authenticity to the village setting and emotional grounding to the story. Their rustic screen presence enhances the film’s culturally rooted tone.

Backed by impactful visuals and a compelling narrative, Bison is set for release on October 17th, coinciding with Diwali. With a powerful theme, emotional depth, and Dhruv Vikram’s intense performance, the film is being seen as a potential game-changer in his career.



‘Super Subbu’ promises bold humor in a village comedy with a social twist

THE upcoming web series Super Subbu brings a refreshing mix of humor, emotion, and social relevance to Indian storytelling. The plot follows the misadventures of a hapless young teacher who dreams of escaping his domineering father, only to end up with an unexpected assignment—teaching sex education in a conservative village. The biggest irony? He’s a virgin himself, setting the stage for a comedy full of awkwardness, heartfelt moments, and self-discovery.

Director Mallik Ram explains the inspiration behind the series: “Super Subbu was born from the observation that sex education is still treated as a taboo subject in our society. Parents avoid it, schools skip it, and children grow up with confusion and myths. Through Subbu’s journey, we use humor to break silence around a sensitive topic and make it accessible. The village of Maakhipur feels real and rooted, just

like the people many of us grew up around. At its core, this story is about courage, community, and acceptance.” Actress Mithila Palkar, who plays a key role, says, “It’s a quirky yet meaningful story about dreams, relationships, and coming of age in unexpected ways. The characters feel so real, and the narrative is both funny and emotional. I’m excited for audiences to see me in a very different avatar.” Actor Sundeeep Kishan adds, “We’re now telling stories that are brave and relatable. Super Subbu celebrates simple joys while addressing real issues through lovable characters and engaging writing.” The series is expected to blend entertainment with a strong message, making it one to watch out for



Mrunal Thakur sets the ramp on fire

Actress Mrunal Thakur, who is gearing up for the release of her upcoming film Dacoit alongside Aditi Sesh, made a stunning appearance at Lakmé Fashion Week, leaving fashion enthusiasts captivated with her bold and glamorous runway presence. Walking for ace designer duo Pankaj & Nidhi at Lakmé Fashion Week in partnership with FDCI, Mrunal embraced a powerful high-fashion avatar. She wore a shimmering gold-

en sleeveless top paired with a sleek black skirt featuring a daring thigh-high slit, perfectly blending elegance with drama. The look was elevated by statement golden earrings, adding just the right touch of opulence to her ensemble. Interestingly, Mrunal opted for a minimalist styling approach, keeping her hands free of accessories and choosing classic black heels to maintain the focus on her striking outfit. Her makeup was subtle yet sharp, enhancing her natural beauty, while her hair was styled in a neat updo that highlighted her strong fea-

tures. What truly stood out was her commanding runway attitude. She skipped the usual smile and instead delivered intense, piercing expressions, locking eyes with the camera and exuding top-model confidence. Fans and fashion critics alike praised her fierce walk and bold aura, calling her one of the best celebrity showstoppers of the season. With every appearance, Mrunal Thakur continues to prove she’s not just a rising star in cinema, but also a style icon who owns every frame—on screen and on the runway.

‘I Am The Guy’ song from ‘Aryan’ is energetic



played by Sai Ronak, Tarak Ponnappa, Mala Parvathi, Avinash, and Abhishek Joseph George. The story is co-written by Manu Anand of FIR fame. Harish Kannan handles cinematography, San Lokesh is the editor, and Ghibran scores the music. The makers will soon announce updates on the trailer and audio launch events.