

Trainees urged to seize opportunities

- First batch of training classes for 45 electricians and plumbers commences
- Officials told to extend necessary support to poor families and help them achieve economic stability
- There is a growing demand for electricians and plumbers in both government and private sectors

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(KRISHNA DISTRICT)

KRISHNA district collector DK Balaji called upon trainees to seize every opportunity to improve their livelihood and move out of poverty. He instructed officials to extend necessary



Collector DK Balaji giving guidance to electricians and plumbers at Sri Venkateswara Swamy Devasthanam at Dokiparru of Gudlavalleru mandal on Tuesday

support to poor families and help them achieve economic stability.

On Tuesday, the first batch of training classes for 45 electricians and plumbers commenced at the skill development centre established under the Public Private People Partner-

ship (P-4) Margadarshi Mega Engineering Limited Foundation on the premises of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Devasthanam at Dokiparru of Gudlavalleru mandal in Gudvada constituency. The collector participated in a review meeting of the Community Resource Persons

(CRPs) under the P-4 programme and issued several directions.

He interacted with CRPs about the condition of the 'Bangaru Kutumbalu' in Gudlavalleru mandal and the kind of support they required. Many families sought government assistance to start livelihoods such as tailoring, tiffin centres, ironing, vegetable and fruit vending, grocery shops, carpentry, and animal husbandry. Others requested mobility aids for the disabled and employment opportunities for youth, while some sought pensions and improvement in sewage systems.

He emphasised that there is a growing demand for electricians and plumbers in both government and private sectors. He said those with proper training and workmanship could find

employment easily, as skilled technicians are in short supply. He encouraged the trainees to make full use of the opportunity and build secure futures.

He assured that eligible persons would be provided pensions, sewage facilities would be upgraded, and support extended to persons with disabilities. He urged representatives of Mega Engineering to take proactive steps to provide sustainable livelihoods to poor families.

DRDA PD Hariharanath, District Animal Husbandry Officer Chinna Narasimhulu, Tahsilidar Lokaraju, MPDO Ibran, Velugu APM Panduranga Prasad, Mega Engineering Limited Project Manager Sivaramakrishna, Training Institute in charge Jilani, and several other officials and CRPs participated in the programme.

Need to develop Vijayawada into sports hub stressed

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MP Kesineni Sivanath has stressed the need to develop Vijayawada into a major sports hub in Andhra Pradesh by improving infrastructure and promoting sports culture at all levels. On Tuesday, a review meeting was held at the Vijayawada Municipal Corporation (VMC) office with Commissioner HM Dhyana-chandra, Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh (SAAP) Chairman Animini Ravi Naidu, and Vice Chairman & Managing Director (VC & MD) S Bharani to discuss the renovation and modernisation of the Indira Gandhi Municipal Corporation (IGMC) Stadium in the city.

The meeting, organised at the request of SAAP Chair-



Vijayawada MP Kesineni Chinni, SAAP Chairman Ravi Naidu, MD Bharani, and VMC Commissioner Dhyana-chandra participating in the review meeting on Tuesday

man Animini Ravi Naidu, was the first review session on the city's comprehensive sports infrastructure development plan. Detailed discussions were held on upgrading the IGMC Stadium, Vidyadharapuram Stadium, and Makineni Basava Punnaiah Stadium, Ajith Singh Nagar, to meet national and international standards.

Speaking on the occasion, Kesineni Chinni said, "If na-

tional and international level competitions are conducted in Vijayawada, the city will not only gain recognition in the sports arena but will also strengthen economically." He added that indoor stadiums are being prepared for the National Badminton Tournament scheduled to be held in December. MP Kesineni Chinni and Ravi Naidu inspected the IGMC Stadium to review the ongoing work and discussed timelines for completion. MP Chinni enquired with sports officials about the requirements for sports facilities at the IGMC Stadium.

VMC Additional Commissioner (Projects) Dr D Chandrasekhar, in-charge Chief Engineer P Sathya Kumari, Estate Officer A Srinath, and several SAAP officials were present at the meeting.

AP Chambers to host Business Expo from Dec 12

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THE Andhra Pradesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry Federation (AP Chambers) will conduct second edition 'AP Chambers Business Expo 2025' from December 12 to 14 in the city. The board meeting of chambers took place here on Tuesday, with members from diverse sectors across the state in attendance.

President Potluri Bhaskara Rao hailed the inaugural expo in November 2024 as a resounding success, drawing over 150 exhibitors from various sectors and attracting more than 30,000 visitors over three days.

The event featured sectoral seminars that fostered networking, collaboration, and innovation among industrialists and entrepreneurs. The upcoming 2025 expo is expected to feature around 160 exhibitors and draw over 30,000 footfalls.



Members of AP Chambers releasing the brochure for the forthcoming Business Expo in Vijayawada on Tuesday

It will target MSMEs, entrepreneurs, industrialists, professionals, innovators, service providers, and consumers, offering a platform for networking, knowledge exchange, and business growth.

Parallel sectoral seminars will include participation from ministers, bureaucrats, entrepreneurs, and experts. AP Chambers urged Andhra Pradesh-based businesses to leverage this opportunity for collaboration and expansion. During discussions, the federation expressed hope that the state government would release the second instalment

of industrial incentives this month.

Members expressed concerned over power charges in Andhra Pradesh remaining significantly higher than in neighbouring states, constituting a major portion of production costs for industries. Bhaskara Rao appealed to the government to reduce electricity tariffs, noting that lower charges would help MSMEs and large industries cut costs and attract fresh investments. He also pointed out that despite the state's focus on 'Speed of Doing Business', excessive inspections and compliances from multiple departments continue to burden industries. He urged simplification of ground-level procedures to ease operational pressures.

AP Chambers' office-bearers, including executive vice-president B Raja Sekhar, general secretary Subbarao Ravuri and treasurer S Akkaiah Naidu attended the meeting.

Brahmani to inaugurate Vasantham-2025 today

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NARA Brahmani and Minister of HRD Nara Lokesh will inaugurate Vasantham-2025, an annual two-day event presented by Crafts Council of Andhra Pradesh here on Wednesday. Participants consisting of designers who work with weavers and craft-people of their region from all over India take part in Vasantham-2025.

Addressing the media here on Tuesday, S Ranjana, chairperson of CCAP, said that the crafts include Pichwai art, leather puppetry, Jutis, baskets, ceramics and weaves from West Bengal, Odisha, Banaras, Kota, Gadwal, Chanderi, Lucknow Chikankari, Kanjeevaram, Karnataka, casual wear in printed tussar, beautiful dresses for youngsters, baby clothes and so much more.

She said that with growing awareness about hand-looms among our citizens, they have curated a beautiful blend of crafts and weaves. The total number of stalls is more than 65 with 26 new participants. "The proceeds of this event are used to fund all our programmes for the artisans," she said.

She appealed to the citizens to shop for their loved ones with festival season just around the corner. "As we always say there is always something for everyone, for every budget and all under one roof for mixing and matching," she said.

She appealed to the citizens to come in large numbers and support their artisans by buying their products. "Be a part of this beautiful legacy to be preserved for our future generation," she said.

B Sujatha, vice-chairperson was also present.

SGF inter-district wrestling tourney begins

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INSPECTOR of Physical Education (IPE) Dr Sk Mahaboob Bhasha said that students who excel in sports along with academics have the opportunity to secure government jobs without any written test. He cited the recent Mega DSC 2025 recruitment as an example, in which 421 outstanding sports persons who won medals at national and international levels were appointed as teachers directly based on their sports achievements. The School Games Federation of Andhra Pradesh (SGFAP) has initiated the Under-14 and Under-17 Inter-District Wrestling Competitions for both boys and girls. This three-day event is being held at Zilla Parishad High School in Nunna, organised by the School Education Department and Samagra Shiksha. Approximately 750 participants, including wrestlers, coaches, and team managers from various districts across the state, are



Inspector of Physical Education, Dr Sk Mahaboob Bhasha, together with PACS President Srinivas Reddy, SMC Chairman Kumar, HM Ravi Prasad, and other dignitaries, inaugurating the SGF Inter-District Under-14 and Under-17 Boys and Girls Wrestling Tournament by lighting the lamp in Nunna, near Vijayawada, on Tuesday

taking part in the tournament. Dr Mahaboob Bhasha inaugurated the Inter-District School Games Wrestling Tournament by lighting the lamp. Speaking on the occasion, Dr Bhasha advised students to take sports seriously from the school level and strive for excellence, as the state government is giving high priority to athletes' development and welfare. He said that under the leadership of Minister for Human Resources and IT Nara Lokesh, the govern-

ment has enhanced the standards of school-level sports and is providing necessary facilities to players competing at state and national levels. He appreciated the organisers for installing LED screens at the venue, noting that such an arrangement is rare in school-level competitions anywhere in the country. Additionally, he commended that matches are being conducted on the international standard mats. The event was presided over by ZP High School, Nunna Headmaster Surapaneni Ravi Prasad, and Tournament Observer Chitkina Ramesh, Nunna PACS President Kalakoti Srinivasa Reddy, SMC Chairman Gaddam Kumar, Andhra Pradesh Wrestling Association President G Bhushanam, Technical in-charge S Anand, Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh (SAAP) Wrestling Coach K Manohar, SGF NTR District Secretary T Srilatha, High School First Assistant Gopinadh, PD T Vijaya Varma, and several officials and coaches participated.

Police launch special road safety drive

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PRAKASAM district Superintendent of Police V Harshvardhan Raju has initiated a comprehensive special drive across the district to ensure road safety and protect public lives, particularly focusing on school students and long-distance travellers.

The operation involves 36 teams conducting thorough inspections of school buses, private travel buses, lorries, vans, and other vehicles across all police station jurisdictions. Officers are scrutinising vehicle documents and safety equipment, including emergency exits, glass breakers, and fire extinguishers, to ensure passenger safety during emergencies. The SP emphasised that vehicle operators must voluntarily follow traffic regulations,



Prakasam police personnel counseling drivers of heavy vehicles at Markapur on Tuesday

recognising the value of human life rather than acting solely out of fear of police action. School management authorities have been urged to take greater responsibility for student safety.

He said that violations, including driving without helmets, driving without seat belts, speeding, triple riding, driving without a license, and drunk driving, are being strictly monitored. Offending drivers face penalties, and vehicles with safety deficiencies are being prohibited from operating on roads, he added.

Amrit Sarovar works inspected

GUNTUR: Guntur district collector A Thameem Ansariya inspected the development works of the Model Amrit Sarovar at Vengalayapalem on Tuesday. The village tank at Vengalayapalem in Guntur Rural Mandal is being developed under the Model Amrit Sarovar scheme. Arrangements are being made to organise the National Watershed Programme at Vengalayapalem on November 11. The district collector reviewed the progress and instructed officials to speed up the works.

Additional commissioner of Rural Development department CP Reddy, directors YVK Shanmukha Kumar and M Shiva Prasad, Project Director of District Water Management Agency V Shankar, MPDO Srinivas were present.

Prisoners urged to avail free legal assistance

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PRAKASAM District Legal Services Authority Secretary and Senior Civil Judge Shaik Ibrahim Shareef addressed prisoners at the district jail on Tuesday, and emphasised that punishment must be faced for mistakes, whether committed knowingly or unknowingly.

Judge Sharif informed inmates that those unable to afford free legal representation can access free legal representation through the Legal Aid Defense Council. He urged every eligible prisoner to take advantage of this opportunity for free legal assistance. He clarified an important legal principle that tells that undertrial prisoners are merely accused of crimes and cannot be considered criminals until courts deliver final verdicts.



Prakasam DLSA secretary Shaik Ibrahim Shareef tasting the food being given to the inmates at District Jail in Ongole on Tuesday

This distinction protects the rights of those awaiting trial. During the visit, the judge inspected the jail's storeroom and kitchen facilities, directing prison authorities to maintain quality standards in food provisions and strictly follow the government-prescribed menu for inmates.

Deputy Legal Aid Council P Veera Raghavulu, Jailor Majji Appalanaidu, Deputy Jailor Yallamanda Rao, and prison staff members attended the programme.

State-level school band competitions held

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SPORTS play a key role in developing discipline, self-confidence, and leadership qualities among students, said Samagra Shiksha (SS) State Project Director (SPD) B Srinivasa Rao.

He inaugurated the State-level School Band Competitions at the Koneru Basavaiah Chowdary Zilla Parishad High School (KBC ZPH) at Patamata here on Tuesday. Teams from various districts participated in the Brass Band and Pipe Band categories for both boys and girls. SPD Srinivasa Rao received the salute at the inaugural parade.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that participation in sports and band activities helps students build teamwork and coordination skills essential for success in life. Citing the example of badminton star PV Sindhu, he



Students participating in AP State level School Band competition 2025 at KBC ZP School in Vijayawada on Tuesday. Photo: Ch Venkata Mastan

said many legends began their journey at the school level and urged teachers to encourage students to take part in sports and cultural activities. He also expressed hope that at least 50 schools would participate in the competitions next year.

The winners were Montessori Indus Residential School, Kurnool (Brass Band Boys), Dr BR Ambedkar Gurukulam, Jangareddygudem (Pipe Band Girls), and PM Shri

Kendriya Vidyalaya, Malkapuram, Visakhapatnam (Brass Band Girls), who will represent Andhra Pradesh in the upcoming zonal-level contest involving 11 states.

Samagra Shiksha ASPDs Dr MR Prasanna Kumar, K Ravindranath Reddy, KGBV Secretary D Devananda Reddy, School Games Federation of Andhra Pradesh Secretary G Bhanumurthy Raju, and others attended.

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'AI transforming legal profession'

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Prof Hari Kiran Vegi of KL University, addressing the members of Bezwada Bar Association in Vijayawada on Tuesday

A seminar on 'Artificial Intelligence in Legal Practice' was jointly organised by the Bezwada Bar Association and the All India Lawyers Union (AILU) at the Bar Association Hall here on Tuesday. The session was led by KLU University Professor Hari Kiran Vegi, who delivered an insightful lecture on the growing role of AI in the legal field. In his address, Prof Hari Kiran explained how Artificial Intelligence can be effectively used by lawyers to access information quickly and improves efficiency in their profession. He elaborated on practical ways to integrate AI tools in legal research, documentation, and case management, and emphasised the importance of using the technology responsibly. Speaking on the occasion, Bezwada Bar Association President AK Basha said that with the advent of AI, many processes have become easier

and faster. "AI doesn't eliminate jobs; it assists us in performing our work more effectively," he said. AP Bar Council Member Sunkara Rajendra Prasad highlighted that AI has become an invaluable tool for the legal fraternity. "Earlier, finding a single judgment used to take days. Now, AI helps us retrieve relevant judgments within minutes. It's a game-changer for lawyers, especially juniors, who can learn and research faster," he observed. Senior lawyer Padmanabham, along with several senior and junior advocates, participated in the seminar and appreciated the detailed presentation.

UBI donates medical equipment to GGH-Vijayawada

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AS part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, the Union Bank of India, Vijayawada Regional Office, donated diagnostic and testing equipment worth around Rs 8 lakh to the Government General Hospital (GGH), Vijayawada, on Tuesday.

The equipment was handed over by Union Bank Vijayawada Regional Head MV Tilak to Hospital Superintendent Dr A Venkateswara Rao in the presence of Deputy Zonal Head MVN Ravi Shankar, who attended as the chief guest.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Venkateswara Rao appreciated the Union Bank's contribution and said the new equipment would greatly benefit the



Union Bank of India Vijayawada Regional Head MV Tilak handing over diagnostic equipment to Government General Hospital Superintendent Dr Venkateswara Rao in Vijayawada on Tuesday

Pathology, Microbiology, Dermatology, and Blood Bank departments, improving diagnostic services for thousands of patients.

Union Bank Ramavarappadu Branch Manager Vasanth, GGH Pathology HOD Dr Rajani, Prof Dr Shubha Lakshmi, and other department heads participated in the programme.