

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ROADS & BUILDING DEPARTMENT**
e-Procurement Tender Notice
Dl.10.03.2026
Online tenders are invited for 14 Road Improvements works for Rs. 1057.00 Lakhs, in Chittoor, Annamaya & Tirupati Districts. Tender schedules can be downloaded from e-market place i.e. www.approcurement.gov.in from 26.03.2026 @ 3PM onwards. Last date for receipt of tenders: 02.04.2026 upto 3.30PM.
Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (R&B) Circle, Chittoor
DIPR R.O. No. 19379/CL/ADVT/1/2021-22, Dt: 17.03.2026

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND
HIGHWAYS NEW DELHI**

**OFFICE OF THE REVENUE DIVISION OFFICER,
ANNAMAYA DISTRICT, MADANAPALLE**
3(A) NOTIFICATION U/S NH ACT 1956
S.O.1225 (E) -—In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building widening, two/four lane with paved shoulders etc., maintenance, management and operation of National Highway No.440 in the stretch of land from Km.0+000 to Km.50+000 (Rayachoty to Vempalli section) in Annamaya District in the state of ANDHRA PRADESH, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section(1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, Joint Collector, Annamaya District, Madanapalle, in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final.

The land plans and other details of the land covered under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling in the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to Km. 50+000 (Rayachoty to Vempalli Section) of NH No.440 in the district of Annamaya in the state of Andhra Pradesh



(In English)



(In Telugu)

Sd/- Joint Collector,
ANNAMAYA DISTRICT, MADANAPALLE

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**OFFICE OF THE REVENUE DIVISION OFFICER,
BADVEL, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT**
3(A) NOTIFICATION U/S NH ACT 1956

S.O.1224 (E) -—In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building widening, two/four lane with paved shoulders etc., maintenance, management and operation of National Highway No.167B in the stretch of land from Km.0+000 to Km.58+635 (Mydukur to Singarayakonda section) in YSR Kadapa District in the state of ANDHRA PRADESH, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section(1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, Badvel, YSR Kadapa District, in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

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SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling in the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to Km. 58+635 (Mydukur to Singarayakonda section) of NH No.167B in the district of Y. S. R. (Kadapa) in the state of ANDHRA PRADESH



(In English)



(In Telugu)

Sd/- Revenue Divisional Officer,
Badvel, YSR Kadapa District

GODAVARI PUSHKARAMS

Bridges' condition causes concern

- Rajamahendravaram is connected to major cities such as Vijayawada, Hyderabad and Khammam through three primary road routes

- The Gammon Bridge, opened in 2015 to handle Pushkaram traffic, is also facing technical challenges



Road-cum-Rail Bridge

DEEKSHITULA
SUBRAHMANYAM
RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM

CONCERNS are mounting over the condition of key bridges leading into the city ahead of the 2027 Godavari Pushkarams, with officials and residents questioning their capacity to handle the expected surge in traffic. Rajamahendravaram is connected to major cities such as Vijayawada, Hyderabad and Khammam through three primary road routes. Vehicles travelling along each of these routes must cross the Godavari River via bridges to enter the city. However, all three major bridges on these routes are showing signs of strain due to age and technical issues, raising serious questions over preparedness for the mega river festival.

Commuters travelling from different parts of the state and the country via Vijayawada have to take routes through Nallajerla or via Tanuku and Ravulapalem after crossing Eluru. Vehicles coming through Nallajerla reach the city either by crossing the Gammon Bridge from Dommeru

or via the Road-cum-Rail Bridge from Kovvur. Those travelling from Tadepalligudem through Nidadavole enter Rajamahendravaram via Vijeswaram by crossing the Dowleswaram barrage bridge. Except for the Ravulapalem route, all other approaches require crossing one of the three major bridges, leaving no real alternative corridors.

The Godavari Road-cum-Rail Bridge between Kovvur and Rajamahendravaram, inaugurated in 1974, has crossed 50 years of service. Though designed for a lifespan of 65 years, the bridge has been under stress due to continuous usage. Authorities imposed a ban on heavy vehicles in July 2023 after structural damage was observed at deck joints. At present, only light vehicles and limited public transport are allowed. Repair works are ongoing, including the replacement of damaged railings with iron structures. The bridge has also witnessed periodic closures in recent years for maintenance. The Gammon Bridge, opened in 2015 to

handle Pushkaram traffic, is also facing technical challenges. Officials have identified issues with bearings, particularly at pillar number 52, where slight sinking and vibrations have been observed. Out of 37 bearings, several have worn out and are being replaced. Due to repair works and partial lane closures, traffic congestion has become frequent on this bridge. The bridge across the Dowleswaram barrage between Vijeswaram and Dhavaleswaram, which has been in use since 1982, is another crucial link. As it is part of a barrage structure, authorities allow only limited traffic to avoid pressure on the dam. Heavy vehicles are generally not permitted, and the narrow roadway adds to congestion as vehicles from Ravulapalem, Atreyapuram, Vadapalli, Tadepalligudem and Nidadavole use this route. The bridge has also undergone repairs at various times due to its inability to cope with increasing traffic.

Traffic disruptions during the 2015 Pushkarams continue to serve as a reminder.



Dowleswaram Barrage Road

Hundreds of buses and private vehicles were stranded for hours at locations such as Nallajerla, Kovvur and Ravulapalem due to heavy congestion. Despite all three bridges being operational at that time, the situation could not be managed effectively. Though the Outer Ring Road has been proposed as a long-term solution to ease congestion and provide an alternative corridor for vehicles bypassing the city, there has been little progress on the ground so far. Given the scale of planning, land acquisition and construction involved, officials indicate that completing the project before the Pushkarams remains highly unlikely.

RTI activist Varada Nag-eswara Rao said, "Even when all bridges were fully functional in 2015, traffic chaos could not be avoided. Now that these bridges are facing multiple issues, authorities must clearly explain what alternative arrangements are being planned."

District Superintendent of Police D Narasimha Kishore said, "We are planning to divert Pushkaram traffic via

Diwan Cheruvu and Vemagiri towards the proposed Katheru ghat. A comprehensive traffic management plan is being prepared, keeping in view the limitations of the existing bridges."

State Tourism, Culture and Cinematography Minister Kandula Durgesh said, "We aim to reduce pressure on Rajamahendravaram by developing bathing ghats at Madduru Lanka, Kovvur and Katheru with full facilities. Plans are also under consideration to set up tent cities at Bridgelanka and Pichukalanka. Large-scale parking areas, Pushkar Nagars and satellite bus stations will be created between Diwan Cheruvu and Katheru to regulate traffic effectively."

With less than two years remaining for the Godavari Pushkarams, the focus has now shifted to infrastructure readiness. The condition of the bridges and the lack of alternative routes have made it clear that careful planning and timely execution will be key to managing the massive influx of pilgrims expected during the festival.

50% interest waiver offer

HANS NEWS SERVICE
GUNTUR

THE government will waive 50% of interest, if the all property tax and vacant land tax dues paid in a lump sum on or before the end of this month. The government issued a GO to this effect on Tuesday. Guntur Municipal Corporation commissioner K Mayur Ashok stated that taxpayers who clear their pending property tax and vacant land tax dues in one instalment within this month will be eligible for a 50% rebate on the interest amount as per the Government orders.

He further clarified that taxpayers who have already paid their dues along with interest during the current financial year will have 50% of the interest amount credited towards their property tax for the upcoming financial year. Those who have partially paid their property tax and still have pending dues can also avail the interest rebate by clearing the balance amount in full before the end of this month.

He urged all taxpayers in the city to utilise this opportunity and contribute towards the development of the city.

Administrative secretaries have been instructed to conduct door-to-door visits and distribute slips containing details of tax dues with applicable interest rebate, along with water charges, within two days ensuring 100% coverage. Tax collection counters will function from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm starting Wednesday.

AP Power Trends magazine released

HANS NEWS SERVICE
VIJAYAWADA

APCPDCL CMD and APGENCO MD P Pulla Reddy formally unveiled the Andhra Pradesh Power Trends Magazine (Volume-2) at his chamber in Vijayawada on Tuesday. Hydal Directors M Sujay Kumar and Usha were present on the occasion.

Speaking after the release, Pulla Reddy said the in-house publication serves as an important platform for understanding the latest developments in the power sector and for sharing technical knowledge among engineers and professionals.

Highlighting the State's growing energy needs, he said that Andhra Pradesh recently recorded a daily consumption



APSPDCL CMD P Pulla Reddy unveiling Andhra Pradesh Power Trends Magazine (Volume-2) at his chamber in Vijayawada on Tuesday

of about 264.65 million units — the highest since bifurcation. He assured that the government and power utilities are well-prepared to meet future demand without compromising on reliability. The APSEB Engineers Association congratulated all authors who contributed articles to the magazine. It also lauded the efforts of

B Vamsi Srinivas, Technical Secretary, and TVVDV Prasad, Chairman of the Technical Committee, along with committee members, for successfully bringing out the publication. K Nagaprasad, Secretary General, KV Ramarao, Associate President, D Nagaraju, AGS, B Vamsi Srinivas, Technical Secretary, and others were present.

NDC delegation to study development initiatives

HANS NEWS SERVICE
AMARAVATI

A delegation from New Delhi-based National Defence College led by MV Patel called on Chief Secretary G Sai Prasad at the State Secretariat here on Tuesday. The 16-member

team is on a study tour as part of its prestigious national security and strategic studies course.

As part of their visit, the delegation is touring key development projects across Andhra Pradesh, including the Smart City initiatives in Visakhapatnam and the construction of the people's capital at Amaravati.

During the interaction, the team sought insights into the challenges faced in building the new capital and the strategies adopted by the State government to overcome them.

Chief Secretary Sai Prasad explained that the government is committed to building a world-class, modern capital city despite financial constraints arising from

the State's bifurcation. He noted that with support from the Central government, funds are being mobilised to develop Amaravati with global-standard infrastructure. Rapid progress is being made in constructing roads and essential infrastructure to transform the capital into a major administrative and economic hub.

He further emphasised that the State is focusing on balanced regional development alongside the capital project.

Andhra Pradesh currently has airports in Visakhapatnam, Rajamahendravaram, Vijayawada, Tirupati, Kurnool, and Kadapa, with the Bhogapuram International Airport expected to be operational soon.



The delegation meeting Chief Secretary G Sai Prasad at the State Secretariat on Tuesday

Pay tax on time, avail loan waiver: Commissioner

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TIRUPATI

HOUSE owners under Tirupati Municipal Corporation limits are requested to clear all pending property taxes in a single payment to avail 50% waiver on interest, said Commissioner N Mourya.

The Andhra Pradesh government has issued orders in G.O.Ms.No. 58 MA&UD (C2) Department dated 16-03-2026, offering 50% interest relief on property tax payments. Commissioner said property tax payers should make use of this opportunity.

She said as per the state government orders, house tax and vacant land tax dues payable to the Municipal Corporation in single payment by March 31, will qualify for 50% waiver on the levied interest. House owners, property tax payers under Tirupati Municipal Corporation are appealed to utilize this opportunity provided by the government, clear their house tax and vacant land tax dues immediately, and avail 50% interest waiver. This benefit is available only up to March 31 with no extensions, she added.

WORLD SOCIAL WORK DAY CELEBRATED



NELLORE

The Department of Social Work at Vikrama Simhapuri University organised the celebrations of World Social Work Day with great enthusiasm on Tuesday. The event was graced by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Allam Srinivasa Rao, as the Chief Guest, who inaugurated

the program by lighting the ceremonial lamp.

Addressing the gathering, the Vice-Chancellor emphasized that social workers play a vital role in uplifting marginalised and underprivileged sections of society. He appreciated their invaluable contributions and encouraged students to go beyond classroom

learning by engaging in fieldwork to gain practical experience.

He highlighted that there are vast opportunities in areas such as rural development, women empowerment, and environmental protection. He also remarked that social service is not just a responsibility, but a sacred duty.

RSASTF wins seven Ugadi-2026 service medals

HANS NEWS SERVICE
TIRUPATI

THE Andhra Pradesh government has announced seven Ugadi-2026 service medals to the Red Sanders Anti-Smuggling Task Force (RSASTF) for their exemplary efforts in curbing illegal red sanders transportation.

Task Force Head L Subba Rayudu and SP P Srinivas recommended these awards to honor the outstanding performance of officials and staff.

The awardees include Reserve Inspector B Satya Sai Giridhar, Reserve Sub-Inspector C Vinod Kumar, Constable M Manikanta, Head Constable K Rajesh Raju, M Ven-

kataramana, Constable M Rajesh, D Kiran

RSASTF in-charge Subba Rayudu stated that the State government has presented these prestigious medals to mark Ugadi. SP P Srinivas congratulated the awardees and urged the team to maintain the same dedication to win more honors in the future.