

# Dy CM launches drinking water project virtually

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that the newly launched drinking water scheme under the Jal Jeevan Mission would benefit around 30,000 people in 13 villages. As part of the project, a 10-acre pond has been developed along with a water treatment plant having a capacity of 3 million litres and an overhead tank. Water will be pumped from the Gannavaram canal and stored in the pond for supply.

He noted that earlier, drinking water had to be supplied from Antarvedipalem, located about 12 kilometres away, and had to pass through nearly 50 villages, leading to severe shortages. He said the long-standing drinking water problems faced by the region for nearly three decades would now be resolved.

The Deputy Chief Minister further said that once the rapid sand filter units at Gudimellanka are completed with ONGC CSR funds, safe drinking water would be supplied to nearly 1.2 lakh people across 29 villages.

Referring to the goals of the Jal Jeevan Mission introduced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he said the state government, under the leadership of Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu, is committed to providing 55 litres of safe drinking water per person per day. District in-charge minister Kinjarapu Atchannaaidu, Razole MLA Deva Varaprasad, Konaseema District Collector R Mahesh Kumar and officials of the rural water supply department were present.

future of citizens. He was speaking while virtually inaugurating and laying foundation stones for several development works in the Razole constituency. A major drinking water project constructed at a cost of Rs

17.33 crore at Antarvedi was inaugurated on the occasion. He also laid the foundation stone for rapid sand filter units with a capacity of 6 million litres, being taken up with Rs 5 crore from ONGC funds. Pawan Kalyan stated

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“TRUE development is achieved not merely through construction activities but by improving basic infrastructure and bringing meaningful change in people's lives”, Deputy Chief Minister Konidela Pawan Kalyan said on Thursday. He stressed the need to instil confidence and provide security for the

# Naidu, Lokesh pay tributes to Vicente Ferrer on birth anniversary

## CM hails RDT's service to 25 lakh underprivileged people

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lished the Rural Development Trust decades ago and transformed it into a pillar of support for marginalized communities.

Highlighting RDT's contributions, Lokesh said the organization played a key role in building hospitals, educational institutions, housing for the poor, self-help groups, and sports infrastructure, thereby driving inclusive development in the region.

As a mark of tribute this year, Lokesh announced that the government has secured FCRA clearance for the RDT, ensuring that its services continue uninterrupted and reach those in need.

CHIEF Minister N Chandrababu Naidu and minister for IT and HRD Nara Lokesh on Thursday paid rich tributes to Vicente Ferrer Moncho, founder of the Rural Development Trust (RDT), on the occasion of his birth anniversary, recalling his immense contribution to the upliftment of the poor in the Telugu states.

In a message posted on X, the Chief Minister praised the RDT for its extensive developmental and humanitarian work, benefiting nearly 25 lakh underprivileged and backward-class people

across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. He urged people to draw inspiration from Ferrer, who came from Spain and dedicated his life to the welfare of the Rayalaseema region, earning deep respect among the people.

Nara Lokesh, in his tribute, described Ferrer as a “God-given gift” to the poor and lauded his lifelong commitment to social service. He noted that Ferrer estab-

# Rs 1 cr donated under P4 initiative

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GUNDREDDY Satyanarayana from Yajili village in Bapatla constituency donated Rs 1 crore to the government. He presented a cheque to Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu under the P4 initiative for the construction of a road in his native village Yajili during ‘Mee Bhoomi-Mee Hakku’ programme held in Surepalli village of Bapatla constituency on Thursday. On the occasion, Naidu appreciated Satyanarayana stating that

Gundreddy Satyanarayana from Yajili village handing over Rs 1 crore cheque for the development of the village to Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu at Surepalli of Vemuru Assembly constituency in Bapatla district on Thursday. Bapatla district in-charge minister K Partha Saradhi, Minister for Revenue Anagani Satya Prasad, Minister for Energy Gottipati Ravi Kumar, MLA Nakka Anand Babu, MLC Alapati Rajendra Prasad, Bapatla district collector V Vinod Kumar are also seen

donating such a significant amount for the development of one's native village

is exemplary and serves as an inspiration and guidance to society.

# Rape accused arrested

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MACHERLA Town Police have arrested the accused in the 23-year-old woman's rape case that occurred in the limits of Macherla Town Police Station on April 2. The police arrested the accused on Wednesday and produced him in the court on Thursday.

During investigation, it was found that the accused Namala Srinivas had initially contacted the victim through a social messaging app and later developed a close

relationship via Instagram. It was found that the victim had invited him to her house and guided him to the location. Initially, due to fear, the victim did not disclose the complete facts.

SP Krishna Rao appreciated the officers and staff involved in solving the case. Palnadu district police reiterated that utmost priority is given to the safety and security of women and children. Crimes against women and minors will not be tolerated, and strict action will be taken against offenders, he said.

# CM announces funds for development as works

GUNTUR: Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu announced Rs 10 crore funds for bridge on Tungabhadra drain, Rs 15 crore for HLB on Kolluru ferry road and Rs 2 crore for culvert on Bhatipolu-Pesarlanka road and fire station in Vemuru. Following the request of Vemuru MLA Nakka Anand Babu, he announced the funds at Patadar passbooks distribution programme held at Surepalli

village of Vemuru Assembly constituency on Thursday. He announced that the government will develop Suryalanka Beach. He assured that he will extend his support for the development of the Vemuru Assembly constituency. He reiterated that sustainable governance, transparent systems and people-centric reforms are essential for the state's long-term growth and stability.

# ASTROLOGER CLAIMS HIS PREDICTION ON WAR CORRECT

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DR KV Reddy, director of KVR Energy Healing Centre and a famous astrologer, has claimed that his earlier prediction on tensions involving the United States, Israel and Iran has come true. Speaking to the media on Thursday, he said he had published a detailed article on March 3 explaining the astrological factors that could lead to a conflict in the Gulf region and its possible future course. He attributed the outbreak of tensions to the movement of Mars through Makara and Kumbha Rasis, which he said represent desert nations.

Reddy stated that the intensity of the conflict increased during the transit of Mars in Kumbha Rasi. He recalled that he had also indicated a gradual decline in tensions after April 2, when Mars entered Meena Rasi. However, he noted that



Dr KV Reddy

due to the continued presence of Rahu in Kumbha Rasi, sporadic hostilities between Israel and Lebanon may persist for some more time.

He said that with over 35 years of experience in Vastu and astrology, several of his earlier predictions related to regional and national developments and political predictions had proved accurate. Reddy stated that the

geopolitical situation in the region continues to remain complex. He said that as the eastern side of Israel consists of occupied territory, tensions have persisted for a long time and the conflict is likely to continue further.

He also expressed the view that clashes and intermittent firing between Israel and Lebanon may continue for some more time.

# Drones Corpn to act as nodal agency for drone ops in AP

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THE state government has designated the AP Drones Corporation (APDC) as the exclusive nodal agency for all drone-related activities in Andhra Pradesh, centralising planning, execution and regulation under a single authority.

The decision aligns with the State's Drone Policy 4.0 (2024-29), which aims to expand the use of unmanned aerial systems across sectors such as agriculture, logistics, surveillance, mapping, infrastructure monitoring and disaster management.

Under the new orders, all government departments, district administrations, public sector undertakings and local

bodies must route their drone-related requirements through APDC at every stage, from project conceptualisation to implementation. The corporation will oversee vendor empanelment, technical evaluation, execution and operational coordination. APDC will also act as the central procurement agency for drones and related services, ensuring standardisation and compliance with government procedures. It has been authorised to receive advance payments of up to 90 per cent of the estimated project cost from user departments for executing drone services. In

addition, the corporation will spearhead capacity-building efforts by coordinating with DGCA-authorized Remote Pilot Training Organisations (RPTOs), academic institutions and other stakeholders to strengthen the drone ecosystem in the State. APDC will also facilitate regulatory clearances by working closely with the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and other authorities to ensure adherence to national drone rules and airspace regulations.

To support its operations, the government has approved a service charge structure: 5 per cent for projects below Rs 50 lakh, 3.75 per cent for projects between Rs 50 lakh and Rs 1 crore, and 2.5 per cent for projects above Rs 1 crore.

# Govt clears RFP for Krishna waterway link to Machilipatnam port

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THE state government has approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) for developing inland waterways connectivity on the Krishna river linking Muktyala to Machilipatnam port, marking a major step towards strengthening multimodal transport infrastructure in the State. The project will be executed under the Design-Build-Finance-Operate-Transfer (DBFOT) model through a Public-Private Partnership (PPP), aiming to unlock the potential of inland waterways for cargo, passenger, and tourism movement.

According to the AP Inland Waterways Authority (APIWA), the proposed corridor spans 168 km, comprising an 82-km river stretch on the Krishna river — part of National Waterway-4 — and an 86-km canal stretch along the Bandar canal.

The proposal follows detailed feasibility studies conducted by WAPCOS, which assessed traffic potential, industrial demand, and infrastructure requirements, particularly for cargo movement such as cement transport from Muktyala to Machilipatnam. The study recommended navigation using Class-III vessels, along with key interventions

including a navigational lock at Prakasam barrage, repairs to existing lock gates, and removal of low-clearance bridges. The state government's decision comes after stakeholder consultations held in June 2025, where representatives from the Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), government agencies, and industry participants emphasized the need to develop waterways as an alternative, cost-effective transport mode.

Following this, APIWA floated an Expression of Interest (EoI), which indicated strong market demand for port connectivity through inland waterways, especially in view of Andhra Pradesh's expanding port ecosystem, including operational ports at Kakinada and upcoming greenfield ports at Machilipatnam, Mulapeta, and Ramayapatnam. The RFP has already been cleared by the Tender Evaluation Committee and EPC Committee in February 2026. With the government now formally approving the proposal, the project is set to move into the bidding stage. Officials said the initiative is expected to significantly reduce logistics costs, improve connectivity between hinterland industries and ports, and position Andhra Pradesh as a leader in inland water transport on the east coast.

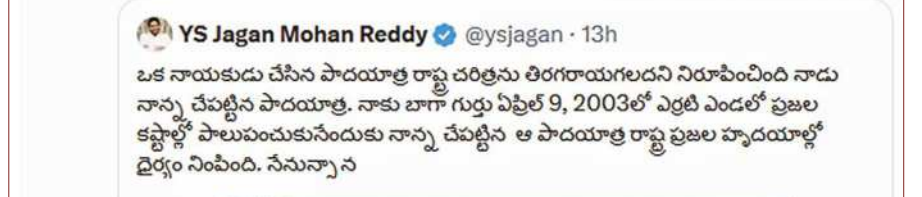
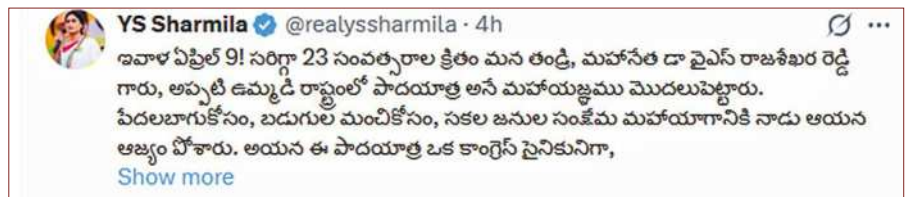
# Sharmila questions Jagan's commitment to YSR ideals

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ANDHRA Pradesh Congress Committee (APCC) president Y S Sharmila on Wednesday strongly countered YSRCP chief Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy through a post on Twitter, questioning his commitment to the ideals of their father, former chief minister YS Rajasekhara Reddy.

Marking April 9, Sharmila recalled that it was on this day 23 years ago that Dr YSR began his historic padayatra in the undivided Andhra Pradesh, aimed at the welfare of the poor and marginalised sections. She noted that he undertook the march as a Congress leader and later led the party to power, earning a permanent place in the hearts of the people.

Taking a sharp dig, she questioned Jagan Mohan Reddy's current political stance, asking how he, as YSR's son and a leader carrying his father's name in the party, is upholding those values. She accused him of compromising with “fascist forces” and aligning with capitalist tendencies, which she said stood in stark contrast to YSR's pro-poor governance. Sharmila further said that YSR was a staunch



secular leader who worked for unity among all communities, while alleging that Jagan was now bowing to the BJP out of political compulsion and fear of criminal cases. She criticised what she described as silence on issues affecting Dalits, minorities, and other weaker sections,

including matters related to Waqf laws, Dalit Christian reservations, FCRA regulations, and “bulldozer politics.” She also raised concerns over alleged incidents of atrocities on Dalits, women, and minorities during Jagan's tenure, stating that such developments would

have deeply disturbed YSR. Calling Jagan's tributes to YSR “ironic,” Sharmila remarked that instead of undertaking a Padayatra, he should embark on a journey of introspection (“Atma Vimarsana Yatra”) to reflect on his governance and political choices.

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61594521	Peluri Durgaprasad	21-02-2025	46065	Kakinada
73716565	Kotana Srinivasarao	04-11-2025	17303	Kakinada
73812738	Ramu Sajja	06-11-2025	46338	Kakinada
73875164	Sabbitt Nageswara Rao	07-11-2025	52402	Kakinada
71169172	Tagaram Madhavi	20-09-2025	18262	Nellore
70745648	Tagaram Mallikarjuna	10-09-2025	46866	Nellore
74151370	Annavarapu Naganjali	20-11-2025	21824	Ongole
70016873	Jarugu Nirmala Devi	28-08-2025	37006	Proddutur
73043280	Gajjala Vishnuteja	24-10-2025	51336	Proddutur
61635584	Venkata Rama Rao Sonti	18-02-2025	33687	Vijayawada
71592656	Mule Ravindra	29-09-2025	18066	Vijayawada-Governorpet
64785908	Peddapudi Karthik Kumar	30-04-2025	18425	Vijayawada-Kanuru
67484381	Kalapala Mariya Das	28-06-2025	21783	Vijayawada-Kanuru
74021090	Ravikiran Telu	14-11-2025	17992	Vijayawada-Kanuru
50075661	Seeram Naga Trinadh	31-05-2024	14475	Vijayawada-Ramavarappadu
73427334	Kanumuri Venkata Sudheer	29-10-2025	83696	Vijayawada-Ramavarappadu
73981201	Pudi Ratnam	12-11-2025	13408	Visakhapatnam
73947895	Injareddy Bora	11-11-2025	50964	Visakhapatnam

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