

# AP police bag 39 medals across disciplines

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- DGP Harish Kumar Gupta praises officers for enhancing the prestige of Andhra Pradesh

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ANDHRA Pradesh police sportspersons delivered an outstanding performance at various national-level All India Police competitions, winning a total of 39 medals across weightlifting, badminton, judo clusters and the police duty meet, bringing laurels to the State and the police department. The medal winners met Andhra Pradesh Director General of Police Harish Kumar Gupta at the AP Police Headquarters in Mangalagiri on Tuesday.



Police sportspersons with Director General of Police Harish Kumar Gupta at Police headquarters in Mangalagiri on Tuesday

Congratulating the athletes, the DGP praised them for enhancing the prestige of Andhra Pradesh Police at the national level and encouraged them to achieve greater success in future national and international competitions.

In the 3rd All India Police Weightlifting Cluster 2026-27 (Yoga, Weightlifting and Powerlifting), conducted by Haryana Police at Madhuban from May 23 to 27, AP Police athletes secured 17 medals,

including 4 gold, 12 silver and 1 bronze. Notably, all these medals were won in the Yoga category. At the 2nd All India Police Badminton Cluster 2025-26 held in Lucknow from May 9 to 13 under the aegis of Uttar Pradesh

Police, the AP Police team won 10 medals, comprising 2 gold, 2 silver and 6 bronze medals. Of these, four bronze medals came in Table Tennis, while Badminton contributed two gold, two silver and two bronze medals.

The State contingent also excelled at the National Police Duty Meet 2025-26, held in Nagpur from March 29 to April 3, winning four silver medals. In the Judo Cluster 2025-26, conducted in Jammu & Kashmir from October 8 to 16, 2025, AP Police athletes claimed eight medals, including 2 gold, 2 silver and 4 bronze medals in events such as Taekwondo, Karate and Pencak Silat.

Additional Director General of Police (Law and Order) N Madhusudana Reddy, IGP (EAGLE) Ake Ravi Krishna, IGP (Sports) KV Mohan Rao, DIG Welfare & Sports KKN Anburajan and other senior police officers attended the programme.

# Solar energy key to protect Earth: Solanki

- Former IIT Bombay professor Dr Chetan Singh Solanki visits Godavari Global University (GGU)
- Urges people to adopt energy conservation practices and use electricity, water and other natural resources judiciously

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RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM

FORMER IIT Bombay professor and renowned "Solar Man of India" Dr Chetan Singh Solanki has called upon citizens to move beyond being mere consumers of energy and become energy producers to address the growing challenges of climate change.

Dr Solanki visited Godavari Global University (GGU) on Tuesday as part of his nationwide "Energy Swaraj Yatra." He addressed students at an awareness seminar on "Climate Change - Challenges and Solutions,"



Godavari Global University Chancellor KVV Satyanarayana Raju (Chaitanya Raju) felicitating Dr Chetan Singh Solanki

organised by the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Speaking on the occasion, Dr Solanki said that every activity undertaken by human beings contributes to carbon emissions and that the unlimited consumption of limited natural resources poses a serious threat to the future of humanity.

He urged people to adopt energy conservation practices and use electricity, water and other natural resources judiciously. A major attraction at the event was the "Climate Clock," which displayed the remaining time before global temperatures exceed the critical 1.5-degree Celsius threshold.

The clock showed the countdown in years, days, hours, minutes and seconds,

drawing considerable attention from participants.

Later, Dr Solanki met Godavari Global University Chancellor KVV Satyanarayana Raju (Chaitanya Raju) and Vice-Chancellor Dr U Chandrasekhar.

During the meeting, he explained the objectives of the Energy Swaraj Yatra and the initiatives being undertaken across the country to promote environmental awareness. GGU Director Dr M Srinivasa Rao, Godavari Institute of Engineering and Technology (Autonomous) Principal Dr T Jaya Anand Kumar, Deans Dr MD Dhanaraju and Dr D Ravi Kishore, and Head of the Mechanical Engineering Department Dr V Subrahmanyam were present.

# NCC CAMP INAUGURATED

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THE Combined Annual Training Camp-I (CATC-I), organised under the aegis of the 23 Andhra Pradesh Battalion NCC, commenced at St Ann's College of Engineering & Technology here, on Tuesday.

Inaugurating the camp, Camp Commandant Colonel Gopal Tripathi highlighted the significant role of the National Cadet Corps (NCC) in shaping disciplined, patriotic, and responsible citizens. Addressing the cadets,



Cadets in the camp

he said that NCC training plays a crucial role in developing leadership qualities, self-confidence, discipline, and a spirit of service among youth.

Encouraging cadets to make the most of the training opportunities, Colonel Tripathi described the camp as an important platform for selecting participants for

the prestigious Thal Sainik Camp (TSC), one of the most respected NCC events in the country. Deputy Camp Commandant Lieutenant Colonel NS Parmar briefed cadets on the camp schedule and training modules.

The inaugural function was attended by Subedar Major Ranveer Singh, Camp Adjutant Major Y Anji Reddy, Lieutenant Medikonda Rajesh Babu, First Officers P Suresh Babu and T Venkateswarlu, Second Officer G Gopinath, Training JCO Ravindra Singh, and BHM P Ramesh

# Dance performances captivate audience

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JMS Natya Veda, Academy of Music and Dance, successfully conducted a Kuchipudi Nityaradhana classical dance recital at Sri Venkateswara Swamy Devasthanam Auditorium. The programme was organised to provide a platform for the academy's students to showcase and enhance their artistic talents.

The recital commenced with the traditional Poorvarangam and featured a series of captivating performances, including Narthana Ganapatim, Dasavatharam, Brindavana Nilaya, Krishna



Students showcasing their talent

Shabdham, Brahmanjali, Pantamuladedama, Bhamakalapam, Jatiswaram, Palukutenala Talli, and

Jagadanandakaraka. The students of the academy—Sahasra, Prakhya, Joshini, Gamy, Jasrita, Vennela, Manu,

Nityasri, Bhanvita, Aadya, Vinmayi, Srimayi, Vedasri, Yasasri, Jagruti, Charvi, Mokshasri, Darsini, Vaishnavi, Chandana, Geetanshi, Sanhita, Rutwika, Rashini Teja, Jassi, Devashra, Yognita, and Sonnakshi—delivered graceful performances, captivating the audience with their expression and command over the art form.

The programme received an enthusiastic response from the audience, who appreciated the students' dedication and the academy's efforts in promoting and preserving the rich heritage of Kuchipudi dance. The event concluded on a successful note.

# Guntur athletes clinch 20 medals

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GUNTUR athletes have brought immense pride to the district by winning a total of 20 medals at the 2nd South Zone Pickleball Championship held from June 13th to 15th at Kompally in Hyderabad.

Guntur District Pickleball Association secretary GVS Prasad stated that the exceptional performance of these athletes has enhanced Guntur's reputation across the southern states. Alaparthi Aaradhya secured U/16 girls singles bronze, U/14 girls doubles silver, U/16 girls doubles silver, U/16 mixed doubles bronze; Thota Nihita Maanvi U/14 singles gold, U/16 singles silver, U/14 girls doubles bronze, U/16 girls doubles gold; Thota Neeha U/12 girls singles gold, U/14 girls doubles bronze, U/16 girls doubles gold medal. Kuarapati Nihal won U/19 boys singles silver, U/16 mixed doubles bronze. He secured two medals. Vincent got four gold medals and one silver medal. Rishi secured one silver medal and Charan got one silver medal.

All India Pickleball Association secretary Chetan Sanal, along with AP State Pickleball Association Secretary N Sridhar, Jagannohan and GVS Prasad congratulated the winners.

# Media professionals urged to embrace yoga

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NTR district collector Dr G Lakshmisha said yoga is essential for journalists, photographers and media professionals who constantly work under pressure in the fast-paced media industry. Media Theme Yoga programme organised as part of Yogandhra-2026 at Haritha Berm Park in Vijayawada on Tuesday. The Collector performed yoga exercises along with representatives from print, electronic and digital media. An artistic yoga performance by children was one of the highlights of the programme.

Addressing the gathering, Dr Lakshmisha said that media professionals often face challenges arising from tight deadlines, field assignments and stressful working conditions, and yoga can help them overcome stress and improve their professional efficiency. The collector also appreciated the role of the media in creating awareness about International Yoga Day. District Information and Public Relations Officer KV Ramana Rao, District AYUSH Officer Dr Y Ratnapriyadarshini, District Intermediate Education Officer B Prabhakara Rao,



Collector Dr G Lakshmisha, journalists and students participating in yoga session at Haritha Berm Park on Tuesday

Youth Welfare Officer Dr Kolleti Ramesh, District Sports Development Officer K Koteswara Rao and other officials participated in the programme.

# Mass yoga event at Kotappakonda today

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PALNADU district collector Krithika Shukla announced that a mass yoga programme under the Yogandhra initiative will be conducted at the hill shrine of Kotappakonda in Palnadu district from 6 am to 8 am on Wednesday. She said that as part of the Yogandhra programme, yoga events are

being organised at prominent tourist locations across the district to create awareness among the public about the importance and benefits of yoga.

She further stated that another mass yoga programme will be held on June 19 at the Dhyana Buddha statue in Amaravati. She appealed to the public to participate in these programmes and make them a grand success.

# Civic chief reviews sanitation works

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REITERATING the Vijayawada Municipal Corporation's commitment to maintaining a clean and healthy city, Municipal Commissioner HM Dhyanaachandra conducted an extensive field inspection of sanitation and waste management works across several parts of the city on Tuesday.

He visited Mahatma Gandhi Road, Low Bridge, BRTS Road, Krishnaveni Cloth Market, Nizam Gate and Gandhi Hill areas to review sanitation maintenance, garbage clearance and drain-cleaning activities.



VMC Commissioner HM Dhyanaachandra inspecting the ongoing desilting works at Krishnaveni Cloth Market on Tuesday

At the Krishnaveni Cloth Market near Panja Centre, he inspected the ongoing desilting works in drainage canals. Later, at Nizam Gate, the

Commissioner examined the removal of floating waste from canals and instructed officials to ensure continuous monitoring to prevent garbage ac-

cumulation, especially in view of the approaching monsoon season. Later, the Commissioner also inspected the Anna Canteen near Gandhi Women's College in One-Town. He reviewed the quality of food being served, cleanliness of the kitchen, sanitation standards and drinking water facilities.

In-Charge Chief Engineer P Satyakumari, Deputy City Planner Chandrabose, Executive Engineers J Srinivas and Gopala Krishnamurthy, Assistant Medical Health Officer Dr Annapurna and other staff members accompanied the Commissioner during the inspection.

# Spl task force committees to monitor fertiliser supply

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DISTRICT collector CM Sai Kanth Varma announced that special task force committees will be constituted at both district and mandal levels to ensure that farmers do not face any shortage of fertilisers such as urea and DAP under any circumstances.

He was addressing a review meeting with district and mandal level officials of the agriculture department and allied sectors at the collector's office here on Tuesday.

Keeping the upcoming Kharif season in view, he instructed officials to ensure adequate availability of fertilisers and seeds for farmers. He directed authorities to continuously monitor fertiliser stocks and distribution and take stringent action against illegal hoarding and attempts to create artificial shortages. Stating that sufficient stocks of urea are available in the district, he warned that stern action would be taken against concerned officials if even a single complaint is received from farmers regarding non-availability of fertilisers. Special Task Force teams comprising officials from the Revenue, Agriculture and Police Departments will conduct meetings in every mandal and take necessary measures to ensure proper distribution of urea.

He said efforts are being made in collaboration with the Acharya NG Ranga Agricultural University to reduce cultivation costs and significantly enhance farmers' incomes. He stressed that increasing farmers' income should be the primary objective of agriculture officials. He directed the officials to promote high-value horticultural crops, along with value-added agricultural practices, to improve farm profitability.

# Varma participates in service activities

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UNION Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma participated in a series of service and development programmes in Karnataka's Belagavi on Tuesday as part of events marking the completion of 12 years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's tenure. According to a statement issued by the minister's office in Bhimavaram, Srinivasa Varma took part in a Swachhata Abhiyan programme held in the Shivaji Garden area of Shahapur, where he joined volunteers in a cleanliness drive and undertook Shramdaan.



Union Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Srinivasa Varma inspecting construction works of the new terminal building at Belagavi airport on Tuesday

He also planted saplings and offered special prayers at Basaveshwara Garden in Gova. Later, he interacted with party workers over coffee at a Food Zone outlet and held an informal discussion on various issues. As part of his visit, Srinivasa Varma inspected the construction

works of the new terminal building at Belagavi Airport and reviewed the progress of the project on the ground. He highlighted the importance of public participation in service activities and development initiatives aimed at improving infrastructure and community welfare.

# Trainee IAS officers visit Polavaram



The trainee IAS officers at the Polavaram project on Tuesday

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POLAVARAM

A team of trainee IAS officers visited the Polavaram Irrigation Project, one of India's largest multipurpose irrigation projects, on Tuesday. As part of the AP Darshan Programme, the 2025 batch trainee IAS officers — Ch Sravan Kumar Reddy, Hari Om Pandia, Kshitij Aditya Sharma, Namrat Agarwal, Pawan Teja AR, Priya, Suyash Kumar, and Venkatesh Banna — visited the Polavaram irrigation Project, Polavaram hydro electric project and the Pattiseema Lift Irrigation Scheme to gain firsthand

knowledge of these major water infrastructure projects.

On the occasion, Polavaram Project Superintending Engineer (SE) Reddy Ramachandra Rao, Executive Engineer (EE) Balakrishna, Deputy Executive Engineer (DEE) Srinivas, MEIL Project General Manager A Gangadhar, and Deputy General Manager (DGM) Murali Pammi provided a comprehensive briefing on the project. They explained the objectives, design features, construction progress, engineering challenges, and the long-term benefits expected upon completion of the project.

# Good Samaritans honoured at road safety meet

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PRAKASAM district joint collector Kalpana Kumari chaired the District Road Safety Committee meeting at Prakasam Bhavan in Ongole on Tuesday, and called for collective efforts to prevent road accidents and ensure timely medical assistance to accident victims.

Police officials informed the meeting that fatal accidents had decreased by 25 percent compared to the previous year.

Responding to this, the joint collector said every life was precious and that not even a single person should die in a road accident. She directed officials from various departments to coordinate the installation of barricades, concrete blocks, blinking lights, and signboards at accident-prone spots. She also asked officials to raise broad public awareness of central government schemes such as PM RAHAT, which provides medical support to accident victims.



Joint collector Kalpana Kumari and other officials felicitating Good Samaritans in Ongole on Tuesday