T RERA swings into action, helps techie get flat from rogue builder

Regulatory authority warns developer against demanding extra cash and duplicate GST, enabling software engineer to register property without illegal demands

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THE Real Estate Regulatory Authority (TG RERA) came to the rescue of software engineer P Krishna Mohan Rao on July 30, helping him secure his flat from a builder who attempted to extract extra money prior to handing over the property. TG RERA authorities issued a strict warning to the developer, directing them to hand over the flat to the buyer immediately while warning that repetitions of such conduct with other flat owners would attract severe financial penalties.

P Krishna Mohan Rao stated that he had purchased a flat from Aaditri Empire near Velimela Exit Number 2 along the Outer Ring Road near Kokapet in 2019, booking two flats in the apartment project.

However, statutory permissions encountered delays, causing construction to commence in 2025. He noted that the developers delayed registration with RERA. Although they initially undertook construction for four blocks, the availability of additional land prompted them to apply for permission to construct extra structures. The company initially applied for G+13 floors and subsequently for G+17 floors, but processing encountered unexpected delays.

P Krishna Mohan Rao said that when he approached the developer inquiring about registration dates, the firm issued two letters demanding an extra Rs 5 lakh above the agreed agreement amount. Upon his refusal to pay, the builder stated that property registration would not proceed. Consequently, he filed an official complaint with RERA along with relevant documentation.

P Krishna Mohan Rao claimed that after several hearings, the advocate representing the company admitted to an error on their part and requested time to rectify the situation. He disclosed that the firm also attempted to collect duplicate GST from him. During the hearing, the judge and additional judge strongly objected to double GST collection, questioning whether the company understood prevailing GST laws, before issuing orders prohibiting any additional collections.

Having filed his complaint with RERA in September 2025, P Krishna Mohan Rao successfully completed flat registration in March 2026.

Advising home buyers to approach RERA whenever they encounter cheating by realtors, P Krishna Mohan Rao stressed the importance of maintaining proper documentation. He explained that he retained original receipts and documents, ensuring every receipt bore signatures from the company chairman and director. Prior to investing, he verified whether the company was registered with RERA, as mandatory regulatory registration applies to all developer ventures or apartments. He added that the judge issued stern warnings that future complaints from other consumers over similar issues would attract heavy penalties.

Hyd top cop caps Ganesh idols at 16 feet, issues safety measures

Hyderabad Police Commissioner issues strict safety guidelines for crafting, transportation, and immersion ahead of festival celebrations

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TO ensure that the upcoming Ganesh Festival is celebrated in a peaceful, secure, and eco-friendly manner, Hyderabad City Police Commissioner VC Sajjanar stated that the maximum height of idols should be restricted to 16 feet and emphasized the vital importance of taking proactive safety measures across all stages from installation to final immersion. Recalling that nearly 23,000 idols were installed under the City Commissionerate jurisdiction last year, during which four accidents occurred during transit, the commissioner instructed idol makers to strictly adhere to safety norms right from the crafting stage to avoid any mishaps this year.

During a review meeting with Ganesh idol makers

VC Sajjanar

on July 30 at the TGICCC in Banjara Hills, VC Sajjanar said that in line with discussions held with the Bhagyanagar Ganesh Utsav Samithi, the maximum height of idols must be restricted to 16 feet. The Commissioner urged idol makers to fulfill their social responsibility by encouraging the use of clay idols and creating awareness among devotees to opt for smaller, easily immersible options. He directed artisans to implement proper fire safety measures at workshops, ensure safe electrical wiring, and maintain clean premises free from hazardous chemicals. VC Sajjanar assured that the Police Department, in coordination with various government agencies, would facilitate necessary basic infrastructure for idol makers.

Outlining directives on traffic regulation and safe transportation, VC Sajjanar announced that dedicated entry and exit routes are being designated for the safe movement of idols from major manufacturing hubs such as Dhoolpet, Jalpally, and Mailardevpally into the city. He advised against transporting massive idols during peak traffic hours and instructed transporters to inform local traffic police in advance to obtain clearance. Furthermore, he made it clear that advance information regarding the arrival schedule and transit routes of idols to their respective pandals must be mandatorily provided.

For transporting exceptionally large idols, prior transport plans must be prepared in coordination with the police to ensure that overhead power lines, flyovers, and metro structures remain unobstructed. The Commissioner warned that strict legal action would be initiated against anyone violating safety regulations.

Telangana Grameena Bank organises'mega loan mela'

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THE Telangana Grameena Bank (TGB) organised a 'mega loan mela' here on Thursday during which bank chairman K Pratap Reddy distributed financial assistance to beneficiaries from Siddipet and Medak districts. Around 20 tractors, four harvesters, two JCB machines, nearly 50 livestock units, and loans to women SHGs were sanctioned and handed over.

The tractors and harvesters were provided under the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) scheme. Reddy urged farmers to make effective use of government schemes offered through the bank, such as AIF and PM-KUSUM Solar.

He said distribution of the vehicles and farm machinery marks another significant step towards promoting farm mechanisation, increasing agri productivity, addressing labour shortages and improving farmers' income. The JCB machines will not only contribute to development of rural infrastructure, but also create additional self-employment opportunities.

Reddy stated that the bank remains committed to providing timely and adequate credit to farmers and rural entrepreneurs. It is continuously supporting modernisation of agriculture by facilitating access to advanced machinery and equipment. He appealed to borrowers to repay loans in a disciplined manner, noting that timely repayments enable the bank to extend credit to more beneficiaries.

He informed the bank offers MSME loans of up to ₹2 crore without collateral to eligible rural and urban enterprises and business owners. To promote agri and commercial vehicle financing, it entered into agreements with Tata Motors, Ashok Leyland and JCB, making loan disbursement simpler and more convenient.

Reddy said the bank provides all types of rural loans at highly competitive interest rates; offers one of the highest interest rates on FDs compared to other banks. It is committed to ensuring faster loan sanctions and introduced internal reforms to expedite loan approvals.

He urged customers to enrol in the Central government social security schemes—Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Atal Pension Yojana (APY)—which provide life/accident insurance and pension at low premiums.

The chairman stated the bank's total business stands at ₹84,849 crore, comprising ₹38,061 crore in deposits and ₹46,788 crore in advances. It aims to achieve ₹1 lakh crore in total business by March 2028. The bank is making significant progress in digital services.

The beneficiaries expressed gratitude to the bank for providing timely assistance. The support would help them adopt modern farming practices, improve operational efficiency and contribute to the economic development of villages.

Regional Manager E Rajaiah said--inspired by Reddy's leadership and with dedicated efforts of branch managers and field officers--the bank has been able to implement several customer welfare initiatives successfully.

Branch managers, loan management hub staff and regional office officials attended.

TG BIE slaps penalty on erring pvt junior colleges

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THE Telangana Board of Intermediate Education (TG-BIE) stated on July 30 that it has been proactive in identifying and penalising erring college managements. TG-BIE had earlier issued wide publicity across the state to curb unauthorised admissions and illegal operations, repeatedly advising students and parents to verify affiliation status before seeking admission. Following this, the Board conducted multiple inspections through constituted Task Force teams. Based on findings over recent months, severe financial penalties ranging from Rs 1.00 lakh to Rs 10.00 lakh have already been imposed on several non-compliant institutions.

TGBIE reiterated that it will continue conducting inspections through Task Force teams to ensure junior college managements strictly comply with prescribed norms. The Board noted that colleges failing to meet required infrastructural, fire safety, and academic standards have had their affiliations withheld for the current 2026-27 academic year. TGBIE emphasized that it remains fully committed to safeguarding the future of students while assuring that continuous monitoring mechanisms are actively in place. Any institution found violating prescribed rules will face stringent disciplinary and legal action, with TGBIE warning all private junior college managements across Telangana to adhere strictly to regulations without fail.

CS' ADVISORY TO TOURISTS AMID RAINS...

Don't rush to waterfalls, dangerous destinations!

SANJAY JAJU INSTRUCTS COLLECTORS AND POLICE OFFICIALS TO MONITOR GODAVARI BASIN, ENFORCE TOURIST RESTRICTIONS, AND PREPARE EMERGENCY TEAMS

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IN view of heavy rains lashing Telangana, Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju has directed District Collectors to take all necessary precautionary measures to prevent any loss of life or property. The Chief Secretary ordered that tourists should be prevented from visiting waterfalls, picnic spots, and other hazardous tourist destinations during the period of heavy rains. Collectors in Godavari river basin districts were asked to closely monitor river conditions and alert residents living in low-lying areas. The Chief Secretary held a video conference on Thursday with District Collectors, Police Commissioners, and Superintendents of Police to review overall preparedness, as the India Meteorological Department has forecast heavy rainfall for another two days.

He stated that since heavy rainfall is expected to continue through Thursday night in several districts, coordinated action must be taken by all departments, particularly police and district administration.

He instructed Collectors to establish control rooms in every district headquarters and continuously monitor the evolving situation. He informed that National Disaster Response Force and State Disaster Response Force teams have already been deployed, assuring that any additional assistance required would be provided immediately.

Referring to the anticipated impact of El Nino, the Chief Secretary noted that rainfall is expected to remain below normal even in September. He instructed District Collectors to create awareness among farmers about shifting from paddy to alternative crops. He said vegetable cultivation would not only fetch better market prices but that produce would also be procured through the Hare Krishna Foundation, providing farmers with assured market support.

He directed Collectors to remain on high alert over the next two days, particularly in districts likely to receive very heavy rainfall, and ensure preventive measures are taken well in advance so that the public does not face any inconvenience. During the meeting, DGP CV Anand informed that the Police Department has identified 249 high-risk picnic spots near water bodies and an additional 167 tourist locations across the state, with appropriate restrictions being enforced to prevent public access. He added that 12 SDRF companies are currently on standby for emergency response operations.

Pedestrians and motorists cover themselves with an umbrella in the daylong rain in Hyderabad on Thursday *Photos: Ch Prabhu Das*

SIR Special Intensive Revision
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25 June, 2026 onwards
Election Commission of India

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Special Intensive Revision of Electoral Rolls
from 25 June, 2026 onwards to include eligible citizens,
and to ensure no ineligible citizen is included in the Electoral Rolls

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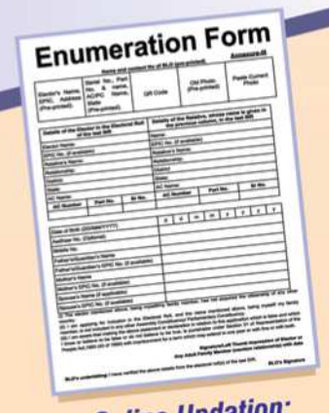
Submit the filled-in enumeration forms, before 3 August, 2026 to your BLO.



Details to be filled in the Enumeration Form

Latest Passport size photo, Aadhaar number (optional), **Phone number,** and details of **Parents and Spouse.**

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