

Over 16,000 schools in AP have only one teacher: Sharmila

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APCC chief Y S Sharmila on Thursday alleged that more than 16,000 schools are functioning only with a single teacher in the state, observing that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu “all talk and no action.”

Calling the single-teacher schools the true “report card” of the TDP-led NDA government in the southern state, Sharmila accused the NDA governments at the Centre and the state of talking “endlessly building castles in the air.” “16,357 schools in Andhra



Pradesh are running with a single teacher! This is the true report card of the NDA governments at the Centre and in the State. While these governments talk endlessly building castles in the air; thousands

of children are denied even the most basic requirement of a teacher in every classroom!” Sharmila said in a post on ‘X’.

Naidu claims to have a special relationship with the prime minister, she said, adding, if that is so, why has Andhra Pradesh not secured even the minimum support needed to ensure adequate teachers in our government schools? A government that cannot provide a teacher for every school has no moral right to speak about building the future, she said. Children need teachers, not headlines, said Sharmila, observing that Andhra Pradesh deserves justice, not excuses.

Meanwhile, there was no immediate reaction from the TDP.

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APTRANSCO invites bids on e-procurement platform for "Modernization of the APTRANSCO TLC stores at Kadapa based on Master Planning & Architectural Design: Construction of PEB Blocks 1 & 2, common toilets, watch tower, and security cabin, etc., including facade works, electrification, plumbing, CC Roads and Platforms" for Rs. 15,12,24,020/- against Specification No.04/2026-27 of CE/Civil/APTRANSCO/VS/VJA. Bidding documents are available at www.apeprocurement.gov.in. Date of availability of Bids from 30.07.2026 @20:00Hrs. R.O.No.GMCC/APTRANSCO/111/26-27 Sd/- Chief Engineer/Civil, APTRANSCO

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01. No. of Works : 04 (Four). 02. Value of Works (ECV) : Rs .62.89 Lakhs, 03. Downloading Starting Date: 27.07.2026 8.00 PM. 04. Downloading End Date: 11.08.2026 @ 3.00 PM. 05 Last Date for Submission of bid : 11.08.2026 @ 4.00 PM. Further details at www.apeprocurement.gov.in O/o the Executive Engineer (Project Division) Contract 8187899151 Sd/- FOR COMMISSIONER,

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E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) r/w 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower(s) and guarantor(s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.
Date and time of E-Auction: 02-09-2026 between 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM
Last Date for payment of EMD: on or before 01-09-2026 up to 4.00 PM Bid Increase amount: Rs.10,000/-
Name of the Borrower / Total dues to the bank/ 1.Mr.Murali Krishna Reddy Puliguru A/C No.419800NC00001505 S/o P Doraswamy Reddy D no 19-12-312, Plot no 312, Bairagipattada, ward no 19, Tirupathi-517501, 2.Mr T Chandra Sekhar Reddy (Guarantor) S/o T Muni Krishna Reddy Dno 13-1-199, Pedakapu Street, Tirupathi 517501 B.O: Tirupathi-419800. Demand Notice dated 27-08-2024, for this sale notice issued for total dues to the bank as on 31.03.2026 being Rs.6,17,914.21/- + further interest & other charges from 01-04-2026 minus recoveries effected after the date of notice, till final payment. Date of Symbolic Possession:- 19-02-2025.

Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name (mortgagees of property(ies))	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)
(Property in the name of Mr. Shri Puligoru Murali Krishna Reddy vide sale deed doc no 8674/2004 dated 01-12-2004): Equitable mortgage of residential property in the name of Mr Puligoru Murali Krishna Reddy, S/o Mr P Doraswamy Reddy situated at Dno 19-12-312, plot no 312 in survey number 24/1 B, 2 &3, T.P. Bairagipattada, Tirupathi-517501 admeasuring the total extent of 2200 square feet or 244.44 square yards within the following boundaries: East: Plot No 313, North: 33 feet wide road, West: Plot No 311, South: Plot No 321	Rs. 1,16,00,000/-	Rs. 11,60,000/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

- The Sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions:
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- The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorized officer, but the Authorized Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in the proclamation.
- The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration and the EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded. The Earnest Money Deposit shall not bear any interest. The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% of the sale price, adjusting the EMD already paid, within 24 hours of the acceptance of bid price by the Authorized Officer and the balance 75% of the sale price on or before 15th day of sale or within such extended period as agreed upon in writing by and solely at the discretion of the Authorized Officer. In case of default in payment by the successful bidder, the amount already deposited by the offer shall be liable to be forfeited and property shall be put to re-auction and the defaulting borrower shall have no claim/ right in respect of property/ amount.
- The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the website <https://baanknet.com> on 02.09.2026, from 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM
- For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer <https://baanknet.com> & www.pnbindia.in.

STATUTORY SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) r/w 9(1) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002
Date : 29-07-2026, Place : Vijayawada Sd/- Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

O/o THE REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, ATMAKUR, COMPETENT AUTHORITY FOR LAND ACQUISITION
Rc.B. (L.A)333/2021 **PUBLIC NOTICE** Dated : 21.07.2026
UNDER SECTION 3G (3) & (4) OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY ACT-1956

Where as, the central declared that the land specified in the following schedule Annexed to the said notification in the villages of Nellore District of Andhra Pradesh, for the public purpose for building (widening/tour-laning, etc.), maintenance, management and operation of NH67 in the stretch of (BADVEL-NELLORE) from Km. 642.916 to Km. 706.120 Atmakur Division in the District of SPSS Nellore in the state of ANDHRA PRADESH has been acquired in excise of powers conferred by Sub-Section (1) of Section 3D of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) and published in the Government of India Gazette vide S.O.2822(E) of Extraordinary Part-II section 3-Sub-Section(II), dt.01.06.2026.

In pursuance of sub-section 2 of section 3D of the Act, the Central Government declares that the lands specified in the said schedule annexed here to shall vest absolutely in the Central Government free from all encumbrances from the date of publication of 3D (1) Notification in official Gazette of India.

All the persons interested/Land owners in the lands specified in the following schedules shall appear in person or by agent, or by legal practitioner before the **Competent Authority and Revenue Divisional Officer, Atmakur** of newly proposed National Highway from Km. 642.916 to Km. 706.120 Atmakur Division in the District of SPSS Nellore in the state of ANDHRA PRADESH on the dates, place and time specified below and submit claims and state nature of the representation interest on such lands with relevant records as detailed below.

(1) E.C of the last 13 years. (2) Sales practitioner deeds of title in original (3) Pattadar pass books/ title deeds. (4) For buildings approved plans and tax assessment and tax paid receipts (5) Mutation extracts (6) Conversions proceedings (7) Receipts for having paid developmental charges (8) Approved layout plan (9) 1B extract from the Tahsildar (10) Original DKT patta (11) Aadhar card (12) Extract of Bank account pass book and PAN card.

If anybody fails to submit claims and produces the documents at below mentioned office with in the stipulated time the compensation will be determined with reference to the available records in this office.

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the Mandal	Name of the Village	Date	Time	Venue for receiving applications and documents
1	Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore	Ananthasagaram	Amanichiruvella	11.08.2026	At 11:00AM	Tahsildar Office, Ananthasagaram
2	Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore	Marripadu	Chunchuluru	12.08.2026	At 11:00AM	Tahsildar Office, Marripadu

District: SPSS Nellore
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1MQSRya7rG9N7UvIHvn_-yt-4oFwLutSY?usp=sharing Sd/- Competent Authority, Land Acquisition Officer & Revenue Divisional Officer, Atmakur.

YSRCP raises DSC row in Rajya Sabha

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THE YSRCP raised alleged irregularities in the Andhra Pradesh DSC-2025 teacher recruitment in the Rajya Sabha on Thursday, with YSR Congress Parliamentary Party leader and Rajya Sabha MP Y V Subba Reddy demanded resignation of IT and HRD minister Nara Lokesh and called for the anti-paper leak legislation to be expanded to cover all State-level recruitment examinations.

Participating in the debate on the Anti-Paper Leak Bill, Subba Reddy extended the YSRCP's support to the proposed legislation but argued that it should not be confined to examinations conducted by the UPSC, SSC and National Testing Agency

Subba Reddy demands Lokesh's resignation

(NTA). Alleging large-scale irregularities in the DSC-2025 recruitment process, he

claimed that teacher posts were sold, the selection process was manipulated

and the examination paper was leaked. “Just as the Union Education Minister resigned by accepting moral responsibility, Andhra Pradesh education minister Nara Lokesh should also step down over the DSC scam,” he demanded.

The YSRCP leader urged the Centre to bring examinations conducted by State agencies, including APPSC, DSC and APEAPCET, under the proposed law to strengthen the integrity of recruitment and restore public confidence in the examination system.

He also alleged that coaching-centre mafias were playing a major role in examination paper leaks and called for stringent action against them.

Raising broader concerns over education policy, Subba

Reddy said students studying under the CBSE syllabus enjoy a competitive advantage in NEET compared to those following State syllabi. He claimed that the previous YS Jagan Mohan Reddy government had introduced CBSE in government schools, modernised public education and improved infrastructure, but alleged that 5.5 lakh students have left government schools under the present administration.

He further alleged that while the previous YSRCP government established government medical colleges to make medical education affordable for poor students, the present NDA coalition government is moving towards privatisation, making medical education increasingly inaccessible to economically weaker sections.

Dedicated queue, new ramp for devotees

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VIJAYAWADA

IN a move to enhance convenience for devotees visiting the famous Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam atop Indrakeeladri in Vijayawada, Temple Executive Officer and Special Grade Deputy Collector VK Seena Naik has announced a series of infrastructure and administrative measures aimed at ensuring hassle-free participation in various pujas and rituals.

During an inspection of the temple premises on Thursday, the EO, accompanied by senior officials, reviewed the movement of devotees and observed that pilgrims faced difficulties in reaching the puja mandapams during peak rush hours. To address the issue, he directed officials to create a dedicated queue line for devotees participating in special pujas.

Under the new arrangement, devotees attending

Temple Executive Officer VK Seena Naik inspecting the newly proposed route for devotees at the Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam atop Indrakeeladri in Vijayawada on Thursday

pujas and archanas will no longer have to pass through the main sanctum queue. Instead, they will be guided through a separate route starting from the Lakshmi Ganapathi Temple and proceeding via the Subrahmanya Swamy Temple directly to the puja venues.

To further improve crowd management, the EO instructed officials to construct a new access ramp

and widen the existing exit passage, enabling smoother movement of devotees and reducing congestion within the temple premises.

Temple Assistant Executive Officer Ramesh, Executive Engineer L Rama, Deputy Executive Engineer Ashok Kumar, Sthanacharya V Shivaprasad Sharma, and other temple officials accompanied the EO during the inspection.

Shift towards nature farming: Collector

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GUNTUR

DISTRICT collector CM Sai Kanth Varma urged the farmers to turn El Nino crisis and challenges into opportunities. He along with Irrigation Superintendent Engineer Venkataratnam addressed the media at the Collectorate on Thursday. He advised the farmers to shift towards nature farming and cultivate alternative crops instead of paddy and enrol in the crop insurance scheme. He said that anticipated reduction in rainfall due to El Nino calls for change in agricultural practices. He further said that nature farming helps to conserve soil fertility and reduces cultivation costs and enables the farmers to achieve long term sustainability. He urged the farmers not to depend on traditional paddy cultivation under low rainfall conditions. He urged

Collector CM Sai Kanth Varma addressing the media in Guntur on Thursday

the farmers to enrol in crop insurances to face adverse climatic conditions and added that crop insurance provides financial security against losses due to drought and other adverse climatic conditions. He said that the district administration will provide all the necessary co-operation and support to the farmers.

Guntur district agriculture officer Padmavati was also present.

Passage of National Honour Bill in LS hailed

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LANKA Dinakar, chairman of the Twenty Points Programme (Viksit Bharat-Swarna Andhra Pradesh) Implementation, welcomed the passage of the National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026 and the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026 in the Lok Sabha, calling them significant reforms under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He said the National Honour Bill, which seeks to promote the complete rendition of 'Vande Mataram' and extend it legal protection similar to the National Anthem, is a fitting tribute to its author, Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay. He also praised the examination reform legislation for introducing stricter measures to curb malpractice and safeguard students' interests. Dinakar criticised the Congress, alleging it failed to engage constructively during the debate on the legislation. Referring to recent protests, he said those responsible for violence or unlawful acts should face legal action, emphasising that the Constitution guarantees equality before the law. He also dismissed allegations made by BJP leader Abhijit against the BJP as baseless and politically motivated.

Farmers urged to opt for alternative crops

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EXPRESSING concern over the prevailing drought conditions, NTR district collector and Irrigation Advisory Board (IAB) Chairman Dr G Lakshmisha urged farmers to avoid paddy cultivation and opt for alternative crops to minimise the risk of heavy losses during the Kharif-2026 season.

He chaired the 5th IAB meeting at the Collectorate here on Thursday. The collector reviewed water availability, distribution and crop planning for the Krishna Eastern Delta with Water Resources Department officials and representatives of Water Users' Associations in view of the Super El Niño conditions. On the occasion, Dr Lakshmisha unveiled the Agriculture De-

Collector and Irrigation Advisory Board Chairman Dr G Lakshmisha chairs the fifth IAB meeting in Vijayawada on Thursday

partment's awareness poster, 'Insure every crop you sow', to encourage farmers to enrol under PMFBY.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Lakshmisha said the government has accorded top priority to safeguarding drinking water. He cautioned that if farmers begin paddy cultivation without adequate reservoir storage and rainfall remains deficient, they could suffer substantial financial

losses. He advised farmers, particularly in suitable areas, to cultivate alternative and dry crops and cooperate with the government's water management strategy.

He said deficient rainfall due to the Super El Niño has significantly reduced water levels in the Srisailem and Nagarjuna Sagar reservoirs, while upstream projects, including Almatti, Narayanpur and Jurala, have also received

Stress on vigilance to combat human trafficking

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NTR district collector Dr G Lakshmisha has stressed that greater public awareness and vigilance are essential to prevent the trafficking of women and children. Coordinated efforts by government departments, educational institutions and society are essential to eradicate human trafficking and bonded labour, he said. To mark the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, the collector unveiled an anti-human trafficking awareness poster at the Collectorate here on Thursday.

On the occasion, the collector released Rs 6.60 lakh as immediate rehabilitation assistance for 22 bonded labourers, crediting Rs 30,000 each to their bank accounts. The beneficiaries, migrant workers from Odisha, were rescued from a brick kiln at Nunna of Vijayawada Rural mandal on May 7, 2025. Dr Lakshmisha assured them of continued government support for their rehabilitation and rehabilitation into mainstream society.

Addressing the gathering, Dr Lakshmisha said the observance aims to educate people about the growing menace of

Collector Dr G Lakshmisha releasing the wall poster on anti-human trafficking awareness in Vijayawada on Thursday

human trafficking and promote preventive measures at the grassroots level.

The collector warned that fraudsters are increasingly targeting young people through social media platforms such as Instagram and Facebook by luring them with fake promises of jobs, education and lucrative opportunities.

He urged the youth to verify such offers carefully and remain alert against online scams.

Dr Lakshmisha expressed concern that crimes such as sexual exploitation, child trafficking, bonded labour, forced begging, forced marriages and illegal organ trade continue despite technological advancements. He says that women, children, orphans, school dropouts and economically disadvantaged families are the most vulnerable to such crimes.

He appealed to the public to immediately inform the police about any suspicious persons or activities and reminded them that stringent provisions under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), the POCSO Act and other laws provide severe punishment for offences related to human trafficking and child abuse. He also urged citizens to contact Child Helpline 1098 in cases involving children in distress.

Deputy Commissioner of Labour Guntupalli Dhanalakshmi said human trafficking is an organised crime in which offenders first gain the confidence of victims before exploiting them. She advised youth travelling for education or employment not to trust strangers and encouraged women to make use of safety applications such as Shakti.