



Health officials checking food items at 'Biryani Factory' outlet in Tirupati on Wednesday night

‘Biryani Factory’ outlet sealed after food safety inspection

- The outlet is unlicensed and most unhygienic
- Officials received a complaint that a young girl fell ill due to food poisoning after eating food from this outlet

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FOLLOWING a complaint from public, corporation officials inspected ‘Biryani Factory’ outlet at Jagjivanram Park on Wednesday night.

Acting on the directions from district Collector and Special Officer Dr S Venkateswar, Health Officer Dr Yuva Anvesh, Veterinary Officer Gunasekhar, Food Safety Officer and sanitary staff

inspected the outlet.

Health Officer Dr Yuva Anvesh said that they received a complaint that a young girl suffered food poisoning after eating biryani from Biryani Factory and undergoing treatment. Following this complaint, he said that they inspected the outlet.

During inspection, the officials found several violations, including the outlet was operating without a mandatory municipal trade license, chicken used for preparing biryani was not stored properly, food items lacked required labels and expiry dates, the freezer was not in good condition; rotten vegetables were found in the store room, useless items and rodent droppings were found in the store room, cleaning

and cooking areas were unhygienic and there were chances of food getting contaminated since workers were not using personal protective equipment. The officials seized Biryani Factory outlet and sent available biryani and curd samples to laboratory for checking purity and contamination.

Commissioner Sarada Devi instructed all trade owners to obtain a municipal trade license and to maintain proper quality and hygiene standards.

Otherwise, she warned of taking stringent action against those, who run business without required licenses. She also advised consumers not to buy ultra-cheap food items and to check quality before purchase.

CITU protest turns tense, 32 leaders detained

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TENSE moments prevailed near the Tirupati district Collectorate on Thursday after a scuffle broke out between police and CITU leaders when a rally of contract and outsourcing workers was stopped. Police arrested 32 protesters and shifted them to Tiruchanoor police station.

The workers had taken out the rally after completing a 40-day minimum wage campaign across Tirupati district. They demanded a minimum monthly wage of Rs 26,000, saying that both the Central and State governments had not revised the salaries of contract and outsourcing workers for nearly two decades despite rising living costs. They also sought regularisation of their services.



Police detaining CITU State Vice-President Kandarapu Murali in Tirupati on Thursday

Those arrested included CITU State vice-president Kandarapu Murali, CITU Tirupati district president S Jayachandra, district secretary T Subramanyam, and district leaders of people’s

organisations, including Vandavasi Nagaraju and Angeri Pullayya, among others.

Addressing the gathering before the march to the Collectorate, CITU State vice-president Kandarapu

Murali alleged that the coalition government in the State had betrayed workers by implementing the four labour codes. He said rising prices had made it difficult for workers to meet their

daily expenses with their existing wages.

Murali also said the government’s promise to regularise three lakh contract and outsourcing workers in the State had not been implemented. He criticised the government for not increasing wages for around 50 lakh workers employed in scheduled industries and alleged that its policies favoured employers over workers.

CITU district leaders S Jayachandra and T Subramanyam demanded regularisation of panchayat workers, Village Revenue Assistants (VRAs), and municipal workers. They also urged the government to ensure that salaries are paid on the first day of every month and to raise the retirement age of contract and outsourcing workers to 62 years.

Firm owners asked to register on One Stop Portal

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DISTRICT Industries Centre (DIC) officials said that upcoming industrialists and commercial establishments owners should register on the ‘One Stop Portal’ to establish direct communication with the State government.

The government has launched the Portal to provide a single digital platform for delivering government

services to micro, small, medium and large-scale industries, as well as commercial establishments across the State.

In a press note released on Thursday, the officials said that industrialists can submit their grievances, requests, suggestions and requirements directly to the government. The platform also enables companies to inform the government about their current and future manpower requirements across various job categories.

The officials has appealed to all eligible industrial and commercial establishments to make use of this facility and complete their registration through the One Stop Portal at <https://companies.apedb.in/company-login>

They informed that in case industrialists require any assistance during registration process, the DIC officials will provide support either by visiting the units directly or through telephone guidance.

Andhra State 1st ranking carrom tournament begins today

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THE Andhra State Carrom Association (ASCA), in association with Nellore District Carrom Association, will organise three-day Andhra State 1st Ranking Carrom Tournament-2026 from Friday (July 31) at Nellore Club.

ASCA General Secretary Shaik Abdul Jaleel said nearly 200 players from 15 districts across the State are expected to participate in the championship, which will determine state ranking points for selection to the Andhra Pradesh team for upcoming national championships.

The tournament will feature competitions in men’s and women’s singles categories, with all matches being conducted on a knockout basis. DSR Murthy will serve as chief referee, while SK Sajida has been appointed as assistant chief referee.

Several top players, including international players Ch Janardhan Reddy of Visakhapatnam and B Shobhika of Income Tax department, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat employee and Guinness World Record holder Sk Husna Sameera, are expected to compete along with other leading players from across the State.

Nellore District Carrom Association and Nellore Club will provide free boarding and accommodation to all participating players.

Nellore Rural MLA Kotamreddy Sridhar Reddy as the chief guest and AP-TRANSCO Director J Venkateswara Rao as distinguished guest will participate in the inaugural ceremony.

The announcement was made at a meeting chaired by Tournament co-chairman Malireddy Kotareddy, former Ranji cricketer and Nellore Club member, Nellore District Carrom Association president Srimannarayana and Secretary S Srinivasulu.

Free medical camp held for NMC staff

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NELLORE Municipal Corporation in association with Narayana Medical College Hospital, organised a special two-day free medical camp for employees of all departments at the corporation office premises on Thursday.

Municipal Commissioner YO Nandan visited the camp, reviewed the medical services being provided to employees, and also underwent a health check-up. The Commissioner said the medical camp was organised as part of Swachh Survekshan initiative under the Union government’s campaign slogan ‘Safai Apnao

– Bimari Bhagao’, aimed at promoting healthier lifestyles among sanitation workers. He urged all employees, particularly sanitation workers of Municipal Corporation, to make full use of the two-day free medical camp. He said such initiatives play a vital role in safeguarding health of sanitation workers, who are at the forefront of maintaining public hygiene.

NMC Health Officer Dr Dinesh, Additional Commissioner Himabindu, doctors Subhan, Preeti, Pragathi and Shivapriya from Narayana Medical College Hospital, staff members Narasimha Reddy and Nanda Kishore, and others were present.



NMC Commissioner YO Nandan at the free health camp at Nellore Municipal Corporation office on Thursday

Man commits suicide on video call to wife

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A man committed suicide during a video call with his wife in Chandragiri town on Thursday. The deceased was identified as Jagadeesh (47), a resident of Tirupati and an employee at a college in Rangampeta. According to police, Jagadeesh had an argument with his wife on Wednesday and went to his parents’ house in Chandragiri. Before taking his life, he made a video call to his wife and informed her of his intention. The wife promptly alerted police. Police rushed to the spot, forcibly entered the house as none opened the door and found Jagadeesh dead. The body was shifted to hospital for post-mortem. A case was registered and investigation is on.



‘Amaravati Championship-2026’ arrangements reviewed

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NMC Commissioner YO Nandan instructed officials of all departments to work in close coordination for conducting constituency-level sports competitions ‘Amaravati Championship-2026’ successfully. He held a meeting on Thursday to discuss the arrangements for the event scheduled to be held on Friday (July 31) and August 1 at AC Subba Reddy Stadium

in the city. He directed the officials to provide all necessary facilities for the participating sportspersons and take proactive measures to encourage maximum participation in the championship.

NMC Deputy Director Madhuri, District Sports Development Officer Pandu Ranga Rao, Nellore urban Tahsildar Venkata Lakshmi, MEO Tirupal, Physical Education Teachers from various schools, and others were present.

Public vigilance key to protect women, children from trafficking: DLSA chairperson

World Day Against Trafficking in Persons observed in Chittoor with an awareness programme

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DISTRICT Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Chairperson and Senior Civil Judge MS Bharati said that creating awareness and encouraging vigilance among people are essential to prevent trafficking of women and children. She was speaking at an awareness programme held in Chittoor on Thursday to mark World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. The programme was jointly organised by District Legal Services Authority, ICDS and Police department.

The judge expressed



DLSA Chairperson MS Bharathi speaking at an awareness meeting in Chittoor on Thursday

concern that despite rapid technological progress, crimes such as human trafficking, sexual exploitation, bonded labour, child trafficking, forced begging, forced marriages and illegal

organ trade continue to exist. She said that many women and children become victims due to a lack of awareness.

Public should be cautious of people, who collect

money by offering fake jobs and those, who commit fraud through social media. Children, women, orphans and school dropouts are more vulnerable to such crimes. The judge urged people to immediately inform the police if they notice suspicious persons or activities.

Bharati said that Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and other laws provide strict punishment for offences related to human trafficking, child protection and sexual crimes.

ICDS Project Director

Venkateswari said that if students are aware of such issues, they can help protect their families and society. She urged everyone to remain alert about the safety of people around them and called for greater awareness to prevent serious crimes such as illegal organ trafficking.

Women Police Station DSP Srinivasa Rao said, human trafficking is an organised crime. Traffickers first gain the trust of their victims before exploiting them. Young people travelling to other places for education or employment should not trust strangers easily, he advised.

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