

# 18 stolen bikes recovered, six arrested

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CHANDRAGIRI police on Friday busted an inter-district two-wheeler theft gang, arresting six suspects and recovering 18 stolen bikes and one auto, worth about Rs 20 lakh.

The arrested were identified as Pathan Afroz (21) of Padarupalli, Nellore district; Enimeti Lochan Nivas (19) of Chittoor district; Krishnappa Achari Sai Krishna (18) of Chandragiri mandal, Tirupati district; Madarapu Vamsikrishna (19) of Chandraiahgaripalli, Chittoor district; Neerukonda Jitendra Banerjee (20) of Chandragiri mandal, Tirupati district; and Pandala Satish Babu (28) of Nellore district were arrested at Seshapuram Sivalayam on Naravaripalli-Bheemavaram road.

Revealing case details to the media here on Friday, district SP L Subba Rayudu said that police recovered



Two-wheeler thieves arrested by Chandragiri police

vehicles hidden at reserve forest area near Srinivasa Mangapuram village, based on the information obtained from the suspects. The recovered vehicles were linked to thefts reported across several police station areas including Chandragiri (7 cases), SVU Campus (3), Tirupati Rural (2), Tiruchanur (1), Srikalahasti-I Town (2), Nellore Rural (2), Vedayapalem (1) and Manubolu (1), he informed.

The SP further said some bikes were stripped for parts while others were kept intact for resale. He praised the team's effective investigation and said special vigilance against two-wheeler theft rings will continue across the district. He advised people to secure vehicles with locks or immobilizers, park in well-lit areas, and report suspicious persons or activities immediately.

# Festive fervour grips Tirupati dist as women observe Varalakshmi Vratam

- Devotees believe worshipping Goddess Varalakshmi on the occasion is equivalent to offering prayers to the Ashta Lakshmi
- Markets witness increased activity with strong demand for flowers, fruits and puja materials

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TIRUPATI

WOMEN across the district observed Varalakshmi Vratam with religious fervour and traditional gaiety on Friday, as homes and temples came alive with elaborate decorations and special prayers. The festival, celebrated during the auspicious Sravana Masam, witnessed a large participation of women who

performed the rituals seeking the blessings of Goddess Varalakshmi for prosperity and well-being.

Sravana Masam holds a special place in the Hindu calendar, particularly among women, who consider the month highly auspicious for performing traditional pujas and religious observances. Though Varalakshmi Vratam can be performed on any Friday during the month, the majority of women observe it on the Friday immediately preceding the full moon.

A popular belief associated with the festival is that worshipping Goddess Varalakshmi on this day is equivalent to offering prayers to Ashta Lakshmi, the eight forms of Goddess Lakshmi. Following the tradition, women prepared a Kalasam at home and decorated it with turmeric, kumkum and flowers. A coconut, considered a representation of the goddess, was placed on



Devotees in large numbers perform Varalakshmi Vratam at Srikalahasti temple on Friday

top after being carefully decorated. Several women further adorned the Kalasam with silver-plated eyes, nose and lips, while others used ready-made faces resembling the deity.

The puja was performed amid devotional chants and traditional rituals. Women dressed in colourful traditional attire listened to the Vrata Katha, or the story as-

sociated with the observance, which is considered an important part of the ceremony. The rituals were completed with the offering of Naivedyam to the goddess.

Women who could not conduct the puja at home due to various reasons visited temples where special arrangements were made for conducting the Vratam in

batches. Prominent temples, including the Sri Padmavathi Ammavari Devasthanam at Tiruchanur, Sri Vasavi Kanyakaparameswari temple, Sakthi Channundeswari temple, Annapuramma temple among others, were decorated for the occasion and witnessed a steady flow of devotees.

Women began arriving at several temples early in the morning and continued to visit the shrines throughout the day. Sri Kalahasteswara Devasthanam too witnessed a heavy rush, with hundreds of women waiting in queues to participate in the special Varalakshmi Vratam rituals.

The festive atmosphere was not confined to places of worship. Markets across the city had turned busy from Thursday evening as women made purchases for the puja. Flowers, fruits, coconuts and other ritual materials were in high demand.

## Goddess Padmavathi on Golden Chariot

Goddess Padmavathi Devi taking a ride on Golden Chariot along the four Mada streets in Tiruchanur on Friday, as part of the Varalakshmi Vratam celebrations

# Furniture repairs underway at Nellore GGH

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REPAIR works on furniture and patient support equipment are being carried out on a war footing at the Government General Hospital (GGH) in Nellore to improve facilities for patients.

Following the State government directions to enhance amenities in government hospitals, the works are progressing on the instructions of Nellore Rural MLA Kotamreddy Sridhar Reddy. Repairs to patient chairs, wheelchairs, stretchers and other damaged items are advancing rapidly. Hospital Superintendent Dr Kondeti Madhavi Latha, RMO Srinivasulu and Hospital



Development Committee Coordinator Madaparathi Srinivasulu personally supervised the efforts on Friday. Dr Madhavi Latha said the repairs aim to prevent

inconvenience to patients and that the refurbished chairs and equipment will be distributed to various hospital departments once completed.

# Special camps on Aug 22-23 for SIR claims and objections

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FOLLOWING the objections raised by YSRCP over the alleged irregularities in Special Intensive Revision (SIR) and directions from the Election Commission of India, the district administration will organise two-day special camps on August 22 and 23.

It should be noted here that YSRCP had accused Booth Level Officers of adopting wrong procedures and targeted Municipal Administration Minister Ponguru Narayana, lodging complaints with the ECI and State Election Commission and filing a High Court petition questioning his participation in BLO review meetings.

District Collector and District Election Officer Himanshu Shukla, however, stated that 85 per cent of voter enumeration under SIR had been completed successfully and ruled out irregularities. In a press note on Friday, he said camps will be held at all polling stations from 10 am to 5 pm on both days. BLOs and Booth Level Agents will be present. Draft electoral rolls (qualifying date July 1, 2026), ASDD lists and Forms 6, 7 and 8 will be available. Officials will guide voters, especially those aged 18-19, and accept applications for inclusion, corrections, objections or deletions. The Collector appealed to all eligible citizens to utilise the camps and ensure accurate entries in the rolls.

# YSRCP stages paddy sapling protest seeking LLC water release

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THE YSR Congress Party staged an innovative protest with paddy saplings at Yemmiganur on Friday, demanding immediate release of water from Tungabhadra Dam into Low-Level Canal (LLC) to support agricultural operations.

As part of its 'Porubata' programme highlighting farmers' issues, YSRCP in-charge Rajeev Reddy led a dharna at LLC office. Protesters brought paddy saplings to underline the plight of farmers unable to begin cultivation due to inadequate irrigation.

They alleged that the delay in releas-

ing water was causing serious difficulties during the ongoing agricultural season and warned that further postponement could lead to crop losses.

Farmers, who had already invested heavily in inputs, urged authorities to release water from the dam and ensure supply to tail-end areas as well. Addressing the gathering, Rajeev Reddy accused the government of neglecting farmers' problems. He demanded immediate water release into the LLC and prompt compensation for those who had suffered crop damage. He warned that YSRCP would intensify its agitation if the government failed to respond with concrete measures.

# Grand Varalakshmi Vratam at Padmavathi Ammavaru temple

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VARALAKSHMI Vratam was celebrated on a grand and devotional manner at Sri Padmavathi Ammavaru Temple, Tiruchanur, on Friday. TTD EO Muddada Ravichandra and Additional EO Ch Venkaiah Chowdary participated in the celebrations. Sri Padmavathi Ammavaru was adorned in a golden saree and worshipped with traditional flowers. The Vratam concluded with Maha Mangala Harathi after offering 12 varieties of Naivedyam.

TTD JEO Dr A Sharath said special arrangements were made for the large number of women, who participated in the Vratam. Special queues, Annarasadam, drinking water, buttermilk and prasadam were provided. The programme was also telecast live through SVBC.

TTD Board members, senior officials, temple staff and a large number of devotees participated in the celebrations.



# 40 tribal workers rescued from bonded labour

Medical care, food, and special transport arranged to send victims back to Maharashtra

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PUTTAPARTHI

SRI Sathya Sai district administration has dismantled an interstate racket that trafficked impoverished tribal (ST) workers from Maharashtra and forced them into bonded labour in charcoal kilns. Acting on district Collector A Shyam Prasad's orders after a complaint by Srikanth Janju Koli, resident of Maharashtra, task force teams raided sites across two RDO divisions and rescued 40 victims, including infants, from Adivasiwadi village in Nizampur Taluka, Raigad district.

Teams led by Puttaparthi RDO P Suvarna rescued four people, including a four-month-



District Collector A Shyam Prasad with the rescued bonded labourers

old, from Tamarla village. Penukonda RDO T Ananda

Kumar's teams freed 36 others, aged up to 63, from

sites in Gorantla Mandal. Contractors Ramesh Taru

Rathod and Prakash Devichand Rathod had lured the families with debt, confined them in unsanitary tents without water or toilets, and forced them to work day and night in smoke-filled kilns without wages.

Victims said the officials saved their lives. RDOs issued release certificates under the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976, waiving illegal debts. The rescued received food, medical care, financial aid and safe transport home.

A non-bailable case has been registered at Gorantla police station under relevant BNS, SC/ST and bonded labour laws.

The Collector warned that no one exploiting tribals would be spared.

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