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BRICS Summit DELHI ON HIGH ALERT

NEW DELHI: Delhi has tightened security across the national capital ahead of the 18th BRICS Summit, with nearly 4,800 traffic police personnel set to manage VIP movement and more than 35 major roads identified for traffic restrictions and diversions. The summit will be held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi from September 11 to 13, with foreign leaders and other dignitaries expected to attend. Around 22 diversion points will be used to regulate traffic during the movement of foreign delegations and VIP convoys. Security has also been stepped up at around 10 major hotels where foreign delegates are expected to stay, along with 12 other important locations across the capital. India is hosting the 18th BRICS Summit as the grouping's chair for 2026. The main leaders' summit will be held on September 12 and 13, while the BRICS Business Forum is scheduled for September 11.

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Jagan maps 2027 padayatra, sounds 'Kurukshetra' bugle

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Will safeguard people's land rights, asserts CM

Naidu says he is against 'political revenge'

HANS NEWS SERVICE
P GANNAVARAM
(KONASEEMA DIST)

CHIEF Minister N Chandrababu Naidu on Wednesday said that the NDA coalition government was committed to ensuring people's rights over their land and resolving long-pending land disputes, while asserting that governance should reach people and improve their lives.

Addressing the "Mee Bhoomi-Mee Hakku" programme at Machavaram in BR Ambedkar Konaseema district, the Chief Minister said his government was giving high priority to water and land as they were vital for people's lives and livelihoods. "If water is life, land is livelihood. That is why the NDA coalition government is giving high priority to both these programmes," he said.

Naidu said his government would not indulge in "political revenge" despite the alleged harassment he and several leaders faced during



Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu handing over a pattadar passbook to a beneficiary at the Mee Bhoomi-Mee Hakku programme in Panduvaripeta village of Ambedkar Konaseema district on Wednesday

The AP government has launched 'Mee Bhoomi-Mee Hakku' programme to protect farmers' lands forever. Pattadar passbooks are being issued with the state emblem and security features, including e-KYC, QR codes and blockchain technology. Resurvey had been completed in 8,234 villages and 36 lakh passbooks issued. Over 16 lakh acres have been removed from the 22-A prohibited list and the lands, which had remained in the 22-A1 prohibited list for more than a century, are being freed and treated on par with Gramakantham lands

the previous YSR Congress regime, asserting that his focus was on rebuilding the state and improving the lives of its people.

Addressing a public meeting at Panduvaripeta in P Gannavaram constituency

during the Mee Bhoomi-Mee Hakku programme, Naidu recalled his arrest in Nandyal three years ago and said the September 9 incident remained a painful chapter in his political life. "I could have taken revenge in one minute

after becoming Chief Minister, but I did not do it. I have patience. My objective is to ensure justice for the Telugu people," he said.

Naidu said he had been in politics for 48 years and became Chief Minister for the

first time 31 years ago. He claimed that he had faced several allegations and court cases but none of the charges against him could be proved. His political journey, he said, was driven by the objective of following values and working for the poor and the Telugu people. Recalling his arrest, Naidu said police had arrived late at night while he was in Nandyal and informed him that he would be arrested. When he sought details of the charges, he was allegedly told that they would be explained after the arrest. He was subsequently shifted to Rajamahendravaram Central Jail. He said the arrest triggered protests among Telugu people across the country and abroad. IT professionals in Hyderabad also came out in support, while Jana Sena chief Pawan Kalyan faced restrictions when he attempted to express solidarity with him, Naidu said. He claimed that several cases filed by the previous government were later dismissed by courts.

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Union Cabinet okays ₹20,804-crore railway projects across 9 states

Aimed to add 1,196 km to existing rail network

NEW DELHI: The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, on Wednesday approved eight railway multitracking projects with a combined estimated cost of Rs 20,804 crore across nine states. The projects will add around 1,196 km to the existing Indian Railways network and are targeted for completion by 2029-30. The capacity expansion is expected to ease congestion, improve train movement and strengthen operational efficiency and service reliability on key passenger and freight corridors.

Together, the projects will cover 31 districts and improve rail connectivity to around 6,911 villages with a combined population of nearly 1.08 crore.



BOOST TO AP Renigunta, Arakkonam rail expansion gets approval

HANS NEWS SERVICE

TIRUPATI: The rail network serving Tirupati and its surrounding pilgrimage centres is set for a major capacity enhancement with the Union Cabinet approving the construction of third and fourth railway lines between Arakkonam in Tamil Nadu and Renigunta in Andhra Pradesh.



TDP national working president and IT Minister Nara Lokesh lights 53 candles at CM's Undavalli residence on Wednesday marking 53 days the TDP chief spent in prison

Lokesh lights 53 candles to mark Naidu's arrest

TDP recalls arrest as 'political vendetta' and mobilises cadres across state

HANS NEWS SERVICE
AMARAVATI

THE Telugu Desam Party on Wednesday sought to turn the third anniversary of N Chandrababu Naidu's arrest into a political campaign, recalling his 53-day incarceration and asserting that the episode had strengthened the party's bond with the people. TDP national working president and IT Minister Nara Lokesh lit 53 candles at Chandrababu's Undavalli residence to mark the 53 days the TDP chief spent in prison following his arrest three years ago.

The party described the arrest as politically motivated

and alleged that the case was orchestrated by the then YSRCP government out of political vendetta. TDP leaders and supporters across the state observed the day by lighting candles under the slogan 'truth has triumphed' and expressing solidarity with Chandrababu.

Lokesh said Chandrababu, who had spent five decades in public life upholding political values, had emerged from the cases without being tainted. He compared his political journey after the episode to 'a washed pearl' and attributed his resilience to the support of crores of Telugu people across the world.

TTD announces first-of-its-kind insurance cover for devotees

- Board approves a ₹2 lakh insurance for devotees who die of natural causes in Tirumala
- Compensation for devotees who die in accidents goes up from ₹3 lakh to ₹10 lakh

PRADEEP VENNELAKANTI
TIRUMALA

THE TTD trust board has announced that it will introduce a first-of-its-kind initiative in the country by approving a Rs 2 lakh insurance cover for the families of devotees who succumb to natural causes during their stay in Tirumala.

The scheme will be implemented in association with the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC), providing financial assistance to the families of pilgrims who die of natural causes in



TTD chairman BR Naidu explaining the board decisions to the media in Tirumala on Wednesday. Executive Officer M Ravichandra is also seen

Tirumala. Under the scheme, the TTD will pay the insurance premium, ensuring a Rs 2 lakh benefit for the family of a devotee who dies of natural causes while in Tirumala. The temple body already extends accident insurance assistance to the kin of devotees killed in road accidents on the Alipiri-Tirumala route in specified cases.

The decision was taken at the TTD trust board meeting held at Annamaiah Bhavan in Tirumala on Wednesday under the chairmanship of BR Naidu.

EXTRA 'F' IN CNR RAO'S NAME TRIGGERS SIR NOTICE

EC now says will visit Bharat Ratna's house for verification

BENGALURU

ELECTION Commission of India (ECI) officials will visit 92-year-old Bharat Ratna awardee and eminent scientist CNR Rao's Bengaluru residence for verification after backlash over the notice issued to him as part of the Karnataka electoral roll Special Intensive Revision (SIR).



Rao was asked to appear at an SIR hearing centre to address a discrepancy in how his name was recorded during the

enumeration process. "... Rao does not have to appear before the election officials at the designated centre. Officials will visit his home and conduct the necessary verification there," said an ECI official, who did not want to be named.

The notice listed the reason as "self-name mismatch."

'AI could kill us all by end of decade'

ANTHROPIC RESEARCHER QUILTS, ISSUES DIRE WARNING

WASHINGTON

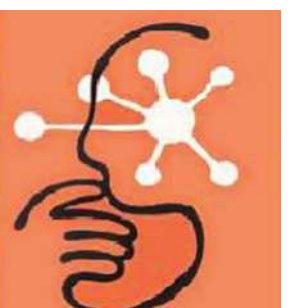
AN Anthropic researcher has resigned from the company citing fears that AI labs are building systems that could kill human life in just a few years. Jacob Coxon said in an X post on Wednesday morning that he is quitting Anthropic — as he had previously quit OpenAI — because these AI companies are gambling with lives in their rush to

improve superintelligence. "I resigned from Anthropic today. I spent the last three years doing pretraining research at both OpenAI and Anthropic. Neither company is acting responsibly," Coxon said. "They are racing straight to self-improving superintelligence and gambling with our lives."

Coxon warned against underestimating the power of AI systems — predicting that they would soon be able



to "hack anything, revolutionize any field overnight, and acquire real power and



resources". He went so far as to say that these superintelligent AI systems could end

humanity in the space of just a few years, and the people building them are aware of this. "The people building AI earnestly believe that it could kill us all by the end of the decade," the 27-year-old former Anthropic researcher warned. He claimed to have first-hand knowledge of senior AI researchers who are worried about artificial intelligence killing humanity, writing: "This is not a marketing stunt. If anything,

many executives and senior researchers will couch their phrasing in the press to sound sensible - but I hear the same people express fear privately." "No other human activity poses this level of danger," Coxon added.

The 27-year-old researcher said that Anthropic is well aware of the stakes, but wants to be the first to build an uncontrollable, self-improving AI system.

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Cognizant's green card filings suspended

IT industry may face tougher scrutiny

WASHINGTON

THE US has suspended permanent labour certification filings (PERM) by Chennai-founded IT services company Cognizant and software firm Cloud-era, as the Trump administration steps up its crackdown on alleged fraud and misuse of employment visa programmes.

The move could have implications for foreign workers seeking US employment-based Green Cards through Cognizant, including Indian technology professionals. The US Department of Labour has not disclosed the specific allegations against either company. Authorities have not publicly given details about the specific allegations against Cognizant or Cloud-era, nor said how many PERM applications are affected or how long the suspension will last.

US Department of Labour Inspector General Anthony D'Esposito announced the suspension of the companies' PERM filings, saying, "Threats to American workers will NOT be tolerated."

D'Esposito said the investigation into the two companies was conducted in coordination with the White House Fraud Task Force and other officials. Referring to Cognizant, he said its PERM filings

had been suspended and that the Department of Labour's Office of Inspector General was investigating. In another statement, D'Esposito said authorities were following "facts, fraud and finances".

The development comes after the Trump administration launched a major investigation in July into alleged fraud involving the H-1B and PERM employment programmes.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that our client intends to purchase/lease from the farmers mentioned below, all that piece and parcel of lands comprised in various villages of Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh State:

S.No.	Village	Mandal	Sy.No.	Total Extent (acres)	Present Owner
1	Bachehalli	Setturu	133-6(244)	14.42	G.Manjunatha s/o Bhanumurthy
2	Khairavu	Setturu	1-1	5.00	Bhutaramma s/o Hanumanthappa
3	Khairavu	Setturu	1-1	5.00	Ediga Govindappa s/o Bhutarayappa
4	Khairavu	Setturu	240-A	19.95	Kataru Lakshmidevi c/o Kataru Hemanth Kumar
5	Elanji	Bommanahal	275	0.50	Junna Lakshmidevi w/o Junna Kurugudappa Late
6	Elanji	Bommanahal	275	2.00	Mulinti Somasekhhar Reddy s/o Mulinti Chinnalingareddy
7	Elanji	Bommanahal	275	2.93	P Lingareddy s/o Papasani Gangireddy
8	Elanji	Bommanahal	275	1.50	Mulinti Gangamma w/o M.Hanumantha Reddy
9	Dodagatta	D.Hirehal	143-B	6.53	PManoj Kumar s/o PChennappa Gowd
10	Dodagatta	D.Hirehal	143-C	5.00	Patil Padmavathi w/o Patil Basavaraju
11	Kudulur	D.Hirehal	316	11.30	Kotturu Kadappa s/o Late K. Thimmappa
12	Yerragunta	Kanekal	330-B(1790)	4.08	K. Mallamma w/o K. Thippeswamy
13	Yerragunta	Kanekal	329(1789)	4.10	Kotha Kuruba Nagaraju s/o K.K. Linganna
14	Sridhargattu	Bommanahal	249CA	3.07	Goodykonda Sreedhar s/o Goodykonda Guruprasad Rao
15	Sridhargattu	Bommanahal	253-A	3.78	Goodykonda Sreedhar s/o Goodykonda Guruprasad Rao
16	Sridhargattu	Bommanahal	249B1B	6.17	Goodykonda Sreedhar s/o Goodykonda Guruprasad Rao
17	Sridhargattu	Bommanahal	257-B	4.78	Goodykonda Sreedhar s/o Goodykonda Guruprasad Rao
18	Singanahalli	Bommanahal	176-A(1912)	0.43	Boya Shivananda s/o Boya Eeranna
19	Singanahalli	Bommanahal	176-A(1913)	2.53	Boya Shivananda s/o Boya Eeranna
20	Singanahalli	Bommanahal	176-B(1917)	2.35	Boya Yerriswamy s/o Boya Yerranna
21	Singanahalli	Bommanahal	176-B(1918)	0.293	Boya Yerriswamy s/o Boya Yerranna
22	Singanahalli	Bommanahal	177 (1924)	2.385	Boya Yerriswamy s/o Boya Yerranna
23	Bandur	Bommanahal	192-A, 192B(452)	9.92	Pravalika T c/o Apparao T V S
24	Haresamudram	Bommanahal	17-A (2137)	5.187	Kuruba Gangadhar s/o Kuruba Hanumappa
25	Haresamudram	Bommanahal	17 (2140)	1.66	K Sreekanth s/o K Pedda Raamanna
26	Haresamudram	Bommanahal	17 (90)	1.65	K Suresh s/o K Pedda Raamanna
27	Haresamudram	Bommanahal	17(2138)	1.66	K Ramesh s/o K Pedda Raamanna
28	Honnuru D	Bommanahal	65	1.00	P Chinnna Vannurappa s/o P Bandeppa
29	Honnuru D	Bommanahal	65	3.00	Pedda Vannurappa s/o P Bandeppa
30	Honnuru D	Bommanahal	49	2.61	Pallayya Gari Prabhakar s/o Late Pallaya Gari Vandrapa
31	Honnuru D	Bommanahal	49	2.61	Pallayya Gari Yerriswamy s/o Pallaya Gari Vandrapa
32	Honnuru D	Bommanahal	49	2.00	Pallayya Gari Nagaraju s/o Late Pallaya Gari Vandrapa
33	Honnuru D	Bommanahal	49	2.64	Pallayya Gari Thippeswamy s/o Late Pallaya Gari Vandrapa
34	Bollanaguddam	Bommanahal	175-1	7.37	K M Azad Murthy s/o Somasekharayya
35	Bollanaguddam	Bommanahal	119-A	3.02	M Parvathamma c/o M Nagaraju
36	Bollanaguddam	Bommanahal	119-A	0.88	C Dharma Goud s/o Chinnna Katte Basappa
37	Bollanaguddam	Bommanahal	119-A	0.88	Sindhavalam Katte Basappa s/o Sindhavalam Vemana Goud
				Total Extent	154.185

The aforementioned owners have represented that their respective property mentioned above is free from all encumbrances, charges, liens and the owners have not entered into any agreements, Lease, MOUs etc., qua the aforesaid property and there are no legal impediments etc. for them to sell/lease the same to our client, based on which our client has agreed to purchase/lease the aforesaid Property.

All/ Any person(s)/ companies/ entities, authority, agency having any right, title, interest, benefit, claim or demand into, upon or against the aforementioned Property or any part thereof, by way of inheritance, mortgage, possession, sale, exchange, license, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, bequest, easement, development rights, partnership, joint venture, Decree or Order of any Court of Law, notice of acquisition or under any other agreement/understanding whatsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at the address specified herein below with supporting documentary evidence in original within 7 (Seven) days of issuance of this Public Notice, failing which the claim and/or objection, if any, shall be considered as waived/ abandoned and our client shall complete the transaction of the above referred Property without any reference to such claim or demand/ objection.

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AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) 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 properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/ physical possession of which have been taken by the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 28-09-2026, for recovery of outstanding as mentioned here below is due to the Canara Bank from below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s).

DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION: 28-09-2026 at 10:30 a.m.

EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (baanknet) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before 25-09-2026 at 4.00 pm

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1. **Borrower(s): M/s Cosmic Pharmaceuticals, Prop: D Nikitha W/o D Vijaya Chandra.**
Total Liabilities: Rs. 1,08,64,256.38/- as on 07.09.2026 + further interest, costs & charges.
Details & full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All the part and parcel of land Situated in Sy No 207/1, 207/3, Plot No 8 (North Part) in Sai Sannidhi Resorts, Residential Plot approved L.Dis. No. 1/69 to the extent of 625 Sq.Yards, in Chetlamallapuram Village, Kalluru Mandal and Sub-registration, Kurnool Registration District, kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh. **Boundaries:** East: Site in plot no 06, West: 30 feet wide Road, North: Site In plot No 7, South: Remaining half site in same plot, **House Measurements:** East – West: 150 feet or 45.72 Mtrs., North – South: 37.5 feet or 11.43 Mtrs., **Total Extent of 625 Sq. Yards.**
RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 13,75,000/- **EMD AMOUNT: Rs. 1,37,500/-**

2. **Borrower(s): M/s Eden Pharmaceuticals, Proprietor: Smt Reddipogu Indira Priyadarshini, W/o Reddipogu Vijayanandam.**
Total Liabilities: Rs. 1,08,07,635.42/- as on 07.09.2026 + further interest, costs & charges.
Details & full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All the part and parcel of land extent of 625 Sq yards in Sy No 208/3, Plot No 7 (North Part) in Sai Sannidhi Resorts, Approved L.Dis. No.1/69, Chetlamallapuram Village, Kallur Mandal, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh. **Boundaries:** East: Site in Plot No 6, West: 30 feet wide Road, North: 30 feet wide Road, South: Remaining half site in same plot (Plot No 7 South Part). **Measurements:** East – West: 150 feet or 45.72 Mtrs., North – South: 37.5 feet or 11.43 Mtrs., **Total Extent of 625 Sq. Yards.**
RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 13,75,000/- **EMD AMOUNT: Rs. 1,37,500/-**

3. **Borrower(s): M/s Ozone Pharmaceuticals, Prop Mekala Mary Nirmala W/o Prabhudas.**
Total Liabilities: Rs. 1,07,20,513.84/- as on 07.09.2026 + further interest, costs & charges.
Details & full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All the part and parcel of land extent of 625 Sq. Yards in Sy No 208/3, Plot No 07 (South Part) in Sai Sannidhi Resorts, Approved L.Dis No.1/69, Chetlamallapuram Village Kallur, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh. **Boundaries:** East: Site in Plot No 6, West: 30 feet wide Road. North: Remaining half site in same plot, South: Site in Plot No 8. **Measurements:** East-West: 150 feet or 45.72 Mtrs., North-South: 37.5 feet or 11.43 Mtrs., **Total Extent of 625 Sq. Yards.**
RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 13,75,000/- **EMD AMOUNT: Rs. 1,37,500/-**

4. **Borrower(s): M/s Sunrise Pharmaceuticals, Prop: Smt. N J Anuradha W/o N V Jeevan Jessy.**
Total Liabilities: Rs. 1,08,40,820.03/- as on 07.09.2026 + further interest, costs & charges.
Details & full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All the part and parcel of land extent of 625 Sq yards in Sy No 207/1, 207/3, Plot No 8 (South Part) in Sai Sannidhi Resorts, Approved L.Dis No.1/69, in Chetlamallapuram Village Kallur, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh. **Boundaries:** East: Site in plot no 06, West: 30 feet wide Road, North: Remaining half site in same plot, South: Site in plot No 9. **Measurements:** East – West: 150 feet or 45.72 Mtrs., North – South: 37.5 feet or 11.43 Mtrs., **Total Extent of 625 Sq. Yards.**
RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 13,75,000/- **EMD AMOUNT: Rs. 1,37,500/-**

5. **Borrower(s): 1. M/s Judah Textile Industries Prop. D Vijaya Chandra S/o D Chandrapal. Guarantor: 2. Smt. D Nikitha W/o D Vijaya Chandra. 3. Smt. Lakshmi Devi Dola W/o Late D Chandrapal.**
Total Liabilities: Rs. 4,97,25,761.48/- as on 07.09.2026 + further interest, costs & charges.
Details & full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All parts & parcel of the Land and building is situated in Plots no 22 and 26, situated near the house bearing D.No.81-234/B, in 89th ward in Sy No. 535/A1B, 535/A1C in Kallur area in Kallur sub registration and Kurnool Registration District, Kurnool. **Name of title holder Mr. D. Vijay Chandra S/o D Chandrapal. Boundaries:** East: 20 Feet Wide Road, West: Handri River Poramboku, North: Site of Komati Vandal, South: Plot No.23 & 24, Maddaiah Kottam. **Measurements: for item No.1:** East Side: 35 feet, West Side: 35 Feet, North Side: 93 feet, South Side: 82.50 feet, Extent 3071.25 Sq. Ft or 341.25 Sq. yards. **Measurements: for item No.2:** East Side: "0" feet, West Side: 16.50 Feet, North Side: 82.50 feet, South Side: 82 feet. Extent 676.50 Sq. Ft or 75.16 Sq. yards. **Total Extent of the Site 3071.25 + 676.50 = 3747.75 Sft or 416.40 Sq. Yds or 8.60 Cents.**
RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 47,50,000/- **EMD AMOUNT: Rs. 4,75,000/-**

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6. **Borrower(s): Sri. K. Khajanna, S/o Hanumanthappa, Smt. Lalamma Karimithi, W/o Hanumanthappa, Guarantor: Sri. K. Mohan, S/o Anjaniah.**
Total Liabilities: Rs. 1,96,943.88/- as on 07.09.2026 + further interest, costs & charges.
Details & full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All that part and parcel of the Residential Property is situated in Sy.No. 374-A within Chippagiri Mandal at Yerur Village Grampanchayat limits the house property bearing D.No.4/33 is situated with in the following **Boundaries:** East: House of M. Nettikantiah, West: House of M. Rangaswamy, North: House of M. Anjanamma, South: Rastha, East-West: 22 Feet, North-South: 25 Feet.
Total Extent of 61.11 Sq. Yards or 550 Sq.ft.
RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 5,15,000/- **EMD AMOUNT: Rs. 51,500/-**

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01. Tender Notice No.: Short Tender Notice
No. 17/2026-27/GVMC/SE-Gwk/E.E-GWK Zone, Dt:08.09.2026 (07 days)

1	Number of Works	04 No's.
2	Value of Works	Rs. 265.90 Lakhs
3	Down Load Starting Date	09.09.2026 @ 02.00 PM
4	Down Load Ending date	16.09.2026 @ 03.00 PM

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Ph : 08518-222335, Mobile : 7625079211.
e-Mail : kurnool@canfinhomes.com
(CIN No.: L85110KA1987PLC008699)

DEMAND NOTICE
Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

- Mrs. Uppara Varalakshmi (Applicant), Residing at House No. 1/2407-4-2-5, Thirumala Nagar, Village Yemmiganur, Kurnool - 518360.
- Uppara Lakshmanna (Co-Applicant), Residing at House No. 1/2407-4-2-5, Thirumala Nagar, Village Yemmiganur, Kurnool - 518360.
- D. Vijay Mohan Reddy (Guarantor), Residing at House No.81/196-9, Gattiah Nagar, Kurnool - 518002.

1 & 2 have have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset/s belonging to Mrs. Uppara Varalakshmi & Uppara Lakshmanna. An amount of Rs.3,97,545/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Five Only) and Rs.10,59,675/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Fifty Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Five Only) and is due from you, to CanFin Homes Ltd., as on 07.09.2026 together with future interest.

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY
All that part and parcel of House No.1/2407-4-2-5, Plot No.15, North Part, S.No.472, 484/A & 484/B, Yemmiganur, Kurnool - 518360. **Bounded by:** East : Plot No.14, West: 40 Feet Road, North: 33 Feet Road, South: Plot No.15 of Veeresh.

Registered demand notice was sent to 1 & 2 under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non-Performing Asset on 29.08.2026 as per the NHB Guidelines. You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon from Demand Notice Dt.07.09.2026 within 60 days from the date, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 07.09.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Kurnool CanFin Homes Ltd.

CanFin Homes Ltd
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DEMAND NOTICE
Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

- Mr. Singaram Arun Kumar (Applicant), Residing at House on Plot No.115, S.No.274, 275, 334/3, 335 in pausal village in Kalliasagiri Layout, Pasupala Village, Kurnool - 518452.
- Pallepadu Lakshmi Devi (Co-Applicant), House on Plot No.115, S.No.274, 275, 334/3, 335 in pausal village in Kalliasagiri Layout, Pasupala Village, Kurnool - 518452.

1 & 2 have have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset/s belonging to Mr. Singaram Arun Kumar & Pallepadu Lakshmi Devi. An amount of Rs.30,61,234/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Sixty One Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Four Only) is due from you, to CanFin Homes Ltd., as on 07.09.2026 together with future interest.

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY
All that part and parcel of Plot No.115, S.No.274, 275, 334/3, 335 of Pasupala Village, Kurnool, in Kallias Giri Layout Village and Panchayat, Kurnool, Kurnool District - 518452. **Bounded by:** East: Plot No.114, West: Plot No.116, North: Plot No.104, South: 30 Feet Road.

Registered demand notice was sent to 1 & 2 under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non-Performing Asset on 29.08.2026 as per the NHB Guidelines. You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon from Demand Notice Dt.07.09.2026 within 60 days from the date, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 07.09.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Kurnool CanFin Homes Ltd.

Bank of Baroda
BELLARY ROAD BRANCH
D.No. 10 TO 14839 TO 43, Opp. Zila Parishad, KE Plaza, Kurnool-518004

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable property/ies)

(As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest(Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 20.05.2026, and Paper Publication dated 17-06-2026 calling upon the Borrower: 1.Mr. Yadam Maha Rushi, S/o Y.Rambabu, residing at H.No.5-147B, Sunkulamma Street, Nandyal-518501

to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.78,36,150/- (Seventy Eight Lakh Thirty Six Thousand One Hundred Fifty only) as on 11.05.2026 together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower, Guarantor, Mortgagee and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 05th day of September, 2026.

The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagees in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount of Rs.78,36,150/- (Seventy Eight Lakh Thirty Six Thousand One Hundred Fifty only) as on 11.05.2026 and further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses from the date of payment.

The Borrower, Guarantor and Mortgagees attention is invited to provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Equitable Mortgage of Plot No.95 (Semi-Finished House) property situated in Nandyal District, Nandyal Registration and Sub-Registration District, Advaytham Villages (approved by KUDA vide LP No.16/2021/1017/ KUDA/DPMS), Rythu Nagaram Village, Hamlet of Noonepalle, Nandyal Municipal Limits, with the following particulars: Survey Nos.:3/B/2C and 4/ 2 Pyki, Extent: Ac.0.03.181 cents (or) 154 Sq.Yds.
Measurements of the Site: East-West: 42Ft, North-South: 33 Ft, Total Extent of Plot No.95: Ac.0.03.181 Cents (or) 154 Sq. Yds, Plinth Area: Ground Floor: 786.55 Sq.Ft, First Floor: 893.29Sq.Ft
Boundaries of the Property: East: Plot No.86 in Advaytham Villas, West: 40 Ft Wide Road for Ingress and Egress, North: Plot No.96 in Advaytham Villas, South: Plot No.94 in Advaytham Villas.
Property standing in the name of: Mr.Yadama Maha Rushi, S/o Y. Rambabu.
Date:05-09-2026, Place: Kurnool Sd/- Authorized Officer, Bank of Baroda

Rs 300 cr sanctioned for roads ahead of Pushkaralu

Govt clears Rs 300 cr to upgrade 431 km of R&B roads across six Godavari districts

SH and MDR works fast-tracked to ease travel for millions during Pushkaralu-2027

HANS NEWS SERVICE
AMARAVATI

THE state government has sanctioned Rs 300 crore for the repair, renovation and development of roads and buildings (R&B) roads in six districts in preparation for the Godavari Pushkaralu-2027.

R&B minister B C Janardhan Reddy said the finance department had given immediate approval for the funds following the directions of Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu. The works are aimed at providing safe,



smooth and improved transportation facilities to the millions of devotees expected to attend the prestigious religious event. The minister said 78 roads covering nearly 431 km would be developed in East Godavari, West Godavari, Kakinada, Dr B R Ambedkar Konaseema, Polavaram and Eluru districts.

Of the total allocation, Rs 185.75 crore has been earmarked for 41 state highway (SH) projects covering about 275 km. Another Rs 114.25 crore will be spent on 37 key major district roads (MDRs) extending over

nearly 155 km. The government has accorded priority to restoring badly damaged roads and modernising key routes in and around the Godavari region. The works will be taken up on a priority basis to ensure better connectivity to important pilgrimage and bathing locations during the Pushkarams.

Janardhan Reddy said the government's objective was to ensure that devotees arriving from across the country do not face traffic congestion or travel difficulties. The Rs. 300-crore investment would significantly improve the condition and appearance of R&B roads across the Godavari region, he added. The minister said the road development programme reflected the coalition government's commitment to providing devotees with safe, comfortable and hassle-free transportation during Godavari Pushkarams-2027.

80% subsidy on alternative crop seeds

VIJAYAWADA

IN view of the prevailing El Niño conditions and the associated rainfall deficit, the Agriculture Department has launched a Contingency Crop Plan to support farmers and encourage cultivation on lands that remain unsown during the current Kharif season.

SP chairs peace committee meet ahead of festivities

HANS NEWS SERVICE
KURNOOL

HIGHLIGHTING Kurnool district's long-standing tradition of communal harmony, Superintendent of Police S Vikrant Patil on Wednesday appealed to citizens, Ganesh Utsav organizers, and religious elders to celebrate Vinayaka Chavithi and Navaratri in a peaceful, brotherly atmosphere.

Addressing a Peace Committee meeting at the Vyas Auditorium in the District Police Office, SP Vikrant Patil directed organizers not to erect pandals that obstruct roads or disrupt vehicular movement.

Emphasizing strict adherence to noise pollution standards, the SP clarified that DJ sound levels must not exceed 70 decibels, and no loudspeakers or sound systems will be allowed post 10 PM. He warned that equipment violating prescribed decibel limits would be impounded immediately.

Furthermore, he urged the public to exercise caution on social media platforms like WhatsApp and Instagram, advising against sharing or believing unverified and inflammatory content.

Patil noted that minor oversights during festive seasons can escalate into major



SP Vikrant Patil addressing a peace committee meeting in Kurnool on Wednesday

law-and-order issues, urging residents to report local disputes directly to the police rather than taking the law into their own hands.

He emphasized that maintaining a peaceful environment is crucial for bringing industries, investments, and employment opportunities to the district. If water levels remain insufficient at Vinayaka Ghat, alternative immersion arrangements will be made at Nannur and Ulindakonda on the city outskirts.

Religious elders, including Government Qazi Dr Abdus Salam, Maulana Zakir Ahmed, and Ganesh Utsav committee representatives assured full cooperation. DSP KV Raghavendra, city Circle Inspectors, and peace committee members attended the meeting as elaborate security plans were outlined for the immersion procession.

KRISHNAGIRI REZ TRANSMISSION LIMITED

(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited)

PUBLIC NOTICE

KRISHNAGIRI REZ TRANSMISSION LIMITED (A Wholly owned Subsidiary of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited) having its Registered Office at B-9, Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi-110016 intends to apply/has applied to Government of India to confer upon him all the powers under Section 164 of Electricity Act, 2003 for placing Electrical Lines or Electrical Plant for the transmission of electricity or for the purpose of telephonic or telegraphic communications necessary for the proper coordination of works which telegraph authority possess under the Indian Telegraphic Act, 1885 with respect to the placing of telegraph lines and posts for the purpose of telegraph established or maintained, by the Government or to be so established or maintained and will undertake the survey, construction, installation, inspection, erection and other works to be followed by commissioning, operation, maintenance and other works for the following transmission schemes:

Name of the transmission scheme: "Transmission System for integration of Krishnagiri REZ Phase-I".

Works covered under the Scheme: KRISHNAGIRI REZ TRANSMISSION LIMITED

S. No	Scope of the Transmission Scheme	Capacity/Line length in Kms.
1	Establishment of 4x1500 MVA, 765/400 kV and 5x500 MVA, 400/220kV Krishnagiri Pooling Station near Kodumur in Kurnool district along with 2x330 MVAr (765kV) bus reactors at Krishnagiri PS with provision of two (2) sections of 4500 MVA each at 400kV level	(i) 765/400kV, 1500 MVA, ICTs – 4 Nos. (13x500 MVA incl. 1 spare unit) (ii) 765kV ICT bays – 4 Nos. (iii) 400kV ICT bays – 4 Nos. (iv) 765kV line bays – 6 Nos. (at Krishnagiri PS for termination of Krishnagiri-Doma, Krishnagiri-Raichur New and Krishnagiri-Sagar 765kV D/c lines) (v) 765 kV, 330 MVAr Bus Reactor – 2 Nos. (7x110 MVAr inc. 1 switchable spare unit for both bus reactor and line reactor) (vi) 765 kV Bus Reactor bays – 2 Nos. (vii) 400/220kV, 500 MVA, ICTs – 5 Nos. (viii) 400kV ICT bays – 5 Nos. (ix) 220kV ICT bays – 5 Nos. (x) 220kV line bays – 6 Nos. (xi) 220kV Bus Sectionalizer : 1 set (xii) 220 kV Bus Coupler (BC) Bay – 2 Nos. (xiii) 220 kV Transfer Bus Coupler (TBC) Bay – 2 Nos.
2	± 300 MVAr STATCOM at Krishnagiri PS	(i) 400kV bay – 1 no. (ii) ± 300 MVAr STATCOM – 1 set
3	Krishnagiri-Doma 765 kV D/c line (about 175.33 km) with 240 MVAr SLR (convertible) at both ends on both circuits	(i) 175.33 km (ii) 765 kV line bays – 2 Nos. (at Doma) (iii) 765 kV, 240 MVAr SLR at Krishnagiri PS – 2 Nos. (7x80 MVAr inc. 1 switchable spare unit) (iv) Switching Equipment for 765 kV SLR at Doma PS – 2 Nos.
4	Krishnagiri – Raichur New 765 kV D/c line (about 89.83 km) with 240 MVAr SLR (convertible) at Raichur New end on both circuits	(i) 89.83 km (ii) 765 kV, 240 MVAr SLR at Krishnagiri PS – 2 Nos. (6x80 MVAr switchable units) (iii) Switching Equipment for 765 kV SLR at Krishnagiri PS – 2 Nos. (iv) Switching Equipment for 765 kV SLR at Raichur New end on both circuits
5	Establishment of 3x1500 MVA, 765/400 kV Sagar substation with 2x330 MVAr (765kV) bus reactors with space provision for establishment of 220 kV switchyard	(i) 765/400kV, 1500 MVA, ICTs – 3 Nos. (10x500 MVA incl. 1 spare unit) (ii) 765kV ICT bay – 3 Nos. (iii) 400kV ICT bay – 3 Nos. (iv) 765kV line bays – 2 Nos. (at Sagar for termination of Krishnagiri – Sagar 765kV D/c line) (v) 765 kV, 330 MVAr Bus Reactors – 2 Nos. (7x110 MVAr, inc. 1 switchable spare unit) (vi) 765 kV Bus Reactor bays – 2 Nos. (vii) 400kV line bays – 2 Nos. (at Sagar for termination of Sagar – Nagarjunasagar 400 kV quad D/c line)
6	Krishnagiri – Sagar 765 kV D/c line (about 301.2 km) with 240 MVAr SLR (convertible) at both ends on both circuits	(i) 301.2 km (ii) 765 kV, 240 MVAr SLR at Krishnagiri PS – 2 Nos. (6x80 MVAr switchable units) (iii) Switching Equipment for 765 kV SLR at Krishnagiri PS – 2 Nos. (iv) Switching Equipment for 765 kV SLR at Sagar – 2 Nos. (7x80 MVAr inc. 1 switchable spare unit) (v) Switching Equipment for 765 kV SLR at Sagar – 2 Nos.
7	Sagar – Nagarjunasagar 400 kV quad D/c line	~ 54.55 km

The transmission lines covered under the scheme will pass through, over, around and between the following villages, towns and cities in the states of **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana:**

S. No	Name of Villages	Tehsil/Mandal	District
1	Brahmanadoddi, Burandoddi, C.Belagal, Polakal, Kondapuram, Gundrevula, Palukudoddi, Pata Kondapuram, Paludoddi, Inagandla, Betoli, Marabattuniddi, Rangapuram (Kotta Kondapuram), Krishnadoddi, Burandoddi, Polukallu	C.Belagal	Kurnool
2	P.Kotakonda, Matsapuram, Bodapadu, Kurumu, Seshareddipalli, Kotakonda, Machapuram	Devanakonda	Kurnool
3	Kurnur, Kurumu, Lingamdinne, Thippapur, Vernugodu, Bodipadu, Tippapur	Gonegandla	Kurnool
4	Chanugondla, Gudur, Guduru	Gudur / Guduru	Kurnool
5	Mudumalagurthy, Kodumur, Varkur, Pulakurthy, Kallipatti, Byanadoddi, Varakuru, Pulakurti, Merusudoddi, Madumalagurthy	Kodumur	Kurnool
6	Agavelli, Pothugall, Potugallu, Enukalacheruvu, Yerukalacheruvu, Chunchu Yerragudi	Krishnagiri	Kurnool
7	Vavilala, Saterla	Itikyala / Itikyali	Jogulamba Gadwal
8	Tanagala, Tanagal	Waddepalle	Jogulamba Gadwal
9	Uppal, Venkatapur, Yadinne, Jadadoddi, Thoomkunta, Ieej, Fakirpuram, Paridpuram, Venkatapuram, Krishnapuram, Gudidoddi, Chikpadoddi, Tumkurta, Aiza, Uppal Camp	Aiza	Jogulamba Gadwal
10	Dharur, Sangal Vagu, Dharoor	Dharur	Jogulamba Gadwal
11	Kakulavaram, Paramala, Jiladabanda, Sangala, Gadwal, Gonpad, Gadwal (R)(Part), Yenkapeta, Atmakur, Kothapalle, Rekulapalle, Kothipatti, Madanapalli, Chinnaganipalli, Gonpadu, Sangal, Atkur, Kakalavaram, Kurvapalli, Sangal Cheruvu, Kangal Vagu, Guntipalli, Chinnagraharam, Ganpad, Gadwal (Rural), Rekulapalli, Parmala	Gadwal	Jogulamba Gadwal
12	Vittalapuram, Nagardoddi, Mallemdoddi, Chelagarlapadu, Yelkur, Yeddagudem, Maldakal, Saddalalonipeta, D.Amaravai, Burdipad, Palwai, Bijjawaram, Kurthiravacheruvu, Peddapalli, Elkur, Budadi, Vithalapuram, Idulapalle, Cherlagarlapadu, Edlagudem, Niypalle, Sadalampalle, Amarvay, Budidipadu, Miyakalasompli, Jilledabanda, Marlapalle, Kadravilacheruvu, Palvai	Rajoli	Jogulamba Gadwal
13	Chinnadahanwada, Thumilla, Nasnur, Pedda Thandrapadu, Mandoddi, Pacharla, Thummella, Chinnadahanwada, Nafsanuru, Thummella, Patcharla, Yendupalli	Amarchintha	Wanaparthy
14	Amarchinta, Pamireddipalle, Kankavanipalle, Rangapur, Amarchinta Tanda, Amarchinta, Amarchintha Tanda, Rangapur (UJ), Konkavanipalli	Atmakur	Wanaparthy
15	Guntipalle, Motlampalle, Jurjal, Medepalle, Somsagar, Atmakur (Ct), Balakistapur, Khanapur, Pinnamcherla, Jurjala, Atmakur, Gopannapet, Kottur, Medipalli, Gopannapet Tanda, Kottur Tanda, Guntipalli	Kottapalli / Kothapalle / Kothapally	Narayanpet
16	Mukthiyarnagar, Kosgi, Eijloor, Malreddipalli, Gundipalli, Timmayapalli, Sampalli, Ustavaniapalle, Nagsanpalli, Potreddipalli	Kosgi	Narayanpet
17	Nandigam, Gokulnagar, Thimmareddipalle, Allipur, Lingalched, Peddapur, Mannapur, Ekkamedu, Peddapuram, Pedda Lingalched, Timmareddipalli, Nandigaon, Pedda Vagu, Kothapalle, Kottapalli, Kothapally	Marikal	Narayanpet
18	Chittannur, Jinnaram, Ibrahimnagar, Peddachintakunta, Teelari, Venkatapur, Marikal, Rakonda, Madwar, Pasalpad, Puslapad, Tileru, Dhanwad, Madharan, Kottapalli, Sanjivakonda, Pedda Chintakunta	Narwa	Narayanpet
19	Kumaralingampalle, Kumaralingampalli	Chinna Chintla Kunta	Mahabubnagar
20	Allipur, Maddur, Kurumurthy, Lakshmidhepur, Gudur, Chinnachintakunta(Ct), Undyala, Edulapur, Waddemanu, Damagnapur, Seetharampet, Nelikondli, Fareedpur, Pallamari, Lakota, Bandrepalle, Bandarpalli, Paridpur, Pandur Tanda, Sitarampet, Manne Vagu, Pedda Vagu, Vaddeman, Nelikondli Tanda, Allipuram, Kurumurthy, Chintakunta, Lakshmidhepuram, Edulapuram		

24	Thirumalapur, Tirumalapuram, Mutchintala Accampalle, Appampalli, Muchchintala	Koukuntla	Mahabubnagar
25	Meenugunipalle, Gopapurkalan, Gurakonda, Baswapur, Nagaram, Peddarajamoor, Chinnarajoor, Ajilapur, Bollaram, Gudibanda, Kollisagar, Nagannapalli, Chinna Rajamur, Pedda Rajamur, Pedda Vagu, Gopulapuram	Devarkadra	Mahabubnagar
26	Pagdiyala, Mansoorpalle, Varahagripalle, Govindapalle, Kapilapur, Vennached, Chelmilla, Jinnaram, Kondapur, Jinnawaram, Chelmilla, Jakkalipalli, Vennachedu, Lingayapalli, Gollagadda, Govindapalli, Pagdiyala, Janampalli, Panchangula Tanda, Thuvvagadda Tanda, Rangareddipalli, Varahagripalli (UJ)	Gandeed	Mahabubnagar
27	Cheekarlappalle, Vepoor, Chinnna Vagu, Cheekarlappalli(UJ), Chikarlagadda Tanda, Ramannapalli	Hanwada	Mahabubnagar
28	Ayyawarpalle, Chandapur, Mubarakpur, Ibrahimnagar, Kolkonda, Ankilla, Jamalpur, Yellareddipalle, Kushmohmedpalle, Vinjamur Modipur, Nallavelly, Serivenkatapur, Burgupalle, Lingalched, Suraram, Mallapur, Kothilabad Rukmapur, Pedda Vagu, Pedda Tanda, Palugu Tanda, Ayyavaripalli, Botanayak Tanda, Kondapur, Kollisagar, Kotilabad, Venkatapur, Chinnna Lingalched, Mahadevur, Yelreddipalli, Khushimhamadpalli, Sanganonipalli, Kothilavad	Koilkonda	Mahabubnagar
29	Polepalle, Pallegadda, Hakimpeta, Harkimpeta, Gundam, Dadapur, Malepalle, Batla Chandraram, Ananthareddipalle, Kondaipalle, Mithkur, Palepalle, Ainapur, Badampalle, Disampalle, Chandaram, Kottapalle, Anantareddipalle	Dudyal	Vikarabad
30	Chellapur, Bandayelkacherla	Kulkacherla	Vikarabad

S. No	Name of Villages	Tehsil/Mandal	District
1	P.Kotakonda, Kappatrala, Matsapuram, Machapuram, Palakurthy, Duppanagurti, Devarabanda, Kotakonda, Ma sapuram, Palakurti	Devanakonda	Kurnool
2	Kurnur, Thippapur, Neruduppala, Errabadu, Vernugodu, Iranbada, Handi Khairawadi, Gonegandla, Kulumala, Pedda Nelatur, Pedda Mariveedu, Alwala, Gajladinne, Vantedudinne, Pilligundla, Virampalli, Kulamala, Handrikhairavadi, Kurumu, Bandagutta (Kumarala), Gullamarusu, Chinnna Marividu, Pedda Marividu, Tippapur, Neraduppala, Airanbada, Pedda Nelatur, Alavala, Puttapasam	Gonegandla	Kurnool
3	Agavelli, Pothugall, Potugallu, Enukalacheruvu, Yerukalacheruvu, Chunchu Yerragudi	Krishnagiri	Kurnool
4	Manchala, Maniralayam (Mantsala)	Maniralayam	Kurnool
5	Ponakaladinne, Kanakaveedu, Machapuram, Nandavaram, Poolachinta, Ibharamapuram, Chinnakothikki, Peddakothikki, Joharapuram, Gangavaram, Nadikhairavadi, Sanjivapuram, Johrapuram, Pulachinta, Kanakavidi, Kottala, Ibharamipuram, Matsapuram, Chinnna Kottalki, Pedda Kottalki, Peta	Nandavaram	Kurnool
6	Ralladoddi, Parlapalle, Kalugota, Pesaladinne, K.Thimmapuram, Gardladinne, Enigabala, Soganur, Divamdinne, Tsallakuduru, Tsallakuduru, Timmapuram, Parlapalli, Guralvadoddi, Kalugota, Soganuru	Yemmiganur	Kurnool
7	Kudakanoor, Kutukunuru	Aiza	Jogulamba Gadwal Raichur
8	Gandhal, Gunjahalli, Gangwar, Naddigaddimalkapur, Gunderveli, Buddinni, Idapur, Malabada, Asapur, Nelhai, Yergera, Udamgal, Khanapur, Gadhar, Nagapur, Manjerla, Asikhal, Migdalinni, Alkur, Talmari, Arilbenchi, Mandapur, Kamlapur, Hanchinhal, Hunsihalwada, Hosur, Rampur, Kerebudur, Godihal, Upral, Purtipalli, Malmari, Anwar, Merchathal, Jalilbenchi, Pesalidini, Ekksapur, Gonhal, Mirzapur, Talmari, Gangawar, Naddigadda Malkapur, Gundrevula, Hanchinal, Gunjahalli, Godahal, Uprahal Nagapur, Marchetahal, Nelahai, Aralilbenchi, Raichur, Kamalapur, Manjerla, Medigadidini Budur, Purtipalli, Yergera, Alakuru, Anavara, Budadhinni, Gadthara, Ganadhala, Gangavar, Godihala, Gonala, Gunjahalli, Hanchinala Hasapura, Hosuru, Hunasihalwada, Kamalapura, Kerebuduru, Khanapura, Maliyabadi, Mamadhapura, Marchathala, Matamari, Meerapur, Madagaladhinni, Naddigiddi Malkapur, Nagalapur, Nelahala, Peesadhinni, Poothipilli, Rayachur, Thalamar, Udhamaigal, Udhrala, Yekalasapura, Yaragera, Jalilbedhathi, Idapanuru	Kallur	Kurnool

S. No	Name of Villages	Tehsil/Mandal	District
1	P.Kotakonda, Kotakonda, Matsapuram, Machapuram, Ma sapuram, Kurumu, Seshareddipalli	Devanakonda	Kurnool
2	Kurnur, Kurumu, Lingamdinne	Gonegandla	Kurnool
3	Chanugondla, Penchikalapadu, Kuruvaganapuram, Kuruvu Nagalapuram, Gudipadu, Gudur, Guduru, Regadi Khanapuram, Regadikhanapuram, K. Nagalapuram, Regadi Khanapur	Gudur / Guduru	Kurnool
4	Parla, A.Gokulapadu, Ayyavari Gokulapadu, Peddapadu (Qol), Pedda Vagu, Peddapadu	Kallur	Kurnool
5	Mudumalagurthy, Yerradoddi, Erradoddi, Kodumur, Amadaguntla, Amadaguntla, Pyalakurthy, Ramachandrapuram, Krishnapuram, Pyalakurti, Mudumalagurti, Venkatagiri	Kodumur	Kurnool
6	Agavelli, Pothugall, Potugallu, Enukalacheruvu, Yerukalacheruvu, Chunchu Yerragudi	Krishnagiri	Kurnool
7	Remata, Basavapuram, Ulichala, Nidzur, G.Singavaram, Bavapuram, Gopala Singavaram, Nidzuru, Uluchala	Kurnool	Kurnool
8	Peddagarlapadu, Kesanapalle, Kesanupalli, Dacheppalle, Pedda Garlapadu, Chinnna Garlapadu, Kesanapalli, Dacheppalli	Dacheppalli	Painadu
9	Cherlagudi Padu, Madugula, Pallegunta, Palliguntla, Gogulapadu, Gurazala, Gangavaram, Telukutta, Gottimukkala, Cherlagudiapadu, Satyanarayanaapuram, Samadhanampeta, Gurajala, Jangameshwarapuram, Anjanapuram, Ramapuram, Ramakrishnapuram, Daida Major	Gurajala / Gurazala	Painadu
10	Miriyala, Miriyala, Chintapalle, Peda Kodamagundla, Kakanivaripalem, Chinnagarlapadu, Sankarapuram Siddhai, Shankarapuram, Gadevaripalle, Bhattuwaripalle, Chinnna Kodamagundla, Lakshimpuram, Pedda Kodamagundla, Reddipalle, Pedda Garlapadu, Chinnna Garlapadu, Pedakodamagundla, Sankarapuramsiddhai	Karempudi	Painadu
11	Pinnelli, Ramachandrapuram, Machavaram, Gandhinagar, Chennayyapalem	Machavaram	Painadu
12	Karlagudi Padu, Madugula, Palliguntla, Gogulapadu, Gurazala, Gurajala, Cherlagudiapadu, Anjanapuram, Ramapuram, Janardhanapuram, Nalla Vagu	Piduguralla	Painadu
13	Rentalta, Rentachintala, Mittagudiapadu, Goli	Rentachintala	Painadu
14	Shalipur, Salipuram, Kyatur, Kyaturu	Alampur	Jogulamba Gadwal
15	Korvipadu, Chinnapothulapadu, Posalpadu, Peddatholupadu, Chinnipadu, Chennipadu, Raimkulakunta, Manopad, Manopadu, Jallapur, Chinnna Potulapadu, Pedda Potulapadu	Manopad	Jogulamba Gadwal
16	Mennipadu, Kalgota, Pullur, Pulluru, Bonkur, Undavelli, Khanapur, Kanchupadu, Itikyapadu, Thakkasla, Senpalle, Pragator, Maramunagala, Morsu, Sherpalli, Manyamchenu, Pragur, Ghantakarnava Vagu, Midutalapadu, Kalugota, Bomkuru, Itikyapadu, Takkasela, Salipuram, Serupalle	Undavelli / Undavelly	Jogulamba Gadwal
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21	Godal, Kondareddipalle, Chennaram (PG), Polesettipalle, Mahadevur, Thummapeta, Gattuthumman, Ippakunta, Gattu Thummanpet, Thummanpet, Lakhnawaram, Kottapalli, Channawaram, Madhukuntapalli, Thummanpet Cheruvu, Kondareddipalli, Kondareddypally, Chennaram Patligoddi, Polisetthipalli, Polesettipalli, Thummanpet, Gattuthumman	Balmoor	Nagarkurnool
22	Badigodine, Narsapalle, Kondrapalle, Yetham, Malairam, Khanapur, Kodar, Janampalle, Pasupla, Bawaipalle, Teegalapalle, Narsapalli, Badigodinni, Badigodinni Tanda, Kodaru, Pasupula, Bawaipalli, Khanapuram, Khanapuram Vagu, Yetham, Singawattam, Kondrapalli, Badugadinni, Narsapalli, Kondrapalli, Janumpalli, Janumpalli, Bavaipally, Teegalapally, Tigalapalli	Koderu / Kodari	Nagarkurnool

23	Chintalapalle, Machinenipalle, Enmanabeta, Jawalpalle, Singavatnam, Singawattam, Telapalagutta Tanda, Jawaipalli, Nalini Cheruvu, Yanmanabeta, Chintalapally, Chintalapalli, Machinenipally, Machinipalli, Yenmanabeta, Jawaipally, Singotam	Kollapur	Nagarkurnool
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35	Timmapuram, Perval, Neradugummu, Neredugummu, Mulavagu Tanda, Kalukunda Tanda, Pervala, Pervall, Neredugummu	Neredugummu / Neredugummu	Nalgonda
36	Surepalle, Regulagadda, Vallabhapur, Kakkaiahgudem, Tummulu Cheruvu, Netapur, Kakkaiahgudem, Dhanisoni Tanda, Hala R, Chilikala Vagu, Surepalli, Sitala Tanda, Moyya Tanda, Telapalagutta Tanda, Bhojagani Tanda, Surepally	Nidamanur / Nidmanoor	Nalgonda
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TIRUMALA BRAHMOTSAVAMS

CM to offer silk robes to Lord Venkateswara on Sept 15

- On the occasion of Srivari Brahmotsavams, Naidu will inaugurate 25 electric buses donated to TTD by Reliance
- Chairman BR Naidu says TTD will maintain a buffer stock of 10 lakh Srivari laddus to meet the expected demand
- This year, cultural programmes will be presented by 27 groups from 25 states, along with artists from Singapore and Germany, during the Vahana Sevas

PRADEEP VENNELAKANTI & DUSI VENKATESWARA RAO
TIRUMALA

CHIEF Minister N Chandrababu Naidu will present silk robes to Lord Venkateswara on behalf of the state government during the annual Srivari Brahmotsavams at Tirumala on September 15. The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) has completed prep-



TTD chairman B R Naidu, EO M Ravichandra, additional EO Ch Venkaiah Chowdary and board members releasing Srivari Brahmotsavams booklet in Tirumala on Wednesday

arations for the nine-day festival. Speaking to the media after the TTD trust board meeting in Tirumala on Wednesday, chairman B R Naidu and executive officer M Ravichandra said that the annual Brahmotsavams will be celebrated from September 15 to 23. The festivities will formally begin with Ankurpanam at 7 pm on September 14, followed by the Dwajaroohanam ceremony between 5.30 pm and 7 pm on September 15 in Meena Lagnam. Following Dwajaroohanam, Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu will offer the traditional silk garments to Lord Venkateswara. He will

later take part in the Pedda Sesha Vahana Seva scheduled for 9 pm. On September 16, the Chief Minister is scheduled to inaugurate 25 electric buses donated by Reliance to TTD and unveil the TTD calendars and diaries for 2027. In view of the Chief Minister's visit, elaborate security arrangements have been put in place at Tirumala. The chairman said all arrangements had been completed to conduct the annual Brahmotsavams on a grand scale and ensure that devotees do not face difficulties during the festival. With a large number of pilgrims expected to converge on Tirumala, the temple ad-

ministration has strengthened arrangements across darshan, accommodation, Annaprasadam, transport, security, medical services, sanitation, power supply and floral decorations. Special focus has been placed on the Garuda Seva, which is expected to draw a particularly heavy pilgrim turnout. While 6.13 lakh devotees were served Annaprasadam during Garuda Seva last year, TTD has made arrangements to cater to around 9.30 lakh devotees this year, representing an increase of nearly 52 per cent. Security will be maintained by around 5,600 personnel, including 3,000 police personnel. The temple administration has also decided to maintain a buffer stock of 10 lakh Srivari laddus to meet the increased demand during the Brahmotsavams. Sanitation arrangements have been stepped up as well, with the number of sanitation workers in Tirumala being increased from 3,000 to 3,300 during the festival period. The Brahmotsavams will also feature a series of cultural programmes ahead of the Vahana Sevas. Artists representing 27 groups from 25 states, besides performers from Singapore and Germany, are expected to participate. TTD has earmarked Rs 1.60 crore towards their travel and accommodation. Meanwhile, the 2026 booklet containing details of the annual Srivari Salakatala and Navaratri Brahmotsavams was unveiled during the board meeting. TTD Chairman BR Naidu, Executive Officer M Ravichandra and board members jointly released the booklet. It may be noted that the Navaratri Brahmotsavams are scheduled to commence on October 12. The chairman said that TTD officials are coordinating closely with the police and district administration to manage the movement of pilgrims and provide essential facilities throughout the festival.

SWACHH VAYU SURVEY

Guntur, Vijayawada Ward-60 secure All-India No 2

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AMARAVATI

ANDHRA Pradesh has recorded an improvement in the Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan (SVS)-2026, with Guntur city and Ward-60 of Vijayawada securing All-India Rank 2 in their respective categories. Conducted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change under the National Clean Air Programme, the survey assesses non-attainment cities on air-quality improvement measures. All 13 Non-Attainment Cities in Andhra Pradesh participated, while 726 wards were covered under the

ward-level assessment. At the city level, Guntur secured Rank 2 under Category-II with a score of 195, improving sharply from Rank 6 in SVS-2025. It is Guntur's best performance so far, surpassing its earlier Rank 3 in 2023. The city also received a Rs 25 lakh national award. At the ward level, Vijayawada Ward-60 secured All-India Rank 2 under Category-II and received a Rs 30 lakh cash award. At the State level, Guntur Ward-42 and Vijayawada Ward-31 received recognition under Category-II, while Nellore Ward-06 was recognised under Category-III.

The survey also reflected wider improvement across Andhra Pradesh. Eluru jumped from Rank 31 to Rank 4, Nellore from 18 to 9, Vijayawada from 13 to 8, Vizianagaram from 8 to 6 and Srikakulam from 16 to 11. Municipal administration and urban development minister P Narayana said the results reflected the State government's sustained efforts to improve urban living conditions. He said the government would further strengthen measures relating to road-dust control, scientific waste management, emission reduction and public participation.

Principal secretary S Suresh Kumar said the improved rankings resulted from close monitoring, coordination among departments and sustained field-level implementation. The assessment covers measures against biomass and waste burning, road and construction dust, vehicular and industrial emissions, besides public awareness and reduction in particulate matter. The national awards were announced on Swachh Vayu Diwas on September 7, following scrutiny and field verification by the Central Pollution Control Board and the MoEF&CC.

Rs 281 cr okayed for Totapuri mango support price

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VIJAYAWADA

THE state government has given approval to the AP State Cooperative Marketing Federation (AP Markfed) to process Rs 281 crore through working capital or short-term loans towards the support price for Totapuri (Collector) variety mangoes during the 2026-27 marketing season. To this effect, agriculture and cooperation department ex-officio special chief secretary B Rajasekhara issued G O Ms No 47 on Wednesday. The order was issued with the concurrence of the finance department. According to the

government order, the funds will be utilised for implementing the Price Deficiency Payment (PDP) under the Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) in Chittoor, Annamayya, Tirupati and Kadapa districts. The assistance will cover 7.03 lakh metric tonnes of Totapuri mangoes at Rs.4 per kg, involving an estimated expenditure of Rs.281 crore. The initiative is aimed at providing support to mango growers in the four districts through the price deficiency payment mechanism. The director of horticulture and sericulture had earlier requested the sanction and release of funds for implementing the scheme. After examining the proposal, the government gave its concurrence to AP Markfed to arrange the required funds through working capital or short-term loans. The managing director of AP Markfed, Vijayawada and the director of horticulture and sericulture have been directed to take necessary action in this regard. The horticulture department has also been instructed to initiate the process of claiming reimbursement of the Government of India assistance after disbursement and ensure timely payment of interest and repayment of the principal amount.

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Cyber crime fight gets major boost with C4 centre

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VIJAYAWADA

DIRECTOR General of Police (DGP) Harish Kumar Gupta on Wednesday inaugurated the Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (C4) of the NTR District Police Commissionerate at the Krishnalanka police station in Vijayawada. On the occasion, DGP Harish Kumar Gupta and NTR District Police Commissioner SV Rajasekhara Babu performed special pujas. The centre has been established with the support of the AP Police Housing Corporation under the guidance of NTR District Police Commissioner SV Rajasekhara Babu, AP Police Housing Corporation managing director M Ravi Prakash, DCPs and others, unveiling the plaque marking the inauguration of the Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (C4) at Krishnalanka police station in Vijayawada on Wednesday.

ACP Bhanu Prakash Reddy and his team developed the facility on the third floor of the Krishnalanka police station. The centre has been established with the support of the AP Police Housing Corporation under the guidance of NTR District Police Commissioner SV Rajasekhara Babu, AP Police Housing Corporation managing director M Ravi Prakash, DCPs and others, unveiling the plaque marking the inauguration of the Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (C4) at Krishnalanka police station in Vijayawada on Wednesday.

tion with corporate-style infrastructure. Speaking on the occasion, DGP Harish Kumar Gupta said cyber crimes had emerged as a serious challenge in the State, similar to the problem of drugs. He said the government had already taken steps to control the drug menace and was now focusing on strengthening the fight against cyber crimes. He said a Cyber Guard policy was being introduced in Andhra Pradesh and a State-level cyber war room would be established soon. Similar C4 centres would be set up in every district, along with specialised teams, he added. The DGP said 20 cyber con-

stablets would be appointed in every district to strengthen cyber crime detection and investigation. He stressed the importance of reporting cyber fraud immediately and urged victims to call the national cyber crime helpline 1930 or lodge complaints directly through the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal www.cybercrime.gov.in. Police Commissioner SV Rajasekhara Babu said the C4 centre would analyse every piece of information, from a victim's complaint to the digital trail of the accused, and follow every available lead to prevent cyber crimes and ensure justice to victims.

Jagan maps 2027 padayatra, sounds 'Kurukshetra' bugle

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AMARAVATI

YSRCP president Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy on Wednesday announced plans for a statewide padayatra in September or October 2027, declaring that the party was preparing for a major political battle against the Chandrababu Naidu-led NDA government. Addressing YSRCP local body representatives and leaders from the Parchur Assembly constituency at the party central office, Jagan said people had already begun comparing the five years

of YSRCP rule with the present government and were recognising the difference. He claimed that the YSRCP had implemented 99 per cent of its election manifesto promises. In contrast, he alleged that Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and deputy chief minister Pawan Kalyan had issued election bonds carrying their signatures but failed to honour the promises after coming to power. Jagan highlighted his government's village secretariat and volunteer systems, claiming that governance and welfare were taken to

people's doorsteps without discrimination or corruption. Listing the



YSRCP chief Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy addressing the Parchur party leaders from Assembly constituency at the party central office in Tadepalli on Wednesday

government's initiatives, he referred to Nadu-Nedu reforms, bilingual education, digital classrooms, TOEFL training and tablets for Class VIII students. He said Aarogyasri coverage was expanded from about 1,000 to 3,300 procedures, with treatment coverage of up to Rs 25 lakh, while Village Clinics, the Family Doctor programme and 18 new medical colleges were also taken up. He also highlighted Rythu Bharosa Kendras, e-Crop registration and price-monitoring mechanisms for farmers. Launching a sharp attack on the NDA government,

Jagan accused it of failing to fulfil promises including Rs 15,000 for every school-going child, Rs 18,000 annually under Aadabidda Nidhi, Rs 26,000 for farmers, Rs 48,000 annually under Cheyutha and Rs 3,000 monthly unemployment allowance. "The people are now seeing the difference between a government that kept its word and one that failed to honour its promises," he said. On local body elections, Jagan alleged that the government was using the issue of 34 per cent BC reservations and the Special Intensive Revision of elec-

toral rolls as excuses to delay the polls. He also accused the government of misusing police and official machinery against those questioning it. Calling the coming political confrontation a "Kurukshetra Sangramam," Jagan urged party cadres to stand with the people and resist what he described as repression and misuse of power. "Whenever and wherever elections are held, YSRCP will stand with the people. If elections are conducted fairly, YSRCP will emerge victorious. Even otherwise, we will fight strongly," Jagan said.

Srisailam gears up for Dasara festivities from Oct 11 to 20

- Srisailam Devasthanam will celebrate the Dasara Mahotsavams from October 11 to 20, featuring daily Vahana Sevas, Navadurga Alankarams, and traditional rituals
- EO holds a preliminary planning meeting with chief priests, Vedic scholars, department heads, and engineering staff
- Continuous drinking water, snacks, and Anna Prasadam will be provided in queue complexes, backed by LED screens for live proceedings and round-the-clock sanitation

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SRISAILAM

SRISAILAM Devasthanam is making elaborate preparations for the annual Dasara Mahotsavams, scheduled to be celebrated from October 11 to 20.

Executive Officer M Srinivasa Rao chaired a preliminary review meeting with temple priests, Vedic scholars, and department heads on Wednesday to outline

operational plans for the 10-day festival.

The discussions covered ritualistic schedules, daily Vahana Sevas, Navadurga Alankarams for Goddess Bhramaramba Devi, and major festival highlights, including the Nijaroopa Alankaram, Shami Puja, and Teppotsavam on Vijayadashami.

EO Srinivasa Rao instructed temple departments to work in total co-



Srisailam temple EO M Srinivasa Rao addressing a meeting on Wednesday

ordination, ensuring strict adherence to traditional ritual timings.

Final operational blueprints will be presented at the upcoming Dharma-Karma Mandali meeting.

To handle the anticipated influx of pilgrims, the engineering wing was directed to setup LED screens at key locations and execute extensive electrical illumination across the shrine.

The gardens wing will decorate the premises traditionally with fresh flowers, while security personnel and police will enforce strict traffic and parking management to prevent bottlenecks during village processions.

For pilgrim comfort, the queue management team was instructed to maintain an uninterrupted supply of drinking water, milk, and snacks in queue lines, alongside regular Anna Prasadam service.

The sanitation wing has been tasked with continuous cleaning of public utilities and temple surroundings.

Cultural programs including Harikatha, discourses, instrumental music, and traditional dances will perform at the Nitya Kala Vedika, while folk troupes featuring Kolatam and Chekka Bhajana will accompany the daily processions.

CPI demands immediate relief from soaring fuel, LPG, and food prices

- The CPI organized rallies and dharmas against rising essential commodity prices
- CPI cadres staged a unique protest by carrying LPG cylinders, rice sacks, and edible oil cans during their march through Somappa Circle
- Protesters demanded immediate price cuts on rice, pulses, cooking gas, petrol, and diesel, alongside strict action against black marketing and hoarding

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NANDYAL

PROTESTING the continuous escalation in the prices of essential commodities, cadres of the Communist Party of India (CPI) staged demonstrations across Nandyal and Yemmiganur on Wednesday, demanding immediate intervention by the Central and State governments to control inflation.

Leading a rally in Nandyal from Gandhi Chowk to Kalpana Centre, CPI Nandyal District Secretary Ranganayudu criticized



CPI leaders staging a protest at Yemmiganur on Wednesday

both governments for shifting financial burdens onto working-class and middle-income families.

Following the rally, protesters sat on a dharna at Kalpana Centre, demanding immediate price reductions on daily staples including rice, pulses, edible oil, salt, and sugar, alongside cuts in petrol, diesel, and cooking gas rates.

Ranganayudu urged authorities to clamp down heavily on hoarding and black marketing to stabilize retail markets.

Meanwhile, CPI leaders in Yemmiganur organized a novel protest by carrying gas cylinders, rice sacks, and edible oil cans during a rally through major thoroughfares.

The procession culminated in a sit-in demonstration at Somappa Circle, where activists raised slogans against government economic policies.

Addressing the gatherings, CPI leaders highlighted that skyrocketing commodity prices have severely eroded household budgets while public purchasing power continues to decline.

They demanded that the state and central administrations establish efficient market intervention mechanisms, ensure adequate public distribution of essential food items, and guarantee remunerative prices for farming communities.

Warning that minor palliatives would not suffice, CPI leaders cautioned that failure to provide swift relief to ordinary citizens would force the party to mobilize a massive, state-wide sustained agitation.

BCs are not weak; self-respect drives the community: Minister Satya

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DHARMAVARAM

AFFIRMING that Backward Classes (BCs) are social pillars who never compromise on self-respect, Health Minister and Dharmavaram MLA Satyakumar Yadav hailed Prime Minister Narendra Modi for elevating India's global standing while originating from a BC background.

Addressing the BJP OBC Morcha district executive meeting at Gotluru village in Sri Sathya Sai district, Satyakumar commended Gotluru residents for achieving national "Best Village" awards twice by keeping local development above party politics.

He urged party cadres to actively participate in nationwide service initiatives starting September 17 to mark PM Modi's 25-year public service journey.

He called on workers to organize "Seva Setu" outreach camps, verify central welfare



delivery, honor Anganwadi staff, and light "Ashirvada Deepam" across all villages.

Outlining major infrastructure projects in Dharmavaram constituency, the Minister highlighted ongoing Rs 650 crore highway works between Kadiri and Mudigubba, the sanctioning of an Ayurveda Medical College, establishment of a Mega Handloom Cluster, and expanded dialysis facilities.

He reiterated that coalition welfare schemes—including doorstep pension delivery of Rs 4,000, Talliki Vandanam, and Deepam—are being distributed without political

bias.

Satyakumar noted that the "Stree Shakti" free bus travel scheme has significantly improved healthcare access for women, leading to increased outpatient and inpatient registrations at government hospitals.

He advised party cadres to spread awareness regarding the Ayushman Bharat scheme, which provides free medical coverage up to Rs 5 lakh for eligible families.

He promised to treat every constituent as a family member and continue driving inclusive development across the region.

Choose eco-friendly clay Ganesha idols to protect water bodies: APPCB



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KURNOOL

CLAY Ganesha idol-making competitions promote student creativity while driving environmental awareness, said organizers at an event in Kotla Vijaya Bhaskar Reddy Memorial Municipal High School.

APPCB environmental engineer PV Kishore Reddy and school authorities urged students to avoid Plaster of Paris (PoP) idols and toxic chemical dyes, which pollute local water bodies during immersion.

Speakers highlighted that natural clay idols dissolve safely, preserving aquatic ecosystems.

Appealing to the public to choose eco-friendly idols for Ganesh Chaturthi, organizers called for sustainable festival practices.

School Headmaster Rayapati Srinivas and Lions Club of Kurnool Melvin Jones representatives attended.

FOUR TIPPER TRUCKS SEIZED FOR ILLEGAL SAND TRANSPORT



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BUKKAPATNAM

ON the direct instructions of the District Collector, mining officials seized four tipper trucks in Bukkapatnam on Wednesday for transporting sand without valid bills.

Led by Assistant Director (Mines) Ameer Basha, the inspection team intercepted vehicles AP39WU0354, AP-39WC3446, AP26TE6449, and AP05TG1245.

Failing to produce valid transit permits, the trucks were confiscated and handed over to the Bukkapatnam Station House Officer (SHO) for further legal proceedings.

Warning against unauthorized sand mining and smuggling, officials declared that strict action will continue against violators.

Surveyor Sunitha Bai and staff participated in the raid.

AP ST Commission chief interacts with tribal residents



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PAMIDI

STATE ST Commission Chairman Solla Bojji Reddy, alongside Commission members P Venkatappa and K Malleswara Rao, held an interactive meeting with tribal residents at Palyam Thanda in Pamidi mandal on Wednesday.

Local tribal families submitted representations outlining various civic and welfare grievances.

Chairman Bojji Reddy assured residents that their issues would be taken up with key department officials for prompt resolution.

RDO Srinivasulu, District Tribal Welfare Officer Srinivasulu, Tahsildar Sharmila, MPDO Prabhakar Naik, Medical Officer Dr Sudhakar, local ST leaders, and villagers participated in the outreach drive.

All-new 3-row Kia Sorento SUV launched



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MG Brothers Kia launched the all-new 3-row Kia Sorento SUV at its Anantapur showroom, with ex-showroom prices starting at Rs 27.99 lakh.

CEO Aditya Machani, Kia ASM Kiran Bangarimath, and dealership officials attended the event, where valued customers lit the ceremonial lamp.

Tailored for India, the Sorento offers 2.2-litre diesel and 1.6-litre turbo GDi hybrid engine options with AWD terrain modes.

Advanced features include Level-2 ADAS (29 safety functions), 10 airbags, a 360-degree camera, a panoramic sunroof, and a 12-speaker Bose audio system, establishing a new luxury benchmark in the segment.

“Nijam Gelichindi” rally held to commemorate Naidu’s 53-day detention

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TDP leaders and activists organized a "Nijam Gelichindi" torch rally in Anantapur on Wednesday to mark the anniversary of TDP President N Chandrababu Naidu's arrest, which they termed a fabricated political case.

Local MLA Daggubati Prasad led the rally from the 'Pedda Gadiyaram' (Big Clock Tower) to Saptagiri Circle, carrying 53 torches to symbolize Naidu's 53 days in detention.

Addressing the gathering, leaders noted that the global Telugu community stood by



Naidu until truth ultimately prevailed.

Corporation chairpersons, party directors, and large numbers of TDP cadres participated in the procession.

Defeat taught me more lessons than victory in politics: Former MP

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FORMER MP Talari Rangaiah stated that political defeat teaches more valuable life lessons than victory, instilling a strong resolve to succeed.

Speaking at a YCP local body election preparatory meeting in Anantapur—attended by Rayalaseema Coordinator Peddireddy Mithun Reddy—Rangaiah noted that defeat reveals people's true character, separating opportunistic



followers from honest supporters.

Exhorting party workers not to fear the ruling coalition government, he promised that the YCP leadership would stand firmly behind cadres and urged them to fight bravely to secure victory and hoist the party flag in upcoming local body elections.

Shun drugs and focus on skill development: SETKUR CEO

- SETKUR organizes a narcotics awareness session at the AP Residential Junior College (Minority Boys)
- SETKUR CEO Dr K Venugopal urges students to resist peer pressure, avoid narcotics, and focus on academics, sports, and skill development to secure their future
- Excise CI Chandrahass details the severe legal consequences of involvement in drug trafficking and advised students to report suspicious narcotics trade via the toll-free helpline 1972

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URGING students to channel their energy toward education and career development, Society for Employment Generation and Training in Rural Areas (SETKUR) CEO Dr K Venugopal called upon the youth

to stay strictly away from narcotic substances.

Addressing an anti-drug awareness program organized under the aegis of Youth Services-SETKUR (Kurnool and Nandyal) at the AP Residential Junior College (Minority Boys) on Wednesday, Dr Venugopal highlighted that youth rep-



SETKUR CEO Venugopal addressing a meeting in Kurnool on Wednesday

resent the nation's most vital human resource.

Warning that substance

abuse degrades physical health, damages family stability, and derails educational growth, he advised students to withstand peer pressure and consult parents or teachers during personal crises rather than resorting to harmful habits.

Elaborating on the judicial framework, Excise Inspector Chandrahass cautioned students against participating in the illegal purchase, transportation, or sale of narcotics, noting that aiding drug networks carries severe legal penalties.

He urged students to act responsibly and report any suspicious drug-related activities by dialing the toll-free helpline 1972, emphasizing that timely information could save lives and safeguard families.

Adding to the address, Excise Inspector Rajendra Prasad encouraged students to utilize leisure hours constructively by participating in sports, yoga, skill development courses, and social service.

College Principal Suresh highlighted the duty of educational institutions in instilling moral values, health consciousness, and discipline among youth.

Calling for a united front involving parents, educators, and government agencies to eradicate substance abuse, SETKUR officials, Excise Department personnel, faculty, and students participated actively in the anti-drug drive.

CS directs Collectors to fast-track land resolution for 38 pending MSME parks



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ANANTAPUR

CHIEF Secretary G Sai Prasad held a video conference with District Collectors to review preparations for the 'Partnership Summit 2026' and SIPB MoU implementations.

The CS directed officials to select high-performing MSMEs to display products at five regional meets planned for October 2026.

He also instructed Collectors to resolve land issues for 38 remaining MSME parks out of 175 state-wide.

Anantapur Joint Collector C Vishnu Charan, District Industries Officer Srinivasa Yadav, Horticulture DD Umadevi, NEDCAP Manager Kishore, and other officials attended the virtual meeting from the Anantapur Collectorate's mini-conference hall on Wednesday.

Iran conflict escalates; India must respond appropriately

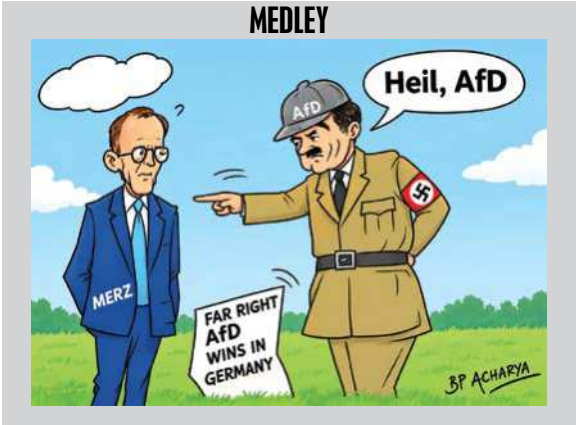
If there is one region that is perennially in turmoil, it is the Middle East. A cocktail of factors—religious conflicts, disputes between superpowers, and, of course, oil—keeps it in the news all the time. After a full of a few weeks, with Washington focusing on economic strangulation rather than kinetic action, the region has heated up again, as the US military struck five Iranian oil tankers on Tuesday. This happened, according to the US Central Command (CENTCOM), “after the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) targeted a US Navy warship with ballistic missiles twice over the past two days.” The US warship successfully evaded the attempted Iranian attacks and continued to patrol regional waters. No American

personnel were harmed, it added. There is also a report of Iran firing about 20 ballistic missiles towards Jordan, targeting two US military bases. Meanwhile, the pro-Tehran Houthis in Yemen have also launched ballistic missiles toward Israel. They also launched a wave of attacks on Saudi Arabia on Tuesday, wounding over 70 people and igniting fires at oil facilities and utilities in the kingdom. Tensions seem to be escalating. It looks like conflict will stay that way for some time. The reason is that US President Donald Trump is unwilling to fight the war all-out, with American troops on the ground. This is in tune with his opposition to the ‘forever wars’ that the US has fought many a time. His core base, the MAGA crowd,

hates America’s wars in faraway lands, gobbling up resources and killing young soldiers. Besides, his party, the Republican Party, must face midterm elections soon. At the same time, Trump doesn’t want to let Iran off the hook. Hence the blow-hot-and-cold nature of the ongoing war in the Middle East. The escalation has affected crude prices, which hit a six-week high. Brent futures are touching the \$100 mark. Owing to our heavy dependence on crude imports, the government has changed the composition of its top five suppliers, with Brazil and Venezuela replacing the US and Nigeria. Russia, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) stay the top crude sellers.

The government must chalk out short, middle, and long-term strategies to end or at least curtail the country’s excessive dependence (around 88 per cent) on imported crude. In the short term, the priority should be to diversify sources of supply, build adequate strategic petroleum reserves, and maintain flexibility in purchasing crude from different markets so that geopolitical disruptions do not immediately translate into domestic price shocks. The government should also strengthen bilateral energy partnerships with major oil-producing countries and explore long-term contracts at competitive prices. In the medium run, India needs to accelerate the transition towards cleaner and more efficient sources of energy. Greater

investment in electric vehicles, public transport, biofuels, natural gas, solar and wind power can gradually reduce the demand for imported petroleum. At the same time, domestic exploration and production should be encouraged through stable policies, faster clearances and appropriate incentives, without compromising environmental safeguards. The long-term answer lies in reducing the economy’s structural dependence on fossil fuels. India must expand renewable energy, battery storage, green hydrogen, and other emerging technologies. A broader and more resilient energy mix would not only reduce the import bill but also protect the economy from wars, sanctions, and volatile global oil prices



LETTERS

Delhi PGs are deathtraps

THIS is further to ‘Delhi building collapse was waiting to happen’ (THI Sept 9). The Satya Niketan building collapse in the national capital that has been the PG for students studying in the Delhi University was so pathetic to watch which proved to be a virtual death trap for students with big expectations to make big in life. Similar incidents of fire accidents and building collapse are happening in Delhi NCR, resulting in no follow up action being taken to prevent such tragedies from happening. It is reported that ten or more buildings have been earmarked for demolition in the area, which is a positive development. Meanwhile, there must be a thorough check of PGs in Delhi to assess their structural health, and other safety precautions. The vulnerable ones must be declared unsafe. The Delhi University, on its part, must create more hostel accommodations for students whose numbers are growing every year.

K R Parvathy, Mysuru

Preventive measures must be the norm

Apopen, the Satya Niketan tragedy is painfully predictable, and the response is equally predictable. Politicians express shock, officials promise inquiries, FIRs are filed, and then everyone moves on until the next tragedy. This pattern has repeated itself far too many times. The heart of the problem is that urban governance remains a low priority for our leaders, who are busy with populist schemes and emotive distractions. Illegal constructions flourish, often with the tacit approval of those in power. We cannot keep treating safety as an afterthought. What we need is continuous enforcement, transparent building approvals, regular structural audits, and real accountability for officials and politicians who allow violations. Students and citizens deserve better than a system that only acts after lives are lost. Prevention must finally become the norm.

K Chidanand Kumar, Bengaluru

Building safety is a collective responsibility

THIS refers to “Delhi building collapse was waiting to happen”. Building safety cannot be ensured by municipal officials alone. Residents, tenants, landlords and local associations also have an important role in identifying warning signs such as cracks, water seepage, unauthorised extensions and damaged structural members. Delhi could establish a simple complaint system through which photographs and location details can be submitted and tracked until action is taken. Municipal authorities should publish inspection outcomes and deadlines for corrective measures. Public awareness programmes can also help residents understand when a building requires professional assessment. Such participation would make safety a continuous community responsibility rather than a matter left entirely to government agencies. Prevention becomes more effective when citizens can see that their complaints lead to timely action.

S P Suganya Devi, Coimbatore

Trafficking menace not among govt priorities

THE ‘Silent auction of innocence’ (THI Sept 9) piece by Nomula Srinivas Rao reflects a system that has accepted its failure. Traffickers move children across states, while the rescued victims are dumped into underfunded shelters, and often re-trafficked. If the state can build surveillance for elections, it can trace missing children. The problem is not technology, but non-prioritisation. Until we have real legislation, inter-state data sharing, and proper support, we are tending to look the other way.

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BENGALURU ONLINE

Cabinet decides to reintroduce students’ elections in varsities, colleges

BENGALURU: The Karnataka Cabinet on Wednesday decided to reintroduce students election in the universities and colleges, Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister G Parameshwara said. Political parties will not be allowed to take part in these elections, he said. “Student elections were earlier held in colleges but were subsequently banned. We have now decided to reintroduce elections in universities and colleges,” Parameshwara briefed reporters after the cabinet meeting. He explained that in each college, there will be one student president, two vice-presidents, including one woman, one general secretary, two joint secretaries, including one woman, and an executive committee of six members, including two women. There will be no reservation in these elections as the government does not want to promote caste-based elections among students, the Deputy CM said. The detailed modalities regarding when and how the elections will be held will be decided later, he added.

Parameshwara clarified that the students’ elections are not mandatory for colleges and it can happen only if students want it. “If students don’t want it, they can decide not to have it. The management cannot decide.

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Raising a toast to the mesmerising culinary art



Cooking is the art, science, and craft of preparing, heating, and combining raw ingredients to make them safe, digestible, and flavoury; a vital life skill that directly impacts our health, saves money, builds self-reliance, and connects us to different cultures.

Culinary art is the professional discipline and creative practice of preparing, cooking, and presenting. Serving food is a creative form of expression.

The practice of preparing safe, tasty and nutritious meals, and the need to consume simple, fresh and healthy food together with seasonal vegetables and fruits, has been connected with spiritual matters in various faiths across the world, including Hinduism, Christianity, Islam and Greek.

And, according to Greek mythology, Prometheus, the Titan, while not a cook himself, stole fire from Mount Olympus and gave it to humanity. By doing so, he taught mortals how to use fire to cook food and transition from raw diets to civilization.

Among the well-known practitioners of the culinary art are Gordon Ramsay and Sanjeev Kapoor.

In the books of the inimitable P G Wodehouse, Anatole is the supremely skilled

French chef, who is described as ‘God’s gift to gastric juices’.

Many people are known to be fond of good and tasty food. In that sense, a ‘gourmet’ is one who appreciates high-quality, sophisticated food, drink, or who judges fine culinary experiences. In a similar sense, ‘foodies’ is a person who has an enthusiastic, refined, or passionate interest in food, eating it not just out of hunger, but as a hobby or lifestyle.

This is perhaps why there is the famed saying, “the way to a man’s heart is through his stomach”, meaning that cooking delicious food is a good way to win someone’s love and affection

Mythologies of various cultures in the world contain references to famous persons who excelled in culinary art. In Mahabharat, Bheema is known to be a great cook. In fact, when the Pandava princes need to remain incognito for a whole year and are forced to seek shelter in the court of King Virata, Bheema chooses to don the guise of a cook. Meanwhile, Nala, who ruled the Nishada Kingdom, is renowned not only for his valour and wisdom, but also his mastery of the culinary arts.

A good, tasty, nutritious, and balanced spread is recommended across cultures. In the western countries, a 7-course meal is a structured fine-dining experience where seven distinct dishes are served sequentially in a specific order to guide and balance the diner’s palate.

Likewise, in Indian tradition and Ayurveda, there is the term ‘Pancha Bhakshya’ which describes a complete and balanced meal or a grand royal feast, which, when paired with ‘Paramanna’ or sweet rice pudding, repre-



sents a feast that satiates all the five senses and aids proper digestion.

As one looks around the various regions of the world, including India, one encounters many a specific style, method or manner of cooking typical of that place.

Chinese cuisine is known for its diverse culinary tradition, encompassing distinct, regional styles, historical influences and fundamental flavour profiles developed across the country’s geographical landscape.

Rice is the primary staple in the southern and semi-tropical regions while wheat, millet and barley dominate the dryer, northern climates. Dishes frequently build flavours using aromatics and seasonings that are known to be high in protein content.

Mexican cuisine, on the other hand, is celebrated for the ingredients of corn, fresh chilies, avocados, and is fa-

mous for the recognition accorded by UNESCO.

Another example is that of French cuisine, which is defined by foundational cooking techniques, fine pastries, sauces, and local cheeses.

Yet another example is the Italian variety, known for fresh Mediterranean ingredients, pasta, and regional pizzas ranked highly on global food lists which feature iconic national dishes, top-rated recipes, and culinary staples from every corner of the planet

And Indian cuisine is acclaimed for spice blends, vegetarian options and distinct regional variations.

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Just as in the case of music, dance, sports and games or literature, every nation has its favourite dish. Many such delicacies have gained popularity across the world. The Pad Thai, a stir-fried rice noodle dish from Thailand, with its sweet, salty, and sour flavours certainly ranks high in that list. For those who are meat eaters, the Italian Carbonara Pasta, with pork, eggs, cheese, and black pepper would be a close competitor. Not far behind is the Haee of England, the Beef Poh of Vietnam, and the Taco Adobada of Mexico.

and sour flavours certainly ranks high in that list. For those who are meat eaters, the Italian Carbonara Pasta, with pork, eggs, cheese, and black pepper would be a close competitor. Not far behind is the Haee of England, the Beef Poh of Vietnam, and the Taco Adobada of Mexico. Also, figuring in the list not for taste, but for popularity and following, is the omnipresent Burger of the USA. Not to be left far behind is the traditional Japanese dish sushi. And, as far as India is concerned, everyone knows that the all-time favourites from different parts of the country, but enjoyed by everyone are butter chicken, biryani, masala dosa, pav bhaji, rasagolla and gulab Jamun. Incidentally, many phrases and idioms relating to the practice of cooking find application in the English language. We have the idiom ‘in a soup’ meaning to be in a difficult, awkward or troublesome situation; ‘half baked’ stands for an idea or plan which has not been fully thought out; a ‘flash in the pan’; ‘out of the frying pan into the fire’; ‘soup to toothpick’ or ‘soup to nuts’, stands for the complete sequence of events in a full meal.

A cookbook or cookery

book is a culinary reference work that contains a collection of recipes and instructions for food preparation. Cookbooks serve as comprehensive guides that may include cooking techniques, ingredient information, nutritional data, and cultural context related to culinary practices.

The pleasures of good spread have often been the subject matter of praise in poetry, prose and cultures across the world. Perhaps the most popular among them is the amazing variety and dimension of the dishes prepared for a royal wedding in the yesteryear runaway cult Telugu movie Maya Bazaar.

Bob Hope, the well-known American comedian, actor, entertainer and producer, acts as a hunter in one of his movies titled ‘Call me Bwana’. In one scene, his mother-in-law prepares breakfast for both and serves it to him. Noting his expression after tasting one morsel of the food, she exclaims that, after all, she is an interior decorator and not a cook. And Bob wryly retorts, “Just think what you are doing to mine!”

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Reservation must reach the last person: Reform, don’t abolish



REKHA BOYAPALLI

INDIA needs a more intelligent affirmative-action architecture: preserve protection against discrimination but deliberately widen first access to families and communities still waiting for opportunity. India’s affirmative-action journey predates the Republic. In 1902, Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj of Kolhapur reserved 50 per cent of government posts for backward classes, recognising that formal equality meant little when entire communities lacked access to education, administration and power. After Independence, B R Ambedkar and the Constitution gave this principle a durable democratic framework: equality sometimes requires corrective measures where history has produced structural exclusion.

Reservation is not a poverty scheme:

Reservation should not be confused with poverty alleviation. Its central purpose is social

inclusion, representation and protection against entrenched discrimination. A family may gain education or a government job and still encounter caste identity in workplaces, housing, social networks and marriage. One successful generation therefore cannot automatically be treated as proof that discrimination has disappeared.

Who is still waiting?

At the same time, supporters of reservation must confront an uncomfortable question: are the benefits circulating widely enough within eligible groups? Families that have already acquired education, information and networks can often compete more effectively, while a first-generation student from a deprived family may never reach the starting line. The answer is neither to stigmatise repeat beneficiaries nor to abolish reservation. It is to improve its distribution.

A first-opportunity window:

A pragmatic reform would create a ‘first opportunity’ window within the existing reservation categories. Around 25–35 per cent of opportunities should be prioritised for first-time or first-generation beneficiary families. If adequate candidates are unavailable, those opportunities should flow back to the wider



parent category rather than remain vacant. Previous beneficiaries would not suddenly lose all protection; instead, the system would ensure that a meaningful share reaches families that have never received its benefits.

Apply deprivation measures across categories:

The same logic can travel upward across the opportunity structure. Rural or remote schooling, low family income and assets, parental education, first-generation graduate status and poor access to quality schools can disadvantage candidates even outside caste-reserved categories. These factors should supplement—not replace—caste-based safeguards. A transparent opportunity or deprivation index could operate horizontally across categories, because a wealthy rural household and a poor urban household cannot sensibly be treated as identical simply by geography.

Political representation also needs circulation:

The principle should also inform political representation. Within constitutionally reserved political opportunities, India should debate mechanisms that encourage first-generation political entrants and sections that remain under-represented, rather than allowing representation to become concentrated in a small set of political families or networks. A 25–30 per cent first-opportunity principle deserves serious study here too, although any such mechanism would require careful constitutional and legislative design.

Beyond endless sub-caste fragmentation:

The Supreme Court’s 2024 Davinder Singh decision opened constitutional space for sub-classification within Scheduled Castes (SCs). That can help governments address unequal access, but India should be cau-

tious about answering every inequality by permanently multiplying caste compartments. Policy should increasingly ask measurable questions: Who has received opportunities? Who remains excluded? Which families are first-generation entrants? Where is representation still weakest? The goal should be circulation of opportunity, not permanent social fragmentation.

Reform is better than ‘reservation hatao’:

The August anti-reservation mobilisation around Jantar Mantar reflects genuine public dissatisfaction, including demands for greater attention to economic disadvantage. Such concerns deserve democratic debate. But abolishing caste-based affirmative action because its benefits may be unevenly distributed would confuse a problem of design with a failure of purpose. The answer to imper-

fect affirmative action is better affirmative action.

Make reservation less necessary:

The ultimate success of reservation should be measured by whether society gradually needs less of it. That requires far more than quota engineering. India must equalise school quality, enforce anti-discrimination norms in employment and housing, weaken caste barriers in marriage and social networks, and reduce unnecessary caste signalling in routine public life—while retaining caste data where needed to measure exclusion and enforce rights. A mature policy should neither romanticise reservation nor demonise its beneficiaries. It should keep opening doors until birth no longer determines opportunity.

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Union Cabinet okays ₹20,804-crore railway projects across 9 states

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Five projects worth around Rs 10,021 crore have been approved across Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. The projects will add around 540 km to the railway network and cover 17 districts, Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said.

The projects include the third and fourth lines between Arakkonam and Renigunta, third and fourth lines between Whitefield and Bangarapet, doubling of the Hosur-Omalur section, doubling of the Salem-Karur-Dindigul section, and 110 km of multitracking between Secunderabad (Ghatkesar) and Kazipet.

The projects are expected to improve connectivity to around 2,121 villages with a combined population of about 52 lakh. The government said they will also strengthen connectivity to destinations including Tirupati, Kolar Gold Fields, Mettur Dam, the Kodaikanal Hills and Sathyamangalam Wildlife Sanctuary.

The southern projects are expected to support incremental freight movement of around 47 million tonne per annum (MTPA).

The government estimates that they could reduce oil imports by about 80 million litres and carbon dioxide emissions by around 420 million kg.

The remaining three projects, worth Rs 10,783 crore, will be implemented across West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. They comprise the fourth line between Kharagpur and Jharsuguda (Bagdehi), the fourth line between Katni and Pendra Road, and the third line between Bilaspur (Uslapur) and Pendra Road.

These projects will add around 656 km to the railway network and cover 14 districts. They are expected to improve connectivity to around 4,790 villages with a combined population of nearly 56 lakh, while also easing congestion and improving line capacity.

The additional infrastructure is expected to strengthen connectivity to tourist destinations including Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, Amarkantak Temple, Achanakmar Tiger Reserve and Ratanpur Mahamaya Temple. The routes are also important freight corridors for commodities such as coal, cement, iron and steel.

The three projects are expected to enable incremental freight movement of around 27 MTPA. They could also reduce oil imports by around 120 million litres and carbon dioxide emissions by about 620 million kg, according to the government.

14 people killed in Syria blast

SARMADA (SYRIA): An explosion at a weapons warehouse in northwestern Syria killed at least 14 people and injured 11 others, state media reported Wednesday, citing the Health Ministry. The cause of the blast near the town of Sarmada, in Idlib province, was not immediately clear.

‘AI could kill us all by end of decade’

Continued from page 1 “At OpenAI, many have not deeply internalized the civilizational stakes. At Anthropic, the stakes are well-understood,” he claimed.

He added that Anthropic, despite understanding the dangers, is “locked in a race to get there first - they believe no one else will act responsibly, so they must do it themselves, despite the risk.”

Lokesh lights 53 candles to mark Naidu’s arrest

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He said the episode demonstrated that the support of the people remained the ultimate strength and safeguard for both Chandrababu and the Telugu Desam Party.

The TDP has been observing the anniversary as a reminder of Chandrababu’s arrest

and subsequent 53-day detention, portraying the episode as an example of political persecution during the previous YSRCP regime. Lokesh expressed confidence that the continued support of the people would protect Chandrababu and strengthen the TDP in the political battles ahead.

TTD announces first-of-its-kind insurance cover for devotees

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TTD Executive Officer M Ravichandra and other senior officials attended the meeting.

Explaining the board decisions after the meeting, the Chairman and EO said the measures were aimed at strengthening pilgrim welfare, improving employee benefits and advancing environmental initiatives.

The board also enhanced the insurance compensation for devotees who die in accidents from Rs 3 lakh to Rs 10 lakh. It approved medical facilities under the Employees Health Fund (EHF) for employees covered by the Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS) and Modified Contributory Scheme (MCS), bringing them on par with those covered under the Old Pension Scheme (OPS). Salary revisions for em-

ployees belonging to 48 categories were also approved.

In a move aimed at promoting sustainable waste management, the board approved a proposal to convert food waste generated at the Annarasadam complex, canteens and hotels into biogas. Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) has offered to undertake the conversion using a water hydrolysis process. The TTD approved handing over the operation of the biogas plant to GPS Renewables at a cost of Rs 2.80 crore.

With the anticipated rush during peak periods, the TTD has also sent proposals to the government seeking approval for 400 additional outsourcing posts to accelerate laddu production. The board sanctioned Rs 1.60 crore for three years towards transportation charges for

Gujarat team lauds natural farming transformation in AP

HANS NEWS SERVICE VIJAYAWADA

A Gujarat team visiting Andhra Pradesh to study the Andhra Pradesh Community-managed Natural Farming (APCNF) approach has appreciated the visible transformation in farmers’ fields, particularly in crop diversity, biodiversity, soil health and income opportunities.

The team visited Guntur district on Wednesday to study natural farming practices implemented by Rythu Sadhikara Samstha (RySS). After interacting with farmers and observing various field models, the team said the shift from chemical farming

to natural farming had resulted in healthier crops, greater biodiversity, diversified cropping systems and improved livelihood opportunities.

The Gujarat delegation comprised Achyut Kumar Hasmukhbhai Patel, Dixit Babulal Patel, Hitesh Jamnadas Vora, Jaydeepsingh Ratansingh, Ratilal Vitthalbhai Shethia, Vanrajsingh Dilipsingh Chauhan, Prafullbhai Mansukhbhai Thakor, Nikunj Singh Hendrasingh Thakor, Bhikhabhai Hirabhai Bhutka and Dilipsingh Solanki.

APCNF representatives Krishna Rao, team leader, NRO Unit; Dada-peer, project executive, NRO; and Rajakumari, district project manager,



The Gujarat team visits a natural farming field at Pidamarthi in Guntur district on Wednesday

Guntur, accompanied the delegation and explained the natural farming approach, field-level implementation and different models being promot-

ed in the state. The team first visited Vijay Kumar’s POP model at Pidamarthi, where around 35 crop and plant varieties are grown on just 30 cents, generating a monthly income of about Rs. 13,000 to Rs. 15,000. The visitors appreciated the favourable microclimate, beneficial insects and crop diversity maintained on the farm.

At Ratnakumari’s A-Grade okra model, the team observed a healthy crop with more than 10 intercrops and banana plantations along the borders. Compared with a neighbouring chemical farming field, the natural farming plot had healthier plants and fewer visible symptoms of

virus incidence and leaf curling.

The delegation also visited Mastan Bi’s five-acre natural farming paddy compact block at Munnangi village. Officials explained weed-management practices, including the use of Azolla for weed suppression and soil enrichment.

Sticky plates, pheromone traps and L-shaped bund plantations were also demonstrated.

At Atthota village, the team interacted with farmer Bapayya and appreciated his efforts to conserve and promote indigenous paddy varieties and traditional seeds. The delegation showed keen interest in the diverse varieties being preserved on his farm.

Renigunta, Arakkonam rail expansion gets approval

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The 76.559-km project is expected to ease congestion on one of the important railway routes connecting Tamil Nadu with Andhra Pradesh and provide greater operational flexibility for passenger and freight services. Renigunta, a major railway junction, serves as a key entry point for thousands of pilgrims travelling to Tirupati and Tirumala.

The project is part of a larger railway infrastructure expansion approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on Wednesday. For the Tirupati

region, the additional lines are likely to be particularly useful during festivals and peak pilgrimage seasons when passenger movement increases considerably. The Arakkonam-Renigunta section carries several passenger, long-distance and freight trains, putting considerable pressure on the existing infrastructure.

The proposed lines will also strengthen rail access to several prominent religious destinations along the corridor. Improved capacity could help the Railways handle the increased flow of devotees during major

religious events. The capacity augmentation proposal had been under consideration for some time. The Detailed Project Report for the third and fourth lines was completed and submitted to the Railway Board earlier this year. Land acquisition proceedings had also begun before the project received Cabinet approval.

A Gazette notification issued in January 2026 declared the proposed railway expansion between Arakkonam and Renigunta as a Special Railway Project for land acquisition in Tirupati and Chittoor districts. The

new lines will effectively extend the multi-tracking network beyond the existing four-line Chennai-Arakkonam section towards Renigunta.

This is expected to improve train movement into Andhra Pradesh and facilitate smoother operations for services heading towards destinations farther south. Meanwhile, work on another capacity expansion project is progressing in Tirupati district. Land acquisition has commenced for an 83.17-km third railway line between Gudur and Renigunta.

Will safeguard people’s land rights, asserts CM

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Naidu also launched a sharp attack on YSR Congress president Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy, referring to remarks he attributed to former chief minister K Rosaiah and members of Jagan’s family. He alleged that Jagan’s conduct had caused differences within his family and referred to the murder of former minister Y S Vivekananda Reddy. These remarks were part of his broader criticism of the previous regime.

The Chief Minister alleged that land records had been tampered with during the previous regime and criticised the Land Titling Act, which he said was scrapped after the coalition government assumed office.

Mee Bhoomi-Mee Haku programme was launched to protect every farmer’s land forever, he said.

The government was issuing pattadar passbooks with the State emblem and security features including e-KYC, QR codes and blockchain technology, he said. Resurvey had been completed in 8,234 villages and 36 lakh passbooks issued, while 16 lakh acres

had been removed from the 22-A prohibited list, Naidu claimed. A major relief was announced for residents of ground-rent lands in Amalapuram, Machavaram, Mummidivaram and Ramachandrapuram. Naidu said the lands, which had remained in the 22-A prohibited list for more than a century, were being freed and treated on par with Gramakantham lands.

He said the government had also settled a 120-year-old land dispute and resolved long-pending land issues in places including Shettipalli, Vatticherukuru, Kalidindi, Kangundi and Mudinepalli. Naidu said 57.37 acres spread across 1,281 survey numbers would benefit 1,416 residents.

During his visit to Jayanthi Nagar in Machavaram, the Chief Minister interacted with families living on the ground-rent sites and handed over documents relating to the land rights. He said auto-mutation had been introduced immediately after registration and that 1.25 lakh families had benefited. He also said long-pending land disputes in several parts of the State had been

resolved.

On irrigation, Naidu said more than 1,000 tmc of Godavari water had flowed into the sea this year despite the impact of El Nino. Proper utilisation of the water was essential for the state’s future, he said, alleging that delays in irrigation projects during the previous regime had cost the state heavily. He explained the coalition government was pursuing development, welfare, and good governance through programmes such as NTR Bharosa pensions, P4, Swarna Andhra-Swachha Andhra and Sanjeevani. Governance, he said, should not be confined to the Secretariat but should bring a visible change in people’s lives.

Earlier, Naidu unveiled the foundation plaque for Rs 240 crore grid modernisation works being undertaken by the Eastern Power Distribution Company of Andhra Pradesh to provide three-phase power. Ministers K Atchannaidu, Anagani Satya Prasad and Vasamsetti Subhash, MP Ganti Harish, MLA Giddi Satyanarayana, public representatives and officials attended the programme.

Extra ‘F’ in CNR Rao’s name triggers SIR notice

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His entry in the previous electoral roll reads “Prof. CNR Rao,” while the current one has it as “Proff. C.N.R. Rao,” adding an extra “f” to the title.

This week, the ECI withdrew a notice issued to Padma Shri awardee Harekala Hajabba regarding a discrepancy in his name found during the SIR in Karnataka. Hajabba was asked to appear at a gram panchayat on September 11 with original documents, and an accountant was to be present during the verification. His name in the 2002 electoral roll and subsequent records differed from the full name he provided during the SIR enumeration. Hajabba said officials visited his residence after the notice became public and took it back, telling him they would examine the matter and get back to him. His documents since 2004 carried his name as Harekal Hajabba.

The discrepancy arose because his name appeared as only Hajabba in the 2002 electoral roll, while his subsequent records identify him as Harekala Hajabba. His Aadhaar card, ration card, passport, and voter ID carry the name Harekala Hajabba. The same name also appears in documents relating to his Padma Shri and other awards. Hajabba, a fruit seller turned education campaigner from Newpadapu in Mangaluru, became nationally known after using savings from selling oranges to establish a primary school in his native village. He received the Padma Shri, India’s fourth-highest civilian award, in 2020 for his contribution to education. Over 4.381 million notices are expected to be issued as part of the SIR, which began in Karnataka on June 30, to voters whose names fall under the “no mapping” and “anomalies” categories. The disposal of claims and objections will continue until October 22. The final electoral roll is scheduled for publication on October 27.



NEW DELHI
OFFICE OF THE REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER ,
KADAPA , Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT.

PUBLIC NOTICE

3(A) NOTIFICATION U/S NH ACT 1956

S.O. 4809 (E) – In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building widening, two/four lane with paved shoulders etc.), maintenance, management and operation of Kopparthi Industrial Area to Kadapa ByPass Road under Newly proposed National Highway in km. 0.000 to 3.500 in the district of Y.S.R Kadapa in the State of Andhra Pradesh, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, **within Twenty One (21) days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette**, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose, under sub-section (1) of section – 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the competent authority, namely, the Revenue Divisional Officer, Kadapa, Y.S.R. Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the competent authority shall give the objector and opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the competent authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the competent authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final.

The land plans and other details of the land covered under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the competent authority.

SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling in the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to Km. 3+500 (Kopparthi Industrial Area to Kadapa By Pass Road) of Newly proposed NH in the district of YSR Kadapa in the state of Andhra Pradesh



(In English)



(In Telugu)

Competent Authority (LA) & Revenue Divisional Officer, Kadapa Y.S.R. Kadapa District

World Archery Para Series

India win two gold, four bronze medals

Reigning Paralympics champion Harvinder Singh and world No. 1 Sheetal Devi led the charge as India signed off their World Archery Para Series Stage III campaign on a high

AHMEDABAD

REIGNING Paralympics champion Harvinder Singh and world No. 1 Sheetal Devi led the charge as India signed off their World Archery Para Series Stage III campaign on a high, winning two gold and four bronze medals, on the final day, here on Wednesday.

World No. 1 and reigning world champion Sheetal Devi held her nerve in a dramatic shoot-off to win the para compound women's individual gold, while double Paralympics medallist Harvinder, paired with Bhawna, helped India to gold in the para recurve mixed team event.

In the recurve mixed team final, double Paralympics medallist Harvinder and Bhawna



made short work of China's Liang Qiurong and Xia Lei, winning 6-0 in straight sets.

India took the opening set 35-31 before winning the second 36-33 and completing the clean sweep with a 34-32 victory in the third.

Bhawna then added another bronze in an all-Indian para recurve women's bronze-medal play-off, defeating compatriot Rajshree Rathod 6-0.

Sheetal returned in the evening session and produced a

composed performance against Kazakhstan's Aizada Seidan in a thrilling compound women's individual final. Both the archers started with perfect 30s and remained locked at 59 after the second end, with both shooting 29. Aizada then edged ahead by a point in the third end after shooting 28 to Sheetal's 27.

The fourth end ended 29-29, before Sheetal produced a 29 in the final end against Aizada's 28 to level the scores at 144-all and force a shoot-off.



Alcaraz's US Open title defence ends

Shelton's win sets up a match in the last four with compatriot Frances Tiafoe, boosting home hopes of a first American men's Grand Slam champion since 2003

LOS ANGELES

BEN Shelton beat defending champion Carlos Alcaraz 6-7(5), 6-1, 6-3, 1-6, 7-6(10-7) in the early hours of Wednesday to reach the U.S. Open semi-finals in the latest-finishing match in tournament history.

Shelton's win sets up a match in the last four with compatriot Frances Tiafoe, boosting home hopes of a first American men's Grand Slam champion since 2003. Seven-times major champion Alcaraz arrived at Arthur Ashe Stadium with a 13-0 Grand Slam record against U.S. men but found Shelton tough to break down in a match that

began at 11.05 p.m. on Tuesday and finished at 3.33 a.m. on Wednesday.

"For me it's always about the people in the crowd," Shelton said in explaining how he got through the gruelling contest.

"Whether it's my coaches and my team there, all my family and friends here, or the city of New York that showed up tonight till 3 a.m. with the USA chants until the very end.

"That's what kept me going, and that's what got me this win tonight. "It's incredible. I always say that this is the greatest sports city in the world. I say that this is the greatest stadium in the world."

Alcaraz clinched a tight first-set tiebreak and looked to have all the momentum but uncharacteristic sloppiness allowed Shelton to breeze through the next set before the American tightened his grip on the quarter-final by taking the third.

ASIAN GAMES: 400 ATHLETES EVACUATED



Hundreds of athletes and officials were briefly evacuated after heavy rain battered Nagoya, but the city's mayor on Wednesday ruled out any disruption to the Asian Games. Torrential rain flooded roads and water entered some of the venues for the multi-sport event, scheduled from September 19 to October 4. Around 400 people, including staff and athletes, had to be evacuated due to the heavy rain, but they later returned and no injuries were reported, an Asian Games official told Reuters.

Nyra youngest Indian to qualify for Nationals

NEW DELHI

DELHI shooter Nyra Sharma, aged just 10 years and three months, has become the youngest Indian to qualify for the National Championship.

Nyra secured her place in 10m air rifle after scoring 363/400 at the recently concluded All India Inter School Shooting Championship in Bhopal. Nyra trains at the TOPGUN Shooting Academy in Delhi and will now prepare for the National Championship, scheduled to be held later this year. Her rise has been remarkably swift. She made her competitive debut at the Delhi State Championship in June, followed by the India Open in July at Dehradun. At only her third competition, she produced the score that earned



her a place at the Nationals. Speaking about the achievement, Nyra's father, Prashant Sharma, said, "As a father, I feel immense pride and gratitude on seeing Nyra become India's youngest shooter to qualify for the Nationals. This remarkable achievement is the result of her hard work, discipline,

and determination, along with the guidance and support of TOPGUN Shooting Academy."

For a shooter who entered competitive sport only a few months ago, qualifying for the Nationals at just 10 years old marks an exceptional beginning to her competitive career

IOA to probe Lakra's harassment charge

NEW DELHI

THE Indian Olympic Association (IOA) has constituted a four-member independent inquiry committee headed by retired High Court judge Deepa Sharma to probe the allegations of harassment and intimidation levelled against Hockey India secretary Bhola Nath Singh by former women's team captain

Asunta Lakra.

The panel, formed following a directive from the Sports Ministry, includes former track-and-field athlete Vandana Rao, former women's hockey team captain Mamta Kharb, and lawyer Sitwat Nabi as members.

Lakra, who is also a member of Hockey India's Executive Board, had accused Singh of threatening and har-

assing her after she objected to the alleged sexual harassment of girls in Jharkhand at the hands of local coach Sudhir Golla.

Hockey India has been directed to handle all requisite payments concerning the committee's honorarium, travel, accommodation, and incidental expenses.

"Hockey India is also requested to extend its full co-

operation to the committee and to ensure that all relevant documents, information and such other assistance as may be required is made available to the committee in a timely manner..." IOA President PT Usha's letter to HI stated.

The dispute between between Hockey India and Lakra had taken an ugly turn after the national federation's ethics committee is-



sued a show cause notice and launched an inquiry against the former captain after she was accused of threatening young player Albela Rani Toppo, who is also from Jharkhand.

TOP COURT: ENFORCE SEAT BELT LAW STRICTLY

The law is very clear on seat belts. The question is implementation. How can we ensure that every citizen and every driver in this country complies with it?

NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Wednesday said there are adequate laws mandating wearing seat belts while a vehicle is in motion and it is the duty of the law enforcement agencies to ensure compliance.

The observation came from a bench of Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and

V Mohana, which was hearing a petition seeking directions for mandatory wearing of seat belts in vehicles.

The petitioner's counsel told the bench that many deaths and injuries from road accidents could be prevented if the law mandating seat belt use was followed.

He said that despite the law, a number of vehicles have non-functional seat

belts because of fancy seat covers or other modifications.

The bench said, "The law is very clear on seat belts. The question is of implementation. How can we ensure that every citizen and every driver in this country complies with it?"

The top court asked the petitioner to send his suggestions on the issue to the com-

petent authority.

"It is the work of the law enforcement agencies to ensure compliance," it said.

Referring to Rule 138(3) of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, the bench said it requires the driver, the person seated in the front seat or the persons occupying front-facing rear seats to wear seat belts while the vehicle is in motion.

The petitioner's counsel argued that negligence of people and weak enforcement of law lead to serious injuries and even deaths in road accidents across the country.

The bench noted that there are adequate laws concerning road safety measures, including wearing of seat belts while a vehicle is in motion.

It said non-compliance of

law by people or failure of law enforcement agencies in taking appropriate action against the defaulters was essentially a question of maintenance of law and order.

The bench disposed of the plea while granting liberty to the petitioner to forward a copy of his petition to the concerned authority to consider the suggestions given by him.



Faridabad: Infant dies after drowning in water bucket

FARIDABAD

IN a tragic incident, a one-year-old boy died after drowning in a water-filled bucket while playing at his home in Jeevan Nagar Part-2, Faridabad, police said on Wednesday.



The deceased child was identified as Aryan.

Aryan's grandmother, Meena, said that at the time of the incident, the child and her mother were upstairs at home. While her mother was in a room, Aryan was playing outside. His father was away at work.

While playing, he wandered towards a bucket full of water kept near the bathroom and fell into it headfirst.

"After some time, I realised something was amiss when I could no longer hear any sound from the child," Meena said, adding that when she went to check on Aryan, she found him in the bucket.

She said that they then rushed Aryan to a government hospital, from where he was referred elsewhere. Aryan was then taken to a private hospital, where doctors declared him dead, Meena added.

"The child's body has been placed in the mortuary at ESIC Medical College and Hospital for a post-mortem examination. Further action will be taken based on the post-mortem report," said a senior police officer of Mujesar police station.

'UP govt docs can now serve till 70'

LUCKNOW

GOVERNMENT doctors in Uttar Pradesh will now be able to continue providing services through reappointment until the age of 70, Deputy Chief Minister Brajesh Pathak has said.

Pathak -- who also holds the health portfolio -- said the move is aimed at further strengthening government healthcare services in the state.

Under the existing system, government doctors can serve until the age of 65. Following Pathak's direction, the health department has now initiated the process of issuing an order to facilitate their reappointment up to the age of 70, according to an official statement.

Government hospitals, community health centres (CHCs) and primary health centres (PHCs) in the state receive a large number of patients daily. Extending the services of experienced doctors would provide patients with better medical consul-



tation and treatment, while also easing the pressure on hospitals and health centres, the deputy chief minister said on Tuesday.

"The Provincial Medical and Health Services cadre is the principal medical cadre of the Health Department and includes medical officers and specialist doctors who play a crucial role in providing healthcare services at government hospitals, CHCs and PHCs," Pathak said.

He said allowing eligible and experienced doctors to serve until the age of 70

would enable patients to directly benefit from their expertise.

The arrangement would be particularly useful in departments facing a shortage of specialist doctors, and would also help strengthen healthcare services in rural areas, he said.

Pathak said the additional chief secretary, health department, has been directed to expedite the process of issuing orders regarding reappointment of doctors after retirement, up to the age of 70

Food licenses of Rly catering, ISKCON suspended

MUMBAI:

The Maharashtra Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on Wednesday suspended the licenses of a supplier linked to a railway caterer, a dairy unit and multiple eateries at a religious centre in Juhu for alleged violations of food safety norms.

Improvement notices issued to four others. Licenses of three food establishments operating at ISKCON, Juhu, suspended. Serious irregularities found in the milk business, Kharghar; license suspended. Licenses were also suspended for 20 renowned food establishments (hotels, restaurants, etc.): 6 in Mumbai, 3 in Konkan Division, and 11 in Pune Division," FDA stated. According to the Maharashtra FDA, "Inspection of food establishments, specifically base kitchens and food plazas supplying food to railway passengers conducted by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)." The food license of a hospitality and catering company was suspended and improvement notices were issued to four others. The enforcement drive also hit the dairy sector, with authorities suspending the license of a Kharghar-based milk business after uncovering alleged operational irregularities.

5,326 missing; Nepal toll climbs to 1,365

CHITWAN

THE death toll from the devastating flash floods in Nepal climbed to 1,365 on Wednesday as more bodies were recovered from the affected areas, authorities said.

Rescue teams continued to search for 5,326 people, including at least 589 foreign nationals, who remain missing, according to a Nepal Police news bulletin.

Rescue teams recovered 363 bodies from Chitwan district, 226 from Nawalparasi East, 222 from Nawalparasi West, and 197 from Nuwakot.

Similarly, 174 bodies were recovered from Rasuwa district, 75 from Gorkha, 70 from Dhading and 38 from Tanahu.

So far, 102 bodies have been handed over to the family members after completing the identification process, police said.

Security personnel have safely kept 1,147 unidentified bodies underground in accordance with all prescribed protocols, including the collection of DNA samples to facilitate their identification.

The flash floods, triggered by an ice-rock avalanche near the Nepal-Tibet border on August 26, devastated towns and villages in northern and central Nepal.





MoU inked for used oil recycling

BENGALURU: PETRONAS Lubricants India, part of the PETRONAS group and a known supplier of advanced automotive and industrial lubricant technology, and Tata Motors, India's largest commercial vehicle maker, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding on the responsible collection and recycling of used automotive lubricants.

The firms will run a structured, scalable pilot at the same time in Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu. The pairing joins complementary strengths to tackle a core sustainability problem, support compliance with India's changing Extended Producer Responsibility framework and further national circular-economy goals. Launching the pilot, Binu Chandy, India MD, PETRONAS Lubricants India, said true circularity in used oil begins when re-refined base oil is put back into finished lubricants. The tie-up with Tata Motors, he said, is a step toward a scalable used-oil circularity model and shows the reach of the firm's channel network as it works to cut its carbon footprint across operations. Vikram Agrawal, Head – Spares and Non-Vehicle Business, Tata Motors Ltd., said practices and partnerships that advance sustainability sit at the heart of circular-economy work and environmental effect across the automotive value chain.

My Spinny story launched

BENGALURU: Spinny has launched its My Spinny Story film featuring Indian footballer Ryan Williams, tracing his journey from Australia to India, family roots, Bengaluru life, football career and association with Spinny.

Kaftan company expansion

BENGALURU: The Kaftan Company marked its 10th anniversary with Middle East expansion and the launch of Homebody, a nightwear collection targeting women aged 21-34, as the brand expands its 1,000-plus SKU portfolio globally.

Awareness walkathon held

BENGALURU: Dr Agarwals Eye Hospital and Hillside Group of Institutions held an awareness walkathon in Bengaluru to mark Eye Donation Fortnight 2026, with over 150 students, doctors and staff highlighting eye donation, dispelling myths and promoting corneal transplant awareness.

Mrs Grand Universe presides over Guruvandan 2026

PATHANAMTHITTA: The Kerala chapter of the SFEIA International Foundation organised National Teachers' Day celebrations and Guruvandan 2026 at the Pathanamthitta Press Club Hall, honouring teachers for their meritorious service and contributions to education. Dr Sasilekha Nair, founder and director of the SFEIA Foundation and winner of the Mrs Grand Universe title, presided over the programme. Dr Jitheshji, who has received the History Man of India honour and holds a world record in speed drawing, inaugurated the event. Senior teachers were felicitated during the programme in recognition of their dedicated service and contributions to the education sector. Anil Adoor, Senior Vice-President of Asianet News, presented the honours.

Pathanamthitta Press Club president Biju Kurian delivered the congratulatory address. The event brought together educationists, teachers and members of the media to recognise the important role played by teachers in shaping society and nurturing future generations.

NO NOTICE ISSUED TO BHARAT RATNA C N R RAO

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BENGALURU

BENGALURU district election officials have dismissed reports claiming that Bharat Ratna awardee and renowned scientist Prof. C N R Rao was issued a notice over a discrepancy in his name in the electoral roll.

Officials termed the report "completely false" and clarified that no notice of any kind had been served

on Prof. Rao or his family in connection with the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls. As part of the revision exercise, election officials personally visited Prof.

Rao's residence and handed over the enumeration form to his family. The form was filled in during the visit in the presence of the state SVEEP nodal officer and the Bengaluru West municipal commis-



CABINET MEET AT MANGALURU ON SEPT 18

Permanent coastal schemes, Tulu status to be taken up

Sunil Kumar seeks special funds ahead of 2027 Gommateshwara consecration

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BENGALURU

V Sunil Kumar, the BJP MLA for Karkala and a former minister, called on Chief Minister D K Shivakumar on Wednesday for an extended conversation about the full development of his constituency and about readiness for the historic Mahamastakabhisheka of Sri Gommateshwara Swamy.

That twelve-yearly ceremony will occupy ten days beginning 18 February 2027, when pilgrims and visitors from India and other countries are expected in large numbers; a special grant for the infrastructure those crowds will need was therefore requested.

Progress on existing works inside the Karkala Assembly segment, release of money still outstanding, and administrative approval for newly proposed schemes were examined in detail. With the state cabinet fixed for



Mangaluru on 18 September 2026, the MLA asked that the meeting be used to design permanent programmes that serve the comprehensive and lasting development of the coastal districts.

Lengthy discussion also covered proclamation of Tulu as the state's second official language and the placement before the cabinet of projects covering tourism, Kambala, basic infrastructure, jobs and irrigation in the coastal belt, including Karkala, along with the

funds and sanctions those projects require.

A release from Vikas Janaseva Office, Karkala, quoted Sunil Kumar as saying he trusts the state government to answer adequately the plans needed for Karkala's overall growth.

Among the concrete demands set before the Chief Minister were extra money for roads inside the municipality and in rural pockets, higher grants for coastal Kambala meets, development of Karkala

Parashurama Theme Park and related tourism, work on historic Ramasamudra lake and park, and improvement of Varanga Chaturmukha lake Basadi.

The list continued with Koodlu Falls at Nadpalu in Hebri taluk, the road from Hiriyadka through Karkala, Joduraste, Miyaru and Bajagoli up to Guruvaayanakere, and a sculpture-and-furniture hub meant to open self-employment for local youth.

Hebri Community Health Centre was proposed for elevation to a 100-bed taluk hospital, a new building was sought for Karkala Nursing College, the Karkala Textile Park project was pressed for further development, and a lift-irrigation project near Ikkoddu in Belanje village of Hebri taluk was added. A special grant tied specifically to infrastructure for the Mahamastakabhisheka completed the set of major requests.



Cauvery order

Ashoka accuses govt of surrendering state's interests

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BENGALURU

LEADER of Opposition R. Ashoka on Wednesday accused the Karnataka government of failing to protect the state's interests after the Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) directed Karnataka to release 6,000 cusecs of water daily to Tamil Nadu for 15 days.

Ashoka described the order as a serious setback for Karnataka and alleged that the state government's "soft approach" and failure to mount an effective legal challenge had weakened its case before the authority. He said the government should

have firmly opposed Tamil Nadu's demand for 20,000 cusecs a day and questioned why it had failed to prevent the release of additional water when Karnataka's reservoirs were already under pressure.

"When our reservoirs are facing a shortage even for drinking water and farmers are struggling due to inadequate rainfall, agreeing to release around 7.77 TMC of water to Tamil Nadu over 15 days is a betrayal of Kannadigas," Ashoka said.

He urged the government to stop delaying a decision on challenging the CWMA order and immediately approach the Supreme Court

with a strong appeal seeking a stay on the water release. Former chief minister and MP Basavaraj Bommai also criticised the government, alleging that it had failed to take the Cauvery issue seriously. He demanded that Karnataka immediately approach the Supreme Court and appoint a senior special counsel to handle the case.

Bomma said releasing 6,000 cusecs daily for 15 days would mean the state losing nearly 7.5 TMC of water. He pointed out that storage in the Kabini reservoir had already declined significantly, while the KRS reservoir was releasing around 5,000 to 6,000 cusecs daily.

Minister under fire for 'objectionable language' against BJP MLA

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HORTICULTURE Minister S S Mallikarjun has come under criticism over a purported video in which he allegedly uses objectionable language against BJP MLA B P Harish at a public gathering in Davanagere district. The incident reportedly took place recently during the inauguration of a veterinary centre in Harihar town, where farmers approached the minister seeking water supply to the constituency.

In the video, the farmers can be seen approaching Mallikarjun and telling him that they had raised the issue with local MLA Harish, whom they referred to as "Harish anna" (elder brother), but were allegedly asked to approach their "Sahukaar"—the minister.

Mallikarjun immediately questioned why Harish was being referred to as "anna" and allegedly made remarks against the BJP legislator that



were considered objectionable and unparliamentary. The purported video has since gone viral on social media, drawing criticism from BJP leaders and triggering a political controversy. Reacting to the controversy, Mallikarjun said on Wednesday that he had only told the farmers who met him that Harish was not a suitable person to be addressed as "anna".

"What have I said? I have said nothing. When the farmer referred to Harish as anna, I only questioned the farmer's age. That's all. I told him: You are elderly; why are you addressing him (the MLA) as 'anna'? Instead, refer to eligible people as 'anna', as he (the MLA) was not a suitable person to be addressed as 'anna',

he told reporters. Accusing Mallikarjun, who is the Davanagere district in-charge, of using "vulgar" words against him and behaving "rashly" with farmers when they sought Bhadra river water for irrigation, Harish said people would teach the minister a lesson in the future. He said he would discuss the matter with BJP leaders and decide on taking any further action. "Karnataka BJP is behind me against SS Mallikarjun," he added. BJP state President B Y Vijayendra, hitting out at Mallikarjun, demanded that the minister publicly apologise. "When a person from a prominent family background speaks so irresponsibly about an elected MLA, it is not merely an insult to Harish; it is an insult to the people of the entire constituency. Minister Mallikarjun must immediately publicly apologise to the MLA and the people of the constituency," he said on Tuesday evening.

ISRO support sought for 'student-scientist interaction' at science centres in state

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WITH the objective of taking science beyond textbooks and making learning more experiential, Minister for Minor Irrigation and Science and Technology Dr. Ajay Dharam Singh has sought the support of ISRO to organise direct interaction programmes between ISRO scientists and students at science centres across the State.

During his meeting with ISRO Chairman Dr. V. Narayanan, the Minister formally proposed the initiative and requested support to enable students to learn directly from scientists about space science, research, satellite technology and career opportunities in science and technology.

"When students get an opportunity to interact di-



rectly with scientists, science begins to appear not merely as a subject in a textbook, but as a future opportunity. The experiences and achievements of ISRO scientists can inspire curiosity, a research mindset and bigger aspirations among young students," Dr. Ajay Dharam Singh said.

The Minister said the State Government is expanding science centres, mobile planetariums and

telescope-based learning initiatives to promote practical and interactive science education among students. The Science & Technology Department's Mobile Digital Planetarium programme has already reached 3,282 schools and benefited more than 5.46 lakh students and teachers.

In addition, under the Providing Access to Telescopes (PAT) programme, telescopes have been provid-

ed to KREIS schools and colleges, along with training for science teachers. As a next step, the proposed ISRO Scientist-Student Interaction programme at science centres would help bring space science and technology closer to students in a more engaging and meaningful way, the Minister said.

"Science must be shown, experienced and questioned. Direct interaction with scientists can strengthen scientific temper among students and help nurture the next generation of scientists, researchers and technology professionals," he said. Through ISRO's partnership, the Government aims to extend these interaction programmes across science centres in the State and create opportunities for students not only in cities, but also in districts and taluks, to engage directly with scientists.

‘Govt should write to Centre for changes in drought mgt guidelines’

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RURAL Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Eshwar B Khandre has suggested that the Karnataka government write to the Centre seeking amendments to the guidelines under the Drought Management Manual, stating that the existing norms are inadequate to assess the ground reality of drought conditions.

The suggestion was made during a meeting of the Cabinet Sub-Committee chaired by Revenue Minister Dr G Parameshwara to review the State's 2026 monsoon and drought situation, along with other natural disaster conditions, and to decide on policy measures and necessary steps to manage them effectively. Khandre pointed out that



the State had already made several representations to the Centre seeking changes to the drought management

guidelines, but they had not been considered. He suggested that the State should once again write to the Centre,

highlighting the shortcomings of the guidelines point by point and seeking necessary amendments.

Under the existing Drought Management Manual, declaring a taluk as drought-affected requires

consideration of not only rainfall deficiency but also satellite-based indices. Khandre said this approach could lead to situations where a crop fails despite receiving some rainfall, but the area is not declared drought-affected because the sowing-based criteria are not met.

He said the drought situation in Karnataka is assessed scientifically based on reports from the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC) and the Disaster Management Cell of the Revenue Department before a formal drought declaration is made.

According to the existing norms, a taluk can be considered for drought declaration based on factors including a 60 per cent deficiency in rainfall compared to normal, more than 50 per cent

deficiency in sowing and a continuous dry spell of three weeks, during which there is no rainfall and soil moisture is depleted.

Khandre, however, said these criteria could become a major constraint when there is only light or sporadic rainfall. Even a small amount of drizzle can result in some soil moisture, making it difficult to meet the prescribed criteria despite severe crop stress and adverse conditions on the ground.

He stressed the need for the drought assessment mechanism to reflect the actual conditions faced by farmers rather than relying solely on rigid technical parameters. Ministers Lakshman Savadi, Puttaranga Shetty and others attended the Cabinet Sub-Committee meeting.



‘Epic – First Semester’ is a beautiful journey: Anand Deverakonda



Vijay Deverakonda and director Sandeep Reddy Vanga along with the ‘Epic-First Semester’ team at the film’s pre-release event held in Hyderabad

Anand Deverakonda and Vaishnavi Chaitanya, who went viral together in Baby, are back as a pair with the upcoming youthful entertainer EPIC – FIRST SEMESTER. The movie directed by Aditya Hasan and produced by Suryadevara Naga Vamsi and Sai Soujanya is all set to hit the theatres on September 11, 2026.

While talking about the film, Anand called EPIC – FIRST SEMESTER a ‘beautiful journey’ as opposed to a regular love

story. The film chronicles love, family, career, and responsibilities of a middle-class youngster who goes abroad from Wanaparthy in search of his future.

Anand plays Aditya, an innocent young man torn between personal dreams and parental expectations. But his life takes a complete turn when he falls in love and gets into a live-in relationship. As per the actor, the situations have been portrayed in a very naturalistic angle so that the family audiences can easily connect to the story, without



any kind of discomfort.

Anand even stated that he could connect to his character on a personal level as he too had completed his studies in the US. He had left his home town for higher education and taken the road less travelled in order to make a better life for himself.

Vaishnavi plays Kadali, who embodies the hidden

struggles and responsibilities behind a cheerful facade.

Anand even clarified that EPIC is not a sequel to Aditya Hasan’s popular 90s web series, though it is indeed a part of the same universe. As per the actor, the film has the power to connect to different generations owing to its relatable emotions and realistic humour.

‘Mandaadi’ clears censor with U/A, set for a grand release

The much-awaited movie Mandaadi is all set for a grand release today. Starring Suhas and Soori in the lead roles, the movie directed by Mathimaran Pugazhendhi and produced by Elred Kumar of RS Infotainment is ready for an exclusive release in Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam and Hindi.

The film has cleared censor with U/A certificate. The authorities were quite happy with the film especially with the boat sequence which was shot realistically in the sea.

Starring Mahima Nambiar in the female lead, the film also features Sathyaraj, Ravindra Vijay, Mithun, Bala Saravanan and others. Moreover, the film has good technical departments with cinematography by Kathir, GV Prakash Kumar’s background score, and action choreography by Peter Hein, Dilip Subbarayan and Mahesh Mathew.

Besides all that, the promotional events of the film have created a great hype around it. The songs and the teaser have got a good response from the audience, and the recently released trailer has already given a peep into the thrilling world of Mandaadi.

Besides, Mythri Movie Distributors LLP is all set to release the film on a large scale in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. According to the latest reports, the bookings are happening fast in these states, especially on BookMyShow.

Finally, the interesting concept and realistic action along with the great technical values will surely make the film a hit. Moreover, with its wide release in multiple languages, Mandaadi is all set to make a mark and create a great opening for Suhas and Soori.



‘Sigma’ 3rd single is full of energy

The makers of Sigma have released the much anticipated “Rage Of Sigma” song, which has added more excitement and hype to the upcoming film. It has gained a great response on social media after its release.

This high energy number has been sung by Sean Roldan and scored by Thaman S has left everyone excited for the film.

The film, which is set to release worldwide on October 2nd has been produced on a large scale by Lyca Productions and A. Subaskaran. It stars Sundeep Kishan in the lead role and marks Jason Sanjay’s directorial debut.

The earlier released songs Sigma Style and Ayyayyo Ammadi have managed to create good talk back about the film due to their differing music styles.

The film also features Faria Abdullah, Raju Sundaram, Sampath Raj, Shiva Pandit, Anbu Thasan and Yogi Babu in prominent roles.

Krishnan Vasant has been appointed as the cinematographer for the film, which has been edited by Praveen K.L and VFX by Hariharasudhan. The music has been composed by Thaman S. Set for October 2nd release, Sigma has all aspects to deliver a great experience for the viewers on the big screen.

‘Haiku’ teaser: Aegan and Sridevi lead a vibrant romantic entertainer

The teaser of Haiku, a romantic entertainer starring Aegan, Sridevi and Femina George, has been unveiled by popular romantic hero Harish Kalyan. The upcoming Tamil romantic entertainer, which is produced by Vision Cinema House, is written and directed by Yuvaraj Chinnasamy, and slated to release worldwide on October 23, 2026, has been unveiled.

The teaser showcases the fresh chemistry between Aegan and Sridevi as well as a stunning appearance by Femina George towards the end. Aegan plays an urban lover in this stylish yet innocent avatar in a vibrant love story, having delivered natural performances in his previous starrer, Kozhi Pannai Chelladurai.

Music composer Siddhu Kumar’s soothing background score with violin, classic ragas, and contemporary fusion adds to the romantic mix. A breezy presentation that makes for a fresh take on love and relationships is likely to enchant the viewers with its vibrant visuals.

In the meanwhile, the film’s post-theatrical digital streaming rights have been acquired by Netflix for a reported fancy price even before the completion of its shoot.

Dr. D. Arulanandhu and Mathewo Arulanandhu are producing the film. Meanwhile, Priyesh Guruswamy has done the cinematography, Sakthi Praneesh has edited and Prem has designed the art.



Producer Madhu Kalipu expresses confidence about ‘Mahendragiri Varahi’

Mahendragiri Varahi starring Sumanth and Aishwarya Rajesh is all set to release globally on September 11. The devotional action thriller is directed by Santosh Jagarlapudi and stars Siddhu Jonnalagadda in a special role. The film is produced by Kalipu Madhu and Laxman on Rajashyamala Entertainments and Bridge Films.

Producer Madhu Kalipu expresses confidence on the film’s production and says that it has been made on a huge scale and budget without any compromise on the narration. He says Mahendragiri Varahi is a unique devotional action thriller which will surprise the audiences with its grand production value and an entirely new genre.

The film has Goddess Varahi as the central theme and a star-studded cast. As per Madhu, Sumanth has delivered his best performance in his career, Aishwarya has done a dramatic role that looks like a Goddess and Siddhu’s character in the film should also surprise the audience.

The film’s VFX, which is said to be the highlight of



the film, has been worked on extensively. There is nearly an hour of VFX in the film which has been done at the Annapurna Studios. The VFX team has created the effects with realistic graphics. The music and background score of the film are also supposed to be a major strength.

The film’s locations have also been shot in extensively. The team has done a lot of work to get permits to shoot in Ramachandrapuram Fort, Muchintal, Gandikota, and other places in Odisha. The team also constructed a massive set for the temple sanctum. The makers plan to release the film in nearly 900 screens globally, while OTT deals were also finalized after the teaser’s launch. Additionally, the producer is also planning to work on another film with Santosh Jagarlapudi in addition to a bilingual horror film with a Hollywood studio.

‘Lust Stories 3’ trailer filled with love, desire and drama

The much-awaited Lust Stories 3 is all set to premiere on Netflix, and the recently released trailer has only spiked more the expectations from the anthology. The third edition of the anthology will have four stories highlighting love, relationships, desires and emotions.

Directed by Vikramaditya Motwane, Kiran Rao, Shakun Batra and Vishal Bhardwaj, the anthology has an ensemble cast that includes Radhika Apte, Konkona Sen Sharma, Aditi Rao Hydari, Radhika Madan, Sana Thampi, Vijay Varma, Abhishek Banerjee,



Siddharth, Ali Fazal and Gurfateh Pirzada.

The trailer introduces

multiple couples dealing with complicated relationships while

facing their desires and vulnerabilities.

Apart from the couple-centric stories and the emotions, the stories seem to combine humour and drama, which is sure to make for an enthralling watch.

Siddharth and Aditi Rao Hydari, as well as Ali Fazal and Radhika Madan, feature heavily in the trailer, while Radhika Apte and Konkona Sen Sharma also spark the curiosity. The third edition seems to carry forward the tradition of the first two, with the female leads taking on the core of the stories.

The anthology is set to stream on Netflix from September 18.

‘Kalyanam Kamaneeeyam Jeevitham’ trailer promises love, family emotions and thrills

The trailer of Kalyanam Kamaneeeyam Jeevitham was unveiled at a grand event in Hyderabad, spiking the anticipation levels for the upcoming Telugu film. Movie star cast includes Khan Durani and Sahithi Avancha. Directed by Ravi Lokireddy and produced by Paila Prasada Rao and Kishore Gundala of VIVIFY Media Film Factory, the film is all set for a worldwide theatrical release on the 18 th of this month.

The movie has love, family emotions and thriller as the main elements and tracks the journey of a couple who get into trouble with the entry of a third party into their lives. It promises to engage viewers with loads of twists and turns, all without losing out on family-appropriate themes.

Director V.V. Vinayak, who was present as chief guest at the trailer launch, complimented the newcomers and wished that it becomes a massive success. Producers K.L. Damodara Prasad and Prasanna Kumar also praised the trailer and

urged people to support new talents. Music director Sri Murali Karthikeya is optimistic about his songs and background score that will be a major attraction, he says. Hero Khan Durani says he started doing films after spending some time learning and working in cinematography and other film departments. Sahithi Avancha says that the team has worked hard to deliver a story that would appeal to the youth as well as the family audience. Rajavamsi is releasing the film across the Telugu states.

