

Fight to resolve public issues inspired by Ilamma: CPI leader

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THE CPI Wanaparthi constituency secretary Ramesh called for a struggle to resolve public issues, drawing inspiration from Chakali Ilamma, a warrior of the Telangana Armed Peasant Struggle. Her 41st death anniversary was observed with solemnity at the party office here on Thursday. Floral tributes were paid to her portrait.

Ramesh noted Ilamma took up arms to fight for land, livelihood, and liberation from bonded labour on behalf of the people who were suffering under the feudal 'doras'. With the party's support, she rebelled against feudal lord



Ramachandra Reddy and protected her crops and lands. Ramesh highlighted how landlords were driven out of villages and ten lakh acres were redistributed. He urged everyone to carry forward Ilamma's legacy, noting that she never backed down despite facing immense hardships and destruction of her family's livelihood. Farmers

who are struggling due to a lack of electricity and water need people's support to resolve issues related to ration cards and land disputes. District executive committee member Kalavatamma, along with members Ravinder, Chinna Kurumanna, Sekhar, Jayamma, Jyoti, Venkatamma, and Chandu participated in the protest.

District 'Farmers' Advisory Committee' constituted

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WANAPARTHY: The District Farmers' Advisory Committee (DFAC) has been constituted under the aegis of ATMA to directly bring farmers' issues, suggestions and needs to the government's attention. Collector Adarsh Surabhi will serve as the chairman, while Vitta

Suryachandra Reddy—former sarpanch of Chinnamandadi village in Peddamandadi mandal—will serve as the vice-chairman. Local MLA Thudi Megha Reddy expressed happiness that 10 farmers from his constituency secured positions in the 30-member committee. The committee members are: Itikyala Praveen Kumar

Reddy (Peddamandadi); Karpunolla Prabhakar Reddy Raganamoni Mallesh (both Khilla Ghanapuram); Kothakapu Chandrashekar Reddy, Kotha Samara Simha Reddy (both Wanaparthi); Pulluru Neelav Reddy (Pebbair); Vaddeman Naganna, Ganta Venkat Reddy (both Gopalpet); Katamoni Ramesh (Edula).



Awareness prog held on strengthening seed supply

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"STRENGTHENING seed co-operative societies, promoting quality production, and ensuring timely availability of certified seeds to farmers are crucial for developing sustainable agricultural and food systems in Telangana," experts said on Thursday. The observations were made at an awareness programme on "Strengthening Seed Supply System through Seed Cooperative Societies for Sustainable Agri-Food Systems in Telangana", organised jointly by Professor Jayashankar Telangana Agricultural University (JTUAU), the District Cooperative Central Bank (DCCB) and Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies (PACS), with financial support from NABARD, at the DCCB office here.

PJTUAU Seed Department Director Dr Nagesh Kumar explained the project implementation procedures, guidelines, objectives, and activities. He said PACS should play a key role in seed production and supply, enabling farmers to access quality seeds while improving crop productivity and promoting sustainable agricultural development. DCCB Chief Executive Officer N Venkata Aditya underlined the importance of strengthening cooperative societies and establishing an efficient and sustainable seed supply mechanism for farmers.

Cyber security awareness prog held at Nizamabad DCCB

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A cyber security awareness programme was the Nizamabad District Cooperative Central Bank Ltd (DCCB) on Wednesday. Cyber Crime Department SI Ravi Naidu led the programme and sensitised bank employees about the rising cyber crimes, on-line frauds and precautionary measures to prevent them.

He advised employees not to share OTPs, PINs, passwords or banking details with anyone and warned them against clicking suspicious links, messages or emails. He

also stressed the importance of using strong passwords and accessing banking services only through secure networks. SI Ravi Naidu further advised people to immediately report any cyber fraud by contacting the National Cyber Crime Helpline at 1930. On the occasion, Bank CEO Nagabhushanam Vande felicitated SI Ravi Naidu and appreciated the Cyber Crime Department for conducting the awareness programme. Senior officials, branch managers and head office staff participated in the programme.



Bring home eco-friendly clay Ganeshas: DC Satyaprasad

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EVERYONE Must Act Responsibly to Prevent Pollution of Water Bodies Public Participation Essential for Environmental Protection 2,000 Clay Ganesha Idols to Be Distributed Free of Cost Jagtial District Collector B. Satyaprasad has urged people to use eco-friendly clay Ganesha idols instead of idols made of Plaster of Paris (PoP) as part of efforts to protect the environment. The Collector on Thursday released wall posters created by the Telangana Pollution Control Board (TGPCB) to create awareness among the public about environmental protection. The posters were released at his chamber in the Integrated District Collectorate. Speaking on the occasion, Collector B Satyaprasad called upon people to use eco-friendly Ganesha idols during the Vinayaka Chavithi celebrations. He said immersion of Plaster of Paris idols could pollute reservoirs, lakes, ponds and other water bodies. He stated that using clay idols would help protect water resources and the envi-

ronment. The Collector emphasised that environmental protection was not the responsibility of government departments alone and called upon everyone to become a stakeholder in protecting the environment. He urged people to celebrate Vinayaka Chavithi with devotion while also ensuring that the festivities remain environmentally friendly. The Collector said that 2,000 clay Ganesha idols would be distributed free of cost to encourage eco-friendly Vinayaka Chavithi celebrations. He urged people to make use of the opportunity and opt for clay idols. He directed the concerned officials to create widespread awareness among the public about the use of clay idols and take necessary measures to ensure that immersion activities are conducted in an eco-friendly manner without causing pollution to water bodies. He said that collective efforts by every individual towards environmental protection would help provide future generations with a clean, healthy and sustainable environment.

Building owner locks tahsildar office over 2 years' unpaid rent

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A building owner locked the Tahsildar office in Palakeedumandal of Suryapet district on Thursday, alleging that the authorities had failed to pay the rent due to him for the past two years. According to building owner Kasireddy Janardhan Reddy, the government is required to pay a monthly rent of Rs13,800 for the premises. However, he alleged that the rent had not been paid for the past two years. With no resolution despite repeatedly bringing the issue to the notice of officials, he finally locked the Tahsildar office.



Reddy stated two years would be completed on September 19 since the rent payments stopped. He alleged that officials had assured him that the

monthly rent would be paid regularly, but the payments were not made. He also claimed that the authorities had agreed to increase the rent by five per

cent once every two years, but the promised revision had also not been implemented. Expressing frustration over the delay, the build-

ing owner said he had approached several people regarding the pending rent but received no satisfactory response. With no other option left, he said he was compelled to lock the Tahsildar office to draw attention to the issue. Palakeedumandal of Huzurnagar constituency of Suryapet district was newly formed in Suryapet district in 2016. As the newly established mandal did not have a government building to accommodate its offices, the authorities have been operating various government offices from rented premises. The Tahsildar office has also been functioning from a rented building since then.

VEERLAPALLI PAYS TRIBUTES TO CHAKALI ILAMMA ON HER DEATH ANNIVERSARY

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MLA Veerlapalli Shankar stated that the fighting spirit of armed struggle warrior Chakali Ailamma remains unforgettable. On the occasion of Ailamma's 41st death anniversary, he paid floral tributes at her statue near the MPDO office in Shadnagar town on Thursday. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA recalled that Ailamma bravely fought for

land and livelihood, against bonded labour, social discrimination, and exploitation. He emphasized that her struggle for the rights of the poor and marginalised continues to inspire today's generation. He noted that Ailamma stands as a symbol of Telangana's self-respect and women's fighting spirit. Public representatives, leaders of the Rajaka community, senior Congress leaders, and activists participated in the programme.



Make adequate arrangements for Ganesh festival: Naini

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MLA Naini Rajender Reddy suggested that officials of all departments should coordinate for the conduct of Vinayaka Chavithi and immersion celebrations in a peaceful atmosphere and with devotion without any untoward incidents. He instructed them to formulate a special action plan for the immersion programme in the context of low availability of water in tanks this year due to low rainfall. A review meeting was held on the management of Vinayaka Chavithi celebrations at the Collectorate under the chairmanship of Hanumakonda district Collector Chahat Bajpai. Naini discussed various issues such as immersion arrangements, water supply, sanitation, electricity, traffic, police arrangements, etc. He said that there is a need to focus on the immersion



programme in advance as the rainfall has been less this year. Despite the limited time, he suggested that the officials should respond quickly and identify suitable ponds and water sources for immersion. In areas where the water level is low, arrangements should be made to store water specifically for immersion, and immersion ponds should be set up at necessary places to ensure that devotees do not face any difficulties. He asked the officials to keep cranes and other necessary equipment ready in advance during the

immersion of huge idols and to take safety measures to avoid accidents. Since there is a possibility of more Vinayaka mandapas being set up in the city this year than last, he suggested that their details should be collected in advance and coordination between the relevant departments should be increased. Since a large number of devotees are likely to come to the Mandals, he asked that preventive measures be taken to prevent sanitation problems and additional staff should be deployed where necessary.



Robotics workshop at Kshatriya College

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A one-day robotics workshop was conducted for third-year B.Tech students of Kshatriya College of Engineering under the aegis of Soham Academy on Thursday. Students received hands-on training in Arduino, microcontrollers, sensors, displays, motors and basic electronics. As many as 21 mini projects were taken up during the workshop, providing practical exposure to programming and robotics. College Secretary and Correspondent Alapur Devender said robotics, automation and embedded systems were gaining importance and

urged students to apply classroom learning to practical applications. Principal Dr. Katkam Srinivas stressed the need to acquire emerging technologies and practical skills. TPO Sunil Gatadi said industry-oriented training would help students enhance their technical skills and career prospects. Soham Academy Programme Coordinator Rahul and his team appreciated the students' active participation. Chairman Alapur Srinivas thanked the academy for providing practical training. College officials, department heads, faculty members, Soham Academy representatives and students attended the programme.

GANESHA IN MYRIAD AVATARS ARRIVES...!



A colourful display of Lord Ganesha idols in different forms and sizes on display in Hyderabad ahead of Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations

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