

Dasara festivities conclude with Teppotsavam

DASARI SRINIVASA RAO
VIJAYAWADA

THE 10-day Dasara Sarannavaratri festivities at Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam atop Indrakeeladri concluded on Tuesday with the traditional Teppotsavam (float festival) on Krishna river, marking the culmination of the annual celebrations. Maha Purnahuthi marked the culmination of the religious rituals associated with Sarannavaratri celebrations.

On the final day, Goddess Kanaka Durga appeared as Sri Rajarajeswari Devi, adorned in a green saree and traditional jewellery. Devotees thronged the hill shrine to have darshan of the presiding deity, while Bhavani devotees arrived in large numbers, adding to the spiritual fervour.

As part of Teppotsavam, the processional deities of



Teppotsavam of Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam aboard Hamsa Vahanam on Krishna river in Vijayawada on Tuesday

Goddess Kanaka Durga and Lord Malleswara Swamy were taken on a ceremonial ride aboard the illuminated Hamsa Vahanam on Krishna river. The float festival resumed this year after a two-year interruption caused by high flood levels in the river

during 2024 and 2025.

Meanwhile, Governor S Abdul Nazeer visited the temple on Tuesday and offered special prayers to Goddess Kanaka Durga. Temple officials and Vedic scholars welcomed him with traditional honours. After darshan,

the Governor received Vedic blessings at the Ashirvachana Mandapam. Endowments Secretary K Kannababu, Commissioner K Ramachandra Mohan, temple chairman Borra Radhakrishna (Gandhi) and Executive Officer VK Seena Naik presented the Governor with the deity's sacred garments, prasadam and a portrait of the Goddess.

The temple authorities, district administration, police and other departments coordinated efforts to manage the heavy pilgrim turnout, with a focus on drinking water, sanitation, queue management and security. Police personnel, expert swimmers and officials from the Endowments and Irrigation departments were deployed along the riverfront and at bathing ghats to ensure devotees' safety during the float

festival.

NTR district Collector Dr G Lakshmisha and Police Commissioner SV Rajasekhar Babu supervised the arrangements and ensured coordination among the departments concerned. On the final day, the police regulated traffic across Vijayawada to facilitate the smooth movement of devotees and prevent congestion.

The celebrations concluded smoothly, with temple authorities expressing gratitude to all departments and personnel who contributed to the successful conduct of the annual festivities.

Temple authorities thanked the departments and personnel who coordinated the arrangements throughout the festivities, which also witnessed a large influx of Bhavani devotees.

Bhavani devotees throng Durga temple



Bhavani devotees thronging Indrakeeladri temple in Vijayawada on Wednesday

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VIJAYAWADA and Indrakeeladri hill turned into a sea of red as thousands of devotees observing Bhavani Deeksha thronged Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam on Wednesday, the first day after the conclusion of Dasara Sharanavaratri festivities.

Clad in their traditional red robes, Bhavani devotees arrived from various places to have darshan of Goddess Kanaka Durga, who appeared as Sri Rajarajeswari Devi on the hill shrine. The influx of pilgrims kept Indrakeeladri and One Town area bustling with activity from the early hours.

Devotees moved in an orderly manner through queue lines to reach the hilltop temple. The three holding areas, Seethamma Vari Padalu and the Municipal Corporation Office area also witnessed a heavy congregation of pilgrims dressed in red, creating a striking sight across the city.

Temple Executive Officer VK Seena Naik inspected

the arrangements from the early morning and coordinated with police personnel to regulate the rush and ensure the smooth movement of devotees.

All darshan queue lines were kept open, including the VIP route from the small Raja Gopuram, to accommodate the large number of Bhavani devotees, the EO said. Arrangements were also made to ensure the uninterrupted supply of free annaprasadam to pilgrims throughout the day.

The Bhavani Deeksha is a traditional spiritual observance dedicated to Goddess Kanaka Durga. Devotees wear red attire and undertake religious vows before visiting the temple to offer prayers and conclude their Deeksha through the customary Deeksha Viramana rituals.

With the completion of Dasara celebrations and the traditional Teppotsavam on the Krishna river, the temple continues to receive large numbers of Bhavani devotees, requiring close coordination among temple officials and the police to manage the rush.

Martyrs remembered with reverence



Collector V Vinod Kumar, SP B Umamaheswar and others paying tributes to martyred police in Bapatla on Wednesday

NARESH NANDAM
BAPATLA

THE district police observed Police Martyrs Commemoration Day on Wednesday, by holding a memorial parade at Bapatla Town Police Station premises. District Collector Dr V Vinod Kumar and Superintendent of Police B Umamaheswar attended as chief guests.

Admin RI Shaik Mouluddin led the parade as commander and gave a guard of honour. Additional

SP L Sudhakar read out the names of the martyrs. The officials, including the DSPs and RDO A Harikumar, placed flowers at the memorial and everyone observed two minutes of silence.

Collector Vinod Kumar said public trust is real strength of the police and asked everyone to support the families of the martyrs. SP Umamaheswar said police work is a duty and a sign of sacrifice. He recalled that ten CRPF personnel died at Hot Springs in Ladakh on

October 21, 1959. He said 154 police personnel died on duty across India between September 1, 2025 and August 31, 2026. Twelve police personnel from Bapatla district died, and nine of them died in the past year.

He promised that the department will always stand by the martyrs' families. Remembrance Week will be held from October 21 to 31 with competitions, health camps, blood donation camps and candlelight rallies.

Drones to monitor traffic amid Bhavani devotee rush

- Special measures planned to regulate vehicle movement and prevent congestion near Kanaka Durga Temple

MV SYAM SUNDAR
VIJAYAWADA

THE city traffic police have stepped up measures to regulate traffic and prevent congestion in the city in view of large influx of Bhavani Deeksha devotees arriving from various parts of the State to visit Sri Durga

Malleswara Swamyvarla Devasthanam atop Indrakeeladri.

As thousands of devotees are travelling to the temple by buses, cars and other vehicles, the police are deploying technology-based solutions including drone cameras to monitor traffic conditions and ensure smooth vehicular movement.

Measures are being implemented under the directions of Police Commissioner SV Rajasekhar Babu and under the supervision of Traffic DCP Sheikh Sharee-

na Begum. The action plan focuses on traffic regulation, parking management and monitoring vehicle movement at key locations.

Traffic police will use drone cameras, subject to necessary permissions, to monitor major roads, junctions and areas witnessing heavy bus movement. The surveillance will help officials identify congestion-prone stretches in advance and alert traffic personnel deployed at the affected locations.

Based on the situation, traffic diversions will be in-

VMC sets up model polling stations to educate voters



VMC Commissioner HM Dhyanaachandra inspecting the model polling station set up at Varalakshmi Nagar in Vijayawada on Wednesday

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VIJAYAWADA Municipal Corporation (VMC) Commissioner HM Dhyanaachandra on Wednesday inspected a model polling station set up at Varalakshmi Nagar and the vote-counting centre at Andhra Loyola College to review preparations for the second ordinary municipal elections-2026.

The model polling station has been designed to familiarise voters with voting process, including procedures to be followed at polling stations, duties of presiding officers and polling personnel, marking their choice on ballot papers and dropping the papers into ballot boxes.

Dhyanaachandra said one model polling station had been established in each constituency within the VMC limits to create awareness among voters about the voting procedure. He urged people to visit these centres and familiarise themselves with the process before casting their votes. Later, the Commissioner inspected the counting centre at Andhra Loyola College and reviewed arrangements for transporting ballot boxes from polling stations, their secure storage, the placement of counting tables, the conduct of counting rounds and the deployment of personnel. He also reviewed the infrastructure and logistical arrangements required to ensure that counting was conducted smoothly and transparently in accordance with the directions and timelines prescribed by the Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission. The Commissioner instructed officials to coordinate in advance on staff deployment, allocation of duties, seating arrangements, ballot box

security and other counting-related requirements. He directed them to monitor every stage of the election process and complete all necessary arrangements in time to ensure the smooth conduct of polling and counting.

Chief City Planner Sanjay Ratna Kumar, Chief Engineer P Satya Kumari, Superintending Engineer Chandrasekhar, Assistant City Planner Mo-han Babu and other officials accompanied him.

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Hyderabad secures 267-run win over Andhra

- Himateja and Tanay stitched together an unbeaten 93-run partnership for the eighth wicket, turning Hyderabad's strong position into a match-winning advantage

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LEFT-arm spinner Tanay Thyagarajan produced a match-winning all-round performance, claiming 11 wickets and scoring an unbeaten half-century to power Hyderabad to a 267-run victory over Andhra in their Ranji Trophy Elite Group B encounter at the Devineni Venkata Ramana Praneetha ACA Stadium grounds at Mulapadu near Vijayawada on Wednesday.

Hyderabad's second successive outright victory



Hyderabad's Kodimela Himateja, who scored an unbeaten 123 against Andhra

earned them six points, taking their tally to 12 and placing them at the top of Group B points table. The team had defeated Tripura in its opening match of the season.

Resuming their second innings at the overnight score of seven for two while chasing a formidable target, Andhra struggled against Tanay's left-arm spin. He dismissed Ricky Bhui (26), Seeram Venkat Rahul (11),

Saurabh Kumar (4) and Revanth Reddy (14) in quick succession to reduce Andhra to 98 for seven.

Tanay returned impressive figures of six for 35 in 11 overs after taking five for 63 in the first innings. It was his third 11-wicket haul in first-class cricket and his 14th five-wicket haul in Ranji Trophy. Left-arm spinner G Aniketh Reddy complimented him with three for 57 as



Hyderabad spinner Tanay Thyagarajan, who claimed 11 wickets for 98 runs against Andhra

Andhra were bowled out for 130 in 30.5 overs. Venkat Sasikanth (23) and A Lalith Mohan (17) offered only brief resistance.

Earlier, Hyderabad posted 275 in their first innings, while Andhra managed 184, with Shaik Rasheed scoring 61. Hyderabad consolidated their advantage in second innings, declaring at 306 for seven, with Kodimela Himateja remaining unbeaten on 123 off 202 balls.

Himateja and Tanay stitched together an un-

beaten 93-run partnership for the eighth wicket, turning Hyderabad's strong position into a match-winning advantage. Tanay contributed an unbeaten 53 off 64 deliveries, providing valuable support to Himateja's century.

The comprehensive victory under captain Mohammed Siraj underlined Hyderabad's strong start to the season, with the side winning both its opening matches outright.

SCOREBOARD

Hyderabad — First Innings: 275 all out in 86 overs
Abhirath Reddy 67, Rahul Radesh Chigullapalli 58*, Tanmay Agarwal 42, Pragmay Reddy 31.
Andhra bowling: Tripurana Vijay 4/90, A Lalith Mohan 3/78, Saurabh Kumar 3/75.
Andhra — First Innings: 184

all out in 63 overs. Shaik Rasheed 61, Ricky Bhui 28, Seeram Venkat Rahul 27, Tripurana Vijay 25 not out.

Hyderabad bowling: Tanay Thyagarajan 5/63, G Aniketh Reddy 2/60, Mohammed Siraj 1/31.

Hyderabad — Second Innings: 306/6 declared in 95.3 overs

Kodimela Himateja 123* (202b, 10x4, 5x6), Tanmay Agarwal 49, Tanay Thyagarajan 53* (64b, 2x4, 3x6).

Andhra bowling: Kavuri Saiteja 4/40, Tripurana Vijay 2/119, KV Sasikanth 1/49.
Andhra — Second Innings: 130 all out in 30.5 overs
M Hemanth Reddy 27, Ricky Bhui 26.

Hyderabad bowling: Tanay Thyagarajan 6/35, G Aniketh Reddy 3/57, Ruthick Mende 1/7.

