

Plastic-free drinking water planned for Pushkarams

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STATE Pollution Control Board Chairman R Krishnaiah has directed officials to prepare a comprehensive action plan to provide safe drinking water to devotees attending the forthcoming Godavari Pushkarams while



Collector Kirti Chekuri and Rajamahendravaram Municipal Corporation Commissioner Rahul Meena attending video conference of State Pollution Control Board Chairman R Krishnaiah

minimising the use of plastic. During a video conference held on Thursday with district officials and representatives of packaged drinking water industries, he reviewed arrangements for drinking water supply and measures to control plastic usage during the religious event.

East Godavari District Collector Kirti Chekuri and

Rajamahendravaram Municipal Corporation Commissioner Rahul Meena participated in the meeting. The collector explained the proposed arrangements to meet the drinking water requirements of devotees. Kirti Chekuri said around 80 lakh devotees were expected to visit the district on peak days of the Pushkarams. Com-

missioner Rahul Meena said arrangements were being planned to provide at least three litres of drinking water per devotee.

Water points and water ATMs would be established in Pushkar cities, railway stations, bus stations and parking areas. Protected drinking water facilities would also be provided at every 500 metres along major pedestrian routes. The proposed arrangements include around 32,000 tap outlets and 3,000 water ATMs to meet the needs of devotees.

The collector stressed the need to prevent environmental pollution caused by water pouches, plastic cups and plates. She called for encouraging water refilling facilities and replacing plastic cups with steel or other eco-friendly alternatives. The

use of plastic plates and cups should also be avoided during Annadanam programmes, prasadam distribution and buttermilk distribution.

Pollution Control Board Chairman Krishnaiah suggested giving priority to refill stations where devotees could replenish their personal water bottles. Citing the measures adopted to control single use plastic at Tirumala, he called for similar efforts during the Godavari Pushkarams.

He asked the agencies concerned to come forward with environment friendly solutions for drinking water supply within two weeks. Special Deputy Collector Mahesh, Superintending Engineer Rita, Executive Engineer Madhavi, other officials and representatives of packaged drinking water industries attended the meeting.

Massive rush of Bhavani devotees

- The rush is expected to continue until Oct 25 as devotees arrive to complete their Bhavani Deeksha rituals

DASARI SRINIVASA RAO
VIJAYAWADA

THE number of devotees who have had darshan of Sri Kanaka Durga Devi at the Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam atop Indrakeeladri in Vijayawada has reached 20 lakh, with the rush continuing even after the conclusion of the Dasara Sarannavaratri festivities on October 20.

Thousands of Bhavani devotees, dressed in red, have been thronging the temple over the past two days, filling the hill shrine and surrounding areas with chants of "Jai Bhavani". The rush is expected to continue until October 25 as devotees arrive to complete their Bhavani Deeksha rituals.

Temple Executive Officer VK Seena Naik said that around 14.84 lakh devotees had darshan of



Bhavani devotees arriving at Sri Kanaka Durga temple atop Indrakeeladri in Vijayawada on Thursday

the presiding deity between October 11 and midnight on October 20. With the continued influx of Bhavani devotees on October 21 and 22, the cumulative number reached 20 lakh by night on Thursday. He said the number was expected to increase further.

The EO added that devotees who could not complete their Deeksha relinquishment rituals on Friday were expected to visit the temple on Saturday and Sunday.

The temple has sold

39.84 lakh laddus so far, with another 3.30 lakh laddus kept ready to meet the growing demand. Annadanam has been provided to 8.37 lakh devotees, while buttermilk has been distributed to 4.34 lakh people and 6.45 lakh biscuit packets supplied to pilgrims waiting in queues.

According to the EO, around 1.06 lakh devotees received outpatient medical services and emergency medicines at the medical facilities established on the hill.

Verse dramas enthral audience

HVRS PRASAD
VIJAYAWADA

VIJAYAWADA came alive with devotion and cultural vibrancy during the Dasara festivities, as the Utsav Committee organised a series of cultural programmes and entertainment events for city residents and devotees visiting the Kanaka Durga temple to seek the blessings of the presiding deity. The Ghantasala Venkateswara Rao Government College of Music and Dance was one of the venues hosting these events. Verse dramas were staged at the college's open-air auditorium from October 14 to 21. Although some productions fell short of the expected standards, Sri Krishna Rayabaram and Sri Krishna Kamala Palika received a favourable response from audiences.

After a considerable gap, lovers of traditional verse



A scene from 'Sri Krishna Rayabaram'

drama witnessed a neat and impressive production of Sri Krishna Rayabaram, presented under the able supervision of Andhra Pradesh Nataka Academy Chairman Gummadi Gopalakrishna. He also essayed the role of Sri Krishna, demonstrating his command over dialogue delivery and the expressive rendering of classical Telugu verse (padyam).

DSP Rao portrayed Duryodhana, while UVVS Subbayachari played Bhima

and Bhishma. Ch Jagadeesh appeared as Arjuna, G Anjireddy as Dharmaraja and Drona, and Naren Borra as Karna. M Markandeyulu played Nakula and Vikarna, while GV Ramaraju portrayed Sahadeva and Dhritarashtra.

Shaik Meeravali appeared as Ashwatthama, and Tirumalabe essayed Draupadi and Gandhari. The artistes suited their respective roles and contributed to the overall impact of the play.

SP inspects nomination centres

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SUBRAHMANYAM
RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM

EAST Godavari district SP D Narasimha Kishore inspected the nomination process for the MPTC and ZPTC elections at various centres in the district and reviewed the security arrangements made by the police.

During his visit to nomination centres at the MDO offices in Kovvur, Tallapudi, Devarapalli and Gopalapuram mandals under the Kovvur sub division, the SP examined the three-tier security system put in place to ensure the smooth conduct of the nomination process. He inspected the police bandobust, entry and exit points, barricading, CCTV cameras, drone surveillance and deployment of police personnel at the centres.

Tributes paid to SR Sankaran

DEEKSHITULA
SUBRAHMANYAM
KAKINADA



Collector MN Harendhira Prasad paying tribute to statue of late IAS officer SR Sankaran

DISTRICT collector MN Harendhira Prasad said the birth anniversary of late IAS officer S R Sankaran should be observed not merely as a commemorative occasion but as a day to recall the values of people-centric governance, simplicity, social justice and dedication to the welfare of weaker sections.

The collector, along with District Revenue Officer Dr Tippe Naik, paid floral tributes to the statue of Sankaran at the local Collectorate on Thursday to mark his birth anniversary.

Speaking on the occasion, Harendhira Prasad said Sankaran earned recognition as a people's IAS officer by dedicating his life to the uplift of the poor, Dalits and tribal communities. The Collector said Sankaran was born on October 22, 1934, in Thanjavur district of Tamil Nadu.

MV SYAM SUNDAR
BHIMAVARAM

IN her senior years, eight-time international award winner Indukuri Vijayalakshmi has embarked on a 3,000-kilometer pan-India bicycle rally against drugs, aiming to transform educational institutions across the country into drug-free zones. The expedition, commencing from Bhimavaram and concluding in New Delhi on December 10, seeks to reach over 100,000 students to raise awareness about substance abuse under the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan.

Before kicking off her journey, Vijayalakshmi paid tributes at Alluri

Sitarama Raju Smriti Vanam and addressed students at SRKR Engineering College. The event was presided over by College Secretary & Correspondent Sagi Ramakrishna Nishanth Varma. Vijayalakshmi revealed that the tragedy of losing her husband to drug addiction fuelled her resolve. Turning her grief into purpose, she gathered support from leaders nationwide, acknowledging Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu for gifting her a bicycle through the Sports Academy.

Nishanth Varma praised the 62-year-old's courage, calling her an inspiration and pledging the



Tributes being paid to Dr Velidandla Hanumantha Rao

Velidandla remembered

HVRS PRASAD
VIJAYAWADA

THE 95th death anniversary of Dr Velidandla Hanumantha Rao, a noted physician and freedom fighter, was observed at Sri Velidandla Hanumantharaya Grandhalayam in Gandhinagar.

Ambati Madhumohan

Krishna, Honorary Adviser of the Grandhalayam, and Gaddam Satyanarayana, Secretary, paid tributes to Dr Hanumantha Rao and recalled his contributions to the freedom struggle and society. K Rajasekhara, R Satyanarayana Raju, Hemadri Prasad, Sagar and others participated in the programme.

Foolproof arrangements for local body polls

- NTR collector Dr Lakshmisha inspects polling stations, strong rooms and counting centres in Tiruvuru

- Says signboards should be installed prominently to guide people along the designated routes

DASARI SRINIVASA RAO
TIRUVURU (NTR DISTRICT)

NTR District Collector Dr G Lakshmisha has directed officials to make foolproof arrangements for municipal, Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency (ZPTC) and Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency (MPTC) elections to ensure that the polls are conducted transparently and peacefully.

The collector conducted surprise inspections of several polling stations, strong rooms and counting centres in Tiruvuru municipality on Thursday and reviewed the

arrangements being made for the elections.

He first inspected the polling stations set up on the premises of the local Zilla Parishad High School. He instructed officials to install clear signboards at every polling booth to help voters identify their designated polling stations easily. He also stressed the need to ensure basic facilities, including drinking water, electricity and ramps for persons with disabilities, without any shortcomings. He directed officials to make adequate security arrangements and give priority to maintain-



Collector Dr G Lakshmisha enquires with officials about security measures at strong room at Sri Vahini Institute of Science and Technology on Thursday

ing law and order. Later, Dr Lakshmisha inspected the strong rooms and counting centres being established at Sri Vahini Institute of Science and Technology for the ZPTC and MPTC elections. Emphasising that the security of strong rooms was non-negotiable, he ordered officials to permanently seal

the windows with brick-and-cement walls rather than wooden boards.

He also directed officials to set up separate entry and exit routes for election staff, political party agents, and the public to avoid confusion during counting. He said prominent sign boards should be installed to guide

people along the designated routes. Revenue Divisional Officer A Kumar, Municipal Commissioner Manoguna, Tahsildar D Chandramouli, MPDO Ch Ravibabu, Tiruvuru SI Satakarni and officials from the survey, engineering and municipal departments participated in the inspection.

NASHA MukT BHARAT ABHIYAAN

Old woman embarks on pan-India cycle rally



SRKR Engineering College Secretary and Correspondent Sagi Ramakrishna Nishanth Varma flagging off Indukuri Vijayalakshmi's Bhimavaram-to-Delhi cycle rally with the National Flag

institution's full support. College Director Dr M Jagapathi Raju, Principal Dr KV Murali Krishnam Raju, social activist Cherukuwada Rangasai, and freedom fighter Alluri Sitarama Raju's grandson, Alluri Rama Raju, were among the dignitaries present.

Following a felicitation by SRKR Engineering College, Nishanth Varma officially flagged off the historic rally.

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