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#### **SCR** announces special Hyderabad-Mumbai trains

Hyderabad: In view of extra rush of passengers during Christmas and New Year, South Central Railway has announced special trains between Hyderabad and LTT Mumbai

In a press release issued here, the SCR said Train No.07458 Hyderabad - LTT Mumbai will depart at 5.30 pm on December 28 and arrive 10.40 am the next day.

Similarly, Train no. 07459 LTT Mumbai - Hyderabad will depart at 3.20 pm on December 29 and arrive 9 am the next day.

These special trains will stop Begumpet, Lingampalli, Vikarabad, Tandur, Wadi, Kalaburagi, Solapur, Pune and Kalyan stations in both the directions. These special trains will consist of 1AC, 2AC, 3AC, Sleeper and General Second Class Coaches.

# The teachings of Jesus Christ are universally applicable and inspire love, peace, sacrifice, and a spirit of service: Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

(Capital Information) Nalgonda: State Minister for Roads, Buildings, and Cine-Komatireddy matography, Venkat Reddy, said that the teachings of Jesus Christ are universally applicable and inspire love, peace, sacrifice, and a spirit of service. On Thursday, on the occasion of Christmas, he participated in the Christmas celebrations held at the QSS Telugu Baptist Church near the Clock Tower in Nalgonda district center and cut the Christmas cake.

On this occasion, the Minister extended Christmas greetings to the people of the state and Nalgonda district. Later, the Minister expressed his wish that all the people of the state be happy and prosperous on the occasion of Christmas. He said he was happy to celebrate Christmas with his Christian brothers and sisters in the Nalgonda district center.

He said that all of Jesus Christ's teachings emphasize service to humanity, and that Christian missionaries and hospitals work with a spirit of service, making Christians who provide these services stand out. He stated that Jesus



Christ's teachings embody forgiveness, compassion, and the ability to forgive even enemies, and that these are all principles that are applicable to all of hu-

He mentioned that a people's government has come to power ten years after the formation of Telangana state, and that under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, the state government is working for the welfare of all sections of people. He said that the prestiaious schemes introduced by

the state government, such as

Indiramma houses and fine

rice, have received widespread

appreciation.

state's financial situation being less than ideal, the Chief Minister and all the ministers are working collectively to govern the state effectively. He expressed his wish that with the grace of Jesus Christ, all the people may live in happiness and joy, and that Telangana state may move forward on the path of development. He said that December is a

He stated that despite the

month that has filled the people of Telangana with joy, especially December 9th, the day the Telangana announcement was made, and specifically recalled that Telandana was announced on Sonia Gandhi's birthday. The minister informed that LLM and Pharmacy courses have been sanctioned at Mahatma Gandhi University. The church father, Christian religious leaders, and others attended the program.

Earlier, Additional Revenue Collector J. Srinivas met the Minister for Roads, Buildings, and Cinematography at the minister's camp office and presented him with a bouquet. Nalgonda RDO Y. Ashok Reddy and others were with the



#### Harish Rao slams Revanth Reddy over abusive remarks against KCŘ

Siddipet: Former Minister T Harish Rao condemned Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's abusive language against former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao in public meetings.

Speaking to news reporters after his visit to an urban residential school on Thursday, Rao questioned Revanth on what kind of example he wanted to set for the younger generation with such a language. Hailing Chandrashekhar Rao as a crusader, who led Telangana movement from the front, Harish Rao took a serious objection to the language Revanth used against a fatherly figure like the former Chief Minister

He accused Revanth of failing to supply cosmetic charges, mess bills and other benefits to welfare hostels in the State despite the Chief Minister being the Education Minister.

He distributed blankets to the inmates of the hostel at his own expense and inspected the quality of rice, eggs and other food items being served to the students. Rao also interacted with the students to know their issues. He then had lunch with the inmates to check the quality and taste.

Later, the former Minister felicitated Peddalingareddy Pally Sarpanch Battu Bhaskar Reddy and ward members. Speaking on the occasion, he said that the Congress had ignored the interests of the

# Rythu Bandhu Unlikely in the Near Term: Minister Tumma

(Capital Information) Hyderabad : The Telangana government is unlikely to release Rythu Bandhu assistance in the immediate future, Agricul-Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao has indicated, effectively putting an end to expectations of payments in the

coming weeks. The Minister said that with sarpanch elections already

completed and no immediate schedule for MPTC and ZPTC elections, the government feels there is no urgency to disburse Rythu Bandhu funds at this stage. He added that releasing the assistance now would be "unnecessary" under the present circumstances.

Mr. Tummala clarified that the Rythu Bandhu instalment usually expected in the last



week of December has been put on hold. The government, he said, has decided to release the assistance only after finalising accurate data on cultivated

As part of this process, the state is undertaking satellite mapping of Yasangi crop lands across Telangana. Crop area identification through satellite imagery and consolidation of related data is currently underway. Rythu Bandhu funds will be credited to farmers' accounts only after the final report on cultivated lands is received and verified, the Minister explained.

The move, according to the government, is aimed at ensuring transparency and preventing irregularities in the distribution of agricultural assistance.



# Top Maoist leader Ganesh Uike, three others killed in gunfight in Odisha

Bhubaneswar: Top Maoist leader Ganesh Uike was among four red rebels killed in a gun-battle with security forces in Odisha's Kandhamal district on Thursday, police said.

CPI(Maoist) central committee member Uike, who carried a bounty of Rs 1.1 crore on his head, was the chief of the banned outfit in Odisha, a senior officer heading anti-Naxal operations in the state said.

The gun-battle took place in a forest in Chakapad police station area, he said.

"Four Maoists were killed in the gunfight. One of them was identified as 69-year-old Ganesh Uike, who is also known by his aliases Pakka Hanumantu, Rajesh Tiwari, Chamru and Rupa. He was a native of Pullemala village under Chendur mandal in Telangana's Nalgonda

The identity of the other three Naxals, including two women, was yet to be ascertained, the officer said.



# Gig workers join nationwide protest

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad: The Telangana Gig and Platform Workers union (TGPWU) and the Indian Federation of App-Based Transport Workers (IFAT) on Thursday joined the nationwide protest in support of their demands for fair wages, safe working conditions, social security and

In Hyderabad, flash rallies were conducted in different places. Approximately 40,000 delivery workers from major platforms participated in the flash strike, protesting unsafe working conditions, unfair pay, algorithmic control, ID blocking, and denial of dignity and social security, TGPWU founder-president Shaik Salauddin said in a statement.

The strike had a significant nationwide impact as orders were delayed or disrupted across multiple cities and stores. Platform companies attempted to break the strike by deploying third-party delivery companies such as Shadowfax and Rapido. Aggregators offered extra incentive pay and temporarily reactivated inactive IDs to manage op-

erations, he said. However, the flash strike demonstrated the unity and resistance of delivery workers across India against exploitative platform practices, he added.

### TTD Chairman conducts strategic inspection of Laddu sales and production; assures ample stocks for Vaikuntha Dwara Darshan (Capital Information)

Tirumala: TTD Chairman B.R. Naidu performed a comprehensive surprise inspection of the

Srivari Laddu sales ecosystem in Tirumala on Thursday. This visit was aimed at ensuring operational excellence and maintaining the highest standards of service for the millions of devotees visiting the sacred shrine. During the inspection, the Chairman personally supervised the issuance protocols, evaluated the efficiency of the counter staff, and meticulously verified the weight and quality of the sacred Prasadam.

As part of TTD's commitment to digital transformation and devotee convenience. Chairman B.R. Naidu reviewed the functionality of the automated kiosks. These units facilitate Laddu procurement for devotees without Darshan tickets through a seamless Aadhaar-linked registration and UPI payment interface. The Chairman interacted with several pilgrims to gather direct feedback on these technological interventions, ensuring the process remains user-friendly transparent.

The inspection extended to the Boondi Potu, the primary kitchen facility, where the Chairman observed the preparation stages of the Laddu ingredients. After a detailed assessment of the culinary workflow, he issued a series of directives to the concerned officials to further en-

hance preparation standards. Addressing the media delegation, the Chairman emphasized that this review is a critical component of the readiness plan for the upcoming Vaikuntha Dwara Darshan, scheduled to take place from December 30 to January 8.

Chairman B.R. Naidu disclosed that TTD currently manages a daily distribution of 4 lakh laddus alongside 8,000 Kalyan-

He reassured the global devotee community that robust logistics are in place to ensure a zero-shortage environment during the high-influx period of Vaikuntha Dwara Darshan. Highlighting the positive impact of recent administrative reforms, the Chairman noted that devotees have expressed immense satisfaction regarding the enhanced taste and quality of the Prasadam, as well as the notable decrease in

queue waiting times The Chairman concluded by

stating that TTD is prepared to scale up production capabilities further, with a focus on optimizing counter management for even swifter distribution. Accompanying the Chairman during this technical inspection were Srivari Temple Deputy EO Lokanatham, Potu Peishkar Muni Ratnam, and other key administrative officials

### CM's contradictory assertions over River Krishna water claims exposed, draws criticism

(Capital Information) Hyderabad: Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's poor knowledge over the irrigation sector, especially on River Krishna water sharing got exposed yet again. His contradictory assertions over Telangana's share in the River Krishna waters are

Interestingly, the Chief Minister contradicts his own statements and assertions over the State's share in the river waters.

drawing severe criticism from

different sections.

In June this year, the Chief Minister had demanded his counterpart from Andhra Pradesh N Chandrababu Naidu to issue NOC for using 1000 tmcft in River Godavari and 500 tmcft in River Kr-

These demands had triggered a strong criticism from the former Irrigation Minister T Harish Rao and slammed the Congress government for its negligence in protecting Telangana's share.

"Telangana already has hydrological clearances from Central Water Commission for using 946 tmcft in River Godavari for projects in the State," Harish Rao pointed outa, exposing the Chief Minister's poor command over the irrigation sector.

Similarly, on September 13, the Chief Minister made another assertion of 904 tmcft share in River Krishna for Telangana. Contradicting his own assertion on September 24, the Chief Minister again claimed Telangana's share of 763 tmcft in River Krishna

Continuing his inconsistent stand over the river water share, the Chief Minister this month made a new demand before the Brijesh Kumar Tribunal to allot 951 tmcft in River Krishna basin.

The BRS working president KT Rama Rao has been highlighting these inconsistencies, particularly the Chief Minister's contradictory stand on River Krishna water

"Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy has zero knowledge of river waters impacting Telangana's share and interests. He continues to remain dangerously ignorant in irrigation issues," Rama Rao said while addressing party workers in Nalgonda on Tuesday.

Like the strong counters from the BRS, people from different sections are also criticizing the Chief Minister for his "command" over the irrigation sector and river water

Sharing the news reports clippings of contradictory statements made by Revanth Reddy on X, Nayini Anurag Reddy, an entrepreneur asked "Every time the Chief Minister speaks, there's a new number. If they themselves don't know what they are asking for, who do you expect to take us seriously?,".

"And in all this confusion, it's not them who lose. It's the people of Telangana," he stressed.

#### Love and compassion are the message of Christ: Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy



(Capital Information) Kodad: The Christmas celebrations held on Thursday at St. Joseph's CCR Educational Institution in Kodad town, commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world, were a grand spectacle. State Minister for Major Irrigation and Civil Supplies, Nalamada Uttam Kumar Reddy, attended the event as the chief

On this occasion, the Minister stated that the paths of peace and love shown by Christ are universal and serve as a guiding light for the unity of humanity. He called upon the students to cultivate a serviceoriented attitude and discipline from a young age.

guest. He cut a cake with the stu-

dents and extended his greetings.

He praised the commendable educational services provided by Christian educational institutions to society. He extended Christmas greetings to all the people. Later, the cultural performances presented by the students captivated everyone

Former MLA Venepalli Chander Rao, PCC Delegate Chintakuntla Lakshminarayana Reddy, District Library Chairman Vangaveeti Ramarao, former DCCB Chairman Mutthavarapu Panduranga Rao, former Sarpanch Chairman Erneni Babu, Superior Sister Nakshatram, Headmistress Ann Jyothi, Rose Mary, Stella Shaurili, Vijaya, and local public representatives participated in the





# The teachings of Christ peace, compassion, love, and service are applicable to all : MLA:Vemula Veeresham

(Capital Information)

Nakrekal/Kethepally: On the occasion of Christmas, he attended the celebrations held at the Rayapuram church in Kethepally mandal as the chief guest, extended greetings to the Christian brothers and sisters, and cut a

Speaking on the occasion, he said that the teachings of Christ - to love everyone, to walk the path of peace, and to act with a spirit of service - are applicable to all of

Later, in Nakrekal, MLA Vemula Veeresham attended the celebrations held at various churches in different wards of Nakrekal town, cut a cake, extended greetings, and participated in special prayers.

In this program, Municipality Chairperson Chevugoni Rajitha - Srinivas, TPCC Manifesto Committee Member Chamala Srinivas, local councilors, leaders, Christian brothers and sisters, and others participated.

## Formation of Kamma Samaikya Vedika in Shadnagar - Members Meet Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao Minister Assures Support to All Members, Calls for Service-Oriented Leadership Mannava Sambasiva Rao Elected President; Makineni Venkata Narayana

Appointed General Secretary of Shadnagar Kamma Samaikya Vedika

(Special Correspondent) Shadnagar: State Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao has called for strengthening the Kamma Samaikya Vedika to stand united and extend continuous support to people from all sections of society through sustained service activities for the welfare of the Kamma commu-

Members who recently formed the Shadnagar Division Committee of the Kamma Samaikya Vedika met Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao on Thursday in the state capital, Hyderabad. The newly constituted committee under his guidance elected Mannava Sambasiva Rao as President and Makineni Venkata Narayana as General Secretary.

Kapa Venkateshwar Rao was elected Treasurer, while Madamanchi Ananda Rao and Kaparamarao were

elected Vice Presidents. Amarnath, Nuvvula Srinivasa Rao, and Bandla Siva Naga-Rao malleswara were elected as Joint Secretaries.Vaikuntha Sambasiva Rao, Eedara Satyanarayana, Mandava Hanumantha Rao, Madhu, Naresh, and several others were present at the

"Bring Greater Recognition to the Kamma Commu-

TummalaAddressing the newly elected members, Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao said that the Kamma Samaikya Vedika should move forward in a manner that brings pride and recognition to the Kamma commu-

He emphasized the need to strengthen the organization and urged its members to stand by every individual Minister in need.He stated that everyone should work with dedication to uphold the dignity and unity of the Kamma community and expressed his desire to see every member progress economically.

He noted that the Kamma community has always been known for its commitment to public service and called upon the members to continue in the same spirit.The Minister assured

the newly formed committee of his continuous support and cooperation in all its activi-

On this occasion. Telangana Kamma Associations Federation President Boddu Ravi Shankar Rao, General Secretary Gangavarapu Ramakrishna, and Treasurer Kandapuneni Ratnakar Rao conveyed their best wishes to the newly elected

## Asking Farmers to Use Mobile App for Urea is Absurd: Senior Leader Porika Govind Naik

(Capital Information) Mulugu: Senior district leader Mr. Porika Govind Naik alleged that the agricultural sector has deteriorated ever since the Congress government came to power, resulting in increased hardships for farmers.

He was speaking at a party workers' meeting held under the chairmanship of Mallampally Mandal President Mr. Palepu Srinivas.Addressing the gathering, Mr. Govind Naik criticised the government's decision to make it mandatory for farmers to use a mobile application to pre-book urea, stating that such a move is unrealistic and laughable. He questioned how farmers from rural

areas—many of whom are either illiterate or do not possess smartphones—could be expected to operate mobile apps to access fertilisers.

"Farming has become a fearful activity under the Congress regime. Most farmers live in villages and cannot afford or operate Android smartphones. The government must answer how such farmers are supposed to use a urea booking app," he said, directly questioning the Revanth Reddy-led govern-

He further stated that after the Congress came to power, farmers are once again being forced to stand in long queues day and night for urea, a situation reminis-



Mr. Govind Naik demanded clarity on how many times Rythu Bandhu assistance has been extended in the last two years and how many farmers have actually benefited from complete ₹2 lakh loan waivers and bonus payments.

for farmers while failing to en-

sure timely fertiliser supply.

He also alleged that the

Congress government has shown negligence towards irrigation projects, questioning whether even a single irrigation project has been completed in the last two years.

Recalling the previous BRS government under former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao, he said several irrigation projects were completed with the objective of providing sufficient water for two crops. He highlighted the Kaleshwaram Lift

Irrigation Project, along with multiple reservoirs and canal networks, which ensured water supply to tanks across the state and transformed agriculture into a festive activity, making farmers prosperous.

Demanding immediate action, Mr. Govind Naik urged the government to withdraw the urea mobile app and revert to the earlier distribution system followed by the previous government. Speaking as a representative of the principal opposition party, he warned that if the government fails to respond, the party will launch agitations in support of farmers and stand firmly by their side in the days to come.



### Additional Collector Inspects Rice Mills, Paddy Procurement Centres, PHCs and KGBV Schools

(Capital Information) Mahabubnagar: Additional Collector (Revenue) Madhusudan Naik on Thursday conducted extensive inspections of rice mills, paddy procurement centres, primary health centres and a Kas-Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) in Gan-

Reviewing paddy procurement for the Kharif 2025-26 season, the Additional Collector directed millers who have received paddy to submit bank guarantees to the Civil Supplies Department DM as per the instructions of the Civil Supplies Commissioner. He

deed and Hanwada mandals.

Rice Mill at Gandeed and Lakshmi Balaji Rice Mill at Hanwada, and instructed the managements to immediately submit pending bank guarantees. He asked the Enforcement Department to take special care in collecting the guarantees and ensure completion by the end of De-

Regarding Rabi 2024-25 Custom Milled Rice (CMR) deliveries, including Non-FRK, FRK Raw and FRK Boiled rice, he instructed rice millers to operate mills in two shifts and complete the allocated ACs at the earliest. He said the District Collector

inspected RVR Srinivasa would review the progress every week and directed millers to dispatch ACs on a daily basis.

> The Additional Collector also conducted surprise inspections of the Primary Health Centres at Gandeed and Hanwada mandal headquarters. During the attendance check, no doctors or nurses were found available. He ordered issuance of showcause notices and directed the District Medical and Health Officer to ensure that explanations are submitted directly to the District Collector. He enquired about the availability of emergency injections for dog bite and snake bite cases and

questioned staff on the nature and directed that public anof treatments being provided to patients.

At Vennachedu village in Gandeed mandal, he inspected a paddy procurement centre. Farmers and staff informed him about the non-availability of gunny bags. He directed the Civil Supplies DM to arrange immediate supply of gunny bags. He also instructed officials to expedite weighing, tablet entries of farmer details and ensure timely payment to farmers. He asked that details of centres where procurement has been completed be submitted to the Civil Supplies DM office nouncements be made in villages encouraging farmers to bring paddy daily.

Later, he inspected the Central Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya at Hanwada mandal headquarters. He interacted with students about food facilities and teaching methods. Advising students to study with interest rather than compulsion, he said this would pave the way for a bright future. He urged teachers and students, especially Class X students, to focus on studies without wasting time and strive to achieve a high pass percentage to bring the district to the top ranks.



**SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY** 

CORRIGENDUM No.01 Dated 24.12.2025 Tender No.:31\_2025-26\_Sr.DEE\_TRD\_HYB

All other terms and conditions of the Tender shall remain unchanged. Bidders are advised to take note of the above changes while submitting their bids.

This Corrigendum has been uploaded on IREPS and the same shall be treated

as part of the Tender Documents Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/TrD/Hyderabad

#### Prajasena Founder, B. Ramesh Varma Distributes Sarees to Women on Christmas

(Capital Information) Bhupalpally (Mulugu): Polaram Village: On the occasion of Christmas, Prajasena founder Sri Bommakanti Ramesh Varma distributed sarees to 26 women at the church in Polaram village of Bhupalpally district.

Addressing the gathering, Sri Ramesh Varma said that Christmas is not merely the celebration of a birth, but the beginning of a great sacrifice. He recalled that Jesus Christ was not born on a throne or amidst riches, but in a humble manger, spreading a message of love and compassion.

"Jesus left behind a profound question for humanity — Are you living with love? Despite facing injustice, He stood firm in silence and taught forgiveness in response to hatred. Even while



suffering on the cross, He never abandoned His love for mankind," he said.He added that Christmas should prompt introspection among people, questioning whether society is moving towards light or becoming accustomed to darkness. "The message of Jesus is clear - not religion, but humanity; not fear, but love; not violence, but forgiveness," he

emphasized.

Extending Christmas greetings, Sri Ramesh Varma wished that the holy day would fill people's lives with silent peace, their hearts with divine hope, and their actions with true human values. He concluded by praying for the blessings of Lord Jesus Christ upon everyone.Prajasena Founder Bommakanti Ramesh Varma

## Telangana Medical Health Employees Association New Executive Committee Election

(Capital Information) Nizamabad Bureau: The Telangana Medical Health Employees Association District Committee meeting of the District Medical Health Department was held on Thursday under the chairmanship of District President Ganpur Venkateswarlu on the fifth floor of the Govern-

ment General Hospital. In this meeting, membership, union strengthening, 2026 New Year Calendar, election of new district committee, employee problems, future programs and others were discussed.

In particular, among the employee problems, mainly those who roam around at the field level, employees are



facing difficulties through online attendance, those who have been working as ANMs for about 30 years are still not getting promotions, those who have become senior and have not received LHV training while working as In this meeting, the dis-ANMs, and it was not right to stop the annual grade incremously

ment, it was discussed on

this occasion.

The district president informed on this occasion that all these problems will be brought to the attention of higher authorities and justice will be done to the employ-

trict committee was unanielected.N. Venkateswarlu as district president, Yadamma as dis-

trict associate president, C. Rajender as district general secretary, district vice presidents, V. Praveen Reddy, B. Baby Rani, M. Ravi Goud, joint secretaries, M. Gangamani P. Mandodari, organizing secretaries, G. Vimaleswari, Solomon RajS. Swamiji Suresh Reddy as district executive members...S.

Shyamala, G. Vijaya E. Sudhakar, T. Ramesh D. Madhusudan It was informed that they were elected unanimously.

On this occasion, the newly elected district committee responded to the problems of the employees and announced that they would work for the welfare of the employees.



#### Christmas celebrated grandly at CSI Church **MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana Gupta** participated as the chief guest

(Capital information)

Nizamabad Bureau: The Christmas celebrations held at CSI Church in Nizamabad town were held grandly with devotion and in a spiritual atmosphere. Nizamabad Urban MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana participated as the chief guest for these celebrations

On this occasion, the church pastor offered special prayers for the MLA. He prayed that Lord Jesus Christ would bless the MLA with good health, knowledge and strength and give him the power to serve the people more. He also prayed that God's grace, peace and blessings should always be on the MLA's

Speaking at the celebrations, MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana said that Christmas is a symbol of love, peace and brotherhood. He said that the life of Jesus Christ, who was born in a sheepfold, is an example of humility, sacrifice and

Jesus The values of love, forgiveness and service taught should be reflected in everyone's life. Also, the MLA said that all religions teach humanity and festivals promote unity and harmony in the society. He praised the city of Nizamabad as a symbol of religious harmony.

Nyalo. Raju, Corporator Prabhakar, Mundada Pawan, Math Pawan Church Fathers, pastors, community members, Christian devotees, local public representatives and prominent figures participated in this program in large numbers.

# Kishora Ecosystem Seminar Concludes Grandly in Tirupati: Empowering Youth as Future Leaders

(Capital Information) Tirupati : The Kishora Ecosystem program, a dedicated initiative designed for adolescents and their par-

ents, concluded successfully in Tirupati. The seminar focused on nurturing leadership qualities from a young age and providing a comprehensive roadmap for the hodevelopment students. Throughout the event, prominent scholars

and mentors emphasized that direction, discipline, and personality development are the fundamental cornerstones of a teenager's growth. Speakers specifically highlighted how literature, inspirational films, and the life stories of great personalities play a significant role in influencing and shaping the mindset of young individuals.

A central theme of the

vital role of parenting in a child's journey. Experts noted that through consistent guidance and strong emotional support, parents can establish a robust foundation for

ing they navigate the comchallenges adolescence with confidence and integrity. By aligning

their children's future, ensur-

dent's natural talents, the speakers argued that the path to success becomes much clearer.

During the keynote address, the organization's founder, Mr. Srivatsava, stated that today's teenagers have the potential to emerge as the visionary leaders of tomorrow if provided with the right event was the proactive and parental support with the stu-methodologies and timely so-

lutions. His message was further amplified by an expert panel consisting of Coach Shiva, Dr. Nagendra, Coach Karthik, and Anupama, who shared diverse insights from their professional journeys to motivate students toward embracing core values and

personal responsibility. The organizers concluded the event by reiterating that the

core objective of the Kishora Ecosystem is to propel the nation forward by fostering a generation of responsible, value-driven youth. The seminar served as a vital platform for students to interact directly with mentors, gaining the necessary clarity to pursue their personal and professional paths with a sense of duty toward society.

## Tirupati APUWJ Accords Grand Welcome to Media Academy Chairman

(Capital Information) Tirupati : The Andhra Pradesh Union of Working Journalists (APUWJ) Tirupati unit extended a warm and grand welcome to Alapati Suresh on Thrusday, the newly appointed Chairman of the Andhra Pradesh State Media Academy. This visit marked his first official arrival in Tirupati after assuming the prestigious role.

and several senior journalists met the Chairman formally to convey their congratulations. During the meeting, union leaders expressed their support and discussed matters pertaining to the journalistic community. The reception was attended by prominent figures including APUWJE President Dr.

The APUWJ leadership Prasad, District General Secretary P. Narendra, and Tirupati Press Club President Murali. State Council members Krishnaiah and Koteswara Babu, along with District Vice President Seenu Babu and Assistant Secretary Taraka, were also present

> tion State Vice President Giribabu, and journalists Suresh, Govindaswamy, Raja Reddy, Purushottam, among others. The members highlighted the importance of the Media Academy's role in supporting journalists across the state and looked forward to working closely under the new

to honor the Chairman. The

delegation further included

Photojournalists Associa-



#### **Government advisor Pocharam** Srinivas Reddy performed Bhoomi Puja for the beautification of Yellaru lake

(Capital information)

Nizamabad Buearu: Telangana State Government Agriculture Advisor, Banswada Constituency MLA Pocharam Srinivas Reddy, and State Agros Chairman Kasula Balaraju performed Bhoomi Puja for the beautification works of Yellaru (Yellaru) lake in Banswada town with a cost of Rs 3 crore 15 lakh.

They said that they performed Bhoomi Puja for the beautification works of this lake in order to develop the Yellaru (Yellaru) lake and turn it into a tourist center, and to provide a pleasant environment for the residents of the colonies around the lake to walk in the morning and evening.

Banswada town leaders, former public representatives and officials participated in the program.

# National IDE Bootcamp Empowers 190+ PM SHRI Educators at Guru Nanak Institutions Technical Campus

(Capital Information) Ranga Reddy: The three-day intensive "Innovation, Design, and Entrepreneurship (IDE) Bootcamp" for Principals and Teachers of PM SHRI Schools concluded today at the Guru Nanak Institutions Technical Campus (GNITC). Organized by the Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), and the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (MIC), the event marked a significant step toward fostering a culture of innovation in Indian schools.

The bootcamp, held from December 22nd to 24th, 2025, was organized in strategic collaboration with the Wadhwani Foundation, a global leader in entrepreneur-

ship education. A major highlight of the event was the keynote session by Dr. Abhay Jere, Vice Chairman of AICTE and Chief Innovation Officer at the Ministry of Education. Speaking on the "Human-Centered Approach to Explore Innovation and Problem Solving," Dr. Jere emphasized the need to mentor school students to move beyond basic projects



and reach the "patented state." He highlighted that real-world problem solving must start at the school level to build a robust national innovation pipeline.

Mr. Yogesh D. Brahmankar, Innovation Director at the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell, provided technical insights on "Making your Business Stand Out: Build a Solution - Idea and Unique Value Proposition." His session focused on how educators can guide students to identify unique market needs and develop sustainable business models.

The state-level inauguration was attended by highranking dignitaries from AICTE and the Samagra



Shiksha Abhiyan. Over 190+ Principals and Teachers from PM SHRI Schools across Telangana participated in the program, engaging in handson workshops designed to transform them into "Innovation Ambassadors" for their respective institutions.

The leadership of Guru Nanak Institutions (GNI) and Guru Nanak University (GNU) played a pivotal role in hosting the event.Sardar Gagandeep Singh Kohli, Chancellor of GNU & Vice Chairman of GNI, expressed his pride in hosting a national initiative that aligns with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.Dr. H.S. Saini, Vice Chancellor of GNU & Managing Director of GNI,

spoke on the importance of institutional support for grassroots innovation.Dr. S. Sreenatha Reddy, Director of GNITC, and Dr. S.V. Ranganayakulu, Dean of R&D at GNITC, also shared their insights on the technical infrastructure required to support young entrepreneurs.

The bootcamp concluded with a valedictory ceremony where all 190+ participants received participation certificates and specialized innovation kits. The educators left equipped with a roadmap to implement design thinking and entrepreneurial modules within the PM SHRI schools, ensuring that the next generation of students is ready for the global economy.

#### May this Christmas festival fill your lives with new light: MLA Komatireddy Raj Gopal Reddy

(Capital Information) Munugode : The teachings of Christ, which impart peace, compassion, and forgiveness, are worth of emulation by all of humanity.

On the occasion of Christmas, I extend my Christmas special greetings to the Christian brothers and sis-



ters of Telangana state, and especially to the Christian brothers and sisters of my Munugode suluency

I wish that all the people be happy and prosperous, and that this Christmas festival, which spreads peace, love, and joy, fills your lives with new light.

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# MLA Dr. Rekulapalli Bhupathi Reddy participated in Christmas celebrations

(Capital information) Nizamabad Bureau: Nizam-

abad Rural MLA Dr. Rekula-Bhupathi Reddy participated in the Christmas celebrations organized at Jesus Love Church in Mubarak Nagar, Nizamabad Rural Mandal. On this occasion, the MLA conducted special prayers in the church and wished Christmas to the Christian brothers and sisters. Later, he cut a cake and fed it to the Christians.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that the Telangana state government under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy is giving a big push to the Christian minorities. He said that the state



government has allocated Rs. 21 crore for the organization of Christmas celebrations and special funds have been sanctioned for color lighting to all churches across the state. He said that Christmas, which is celebrated on the same day all over the world, marks the birth of Lord Jesus, and he is very happy to participate in these holy celebrations.

He said that he is praying to the Lord Jesus for peace and happiness in every family. He reminded that financial assistance of Rs. 2 lakh has been provided to organize Christmas celebrations in each church. He said that when the representatives of the church fathers requested that the road be built, they immediately started the road

MLA Bhupathi Reddy clarified that the welfare schemes implemented by the Congress government are being provided to people of all sections and that the Congress party, as a secular party, treats all religions and all castes equally. He asked that the government should bless the Congress party as much as it supports Christians.

AMC Chairman Muppai Gangareddy, Minority Department Chairman Srinivas, former MPP Immadi Gopi, Fisheries Chairman Srinivas, church fathers, senior Congress leaders Hanmandlu and others participated in this program.



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# Sabka Prayas will realise the resolve of a Viksit Bharat

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Rashtra Prerna Sthal in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh to honour the life and ideals of Former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee today. Speaking on the occasion marking payee's 101st Birth Anniversary, the Prime Minister remarked that today the land of Lucknow is becoming a witness to a new inspiration. extended Christmas greetings to the nation and the world. Modi highlighted that in India too, millions of Christian families are celebrating the festival today. He emphasized that this celebration of Christmas should bring happiness into everyone's lives, which is the collective wish of all.

Highlighting that December 25 brings with it the remarkable occasion of the birth anniversaries of two great personalities of the nation, Modi remarked that Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji and Bharat Ratna Mahamana Madan Mohan Malaviya ji dedicated their

Release Ceremony of

"MAHAMANA VANGMAY"

"The Collected Works of

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya'

lives to safeguarding India's identity, unity, and pride. The Prime Minister emphasized that both these stalwarts left an indelible mark on nationbuilding through their immense contributions.

Noting that December 25 also marks the birth anniversary of Maharaja Bijli Pasi ji, Modi highlighted that the famous Bijli Pasi fort of Lucknow is not far from here and emphasized that Maharaja Bijli Pasi left behind a legacy of valor, good governance, and inclusiveness, which the Pasi community has carried forward with pride. He noted the coincidence that it was Atal ji who, in the year 2000, issued a postage stamp in honor of Maharaja Bijli Pasi. He paid respectful homage, offering salutations to Mahamana Malaviya ji, Atal ji, and Maharaja Bijli Pasi.

Modi remarked that a short while ago he had the privilege of inaugurating the Rashtra Prerna Sthal, which symbolizes the vision that showed India the path of selfrespect, unity, and service. He highlighted that the grand statues of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee, Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay ji, and Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji stand tall, yet the inspiration they provide is even greater. Quoting lines of Atal ji, the Prime Minister emphasized that this Rashtra Prerna Sthal gives the message that every step, every effort must be dedicated to nation-building, and that collective effort alone will fulfill the resolve of a developed India. He extended congratulations to Lucknow,

Uttar Pradesh, and the entire nation on this modern inspiration site. He noted that the land on which this Prerna Sthal has been built had, for decades, accumulated a mountain of garbage spread over more than 30 acres, which has been completely cleared in the last three years. The Prime Minister congratulated all the workers, artisans, planners associated with the project, and conveyed special appreciation to the Chief Minister and his entire team for their efforts.

### Vice President Releases Mahamana Vangmay, Final Series of Collected Works of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya

# Mahamana Malaviya Bridged India's Ancient Values and Modern Aspirations: Vice President

New Delhi (PIB): The Vice President of India, C. P. Radhakrishnan, today released "Mahamana Vangmay", the final series of the collected works of Mahamana Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

Addressing the gathering, the Vice President described Mahamana Malaviya as a towering nationalist, journalist, social reformer, lawyer, statesman, educationist, and a distinguished scholar of ancient Indian culture. He said Pandit Malaviya was a rare visionary who firmly believed that India's future lay not in discarding its past, but in rejuvenating it, thus serving as a bridge between India's ancient values and modern democratic aspirations.

Highlighting Malaviya's commitment to scientific and technological education, the Vice President said this reflected his ability to harmonise the best elements of ancient and modern civilizations.

Recalling Mahamana as the strongest instrument of national awakening during colonial rule, the Vice President said the establishment of Banaras Hindu University stands as a living testament to his belief that modern education and Indian culture must grow together.

The Vice President observed that Mahamana Malaviya's vision of a strong, self-reliant, and enlightened India resonates deeply with contemporary initiatives such as Aatmanirbhar Bharat, Make in India, and the mission of Viksit Bharat by 2047, championed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who is carrying forward Pandit Malaviya's enduring legacy.

He further said that Mahamana Malaviya's emphasis on inclusive, value-based, and skill-oriented education finds strong reflection in the National Education Policy

Describing Mahamana Vangmay as more than a collection of writings, the Vice President said it represents the intellectual DNA of India's freedom struggle and a blueprint for the country's cultural renaissance

He congratulated the Mahamana Malaviya Mission and the Publications Division for their monumental effort and urged universities, scholars, and researchers to actively engage with these volumes, noting that they offer enduring solutions to contemporary challenges.

The second and final series of Mahamana Vangmay, comprising 12 volumes spread across about 3,500 pages, is a comprehensive collection of the writings and speeches of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya. The event was organised by the Mahamana Malaviya Mission, while the books have been published by the Publications Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. The first series of the collected works was released by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2023.

Union Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal; Member of Parliament Anurag Singh Thakur; President, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Ram Bahadur Rai; President, Mahamana Malaviya Mission, Shankar Singh; and Principal Director General, Publications Division, Bhupendra Kainthola, were among the dignitaries present on the oc-



#### PRESIDENT OF INDIA RELEASES THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA IN THE SANTHALI LANGUAGE

New Delhi (PIB): The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu, released the Constitution of India in the Santhali language at a function held at Rashtrapati Bhavan today (Decem-

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that it is a matter of pride and joy for all the Santhali people that the Constitution of India is now available in the Santhali language, written in the Ol Chiki script. It will make them able to read and understand the Constitution in their own language.

The President said that this year, we are celebrating the centenary of the Ol Chiki script. She appreciated the Union Minister of Law and Justice and his team for bringing the Constitution of India in OI Chiki script in its centenary year.

Among the dignitaries present on the occasion were the Vice President of India, C. P. Radhakrishnan and the Union Minister of State for Law and Justice, Arjun Ram Meghwal.

The Santhali language, which was included in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution through the 92nd Amendment Act, 2003, is one of the most ancient living languages of India. It is spoken by a significant number of tribal people in Jharkhand, Odisha, West Bengal and Bihar.

# Amit Shah addresses Abhyudaya Madhya Pradesh Growth Summit in Gwalior

New Delhi (PIB): Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah today addressed the Abhyudaya Madhya Pradesh Growth Summit in Gwalior as the chief quest. On this occasion, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav, Union Minister for Communications Jvotiraditva Scindia, and several other dignitaries were present.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah said that the beginning of structured industrial conclaves in the country started from Gujarat, when Narendra Modi ji was the Chief Minister of the state. He said that Modi ji scientifically initiated the organization of the industrial summit named Vibrant Gujarat, which was highly successful and also brought investments to Gujarat.Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav has initiated regional investment conclaves for the balanced development of the state. He said that investment-related activities have now begun in all regions of Madhya Pradesh, which will prove beneficial for other states as well. Shah said that the investment of ₹2 lakh crore happening today may seem small at first glance, but for any one region, it is a very significant achievement. For the people of that region, this investment is extremely important. If there is no balanced development in the state, the state cannot progress, because immense possibilities are hidden in every region. He said that cotton has been a very old produce of the farmers in the Malwa and Chambal regions, but due to not getting proper prices, cotton cultivation has greatly reduced. Now, through the PM MITRA Park, cotton has once again become a profitable crop.

Amit Shah said that the biggest specialty of Madhya Pradesh is its geographical location. Half of India can be supplied from here at very low transportation costs, but itsoptimum utilization can happen only when industries are

Madhya Pradesh. Industries should be set up in districts bordering southern states, in areas adjacent to Delhi such as Gwalior, and also in regions bordering the west such as Dhar and Jhabua—only then will the benefit of the geographical location be fully realized. He said that Madhya Pradesh's regional investment summits have laid the foundation for the all-round development of the state. Union Home Minister Amit

Shah said that in Gwalior, the inauguration and foundation stone laying of 14 development works pertaining to Gwalior took place. Leaders of the opposition party turned Madhva Pradesh into a BI-MARU state; Shivraj Singh ji removed that tag, and now Mohan Yadav ji is taking the state forward with new energy. As a result, Madhya Pradesh will definitely become a developed state. He said that excellent highways have been built in Madhya Pradesh, efforts have been made to supply water from Narmadariver to as many areas as possible, the irrigated area has increased by 17 percent, and by surpassing Punjab and Haryana, Madhya Pradesh has successfully won the 'Krishi Karman' Award consecutively seven times. He said that it is our party that has truly put Madhya Pradesh on the path of development.

Amit Shah said that to completely capitalize on Madhya Pradesh's geographical location, a Multi-Modal Logistics Park is being developed in Indore, which is attracting companies engaged in production from across the country to set up their warehouses or hubs there. He said that at one time Madhya Pradesh was considered a negative state in the power sector, but today Madhya Pradesh has surplus electricity. In the field of cleanliness as well, Madhya Pradesh has left other states behind. Madhya Pradesh has the lowest operational cost for metro services

has also performed well in the startup sector. Industries and startups have been established in every sector, includagriculture, food processing, minerals, mineral-based industries, renewable energy, logistics, textiles, pharmaceuticals, IT, and tourism. Approximately 50 percent of these startups are

being run by excellent example of women empowerment. He said Madhya Pradesh has set a record by establishing 4 lakh 57 thousand new MSME units in just one

year. As a result, in

of matter medium, small, and cottage industries, Madhya Pradesh is on its way to becoming a hub for the entire country, and through startups and innovation, it is poised to reach new

Amit Shah said that the PM MITRA Park has been built on the 5F vision, which also works to ensure farmers receive fair prices for their produce. It includes Farm to Fibre, Fibre to Factory, Factory to Fashion, and Fashion to Foreign—meaning the PM MITRA Park has arrangements right up to export. He said that the largest PM MITRA Park is in Madhya Pradesh, which will benefit the farmers. Shah said that the textile and tourism industries are the sectors that generate the most employment, and infrastructure suitable for both these sectors is being developed in Madhya Pradesh. He said that Madhya Pradesh has also performed very well in Ease of Doing Business.

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah said that under the leadership of PM Modi, foundations are being laid in many new sectors, which will give the country the opportunity to become a global leader in these new areas in the comeign exchange reserves have crossed the record level of 700 billion dollars. We have made a late but impactful entry into the semi-conductor industry, and very soon we will not only become self-reliant in this sector but will also begin its exports. He said that through Digital India, we have achieved the fastest growth in



the shortest time. He said that when Modi ji became Prime Minister, the number of internet users in the country was only 7 crore, which increased to 101 crore in September 2025. Now the number of broadband users has also reached approximately 99 crore. 4G connectivity is available in 95 percent parts of the country, and preparations are underway to provide 5G connectivity in 99 percent of the area. He said that through UPI, we have taken a giant leap in the field of digital transactions and FinTech. In the year 2024-25, nearly 50 percent of global digital transactions took place in India. In August 2025, by conducting 2000 crore digital transactions worth about Rs. 25 lakh crore, we have left the world behind. During the fight against Covid-19, a very large infrastructure was built for vaccine manufacturing and R&D. Today, 60 percent of the world's vaccines are manufactured in India. We have performed well in the manufacturing sector; India is today the world's second-largest mobile phone producer. Defence exports and defence manufacturing have also

been restructured. In Ease of

Doing Business, India was

ranked 142nd in 2014; today

established symmetrically in among the states. The state ing days. He said that our for- it stands at 63rd position. The Insolvency and Bankruptcv Code has created a structured economic system.

> Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Snan said that under the lead ership of PM Modi, efforts have been made to make India first in the world in the field of infrastructure. During the previous government, there were 90

ters of highways; now. 1.5 lakh kilometers of new have highways been built. Fourhighways lane were previously 18,000 kilometers, now they have become 46,000 kilometers.

roads were previously 3 lakh 81 thousand kilometers, now they have become 7 lakh 84 thousand kilometers. Earlier, there were 74 airports; now their number is 163. Previously, there was not a single Vande Bharat train; now 164 Vande Bharat trains are being built, and the manufacturing of Vande Bharat train parts has also begun in Madhya Pradesh. Earlier, there was not a single Amrit Bharat station; now 1,337 have been built. Railway electrification was only 22 thousand kilometers; now it is 68 thousand kilometers. Metro-connected cities were previously five; now their number is 23. Earlier, optical fiber was available in only 100 gram panchayats; now it has reached 2 lakh 14

thousand panchayats. Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation told the youth of Madhya Pradesh and the industrialists who have come to invest in the state that the geographical location of Madhya Pradesh is so attractive that crops can be grown by sowing seeds anywhere, but the land of Madhya Pradesh is so fertile that by sowing rupees here, one can earn crores. He said that when the state develops with regional balance, the greatest benefit goes to the people of

the state and the industrial sector, because industries based on regional specialties are sustainable and, hence,

sary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, paying tribute to him, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said that today the entire country is celebrating the birth anniversary of a great man of the era, a visionary, and the one who laid the foundation of modern India's infrastructure—Atal ji. Shah said that he is fortunate that today he is standing on the land where Atal ji spent his early life. Home Minister said that he is present on the very land whose soil shaped the young Atal into Atal Bihari. Atal ji not only helped this country preserve its cultural heritage but also dedicated his entire life to awakening the 'self' of the nation and advancing the journey from Swaraj (self-rule) Susashan (good

Amit Shah said that when

English dominated everything, Atal ji delivered a speech in Hindi at the United Nations, thereby winning the hearts of every Indian. Shah said that the entire state of Madhya Pradesh is filled with tribal areas. Before Atal ji became Prime Minister, there was no separate department for tribals at the Centre, but during his tenure, the Government of India established the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, marking the beginning of a new journey for tribal welfare. When Atal ji became Prime Minister, investment in the country's infrastructure was not considered a means to win elections. He said that Atal ji put an end to the outdated mindset that "elections are not won through investments in infrastructure," and implemented the Golden Quadrilateral project. Under this scheme, six major highways connecting the country from all directions were constructed, paving the way for India to advance on the path of robust infrastructure.

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation said that it was Atal ji who established before the entire world the principle that a nation can On the 101st birth anniver- become a nuclear power even for the sake of peace Despite opposition from around the world, he made India a nuclear-armed nation. The Home Minister said that when infiltrators entered during the Kargil conflict, there was immense pressure from the international community for India to go to global forums and negotiate with Pakistan. However, Atal ji firmly declared that we had already made efforts for peace, we had been deceived, and now there could be no talks with Pakistan until every single infiltrator was driven out of Indian territory. He said that the victory in Kargil is a testament to Atal ji's resolute and determined leadership. Shah said that Atal ji was a great orator, a sensitive poet, and a leader dedicated to the welfare of the people. He was regarded throughout his life as an "Ajatashatru" (one without enemies), and in the world of politics, to live and die without making enemies is a very great achievement. Even Atal ji's opponents never spoke ill

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation said that today is also the birth anniversary of Mahamana Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya ji. He said that Pandit Malaviya ji, from the establishment of Banaras Hindu University to his role as a close associate of Gandhiji, and later through the creation of the Hindu Mahasabha, fearlessly propagated Hindu thought-which is the foundational idea of this country-across the nation without any hesitation. In later years, the same Banaras Hindu University produced many leaders for the country who advanced this very thought. The Home Minister said that today is also the death anniversary of Bharat Ratna C. Rajagopalachari. He paid tribute to C. jagopalachari as well.

# Grand Felicitation to Working-Class Public Representatives

Villages Are the Pillars of the Nation; If Villages Prosper, the Country Will Prosper": Pinapaka Prabhakar

Programme Organised Under the Leadership of Bantaram Sudhakar Goud, President, Two-Wheeler Mechanics Association (Division Committee)

(Special Correspondent) Shadnagar: In the recent Gram Panchayat elections held in the Shadnagar Assembly constituency of Rangareddy district, members from the working class—particularly two-wheeler mechanics—achieved remarkable success by being elected as Sarpanches, Deputy Sarpanches, and

Ward Members. To honour these elected representatives, a grand felicitation programme was organised under the leadership of Bantaram Sudhakar Goud, President of the Two-Wheeler Mechanics Association (Division Committee). The programme was attended by Pinapaka Prabhakar, State Convener of the Labour Welfare Association, as the chief guest.

Speaking on the occasion, Pinapaka Prabhakar expressed his happiness over members of the working class, who earn their livelihood as two-wheeler mechanics, winning public

mandates in the Panchayat elections. He stated that regardless of the positions one attains, one should never forget their roots or the profession that provided them with sustenance.

Quoting Mahatma Gandhi, he said, "Villages are the pillars of the nation," and emphasized that India's future lies in its villages. He noted that villages are the backbone of the country, serving as centers of culture and tradition, and playing a vital role in strengthening the nation's economy and ensuring food



security through agriculture. He stressed that only when villages prosper can the country truly progress.

He further stated that rural development is crucial for national development and remain committed to the wel-

urged the elected representatives to work selflessly for the development of their villages and earn the trust and appreciation of the people. He also called upon them to fare of fellow workers and to actively address their issues with a strong sense of serv-

On this occasion, the following elected public representatives were felicitated with garlands, shawls, and sweets:

Ashok Reddy, Sarpanch of Nagulapalli;Gowardhan Reddy, Deputy Sarpanch of Sherigudem; Prabhakar, Deputy Sarpanch of Appireddygudem;Yadagiri, Member from Chinchodu; Mahesh, Ward Member from Choulapalli; Vishnu, Member from Elkaguda; Mahesh, Ward Member from Keshampet;Ramesh Naik, Ward Member from Balanagar.

The programme was presided over by Bantaram Sudhakar Goud, President of the Two-Wheeler Mechanics Association. Association Secretary Bhaskar, Treasurer Rajesh, Executive Presidents Kumar, Satyam, Waheed, Sai, Mallesh, Pasha, and several others participated in the event.



#### **Grand Christmas celebrations held at** the local Naya Nagar Baptist Church

(Capital Information)

Kodad: Christmas celebrations were grandly held at the Naya Nagar Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Yesaiah. The church was beautifully decorated, and special worship services were conducted from early morning

Speaking on the occasion, Pastor Yesaiah praised Jesus Christ, stating that He came into this world to strengthen those with broken hearts, to liberate those suffering from the bondage of sin, and to comfort those in sorrow.

He further praised Jesus' coming as God's appointed mediator for the salvation of all mankind, and that He brought salvation through His sacrifice.

Also participating in this program were former Kodad Municipality Christian co-option member Smt. Vantapaka Janaki, PRTU district leader Bullikonda Kotaiah, Head Constable John, State Vice President of the Tribal Teachers' Association Jaggu Naik, Sravanthi, Moses, Jyothi, Bhagyashree, and other young people. Singers Sunitha, Sudha, Krishnaveni, Kavitha, Sunitha, Seetha, and others participated in the program.



#### **Dhruva Kumar Honored...**

(Capital Information)

Nellore: On Thursday, at the event organized by the Srujana Literary and Cultural Forum at Nellore Town Hall to commemorate Ghantasala's 103rd birth anniversary, Dhruva Kumar Raju, a first-grade student, was honored for his participation in the Bhagavad Gita verses recitation competition.

The event was attended by dance teacher N.V. Ramanaiah, Muppiralayindira, V.V. Vinod Kumar, C.H. Vinay, Kavita, and the organization's president, Daggupati Radhakrishna. Many praised Dhruva's excellent recitation of the Bhagavad Gita verses.

# Sivaprasad appointed as Additional Standing **Government Counsel**

(Capital Information)

Medak: Advocate Sivaprasad of Gaddi Peddapur village of Alladurgam Mandal is



working as an advocate in the court. The central government has appointed Advocate Sivaprasad as an advocate for Standing Government Counsel. He will provide legal

assistance in the courts of the joint Medak District in cases related to the government. He thanked everyone for beina elected as Additional Government Standing Counsel.

### Protest in front of the Suryapet District Collectorate on December 27

(Capital Information) Suryapet: The Telangana state government, two years after the expiry of journalists' accreditations, has introduced Government Order 252 under the guise of new rules, which is designed to trample on the rights of journalists. TUWJ (H-143) strongly condemns the issuance of this GO which is unjust to journalists.

The new GO, which replaces the previous system where desk journalists and field journalists all had the same accreditation cards, now introduces separate



media cards for desk journalists and accreditation cards for field journalists, thus infringing upon the rights of journalists.

Demanding that the confusing GO. 252, which

of each card and attempts to reduce the number of accreditation cards compared to the previous system, be immediately amended to be beneficial to journalists, a protest program has been organized under the auspices of TUWJ (H-143) at 10:30 AM on December 27th at the Suryapet District Collector's office.

lacks clarity on the benefits

Therefore, all TUWJ (H-143) union members and all other journalists are requested to participate and make the program a suc-

# A GRAND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN THE FAMOUS MEDAK CHURCH

(Capital information)

Medak: Christmas celebrations in Medak district are celebrated with devotion. Special prayers started from four in the morning at the famous Medak CSI Church Devotees flocked in large numbers to participate in morning prayers. Church teachers and pastors came around the church and started worshiping.

Apart from the residents of Medak district, all the districts of Telangana, Andhra, Karnataka, Maharashtra and foreigners also came to offer prayers in the famous Medak Church. The spacious church premises were filled with thousands of devotees. Devotees were seen everywhere. Under the direction of Presbetter Incharge Shantayya, thousands of devotees were blessed by Lord Jesus.

Former MLAs Padma Devender Reddy, Mynampally Hanumantha Rao, for-



mer MLC Sheri Subhash Reddy, former municipal chairman Mallikarjun Goud cut Christmas cakes and shared the joy with others. Along with them. SP DV Srinivasa Rao and Additional SP Mahender participated were blessed by the pastors on behalf of God.

A police outpost was set up in front of the church under SP Srinivasa Rao to avoid any trouble to the thousands of devotees. Under the direction of Additional SP and offered prayers and Mahender and DSP Prasannakumar. Cls and Sls have arranged heavy security with around 500 policemen. Police bandobast has been arranged at every step to prevent such unexpected incidents from happening. RTC runs special buses for devotees who come to offer prayers at Medak Church.

Apart from Medak, a large number of buses ply from Bodhan, Hyderabad, Banswada, Sangareddy, Narayankhed and Zaharabad. RTC staff arranged buses according to the rush of passengers. Medak depot manager Surekha supervised the arrangements for the passengers without any hassle. The rush of devotees started from morning and continued till night.

The church premises were filled with naming. They saw that the devotees did not face any difficulties with the voluntary system under the leadership of the church

#### The life of late former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee should be taken as an example by today's youth : MLA Dhan Pal Suryanarayana Gupta

(Capital Information) Nizamabad Bureau: Former Prime Minister Atal Bihari

Vajpayee, who served as the Prime Minister of India three times, should be taken as an example by today's youth and moved forward, said Nizamabad Urban MLA Dhan Pal Suryanarayana Gupta.

On Thursday, former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee was commemorated on his 101st birth anniversary at the BJP district party office in Nizamabad district headquarters and floral tributes were paid to his portrait.

Speaking on the occasion, the MLA said that former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, who was a highly intelligent poet, was a person who had the nature of gentleness in his words and greeted everyone with love.

During his tenure as Prime Minister, he brought many revolutionary reforms for the development of the



brought honor to India in the world. Similarly, during Vajpayee's tenure, key decisions were taken for the education of girls, and he said that girls would excel in education on an equal footing with men. He said that Vajpayee, a person who instilled courage in

women, impressed many

other reforms such as the Nu-

clear Test Ban Treaty and

people of the country with his speech. Last year, his 100th birth anniversary was declared as Good Governance Day. He said that his life is an ideal for everyone, especially the youth of today should read Vajpayee's personality in books and take it as an ideal.

BJP State General Secretary Sravanthi Reddy, BJP District General Secretary Nagolla Lakshminaravana. BJP District General Secretary Pothankar Lakshminarayana, BJP former corporators, BJP senior leaders, activists and others participated in this program.

# "YSRCP stands with the tribals... TDP is slitting their throats"

(Capital Information)

Nellore: Former Minister and YSR Congress Party President of undivided Nellore district, Dr. Kakani Govardhan Reddy, toured Nallabalem village in Podalakuru mandal, Sarvepalli constituency.

Kakani expressed his anger, stating that while the YSR Congress Party stands in support of the tribals, the Telugu Desam Party is slitting their throats under its rule. Kakani said that they welcome anyone who does good for the tribals, but they will not tolerate those who harm them.

Kakani stated that even the court has strongly condemned the Telugu Desam Party leaders for slitting the throat of a tribal man named Gopal.Kakani clarified that it was the YSR Congress Party government that established mobile Aadhaar centers for the tribals.Kakani attended the memorial service of the recently deceased Nandi Ramana Reddy.

We have stood by the tribals, especially the Yanadis and Challa Yanadis, in every way during our government.

During the difficult times of the Corona pandemic, we provided financial assistance from our own funds to tribal families without Aadhaar cards, and also distributed essential commodities to help

We established mobile Aadhaar centers for tribals without Aadhaar cards, providing them with the opportunity to register for Aadhaar cards right in their tribal colonies.

We have provided house plots to homeless tribal families and sanctioned new houses for them.

We have transparently provided an additional 15,000 rupees to each poor tribal family building a house, in addition to government funds.

The YSR Congress Party



cial attention on supporting tribals through employment guarantee schemes.

We have organized a special drive to enroll and educate children from tribal families in schools.

With Mr. Jagan Mohan

sistance of 15,000 rupees through the Amma Vodi program, a scheme unprecedented in the country's history, tribal families have shown a willingness to send their children to school.

We have established An-

ganwadi schools in tribal colonies and provided better facilities for tribal children.

We have taken strict action against anyone who cheated or committed atrocities against tribals.

We have provided basic infrastructure such as cement

roads and side drains in tribal colonies.

ridiculous that It is Somireddy has just woken up and is talking as if he alone has uplifted the tribals and that previous governments did not care about them.

We believe that it is good if anyone does good for the upliftment of tribals, but it is not right to limit oneself to mere words

Somireddy should show his concern for the welfare of tribals through actions, not just words.

In Sarvepalli, Somireddy should undertake projects that benefit the tribal people, instead of misappropriating percentages from the CSR funds provided by industrial-

The tribal families of Sarvepalli are criticizing Somireddy for his contradictory words and actions.

Somireddy should prove his integrity by not shielding or protecting those who attacked the tribal man Gopal, but instead bringing them to justice.

After Somireddy orchestrated the attack on the tribals, the tribal families became furious at the mere mention of his name, leaving Somireddy with no option but to start appeasing the tribals Everyone rejoices when

someone does good for the innocent tribals, but the tribal community will never forgive people like Somireddy, who show love in words but conspire to murder tribals through their actions.

The tribals will never forget the conspiracy Somireddy hatched in Venkatachalam to have their fellow tribal man Gopal murdered.

Whether in power or not, we will not waste time with empty words, and regardless of any hardship or loss, we will always stand by the poor and innocent tribal families in every way.



#### BJP leaders grandly celebrated former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's birthday in Miryalaguda

(Capital Information)

Miryalaguda: Former Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna recipient Atal Bihari Vajpayee's birthday was celebrated grandly at the BJP office in Miryalaguda town.

On this occasion, his birth anniversary was observed as Good Governance Day, and with the resolve to ensure that the benefits of the Antyodaya scheme reach the poor people of the country, fruits were distributed to patients at the Miryalaguda Area Hospital on Thursday.

In this Program Town president Bantu Giri, state leaders Sadhineni Srinivas Rao, Bantu Saidulu, Repala Purushottam, Chilukuri Shyam, Satyaprasad, Edla Ramesh, Rajireddy, Lakshmareddy, Poreddy Srinu, Ashok, Abhi, and Naveen participated.

# In the future, if any political party leader or official attacks journalists, we will take legal action and boycott their programs

(Capital Information) Nalgonda: Our newspaper's photojournalist and TPJA executive committee member, Karingu Srinivas, was filming a fight between BJP Nalgonda district president Dr. Nagam Varshith Reddy and a district-level leader at the BJP Nalgonda district office as part of his

District president Nagam Varshith Reddy snatched the camera from photojournalist Srinivas and deleted the photos. The Telangana Photo Journalists Association strongly condemned this incident.

Under the leadership of Nalgonda district president Singam Venkataramana, photojournalists Kandi Venugopal (Vice President), Mucharla Vijayakumar (General Secretary), Mucharla Srinivas (Treasurer), Nagara Bhaskar Secretary), (Assistant Karingu Venkatesh (Executive Committee Member) and various newspaper re-



porters, electronic media cameramen, and social representatives staged a protest in front of the BJP district office. The dispute was resolved after BJP district president Dr. Varshith Reddy apologized for the assault on photojournalist Srinivas.

On this occasion. Photo Journalists Association Nalgonda district president Singam Venkataramana stated that in the future, if any political party leader or official attacks photojournalists, they will take legal action and boycott their



#### **DCC President Punna Kailash Netha** examines the unfortunate incidents

(Capital Information)

Munugode: Upon learning about the incident where Cholleti Praveen Chari, a resident of Munugodu mandal headquarters, suffered an electric shock at his carpentry shop, Congress party district president Punna Kailash Netha visited the scene. He inquired about the well-being of the owner, Praveen Chari.

Later, in Kompally village of Munugodu mandal, 60 quintals of cotton stored outside the house of a farmer named Jala Venkanna caught fire.

The fire, which broke out amidst houses, was brought under control by locals who doused it with water. The incident occurred under suspicious circumstances, and the farmer is expressing several doubts about the cotton burning.

Congress district president Punna Khailash Netha and mandal Congress leaders inspected the incident site and consoled farmer Venkanna.

# Sarpanch's Christmas Gift to Panchayat Workers Lingandhana Sarpanch Nagilla Venkat Distributes New Clothes

(Special Correspondent) Keshampet Mandal / Lingandhana Village:On the occasion of Christmas, special importance was given to the welfare of panchayat workers by Lingandhana vil-Sarpanch Nagilla lage Venkat. As part of the Christcelebrations, the Sarpanch distributed new clothes to the workers serving in the Lingandhana Gram Panchayat of Keshampet Mandal.

Speaking on the occasion, Sarpanch Nagilla Venkat stated that panchayat workers play a crucial role in the development of the village and that their daily services form the backbone of cleanliness and overall progress. He said that his intention was to bring happiness to the workers during

the festive season and as-

sured that he would continue

to stand by them and support their welfare in the future as well. The panchayat workers, who received the new clothes, expressed their gratitude to the Sarpanch and shared their happiness, stating that such gestures motivate them and make them feel valued as members of the village community.

Village leaders Tirupati Reddy, Lakshminarayana Goud, Madhusudan Goud, Jangaiah, Bhaskar, Balaswamy, Yadaiah and others participated in the programme and appreciated the initiative taken by the Sarpanch. They praised his efforts towards inclusive development and worker welfare.

The distribution of new clothes to panchayat workers added festive cheer to Lingandhana village, making the Christmas celebrations more meaningful and joyful.

# Grand Christmas Celebrations

(Capital Information)

Munugode : In Kamma Gudem, Munugode town, on the occasion of Christmas, Congress party district president Punna Khailash Netha participated in the celebrations at the Church of the Holy Name of Jesus. He cut the Christmas cake and extended Christmas greetings to the Christian brothers and

On this occasion, Church Father Singareddy Pratap Reddy felicitated him with a shawl. Sarpanch Palakuri Ramadevi Narsimha Goud, Congress party mandal president Bheemanapalli Saidulu, former MPP Karnati Swamy



Yadav, former district Youth Congress president Palvai Jitender Reddy, former MPTC Pandula Bhaskar, Madhu Prasad, Sagar, Michael, Ravi,

Gagori, Shoril, Sagar, Prathipu, Balayya, Md. Anwar, former Sarpanch Pandula Narsimha, and others participated in the event.

# STEPS TOWARDS STRENGTHENING HEALTH SERVICES : COLLECTOR RAHUL RAJ

(Capital Information) Medak: Medak District Collector Rahul Raj said that regular inspection of primary health centers will be conducted in the district to

strengthen health services

On Thursday, the Collector inspected the Primary Health Center in Shankarampet (R) Mandal. The attendance table of Ph.C. was brought and examined. How many in-patients and out-pa-

tients are coming every day? He inquired about the availability of medicines and other

On the occasion, the Collector said that the main purpose of these visits was to improve medical services in primary health centers and increase staff accountability. Medical officers and staff participated in this program.

#### TTD suspends SRIVANI offline ticket issuance for three days due to heavy pilgrim influx

(Capital information) Tirumala: TTD has announced the suspension of SRIVANI offline ticket issuance for three days, effec-29 (Saturday, Sunday, and Monday), in view of the unprecedented pilgrim rush currently witnessed in Tiru-

To manage the heavy

congestion effectively, TTD management has decided that no offline SRIVANI tickets will be issued at the designated counters in Tirumala their pilgrimage and darshan tive December 27, 28, and or at the Renigunta Airport in schedules accordingly to Tirupati during this period. This temporary suspension is aimed at prioritizing the management of existing crowds and ensuring a smoother experience for pil-

grims already present.

TTD appeals to devotees to take note of this administrative decision and plan avoid any inconvenience. The organization requests the cooperation of the pilgrim public in maintaining order during this high-influx period.

#### Zail Singh: The Symbol of the total 104 seats pi Gyani Vationalism

(Er. Prabhat Kishore) (Capital Information)

Patna: Innumerable people sacrificed their lives for the freedom of India and countless people suffered physical torture. It is difficult to find mention of all these in the pages of our history. All the letters used in the creation of our history and all the sentences that have been coined. all sing the immortal saga of these sacrifices. But there are some letters of the great writings which speak automatically. The name of Dhartiputra and Kranti Purush Giani Zail Singh is hidden in the womb of these spontaneous writings.

Gyani Zail Singh the youngest of five siblings, was born on 5 May 1916 in the house of a poor cultivator and artisan Mr. Kishan Singh in the village of Sandhwan near Kot Kapura in Faridkot, a small princely state of ancient Saptasindhu and modern Punjab. His mother Smt. Ind Kaur died in her childhood and she was brought up by Aunty Smt. Daya Kaur. He was not called Zail Singh in his childhood, but Jarnail Singh. Jarnail Singh received immense love and protection from brothers Mr. Jagir Singh and Mr. Veer Singh and sister Mrs. Jagir Kaur. Shri Kishan Singh, who had a religious aptitude, had a heartfelt desire that his son Jarnail Singh should propagate the Guruvani. That is why he got the boy Jarnail Singh out of school and got him to study Hindi and Punjabi in depth under his guidance.

After memorizing the Guru Granth Sahib, Jarnail Singh formed a religious congregation and used to recite its couplets on the harmonium in a very charming manner. He got admission in Shaheed Sikh Missionary College, Amritsar, despite not having a matriculation degree, due to the quality of stimulating the public with his speech. After the completion of this course, he was awarded the title of "Gyani" which remained with his name for life. Meanwhile, at a very young age, he was married to Pradhan Kaur, who has a son, Mr. Joginder Singh and three daughters, respectively, Joginder Kaur, Manjit Kaur and Dr. Gurdeep Kaur.

Inspired by the sacrifices of Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru and other freedom fighters, Jarnail Singh started his political career as an Akali Dal worker. At the age of just 18, he became the General Secretary of the Faridkot Akali Dal and remained in this position for five years (till 1933). In 1938, he led the Prajamandal movement against the princely state of Faridkot. In the same year he opened a Congress branch in Faridkot, which the Maharaja accepted as a challenge and imprisoned him for five years. On being asked by the jailer, he revealed his name as "Zail Singh" (Lion of the jail). Since then he became popular as Zail Singh instead of Jarnail Singh. He was severely tortured in the prison, but he showed his courage. He studied the holy

Gita, Veds, Purans, Upanishads etc. in his prison.

After his release from imprisonment in 1943, due to repeated harassment by the Maharaja's employees, Zail Singh left Faridkot and started public awareness by joining the freedom movement. During the flag movement in 1946, he returned to Faridkot, where there was a lot of enthusiasm among the public towards hoisting the tricolor flag. But the fear of the Maharaja's terror was also at its climax. Then Jawaharlal

Nehru himself went to Faridkot and hoisted the flag. After some time in 1947, when Raja Maler was in Kotla, Giani Zail Singh, along with some tenacious workers, made a historic explosion by establishing a parallel government in Faridkot. The king lodged a strong objection to the then Home Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who was working to integrate the princely states into the Indian Union, and again imprisoned him, calling it a rebellion.

The politics of Punjab in independent India would be incomplete without mentioning Gyaniji. After the partition of India, the new state "Patiala and East Punjab Provincial Union" was formed by joining the small princely states of East Punjab, Patiala, Jind, Nabha, Kapurthala and



1949, Zail Singh was made the Revenue Minister in the non-party government formed under the Chief Ministership of Gyan Singh Rarewala in this state. After the elections in 1951, he took over as Agriculture Minister in the Congress Government formed on 23 May 1951. He took full advantage of working with an accomplished Chief Minister like Shri Pratap Singh Kairo. He was a member of the Rajya Sabha from 1956 to 1962.

In 1970, when Sikh separatism took hold, the Congress Party made Gyani Zail Singh the Chief Minister of Punjab in 1972. Shiromani Akali Dal, the traditional political party of Sikhs, was given a blow by their voters and out in the state, Congress got 66 seats and its ally Communist Party got 10 seats. The Akali Dal was reduced to just 24 seats. He dominated the politics of Punjab from 1972 to 1977. In 1980, he was elected to the Lok Sabha from Hoshiarpur constituency and on 14 January 1980 took over as the most important Home Minister in the Union Cabinet headed by Smt. Indira Gandhi. It is said that during his tenure as Home Minister, he encouraged

Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale at the behest of Indira Gandhi as a strategy to harm the Akali Dal, which later proved to be a scourge for the peace of Punjab.

After the completion of the tenure of Shri Neelam Sanjiv Reddy after about two and a half years, on July 15, 1982, the Congress Party declared Gyani Zail Singh as the candidate for the post of the seventh President of India. The election was one-sided and in this he also got the support of opponents like the Communist Party in Bengal and the Akali Dal in Punjab in the name of being a Sikh. On 25 July 1982, Gyani Zail Singh took the oath of the highest constitutional post. During this, he also made his place by saying light things like "If

my leader had said I should

of the total 104 seats pick up a broom and be a sweeper, I would have done that. She chose me to be President". As President, he gave the message of love, brotherhood, equality of all religions, unity, honesty and devotion to the people of India but also to the whole world.

Gyani Zail Singh, a multi-

faceted personality, success-

fully faced every situation and got victory. Taking special interest in the social upliftment of backward classes, dalits, poor and women, he started many development schemes for their welfare. Keeping the unity and integrity of the nation as supreme, he devoted himself completely. He was not even aware of 'Operation Blue Star', which was started in 1984 to free the historic Golden Temple in Amritsar from the anti-national Sikh militants, although Prime Minister Indira Gandhi spoke to him for an hour a day before the operation. After 4 days of military action, Gyani Zail Singh visited the Golden Temple. Not only was he strongly condemned by the extremist Sikh leaders, but a desperate attempt was made to declare him a devout and a scumbag. But the sense of religious duty could not deter him and without caring about all these religious threats, he followed the path of the Sikh Gurus and always considered the national interest as paramount.

After the assassination of Indira Gandhi by the bodyguards enraged by the above action, in the capacity of President, he fulfilled the duty of

paying his debt by appointing her son Rajiv Gandhi as the Prime Minister. Gvaniii's academic life may not have been able to embrace universities, colleges and big educational institutions, but he had an unmatched love for literature, music and art. He did not speak fluent English, but while showing his deep reverence for Hindi, he used to ask the English masters very easily and confidently that when the nations like France, Germany, Soviet Union, Japan, China, Italy etc. can reach the top of the world with their own language, why can't India reach it? Even abroad, by speaking in Hindi, he enhanced the honor and respect of India.

In the most turbulent times of Indian politics, Gyani Zail Singh showed his understanding and administrative skills. He also became controversial and were also called indisputable. On 29 November 1994, during his visit to Takht Sri Keshavgarh Sahib, his car met with an accident near Kiratpur Sahib in Ropar district. He was admitted to the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Chandigarh, where he left this illusory world on 25th December 1994 at 7.40 am. A simple living, high thoughts, a nurturer of Indian tradition and a genius, who stirred the public with his sincere and blunt speech, Zail Singh will always be remembered by the Indian masses.

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### CAQM conducts inspection of PWD roads and re-inspection of DDA road stretches to assess dust mitigation measures

Significant improvement observed on DDA stretches earlier reported with high visible dust, while PWD directed to further intensify on-ground interventions

New Delhi (PIB) : The Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) conducted an inspection drive on 24.12.2025 to assess compliance and effectiveness of corrective measures undertaken by concerned road-maintaining agencies following inspections carried out earlier on 12.12.2025. This was done as part of its continuous monitoring and ongoing enforcement efforts under the statutory framework and provisions of the extant Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP)

The drive focused on assessment of accumulation of visible road dust and on-ground operations of Mechanical Road Sweeping Machines (MRSMs), along with identification of instances of Municipal Solid Waste

(MSW) accumulation, Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste accumulation and cases of open burning.

A total of 15 teams of the Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) for inspection of 106 road stretches maintained by the Public Works Department (PWD) and 02 teams of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) for re-inspection of selected 27 road stretches under the jurisdiction of Delhi Development Authority (DDA) were deployed under the directions of the Commission. Geo-tagged and time-stamped photographic documentation was collected and submitted to the Commission as part of the consolidated inspection report.

tion of 27 road stretches maintained by DDA, which were earlier reported with high visible dust levels during inspections conducted on 12.12.2025, it was observed that now none of the i.e. 0 stretches fell under the High Dust category on 24.12.2025. Out of these stretches, 07 found with Moderate Dust levels, 19 recorded Low Dust intensity and 01 stretch was found to have No Visible Dust. This indicates a marked improvement in the overall upkeep of these road stretches, reflecting the impact of corrective measures undertaken by the agency following the earlier in-

Simultaneously, spection of 106 road stretches maintained by PWD revealed that 09 During the re-inspec- stretches exhibited High

spection by CAQM.

Visible Dust levels, 16 showed Moderate Dust, 37 recorded Low Dust intensity and 44 stretches were found to have No Visible Dust. On certain stretches observed with high dust intensity, accumulation of MSW and C&D waste, as well as instances of open burning, were also reported, indicating the need for strengthened on-ground enforcement and upkeep by the concerned agency.

The Commission observed that while the re-inspection results DDA-maintained road stretches indicates improvement and responsiveness to the directions issued earlier, the inspection of PWD-maintained road stretches highlight persisting gaps in effective road maintenance and dust control and require immediate and sustained corrective action. The Commission emphasized the need for regular mechanical sweeping, timely lifting and disposal of collected dust and waste, maintenance of road stretches and central verges, effective deployment of water sprinkling dust-suppression mechanisms, and strict prevention of open burning across all stretches. The Commission reit-

erated that targeted inspection and re-inspection exercises under 'Operation Clean Air' will continue to be carried out actively to ensure strict adherence to its Statutory Directions for dust mitigation and prevention of open burning, with the objective of keeping road stretches across Delhi clean and dust-free.

# NTPC priests, Ayyappa Dharma Pracharaks participate in Ayutthayagam

Nizamabad Buearu: With the blessings of Sringeri Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Vidhusekhara Bharathi Mahaswamy, the direct prophecies of Sahasra Avadhani Brahmashri Madugula Nagaphani Sharma, the Ayutthayagam is being organized under the auspices of Devi Upasaka Sri Sri Sri Somayajula Ravindra Sharma at Sri Lalitha Parameshwari Temple in Thupran Mandal in Medak district, which is aimed at the welfare of the world.

Bharatiya Ayyappa Dharma Pracharak Sabha Janagam Tirupati, NTPC Gayatri Mata priests Brahma Sri Papitla Rajanaren-Sharma, Venkateswara Temple

Members of Akhil

Chief Priest Brahma Sri



Vanamamalai macharya participated in the Ayutthayagam.

As part of this, today, on the fourth day, along with the blessings of the Goddess, the Yagani Rwak, Devi Upasakas, Sahasra Chandi Yaga Deekshapara, Sahasra Yaga Bhushan, Sahasra Yagya Swarat, Sahasra Yaga Shiromani, Swarna Kankan, Gandapendera Satkara Grahitha Sri Sri Somayajula Ravindra Sharma received divine blessings.

Similarly, the Vedic scholars and Chandi Upasakas received blessings from Brahmashri Suvarna Sridhara Sharma. They expressed their joy that participating in this program is considered a blessing from a previous birth. Similarly, they requested that they participate in the Maha Poornahuti to be held on the last day, Friday, and receive the blessings of the God-

#### Prajasena Founder, Bommakanti Ramesh Varma Extends **Christmas Greetings to People of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh**

(Capital Information) Mulugu : Prajasena Bommakanti founder Ramesh Varma conveyed his heartfelt Christmas greetings to the people of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh on the occasion of Christmas.In his message, he said that the holy festival of Christmas reminds humanity of the profound values taught by Lord Jesus Christ, including love, forgiveness, sacrifice, and humility.

He described Jesus as a beacon of light in times of darkness, a source of hope in despair, and a symbol of comfort in suffering, who was born to rekindle the spirit of humanity in people's



hearts. "His life is a lasting lesson to the world — love is the true strength, sacrifice is true leadership, and humanity is true worship," he said.

Praying for peace and harmony, Sri Ramesh Varma wished that this Christmas would bring peace to families, hope to lives, and divine love to hearts. He concluded by invoking the blessings of Lord Jesus Christ upon evervone.Prajasena FounderBommakanti Ramesh Varma.

#### Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district has a grand discus celebration (Capital Information)

Bhongir: Christian brothers in various mandals of Yadadri Bhubaneswar district celebrated Christmas in a grand manner on Wednesday.

Ramannapet, Valigonda, Bhongir, Bibinagar, Mothkur, Alair, Atmakur, Rajapet, Yadagirigutta, Narayanapuram, Chautuppal, Turkapally and other mandals of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district celebrated Christmas with grandeur. In Bhongir Mandal centers, Christian brothers wore new clothes and went to churches and offered special prayers. Churches are decorated with street lights and star signs are erected to celebrate Christmas. On the ocof Christmas celebrations in Bhuvanagiri town, local legislator Kumb-



ham Anil Kumar Reddy visited many churches, participated in prayer, cut a cake and wished the Christian brothers and sisters.

Bhuvanagiri Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy, District Collector M.Hanumantha Rao, Additional Collectors A. Bhaskara Rao, G.

gireddy, District Veterinary Officer Dr. D. Janaiah, District Civil Supplies Officer Harikrishna, District Library Association President Awaje sesty and others congratulated the Christian brothers. Ramannapet: Christian brothers and sisters conducted special prayers in celebration of Christmas day at IGM, Zion Gos Paul Church in Ramannapet mandal center. Ramannapet Major Gram

Veera Reddy, DCP Shashank

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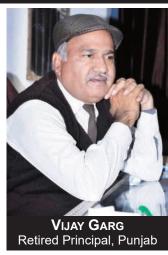
Panchayat Sarpanch Garika Satyanarayana, IGM Founder President Meesal, District Minority Congress leader Kothapelly Abraham Kumar, Church President Martin, Pastor Prabhu Kumar and others participated in this pro-

# Why 2026 Will Feel Different: A New Turning Point

As we stand at the close of 2025, there's a growing sense — from business leaders, technologists, economists, and everyday people — that 2026 will feel meaningfully different from recent years. This isn't just about the calendar ticking over; it's about tangible shifts across major parts of life.

#### 1. A Transformative Economic and Business Landscape

Experts expect 2026 to build on shifts that began in 2025, with global markets and industries entering new phases of growth, stability, and innovation. The broader economic outlook points to continued investment momentum - especially in Al and technology — that could reshape productivity and competitiveness. Financial markets are predicted to remain polarized but dynamic, with corporate strategies pivoting toward digital transformation and sustainability. In business travel and management, new priorities are emerging as companies seek smarter, more efficient ways to operate in a post-pandemic



world. This transition suggests 2026 won't just be "another year" of recovery — it will be one where markets and organizations actively reinvent their future direction. 2. The AI Revolution Grows

The hype around artificial intelligence has dominated headlines, but in 2026 we'll likely see a shift from experimentation to real-world integration. At major technology events like CES 2026, Al adoption will look noticeably different: smarter on-device processing, more practical applications, and deeper integration into everyday tools and products. Tech leaders, such as Wipro's CTO, predict Al will be embedded at scale in core business operations, enhancing decision-making and efficiency. This means everyday interactions with technology — from smartphones to business software — will feel more seamless and impactful.

#### 3. Cultural and Global Milestones That Shape the Mood

2026 isn't just another 12 months on the calendar; it includes cultural and global milestones that give the year a distinct social rhythm:

The FIFA World Cup 2026 in North America will dominate global sports conversation. For the British royal family, 2026 promises highprofile personal milestones and public engagements. Specialized coverage like The Economist's World Ahead 2026 frames the year as one of significant global trends and transitions. Collectively, these events help define 2026 as a year of participation and shared global experiences, unlike the more fragmented feel of recent years. 4. Personal and Psychological Shifts in How People Experience Time

Beyond economics and events, there's a noticeable shift emerging mindset among people heading into 2026:

Increasing emphasis on realistic hope, where goals are balanced with patience and sustained effort. A growing focus on continuity over sudden reinvention — people are thinking more about building than breaking down. This internal shift can make 2026 feel qualitatively different less about dramatic resets and more about deliberate progress.

#### 5. Everyday Life and Technology Becoming More Integrated

While there won't be flying cars or robot maids, many changes in 2026 will come from subtle improvements in daily life:

Tech will feel more natural and interconnected rather than futuristic in a flashy way. Real-world digital experiences — from devices to ecosystems — will blend



Even if not directly visible in daily life, several structural shifts will influence how 2026 feels: Major international trade fairs and business forums will launch new regional economic platforms. Sports, culture, and entertainment calendars are converging toward shared global moments. Discussions about sustainability, urban innovation, and cross-border collaboration are gaining momentum. These global undercurrents add texture and depth to 2026 bevond headline events. Conclusion: What Makes

#### 2026 Different

In sum, 2026 stands out not because it's numerically new, but because the conditions leading into it have set the stage for real changes:

Economic reshuffling and strategic reinvention.

Al integration moving from experimental to everyday. Cultural markers that de-

fine collective experience. Shifting personal mindsets toward stability and purpose.

Technology that feels familiar yet smarter.

All these layers help explain why 2026 will feel different — a year that might not be radically unlike any other in history, but one where many small shifts combine to create a fresh sense of momentum and possibility.

# Beyond Right Answers: Rethinking How Maths Is Taught in Classrooms

Mathematics is teachers demonstrating often taught as a solutions and students sequence of rules and procedures leading to a single correct answer. Yet and searchers increasingly argue that this focus on correctness alone limits students' deeper understanding, dampens curiosity, and fails to build genuine mathematical thinkers. Rethinking how maths is taught - moving beyond right answers - can transform classrooms into vibrant spaces of inquiry, reasoning, and real-world sense-making. The Limitations of "Right-Answer" Teaching

In many classrooms, teaching centres on copying steps to achieve correct answers. The result? Students learn to memorize procedures rather than understand concepts, and maths becomes a subject of drudgery rather than discovery. Exams and exam-driven curricula that reward speed and accuracy over reasoning compound the problem, leaving little room for exploration, discussion, or connection to

When the pursuit of the right answer overshadows understanding, students may score high on tests but struggle to apply math-

ematics meaningfully Shifting Focus: Think-

teaching means emphasising mathematical thinking — the ability to reason, discern patterns, and justify solutions rather than merely achieving correct outcomes. This approach

ing With Mathematics

Reimagining maths

way of thinking, not just a body of procedures. According to education advocates, classrooms should encourage students to:

treats mathematics as a

Explain their thinking and justify their methods, not just report answers;

Engage with openended, rich tasks that have multiple pathways or solutions;

Collaborate and dis-

valuing different strategies and perspectives.

When students justify their reasoning — for example, responding to questions like "Why does your method make sense?" or "How else might we solve this?" the classroom becomes a community of mathematical thinkers rather than mere answer-reciting ma-

#### Strategies That Encourage Deep Learning Researchers and edu-

cators suggest several practical ways to shift classroom focus:

1. Ask for Justification, Not Just Answers **Encouraging students** to explain how and why

cuss ideas with peers, they arrived at a solution silience and deeper condents — including those deepens understanding and allows even incorrect answers to become learning opportunities.

#### 2. Use Rich, Low-Floor/High-Ceiling Tasks

Tasks accessible to all learners, yet open to complex exploration, help students engage at their own level and think creatively. Examples include puzzles like the "Four 4s" challenge, where students explore multiple ways to achieve numeri-

#### cal goals. 3. Promote Productive Struggle

Rather than rescuing students immediately, letting them wrestle with problems promotes receptual understanding a process known as productive struggle.

#### 4. Foster Collaborative Dialogue

Student discussions about strategies and reasoning make mathematics visible as a collective activity, not a solitary chase for the right answer.

#### Equity and Mathematical Identity

Focusing solely on correctness disproportionately benefits students who already feel confident in maths, while reinforcing fixed mindsets and excluding those who struggle. When classrooms value reasoning and multiple solution strategies, all stu-

from diverse linguistic, cultural, or cognitive backgrounds — can feel successful and valued.

This approach also helps dismantle the harmful narrative that people are either "math people" or not. Instead, success becomes associated with curiosity, perseverance, and reasoning — teaching students that thinking mathematically is a skill

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and engagement.

developed through effort

Moving beyond right answers requires changes in curriculum design, assessment systems, and teacher training. Teachers need spark inquiry, facilitate discussions, and assess understanding beyond correctness. Tools such as concrete-pictorial-abstract models, Al-supported personalised learning, and open-ended projects can help realise this vision.

support to craft tasks that

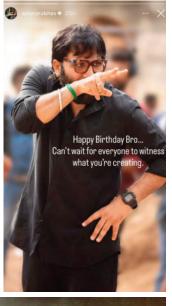
Ultimately, reimagining maths education isn't about doing away with accuracy or skill — it's about cultivating thinkers who can apply mathematics creatively, confidently, and meaningfully in life. When classrooms celebrate reasoning and exploration as much as correct solutions, maths becomes not just a subject to be endured



# **Prabhas special wishes to** Sandeep increases anticipation

Prabhas is the biggest star of Indian Cinema and he is busy shooting for his most awaited Spirit. The movis is being written and directed by the enigmatic director Sandeep Reddy Vanga, who made has a huge Pan-India appeal with Arjun Reddy, Kabir Singh and Ani-

The hype, buzz and anticipation for Spirit are so high that people are eagerly waiting for updates. Currently, movie shoot is progressing at a rapid pace and Prabhas started shooting for it. He wished the director on his birthday with a special



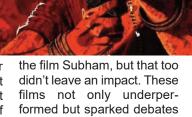
He wrote, "Can't wait everyone to witness what you're creating." These wishes have sparked huge anticipation and buzz as the actor is not known for hyping up projects so much just for the sake of it.

Sandeep Reddy Vanga is applying new technique to shoot the movie by recording dialogues and background music. Already, he released a sound teaser that increased intrigue and curiosity about the project. Triptii Dimri is playing leading lady role and Prakash Raj is playing a prominent role in it.

# Will Samantha's Action Work After Glamour And Comedy Failed?

Senior heroine Samantha Ruth Prabhu is at a crucial crossroads in her career, while her personal life is up and running again after her recent second marriage to director Raj Nidumoru. experimenting across genres in recent years, she failed to taste success. Here's a commentary on that.

With films Shaakuntalam, Samantha experimented with her glamour dose yet again, but that hasn't worked out like it did during the days of Dookudu and S/o Satyamurthy. Later, she tried to do comedy kind of villainy with coming up with the film Maa



about her choices. And now, Samantha is

Inti Bangaram, her second production venture, in which she will be seen as the lead. Buzz has it that the film will feature her doing sare-clad action, holding a gun, and chasing goons. Earlier, when

through the web series, Citadel: Honey-Bunny, it didn't work out much. Her only respite with action is the one she has done in The Family Man 2. We have to see if this latest saree-clad actioner will give her a break from the string of

Many senior heroines are making a strong comeback these days, while some are strug-

gling. The likes of Nayanthara and Trisha are in the first gang, while the Kajal Aggarwal and Anushka slip into the second category. We have to see where Samantha would slip into.



# Vijay's Jana Nayagan Telugu Release Gets an Unexpected Distribution Call

Jana Nayagan will be the last film of Vijay before he fully moves into politics. The film is directed by H. Vinoth, with Pooja Hegde playing the female lead. The film is slated for release on January 9, 2026, as a Sankranthi special.

While the Tamil release has been clear, there has been a lot of discussion around the Telugu version. Jana Nayagan is an official remake of Bhagavanth Kesari and will be released in Telugu as Jan Nayakudu. There were several rumours regarding the Telugu distribution rights. Reports claimed that Naga Vamsi of Sitara Entertainments had backed out, and that Dil Raju might come on board. The makers have now cleared the air.

It has been officially confirmed that PVR Inox Pictures will distribute the film in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. This has come as a surprise to many, especially with multiple big Telugu releases lined up for the Sankranthi season.

The major question now is about screen allocation. With stiff competition during the festival period, the number of single screens and rural reach will be crucial for the film's performance in the Telugu states.

The film also stars Mamitha Baiju, Bobby Deol, Prakash Raj, Priyamani, and Gautham Vasudev Menon in key roles. The film is produced by KVN Productions, with music composed by Anirudh Ravichander.

# As Expected, Rajamouli Going Global For Varanasi Rajamouli is currently col-

laborating with Mahesh Babu for the biggest project in his career, which has titled been to Varanasi. Rajamouli is once again aiming far beyond domestic boundaries with his upcoming magnum opus Varanasi, starring Mahesh Babu in the lead role.

The film is being planned on an unprecedented global scale, reflecting the director's growing international stature after the worldwide success of RRR. Although the project is still in the production phase, industry buzz suggests that Rajamouli is carefully mapping out a long term strategy to make Varanasi a truly global cinematic event.

Reports indicate that a major portion of the shoot



is expected to continue for several months next year, with the makers targeting a

grand release in 2027. What has caught everyone's attention is the strong indication of a simultaneous international release, especially in Japan. Speculation intensified after IMAX Japan hinted at the film's release year, suggesting that the makers are keen on capitalizing on Rajamouli's massive fan base

RRR created history in

Japan, turning Rajamouli into a recognizable brand among international audiences. Learning from that success, the team behind Varanasi appears determined to strengthen its overseas presence right from day one. With a powerful combination of scale, storytelling, and global appeal, Varanasi is shaping up to be one of the most ambitious Indian films ever made, aiming to elevate Indian cinema further on the world stage.



# The Raja Saab's Christmas Treat – Raje Yuvaraje Song Promo Released

he Raja Saab is Prabhas' next theatrical release, slated to hit cinemas on January 9, 2025, as a Sankranthi special. Directed by Maruthi, the big-ticket horror comedy stars Nidhhi Agerwal, Malavika Mohanan, and Riddhi Kumar as the

On the eve of Christmas, the makers announced that the third song, 'Raje Yuvaraje', will be released soon. While the exact release date was not disclosed, a promo was unveiled to coincide with the festive occasion.

The film also features Sanjay Dutt, Boman Irani, Satya, and others in key roles. Produced by People Media Factory, the project has music composed by Thaman and is set for a multilanguage release.

# Amit Shah addresses Krishak Sammelan in Rewa, Madhya Pradesh Natural farming will increase farmers' income, conserve water and protect consumers from various diseases New Delhi (PIB): Union Home Minister and Minister and

of Cooperation Amit Snan addresses Krishak Sammelan in Rewa, Madhya Pradesh, today. Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Mohan Yadav and several other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah said that Basavan Mama Govansh Van Vihar is a successful experiment in empowering small and marginal farmers through natural farming. He said that the model farm in Rewa region will not only guide millions of farmers but will also play a pioneering role in promoting natural farming. He said that we have forgotten the traditional practice of natural farming today. He said that natural farming is a method that utilizes cow dung and urine to create a system that not only maintains farmers' income but also produces pure and healthy crops. He said that with just one Indian large cooperatives have



breed cow, natural farming is being done on 21 acres of land without the use of fertilizers and pesticides. Shah said that natural farming will increase farmers' income, conserve water and protect consumers from various diseases. He said that today, 40 lakh farmers in the country have adopted natural farming and their yield is increasing.

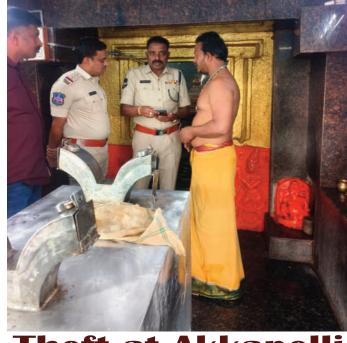
Amit Shah said that through the Ministry of Cooperation, set up by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, two

been set up to certify natural farming products. These cooperatives will take care of the certification of organic produce, testing in the world's most advanced laboratories, packaging, marketing and export. He said that in the coming days, more than 400 laboratories across the country will provide farmers with certificates of both their farms and produce, being natural, which will increase their income by one and a half times. Shah said that there is a huge market

for organic products worldwide. He said that today the whole world believes that consumption of organic food is good for health. He said that to ensure that our farmers' organic products reach markets around the world effectively, we need a system for certification, scientific testing, attractive packaging and marketing and we are making efforts to increase farmers' income through all these means. He said that everyone should take a pledge to serve nature and

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation said that the Rewa region of Madhya Pradesh is gradually developing into a prosperous area. He said that today, Asia's largest solar plant is located in Rewa and excellent four-lane roads have been developed connecting Rewa to Prayagraj or Ja-

Amit Shah said that today is the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Rewa was one of his favorite places. Shah said that Atal Ji gave great importance to integrity and transparency not only in his party but also in the public life of the entire country. He said that Atal Ji belongs to the category of leaders who delivered on their promises. Shah said that Leaders like Atal Ji are rare, whose words and life are both complementary to



# Theft at Akkapelli Rajarajeswara Swamy Temple in Dharmapuri

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Jagtial/Dharmapuri: Unknown persons stole silver ornaments worth 2 kg 8 grams from the temple on December 24 midnight. The stolen items include a 2 kg silver "pana patta" from Swamivaru and an 8-gram silver face cover from Ammavaru

A case has been registered at Dharmapuri Police Station based on the complaint by the temple's In-charge EO. Police officials including DSP Raghuchander, CI Rama Narsimha Reddy, and SI Mahesh inspected the scene. Fingerprint team is collecting evidence. Investigation is ongoing.

## Vice President Highlights Vajpayee's Governance Philosophy Rooted in Transparency, Accountability, and Service to the People Good Governance Day Urges Citizens to Uphold Transparency, Ethical Conduct, and Empathy

New Delhi (PIB): The Vice President of India, C. P. Radhakrishnan, participated as the Chief Guest at the Good Governance Day celebrations held at Siri Fort Auditorium, New Delhi today, commemorating the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

During the event, the Vice President highlighted Vajpayee's contributions as a visionary, poet, and dedicated servant of the people. He emphasized that Vajpayee's unmatched oratory, humility, and

commitment to democracy guided the nation through complex domestic and foreign challenges, with good governance forming the foundation of a strong and prosperous India. Vajpayee's governance philosophy was noted to be grounded in transparency, accountability, inclusivity, and service to all segments of so-

The Vice President also highlighted key initiatives undertaken during Vajpayee's tenure.He underscored that Vajpayee's governance phi-



losophy was rooted in democratic values, constitutional morality, and national consen-



sponsibility, the Vice Presi-Emphasizing that good dent stated that governments, governance is a shared readministrators, institutions. civil society, and citizens all play a role in ensuring transparent, ethical, and accountable governance. He urged participants to uphold these principles in building a developed, inclusive, and resilient India in alignment with the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047.

A theatre production on Satyavadi Raja Harishchandra was also featured during the event, symbolically linking Vaipayee's life to the legendary king's principles of truthfulness, integrity, and selfless service.

The event was organised by Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, along with the Heritage Foundation. Dignitaries present at the event included Union Minister of State in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and Ministry of Road Transport and Highways Harsh Malhotra; Speaker of the Delhi Legislative Assembly Gupta; Vijender Chairman of Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti Vijay Goel; and other eminent personalities.

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