

PANCHANGAM

Tithi
Krishna Paksha Shashti
Upto : Jan 09 07:05 AM
Krishna Paksha Saptami
Upto : Jan 10 08:24 AM

Nakshatra
Uttara Phalguni
Upto : Jan 09 01:40 PM
Hasta
Upto : Jan 10 03:39 PM

Rahukalam
11:00 AM – 12:23 PM

Yamagandam
3:08 PM – 4:31 PM

Gulika
8:15 AM – 9:37 AM

Dur Muhurat
09:04 AM – 09:48 AM,
12:45 PM – 01:29 PM

Varjyam
10:46 PM – 12:30 AM

WEATHER

Forecast : Sunny
Temperature : 27° / 16°
Humidity : 42 %
Sunrise : 6:52 AM
Sunset : 5:53 PM

JEE Main 2026 Session 1 exam dates revised, NTA issues notice

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Students appearing for the Joint Entrance Examination (Main) 2026, Session 1, should take note of changes in the examination dates. The National Testing Agency (NTA), which is conducting the examination, has revised the schedule. As per the public notice released by the NTA on Thursday, JEE Main Paper I (BE/TE) will be conducted on January 21 to 24 and 28, while Paper II (BArch and BPlanning) will be held on January 29. Earlier, the examinations were scheduled between January 21 and 30. Paper I will be held from 9 am to 12 noon and 3 pm to 6 pm, while Paper II will be conducted from 9 am to 12.30 pm.

We will transform Nalgonda into a problem-free city : Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda bureau : State Minister for Roads, Buildings and Cinematography, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, stated that they will transform Nalgonda into a problem-free city. On Thursday, he laid foundation stones and inaugurated various development works within the Nalgonda municipality limits. He inaugurated a 1100 kiloliter drinking water tank constructed at a cost of Rs. 1.45 crore

stone for the beautification works of Vallabharao Chervu at a cost of Rs. 3.146 crore. He also laid the foundation stone for a 33/11 KV sub-station to be constructed at a cost of Rs. 3 crore in Leprosy Colony. He inaugurated the SE-2 unit office built near Latif Saab Gutta with funds of Rs. 50 lakhs from TATUFIDC. He laid the foundation stone for the beautification works of Motikunta at a cost of Rs. 68.83 lakhs.



under the Amrut-2 scheme at Anneshwara Gutta. He laid the foundation

Speaking to media representatives at the newly inaugurated SE office, the Minister



said that a bill was recently passed in the Assembly sessions to establish Nalgonda Municipality as a Municipal Corporation, and he expressed his gratitude to the Chief Minister, ministers, MLAs, and MLCs. He revealed that the first mayor for the Nalgonda Municipal Corporation will be elected in the mayoral elections to be held in May.

He stated that underground drainage and water supply schemes worth Rs. 272 crore

have been undertaken in Nalgonda town, and road and drainage construction works are underway through TUFIDC at a cost of Rs. 53 crore. He added that CC roads are being constructed with another Rs. 109 crore, and substations are being established across the town at a cost of Rs. 9 crore, with two substations inaugurated on Thursday as part of this initiative. He also mentioned that outer ring road works will be (Cont. on Pg 2)



KCR Extends Warm Welcome to Women Ministers at Erravelli Residence

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Former Chief Minister and BRS president K. Chandrashekar Rao on Thursday extended a warm and traditional welcome to women Ministers at his Erravelli residence, reflecting Telangana's rich cultural ethos and personal warmth.

State Endowments, Forests and Environment Minister Konda Surekha and Panchayat Raj, Rural Development, Rural Water Supply, Women and Child Welfare Minister Danasari Seethakka paid a courtesy visit to KCR ahead of the upcoming Medaram Sankranti-Saralamma Jatara. On behalf of the State government, the Ministers formally invited him to attend the mega tribal festival scheduled to commence shortly.

Welcoming the Ministers with affection, KCR and his wife Shobamma received them as honoured guests, following traditional customs.

The women Ministers were felicitated with turmeric and vermilion, sarees and tamboolams, symbolising respect and sisterly affection.

The Ministers presented KCR with the official invitation and offered Medaram prasadam on the occasion.

The visit was marked by cordial interactions, with KCR personally enquiring about their well-being and engaging in informal discussions. The Ministers also partook in tea hosted by the KCR couple, after which they departed.

Earlier, on their arrival at the Erravelli residence, the Ministers were accorded a warm reception by former MP Joginapally Santosh Kumar.

The interaction underscored political courtesy and cultural harmony, drawing attention for the gracious hospitality extended by Telangana's first Chief Minister.



Municipal Poll Schedule to be Announced soon

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : The State Election Commission to be announced the schedule for the forthcoming municipal elections, setting the stage for an intense political contest across urban local bodies.

According to the sources, the election schedule will be released on January 16, while the filing of nominations will take place from January 18 to January 20. Scrutiny of nomination papers is scheduled for January 21, followed by the withdrawal of candidatures on January 23.

Election symbols will be allotted to candidates on January 24, and the campaigning period will formally begin on January 25. Campaigning will conclude at 5 pm on February 1, 48 hours ahead of polling.

Polling for the municipal elections will be held on February 3, with counting of votes scheduled for February 6.

The announcement has triggered heightened political activity, with major parties gearing up to finalise candidates and intensify campaign strategies in key municipal areas.



Himachal Pradesh Education Minister Rohit Tagore's team paid a courtesy call on Chief Minister Revanth Reddy at the Secretariat. Education Commissioner Yogita Rana, Director of School Education Naveen Nicholas, Special Secretary to the CM Ajith Reddy, and senior officials of the Himachal Pradesh government attended in this meeting.

GHMC Extends One Time Settlement Scheme with 90% Waiver on Interest for Property Tax Arrears

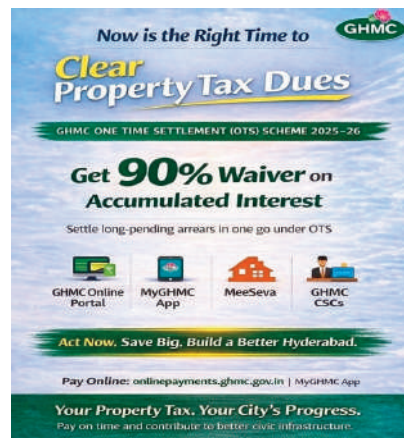
(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) has announced the continuation of its One Time Settlement (OTS) Scheme 2025-26, offering substantial relief to property tax defaulters by providing a 90 per cent waiver on accumulated interest on arrears.

Under the scheme, property owners can clear their long-pending dues by paying the entire principal tax amount along with just 10 per cent of the accrued interest, in a single payment. The remaining 90 per cent of the interest will be waived, easing the financial burden on taxpayers and encouraging voluntary compliance.

The GHMC has urged citizens to make use of this limited-period opportunity and contribute to the city's development. Payments under the OTS scheme can be made conveniently through multiple channels, including the MyGHMC mobile application, MeeSeva centres, GHMC Citizen Service Centres (CSCs) and other online payment platforms.

GHMC officials stated that timely payment of property tax not only helps citizens regularise their accounts but also strengthens civic infrastructure and public services across Hyderabad.



Harish Rao Slams Centre, State for 'Deliberate Delay' in Krishna Telemetry Installation

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : Former minister and BRS senior leader T. Harish Rao came down heavily on the Centre, the Telangana government and the Krishna River Management Board (KRMB), accusing them of colluding to delay the installation of telemetry systems meant to accurately measure Krishna river water usage, thereby causing grave injustice to Telangana.

In a press release issued on Thursday, Harish Rao said it was shameful that the Telangana government was remaining a "mute spectator" while KRMB allegedly diverted Rs 4.18 crore earmarked for installing telemetry systems to monitor Krishna waters. He alleged that the delay was intentional and amounted to tacit support for Andhra Pradesh's illegal diversion of Krishna waters.

Recalling the KRMB decision taken in June 2016, Harish Rao pointed out that telemetry devices were to be installed in two phases — 18 locations in the first phase and nine more in the second. While the first phase was implemented, the second phase remains pending even after sev-



eral years, he said, calling it "deeply unfortunate".

Questioning the state government's silence, the former minister asked why Telangana had failed to question Andhra Pradesh for not allocating funds or implementing telemetry systems despite clear KRMB decisions. "Why is the state government not exerting pressure on Andhra Pradesh? Why this silence?" he asked.

Harish Rao alleged that KRMB, which is supposed to protect Telangana's rightful share of Krishna waters, was instead exploiting the state government's apathy to Telangana's detriment. He accused the BJP-led Centre, the BJP government at the Centre, and the Andhra Pradesh gov-

ernment of acting together to stall telemetry installation and deny Telangana its due share.

He dismissed the Centre's repeated claims that the issue was sub judice, reminding that despite cases pending in the Supreme Court, former chief minister K. Chandrashekar Rao had ensured the installation of telemetry systems at 18 locations earlier.

Drawing parallels with what he termed as the government's "inaction" on the Polavaram-Nallamala Sagar issue, Harish Rao said the same deliberate negligence was being repeated in the matter of telemetry installation.

The BRS leader demanded immediate recovery of the Rs 4.18 crore belonging to the Telangana government and urged both the Centre and the state to expedite the telemetry installation process without further delay. He also suggested that instead of merely writing letters, the state government should lodge a formal complaint with the Centre against KRMB for diverting funds.

"This continued neglect is not administrative failure, but a conscious betrayal of Telangana's interests," Harish Rao alleged.



Hyderabad emerges as the Care-of Address for Artificial Intelligence : IT & Industries Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : Hyderabad is rapidly emerging as one of the fastest-growing cities in the country in the field of Artificial Intelligence, said IT & Industries Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu. He was speaking on Thursday after inaugurating the expansion of the Aiden AI Engineering Centre at Hitech City.

The Minister stated that the robust ecosystem developed by the government over the last two years has led to globally renowned companies now looking towards Telangana for growth and investment. He noted that Aiden AI currently employs around 500 professionals and announced that the company plans to create employment opportunities for another 500 talented individuals over the next two years.

He further said that Aiden AI, headquartered in Princeton, New Jersey, has carved a distinct identity for itself through innovative solutions in the field of Artificial Intelligence. The Telangana government, he added, is committed to extending all possible support and encouragement to companies that are developing AI for large-scale and diverse applications.



Smt. D K Aruna, Member of Parliament, Mahbubnagar, Telangana met SCR GM Sanjay Kumar Srivastava, on Thursday at SCR Hqrs, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad and discussed on Rail developmental plans pertaining to her region.

Pragathi Bhavan: Myth, Misinformation and the Politics of Personal Vendetta

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : For nearly a decade, Telangana politics witnessed an intense campaign of personal vilification centred around former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) and his official residence, Pragathi Bhavan. The building was repeatedly branded as a "gadi" (feudal fort), with sensational claims of "gold-plated bathrooms" and "200 bedrooms" doing the rounds, amplified by political rivals and sections of social media.

Curiously, in the last two years, no YouTuber or self-styled exposé artist has attempted a "house tour" of Pragathi Bhavan to showcase these alleged luxuries. Earlier, it was argued that such videos were not made because KCR, dubbed a "dora", resided there. Today, with a Congress Dalit leader and Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramka occupying the same premises with his family, the silence is telling. The reason, many argue, is simple: those extravagant claims never existed.

Pragathi Bhavan is not a private mansion but the official residence of the Telangana Chief Minister meant for whoever holds the constitutional office. Despite this being clarified repeatedly, a sustained misinformation campaign portrayed it as a symbol of feudal excess, misleading the public into believing it was a personal asset of KCR.

Ironically, the label "dora" was not popularised by Dalit or Bahujan sections, but largely by leaders, intellectuals and commentators from upper-caste backgrounds Reddy, Kamma, Brahmin and others who opposed KCR politically. Historically, Telangana's feudal lords were driven out during the armed struggle, only to re-emerge later in khadi and Gandhi caps as Congress leaders after the Police Action.

Against this backdrop, branding the leader who spearheaded the Telangana movement as a "dora" was, critics say, a deliberate distortion. After the BRS lost power and the Con-

gress assumed office, the same Pragathi Bhavan continues to host official functions and family celebrations of the Deputy Chief Minister. The chorus of allegations that once dominated public discourse has since fallen conspicuously silent.

In contrast to the image painted by his detractors, KCR continues to live in his modest Nandinagar residence in Hyderabad a house built during his early days as an MLA. Recently, a senior leader from another State was reportedly taken aback on seeing how simply a leader of KCR's stature lives.

Supporters argue that had KCR been driven by personal wealth or power, the dream of a separate Telangana would never have materialised. During the peak of the movement, offers and inducements from united Andhra Pradesh lobbying groups were plentiful, but he refused to compromise. He risked his positions, security and even his life to achieve statehood.

"No amount of money can



buy the recognition he earned as the architect of Telangana," say those close to the movement. From the beginning, they insist, KCR's singular focus was Telangana. Whether the people will finally see through years of politically motivated venom and misinformation remains an open question but one that continues to shape the State's political narrative.





Mega blood donation camp on the occasion of the MLA's birthday Grand celebrations for Wanaparthy MLA Thudi Meghareddy's birthday

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : On the occasion of Wanaparthy MLA Thudi Meghareddy's birthday, a record amount of blood was collected at the mega blood donation camp organized at the MLA's camp office in Wanaparthy. Officials stated that 482 units of blood were collected at the mega blood donation camp organized under the auspices of the Red Cross and coordinated by the Yuva Shakti Foundation. They said that a record amount of blood was collected on MLA Meghareddy's birthday in the past as well, and it is a matter of great joy that the same record of 482 units has been achieved again today in the Wanaparthy constituency. Wanaparthy MLA Thudi

Meghareddy's birthday celebrations were grandly organized throughout the Wanaparthy constituency. The MLA, along with his family, first offered special prayers at the Sri Venkateswara Swamy temple in Gattukadipalli, Khilla Ghanapuram mandal. Later, he participated in the birthday celebrations organized by mandal leaders at the Khilla Ghanapuram mandal center. He cut the cake with his family and distributed it to the leaders and party workers. On this occasion, they conveyed their birthday wishes to the MLA. Subsequently, villagers at the Manajipeta village stage in Khilla Ghanapuram mandal also celebrated the MLA's birthday, cutting a cake and offering their

wishes. The MLA inaugurated a food distribution program for the elderly. The Cheyutha Orphanage in the outskirts of Chityala village, Wanaparthy mandal, organized a food distribution program for the elderly. The MLA had previously donated a vehicle to the orphanage for the purpose of supplying food to the elderly. On the occasion of the MLA's birthday on Thursday, he inaugurated the food distribution program for orphaned elderly people in Pamireddyapalli village, Peddamandadi mandal. Later, he distributed notebooks and pens to the students at the Pamireddyapalli school. Subsequently, the MLA, along with his family, attended the birthday celebra-

tions organized among the farmers and market yard workers at the Wanaparthy Agricultural Market Yard. On this occasion, the agricultural market yard workers cut a cake and conveyed their birthday wishes to the MLA. Birthday celebrations were also held among the students at the Girls' Tribal Gurukul School in Marikunta, Wanaparthy town, where the MLA participated. The MLA participated in the event along with his family. On this occasion, the MLA cut a cake with the students and extended his best wishes. He announced that he would arrange for a digital board worth two lakh rupees from his own funds to meet the immediate needs of the students. He also mentioned

that they had secured a grant of three crore rupees for the development of the tribal residential school. The MLA stated that he would fully focus on the development of the school. Later, he inaugurated the Mega Blood Donation Camp organized at the Wanaparthy MLA camp office. On this occasion, Congress party leaders, workers, prominent citizens, officials, youth, and women from the constituency extended birthday wishes to the MLA. The program was attended by Congress party leaders and workers from various mandals, former chairmen, vice-chairmen, former councilors, town leaders, and other prominent personalities from Wanaparthy town.



New DCPs Take Charge in Reorganised Hyderabad Police Commissionerate

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Several newly appointed Deputy Commissioners of Police (DCPs) assumed charge on Thursday across different zones of the reorganised Hyderabad Police Commissionerate. After taking charge, the officers paid a courtesy call on City Police Commissioner V.C. Sajjanar, IPS, and presented bouquets. The officers who assumed responsibilities include Kare Kiran Prabhakar, IPS, as DCP of Charminar Zone; S. Srinivas, IPS, as DCP of Rajendranagar Zone; G. Chandramohan as DCP of Golconda Zone; A. Ramanareddy as DCP of Jubilee Hills Zone; and B. Rajesh as DCP of Shamshabad Zone. Welcoming the officers, the Police Commissioner extended his best wishes and urged them to work with dedication. He emphasised the importance of maintaining law and order in the city and delivering efficient, people-friendly policing to ensure better services for citizens.

Grand felicitation for the running champion

(Capital Information)
Kodad : On Thursday, a grand felicitation ceremony was held at the PM Shri Zilla Parishad Boys High School for Satish, a former student of the school who recently won a gold medal in the 100-meter race at the national and international levels. The felicitation program was conducted under the chairmanship of Kodada Mandal Education Officer and school headmaster MD. Saleem Sharif, with former retired headmaster Muthavarapu Ramarao as the



chief guest. Satish Vaddiboina, a former student of ZPHS Boys School from Venkatramapuram village in Ananthagiri Mandal, who recently won a gold medal in the international 100-meter running competition held in Nepal, was grandly felicitated

with a gold medal, memento, certificate, bouquet, and shawl in the presence of sports persons, teachers, and students. Chief guest Muthavarapu Ramarao stated that Satish, born in the remote village of Venkatramapuram, rising from the

national to the international level and winning a gold medal in the 100-meter running competition, is a matter of pride for his parents, the village, the school where he studied, the state, and the country. Gold medalist Satish stated that the financial assistance for participating in the international event held in Nepal was provided by Kathram Foundation, Srikanth Reddy, retired headmaster Muthavarapu Ramarao, and Venkatramapuram Sarpanch Jayaraju. MD. Saleem and Sharif

urged the students to excel in their studies as well as in their chosen sports, to win medals at the international level, and to take inspiration from this felicitation ceremony. National-level athletes Kalyan, Sairaj, and Nama Narasimha Rao were also felicitated at the event. The program was attended by athletes Baghdad, A. Lexi, teachers Srinivas Reddy, Ramakrishna, Veera Brahmachari, Kaja Miya, Panduranga Chari, Badugula Saidulu, Sunil, Kanakamma, Jafar, and students.



52 Reforms in 52 Weeks : Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw

New Delhi (PIB) : Union Minister for Railways Ashwini Vaishnaw held a meeting with Union MoS V. Somanna and Union MoS Ravneet Singh, along with Railway Board Chairman & CEO and senior officials at Rail Bhavan, New Delhi. In a meeting it has been decided to bring major reforms in Railways, aiming for 52 reforms this year. The meeting highlighted the spirit of New Year, New Resolutions and bringing major reforms in Railways. 52 Reforms in 52 Weeks - Systemic improvements in efficiency, governance, and service delivery. Focus on Safety - Consequential train accidents reduced by ~90% (135 in 2014-15 to 11 in 2025-26); aiming to bring it down in a single digit. AI & Tech Boost - Accelerating AI and advanced tech use for safety, maintenance, and operations. Talent & Training Revamp - Exploring innovative methods for talent management and skill development of employees. Food & Catering Upgrade - Major reforms for better food quality, catering, and onboard services. Union MoS, Chairman & CEO, and senior officials shared their on-ground experiences. The meeting reviewed infrastructure development, maintenance, and capacity enhancement initiatives. The Railway Ministry reaffirmed its commitment to reforms, safety, tech progress, and passenger-focused growth.

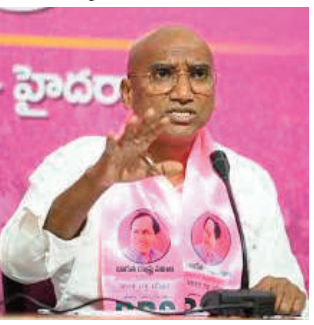


Collector Ila Tripathi visits EVM godown

(Capital information)
Nizamabad Bureau : Nizamabad District Collector Ila Tripathi, Additional Collector Kiran Kumar visited the EVM godown in Vinayakanagar, the district headquarters, on Thursday. The field visit was conducted as part of the routine inspection process. The seals affixed to the EVM godown were inspected. They observed the police security at the EVM godown and made several suggestions. The Collector was accompanied by Nizamabad Fire Department Officer Shankar, Election Department Supervisor Balaraju, staff Satvik, Vijayender Reddy and others.

Govt targeting BRS to stifle dissent: R.S. Praveen Kumar

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) general secretary R.S. Praveen Kumar on Thursday alleged that the Congress government was conspiring to curb the opposition by foisting false cases and intimidating party leaders and senior officials. Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Praveen Kumar said there was a deliberate attempt to send former chief minister K. Chandrashekar Rao, BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao and senior leader T. Harish Rao to jail by implicating them in "fabricated cases". He strongly criticised the manner in which retired IPS officer Prabhakar Rao, a former intelligence chief with a distinguished service record, was made Accused No.1 in the phone tapping case. "Is performing one's duty as per law a crime?" he asked, alleging that investigators were pressuring the officer to name KCR, KTR and Harish Rao, even resorting to third-degree methods. Terming the phone tapping probe as being run "like a Telugu serial", Praveen



Kumar said an earlier SIT had failed to establish any wrongdoing despite questioning nearly 350 witnesses at Jubilee Hills police station. "With nothing emerging, the government has now constituted another SIT with four senior IPS officers only to prolong the investigation," he alleged. He said it was unprecedented in the country for a senior IPS officer to be kept in police custody for 14 days. Surveillance systems had existed since ancient times, and phone tapping had been governed by law since the 18th century, he argued, adding that lawful interception and deletion of records were clearly provided for under the statute. Praveen Kumar questioned why the then chief secretary, DGP and intelli-

gence heads were not named as accused if the case was genuine. He also alleged harassment of Prabhakar Rao's children and relatives by issuing notices and making them wait for hours. Accusing Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy of acting out of political vendetta, the BRS leader warned police officers against taking "illegal shortcuts" to please the CM. "If an SIT is required, it should be against the Chief Minister himself," he said. He expressed concern over the silence of IAS and IPS officers' associations despite what he called blatant harassment of a senior officer. He also referred to media reports alleging harassment of a woman IAS officer by a minister, saying governance had fallen to an all-time low. Praveen Kumar warned that continued political persecution could turn the state into a "cauldron of unrest" and said people would ultimately teach the government a lesson. He further accused the government of remaining a mute spectator while Andhra Pradesh was allegedly diverting Telangana's share of water.

There are sufficient urea stocks in the district, and farmers need not lose heart : Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar

(Capital Information)
Suryapet : District Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar said that there are sufficient urea stocks in the district and farmers need not lose heart. He made a surprise inspection of the fertilizer godown being run under the auspices of the Pillalamarri PACS in Suryapet mandal and examined the register and e-pass machines. The ADA explained to the Collector that so far, 290.43 metric tons of urea have been distributed to farmers through the Pillalamarri PACS, and currently, there are 11.90 metric tons (266



bags) of urea in stock. He added that another 100 metric tons of urea would be sufficient for this Rabi season, and two more truckloads of urea would arrive by Friday evening. On this occasion, the Collector stated that they would supply as much urea as needed. Later, the Collector spoke to the farmers present there, asking them if

fertilizers were being supplied properly, how much it costs to cultivate one acre of paddy, and what the yield is. The farmers replied that it costs up to 25,000 rupees and they earn a profit of 33,000 rupees. On this occasion, he suggested that farmers should focus on cultivating palm oil and vegetables, which yield higher profits than traditional crops like paddy. The Collector was accompanied by DCO Praveen Kumar, Tahsildar Krishnaiah, ADA Gnaneshwari Devi, AAO Krishna Sandeep, AEO Swathi, PACS Secretary Shyam Sundar Reddy, and others.



Members of the 1969 Movement Association paid a courtesy call on the Legislative Council Chairman

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : Members of the 1969 Movement Association paid a courtesy call on Telangana Legislative Council Chairman Gutha Sukhender Reddy at his camp office in Nalgonda. They expressed their gratitude to Sukhender Reddy for raising their issues in the Telangana Legislative Council and bringing them to the attention of the government. Gutha Sukhender Reddy had raised in the Telangana Legislative Council the demands of the 1969 movement participants for 250 square yards of house plots, pensions, and free medical facilities, and brought them to the government's notice. He also wrote a letter to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy regarding these demands. The state president of the 1969 Movement Association, Chakra Hari Ramaraju and Suryapet district president Bommidi Lakshminarayana felicitated Gutha Sukhender Reddy with a shawl. Narendra Vidya Sagar, Eega Venkateshwarlu, Kothuru Venkateshwarlu, Jagini Dayanand, Mettapalli Shankarayya, Kukkadam Mallayya, Bandhu Rudramma, Chitram Bhadramma, and others participated in this program.

We will transform Nalgonda into a problem-free city : Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

(Cont. from Pg 1) undertaken at a cost of Rs. 900 crore, and the works at Latif Saheb Gutta will be completed by March. Development works have also been undertaken at Brahmangari Gutta. He asserted that they are developing Nalgonda by bringing in unprecedented funds, and his ambition is to transform Nalgonda into a smart city in the future. He said that because Nalgonda is now a corporation, it will receive funds not only from the state government but also from the central government, and his goal is to make Nalgonda town a model town. He also stated that central lighting works have been completed at a cost of Rs. 27 crore. He assured that in the future, Nalgonda town will be transformed into a city free from problems. As part of road development in the state, he said that efforts are being made to develop roads at a cost of Rs. 60,000 crore, and a plan for greenfield highway works worth Rs. 20,000 crore is underway, including projects like the Mannanur-Srisailem elevated corridor. They inspected the primary school at the leprosy colony and sanctioned a compound wall. They also inspected the Moti Kunta Anganwadi center and sanctioned paint for the building, a fan, and toys. District Collector B. Chandrasekar, RDO Y. Ashok Reddy, Former Municipal Chairman Burri Srinivas Reddy, Vice Chairman Abbagouni Ramesh Goud, Public Health Supervising Engineer Venkateshwarlu, Municipal Commissioner Syed Musab Ahmed, and others were present.



The Need for Honest Journalism : Former MLA Nadipelli Diwakar Rao Capital Information New Year Calendar Launch

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : Former MLA Nadipelli Diwakar Rao said that journalists should maintain ethics and integrity in news gathering and courageously collect news.

On Thursday, he unveiled the New Year calendars of the Capital Information English national daily newspaper at his residence. He expressed his concern that honest journalism is not visible in today's competitive world.

He lamented that news is not being presented with honesty, and recalled that in the past, news published in newspapers was considered authoritative. He urged journalists to responsibly expose the mistakes of officials and leaders in society and work towards public awareness.

Market Committee Chairman Pallo Bhumesh, Town BRS President Gade Satyam, TRS State Youth Leader Nadipelli Vijitharao, newspaper representative Kacham Satish, journalists Erram Prabhakar, Sridhar, Uday, and several others participated in the event.



Telangana State Government works for the welfare of the poor : Legislative Council Chairman

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : Telangana Legislative Council Chairman Gutha Sukhender Reddy handed over cheques worth ₹12,50,000 sanctioned under the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) scheme to 41 beneficiaries at his camp office in Nalgonda.

Speaking afterwards, he stated that the Telangana state government is working for the welfare of the poor. He said that many welfare schemes are being implemented under the leadership of the Chief Minister for the development of the state. He stated that the CMRF scheme is a very useful scheme and that it greatly benefits the poor.

On this occasion, Gutha Sukhender Reddy advised all eligible people to make good use of the government schemes.

MALKAJGIRI COMMISSIONERATE RECOVERY OF 1039 LOST/STOLEN MOBILE PHONES WORTH Rs. 2 CRORE 8 LAKH



(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : Now a days theft/loss of mobile phones are increasing due to increasing use of mobile devices. Later these phones are put to use by various persons acquiring through various means. Central Equipment Identity Registry (CEIR) is a facility to trace such mobiles phones. As per the directions of Avinash Mohanty, IPS Commissioner of Police, Malkajgiri special teams were formed in CCS LB Nagar and Malkajgiri with the help of IT Cell to recovery

lost/stolen mobile phones using Central Equipment Identity Registry (CEIR) Portal. Special teams recovered about 1039 mobile phones worth Rs 2 Crore 8 Lakh in a span of Six months. 1 LB Nagar.. 739, 2 Malkajgiri.. 300, Total.. 1039

So far, in this year about 4733 mobile phones (including above recovery) have been recovered. Today ie., 08th January, 2025, Malkajgiri Police handed over mobile phones to rightful owners and inter-

acted with them, taken their feedback on functioning of Malkajgiri Police in this regard. Commissioner of Police also advised public to protect the valuable information stored in mobile phones. Rightful owners felt heartfelt gratitude to receive their mobile devices from the hands of the Commissioner of Police Malkajgiri and praised the work of Malkajgiri Police in this regard.

K. Guna Sekhar, IPS, DCP Crimes, CH. Rameshwar, Add. DCP Crimes,

Karuna Sagar ACP Crimes, special teams CCS and IT Cell officers made efforts in this regard.

Special Teams consisting of Inspector, SI, ASI, HC, PC along with CEIR portal in-charges in each CCS with CH. Rameshwar, Add. DCP Crimes, Karuna Sagar ACP Crimes as Nodal Officers who supervised the work of special teams.

Advisory to Public : Buying and selling theft mobile phones is a crime. Don't buy mobile phones

without authorized bill.

Mobile device contains personal data of the user. Properly safeguard mobile phones while in travel and moving in crowded areas.

Offenders may use theft mobiles for criminal activities and cyber-crimes. Use strong security passwords and activate find my device setting.

Backup device data from time to time to avoid loss of valuable information.

Promptly report to Police when a mobile is lost or stolen.

GHMC to Launch Mega E-Waste Cleanliness Drive Across 300 Wards on January 12 & 13

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : In a major step towards sustainable urban sanitation and environmental protection, the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) will conduct a Mega Electronic Waste Cleanliness Drive across the city on January 12 and 13, covering 300 wards, as part of the Swachh Bharat Mission.

The initiative aims to create widespread awareness among citizens on the importance of responsible disposal of electronic waste and to ensure systematic collection, segregation, and scientific disposal of e-waste from residential, commercial, and public areas.

The drive will focus on collecting a wide range of discarded electronic items,

including large and small household appliances, IT and telecom equipment, consumer electronics, batteries, UPS systems, and other electronic accessories.

GHMC officials stated that the drive will be implemented in coordination with HIMSW Limited, which will deploy dedicated, branded e-waste collection vehicles in every circle. The collected e-waste will be safely transported and processed at the authorised e-waste processing facility at Dundigal, in accordance with prevailing e-waste management rules.

To ensure effective public participation, awareness campaigns are being conducted from January 9, involving sanitation workers, Resident Welfare Associa-

tions (RWAs), NGOs, and Self-Help Groups. Temporary collection points have been identified in each ward for seamless operations during the drive.

The GHMC Commissioner RV Karnan has directed Zonal Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, and sanitation officials to mobilise all stakeholders and ensure the successful execution of the drive. The civic body has also instructed its Public Relations wing to ensure wide publicity and media outreach for the initiative.

Officials reiterated that proper management of e-waste is critical to safeguarding public health and the environment, and urged citizens to actively participate in making Hyderabad a cleaner and greener city.



GHMC Commissioner inspects EVM godown at Chudi Bazar

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : The GHMC Commissioner inspected the Electronic Voting Machine (EVM) storage godown at Chudi Bazar on Thursday, reviewing the security and infrastructure arrangements in place.

The inspection focused on the implementation of security protocols, round-the-clock surveillance, adequate ventilation and strict compliance with the guidelines of the Election Commission of India.

Special attention was also paid to fire safety measures and the availability of uninterrupted power supply with backup systems to ensure the safety and integrity of the stored EVMs.

Professor R. Usha Assumes Charge as Registrar of SPMVV; Aims for Top 100 NIRF Ranking

(Capital Information)

Tirupati : Professor R. Usha, a distinguished academican with over two decades of experience in teaching, research, and administration, officially assumed charge as the Registrar of Sri Padmavathi Mahila Viswavidyalayam (SPMVV) on Thursday.

Distinguished Career and Academic Excellence

Professor Usha has been an integral part of the SPMVV faculty since 2001, serving in various capacities. She has been a Professor in the Department of Biotechnology since 2013 and has previously held positions as Associate Professor and Lecturer. Her academic journey also includes significant stints at Sri Venkateswara University as a Teaching Assistant



and CSIR-Fellow.

With 21 years of post-graduate teaching and research experience, Professor Usha has a formidable research portfolio. She has published 63 research papers in reputed journals and authored 8 books/book chapters. Her contributions to science include managing 9 national re-

search projects and securing 2 patents. She has successfully guided 10 PhD scholars and is actively associated with a University startup. Her global academic presence includes visits to Malaysia, Singapore, and Thailand.

Awards and Recognitions

A highly decorated academican, Professor Usha is a

gold medalist in both M.Sc. (Botany) and M.Ed. She is the recipient of the State Best Teacher Award (2024) from the Government of Andhra Pradesh and the University Best Teacher Award (2021). Other honors include the Rajiv Gandhi Gold Medal, the NESA Eminent Scientist Award, and the INSA Visiting Fellowship. Notably, she also served as the Convenor for APR CET 2024-25.

Vision for the University

While addressing the media after assuming office, the new Registrar outlined her primary goals:

Global Competitiveness: She committed to striving for excellence to secure a position within the Top 100 in the NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework).

Collective Leadership: She emphasized that the university staff functions as a cohesive family. She pledged to lead with a team-oriented approach to elevate the institution to new heights.

Personal Milestone: She expressed deep gratitude to her family, noting that their unwavering support has been the cornerstone of her professional success.

Warm Congratulations

Vice-Chancellor Professor V. Uma, outgoing Registrar Professor N. Rajani, and Deputy Registrar Dr. B. Geetha Vani, along with the teaching and non-teaching staff, extended their warm congratulations to Professor R. Usha on her new appointment and expressed confidence in her leadership.



Oil Palm Cultivation Awareness Programme Held for Farmers

(Capital Information)

Mahabubnagar : An awareness programme on oil palm cultivation was organised for farmers of Koilkonda mandal at the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society (PACS), Garlapadu, under the aegis of the District Cooperative Department. Addressing the gathering, District Cooperative Officer Sri Krishna explained the benefits of oil palm cultivation and the various government incentives available to farmers.

He said the government provides up to 90 per cent subsidy for drip irrigation, while SC and ST farmers are eligible for 100 per cent subsidy. In addition, farmers will receive financial assistance of ₹4,200 per acre per year for four years towards intercropping and fertilisers. The government also extends a 90 per cent subsidy on oil palm saplings, he added.

The programme was attended by Audit Officer K. Titus Paul, Horticulture Officer Swapna, Agriculture Officers Yama Reddy and Veerabhadraiah, Oil Palm Company Manager Balaraj, Koilkonda sarpanch, and local public representatives. Officials urged farmers to make use of the subsidies and adopt oil palm cultivation to enhance farm incomes.

Collector Directs Officials to Speed Up Special Intensive Revision

(Capital Information)

Mahabubnagar : District Collector Viziendira Boji on Thursday directed Booth Level Officers (BLOs) to expedite the ongoing preparatory work related to the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and complete voter mapping, door-to-door verification and progeny surveys within the next two to three days.

Reviewing the progress at a meeting held in the Collectorate conference hall, the Collector expressed dissatisfaction over the performance of BLOs in urban areas of Mahabubnagar and Jadcherla Assembly constituencies, where progress was reported to be below 25 per cent. She instructed officials to strictly adhere to the Election Commission guidelines while carrying out voter list mapping.

The Collector emphasized the need to verify whether previously registered voters are still residing at the same address and to accurately map their details. She directed that at least 80



per cent of the voter mapping work should be completed within the next two to three days. Similarly, she asked officials to complete 75 per cent of the progeny survey within the same timeframe.

Explaining the significance of the exercise, Vijayendra Boi said the current activities are part of the preliminary preparations for the upcoming SIR programme in Telangana. Completion of these tasks in advance would significantly reduce the workload on BLOs and make the actual SIR process smoother and more efficient, she

noted.

The Collector instructed supervisors, tahsildars and other concerned officials to closely monitor the progress and ensure that BLOs give top priority to Election Commission-related work to achieve the targeted completion levels.

Revenue Additional Collector Madhusudan Naik, RDO E. Naveen, District Medical and Health Officer Dr. Krishna, District Women and Child Welfare Officer Shaik Zarina Begum, Mahabubnagar Urban Tahsildar and Booth Level Officers were present at the meeting.



Capital Information Calendar unveiled by SI Madhusudhan Reddy

(Capital Information)

Sangareddy : New Year 2026 calendar unveiled by SI Madhusudhan Reddy of Sangareddy Ruler Police Station. Joint Medak District Correspondent Gunna Prabhakar and others were present.

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Editorial From 'rule to role', Mission Karmayogi redefining governance

Emphasising that capacity building in government must be a continuous and role-oriented process, Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, said that the institutional framework for capacity building being implemented today is rooted in the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who recognised the need for a structured mechanism to prepare government officials for dynamically changing responsibilities.

These remarks were made at the event on "AI for Capacity Building: Transforming Governance", organised by the Capacity Building Commission (CBC) and Karmayogi Bharat,

in partnership with the India AI Mission.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that governance can no longer be confined to silos and rule-bound procedures alone. He said the iGOT Karmayogi platform represents a decisive shift from "rule to role", enabling officers to approach their assignments with greater clarity, accountability and outcome-orientation. He underlined that while traditional systems helped officers qualify for service, they did not always prepare them for the actual responsibilities they assume, often across multiple sectors during their careers.

The Minister highlighted that Mission Karmayogi has

evolved steadily, beginning with civil servants and gradually expanding to cover officials across ministries, departments and levels. He said the initiative has also been extended to newly recruited officers through Mission Karmayogi Prarambh, which is being offered along with appointment letters issued during Rozgar Melas, allowing officers to prepare themselves for real-world administrative challenges from the very beginning of their service.

Referring to the integration of Artificial Intelligence into the capacity building ecosystem, Dr. Jitendra Singh said that under the leadership of Smt. Radha Chauhan, Chairperson, Capacity Building Commission,

the iGOT platform has adopted AI-driven tools such as AI Saarthi, AI Tutor and AI-based Capacity Building Plans. These tools, he said, are enabling personalised learning pathways, faster planning and improved delivery across ministries and departments. He emphasised that artificial intelligence must function as an enabler, working in tandem with human intelligence through a hybrid approach to strengthen governance outcomes.

The event was attended by senior dignitaries including Smt. Rachna Shah, Secretary, Department of Personnel & Training; Smt. Radha Chauhan, Chairperson, Capacity Building Commission; and Subraman-

ian Ramadorai, Chairperson, Karmayogi Bharat, along with senior officers from the Centre and States, representatives from academia, industry, training institutions and capacity building units across ministries.

Setting the context for the workshop, Smt. Chhavi Bhardwaj, CEO, Karmayogi Bharat, highlighted that iGOT has emerged as the foundational digital infrastructure for public sector capacity building, with over 1.5 crore learners and more than 6.7 crore course completions. Smt. Rachna Shah, Secretary, DoPT, emphasised that AI can significantly strengthen transparent, responsive and citizen-centric governance by improving rele-

ance, timeliness and personalisation in capacity building, while underscoring the importance of ethical safeguards and inclusive access.

A key highlight of the event was the launch of "Karmayogi Classroom", a new AI-enabled feature on the iGOT Karmayogi platform designed to enhance contextual, interactive and personalised learning for civil servants. The programme also featured live demonstrations and thought leadership sessions by leading AI ecosystem partners, showcasing AI tutors, AI-driven capacity building plans, competency mapping tools and indigenous AI solutions tailored for public administration.

GHMC Mayor, Corporators study best civic practices at Rajkot Municipal Corporation

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : As part of an official study tour, the Mayor of the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC), Gadwal Vijayalakshmi, along with Deputy Mayor Mothe Srilatha Shobhan Reddy and a team of GHMC corporators, visited the Rajkot Municipal Corporation (RMC) in Gujarat's Saurashtra region on Wednesday and Thursday.

During the visit, the GHMC delegation held detailed discussions with senior officials of the Rajkot Municipal Corporation, who made comprehensive presentations on the city's governance model, administrative efficiency and key best practices being implemented at the field level. The presentations covered areas such as sanitation, solid waste management, civic services, e-governance initiatives, urban greenery, environmental protection and long-term development planning.



Subsequently, the corporators undertook extensive field visits across Rajkot city to study these practices first-hand. One of the notable observations was the absence of flex banners and flex-based hoardings, contributing to a clutter-free urban landscape. The delegation also noted the systematic installation of tree guards for all saplings and the provision of protective grills around all electrical transformers to enhance public safety.

A key practice that drew

attention was Rajkot's approach to household waste collection. Unlike GHMC, where a monthly user charge of ₹100 is collected separately through Swachh autos, Rajkot has integrated the solid waste collection fee into the property tax system. Under this model, an annual charge of ₹350 for residential properties and ₹730 for commercial establishments is levied along with property tax.

The corporators identified these measures as significant best practices and

undertook a detailed study of their feasibility for adoption in Hyderabad. They expressed their intent to work towards implementing suitable practices in Greater Hyderabad to further improve civic services and urban management.

The delegation also observed that in several other areas — including sanitation operations and the use of facial attendance systems for sanitation workers — the practices currently followed by GHMC were found to be on par or better.

Following the conclusion of the Rajkot visit, the GHMC delegation proceeded to Ahmedabad, where further field-level studies on urban best practices are scheduled for Thursday evening and Friday. Upon completion of the study tour, the corporators will submit a comprehensive report on best practices to the GHMC for consideration and possible implementation.

Chilli Market Yard Modernisation Works to be Completed by Feb 15 : Agriculture & Cooperation Secretary Surendra Mohan

(Capital Information)
Khammam Bureau : The first phase of modernisation works at the Khammam Chilli Market Yard will be completed by February 15, said State Agriculture and Cooperation Department Secretary Surendra Mohan. On Thursday, the Secretary inspected the ongoing works at the market yard along with District Collector Anudeep Durishetty.

Speaking on the occasion, Secretary Surendra Mohan stated that keeping the upcoming marketing season in view, all construction works related to additional market sheds and supporting infrastructure must be completed within the stipulated timeline to facilitate smooth transportation and trading of chilli produce. He stressed that farmers should experience world-class facilities upon entering the market yard. Display of daily domestic and international chilli prices on LED screens, transparent price discovery, and ensuring remunerative prices based on quality



grading were emphasised.

He further directed that farmers should receive complete information right from the entry point, including lot allocation, expected waiting time, slot booking details, and rush management. Facilities such as CCTV surveillance, night stay arrangements for farmers, a primary health centre, canteen, solar power systems, weighing bridges, and fire safety measures should be ensured. He also suggested developing low-maintenance, shade-giving greenery in coordination with the Horticulture Department to enhance the market yard's ambience.

District Collector Anudeep Durishetty informed that the

government has sanctioned Rs 155.30 crore for the overall modernisation of the Khammam Chilli Market Yard, to be implemented in two phases. The first phase is being executed at a cost of Rs 114.96 crore. He said construction of seven sheds was taken up, out of which five have already been completed. Works related to toilets, overhead tanks, RO plant, sump, pump room, compound wall, high-mast lighting, and fire-fighting pipelines are in progress. So far, Rs 39.41 crore has been spent. The Collector assured that all ongoing works would be expedited and completed before the arrival of the new chilli crop into the market.

During the inspection, Market Committee Chairman Hanumanth Rao, District Agriculture Officer Pullaiah, District Cooperative Officer Gangadhar, District Marketing Officer Aleem, District Horticulture Officer Madhusudan, Market Secretary Praveen, and other officials were present.

TGPOs Khammam District Gets New Leadership Team

(Capital Information)
Khammam Bureau : The Telangana Grama Palana Officers Union (TGPOs), Khammam District, held its General Body Meeting at the TNGOs Function Hall, Khammam, as per the call of the State Committee. The meeting was conducted under the leadership of State General Secretary Sheikh Nagul Meera, during which the new district committee was unanimously elected and formally announced.

The newly constituted district committee was declared by TRESA District President Thumburi Sunil Kumar Reddy. Senior union leaders and representatives attended the meeting in large numbers, reflecting strong organisational unity. Prominent among them were TNGOs Dis-



trict President and JAC Chairman Guntupalli Srinivas, State Vice President Karumanchi Srinivasa Rao, TNGOs State Secretary Jayapal, TRESA State Treasurer Boggavarapu Venkateswara Rao, and several district- and state-level office bearers.

The newly elected leadership includes Manne Gurumurthy as District President, Chimata Veerababu as District General Secre-

tary, and Sheikh Jamal as Treasurer. Working Presidents Shaik Anwar Pasha and Banoth Ravikumar, along with associate, vice presidents, assistant secretaries, women wing leaders, and organising secretaries, were also appointed to strengthen the union's functional structure across the district.

Speaking on the occasion, senior leaders expressed confidence that the new committee would work with commitment and transparency to protect the rights, welfare, and service-related interests of Grama Palana Officers. They called upon all members to stand united, strengthen the organisation at the grassroots level, and actively engage in collective efforts aimed at administrative efficiency and employee welfare in the district.



A beacon that showed the direction to the youth - Swami Vivekananda's contemporary relevance": Dande Naveen

(Capital Information)
Sangareddy : Today, India is rapidly moving towards technological progress and economic development, said Nee Dande Naveen. Speaking on the occasion, he said that along with this progress, the question is whether human values, moral strength and self-confidence are also growing equally. In such a situation, Swami Vivekananda is the great thinker who gave a clear direction and strong thinking to the youth of India. His thoughts are still standing as beacons for the society today. Swami Vivekananda was not just a spiritual teacher; he was a national consciousness builder. In the 19th century, he realized that the youth were the future of the country and dedicated his life to awakening self-confidence in them. His message of "Believe in yourself" is equally relevant to today's pessimistic youth.

Swami Vivekananda's speech at the World's Religions Conference held in

Chicago, USA in 1893 It placed respect on the world stage. He changed the Western perspective that saw India as a country of superstitions with a single speech. Through the philosophy of Vedanta, he introduced the vastness, tolerance and equality of all religions of Indian culture to the world. In Swami Vivekananda's thoughts, religion is not just temples and rituals. He believed that the true religion is that which makes a person strong, courageous and a responsible citizen.

He strongly condemned weakness. His words that "weakness is a sin" stand as a warning to today's youth suffering from fear, discouragement and self-blame. Swami Vivekananda also thought revolutionarily in the matter of education. He made it clear that education should not be limited to just job acquisition, but should lead to personality development, humanity and social responsibility.

When today's education system revolves around



marks, ranks and jobs, the need for value-based education as mentioned by Swami is more evident.

Ramakrishna Mission founded by Swami Vivekananda His ideas are a practical form. With the principle of "Manavaseva Madhavaseva", this organization is working hard in the fields of education, medicine and service. Ramakrishna Mission proves that service without distinctions of caste, religion and class is true spirituality.

The answer to the question of why today's India needs Swami Vivekananda's ideas is clear. Development

does not mean just economic growth. A society without self-confidence cannot stand, no matter how prosperous it is. Youth without moral values cannot lead the country in the right direction. Swami Vivekananda recognized this truth a century ago.

Even though Swami Vivekananda sacrificed his life in 1902, his ideas still question us today — how much courage do we have? What have we given to society? Finding answers to these questions is the true tribute to Swami.

The day the youth of India do not limit Swami Vivekananda's words to just books, but turn them into a way of life, the India of his dreams will be realized. Self-confidence, service spirit and courage are the real wealth of India — this is Swami Vivekananda's eternal Message. He has analyzed the importance of Swami Vivekananda's thoughts in the context of the social and psychological challenges faced by today's youth.

Higher education libraries should serve as Digital Resource Centres: Prof. Anand Kishore

(Capital Information)
Hanmakonda : A two-day national conference on the topic "Digital Transformation in Academic Libraries: Navigating Challenges, Leveraging Opportunities," organized by the Library & Information Science Department of Pingili Government Degree and PG Women's College (Autonomous), Hanamkonda, in collaboration with the Telangana State Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), Hyderabad, and PM Usha (Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan), Hyderabad, commenced grandly today.

The program was presided over by the college principal, Lieutenant Professor B. Chandramouli. Speaking as the chief guest, Professor Anand Kishore of NIT, Warangal, said that higher education libraries should serve as knowledge centers and that librarians should utilize digitalization to

attract a large number of readers.

In his keynote address, Professor N. Lakshman Rao, retired professor of Library and Information Science, Osmania University, said that librarians should make modern, digitized libraries more accessible to readers.

Osmania University's retired Professor of Library and Information Science, Sudarshan Rao, attended as the guest of honor and spoke, stating that modern libraries are the foundation for accurate information, and praised the services of the great personalities who contributed to the Telangana library movement. University of Delhi, Professor M. Madhusudan, who also attended as a guest of honor, said that libraries are being revitalized through digitalization.

NIT Warangal Professor Y. Srinivas Rao said that dig-



itized libraries are providing more extensive services through e-books and e-journals. Retired librarians Ramanaiah and Satyanarayana said that the national conference being held at Pingili College will enhance research interest among students. College Principal Lieutenant Professor B. Chandramouli said that this conference specifically highlights the importance of modern libraries and that it will be very useful for teachers, researchers, students, and enthusiasts.

Seminar convener Dr. B. Yugandhar explained the purpose, objectives, and importance of the national con-

ference. He said that receiving more than a hundred research papers for this national conference is truly a matter of pride.

At the conference, a souvenir containing seventy-five research papers and a journal with forty-one full research papers were unveiled by the chief guest, guests, principal, convener, and organizers.

Subsequently, the guests were felicitated with shawls, bouquets, and mementos. Lecturers, researchers, and enthusiasts from various colleges presented their research papers in the technical session.

The program was attended by IQAC Coordinator Dr. D. Suresh Babu, Academic Coordinator Dr. M. Aruna, faculty members P. D. Sujatha, S. Madhu, Dr. K. Srinivas, Dr. Lakshmikantham, Dr. Ramakrishna Reddy, Dr. Sarangapani, Jyothirmayi, Lakan Singh, Suvarna, Rajeshwari, Sunitha, Srilatha, Udayasri, Prashanthi, Jyothi, Raju, Rajireddy, Ram Reddy, Ramesh Kumar, Mamatha, Sunitha Kavitha, Aruna, Ratnamala, Madhavi, Renuka, Heads of various departments, Dr. Ravikumar, secretary, TSLA, Dr. Yadagiri, Associate professor, Osmania University, Librarians Dr. Radhika, Dr. Durgaprasad, Dr. Jagadish, Dr. Bharath, Dr. Venkateshwarlu, Dr. Vijay, Rajashekar, Anil, teaching and non-teaching staff, faculty members from other colleges, researchers, and students.

Collector Stresses Need for Tangible Progress in SIR Implementation

(Capital Information)
Mahabubnagar : District Election Officer and Collector Viziendiria Boyi on Thursday directed election officials to ensure clear and measurable progress in the implementation of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, in line with Election Commission guidelines.

Reviewing the SIR preparedness with BLO Supervisors at BRR Degree College in Jadcherla municipality, the Collector assessed polling station-wise progress and sought explanations from supervisors where implementation was found to be lagging. She emphasised that officials must have a thorough understanding of Election



Commission rules and procedures and ensure flawless execution at the ground level.

Expressing concern over the slow pace of SIR implementation in the Jadcherla urban segment, Vijayendra Boi instructed officials to immediately rectify shortcomings. He stressed the need for accurate mapping between BLOs and polling stations and directed that a meticulous verification be carried out to ensure that every eligi-

ble voter is included in the electoral rolls.

The Collector underlined that SIR is a crucial exercise and called for focused efforts to achieve visible improvement across all polling stations.

Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Shivendra Pratap, Additional Collector (Revenue) Madhusudan Naik, Tahsildar Narsimha Rao and other concerned officials were present at the review meeting.



Action will be taken under the POSH Act 2013 if women are harassed at the workplace

Awareness about the POSH Act should be created among both women and men : District Legal Services Authority Secretary V. Rajani

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : District Legal Services Authority Secretary Rajani stated that legal action will be taken if women are subjected to harassment at the workplace, and advised women to fearlessly file complaints with the Local Complaints Committee if they face harassment anywhere. A meeting of the Local Complaints Committee was held on Thursday at the IDOC meeting hall in Wanaparthy district, under the auspices of the District Welfare Department.

She said that women's protection laws have been established to enable women to work on par with

men. Following the orders of District Collector Adarsh Surabhi, Internal Complaints Committees have already been established in all government offices to address complaints of sexual harassment against working women, and a Local Complaints Committee has been set up at the district level.

On this occasion, the Legal Services Authority Secretary said that strict punishments will be imposed if women are subjected to sexual harassment at the workplace, whether in government offices, private organizations, or even in homes. She created awareness among women employ-

ees about the Act, stating that appropriate legal action will be taken against those responsible for physical and mental harassment of women. She suggested that victims can file a complaint with the Internal Committee or online through the She-Box portal within 90 days. Awareness was created regarding women's protection laws, sexual harassment policies, and legal safeguards for women.

Speaking at the meeting, DSP Balaji Naik stated that internal committees have been established in 64 departments in the district, and a local committee has also been formed. He advised

women to file a complaint without hesitation if they experience sexual harassment at their workplace. He said that those responsible would be investigated, and if the allegations are confirmed, penalties would be imposed under Section 74. He emphasized that everyone should be aware of the laws intended for the protection of women.

District Welfare Officer Sudharani, Local Committee members Dr. Srilekha, GCDO Subbalakshmi, Sridevi, Rural Development Society President Chinnamma Thomas, DCPO Rambabu, and other women employees participated in the meeting.

Rajashyamala Yagya in Mancherla under the auspices of Aopa from Jan 9

(Capital Information)
Mancherla : The organizers said that the Sri Sri Sri Rajashyamala Sahitha Sudarshana Narasimha Maha Gyan Yagya, which is being held for the first time under the auspices of Aopa Mancherla, will be held from 09th to 11th of this month.

At the local High Life Function Hall on the 9th of this month, a thousand women will perform Rajashyamala Kumkuma Puja, and after that, a light snack will be served.

On the 10th of this month, Brahmashri Dr. Bachampally Santosh Kumar Sastry will give a lecture in the morning, after which the Rajashyamala



Homam will be held.

Couples sitting for this homam, men can come in green color pancha and scarf, women can come in green color saree.

There will be a Sudarshan homam on the 11th of this month, couples sitting in this homam, men can come in

yellow color pancha and scarf, women can come in yellow color saree. AOPA State General Secretary Siripuram Srinivas, Mancherla Town President Nerella Srinivas, General Secretary Raju Ramesh, Treasurer Dodda Srinivas and others participated.

Apollo Hospitals Introduces Painless RAFAELO Procedure for Haemorrhoids in Hyderabad

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : Apollo Hospitals, Hyderabad has introduced RAFAELO, a first-of-its-kind, painless and minimally invasive treatment for haemorrhoids, offering major relief to patients who often delay care due to fear of surgery, pain and prolonged recovery.

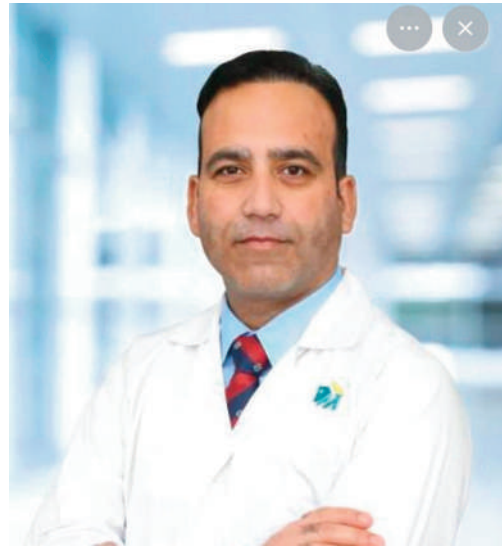
Haemorrhoids are a common but frequently neglected condition, with many patients suffering in silence because conventional surgical options are perceived as painful and disruptive to daily life. This hesitation often leads to delayed treatment until symptoms become severe.

The newly introduced RAFAELO procedure represents a significant advancement in haemorrhoid management. It is an office-based, minimally invasive procedure that allows patients to walk in for treatment and return home the same day. Most patients can resume

normal activities and return to work the very next day, eliminating the need for hospital

conventional methods.

Dr Asif Mehraj, Consultant Colorectal Surgeon at Apollo Hospitals, Jubilee Hills, said the procedure is especially beneficial for working professionals, elderly patients and those who have been postponing treatment due to fear of surgery. "With RAFAELO, patients can undergo effective treatment without pain, prolonged rest or disruption to their routine," he said.



The introduction of RAFAELO underscores Apollo Hospitals' commitment to bringing advanced, patient-centric medical innovations to Hyderabad. Experts advise individuals experiencing symptoms such as bleeding, pain, prolapse or discomfort during bowel movements to seek early consultation and explore this painless, modern treatment option to significantly improve their quality of life.

admission or extended downtime.

RAFAELO uses advanced energy-based technology to precisely target haemorrhoids while preserving surrounding healthy tissue. As there are no surgical cuts or open wounds, patients experience minimal to no post-procedure pain, negligible bleeding and faster recovery compared to

SVU faculty issues to be resolved

(Capital Information)

Tirupati : Akhil Bharatiya Rashtriya Shaikshik Maha Sangh (ABRSM) 2026 new year calendar was launched by Vice Chancellor Prof. Tata Narsingarao at Sri Venkateswara University, tirupati.

On this occasion, ABRSM State President Prof. YV Rami Reddy brought the issues of the faculty members of Sri Venkateswara University to the attention of the university officials.

The appointment of about 500 vacant regular faculty members in the university, Career Advanced Scheme for pending faculty promo-



tions, applicability of old pension to faculty members who joined through the 2004 university notification, salaries to faculty members in the first week of every month, installation of the statues of Swami Vivekananda and Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam in the uni-

versity, protection from wild animals at night, change of status of academic consultants to Assistant Professor (on contract), payment of salaries to academic consultants and teaching assistants as per G.O. No. 110, bringing into use X-ray/Scan, etc. in

the university health center, etc. were discussed with the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and Rectors of the university.

Speaking on this occasion, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Tata Narsingarao assured that he would work to resolve the issues as soon as possible.

ABRSM State President Prof. Y V. Rami Reddy, Treasurer Prof. M Raja sekhar, Engineering Wing State Secretary Dr. Balasubramaniam, State Executive Committee members Professor Jayachandra Reddy, Dr. G V Ramesh Babu, Dr. Venkatasubbaiah, Dr. Vivek, etc. participated in this program.

"Are They MLAs or 90 ml Drunkards?" - "Your Own 'Kavithamma' Is Exposing Your Reality" - "Even After Burying Your Lawlessness and Confine You to Farmhouses, You Haven't Learned"

Abuse of Rahul Gandhi and Revanth Reddy Will Not Be Tolerated : Shadnagar MLA Veerlapalli Shankar Issues a Stern Warning

(Special Correspondent)

Shadnagar : "They are MLAs only in name. The way they speak and the language they use makes them look like drunkards," said Shadnagar MLA and State Government Public Sector Undertakings Chairman Veerlapalli Shankar, launching a scathing attack on BRS MLAs. He remarked that KTR resembles K.A. Paul more than a responsible political leader.

Pointing out that on one side Kavitha is exposing the truth of her own family with statements like "mother's word is divine," he said that on the other side, BRS leaders are resorting to reckless and vulgar language, making themselves objects of ridicule among the public. "This is a misfortune for the state. At least now, stop this madness," he warned.

Veerlapalli Shankar held a media conference at his camp office on Thursday along with local Telangana movement activists and former ZPTC member P. Venkatarami

Reddy, M.S. Satyaiah, Mangal Naik, Jangari Ravi, and Jangari Narasimhaulu. During the interaction, the MLA issued a strong warning to BRS leaders, including KTR.

He accused BRS leaders of degrading political discourse to such an extent that people are beginning to hate politics itself. He said that the party came to power claiming to be a movement party by uniting employees, workers, journalists, students, and oppressed sections, but after assuming power, projected the entire struggle as their sole achievement.

He alleged that the party leadership exited the then united Andhra Pradesh government out of frustration for not receiving a desired post from former Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, and then exploited Telangana sentiment for political gain. After coming to power, he said, they forgot all sections of society and allowed only one family to enjoy positions of authority, while completely ne-



glecting jobs, public issues, and projects.

Recalling the sacrifices of martyrs like Srikantachari, Kishayya, and Yadi Reddy, he said Telangana was achieved through countless lives laid down. However, he criticized the BRS leadership for forgetting those families while monopolizing power within a single family.

He stated that despite knowing it would politically harm her, Sonia Gandhi fulfilled her commitment and granted Telangana, whereas KCR, who promised to stay away from power if Telangana

was formed, went back on his word and chased positions. Calling himself the "Father of the Telangana Nation" and BRS leaders glorifying him, he said, was absurd. He added that despite facing internal opposition, the Congress party did not step back from granting Telangana, but BRS has now descended into what he termed "political degeneration." "When Truth Is Spoken, They Resort to Abuse"

Veerlapalli Shankar alleged that BRS was responsible for land encroachments and corruption in irrigation

projects across Telangana, depriving people of water. He said that whenever Congress speaks these truths, BRS leaders habitually resort to abusive language.

He described former Chief Minister KCR's reckless remarks as unfortunate and said claims that the Lakshmidivally project was 90 percent complete were laughable, as even basic earthwork was not visible on site. He warned that using vulgar language in the name of Telangana dialect would ultimately backfire. He recalled that former Andhra Pradesh Chief

Minister Y.S. Jagan himself admitted that water diversion to Andhra was stopped only after CM Revanth Reddy assumed office. He said people still remember KCR's casual remarks made after enjoying lavish meals at Roja's residence.

He alleged that the corruption committed by KCR, KTR, and Harish Rao while in power was now being exposed by none other than a member of their own family, Kavitha, calling it clear evidence of a decade-long corruption saga. He warned that if BRS leaders do not abandon their degrading language, they will be taught an appropriate lesson.

"They Never Even Pretended to Care"

Former ZPTC member and Telangana movement activist P. Venkatarami Reddy said that after the formation of Telangana, BRS never truly cared for movement activists or the families of martyrs. Speaking at the media meet, he thanked MLA Veerlapalli

Shankar for raising the issue of movement activists in the Assembly.

He recalled that numerous activists had participated in the Telangana struggle and said it was heartening that after a long time, Veerlapalli Shankar brought up their contribution in the Assembly. He criticized BRS for forgetting its promises of water, funds, and jobs made during the movement and said people are now mocking KTR's language.

Another activist, M.S. Satyaiah, said it was encouraging that MLA Veerlapalli Shankar spoke in the Assembly about giving due respect to Telangana movement activists. He added that only after Congress came to power did it feel like "real Telangana" had been achieved.

Telangana movement activists Jangari Ravi, Jangari Narasimha, Mangal Naik, and others participated in the programme. Later, several activists presented the MLA with a rose plant as a token of appreciation.



MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WELL PLANNED : COLLECTOR RAHUL RAJ

(Capital Information)

Medak : Medak District Collector Rahul Raj advised the officials to conduct the municipal elections in a well-armed and well-planned manner.

Inspected the strong room and counting center set up for the Medak Municipal Elections.

On this occasion, District Collector Rahul Raj said that he has ordered the officials to organize the event in accordance with the municipal side plan and to provide all the necessary facilities in the strong room and canting centers.

Medak RDO Ramadevi, officers and staff participated in this program.

Students educated on soil health, fertility, and soil sample testing

(Capital Information)

Gopalpet : On Thursday, students at the TSWREIS Girls' School in Buddharam village, Gopalpet mandal, were given awareness training on soil health and fertility, and soil sample testing under the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, organized by the Mandal Agriculture Department.

On this occasion, Agriculture Officer Karuna Sri explained in detail to the students how to collect and test soil samples from agricultural lands. She provided advice and suggestions on the procedure for collecting soil samples in the field.

She said that these tests would enable farmers to know the levels of micro and macro nutrients and the pH index in their fields.



She primarily stated that a test can be conducted with 500 grams of soil collected from 8 to 10 different spots in one acre of land. Every farmer should register their

details on the soil sample collected from their land.

Agriculture Extension Officer Nagaraju, school staff, and students participated in this program.



C I Venkateswarlu honored Ramannapet Sarpanch Satyanarayana

(Capital Information)

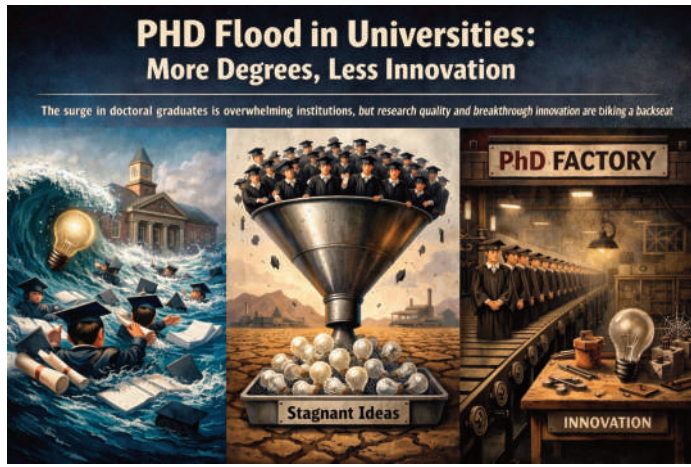
Ramannapet/Bhongir : Garika Satyanarayana, who was elected as the new Sarpanch of Ramannapet Major Gram Panchayat of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District, respectfully honored Ramannapet Police Circle Inspector N. Venkateswarlu, Mandal Tahsildar Lal Bahadur and Sub Inspector D. Nagaraju together on Thursday.

Later, C I Venkateswarlu honored Sarpanch Satyanarayana. Ramannapet Village Sub - Sarpanch Mote Ramesh, president of Tone Congress MD. Jamiruddin among those who met the C I.

PhD Flood in Universities: More Degrees, Less Innovation

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(Capital Information)
Punjab : In recent years, universities across the world, particularly in countries like India, China, and the United States, have witnessed an unprecedented surge in doctoral programs. The number of PhDs awarded has risen sharply, driven by factors such as academic expansion, government policies encouraging higher education, and the global push for knowledge economies. At first glance, this seems like a positive trend—more highly educated professionals should lead to greater research output and innovation. However, a closer look reveals a worrying pattern: while the quantity of PhDs is increasing, the quality of research and the resulting innovation is often declining. This phenomenon, sometimes referred to as “academic inflation,” occurs when the sheer volume of doctoral graduates starts to dilute the value of the degree itself. Universities, pressured by rankings, funding requirements,



and the desire to increase enrollment, often prioritize numbers over the quality of research. The result is an overwhelming flood of PhD holders, many of whom struggle to make meaningful contributions to their fields. In disciplines ranging from social sciences to engineering, this has led to an environment where incremental or repetitive research is common, and truly groundbreaking work is rare.

The consequences of this “PhD flood” are multifaceted.

First, academic standards can suffer. With more students to supervise and limited resources, faculty members may be forced to compromise on mentorship quality, research rigor, and publication scrutiny. In many cases, doctoral candidates focus on quantity over originality, producing papers that meet minimal requirements for completion but do not advance knowledge substantially. Peer-reviewed journals, under pressure to maintain publication volume, some-

times accept lower-quality work, further exacerbating the problem. Second, the job market for PhD graduates has become increasingly saturated. In countries like India, the rapid expansion of higher education institutions has not been matched by a corresponding growth in academic or research employment opportunities. Many PhD holders are left underemployed, taking on temporary teaching positions or administrative roles that do not fully utilize their skills. This mismatch between qualifications and opportunities can discourage innovation, as talented individuals are diverted from research-intensive roles to routine or non-research work.

Third, the broader research ecosystem suffers when universities prioritize numbers over novelty. Innovation thrives in environments that reward creativity, interdisciplinary collaboration, and risk-taking. However, the current focus on producing more PhDs often leads to conser-



vative research topics, with scholars choosing “safe” studies likely to yield publishable results rather than high-risk projects that could lead to breakthroughs. Consequently, even as the academic workforce grows, the pace of meaningful scientific, technological, and social innovation slows down. Addressing this issue requires a multifaceted approach. Regulatory authorities and funding agencies must emphasize quality, not just quantity, in doctoral education. Universities should enforce stricter standards for

thesis originality, research ethics, and faculty supervision. Encouraging collaborations between academia and industry can also help ensure that research addresses real-world challenges and translates into practical innovation. Furthermore, doctoral programs need to offer career development support beyond academia, preparing graduates for roles in government, industry, and entrepreneurship. Some countries are beginning to recognize the problem. For instance, China has implemented policies to

link doctoral training more closely with industry needs, while in India, the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 emphasizes research quality, interdisciplinary learning, and innovation-driven education. These initiatives, if implemented effectively, could help curb the flood of low-impact PhDs and foster a generation of scholars capable of driving meaningful change.

In conclusion, the growth in PhD numbers should not be celebrated without caution. While higher education expansion is essential for knowledge economies, it must be paired with strong quality control, mentorship, and innovation-focused research culture. Otherwise, the world risks a paradoxical situation: a highly educated population that produces more degrees but fewer transformative ideas. Universities must strike a balance—ensuring that doctoral graduates are not just numerous, but capable of making a genuine impact on society and science.

APUWJ leaders said the government should support the families of deceased journalists

(Capital Information)
Nellore : APUWJ leaders expressed their condolences at the Press Club over the death of NTV Kovur reporter Rajasekhar in Nellore district. APUWJ leaders demanded that the government support the families of journalists who lost their lives in the line of duty. It is known that Kovur NTV reporter Rajasekhar recently died of a heart attack. In this context, APUWJ leaders held a condolence meeting at the Press Club.

media, Ramesh, spoke. He advised that everyone in the journalism profession should



necessarily exercise and take care of their health. He said it was painful that Rajasekhar, who served as a reporter for NTV for ten years, lost his life.

He expressed his deepest condolences to his family members and promised to bring the matter to the atten-

tion of the ministers to ensure the family is supported. He said they would bring it to the attention of Minister Ponguru Narayana and Kovur MLA Prashanti Reddy to provide assistance.

State leaders Venkateswarlu and Jayaprakash said that Rajasekhar's untimely death has saddened everyone. They said that the loss of Rajasekhar, a good person and well-known to all, is irreparable. NTV staff reporter Venkat Narayana, journalists Dhanalakshmi, and others participated in this condolence program.

Road safety rules and regulations must be strictly followed by every citizen : Assistant Legal Aid Counsel Advocate M. Raghu

(Capital Information)
Gopalpet : Assistant Legal Aid Counsel Advocate M. Raghu stated that every citizen must strictly follow road safety rules and regulations. Following the instructions of V. Rajani, District Legal Services Authority Secretary and Senior Civil Judge, a rally was organized on Thursday in Gopalpet mandal center with junior college students.



Under the auspices of the District Legal Services Authority, a rally was conducted with students from the junior college to Telugu Talli Chowrasta as part of the National Road Safety Month.

He emphasized that vehicles should not be driven under any circumstances after consuming alcohol, and administered a pledge to the students that they would stay away from intoxicating substances and would only drive vehicles after turning 18 years old.

He explained that approximately 172,000 people die in road accidents in the country due to not following traffic rules and regulations. He informed them that 470 people die every day and 20 people every hour due to road accidents. He also stated that cases would be

registered against vehicle owners who give vehicles to minors.

They stated that road accidents will decrease only when road rules and regulations, such as not riding vehicles without a helmet, are strictly followed, and therefore, we should all take a pledge to adhere to road safety standards and ensure safe journeys.

Gopalpet SI Jaganmohan, Junior College Principal Srinivasulu, Devanna, lecturers, paralegal volunteers Bankala Ravinder, Aruna, and others participated in this program.

For the First Time, MLA Veerlapalli Shankar Raises His Voice for Journalists



Shadnagar Journalists Felicitate MLA Veerlapalli Shankar

(Special Correspondent)
Shadnagar : Despite being advised that organizations were unnecessary and associations irrelevant, the warriors of the written word did not stop. On one hand, they breathed life into the Telangana movement through their writing, and on the other, they spent entire days at protest sites, standing as weapons of resistance. Not only that, they actively participated in the movement and earned recognition as movement activists, even though successive governments failed to officially acknowledge them.

Justices faced by journalists. No words of gratitude were expressed, and their very existence seemed to be ignored. On the contrary, after the formation of Telangana, cases and attacks against journalists increased.

In such a scenario, after 12 long years, an MLA finally brought the issue of journalists to the floor of the Assembly. He spoke about their role in the movement and demanded housing plots for them. That MLA is none other than Ranga Reddy district's Shadnagar MLA, Veerlapalli Shankar.

Recently, in the Legislative Assembly, MLA Veerla-

palli Shankar, for the first time, raised the issues of journalists, specifically referring to Shadnagar journalists. Whether the government will respond or whether housing plots will be allotted to journalists remains to be seen. However, the fact that an MLA remembered journalists and spoke about their problems is truly commendable.

In appreciation of this gesture, Shadnagar journalists felicitated MLA Veerlapalli Shankar by draping him with shawls and expressed their heartfelt gratitude. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA assured that he would make every possible effort to secure housing plots

for journalists through the government. He further stated that if the government fails to act, he knows what steps need to be taken. He assured that justice would certainly be delivered to eligible journalists as per rules and regulations.

Senior journalists Md. Khajapasha (KP), Dr Kommu Venkanna Babu, Lattupalli Mohan Reddy, Kasturi Ranganath, Sanjay Kumar, Sharath, Srisailam, Bhaskar, Zakir, Dhanaram Ramesh, Shakeel, S.P. Balu, Jagan, Rakesh, Narasimha Reddy, 6 TV Srinu, Iliyaz, Sami, Riyaz, Shiva, and several other journalists participated in the programme.

Ensure farmers face no difficulties at urea distribution centers : Collector Adarsh Surabhi

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : District Collector Adarsh Surabhi instructed agriculture department officials to ensure that farmers do not face any difficulties at urea distribution centers.



On Thursday, the District Collector visited the Pamapuram and Apparala Primary Agricultural Cooperative Centers in Kothakota mandal and inspected the urea distribution process. On this occasion, the Collector suggested that every distribution center should provide tents and chairs for the farmers who come there.

He also directed that arrangements should be made to quickly provide the required urea to the farmers without making them wait for long periods. He said that when urea is sold to farmers, their passbook details and the quantity sold

should be recorded in the relevant registers. He suggested that distribution should be based on Aadhaar card and passbook.

He instructed that an AEO (Agriculture Extension Officer) from the agriculture department must be assigned to each urea sale point to supervise the process. He also suggested that a board displaying the urea stock information should be set up at every urea distribution center. Along with this, details of the stock available at nearby private fertilizer shops should

also be displayed on the board. **Complete the Basti Davakhana building within a week**

The Collector also inspected the construction work of the newly built Basti Davakhana (urban health center) building on the Atmakur road in Kothakota mandal center on Thursday.

The Collector instructed the concerned engineering department officials to expedite the completion of the basti (neighborhood) clinic building, which is in its final stages of construction, within a week. He directed them to complete the work within the stipulated timeframe and prepare the building for inauguration.

District Agriculture Department in-charge officer Damodar, District Medical and Health Officer Sainath Reddy, and other officials accompanied the Collector.

MOKILA CAR ACCIDENT CAUSED BY OVERSPEEDING : ACP KISHAN

(Capital Information)
Chevella : Chevella ACP Kishan responded to the road accident that took place in Mirjaguda under the Mokila police station limits. He divulged the details of the accident.

for a birthday celebration. The accident happened while they were dropping off a friend and



According to the details he provided, the accident occurred in the early hours of the morning near Mirjaguda while they were returning from Mokila. Five people were traveling in an Eco Sport car. They were all friends studying in the same college. The accident occurred when the car, traveling at high speed, hit a tree. They had dinner at Vaibhav Hotel

heading towards Hyderabad. A girl named Nakshatra, who was injured in the accident, is undergoing treatment. He stated that Sumit was identified as the driver of the car. He said that the accident occurred when the car, due to excessive speed, went out of

control and hit a tree. He added that a full-scale investigation is still underway. Meanwhile, there were five people in the car at the time of the accident. Four of them were from IBS College, and one was from ICFAI College.

The accident occurred while they were returning after celebrating a birthday party in Kokapet and dropping off a friend. Four young men died on the spot. A girl named Nakshatra was seriously injured. She was shifted to a nearby hospital. The deceased were identified as Kargayala Sumit, Sri Nikhil, Balmuri Rohit, and Devala Surya Teja.

Sexual Health Issues Should Not Be Neglected : Dr. G. Samaram

(Capital Information)
Vijayawada : “Maintaining a healthy sexual life enhances an individual's self-confidence and strengthens the marital bond. Neglecting sexual health issues can lead to mental health problems and family conflicts. Awareness about sexual health is essential for everyone,” said eminent physician Dr. G. Samaram.



Speaking at a health seminar on the topic “Sexual Health Issues”, held on Thursday under the chairmanship of D. Ravikumar at Vasavya Nursing Home, Dr. Samaram stated that sexual health is an integral part of overall human health. Due to lack of awareness, both men and women are facing vari-

ous sexual health problems. He noted that many people delay consulting a doctor because of shyness, fear, or hesitation, thereby worsening their conditions. He explained that psychological factors such as stress, anxiety, and depression, as well as physical conditions like diabetes, hypertension, heart

diseases, hormonal imbalances, and lifestyle changes, are major causes of sexual health issues. Among men, erectile dysfunction, premature ejaculation, and lack of sexual desire are common problems, while among women, lack of sexual interest, pain during intercourse, and vaginal dryness are

prevalent.

Dr. Samaram added that lack of sexual compatibility can lead to marital discord, infertility issues, reduced self-confidence, anxiety, and depression. He emphasized that mental well-being, along with physical health, plays a crucial role in maintaining good sexual health. He reassured that sexual health issues are common and are completely treatable. Those affected should not feel embarrassed or delay seeking help; consulting the right medical professionals at the right time can ensure a healthy family life.

During the seminar, many participants raised questions and had their doubts clarified.



District-Level Art & Cultural Competitions for Special Needs Children Held Grandly

(Capital Information)
Tirupati : Under the aegis of Samagra Shiksha, a district-level Art and Cultural competition for children with special needs (CWSN) was organized today in Tirupati. The event aimed to provide a platform for specially-abled children to showcase their inherent talents and creativity. **Education Department Highlights Potential of Special Children**

The Chief Guest of the event, District Education Officer (DEO) Mr. KVN Kumar, stated that such programs are instrumental in uncovering the hidden artistic skills of children with special needs. He emphasized that every

child possesses a unique talent that needs to be nurtured. Speaking on the occasion, Samagra Shiksha Additional Project Coordinator (APC) Mr. Gouri Shankar remarked that involving special children in arts and cultural activities alongside their academics contributes significantly to their holistic development. Tirupati Deputy DEO, Mrs. Indira Devi, urged parents to take proactive responsibility for their children's growth and support them in honing their skills. **Philanthropic Support by 'We Support Charitable Trust'**

Tahasunisa Begum, the Founder of We Support

Charitable Trust, participated as a special guest. Commending the efforts of the 'Bhavitha Centers,' she shared that her trust has been actively encouraging specially-abled children for the past four years. Guided by the motto "Service to Mankind is Service to God," she distributed prizes to 60 specially-abled boys and girls who participated in the competitions. She further encouraged parents to send their children to Bhavitha Centers regularly for their overall improvement and better future. **Experts Call for Proper Training**

District Inclusive Educa-

tion Coordinator, Mr. B. Chandra Sekhar Reddy, noted that with the right training and identification of skills, specially-abled individuals can achieve great milestones. **Dignitaries in Attendance**

The event saw the participation of several officials, including ASO Mr. KD Saradhi, CMO Mr. Suresh, AMO Mr. Chandra Sekhar Naidu, ALS Mr. Sudhakar Naidu, and Tirupati Rural Mandal Education Officer (MEO) Mrs. Padmaja. Sectoral officers, IEDSS teachers, inclusive education staff, and parents of the children were also present to support the participants.

Strict action will be taken against those who employ child laborers

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : With the objective of completely eradicating child labor in the district, an awareness meeting was organized at the District Police Office under the joint auspices of the Police Department and the Labor Department, as per the orders of District SP Sharath Chandra Pawar. The meeting was attended by brick kiln owners and managers. District police officers, labor department officials, and owners of brick kilns within the district participated in this meeting.

On this occasion, Additional SP Ramesh clarified that employing children under 18 years of age in any form is completely illegal. He warned that criminal cases would be registered against managements employing child laborers under the Child Labor Prohibition Act, and strict action would be taken. He stated that it is the responsibility of the managements to provide education, health, and safety to the children of the laborers working



in the brick kilns, and advised them to strictly follow government regulations by not employing children. He clarified that if information is received about the employment of child laborers, the Police Department and the Labor Department will jointly conduct inspections and register criminal cases against the concerned managements under the Child Labor Act and the Juvenile Justice Act, and take strict action. He appealed to the public to cooperate responsibly in completely curbing child labor in the district and to immediately inform Childline 1098 or Dial 100 if they see any child laborers. The district people were urged to cooperate responsibly in the eradication of child labor if they observe children being subjected to forced labor or working as child laborers anywhere. Child Welfare Committee Chairman Krishnaiah, District Welfare Officer Aruna, Women and Child Welfare Department officer Haritha, Mandal Education Officer Arundhati, AHTU SI Rangareddy, Child Protection Officer Ganesh, and others participated in this program.



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(Capital Information)
Yadadri Bhuvanagiri : Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Additional Collector A.Bhaskar Rao (Local Bodies) and Ramannapet Mandal Tahsildar C.Lal Bahudar Unvield by Capital Information New Year 2026 Calendar.

MEDAK HAS BEEN LAGGING BEHIND IN DEVELOPMENT SINCE LAST TEN YEARS : MPM. RAGHUNANDAN RAO

(Capital Information)
Medak : Medak MP Raghunathan Rao said that if the people of Medak give a chance to the BJP party in the municipal elections, they will change the face of Medak. He appealed to the people of the town. Speaking to reporters at the Medak BJP office, he accused former Minister Harish Rao, former MLA of Medak, former Deputy Speaker Padma Devender Reddy, former Chief Minister KCR, Political Secretary Sheri Subhash Reddy of Medak for not going to the Outer Ring Road. If Indian government gives Rs 1200 crores for ring roads Gajwel, Siddipet said. But I am not against Siddipet. He said that the BRS party, which was in power for

10 years, could not build a ring road to Medak and Sangareddy. After I became the MP of Medak, as part of the Swachh Bharat Mission, I would like to prepare DPR for underground drainage in Medak, Sangareddy and Sadashivpet towns and send it to ENC Public Health, I will send it to the Congress Ministers. How was it when there was a Medak Gram Panchayat..? The towns people want to think about how it will be after becoming a municipality. The old Medak district was divided into three districts, Medak, Sangareddy and Siddipet. Under the Swachh Bharat Mission, money was sent to two municipalities to build underground drainage in the old



Medak district. Subsequently, if the central government sends money for underground drainage for the second time, it should be given to Sangareddy or Medak, but where will the anger of his uncle Chief Minister KCR be, the then minister accused the then minister of laying underground drainage to Gajwel

Municipality, which has no population of 20,000. He said that with special care, he has sanctioned an additional bypass road of 8:50 kilometers to make one side bypass of the highway going from Narsapur to Siddipet. He said that if the governing bodies are not formed in the municipalities across the state by March 31, the grant given by the center will stop. He said that municipalities are preparing to conduct elections with the support of the state government for central funds. People wanted to give Bharatiya Janata Party a chance. Medak District BJP president Mallesh Goud, former presidents Gaddam Srinivas, district general secretary Eerla Ranjith Reddy, town presidents Nayini Prasad Consenancy in-charge Ekkaldev Madhu, Nanda Reddy, OBC secretary Gaddam Kashinath, Satish Patel, Benda Veena and Bindla Satyanarayana, MLN Reddy, Ram Charan, Siva were present in the meeting along with hundreds of activists participated.

First Step Towards Seethalathanda Village Development : Grand Groundbreaking Ceremony for the New Gram Panchayat Building

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda/Nagarjunasagar : On Thursday, Islavath Ambali Balu Naik performed the auspicious groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of the new Gram Panchayat building in Seethalathanda village. The village Sarpanch expressed his immense joy at performing the groundbreaking ceremony for the Gram Panchayat building just a few days after being elected. On this occasion, the Sarpanch promised to work tirelessly for the development of the village in all sectors with the blessings and cooperation of the villagers. He stated that the new Panchayat building will be crucial for more efficient village administration. The villagers expressed their happiness over this step taken towards village development and congratulated the leadership. AE Sathyaiah, Village Secretary Satish, Dancing Thanda Sarpanch Dhooop Singh, Village Deputy Sarpanch Pandu Naik, former Sarpanch Chandulal, Village Branch President Srinivas Naik, Kapura Naik, and ward members participated in the program and made it a success.

Sri Venkatasai Association members visit Bali Indonesia

(Capital Information)
Sangareddy : Bali in Indonesia is an ideal place for natural beauty, protection of Hindu Dharma, cultural traditions and civic discipline, said the organization's president Shankari Vijayender Reddy. In the part of studying agricultural methods, protection of Hindu Dharma, and education policies, the Sri Venkatasai Friends Association in Pothireddypalli Sangareddy under the auspices of Convener Shankari Vijayender Reddy, Co-Convener Mangala Parthi Venkatesham Vasavi Clubs International under the supervision of Vice President Pulluri Prakash Reddy. Holidays, Bandakindi Prasad Goud, a group of 18 families visited the Southeast Asian country of Indonesia, "Bali" island.



Cultural Park Garuda Vishnu (the world's largest religious bronze statue) Tanah Lot, Uluwatu. Ulunadu temples Handara Gate.. Nusa Penida Islands, visited. Agricultural, political, teacher and employee groups from various walks of life visited various temples, schools, agricultural fields, and natural beauty spots in Bali and enjoyed the skills and traditional methods and compared them with the methods they follow. In this tourist trip, Man-

Adequate Urea Stocks Available, No Shortage in Dist. : DAO Venkatesh

(Capital Information)
Mahammadabad : District Agriculture Officer B. Venkatesh on Thursday assured farmers that there is no shortage of urea in the district and that sufficient stocks are available to meet current agricultural needs. He said farmer welfare remains the government's top priority and urged cultivators not to panic over rumours of scarcity. The DAO conducted inspections at fertilizer outlets in Mahammadabad mandal to review stock positions and distribution. Speaking to the media, he said the district has adequate reserves of urea and other fertilizers to support ongoing farming operations. According to official data, so far 32,371 farmers have booked 98,534 bags of fertilizers through the Fertilizer App. Of these, 94,057 bags of urea have already been purchased online. An additional 11,300 bags of urea are currently available in stock, he added. Venkatesh advised farmers to purchase fertilizers only as per recommended requirements and through authorised dealers, and to make use of the Fertilizer App for transparency and convenience. Mahammadabad Mandal Agriculture Officer Narendar was present during the inspection programme.



A great man who brought light into the lives of the visually impaired

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : On the orders of the Collector, the 217th birth anniversary celebrations of Louis Braille, the benefactor of literacy for the visually impaired, were grandly organized at the District Welfare Officer's office. Speaking as the chief guest at the event, District Welfare Officer K.V. Krishnaveni said that Louis Braille, the very young age, did not lose his self-confidence and invented the six-dot script for the blind, thus bringing light into their lives. She said that in today's society, where many are overwhelmed by problems and difficulties, Braille's invention was a visionary idea that was thousands of years ahead of its time. She added that through the script he invented, he improved the lives of many, providing them with education and employment opportunities, and thus brought light into their lives. MEPMA PD Srinivasan, District Rural Federation AO Venkanna, Dr. Nagesh, leaders of the visually impaired employees' association Kranthi Kumar and Saidulu, and office staff Balayya, Venkat Reddy, Nagireddy, and others participated in the program.



Two-Day International Seminar Closing Ceremony

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : As part of the closing ceremony of the two-day International Seminar at Government Women's Degree College, Nalgonda, the chief guest, retired Joint Director of Collegiate Education, G. Yadagiri, addressed the seminar attendees. He emphasized the immense importance of chemistry in today's society and urged the students to take advantage of the numerous opportunities available to them in the fields of education and employment. On this occasion, a souvenir related to the seminar was released. Another distinguished guest, Dr. Ghanishyam, Principal of Chandur Degree College, advised the students to focus their interest on research, thereby securing better employment opportunities. The college principal, Professor Srinivas Raju, stated that this was the first time an international seminar was held at their college and expressed his belief that all the attending faculty members had significantly enhanced their knowledge. He also congratulated the seminar organizers, Dr. Amrutha and Dr. Dayanand. Similarly, certifi-



Nakrekal MLA lays foundation stone for several development projects

(Capital Information)
Nakrekal : Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham laid the foundation stone for several development projects to be constructed at a cost of ₹25 lakhs at the Zilla Parishad High School in Narketpally mandal headquarters. Later, he inaugurated the newly established Sri Renuka Yellamma Real Estate office belonging to Congress party leader Vangoori Narasimha from Chandampally village in Nakrekal mandal and extended





Hyderabad Police intensify crackdown on Chinese Manja; contraband worth ₹1.24 crore seized

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Ahead of the Sankranti festival, the Hyderabad City Police have stepped up enforcement against the banned 'Chinese Manja' (synthetic/nylon kite string) to curb its sale, storage, and transportation across the city. The special drive has resulted in large-scale seizures and arrests.

Addressing the media, Commissioner of Police, Hyderabad, V.C. Sajjanar, IPS, said Sankranti is a festival of joy and kite-flying, but celebrations should not endanger lives. He reiterated that the Government has imposed a complete ban on Chinese Manja due to the serious threat it poses to humans, birds, and the environment. "Despite the ban, illegal sales are being carried out clandestinely. There will be zero tolerance. Anyone found selling, storing, or transporting Chinese Manja will face immediate criminal action. Special teams have been deployed across the city," he said.

The Commissioner also pointed out that some traders have shifted to online platforms to evade enforcement. "We have put in place round-the-clock surveillance on e-commerce platforms and social media. Strict legal action will be taken against those involved in the online sale or purchase of Chinese Manja," he warned.

He further cautioned parents about the dangers of the metallic coating on Chinese Manja, which can cause severe injuries and even electric shocks, especially to children. Citizens were urged to use only traditional cotton kite strings and to report violations by dialing 100 or through WhatsApp at 94906 16555.

As part of the ongoing drive, the Hyderabad City Police have registered 103 cases and arrested 143 persons. A total of 6,226 bobbins of banned Chinese Manja, with an estimated market value of ₹1,24,52,000, have been seized.

The South West Zone reported the highest number of violations, with 34 cases registered and 46 arrests, leading to the seizure of 3,265 bobbins worth ₹65,30,000. This was followed by the South Zone, where 27 cases were booked and 35 persons arrested, resulting in the seizure of 1,861 bobbins valued at ₹37,22,000. In the East Zone, 18 cases were registered against 29 persons, with seizures worth ₹6,02,000. The South East Zone reported nine cases and 10 arrests. The Central, North, and West Zones reported six, five, and four cases respectively.



Telangana State Roads, Buildings and Cinematography Minister Komatireddy Venkata Reddy, Nalgonda Collector Chandrashekar Badugu, I.A.S unveiled Capital Information English daily new year Calendar on 08/01/2026 at Nalgonda. Nalgonda bureau Venkata Madhu, Hari Reporter/ photographer

Wanaparthy District Civil Supplies DM Jagmohan Caught by ACB

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : In a sensational development, another government official in wanaparthy district has been caught by the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) within just two months. On Thursday night, ACB officials, led by DSP C.H. Balakrishna, conducted raids at the Civil Supplies Department office in the integrated district officers' building complex in wanaparthy district headquarters. Wanaparthy District Manager Kumbha Jagmohan had demanded Rs. 1,75,000 from a mill owner for allocating CMR rice.



He was caught red-handed by ACB officials while accepting Rs. 50,000 from the mill owner. Speaking to the media on this occasion, DSP C.H. Balakrishna stated that the officer would be produced before the Nampally ACB court after the investigation. He advised that if any government official demands a bribe, the public should inform them through the toll-free number 1064 or via social media. He assured that the details of those who provide information would be kept confidential.

GHMC issues guidelines for Occupancy Certificates for buildings with lapsed permits

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) has issued uniform guidelines for processing and issuance of Occupancy Certificates (OC) to non-high-rise buildings constructed as per sanctioned plans, even after the validity of building permissions has lapsed.

In a circular issued on January 8, 2026, the GHMC Commissioner said the guidelines would apply to buildings sanctioned under G.O.Ms No.168 (MA&UD, dated April 7, 2012), where construction was completed in accordance with approved plans, but Occupancy Certificates were not obtained within the validity period.

The absence of OC has resulted in difficulties for purchasers and prospective buyers in obtaining water and power connections from agencies such as HMWSSB and TSSPDCL, besides facing challenges in securing bank loans and paying additional penalty charges.

In Case : 1 Under the new procedure, applications for OC submitted within two years from the date of lapse of building permission will be processed by collecting the pending building permit fee and other applicable charges such as Link Road Charges and CRMP charges, as per Rule 26.

In Case : 2 For applications submitted after two years, all charges applicable to the total built-up area as on the date of OC application will be levied. In both cases, Occupancy Certificates will be considered only if the construction deviations are within permissible limits, allowing up to 10% deviation in mandatory setbacks, excluding the front setback.

The GHMC clarified that the guidelines are applicable only to non-high-rise buildings. The move is expected to benefit a large section of citizens by enabling them to obtain Occupancy Certificates and facilitating access to essential civic services.



Punna Kailash Netha courteously meets with the Nalgonda District In-charge Minister

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Nalgonda District Congress Committee President Punna Kailash Netha courteously met with the Nalgonda District In-charge Minister, Adhuri Lakshman, at the MLA quarters in Hyderabad.

On this occasion, they discussed the upcoming municipal elections. They also discussed the protest programs against the conspiracies being hatched by the BJP regarding the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNREGA), which is scheduled to take place from the 20th to the 30th of this month.

He suggested that copies of the resolutions passed in all the villages of Nalgonda district, demanding the restoration of the previous MNREGA scheme, should be submitted.



The Master Minds High School Calendars Launched : Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : On Thursday, State Minister for Roads, Buildings, and Cinematography, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, launched the new year calendar designed by The Master Minds High School in Nalgonda town.

The event took place in Nalgonda. The Master Minds High School Correspondent Gundebayina Janayya Yadav, K. Ravikumar, Bandaru Prasad, and others participated in the program.

Rural Youth Must Excel in Sports : SP Janaki

(Capital Information)
Mahabubnagar : District Superintendent of Police D. Janaki on Thursday called upon rural youth to excel in sports from the village level to the international stage. She was speaking after flagging off the Chief Minister's Cup (CM Cup) Torch Rally at the Mahabubnagar main stadium along with Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Shivendra Pratap.



Addressing students and sportspersons, the SP said the main objective of the CM Cup Torch Rally was to attract rural youth towards sports and encourage them to showcase their talent at national and international platforms. She urged students to balance academics with sports, stating that games not only build physical fitness but also contribute to overall personality development. With dedication and hard

work, she said, rural youth could grow from grassroots-level players into world-class champions.

On the occasion, SP Janaki also created awareness on road safety as part of the month-long National Road Safety Campaign being jointly organised by the police and transport departments. She appealed to students and sportspersons to act as ambassadors of road safety by

educating their parents, elders and friends. Expressing concern over the loss of young lives in road accidents, she stressed the mandatory use of helmets for two-wheeler riders and seat belts for four-wheeler drivers.

Additional Collector Shivendra Pratap said the CM Cup has provided a major platform for youth and students to exhibit their sporting talent. He urged participants to make the best use of the

opportunity through rigorous practice and bring laurels to the district at state, national and international levels.

Assistant Excise Superintendent Narasimha Reddy spoke on the harmful effects of alcohol and drug abuse, warning that addiction not only damages health but also causes severe financial and mental distress to families. He advised youth to stay away from intoxicants and banned substances.

Students from various schools and colleges, sportspersons and NCC cadets participated in large numbers in the rally, which was conducted from the Mahabubnagar main stadium to the DIET College. ZP CEO Venkata Reddy, District Sports and Youth Officer Srinivas, District Medical and Health Officer Dr Krishna, DPR Officer Srinivas and others were present.



Capital Information English Daily Calendar Released in Hyderabad

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Capital Information's English Daily Calendar was formally released by G. Sudheer Babu, IPS, Commissioner of Police, at the Future City Commissionerate on Thursday.

Speaking on the occasion, the Commissioner appreciated Capital Information for bringing out an English daily calendar that reflects professionalism and public relevance. He noted that such initiatives help in strengthening communication between institutions and the public while also highlighting important civic values.

Representatives of Capital Information were present at the event and expressed gratitude to the Police Commissioner for unveiling the calendar. Senior police officials and staff of the Future City Commissionerate also attended the programme.

The calendar release marks Capital Information's continued efforts to reach a wider readership with updated and responsible content throughout the year.

Education and sports are important for being mentally and physically strong : Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda bureau : State Minister for Roads, Buildings, and Cinematography, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, said that education and sports are important for being mentally and physically strong.

On Thursday, he inaugurated the two-day inter-school sports competitions at the Vipassana School in Charlapally, Nalgonda district, by lighting a lamp.

Speaking at the meeting organized on this occasion, the minister said that sports are very important for a person to be active. He said that some schools are focusing only on academics with the goal of achieving high GPAs, and that they should also

focus on sports.

He also said that private educational institutions should ensure that they always provide assistance to poor students. He advised that one should accept victory and defeat equally in sports, and that those who lose should not be disheartened but should play with determination again to achieve victory.

The minister stated that as part of the state government's efforts to provide better education to poor students, it is constructing Young India Integrated Residential Schools, each costing Rs. 200 crore, and that the Young India Residential School building being constructed near SLBC in Nalgonda district center is



under construction.

He said that these schools are being built better than private schools, with classrooms, dormitories, dining halls, kitchens, and cricket and football stadiums, and that the integrated residential schools will start functioning across the state next year. The state government is

designing these programs to ensure that students get jobs immediately after leaving school/college, and he urged every student to study hard to excel in life.

The minister stated that since Nalgonda is being established as a municipal corporation, they will develop Nalgonda into a smart city in the future, and that they are constructing an outer ring road with ₹200 crore through R&B, and an underground drainage system in the city worth ₹700 crore. He said that they are determined to make Nalgonda a model for Hyderabad. He revealed that through the Prateek Foundation, the Bottuguda primary school in Nalgonda town has

been developed to a corporate level with ₹12 crore, and that steps are being taken to inaugurate the school soon.

District Collector B. Chandrasekhar said that sports are very essential in daily life and that they help in maintaining physical and mental fitness. He said that the government is undertaking many programs for the students and that both winners and losers should take sports in the same spirit.

Nalgonda RDO Y. Ashok Reddy, former Municipal Chairman Burri Srinivas Reddy, Market Committee Chairman Ramesh Goud, DTC Vani, school management, and others were present.