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Tithi
Krishna Paksha Padyami
Upto : Feb 03 01:52 AM
Krishna Paksha Vidiya
Upto : Feb 04 12:40 AM

Nakshatra
Magha
Upto : Feb 03 10:10 PM
Purva Phalguni
Upto : Feb 04 10:12 PM

Rahukalam
3:19 PM - 4:43 PM

Yamagandam
9:40 AM - 11:05 AM

Gulika
12:29 PM - 1:54 PM

Dur Muhurat
09:06 AM - 09:51 AM,
11:13 PM - 12:04 AM

Varjyam
10:28 AM - 12:01 PM,
06:11 AM - 07:47 AM

WEATHER

Forecast : Mostly sunny
Temperature : 28° / 17°
Humidity : 46%
Sunrise : 6:51 AM
Sunset : 6:08 PM

Septuagenarian murdered in Dundigal, police probe underway

Hyderabad: A septuagenarian woman was murdered by unknown persons at her house in Dundigal on Monday evening.

The victim, G Susheelamma (70), lived alone at her residence in Church Gagillapur village under Dundigal police station limits.

On Monday evening, locals found her lying in a pool of blood inside the house and immediately alerted her relatives. After visiting the spot, the relatives informed the police, who reached the house and began an investigation.

Police are verifying whether ornaments and property documents are missing from the house. A case has been registered.

“Ten Years of Silence, Now Folded Hands?”- Ponguleti Roars at Pink Leaders, Sets Edulapuram Campaign Ablaze

(Capital Information)
Khammam Bureau : Launching a blistering offensive on the pink party, Telangana Revenue, Housing and Information Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy asked a pointed question that echoed across the streets: “After abandoning people for a decade, do you really expect trust just because you show up with garlands during elections?”

Addressing packed roadshows across Wards 2, 22, 23, 24, 26 and 27, the Minister said leaders who denied the poor even a single ration card had lost all moral authority to seek votes. He accused the previous regime of perfecting deception—promising welfare but ensuring it never reached the deserving—while now spreading toxic propaganda out of political desperation.



From Farmhouses to Flooded Lanes—A Reality Check

In a sharp, no-holds-barred attack, Ponguleti said, “Leaders who lived in farmhouses and flew in air-conditioned helicopters—did they ever walk these lanes when drains overflowed and homes went under water?”

He said Rajiv Gruhakalpa residents were ignored year after year, only to be remembered now as polling day approaches. By contrast, he asserted, the Congress government acted immediately—issuing ration cards to every eligible poor family and putting food on empty plates.

“That,” he said, “is the Congress stamp of governance.”

A Concrete Promise Against Floods
Reaffirming his commitment, the Minister declared, “I don’t retreat from my word. By June, the embankment will be completed and your flood misery will end.”

He said the ₹690-crore retaining wall would serve as a permanent shield for Edulapuram, alongside renovations to Rajiv Gruhakalpa houses and tap water to every home.

With ₹308 crore worth of development works already underway across the municipality, Ponguleti pledged to transform Edulapuram into a statewide model town. Ending on a rallying cry, he urged voters to back development, vote for the Hand symbol, and deliver a thumping victory to Congress candidates.

Harish Rao lashes out at Revanth Reddy over hate speech against KCR

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : BRSLP deputy leader T Harish Rao lambasted Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy over his hypocrisy and for indulging in hate speech even as he shared the stage with Justice B Sudarshan Reddy, who spoke against hate speech during the Ravi Narayana Reddy National Award presentation ceremony on Monday.

In a statement, Harish Rao said that within minutes after the former judge spoke against hate speech, the Chief Minister had exposed his true nature through his own remarks against Chandrashekar Rao and the BRS.

“Revanth Reddy turned the event into a live demonstration of the very conduct being cautioned against. His rhetoric is enough to showcase what hate



speech means,” he said.

Taking a dig at the Chief Minister’s recent visit to the US, Harish Rao said the stint at Harvard had failed to bring any change in the former’s conduct or language. He accused Revanth Reddy of continuing petty and vulgar political discourse,

marked by personal animosity towards the BRS chief.

He asserted that as Mahatma Gandhi, who led the independence movement, was the Father of the Nation, Chandrashekar Rao, who led the Statehood movement, was the Father of Telangana for people

who were associated with the movement.

“When people were fighting for the statehood, Revanth Reddy was working for the Andhra rulers. It would be foolish to assume that he, who aimed his guns at the Statehood agitators, understands the importance of the Telangana Statehood movement or KCR,” he added.

The BRS leader questioned the Chief Minister’s moral authority to speak on democratic values, pointing to misuse of power through arrests and cases against opposition leaders and critics. He stated that Revanth Reddy’s politics reflected vindictiveness rather than governance, and asserted that no amount of foreign exposure would alter the Chief Minister’s hateful politics.



All-India Seminar on Repair & Retrofitting Opens in Hyderabad

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : A two-day All India Seminar on “Repair and Retrofitting of Structures (Buildings, Industrial and Infrastructure Projects)” was inaugurated at the Institution of Engineers (India), Telangana State Centre, in association with Rehab Technologies, on Monday.

The seminar was formally inaugurated by Gutha Sukender Reddy, Chairman of the Telangana State Legislative Council, with the lighting of the lamp. Welcoming the participants, Ramana Naik Banothu, Chairman, IEI Telangana State Centre, underlined the growing need for repair and retrofitting to enhance safety, durability and sustainability of infrastructure.

The keynote address by P. Srinivasa Reddy focused on modern technologies and best practices in structural rehabilitation, while P. Surya Prakash spoke on standards and quality assurance. Former CSIR-CBRI Director K. Ganesh Babu shared insights on scientific approaches to long-term structural performance.

Vice-Chancellor M. Kumar highlighted lessons from heritage structures and stressed integrating artificial intelligence and interdisciplinary courses in retrofitting education.

In his address, the Chief Guest, Sri Gutha Sukender Reddy, emphasised the importance of proper drainage in railway underbridges, strict quality control in materials, and active involvement of practicing engineers, while cautioning planners on challenges posed by high-rise development.



GHMC to undertake city-wide special sanitation drive from Today

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) will undertake a special sanitation drive across the city from February 3 to February 28, covering 300 wards every day, with the objective of ensuring comprehensive cleanliness and elimination of garbage vulnerable points (GVPs).

According to officials, the drive, to be conducted as per the directions of the GHMC Commissioner, will focus on the removal of legacy waste, municipal solid waste, construction and demolition (C&D) debris, green waste, and residual waste generated from engineering and urban biodiversity works.

Sanitation activities will begin daily at 6.30 a.m. and will be carried out in a phased manner across different urban assets. The schedule includes cleaning of foot overbridges, flyovers, roadsides, medians, lakes, nalas, footpaths, parks and slum areas, besides removal of waste accumulated near electric transformers and poles.

As part of the programme, GHMC will also :

- * Clear long-pending legacy



waste from identified locations

- * Conduct dedicated C&D waste removal operations with specialised vehicles
- * Convert selected GVPs into public-friendly spaces through wall paintings, plantations and aesthetic improvements
- * Organise awareness drives involving citizens, schools and resident welfare associations
- * Carry out e-waste collection, green waste removal and reuse initiatives through RRR centres

* Enforce spot fines against littering, open urination and illegal dumping

Officials said that Zonal Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, SWM engineers, waste management agencies and Urban Community Development (UCD) teams have been instructed to ensure inter-departmental coordination, real-time monitoring and daily reporting of progress. The civic body has appealed to residents to cooperate with field staff and participate actively in cleanliness and awareness initiatives to support sustained urban sanitation efforts.

How SIT chief officially refer phone tapping as “illegal” : KTR

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : How a SIT chief V.C. Sajjanar, IPS can officially refer to the issue of phone tapping as “illegal” even before the matter has been examined and decided by a competent court of law.

Such a statement is not only legally unsustainable but also deeply disturbing chief.

In a constitutional democracy, it is a settled principle of law that until a court of law records a finding, no allegation can be treated as an offence. This flows from Article 21 of the Constitution of India and the basic doctrine of presumption of innocence. The police are entrusted only with the task of investigation, they are neither judges nor adjudicators to declare any act as illegal at the stage of enquiry.

Whether any phone interception was legal or illegal depends upon strict compliance

with Section 5(2) of the Indian Telegraph Act, the Information Technology Act, and the safeguards laid down by the Supreme Court in PUCL vs Union of India.

Any deviation or violation can be determined only through judicial scrutiny, not through official police communications.

By using the expression “illegal phone tapping” in an official message, the SIT chief has displayed a preconceived notion about the outcome of the investigation.

This conduct is unbecoming of the office he holds and

is contrary to the standards of neutrality and restraint mandated under the All India Services (Conduct) Rules, 1968, which require absolute impartiality and integrity from senior officers.

Such premature conclusions, especially in a politically sensitive matter involving a former Chief Minister and the Leader of the Opposition, give rise to a reasonable apprehension of political motivation and biased investigation.

The Supreme Court has repeatedly held that investigations must not only be fair but must also appear to be fair, as public confidence in the criminal justice system is paramount.

When the head of the SIT adopts language that assumes guilt even before trial, it weakens democratic institutions and erodes faith in the rule of law.

Official police communi-



V.C. Sajjanar, IPS
@SajjanarVC

The Special Investigation Team (SIT) has concluded the questioning of Gajwel MLA and former Chief Minister Sri. K. Chandrashekar Rao in connection with the illegal phone-tapping case.

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cations cannot be used to advance a political narrative or to prejudice public opinion.

We demand that investigating agencies function independently, professionally, and strictly within the bounds of law. Judgments must be delivered by courts, not through police messages, and democracy cannot survive if institutions abandon their constitutional limits.

The people of Telangana wanted to know why SIT chief doesn’t want to recognise KCR as Leader of Opposition??

AIMIM works only for BC, SC, ST and minorities : MP Asaduddin Owaisi

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : In the wake of the Nalgonda Municipal Corporation elections, AIMIM national president and Lok Sabha member Asaduddin Owaisi organized a padayatra in several divisions in Nalgonda for the victory of his party’s corporator candidates and directly met the people and solicited votes.

Later, Asaduddin Owaisi participated as the chief guest in a huge public meeting organized by AIMIM district president Raziuddin at Bhaskar Talkies intersection in Nalgonda town and addressed the people. Thousands of people attended the meeting and expressed their support for the Majlis. Ward 22 – Mohammed Ali, Ward 24 – Mohammed Naseer, Ward 26 – Mazhar ul Haq, Ward 27 – Athar Sumair, Ward 29 – Khawaja Samiuddin (Nadeem), Ward 31 – Humaira Farnaz, Ward 45 – Mohammed Rajuddin (Haji), Ward 46 – Rafiuddin Haji, as well as two candidates from Bhuvanagiri and one from



Miryalaguda, were announced to be contesting on behalf of the Majlis.

Party president and Hyderabad MP Asaduddin Owaisi said that the AIMIM works only for BCs, SCs, STs and minorities. He was speaking at a party rally held in Nalgonda on Sunday night as part of the municipal corporation election campaign. He questioned why BJP is afraid even though there are only a few

candidates fielded by the party in the Nalgonda Corporation. He said that if the opponents pay, they should take it and cast their votes for the Majlis. He said that the MIM is going to become a key force in the corporation elections in Nalgonda.

He called for the victory of 9 MIM corporators in Nalgonda. He said that there is 26 acres of land, which is a wharf board land, and some supernatural forces saw that it should be used, and the MIM has protected those lands. He said that the candidates are ours in a different guise, but their mouths will be locked. He said that the MIM party is for the minorities.

MIM MLC Mirza Riaz ul Hasan Effendi, MIM senior leader Syed Aleem, joint Nalgonda district in-charge, Hyderabad former corporator Murtuja, district president Rajyotheen, secretary Khaja Ghouse Yohiuddin, town president Haji, MIM corporator candidates, leaders and others participated in this program.

Gold, Silver Retreat Sharply After January Peak Rally

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad / New Delhi : Gold and silver prices in India witnessed a sharp correction after scaling record highs in late January 2026, reflecting heightened volatility in the precious metals market.

Gold prices touched historic levels of around ₹1.80 lakh to ₹1.83 lakh per 10 grams towards the end of January before witnessing heavy profit booking. By February 2, 2026, 24K gold had slipped significantly, with retail prices ranging between ₹1.43 lakh and ₹1.51 lakh per 10 grams across major cities, marking a steep decline of nearly ₹30,000 - ₹40,000 in a short span.

Silver prices showed even sharper swings. After breaching the ₹4 lakh per kg mark in late January, silver corrected aggressively amid strong selling pressure. By early February, prices in



many markets hovered around ₹3 lakh per kg or lower, with some sessions recording drops exceeding ₹1 lakh per kg.

Market experts attributed the correction to profit booking, large-scale liquidation in futures trading on the Multi Commodity Exchange, a strengthening US dollar, changing global interest rate expectations, margin hikes, and market reactions following the Union Budget 2026.

Despite the short-term turbulence, analysts remain optimistic about the long-term outlook for precious metals, citing sustained central bank purchases and ongoing global geopolitical uncertainties. Investors have been advised to closely track live prices and seek professional guidance before taking fresh positions.



Resolve Prajavani grievances promptly : GHMC Commissioner

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan has directed officials to ensure swift redressal of complaints and petitions received during the Prajavani programme.

At the Prajavani held on Monday at the GHMC head office, the Commissioner, along with additional commissioners and senior departmental officials, received grievances and representations from citizens. He instructed officials to thoroughly examine each complaint and take immediate steps for resolution.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr Karnan stressed that public petitions and grievances must be addressed without delay and called for accountability in disposal of cases.

Additional commissioners Raghu Prasad, Venu Gopal, Satyanarayana and Mangatayaru, chief engineer (maintenance) Sahadev Ratnakar, additional CCs of zones Ranjith Kumar, Venkanna and B. Pradeep Kumar, joint commissioner (revenue) and JC (administration) Jayanth, and other officials were present.

OTR Update Mandatory for TGPSC Jobs; Deadline Extended to Feb 25

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Telangana Public Service Commission (TGPSC) has made it mandatory for all registered candidates to update and validate their One Time Registration (OTR) data in view of upcoming recruitment notifications.

In a press note issued on Monday, the Commission said it has completed selections for all pending notifications and is preparing to release fresh recruitment alerts. With changes arising from Scheduled Castes categorisation, updated educational qualifications and correction requests, TGPSC decided to comprehensively verify OTR data to avoid delays in recruitment, result declaration and appointment orders.

At present, around 31.56 lakh candidates are registered in the OTR system.



TGPSC clarified that all future notifications, applications, results and final selections will be processed strictly based on OTR data.

Candidates must verify and update personal, educational and category details, upload all relevant certificates, and add a latest colour passport-size photograph through the official website. Only one OTR per candidate is permitted, and the information furnished

will be treated as final for future recruitments.

The Commission has extended the deadline for mandatory OTR updation up to February 25, 2026, and warned that candidates who fail to comply will not be allowed to apply for forthcoming recruitment notifications.

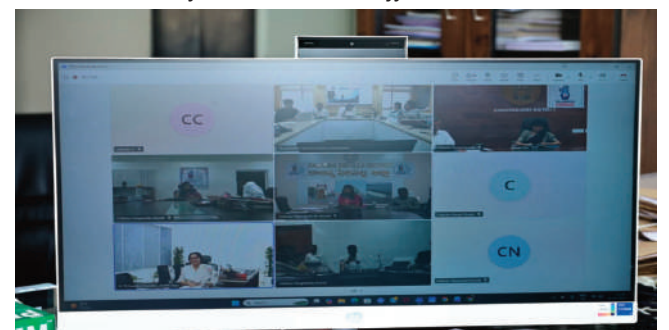
The press note was issued by Burra Venkatesham, IAS (VR), Chairman, TGPSC.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN VICE-CHAIRMEN SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION : STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER RANI KUMUDINI

(Capital Information)
Medak : Telangana State Election Commissioner Rani Kumudini advised to issue notices for ex-officio selection of municipality in the case of election of municipal chairman and vice chairman through indirect system, members of parliament, legislators, MLCs and members of Rajya Sabha will have to

choose a municipality ex-officio and give an option.

According to section 5 and 20, any public representatives and MLCs should have given an option to represent a municipality within 30 days of their election. For this, it is advised to issue a notice before February 11 to 14 and take the option from the public representatives. District Collector Rahul Raj, who participated in the video conference, said that according to the rules, notices will be issued to the public representatives of the district from February 11 to 14 and the option will be taken. Additional Collector Nagesha, Municipal Commissioner and others participated.



Nyabadha Parishad Calendar Launched

(Capital Information)
Nizamabad Bureau : The annual calendar of the nyabadha Parishad for 2026 was launched on Monday by the district president of the nyabadha Parishad, Mallepula Jagannathan Goud, general secretary Narendra Reddy, lawyers Raj Kumar Subedhar, Udaya Krishna, Vignesh, Padigala Venkateswar, Billa Ravi, Bandari Krishnanand, Jaya Prakash Loy and others.

Speaking on this occasion, Jagan and Narendra Reddy said, the needs of lawyers and the need for a calendar in the profession are very high. They said that it will serve as a compass to create activities in line with the time for professional work. They said that a small calendar will be arranged in the offices of lawyers. They said that the calendar made with a nationalistic perspective will provide national ideas

Allocate symbols strictly as per rules : Collector

(Capital Information)
Mahabubnagar : District Collector Vijayendra Boyi directed officials to allocate election symbols to candidates contesting the municipal polls strictly in accordance with Election Commission norms. She was speaking at a training programme for returning officers held at the municipal corporation office on Monday, focusing on symbol allocation and withdrawal of nominations.



The Collector said that after the withdrawal process, symbols must be assigned to candidates contesting on party tickets and independents as per prescribed rules. She stressed the need for utmost care in printing ballot papers containing ward-wise candidate details. Returning officers must ensure final proof-reading before sending ballots for printing, she said.

Officials on election duty will be provided postal ballot facility and were advised to apply as per guidelines. The Collector instructed all returning officers to thoroughly study the handbook and conduct election duties in a systematic and transparent manner.

Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Shivendra Pratap, trainee nodal officer and DEO Praveen Kumar, municipal commissioner Ramanujula Reddy, CMO Sudhakar Reddy, trainers and others were present.

Narayana School students excel



(Capital Information)
Hayatnagar : The students of Hayatnagar Narayana School are spreading the fame and prestige of Narayana educational institutions by showing their talent in all fields.

In 2025-26, Live in a Health Space was organized worldwide as a mock exam, in which students from countries like Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Canada, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Peru, Romania, Turkey, United States participated. In these, creativity and innovative work were done by N.S.S. (NASA) (Project

occasion, the students and teachers who showed outstanding talent were felicitated and congratulated by Hayat Nagar Narayana Schools GM. Gopal Reddy and AGM Ravindra Babu. Speaking on the occasion, they said that there is talent hidden in every student and if their skills are brought out, they will become talented.

Narayana School Hayat Nagar Branch Principal Lavanya Reddy, Academic Dean Srinivas, Manjula R & D Shivanjani, CO Sujana Rathod, Prasad, NASA In-charge Zippora, A.O. Chandra Shekhar and others participated in this program.

Observer inspects critical polling stations in Devarakadra

(Capital Information)
Mahabubnagar : General Observer Ms. Katyayani Devi, IAS, on Monday visited critical polling stations in Devarakadra municipality and reviewed election preparedness with officials. She inspected the Zilla Parishad High School in Devarakadra town and the Mandal Parishad Primary School in Balusupalli, designated as critical polling centres. During the visit, the observer interacted with election staff and discussed arrangements to ensure smooth conduct of polling. Ms. Katyayani Devi directed officials to take all necessary measures to conduct the elections in a free, fair and peaceful manner, and stressed strict adherence to election guidelines.

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (through https://ireps.gov.in)

CE/C-VI/SC Construction Organisation, S.C. Railway, Secunderabad, respectively, invites e-tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works:

S.No.: 01 **NIT No.:** 04-CAO- C-SC-2026 **Date:** 23/01/2026 **Name of work:** SCR Construction Organization: Secunderabad Division: Augmentation of home capacity from 225 to 300 locomotives at ELS/LGD. **Estimated Cost (₹):** 14,61,04,430.71 **EMD (₹):** 8,80,500.00 **Completion Period :** 12 (Twelve)Months **Date of Opening:** 17/02/2026 15:00hrs.

S.No.: 02 **NIT No.:** 05-CAO- C-SC-2026 **Date:** 23/01/2026 **Name of work:** SCR Construction Organization: Hyderabad Division-Augmentation of infrastructure facilities for Maintenance of Vande Bharat rakes at Train Set Maintenance Depot at Moula-ali. **Estimated Cost (₹):** 29,00,58,428.24 **EMD (₹):** 16,00,300.00 **Completion Period :** 12 (Twelve)Months **Date of Opening:** 17/02/2026 15:00hrs.

1) For bid document and other details, please login to website <https://ireps.gov.in>.

2) Tenderers can submit their offers online during tender submission period which is the Fifteen days period prior to closing of tender.

3) Tenderers should watch for any corrigenda (issued online only) up to the date of commencement of the tender submission period.

Chief Administrative Officer, Const., Secunderabad

Tender No. M245-BVCM-02-DT-30.01.26

On behalf of the President of India, The Deputy Chief Mechanical Engineer/RYPs, South Central Railway, Wagon Workshop, Guntupalli-521 241 invites e-tender.

Tender No.: M245-BVCM-02-DT-30-01-26 **Description:** "Upgradation of Brake Vans and Provision of adjustable guard chairs and other essential amenities in brake vans during POH" at the premises of Wagon Workshop, Rayanapadu. **Tender Value (₹):** 20,64,29,654.30/- (Rupees Twenty crore Sixty four lakh Twenty nine thousand Six hundred fifty four and paise thirty only) **EMD (₹):** 11,82,200/- (Rupees Eleven lakh Eighty two thousand and two hundred only) **Cost of Tender document (₹):** Free of Cost **Period of Completion:** 24 Months **Offer Validity:** 90 Days from the date of opening **Type of tender:** Works Tender governed by IRGCC-2022 **System of Tendering:** Open Tender - Two Packet **Similar nature of work:** Applicable **Permissibility of Participation of Joint Venture Firms:** Permitted **Applicability of Price Variation Clause:** Applicable **Bid Capacity :** Applicable **Time & Date of Tender closing :** 15:00 Hrs. of Dt.24.02.2026 **Tender document and Corrigendum:** Visit website <http://www.ireps.gov.in> **Postal Address for correspondence:** Chief Workshop Manager, Wagon Workshop, Guntupalli-521241, NTR District, Andhra Pradesh

Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer, WWS/Guntupalli

E-TENDER NOTICE

1. E-TENDER NOTICE NO.02/DRM/MECH/NED/OT/25-26, dt.29.01.2026.

2. E-TENDER NOTICENO.03/DRM/MECH/NED/OT/2025-26 Dated 30.01.2026.

The undersigned invites Open E-Tenders for the following works:-

S.No.: 01 **Tender No.:** T-10/N/M/RIRO/NED DIV/25-26 **Name of the work:** Provision of Rolling In/Out benches and huts for C&W staff at C&W points of NED division. **Approx. value of work (₹):** 25,89,685/- (Including GST) **EMD in (₹):** 51,800/- **Cost of tender form in (₹):** NIL (Vide FA&CAO/SC's Lr.No. A/GST/Clarifications/2029, dt.06.04.2020)

S.No.: 02 **Tender No.:** T-11/N/M/Pneu-PLNED/DIV/OT/25-26 **Name of the work:** Provision of Pneumatic pipe lines on pit lines at 5 Pit lines (NED-3 Pit lines, PAU-1 pit line and ADB-1 Pit line) **Approx. value of work (₹):** 37,42,810/- (Including GST) **EMD in (₹):** 74,900/- **Cost of tender form in (₹):** NIL (Vide FA&CAO/SC's Lr.No. A/GST/ Clarifications/2029, dt.06.04.2020)

The above said tenders will be closed on 23.02.2026 at 15.00 Hrs.

For Other details & submission of e-tenders, please check tender doc on web site www.ireps.gov.in

Sr.Divisional Mechanical Engineer, Nanded

vyasaraya mutt seer offers prayers in tirumala

Tirumala: Vyasaraaya Mutt 41st Pontiff Vidyashreesha Teertha Swamiji offered prayers in Tirumala temple on Monday. The seer was received at the Sacred Fig tree located near Old Annaprasadam Complex as per temple traditional hours, known as Pedda Maryada. Later, TTD Addl EO Venkaiah Chowday welcomed the seer, while the archakas took the Pontiff to Bedi Anjaneya Swamy temple with Istihakal honours. TTD CVSO Muralikrishna, Deputy EO Lokanadham and others were also present during the visit.

Tender Notice No: G/E.29.Tr./ Tender Notice/48/2025-26

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer/Traction/Guntakal acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Tender No.: GTL-TRD-29-eTN-79-2025-26 **Name of work:** GTL Div: Replacement of worn-out, failure prone NICO/Veekey make contact wire to improve safety and reliability in GDRU-TPTY-KPT sections **Approximate Value (₹):** 1,74,77,390/- **EMD (₹):** 2,37,400/-

Tender Closing date & time: 23.02.2026 at 15.00 hrs

Note: 1. Tender Document may be downloaded from www.ireps.gov.in by tenderers, free of cost.

For Bidding the tender and other details login to <http://www.ireps.gov.in> Corrigendum if any will be issued online only.

Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer, Traction, Guntakal

Tender No. GTL-EM-45-2025-26 Date: 30.01.2026

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer/Maintenance/Guntakal acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Tender No.: GTL-EM-45-2025-26 **Name of the work:** Guntakal Division-1. TPTY-Proposed construction of Community hall in lieu of shifting C&W office into old community hall with HVAC facility (Phase-II) - Electrical arrangements. 2. CRS/Tirupati- Construction of new LHB Godown at Stores Depot- Electrical arrangements. **Approximate Value (₹):** 1,53,26,754.92/-

Closing date and time: 23-02-2026 at 15.00hrs

For Bidding the tender and other details login to <http://www.ireps.gov.in>. Corrigendum of tender, if any will be issued online only. Tender Document may be downloaded from <http://www.ireps.gov.in> by the tenderers free of cost.

Note: To participate/Bid in this e-Tender, tenderer should have valid DSC (Digital Signature Certificate).

Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer, Maintenance, Guntakal

E- Tender Notice No. 485/ DRM/W/GNT

The undersigned invites e-tenders for the works mentioned below up to 15:30hrs of 27.02.2026.

S.No.: 01 **Tender ID.:** 2837 **Sr DEN/ DEN:** Sr DEN/ Br lines **Description of the work:** Strengthening of Br.No.427 and Replacement of damaged elastomeric bearings for ROBs and PSC girders bearings for ROBs and PSC girders **Approx. Value (₹):** 79,67,049/- **Bid Security (₹):** 1,59,400/-

S.No.: 02 **Tender ID.:** 2838 **Sr DEN/ DEN:** Sr DEN/ Br lines **Description of the work:** Provision of Inspection arrangements for Top Boom of Bridge No.314, 25UP & 28UP. Replacement of corroded side and center Footpath with New Chequered Plates **Approx. Value (₹):** 3,26,64,861/- **Bid Security (₹):** 3,13,300/-

1. Last date for online submission of E-bids is upto 15:30hrs of 27.02.2026.

For detailed information logon to website www.ireps.gov.in

2. Any further Communication/ Corrigendum shall be intimated through E-portal www.ireps.gov.in

Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Guntur A2347

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at <https://www.ireps.gov.in> or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

Projects should serve people for a long time : Telangana Legislative Council Chairman

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Institution of Engineers (India) in association with Telangana State Centre Rehab Technologies is organizing a two-day All India Seminar on "Repair and Retrofitting of Structures" on February 2 and 3 at Visvesvaraya Bhavan, Khairatabad. Telangana Legislative Council Chairman Gutta Sukhender Reddy attended the conference as the chief guest and inaugurated the conference by lighting the lamp.



Speaking on the occasion, Gutta Sukhender Reddy said that it is a concern that bridges, canals, projects and other concrete structures being constructed at huge cost are getting damaged before their expected lifespan. He said that it has become the biggest problem and challenge facing the construction sector today.

He said that in today's situation, repair and retrofitting has become a key sector. Once the structure gets damaged He said that a huge amount of public money will be spent to fix it, which will not only be a financial burden but also cause delays in implementing new projects. He said that projects are like the foundation of the future of the state, hence, proper design, quality construction, timely repair and retrofitting are very necessary from the very beginning.

Repair and retrofitting is not an action that is done only after a problem arises, if the right decisions are taken on time, buildings, bridges and canals will last longer, accidents will be reduced, public safety will increase further, and it is also very necessary from the perspective of environmental protection, said Sukhender Reddy.

In this context, he said that engineers, scientists and government departments should work in coordination, quality

construction methods, early maintenance and modern retrofitting technologies should be widely implemented.

For the country to develop rapidly, infrastructure should be strong, projects should serve the people for a long time, and public money should be used properly and responsibly. Sukhender Reddy explained. He congratulated the Institution of Engineers (India), Telangana State Centre and all the organizers for organizing this seminar.

Prof. M Kumar, Honorable Vice Chancellor of FIE, Osmania University, Dr. P Srinivasa Reddy, FIE CEO, Rehab Technologies Hyderabad, Eng. P. Surya Prakash, FIE Chairman, Prof. K Ganesh Babu, Former Director, CSIR-CBRI, Roorkee, Eng. B Mohan Nayak, FIE President, IRC and ENC R&B Department, Prof. V Balakista Reddy, FIE Chairman, Prof. Dr. Ramana Naik Banthou, FIE Chairman, IEI TSC. Others participated in this program.

Former Minister Singireddy Niranjan Reddy attended the tenth-day ceremonies

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : Former Minister Singireddy Niranjan Reddy attended the tenth-day ceremonies of Nandimala Tirumalaiah, father of BRS District Media Cell President Nandimala Ashok father former Single Window President and former Councillor from Wanaparthy town, and also of Rakasi Shankaramma from Narsingayipally in the town. He offered floral



tributes to their portraits, consoled their families, expressed his deepest condolences, and offered them moral support.

Accompanying the former minister were former Municipal Chairmen Lakshmaiah, Pulsar Ramesh Goud, Venugopal, Bala Piru, Ghulam Khader, Unglam Thirumal, Star Rahim, Suryavamsham Giri, Ghouse, Syed Jameel, Venkatesh, Chityala Ramu, Venu Reddy, Vasu Reddy, Sanjeeva Reddy, Shashi Vardhan Reddy, and others.



One-Way Special Trains and Extension of Special Trains between various destinations

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : In order to clear rush of passengers, Railways will run one way special train and extend special train services between various destinations as detailed below:

- I. One-way Special Train :**
- 04005 - Kanpur Ctrl - Bengaluru Cantt - 15:10 hrs (Mon) - 13:00 hrs (Wed) - 02.02.2026
 - Train No.04005 Kanpur Ctrl - Bengaluru Cantt. Special Train (01 service):**
- This special train will stop at Orai, VGL Jhansi, Bina, Rani Kamlapati, Itarsi, Amla, Nagpur, Bilharshah, Sirpur Kaghaznagar, Kazipet, Kacheguda, Mahbubnagar, Kurnool City, Anantapur, Dharmavaram and Yelahanka stations. This special train will consist of Sleeper and General Second Class Coaches.
- II. Extension of Special Trains:**
- 07705 - Kakinada Town - Hisar - 19.02.2026 to 26.03.2026 - 06
 - 07706 - Hisar - Kakinada Town - Sun - 22.02.2026 to 29.02.2026 - 06

Train No.07705/07706 Kakinada Town - Hisar - Kakinada Town Special Train (12 services):

These special trains will stop at Samalkot, Rajahmundry, Tanuku, Bhimavaram Town, Akividu, Kaikalur, Gudivada, Vijayawada, Guntur, Sattenapalle, Nalgonda, Nadikuru, Miryalaguda, Nalgonda, Charlapalli, Medchal, Kamareddi, Nizamabad, Basar, Dharmabad, Mudkhed, H.S.Nanded, Purna, Basmat, Hingoli Deccan, Washim, Akola, Shegaon, Malkapur, Jalgaon, Paldhi, Dharrangaon, Amalner, Nandurbar, Udhna, Surat, Godhra, Ratlam Mandsoor, Nimach, Chittaurgarh, Chanderiya, Bhilwara, Bijainagar, Nasirabad, Ajmer, Mohammad Ganj, Kishangarh, Phulera, Ringas, Sikar, Nawalgarh, Jhunjhunu, Chirawa, Loharu and Sadulpur stations in both the directions.

These special trains will consist of AC I Tier cum II Tier, II Tier AC, III Tier AC, Sleeper and General Second Class Coaches.

AP, Telangana Feel Left Out in Union Budget 2026-27

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Union Budget 2026-27 has come under sharp criticism from Dr. M. Suresh Babu, President of Praja Science Vedika, who alleged that the budget overlooks the needs of the "common man" and fails to address key developmental expectations of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

Concerns over Industrial Incentives and Polavaram

According to Dr. Babu, the budget does not include any special industrial incentives for Andhra Pradesh. He noted that the state's request for ₹5,000 crore for the Visakhapatnam Economic Zone was not reflected in the allocations. He also raised concerns about the Polavaram irrigation project. Referring to earlier budget decisions, he said the project has effectively been restricted to 135 ft dead storage and not revised to its proposed 150 ft full reservoir level, which he argued is necessary to operate the nearly completed 960 MW hydropower component. He further stated that no allo-

cation was made toward the pending rehabilitation package, estimated at around ₹37,000 crore.

Amaravati Funding

On Amaravati's reconstruction, Dr. Babu described the funding as part of broader urban and rural development schemes rather than a dedicated capital city grant. He cited figures including:

- ₹432.09 crore for integrated urban development
- ₹800 crore for urban drinking water and sewage systems
- ₹350 crore for roads and bridges
- ₹500.99 crore for rural roads
- ₹155.32 crore for natural farming and sewerage works

He argued that these allocations indicate Amaravati will rely largely on loans rather than direct grants. He also recalled earlier public statements by some BJP leaders promising ₹15,000 crore annually for four years as grant support, saying such commitments have not materialized.



Focus on Corporate and Port-Led Growth

Dr. Babu expressed concern that the budget appears to favor large corporate-led infrastructure. He pointed to policy measures such as long-term tax concessions for data centers, port-led development under the Sagarmala program, and incentives for sectors like metals and electrolyzer manufacturing.

He cited examples including investments linked to Gantavaram Port, Nakkapalli Port, and rare earth mineral mining in Srikakulam district, stating that these developments may benefit large industrial groups. He questioned whether such

policies would translate into broad-based employment for local youth.

Railway and Regional Projects

On railways, he noted the absence of major Andhra Pradesh-specific announcements, apart from the state's indirect inclusion in proposed high-speed rail corridors connecting major metros. He also said there was no special mention of projects such as Vizag-Hyderabad or Vizag-Vijayawada lines.

Dr. Babu further claimed that Telangana has not received a national water project allocation in recent years and alleged that some states receive comparatively higher railway allocations. He added that Odisha, too, faces similar concerns.

Youth Employment and Special Status

A key theme in his critique was youth employment. Dr. Babu argued that the budget does little to support industrial transformation or entrepreneurship among young people in Andhra Pradesh. He highlighted the absence of special

category status or tailored industrial packages for the state.

He also alleged that both ruling and opposition parties have not pressed strongly enough for the state's fiscal interests, though these claims remain matters of political debate.

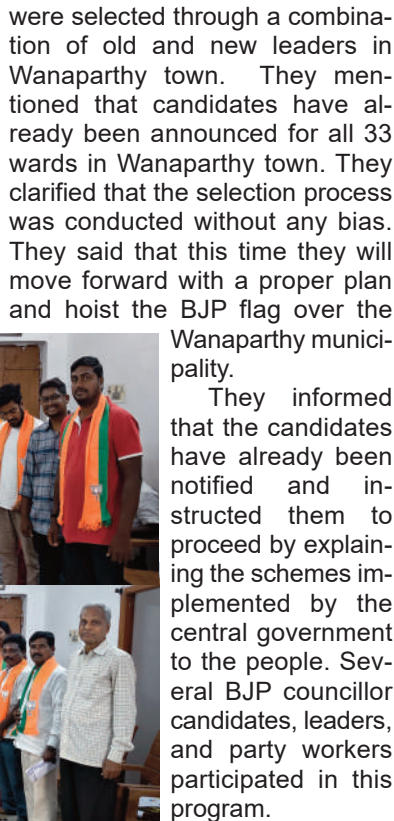
Summing up his position, Dr. Babu said the budget appears more supportive of large-scale corporate infrastructure than of region-specific development needs. He expressed concern that without stronger incentives and targeted support, states like Andhra Pradesh may struggle to generate sufficient jobs and investments for local youth. Government representatives have yet to issue detailed responses to these specific criticisms, and fuller budget implementation details are expected to emerge in the coming weeks. The budget is a good road for big corporate infrastructure (Adani, metals). There are no major jobs or incentives for local youth. Amaravati will move forward under debt burden alone.

B-Forms handed over to BJP candidates

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : In the Wanaparthy municipal elections, the BJP district president, Narayana, and state executive committee member, Ayyangari Prabhakar Reddy, handed over the B-forms to the party's councillor candidates. This program was held on Monday at the BJP party office.

They stated that the candidates were selected through a combination of old and new leaders in Wanaparthy town. They mentioned that candidates have already been announced for all 33 wards in Wanaparthy town. They clarified that the selection process was conducted without any bias. They said that this time they will move forward with a proper plan and hoist the BJP flag over the Wanaparthy municipality.

They informed that the candidates have already been notified and instructed them to proceed by explaining the schemes implemented by the central government to the people. Several BJP councillor candidates, leaders, and party workers participated in this program.



POs and APOs should perform municipal election duties effectively: Collector, District Election Officer B. Chandrasekhar

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : District Collector and District Election Officer B. Chandrasekhar said that POs and APOs should perform municipal election duties effectively.

On Monday, they attended an election training program organized for municipal election POs and APOs at Udayaditya Bhavan in the Collectorate premises.

The Collector explained to the POs and APOs about the material provided at the distribution center regarding the elections, the diary of the presiding officers for sealing ballot boxes, opening the ballot boxes in the presence of the account agents, and starting polling at 7 am.

He said that voters should be sent to the polling center in a queue manner instead of allowing them in groups. It was clarified that the polling percentage should be uploaded in the T-Poll once every two hours, that water bottles, bags, mobiles, ink pads etc. should not be allowed inside the polling station, and that media representatives will not be allowed inside the polling station.



Vehicles should be parked 100 meters away, and that medical teams, wheelchairs and Anganwadi helpers will be available at the polling station.

Municipal Election District Observers, State SCERT Director G. Ramesh, Housing Department PD Raj Kumar, DEO Bikshapati, Training Nodal Officer, Cheneta, Textile Department Assistant Director Dwarak and Master Trainers attended this training program.

FORM-C NOTIFICATION													
(Under Section 11 of the Act where 10 A Exemption is given) (See rule 6/12)													
Government of Telangana, Revenue (LA) Department													
Gazette No. GHMC-10 No. C/456/2025-1										Dated:- 27-01-2026. Dated:-27-01-2026.			
Whereas it appears to the Government of Telangana / Special Collector (LA) & Commissioner, GHMC, that a total of 4325.24 Sq. Yds of land is required in Chandanagar Village and Serilingampally Mandal of Ranga Reddy District for Proposed 30.0M & 36.0M wide Road from Gulmohar Park Junction to BHEL Junction Via Tara Nagar and Proposed ROB at Railway Crossing Lingampally Station under H-C.I.T.I (Hyderabad City Innovative and Transformative Infrastructure).													
Therefore it is notified that for the above said project Chandanagar Village and Serilingampally Mandal of Ranga Reddy District the land measuring more or less 4325.24 Sq. Yds of Standard measurement, whose detail description is as following, is proposed for acquisition:													
Sl. No.	H.No./Plot No. and Sy. No.	Type of Land	Area under acquisition (in Sq. Yards.)	Name of the person interested	Boundaries			Structures					
					North	South	West	East	Area	Value	Use	Remarks	
1	Open Plot No. 7	-	193.33	Krishna	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
2	2-39/2, Taranganagar	-	210.89	P. Murthy Raju									
3	2-39/1, Taranganagar	-	38.86	Smt. Svaroopaa Rani									
4	Open Plot, Sy. No.36, Taranganagar	-	44.95	Srinivas Raju									
5	2-38/A/21/A, Taranganagar	-	121.3	N. Shiva Kumar									
6	2-38/A/21, Taranganagar	-	63.81	Srinivas Goud & Indira									
7	2-38/22, Taranganagar	-	51.07	G. Anitha									
8	2-38/A, Taranganagar	-	52.61	Ramesh Agarwal & Prema Agarwal									
9	Taranganagar	-	129.37	Smt.Nagamamma									
10	2-38/C, Taranganagar	-	79.75	K. Lakshmi Kanth									
11	2-32, Taranganagar	-	88.25	Sri.Balaji									
12	2-32/2, Taranganagar	-	-	Saipriya Enclave									
13	2-32/2/101, Taranganagar	-	234.65 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Lanka Hanikrishna									
14	2-32/2/102, Taranganagar	-	299.59 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Rajeshwar									
15	2-32/2/103, Taranganagar	-	370.56 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	N. Gopal Krishna									
16	2-32/2/201, Taranganagar	-	234.65 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	K. Rangaraju									
17	2-32/2/202, Taranganagar	-	299.59 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Girish Ramchandra Naik									
18	2-32/2/203, Taranganagar	-	370.56 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	P. Ravi Kumar & P. Sreevani									
19	2-32/2/301, Taranganagar	-	234.65 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	A. Lakshmi									
20	2-32/2/302, Taranganagar	-	299.59 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Rajeshwar Sharma									
21	2-32/2/303, Taranganagar	-	370.56 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Samgaiah									
22	2-32/2/401, Taranganagar	-	234.65 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Vijaya Anand									
23	2-32/2/402, Taranganagar	-	299.59 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Sri. Poul Pradeep Dasari									
24	2-32/2/403, Taranganagar	-	370.56 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	Gail Hymavathi									
25	2-32/2/501, Taranganagar	-	234.65 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	P. Kishore									As per the Location Sketch
26	2-32/2/502, Taranganagar	-	299.59 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	C. Ganapathi									
27	2-32/2/503, Taranganagar	-	370.56 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 169.79 Sq.Yds	R. Subramanya Sai									
28	2-32/2/202, Taranganagar	-	211.94 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 58.28 Sq.Yds	K. Krishna									
29	2-32/2/203, Taranganagar	-	135.85 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 58.28 Sq.Yds	A. Balaji									
30	2-32/2/102, Taranganagar	-	211.94 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 58.28 Sq.Yds	K. Rajagopal									
31	2-32/2/103, Taranganagar	-	135.85 Sq.Fts out of U/S affected area of 58.28 Sq.Yds	M. Rangamma									
32	2-32/2/G2, Taranganagar	-	-	Venkat Rao & Kalavathi									
33	Plot No.2& 3, Taranganagar	-	111.15	Basath Place									
34	2-50/3, Taranganagar	-	114.89	C. Balwanth									
35	2-50/2 in Sy.No.36, 36/P.37 to 39	-	536.73	Sri Yadagiri Raju									
36	Open Plot in Sy.No.36,36/P.37 to 39	-	1060.09	Sri. B.K. Raghava Reddy & others									
37	2-31/1/C, Taranganagar	-	5.31	Syed Sudruddin									
38	2-31/1/C, Taranganagar	-	0.92	Syed Sudruddin									
39	2-31, Taranganagar	-	23.81	Jayanthi Lal Patel & Others									
40	2-31/8/B, Taranganagar	-	108.26	Smt.Kalavathi									
41	2-31/8, Taranganagar	-	72.5	MD Pasha									
42	2-30/1/A, Taranganagar	-	7.22	G. Vijay Lakshmi									
43	Taranganagar	-	170.35	Pochamma Temple									
44	2-29, Taranganagar	-	128.76	Ganapathi									
45	2-27, Taranganagar	-	33.32	Roshni P.									
46	2-29, Taranganagar	-	55.54	Ganapathi									
47	2-25, Taranganagar	-	113.98	P. Venkatapathi									
48	2-24, Taranganagar	-	46.08	Lakshma Reddy									
49	2-23, Taranganagar	-	72.97	Lakshma Reddy									
50	2-22, Taranganagar	-	87.87	MD Saleem									
51	2-21, Taranganagar	-	42.58	K. Shanker									
52	2-21/1, Taranganagar	-	45.7	B. Satyanarayana									
53	2-17, Taranganagar	-	59.61	Yadagiri									
54	2-16, Taranganagar	-	72.05	R.Narsing Rao									
55	2-14, Taranganagar	-	24.92	Narsimha Reddy									
56	2-15, Taranganagar	-	28.37	N. Vishwanadam									
Total:			4325.24										

This Notification is made under the provisions of Section-11 of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (Central Act No. 30/2013), as amended by the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (Telangana Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No. 21 of 2017) to all whom it may concern.

A plan of the land may be inspected in the Office of the Special Collector (LA) & Commissioner, GHMC, Hyderabad on any working day during the working hours. The Government of Telangana / Special Collector-cum-Appropriate Government is pleased to authorize Officer i.e., Special Deputy Collector, Land Acquisition, GHMC, Hyderabad and his staff to enter upon and survey land, take levels of any land, dig or bore into the sub-soil & do all other acts required for the proper execution of their work as provided and specified in Section -12 of the said Act.

Under Section 11 (4) of the Act, no person shall make any transaction or cause any transaction of land i.e. sale / purchase, etc., or create any encumbrances on such land from the date of publication of such Notification without prior approval of the Special Collector.

Objections to the acquisition if any, and claims from all the persons interested/affected for settlement by negotiation of the compensation, may be filed by the person interested in the land within 60 (sixty days) from the date of publication of this Notification as provided under Section 15 of the Act before Special Collector/Authorized officer.

Sd/-
Special Deputy Collector
LA, GHMC, Hyderabad

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Special Collector (LA) & Commissioner, GHMC, Hyderabad.

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Editorial Wetland Conservation Must Become a People's Movement

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav on Monday said that wetlands nurture not only ecosystems, but also communities, culture and livelihoods. On the occasion of World Wetlands Day 2026, the Minister, in a post on social media platform 'X', said that water is life and wetlands are the lifelines of the planet. Yadav said that India has made communities and culture central to its approach to wetland conservation. He noted that under the environmentally conscious leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India's Ramsar network has expanded to 98 sites from 26 in 2014. To mark this year's World Wetlands Day, an event was organised

by the Ministry at Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary on the theme 'Wetlands and Traditional Knowledge: Celebrating Cultural Heritage'. The event focused on the importance of wetlands and the role of traditional knowledge and communities in their conservation. Addressing the event, Union Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Kirti Vardhan Singh said that wetlands are not just water resources but also play a crucial role in people's daily social lives. He said that wetlands are deeply connected with culture, festivals and religious sentiments and were traditionally places where people, including children, would gather and interact.

The Minister expressed happi-

ness over the growing involvement of the younger generation in wetland conservation. He emphasised that the environment cannot be protected only through rules and regulations, and that conservation must become a people's movement.

Singh, in a post on 'X' earlier, highlighted the ecological and cultural significance of the Parvati Arga Bird Sanctuary in Gonda, Uttar Pradesh, one of India's 98 Ramsar sites of global importance. The Minister said the wetland supports countless native and migratory birds and holds deep personal and cultural value for local communities.

A video teaser on the Parvati Arga Bird Sanctuary was also launched during the event. The

teaser offers a brief glimpse into the delicate ecological balance of the bird sanctuary in Gonda district of Uttar Pradesh and the interconnected web of life it supports.

Delhi Environment Minister Sardar Manjinder Singh Sirsa said wetlands play a crucial role in daily life, but rapid urbanisation, encroachments and anthropogenic activities have taken a heavy toll on them. He said that the Delhi government has set a target to restore its water bodies within the next two years.

Secretary (EFCC) Tanmay Kumar said environmental protection is not possible without community support. He said that under the leadership of the Union Environment Minister, Wetland Mitras play an important role in conserv-

ing wetlands, having a direct impact on the surrounding environment, culture and livelihoods of people. Referring to the increase in the number of Ramsar sites since 2014, Kumar said this reflects growing public awareness about the importance of wetlands and the role of communities in their conservation.

The event kicked off with dignitaries inaugurating an exhibition featuring institutions and organisations working on wetlands, biodiversity and environmental conservation. The programme also included the felicitation of States for newly designated Ramsar Sites.

During the event, the Ministry also released the document Cultural Wonders of Ramsar Sites,

which highlights the lesser-known cultural significance of Ramsar Sites and their role in preserving intangible cultural heritage linked to wetlands.

Swachhata Pakhwada 2025 Awards were presented to the National Museum of Natural History, New Delhi; Botanical Survey of India, Kolkata; and Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata, in recognition of their exemplary performance during Swachhata Pakhwada 2025.

The Ministers interacted with Wetland Mitras and school children to promote awareness and encourage public participation in wetland conservation. The event concluded with a plantation drive under the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' initiative, reinforcing the message

Exposition of Holy Devnimori Relics of Lord Buddha in Sri Lanka

New Delhi (PIB) : In a continuation of the vision articulated by the Prime Minister of India during his visit to Sri Lanka in April 2025, India is set to undertake a profound gesture of spiritual outreach and cultural diplomacy through the exposition of the sacred Devnimori Relics of Lord Buddha in Sri Lanka. The Holy Relics, presently enned at The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara, will travel to Colombo for a public exposition from 4 to 10 February 2026, with their return scheduled on 11 February 2026. This sacred journey underscores India's enduring civilizational responsibility as the birthplace of Buddhism and reaffirms the deep spiritual, cultural and people-to-people bonds between India and Sri Lanka.

The Holy Relics will be accompanied by a high-level Indian delegation led by Acharya Devvrat, Governor of Gujarat, and Harsh Sanghavi, Deputy Chief Minister of Gujarat, along with senior monks and officials. In keeping

with established protocol and the sanctity accorded to the Relics, they will travel with full state honours aboard a special aircraft of the Indian Air Force, reflecting the reverence with which India upholds its sacred heritage. The delegation will participate in ceremonial, religious and official engagements in Colombo, including the formal inauguration of the exposition and associated exhibitions highlighting India's Buddhist legacy and its contemporary cultural engagements.

The Holy Relics will be enned for public veneration at the revered Gangaramaya Temple in Colombo, one of the most iconic and spiritually significant Buddhist institutions in the country. Founded in the late nineteenth century by Venerable Hikkaduwe Sri Sumangala Nayaka Thera, the temple has evolved into a major centre of worship, learning and cultural exchange, and provides an apt and dignified setting for the exposition. In a nation where Buddhism shapes



cultural ethos, history and daily life, the exposition is expected to resonate deeply with devotees across Sri Lanka and further reinforce the shared Buddhist heritage of the two countries.

The Devnimori Relics originate from the Devnimori archaeological site, located near Shamlaaji in the Aravalli district of Gujarat, a site of immense historical and spiritual significance. First explored in 1957 by eminent archaeologist Prof. S. N. Chowdhry, the excavations revealed important Buddhist structures and relics that stand testimony to the flourishing of Buddhism in

western India during the early centuries of the Common Era. The relics represent not only a priceless archaeological treasure but also a living symbol of the timeless teachings of Lord Buddha—peace, compassion and harmony.

The relic casket found within Devnimori Stupa at a height of 24 feet from the base, made out of green schist. It is inscribed in Brahmi Script and Sanskrit language, it reads, "dashabala sharir nilay" - the abode of the Buddha's bodily relic. It holds a copper box having organic matter with holy ashes, with silk cloth and beads. The cas-

ket consists of three parts: the body (6.8" base, 2.9" height, 4" ledge diameter), the lid (6.7" diameter, 1.05" thickness, 0.7" height), and a knob with a rounded top (0.66" high, 1.1" diameter).

The copper box had a flat top and base with a slipon lid fitting onto a rim ledge, and contained silk cloth, a gold coated silver-copper bottle, organic material with holy ashes, and black clay used as covering. The small amphora-like gold coated bottle had a sagger base, cylindrical body, and a narrow neck with a screw-type lid.

The desiccator now houses the Holy Relics. It is sealed in an air-tight glass to prevent further deterioration of the object inside. The relics, along with the gold coated silver-copper bottle and silk cloth, rest on a cotton base to ensure further preservation.

Beyond its spiritual significance, the exposition of the Holy Devnimori Relics in Sri Lanka serves a vital diplomatic purpose by advancing

India's cultural diplomacy and reinforcing its people-centric foreign policy. By sharing its most sacred Buddhist heritage with Sri Lanka, India underscores the civilizational foundations of the bilateral relationship, anchored in shared faith, history and values. The exposition acts as a powerful instrument of soft power, fostering deeper people-to-people connections, enhancing mutual trust, and complementing formal diplomatic engagements with a profound cultural and emotional resonance. It reaffirms India's role as a responsible custodian of global Buddhist heritage and strengthens regional harmony in the Indian Ocean neighbourhood, while reinforcing Sri Lanka's place as a valued partner in India's vision of peace, stability and cooperative coexistence in South Asia.

The forthcoming exposition in Sri Lanka builds upon India's longstanding tradition of sharing its Buddhist heritage with the world. In recent years, sacred relics of Lord

Buddha have been successfully exhibited in countries such as Thailand, Mongolia, Vietnam, the Russian Federation and Bhutan, drawing millions of devotees and strengthening people-to-people connections. The Sri Lanka exposition also follows the recent and widely celebrated repatriation of the sacred Piprahwa Jewel Relics to India, hailed by the Prime Minister as the homecoming of a priceless national treasure.

Through this exposition, India once again conveys the universal message of Buddha Dhamma—non-violence, compassion and coexistence—while reaffirming its commitment to cultural diplomacy and global harmony. The journey of the Devnimori Relics to Sri Lanka stands as a powerful symbol of peace, a celebration of shared spiritual inheritance, and a reaffirmation of the special and enduring friendship between India and Sri Lanka, rooted in centuries-old civilizational ties and mutual respect.

Union Minister Chirag Paswan Chairs 2nd Meeting of Committee to Counter Misleading Publicity on Processed Foods

Union Minister Chirag Paswan Calls for Countering Misinformation on Processed Foods

New Delhi (PIB) : The Union Minister for Food Processing Industries, Chirag Paswan, today chaired the second meeting of the Committee constituted to counter misleading publicity related to processed foods, held at Dr Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi. The meeting was attended by committee members, senior officials, industry leaders and representatives of industry associations.

Addressing the partici-

pants, the Union Minister highlighted that food processing is critical for food safety, nutrition, reduction of wastage and enhancement of farmers' incomes, and stressed that myths and misinformation surrounding processed foods must be actively addressed through science-based communication, transparency and responsible engagement. He underlined the importance of leveraging counter social media influencers, digital plat-



communication channels, along with collective stakeholder re-

sponsibility, to build a balanced public narrative and ensure that correct and credible information on food processing reaches every citizen.

The Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Avinash Joshi, briefly outlined the actions taken since the previous meeting, including stakeholder consultations, expert review and nationwide outreach of approved FAQs, and reiterated the need for coordinated stakeholder efforts to strengthen informed

public discourse.

The meeting was attended by senior officers of the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, including the Special Secretary, Joint Secretaries and other senior officials of the Ministry, along with heads and senior representatives from key regulatory and technical institutions such as the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) and the National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management. Ranjit

Punhani, Chief Executive Officer, FSSAI, was also present.

The deliberations were further enriched by participation from leading industry associations including FICCI, CII, ASSOCHAM, AIFPA, AFSTI and FSNM, as well as senior executives from major food processing companies, reflecting a whole-of-government and whole-of-industry approach to counter misleading publicity on processed foods.

CURE Foundation & Apollo Cancer Centres, illuminate World Cancer Day with 'Light the Night' Celebration and 23 years of hope!

(Capital Information) Hyderabad : CURE Foundation, in association with Apollo Cancer Centres, hosted a poignant and inspiring World Cancer Day celebration titled 'Light the Night', marking the 23rd Anniversary of CURE Foundation, at the Boulder Hills Golf & Country Club, Gachibowli, today.

The evening was a powerful tribute to courage, compassion, and collective commitment in the fight against cancer. A highlight of the event was a special ramp walk "for a cause" featuring Soulmates, inspiring couples and distinguished personalities, including Mr C.V. Anand & Mrs Lalitha Anand; Mr Gopichand & Mrs Laxmi; Dr Guruva Reddy & Dr Bhavani; Mr Jayesh Ranjan & Mrs Ruchi Ranjan; Mr Rajeev Reddy & Mrs Manjula; Sri Suresh Reddy, MP & Mrs Padmaja; Dr Vijay Anand Reddy & Dr Shashi; Sri Vikas Raj & Smt Shailaja; Ms Ajita Reddy & Mr Yogesh Puri; and Dr Sameer Mahendra & Mrs Rammi Azad, who walked the ramp in solidarity with cancer survivors.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. P. Vijay Anand Reddy said, witnessing helpless parents, unable to afford treatment yet clinging to hope for their child's survival, compelled me to find a solution,



leading to the birth of the CURE Foundation. Reflecting on 23 years is both humbling and fulfilling, having supported over 1,500 childhood cancer survivors with the unwavering support of large-hearted philanthropists.

The remarkable resilience of these children continues to inspire me to do more, reach further, and bring smiles to many more young lives. CURE Foundation remains committed to rehabilitation, research, and education, ensuring that no child is denied treatment due to lack of funds. In this endeavour, the support of Apollo Cancer Centres, through its state-of-the-art infrastructure, subsidised treatment costs, and assistance in numerous other ways, has been truly invaluable.

Adding star power and deep emotional resonance to

the evening, Bollywood actress and cancer survivor Ms Manisha Koirala made a special appearance alongside young cancer survivor children and the Padma Shri awardee, Founder of CURE Foundation and Director, Apollo Cancer Hospital, Hyderabad, Dr P. Vijay Anand Reddy.

Speaking on the occasion, Ms Manisha Koirala said, Whenever we hear the word cancer, the first emotion we experience is fear and I know that emotion very well, but when I was walking with these children I didn't see that fear in them, I instead saw courage, Hope, belief and faith. I appreciate Dr Reddy for the yeomen service he is rendering. Cure Foundation is helping so many underprivileged children and ensuring that no child who is touched by cancer is denied of good

treatment, thank you for all the love and compassion and the dignity you restore. I also want to thank the donors, volunteers and the supporters, together we can conquer anything, not just cancer, many other difficult situations we can conquer.

Sharing his thoughts on his father Padma Shri Dr Vijay Anand Reddy's selfless work, Entrepreneur Vijay Vishal Reddy, said, the dedicated initiative and compassionate vision of Dr. Vijay Anand Reddy and the CURE Foundation focus on one mission, supporting underprivileged children with cancer, reflected in survivors' smiles and families' gratitude.

The celebration continued with an electrifying ramp walk by ace golfers and professional models, culminating in Mrs India, Ms Shilpa Reddy, taking centre stage as the



showstopper. The young Doctor couple of Dr Vijay Karan Reddy and Dr Aashna Reddy, said, the soulmates who traversed the ramp today beautifully embodied the ultimate bliss of marriage, bonding, togetherness, and shared growth. Through their ever-blossoming relationships, these couples continue to inspire and set an enduring example for

many others. Cultural performances by singer Tina and the Ayana Dance Group enthralled the audience, adding vibrancy to the meaningful evening. The event also witnessed the prize distribution ceremony for winners of the three-day 9th Biennial Aparna Cancer Crusaders Golf Championship, celebrating sportsmanship in support of the cancer cause.

The 'Light the Night' celebration stood as a moving reminder of CURE Foundation's enduring mission, spreading hope, enabling access to care, and ensuring that no child or family battles cancer alone.

About CURE Foundation CURE Foundation is a spirited initiative to create consciousness on cancer prevention, early detection, Free/subsidized Cancer treat-

ment & rehabilitation especially for the needful. In addition to spreading awareness for the benefit of the society, the foundation has so far made available quality cancer treatment to several patients, particularly children and engaged in numerous rehabilitation, research and education programs.

About Apollo Cancer Centres, Hyderabad

Apollo Cancer Centres, Hyderabad is the first super-specialty Cancer Hospital in the country. It revolves around hallmark four pillars of excellence. Clinical excellence ensuring outcomes that benchmark with the best in the world.

Latest technology, Tomotherapy, Truebeam, Novalis TX, PET-CT scan, Varian Brachytherapy, Robotic Surgery, Bone Marrow Transplant Unit etc., helping our oncologists deliver the highest standards of care all the time.

Tender Loving Care, the quality of care is significantly enhanced when it is provided from the heart and the Apollo family has made 'Tender Loving Care' its universal mantra. Cost effective care delivered with the unique 'Apollo Way' ensuring complete patient satisfaction at an affordable cost. At Apollo Cancer Centres, Hyderabad we cure more cancers.

Continuous checks will be conducted for Child Protection : SP K. Narasimha

176 children identified - If children are subjected to forced labor, action will be taken

(Capital Information)
Suryapet : As part of identifying and protecting children who have been subjected to forced labor, neglected children, and missing children, we conduct Operation Smile in the month of January and Operation Muskan in the month of July every year, said SP Narasimha. He said that the Operation Smile program, which was conducted in the district for a month in January in coordination with the officers of the district police, district administration, district welfare, child protection, labor, revenue, health, etc., was carried out in a grand manner.



gram, 176 children who were subjected to neglect and forced labor across the district were identified and handed over safely to their parents and guardians.

Out of these, 56 children were from Telangana state, out of which 49 were boys and 7 were girls, while 120 children were from other states, out of which 80 were boys and 40 were girls, the SP said. Under the supervision of the authorities, rescue teams across the district identified all of them at vari-

ous places and provided them with protection.

All the staff worked well to achieve the purpose and goal of Operation Smile, he said that everyone should contribute to the development of children by completely eradicating the system of child labor. He said that police checks will be conducted continuously to protect children.

He asked everyone to work for the development of children and a golden future. He warned that legal action

will be taken against those who engage in child labor. The SP said that he congratulated the police personnel, district child protection officers and all the staff of various departments who worked well in identifying 176 children through rescue operations.

The SP appealed to the parents that parents should realize that there is a good future with education, the governments are providing free education with accommodation, and they should

provide their children with higher education and give them a golden future. He warned that if such crimes are committed habitually, such people will be identified and strict action will be taken.

The meeting was attended by Additional SP Ravinder Reddy, DCRB DSP Ravi, District Welfare Officer Narasimha Rao, Police IT RSI Rajasekhara, Child Protection Officers Ravi and Nagula Meera, Smile Team SI Malle-sham, ASI Venkanna, and Smile Team staff.



Instructions to police officers over phone to work towards speedy resolution of complainants' issues : SPNarasimha

(Capital Information)
Suryapet : District SP Narasimha said that a Grievance Day/Public Hearing program will be organized at the district police office. After receiving complaints from complainants, they learned about the complainant's problem and spoke to the police officers over phone to get the details.

Police officers were instructed not to show any laxity in implementing the law and to investigate each case transparently. The SP said that efforts will be made to resolve the problems of the people by reviewing the status of the complaints received through the Grievance Day from time to time.

Rules should be followed in resolving objections : District Election Officer, Collector Kumar Deepak

(Capital Information)
Chennur : District Election Officer, Collector Kumar Deepak said that the rules should be strictly followed in resolving objections and complaints received on nominations as part of the 2nd general municipal elections. On Monday, he visited the nomination center set up in Chennur Municipal limits in the district and inspected the process of resolving objections and complaints received on nominations.



announced after the withdrawal of nominations on the 3rd. He said that polling will be held on February 11, repolling on February 12 (if any), and the winning candidates will be announced after the counting of votes on the 13th.

He said that as part of the municipal election management, a control room no. 08736-250501 has been set up in the Integrated District Offices building complex in Naspur in the dis-

trict, and that information related to the election and complaints about violation of the election code of conduct can be contacted, and the details of those who provided information will be kept confidential. He then instructed the officials to inspect the construction work of the primary health center undertaken in Chennur town and complete it quickly.

He said that the construction work of the water tank undertaken in the town under Amrit 2.0 should be inspected and the work should be expedited so that the people do not have any drinking water problems next summer. He said that the officials should inspect the con-

struction work of the 100-bed government hospital undertaken in Chennur mandal center as part of public welfare and supervise its completion as soon as possible.

He visited Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya and advised the teachers to provide quality education by providing full facilities to the students without any inconvenience. He said that the menu taken by the government in the mid-day meal should be strictly implemented and special attention should be paid to the health of the students.

He said that as the annual examinations of 10th class are approaching, the students should be prepared and the teachers should work collectively towards achieving the best results. Concerned officials and others participated in this program

Velala Mallanna Jathara Public Auctions

(Capital Information)
Chennur : Today, February 2nd, 2026, Monday, on the occasion of Maha Shivaratri, a public auction was held at the Gram Panchayat office under the supervision of Velala Sarpanch Smt. Dega Swapna Nagesh, for the sale of parking rights, co-conuts, and puffed rice in connection with the Sri Mallikarjuna Swamy Jathara to be held from February 15th to 18th, 2026. People from various villages attended and participated in the auction.



rice (bol pelalu), an auction was held, and Sri Pyaga Chandu emerged as the highest bidder with Rs. 45,000/-. However, this amount was less than the government's minimum support price.

For parking, an auction was held, and Sri Manthana Satish emerged as the highest bidder with Rs. 310,000/-. However, this amount was less than the government's minimum support price. Since no one bid higher than the government's min-

imum support price in the auctions held for parking and repairs (bolt blasting), the auction was postponed to Wednesday, February 4, 2026.

The auction was attended by MPDO Sri G. Satyanarayana, MPO Sri Sripathi Babu Rao, SI Sri Rajasekhara, Honorary Deputy Sarpanch Sri Sundilla Rayalingu, Temple EO Sri B. Ramesh, Panchayat Secretary S. Rakesh, ward members, bidders, and villagers.

Organizing such spiritual programs while preserving traditions and culture is commendable : Nakrekal MLA

(Capital Information)
Nakrekal : Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham participated in the Gangadevamma Thalli Gavu program organized with devotion by the brothers of the Yadav Sangam of Nakrekal town.



while preserving traditions and culture is commendable.

Congress party leaders Chevugoni Srinivas, councilors, Yadav Sangam leaders and local public representatives participated in the program in large numbers.

Development is possible only with Congress party : Nakrekal MLA

(Capital Information)
Nakrekal/Chityal : Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham participated in the celebrations organized at the Chityala Mandal Center on the occasion of the birthday of Legislative Council Chairman Gutta Sukhender Reddy and cut a cake and expressed his best wishes.

Neta, leaders and others participated in this program. Speaking on the occasion,

Congress party. Under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Rs. 15 crore has been sanctioned for the development of Chityala town. We are constructing a fly-over in Chityal town. He lamented that Chityal town has been completely neglected for the last five years.

Later, as part of the Chityala Municipality election campaign, Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham conducted a campaign in wards 08 and 10 and requested people to vote for the hand symbol.



District Congress Party President Punna Khailash

the MLA said that development is possible only with the

works with the aim of the welfare of the people.



56th Division Corporator Candidate Nalla Shankar requests public support

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : 56th ward Congress party candidate Nalla Shankar requested the public to recognize his services and support him once again. On Monday, he conducted a door-to-door campaign in the colonies within the division under the banner of "Congress at every doorstep."

Speaking on the occasion, he stated that he is working for the development of the ward under the leadership of MLA Premsagar Rao. He said that justice will be served to the people only through the Congress party. He assured that there would be complete support for women's welfare and a bright future for the youth. He stated that his services would continue regardless of politics.

The Vishwakarma community in the division declared their complete support for Shankar's victory. They stated that his victory is a mere formality and that the Congress party is moving forward towards achieving a massive majority.

Women Safety is Our Priority : Dy CP Smt. T. Usha Rani

(Capital Information)
Malkajgiri : Deputy Commissioner of Police, Women Safety, Malkajgiri Commissionerate, stated that the police will not spare anyone who harasses girls and women, and urged women to come forward and lodge complaints without fear. She informed that SHE Teams are conducting decoy operations in plain clothes at bus stands, railway stations, metro stations, schools, colleges, vegetable markets, and other public places. Persons who stalk or harass women are being apprehended with proper evidence, produced before courts, and provided counseling in the presence of their family members.

Under the supervision of the DCP, Women Safety, Malkajgiri Commissionerate, counseling sessions were conducted for eve-teasers at the CP Camp Office, LB Nagar. During the said period, SHE Teams apprehended a total of 81 offenders (64 ma-

jors and 17 minors) involved in harassment of women and girls. Counseling was provided at the CP Camp Office, LB Nagar, in the presence of their family members, with the assistance of professional counselors. Further, during this month from 1st to 15th, a total of 97 complaints were received.

Nature of Complaints :
 * Harassment through phone calls - 17
 * Harassment through social media applications - 36
 * Direct/physical harassment - 44
Action Taken:
 * Criminal cases registered - 9
 * Petty cases booked - 29
 * Counseling provided - 52 persons

Important Cases :
Woman was Harassed and Threatened with Uploading Personal Photos :

Based on a complaint received by the SHE Team, a young woman reported that a

co-worker repeatedly pressured her into a relationship. Later, she came to know that he was also involved with another woman, which led to disputes and they separated in June 2024. Subsequently, both joined different companies.

About three months ago, the accused joined the complainant's present workplace and started forcing her to marry him. When she refused, he threatened to upload her personal photographs on social media to blackmail and harass her. The SHE Team took immediate action, registered a case at the police station and arrested and remanded to judicial custody.



Woman Molested While Walking on the Road :

Based on a complaint received by the SHE Team, a woman reported that while she was returning home after completing her duties at a private company, three unknown persons arrived on a two-

wheeler and misbehaved with her on the road. The offenders assaulted her by hitting her on the ear and fled away from the spot immediately. The SHE Team responded promptly and registered a case at the police station.

Case Registered Against Man for Harassing a College Student :

Based on a complaint received by the SHE Team, the father of a college student reported that his daughter has been facing continuous ha-

mediate action, registered a case at the police station, and initiated legal proceedings against the accused.

Petty Case Booked for Stalking a Young Woman :

Based on a complaint received by the SHE Team, a young woman reported that an unknown person was continuously following her, causing fear and anxiety. She approached the SHE Team for help. The SHE Team immediately conducted a decoy operation at key locations, including a school area to catch the offenders. The respondents were identified and apprehended. Accordingly, an e-petty case was registered at the police station under relevant sections.

Awareness Programs :

During this month between 1st to 15th January 2026, Malkajgiri SHE Teams conducted 36 awareness programs, educating approximately 4,566 people on women-related laws, rights, crimes, and safety precautions.

Metro Rail Decoy Operations :

During decoy operations conducted in metro trains, 3 men were found traveling in women-only compartments. They were penalized with fines through metro station authorities.

Women facing harassment are advised to immediately contact SHE Teams through Malkajgiri WhatsApp number: 8712662111 or the respective area SHE Team numbers: * Begumpet - 8712665300
 * Jawaharnagar - 8712662601
 * LB Nagar - 8712662602
 * Malkajgiri - 8712662603
 * Medipally - 8712662600
 * Vanasthalipuram - 8712662604
 * Uppal - 8712665299

Women are encouraged to report incidents without fear. The program was attended by ACP, SHE Teams P. Venkateshwarlu, Inspector M. Muni, Admin SI Raju, SHE Team staff, and counselors.

Elections should be held in a peaceful atmosphere: CI Amireddy Rajsekhar Reddy

Election awareness seminar in 10 wards Kanaka Durga Colony and Surya Vamsi Colony



(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : On the orders of Nalgonda District SP Sarath Chandra Pawar, and as per the instructions of DSP K. Sivaram Reddy, an awareness program was organized for the people on the Municipal Corporation elections in Kanaka Durga and Surya Vamsi Colony under Nalgonda I Town Police Station.

tor Amireddy Rajsekhar Reddy, who attended the program as the chief guest, addressed the colony residents and made several key suggestions.

Election Code: In the context of the Nalgonda Municipal Corporation elections, the Election Code of Conduct is in force and everyone is advised to strictly follow it. **Law and order:** He said

that the police department has made strong arrangements and patrols to ensure that the elections are held in a peaceful and orderly atmosphere.

He urged the people to provide full cooperation to the police. He warned that strict legal action will be taken against anyone who creates riots, indulges in violence, or engages in anti-social activities during the elections.

He called on all voters to exercise their right to vote and participate in the democratic process without succumbing to any temptation. One Town SI B. Lachi Reddy, ASI Venkateshwarlu, Head Constable Linga Reddy, Sekhar, Indra Reddy and residents of the colony participated in this program in large numbers.

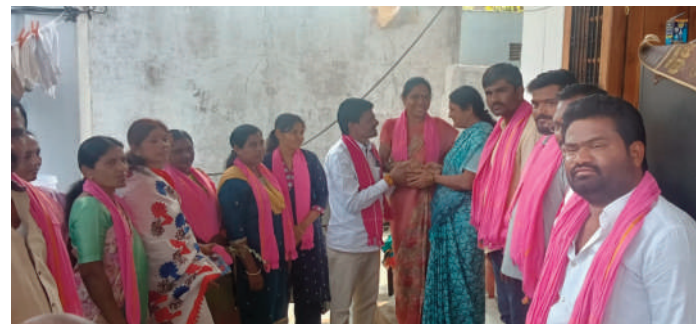
Legislative Council Chairman's birthday celebrations in grand style

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : On the occasion of the birthday of Telangana State Legislative Council Chairman Gutta Sukhender Reddy, a cake was cut at the camp office in Nalgonda under the leadership of former Zilla Parishad floor leader Pasham Ram Reddy and Sukhender Reddy was conveyed his best wishes.

The program was attended by Nalgonda Market Committee Chairman Jukuri Ramesh, former Municipal Vice Chairman Abbagoni Ramesh, DCCB Director Pasham Sampath Reddy, former ZPTC Chitla Venkatesa, Congress district leaders Chintakuntla Ravinder Reddy, former councillor Dubba Ashok, Surigi Maraiiah, Mandadi Madhusudhan Reddy, Yama Kavitha Dayakar, Kancharakuntla Gopal Reddy



Gunde Ravi, Munasu Venkanna, Amanchi Raja Lingam, former Sarpanchs Nagulavantha Venkateswara Rao, Jakati Masha, Rottela Ramesh, Moiz, Gunda Sattyanarayana, Nagarjuna Colony President Nampally Manohar, Arya Vaishya Secretary Lakshmi Shetty Srinivas, Indra Sena Reddy, retired warden, Congress Leaders Nalaparaju Srinu, Murali, Ragi, Babar, Wanaparathi Sriramulu and others participated.



TRS conducts extensive campaign in Old Mancherial If you support me, I will prove my service : 14th Division candidate Vodnala Ravinder

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : The TRS party conducted an extensive campaign in the 14th division of the municipal corporation. Candidate Vodnala Ravinder, along with party leaders, campaigned door-to-door.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that people should realize that the state Congress government has ignored the promises made during the elections. He stated that farmer loan waivers, pensions, ration cards, and Indira Awas Yojana houses are not being sanctioned. He said that with the cooperation of former MLA Diwakar Rao from the village, they will work for public welfare. He requested the voters to recognize his sincerity and support him. He urged the youth not to waste their valuable votes. Leaders Pentha Pradeep, Dharani Srinivas, Ramesh Yadav, Vemula Guravaiah, Pentha Naveen, and others participated in the program.

Gummula Janaki Mohan Reddy's campaign continues in 13th division

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : Congress Party corporator candidate Gummula Janaki Mohan Reddy's campaign continues extensively in Nalgonda Municipal Corporation's 13th division Vidyut Nagar, NTR Colony. As part of the door-to-door campaign, everyone in the colonies met on Monday to solicit votes.

The campaign was organized to explain the welfare schemes being implemented by the Congress party to the people and to get the entire colony to support the Congress party.

Speaking on this occasion, Urban Congress Party President Gummula Mohan Reddy said that with the blessings of Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy,



he will develop the 13th division as a model division. He said that the under-drainage problem in Vidyuth Nagar will be solved.

In this campaign, the leaders of the 13th division Vidyuth Nagar NTR Nagar colony Kancharakuntla Venkata Reddy, Marriguda village branch president Guraja Venkanna Goud, district Anji Reddy, Shiva Reddy, Moinuddin, Karthik,

Kathula Rambabu, Kathula Yadaiah, Alampalli Govardhanagiri, Gogireddy Yadagiri Reddy, Gutta Srinivas Reddy, Nimmana Goti Ramesh, Cherupalli Murali, Haridhar, Ramesh Goud, Paladi Sampath, B Reddy Narsi Reddy, Venu, Kathula Satish, Sandeep, Ootkuru Krishna Reddy, Devi Reddy, Nagi Reddy, Koppula Enka Reddy and colony residents participated.



Development is possible with the Congress : Former Councillor Bolishetty Kishan

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : Former Congress councillor Bolishetty Kishan stated that Congress party candidate Varalakshmi Yuvaraj will win with a huge majority in the 19th division of the Municipal Corporation. On Monday, he, along with party leaders, conducted extensive campaigning in Old Mancherial, Sri Lakshmi Colony, Power City, and Rangampet areas in support of Varalakshmi. Retired Singareni workers expressed their solidarity with the Congress party.

On this occasion, candidate Varalakshmi Yuvaraj said that she is contesting the elections for the first time, ready to serve the people, and appealed to the public to support her. She stated that with the cooperation of MLA Premsagar Rao, she will work for the development of the ward and fulfill all the promises. She said that voting for the opposition party candidate would be a waste. Congress party president Edla Mallesh, Jakkula Kumar Yadav, party leaders, and workers participated in the campaign.

Education Without Educators - A Dangerous Trend in HEIs

(Capital Information)
Punjab : Higher Education Institutions across the globe are experiencing rapid structural and pedagogical change. Digital platforms, artificial intelligence, online course marketplaces, and managerial governance models are increasingly shaping how universities operate. While innovation and adaptation are necessary responses to globalization and technological progress, a deeply concerning trend is emerging: the gradual displacement and devaluation of educators themselves. Education without educators—where teaching is reduced to content delivery and learning is automated—represents a fundamental misunderstanding of what higher education is meant to achieve. This trend threatens not only academic quality but also the intellectual, ethical, and social foundations of universities.

Within this framework, educators are often seen as expenses rather than assets. Tenured positions decline while contingent and adjunct labour expands. Recorded lectures, standardized curricula, and outsourced assessment systems replace live intellectual engagement. Knowledge becomes a commodity to be packaged and delivered, rather than a process cultivated through sustained human interaction. When educators are sidelined, universities risk transforming into content factories rather than centres of learning.

Technology as Replacement Rather Than Support
Educational technology is frequently promoted as a solution to issues of access, affordability, and scale. While digital tools can indeed enhance learning when used thoughtfully, the problem arises when technology is positioned as a substitute for educators rather than as a complement to them. Learning management systems, automated grading tools, AI tutors, and massive open online courses are often implemented with minimal pedagogical oversight. This approach reflects a flawed assumption: that education is primarily about information transmission. In reality, higher education involves interpretation, critique, synthesis, and ethical reasoning—capacities that develop through guided interaction with experienced scholars. Algorithms cannot respond meaningfully to intellectual ambiguity, nor can

they mentor students through uncertainty, failure, or moral complexity. When institutions equate technological efficiency with educational effectiveness, they undermine the very goals they claim to pursue.

The Decline of Academic Mentorship

One of the most significant losses in educator-free models is academic mentorship. Mentorship is not an optional feature of higher education; it is central to student development. Through mentorship, educators help students refine arguments, develop research skills, navigate disciplinary norms, and cultivate intellectual confidence. These relationships also play a crucial role in supporting first-generation students, mar-



courses efficiently, but they are deprived of guidance that fosters intellectual maturity and professional identity. The result is credential accumulation without deep learning or personal growth.

Standardization and the Loss of Critical Thinking

Another consequence of reducing the role of educators is excessive standardization. Automated systems require

perspectives are encouraged. Educators play a crucial role in creating these spaces. They challenge assumptions, introduce complexity, and adapt teaching in response to student needs and emerging ideas. Without educators, learning becomes risk-averse and formulaic. Students learn to optimize for grades rather than understanding, and innovation gives way to compliance.

Ethical and Civic Implications

Higher education does not merely prepare students for employment; it prepares them for citizenship and leadership in complex societies. Universities are sites where ethical reasoning, social responsibility, and democratic values are cultivated. Educators model intellectual integrity, respectful

sponsibility. A higher education system that sidelines educators' risks producing technically skilled graduates who lack ethical grounding and civic awareness.

The Impact on Educators and Knowledge Production

The marginalization of educators also has profound implications for knowledge production itself. When academic labour is casualized and undervalued, scholars have less time and incentive to engage in research, mentorship, and institutional service. Intellectual risk-taking declines, and scholarship becomes increasingly shaped by short-term metrics rather than long-term inquiry. Moreover, when educators are treated as interchangeable or expendable, academic freedom is weakened. Universities become less willing to support controversial or critical research, undermining their role as independent spaces of thought. Over time, this diminishes the university's contribution to society as a source of critical knowledge and innovation.

Reclaiming the Role of Educators

The solution is not to reject technology or change, but to re-centre educators within higher education institutions. Technology should support educators by reducing administrative burdens, expanding access, and enabling new forms of engagement—not by replacing human judgment and interaction. Institutional policies must recognize

teaching and mentorship as core academic functions, worthy of investment and respect. This requires rethinking funding models, employment practices, and evaluation systems. Stable academic careers, reasonable teaching loads, and genuine participation in governance are essential if educators are to fulfill their roles effectively. Universities must also resist the temptation to measure educational success solely through efficiency metrics and instead prioritize learning depth, intellectual growth, and social impact.

Conclusion

Education without educators is not progress; it is a retreat from the fundamental purpose of higher education. While technology and innovation offer powerful tools, they cannot replace the human relationships at the heart of learning. Educators are not optional intermediaries between content and students—they are the architects of intellectual development, ethical reasoning, and scholarly culture. If higher education institutions continue down a path that marginalizes educators, they risk hollowing out their own mission. To safeguard the future of universities—and the societies they serve—we must reaffirm a simple but essential truth: education is a human endeavour, and educators matter.

Director/Principal, Guru Gobind Singh College of Management and Technology, Gidderbaha (Pb.)

The Shift from Academic Communities to Market Institutions

Universities were historically conceived as communities of inquiry, where educators and students engaged in sustained dialogue to advance knowledge and understanding. Teaching was inseparable from scholarship, mentorship, and critical debate. In contrast, contemporary higher education is increasingly organized according to market logic. Efficiency, scalability, performance metrics, and cost reduction now dominate institutional decision-making.



ginalized learners, and those struggling with academic or personal challenges.

As class sizes increase and educator workloads expand, opportunities for meaningful mentorship diminish. In fully automated or highly standardized environments, mentorship disappears altogether. Students may complete



uniform inputs and outputs, encouraging narrowly defined learning objectives and assessment rubrics. While standardization may simplify administration, it constrains intellectual exploration. Critical thinking thrives in spaces where questions are open-ended, debates are unresolved, and multiple

disagreement, and evidence-based reasoning—qualities essential for public life. When education is depersonalized, these dimensions erode. Automated systems cannot teach ethical judgment through example, nor can they engage students in difficult conversations about power, inequality, or social re-

Congress party should achieve a resounding victory in the upcoming municipal elections

(Capital Information)
Nakrekal/Chityal : The necessary B forms for the candidates contesting on behalf of the Congress party in the Chityal municipality elections in the Nakrekal constituency were officially handed over to Chityal town Congress president

Jadala Malliah and Pokala Devadas in the presence of Nalgonda District Congress

Committee President Punna Khailash Neta and Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham.

On this occasion, excitement was evident in the party ranks. The leaders wished that the Congress party achieve a resounding victory in the upcoming municipal elections.



Former Municipal Chairman's Birthday Celebrations in a Grand Way

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : Former Nalgonda Municipal Chairman Burri Srinivas Reddy's birthday celebrations were held in a grand way at Minister Komatireddy Venkata Reddy's camp office (Srinagar Colony) in Nalgonda.

Nalgonda Town Congress Party President Gummula Mohan Reddy, Thipparthi for-

mer ZPTC Pasham Ram Reddy, and former Municipal Vice Chairman Abbagoni

Ramesh Goud cut a cake and wished Burri Srinivas Reddy a happy birthday. Nalgonda



Market Committee Chairman Jukuri Ramesh, former ZPTC Vanguri Lakshmaiah, former DCCB Director Pasham Sampath Reddy, RTA Director Kusunkuntla Rajireddy, several sarpanchs, former councillors, Congress party leaders, activists, Youth Congress leaders, and many retired employees participated in this program.

RI caught red-handed while taking a bribe of Rs 20,000

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : The Anti-Corruption Department officials are continuing their surprise raids in Nalgonda district. The latest raid was conducted by the ACB on the office of the Gurrampodu Mandal Tahsildar of Nalgonda district at 1 pm on Monday. Gurrampodu Mandal Revenue Inspector Mohammed Abdul Hakim was caught red-handed in the premises of the Gurrampodu Tahsildar's office, ACB officials said.

As part of the official assistance from the complainant, Survey No. 225/6, 1.15 acres of land, which was deleted from the online 1-B Register (ROR), was restored and the complainant's application along with the relevant file was processed and sent to the Tahsildar.

He was caught red-handed while demanding and accepting a bribe of Rs. 20,000. The bribed Rs. 20,000 was seized from the



accused officer on his instructions.

The accused officer performed his government duty improperly and dishonestly to gain illegal benefit. In this order, the accused officer will be arrested and produced before the First Additional Special Judge of the ACB Trial Court in Hyderabad.

He said that the details of the complainant have been kept confidential for security reasons as the case is under

investigation. Call 1064 (toll-free number) .. If any government employee demands a bribe, people can contact the ACB to take action as per the law.

ACB officials request that the toll-free number 1064 be contacted. ACB Telangana can also be contacted through social media platforms like WhatsApp (9440446106), Facebook (Telangana ACB), X/formerly Twitter (@Telangana ACB),

ACB's QR code has been displayed in all government offices and prominent public places to contact ACB Telangana. It was revealed that the name and details of the victim and complainant will be kept confidential.

ACB officials are appealing that public participation is necessary to stop corruption in government systems. People are complaining that bribery has not changed despite the number of raids.

Strict Action will be taken against Child Laborers: SP

In January alone, 118 Child Laborers were rescued, counseled and handed over to their parents in 92 cases

(Capital Information)
Nalgonda : As per the instructions of the Union Home Ministry, the State Police Department is conducting these programs every six months under the name of Operation Smile and Operation Muskan to rescue child laborers, street children, forced laborers in brick kilns, those held hostage by the Mushtli mafia, and those working in industrial companies.

In the three sub-divisions of Nalgonda district, teams were formed under the leadership of the District SP, Additional SP Ramesh, Police Department AHTU, Child Welfare Committee, Labor Department, Education Department, District Child Protection Department, and various department officials.

In the month of January alone, 118 children were



rescued in 92 cases, out of which 105 were boys and 13 were girls. Most of them were from other states like Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, UP, and Andhra Pradesh. He said that it is the responsibility of all of us to protect the rights of children in the district and that we should work responsibly to eliminate the child labor system.

He said that cases will be registered against those who are making child labor-

ers do manual labor.

The District SP advised the people to dial 100 or 1098 or provide information to the local police when they see street children and child laborers.

As part of this Operation Smile, the District SP congratulated the A.H.T.U. staff and related officials who rescued and saved child laborers across the district for a month and announced a reward.

Congress 33rd ward candidate SLN Madhavi Ramesh assures development with the cooperation of MLA Thudi Meghareddy

Overwhelming response to the Congress campaign

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : Congress candidate SLN Madhavi Ramesh of the 33rd ward under the wanaparthy Municipality conducted her election campaign on Monday.

Accompanied by Con-

gress party workers and supporters, she toured the ward, going door-to-door, explaining her candidature and seeking blessings and votes.

On this occasion, SLN Madhavi Ramesh spoke about the development and

welfare programs being implemented by the state government under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy in Telangana.

She stated that if elected, she would implement development programs in the municipality and resolve the ward's problems.

SLN Madhavi Ramesh appealed to the voters to give her one chance and elect her as the councillor, assuring them that she would work for the progress of the ward with the cooperation of wanaparthy MLA Meghareddy.



The Congress flag will fly high in the municipality : Former DCC President Kokkiralra Surekha

Door-to-door campaign in support of Thumula Naresh in the 14th division

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : Former District Congress Committee President Kokkiralra Surekha said that the Congress party will achieve a resounding victory in the municipal elections. On Monday, she conducted a door-to-door campaign in support of Thumula Naresh, the Congress party candidate for the 14th division of

the Mancherial Municipal Corporation.

She enlightened the people by explaining the development work being done by MLA Prem Sagar Rao. She stated that the promises made during the elections are being fulfilled and Mancherial is being developed as a model in the state.

Support me, I will serve



you - Thumula Naresh

Congress candidate for the 14th division, Thumula Naresh, said that the people should elect him with a huge majority in the elections, and that he would provide services to people of all sections without any political bias. He reminded that he is committed to public service

and has been providing many services with a social conscience.

He revealed that he is providing services for the development of the village with the cooperation of MLA Prem Sagar Rao. A large number of people participated along with party leaders and workers.

How to Prepare for UPSC (IAS) with the Help of Magazines

Preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination (IAS) is not just about reading bulky books or memorising facts. It is about developing clarity, awareness and analytical thinking—and magazines play a powerful supporting role in this journey.

Why Magazines Matter in UPSC Preparation

Magazines are not just "monthly newspapers." They offer three distinct advantages:

Thematic Depth: Each edition of Yojana or Kurukshetra usually revolves around a single theme (e.g., "Digital India" or "Sustainable Agriculture"). This helps you build a 360-degree view of a topic.

Authentic Data: Since many are government-published, the statistics and schemes mentioned are 100% authentic and can be directly quoted in your answers.

Answer Writing Style: The articles are written by experts, bureaucrats, and professors. Reading them helps you adopt a balanced, formal tone required for the Mains.

How to Read a Magazine Effectively

Don't read a magazine like a novel from cover to cover. Use this "Filter Method":

Read the 'Chief Editor's Desk': This page summarizes the essence of the entire issue. It often provides a perfect "Introduction" or "Conclu-

sion" for an essay on that topic.

Align with Syllabus: Check the table of contents. If an article is about "Space Tourism" and you haven't covered S&T yet, mark it. If it's about "International Film Festivals," you can likely skip it.

Focus on "The Why" and "The Way Forward": UPSC rarely asks for simple facts. Focus on the challenges mentioned in the articles and the suggestions provided by the authors.

Note-Making (The 1-Page Rule): Try to condense an entire 50-page magazine into 2-3 pages of notes.

Highlight: Key keywords, government schemes, and committee recommendations.

Ignore: Repetitive political rhetoric or overly technical jargon.

Integrating Magazines with Newspapers

A common mistake is replacing newspapers with magazines. Instead, use them as follows:

Daily: Read The Hindu or The Indian Express to stay aware of the "context."

Monthly: Use a magazine to "consolidate" that context into a structured format.

Pro Tip: If you read about a specific farm protest in the newspaper in June, the July edition of Kurukshetra will likely explain the underlying structural issues of Indian agriculture that caused it.

Strategic Tips for 2026 Aspirants



VIJAY GARG
Retired Principal, Punjab

pirants

Don't Over-Collect: Stick to one government magazine (Yojana is a must) and one coaching compilation. Reading five different current affairs magazines will lead to "information paralysis."

Digital vs. Physical: While digital is easier to search, physical copies allow for better annotation. Use whichever keeps you from getting distracted.

The "Essay" Goldmine: Many toppers pick their essay themes directly from the titles of Yojana issues from the past year.

UPSC tests a candidate's understanding of current relevance, not just static knowledge. Magazines help aspirants:

Stay updated with national and international issues

Understand the background, impact and future im-

plications of events
 Improve answer writing skills with well-structured viewpoints

Build vocabulary and articulation for Mains and Interview

Choosing the Right Magazines

Not all magazines are useful for UPSC. Aspirants should focus on quality, not quantity. Some helpful categories include:

Current affairs magazines (monthly or weekly)

Government-focused publications explaining policies and schemes

Science, environment and economy magazines with simplified analysis

Yojana & Kurukshetra-type magazines for grassroots perspectives

The aim is to read magazines that explain why something happened, not just what happened.

How to Read Magazines Effectively

Many beginners make the mistake of reading magazines like novels. For UPSC, reading must be selective and strategic.

Read with the syllabus in mind

Focus on issues related to Polity, Economy, Environment, Ethics, Governance and International Relations

Skip celebrity news, advertisements and irrelevant stories

While reading, ask:



Is this topic linked to the UPSC syllabus?

Can it be used in Mains answers or Essay?

Does it provide examples or case studies?

Note-Making from Magazines

Magazines are useful only when their content is condensed and revised.

Make short notes in bullet points

Divide notes according to GS papers

Highlight data, case studies, committees, examples

Use diagrams, flowcharts and keywords

Digital notes or topic-wise folders can save time during revision.

Using Magazines for Answer Writing

Magazine articles are excellent tools for improving answer quality:

Use introductory lines inspired by editorial styles

Add current examples to static topics

Improve multi-dimensional thinking (social, economic, ethical angles)

Aspirants who regularly link magazine content with answer writing score better in Mains.

Role of Magazines in Interview Preparation

During the UPSC interview, candidates are tested on:

Awareness of current issues

Ability to express balanced opinions

Understanding of government initiatives

Magazines help aspirants develop a mature, informed and ethical viewpoint, which is crucial for the personality test.

Common Mistakes to

Avoid

Reading too many magazines

Copying notes blindly without understanding

Ignoring revision

Treating magazines as a replacement for NCERTs and standard books

Magazines are supplements, not substitutes.

Conclusion

Magazines, when used wisely, act as a bridge between static syllabus and dynamic current affairs. They sharpen understanding, enrich answers and build confidence. For UPSC aspirants, disciplined and selective use of magazines can make preparation smarter, not harder.

In UPSC, it is not about how much you read—but how well you understand and apply what you read.

Medicinal Sahajan Tree, Every Part of Which is Useful

Sahajan is a tree that has medicinal uses from leaves and bark to roots. In Ayurvedic texts, it has been considered to be extremely useful in the treatment of many diseases. Its flowers and beans can be eaten as soups and vegetables.

In Punjabi, there is a saying that the dog does not sit or crow. The meaning of saying is that Suhanjana or Sahajan is a tree on which neither birds can make their nest nor

it is more shady, but its countless benefits in the human health enhancement system have been described since ancient times in Ayurvedic literature. Let us know that it can be prepared by seeds till the first week of June, July, August and September. Along with this, it can also be planted through pens in the spring.

Which part to use

The leaves, flowers, beans, bark and roots of this

tree are being used on a large scale in the Ayurvedic industry.

Medical benefits from Sahajan

Protein, calcium, iron, vitamin A, C, E, K, B-6 are naturally found in Suhanjana. Apart from this, it is anti-cancer, increasing disease resistance, helping to control diabetes and blood pressure, relieving bone and joint pain, strengthening the di-



gestive system and aiding in blood growth. This herbal tree full of medicinal properties is serving humans.

Special benefits for students

Mid day miles are provided in schools of various states. Because Suhanjana has been included in the category of super food.

Therefore, Suhanjana needs to take initiative towards inclusion in the mid-day mile scheme. At the same

time, there is a need to plant Suhanjana plants under the herbal garden scheme in schools so that it can be available for mid-day miles.

Precautions

During pregnancy, you should avoid consuming Suhanjana in any form. Those who take sugar and blood pressure tablets are advised to stay away from it. Many times its intake can also see complaints of stomach pain and diarrhea.



Kalvacherla Village Assembly held with a Focus on Development

(Capital Information)
Peddapalli/ Ramagiri : A village assembly was successfully held at the Kalvacherla Gram Panchayat office in Ramagiri mandal. A large number of people participated in the assembly and brought their problems to the attention of Sarpanch Rendla Sharadakumaraswamy.

With the goal of village development, the Sarpanch gave clear assurances on issues such as water supply, drainage, street lights, installation of CCTV cameras, Anganwadi centers, and the development of cremation grounds. He stated that CCTV cameras would be installed with the help of donors for the security of the village.

Ramagiri SI Srinivas, who attended as the chief guest, provided awareness on preventing thefts and the dangers of drugs. The concerned officials explained matters related to agriculture, land records, and welfare schemes. Village officials, public representatives, and villagers participated in this program.

Bless me, I will show you development: 43rd Division BRS candidate Gadhe Ramadevi Satyam

Door-to-door campaigning with women

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : "Bless me, and I will show you development," said Gadhe Ramadevi Satyam, the BRS candidate for the 43rd division. While campaigning

the BRS party. She informed the people about the development work already done in the ward and stated that if elected as corporator again, she would bring

and that the people will teach the Congress party a lesson.

She stated that the BRS is the party that achieved the state of Telangana and that the Congress government has neglected its promises and is engaging in anti-people governance. She urged the people to teach that party a lesson in the corporation elections. She requested the people of the ward to recognize her services and elect her as corporator.



with women in the ward on Monday, she stated that the Congress party had failed to fulfill any of its promises and that for development to take place in the 43rd division, people should vote for

about even more development. She alleged that some leaders were spreading false propaganda against her. She asserted that the BRS party's victory in these elections is certain

She expressed confidence in winning the election due to the support she is receiving from traders, the poor, and common people. Ward residents and party workers participated in this program.



Bhu Bharati applications should be processed immediately : Collector B.M.Santosh

(Capital Information)
Jogulamba Gadwala : Bhu Bharati applications should be resolved quickly by District Collector B.Yam. Santhosh ordered the officials. The collector conducted a surprise inspection at the RDO office in the district center on Monday.

On this occasion, the District Collector thoroughly examined the files, registers and other records related to Bhu Bharati. All records should be correct.

The applications of the people who came to the office should be examined at the field level and those problems should be resolved within the stipulated time as per the rules. The revenue officials were also directed to expeditiously dispose of the applications received from the public in the revenue conferences.

The collector said that the Bhubharti services implemented by the government should be made more convenient and useful for the people.

RDO Alivelu, AO Venkat Rao, other officers, office staff and others participated in this program.

Kakani's Complaint on Baseless allegations

(Capital Information)

Nellore : Former Minister and District YSR Congress Party President Dr. Kakani Govardhan Reddy, along with Nellore City MLC Sri Parvatha Reddy Chandrasekhar Reddy, Nellore Rural Constituency In-charge Anam Vijayakumar Reddy, and other YSR Congress Party leaders, met with the House Officer of the 5th Town Police Station in Nellore city and filed a complaint.

This action was taken because, despite the CBI report stating that the numerous suspicions and baseless allegations regarding the sacred Tirumala laddus are all false, some individuals are still spreading false propaganda and erecting flex banners containing falsehoods. The complaint requests that action be taken against these individuals.

We have requested the police officers to identify, investigate, and take appropriate action against those who are deliberately and provocatively erecting these flex banners.

We demanded that the police identify those behind the flex banners, which were erected with malicious intent and as part of a conspiracy against the YSR Congress Party, and take action against them.

We requested the police to take measures to prevent in the future this unprecedented method of secretly erecting flex banners against certain individuals, which constitutes character assassination.

A barbaric rule prevails in Andhra Pradesh; attacks, robberies, atrocities, and attempted murders are



happening everywhere.

Chandrababu Naidu, who is at the level of Chief Minister, and the Deputy Chief Minister... It is outrageous that Minister Pawan Kalyan and Minister Lokesh made baseless allegations regarding the Tirupati Laddoo.

They hurt the sentiments of Hindus worldwide by claim-

ing that animal fat was mixed in the Laddoo prasad.

They attempted to blame Jagan Mohan Reddy, Y.V. Subba Reddy, and Bhumana Karunakar Reddy, who served in the previous government, in the Laddoo affair.

The truth came out in the CBI and SIT investigations; the NDDB and NDRI reports

confirmed that no animal fat was mixed in the Laddoo.

Today, it has been proven with evidence that the statements made by Chandrababu and Pawan Kalyan about animal fat and pig fat being mixed in the Laddoo are baseless.

It is completely unacceptable to display these same falsehoods in the form of flex banners and posters today.

It is wrong to put up flex banners and posters portraying Bhumana Karunakar Reddy and Y.V. Subba Reddy as culprits.

If we ask them to remove those flex banners, will they attack the houses of former ministers? Will they kill us for questioning the mistakes they are making?

When Ambati Rambabu's house was attacked for six hours, the police, who were

supposed to protect him, remained mere spectators.

Petrol bombs were thrown at former minister Jogi Ramesh's house. Have we ever seen such vengeful attacks in Andhra Pradesh before?

Our peaceful Andhra Pradesh is burning like a funeral pyre under the coalition government's rule, and is being devastated by this barbaric administration.

While thousands of people were attacking and abusing Ambati Rambabu, I misspoke in an unexpected situation, referring to Chandrababu. Even after I said I was retracting my statements, raiding my house and arresting me is shameful.

These attacks were carried out solely to create a diversion from the laddoo issue.

People believe this is a form of diversionary politics to

distract from the issue of handing over 5,000 crores worth of land to Gitam University.

The police should abandon their biased approach; supporting the ruling party leaders is not the right way in a democracy.

We request the District SP and police officers to register a case based on our complaints, investigate who put up those flex banners, who commissioned them, who provided financial assistance, and under whose instigation they were erected, and take action accordingly.

Chandrababu Naidu, Lokesh, and Pawan Kalyan, who caused distress to devotees by claiming that animal fat was mixed in the sacred Tirumala laddoo, must offer an unconditional apology. - A. Jaya prakash

Today's Horoscope

ARIES Pessimistic attitude should be avoided because it will not only minimise your chances but will also disturb the harmony of body as well. Investment needs to be made with a long-term perspective. Your harsh treatment to children would annoy them. You need to restrain yourself and remember that it would only create a barrier between you. Your romantic relationship will suffer today. You will make progress in your career if you deal with the right individuals. Due to some reason, you may leave early from the office. Your spouse might not show much interest in supporting you in the difficult situations today.

TAURUS Don't waste your energies in arguing something unnecessary. Remind yourself that you never gain anything from an argument but lose something. Dig deep beneath the surface to find out more about the investment scheme that seems to be attracting you. Consult your experts before making any commitment. Sudden good news towards the evening brings happiness and cheers for the entire family. Your day today will be immersed in the colors of love, but you can argue with your beloved over something old during the night. Your work may get suddenly checked thoroughly at the workplace.

GEMINI Chances of your recovering from physical illness are high which will enable you to participate in sports competition. You need to talk to your family members today regarding money investment and savings. Their advice will prove to be helpful in improving your financial situation. Children could disappoint as they fail to live upto your expectations. You need to encourage them to see your dream fulfilling. Your boyfriend or girlfriend may remain angry today because of their familial conditions. Try to calm them down by talking. People will recognize you at work for your endeavors.

CANCER Health will be perfect despite a hectic day. According to the household requirement, you can go out with your spouse to buy some valuable items, which can make your financial situation a bit tight. Organize an evening with friends as well as family members. Avoid raising controversial issues, if you happen to go on a date today. Don't take your seniors for granted. Those who live away from their home would prefer to spend their free time in a park or quiet place in the evening after completing their chores. Keep a piece of Bronze in empty vessels at home to make financial life better.

LEO Try to get out of your office early and do things that you really enjoy. Use your innovative idea to make some extra money. Have fun with friends and relatives. Try to control your speech as your harsh words can mar the peace and perturb the smooth pace of the ties with your sweetheart. If you were struggling at work since many days, it is going to be a really good day. You can spend time with an elder of the family today to understand the intricacies of life. Your spouse might affect your reputation a little bit adversely today.

VIRGO Take complete rest to regain your energy. Keep your anger under control and treat everyone in the office nicely. Deviating from this path can cost you your job, thereby directly deteriorating your financial situation. Family members will be supportive but highly demanding. You are likely to be dazzled by some natural beauty today. New assignments undertaken would fall short of expectations. Outstation travel will not be comfortable-but will help build important contacts. Today, you will fall in love with your spouse again.

LIBRA Some family members could irritate you by their envious behaviour. But no need to lose your temper otherwise situation could go out of control. Remember what can't be cured must be endured. You are very likely to attain financial benefits today, but you must perform charity and make donations, as it will acquire mental peace. Your thirst for knowledge will help you make new friends. Marriage proposal as your love life may turn into life long bond. You will be honored for some of your good deeds today at work. Choose your words with care when interacting with important people.

SCORPIO Your personality will act like a perfume today. A colleague of your office can steal one of your valuable items today. Hence, you need to remain careful and keep your items in check. Visiting relatives would be much better than you might imagine. Your dreams and reality will get mixed in the ecstasy of love today. Acknowledging your mistake on work will go in your favour. But you need to analysis how you can improve it. You should apologize to whom you have harmed. Remember everyone makes mistakes but only fools repeat them.

SAGITTARIUS Charity work undertaken today will bring mental peace and comfort. Today, you will be able to earn money without any help or assistance. Friends will offer you good advice regarding your personal life. Marriage proposal as your love life may turn into life long bond. Your hard work and dedication will speak for yourself and win you confidence and support. Choose your words with care when interacting with important people. If you were craving for the love of your spouse, the day will bless you. Chant Om 28 times with a calm and peaceful mind to gain family happiness.

CAPRICORN Take care of health and set things in order. Your money comes to your work only when you stop yourself from spending extravagantly, today you can understand this thing well. Give proper time to your family. Let them feel that you care for them. Spend your quality time with them. Don't give any chance to complain. Only by clearly understanding you can give emotional support to your wife. This is an excellent time for developing professional contacts in other countries. You can waste your free time today on surfing on mobile or watching TV.

AQUARIUS Don't waste your energies in arguing something unnecessary. Remind yourself that you never gain anything from an argument but lose something. Stick to your budget to avoid financial constraints. You need to be patient with children or those who are less experienced than you are. Love is always soulful, and you will experience this today. Despite overburdened with work, you can remain energetic at your workplace. Today, you can complete all your tasks before the given scheduled time. Travelling will not bring immediate results but will lay down good foundation for future benefits.

PISCES You can start your day with Yoga and Meditation. Doing this will be beneficial for you and you will maintain your energy levels throughout the day. You could find yourself in an exciting new situation-which will also bring you financial gains. Your stubborn nature could mar the peace of your parents. You need to give heed to their advice. Better to be obedient to save all from offending. You need to be in your best behaviour- because it won't take much to upset your lover today. Looks like your seniors at work are acting angelic today.



Urban Progress through the Development of Local Streets Development of Wanaparthy is possible only with Congress : MLA Tudi Megha Reddy

(Capital Information)
Wanaparthy : Wanaparthy MLA Thudi Megha Reddy stated that providing basic amenities in local streets is essential for the progress of towns, and that the development of Wanaparthy town is possible only with the Congress party. Therefore, he urged the people to elect the Congress party candidates.

On Monday, as part of the municipal elections, MLA Megha Reddy conducted door-to-door campaigning in wards 13 and 14 of the Wanaparthy municipality. He appealed to the people to show their support for development by electing the Congress party candidates. He criticized some individuals for misleading the public due to their ignorance of the difference between district reorganization and the abolition of districts.

Later, MLA Megha Reddy inaugurated the new Congress party office in Ward 13, established by councilor candidate Boddupalli Parushuram. Agricultural Market Chairman Srinivas Goud, former MPP Kichareddy, former Municipal Chairman Puttapakula Mahesh, Dr. Pagidala Srinivas, Congress party candidates Boddupalli Parushuram and putoju Sharada Brahmamchari, ward residents, and others participated in this campaign.

Development is possible only with the Congress party, people's trust is in the Congress : MLA Vemula Veeresham

(Capital Information)

Nakrekal : Amid the Chitaly Municipality elections, huge additions to the Congress party are continuing. Independent candidate Praney from Ward 06 joined the Congress party along with his followers and further increased the strength of the Congress party.



Attracted by the public welfare schemes and development pro-

grams implemented by the Congress party government, they

joined the Congress party today in the presence of Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham.

Speaking on the occasion, they made it clear that Congress is the only party that works for the people and that they will work tirelessly to ensure that the Congress party candidate wins the upcoming municipality elections.

Those who joined the Con-

gress party include Manoj, Ganesh, Swami, Bhanu, Harikrishna, Satti, Srikanth, Sai and Venkanna. MLA Vemula Veeresham, who warmly welcomed all of them into the party by covering them with Congress party scarves, expressed confidence that the Congress flag would definitely be hoisted in the Chitaly Municipality.

There should be coordination between departments to avoid any negligence or delay in the enumeration process : Collector B. Chandrasekhar

(Capital Information)

Nalgonda : District Collector B. Chandrasekhar has instructed the officials to complete the enumeration of all irrigation water bodies by February 7. A review meeting was held on the 7th Minor Irrigation Enumeration and the 2nd Water Resources Enumeration at the Collector's Office Conference Hall on Monday.

He told the concerned officials to complete the 7th Minor Irrigation Census, 2nd Water Resources Census and the 7th Major Irrigation Water Bodies census in the district without any pending work.

He said that the details of the ponds, ponds, check dams under minor irrigation, as well as the water sources, boreholes and wells under major irrigation should be examined at the field level and recorded accurately.



He clarified that there should be no negligence or delay in the census process and that the details of each water body should be recorded completely and the census should be completed by February 7, 2026.

The Collector said that through this census, the actual status of the water resources in the district will come to light and it will serve as a strong basis for undertaking irrigation plans and water conservation measures

in the future.

The Collector asked the concerned officials and census staff to act responsibly and make the census program a success. District Rural Development Officer Sekhar Reddy was present at the event.

Irrigation, Agriculture, Revenue, Panchayat Raj officials, Tahsildar AEOs, GPOs, Field Assistant Panchayat Raj, Secretary Technical Assistants and others participated.

Shadnagar ACP Lakshminarayana Oversees Urs Festival

ACP Lakshminarayana and Local SI Vijay Kumar Supervise Gurrampally Peer Urs at Gurrampally Village

(Special Correspondent)

Shadnagar : The Gurrampally Peer Urs festival is celebrated with great grandeur every year at Gurrampally village in Chowdergudem Mandal of Rangareddy district.

This year, the Urs festivities commenced on January

30, 2026, and on the third day of the fair, during the Kanduru ritual, devotees offered their vows to Gurrampally.

Thousands of devotees from various surrounding villages participated in the festival. On this occasion, Shadnagar ACP Lakshmi-

narayana personally supervised the Urs celebrations.

Speaking later, the ACP stated that in view of the large influx of devotees from nearby villages, strict security arrangements were made to ensure that no inconvenience was caused to the devotees.

He also appealed to the devotees to offer their prayers peacefully and maintain discipline so that the festival could be conducted in a serene atmosphere.

Chowdergudem SI Vijay Kumar and police personnel participated in the supervision and security arrangements during the event.



The Mayor/Chairman selection process must be conducted meticulously : State Election Commissioner Rani Kumudini

(Capital Information)

Mancherial : State Election Commissioner Rani Kumudini said that the process of selecting the Mayor/Chairman as part of the 2nd general municipal corporation/municipality elections should be conducted meticulously.

On Monday, she held a review meeting from Hyderabad with Municipal Administration Commissioner and Director Sri Devi and other election officials, along with all district collectors and additional collectors, regarding the Mayor/Chairman selection process as part of the municipal elections.

On this occasion, the State Election Commissioner said that nominations have been received for the 2nd general municipal corporation/municipality elections, and after objections and withdrawals, the list of contesting candidates will be prepared. She instructed that symbols should be allocated immediately and ballot papers should be ready for printing.



She stated that the elections will be held on the 11th, re-polling (if any) on the 12th, and the counting of votes will be conducted on the 13th. She further stated that the election commission rules must be strictly followed in the selection process of Mayors/Chairmen, and as part of this, training will be provided to the selected officers online under the supervision of the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration.

District Election Officer and Collector Kumar Deepak said that the election process is being conducted meticulously in Mancherial Municipal Corporation and 4 other municipalities in the district with the coordination of election officials. They stated that the process of selecting the Mayor/Chairman would be undertaken according to the rules after the municipal elections. Election department officials Jaswanth, Rajendra Prasad, Mahesh, and other concerned officials participated in this program.

ACCUSED GETS LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND FINE OF RS 25000 IN CASE OF MURDER : SP D. V. SRINIVASA RAO

(Capital Information)

Medak : The district court sentenced the accused in the murder case to life imprisonment District SP D.V. Srinivasa Rao said. Speaking on this occasion, the SP disclosed the details related to this case which was registered in April-2021 at Veldurthi Police Station Medak District. Nanawat Kishan went to the farm with his wife.

A little later Nanawat Narsimha, the son of Kishan's younger brother Ramesh, came there with the intention of murdering Kishan, suspecting that Kishan had bewitched his sister and her ill health. Narsimha reached there and asked Kishan's wife Matvali to go home.

On her way home, Nanawat Narsimha stabbed Kishan several times in the stomach with a knife he had brought with him. Hearing Kishan's screams, accused Narsimha fled away with the knife before his wife and those who were near the farm reached the spot.

Kishan was seriously injured and was rushed to the hospital where he died. Veldurthi SI Mahender registered a case on this incident. While the then investigating officer Toopran CI Swamy collected all the evidence, the present investigating officer Toopran CI Ranga Krishna produced the witnesses in the court.

District Judge Ms. Neelima, who examined the complete evidence, sentenced the accused to life imprisonment and fined Rs. 25,000, said the District SP Venkatesh, the public prosecutor in this case, ably presented his arguments. Liasoning Officer Vithal, Constable Ravinder Goud, Veldurthi CDO Praveen cooperated.

(Capital Information)

Nellore : The inter-district youth conference program organized by Mera Yuva Bharat-Nellore on the campus of Vikrama Simhapuri University in Nellore was held with great success for five days. The program continued successfully from January 29 to February 2 with the enthusiastic participation of youth from various districts.

Speaking on the last day of the program, Dr. Uday Shankar Allam said that youth is the future of the country and there is a need to develop leadership qualities, service attitude and responsibility towards the society among today's youth. He said that unity, cultural awareness and national feeling are strengthened among

the youth through youth conferences.

Later, NSS Program Officer Venkata Subbareddy said that the youth should develop their thinking in accordance with the changing society, increase awareness on social issues and move forward with a sense of service.

The closing ceremony held in the afternoon was attended by Vikrama Simha-



improve their future.

Later, Registrar Sunitha said that the youth should express their thoughts clearly and develop creativity and move forward in a way that is useful to the society. He said that only the youth with discipline and values will lead the country forward.

Later, District Youth Officer Akula Mahendra Reddy said that various awareness programs, cultural programs, and sports competitions were organized for the youth during these five days, through which the youth learned many new things and grew up with a holistic personality. The participating youth and the organizers expressed their joy at the successful conclusion of this program.

- A. Jaya Prakash



Officials' directions on distribution of voter slips in Nandikonda, Municipality speeds up election preparations

(Capital Information)

Nandikonda : A special meeting was held in Nandikonda Municipality on Monday on the process of distribution of voter slips. In this meeting, Assistant District Election Authority member Nandikonda Municipal Commissioner A Ashokpa Reddy participated and all both level officers were given clear guidelines and instructions on how to distribute voter slips to the voters.

The Commissioner ordered that precautions be taken to ensure that voter slips are delivered to every eligible voter on time and properly. He stated on this occasion that transparency and responsible management are of utmost importance in the election process. All BLOs, ward officers and master trainers of Nandikonda Municipality participated in this meeting and observed the instructions of the meeting.



14th Ward residents giving a grand welcome to Congress candidate Putoju Sharada Brahma chary

(Capital Information)

Wanaparthy : In Wanaparthy town, on the occasion of the municipal elections, Wanaparthy MLA Megareddy conducted an election campaign during his morning walk in the 14th ward. On this occasion, the local people gave the MLA a grand welcome, applying tilak, offering auspicious greetings, playing drums, and showering him with flowers.

The MLA conducted door-to-door campaigning, appealing to the people to vote for the Congress party candidate Putoju Sharada Brahmachari, casting their vote for the hand symbol, and ensuring the victory of the Congress party candidates with a massive majority.

He stated that after the Indira Amma regime came to power in Telangana state, Wanaparthy town has developed significantly, and the government is standing as a strong support for the poor by implementing numerous welfare schemes such as Indira Amma houses, ration cards, free electricity, interest-free loans for women's self-help groups, and job creation for the unemployed.

Notices must be issued for the selection of Ex-officio members in municipalities L State Election Commissioner Rani Kumudini

(Capital Information)

Wanaparthy : Following the municipal election results, State Election Commissioner Rani Kumudini instructed that notices be issued for the selection of ex-officio members in municipalities for the indirect election of the Municipal Chairman and Vice-Chairman, and that options be obtained from them.

On Monday, she held a video conference with district collectors and additional collectors regarding the election of the Municipal Chairman and Vice-Chairman and provided guidance.

She stated that during the indirect election of the Municipal Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Members of Parliament, Members of the Legislative Assembly, MLCs, and Rajya Sabha members, in their ex-officio capacity, must choose one municipality and provide their option.

She further stated that according to Sections 5 and 20, any public representatives or MLCs must have given their option to represent a municipality within 30 days of their election.

If they have not given their option so far,



they must provide it to the concerned Municipal Commissioner within 30 days of the municipal elections, as per the rules. It was suggested that notices be issued between February 11th and 14th to obtain options from the public representatives for this purpose.

Speaking in the video conference, District Collector Adarsh Surabhi stated that notices would be issued to the public representatives of Wanaparthy district between February 11th and 14th, as per the rules, to obtain their options.

Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Yadhiah, DRDO Project Director Umadevi, CPO Harikrishna, Municipal Commissioners, and others participated in the meeting.



Ghosts of the Himalayas Emerge : Rare Snow Leopard Trio Spotted in Ladakh

(Capital Information)

New Delhi/Hyderabad : In a rare and heartening sight, the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) has shared a video capturing three elusive snow leopards moving gracefully across the snow-clad High Himalayas in Ladakh. The footage was recorded by BRO's Project Himank unit and posted on social media, drawing wide attention.

Calling the moment a powerful reminder that development and conservation can coexist, the BRO said the sighting highlights harmony between strategic infrastructure work and nature protection in fragile mountain regions.

Wildlife experts note that sightings of multiple snow leopards together are extremely rare and often indicate a healthy ecosystem, improved prey base, and minimal human disturbance. Known as the "Ghost of the Mountains," snow leopards are endangered and notoriously difficult to spot due to their camouflage and remote habitat.

Ladakh remains one of India's most important strongholds for snow leopard conservation. The video has reinforced the need to balance infrastructure development with ecological sensitivity, especially in the High Himalayas, where biodiversity and national connectivity must progress hand in hand.

ADD MEDAK DISTRICT TO CHARMINAR ZONE

Alladurg Assembly Sadhana Committee President Brahmam

(Capital Information)

Medak : MPDO Veda Prakash Reddy along with the leaders of several villages handed over a petition to MPDO Veda Prakash Reddy under the chairmanship of Alladurg Assembly Sadhana Committee President Brahm during a Prajavani on Monday seeking to merge Medak district into Charminar zone.

Speaking on this occasion, he expressed his regret that the previous government had unfairly merged Medak district into Rajanna Sirisilla district, which was located in a remote area during the re-distribution of districts. Due to this, great injustice has been done to the employees and the unemployed.

He said that Alladurg the center of the subdivision, will become an assembly constituency in the coming days, and if Charminar, which is acceptable to all, is included zone. Justice will be done for the unemployed and employees. In the matter of employment and transfers, Rajanna Sirisilla zone and requested the government to merge Medak district into Charminar zone immediately.

As part of the election promise, Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has promised that Medak district will be included in Charminar zone if the Congress government comes to power in the campaign meeting held at Medak district center.

Leaders Gopal, Ganapathi, Bhumes, Santhosh, Shivakumar and people of the respective villages participated in this program.

Congress Leaders Attend First Birthday Celebrations of Aryan Kumar in Torru



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : Senior leaders of the Mulugu District Congress Committee participated in the first birthday celebrations of Aryan Kumar and extended their blessings to the child at a function held in Torru mandal headquarters on Sunday. The programme was organised as per the directions of State Minister Smt. Danasari Anasuya Seethakka and under the guidance of District Congress Committee President Paidakula Ashok. Aryan Kumar is the son of Mani Harish, daughter of Gandrat Jayakar, Official Spokesperson of the District Congress BC Cell. On the occasion, Congress leaders conveyed their best wishes to the child and the family, and expressed hopes for his healthy and prosperous future. Leaders present at the event included Mulugu Mandal Congress President MD Chand Pasha, former MPTC Mavurapu Tirupati Reddy, Lakshmidivipet village Sarpanch Bommakanti Vamsavathi Ramesh, and Congress leaders Sudhakar Reddy, Sai Reddy, Prabhu, Madhu, Anil, Rajender, among others.

Mulugu Lions Club Bags 12 Awards at Regional Meet



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : The Mulugu Lions Club brought laurels to the district by winning a total of 12 awards at the Lions International District 320F Second Regional Conference, which was held in a grand manner at Nitya Banquet Hall on Sunday. The regional meet was conducted under the chairpersonship of Region Chairperson Lion Dr. M. Padmaja Devi, who served as the Presiding Officer for the programme. Madhya Pradesh Principal Secretary Parikipandla Narahari attended the event as the Chief Guest, while District 320F Governor Dr. Chandrasekhar Arya formally inaugurated the conference. The programme witnessed the participation of presidents, secretaries, treasurers and members from 10 Lions Clubs across three zones. As part of the meet, clubs presented their service activities through colourful banner presentations, highlighting their contributions to society. At the regional meet, Lion Donthireddy Srinivas Reddy of the Mulugu Lions Club was honoured as Best President, Lion Chunchu Ramesh received the Best Secretary award, and Lion Adepu Raju was awarded Best Treasurer. In total, the Mulugu Lions Club received 12 awards, including nine awards for its outstanding service activities. The awards received by the club included First Best Membership Growth, Best Calendar of Events, Best Childhood Cancer Service, Best Awareness Programme, Best Need-Based Activity, Best Environment Service, First Best Scrap Book, Best Photo Exhibition, and First Reached Award. The awards were presented by the chief guests and senior Lions officials. Speaking on the occasion, Mulugu Lions Club President Donthireddy Srinivas Reddy said that the recognition was the result of the collective efforts and cooperation of all club members. He assured that the club would continue to carry out service activities with greater responsibility and commitment in the future. Members of the Mulugu Lions Club and other Lions representatives were present at the event.

DNR Trust Distributes Free SSC Study Material, Aims for 100% Quality Results

(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : With the objective of achieving 100 per cent qualitative results in the SSC examinations, the DNR Trust has been working relentlessly to strengthen academic standards in government schools across Mulugu district. As part of this initiative, the Trust distributed its specially designed "DNR Vijayapatham - SSC Study Material" free of cost to students at the Zilla Parishad High School, Abbarapuram village, on Sunday. The programme was held under the chairmanship of Headmaster S. Hanuman. Addressing the gathering, DNR Trust Founder Dodda Pratap Reddy, the chief guest, said that students are the future of the nation and shaping their destiny is a collective responsibility. He stated that, with the belief that education is the greatest form of service, the Trust has been continuously working for the past 17 years to promote quality education in Mulugu district. He explained that the study material was prepared under the coordination of National Awardee Teacher Dr. Kandala Ramaiah, with contributions from experienced subject experts and senior teachers from across the State. The material has been designed to help SSC students not only secure 100 per cent pass results but also achieve high scores. Covering all subjects including Telugu, Hindi, English, Mathematics, Physical Science, Biological Science and Social Studies, the material follows the public examination pattern and is structured to support self-learning, he



added. The Headmaster and teachers were urged to effectively integrate the study material with the special action plans being implemented by the District Education Department, with the goal of placing Mulugu district among the top performers in SSC results at the State level. It was also suggested that the material be preserved in the school library as reference material for future batches. Speaking on the occasion, Village Sarpanch Tappetta Rajender and Deputy Sarpanch Anna Tirupati lauded the services of the DNR Trust and described them as exemplary. They said the Trust's efforts would serve as inspiration and assured that steps would be taken to strengthen the 'Maa Badi' programme by conducting door-to-door campaigns to improve school enrolment and infrastructure. Teachers Dr. Kandala Ramaiah, Prabhavathi, Surrender, Seelamani, Soujanya, Madhavi, and others were present at the programme.

Fishermen Associations Participate in Jampanna Vagu Rituals During Medaram Jatara

(Capital Information)

Medaram (Mulugu) February 02 : As part of the world-famous Medaram Sammakka-Saralamma Maha Jatara, members of 38 fishermen associations participated in the traditional rituals at Jampanna Vagu under the leadership of Adivasi District Fisheries Association President Siddaboyina Surrender. The participation reflected the deep cultural and spiritual connection of the fishing community with the Medaram Jatara and its age-old tribal traditions. Members of various associations took part in the rituals with devotion, contributing to the successful conduct of the ceremonial proceedings at Jampanna Vagu, one of the most sacred locations associated with the Jatara. The programme was conducted with coordination and support from officials and association leaders, including Mulugu District Fisheries Officer Salman Raj, Field Officer Ramesh, District General Secretary Alam Bhaskar, District Publicity Secretary Vajra (Vajja) Narendra, and District Member Komaram Chandrayya. Association leaders stated that the active participation of fishermen communities



from across the district strengthened the collective spirit of the Jatara and upheld traditional practices passed down through generations. They expressed satisfaction over the smooth conduct of the rituals and thanked officials and volunteers for their cooperation. The organisers said such collective participation not only preserves tribal customs but also reinforces unity among various occupational and community groups during the Medaram Maha Jatara.

Congress Leaders Console Bereaved Families, Extend Financial Assistance at Kasindevipet

(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : Congress party leaders visited Kasindevipet village in Mulugu mandal on Monday and extended financial assistance to families who recently lost their loved ones, as part of the party's humanitarian outreach programme. Acting on the directions of State Minister Smt. Seethakka and as per the guidance of District Congress Committee President Paidakula Ashok, party leaders expressed their condolences and assured continued support to the bereaved families. In the first instance, the family of Chandragiri Rajakka, a resident of Kasindevipet village who recently passed away due to ill



health, was consoled at her residence. Congress leaders provided ₹4,500 as financial assistance to the family. Similarly, the leaders visited Ramnagar Thanda, where Poojitha, daughter of Nunawat Rajender, succumbed to illness. The family was extended ₹6,500 as financial assistance. On the occa-

sion, the leaders conveyed deep condolences and reassured the families that Minister Seethakka and District Congress President Paidakula Ashok would always stand by them in times of need. Those present included Mulugu Mandal Congress President MD Chand Pasha, PACS Vice-Chairman

Marri Raju Yadav, District Youth Congress Secretary Devarneni Nepal Rao, Village Committee President Ennindla Pradeep, along with Sampath Rao, Venkatesh, Chandramouli, Raju, Poornachander, Battu Ramulu, Rajinikanth, Prem, Prashanth, Subbaiah, and other village leaders.

Attempts to Tarnish Sammakka - Sarakka Jatara Will Not Be Tolerated - Minister Seethakka



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : State Minister Danasari Anasuya Seethakka on Sunday strongly condemned what she described as deliberate attempts by certain political parties, sections of the media and a few self-styled seers to tarnish the reputation of the world-famous Sammakka-Sarakka Medaram Maha Jatara. Addressing a media conference at Mulugu district headquarters, the Minister said false narratives were being spread with vested interests to undermine the sanctity and global stature of the tribal festival. She stated that the government and district administration had worked round the clock for an entire week to ensure the smooth conduct of the Jatara, enabling crores of devotees to have a peaceful and safe darshan. The Minister expressed gratitude to the local media fraternity, district officials, police personnel and sanitation workers for their cooperation in making the Jatara a success. Referring to allegations surrounding temple construction, Seethakka said that misleading propaganda claiming the works were against Adivasi traditions had been circulated from the very beginning. She clarified that every modification at the shrine was carried out only with the consent of the priests and with approval from the Endowments Commissioner. Despite this, attempts were being made to politicise even the sacred Sammakka gaddelu, which she termed unfortunate. Clarifying traffic-related complaints, the Minister said a brief congestion occurred on Friday evening due to the arrival of a large number of VIP vehicles, and not due to a shortage of buses. Compared to previous Jataras, traffic issues were significantly reduced this time, she asserted, adding that problems arose mainly when some VIPs arrived with hundreds of followers and multiple vehicles. She strongly objected to attempts to portray small-scale businesses operating on private lands as illegal rackets, calling it a conspiracy. However, she made it clear that the government would take full responsibility and strict action if any illegal activities were found on government lands. The Minister also dismissed as completely baseless the claims circulated on YouTube channels and television networks alleging accidents and loss of lives during the Jatara. Seethakka observed that the large turnout of not only the masses but also middle-class and affluent devotees had not gone down well with certain sections, leading to the creation of a negative narrative. While political criticism is acceptable, she warned that disrespecting deities and denigrating the Jatara would not be tolerated. She informed that around 13,000 police personnel were deployed and the district administration rendered services for nearly 40 days. Facilities such as drinking water tanks, refreshment centres, toilets, sheds, and special rooms for women and children were arranged for devotees. Acknowledging minor shortcomings, she said steps would be taken to address them in future editions. Emphasising the spiritual significance of the festival, the Minister said Sammakka and Sarakka are nature deities revered by people of all castes and religions, and appealed to those spreading misinformation to immediately desist from such acts. Protecting the faith and sentiments of devotees remains the government's foremost responsibility, she asserted.

Bommakanti Saritha Ramesh Varma Seeks Support as Mulugu 9th Ward Councillor Candidate



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : Bommakanti Saritha Ramesh Varma, who is contesting as the Municipal Councillor candidate from Mulugu 9th Ward, has appealed to the voters to extend their support and blessings, assuring that he would transform the ward into a model constituency in the district if elected. Addressing residents during election outreach, Saritha Ramesh Varma outlined a clear development agenda for the ward. Key promises include the construction of side drains (drainage system) across the ward, repair and improvement of roads in Krishna Colony, and the construction of an archway to give Krishna Colony a distinct identity, he said. Emphasising accessibility and responsiveness, the candidate stated that he would remain available to the public at all times and ensure that issues raised by residents are addressed promptly. "Public service is not a responsibility limited to elections but a lifelong commitment," he remarked. Highlighting his track record, local residents and supporters described Saritha Ramesh Varma as a leader who has consistently stood by people during times of need, extended help to the underprivileged, and resolved numerous civic issues irrespective of party affiliation, caste, religion or region. He reiterated that his political journey is rooted among the people, stating that both victory and defeat are meaningful only when one remains connected to the public. He stressed that development benefits should reach every section of society and called for the establishment of a welfare-oriented local governance system. Known for his cordial approach and humane conduct, Saritha Ramesh Varma said his priority would be to promote inclusive development while maintaining constant dialogue with residents. Supporters expressed confidence that his leadership would provide the ward with stability, assurance and progressive growth.

DNR Trust's Efforts Key to Achieving 100% Quality Results in Class X - DEO.. Siddharth Reddy

(Capital Information)

Mulugu, February 02 : District Education Officer A. Siddharth Reddy on Sunday lauded the DNR Trust for its sustained contribution towards strengthening government school education and achieving 100 per cent quality results in Class X across Mulugu district. He was speaking as the Chief Guest at the free distribution programme of "DNR Vijayapatham - SSC Study Material", organised under the aegis of the DNR Trust at the Zilla Parishad Boys High School, Mulugu town. Addressing the gathering, the DEO said that the DNR Trust has been actively supporting various educational initiatives in the district since 2009, by encouraging meritorious students and implementing innovative programmes aimed

at improving academic standards in government schools. He particularly appreciated the Trust for identifying the academic needs of English-medium students in government schools located in the remote and backward areas of Mulugu district and for preparing comprehensive study material through State-level subject experts and resource persons. He explained that the material, prepared chapter-wise in line with the SSC public examination pattern, covers all subjects including Telugu, Hindi, English, Mathematics, Physical Science, Biological Science and Social Studies. He appealed to teachers, headmasters and students to effectively utilise the material in coordination with the special action plan being implemented by the

District Education Department, with the objective of placing Mulugu district among the top-performing districts in the State, achieving 100 per cent pass results along with qualitative high scores. Speaking on the occasion, DNR Trust Chairman Dodda Pratap Reddy said that, guided by the slogan "Students are the future of the nation, and shaping their destiny is our primary responsibility," the Trust has been working continuously for the past 17 years for the promotion of quality education in Mulugu district. Emphasising that education is the greatest form of charity, he said the study material was prepared under the coordination of National Best Teacher Dr. Kandala Ramaiah, with contributions from experienced teachers and subject ex-



perts from across the State, to enable Class X students to achieve 100 per cent pass results and excellent academic performance. He also suggested that the material be preserved in school libraries as reference material for the benefit of future students. The programme was attended by DCEB Secretary

Suryanarayana, Controller of Examinations Vinod Kumar, Samagra Shiksha Coordinators Raju, Shyamsundar, Sambaiah and Srinivas Reddy, Headmasters Ramesh and Pushpa, DCEB Assistant Secretary Vikram, Social Resource Person Nageshwar Rao, teachers and students.

Clarity On Vijay And Rashmika Marriage Date !

Rumours about the wedding of Tollywood stars Vijay Deverakonda and Rashmika Mandanna are once again creating buzz on social media today as a video claiming their wedding venue went viral. For a long time, fans have been curious about when and where the popular on-screen pair will get married.



According to the latest media reports, Vijay and Rashmika are expected to tie the knot on February 26. The wedding is said to take place at a famous palace in Udaipur, Rajasthan, making it a destination wedding. Sources suggest that the ceremony will be very private, with only close family members and a few relatives in attendance. A small number of close friends from the film industry may also be present.

It is also reported that the couple has decided not to allow media coverage at the wedding venue. They want the ceremony to be a peaceful and personal family event. However, after the wedding, a grand reception is likely to be hosted in Hyderabad, where many celebrities from the film industry are expected to attend.

Despite her busy shooting schedule, Rashmika is said to be actively involved in the

wedding preparations. Reports claim that she has visited Udaipur multiple times in recent months to check arrangements personally. At the same time, both Vijay and Rashmika are busy working on their upcoming period drama Rana Baali. They are expected to take a short break from filming to participate in pre-wedding rituals and celebrations.

Vijay and Rashmika first worked together in hit films like Geetha Govindam and Dear Comrade, after which rumours about their relationship began. Though they were seen together during vacations and events, neither of them confirmed their relationship publicly.

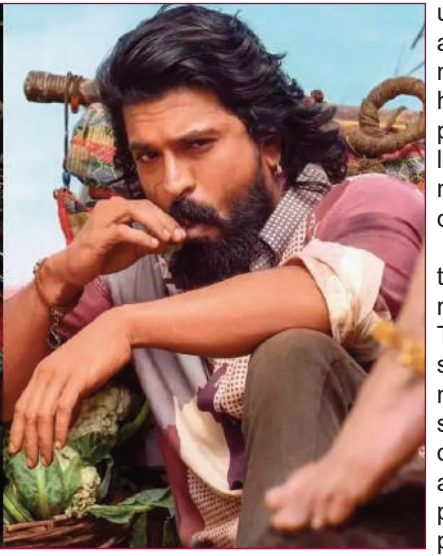
Even their engagement reportedly happened quietly without any official announcement.

March Madness: Why Is Tollywood Delaying?

Generally, the summer season is regarded as one of the finest passages for Telugu cinema and we see astonishing number of films arriving at the ticket counters during this period.

And now we have a lot of confusion happening surrounding the upcoming summer season releases as multiple films that are officially announced at banking down while new films are joining the race.

There is growing confusion in the film trade about the release plans of Peddi and The Paradise. It is now widely understood among distributors that both films will not be releasing in March as earlier expected. Despite



this clarity at the distribution level, the makers have still not made an official announcement, which is raising questions within the industry. This silence is beginning to affect other projects as well. The team behind UBS has not announced its re-

lease date yet, mainly because they are waiting for clarity on Peddi. Since the same production house has a minor financial stake in Peddi, the delay in communication is indirectly holding up decisions for UBS too.

From the outside, this sit-

uation looks avoidable. A clear statement could have helped distributors plan better and allowed other films to move forward with confidence.

At the same time, there may be internal reasons for the delay. The producers could still be discussing a new release window, sorting out post production timelines, or aligning with multiple partners before going public.

While these reasons may be valid, the lack of official communication is creating unnecessary uncertainty. An announcement is expected sooner or later, but until then, the delay continues to affect planning across the board.



Sunny Deol's Border 2 Hits Rs. 300 Crores Nett Mark!

The Hindi period war drama Border 2, a sequel to the three-decade-old super hit Border, has achieved another significant box office milestone on its 10th day. Sunny Deol plays the main lead in this Anurag Singh-directed film.

The movie zoomed past the Rs. 300 crore nett mark in India by collecting a solid Rs. 24.22 crore on its second Sunday. The total nett now stands at Rs. 301.89 crore, and the real test will begin today. Collections are expected to decline, and how much more it will add to the total remains to be seen.

Border 3 has already been announced and is currently in the works. Varun Dhawan, Diljit Dosanjh, Ahan Shetty, Mona Singh, Sonam Bajwa, and others are part of the key cast in this biggie, which is produced by T-Series Films and JP Films.

Twist in Jana Nayagan Release: Trimmed for Theaters, Uncut for OTT?

Jana Nayagan marks the last movie of Thalapaty Vijay, but it has been stuck in a legal web for the past three weeks. Fans are eagerly waiting for its release, but the makers have not yet provided any clarity.

Now, an interesting buzz about the Jana Nayagan release is doing the rounds on social media. Speculation suggests that the makers have agreed to remove around 20 minutes of footage that includes objectionable dialogues and scenes. If this turns out to be true, the movie may release this month.

On the other hand, rumors are also widely



circulating on the same platforms that the film, without any cuts, will be released on Amazon Prime Video, which would be good news for fans.

There is no solid evidence to support these claims, but if they happen, fans will be happy to watch the movie in theaters and

the uncut version on OTT.

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

Allu Arjun Congratulates Ram Charan and Upasana on Twins' Arrival

Mega hero Ram Charan and Upasana have become parents for the second time. They welcomed twins, a boy and a girl, on January 31, 2026, and the magnificent moment is being celebrated by the family and their fans.

Many congratulated the new parents, and netizens were waiting for Allu Arjun's wishes, which came today. The Pushpa star took to X and posted, "Congratulations to Ram Charan and Upasana Konidela on being wonderful parents once again. Immense joy and celebration all around. The pride and happiness are radiating on Chiranjeevi garu's face and Chittika's as well."

"So happy to see them and the entire family's smiling faces. The little ones have brought so much delight to the world with their arrival. Double the love, double the joy, for a beautiful new beginning," said Allu Arjun. The young parents are yet to comment. The Mega wish made mutual fans happy.

On the work front, Ram Charan is working on Peddi, while Allu Arjun is working on Atlee's project. Keep watching this space for more details.



PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO SPEEDY RESOLUTION OF PRAJAVANI PROBLEMS : COLLECTOR PRAVINYA

(Capital Information)

Sangareddy : The District Collector advised the expert officials that the authorities should take special initiative to resolve the complaints received in public. District Collector Pravinya along with Additional Collectors Madhuri and Pandu received pleas from people from all over the district on various issues at the Prajavani program held on Monday at the Collectorate Grievance Hall.

On this occasion, the petitioners have filed land issues, support pensions, Indiramma houses, Panchayat Raj among other issues. Complaints related to engineering, electricity, agriculture, education, medical health, excise, DWO, DCSO, animal husbandry and departments were handed over to the collector.

The concerned departments of the Collector should look into the respective requests and resolve them as soon as possible. Officers were ordered. She said that 16 applications have been received in Prajavani.

Additional Collectors Madhuri, Pandu, District Officers of various departments, Revenue Divisional Officers, Collectorate AO and public participated in this program.



Collector responds positively and will resolve issues soon

(Capital Information)

Nalgonda : On behalf of the Telangana Area Teachers Association, District Collector Chandrasekhar met with District President Bathini Bhaskar Goud and General Secretary Renikuntla Rajasekhar to discuss SEEPC survey funds, exemptions for those eligible for elections, and local holidays.

The TPUS Association, led by District President Bhattini Bhaskar Goud and General Secretary Renikuntla Rajasekhar, represented the matter. The Collector responded positively and said that the issues would be resolved soon, and that the District Education Officer would provide appropriate instructions regarding local holidays.

TTD JEO (Health & Education) Dr. A. Sharath Inspects BIRRD Hospital; Expresses Satisfaction Over Quality of Medical Care

(Capital Information)

Tirupati : TTD JEO (Health and Education) Dr. A. Sharath expressed satisfaction over the medical services being provided at the TTD BIRRD Hospital, noting that patients are happy with the care they receive. Accompanied by BIRRD Director Dr. G. Jagadeesh, the JEO inspected various departments of the hospital on Monday.

During his visit, the JEO (Health and Education) emphasized the need to provide medical services that elevate BIRRD Hospital to a national level. He instructed the doctors to take necessary steps to reduce the waiting time for surgeries. Currently, the hospital handles 10,000 outpatients and 7,000 surgeries per month. He urged the administration to further in-



crease these numbers by enhancing infrastructure, recruiting more staff, and ensuring a steady supply of medicines and equipment.

Infrastructure and quality focus : Dr. A. Sharath suggested that the hospital should select high-quality equipment for knee replacements and other major surgeries. He also directed the

officials to arrange for the necessary materials and skilled personnel required for the manufacturing of artificial limbs. He highlighted that many farmers and underprivileged individuals from rural areas visit BIRRD, and it is the hospital's duty to provide them with superior medical care.

Patient welfare and feedback : The JEO in-

structed the medical team to prioritize immediate surgeries for specially-abled children and to maintain a special focus on joint replacement procedures. During the inspection, he visited the emergency, general, and outpatient wards to review the facilities. He interacted directly with the patients and their attendants regarding the

quality of treatment and the 'Annaprasadam' (food) services. The patients expressed their satisfaction with the facilities provided by TTD.

BIRRD Medical Superintendent Dr. Venkata Reddy, SEs Venkateswarlu, Manoharam, Narasimha Murthy, along with other doctors and staff, were present during the inspection.

Sports Improve Discipline and Physical & Mental Well-Being : MLC Nagarakunta Naveen Reddy

Kesampet Mandal Level Cricket Tournament Inaugurated MLC Naveen Reddy Launched the Tournament at Kondareddyally

(Special Correspondent) Shadnagar : MLC of the erstwhile Palamuru district, Nagarakunta Naveen Reddy, stated that sports help improve physical health, mental well-being, and overall fitness. He emphasized that sportspersons should play with discipline and aim to excel from the mandal level to the state and national levels.

MLC Naveen Reddy attended as the chief guest and inaugurated the Mandal Level Cricket Tournament (Season-1) organized in Kesampet Mandal.

On this occasion, he extended his best wishes

to the mandal-level players and encouraged them to achieve greater heights in sports.

The program was at-



tended by Kondareddyally Sarpanch Palle Anand, former Sarpanch and senior BRS leader Shekhar Panthulu, Tandra Vishnu Vardhan Reddy, Lingam Dhana Sarpanch Nagilla Venkatesh, Pommalpally Sarpanch Swapna Bhupal Reddy, Thurpugadda Thanda Sarpanch Tukaram, Lemamamidi Sarpanch Sulochana Srinivas, former Sarpanch Jangaiah, Anjaneyulu, former MPTCs Ramchander and Yadaiah, Deputy Sarpanchs, Sarpanchs, BRS leaders Ram Reddy, Sudarshan, Tandra Narendra Reddy, Manmadha Reddy, Sajid, Nagaraj, along with players and others.

Grand Valima Reception of Zaara Samreen and S. M. Ashraf Hussain Held in Bengaluru

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : The valima dinner reception was organised under the auspicious presence of Mrs. and Mr. Saleem Mohiuddin, father of the bride and Sub-Registrar, Bengaluru, on the occasion of the wedding of Zaara Samreen with S. M. Ashraf Hussain.

The bride and groom warmly welcomed the guests and graciously received numerous gifts from prominent politicians, film personalities from Tollywood and Kollywood, and well-wishers who arrived from various cities across India.

Guests were treated to a lavish spread of delectable traditional and contemporary dishes, which were highly appreciated. The evening was further enlivened with music and traditional performances, creating a joyful and memorable atmosphere for all in attendance.

The grand reception was held on Sunday, 1st February 2026, at the Tennis Pavilion, Palace Grounds, Bengaluru.

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