



BJP SEEKS ACTION OVER AIMIM WALKOUT DURING VANDE MATARAM

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad, Khammam Bureau : The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has demanded strict action against AIMIM MLAs for allegedly walking out of the Telangana Leg-

islative Assembly while the national song 'Vande Mataram' was being sung. Describing the incident as an insult to national sentiment and constitutional values, BJP Telangana State President Ramchander Rao, State Treasurer Devaki Vasudeva Rao, along



with other party leaders, met the Governor and submitted a formal complaint seeking intervention. Speaking after the representation, BJP leaders said that 'Vande Mataram' is not just a

alleged that such actions hurt public sentiment and diminish the dignity of the House. The BJP further said that the matter cannot be treated as a routine political issue, as it concerns the honour of the nation. The party urged the authorities to take immediate and appropriate action against the legislators involved and maintained that such incidents should not be allowed to recur in a constitutional institution like the Assembly. BJP leaders also questioned the silence of those present in the

House during the episode. Among those who participated were BJP Telangana State President Ramchander Rao, State Treasurer Devaki Vasudeva Rao, BJP State Office-Bearers, and senior party leaders.

Vontimitta annual fete commences with virtuous "Haridhra Ghatanam"

(Capital Information)
Vontimitta/Tirumala : The annual brahmotsavams at the famous ancient shrine of Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy in Vontimitta of Kadapa district, commenced with the ceremonious "Haridhra Ghatanam" on Wednesday

TTD officials participated in the sacred pounding activity of turmeric roots. Significance : The freshly prepared turmeric is used during the Snananam (sacred bath) and to prepare Talambralu (sacred rice) for the wedding ceremony of Sri Sita Rama.

This fete marked the inaugural ritual of the annual Brahmotsavams and celestial marriage festivities of the divinities. A large gathering of Women devotees, Srivari Sevaks, and

Process: The turmeric roots, along with the pounding stone and tools, are sanctified inside the Garbhshalayam (sanctum sanctorum) before the ritual and "Aradhana" was performed. This



was followed by "Mahalakshmi Aradhana". After rendering "Sri Suktam" Haridhra Ghatanam was performed. After "Samarpana" of the pounded turmeric, "Tamboolam" was presented marking the successful completion of the event. DyEO Prasanthi, DE Electrical Saraswati, PRO FAC Neelima, Superintendent Hanumanthaiah, temple inspector Naveen, temple priests, Vigilance and Police staff and others were also present.

Nakrekal MLA Meets Assembly Speaker After Appointment as Government Whip

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Following his appointment as Government Whip, Nakrekal MLA Vemula Veeresham paid a courtesy visit to Assembly Speaker Gadadam Prasad Kumar Miryalaguda MLA Bathula Laxma Reddy also participated in the meeting.



Jeevan Reddy Resigns from Congress Emotional Scenes in Jagtial

(Capital Information)
Jagtial : Senior Congress leader and former minister T. Jeevan Reddy announced his resignation from the Congress party, bringing an end to his four-decade-long political association. The development triggered emotional scenes in Jagtial, with supporters and party workers expressing solidarity with the veteran leader. Amid slogans raised by followers and local leaders, Jeevan Reddy, wearing the Congress scarf, walked from Indira Bhavan to the Jambi Hanuman temple, where he offered prayers. He later proceeded to Bandari Garden, where he formally declared his decision to quit the party. Speaking on the occasion, Jeevan Reddy said he was compelled to take the step due to humiliation and mental distress experienced in recent times. He recalled that he had joined the Congress in 1984 and had wit-



nessed both victories and defeats, but was deeply hurt by what he described as the failure to safeguard the rights and dignity of grassroots party workers. He criticised the party leadership over issues such as internal organisational matters, appointments in local bodies, and inadequate response to attacks on party workers. "Positions are not important... self-respect is paramount," he said, adding that he would continue to fight for the

rights of the people. Several mandal-level leaders, Youth Congress functionaries, women leaders, sarpanches, councillors, and a large number of activists also announced their resignations from party posts and primary membership. Supporters declared that they would stand firmly with Jeevan Reddy. Political observers believe that this development could mark a significant turning point in Jagtial's political landscape.

HYDRA Commissioner Inspects Encroachments Following Prajavani Complaints

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Following several grievances raised during the 'Pravajani' program, HYDRA Commissioner AV Ranganath conducted extensive field inspections across Sangareddy district on Wednesday. The Commissioner focused on allegations of land grabbing, layout tampering, and the illegal blockage of water channels in Patancheru and Aminpur mandals. In Patancheru's Patighanapur village, the Commissioner inspected the Anand Nagar layout. Originally spread across 92 acres with 1,109 plots approved by the Gram Panchayat in 1980, victims alleged that land grabbers had erased layout boundaries and re-registered the land as agricultural property through the Dharani portal. Despite several



plots having valid LRS (Layout Regularization Scheme) documents, park spaces and roads were reportedly occupied. Commissioner Ranganath interacted with a large number of affected plot owners and directed officials to identify the original layout boundaries and clear all encroachments on public utility

spaces. Furthering the inspection in Aminpur Mandal's Beeranguda, the Commissioner addressed complaints regarding the Industrial Employees Cooperative House Building Society (Survey Nos. 996 & 997). Society representatives reported that their 1982 layout, encompassing

1,650 plots over 180 acres, was being illegally carved into 100-square-yard parcels for sale. While instructing officials to fence off government lands to prevent further encroachments, Ranganath reassured existing residents and genuine buyers that they need not panic. The visit concluded with an inspection of the Shambhuni Kunta outlet in Beeranguda. Residents complained of severe flooding caused by a construction company that had blocked the natural surplus weir (nala) for a new venture. Taking serious note of the violation, the Commissioner ordered the immediate restoration of the flood-water canals and directed officials to book criminal cases against the responsible construction firms.



Telangana Police Personnel Awarded Medals for Meritorious Service

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Telangana Police have been awarded medals in recognition of their meritorious service and exemplary performance in duty, according to an official release issued on Wednesday. The honours were conferred as part of the Republic Day awards announced by the Government of India. The recipients were commended for their dedication, professionalism and significant contributions to maintaining law and order. Among the awardees, a Deputy Superintendent of Police was recognised for outstanding leadership, while inspectors and other ranks were acknowledged for their consistent service record and commitment in handling sensitive assignments. Their work in crime detection, public safety and effective policing practices earned them the distinction. Senior officials noted that such recognitions not only honour individual excellence but also motivate the entire force to uphold high standards of service. The awardees expressed gratitude to the department and reaffirmed their commitment to serving the public with integrity. The Telangana Police leadership congratulated the medal recipients and stated that their achievements reflect the department's ongoing efforts to strengthen policing standards across the state.

Modi briefs Parliament on West Asia crisis, urges unity and vigilance

(Capital Information)
New Delhi : Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday briefed both Houses of Parliament on the ongoing conflict in West Asia, stressing the need for national preparedness, diplomatic engagement and coordinated efforts to safeguard India's economic and strategic interests. Addressing the Lok Sabha on March 23 and the Rajya Sabha the following day, Mr. Modi described the situation as "deeply concerning", noting its impact on global trade routes, energy supplies and humanitarian conditions. He reiterated India's position that peace, dialogue and diplomacy remained the only sustainable solutions to the crisis. The Prime Minister said India had significant stakes in the region, including trade links, dependence on the Strait of Hormuz for crude oil, gas and fertiliser imports, and the safety of millions of Indian nationals working in Gulf countries. He condemned attacks

on civilian infrastructure and commercial shipping, terming any obstruction to international waterways unacceptable. Modi informed Parliament that more than 3.75 lakh Indi-

ans had been evacuated since the conflict escalated, with missions abroad operating round-the-clock control rooms to assist citizens. The government was also in constant diplomatic contact with countries in the region and major global powers. On the energy front, he said strategic petroleum reserves exceeding 53 lakh met-

ric tonnes were being maintained, with plans to expand capacity further. Fuel supplies remained stable, with refineries directed to maximise domestic LPG production and States asked to monitor hoarding and black-marketing. He added that foodgrain and fertiliser stocks were adequate, while security agencies remained on alert to ensure uninterrupted supply chains. Referring to his recent telephone conversation with U.S. President Donald Trump, the Prime Minister said both leaders had emphasised the importance of keeping the Strait of Hormuz open and secure for global shipping. He appealed to citizens to avoid panic and misinformation, clarifying that there was no proposal for lockdown or movement restrictions. Calling for a "Team India" approach, Modi urged State governments and the public to work together to meet potential long-term challenges arising from the conflict.



'Ippa Sara' remark sparks uproar in Assembly, House stalled amid Congress-BJP clash

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Telangana Assembly witnessed noisy scenes on Wednesday after a discussion on Ippa Sara (Mahua liquor) snowballed into a political slugfest between the Congress and the BJP, forcing repeated interventions from the Chair and disrupting proceedings. The debate began during a discussion on the budget demands when BJP MLA Paidi Rakesh Reddy alleged that adulterated toddy mixed with drugs such as alprazolam was being sold in north Telangana, damaging public health. He suggested that the government promote Mahua-based liquor as an organic product that could generate revenue and support tribal livelihoods. The controversy erupted when he remarked that if the government created a brand for Ippa Sara, it should not be named after "Indiramma", triggering sharp protests from the Treasury benches. Minister Ponnampalapati Prabhakar objected strongly to the reference to former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, demanding that the remark be expunged and insisting on an apology. Legislative Affairs Minister D Sridhar Babu said the BJP member had made defamatory comments and must withdraw them, while other ministers joined the protest. Congress MLAs rose to their feet, shouting slogans, while BJP members countered that the statement had been misinterpreted. BJP floor leader Yelati Maheshwar Reddy defended his colleague, stating that no unparliamentary words had been used. Rakesh Reddy later clarified that he held Indira Gandhi in high regard and had only meant that her name should not be linked to a liquor brand. With both sides refusing to relent and continuing heated exchanges, Panel Speaker Balu Naik was prompted to repeatedly call for order and ask the BJP MLA to withdraw his remarks. However, the standoff continued, bringing proceedings to a halt. BRSLP deputy leader T Harish Rao criticised both the Congress and the BJP for wasting the House's time, with the confrontation stalling discussion on public issues. He stated that the House was stalled for over one hour, depriving the opposition of its chance to speak. The uproar continued for several minutes before the Chair struggled to resume proceedings. Panel Speaker Balu Naik gave a ruling that henceforth, members should refrain from making derogatory or defamatory remarks against respected individuals, especially leaders of national importance like Indira Gandhi.

Crackdown on Illegal Sand Mining Ordered in Mahabubnagar

(Capital Information)
Mahabubnagar : District Collector Khushboo Gupta has directed officials to take stringent measures to curb illegal sand mining and transportation across the district. Chairing a district-level sand committee review meeting at the Collectorate on Wednesday, the Collector emphasized the need for strict enforcement and intensified field-level monitoring. She instructed revenue and police officials to conduct surprise inspections to check unauthorized excavation and movement of sand. Reviewing the sand booking and supply system, Ms.



Gupta said that from April 1, sand distribution must be carried out entirely through the 'Mana Isuka Vahanam' online platform. Officials informed that out of 16 identified sand reaches, only two are currently operational — at Kanmanur in Addakal mandal and Polkampally in Moosapet

mandal — through the online system. The Collector directed officials to make the remaining reaches operational under the online booking mechanism. She also ordered that all cases of illegal transport, seized vehicles, sand dumps, and penalties imposed be regularly updated in a dedicated WhatsApp monitoring group for transparency and accountability. To strengthen surveillance, Ms. Gupta called for installation of CCTV cameras in vulnerable sand reaches and enhanced vigilance. She further instructed that Tahsildars compile data on sand requirements for Indiramma housing schemes in their respective mandals and ensure adequate supply based on demand. The Collector also suggested setting up a grievance cell to address complaints related to sand booking and supply, and to promptly act on negative media reports. Officials including Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Madhusudan Naik, Revenue Additional Collector J.L.B. HariPriya, Additional SP N.B. Ratnam, RDO E. Naveen, and Mines Department AD Govind Rajulu, along with Tahsildars, attended the meeting.



No Fuel Shortage in Telangana, Says Dealers' Association

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : The Telangana Petroleum Dealers Association on Tuesday clarified that reports of fuel shortage in the state are completely false and misleading, urging the public not to panic. The association stated that rumours about scarcity have led to unnecessary rush at fuel stations, with people forming long queues. It emphasized that oil marketing companies such as HPCL, IOCL and BPCL currently have adequate fuel stocks and that the supply chain remains uninterrupted. According to the association, panic buying has resulted in fuel sales increasing by nearly 2.5 to 3 times the normal levels. This sudden surge in demand has caused temporary stock-outs at a few retail outlets, but officials stressed that this should not be misconstrued as a shortage. The association also warned the public against storing petrol or diesel in cans or containers, stating that it violates PESO regulations and poses serious fire hazards. Appealing for calm, the association urged consumers to purchase only the required quantity of fuel and refrain from hoarding. It also advised citizens not to believe or spread unverified information and to act responsibly.



Make Your Dream of Owning a House Come True : Housing PD Mathru Nayak

(Capital Information)
Station Ghanpur : Housing PD Mathru Nayak urged people to fulfill their dream of owning a house through the Indiramma Housing scheme. On Wednesday, in Ippagudem village of Station Ghanpur mandal in Jangaon district, a review meeting on the progress of Indiramma housing constructions was conducted under the leadership of village Sarpanch Mandapuram Rani Anil. During the meeting, District Housing Officer Mathru Nayak directly interacted with beneficiaries who had not started construction or had delayed it midway. He inquired whether there were any delays in bill payments, shortages of sand, or issues with other construction materials. He advised the beneficiaries to complete the houses sanctioned in the first phase as soon as possible and perform housewarming ceremonies. Officials expressed satisfaction over the progress of the constructions and instructed local public representatives and beneficiaries to complete the remaining work promptly. Housing DE Chandrasekhar, AE Akhila, Deputy Sarpanch Linganaboyina Raju, ward members, Indiramma committee members, beneficiaries, and a large number of villagers participated in the program.

Awareness Programme on Adult Vaccination Held at SPMVV

(Capital Information)
Tirupati : An awareness programme focusing on the importance of adult vaccination was organized at the Saveri Seminar Hall of Sri Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam (SPMVV) on Wednesday. The event was conducted under the guidance of NSS Programme Coordinator Professor I.V. Lalitha Kumari, along with NSS Programme Officers Dr. V. Jyothsna Kalpana, M. Pallavi, and R. Divya, in collaboration with Medigo Hospital, Tirupati. **Expert Insights on Immunization and Public Health** Dr. Sajith, Managing Director of Medigo Hospital, addressed the gathering, emphasizing that vaccinations are not just for children but are equally essential for adults to provide a shield against life-threatening diseases. Following this, Dr. Vasireddy Teja, an Infectious Diseases Specialist at Medigo Hospital, detailed the various vaccines available for adults. She highlighted that timely immunization plays a pivotal role in preventing numerous infections



and significantly enhancing overall public health. **Key Vaccines Recommended for Adults** During the session, medical experts provided a comprehensive overview of essential vaccines that every adult should be aware of to maintain long-term health. They recommended the annual Influenza (Flu) vaccine to protect against seasonal respiratory issues and severe colds. Additionally, the Tdap/Td vaccine was highlighted as a necessity every ten years to safeguard against Tetanus, throat infections, and Pertussis (whooping cough). Special emphasis was placed on women's health, specifically regarding the HPV vaccine. Doctors noted that taking this vaccine between the ages of 9 and 26 is crucial for preventing cervical cancer and other related diseases. For liver protection, Hepatitis A and B vaccines were advised, while individuals aged 50 and above were encouraged to take the Pneumococcal and Zoster vaccines to prevent pneumonia and shingles. The programme saw active participation from University faculty members and students from the Engineering and M.Sc. Organic Chemistry departments. The speakers concluded by urging the audience to dispel myths surrounding vaccinations and prioritize their health schedules to foster a disease-free society.

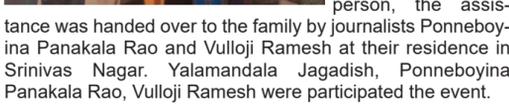
Fuel Shortage Rumors Untrue, Says Malyala SI Naresh Kumar

(Capital Information)
Jagtial/Malyala : Malyala SI Naresh Kumar urged vehicle owners not to believe rumors of fuel shortage, stating that there is no shortage of petrol and diesel in the country or state. He cited statements from petroleum companies and associations, confirming sufficient fuel stocks and uninterrupted supply. The SI advised against panic buying and hoarding, warning that rumors can create problems. He requested vehicle owners to avoid unnecessary purchases and cooperate to maintain smooth fuel supply.



AID TO POOR FAMILY

(Capital Information)
Khammam Bureau : Khammam City Nai Brahmin Association President and Electronic Media City President Yalamandala Jagadeesh extended financial assistance to the family of Tumula Srinivas, a physically challenged Nai Brahmin from Srinivas Nagar. Srinivas, who was earning a livelihood through his traditional occupation, has been suffering from ill health for the past year, leaving his family in financial distress. His son had to discontinue studies and take up work to support the household. As Jagadeesh was unavailable in person, the assistance was handed over to the family by journalists Ponneboyina Panakala Rao and Vulloji Ramesh at their residence in Srinivas Nagar. Yalamandala Jagadeesh, Ponneboyina Panakala Rao, Vulloji Ramesh were participated the event.



Dr. Bhavani commended Apsa charity organization for conducting medical camps for the poor

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Mega free medical camp was organized in Kavadiaguda, Domalguda Banda Nagar under the division, Lo APSA charity organization, Adya Hospital and Rahul Eye Foundation on Wednesday in Hyderabad city. Addressing this program Mrs. Dr. Bhavani, female medical specialist of Adhya Hospital, addressed the women to take healthy green vegetables, eggs, fruits, hygienic pulses and if women have any problems, they should be examined in the presence of doctors from time to time. Apsa Apsa charitable doctors who have such problems. Free eye surgery will be done for those with cataracts and they should clean their eyes with cold water every day. In the program, Apsa Senior Coordinator Bottu Ramesh said that our Apsa, organization should keep the poor people healthy in the slums with the help of various donors. He said that we are conducting camps and distributing free medicines to improve their health. In this program more than 200 people were given free medical check-ups and medicines were distributed to them. Adhyaya Hospital representatives for this program Shravani, Rajitha, Chennai, Apsa Coordinator, Rajeshwari, Shobha, representatives, Shravani, Lavanya,, Mallika, Indira, senior BJP worker, Kumar Goud, senior leader of BRS Shekhar, and Basti people were involved.



Elderly Couple Attacked with Hammer; 5 Tolas of Gold Looted

(Capital Information)
Sangareddy : A robbery incident took place in the afternoon at Jangarai village under the jurisdiction of Shankarampet (R) Police Station. An unidentified person entered the house of an elderly couple, Anjaiah and Savitri, attacked them with a hammer, and fled on a bike after stealing approximately 5 tolas of gold ornaments from them. The injured couple were immediately shifted to the Medak Government Hospital by locals, where they are receiving treatment. Upon receiving information about the incident, Medak District Additional SP S. Mahender visited the crime scene and reviewed the situation. He stated that special teams have been formed to identify and apprehend the accused. Evidence related to the case is being collected, and the culprits will be taken into custody soon. DSP Toopran Narendra Goud, CI Venkata Raja Goud, and SI Narayana Goud were also present along with the Additional SP.



Malkajgiri MLA proposes new RTC routes for better connectivity

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : An interactive session was held at Community Hall-1 within the Telangana Legislative Assembly premises, under the aegis of the Minister for BC Welfare and Transport, Ponnam Prabhakar. The session brought together senior RTC officials and public representatives to comprehensively discuss various issues related to the RTC and to explore solutions aimed at enhancing public convenience. Marri Rajasekhar Reddy, MLA for Malkajgiri, participated in this programme and, keeping in mind the transportation needs of the people in the Malkajgiri constituency, he submitted a memorandum to the Minister proposing several new bus routes. The proposed bus routes are Macha Bolarum to Charminar, Macha Bolarum to ECIL (via Mehdiapatnam), Nanakramguda (via Suchitra), Kowkur to ECIL, Yapral – Ammuguda – Bhavans College, Balaji Nagar to ECIL (via Yapral), Vinayaka Nagar Division: Secunderabad to Kakatiya Nagar (via Sainathpuram) and extending to ECIL Moula Ali Division: RTC Colony to ECIL, Mahatma Gandhi Nagar to ECIL, ECIL to Afzalgunj (via RTC Colony) and Gautham Nagar Division, from Ayan Nagar to Secunderabad (via Malka Mahendra Hills – Ramanjaneya Nagar). Additionally, the MLA requested that the construction of new bus shelters be undertaken in areas where they are needed.



School Bags Distributed by Teacher

(Capital Information)
Station Ghanpur : K. Sujatha, a teacher who opted for voluntary retirement, distributed school bags to the students of the school where she had been working on Wednesday. Going into the details, Sujatha (SGT) had been serving for some time at the Primary School in Kothapalli village of Station Ghanpur mandal, Jangaon district. On the occasion of her voluntary retirement, she provided school bags to 30 students of the school. The Education Department Officer, Komaraiah, who attended the event as the chief guest, stated that others should take Sujatha as an inspiration and extend support to the schools and students they serve, contributing to the development of education. The event was presided over by the school headmistress, Shareef Unnisa. PRTU Mandal President Reddy Pramod Reddy, Station Ghanpur Complex HM Sampath, Vanga Raghu, Sripathipalli HM Ankam Sampath, students, and others participated in the program.

Toddy Tapper Dies After Falling from Palm Tree

(Capital Information)
Station Ghanpur : A tragic incident occurred on Wednesday in Chinna Pendyala village of Chilpur mandal, Jangaon district, where a toddy tapper, Pujari Ramesh, died after falling from a palm tree. According to details, Ramesh, a resident of Chinna Pendyala, had gone to climb palm trees as part of his daily work. While climbing a tree, he accidentally fell from a height and sustained severe injuries. Co-workers who noticed the incident immediately shifted him to MGM Hospital in Warangal in a 108 ambulance for treatment. However, Ramesh succumbed to his injuries while undergoing treatment, family members confirmed. The deceased is survived by his wife and two sons. Chilpur SI Naveen Kumar has registered a case and is investigating the matter. Demand to Support the Family Village Sarpanch Tirupatamma, former public representatives, and members of the Gouda community have appealed to the government to provide support to the family of the deceased, Pujari Ramesh.



TTD JEO Inspects Arrangements for Chief Minister's Visit to Ontimitta

(Capital Information)
Ontimitta/Tirumala : In view of the upcoming Sri Seetha Rama Kalyana Mahotsavam on April 1st as part of the annual Brahmotsavams at Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Temple, TTD JEO V. Veerabrahmam, along with District SP Nachiket Vishwanath and CVSO Muriikrishna, inspected the arrangements for the visit of State Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu.



On Wednesday, TTD and district officials reviewed the preparations at the temple and the Kalyana Vedika in Ontimitta.

Review of Security and Protocol

The inspection included a review of the Chief Minister's convoy trail run, the TTD guest house where the CM will stay, and the protocols

for temple Darshan and Veda Ashirvachanam. Officials also examined the barricades, galleries, and Annarasadam counters set up at the Kalyana Vedika to ensure a smooth experience for the visiting dignitaries and the public.

Amenities for Devotees

During a review meeting, TTD JEO V. Veerabrahmam

noted that 50,000 to 60,000 devotees are expected to attend the festivities. He directed officials to ensure the distribution of tasty Annaprasadam, Panakam, and Vadapappu to all pilgrims. To mitigate the summer heat, he instructed the continuous spraying of water within the temple premises and mandated the provision of water

bottles to every devotee reaching the Kalyana Vedika.

Police Bandobast and Traffic Management

District SP Nachiket Vishwanath stated that the district police administration is deploying approximately 3,000 personnel to provide robust security. He further explained that comprehensive arrangements are being made to manage parking and traffic flow to prevent any inconvenience to the devotees.

CE T.V. Satyanarayana, SE Manoharam, SE (Electrical) Venkateswarlu, Deputy EOs A. Prashanthi and A. Sivaprasad, and other officials participated in the inspection.

Apollo Jubilee Hills Crosses 2,000 Robotic Surgeries Milestone

(Capital Information)

Hyderabad : Apollo Hospitals Jubilee Hills has achieved a major milestone by performing over 2,000 robotic-assisted surgeries using the advanced Xi surgical system, the highest in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.



The hospital has emerged as a frontrunner in precision-driven healthcare, leveraging robotic technology across multiple specialties including gynaecology, surgical oncology, urology, cardiothoracic surgery and surgical gastroenterology.

Dr. Sangita Reddy, Joint Managing Director of Apollo Hospitals Group, said the adoption of the high-end Xi robotic system has enabled surgeons to perform complex procedures with greater accu-

racy. She noted that the minimally invasive approach ensures reduced pain, smaller incisions and faster recovery for patients.

Doctors at the hospital highlighted that robotic-assisted surgeries offer enhanced precision through superior 3D visualisation and improved flexibility of instruments, resulting in better clinical outcomes, especially in complicated cases.

CEO of Apollo Hospitals for Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, said the achievement reinforces the hospital's position as a pioneer in robotic surgery. He added that the milestone reflects growing patient trust and the institution's commitment to delivering world-class healthcare.

With this accomplishment, Apollo Hospitals Jubilee Hills continues to set new benchmarks in advanced surgical care across the Telugu states.

Road accidents can be prevented only by following traffic rules : SP Paritosh Pankaj

(Capital Information)

Sangareddy : As part of the 3rd phase of the "Arrive Alive - 2026" Road Safety Week in Sangareddy District, extensive awareness programs are being conducted across the District to prevent road accidents, said District SP Paritosh Pankaj.



Under the directions of Telangana State DGP Shivdhar Reddy, road safety awareness programs were organized on Wednesday across various police station limits in the District. As part of these programs, police officials explained the importance of traffic rules to motorists. They advised that every driver must wear a helmet and seatbelt, and drive within the prescribed speed limits.

They warned that driving under the influence of alcohol

leads to loss of concentration and increases the risk of serious accidents. Motorists were also cautioned against using mobile phones while driving and were urged to strictly follow traffic signals.

Special awareness programs were conducted in public places to educate students and youth about road safety. Officials emphasized that by following traffic rules,

individuals can protect not only their own lives but also the lives of others. They also urged the public to immediately inform the police in case of a road accident and to come forward to provide timely assistance to the injured.

The District SP stressed that everyone must act responsibly and follow traffic rules to effectively prevent road accidents.

Avoid Petrol Queues: TGSRTC Introduces 30% Discount on AC Bus Services

(Capital Information)

Serilingampally : In view of the ongoing fuel shortage due to the prevailing war-like situation, the Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TGSRTC) has announced a major relief for city commuters.

TGSRTC Vice Chairman and Managing Director V. Nagi Reddy has called upon the public to avoid long queues at petrol bunks and instead opt for safe and comfortable bus travel.

As part of this initiative, the corporation is offering a 30% discount on ticket fares in Metro AC and Metro Deluxe buses within Hyderabad city limits.

Addressing the public, the MD said, "Why struggle for petrol when RTC buses are available? Avoid queues at fuel stations, travel safely, and enjoy a comfortable jour-



ney."

"Four Key Benefits Highlighted"
Time and Fuel Savings : Passengers are advised not to waste valuable time standing in long queues for petrol. Instead, RTC buses provide a faster and more

convenient way to reach destinations.

"Fuel Conservation." With fuel being a critical resource during the crisis, citizens are encouraged to use public transport to save fuel and contribute to the country's economy.

"Eco-Friendly Travel."

Reduced use of private vehicles will help decrease traffic congestion and pollution. The MD also urged citizens to use electric buses for a greener environment.

"Affordable and Comfortable Journey."

The 30% fare reduction makes AC bus travel more affordable, allowing passengers to enjoy a comfortable journey at a lower cost while avoiding rising fuel expenses.

Reiterating his appeal, V. Nagi Reddy urged citizens, "Do not crowd at petrol bunks. Board RTC buses and travel safely."

The corporation expressed hope that people in Hyderabad will make the best use of this opportunity and overcome traffic and fuel-related difficulties by choosing public transport.



Class 10th students should prepare as per the plan : Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha

(Capital Information)

Janagon : On Wednesday, Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha made a surprise visit to the Janagam Minority Welfare Gurukulam and checked the staff room.

He went to the tenth class students and asked how they are preparing for the maths exam.

He went into the kitchen room and looked at the cooking utensils and checked whether everything was fresh and asked whether the students were being served according to the menu. He collector advised to keep the surroundings clean from time to time, the toilets and the students' rooms should also be kept neat.

Samir inspected the Indiramma houses in Pate village and talked to the beneficiaries, how much the house cost, how the construction was done and their views on fulfilling the dream of having their own house.

DSDO Vikram, Hosing PD Matru Naik and officials of concerned departments participated in this program.

Dharmabhiksham's death anniversary should be celebrated successfully: Polagoni Satyam

(Capital Information)

Munugode : Polagoni Satyam, the district leaders of the Gowda Welfare Association, called for a grand celebration of the 15th death anniversary of the late former MP Bommagani

Dharmabhiksham, who fought for the rights of the Telangana armed struggle fighter and the workers of the Kallu Geeta, throughout his life.

Speaking to reporters on Wednesday, he recalled that Dharmabhiksham had continuously fought for the rights of the workers with the slogan "The one who plows is the land - the one who draws is the tree". He praised him as a great leader who dedicated his life to the service of the people. He called on everyone to

work hard to realize the ideals of Dharmabhiksham. The Gowda brothers, public representatives, and leaders of all political parties requested a large number of people to participate in the program to pay homage to the Dharmabhiksham statue located in the new bus stand premises in Munugodu Mandal Center today and make it a success.

Collector Reviews Development Works in Endapalli, Velgatoor Mandals

(Capital Information)

Jagtial : District Collector B. Satya Prasad on Wednesday undertook an extensive inspection tour in Endapalli and Velgatoor mandals to review the

progress of ongoing development activities and works being implemented under the Prajapalana Pragathi 99-day action plan.

The Collector visited the Zilla Parishad High School at Old Gudur village in Endapalli mandal and as-



sessed the condition of infrastructure and facilities available to students. He later inspected the construction of Indiramma houses and directed officials to ensure quality exe-

cute them within the stipulated timeframe. The Collector also inspected the Primary Health Centre at Velgatoor town and enquired about medical services and facilities being provided to patients. He directed the health department officials to take steps to further improve healthcare delivery in rural areas.

Addressing officials during the visit, Satya Prasad warned that negligence in implementing government schemes under the 99-day action plan would not be tolerated and emphasised that all works should be completed efficiently to ensure tangible benefits to the public.

District Education Officer K. Ramu, DMHO K. Sujatha, DPO Madan Mohan, Housing PD Prasad, EEPD Laxman Rao, Tahsildars, MPDOs and other officials accompanied the Collector during the inspection.

13 Red Sanders Logs Seized; Two Smugglers Arrested

(Capital Information)

Tirupati : The Red Sanders Anti-Smuggling Task Force (RSASTF) seized 13 red sanders logs and arrested two smugglers on the Rapur-Penchalakona route in Nellore district. Acting on the operational directions of Task Force Head L. Subarayudu and under the supervision of Task Force SP P. Srinivas, a special-

ized team conducted a combing operation that led to the recovery.

Combing Operation in Rapur Forest

The operation was carried out by RSI N. Balachennaiah's team from the Railway Kodur Sub-Control RI Krupananda, in coordination with local FBO John Ranjit Kumar. The team began combing the forest areas of Rapur Man-



QUALITY STANDARDS SHOULD BE FOLLOW STRICTLY IN WORKS : ADDITIONAL SP MAHENDER

(Capital Information)

Medak : The construction work of the Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) petrol station which is being set up under the direction of the Medak District Police Department has been carried out by the Additional SP. S. Mahender examined.

On Wednesday, he personally inspected the works of this petrol station under construction in Auvusulapalli village and directed the concerned authorities to complete the work expeditiously and make it available to the public. He clarified that it is necessary to strictly follow the quality standards in the works.

On this occasion, he suggested to review the conditions in the place and establish the necessary infrastructure comprehensively. He stated that the availability of this petrol station will help the local people to get fuel easily and also contribute to regional development.

Additional SP was accompanied by AR DSP Ranga Naik, RSI Mahipal and other personnel.



Oxford School Students Excel in Value Education Contest

(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau : Students of Oxford School, located in Gandhi Nagar on the outskirts of Armoor municipal town, have demonstrated exceptional talent in the Value Education Contest organized by the ISKCON foundation. The participants' performance earned them widespread appreciation and formal certificates of merit.

In the Senior Category, V. Sai Nethra bagged the first prize, while A. Samanvitha Reddy clinched the first prize in the Junior Category. During the felicitation ceremony, School Administrative Officer Padma highlighted the core objectives of the contest. She emphasized that such initiatives are designed to spread the timeless teachings of Lord Krishna and the Bhagavad Gita, encourage a Sattvic lifestyle among the youth, and foster spiritual awareness and moral consciousness in students.

The school management and staff congratulated the winners for their dedication and outstanding achievement, noting that such values are essential for the holistic development of children.

Editorial India Accelerates Rare Earth and Lithium Exploration

India has intensified efforts to scale up domestic production of rare earth permanent magnets and accelerate exploration of critical minerals such as lithium, with production capacity targeted to reach 5,000 tonnes by 2030, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science & Technology, Earth Sciences, and MoS PMO, Dr. Jitendra Singh said in the Lok Sabha today.

Replying to a series of questions during the Question Hour in the ongoing Budget Session, the Minister said that the country's current requirement of rare earth permanent magnets is about

4,000 tonnes, which is projected to rise to nearly 8,000 tonnes by 2030, highlighting the need for rapid expansion of domestic capabilities.

The Minister informed that a pilot project on neodymium-iron-boron permanent magnets has recently been launched, while a samarium-cobalt magnet plant at Visakhapatnam has been made operational with an initial production capacity of 500 tonnes per year. This capacity will be scaled up to 2,000 tonnes in the next phase and further to 5,000 tonnes by 2030.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that the government is work-

ing in close coordination across ministries under a whole-of-government approach to fast-track exploration and development of critical minerals.

Responding to a question by Smt. Mahima Kumari Mewar on lithium reserves in Degana, Rajasthan, the Minister said that preliminary survey activities are already underway and further exploration is expected to begin soon. He added that lithium exploration falls under the Ministry of Mines, and similar efforts are also in progress in Reasi district of Jammu & Kashmir.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said

that lithium and rare earth elements are critical for sectors such as electric vehicles, renewable energy, electronics, defence, aerospace, and space applications, and will play an important role in supporting clean energy transition as well as emerging technologies requiring reliable energy systems.

The Minister also informed that recent policy measures, including provisions under the Atomic Energy (Amendment) framework, have opened up exploration of several critical minerals to private sector participation, with safeguards in place for strategic re-

sources such as uranium.

Referring to recent initiatives, he said that rare earth corridors have been announced in Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, and Kerala to strengthen the domestic ecosystem for processing and value addition.

The Minister said that rare earth elements are found both in beach sand minerals and rock formations, and their exploration requires different approaches depending on geological conditions. He added that some regions, including Rajasthan, Gujarat, and Jharkhand, have significant deposits of rock-based minerals which are relatively

more complex to explore.

On concerns related to environmental impact, he clarified that mining-related safeguards fall under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Mines and associated regulatory frameworks, and emphasized the need to curb illegal mining.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that India is steadily strengthening its position in the critical minerals sector with a focus on reducing import dependence, enhancing domestic production, and building a resilient supply chain to support future industrial and technological growth.

Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy Calls for Accelerated Exploration of Critical Minerals at NMEDT Governing Body Meeting

Adoption of Advanced Technologies and Startup Participation Will Transform India's Exploration Ecosystem, says G. Kishan Reddy

New Delhi (PIB): Union Minister of Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy chaired the 7th Governing Body meeting of the National Mineral Exploration & Development Trust (NMEDT), held at GPOA-3, Netaji Nagar, New Delhi, in the august presence of Minister of State for the Department of Atomic Energy, Dr. Jitendra Singh the performance of NMEDT for FY 2025-26 was reviewed in detail.

Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy emphasized that NMEDT must place a major strategic focus on exploration of critical minerals, as achieving Aatmanirbharta in this sector is essential for India's economic growth, energy transition and technological advancement. He directed all States to expedite ongoing exploration projects, ensure faster approvals and improve

coordination so that exploration-to-auction timelines are significantly reduced.

He further highlighted the need to adopt advanced technologies, including AI/ML, drone-based surveys and modern beneficiation techniques, to enhance efficiency and success rates in mineral discovery. The Minister also stressed on greater inclusion of startups, private exploration agencies (NPEAs) and innovation-driven institutions, in line with the vision of Startup India, to bring new ideas and cutting-edge solutions into the exploration ecosystem.

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State for the Department of Atomic Energy underscored the importance of strong coordination, continuous monitoring and effective follow-up mechanisms to en-

sure timely execution of exploration projects. He emphasized the need to integrate scientific institutions, and leverage advanced technologies into the mineral exploration value chain to accelerate outcomes.

The key achievements of NMEDT discussed during the meeting are:-

As part of the reforms introduced through the amendment to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 in 2025, the National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) has been renamed as the National Mineral Exploration and Development Trust (NMEDT) with effect from 1 September 2025. The contribution by lessees has increased from 2% to 3% of the royalty to strengthen financial support for exploration activities.



The scope of NMEDT has also been expanded to include funding exploration in offshore areas in India and exploration activities & mine development within & outside India.

Launch of National Critical Mineral Mission Funding Initiatives under NCM

NMEDT have issued guidelines for funding pilot projects for the recovery of critical minerals from overburden, tailings, fly ash, red mud, etc. on 14.11.2025. It will provide funding support of up to ₹20 crore per project, with a minimum 10% contribution from industry partners.

A pilot project has been sanctioned to the Non-Ferrous Materials Technology Development Centre (NFTDC) for establishment of pilot line for Rare Earth Minerals separation from multiple feedstocks.

NMEDT is supporting special studies for identification of critical minerals through geochemical analysis of samples from mine faces, dumps, tailings, residues and slags. Financial assistance is being provided to the Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) to evaluate recovery potential.

These initiatives align with the National Tailings Policy, 2025 and promote sustainability, resource efficiency and circular use of minerals.

NMEDT is promoting advanced exploration technologies such as drone-based surveys, AI/ML applications

and modern beneficiation techniques to improve data accuracy and discovery success rates, thereby modernizing India's mineral exploration ecosystem.

A total of 76 projects for critical mineral exploration have been sanctioned during FY 2025-26. So far, 45 NMEDT-funded blocks have been auctioned, including 10 blocks of critical minerals. There has also been a significant increase in private sector participation through several facilitating initiatives.

These reforms collectively aim to strengthen India's mineral exploration framework, ensure availability of critical minerals, accelerate project execution, promote private and startup participation, adopt modern technologies and advance sustainable mineral development in the country.

Indian Railways Introduces 1,024 Trains, Extends 907, Increases Frequency of 168 and Augments 4,651 Coaches in Last Five Years to Meet Rising Passenger Demand

74,800 Special Train Trips Operated During Festivals and Vacations Between April 2025 and February 2026

New Delhi (PIB): On Indian Railways, occupancy pattern of trains varies over lean and peak periods. During peak rush periods, the occupancy of the trains especially on popular routes remains full whereas during lean period and on less popular routes, there is sub optimal utilization.

Waiting list pattern is monitored on regular basis and to cater to additional demand, Indian Railways have taken various steps like introduction of new trains, increase in frequency/extension of existing trains, augmentation of load of existing trains on permanent basis, etc. Further, waiting list limits have been

rationalized linking it to the extent of accommodation of that class available in the train.

During the last five years from 2021-22 to 2025-26 (up to Feb'2026), 1024 trains were introduced, 907 were extended, frequency of 168 trains was increased and 4651 coaches were augmented. As the Railway network straddles across state boundaries, trains are introduced, as per network requirement, across such boundaries. However, on originating/terminating basis, Indian Railways during 2021-22 to 2025-26 (Feb'2026) have introduced 444 train services catering to the needs of vari-

ous stations located in the Eastern/North Eastern region including following 75 pair trains serving the stations falling in the state of Bihar.

With a view to meet the demand of passengers travelling in unreserved coaches, Railways have significantly increased the facilities for passengers demanding general class travel. During the last financial year 2024-25 alone, 1250 general coaches have been utilised in various long-distance trains. In the current financial year (upto February, 2026), 860 Coaches have been utilised for permanent augmentation.

To cater to the travel de-



mand of the low and middle income families, Indian Railways have taken up manufac-

turing of 17,000 non-AC coaches (general/sleeper). Moreover, to provide

greater accommodation for the passengers using General and non-AC Sleeper Coaches, the extant policy regarding composition of Mail/Express trains provides for 12 (Twelve) General class & Sleeper class non-AC coaches and 08 (eight) AC-Coaches, in a train of 22 coaches, thereby providing greater accommodation for the passengers using General and non-AC Sleeper Coaches.

Further, to cater to the needs of passengers desirous of availing unreserved accommodation, Indian Railways (IR) operate unreserved non-AC passenger trains/ MEMU /

EMU etc. for affordable travel, which are in addition to the unreserved accommodation (coaches) available in Mail/Express services.

SPECIAL TRAINS
IR also operates Special train services during festivals, holidays, etc. to cater to the extra needs of passengers and supplement the accommodation available by regular services.

This information was provided by the Union Minister for Railways, Information & Broadcasting and Electronics & Information Technology, Ashwini Vaishnav, in a reply to a question in Lok Sabha today.

Losing education in the race for a job : Dr. Priyanka Saurabh

The educational foundation weakens under the pressure of competitive examinations

Today's youth is experiencing a time when opportunities abound, but the path to access them has become more complex and competitive than ever before. The increasing number of competitive exams, their lengthy procedures, and uncertain results, particularly for government jobs, have left both students and parents deeply confused. The CET (Common Eligibility Test) was presented as a major hope in this context, but the experiences of the past years raise serious questions about this hope.

In Haryana, the examination process failed to gain the desired momentum during the five-year period between 2019 and 2024. As a result, only one examination was fully completed during this period, and some related recruitments are still entangled in judicial proceedings. Even in the 2024-25 cycle, only the preliminary examination has been conducted so far. Given the slow pace at which the entire process is progressing, it is not unfounded to fear that

the final results may take a long time to be released.

But this problem isn't limited to Haryana. The situation with government recruitment processes is more or less similar in almost all states. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and even the northeastern states have consistently faced problems such as delayed recruitment exams, paper leaks, judicial disputes, and delayed results. In many states, exams aren't held for years, and when they are, the process is so lengthy that it tests both the age and patience of candidates.

This has a profound impact on the mental, educational, and social lives of young people. Every year, millions of students graduate and seek employment, but the number of available government positions remains extremely limited. For example, if millions of candidates across the country appear for a single exam,

the number of those selected is limited to thousands. In such a situation, considering government employment as the ultimate goal and relying solely on it becomes an extremely risky decision.

The most worrying aspect of this entire scenario is the rapid spread of a "non-attendance" culture. A trend is being observed in almost every state of the country, where students are avoiding regular college and university classes in the name of preparing for competitive exams. They assume that to achieve success, they must completely break away from the traditional education system. But this thinking is gradually proving detrimental to their future.

In fact, college life isn't just about earning a degree. It's a time when a student's intellectual, social, and emotional development takes place. Class participation, interaction with teachers, group discussions, presentations, and co-curricular activities—all of these contribute to the development of a person's personality. When



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students lose these opportunities, they lose out not only on subject knowledge but also on essential life skills.

Another serious side effect of the non-attendance culture is that students' academic foundations weaken. They become focused solely on passing exams rather than delving deeply into the subject matter. Often, after failing competitive exams, they are left with neither a strong academic record nor any alternative career options. As a result, they lose confidence and suffer from mental stress.

It's also worth noting that today's world is extremely technologically advanced. Digital platforms have revolutionized education. Online coaching, video lectures, digital notes, test series, and virtual classrooms are available in every corner of the country. Therefore, the idea that it's necessary to drop out of college to prepare for competitive exams is completely misguided. Students can prepare effectively alongside their regular studies.

By adopting a balanced and practical strategy, students can make the best use of the three years of their undergraduate education. In the first year, they should focus on their studies and engage with general knowledge, newspapers, and current affairs. This strengthens their intellectual foundation. In the second year, they can strengthen their grasp of subjects like mathematics, reasoning, and language. They can also clarify their basic concepts through NCERT books. By the final year, they

should make a clear decision whether they want to pursue higher education or pursue competitive exams.

Higher education and private sector opportunities are also rapidly expanding across various states in the country. New doors are opening for youth in fields such as IT, management, healthcare, startups, skill-based jobs, and freelancing. Therefore, it's essential that students don't limit their options to government jobs, but instead explore various fields according to their skills and interests.

The role of parents becomes crucial in this entire scenario. It's often seen that children, under pressure from their friends or society, decide to remain absent, and parents, trusting them, allow this. However, it's essential that parents understand the long-term implications of this decision and encourage their children to adopt a balanced approach. It's not wise to rely solely on one exam or one career choice.

In today's competitive world, success comes only to

those who embrace flexibility and keep a variety of options open. It's essential for students to strengthen their academic abilities while also focusing on skill development. Communication skills, technical proficiency, problem-solving abilities, and self-confidence—all these qualities help them advance in every aspect of life.

Ultimately, it's crucial to understand that the CET (Common Eligibility Test) or any competitive exam is merely an opportunity, not the ultimate goal. It should be considered a part of life, not the entire foundation. If students pay equal attention to their studies, skills, and personality development, they can not only succeed in competitive exams but also excel in other areas of life.

The need of the hour is to adopt a balanced approach—one that combines preparation and education, goals and choices. Only then will our youth not only succeed in the job race but also contribute significantly to the nation's development as strong, self-reliant, and informed citizens.

DCCB Mahabubnagar Targets ₹2,500 Cr Turnover; Push for Inclusive Rural Credit

(Capital Information) Mahabubnagar : The District Cooperative Central Bank (DCCB), Mahabubnagar, has set an ambitious business turnover target of ₹2,500 crore for the current financial year...



and financial outcomes with the members. The Collector stated that the bank's deposits have reached ₹489 crore as of March 25.

The Collector stated that the bank has so far extended ₹753 crore in short-term agricultural loans and ₹1,393 crore in long-term agricultural loans...

Addressing the meeting, DCCB In-charge CEO C. Ravikanth Reddy presented a detailed overview of the bank's performance during the previous financial year...

Highlighting improved financial discipline, she said the bank has reduced its non-performing assets (NPAs) to 2.86 per cent, reflecting better recovery performance.

announced that, with approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the bank will soon roll out UPI services and open 14 new branches to enhance customer outreach.

Expressing satisfaction, officials revealed that the bank has already achieved ₹2,400 crore turnover by March 23, inching closer to its annual target.

The Collector emphasized strengthening the cooperative sector by extending more credit to farmers and small traders. She instructed officials to create awareness among the public about various loan schemes and ensure that

borrowers repay loans on time to remain eligible for renewals.

Special emphasis was laid on expanding credit to women self-help groups and dairy farmers, noting their strong repayment capacity. Officials were also directed to personally visit villages to address issues related to loan recovery and interest payments.

Gupta cautioned that in the absence of an elected governing body, appointed officials must strictly adhere to RBI and NABARD guidelines and refrain from taking major policy decisions without prior approval. She stressed the need to maintain transparency,

efficiency and accountability in banking operations, while ensuring quick resolution of members' grievances.

Earlier, a five-member management committee meeting reviewed the bank's policies, performance, financial position, and compliance with RBI and NABARD norms, along with future action plans.

Senior officials from Telangana State Cooperative Apex Bank, NABARD, and district cooperative departments, along with auditors and inspectors from across the erstwhile Mahabubnagar district, attended the meeting.

Unanimous election of Umamaheshwar as President of Bar Association

(Capital Information) Devarakond : Electoral Officer Riazuddin said that Sannaila Umamaheshwar was unanimously elected as the President of Devarakonda Bar Association.

sociation said that he was unanimously elected as the President of Devarakonda Bar Association for the past three years, who is well known among the people for arguing legal cases for the clients.

After that a new committee was elected Sannaila Umamaheshwar as President, Vanam Jagadeeswar as General Secretary, Edam Ravikumar as Treasurer, LK Durga, B Srinivas as Vice Presidents, Siluveru Pushpalatha, M Yadaiah as Assistant Secretaries, Shankar as Cultural Secretary, and other members were unanimously elected, he said.



Sri Ram Navami Kalyanotsavam: Offerings Made to Illanthakunta Ramalayam

(Capital Information) Karimnagar/Jagtlal : On the occasion of Sri Ram Navami Kalyanotsavam, officials from Dharmapuri's Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swami Temple presented traditional attire and pearl-studded talambralu to the deity at Illanthakunta Ramalayam...

The event was attended by Temple Executive Officer Sankatala Srinivas, Senior Assistant Aluwala Srinivas, Chief Priest Nambi Srinivasacharyulu, Priest Nambi Arun Kumar, Junior Assistant Adluri Purushottam Raju and others.



Free Ambulance Service Launched Under Leadership of Ramaprabhu

(Capital Information) Serilingampally : A free ambulance service, arranged by local leader Attepally Ramaprabhu for the benefit of residents in Miyapur's 240 Division, was formally inaugurated on Wednesday by Serilingampally MLA Arekapudi Gandhi.

The initiative aims to provide immediate medical assistance to the public during emergencies, ensuring timely healthcare support. Appreciating the effort, the MLA commended Ramaprabhu for his commitment to public health and welfare.

Several prominent members attended the event, including former Hydernagar Corporator Narni Srinivas Rao, Serilingampally Congress Coordinator Raghunath Reddy, District leaders Ganesh, Saideshwar Rao, Lakshmi Kanth Reddy, Attepally Purushottam Sharma, Sammeta Prasad, Dr. Ravikumar Chowdary, Narasimha Reddy, Rajendra Prasad, K.L.N. Swamy, Anjaneyulu, Prasad Naidu, along with ARP team members and local colony residents.



SS Model School Students Secure Seats in Various Gurukulas

(Capital Information) Jagtlal/Dharmapuri : Six students from SS Model School, Nakkalapeta, Dharmapuri Mandal, Jagtlal district have secured seats in various gurukulas after qualifying in the 5th class gurukula entrance exam conducted by the state government.

The school's correspondent Ch Srinivas and teaching staff congratulated the students on their achievement. Parents expressed gratitude to the teaching staff for their support in helping the students secure seats.

The event was attended by the school's correspondent, teaching staff, and parents.

Sacred Vishnu Darbha Presented for Ontimitta Dhvajarahanam

(Capital Information) Ontimitta/Tirumala : In preparation for the Dhvajarahanam ceremony to be held tomorrow at the Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Temple in Ontimitta, Kadapa district, the sacred Vishnu Darbha mat (Darbha Matthu) and rope were formally presented to the temple authorities on Wednesday.



The TTD Forest Department staff specially prepared a Darbha mat measuring approximately 22 feet in length and 7.5 feet in width (weighing about 60 kg), along with a 225-meter long Darbha rope. These items are utilized annually during the flag-hoisting ceremony.

The Dhvajasthanbham (temple flagstaff). The hoisting of the Garuda flag using this rope marks the official commencement of the Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Brahmotsavams. It is traditionally believed that this sacred grass possesses purifying properties and natural antimicrobial qualities.

Preparation Process TTD Forest Department personnel collect this specific variety of Darbha from the

surrounding areas of Chellur village near Yerpedu. After collection, the grass is dried for a week. The subsequent process of weaving the mat and rope is carried out with great devotion over a period of approximately one month.

The presentation ceremony was attended by TTD In-charge DFO Dr. A.V.N. Sivakumar, DFO Vijay Kumar, Deputy EO A. Prashanthi, and other temple staff members.

Chinta Mohan, Senior Congress Leader and Former Union Minister, Holds Press Conference

(Capital Information) Serilingampally : Chinta Mohan, Senior Congress Leader and Former Union Minister, held a press conference at the Somajiguda Press Club on Wednesday. On this occasion, he was Recalling the era of wars, Chintamohan paid tribute to the late great leader Rajiv Gandhi, highlighting his decisive role in averting international conflicts.



In February 1991, the US-backed war between Iran and Kuwait unfolded. At that time, Rajiv Gandhi, then the Leader of the Opposition, traveled from Delhi to Moscow to meet Mikhail Gorbachev and discuss ceasefire measures. From there, he proceeded to Tehran, engaging with global leaders, and also held talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, successfully securing a ceasefire on February 28, 1991.

Upon his return via Dubai to Delhi International Airport, he was accorded a warm reception. Chinta Mohan emphasized that the war arose due to the absence of capable leaders like Rajiv Gandhi and Congress being out of power. Unlike some current leaders, Rajiv Gandhi did not remain confined to Delhi but took bold steps to stop the war.

He criticized Prime Minister Narendra Modi's foreign policy, calling it weak on the global stage, and stressed that no one in the world has

matched Rajiv Gandhi's courage to prevent wars.

Supporting Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's recent state-ment, Chinta Mohan argued that increasing MP and MLA seats lacks logic and is a diversionary political tactic. He also highlighted ongoing economic hardships: gas shortages, rising fuel prices, and long queues at petrol pumps across Hyderabad. Chinta Mohan pointed out the imbalance in representation, noting that Uttar Pradesh alone has 160 MPs while the combined South Indian states barely account for 200 seats, despite contributing over 70% of central taxes. He urged reconsideration of the proposed constituency expansions.

At the same time, he welcomed the expansion of women's reservation but criticized the Supreme Court's recent ruling, opposing the judgment and describing it as incorrect. He questioned whether marginalized communities like Dalit Christians would benefit under the current system.

He promised that if Congress comes to power in 2029, constitutional amendments would grant SC status to Dalit Christians. On an international note, Chintamohan raised concerns about Jeffrey Epstein's global sex trafficking network, which allegedly exploited young Russian women for elderly world leaders and investors. He linked suspicions of secret operations in Tehran, Iran, to subsequent bomb attacks in the region.

Negligence in duties will invite action: Additional Collector Bhaskar Rao

(Capital Information) Yadadri Bhuvanagiri/Ramannapet : Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Bhaskar Rao warned that strict action will be taken against officials who show negligence in their duties.



On Wednesday, he conducted a surprise inspection at the Area Hospital in Ramannapet mandal headquarters. During the visit, he thoroughly examined all departments of the hospital. He verified attendance registers and enquired about the number of doctors and staff on duty, directing them to maintain punctuality.

The Additional Collector also spoke to pregnant women, enquiring whether doctors were attending to them properly, providing medicines on time, and conducting necessary tests within the government hospital. He directed officials to ensure daily cleanliness of the hospital premises. He ordered issuance of show-cause notices to the sanitation contractor, expressing concern that sanitation staff were not attending duties regularly and questioned why their agency had not been cancelled.

Later, at the Ramannapet Gram Panchayat office, he reviewed tax collection progress village-wise. He enquired about the amount collected so far and the balance pending, directing officials to achieve 100% tax collection by the end of this month. Subsequently, he visited the local nursery and inspected plant cultivation and maintenance. He instructed officials to replace dead saplings with new ones and ensure proper watering and care. He emphasized organizing plantation drives in villages and highlighted the importance of tree plantation in environmental protection, urging everyone to take responsibility for planting and protecting trees.

MDO Ramulu, MPO Ravoof Ali, APO Venkanna, bill collectors, and other officials participated in the program.

Man Convicted for Murder in Miyapur, Sentenced to 10 Years Rigorous Imprisonment

(Capital Information) Serilingampally : Aravind Singh, 22, son of Nanda Kishore, a labourer from Labour Camp, Kalvary Temple Road, Miyapur, originally from Langai Village, Jankapur, Chhat-tisgarh, has been convicted and sentenced to 10 years of rigorous imprisonment and a fine of ₹1,000 for the murder of his nephew, Man Singh, in Cr.No. 959/2024 U/s 103(1) BNS of PS Miyapur, Cyberabad.

Miyapur, striking him on the head with a steel bracelet. The assault caused grievous

Initially, a case was registered under Section 109 BNS, which was later revised to Section 103(1) BNS following the death.



Investigations revealed that the accused had prior disputes with the deceased and attacked him while he was alone, inflicting severe injuries to the head, chest, and other parts of the body. Aravind Singh was arrested on 10.07.2024, and the charge sheet was filed on 28.01.2025.

According to Dcp crimes A.Muthyam Reddy, on 07.07.2024 at around 2:00 AM, Aravind Singh attacked the deceased near Jaitra Company Labour Camp,

injuries and rendered Man Singh unconscious.

Despite being shifted to Gandhi Hospital for treatment, the victim succumbed to his injuries on 11.07.2024.

After a full trial, Smt. C. Pavani, Hon'ble VI Additional District and Sessions Judge, Ranga Reddy District Court at Kukatpally, convicted Aravind Singh and imposed the sentence.

Provide Quality Food to Students in Government Schools : Collector Adarsh Surabhi

(Capital Information)

Wanaparthy : District Collector Adarsh Surabhi has issued directives to ensure that quality food is provided to students in government schools. On Wednesday, the District Collector paid a surprise visit to the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (Girls' School) in Peberu Mandal.

During this visit, he inspected the school's kitchen and food storage room, and also verified the stock registers. Interacting with the students serving on the Mess Committee, the Collector instructed them to sign the registers every time provisions are delivered to the school. He ordered the staff to ensure that nutritious and high-quality food is served to the students. Furthermore, he advised them to regularly check the expiry dates of all food items.

Subsequently, the Collector spoke with students appearing for the SSC



examinations, encouraging them to prepare thoroughly and perform well in their exams. He urged them to achieve high marks and bring laurels to both their school and the district. Reviewing the works undertaken at the school under the 'PM-SHRI' scheme, the Collector directed officials to immediately submit proposals regarding the specific requirements of the school.

Inspection of Anganwadi Buildings

The Collector also visited the Anganwadi buildings lo-

located in Harijanawada and Chelimeella—within the Peberu Mandal headquarters—which were renovated under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, sponsored by the ABD Liquor company. Under the jurisdiction of the Srirangapuram and Peberu Mandals, 10 Anganwadi centers were renovated at a cost of ₹35 lakhs.

Officials were directed to establish Anganwadi centers within these buildings. Fur-

thermore, Anganwadi teachers were instructed to ensure that no children suffer from malnutrition; they were advised to refer any children requiring intervention to the NRC (Nutritional Rehabilitation Center) to help them regain a healthy condition.

Collector Inspects Khelo India Sports Ground

The Collector inspected the Khelo India football ground located near the Peberu MPDO office. On the grounds, the Collector inspected the new high-mast lights that had been installed

using his own personal funds amounting to ₹10 lakhs. He directed the Sports Officer to complete the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of these facilities in the near future.

Accompanying the Collector during this visit were District Welfare Officer Sudharani, DYSO Sudheer Reddy, Peberu Municipal Chairman Srinivas Goud, GCDO Shubhalakshmi, Peberu Tahsildar Satyanarayana Reddy, staff from the ABD organization, and other officials.



FMD Vaccination Mandatory for Livestock

(Capital Information)

Gopalpet : On Wednesday, Dr. Rajini—the Monitoring Officer for the FMDCP (Foot and Mouth Disease Control Program)—and Dr. K. Venkateshwar Reddy, the Vanaparthy District Officer for the Department of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry, inspected a Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) prevention camp organized by the Animal Husbandry Department in Chakalpalli village, within the mandal limits.

They advised dairy farmers that it is mandatory to get their livestock vaccinated against FMD. Speaking on the occasion, they noted that milk production drops significantly in cattle infected with FMD. They stated that farmers can save their livestock if they identify the disease in its early stages and seek advice from veterinary officials. They urged every farmer who owns livestock to make full use of this camp.

Mandal Veterinary Officer Dr. Anjaneyulu reported that 105 white cattle and 35 black cattle were vaccinated during the camp in Chakalpalli village. Village Sarpanch Seshi Reddy, Livestock Assistant N. Srinivasulu, mandal veterinary staff, local dairy farmers, and others participated in the program.

Girls' hostels should be managed with proper facilities, and due care must be taken regarding their health

(Capital Information)

Yadadri Bhuvanagiri : As per the instructions of District Legal Services Authority Chairman and District Principal Judge A. Jayaraju, the Secretary of the Authority, V. Madhavi Latha, visited the Balasadan in Bhuvanagiri.

She interacted with the girls at the Balasadan and inspected the facilities being provided to them. While speaking to the staff, she emphasized that the hostel should be maintained with good facilities and that special attention should be given to the health of the girls.

She also advised the staff



to take necessary steps, within departmental guidelines, to provide training to the girls based on their interests

in activities such as games, music, drawing, essay writing, and public speaking, along with life skills development.

Special Branch Police Performance Commendable : SP Sunitha Reddy

(Capital Information)

Wanaparthy : District SP Sunitha Reddy stated that the Special Branch division plays a pivotal role within the district police system, providing essential information to field-level personnel and contributing significantly to crime control.

On Wednesday, during a special review meeting held with Special Branch officers and staff at the District Police Office, SP Sunitha Reddy commended the division's performance and instructed the officers to work with even greater efficiency to ensure the speedy



delivery of services to the public.

Speaking on this occasion, the SP remarked that the Special Branch division serves as a key pillar of the district's security framework; the intelligence provided by the Special Branch makes it

possible to prevent crimes proactively. She urged the team to continue working with the same enthusiasm, coupled with enhanced discipline and transparency, to provide prompt services to the people.

The SP stated that com-

pleting every task on time would further enhance public trust in the Police Department. He commended the Special Branch for its praiseworthy performance across all aspects of its operations—including the passport verification process, job verifications, the issuance of Police Clearance Certificates, and providing coordinated assistance to other departments.

Special Branch CI Naresh, SI Rameshwar Reddy, and other police personnel participated in this event.

IGNCA regional centre tirupati hosts lecture on vaikhanasa agama temple structure

(Capital Information)

Tiruchanur : The Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), Regional Centre, Tirupati, under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, in collaboration with National Sanskrit University, organized the third lecture of the "Lecture Series on Vaishnava Agama" on Wednesday. The session, held from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM at the IGNCA premises in Tiruchanur, focused on the theme "An analysis of Temple structure according to Vaikhanasa Agama."

Expert analysis on agamic architecture

S.V. Vedic University Assistant Professor and T.T.D. Resident Agama Advisor Dr. Parasaram Bhavanarayanaacharyulu delivered the invited talk. In his scholarly presentation, he provided an in-depth analysis of



temple architecture as prescribed in the Vaikhanasa Agama. He explained the structural components of temples, their symbolic meanings, and the scriptural guidelines governing construction and layout. He further emphasized the integration of ritual, architecture, and theology in preserving the sanctity and functionality of Vaishnava

temples.

Chief guest highlights traditional preservation

Sri Vikhanasa Trust Secretary Sriman Gamjam Prabhakaracharyulu attended the programme as the Chief Guest. In his address, he highlighted the importance of adhering to Vaikhanasa traditions in temple construction and worship. He also appreciated the efforts of IGNCA in

promoting Agamic knowledge among the public and scholarly community.

Objectives of the lecture series

IGNCA Regional Centre Regional Director Dr. K.T.V. Raghavan delivered the welcome address. He outlined the objectives of the Vaishnava Agama Lecture Series, noting that it aims to create awareness and scholarly engagement with traditional temple sciences and ritual systems. The programme witnessed the participation of scholars, students, temple priests, and devotees. The session concluded with an interactive discussion, fostering an exchange of knowledge between traditional practitioners and academic scholars to help preserve India's Agamic heritage.

Ontimitta Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Brahmotsavams to Begin with Ankurarpanam Today

(Capital Information)

Ontimitta/Tirumala : The annual Brahmotsavams of the ancient and historic Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Temple in Ontimitta are set to commence today. Known as "Ekashila Nagaram" due to the idols of Sri Sita, Rama, and Lakshmana being carved on a single stone, the temple has been fully decorated for the festivities. The Sri Rama Navami annual Brahmotsavams, scheduled from March 26 to April 5, will begin with the sacred ritual of Ankurarpanam on Thursday night.

Ritual Proceedings for Ankurarpanam

The day began with Suprabhata Seva to awaken the deity, followed by Thirumanjanam for the Parivara Devas. Later, Vyasabhishekam, Aradhana, and Archana were performed for the main deities. The Ankurarpanam ritual will be conducted formally starting at 6:00 PM amidst Vedic chants



by the priests. As part of this, the processional deities of Sri Sita, Rama, and Lakshmana will be elegantly decorated and seated on a special platform for Vishwakshena Puja, Kalasha Pratishtha, Kalasha Puja, Vasudeva Punyahavachanam, and Kankanadhahanam. This will be followed by the collection of sacred earth (Puttamanu).

Dhwajaroahanam Scheduled for Tomorrow

The Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Brahmotsavams will formally take off with the

Dhwajaroahanam ceremony on March 27. The sacred flag hoisting is scheduled to take place between 9:30 AM and 10:15 AM during the auspicious Vrushabha Lagnam.

Sri Rama Navami Asthanam and Cultural Events

On the same day, Sri Rama Navami Asthanam will be held at 11:00 AM, followed by Sri Pothana Jayanti and a Kavi Sammelanam at 4:00 PM. In the evening, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the deities will bless devotees during the Sessa Vahana Seva.

Commercial Use of Domestic LPG Cylinders: 8 Cases Booked in Mahabubnagar



(Capital Information)

Mahabubnagar : Officials of the Civil Supplies Department conducted inspections across commercial establishments in Mahabubnagar town on Wednesday and detected misuse of domestic LPG cylinders for business purposes.

During the drive, the seized 11 domestic cylinders that were being illegally used for commercial activities. Acting on the violations,

the registered eight cases against the establishments involved.

District Civil Supplies Officer Gampa Srinivas stated that strict action would be taken against those diverting subsidised domestic cylinders for commercial use. He warned traders and business owners to adhere to regulations, adding that such inspections would continue to prevent misuse and ensure fair distribution of essential commodities.

Awareness Program on Blood Donation for Students of the Animal Husbandry Polytechnic College

Blood Donation - The Gift of Life : Kagitala Madhu, President of Yuva Shakti Foundation

(Capital Information)

Wanaparthy : Kagitala Madhu, Founder-President of the Yuva Shakti Foundation, announced that they conducted an awareness program on blood donation for the polytechnic students of the P.V. Narasimha Rao Telangana Veterinary University, located at Banda Meeda Palli in the Palamuru district.

College Principal Dr. Priyadarshini attended the event as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, Foundation President Kagitala Madhu emphasized that "Blood Donation is the Gift of Life." He stated that healthy young men and women between the ages of 18 and 60 can donate blood once every three months, while white blood



cells can be donated once every week.

He raised awareness regarding the fact that every day, numerous individuals—including pregnant women and patients suffering from conditions such as cancer, kidney fail-

ure (requiring dialysis), and thalassemia—are in urgent need of blood transfusions.

He urged all young men and women to identify their respective blood groups and to step forward as lifesavers whenever anyone in society requires

blood. He highlighted that a single blood donation can save up to three lives, thereby affirming that blood donors are truly lifesavers.

Speaking at the event, College Principal Dr. Priyadarshini lauded the services rendered by the

Yuva Shakti Foundation as truly remarkable, describing the initiative to raise awareness about blood donation among the college students as a highly commendable endeavor.

It was emphasized that young men and women should take the lead in community service activities. Information was provided regarding blood donation, platelet donation, and stem cells for cancer treatment. It was stated that blood donation is a noble endeavor.

The event was attended by the college Principal, Dr. Priyadarshini; the Founder-President of the Yuva Shakti Foundation, Kagitala Madhu; Neela Devi; college staff; and students.

Integrated Plans Needed to Link Tourism and Handloom Sectors : Collector

(Capital Information)
Yadri Bhuvanagiri : District Collector Anurag Jayanti stated that there is immense potential to develop Pochampally into a hub for handloom trade and tourism, given its nationwide recognition for handwoven textiles. On Wednesday, he visited the Pochampally mandal headquarters along with a team from the National Institute of Urban Management to inspect the proposed Tourism Park and the houses of handloom workers.



He reviewed the development works of the Pochampally tank bund with HMDA officials and instructed them to expedite the ongoing works and focus on enhancing the area from a tourism perspective. Later, he visited the Pochampally Handloom Cooperative Society and examined Ikat products. He also interacted directly with handloom workers to understand their welfare, current conditions, and challenges.

During the visit, the Collector held discussions with officials and reviewed the present situation in the region, offering key suggestions for development. He emphasized the need to design comprehensive plans that integrate the growth of tourism and the handloom sector. He also suggested expanding marketing facilities and reiterated that the goal is to develop Pochampally as a combined tourism and handloom center.

Subsequently, the Collector visited the Swami Ramananda Tirtha Rural Institute located in Jalalpur village of Pochampally mandal. He inquired about the training programs being provided to students, particularly skill development courses. Interacting with students, he encouraged them to make effective use of training to enhance their employment opportunities. He also directed officials to plan training programs for aspiring weavers to develop new designs in the handloom sector.

Later, he inspected the Urban Forest Park and Lake View Park in Jalalpur village of Pochampally mandal. District Handloom Department AD A. Srinivasa Rao, District Rural Development Officer Nagireddy, Tahsildar Srinivas Reddy, MPDO Bhaskar, District Panchayat Officer Vishnuvardhan Reddy, and other officials participated.



Health Officials visited Immunization Center at PHC Pebbair

(Capital Information)
Pebbair : Mrs. Geetha Devi, District Community Health Officer and Mrs. Yashoda, District Health Educator Officer, who visited the Immunization Center at the health sub-centre in Pebburu Primary Health Center, said that all children from birth to five years should be vaccinated and told the staff there to tell them about the vaccine given to them and always come back, and also update in Uwin and MCH kits.

NCD also needs to be updated soon, every Asha worker said that people should be made aware that people should take proper precautions to avoid stroke due to the prevailing conditions.

Public Health Nurse Leelamma, Health Supervisor Parvathi, Swarooparani, Health Assistant Rajasekhara, Nursing Officer Krishna, Data Entry Operator Rajesh Goud, ANM Sharada and Asha activists participated in this program.

New Central Lighting Installed at Nallagandla HUDA Colony; PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi Inaugurates

(Capital Information)
Serilingampally : A new central lighting system, including sectional streetlights, has been installed in Nallagandla HUDA Colony at an estimated cost of ₹2 crore. The inauguration ceremony was held today with PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi as the chief guest, who switched on the lights in the presence of former corporator Gangadhar Reddy.



Chairman Gandhi added that the new lights have brought a fresh charm to the colony, with their bright illumination enhancing the overall aesthetics. He emphasized that such infrastructure improvements would not only facilitate safe travel at night but also contribute to the development of all civic amenities.

PAC Chairman Gandhi reaffirmed his commitment to the development of Gachibowli Division and the Serilingampally constituency through continued efforts and support for public welfare initiatives.

The event was attended by local leaders, colony residents, and members of the colony association.

Major Shift Expected in Tiruchanur Tourist Bus Stand Parking Auction

Collector's Intervention Likely to End Private Monopoly on Tiruchanur Parking

(Capital Information)
Tiruchanur : The parking auction for the Private Tourist Bus Stand, a major revenue source for the Tiruchanur Major Gram Panchayat, has reached a critical juncture. With the current auction term for the 2025-26 fiscal year set to expire on March 31, uncertainty prevails over the subsequent proceedings. In this context, Tiruchanur Panchayat Secretary Mani addressed a press conference to clarify the administrative stance.

Awaiting Orders from District Collector
 Panchayat Secretary Mani stated that the current Panchayat Board has not cooperated in organizing the



parking auction for the 2026-27 financial year. Consequently, a file note has been submitted to District Collector Dr. S. Venkateswar seeking alternative arrangements and further instructions. No final decision on the next auction will be made until official orders are received from the Collector.

Potential Shift to Panchayat-Led Collection
 Given the limited time remaining before the current term ends, the Secretary indicated that if the District Collector issues the necessary orders, the Gram Panchayat may directly undertake the

collection of parking fees at the Tourist Bus Stand. This move would bypass the traditional private auctioning process in favor of departmental management.

Benefits for Pilgrims and Panchayat Revenue
 A shift toward direct collection by the Panchayat is being viewed as a beneficial move for both the administration and the devotees of Sri Padmavathi Ammavari Temple. It is believed that direct management would prevent overcharging by private contractors, providing relief to pilgrims while ensuring that the revenue flows directly into the Panchayat treasury.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREER OPTIONS IN FINANCIAL MARKET

The financial market is the marketplace where financial deals are done by the sellers and buyers like selling and buying of the stocks, bonds, currencies, bills of exchange, commodities etcetera. This may be an electronic system like NASDAQ or physical places like NYSE, BSE, and LSE.

Role and Importance of Financial Market?

The financial market plays a significant role in the financial sector as with the help of these markets buyers and sellers can meet over the same platform, they don't have to find each other. With the help of these marketplaces, they can easily do their trading. The other main function of the financial market is that it can set prices for global trades and for other financial trades.

Types of Financial Market?

There are different types of financial markets present, each market plays a different role and deals in the different financial sector. Some of the important fields of the financial market are classified below.

Capital Market: The capital market is the part of the financial sector in which the long-term debts (over 1 year) are provided and taken. In this institution, the funds are gathered from the one party and make available to the needy party. The capital market is further classified into two types:

Primary Market: The primary market is also called the new issue market in which the securities like shares and bonds are traded for the first time.

Secondary Market: The secondary market is also known for the aftermarket. In this marketplace, buyers purchase the previously issued securities like bonds and stocks.

Money Market: In the money market, the liquidity is controlled by this sector with the lending and borrowing of the money for a short time period generally less than 1 year.

Foreign Exchange Market: This marketing sector assists the foreign exchanges. In this marketplace, the trade of all currencies is done; the buying and selling of foreign currencies are done under this sector. Around \$5 trillion amount is traded per day.

Commodity Market: In this marketplace, the trading of primary products takes place and managed by this sector. There are two types of commodities one is the soft commodity in which wheat, oil, fruit, sugar, coffee etc. comes and another one is the hard commodity in which the products like gold and oil lies.

Derivatives Market: The derivative market is the institution where trading of derivatives takes place between two or more parties, it is based upon the valu-



able things like stocks or bonds.

Insurance Market: The insurance market transfers the risk from one party to another who is willing to take the risk.

Career Options in the Financial Market

The financial market is one of the most popular fields of work and is a good option for the youngsters to do work in this field and achieve success. A career in the financial market requires a variety of skills like communication, creativity and analytical skills are must in this field. This industry offers a variety of positions for the newcomers to start their career in this field like

Job Opportunity in the Corporate Finance: In this job, you will work for the firm or company and deals with the financial matters of the company and help them to find the money for the company to run and for growing the business of the firm. As a financial officer, your job is to create value for the company. There are three main entry-level designations in the corporate finance i.e.

Accountant: An accountant in this field takes care of the records and manages the assets of the company. The requirement for this post is that the candidate must be a bachelor's degree holder and the other requirement is that he/she should have a CPA (Certified Public Accountant) certification. Some employers prefer the candidates with MBA in accounting. The median annual salary of the accountant is around Rs.2,50,000.

Budget Analyst: The budget analyst's role is to distribute the financial assets of the corporations and make the budget of the corporation and analyze it for helping them to save money as well as to increase the profit. The requirements for the same post are the candidate must have the bachelor's degree and also possess the course in statistics. The starting annual salary of an analyst is around Rs.3,50,000.

Financial Analyst: The main role of the financial analyst is to guide the corporations in their investing decisions. Specialized financial analysts are also called the risk analysts as they help the corporations in avoiding the future losses. The basic requirement for this post is that person should be a graduate and passed the level 1 of the CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) exam. The average pay for the same post is Rs.3,60,000per annum.

Job Opportunities in the Commercial Bank: The main goal of the commercial bank is to help people to achieve their financial goals. In this profession, you have to assist the customers with the bank services like loans, foreign exchange etc. There are also the varieties of positions in this stream like:

Credit Analyst: It is an entry-level designation of this field. The main purpose of a credit analyst is to evaluate the customer's loan application which is made to the bank. Moreover, meeting with the financial people and lenders is also the part of the job. The candidate with the bachelor's degree and having

the skills in the risk management is suitable for the job. Also, the annual salary of a credit analyst is around Rs.5,00,000.

Loan officer: It is the most desirable designation in the commercial banking. The role of the loan officer is to make the loans to the companies and consumers. Good selling skills must be there for being a loan officer. For becoming a loan officer, bachelor's degree in the finance, economics or in other field related course will be required. Besides this, the annual salary package of the loan officer is approximately Rs.5,50,000 INR.

Mortgage Banker: In this work, you have to make mortgage loans to the individuals and businesses. Applicants like homebuyer approach you regarding the loans in that case high contacts with the real estate professionals also involve. The candidate with the bachelor's degree is eligible for this post. Also, the salary is handsome.

Trust Officer: As a trust officer, you have to provide the trust services to the customers and also the financial products. Moreover, also have to advise the customers regarding their relevant problems. Interact with the people to facilitate the cash flow.

Job Opportunities in the Investment Bank: The investment banks provide many services to the corporate, companies and governmental bodies related to the capital. The main purpose of the investment banker is to act as a middleman between the corporate and the investors when the company decides to issue new stocks to the public for public funding. It is a good option to pursue your career in the investment bank. Typical designations in an investment bank are:

Investment Banking Analyst: This is the lowest rank designation in the investment bank. The main job of an analyst is to follow up the orders of



associates and higher authorities like VP. The tenure of an analyst is generally between 2 to 3 years after that you will get promoted. The candidate should have a bachelor's degree in any stream; also computer knowledge is a must. The annual salary of an analyst is around Rs.3,60,000.

Investment Banking Associates: The associate is one level up from the analyst. The job of the associate is to look over the analyst's work and fulfill the demands of the VP. After completing the tenure of an analyst you are promoted to the associate or you can get direct entry to the associate level if you possess the MBA. Generally, the tenure of the associate is of three years after that you will be promoted as a VP. The annual package of an associate is around Rs.9,00,000.

Job Opportunities in the Insurance: The insurance company's main role is to give insurance to the individuals regarding their potential loss. It is also a good sector for adopting as the field of work. There are various positions in the insurance company in which you can pursue your career.

Actuary: An actuary helps the insurance company with the statistical figures about the events that will occur and presents the amount which is charged for the coverage. The statistical and mathematical skills are needed for this profession. So the candidates having the bachelor's degree in mathematics or in the related stream can go for this profession.

Claim Adjuster: The adjusters are the insurance examiners or investigators; they help the insurance company by giving the proper figure of the loss and tell the company about how much they should pay for the loss or damage. They have to meet with the clients and inspect the property for which the claims are being made. The candidates with the degree of finance, business or related to the field can choose this career.

Claims Clerk: The role of the claims clerk is to deal with the paperwork related to the insurance policies. They have various jobs like the process the new policies or modify the existing policies. The applicant should have a bachelor's degree for this designation. Sales Agent: The sales agent usually interacts with the clients and introduces the insurance policies to them and helps them in choosing the appropriate insurance policy for them. The great selling skill is required for this profession. The candidate having the high school diploma can opt this field, some employers demand the degree holders.

- VIJAY GARG



Revanth Reddy attends TDP MLA's family function in Guntur, signals cross-party civility

(Capital Information) Guntur/Hyderabad : In a gesture reflecting continued personal outreach across political lines in the Telugu States, Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy attended the wedding ceremony of the daughter of Ponnur TDP legislator Dhulipalla Narendra Kumar here on Tuesday.

Accompanied by his wife Geetha Reddy and family members, the Chief Minister joined a gathering of Andhra Pradesh Ministers, MLAs and senior leaders at a convention hall in the city, where

he conveyed his blessings to the newlyweds, Nagasai Vaideepthi and Kevin Ram.

The visit, though personal in nature, drew political attention as Andhra Pradesh IT Minister Nara Lokesh received Mr. Revanth Reddy at the venue, underlining the informal yet visible engagement between leaders of the Congress-ruled Telangana and the Telugu Desam Party leadership in Andhra Pradesh.

Senior public representatives from across the political spectrum attended the ceremony, reflecting the customary practice of maintaining

social courtesies despite competitive electoral politics. Observers noted that such interactions often help sustain channels of communication between governments on administrative and inter-State issues.

A light-hearted exchange between Mr. Lokesh and members of the host family provided a moment of levity during the event, with the AP Minister jokingly suggesting that the bride could enter electoral politics when women's reservation comes into force - a remark that drew laughter from those

present, including the Telangana Chief Minister.

While the occasion remained primarily a private family function, Mr. Revanth Reddy's presence assumed symbolic significance amid evolving political alignments and cooperative federal engagements between the two neighbouring States.

The visit also comes at a time when both governments are navigating a range of shared administrative concerns, with informal political goodwill often viewed as a facilitating factor in smoother inter-State coordination.

Sri Kodanda Rama Chakrasnanam Performed With Religious Fervour at Kapila Theertham

(Capital Information) Tirupati : The annual Brahmotsavams of Tirupati Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Temple reached their celestial climax on Wednesday morning with the traditional Chakrasnanam held at the Kapila Theertham holy tank. A large number of devotees gathered to witness the sacred ceremony and take a holy dip. The mega religious event will conclude tonight with the Dhvajavarohanam (lowering of the sacred flag).

Grand Procession and Snapana Tirumanjanam

Earlier in the day, at 7:30 AM, the processional deities of Sri Rama, Sita, and Lakshmana were carried in a palanquin to Kapila Theertham. From 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM, a grand Snapana Tirumanjanam (celestial bath) was performed for the deities along with Chakrathalwar at the Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple Mandapam.

The deities were bathed



with sacred offerings including milk, curd, honey, coconut water, turmeric, and sandalwood paste amidst the chanting of Vedic hymns. Following the Abhishekam, the priests ceremoniously performed the Chakrasnanam in the Pushkarini, marking the spiritual purification of the weapons of the Lord.

Post-Ritual Procession and Asthanam

At 11:00 AM, the deities proceeded from Alwar Theertham to P.R. Gardens. In the evening, the procession will move through

Teerthakatta Street, Kotakommala Street, and Kotha Street to return to the Sri Kodanda Rama Swamy Temple. En route, special Asthanams (temple courts) will be conducted at the Sri Anjaneya Swamy Temple and the Sri Vaikhanasacharya Temple.

The event was graced by the presence of Tirumala Pedda Jeeyar Swamy and Chinna Jeeyar Swamy. Temple Deputy EO Nagaratna, Temple Inspector Suresh, priests, and a vast gathering of devotees participated in the festivities.

Collector Flags Off PM Surya Ghar Awareness Rath in Mahabubnagar

(Capital Information) Mahabubnagar : District Collector Khushboo Gupta on Wednesday flagged off an awareness rath on the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana from the Collectorate premises, aiming to promote the adoption of solar energy among the public.

The initiative is part of the government's efforts to create widespread awareness about renewable energy and encourage households to shift towards sustainable power solutions.

Addressing the gathering, the Collector urged citizens to install rooftop solar panels in their homes to



generate their own electricity. She emphasized that beneficiaries can avail subsidies provided by the Central government and reduce their dependence on conventional power sources.

Highlighting the financial benefits, she noted that surplus electricity generated through solar systems can

be supplied back to the grid, enabling households to earn additional income.

Officials from the Telangana State Renewable Energy Development Corporation (TGREDCO), including District Manager K. Manohar Reddy and Field Officer K. Bhaskar, were present on the occasion.

CPM leaders Narasimha Reddy submitted a petition to Hydra Commissioner

(Capital Information) Sangareddy : CPM leaders Nayini Narasimha Reddy submitted a petition to Hydra Commissioner Ranganath to save Shambhunikunta in Biranguda, Ameerpur mandal from encroachers and beautify it for the benefit of all the people.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that under the auspices of CPM, the need to protect the ponds and government lands worth crores of rupees from illegal constructions has been brought to the attention of revenue officials, municipal officials, irrigation officials and the collector on many occasions.

He said that signatures of residents of various colonies



around the pond were collected and submitted to the collector. He said that many struggles were carried out through hunger strikes, dharnas and other struggles. He said that according to the records of the revenue officials, there is 22 acres of 12-hour land in Shambhunikunta, which is lo-

ated in the heart of Biranguda, in survey number 765.

He said that large-scale encroachments have been carried out by politicians and revenue officials with the help of irrigation officials. He said that the canals that bring water into the pond and the canals that go out of the pond have

been completely encroached. He said that many colonies are being flooded due to the intensity of floods during the rainy season.

He also said that the pond has been completely polluted due to garbage, horse hoofs and drainage water. He said that the colonists in the surrounding areas are facing serious problems with dengue fever due to the foul smell and mosquitoes due to the polluted water.

He appealed to the Hydra officials to intervene and save the pond from the encroachers, reconstruct the canals and beautify it for the benefit of all the people.

"THE LIFE AND JOURNEY OF A DYNAMIC POLICE OFFICER - ADDITIONAL DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE CH. KUSHALKAR"

"The Pride of United Medak District"

(Capital Information)

Serilingampally : In the demanding field of policing, where leadership and integrity are paramount, Chitkal Kushalkar has distinguished himself as a committed and dynamic officer. He currently serves as the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police (Administration & Law & Order) in the Siddipet Commissionerate.

He is renowned for his strong administrative skills, law enforcement capabilities and disciplined approach. Kushalkar plays a key role in managing the internal functioning of the police department. From personnel management and inter-departmental coordination to policy implementation and resource planning, he ensures the administrative machinery operates smoothly and efficiently.

Throughout his career, marked by dedication and professionalism, Kushalkar has earned the respect of colleagues and the public alike. Known for his discipline, punctuality, and hands-on approach, he actively reviews departmental activities and guides staff to maintain and achieve high standards of service.

"Early Life and Family Background"

Kushalkar was born on 24th July 1967 into a humble farmer's family in Ameerabad, a village in Nyalkal Mandal of Sangareddy district (formerly part of Medak district). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sangamma George and was raised in a modest rural setting that instilled in him the values of hard work, discipline, and resilience.

He belongs to a large family, with six brothers and one sister. Significantly, three of his brothers have served in the police department, highlighting a strong legacy of public service within the family.

Growing up in an agrarian household and under a disciplined



family environment had a profound influence on Kushalkar's character, shaping his sense of responsibility, commitment, and ultimately guiding his path toward a career in public service.

"Education and Early Aspirations:"

Completed his Secondary School Education (Class 10) while residing in the hostel of Methodist Rural High School (MRHS), Zaheerabad. He pursued his Intermediate studies at B.R. Ambedkar College in Chikkadpally.

He went on to complete his graduation from N.B. Science College, located in Madina, Old City. Furthering his academic journey, Kushalkar obtained his postgraduate degree in Geology from Osmania University (OU) Campus.

During his student years, Kushalkar remained focused on his studies without being preoccupied with specific career ambitions. His primary goal was to excel academically. However, during his postgraduate phase, he developed an inclination towards securing a job in the Mines and Geology Department and made ef-

forts in that direction.

"Training and Early Career"

As part of his efforts to secure employment, Kushalkar appeared for the Sub-Inspector (SI) recruitment and was selected in 1994. Following his selection, he underwent rigorous training for a period of one year.

Recalling his training days, Kushalkar described them as extremely demanding, involving daily running, intense physical exercises, and strict dietary discipline. He noted that the physical strain was so intense that even taking a step would feel exhausting.

The training also included survival exercises, where trainees were left in forest areas for up to three days with minimal provisions such as bread and cheese, allowing officials to assess their endurance and survival skills.

Kushalkar emphasized that the training was not limited to physical fitness alone but was equally focused on building mental resilience. He stated that the experience helped him develop the ability to withstand stress and remain composed under pressure, which proved highly beneficial throughout his career in the police service.

"Entry into Police Service:"

C.H. Kushalkar began his career as a Sub-Inspector in 1995 at Morthad Police Station, Armur, and served in various police stations across Nizamabad district. From

1997 to 2003 Kushalkar earned a reputation as a strong field officer in the Naxalite-affected areas of Nizamabad.

During this period, Naxalites conducted special reconnaissance on him, making him a target. This was a key reason for his transfer to Hyderabad. He worked as Task Force SI in the Hyderabad City (2004-2007) and was promoted as Circle Inspector in 2007, serving in Bheemgal and Armur. He was later reassigned to Cyberabad in 2012. He served as CI in Rajendranagar, (First CI of Jagadgirigutta, and KPHB Police Station, and was promoted as ACP in 2019 to the Hyderabad CCS EOW Department.

He later served as ACP, Shadnagar (2021-2023), and as DSP in Vigilance & Enforcement, Hyderabad Range-II (2023-2024). Currently, he is posted as Additional DCP (Admin & Law & Order) in Siddipet Commissionerate after being promoted as Additional SP.

"Balancing Family and Professional Life:"

Kushalkar is married to Aruna Kumari, and the couple has two sons. Owing to the demanding nature of his professional responsibilities, he has often missed family events and festivals. On one occasion, he even had to cut short his own 50th birthday celebration due to official duties.

His wife, Aruna Kumari, who has been the backbone of his success, serves in emergency services as a Head Nurse and has faced similar challenges in her profession. Their children, during their early years, often missed the presence of their parents and at times felt upset when they could not spend time together.

"Achievements:"

He has received over 300 rewards and 13 commendations. Among the most notable are the KATINA Seva Pathakam, pre-

sented by former Minister Dharreddy, and the UTTHAMA Seva Pathakam, awarded by former Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao (KCR). Police department sources say that such medals are very rare and awarded only in limited numbers.

"Stress Relief Routine of Kushalkar:"

Kushalkar has revealed that his method of stress relief is strictly limited to yoga, walking, jogging, and gym workouts. He stated clearly that no other activity brings him the same sense of calm and mental peace, emphasizing the importance of physical fitness in managing stress.

"Hobbies:"



Enjoying outdoor games, with a particular fondness for volleyball, cricket & shuttle, which he plays regularly. He has also expressed a strong interest in music, highlighting it as one of his key personal pursuits.

"Message for Youth:"

Kushalkar advised that a career in policing should not be chosen on impulse or out of

momentary excitement. He emphasized that only those who are ready to dedicate their entire life to serving society with a clear purpose should consider joining the police force, conveying this as an important message to the youth.

"Message to My Family Members:"

My family has always been my strongest support system. Despite the demanding nature of policing, their understanding and encouragement have kept me grounded and focused. My children are born to a police officer, and my wife is married to one, so they have had to adjust to life in my absence on many occasions. I may not always be physically present due to duty,

but their strength gives me the courage to serve society with dedication and integrity.

"Message to the World:"

Kushalkar, a police officer, emphasized that education is the foundation of success. Reflecting on his journey, he said he strongly believed that without education, there is nothing, and this belief drove him to focus entirely on his studies.

He stated that education helped him build his career and improve his economic status. In today's world, he added, only education can take individuals to higher positions.

Kushalkar urged the younger generation to prioritize education for a better future.

— Interview by Kamger Salvader (Tillu), Correspondent.