

Farmers Should Avoid Paddy Cultivation and Prevent Losses : Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar

(Capital Information)
Suryapet : District Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar has appealed to farmers not to cultivate paddy this year and risk financial losses, citing unfavorable weather conditions and inadequate rainfall in the district.

The Collector said that rainfall during June and July was below normal and that the Meteorological Department has warned of deficient rainfall in September as well due to the impact of El Niño. In view of the prevailing conditions, he advised farmers to avoid paddy cultivation and instead opt for dryland and alternative crops.

The Collector held a review meeting on the impact of El Niño with officials at the Collectorate on Saturday,

along with Thungathurthi MLA Mandula Samuel. He said there was currently no clarity on the release of irrigation water as the Nagarjuna Sagar and SRSP projects did not have sufficient water reserves.

Of the 190 major tanks in the district, most were holding only 25 to 50 per cent water, while groundwater levels were also not being adequately recharged, he said.

The Collector pointed out that August 8 had already arrived and that if farmers planted paddy now, the crop would reach the harvesting stage only in November or December. By then, rainfall would be scarce, and if the water in the irrigation projects was depleted, the crops could dry up, causing heavy financial losses to farmers.



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He said cultivation was yet to begin on nearly 2.35 lakh acres in the district and urged farmers in these areas to carefully consider the prevailing water situation before deciding on their crops.

10-Day Special Drive on Crop Diversification

The Collector announced that a 10-day special drive on

crop diversification would begin from August 10 to create awareness among farmers. Under the programme, titled "Talk to Farmers – Pathway to Crop Diversification," every official would personally meet at least 10 farmers and explain the benefits of alternative crops.

Tahsildars, MPDOs, AEOs and representatives of

women's self-help groups would participate in the campaign. Awareness programmes would also be conducted at the village level through Rythu Vedikas, explaining the benefits of shifting from water-intensive crops to alternative crops.

Farmers were advised to cultivate red gram, green gram, black gram, maize, groundnut, oil palm and vegetables instead of paddy, depending on local conditions and available water resources.

Government Will Stand by Farmers During Drought: MLA Mandula Samuel

Thungathurthi MLA Mandula Samuel assured the people that they need not lose heart despite the drought-like conditions prevailing in the

state, stating that the government would extend all possible support.

In view of the deficient rainfall, he also advised farmers to opt for dryland crops instead of paddy. He said a "Varuna Yagam" would be performed at Nagarjuna Sagar on August 10, seeking adequate rainfall and relief from irrigation difficulties.

The MLA said the ritual would be conducted under the guidance of priests from Yadadri, with Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Irrigation Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, other ministers and MLAs expected to participate.

He said the government was providing 6 kg of quality fine rice to the people and was also considering measures to ensure the supply of

essential commodities.

The MLA further said the government was bringing revolutionary changes in the education sector. He stated that mess charges for SC, ST, BC and minority students had been increased by 40 per cent, while cosmetic charges for girl students had been increased by 200 per cent to provide greater support.

He also assured that the construction works of the Integrated School at Tonda village in the Thungathurthi constituency would be completed within eight months.

Additional Collector B. Hari Singh, Irrigation Chief Engineer Nagabhushanam and District Agriculture Officer Sridhar Reddy were among those present at the press conference.



CMRF Letter of Credit (LOC) for Rs. 1.50 Lakhs Handed Over

(Capital Information) (Vaggam Prem Kumar)
Gopalpet : An LOC document worth Rs. 1.50 lakhs, sanctioned under the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) for the bilateral knee replacement surgery of Chennagalla Chinamma (a resident of Gopalpet Mandal), was handed over to her husband, Kondayya.

This financial assistance was secured through the CMRF thanks to the initiative of Vanaparathi MLA Tudi Megha Reddy. The family members expressed their gratitude to the MLA, the Chief Minister, and the state government.

Participants in the event included Vanaparathi District Congress Committee executive member Shivantha; Mandal Market Yard Vice Chairman Manda Satyasheela Reddy; State SC Department General Secretary Konki Venkatesh; former Vice MPP Shekhar; Vanaparathi District RTI Chairman and Youth Congress leader Konki Ramesh; Konkali Krishnaiah; Ketapalli Venkataiah; Gajula Kodandam; Ward Members Byadari Shanthy, Konkali Venkatesh, Suresh, and Kavala Ramulu; Vanaparathi District TPCC Media & Publicity Coordinator Praveen Kumar; and party leader Darru, among others.

Greenery Is the Foundation of Progress; Protecting Plants Is Our Responsibility! : Market Committee Chairperson Pramodini Reddy

(Capital Information)
Gurrampalle Shiva Kumar Pebbair/Wanaparthy : Pebbair Agricultural Market Committee Chairperson Pramodini Reddy called upon everyone to participate in environmental protection and ensure a clean and healthy environment for future generations by planting and protecting saplings. As part of the Harithaharam programme, saplings were planted on the premises of the Pebbair Agricultural Market Committee.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairperson Pramodini Reddy said that planting a sapling does not merely mean putting it in the soil, but also taking responsibility for nurturing and protecting it until it grows into a tree. She emphasized that environmental balance can be achieved only by increasing greenery and urged everyone to consider the protection of plants as their



responsibility.

She said that in order to tackle climate change and rising pollution, it is necessary not only to plant saplings on a large scale but also to pay special attention to their protection and maintenance. She urged people to plant saplings around homes, offices and vacant spaces and contribute to increasing greenery.

Market Committee Vice Chairperson Vijayavardhan Reddy and Municipal Chairperson Akki Srinivas Goud said that people should not simply plant saplings and forget about them, but must take responsibility for nurtur-

ing them into healthy trees. They stated that protecting plants is crucial for environmental conservation and emphasized that the objective of the Harithaharam programme can be achieved only when every planted sapling is properly protected and maintained.

Market Committee Directors Raman Goud, Mote Ramulu, Narsinha Naidu, Shankar and Anjaneyulu, Market Secretary Anil Kumar, Congress leaders Ram Reddy, Yugandhar Reddy and Randheer, along with market office staff and others, participated in the programme



Grand Celebration of Bonalu Festival at Sri Saraswati Shishu Mandir

(Capital Information)
Peddapalli Bureau : The Bonalu festival was celebrated with great enthusiasm on Saturday at Sri Saraswati Shishu Mandir School in the Peddapalli district headquarters. Students observed the festival, which symbolizes Telangana's culture and traditions with devotion and reverence.

Speaking on the occasion, School Principal M. Manjula noted that the Bonalu festival was declared a state festival following the formation of Telangana state. She mentioned that it is a long-standing tradition to celebrate Bonalu during the month of Ashada to express gratitude to the Goddess.

As part of the festivities, children carried 'Bonams' and performed dances while dressed as 'Pothuraju,' creating a lively atmosphere.

The school premises resonated with the beats of traditional drums and the energetic performances of the Pothuraju dancers, evoking a true festive spirit.

Subsequently, the offerings were presented to the Goddess. School patrons, students, principal, teaching staff, and others participated in the event.



Make Kallu and Geetha Workers' Awareness Bus Yatra a Grand Success

(Capital Information)
Sangareddy/Zaheerabad : Kallu and Geetha workers have been urged to participate in large numbers and make the Kallu and Geetha Workers' Awareness Bus Yatra, scheduled to reach Sangareddy on August 13, a grand success, said Ramesh Goud, District Secretary of the Kallu and Geetha Workers' Association.

On Saturday, Ramesh Goud participated as the chief guest in a programme organized by the Kallu and Geetha Workers' Association in Zaheerabad town and unveiled wall posters promoting the awareness bus yatra.

He said that on August 13, a grand bike rally and public meeting would be organized in Sangareddy under the leadership of the district committee of the Kallu and Geetha Workers' Association to welcome the awareness bus yatra.

He called upon Kallu and Geetha workers and members of the Goud community from across the district to participate in large numbers and make the programme successful.

Ramesh Goud stated that the bus yatra would continue until August 18 and culminate at Tank Bund in Hyderabad. Digwal Srinivas Goud, Vitthal Goud, Mogudampally Srinivas Goud, Manik Prabhu Goud, Ranga Goud, Venkatapuram Anja Goud, Shekhar Goud, Lakshma Goud and others participated in the programme.



Grand celebrations of Panduga Sayanna Mudiraj Jayanti celebrations in Miryalaguda

(Capital Information)
Miryalaguda : The grand celebrations of Panduga Sayanna Mudiraj Jayanti celebrations were held at BC Bhavan Miryalaguda on Saturday, with all the important leaders of Mudiraj present and paying their respects to him.

He called on all the Mudirajs to be ready to fight in his footsteps and to work tirelessly to achieve his dream and to be a beacon of hope for all the poor and weaker sections of the society.

Mudiraj leaders and others participated in this program.

BJP Minority Morcha State Vice President Mahabub Ali Meets MP D.K. Aruna

(Capital Information)
Narayanpet : BJP Minority Morcha State Vice President Mahabub Ali met Mahabubnagar MP Smt. D.K. Aruna and expressed his gratitude for the support and confidence extended to him following his appointment to the key organisational position.

During the meeting, Mahabub Ali and D.K. Aruna discussed various issues concerning the constituency, public welfare and the development and well-being of the minority community.

Speaking on the occasion, Mahabub Ali said that the responsibility entrusted to him by the party would be carried out with dedication and sincerity. He as-



sured that he would remain committed to public service and work actively towards addressing the problems and concerns of the people.

He further said that he would strive to ensure effective representation of minority community issues and work in coordination

with the party leadership to promote the welfare and development of the community.

Mahabub Ali also thanked MP D.K. Aruna for her continued attention to public issues and her efforts to address the concerns of the people.

Water Released to Canals Only After BRS Warnings : Rythu Bandhu Mandal President Tirupati Yadav

(Capital Information) (Vaggam Prem Kumar)

Gopalpet : Addakula Tirupati Yadav, the Rythu Bandhu Mandal President, demanded the release of irrigation water from the Yelluru, Jonnala Bogada, and Gudipalli reservoirs under the KLI (Kalwakurthy Lift Irrigation) project.

Speaking at a press conference held on Saturday with public representatives at

lease.

They noted that previously, motors at the Yelluru and Jonnala Bogada reservoirs had operated only to a limited extent, and even now, water is being lifted using only a single motor in some areas.

They stated that the government is focusing on filling the three reservoirs for drinking water needs but is neglecting the provision of irrigation water to farmers.



the BRS office in the Mandal headquarters, he severely criticized the Congress government's approach. BRS leaders alleged that the government started the pumps only after the party held a press conference at Telangana Bhavan and announced plans to lay siege to the Narlapur reservoir on the 11th to demand water re-

lease. They pointed out that irrigation water has not yet been released to the canals from the Gudipalli reservoir at full capacity.

They demanded that water be supplied to approximately 500 tanks and ponds within the KLI jurisdiction to benefit the farmers. With massive inflows of floodwater reaching the Jurla proj-

ect from the Maharashtra and Karnataka regions, leaders urged the authorities to utilize this water effectively to fill the reservoirs.

They recalled that the previous BRS government used to assess water availability at Jurla in advance, fill the reservoirs, and ensure the supply of irrigation water for crops. They criticized the current government for failing to manage irrigation water usage effectively.

BRS leaders demanded that the government take measures to supply irrigation water for both the Vanakalam (Kharif) and Yasangi (Rabi) crop seasons, noting the possibility of operating pumps continuously within the KLI (Kalwakurthy Lift Irrigation) project's jurisdiction.

Sarpanches Karolla Swapna, Lonka Seshireddy, and Palusa Sekhar Goud, along with party leaders Gundrati Rajesh Goud, Manyam Naik, Suresh Naik, Mateen, Ramaswamy, Satyanarayana, Raju, Gopal, Srinivasulu, Omkar, Venkataswamy, and others, participated in the event.



Expedite Construction Works of Indira Mahila Shakti Bhavan : Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar

(Capital Information)
Suryapet : Suryapet District Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar inspected the ongoing construction of the Indira Mahila Shakti Bhavan in the district headquarters on Saturday. He reviewed the progress of the construction works and directed the officials to complete all pending works at the earliest.

Speaking on the occasion, the Collector said that the building, being constructed as part of the government's efforts to empower women, would greatly benefit women's self-help groups once it becomes operational. He instructed the officials to complete the remaining balance works on a war footing and make the building ready for inauguration.

The Collector particularly directed the concerned officials to ensure that there was no delay in providing electricity, drinking water facilities, painting and finishing works. He instructed the contractors and officials of the concerned departments to complete the works within the stipulated time while strictly maintaining quality standards.

He said that once inaugurated, the building would serve as an important platform for the activities of women's self-help groups in the district and for conducting various training programmes.

DRDO Sanyasi and officials from the concerned departments participated in the inspection. If you want, I can also make it more newspaper-style with a sharper headline and shorter paragraphs.

No Shortage of Funds for Land Acquisition and Rehabilitation : Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy

(Cont. from Pg 1) necessary repairs to irrigation projects in the district. He added that steps would be taken to promptly address any maintenance issues by identifying them early and coordinating with the concerned officials.

Public representatives, Collectors from four districts, senior officials from the Irrigation Department, and other relevant officials participated in the meeting.

'Nasha Mukh Yuva for Viksit Bharat' Program held

(Cont. from Pg 1) great enthusiasm. Winners received prizes, mementos, and certificates. It was also announced that the first-place winners at the district level would be promoted to the state level, and the top three winners at the state level would advance to national-level competitions.

The college principal, Dr. K. Pushpalatha, and Belaku Trust founder Radhamani were among the dignitaries present.



Accused Arrested for Serial Thefts

(Capital Information)
Peddapalli/ Manthani : Ramagiri police have arrested an accused individual who conducted daytime reconnaissance of locked houses and subsequently broke in at night to steal gold jewelry and cash. Godavarikhani ACP M. Ramesh disclosed the details at the Manthani CI office.

Ramagiri SI T. Srinivas and his team apprehended Vanam Ramu (36), a native of Tarakaramanagar in Jagtial district, after spotting him behaving suspiciously during a patrol; a switch-blade knife was found in his possession. Police stated that during interrogation, he confessed to committing thefts in various areas, including Kalvacharla, Odedu, Muttaram, Dharmaram, Ratnapur, and Julapalli.

The investigation revealed that he had committed these thefts in collaboration with his wife, Kavitha, and others. Police reported that the stolen gold jewelry had been both pawned and sold. Authorities are currently gathering further details from the accused and continuing the investigation to recover the stolen property and apprehend the other accomplices.



Bonalu Celebrations Held Grandly at Dharmaram Model School

(Capital Information)
Peddapalli/Dharmaram : Bonalu celebrations were held grandly on Saturday at the Telangana Model School in the Dharmaram mandal center.

On this occasion, teachers and students prepared Bonams and offered special prayers and naivedyam to the Goddess idol installed on the school premises. Principal Rajkumar and the teachers explained the significance, greatness, and the scientific reasons behind the Bonalu festival celebrated during the month of Ashada in Telangana.

They stated that turmeric, vermilion (kumkum), neem leaves, and jaggery rice possess Ayurvedic properties that help prevent contagious diseases.

The special attraction of the event was the students dressed up in Potharaju attires, which captivated everyone present. College Principal Rajkumar, teachers, and students participated in the event.



Mega Medical Camp at Vadlakonda village in collaboration with Medicity Hospital

(Capital Information)
Jangaon bureau : A mega medical camp was organized under the auspices of Bharatiya Janata Party in Vadlakonda village. BJYM Jangaon district president Ellaboina Harish participated as the chief guest and started the program.

Harish said that medical camps were organized with the idea of providing medical care to the poor people in the village.

He said that in the coming days, on the occasion of Narendra Modi's birthday coming up on September 17, a medical camp will be organized in every village in the mandal under the name of Seva Pakwada. He said that in the coming days, medical camps will be organized across the district.

Vadlakonda village BJP workers Mahender, Kumar, Sattiah, Srikanth, Shiva, Suresh, Raju, Sandeep, Karthik, Kranti, Kishtaiyah, and BJP workers, various villagers, village people and youth groups specially participated in this program.

Apply for New Cheyutha Pensions from Today: PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi

(Capital Information)
Serilingampally : Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi has called upon eligible residents of Serilingampally Assembly constituency to apply for new social security pensions under the Telangana government's Cheyutha scheme from today.

Gandhi said pensions would be provided to eligible widows, single women, persons with disabilities, toddy tappers, handloom workers and persons suffering from conditions such as filariasis, dialysis-dependent patients, thalassemia, sickle cell disease and haemophilia.

He urged all eligible beneficiaries to submit their applications without delay, stating that social security was the right of every citizen. Speaking on the occasion, Gandhi said the Telangana government had invited applications for sanctioning new pensions under the Cheyutha

scheme. He said Chief Minister Revanth Reddy was committed to supporting vulnerable sections of society through various welfare measures.

Priority Categories and Pension Amounts:

Widows: ₹2,016 per month. Applicants must be aged 18 years or above and submit the husband's death certificate.

Single Women: ₹2,016 per month. Married women aged 18 years and above who are divorced or abandoned by their husbands are eligible, subject to the prescribed conditions. Women living separately for one year or more are required to submit a Tahsildar's inquiry report. Unmarried women are eligible from 30 years of age in rural areas and 35 years in urban areas.

Persons with Disabilities: ₹4,016 per month. There is no age limit. A SADAREM/UDID certificate is required.

Tandur Police Intensify Security Checks Under Community Contact Programme

(Capital Information)

Vikarabad : Under the directions of Vikarabad District SP Smt. Sneha Mehra, IPS, Tandur DSP N. Yadaiah led a Community Contact Programme (CASO) in Manik Nagar and Municipal Quarters areas of Tandur Town Police Station limits.

Police teams conducted extensive checks on suspicious persons, vehicles and illegal activities. During the operation, 65 two-wheelers, 3 autos and 56 liquor bottles were identified and seized for further verification. Two suspicious persons were also checked, and PAPILLON equipment



was used during the inspections.

Police verified vehicle documents, registration details and other records and said further action would be taken against those violating the rules. Tandur DSP N. Yadaiah

said the programme was aimed at preventing crime, curbing illegal activities and ensuring a safe environment for the public.

He appealed to citizens to cooperate with the police and promptly report any suspicious persons or activities.

Sultanabad Resonates with the Chanting of 'Sri Rama'

(Capital Information)

Sultanabad : Under the divine resolve of His Holiness Sri Sri Sri Tridandi Srimannarayana Chinna Jeeyar Swamy, the 'Sri Rama Hridaya Kalasham' sent from the Sri Ramamnuja Sahasrabdi Samata Statue complex in Muchintal received a grand and devout welcome in Sultanabad.

A large number of devotees, women, youth, and village elders attended the event held on Saturday at the Sri Venugopala Swamy Temple in Sultanabad town.

A procession "Nagara Sankeertana" featuring the Sri Rama Hridaya Kalasham was conducted, moving from the Sri Venugopala Swamy Temple through the Library, Old Jenda Crossroads, Shiva Temple, and Municipal Office Crossroads.

The streets of Sultanabad resonated with a spiritual atmosphere as devotees chanted the name of Sri Rama and sang bhajans and devotional songs.



Subsequently, as the Sri Rama Hridaya Kalasham was taken from house to house, women and devotees chanted "Sri Rama... Sri Rama..." five times and offered grains of rice into the Kalasham.

Event conveners Sadula Sugunakar and Sunitha stated that, in addition to the Nagara Sankeertana with the Sri Rama Hridaya Kalasham, they plan to organize spiritual groups in every household and conduct mass recitations of the Vishnu Sahasranama. They

urged everyone to participate in this magnificent spiritual initiative and foster spiritual consciousness through the chanting of the name of Sri Rama.

Municipal Vice-Chairperson Antati Pushpalatha, district representatives Juvvadi Bhaskar Rao, Sujatha, and Raju, priests Vinay Tripathi, Bittu, and Kolluri Janardhan, Town Arya Vysya Association President Komuravelli Bhaskar, along with Vollala Raju, Tirupati Reddy, Bhagavan, and a large number of women and devotees, participated in this program.

School Cabinet Elections at Paramita Heritage School

(Capital Information)

Karimnagar : Student cabinet elections were conducted in a democratic manner on Saturday at Paramita Heritage CBSE School in Padmanagar, Kothapalli Mandal. The elections were organized with the aim of fostering leadership qualities among students and raising awareness about democratic values and the importance of the right to vote.

Students and teachers exercised their franchise via an e-ballot system to elect the Head Boy and Head Girl, as well as leaders and deputy leaders for the sports, discipline, and cultural wings. A notable feature of the process was that students themselves performed various roles, such as booth officers, election officials, and presiding officers. The students participated in the elections with great enthusiasm and discipline.

ACP Tangella Praveen Kumar, Tahsildar Sugati Koteswara Rao, and the head of the educational institutions, Dr. E. Prasad Rao, attended the event as chief guests. They in-



teracted with the contesting candidates, inquiring about their election preparations and their understanding of general elections. They also provided guidance on leadership qualities, responsibility, and discipline—traits essential for rising to greater heights in the future.

Speaking on the occasion, the guests emphasized the immense value and importance of the vote in society, noting that

today's students are the future citizens of India. They remarked that leaders capable of assuming key responsibilities in state and national politics could emerge from among these very students. They further stated that fostering an understanding of the democratic system at a young age helps mold students into responsible citizens.

The school management stated that these cabinet elections were conducted with the aim of bringing out leadership qualities in students, enhancing their decision-making skills, and fostering a spirit of democracy.

School directors Prasuna, Rashmita, Anukar Rao, Rakesh, V.U.M. Prasad, Vinod Rao, and Hanumantha Rao; Principal Gopikrishna; coordinators Nagaraju and Ramu; social studies teachers; other faculty members; and students participated in the event.



District-level yoga competitions

(Capital Information)

Nellore : District-level yoga competitions were held on Saturday at the Kadarupalli F2 Badminton Indoor Court under the aegis of the 'Yogasana Association Sports Simhapuri.' Competitors from all corners of the district participated, ranging in age from 10 to 55 years. Dr. Suresh Babu, State

Vice-President of Yogasana Sports (Yogacharya Balasubrahmanyam), and Dr. Krishnamurthy attended as chief guests; they congratulated the participants and presented them with certificates.

Key figures present included State Technical Secretary Anil, District President Penchalayya, Vice-President Ravindra, and Secretary Vijay Kumar Reddy. National Judge Padmavathi served as a judge alongside Ramanaiah, Kavya, Rajendra, Ramesh, Prasanna, Venkatasubbayya, and Dinesh.

District President Penchalayya announced that the 30 winners would go on to participate in the upcoming state-level competitions. Yoga instructors Atithi Arya and Revathi Munimukar also participated. The event concluded successfully with the cooperation of the Patanjali Nellore District team.

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SI.No: 01 Tender Title: Augmentation of watering facilities and Drainage arrangements for staff quarters in various stations under DEN/West/GNT in GNT division - Electrical arrangements Tender Ref No: GNT.E.11.2.026-27, Dt. 31.07.2026 Approx. value in Rs.: 42,90,366-21 Earnest money deposit in Rs.: 85,800-00 Cost of tender form (non-refundable) in Rs.: 0
SI.No: 02 Tender Title: Improvements to Divisional Railway Hospital at Guntur by Construction of 1st floor and other additional facilities - Electrical Arrangements Tender Ref No: GNT.E.12.2026-27, Dt. 31.07.2026 Approx. value in Rs.: 61,24,981-18 Earnest money deposit in Rs.: 1,22,500-00 Cost of tender form (non-refundable) in Rs.: 0
SI.No: 03 Tender Title: Construction of 25 bed barracks with furniture for female RPF at Guntur - Electrical arrangements Tender Ref No: GNT.E.13.2026-27, Dt. 06.08.2026 Approx. value in Rs.: 36,15,339-09 Earnest money deposit in Rs.: 72,300-00 Cost of tender form (non-refundable) in Rs.: 0
SI.No: 04 Tender Title: Improvements to Infrastructure of Freight examination facilities at NLPD Electrical Arrangements Tender Ref No: GNT.E.14.2.026-27, Dt. 06.08.2026 Approx. value in Rs.: 82,42,350-66 Earnest money deposit in Rs.: 1,64,900-00 Cost of tender form (non-refundable) in Rs.: 0
Last Date and time for online submission of E-bids at SI No 1 & 2: 24.08.2026 up to 15.30 hours
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The undersigned invites e-tenders for the works mentioned below up to 15:30 hrs of 03.09.2026.
S No: 1 Tender ID: 07 Sr DEN/DEN: Sr DEN/West Description of the work: SW-I: Providing Assistant to Monsoon patrolling, keyman patrolling & fire patrolling in Ghat section, SW-II: Security patrolling & Rail barricading at trespassing locations, SW-III: Providing stationary watchmen at water logged RUBs, vulnerable locations in Sr.DEN/West/GNT section for a period of 12 months (Note:- EPF/ESI etc applicable for all man power supply items as per Labour codes) Approx. Value Rs.: 2,19,68,827/- Bid Security: Rs. 4,39,400/-
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For & On behalf of the President of India. Acting through DRM (Mech), South Coast Railway, Visakhapatnam invites e-Bids in Single packet system at website https://www.ireps.gov.in for the under mentioned works from the tenderers.
1 Name of the work Retrofitting of twin pipe air brake system in existing single pipe wagons in Visakhapatnam Division for a period of 12 months
2 Approx cost of the work Rs. 1,45,35,836/- 3 Cost of tender document Rs.0.00 4 Earnest money to be deposited Rs. 2,90,700/- 5 Completion period of the work 12 Months 6 Tender closing date & Time 28.08.2026, 15.00Hrs. 7 No Manual offers sent by post/courier/Fax or in person shall be accepted against such e-tenders even if these are submitted on firm's letter head and received in time. All such manual offers shall be rejected summarily without any consideration. Complete information including e-tender documents of the above e-tender is available in website: https://www.ireps.gov.in.
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E-Tender Notice No.18-2026 Dt: 06/08/2026
Senior Divisional Engineer/ Coordination/Guntakal acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tenders for the following works
S.No: 1 Tender No.: Engg-GTL-South-2137 Description of work: Guntakal Division : Sr.DEN/South Jurisdiction : GDR-RU Section (UP/DN/SL):- Proposed Miscellaneous Track Related Works excluding safety Related Track Maintenance works Such As Transportation of P.Way Casual renewal Materials, Reconditioning of Inserts, Felling Tree cutting on Formation and Slopes, Pre and Post Tamping Works and other petty works in SSE/P.Way/VKI & RU section of ADEN/RU Sub-Division. Advertised Value in Rs: 15009501.84 Earnest Money Deposit in Rs: 300200.00
S.No: 2 Tender No.: Engg-GTL-South-2138 Description of work: Guntakal Division : Sr.DEN/South Jurisdiction : RU-GY Section (UP/DN/SL):- Proposed Miscellaneous Track Related Works excluding safety Related Track Maintenance works Such As Transportation of P.Way Casual renewal Materials, Reconditioning of Inserts, Felling Tree cutting on Formation and Slopes, Pre and Post Tamping Works and other petty works in SSE/P.Way/KOU & NRE section of ADEN/ RJP Sub-Division. Advertised Value in Rs: 14582527.92 Earnest Money Deposit in Rs: 291700.00
S.No: 3 Tender No.: Engg-GTL-South-2139 Description of work: Guntakal Division : Sr.DEN/South Jurisdiction : RU-GY Section (UP/DN/SL):- Proposed Miscellaneous Track Related Works excluding safety Related Track Maintenance works Such As Transportation of P.Way Casual renewal Materials, Reconditioning of Inserts, Felling Tree cutting on Formation and Slopes, Pre and Post Tamping Works and other petty works in SSE/P.Way/HX,YA & JMDG section of ADEN/HX Sub-Division. Advertised Value in Rs: 19214785.7 Earnest Money Deposit in Rs: 384300.00
S.No: 4 Tender No.: Engg-GTL-North-2140 Description of work: Guntakal Division ::DEN/North Jurisdiction : GY-WD, KLU-GTL & BAY-GTL Section (UP/DN):- Proposed safety Related Track Maintenance works including station yard lines in SSE/P.Way/BG/GTL, Central/GTL, BAY sections of ADEN/North Sub-Divisions Advertised Value in Rs: 17305465.79 Earnest Money Deposit in Rs: 346100.00
S.No: 5 Tender No.: Engg-GTL-North-2141 Description of work: Guntakal Division : DEN/North Jurisdiction : GY-WD Section (UP/DN):- Proposed safety Related Track Maintenance works including station yard lines in SSE/P.Way/AD, MALM sections of ADEN/AD Sub-Divisions Advertised Value in Rs: 16652022.89 Earnest Money Deposit in Rs: 333100.00
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Editorial

India reinforces commitment to seafarer security, safety and welfare

India took a major step towards digitising maritime governance with the launch of E-Samudra, a comprehensive digital platform that integrates services for seafarers, shipping companies, ports and other maritime stakeholders, while announcing a series of reforms to strengthen seafarer welfare, security and service delivery.

Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW), Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the platform during a national stakeholder interaction on "Seafarer Security, Safety and Welfare and Inauguration of E-Samudra", held in Mumbai and organised by the Directorate General of Maritime Administration (DGMA) under the Ministry.

Alongside E-Samudra, DGMA showcased a series of initiatives aimed at modernising maritime administration and improving seafarer welfare. These included the recently launched e-NAVIK 24x7 grievance redressal system, the upcoming Seafarer Tracking Dashboard, the Digital Seafarers Employment Agreement (d-SEA) and enhanced welfare measures under the Seafarers Welfare Fund Society (SWFS).

Addressing the gathering, Sonowal said the transformation of India's maritime sector under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi places seafarers at the centre of the country's long-term growth strategy.

"Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India is pursuing an ambitious transformation of the maritime sector through Maritime India Vision 2030 and Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047. Seafarers remain at the heart of this journey. Our commitment is clear: every Indian seafarer must be safe, respected and supported. As India strengthens its position as a global maritime power, we must ensure that those who power this growth work fearlessly, safely and with dignity," Sarbananda Sonowal said.

Highlighting India's growing maritime capabilities, the minister said the country has emerged as the second-largest supplier of seafarers globally and expressed confidence that India would soon become the world's largest supplier. He also noted that India has become the world's leading ship recycling destination and is working towards positioning itself among the world's top five ship-building nations.

On the launch of the digital platform, Sarbananda Sonowal said, "E-Samudra is not merely a technology platform; it is a significant step towards making maritime governance simpler, more transparent and more stakeholder-centric. Technology is meaningful only when it improves the lives of people. Through E-Samudra, we are ensuring Ease of Living for our seafarers and Ease of Doing Business for the maritime sector."

Secretary, MoPSW, Vijay Kumar said India's maritime policy is now anchored in three pillars, the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025, which recognises seafarers as Key Workers, the Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047, and the principle of Minimum Government, Maximum Governance.

The event brought together representatives of the maritime industry, seafarer organisations, recruitment and placement agencies, maritime training institutes, shipowners, government agencies and maritime professionals from across the country.

"E-Samudra will bring maritime services into a single digital window with end-to-end workflows, online payments, real-time tracking and digitally issued certificates. Our objective is not merely to put processes online, but to make them predictable, transparent and time-bound," Kumar said.

India's active seafarer workforce has grown from about 1.03 lakh in 2013 to more than 3.23 lakh in 2025, underscoring the need to strengthen digital service delivery, regulation and welfare for the country's rapidly expanding maritime workforce.

Director General of Maritime Administration Shyam Jagannathan described E-Samudra as a transformational platform that shifts maritime administration from a physical office-based model to Digital First and Faceless Governance.

"E-Samudra transforms maritime administration from a physical office-based model into an integrated digital ecosystem. It represents a transition towards Digital First and Faceless Governance, ensuring that a seafarer onboard a vessel can access government services as easily as someone sitting ashore," he said.

The launch of E-Samudra marks a significant milestone in India's transition towards technology-enabled, transparent and citizen-centric maritime governance. By integrating multiple services on a common digital platform, the government expects to improve service delivery, reduce compliance burdens, strengthen transparency and reinforce India's position as a leading global maritime nation.

Plant Trees to Protect the Environment and Future Generations : Uppalapati Srikanth

(Capital Information)
Miyapur : "Protecting the environment is our responsibility, and planting trees is essential for safeguarding the future," said Uppalapati Srikanth, former corporator of Miyapur Division. Srikanth participated as the chief guest in a tree distribution and plantation programme organised by the Mayuri Nagar Welfare Association in Mayuri Nagar Colony, Miyapur Division, with the support of VGR Diabetes Education and Awareness Charitable Trust, Vijayawada.

During the programme, Srikanth distributed various saplings to colony residents and joined association members in planting saplings.

Speaking on the occasion, Srikanth said that maintaining ecological balance has become increasingly important amid rapid urbanisation. He urged residents to plant at least one sapling at every household and in every locality to help reduce air pollution and provide a healthier environment for future generations.

"Trees are not merely plants that grow into large trees; they are lifelines that provide oxygen. Everyone should take responsibility for protecting and nurturing them," he said.

He appreciated the efforts of the VGR Trust and the Mayuri Nagar Welfare Association and encouraged them to continue conducting such initiatives aimed at promoting environmental protection and health awareness among the public.

Association president Khalidindi Raju, Kishore, Harikrishna, Praveen Reddy, Ramana Reddy, Nagaraju, Krishna Kumar, Sachin Kumar, Varalakshmi, Akhila Reddy, VGR Trust representatives Hari Babu and Maheshwar Reddy, along with a large number of colony residents, participated in the programme.



Reviews and Resolutions : The Growing Gap in Public Grievance Redressal

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : In a functioning democracy, forums designed to connect citizens directly with the administration—such as weekly public grievance days (Prajavani), divisional review meetings, and inter-departmental coordination sessions—are meant to serve as a vital lifeline. Yet, a persistent gap between the submission of grievances and their actual resolution continues to undermine public trust. While these high-level meetings are held with routine regularity, the lack of tangible outcomes on the ground points to a systemic bottleneck in execution and accountability.

A cursory look at regional administrative petitions reveals a recurring pattern of basic civic issues: chronic drinking water shortages, delayed infrastructure projects, unaddressed pipeline leaks, and substandard construction in public utilities. Despite substantial budgetary allocations, the quality of delivery remains compromised. The primary culprit is a glaring absence of rigorous, ground-level monitoring. When field inspections yield to mere paper-based progress reports, contractors and lower-tier officials encounter little pressure to adhere to quality standards or strict timelines.

Public grievance forums must not be reduced to mere administrative formalities or statistical exercises in collecting applications. To restore efficacy, every petition submitted requires a time-bound redressal framework with clear personal accountability assigned to designated departmental heads. Implementing a transparent digital tracking mechanism for citizens to monitor their application status would significantly improve administrative efficiency. Systemic momentum can only be sustained when non-performance carries clear consequences and timely delivery is enforced. Administrative reviews derive their true purpose not from the frequency of meetings held, but from the speed and quality of solutions delivered to the public.

-Polagoni Saidulu
Senior Journalist.



Sri Indu College Welcomes Freshers with Orientation Programme 2026

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Sri Indu College of Engineering hosted its Orientation Programme 2026 with enthusiasm, welcoming a new batch of students and marking the beginning of their academic journey at the institution.

The orientation programme provided freshers with an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the college environment while encouraging them to explore new experiences, build friendships, identify their talents and make the most of the opportunities available to them.

Addressing the students, Chairman R. Venkat Rao advised them to set clear goals and pursue them with discipline, determination and perseverance. He emphasised the importance of developing skills alongside academic knowledge and encouraged students to strive for excellence in their personal and professional lives.

Secretary Anoop series of cultural programmes, including energetic dance performances by students, which added colour and excitement to the occasion. The performances were well received and drew appreciation from the audience.

The Orientation Day served as an inspiring start to the students' journey at Sri Indu College of Engineering, motivating them to approach their academic years with confidence and enthusiasm. The management welcomed the new students into the college family and wished them a bright and successful future.



Support Will Be Extended for Development of Journalists' Colony: Municipal Chairman Jyothi Ramesh

(Capital Information)
Mahabubabad : Municipal Chairman Guguloth Jyothi Ramesh stated that full support will be extended for the development of the Journalists' Colony located in Ward No. 19 of Mahabubabad town. She formally inaugurated development works worth ₹2 lakh in the Journalists' Colony Welfare Society area.

Speaking on the occasion, she said that journalists act as a bridge between the government and the public, and supporting the development of the colony where their families reside is a responsibility. She assured that the municipality would remain committed to the colony's development in the future as well.

She also called upon journalists to actively highlight and take forward the development and welfare initiatives being implemented by the government and MLA Dr. Bhukya Murali Naik.

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Guguloth Ramesh Naik and Padmam Praveen Kumar, who visited to inspect the works, celebrated their birthdays in the presence of journalists.

The programme was attended by Ward 19 Councillor Chidirala Aruna Gnaneshwar, contractor Suresh Naik, journalists, JCWS President Karupothula Ramesh, General Secretary Jelly Shrawan, Treasurer Praveen, Honorary Presidents Uppala Ranga, Uday, Chandu, Murali, and others including Gnaneshwar, Mahesh, Kumar, Kiran, Vijay, Satish, Shiva Reddy, Rajkumar, and Nagesh.



Irrigation Water to Be Supplied to the Tail-End Ayacut

“Water will be released for crops from August 14” : MLA Kadiyam Srihari

(Capital Information)
Station Ghanpur : Station Ghanpur MLA Kadiyam Srihari stated that irrigation water would be supplied to the last acre of the old ayacut under the Ghanpur Reservoir, covering Rajavaram and the old ayacut areas of Station Ghanpur. He directed officials to prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) accordingly.

On Saturday, MLA Kadiyam Srihari conducted a field-level inspection of the clogged old tank right canal, the SC Colony area, and the situation where sewage water was entering agricultural fields in Station Ghanpur Mandal headquarters of Jangaon district.

He expressed serious displeasure over sewage water entering the irrigation canal and directed municipal officials to ensure that sewage does not flow into the agricultural canal.

He instructed the Irrigation Department officials to prepare proposals for constructing side walls on both sides of the irrigation canal so that water could reach the tail end of the ayacut. He also ordered immediate desilting and jungle clearance of the canal so that irrigation water could be supplied to the crops within two to three days. He stated that proposals for the construction of a permanent canal should be prepared within three months.

The MLA directed municipal and irrigation officials to coordinate and construct proper drainage systems, flood channels and irrigation canals so that municipal sewage does not enter agricultural canals. He said that tenders had already been completed for some drainage and flood-channel works and instructed officials to redesign the drainage systems wherever sewage water was entering irrigation canals.

He suggested that drainage systems should be constructed in such a way that rainwater and sewage water do not enter the agricultural canals but instead flow into nearby streams. Municipal and Irrigation Department officials were instructed to work in coordination in this regard.

Kadiyam Srihari stated that the Ghanpur Reservoir was constructed with a capacity of 1.5 TMC as part of the Devadula Lift Irrigation Scheme. Around 2,500 acres of ayacut under the Ghanpur Reservoir are supposed to receive irrigation water. However, due to the failure to modernize the canal system, farmers are not receiving irrigation water to the full extent.

He said that canals need to be constructed up to the tail end to provide irrigation water to all 2,500 acres under the reservoir. He directed Irrigation Department officials to prepare the necessary proposals and submit them to the government.

The MLA further directed officials to construct drainage systems to prevent municipal sewage from entering agricultural canals.

He said that permanent canal works would be taken up and completed before the next rainy season so that two crops could receive irrigation water under the Ghanpur Reservoir.

He said that due to the prevailing drought-like conditions in the state, even dryland crops were facing the threat of drying up. He revealed that he had been continuously discussing the issue with Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and Irrigation Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy and coordinating with officials to ensure irrigation water for farmers.

He stated that efforts were being made to increase the water storage levels in the Dharmasagar, Station Ghanpur, Ashwaravupalli, Gandhi Ramaram and Nawabpet reservoirs in the constituency and provide irrigation water to farmers using the available water.

As part of these efforts, irrigation water will be released to farmers from all reservoirs in the constituency on August 14. He said that water would be released continuously for 15 days from August 14, followed by another 15-day period during which the reservoirs would be refilled.

He clarified that continuous water release would not be possible at present and therefore irrigation water would be supplied on an "on-and-off" basis. He appealed to farmers to cooperate with this system and make effective use of the water reaching their fields through the canals.

Municipal Chairperson Thatikonda Vinay Kumar, Vice-Chairperson Neela Rajamma Gattaiah, Devasthanam Chairman Neela Narasimhulu, Town Congress President Ambati Kishan Raju, leaders Belde Venkanna, Rapolu Madhusudan Reddy, Gattu Ramesh, Singapuram Venkatayya, Gattu Cheralu, Ponna Rajayya, Annappu Kumar, Fathi Kumar and Babu, along with Irrigation Department SE Sitaram, EEs, DEEs, municipal officials and other leaders participated in the programme.



Academic-Industry Collaboration Key to Achieving Viksit Bharat @2047: Experts

Students Must Be Equipped with Skills Aligned with Industry Needs

(Capital Information)
MAHABUBNAGAR : Strong coordination among education, research, industry, technology and youth power is essential to achieve the goal of transforming India into a developed nation by 2047, eminent experts said. The views were expressed during a panel discussion on "Academic and Industry Linkages" held at the Palamuru University Library Auditorium on the second day of the two-day national conference "Vision India @2047", organised by Palamuru University at Kanha Shantivanam. The experts stressed the need to strengthen the education system in line with the future requirements of the country. They said university education should keep pace with changes in industry, technological advancements and emerging employment opportunities.

The panel discussion was moderated by Professor Patrick, OU Commerce. Dr. N. Rajender, Senior Scientist, NIN, highlighted the need for

stronger partnerships between research institutions and universities. He stressed the importance of developing a research-oriented approach among students and ensuring that research findings are effectively utilised for the benefit of society.

Dr. Joshi, Dean, SVS Medical College, explained the importance of industry collaboration in medical education, research and healthcare. He said integrating modern technology with medical education would help prepare more competent healthcare professionals for the future. Professor Sai Prasad of BITS Pilani emphasised quality in higher education, research, innovation and skill development. He said students should not limit their goals to obtaining degrees but should develop the ability to identify problems and provide technological solutions.

TSV Ramana, Co-Founder and CEO of Code Tantra, spoke about changing industry requirements, the importance of technical skills



and the need to equip students with job-ready competencies. He said educational institutions could prepare students more effectively for the employment market by maintaining continuous dialogue with industry. The experts stressed the need to bridge the gap between the skills currently demanded by industry and those acquired by students in educational institutions.

Universities and colleges should regularly review their curricula and introduce courses, certification programmes and skill-develop-

ment initiatives according to industry requirements, they suggested. They also called for wider opportunities for internships, industry visits, live projects, industry mentoring and practical training so that students could gain exposure to real-world professional environments.

Emphasising research-industry partnerships, the experts said university research should address the needs of society and industry. Collaboration among research institutions, industries and universities could accelerate the development of new tech-

nologies, products and services. They discussed the importance of industry-sponsored research, collaborative projects, technology transfer, incubation centres, innovation hubs and a strong start-up ecosystem to create greater opportunities for young researchers. The experts observed that youth would be the key driving force in achieving the vision of a developed India by 2047. India could strengthen its position globally by connecting its vast young human resources with quality education, skills, technology and research opportu-

nities. They stressed the need to develop critical thinking, problem-solving, creativity, communication, leadership and digital skills among students. The panel further called for transforming young people from job seekers into job creators by encouraging start-ups, innovation, entrepreneurship and technology-driven business ideas. Such initiatives, they said, could expand self-employment opportunities while enabling young entrepreneurs to generate employment for others.

Palamuru University Registrar Professor Poosa Ramesh Babu attended the programme as the chief guest and congratulated the panel members. He said universities should evolve beyond being centres of education and become hubs of research, innovation, skill development and industry collaboration. He stated that Palamuru University was continuously working to provide students with quality education and skills aligned with fu-

ture requirements.

He emphasised that only through mutual cooperation among academic institutions, industries and research organisations could better opportunities be created for students and the human resources required for national development be developed. The panel discussion was a major attraction of the conference, bringing eminent personalities from different fields onto a common platform to deliberate on education, industry, research, technology and youth. The panel members shared their professional experiences with students, faculty and researchers, making the session informative and thought-provoking.

The discussion on the role of educational institutions and industries in building the India of the future generated new ideas among the participants. University faculty members, researchers, students, industry representatives and representatives of various departments attended the programme in large numbers.

'Shiksha Revolution' for students' rights and future: MLA BLR

(Capital Information)
Miryalaguda : In commemoration of the "Shiksha Revolution" program organized by Congress party leader Rahul Gandhi in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh, the Youth Congress organized a "Chatron Ki Goonj - Students Conclave" program at the NSP Camp



Ground in Miryalaguda town with live broadcast. Miryalaguda MLA Bathula Laxma Reddy (BLR) participated in this program and watched Rahul Gandhi's speech live along with students, youth and unemployed people.

Speaking on the occasion, MLA Bathula Laxma

Reddy said that there is a need to bring radical changes in the education sector by giving priority to the aspirations, opinions and problems of students. He said that through "Chatron Ki Goonj - Students Conclave" students and youth have an opportunity to make their voices heard on issues related to their future, education, employment and other issues.

A large number of Congress party leaders, Youth Congress leaders, activists, hundreds of students, youth, and unemployed people participated in this program.

Recommend My Name to TPCC for Upcoming Graduate MLC Elections: Zaheer Akhtar

(Capital Information)
MAHABUBNAGAR : TPCC spokesperson Zaheer Akhtar on Saturday submitted a representation to District Congress Committee (DCC) President A. Sanjeev Mudiraj, requesting him to recommend his name to the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) for the party's candidature in the forthcoming Hyderabad-Rangareddy-Mahabubnagar Graduate MLC elections.

In his representation, Zaheer Akhtar



stated that he had been serving the Indian National Congress for the past 26 years with unwavering commitment to its ideology and values. He said he had

been associated with the Congress since his student days and was currently serving as a TPCC spokesperson, actively communicating the party's ideology, policies and programmes to the public and the media.

Apart from his political responsibilities, he said he was serving as District President of the Association of Degree and PG College Man-

agements and State Vice-President of the Telangana Private Junior Colleges Management Association. Through these responsibilities, he said he had developed strong and close relations with graduates, faculty members, educationists, educational institutions and college managements across Telangana.

He said his extensive network, continuous interaction with the educated community and understanding of the aspirations and con-

cerns of graduates would enable him to effectively represent their interests.

Zaheer Akhtar appealed to the party leadership to give him an opportunity to contest as the Congress candidate in the forthcoming Graduate MLC elections, stating that he would utilise his long political experience, organisational capabilities, leadership in the education sector and strong relations with the graduate community to work towards the party's victory.

The aim is to strengthen the Congress It should move ahead without getting involved in group politics : Lakawat Dhanwanti

(Capital Information)
Jangaon : Jangaon district congress committee review meeting, meeting of new district congress committee members, mandal and town congress committee presidents, honor program and swearing in ceremony of new working groups were held at Bhramaramba convention hall in Janagama district center. Kadyam Kavya, Palakurti MLA Mrs. Mamidala Yashaswini Reddy were present as chief guests.

District Congress leaders gave them a warm welcome. As part of the program, The president of DCC said that her main aim is to strengthen the Congress party in Janagama district. He asked everyone to work unitedly for the party regardless of personal differences, differences between leaders and group politics. She thanked the party leadership for giving her the opportunity to become DCC president as a tribal woman.

She said that she would be



available 24 hours a day in Janagama and would be available to the party leaders and workers. She mentioned that complaints were received during the tenure of Janga Raghav Reddy and Kommuri Pratap Reddy, who served as DCC presidents in the past. He said that complaints are being received even when he is currently serving as the president of DCC. He advised every Congress worker to work like a soldier and work for the party's success whenever the elections come.

Palakurti MLA Mamidala Yashaswini Reddy District Library Corporation Chairman Marujodu Rambabu, Janagama Municipal Chairper-

son Kadakanchi Balamani, Station Ghanpur Municipal Chairman Tatikonda Vinay, Market Committee Chairman Lavanya Shirish Reddy, Municipal Chairman Vemalla Satyanarayana Reddy, Former Municipal Vice Chairman Kancha Ramulu, Dr. Rajamouli District Vice President Lingala Jagadish Chandra Reddy, Kotha Karunakar Reddy, Keesara Dilip Reddy, Gudi Vamsidhar Reddy, Udata Ravi Yadav, Nukala Bal Reddy, Uppala Suresh Babu, DCC General Secretaries Meda Srinivas, Jillella Sidda Reddy, MD Anwar, MD Madar, Beti Jaipal Reddy, Thotakuri Pandu Krishna, Annaboyana Bhikshapati, Illandula Baby, Banoth Bhaskar, Bhima Raju, Thigala

Mahender Mandal President Gunda Sridhar Reddy Dornala Venkateshwarlu Mohammed Masood Rao Bikhshapati, Gade Mahender Reddy, Chirra Nagaraju, Julakanti Sirish Reddy, Sadham Vijay Manohar, Ambati Kishore, Suresh Naik, Davera Anil, Pogu Srinivas DCC Treasurer Sarabhu Madhu, DCC Spokes Persons Narendra Power, Belide Venkanna, Mahila Congress District President Badike Indira, OBC Cell District President Lokuntla Praveen, SC Cell District President Vemula Mallesh, Minority Cell District President Majid Apsar, ST Cell District President Suman Naik, RTA Member Abhi Goud, Chintakindi Mallesh, Jaya Mallesh and other District Congress Leaders, Presidents of Affiliated Unions, Mandal Congress Presidents, Town Congress presidents, public representatives, DCC committee members, Youth Congress, Mahila Congress leaders and activists participated.

NHAI Flyover and Road Works Reviewed in Balanagar and Jadcherla

Additional Collector Madhusudhan Nayak Directs Officials to Expedite Works Without Compromising Quality and Safety

(Capital Information)
MAHABUBNAGAR : Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Madhusudhan Nayak on Saturday inspected the ongoing National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) flyover and service road construction works at Balanagar, along with the works related to the Amedkar statue. He reviewed the progress of the works and assessed the current status of the construction activities.

He directed the concerned NHAI officials and construction agencies to expedite the works and complete the new flyover and service roads within the stipulated time without compromising on prescribed quality standards. He also instructed offi-

cials to ensure proper coordination among all concerned departments, adhere to approved specifications



and strictly implement safety measures during the execution of the works. He said the projects should be completed within the scheduled deadline with due attention to quality, safety and proper traffic management arrange-

ments.

Later, the Additional Collector inspected the ongoing storm-water drain, national highway and culvert works in Jadcherla Municipality. He reviewed the progress and quality of the works and directed the concerned municipal and engineering officials to speed up the projects and complete them on a war footing.

He stressed the need for proper coordination among all departments and instructed officials to take immediate measures to ensure that the public does not face inconvenience or problems during the execution of the works. He directed the officials to complete all works within the prescribed timeframe while strictly adhering to quality and safety standards.

Bingi Praveen appointed as OBC Morcha state executive member

Will work for the upliftment of OBCs to strengthen BJP: Bingi Praveen

(Capital Information)
Mancherial : Bingi Praveen from Mancherial district has been appointed as the BJP OBC Morcha state executive member. On the instructions of BJP State President N. Ramachandra Rao, BJP OBC Morcha State President Gandhamalla Anand Goud announced the appointments of state executive members on Friday.

On this occasion, the newly appointed Bingi Praveen said that BJP State President N., who trusted him and entrusted him with the responsibility of state executive member, He expressed special gratitude to Ramachandra Rao, OBC Morcha State President Gandhamalla Anand Goud,



President Venkateswara Goud.

Bingi Praveen said that under the leadership of

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, many programs are being implemented for the welfare and empowerment of the backward classes in the country, and that he will work to take the efforts of the BJP to provide more political, social and economic priority to the OBCs among the people.

He said that he will work to solve the problems of the OBC communities by taking the principles of the BJP and the welfare schemes of the central government to the people. He said that he will work to strengthen the party by effectively fulfilling the responsibilities entrusted to him.

Use Singur Water Exclusively for Drinking Needs : Kamareddy Collector Ashish Sangwan

(Capital information)
Kamarddy : Kamareddy District Collector Ashish Sangwan instructed officials to utilize the water available in the Singur reservoir solely for drinking requirements and to implement advance measures to harness upcoming rainfall. Participating virtually in the District Irrigation Advisory Board meeting held under the chairmanship of Nizamabad District Collector Bhavesh Mishra at the Nizamabad Integrated District Offices Complex main conference hall on Saturday, Ashish Sangwan stated that Singur reservoir currently holds 4.140 TMC of water, and maximum capacity storage is presently restricted due to ongoing repair works.

He emphasized prioritizing drinking water needs, noting that the present reserves can fulfill supply requirements



for the next 60 to 90 days, while directing officials to plan for capturing an additional 4 TMC of floodwaters during anticipated rains to ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply across Nizamabad, Kamareddy, and Medak districts for the next five to six months.

Highlighting the extensive execution of Jalasiri initiatives across Kamareddy district to harvest every drop of rainwater and enhance groundwater

levels through inter-departmental coordination, he also reported that the Kaulas Nala and Pocharam projects have reached full reservoir levels, instructing authorities to efficiently manage these resources for ayacut crops alongside strategic crop planning and diversification.

The meeting featured comprehensive discussions on water storage levels across common district reservoirs including Nizam Sagar,

Sriram Sagar, Singur, Kaulas Nala, Pocharam, and Ramadugu, as well as irrigation schedules and alternative cropping strategies, with attendance from Government Advisor and Banswada MLA Pocharam Srinivas Reddy, Nizamabad Rural MLA Dr. R. Bhupathi Reddy, Nizamabad Urban MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana Gupta, Armoor MLA Paidi Rakesh Reddy, Nizamabad Market Committee Chairman Muppa Ganga Reddy, Additional Collector V. Bhujanga Rao, Trainee Collector Suresh, District Revenue Officer Geetha, Kamareddy Additional Collector for Local Bodies N.Y. Giri, Banswada RDO Ravinder Reddy, Kamareddy Agriculture Officer Mohan Reddy, alongside various officials from irrigation, groundwater, agriculture, and horticulture departments.

Janasena Consolidates Base in Nizamabad as Meesala Srinivasarao Leads District

(Capital information)
Nizamabad Bureau : Preparatory Meet Nizamabad witnessed a, crucial political gathering at, Suguna Gardens as Janasena Party leaders and workers from Nizamabad, Zaheerabad districts, convened for a preparatory meeting under the leadership of state leader, Meesala Foundation chairman Meesala Srinivasarao.

Addressing the energetic crowd of Janasainiks, Veeramahilas, Srinivasarao emphasized the party commitment to nurturing dedicated ground-level cadre, into future leaders, noting that the vision, principles of party chief Pawan Kalyan continue to draw widespread support across all sections of society, particularly the youth.

The meeting served as, a strategic platform to chart



out plans for expanding the party footprint from urban centers to remote rural areas across Telangana, with leaders expressing strong confidence in Pawan Kalyan rising national and regional influence.

Prominent attendees including Observer Sharma, Media Incharge Dumpati Srinivas, along with local key

figures Sharath, Karampuri Srinivas, Sadula Raju, Sadula Narender, Bingi Ravinder, and Bojja Mahesh actively participated in the proceedings, pledging to work cohesively to reinforce the organizational base and carry the party message directly to the electorate ahead of upcoming political developments in the region.

Kamareddy Police Recover 994 Lost Mobiles Worth 1.59 Crore Rupees This Year

(Capital information)
Kamareddy : Kamareddy District Superintendent of Police M. Rajesh Chandra stated that citizens need not panic over lost or stolen mobile phones, as they can be easily retrieved using the CEIR portal. Highlighting the importance of mobile devices in the digital era, he noted that phones contain critical personal data, financial details, and photos, making their loss a potential risk to privacy and security. To ensure speedy justice for victims, a special technical team was formed under the supervision of Inspector Sampath, comprising RSI Balaraju and five constables. Utilizing advanced technol-



ogy, this special unit recovers over 150 phones every month on average, building public trust.

Sharing recovery statistics, the SP revealed that the team successfully traced 200 mobile phones valued at 32

lakh rupees in a special drive over the past 20 days. So far this year, a total of 994 mobile phones worth approximately 1.59 crore rupees have been recovered, while last year saw the recovery of 1,834 phones worth around 3 crore

rupees.

Since the inception of the CEIR portal, Kamareddy police have tracked 5,275 lost mobiles and handed back devices worth 8.44 crore rupees to their rightful owners.

The SP commended the special team for their performance and urged citizens to immediately report phone losses, block their SIM cards, and register IMEI numbers on the CEIR portal without delay to prevent cyber fraud and misuse. Victims can contact RSI Balaraju at 8712686114 with proper documents at the District Police Office to collect their recovered phones.

Increase Minimum Wages for Contract Workers in Line with Rising Prices: CITU State Vice-President J. Mallikarjun

(Capital information)
Sangareddy : CITU State Vice-President and Toshiba Union President J. Mallikarjun has demanded that minimum wages for contract workers be increased in line with the rising prices of essential commodities. He also called for the implementation of statutory benefits, including ESI, PF, bonus, leave, identity cards, and payment of overtime at double rates.

Mallikarjun attended a gate meeting of contract workers held at the Toshiba Industries premises as the chief guest and addressed the workers. He alleged that the Central Government had introduced labour codes that would turn workers into bonded labourers and severely affect the interests of the working class. He demanded the immediate repeal of the labour codes. He said that the Telangana govern-



ment issued G.O. No. 6, revising minimum wages in the state following nationwide struggles by workers demanding an increase in minimum wages.

However, despite the government order being issued two months ago, minimum wages were still not being implemented in several industries, he alleged. Mallikarjun said that the management of Toshiba Industries had agreed to implement mini-

mum wages for all contract workers as per G.O. No. 6.

He stated that the revised minimum wages would be implemented with effect from June 1, and workers would receive arrears for June and July. He further demanded that the minimum wage be increased to Rs. 42,000 per month in view of the continuous rise in the cost of living. Unity Is the Key to Resolving Contract Workers' Issues
CITU District Treasurer

Rajayya and Sangareddy District Contract Workers' Union President Athimela Manik said that workers could secure higher minimum wages and statutory benefits only through sustained struggles organized by CITU. They said there was no alternative to collective action for protecting workers' rights and interests. They stated that CITU was working to unite contract workers across Sangareddy district and fight for their rights.

They appealed to contract workers to participate in large numbers in upcoming struggles aimed at securing their rights and welfare.

Toshiba Union General Secretary Anantha Rao, union leaders Polam Raju, Sridhar, Narender and Venkateshwarlu, along with a large number of contract workers, participated in the meeting.

Nizamabad Market Committee Sanitary Workers Demand Immediate Release of Pending Salaries

(Capital information)
Nizamabad Bureau : Forty-two Non-Muster Roll (NMR) sanitary workers employed at the Shradhdhanand Ganj Agricultural Market Committee in Nizamabad, have submitted a representation to the District Collector seeking urgent intervention regarding unpaid wages.

The workers, who have been serving the committee for the past 20 years, stated that they have not received their salaries for the last three months, leaving them in severe financial distress and unable to pay house rent or children's school fees.

According to the representation, higher officials and the committee chairman cited a delay in the release of funds from higher authorities as the reason for the non-payment.



The workers highlighted that while regular employees, pensioners, and outsourcing staff continue to receive their salaries on time, only the NMR workers have been left

without pay. Describing their situation as dire, the 42 workers appealed to the administration for prompt action to ensure the immediate release of their pending wages.



Moral Values Must Be Cultivated in Everyone : Dr. Glory

(Capital Information)
Nellore : founder of Omega Prayer Ministry, emphasized the need to instill moral values in youth and students from an early age. She spoke on the subject of "Moral Values" at the Town Hall Reading Room on Saturday.

She mentioned that this program has been conducted on the second Saturday of the month for the past two sessions and will continue in the future. She expressed concern that, despite the rise in education and cultural awareness in the country, moral values are declining among many people due to various unavoidable reasons.

She noted that society suffers greatly when moral values are lost. She remarked that it is distressing to see a decline in moral values at a time when the country is progressing across various sectors.

She stated that fostering devotion to God and creating awareness about society are essential to inspire individuals. She urged everyone to strive to cultivate moral values, transcending caste and religious barriers.

Thomas, Sathvika, Jeevana Sathvik, Dhanush, Diwakar, Sankruth, and others participated in the event.

Hope Foundation Continues Its Service to the Needy : Konda Vijay Kumar

(Capital Information)
Chandanagar : The 196th Anadanam (free food distribution) programme organised by the Hope Foundation was held on Saturday at the foundation's office in Gagillapur.

Hope Foundation Chairman Konda Vijay Kumar, along with foundation members, participated in the programme and personally served food to the people. Around 3,200 people attended the programme and received free meals.

Speaking on the occasion, Vijay Kumar said that the Hope Foundation has been continuously undertaking various service activities for the welfare of the needy. He said he derives immense satisfaction from providing nutritious food to those who are hungry and helping them overcome their immediate hardship.



He assured that the Anadanam programme would continue regularly as part of the foundation's commitment

to serving society. Hope Foundation members and others participated in the programme.

SURVEILLANCE ON NH-44 HAS BEEN STRENGTHEN : MULTI ZONE-I IG CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY

(Capital Information)
Medak : Multi Zone-I IG Chandrasekhara Reddy ordered the officers to strengthen surveillance on National Highway -44. He inspected the command control room at Toopran toll-gate on Saturday.



On this occasion, the surveillance of CC cameras and the performance of Advanced Traffic Management

System (ATMS) were examined. It is advised to continuously monitor the traffic on NH-44. It has been ordered to identify traffic violations such as speeding, traveling in the wrong lane, traffic in the opposite direction, helmet and seat belt

violations, triple riding and other traffic violations with technology and coordinate with the relevant police officers to take action.

The IG inspected the ATMS traffic monitoring cameras, VASD for detecting vehicle speed, radar based warning systems, variable messaging signboards and other systems. It was ordered to continue surveillance 24 hours a day through the command control room and ensure that the CC cameras, communication network and technical equipment are working continuously.

In this inspection Medak District SP D.V. Srinivasa Rao, Additional SP Vikrant Kumar Singh, Toopran DSP Narender Goud, SI Ganga Raju and toll gate staff participated.



Appointment of Namala Butchaiah as Secretary of Janagama District Congress Committee

(Capital Information)
Janagama : Namala Butchaiah of Station Ghanpur constituency has been appointed as the secretary of the Janagama District Congress Committee (DCC). To this extent, District Congress Committee President Dhanwanta Lakshminarayana Lakawat has issued appointment orders as per the instructions of Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President.

The DCC president said that the party entrusted Butchaiah with this responsibility in recognition of his dedication, commitment and continuous service towards the Congress party. He expressed hope that under the leadership of Butchaiah, the Congress Party will be strengthened organizationally in the district and that he will play a key role in taking the government's welfare schemes and the party's ideologies to the people.

Namala Butchaiah expressed special thanks to the leadership of TPCC and DCC for their support in his appointment. He stated that he will do his best to strengthen the party and raise the flag higher.

MP Suresh Kumar Shetkar's Birthday Celebrated Grandly in Zaheerabad

(Capital Information)
(R. Satyanarayana Reddy)

Sangareddy Zaheerabad : The birthday celebrations of Zaheerabad MP Suresh Kumar Shetkar were held grandly in Zaheerabad on Saturday.

Zaheerabad Municipal Chairman Mohammed Yunus and Town Congress Party President Naresh Goud, along with Congress party workers, cut a cake and celebrated the MP's birthday.

As part of the celebrations, Municipal Chairman Mohammed Yunus visited the government hospital and enquired about the health of patients undergoing treatment. Fruits and bread were distributed to the patients.



Speaking on the occasion, Municipal Chairman Mohammed Yunus conveyed his heartfelt birthday wishes to MP Suresh Kumar Shetkar and wished him a long and healthy life. He said it was

encouraging to celebrate the birthdays of public representatives not merely with pomp and show, but through service activities that benefit the public.

Municipal Vice-Chair-

man Shireesha Surender Reddy, councillors Jahangir, Kavitha, Ashok, Khajamiya and Jamiloddin, along with Akram, hospital doctors, staff and others participated in the programme.



15 TOP-RATED TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN INDIA

India is a vibrant land of startling contrasts where both the traditional and modern worlds meet. The world's seventh largest nation by area and the second largest in terms of population, India boasts a rich heritage that's the result of centuries of different cultures and religions leaving their mark. Things to do for travelers include the opportunity to experience an array of sacred sites and spiritual encounters, while nature lovers will enjoy its sun-washed beaches, lush national parks, and exciting wildlife sanctuaries.

From the magnificent Taj Mahal in Agra to the holy sites of Harmandir Sahib (formerly the Golden Temple) in Amritsar and the Mecca Masjid mosque in Hyderabad, visitors to this exotic country will discover a trove of spiritual, cultural, and historical treasures.

1. THE TAJ MAHAL, AGRA

Perhaps India's most recognizable building, the Taj Mahal is also the world's most famous testimony to the power of love. Named after Mumtaz Mahal, the favorite wife of Emperor Shah Jahan, this most beautiful of mausoleums was begun upon her death in 1631 and took 20,000 workmen until 1648 to complete.



Incorporating many elements of Islamic design including arches, minarets, an onion-shaped dome, and black calligraphy inlaid around the entrance, the Taj Mahal is largely constructed of white marble decorated with delicate inlaid floral patterns and precious and semi-precious stones such as jade, lapis lazuli, diamonds, and mother of pearl.

The best time to visit is either at dawn or dusk when the atmosphere is brilliantly altered by the change in lighting. If possible, try to catch a view of the Taj Mahal's reflection from the far bank of the Yamuna River-it makes for a memorable (and safe) selfie.

2. THE HOLY CITY OF VARANASI

A major pilgrimage center for Hindus, the holy city of Varanasi has long been associated with the mighty Ganges River, one of the faith's most important religious symbols. Dating back to the 8th century BC, Varanasi is one of the oldest still inhabited cities in the world. It offers many reasons to visit, not least of them the chance to explore the Old Quarter adjacent to the Ganges where you'll find the Kashi Vishwanath Temple, built in 1780 .



All told, Varanasi boasts more than 100 ghats, the largest being Dasashvamedh Ghat and Assi Ghat (the latter, at the confluence of the Ganges and Asi rivers, is considered particularly holy). Also worth seeing is Banaras Hindu University, established in 1917 and noted for its massive library with more than a million books, and the superb Bharat Kala Bhavan museum featuring fine collections of miniature paintings, sculptures, palm-leaf manuscripts, and local history exhibits.

3. HARMANDIR SAHIB: THE GOLDEN TEMPLE OF AMRITSAR

Founded in 1577 by Ram Das, Amritsar is an important hub of Sikh history and culture. The main attraction here is Harmandir Sahib, opened in 1604 and still often referred to as the Golden Temple for its beautiful gold decoration. The holiest of India's many Sikh shrines (it also attracts many Hindus and people of other faiths), the temple was built in a blend of Hindu and Islamic styles, its lower marble section featuring such flourishes as ornate inlaid floral and animal motifs, while the large golden dome represents a lotus flower, a symbol of purity to Sikhs.



In addition to its splendid design, visitors are equally impressed with the temple's spiritual atmosphere, an effect enhanced by the prayers continuously chanted from the Sikh holy book and broadcast throughout the complex. Part of the overall experience-and visitors are welcome to participate-is the chance to enjoy one of the 50,000 free meals the attraction serves up to visitors each and every day.

4. THE GOLDEN CITY: JAISALMER

So named for the yellow sandstone used in most of its buildings, the Golden City of Jaisalmer is an oasis of splendid old architecture that rises from the sand dunes of the Thar Desert. Once a strategic outpost, today the city is filled with splendid old mansions, magnificent gateways, and the massive Jaisalmer Fort-also known as the Golden Fort-a daunting 12th-century structure that rises high above the town.



In addition to its palaces, temples, and fine old homes, the fortress boasts 99 bastions along with massive gates leading to its main courtyard where you'll find the seven-story-tall Maharaja's Palace. Started in the early 1500s and added to by successive rulers right up until the 19th century, the palace offers sections open to the public including areas beautifully decorated with tiles from Italy and China, and intricately carved stone doors, as well as a number of Jain temples dating from the 12th to 16th centuries, each decorated with fine marble and sandstone images, palm-leaf manuscripts, and brightly painted ceilings.

5. THE RED FORT, NEW DELHI

Built by Shah Jahan in 1648 as the seat of Mughal power-a role it maintained until 1857-the magnificent crescent-shaped Red Fort in New Delhi, named after the stunning red sandstone used in its construction, covers a vast area of more than two square kilometers, all of it surrounded by a large moat. Highlights include its two largest gates: the impressive Lahore Gate (the fort's main entrance) and the elaborately decorated Delhi Gate, once used by the emperor for ceremonial processions.



A fun part of a visit is exploring Chhatta Chowk, a 17th-century covered bazaar selling everything from jewelry to silk garments, as well as souvenirs and food items. While you can explore the fort yourself, guided tours are offered and provide a fascinating insight into the life and times of the Shah, including a peek into the stunning white marble Hall of Public Audiences (Diwan-i-Am) where he received his subjects.

6. MUMBAI: THE GATEWAY OF INDIA

Standing an impressive 26 meters tall and overlooking the Arabian Sea, the iconic Gateway of India is a must-see when in Mumbai. Built to commemorate the arrival of King George V and his wife Queen Mary in 1911, this stunning piece of architecture was opened with much pomp and ceremony in 1924 and was, for a while, the tallest structure in the city.



Constructed entirely of yellow basalt and concrete and notable for its Indo-Saracenic design, the Gateway of India was also the scene of a rather less jubilant procession of British soldiers in 1948 when India gained its independence. These days, the huge archway provides a stunning backdrop that is as popular among locals as it is tourists. Hot Tip: After visiting the Gateway of India, pop over to the adjacent Taj Mahal Palace and Tower for a delectable High Tea, a fun thing to do in Mumbai since this lovely luxury hotel opened in 1903.

7. MECCA MASJID, HYDERABAD

Construction of Hyderabad's Mecca Masjid, one of the world's largest mosques-and one of the oldest in India-began in 1614 during Mohammed Quli Qutub Shah's reign and took almost 80 years to complete. Large enough to accommodate 10,000 worshippers, this beautiful mosque's 15 enormous arches and pillars were each wrought from single slabs of black granite dragged to the site by huge cattle trains reputedly consisting of up to 1,400 bulls.



Taking its name from the bricks above the central gate that were brought here from Mecca, this impressive complex features highlights such as its main gateway, huge plaza, a large manmade pond, and a room that houses the hair of Prophet Mohammed. Other notable features include inscriptions from the Quran above many of the arches and doors, the exquisite roof of the main hall, the cornices around the entire mosque structure, and the floral motifs and friezes over the arches.

8. AMER FORT, JAIPUR

Amer Fort (often also spelt "Amber") was built as a fortified palace in 1592 by Maharaja Man Singh I and has long served as the capital of Jaipur. Carved high up into the hillside, the fort is accessible on foot via a steep climb or by shuttle rides from the town below (better still, let an elephant do the work). Highlights include Jaleb Chowk, the first courtyard, with its many decorated elephants, and the Shila Devi Temple, dedicated to the goddess of war. Also of note is the adjoining Hall of Public Audience (Diwan-i-Am) with its finely decorated walls and terraces frequented by monkeys.



Other highlights include Sukh Niwas (the Hall of Pleasure) with its many flowerbeds and a channel once used to carry cooling water, and the Temple of Victory (Jai Mandir), notable for its many decorative panels, colorful ceilings, and excellent views over the palace and the lake below.

9. THE BEACHES OF GOA

Long known within India as the "go-to" destination for those seeking a great beach holiday, Goa's beautiful western coastline, overlooking the Arabian Sea, has only recently been discovered by tourists from overseas.



Goa's more than 60 miles of coastline is home to some of the world's loveliest beaches, each with their own particular appeal. For those looking for peace and quiet, isolated Agonda Beach is a good choice, while Calangute Beach is by far the most commercial and crowded. For those in search of posh resorts, yoga getaways, and spa vacations, the beaches of Mandrem, Morjim, and Ashwem are fashionable among wealthy Indians and Westerners alike. Palolem is another popular option in a beautiful setting.

While in Goa, be sure to visit the Bhagwan Mahavir Wildlife Sanctuary. This superb attraction is home to thick forests and plenty of fauna.

Also worth a visit is Divar Island, accessed by ferry from Old Goa.

10. PERIYAR NATIONAL PARK AND WILDLIFE SANCTUARY, MADURAI

One of South India's most popular tourist attractions, Periyar National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary is centered around a lake built by British engineers in 1895 for irrigation and to provide water to the city of Madurai. Established in 1934, this beautiful park is home to numerous species of mammals, including a large free-roaming Indian elephant population, wild boar, otters, the lion-tailed macaque, and more than 20 Bengal tigers. Bird watching is a popular activity with frequent sightings of species such as darters, storks, kingfishers, hornbills, and racket-tailed drongos, along with many interesting varieties of butterflies.



The best ways to enjoy the park's splendid mountain scenery are to take a lake cruise or guided jungle walk, the latter allowing visitors a chance to come face to face with elephant herds and observe other wildlife from watchtowers and viewing platforms.

11. AGRA FORT

Built as a military structure in 1565 by Emperor Akbar with later additions by Shah Jahan, the stunning Agra Fort (also known as Agra's Red Fort) is an interesting mix of both Hindu and Muslim influences. Located a little more than two kilometers from the Taj Mahal, the fort is entered through Amar Singh Gate with its low outer wall and dogleg design built to confuse attackers. Once inside, you'll see two large interlinked sandstone buildings, Akbari Mahal and Jahangiri Mahal, the largest private residence in the complex.



Other highlights include the Khas Mahal (Private Palace), with its splendid copper roof, and the Anguri Bagh (Grape Garden), a jigsaw-patterned Mughal garden with numerous wonderful fountains and water channels as well as screens that once offered a private area for the emperor and his entourage. Also of note is the octagonal Musamman Burj tower, which later served as Shah Jahan's prison until his death.

12. THE ELLORA CAVES, AURANGABAD

The famous monumental Ellora Caves were built between the 5th and 10th centuries by Buddhist, Jain, and Hindu monks, and make for an excellent excursion from Mumbai, some 300 kilometers to the west.



Now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, this remarkable collection of 34 carved monasteries, chapels, and temples-12 of them Buddhist, 17 Hindu, and five belonging to the Jain faith-were built in close proximity to each other, a reflection of the religious tolerance that existed during this period of Indian history. Of the Buddhist monastery caves, highlights include a number of shrines featuring carvings of Buddha and saints dating from the 5th to 7th centuries, as well as the stunning Carpenter's Cave, considered one of the finest in India. The Hindu caves are much more complex and were carved from the top down, so scaffolding was not necessary. Of these, the best is the Kailasa Temple, an enormous rock-cut temple representing Mount Kailasa and requiring the removal of 200,000 tons of rock.

13. MEHRANGARH FORT, JODHPUR

Dominating the old city of Jodhpur, the massive Mehrangarh Fort, one of the largest fortifications in India, was built in the 15th century to safeguard the people of the famous "Blue City," as Jodhpur is still known - a name derived from its indigo colored houses, painted blue to deflect the heat.



Built on top of a towering outcrop, Mehrangarh is an amazing feat of construction, its massive walls all but impenetrable. Access is via one of seven splendid gates, including Jaya Pol and Fateh Pol (the latter still bears scars from cannon attacks). Highlights of a visit include exploring the fort's fascinating network of courtyards and palaces, as well as a museum housing a splendid collection of artifacts related to the Maharajas. Be sure to spend time in the historic center of Jodhpur itself, famous for its eight city gates, a lovely old clock tower, and numerous bazaars selling everything from vegetables to sweets, spices, and handicrafts.

14. MYSORE PALACE

The sprawling city of Mysore is a delight to explore thanks to its eclectic mix of fine old colonial architecture; regal Indian palaces; and lush, well-manicured gardens. While those inclined towards shopping will enjoy spending time in the city's famous silk and sandalwood bazaars, the main attraction is magnificent Mysore Palace.



Completely rebuilt in 1897 after a devastating fire, this beautiful three-story palace features highlights such as its elegant square towers and domes; the many ornate ceilings and pillars in Durbar Hall; and the splendid Marriage Pavilion, with its glazed floor tiles, stunning stained glass, artworks, and displays of jewelry (it's also where, on special occasions, the exquisite Golden Throne is exhibited). For a real treat, be sure to catch one of the splendid light displays held each Sunday and during holidays, when the palace is illuminated by more than 90,000 lights. A fun way to explore the palace's massive grounds and gardens is as part of a cycle tour, available free once inside.

15. MAHABODHI TEMPLE, BODHGAYA

Bodhgaya, considered the world's holiest Buddhist site, attracts thousands of visitors each year, all drawn to participate with the resident monks in meditation and prayer. The focal point of this place of pilgrimage is stunning Mahabodhi Temple, built next to the very spot where Buddha came to Enlightenment and formulated his philosophy on life. Constructed in the 6th century and restored numerous times since, the temple is topped with a beautiful pyramidal spire and houses a large gilded statue of Buddha.



Also of interest is the site's pipal tree, a descendant of the original bodhi tree where Buddha meditated for seven days after the Enlightenment, said to be among the oldest and most venerated trees in the world (you'll know you've found it when you spot the red sandstone slab marking the spot).

TUCI Seeks Support for August 10 Jail Bharo



(Capital Information)

Khammam, Aug 08 : TUCI Khammam City Secretary K. Srinivas urged workers and farmers to participate in large numbers in the nationwide Jail Bharo programme scheduled for August 10. Speaking at a meeting held at the Rama Narasayya Vignana Kendram, he criticised the Centre's labour and agricultural policies and called for the withdrawal of the four Labour Codes. He also demanded repeal of the farm laws and implementation of the Swaminathan Commission recommendations. Srinivas appealed to workers, farmers, agricultural labourers and other sections of the working class to participate in the programme and make it a success. TUCI leaders Shobhan, Dasu, Saidulu, Paka Lingaiah, Prasad, Tirupayya, Venkanna and Nagaraju attended the meeting.

Kotwal Thanks Congress Cadre for SIR Support



(Capital Information)

Kothagudem, Aug 08 : Former DCMS chairman, former State Marked director and Palvancha Society president Kotwal Srinivasa Rao thanked Congress workers for their active participation in the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. Speaking at a meeting with Congress BLA supervisors at Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy's camp office in Kothagudem, he said party-appointed Booth Level Agents worked with Booth Level Officers by visiting households and encouraging eligible voters to enrol and verify their details. SIR PCC coordinator Masanapalli Lingoji and Kothagudem constituency coordinator Alla Murali also participated. Kotwal thanked people from all sections, Congress leaders and the party leadership for their cooperation in the voter list revision programme. Congress leaders Y. Srinivasa Reddy, Nukala Rangarao, Gangireddy Bhuvana Surender Reddy, Vasu Malla Sundar Rao, Gurram Venkataratnam, Undeti Santhi vardhan, Gundu Ravi, Valapalli Rambabu, Sandu Prabhakar, Bhattu Murali and Battula Veeraiah were among those present.

Unions Call for Protest Over 12th Wage Board



(Capital Information)

Kothagudem, Aug 08 : A Joint Action Committee (JAC) of national trade unions has called for protests at the General Manager's offices across Singareni Collieries on August 10, demanding the immediate constitution of the 12th Wage Board. The unions alleged that the Centre was adopting a rigid approach on the issue and urged workers to participate in the protests in large numbers. In Kothagudem Area, a dharna will be held at the GM's office at 3 p.m. on Monday under the leadership of INTUC, AITUC, CITU, HMS and TBGKS affiliated to the JAC. INTUC Secretary General Janak Prasad has called upon union leaders, office-bearers, committee members, activists and employees to participate in the programme. INTUC Kothagudem Area Vice-President Md Razak also urged all union members and workers to join the dharna and make it successful.

SVM Students Experience Democracy Through Mock Poll



(Capital Information)

Khammam Bureau, Aug 08 : Students of SVM Central Public School, Srinivas Nagar, took part in a mock student council election aimed at developing leadership qualities and understanding of democratic practices. The election was conducted on the lines of a real poll, with voter lists, nominations, ink marking and secret ballot/e-voting, with students participating enthusiastically and maintaining discipline. Paediatrician Dr. Suresh Babu and psychiatrist Dr. Satish, who attended as chief guests, said such initiatives would help nurture responsible leaders and strengthen democratic values among children. School Correspondent Kishore Babu and Directors Uma and Sridhar Rao said the exercise was designed to familiarise students with the democratic process and the importance of participation. Principal P.V.R. Muralimohan, teaching and non-teaching staff were present.

Yugandhar Takes Up Khammam Issues with Collector

(Capital Information)

Khammam Bureau, Aug 08 : State Congress leader Tummala Yugender met District Collector Diwakara T.S. and discussed several public issues pertaining to the Khammam Assembly constituency. He urged the Collector to take immediate steps to address the problems faced by people. The Collector responded positively to the issues raised and assured that the concerned matters would be examined in detail and necessary action would be taken at the earliest. Khammam Urban DCC president Nagandla Deepak Chowdary, Mohammed Ashrif and Sk. Lateef were present during the meeting. The leaders said that resolving public grievances and ensuring people's welfare was the primary objective of the Congress party.



Priyadarshini Girls Showcase Startup Ideas

(Capital Information)

Khammam Bureau, Aug 08 : Priyadarshini Institute of Science and Technology for Women, Autonomous, organised an intra-institutional startup competition under the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) to encourage innovation, creativity and entrepreneurial skills among students. College Chairman Katepalli K. Naveen Babu said students should develop innovative solutions and aspire to become job creators rather than merely job seekers. Principal Dr. Bathula Gopal said the institution was providing modern laboratories, technology and faculty guidance to help students convert their ideas into viable startups. TASK Project Manager and State Head of Entrepreneurship Balu Pravaryakya advised students to identify market needs and turn innovative ideas into practical business opportunities. Academic Director Atluri Venkata Ramana also stressed the importance of developing entrepreneurial and technological



skills. Around 30 student teams participated in the competition and presented innovative projects such as Smart Crop Protection, Heart Attack Detection, Air Ambulance, Farm to Home, KisanSathi AI and Smart Cities and Infrastructure. Prizes were presented to the best-performing teams. IIC Coordinator V. Nagaraju, IQAC Coordinator N. Jayamma, faculty members and students attended the programme.

Former Minister Puvvada Seeks Irrigation Plan for Farmers

(Capital Information)

Khammam Bureau, Aug 08 :

Former Minister Puvvada Ajay Kumar urged the State Government to announce a comprehensive irrigation plan for Khammam and Bhadradi Kothagudem districts, giving farmers clarity on water availability, utilisation and release schedules. He said the government should take the prevailing weather conditions and El Niño impact into consideration while planning irrigation. He called for regular assessment of water availability in the Nagarjuna Sagar, Godavari,

Munneru, Wyra, Palair and Kinne-rasani water systems and advance information to farmers. Details of water storage in projects, reservoirs and tanks, along with areas to be covered and quantum of water to be released, should be officially announced. Puvvada said an advance water-release schedule would help farmers make informed decisions on crop selection, sowing and irrigation. He urged the government to adopt scientific and planned water management measures to ensure that farmers could continue cultivation without



uncertainty or losses.

Adopt Crop Plan as per Drought Conitions - Collector Ankit

(Capital Information)

Bhadradi Kothagudem, Aug 08 : District Collector Ankit directed officials to implement a crop cultivation plan suited to the prevailing rainfall deficit and encourage farmers to reduce paddy cultivation and shift to less water-intensive alternative crops. Reviewing irrigation preparedness, drinking water requirements, reservoir and tank storage and rainfall conditions at the IDOC meeting hall on Saturday, he stressed that drinking water should receive the highest priority and that advance measures must be taken to prevent shortages. The Collector instructed Agriculture Department officials to conduct door-to-door awareness campaigns on crop diversification and encourage farmers to select crops based on available water. He suggested promoting crops such as green gram, black gram, red gram, vegetables and oil palm, besides adopting water conservation measures, raised-bed cultivation and rainwater harvesting. Officials said 4,21,367 acres had been cultivated against the seasonal target of 4,86,048 acres, achieving 86.69 per cent, while a plan was prepared to bring 1,38,198 acres under alternative crops. Officials reported that the district had received 455.8 mm of



rainfall against the normal 561.4 mm, registering an 18.8 per cent deficit. The Collector ordered continuous monitoring of water levels in 2,384 minor irrigation tanks, projects, borewells, rainfall and drinking water availability, with timely contingency measures wherever necessary. He called for coordinated efforts by all departments to conserve water, protect crops from drought-related losses and safeguard farmers' incomes. Bhadrachalam Sub-Collector Mrinal Shrestha, Irrigation SE Srinivasa Reddy, District Agriculture Officer Babu-rao, Horticulture Officer Kishore, CPO Sunitha and officials from various departments attended the meeting.

Sarvagnya School Celebrates Bonalu with Tradition

(Capital Information)

Khammam Bureau, Aug 08 :

Sarvagnya School at VDOS Colony celebrated the Bonalu festival with traditional fervour, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of Telangana. School Director R.V. Nagendra Kumar said Bonalu symbolised devotion, unity and the cultural identity of Telangana, while extending festive greetings to the people of the State. Correspondent K. Neelima said the festival reflected the bond between people, nature and agriculture and carried the message of prosperity and well-being. She wished students, parents,



teachers and the people of Telangana a happy and prosperous Bonalu. The school management said cultural celebra-

tions help students understand and preserve traditional values. It urged everyone to celebrate the festival safely and joyfully.

Youth Congress to Mark Foundation Day on Aug 9



(Capital Information)

Khammam Bureau, Aug 08 : The Khammam District Youth Congress will celebrate the National Youth Congress Foundation Day by hoisting the Youth Congress flag at Sanjeeva Reddy Bhavan-DCC office at 9 a.m. on August 9. District Youth Congress president Vejjandla Sai Kumar will oversee the programme. District Congress Committee president Nuthi Satyanarayana Goud will attend as the chief guest and hoist the Youth Congress flag. Sai Kumar urged leaders and workers to participate in large numbers and make the event a success. Youth Congress district executive members, mandal and constituency presidents, leaders, workers and presidents of affiliated organisations have been requested to attend the programme. Sai Kumar said the occasion would help strengthen democratic values, social responsibility and the spirit of national service among the youth.

Sri Chaitanya School Celebrates Bonalu



(Capital Information)

Khammam Education, Aug 08 : Bonalu festivities were celebrated with enthusiasm at Sri Chaitanya Techno School, Mamillagudem branch, with students and teachers participating in traditional attire. The celebrations reflected the rich cultural heritage and traditions of Telangana. Teachers explained the significance of Bonalu and stressed the need to preserve the State's culture and traditions. School Chairman Mallampati Sridhar, Director Srividya, AGM Chetan, Principal Neeraja, Pre-Primary Coordinator Gauthami, Primary In-charge Kalyani, Pre-Primary In-charge Geetha, teachers and students participated in the celebrations.

Abdul Arif Honoured with Milad Award



(Capital Information)

Hyderabad, Khammam Bureau, Aug 09 : Mohammed Abdul Arif was honoured with a Milad Award for his commendable public service at a ceremony organised by the Markaz-e-Milad Centre Committee at the City Convention Centre, Nampally, on Saturday. Committee members appreciated his 15 years of voluntary service in assisting people with land and survey records, measurements, revenue matters, property transactions and registration-related issues, particularly helping those facing difficulties due to lack of awareness. The organisers said Arif, who is also Managing Director of Miraj One Developers, had used his expertise to help people verify property details and address revenue and civil disputes. They appreciated his efforts in protecting people from potential complications in land transactions and extending guidance to those caught in legal and revenue issues. Committee members, organisers and others attended the programme.

Telangana Pradesh Congress Campaign Committee Chairman Bhongir MP Kiran Kumar Reddy



(Capital information)

Yadadri Bhuvanagiri : All India Congress Committee General Secretary KC Venugopal has issued an order appointing Bhongir MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy as the Chairman of Telangana Pradesh Congress Media and Publicity Committee. Tatipamula Shekhar Goud, General Secretary of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Congress Party, in a statement, expressed his admiration for the appointment of Bhongir Member of Parliament Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy as the Chairman of the State Congress Campaign Committee in recognition of his services for the upliftment of the Congress Party. He thanked AICC president Mallikarjuna Karige, Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi, Sonia Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi and K.C.Venugopal for appointing Bhongir MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy as the media wing president of the Pradesh Congress Committee.

No Meat or Fish Sales on Footpaths

- Municipal Commissioner
B. Vamsi Krishna



(Capital information)

Nalgonda bureau : Nalgonda Municipal Commissioner B. Vamsi Krishna has made it clear that the sale of mutton and fish on footpaths, roads and other public places within the Nalgonda Municipal Corporation limits will not be permitted. He said complaints have been received that particularly on Sundays, roadside and footpath meat and fish sales are causing inconvenience to pedestrians and traffic. Disposal of meat and fish waste on roads and into drains is also leading to unhygienic conditions, foul odour and public health concerns. The Commissioner directed that mutton and fish should be sold only from shops having valid municipal permission and licences. Footpaths, roads and public spaces must not be used for commercial activities. He warned that violators would face strict action, including stoppage of business, removal of encroachments, action against licences, sealing of shops where necessary, and seizure of equipment. The Commissioner urged all mutton and fish traders to strictly follow municipal regulations in the interest of public health, sanitation and smooth movement of people.

Every Household Should Set Up Rainwater Recharge Pits

- Mayor Burri Chaitanya Srinivas Reddy

(Capital information)

Nalgonda : Nalgonda Municipal Mayor Burri Chaitanya Srinivas Reddy has appealed to residents to set up rainwater recharge pits (soak pits) at their homes to conserve ground water. The Mayor stated that necessary concessions would be provided in house-building permissions for residents who construct recharge pits at their premises. He said that allowing rainwater to percolate into the ground would help improve and protect groundwater levels. He directed municipal officials to work in coordination and create extensive awareness among the public about the importance of recharge pits and rainwater conservation. The Mayor urged every citizen to cooperate in protecting groundwater resources and contribute to ensuring water security for future generations.



Teej – A Symbol of Banjara Culture and Traditions : Udavath Lachiram



(Capital information)

Nalgonda Bureau : Teej is one of the most important festivals celebrated by the Banjara community for generations. The festival reflects the Banjara way of life, their close relationship with nature, customs and traditions, the significant role of women, and the unity of the community. Therefore, Teej holds a special place in the hearts of the Banjara people. As part of the Teej festival, Banjara girls and young women traditionally sow wheat seeds and nurture them until they sprout. The seedlings are carefully protected and worshipped. The celebrations are held with prayers for a good harvest, happiness and prosperity in families, and the good health of all.

Special Role of Women:

Banjara women and young girls participate enthusiastically in the Teej celebrations. Dressed in traditional attire and adorned with traditional Banjara jewellery, they sing folk songs and perform dances. The songs of Teej reflect their way of life, family relationships, love and respect for nature.

The celebrations provide an opportunity to showcase the artistic skills and creativity of Banjara women. As community members come together and celebrate joyfully, social bonds become stronger and relationships are strengthened.

A Bond with Nature:

The Banjara community has a deep and inseparable connection with nature. Sowing

seeds and nurturing them until they sprout during the Teej festival is a symbolic expression of this bond. The festival reminds us of the journey of a tiny seed as it sprouts, grows into a plant and eventually becomes a crop.

At a time when environmental pollution is increasing and issues such as deforestation and water scarcity are becoming serious concerns, Teej conveys an important message about loving nature, protecting trees and preserving the environment.

Teej Symbolises Banjara Unity:

The unity of the Banjara community is clearly reflected in the Teej celebrations. Banjara families living in tandas, villages, towns and cities come together to celebrate the festival. Elders share their customs and traditions with the younger generation, helping pass the community's cultural heritage from one generation to the next.

With modern lifestyles becoming increasingly prevalent, some traditional practices are gradually disappearing. In such circumstances, there is a need to preserve our festivals, customs and traditions. Protecting our culture means protecting our roots and identity.

From Tandans to Cities:

In the past, Teej celebrations were mainly held in Banjara tandans. However, the situation has changed. Many Banjara families have moved to towns and cities for employment, business, education and livelihood

opportunities.

Despite moving away from their traditional settlements, they have not forgotten their culture. Banjara families living in towns and cities are also coming together to celebrate Teej in a grand manner. Dressed in traditional attire, they sing Banjara folk songs and perform traditional dances with great enthusiasm.

The spread of Teej celebrations from tandans to towns and cities is a welcome development. It reflects the unity of the Banjara community as well as their respect for their culture and traditions.

Wherever we may live, we remain Banjara. Our festivals, songs, customs and traditions are what make us unique. Therefore, Teej should be celebrated collectively, and the younger generation should be made aware of its significance. Our cultural heritage must be passed on to future generations.

Let Us Pass Our Culture on to Future Generations:

Teej is not merely a festival. It is a symbol of Banjara culture, a reflection of community unity and a festival that conveys the message of respecting and protecting nature. It also provides an opportunity to pass our customs and traditions on to future generations.

Therefore, let us celebrate Teej with greater enthusiasm every year, educate our children about the richness of Banjara culture, protect our traditions and strengthen the unity of the community.

Farmers Must Avoid Paddy and Opt for Dryland Crops : Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

(Capital information)

Nalgonda Bureau : State Minister for Roads & Buildings and Cinematography Komatireddy Venkat Reddy directed officials to create awareness among farmers and ensure that they do not cultivate paddy under any circumstances, considering the prevailing water scarcity due to the El Niño effect. Addressing the District Irrigation Advisory Board meeting held at the Nalgonda Collectorate on Saturday, the Minister said the Nagarjuna Sagar Project is currently at dead storage level. Even if water is received from Srisailem, there would be no possibility of providing irrigation water for crops. The available water in Nagarjuna Sagar would be sufficient only for drinking water requirements until June 2027, he said. He said the AMRP is also only half full and such a situation had never occurred in the past. In view of the possibility of a Super El Niño affecting South Telangana, officials and public representatives must work together to encourage farmers to cultivate dryland crops and stand by them during the difficult period. As part of crop diversification, dryland crops have already been cultivated on around 33,000 acres in the district in place of paddy. The Minister directed officials to increase the target to 1.5 lakh acres and motivate farmers to take up alternative crops. He said around 9,000 transformers in the district are facing overload problems. He assured that he would discuss the issue with the Chief Minister and arrange the required electrical equipment. The Minister said



the SLBC tunnel works are progressing and would be completed by August 2028. Through AMRP, SLBC and Brahmanavellamula projects, irrigation water would be provided to around four lakh acres in Nalgonda district. He said the Chief Minister had directed officials to spend whatever amount was necessary for the completion of SLBC. Even during drought conditions and when the Srisailem reservoir is at dead storage, irrigation water could be supplied through SLBC, he said. The Minister instructed officials to visit villages, support farmers during the difficult period and create awareness about dryland crops. He also directed that District Irrigation Advisory Board meetings be conducted regularly. He cautioned farmers against cultivating two paddy crops continuously every year, stating that excessive use of fertilisers and continuous paddy cultivation could reduce soil fertility and make agricultural lands unsuitable for future cultivation. He advised farmers to take up vegetable crops, horticultural crops and organic farming. Responding to officials' request for 5,000 sprinkler units for the

district, the Minister assured that immediate steps would be taken to sanction them. Collector Calls for Farmer Awareness: District Collector B. Chandrasekhara said that due to the El Niño effect and inadequate rainfall, water levels in various projects were low and there was little possibility of receiving irrigation water from upstream areas in the coming days. Nalgonda Municipal Corporation Mayor Burri Chaitanya Srinivas Reddy, Haliya Market Committee Chairman Shekhar Reddy and others spoke at the meeting. Local Bodies In-charge Additional Collector Prem Karan Reddy, Irrigation Department Chief Engineer Srinivas Reddy, Deputy Mayor Ameer Ali, Haliya and Nidamanur PACS presidents, Nalgonda Market Committee Chairman Jukuri Ramesh, Chityala Market Committee Chairman and others attended. Officials from the Projects, Groundwater, Agriculture, Horticulture and Electricity departments, along with DRDO officials, briefed the meeting on the prevailing irrigation situation, crop conditions and the action plan to be implemented in the coming days.

Inter-State Bike Thief Arrested



(Capital information)

Nalgonda Bureau : Nalgonda II Town Police have arrested an inter-state bike thief with the help of CCTV footage analysis and technical evidence. According to the police, the accused is involved in 36 bike theft cases registered across Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. The police identified his involvement in bike thefts reported in Nellore, Nalgonda, Hyderabad, Sangareddy and Vijayawada. The accused was traced and arrested through meticulous analysis of CCTV footage and technical evidence. Senior officials appreciated CIA. Adireddy, SI D. Saibaba, Head Constable Raju and other police personnel for their commendable efforts in the operation. With the swift and effective action of Nalgonda II Town Police, an inter-state bike thief has been brought to book.

Written Examination Held for Aspirants to Set Up MeeSeva Centres



(Capital information)

Bhuvanagiri : A written examination was conducted on Saturday at SLNS Degree College in Bhuvanagiri town for candidates interested in establishing eight new MeeSeva centres in Addagudur, Atmakur, Mothkur, Choutuppal and Narayanapur mandals of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district. A total of 209 candidates were issued hall tickets for the examination, while 166 candidates appeared for the test. The examination process was monitored by the concerned officials. The written examination was conducted peacefully, transparently and smoothly under the supervision of District Rural Development Officer T. Nagireddy, without any untoward incidents. All necessary arrangements were made at the examination centre to ensure that candidates faced no inconvenience. The entire examination process was conducted strictly as per the prescribed rules. EDM Sai and Revenue Inspector Saida participated in the examination arrangements.

Grand Birthday Celebrations of Kalluri Ramachandra Reddy Held in Athmakur



(Capital information)

Athmakur : The birthday celebrations of BRS State leader Kalluri Ramachandra Reddy were held grandly at the BRS Mandal Party Office in Athmakur. On the occasion, BRS leaders recalled the services rendered by Kalluri Ramachandra Reddy for the welfare and development of the mandal. Village Sarpanch Beesu Dhanalakshmi Chander Goud, former MPTC member Yasa Kavitha Indra Reddy, BRS district leader Yasa Indra Reddy, Kamboju Bhanu Prakash, Kore Bikshapathi, BRSV District Coordinator Devarapalli Praveen Reddy, former Vice-MPP Kale Malle-sham, former Sarpanch Kola Sattaiah, Pendam Purushotham, ward members Gaddam Satish, Lodi Srinivas and Gattu Vishal, along with several BRS leaders, youth leaders, party workers and activists participated in the celebrations.

GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE MAHA DHARNA



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, Hyderabad, August 08 : We extend our heartfelt greetings and congratulations to all our association members who participated in the Maha Dharma held on August 7, 2026, as well as to the district executive committee members and key activists who mobilised and coordinated the participation. It is a matter of great pride for us that, wherever one looked at the Maha Dharma venue, our members wearing SGPAT badges were prominently visible. This reflects the unity, commitment and strength of our association. Our sincere appreciation and salutations to every member, every executive committee member and every key activist who participated in large numbers and made the programme a success. We hope that the same spirit of unity and determination will continue in the days ahead. With many more forms of democratic struggle, we shall continue our journey towards securing solutions to the long-pending issues confronting us. Once again, our heartfelt congratulations and thanks to each and every one of you for your enthusiastic participation and support.

Minister Seethakka Condolences Death of Mandala Jampaiah



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, August 08 : Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Minister Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka expressed deep condolences over the death of Mandala Jampaiah, a resident of Mulugu town, who passed away on Saturday after a prolonged illness. As per the directions of Minister Seethakka and the instructions of District Congress president Paidakula Ashok, Mulugu District Library Corporation Chairman Bhanoth Ravichander, along with Congress leaders, visited Jampaiah's residence, paid floral tributes to his mortal remains and consoled the bereaved family. The leaders assured the family of their continued support during the difficult time. Jampaiah had earlier undergone treatment at a private hospital in Hyderabad due to ill health. During that period, Minister Seethakka had visited him and extended financial assistance of around ₹5.50 lakh through an NOC towards his medical expenses. Expressing grief over his demise, Seethakka conveyed her heartfelt condolences to the family and assured them of her continued support. District Congress spokesperson Chintanippula Bikshapathi, ATMA District Director Jakkula Revanth Yadav, Mulugu Mandal Congress Working President Nallella Bharat Kumar, Municipal Councillor Guggilla Divya Sujana, former MPPTC member Mavurapu Tirupati Reddy, and district leaders Velpuri Satyanarayana Rao, Lucky, Prabhu and others were present.

KCR to Visit Narsampet Tomorrow, Condole Peddi Sudarshan Reddy's Family



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, Narsampet, August 08 : BRS president and former Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) will visit Narsampet on Sunday, August 9, to condole the family members of late Peddi Sudarshan Reddy, a senior BRS leader and close associate of the party chief. KCR is scheduled to visit Peddi's native village Nallabelli in Narsampet Assembly constituency and offer his condolences to the bereaved family. He will console the family members who are mourning the loss of their head and assure them of his support during the difficult period. KCR is also expected to meet local BRS leaders, party workers and followers of Peddi Sudarshan Reddy and extend moral support to them. Peddi Sudarshan Reddy had been associated with the BRS since its inception and had worked with dedication for the party, continuing as one of KCR's close followers. KCR has already announced financial assistance of ₹2.25 crore to support the bereaved family.

SR University NSS Volunteers Undertake Community Service Programme



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, Warangal, August 08 : The SRU-NSS Unit of SR University organised a Community Service and Social Responsibility Programme at Girmagipet and Venkatesham in Warangal on Saturday. The programme aimed at sensitising NSS volunteers to the importance of community service, social responsibility, cleanliness, environmental protection and civic

duties, besides encouraging active participation in community development activities. A large number of NSS volunteers took part in the programme with enthusiasm and actively participated in various community service activities. The volunteers interacted with local residents and contributed their time and efforts towards improving the community environment. The programme provided students



with valuable exposure to social responsibility, teamwork, leadership, discipline, empathy and the spirit of voluntary service. Their active participation reflected their commitment to the NSS motto, "Not Me But You." The programme was successfully conducted under the guidance and coordination of Dr. K. Ravindar, NSS Coordinator and Associate Physical Director, SR University.

"Seethakka" Calls for Greater Role for Women in Politics



(Capital Information)

Mulug, New Delhi, August 08 : Telangana Minister for Panchayat Raj, Rural Development, Rural Water Supply and Women & Child Welfare Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka on Saturday called upon women to play a more active and decisive role in politics and public life. Addressing a Youth Congress Nari Shakti Abhiyan training programme in New Delhi as the chief guest, Ms. Seethakka said women should not remain mere participants in the political process but emerge as effective decision-makers at every level. She highlighted the contribution of the Congress party and its governments towards women's empowerment, political representation and creation of opportunities for women to take up leadership roles. The Minister said the growing use of digital platforms had brought new challenges for women. Online harassment,



cyber threats, misinformation and digital exploitation were among the emerging concerns that needed greater awareness and collective action, she said. Ms. Seethakka urged young women leaders to acquire digital literacy, develop leadership skills and use technology positively to create awareness and mobilise communities. She called upon Youth Congress women workers to work at the grassroots level, raise issues concerning women and children and actively participate in efforts aimed at social transformation. Women's empowerment, she said, would become meaningful only when women gained greater representation in institutions and a stronger voice in decision-making. The training programme focused on strengthening the leadership capabilities of young women, encouraging their participation in politics and preparing them to address contemporary social and digital challenges.

Women Should Rise from Voters to Decision-Makers : Seethakka

(Capital Information)

Mulugu, New Delhi, August 08 : Women should not remain mere voters but must emerge as a decisive force in shaping the future of the country, said Telangana Panchayat Raj, Rural Development and Women & Child Welfare Minister Dr. Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka. She was speaking as the chief guest at the Nari Shakti Abhiyan training programme organised by the Youth Congress in New Delhi. She stressed the need for greater political participation of women, equal opportunities and their active role in policy-making. Seethakka said women's empowerment was essential for a strong democracy and asserted that the Congress had historically supported the rights, equality and political representation of women. She said women should have equal opportunities not only to vote but also to contest elections, participate in decision-making and lead governments. Highlighting the contribution of women leaders, she said their priorities often extend to issues such as children's education, maternal health, drinking water, Anganwadi services, nutrition and rural livelihoods. Expressing concern over the growing trend of online trolling, abuse, misinformation, morphing and threats against women, Seethakka said such digital harass-



ment was aimed at silencing women and could discourage young women from entering public life. Political differences, she said, should be confined to policies and not turn into personal attacks. Referring to the success of women's self-help groups in Telangana, she said women had demonstrated their capabilities as entrepreneurs and active partners in development programmes. Calling upon women to contest elections fearlessly and raise their voice from Gram Panchayat to Parliament, Seethakka said, "Empowering women means strengthening democracy."

Provide Cashless Healthcare to Pensioners Immediately - TGPJAC

(Capital Information)

Mulugu, Hyderabad, August 08 : The Telangana Government Pensioners' Joint Action Committee (TGPJAC) has demanded that the State Government immediately provide cashless medical treatment to pensioners and resolve their long-pending issues. TGPJAC Chairman Kolishetti Laxmaiah said pensioners had been paying for the government's health scheme for the past three months, yet cashless medical services were not being provided. He demanded immediate issuance of health cards, provision of the NEHS option, release of all pending Dearness Allowance (DA) instalments and implementation of the new Pay Revision Commission (PRC) from July 1, 2023. Addressing the pensioners' mahadharma, All India Pensioners' leaders Sudhakar and Purnachander Rao urged the government to release the six pending DA instalments and sympathetically resolve the problems faced by elderly pensioners, particularly those struggling to access medical treatment. TGPJAC leaders also demanded notional increments for Special Teachers who worked on a ₹398 fixed monthly wage, pointing out that the benefit was already being extended in neighbouring Andhra Pradesh. Mutharam Narasimha Swamy warned that pensioners would be forced to launch an indefinite hunger strike if their demands were not addressed. The major demands include immediate cashless healthcare through health



cards, release of pending DAs and implementation of the new PRC from July 1, 2023, payment of all retirement dues, setting up a Special Directorate for Pensioners, reducing the commutation recovery period to 11 years and three months, and granting full pension after 20 years of service. TGPJAC leaders warned that further agitations would be launched if the government failed to resolve the issues immediately. TGPJAC Secretary-General Tulasi Satyanarayana, Rajendra Babu, Bharat Reddy, Pullayya, Mutharam Narasimha Swamy, Nandini Siddareddy and representatives of various pensioners' associations participated. Thousands of elderly pensioners from different districts attended the programme.

Tribal Employees' Association Calls for Mass Participation in World Indigenous Peoples' Day Celebrations - Annapurna Ravi Kanth



(Capital Information)

Mulugu, August 08 : The Tribal Employees' Association has appealed to all tribal employees and their families residing in Mulugu district to participate in large numbers in the World Indigenous Peoples' Day celebrations to be held at the Collector's Conference Hall in Mulugu on Sunday, August 9. Association leaders said the celebrations were aimed at protecting and promoting tribal culture, traditions, customs and heritage and providing a platform to showcase tribal unity. They said the association had been organising the celebrations successfully for the past two years. Minister for Panchayat Raj and Women & Child Welfare Dr. Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka is expected to attend the programme as the chief guest. The association leaders said they would bring several issues concerning the rights and welfare of tribal communities to her attention. Their key demands include sanctioning more Indiramma houses in tribal villages in agency areas, providing employment opportunities to local tribal youth in upcoming industries and factories, full implementation of G.O. Ms. No. 3, and giving priority to tribal women in Anganwadi recruitment. The association appealed to tribal employees and members of the community to attend the celebrations in large numbers and make the programme a success. Mulugu District Tribal Employees' Association president Mankidi Ravi, Eeka Kumar, Musali Anil and others participated in the campaign.

Youth Should Take the Lead in Politics : MLC Teenmar Mallanna



(Capital Information)

Jayashankar Bhupalpally, August 08 : Under the leadership of Ravi Patel, Telangana Rajyadhikara Party President of Jayashankar Bhupalpally district, a large number of students from various colleges across the district travelled to Hanamkonda to participate in the programme. The students enthusiastically participated in the event, raising slogans in front of the Public Gardens in Hanamkonda. They later took out a massive rally from the Public Gardens to Ambedkar Centre. Inspired by the ideals and aspirations of MLC Teenmar Mallanna, several students joined the Telangana Rajyadhikara Party by wearing party scarves. Subsequently, under the leadership of Ravi Patel, the students participated in the "Gen Z Youth Discussion with Teenmar Mallanna" programme held at Ambedkar Bhavan. At Ambedkar Bhavan in Hanamkonda, MLC Teenmar Mallanna interacted with around 2,000 students and discussed the future of politics with the youth. Speaking on the occasion, he called upon the youth to take the lead in politics and play a key role in the political affairs of the state. Teenmar Mallanna said that the youth have a crucial role to play in bringing about political change in the state and that the Telangana Rajyadhikara Party would provide suitable opportunities to the younger generation. He advised students and youth to have a clear understanding of their future and fight for public issues. The programme was attended by Jayashankar Bhupalpally District Vice-President Inugala Pranay Raj, General Secretary Pittala Venkatesh, Disciplinary Committee Chairman Gundu Karunakar, Coal Mine Workers' Division President Ananthula Sampath Botthu, District Party Media In-charge Made Santhosh, Basavarajupalli Village Committee President Ambati Ashok Yadav, Vanam Naresh, and others.

BUILD A SOCIALIST SOCIETY BY ENDING CORPORATE CAPITALISM

- CPI Leader Chada Venkata Reddy



(Capital Information)

Hasanparthy, August 08 : Communist Party of India (CPI) national leader Chada Venkata Reddy alleged that the BJP-led Central Government was pursuing anti-poor policies and handing over the country's wealth to corporate forces. Addressing a campaign march organised at Hasanparthy on Saturday, he alleged that the government was suppressing people's movements and weakening democracy and constitutional institutions. He called upon students, youth and workers to unite against what he described as the Centre's pro-corporate policies. Venkata Reddy said people were facing difficulties due to lack of adequate employment, education and healthcare facilities. He demanded that the Centre provide jobs to the youth and ensure remunerative prices for farmers' produce. He called for stronger struggles to protect the public sector, democracy and the Constitution, and urged people to join the ongoing campaign. He said the campaign would continue until August 14, followed by a mass dharna at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on September 1, with the participation of lakhs of people. The programme was presided over by CPI Hasanparthy Mandal secretary Mettu Shyam Sunder Reddy. CPI Hanamakonda district secretary Karre Bikshapathi, State Executive Committee member Nedunuri Jyothi, State Council members Adari Srinivas and Manda Sadalakshmi, district assistant secretary Maddela Yelleshu, district executive committee members Nedunuri Rajamouli, N.A. Stalin, Utkuru Ramulu, Karre Laxman, Munigala Bikshapathi and others participated.

Bonalu Festival Celebrated with Religious Fervor at Oxford School in Armoor



(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : Oxford School, located on the outskirts of Armoor municipal town, celebrated the Bonalu festival with traditional zeal and cultural enthusiasm. Students and teachers actively participated in the events, highlighting the rich cultural heritage of Telangana. Students attended the celebration dressed in traditional attire, with some depicting Pothuraju. The school premises vibrated with cultural performances, folk songs, and traditional Bonalu dances. Addressing the gathering, School Administrative Officer Padma emphasized the historical significance of the festival and stressed the collective responsibility of preserving Telangana's cultural legacy for future generations. Carrying decorated Bonalu pots, students actively engaged in the rituals, bringing the festive program to a successful conclusion centered around themes of cultural pride and heritage.

Grand Bonalu Celebrations at Lilliput School



(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : Lilliput School hosted a vibrant Bonalu celebration, with students dressing up in colorful traditional attire and delighting the audience. The event commenced with special prayers offered to Goddess Mahakali, during which teachers joined together to present the traditional bonam offering to the deity. Addressing the gathering, School Correspondent Ramakrishna highlighted the historical and cultural significance of the festival, explaining how residents of Hyderabad originally worshipped Mahakali during a plague outbreak to eradicate the disease, leading to Bonalu becoming a landmark tradition across Telangana. The festive occasion saw enthusiastic participation from the young students, the teaching staff, Principal Dasu, and Correspondent Ramakrishna.

Mahesh Babu Fans Mark Superstar's Birthday with Social Service Drive in Mortad



(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : Fans of Superstar Mahesh Babu organized a meaningful social service initiative in Mortad mandal headquarters of Balkonda constituency, Nizamabad district, to celebrate the actor's birthday ahead of time. Diverting from conventional grand celebrations, the Mortad Mahesh Babu Fans Association hosted an event at the Mandal Parishad Primary School (MPPS) in Elala Wada, where they distributed free notebooks and essential stationery supplies to underprivileged students. Speaking at the gathering, fan representatives highlighted Mahesh Babu's real-life philanthropic efforts, particularly his sponsorship of heart surgeries for thousands of children, stating that his noble work inspired them to support local education instead of engaging in lavish spending. Following the distribution drive, the fans cut a ceremonial birthday cake alongside the children and shared wishes for the actor's long life and continued cinematic success. School teachers, local residents, and community leaders commended the fans for their thoughtful gesture. The event saw active participation from Fans Association representatives Yelala Prakash, Komire Sridhar, and Nyavanandi Babu, journalists Gattu Bharath and Mamidi Raju, alongside Enugu Mohan, Motthu Ramu, Devaraj, Shekhar, numerous other fans, village leaders, school staff, and students.

Tender Proceeding Copies Handed Over for Temple Construction..

(Capital Information)

Bhainsa, August 08 : Tender approval copies for the construction of the Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple Kalyana Mandapam in Angirga village of Tanur Mandal and the Sri Hanuman Temple in Kubir Mandal headquarters were handed over to the respective village sarpanches and residents on Saturday under the leadership of former Mudhol MLA G. Vitthal Reddy. Speaking on the occasion, Vitthal Reddy thanked Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Endowments Minister Konda Surekha and erstwhile Adilabad district in-charge Minister Jupally Krishna Rao for their support towards temple development. Village sarpanches, Congress leaders, former public representatives, temple committee members and local residents attended the programmes.



Joint Efforts Needed to Protect Farmers' Interests

- Leaders at Irrigation Advisory Board Meeting

(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : Public representatives and officials must work in unison with the sole aim of safeguarding the interests of farmers across the erstwhile Nizamabad district, stated legislators at the District Irrigation Advisory Board meeting on Saturday. The meeting was, chaired by Nizamabad Collector Bhavesh Mishra at the Integrated District Offices Complex, while Kamareddy Collector Ashish Sangwan attended virtually. Government Advisor (Banswada MLA) Pocharam Srinivas Reddy, Nizamabad Rural MLA Dr. R. Bhupathi Reddy, Nizamabad Urban MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana Gupta, Armoor MLA Paidi Rakesh Reddy were present alongside officials including Nizamabad Market Committee Chairman Muppa Ganga Reddy, Additional Collector V. Bhujanga Rao, Trainee Collector Suresh, District Revenue Officer Geetha. The meeting focused on water storage levels in reservoirs like Nizam Sagar, Sriram Sagar, Singur, Kaulas Nala, Pocharam, Ramadugu, alongside irrigation availability, crop diversification, alternative cropping strategies. Pocharam Srinivas Reddy noted that while irrigation meetings traditionally occur during the Rabi season, this meeting was convened during Kharif on government directives to counter El Nino impacts. He urged officials to support farmers who have already sown paddy and conduct awareness drives via Farmer Advisory Centers to encourage late sowings toward dry crops, vegetables, oil palm. Collector Bhavesh Mishra cautioned that rainfall in August and September could remain low despite recent cyclone-induced rains. He instructed agriculture and horticulture officials to encourage dry crops like sorghum, maize, pulses, oil palm on the remaining



45,000 acres yet to be sown. He detailed that Sriram Sagar holds 40 TMC of water, with irrigation release decisions pending the Shivam Committee meeting later this month, while Nizam Sagar holds 10.78 TMC, capable of providing three to four wettings for its 1.15 lakh acres of ayacut. Kamareddy Collector Ashish Sangwan explained that, repairs on the Singur Reservoir restrict its current 4.14 TMC storage strictly to drinking water needs for Nizamabad, Kamareddy, Medak for up to 90 days, adding that Kaulas Nala and Pocharam projects have reached full capacity to support designated ayacut lands. Dr. Bhupathi Reddy stressed the need for watershed programs to boost groundwater levels and protect tank bunds. Paidi Rakesh Reddy highlighted water conveyance issues in Armoor constituency, urging lift irrigation support to prevent farmer migration to Gulf countries. Dhanpal Suryanarayana Gupta called for a comprehensive action plan to mitigate El Nino risks and ensure optimal water utilization.

Shat Chandi Yagam Purifies Indur

: Says Urban MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana

(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : The performance of the Shat Chandi Yagam has sanctified Indur, bringing spiritual blessing and promoting universal well-being, stated Urban MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana Gupta. Attending the concluding proceedings of the three-day religious ceremony organized jointly by the Merchant Association, Rice Millers Association, and the Umamaheshwara Temple Committee, at the local Market Yard on Saturday, the MLA highlighted the significance of collective prayer. He expressed hope that the yagam would help overcome the adverse impacts of El Niño and bring abundant rainfall to the region. Reflecting on the event, he noted that the positive effects were evident on the very first day with generous rains, adding that



prosperity for farmers ensures the welfare, progress of the entire nation. Emphasizing the core philosophy of Hindu Dharma, which prays for the happiness, peaceful coexistence of all humanity, he commended the organizing associations for their dedicated efforts in hosting the grand event. The ceremony wit-

nessed the participation of Rural MLA Dr Bhupathi Reddy, NUDA Chairman Keshava Venu, Market Committee Chairman Muppa Ganga Reddy, along with key representatives and members of the Merchant Association, Rice Millers Association, and Umamaheshwara Temple Committee.

Bonalu , Freshers' Day Celebrated with Grandeur at Nalanda High School

(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : Nalanda High School in Mamidipally, Armoor, hosted a vibrant dual celebration combining the traditional Bonalu festival with a Freshers' Party on Saturday. Chartered Accountant and prominent social worker Eravatri Rajasekhara attended the event as the chief guest and officially inaugurated the festivities by lighting the ceremonial lamp. Addressing the gathering, Rajasekhara expressed his delight at seeing people celebrate Bonalu beyond the barriers of caste and religion. He encouraged students to set ambitious goals, work hard toward achieving them, and sought divine blessings for their success. He also appreciated the students who carried traditional Bonam pots and those dressed in Pothuraju attire. School Correspondent Prasad extended a warm welcome to the newly admitted students for the academic year. He urged everyone to excel in all subjects and aim for state-level



ranks in competitive exams such as IIT foundation, Olympiads, Abacus. School Principal Sagar advised the students to eliminate negative thoughts, cultivate a positive mindset, and bring pride to their parents and teachers through their academic achievements. The celebration came alive as students dressed as Goddess Mahankali and Pothuraju carried Bonam offerings, standing out as the highlight of the event. The program saw active participation from students, parents, and teaching staff.

Anger Over Drainage Works, Villagers Seek Action..



(Capital Information)

Bhainsa, August 08 : Residents have expressed anger over the quality of drainage construction works being carried out from Vaddera Colony to Vitthaleshwara Temple in the Kubeer mandal headquarters under NREGS at a cost of ₹76 lakh. Locals alleged that the drainage walls collapsed even before the works were completed, raising serious concerns over the quality of construction. They alleged that substandard cement and robo sand were being used along with insufficient steel. Villagers and panchayat members blamed the contractor's negligence and lack of proper supervision by officials for the poor quality of the works. Demanding strict action, several ward members met Tahsildar Sridevi on Saturday and submitted a memorandum. They urged the concerned district officials to inspect the works at the field level, ensure quality standards and take stringent action against those responsible for the alleged substandard construction. Deputy Sarpanch Gangadhar, leaders Ennila Anil, Basheer, Banka Babu, ward members and local residents participated in the programme.

PRESS CLUB SHUTTLE BADMINTON TOURNAMENT CONCLUDES IN NIZAMABAD



(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : The Nizamabad Press Club successfully concluded its Independence Day shuttle badminton tournament on Saturday at the Officers Club courts. Organized by Press Club President Panchareddy Srikanth and General Secretary Subhash Waghmare, the six-team tournament aimed to promote physical wellness and stress relief among working journalists. In a competitive final match, the duo of Pulagam Srikanth and Ravinder Nayak emerged victorious, securing the championship title, while Raj Kumar and Korna Sandeep finished as the runners-up. Press Club leaders commended the participants for their sportsmanship and extended gratitude to the Officers Club management for providing the facilities.

NIZAMABAD ATHLETES SHINE AT INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP

Police Commissioner Felicites Medal Winners for Bringing Glory to Region



(Capital Information)

Nizamabad Bureau, August 08 : Athletes from Nizamabad created history by delivering an outstanding performance at the prestigious 9th Heroes International Taekwondo Championship held at the Eastern National Sports Training Center in Pattaya, Thailand. Representing India, three talented students from the Taekwondo Martial Arts Academy India (TMAAI), located in NRI Colony on Bodhan Road, secured a total of four medals in a highly competitive event that witnessed participation from over 4,403 athletes across 33 countries. Among the victors, Shaikh Maithab Ahmed (-81 kg category) showcased remarkable skill to win a gold and a bronze medal. Shaikh Talha (-41 kg category) secured a silver medal with an energetic display, while Ilhan Abdullah Farooqui (-31 kg category) demonstrated fierce determination to claim a bronze medal. This international triumph highlights the dedicated coaching and discipline provided at TMAAI under the guidance of Dr. Abdullah Farooqui, an international coach, referee, and recipient of the Bharath Gaurav Ratna Samman Award, who played a pivotal role in mentoring these young champions. Upon their return to Nizamabad, Police Commissioner Sai Chaitanya welcomed and honored the medalists by presenting them with certificates, encouraging students to actively balance academics with sports to build discipline, fitness, and character. Nizamabad ACP Prakash highlighted that martial arts like Taekwondo foster self-confidence and personal development, urging more youth to participate. Additionally, former Deputy Mayor Mir Majaz Ali hosted the athletes at his residence to commend their achievements, expressing confidence in their potential to secure Asian and Olympic medals in the future. The triumph has brought immense pride to the parents, the martial arts community, and the entire district.

Education, Research and Innovation Key to Achieving Viksit Bharat by 2047: Leaders

Palamuru University's Vision India-2047 National Conference concludes with focus on research, technology and youth development

(Capital Information)
MAHABUBNAGAR : The second day of the two-day Vision India-2047 National Conference organised by Palamuru University at Kanha Shanti Vanam was held on Saturday with several eminent personalities highlighting the importance of education, research, innovation, technology and youth empowerment in achieving the goal of a developed India by 2047. Telangana State Planning Board Vice-Chairman Dr. G. Chinna Reddy, who attended the programme as the chief guest, said the State government was giving top priority to strengthening the education system.

Alphores Junior College "JOYz" Freshers Day Celebrated Grandly

(Capital Information)
Jagtial : The "JOYz" Freshers Day celebrations at Alphores Junior College were held in a vibrant atmosphere with cultural programs, dances, games, and competitions.

Dr. V. Narendar Reddy, Chairman of Alphores Educational Institutions, was the chief guest. He urged students to excel in academics as well as in cultural and sports activities, and to move forward with discipline and confidence.

New students showcased their talents, and winners of various competitions were felicitated with prizes. The event served as a warm welcome for freshers and boosted enthusiasm among students.

College principals, faculty, staff, and students participated in large numbers and made the program a success.

skills, and stressed the need for effective measures to equip them to compete in the modern world.

Recalling the establishment of Palamuru University, he said elected representatives had earlier pressed for a separate university for the Palamuru region, as students faced difficulties travelling to other districts for higher education. Their efforts resulted in the establishment of Palamuru University during the tenure of former Chief Minister Y.S. Rajasekhara Reddy.

Dr. Chinna Reddy appreciated the ongoing development of the university and said its buildings were being developed to a high standard. He said promoting sports in schools and colleges could encourage students to lead healthy and disciplined lives and keep them away from harmful substances, while also developing their interest in education and sports. He said the Chief Minister was giving special importance to sports in Telangana. Dr.



Chinna Reddy called upon scientists and researchers to develop solutions to the problems faced by farmers due to climate change. He expressed hope that national conferences would provide a platform for new ideas, innovations and research to emerge. He assured that proposals related to the development of Palamuru University, mobilisation of financial resources and strengthening of

academic infrastructure would be taken up with the Chief Minister for necessary support.

India Must Become a Global Leader by 2047: D.K. Aruna

Mahabubnagar MP D.K. Aruna said Prime Minister Narendra Modi was working with determination to make India a global leader by 2047 under the Viksit Bharat vision. She emphasised the importance of success, new re-

sources, innovations, interaction and new collaborations in transforming India into a developed economy.

She said India was competing with leading nations in science and technology and expressed the hope that Palamuru University would emerge as a leading institution in research, startups and technology. She said the Union government was according priority to education, empowerment, environment, innovation and technology and urged the youth to make full use of the opportunities and facilities provided by the government.

She observed that the simultaneous development of universities, youth, women and the economy was essential for achieving the Viksit Bharat goal by 2047. PM-USA Funds Boost Infrastructure at Palamuru University: Palamuru University Vice-Chancellor Prof. G.N. Srinivas said development works were being undertaken with PM-USA

funds, including construction of an engineering college, law college and hostels for boys and girls.

Development activities were also progressing at the university's PG centres in Kollapur, Gadwal and Wanaparthy. He said the university was giving priority to research, innovation, startups and student skill development and was striving to establish itself as a leading institution. Universities, he said, had a crucial role in developing innovative thinking, research aptitude and technological skills among students and contributing to India's transformation into a developed nation by 2047.

Academics, Researchers and Industry Representatives Participate: Palamuru University Registrar Prof. P. Ramesh Babu, National Conference conveners Prof. D. Madhusudan Reddy and Dr. K. Praveen, Academic Audit Cell Director Prof. N. Chandrakiran, Prof. M. Noorjahan, Prof. N. Kishore, IPRC

Director Dr. Raj Kumar, Dr. Sandhyarani, Dr. Shanti Priya, Dr. Ankam Bhaskar, vice-chancellors and registrars of various universities, industrialists, academicians, researchers and research scholars participated in the conference.

Kollapur PG Centre Principal Dr. C. Ashok Kumar, Gadwal PG Centre Principal Dr. Venkat Reddy, Wanaparthy PG Centre Principal Dr. Bhagavanth Reddy, Dr. Nagam Kumaraswamy, Vice-Principal Dr. M. Krishnaiah, College of Education Principal Dr. A. Karunakar Reddy, Dr. S.N. Arjun Kumar, Dr. S. Ravikumar, Dr. B. Parvathalu, Dr. Ravinder Goud, Dr. A. Sudarshan Reddy, Dr. Jimmy Cotton, Dr. B. Gururam, Dr. M. Srinivasulu, Dr. Shailesh, Dr. M. Gnaneshwar, Dr. V. Vijayabhaskar, Assistant Registrar Venkateswara Rao, University Superintendent Rampur Ravinder, faculty members, researchers and students also attended the programme.

Gutta Sukhender Reddy Pays Tribute to Patnam Rukkamma

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Telangana Legislative Council Chairman Gutta Sukhender Reddy paid rich tributes to Patnam Rukkamma, mother of Telangana Legislative Council Government Chief Whip Dr. Patnam Mahender Reddy.

Gutta Sukhender Reddy visited the residence of Dr. Patnam Mahender Reddy at Banjara Hills and paid floral tributes to Rukkamma's portrait. He consoled the bereaved Patnam family and expressed his heartfelt condolences.

He also con-

soled Dr. Patnam Mahender Reddy and former Zilla Parishad Chairperson Patnam Sunitha Reddy, and conveyed his sympathies to the family members.

Senior leaders Kolan Prabhakar Reddy, Rameshwar Reddy, Raghuveera Reddy and others were present along with Gutta Sukhender Reddy.



Achieving the objectives of the Vana Mahotsava and measures to preserve the planted plants : Collector Rajarshi Shah

(Capital Information)
Adilabad : District Collector Rajarshi Shah said that in Adilabad district, programs like development of agriculture sector, utilization of irrigation water resources, cultivation of alternative crops, distribution of smart ration cards, Vana Mahotsavam etc. are being planned.

State Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, Agriculture Marketing Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao, Forest and Environment Minister Jupalli Krishna Rao, State Government Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju participated in a video conference held with the collectors of all districts from Hyderabad on Friday on the current weather conditions, forest festival, distribution of smart ration cards, agriculture sector, irrigation water usage and other issues.

On this occasion, the

Collector explained the programs being implemented in the district, the progress achieved so far and the steps to be taken in the coming days to the Chief Secretary of the Government.

The collector said that by promoting crop rotation systems in the district, we are encouraging the cultivation of alternative crops which will limit the area of paddy cultivation and provide better income to the farmers.

He said that farmers are being made aware of the cultivation of alternative crops, especially kharif, and awareness programs are being conducted at the village level by the officials of the agriculture department to select crops according to the available water sources, soil conditions and market opportunities.

The Collector said that clear instructions



have been issued to the concerned authorities on the available water reserves, supply, water release etc. in various irrigation projects in the district.

He said that the authorities have been instructed to educate the farmers to use the available water scientifically and according to the requirements and to take necessary measures to prevent wastage of water.

He said that the officials have been ordered to be vigilant about the

rainfall and weather conditions recorded in the months of August and September and to provide early warnings to the farmers in accordance with the changes in the weather.

The collector revealed that irrigation advisory meetings will be organized effectively at the village level to provide farmers with a clear understanding of water availability, cultivation plans and crop selection. He said that steps will be taken to ensure that farmers, public represen-

tatives, officials of agriculture and irrigation departments participate in these meetings.

The district collector said that all arrangements are being completed in Adilabad district in view of the start of distribution program of smart ration cards across the state by the hands of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on August 15.

It is said that the distribution process is being carried out in full force so that all the eligible families in the district get smart ration cards.

The Collector said that as part of the Vana Mahotsava, extensive sapling programs are being carried out in the district. He said that the officials have been directed to take special measures to protect each and every plant planted in addition to completing the set targets on time.

Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy said in a video conference that 1 crore 6 lakh smart ration cards will be distributed across the state on August 15 through the hands of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. The Collectors were directed to complete the necessary advance

arrangements for the distribution program in the districts.

It has been suggested that plans should be made to scientifically utilize the water available in irrigation projects as per the requirements, especially to take early steps to avoid shortage of drinking water

anywhere.

Additional Collector RS Chitru, ZP CEO Ravi, Zilla Panchayat Officer Ramesh, Election Department Monitoring Officer Nalanda Priya and other concerned officials participated from the Collectorate video conference hall.

BLO Ram Prasad Vangari Khairatabad Appreciated for Dedicated Service to Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities

(Capital Information)
Hyderabad : Ram Prasad Vangari, serving as a Booth Level Officer (BLO) in Khairatabad Assembly Constituency, is being appreciated for his dedicated and responsible service to the public, particularly for his efforts in assisting senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

As part of his responsibilities, Ram Prasad Vangari has demonstrated a commendable commitment to ensuring that vulnerable and elderly members of the community are not left behind in electoral and voter-related processes.

His willingness to assist senior citizens and persons with dis-



abilities reflects a strong sense of public responsibility and dedication to democratic participation. His courteous approach, accessibility and personal attention towards citizens have earned appreciation from members of the community. His efforts demonstrate that the role of a BLO is not limited to administrative responsibilities, but also involves serving citizens with patience,

sensitivity and a sense of duty.

The contribution of officials like Ram Prasad Vangari is particularly important in ensuring that every eligible citizen can participate in the electoral process without unnecessary difficulty.

Residents and members of the community have expressed their appreciation for his sincere efforts and encouraged him to continue his good work in the service of the people of Khairatabad Constituency.

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