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Telangana minister demands Pawan Kalyan to apologise before holding public meeting

Hyderabad, June 1 : Telangana's minister for transport and backward classes welfare Ponnam Prabhakar demanded that Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan apologise to people of Telangana before organising a public meeting here. Reacting to reported plans of Pawan Kalyan's Jana Sena to hold a public meeting titled 'Nava Nirmana Sabha' in Hyderabad, the minister said on Monday that the actor-politician should first apologise for what he called hurting Telangana's self-respect. The Congress leader also alleged that Pawan Kalyan is trying to push the BJP's agenda in Telangana. Addressing a press conference, Ponnam Prabhakar recalled the reported remark of Pawan Kalyan that if the people of Telangana cast an eye, the coconut trees of Konaseema will wither away. He questioned the motive behind the public meeting and claimed that Pawan Kalyan had once stated that if Telangana state is formed, he would stop eating for 11 days. Stating that people of Telangana have love for Andhra Pradesh, Ponnam Prabhakar made it clear they would not tolerate any insults. The minister stated that anyone can want to participate in the Telangana Formation Day celebrations, but no one was ready to listen to Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister if he comes here and holds 'Nava Nirmana Sabha'. He remarked that Pawan Kalyan has started acting to pollute the atmosphere in Telangana. He alleged that the Jana Sena leader entered into a secret deal with the BJP to speak in a manner that incites hatred in Telangana. Ponnam Prabhakar also stated that no real son of Telangana would go to a meeting of a person who insulted Telangana. He asked why 'Nava Nirmana Sabha' was not being held in BJP-ruled states like Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. "If under the BJP's direction, you incite hatred and provoke divisions in Telangana, we won't sit quiet," he said. In December last year, Telangana's cinematography minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy had warned that Pawan Kalyan's movies would not be allowed to be released in theatres in Telangana if he failed to apologise over his "insulting" remarks about Telangana. Pawan Kalyan had reportedly blamed the "evil eye" for "dying" coconut trees in the development

Mamata Banerjee blames BJP for attack on Abhishek Banerjee

Kolkata, May 30 : Trinamool Congress supremo and former Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee held the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the new state government ruled by it responsible for the heckling and physical assault of Trinamool Congress general secretary and Lok Sabha member Abhishek Banerjee, also her nephew, at Sonarpur in South 24 Parganas district earlier in the day. The former Chief Minister issued a brief social media post on Saturday evening, claiming that the ruler in West Bengal had now become a killer. "RULERS BECAME KILLERS - shame on you BJP

BJP IS NOW TRYING TO BREAK TRINAMOOL: MAMATA BANERJEE

Kolkata, June 1 : After winning the recently concluded West Bengal elections through various unfair means, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is using the state police to break the Trinamool Congress from inside, alleged Mamata Banerjee on Monday. She claimed that many MLAs were first receiving threat calls from the police, warning them to refrain from party-related activities or face cases under the Arms Act and the Narcotics Act. "After that, the same MLAs are receiving calls from different BJP offices and are asked to break Trinamool Congress from inside," Mamata Banerjee alleged in a live social message on Monday. She went live on social media soon after Trinamool Congress announced the expulsion of two legislators, Sandipan Saha from Entally constituency in North Kol-



kata and Ritabrata Banerjee from Uluberia (Purba) in Howrah district, on charges of anti-party activities. Although she did not name Saha and Banerjee directly, she said those lacking moral ethics had no place in the Trinamool Congress. "The earlier they leave the party, the better it will be. We will rebuild the party. When the party remained in power, some bad blood began to

is granted to other non-BJP parties who are so-called friends of the BJP. All they want is to break the Trinamool Congress from the inside. But the more they try to break our party, the stronger it will be," she said. In a live video message, Mamata Banerjee also launched a scathing attack against the BJP and the state government over the assault on her nephew and Trinamool Congress general secretary, Abhishek Banerjee, at Sonarpur in South 24 Parganas district on Saturday afternoon. "I condemn the manner in which Abhishek was attacked on Saturday. Now the police are arresting the person who tried to save him while he was being attacked. I do not know what could have happened had he not gotten the helmet in time. He could have died on the spot. After that, BJP leaders said he is still alive.

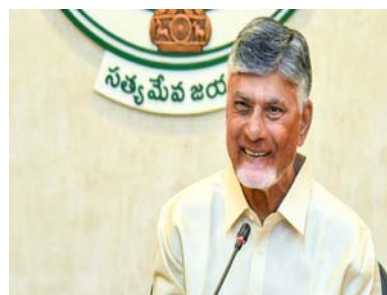
Revanth Reddy seeks Telangana's due share in Krishna, Godavari waters

Hyderabad, June 1 : In light of the meteorological department's indications that drought conditions will persist due to the El Nino effect, Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Monday directed officials to ensure that Telangana receives its share of Krishna and Godavari waters. He cautioned officials that if the upper riparian states follow a policy of releasing water only after their dams are full, it will cause problems for Telangana. In the context of the rainy season and the beginning of agricultural activity, the Chief Minister reviewed advance action measures to be taken at a high-level meeting in Dr B.R. Ambedkar State Secretariat. As the drought situation is also likely to prevail in Maharashtra and Karnataka, the Chief Minister directed irrigation department officials to proactively discuss with officials of those states and formulate appropriate action plans to ensure that Telangana receives its pro-rata share of inter-state waters. He directed Chief Secretary K. Ramakrishna Rao to discuss



with Maharashtra officials the issue of the state utilising 100 per cent of the water from the Koyna Dam for hydropower generation and whether Telangana can take that entire water and supply the required electricity to them. The Chief Minister reminded that thousands of TMC of water from the Godavari River flows wastefully into the sea every year, and that floods also arrive in a very short time. In this context, he suggested formulating a clear policy on how to divert floods coming from both the Godavari and Pranahita sides. He directed that repairs to the gates of all dams in the state be undertaken on a war footing. The CM questioned officials for details on dam maintenance. He recalled the troubles that arose in the Kadam Project in the past.

YSRCP conspiring to create unrest, claims Andhra CM Naidu



Amaravati, June 1 : Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister, N. Chandrababu Naidu, on Monday accused Opposition YSR Congress Party of what he called 'hatching conspiracies' to create unrest and derail good governance. Alleging that YSRCP on seeing the state's development is growing frustrated, he alleged the party was trying to incite hatred. The Chief Minister was addressing a public meeting at Chamavaram village in Kakinada district after participating in 'NTR Bharosa pension distribution' programme. Citing some recent incidents, Chief Minister Naidu said that while the coalition government was working day and night to uplift the state, the previous rulers continue to perpetuate destruction. "It is hatching conspiracies and machinations to derail good governance. That is why we refer to the current Opposition

as the 'Axe Party'," he claimed. "They murdered their uncle, Vivekananda Reddy, yet claimed it was a heart attack. It was only after the post-mortem that it was revealed that he had been hacked to death with an axe," said Chief Minister Naidu. Chandrababu Naidu stated that the previous rulers failed to fill even a single vacancy of teachers throughout their five-year tenure. After the coalition came to power, despite facing 241 legal cases, it resolved them and successfully filled the teacher vacancies, he said. He alleged that the previous government announced a 'Job Calendar' only to renege on their promise. He claimed that it was only after the present government returned to power that it released the 'Job Calendar'. "We have undertaken the process of filling these vacancies in a highly robust and efficient manner. We conducted the selection process through a computerised system. By utilising a pool of 40,000 questions and 25 different sets of question papers, we ensured that no irregularities occurred anywhere in the process. However, the YSRCP, acting out of frustration, is attempting to politicise this issue in order to gain political mileage

K'TAKA CABINET EXERCISE SHIFTS TO DELHI; SHIVAKUMAR, SIDDARAMAIAH TO MEET CONG HIGH COMMAND



Bengaluru, June 1 : Karnataka Chief Minister-designate D.K. Shivakumar and caretaker CM Siddaramaiah reached New Delhi on Monday to hold discussions with the Congress high command on the formation of the new state cabinet. The two senior leaders travelled to the national capital on the same flight as the exercise to finalise the composition of the cabinet shifted to Delhi. AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge also left for Delhi earlier from his residence in Bengaluru. Siddaramaiah's son MLC Yathindra Siddaramaiah and several senior Congress leaders, including former Minister H.C. Mahadevappa, a

close associate of Siddaramaiah, also reached the national capital. According to party sources, Congress leaders Siddaramaiah, D.K. Shivakumar, AICC General Secretary (Organisation) K.C. Venugopal, and Karnataka in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala have already held consultations and finalised the initial list of ministers. Sources indicated that the first phase of cabinet formation is likely to include around 10 to 12 ministers, including the Chief Minister. The proposed social composition of the first batch is expected to include two leaders from the Other Backward Classes (OBC) category, two Scheduled Caste

Nominations begin for RS elections scheduled for June 18



New Delhi, June 1 : Nominations for elections to 27 Rajya Sabha seats, including biennial and bye-elections, and to the State Legislative Councils in 3 states began on Monday, with the ECI issuing a formal notification, an official said. In case of contested elections, the poll shall be held on June 18 from 8 AM to 4 PM, followed by the counting of votes at 5 PM, the Election Commission of India said in a statement. "The Commission has issued notifications regarding the election programme and has appointed Returning Officers and Assistant Returning Officers (for both biennial and bye elections). Details of the appointment have been published in the Gazette of India/State Gazettes today," said the statement. With this, nominations for all these elections began at 11AM on Monday. The last date for filing nominations is June 8 till 3 PM, the ECI said. "The scrutiny of nominations for each of these elections shall be taken up by the Returning Officers (ROs) concerned on June 9, 2026. The last date for withdrawal of candidatures is fixed on June 11," said the statement. The biennial elections for 24 Rajya Sabha seats will be held in Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Rajasthan, Arunachal Pradesh, Karnataka, and Mizoram. Rajya Sabha bye-elections will be held in Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, and Odisha for one seat each, said the ECI. In Bihar, the biennial election for the State Legislative Council will be held for nine seats. In Karnataka, the biennial election for the State Legislative Council will be held for seven seats. The lone bye-election for the State Legislative Council will be held in Bihar. The bye-election will be conducted for the seat vacated by former Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar after his election to the Rajya Sabha. And biennial elections in Bihar will be held for nine seats whose members are set to complete their terms on June 28. The nine outgoing members include Dr Kumud Verma, Professor Ghulam Ghaus, Mohammad Farooq, Bishma Sahani, Bhagwan Singh Kushwaha, Sanjay Prakash, Sameer Kumar Singh, Samrat Choudhary, and Sunil Kumar Singh. Among these, the seats previously held by Samrat Choudhary and Bhagwan Singh Kushwaha are already vacant because both leaders were elected to the Bihar Legislative Assembly.

TELANGANA POLICE DENY PERMISSION FOR PAWAN KALYAN'S HYDERABAD PUBLIC MEETING

Hyderabad, June 1 : Telangana Police have denied permission for Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Jana Sena leader Pawan Kalyan's 'Telangana Nava Nirmana Sankalpa Sabha', planned to be held on the occasion of Telangana Formation Day in Hyderabad on Tuesday, citing a 'substantial threat' to the law-and-order situation. CH. Srinivas, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Serilingampally Zone, Cyberabad Commissionerate, communicated to Talluri Ram, General Secre-

tary of Jana Sena Party, on Monday that the request for permission to conduct the proposed meeting was rejected to ensure law and order, public peace, and tranquillity. The Jana Sena, headed by actor-politician Pawan Kalyan, had sought permission for a meeting at Sandhya Convention, Gachibowli, on June 2 from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m., with an expected participation of about 2,000 persons. The DCP stated that following recent alleged remarks by Prof. K. Nageshwar on the Andhra Pradesh Deputy



Chief Minister's meeting with the Union Home Minister and subsequent registration of criminal cases against Prof. Nageshwar in Andhra Pradesh, tensions and animosities escalated across Telangana. He

added that recent public statements by certain political leaders from Andhra Pradesh, including Jana Sena, on the matter involving Prof. Nageshwar had hurt the sentiments of the people of Telangana, trig-

gering backlash, counter-protests, and opposition from student bodies and activist groups. "Given that the proposed meeting coincides with the 12th Telangana Formation Day, there is a high vulnerability of protests, demonstrations, and severe disruptions to vehicular traffic. Under these conditions, holding the above-said meeting is not conducive to maintaining public peace, as it poses a substantial threat to the law-and-order situation in the jurisdiction of Cyberabad Commissioner-

Public Participation Vital for Environmental Conservation

*** District-wide programmes from June 1 to 12**
*** Collector Pratima Singh reviews action plan**

Medak, June 1:
Tanduri Ganesh
Dakshina Bharath News

District Collector Pratima Singh reviewed the environmental conservation programmes to be conducted across the district from June 1 to 12 as part of the 99-day Praja Palana Pragathi Pranalika action plan. She directed officials to organize plantation drives, awareness rallies, cleanliness campaigns, and special programmes in educational institutions with active participation from students, youth, voluntary organizations, and local communities. Stressing that environmental protection is everyone's responsibility, the Collector called for collective efforts to ensure a cleaner



and greener future. Later, she unveiled wall posters promoting environmental conservation. Officials from various departments attended the meeting.

People Must Become Partners in Environmental Protection

*** World Environment Day to be celebrated on a grand scale: Collector K. Haimavathi**

Siddipet, June 1:
Tanduri Ganesh
Dakshina Bharath News

As part of the Praja Palana Pragathi Pranalika programme, District Collector K. Haimavathi, along with District Forest Officer Padmaja Rani, unveiled a poster on Monday at the IDOC Conference Hall for the environmental protection campaign scheduled from June 1 to June 12. Speaking on the occasion, the Collector emphasized the importance of environmental conservation and said that special awareness programmes would be conducted by the Forest Department and the Pollution Control Board to educate the public on the protection of forests and wildlife. She called upon citizens, public representatives, and officials to actively participate in these initiatives and contribute towards



safeguarding the environment. The Collector directed Forest Department officials to organize extensive awareness campaigns highlighting the significance of forests and wildlife conservation. She also instructed that World Environment Day, to be observed on June 5, be celebrated in a grand manner across the district. Additional Collector (Revenue) Lakshmi Kiran, DRO Nagarajamma, Forest Department officials, and other district officials participated in the programme.

BPNI Certificate Course on Breastfeeding and Infant Feeding Counselling Begins at Niloufer Hospital

*** SEVEN-DAY NATIONAL-LEVEL TRAINING PROGRAM BRINGS TOGETHER HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS FROM ACROSS INDIA**

Hyderabad, June 1, 2026:
Tanduri Ganesh
Dakshina Bharath News

A seven-day BPNI Certificate Course on Breastfeeding and Infant and Young Child Feeding Counsellors commenced at Niloufer Hospital on Monday and will continue until June 7, 2026. The programme aims to strengthen knowledge and counselling skills related to breastfeeding and infant nutrition among healthcare professionals. The training has attracted enthusiastic participation from pediatricians, nursing officers, lactation counsellors, and nutritionists from various states, including Karnataka, West Bengal, Maharashtra, Kerala, and Andhra Pradesh. The inaugural session was attended by Dr. G. Vijayakumar, Superintendent; Dr. K. Anand, Civil Surgeon RMO; Dr. Kesavulu K., BPNI Training Course Coordinator; Dr. M. Alimelu,



Professor of Neonatology; Dr. Swapna L., Professor of Neonatology; Dr. Santhosh Kumar Kraleti, Director, Sushera; Dr. Ayesha Begum, Professor of Paediatrics; Dr. Summaiya Maryam; and Mr. Kassinadh. Speakers highlighted the importance of promoting exclusive breastfeeding, appropriate infant and young child feeding practices, and evidence-based counselling to improve child health outcomes. The course is expected to enhance the capacity of healthcare providers to support mothers and families in ensuring optimal nutrition during the critical early years of life.

Telangana Runners-Up in First South Zone U-19 Lacrosse Championship Under N. Krishna's Inspiring Leadership

MAHABUBNAGAR : Telangana delivered an impressive performance in the First South Zone Under-19 Lacrosse Championship held in Chennai, securing the runners-up position in the boys' category. The Telangana team, led by captain N. Krishna from Nawabpet Mandal of Mahabubnagar district, displayed exceptional skill, determination, and teamwork throughout the tournament, earning widespread appreciation from sports enthusiasts and officials alike. Telangana began its campaign with a dominant 7-0 victory over Puducherry. The team continued its winning momentum by defeating Kerala 6-2 before overcoming host Tamil Nadu 5-1 in the semi-finals to book a place in the final. In the title clash against Andhra Pradesh, Telangana put up a spirited fight in a thrilling contest. However, Andhra Pradesh emerged victorious with a 4-2 win to claim the championship trophy, while Telangana settled for a historic runners-up finish and the silver medal. The Telangana squad comprised captain N. Krishna, along with Srinu, Naveen, Diwakar, Venkatesh, Paramesh, Ram Charan, Durga Sai, Sai Ram, Shiva, Eshwar, and Gautham, all of whom played a vital role in the team's remarkable campaign. Adding further glory to the state, the Telangana women's team delivered an outstanding performance and captured the championship title, enhancing the state's reputation in the sport. The achievement was further strengthened by the encouragement and support extended to captain N. Krishna by A.P. Mithun Reddy, State



General Secretary of the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC). Upon the team's return from Chennai, Mithun Reddy felicitated Krishna with a ceremonial shawl and congratulated him on the team's outstanding achievement. Expressing his happiness, N. Krishna said that winning the silver medal under his leadership was a proud moment for both the team and the state. He noted that Telangana had created history by securing its first-ever silver medal in the South Zone Under-19 Lacrosse Championship. Krishna attributed the success to the collective efforts of the players, coaching staff, and supporters, while also thanking A.P. Mithun Reddy for his constant encouragement and confidence in the team. State sports officials also congratulated the players on their commendable achievement, stating that the team's performance had brought a distinct identity to Telangana in the South Zone Championship and raised hopes for even greater success in the future.

NIZAMABAD CP SAI CHAITANYA ISSUES PUBLIC ORDER GUIDELINES

Nizamabad : Nizamabad Police Commissioner P. Sai Chaitanya, IPS, has issued a comprehensive set of public safety and law-and-order guidelines that will remain in force from June 1 to June 15, 2026, across the Nizamabad Commissionerate. The Commissioner stated that idols should not be installed in public inconvenience zones such as crowded areas, parks and government premises without prior approval from the district-level committee headed by the Collector. To control noise pollution, high-volume DJ systems have been restricted, and DJ sound systems are completely prohibited between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. without police permission. Processions, rallies and public meetings using excessive sound systems are also banned. Gatherings of up to 500 people require permission from the concerned Assistant Commissioner of Police, while events exceeding 500 participants



must obtain approval from the Police Commissioner at least 72 hours in advance. Security norms and queue systems must be followed at malls, cinema theatres, hotels, exhibitions and business establishments. Drone operations will require prior clearance from government agencies, police and aviation authorities. The Commissioner also cautioned citizens against fake Gulf agents who allegedly deceive people through fraudulent employment and travel promises, advising residents to verify tenants and inform local police about suspicious individuals. Minors will not be permitted to watch "A" certificate films in theatres. Public consumption of alcohol has also been prohibited to prevent nuisance and protect women, children and other road users. Violators will face legal action, and SHO and SIs in Nizamabad, Armoor and Bodhan divisions have been empowered to enforce these orders.

DCC PRESIDENT SANJEEV MUDIRAJ EXTENDS GRAND WELCOME TO NEWLY APPOINTED STATE WASHERMEN CORPORATION CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

MAHABUBNAGAR : Newly appointed State Washermen Corporation Chairman Dasari Raju Ajay Kumar and Vice Chairman Bangaru Babu were accorded a grand welcome during their visit to the Mahabubnagar District Congress Committee (DCC) office on Sunday. On the occasion, Mahabubnagar District Congress Committee President



A. Sanjeev Mudiraj felicitated the Chairman and Vice Chairman with ceremonial shawls and conveyed his best wishes for their successful tenure. Later, the leaders visited Padmavathi Colony in Mahabubnagar town and paid rich floral tributes to the statue of renowned social reformer and freedom fighter Sadalakshmi Ailamma, recalling her contributions to social justice and the upliftment of marginalized communities.

Telangana Minorities Finance Corporation Chairman Obedullah Kothwal, DCC Vice Presidents Sathuru Chandrakumar Goud and Bekkari Madhusudan Reddy, State General Secretary A.P. Mithun Reddy, former Municipal Chairman Anand Kumar Goud, party spokesperson Zaheer Akhtar, corporators Mohammed Fayaz and Umar Kothwal, DCC General Secretary Ramulu Yadav, Washermen community leader Bharat, several community elders, Congress leaders Usha Rani, Chandu Yadav, Harinath, and other party activists participated in the program.

Jadcharla: Rs. 5 lakh case stirs up controversy..!- Allegations against former chairperson's husband - former MLA in the field?

Jadcharla: A controversial case has become a topic of discussion in Jadcharla political circles. It is alleged that Narasimhulu, the husband of the former municipal chairperson, took Rs. 5 lakh from the management of a private school by promising to give them a house number. However, despite taking the money, the victims are expressing extreme dissatisfaction as they have not given them a house number and have not returned the money they took. Locals say that the situation has become tense as the school management has been visiting the former chairperson's house every

day demanding their money back. In this process, Narasimhulu, who could not return the money, has allegedly approached former MLA Lakshma Reddy. Private school owner Venkatesh Goud alleged that former MLA Laxma Reddy also intervened in the matter and called the school management and told them to "leave without asking for money". This has given the matter a more political hue. Meanwhile, current MLA Janampalli Anirudh Reddy has once again clarified his stance on bribery. "Bribery should not be given.

Free Mega Medical Camp Held in Vemulawada

Karimnagar: A free mega medical camp was organized on Sunday at Sri Raja rajeshwari Nityannadana Satram in Vemulawada town of Rajanna Sircilla district under the joint auspices of Medicover Hospital, Karimnagar, Mathru s Sree Hospital, and Arya Vysya Association, Vemulawada. The camp was conducted with the objective of providing corporate-level super-specialty healthcare services to the public and identifying health issues at an early stage to ensure timely treatment. Organizers stated that many people suffer from various health problems, including heart diseases, diabetes, hypertension, and women's health issues, but often fail to undergo proper medical examinations due to various constraints. The medical camp received an overwhelming response from the public, with more than 200 patients availing themselves of the healthcare services.

Municipal Workers to Get ₹5 Lakh Accident Insurance



Karimnagar : Municipal workers in Vemulawada have welcomed the Municipal Council's decision to provide Employees' State Insurance (ESI) facilities and ₹5 lakh accident insurance coverage to 203 municipal workers. The resolution was approved during the Municipal Council meeting held on Saturday. To express their gratitude, the Telangana Municipal Workers and Employees Union (CITU-affiliated) organized a thanksgiving meeting in front of the Municipal Office on Sunday. Union leaders and workers thanked Municipal Chairman Pulkam Raju, Vice-Chairman Narala Shekhar, the Municipal Commissioner, councillors, and co-option members for taking what they

described as a historic decision aimed at ensuring the social security of municipal workers. Speaking on the occasion, Union State Treasurer Gurram Ashok said the decision reflected the civic body's commitment towards the welfare of workers who play a crucial role in maintaining cleanliness and sanitation in the town. He appreciated the efforts of local MLA Adi Srinivas and Municipal Chairman Pulkam Raju for addressing the long-pending concerns of municipal workers. The workers stated that the accident insurance scheme would provide much-needed security and reassurance to their families. They noted that the insurance coverage

would serve as an important social safety net for workers who perform their duties under challenging and often risky conditions. The workers also assured the municipal administration that they would continue to work with greater dedication and responsibility to keep Vemulawada clean, beautiful, and well-maintained. The programme was attended by Union President Saripelli Naresh, leaders M. Ramesh, B. Srinivas, S. Srinivas, P. Malleshm, Drivers' Union leaders M. Thirupati, E. Balu, B. Srinivas, Ch. Anil, women leaders G. Vajamma, P. Mamatha, P. Gattavva, V. Radha, T. Shankaravva, V. Lakshmi, and a large number of municipal workers.

Comprehensive Development Plan Underway for Vemulawada * Govt Whip Adi Srinivas

Peddapalli: Reiterating that district administration is not confined to government offices but must be visible wherever people face issues, District Collector Koya Sriharsha once again stepped into the field to directly assess public services. While reviewing healthcare facilities and patient welfare at a government hospital, he also inspected rice mills and issued key directives to safeguard farmers' interests. On Friday, the Collector conducted surprise inspections at the Government General Hospital in Godavarikhani, the Government Girls Junior College in Sharadnagar, and Sri Rama Rice Mill and Raja Rajeswara Rice Mill in Gautami Nagar. During the inspections, he made it clear that there would be no room for negligence in public service delivery. No Patient Should Be Turned Away Inspecting the blood testing center at the Government General Hospital, Godavarikhani, the Collector instructed officials not to send away any patient merely because the designated time had ended. He directed staff to collect samples from every patient who arrived for testing and asked officials to immediately submit proposals for any equipment required by the hospital. During his visit to the Gynecology Outpatient Department, he emphasized the need to provide better healthcare services to women and instructed officials to ensure timely treatment and adequate facilities for all patients without any lapses. Review of Educational Facilities Later, the Collector visited the Government Girls Junior College in Sharadnagar and reviewed



Intermediate examination results, admission status, and study room facilities available for students. He interacted with faculty members and sought detailed information about the institution. He also instructed officials to submit proposals for the equipment and infrastructure needed for the college's development. Farmers' Interests Must Come First at Rice Mills One of the most significant aspects of the inspection tour was the review of rice mills. While inspecting Sri Rama Rice Mill and Raja Rajeswara Rice Mill in Gautami Nagar, Collector Koya Sriharsha issued clear instructions that no unauthorized deductions or cuts should be imposed on farmers' paddy. Through his inspection, he conveyed a strong message that farmers who work tirelessly to cultivate their crops should not be subjected to any form of injustice. He warned that any attempt to trouble farmers through arbitrary

deductions would not be tolerated. The Collector also directed millers to ensure prompt unloading of lorries and avoid situations where vehicles remain parked for prolonged periods, causing inconvenience and delays for farmers. Collector's Field-Level Vigilance Sends a Strong Message By conducting surprise inspections in three crucial sectors—healthcare, education, and agriculture—the Collector sent a clear signal to the district administration regarding accountability and efficiency. The visit underscored the administration's commitment to ensuring that public services reach people effectively and that negligence, delays, or unfair practices will not be tolerated. Doctors Aruna, Krupabhai, and Raju, along with officials from various departments, accompanied the Collector during the inspection tour.

Minister Tummala Calls for Swift Execution of Strategic Munneru Flood Defence Infrastructure

Khammam Constituency) State Agriculture Minister Thummala Nageswara Rao directed officials to accelerate the construction of the Munneru retaining walls aimed at safeguarding Khammam city from recurring flood threats. Inspecting the ongoing works along the Munneru stream with District Collector Divakara T.S., the Minister said the State Government has sanctioned ₹690 crore for the flood protection project. He emphasized the goal of

completing retaining wall works on both sides from the bypass road to the cable bridge by June, while the entire project is targeted for completion by March 2027. Tummala noted that the project would significantly enhance flood resilience in vulnerable residential areas and prevent inundation during the monsoon season. Addressing the media, he said Telangana has procured 1.4 million metric tonnes of maize so far, reflecting the government's strong commitment to farmer



welfare. Despite financial

BOLLARAM CHECKPOST GETS A NEW LOOK.. CHECKS TRAFFIC, PROVIDES RELIEF TO COMMUTERS!

Bollaram: The Trimulgherry Traffic Police has taken a key step towards checking the troubles of commuters and providing a permanent solution to traffic problems. Trimulgherry Division Traffic ACP G. Shankar Raju inaugurated the newly constructed modern bus shelter at Bollaram Checkpost. Till now, buses used to stop on the main road to pick up and drop off passengers, often disrupting traffic. While motorists faced difficulties, passengers waiting for buses had to endure hardships in the open air. Recognizing these problems, the Trimulgherry Traffic Police, with the help of the local people, completed the construction of the bus shelter and made it available to the public. With the establishment of this bus shelter, buses will now be able to safely stop and pick up passengers and not disrupt the flow of traffic. A comfortable waiting area that provides shade to passengers has also been made available. ACP G. Shankar Raju, SI Ugender, ASI Reddy Nayak, PCs Ravikanth, Sai, HGs Srinivas Reddy and Mahesh Nayak have made great efforts to make this program a success. The local people have also actively cooperated. On the same occasion, keeping in mind the summer heat, a cooling center was also opened next to the bus shelter to provide free



drinking water to the people. It is noteworthy that this public welfare program was undertaken with the cooperation of Bollaram Congress leader Murali Yadav and Lal Bazar leader Balaraju Nayak. Speaking on the occasion, ACP G. Shankar Raju said, "The traffic police will continue to work continuously for the convenience of the people and road safety. If the local people and public representatives cooperate,

more such public interest programs can be undertaken." The services of the traffic police are being appreciated by the people. The locals are appreciating the bus shelter set up at the Bollaram check post and the Chalivendram as a great relief for the passengers. Many have said that this program, which combines traffic regulation with public welfare, is an ideal for other areas as well.

RTC Bus Depot Coming Soon to Peddapalli Transport Minister Ponnam Prabhakar directs officials to expedite works

Peddapalli: State Transport Minister Ponnam Prabhakar announced that the construction of the RTC Bus Depot proposed for Peddapalli district headquarters will be expedited and made operational at the earliest. The Minister made these remarks after inspecting the proposed bus depot site in Peddapalli town on Sunday along with IT, Industries and Legislative Affairs Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu and Government Whip Vijaya Ramana Rao. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Ponnam Prabhakar stated that the Chief Minister had sanctioned the RTC Bus Depot for Peddapalli following the request of Government Whip Vijaya Ramana Rao and senior minister Sridhar Babu. Although the project had been delayed due to certain administrative reasons, he said that officials have now been directed to accelerate the works and complete them at the earliest. The Minister said that the State Government is making continuous efforts to strengthen the public transportation system in rural areas. He noted that the demand for RTC bus services in villages has increased significantly following the implementation of the free bus travel scheme for women. Keeping this growing demand in view, the government is also continuing the process of procuring new RTC buses. He



further stated that RTC services would be expanded by increasing bus services and introducing new routes based on public needs. Strengthening the public transportation network remains one of the government's key priorities, he added. Highlighting the government's commitment to the welfare of RTC employees, the Minister said that all issues concerning RTC workers would be resolved in a phased manner. He recalled that an 11 percent PRC had been granted after discussions involving the Deputy Chief Minister, five ministers, senior officials, and RTC representatives.

The Minister also announced that elections for the recognized RTC employees' unions would be conducted soon. He stated that discussions would be held with the elected representatives, following which the RTC merger process would be taken forward. He assured that the government is taking all necessary precautions to ensure that the merger process proceeds smoothly without any disputes or obstacles, and advised employees not to have any misconceptions or concerns. Public representatives, RTC officials, and officers from various departments participated in the programme.

VIJAYAKUMARI APPOINTED AS MAHBUBNAGAR DISTRICT EDUCATION OFFICER..

Mahabubnagar Vijayakumari's assumption of charge as Mahabubnagar District Education Officer (DEO) is infusing new hopes in the district's education sector. She is well-known as an officer who efficiently handles key responsibilities that shape the future of students. It is understood that she will give special priority to issues such as development of government schools, raising educational standards, improving teacher performance, and increasing student attendance. Education sources believe that there is a

possibility of undertaking several innovative programs aimed at further strengthening the education sector in the district. Vijayakumari, who has already made her mark in many districts with effective administration in Medchal district, is hopeful that she will create a new trend by putting the education system in gear in Mahabubnagar district as well. Students, teachers, and parents are welcoming her appointment and are of the opinion that this is a good development for the education sector in the district. It is reported that Vijayakumari



will move forward with the vision of "Quality is the goal in the education sector."

ATROCITY IN BOLLARAM.. THUGS MURDERED WIFE IN FRONT OF HUSBAND'S EYES

Sangareddy: An inhumane incident took place in the early hours of Sunday in the Bollaram area of IDA Bollaram in Sangareddy district. The husband dragged his wife into the bushes and murdered her by slitting her throat in front of his eyes, causing a huge stir locally. Anil Kumar and Meena Devi, a couple from Bihar, reside in Venkateswara Colony, Bollaram. They had gone to the market on Saturday night and were returning home on a two-wheeler.

When they reached the Gandigudem sports complex, their bike suddenly stopped. At the same time, unknown thugs who were hiding in the bushes suddenly came out and attacked Anil Kumar. Later, they forcibly dragged his wife Meena Devi into the bushes. They indiscriminately attacked the husband with knives when he tried to save his wife. The assailants escaped after brutally slitting Meena Devi's throat and killing her. Anil Kumar, who sustained serious injuries, is currently fighting for his life in the hospital. His condition is reported to be critical. The Bollaram area was shaken by this incident. Is there any old enmity behind the



husband killing his wife in front of her and the assailants hiding with a pre-planned plan? Or is there some other reason? The police have launched an investigation. Responding to the incident, Serilingampalli DCP Srinivas said that the investigation is ongoing from all angles

with special teams. He revealed that the accused will be identified and arrested soon. This murder, which took place in the peaceful Bollaram, has terrified the locals. Questions are once again being raised about the safety of the people at night.

STRAY DOGS RULE IN 40TH DIVISION.. PEOPLE ARE SCARED!: RAJU

Karimnagar: CPI leader Paidipalli Raju is angry over the negligence of municipal officials and has warned that the municipal office will be besieged if the problem is not resolved. CPI District Council member Paidipalli Raju said that the menace of stray dogs is increasing day by day in the 40th division of the Karimnagar Municipal Corporation, and people are facing extreme fear. He strongly criticized the municipal officials for acting like they are being treated with contempt even though dogs are roaming in groups in Hanumannagar, Kothirampur, Tirumalanagar and Balajinagar areas and attacking pedestrians and motorists. He expressed his concern that dozens of stray dogs were roaming freely in the division, terrorizing people, and that people were afraid to walk on the roads. Children in particular were afraid to come out of their homes, and the safety of students going to



schools had become questionable. He alleged that people were losing sleep at night due to the barking of dogs, and that it was outrageous that the authorities did not respond despite several incidents in the past where people were attacked by dogs and hospitalized. He criticized the negligence of the ruling classes and officials despite the threat to people's lives. Paidipalli Raju warned that

special funds should be allocated immediately to catch stray dogs and remove them from public areas, otherwise, people would be mobilized and a huge agitation would be held in front of the municipal office. He demanded that the authorities open their eyes, visit the 40th division and provide a permanent solution to the people's problem.

Launch of IMAX lights.. BJP's commitment to village development: Mucharla

Midjill: Modern IMAX LED street lights, sanctioned with funds from Member of Parliament DK Aruna MP, were inaugurated in Kanchanpally village in Midjill mandal of Jadcharla constituency. BJP state leader Mucharla Janardhan Reddy said that these lights were installed with the aim of providing better infrastructure to the people of the village. Speaking on the occasion, he said that the development of villages is the foundation of the country's development. He said that the central government and public representatives are giving priority to development programs by recognizing the needs of the people. He said that the IMAX lights installed in Kanchanpally village will provide better lighting and safety to the people at night. BJP District President Srinivas Reddy said that MP DK Aruna is constantly working to solve public problems and is



allocating special funds for the development of infrastructure in rural areas. He revealed that more development works will be undertaken in the future as well. BJP District President Palle Tirupati, Mandal President Naresh Nayak, District Secretary Potula Rajender Reddy, District Office In-charge Subrahmanyam, Oorukonda Mandal President

Rajender Goud, Mandal Chief Secretaries Shekhar, Vasudev, Senior Leaders Nagesh, Mahesh, Booth President Lingam, Leaders Naresh, Balu, Vadde Naveen, Siddu and others participated in this program. The people of the village expressed their happiness over the installation of IMAX lights and thanked MP DK Aruna and BJP leaders.

EXECUTE JOURNALISM AS A MISSION – HASHIM RIZVI RESPECT AND RIGHTS WILL BE ACHIEVED ONLY THROUGH THE UNITY OF JOURNALISTS – KRISHNA PRATAP SINGH

Siddharthnagar: On the occasion of Hindi Journalism Day, the Indian Journalist Association organized a seminar at its office in Dumriyaganj. The program discussed in detail the values of journalism, the need for unbiased and fearless journalism, the unity of journalists, and the role of journalists in the present times. The seminar was chaired by IJA Dumriyaganj Tehsil President Rajesh Yadav, while the program was conducted by Devanand Pathak. Many senior and young journalists from the region participated in the program and expressed their views on the glorious history of Hindi journalism and the challenges it faces. Hashim Rizvi, State Vice President (Purvanchal) of the Indian Journalist Association, who was present as the chief guest, said that journalism is not just a profession but an important mission to serve society and democracy. He said that journalists should discharge their responsibilities with impartiality, integrity, and fearlessness. He urged the journalists present to pledge that all journalists should always remain committed to protecting truth and public interest and never let the honor and dignity of journalism diminish. Hashim Rizvi said that journalism is facing many challenges today, and at such a time, journalists must work to bring the truth to society while maintaining their ethical values. He said that journalists are the fourth pillar of democracy, and their responsibility is not only to publish or broadcast news, but also to make society aware



and accountable. Addressing the program, IJA District President Krishna Pratap Singh (Babbu) said that unity among journalists is the greatest need of the hour. He said that unless journalists are organized, it will be difficult to protect their rights and dignity. He added that harassment, harassing lawsuits, and various other challenges faced by journalists can only be countered through collective unity and the strength of the organization. He stated that a strong and vigilant journalist organization not only protects the interests of journalists but also empowers independent and impartial journalism in society. He called on all journalists to strengthen the organization and maintain a spirit of mutual cooperation. Addressing the seminar, Basti Division spokesperson Vijay Yadav stated that the fundamental purpose of journalism is to serve society and the nation. Journalism highlights social problems and brings public concerns to the attention of the government and administration.

He emphasized that journalists should prioritize impartial and factual journalism. During the program, important topics such as the social role of journalists, media credibility, the changing media landscape, and the safety and rights of journalists were also discussed. The journalists present recalled the first Hindi newspaper, "Udant Martand," published on May 30, 1826, by Pandit Yugal Kishore Shukla, the father of Hindi journalism, and highlighted the glorious journey of Hindi journalism over 200 years. At the end of the seminar, the journalists reiterated their commitment to impartial, fearless and public interest journalism and resolved to strengthen journalist unity. On this occasion, IJA's divisional spokesperson Vijay Yadav, district vice president Bhupendra Singh, Pramod Srivastava, Sachchidanand Mishra, Devanand Pathak, Mohammad Ismail, Saif Haider Rizvi, Ganesh Agrahari and a large number of journalists were present.

TRS Party Flag Festival in Jadcharla -- Telangana Development is the Goal.. Massive Joinings in the Party

Jadcharla A flag unveiling festival was grandly organized under the auspices of the Telangana Rakshana Sena (TRS) party in Jadcharla town. Leaders and activists participated in this program, which filled the party ranks with enthusiasm across the constituency, and a large number of leaders and activists participated and hoisted the party flag. The program, which was organized under the auspices of Jadcharla Constituency In-charges Birla Yellaiah Yadav and Shaganti Manohar Goud, was attended by Mahabubnagar District Flag Festival In-charge Mettukadi Prabhakar and Constituency Party Observer Praveen Mudiraj as the chief guests. Speaking on the occasion, the leaders said that the main objective of the Telangana Rakshana Sena Party is the comprehensive development of the Telangana region and providing appropriate political and social priority to the people of all sections. He



made it clear that the party is committed to working for the solution of people's problems, opportunities for the youth, rural development and social justice. Before the program, Aziz, Anjaneyulu, Kurumayya, Jagat and others from Gangapur village joined the TRS party, and the leaders gave them a grand welcome by covering them with party scarves. The leaders said that this has given further impetus to the party's strengthening in the Jadcharla constituency. Senior party leaders Dheeraj Mudiraj, Bhagiratha Mudiraj,

Krishna Reddy, Malleesh, Jagadishwar Mudiraj, Mohammed Usman, Mohammed Aji, Srisailam Goud, Vinay Kumar, Bhagyaraj, Jangam Sivakumar, Srikanth Reddy, Nani, Chintu, Balnagar Mandal leader Suman Nayak, Rajapur Mandal leader Rajesh and many activists participated in this program. The success of the TRS party flag festival in Jadcharla and the large number of new activists joining the party have become a topic of discussion in political circles.

JAVED BHAI'S SERVICES TO THE PARTY WERE TRULY COMMENDABLE IF FROM "SIX GUARANTEES JAVED" TO SILENT SACRIFICE: A LOYAL CONGRESS WORKER'S UNFINISHED

Khammam :Senior Congress leaders paid rich tributes to late Congress leader Javed, describing him as a dedicated party worker whose contributions extended beyond Khammam and Telangana through his association with senior

party leadership at the national level. Speaking at a condolence meeting, leaders said Javed Bhai played a crucial role in strengthening the Congress during its most challenging phases and assured that the party would accord

due recognition to his services. They welcomed the decision of his daughter, Shahela Javed, to continue in her father's footsteps, assuring full support for her future political journey. The meeting was attended by AICC Secretary

Temple Visits in Gudimetla: Uma Promises Bridge Over Krishna River



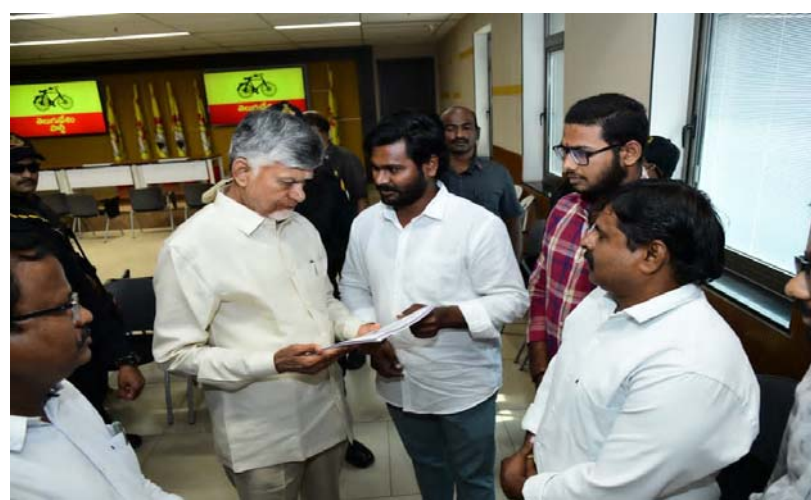
Chandarlapadu: Devineni Umamaheswara Rao—State General Secretary of the Telugu Desam Party and former Minister—toured Gudimetla village in the Chandarlapadu Mandal of NTR District. He visited the recently renovated temples of the village deities, as well as the renowned Dwarka Sri Kalyana Venkateswara Swamy Temple, where he performed special prayers. He commended the villagers and donors who had worked towards the development of the village deity temples. While visiting the temples of Patapati Ankamma Talli, Nilagiri Ankamma Talli, Katamaraju Swamy, and Gangamma Talli, Uma remarked that spiritual traditions and the worship of village deities in rural areas stand as symbols of the people's faith. Subsequently, he performed special prayers at the Sri Annapurna Sametha Kasi Visweswara Swamy Temple. Speaking on the occasion, he stated that Chief

Minister Chandrababu Naidu is prioritizing farmer welfare and the development of the irrigation sector within the state. He affirmed that the government's objective is to expedite the completion of pending irrigation projects and ensure the supply of water for agriculture to farmers. He noted that the Vedadri Lift Irrigation Scheme—initiated through the efforts of the late Devineni Ramana—has proven immensely beneficial to the farming community, and added that repair works for the scheme have currently commenced. Efforts for Bridge Construction: During his visit to the Dwarka Sri Kalyana Venkateswara Swamy Temple in Gudimetla, locals appealed to Uma to facilitate the construction of a bridge connecting the temple to the Kalabhairava Swamy Temple situated on the opposite bank of the Krishna River. Responding to this matter, Devineni Uma spoke over the phone with

Pedakurapadu MLA Bhashyam Praveen, Narasaraopet MP Lavu Sri Krishna Devarayalu, Nandigama MLA Tangirala Sowmya, and Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath, bringing the issue to their attention. Noting that the Dwarka Sri Kalyana Venkateswara Swamy and Kalabhairava Swamy temples are spiritually significant shrines, Uma stated that connecting these two temples via a bridge would not only provide convenience to devotees but also improve transportation facilities between the two districts. He further announced that measures would be taken to provide the necessary infrastructure for devotees in time for the upcoming Pushkarams. When villagers brought issues regarding temple development and local concerns to his notice, he assured them of his cooperation in resolving them. Local leaders, temple committee members, village elders, and devotees participated in the event.

CM Focuses on Land Dispute Regarding Nandigama Ramalingeswara Swamy Temple Tank – Chandrababu

Nandigama: Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has responded positively to the issue concerning the encroachment of the temple tank (spanning 1.25 acres) belonging to the Sri Ramalingeswara Swamy Temple (along with Goddess Sukhashyamalamba) in Nandigama town. Seeking a resolution to this problem, Badri, the Chairman of the Nandigama PACS (Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society), met with the Chief Minister and submitted a memorandum. Against the backdrop of protests staged by various Hindu organizations over the past few days regarding this land encroachment, detailed information concerning the issue was presented to the Chief Minister in the form of a document. Responding to this, the Chief Minister reportedly gave an assurance that he would personally



examine the matter. Furthermore, Badri also brought to the Chief Minister's attention various other topics, including the performance of the coalition government and the need for coordination at the grassroots level. He affirmed his commitment to working with dedication toward resolving public

grievances, fostering the development of Nandigama, and ensuring the effective implementation of government schemes. On this occasion, Janasena leaders Kominidi Satyanarayana and Prasadapu Kedarnath were also present.

Home Minister Anitha Assures Best Care for Injured Home Guard, Warns Offenders

Visakhapatnam: Andhra Pradesh Home Minister Anita on Sunday visited Home Guard K.V.Ramana, who was injured in an attack while performing his duties at Lankelapalem. She met him at KIMS Hospital in Sheela Nagar and reviewed his health condition. During the visit, She spoke with the attending doctors and directed officials to ensure that the injured Home Guard receives the best possible medical treatment. She also



interacted with Ramana's family members and assured them of the government's support. Addressing the media, Anitha

termed the attack on a law enforcement personnel while on duty as highly unfortunate and deplorable

MODI'S 12 YEARS OF GOVERNANCE: TAKING ACHIEVEMENTS TO THE PEOPLE BJP KEY CADRE WORKSHOP HELD IN VIJAYAWADA; LEADERS FROM NANDIGAMA CONSTITUENCY PARTICIPATE



Vijayawada : BJP leaders have called for the widespread dissemination of information regarding the development and welfare programs implemented during the 12 years of governance by the Central Government under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. To this end, they provided guidance to party cadres during a workshop for key constituency workers held on Sunday at the BJP State Office in Vijayawada. The meeting featured discussions on the major schemes introduced by the Central Government over

the past 12 years, infrastructure development, welfare initiatives, and specific programs implemented for the benefit of farmers, women, youth, and backward classes. Leaders urged party workers to strive to convey the details of these programs to the public at the village and ward levels. Participants in the meeting included Porugandi Narasimharao (Nandigama Constituency In-charge and NTR District Secretary), Posani Gurnatham (District General Secretary), Gutta Balakrishna (Chandarlapadu

Mandal President), Gonela Satyanarayana (OBC District Vice President), Nidamanuri Raghavendra (Nandigama Rural Mandal General Secretary), Ramachari (Nandigama Town Senior Worker and Ramalayam Trust Board Member), Gotika Sivakrishna (District Youth Wing President), and Ravuri Ramesh (Director, AP Farmers' Producers Association), along with several other district leaders and party workers. The meeting also included discussions on the campaign activities to be undertaken in the coming days.

Groundbreaking Ceremony for Saipuram Park; MLA Vasantha Inspects Filter Bed Development Works Gain Momentum in Gollapudi; Park to Feature Modern Amenities

Gollapudi : Mylavaram MLA Vasantha Venkata Krishna Prasad performed the groundbreaking ceremony on Sunday for the development works of the Vemulapalli Babu Rajendra Prasad Park, located in the Saipuram Colony of Gollapudi, Vijayawada Rural Mandal. During the event, held in the presence of local leaders and colony residents, he announced that the park would be developed with lush greenery and modern amenities. He revealed plans to establish a walking track, an open gym, and a children's play area to serve as recreational spaces where both children and the elderly can relax. He directed officials to complete the works within the stipulated timeframe while adhering to strict quality standards. Local residents expressed their delight, noting that the park's development fulfills a long-cherished wish of the Saipuram Colony inhabitants. The MLA stated that the government's objective is to provide infrastructure facilities



that align with the needs of the public. He also urged the colony residents to actively participate in the maintenance of the park. Subsequently, the MLA inspected the water filter bed located in Gollapudi. He inquired with officials regarding the progress of the ongoing works aimed at supplying safe Krishna River water from Gollapudi to the TIDCO housing complex constructed at Jakkampudi. After observing the functioning of the filter

bed and the water purification process, he instructed that daily tests be conducted to monitor the quality of the drinking water. He stated that the government accords top priority to providing clean drinking water to the public. He added that proactive measures have been undertaken to ensure there is no water scarcity during the summer season. Local leaders, RWS officials, and staff members participated in these programs.

Pledge Taken Before Police to Stay Away from Disputes

Nandigama : counseling sessions were conducted at the Nandigama Police Station for individuals who had previously been involved in various disputes, altercations, and legal cases within the Nandigama area. The police summoned individuals known for their unruly behavior—those who frequently engage in disputes and cause trouble for others—and provided them with counseling and awareness. On this occasion, the individuals pledged before the police that they would henceforth stay away from all disputes and altercations, resolving to lead peaceful lives. The police made it clear that there is absolutely no room for anti-social activities within the limits of Nandigama Town and the surrounding



Mandal. They issued a stern warning that anyone engaging in actions that disrupt law and order would inevitably face strict legal consequences. Police personnel, including P. Srinu etc.w

Apple to soon launch iPhone Fold in India, here is everything we know so far about it

New Delhi: This year, Apple is expected to release two of its most anticipated products—an AI-enabled Siri and the iPhone Fold. Apple is currently behind the competition in both areas. While AI features are now offered by almost every smartphone maker, foldable smartphones were first introduced by Samsung in 2019, and most manufacturers have since released at least one foldable model. Apple is entering the foldable market late, but it is known for offering something new and distinct with its devices. Reports suggest it has developed a hinge that is more durable and minimizes the crease to deliver a more natural screen experience. There are also reports which indicate that the company may use Samsung's latest M16 OLED panels. These panels are expected to be more energy-efficient, providing more power for upcoming AI-powered Siri



and other AI features in the device. Here is everything we know about the upcoming iPhone Fold. As September approaches—when Apple typically launches new iPhones—more information about the iPhone Fold is emerging. Enthusiasts can expect it to arrive alongside the iPhone 18 Pro models in September, although there is uncertainty regarding availability. Some reports suggest the device will go on sale at the same time as the iPhone 18 Pro models, while others indicate possible delays. A report from Nikkei Asia

claims that Apple may be facing manufacturing issues, which could delay shipments by a few months and push sales into 2027. Meanwhile, Bloomberg reports that Apple is planning to release the device around the same time as its non-foldable models. STORIES YOU MAY LIKE Founder flags 'not my problem' mindset after co-passenger litters Indigo flight From Mahindra & Mohammed to M&M: The Partition story behind the brand Canteen guard rapes 5-year-old boy, slits his throat at Bihar hostel; arrested Yu-

New Delhi: People adept at video games should consider taking jobs as air traffic controllers, the US government has said, as it tries to address a shortage of workers in the sector. In a new ad campaign, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is explicitly calling for gamers to apply for jobs in air traffic control when its hiring window opens next week. The Xbox one logo appears at the start of the video before dissolving into a montage that cuts between images of men playing various online computer games and people, including women, in air traffic control towers looking at their own computers. "You've been training for this," the ad says. The ad also highlights the salary on offer to controllers, saying it is \$155,000 (£115,000)

after three years of work. US Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy said in a statement that the FAA had to adapt in order to reach the next generation of air traffic controllers. The new strategy tapped into "a growing demographic of young adults who have many of the hard skills it takes to be a successful controller", he said. The campaign echoes one launched in 2021 under the Biden administration, called "level up", a phrase used to describe making progress in electronic games. The Biden-era push was also aimed at persuading gamers to fill vacant controller jobs. Air traffic control is crucial to maintaining safety for aircraft going in and out of airports. Controllers monitor and direct aircraft to avoid collisions and other issues at, above and

around airports. Guides to the profession suggest the job requires quick decision-making under pressure as well as technical expertise. However vacancies for controllers have been a problem for years, with the shortfall projected to grow each year for the next several years, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The FAA said last year that it would be considered fully staffed with 14,663 active controllers. It was at least 3,000 controllers short at the time and said twice that many controllers were expected to leave their roles by 2028. Duffy said on Friday that staffing was currently at its highest level in six years, but did not provide specific numbers. Nick Daniels, president of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association, a labour



union that represents controllers, said unions supported the strategy of recruiting gamers to tackle the shortage. "Our union welcomes innovative approaches to expanding the candidate pool, including outreach to individuals with high-level aptitude skills such as gamers, so long as all pathways maintain the rigorous standards required of this safety-

critical profession," Daniels said. The recruitment drive comes after several high-profile incidents involving aircraft and air traffic control. In early 2025, an army helicopter ran into a passenger jet mid-air above Ronald Reagan Airport near Washington DC, killing 67 people. This year, an Air Canada flight crashed into an airport fire truck at La Guardia Airport in

We spoke to the man making viral Lego-style AI videos for Iran. Experts say it's powerful propaganda



At first glance they look like they could be scenes out of a Lego movie, although more vivid and fast-paced. But these viral AI videos inspired by the instantly recognisable Lego aesthetic feature dying children, fighter jets and US President Donald Trump - and are in fact pro-Iran propaganda. For our new BBC podcast, Top Comment, we spoke to a representative of Explosive Media, one of the key accounts generating these clips. He wanted us to refer to him as Mr Explosive. He's a savvy social media operator who initially denies working for the Iranian

government. In previous interviews the outlet has said it is "totally independent". But upon further questioning, Mr Explosive admits the regime is a "customer" - something he's never before confirmed publicly. The overriding message of these videos is that Iran is resisting what it sees as an almighty global oppressor: the United States. The clips are garish and not subtle at all - but that hasn't put a dent in how vigorously people are sharing and commenting on them. In one of the videos, Donald Trump falls through a whirlwind of "Epstein file" documents as

rap lyrics tell us "the secrets are leaking, the pressure is rising". In another, George Floyd can be seen under a policeman's boot as we hear Iran is "standing here for everyone your system ever wronged". "Slopaganda" - coined in an academic paper last year as a play on 'AI slop' - is too weak a term to capture how powerful this "highly sophisticated" content is, says leading propaganda expert Dr Emma Briant. AI-generated propaganda clips are estimated to have been viewed hundreds of millions of times over the course of the war. 0:23 Explosive Media's AI-generated propaganda videos are not so subtle. In our video call with Mr Explosive, he appears silhouetted and flanked by red and green light, the colours of the Iranian flag. On his desk there's a green-feathered helmet associated with the warrior Husayn ibn Ali, who features in several of their videos. He says his team at Explosive Media consists of fewer than ten people who use Lego-style graphics "because it is a world language". Iranian and Russian state media accounts on X regularly share them to mil-

lions of followers. We ask Mr Explosive why the Epstein files feature so heavily in his videos. He says it's to show the audience the "kind of confrontation they are witnessing" between Iran - which is "seeking truth and freedom" - against "those who associate themselves with cannibals". This is a reference to the theory that the Epstein files link the Trump administration to cannibalism - a claim for which there is no credible evidence. 1:39 Watch: We challenge Mr Explosive on factual inaccuracies in one of his Lego-style clips. The videos are also littered with factual inaccuracies - so we ask Mr Explosive about them. In one clip, the Iranian military is shown capturing a downed US fighter-jet pilot. US officials have confirmed the downed airman - who was stranded in a remote, mountainous region of Iran after his aircraft was shot down - was rescued by US special forces on 4 April. Mr Explosive does not accept this, saying: "Possibly there was no lost pilot, there was no rescue operation. Their main goal was to steal uranium from Iran." When we push back

iPhone 15 is available for less than Rs 35,000 on Vijay Sales, here is how the deal works

New Delhi: iPhones are considered best-in-class products not only because they offer flagship features but also because many users feel these devices last longer than their competitors. iPhones receive regular updates and rarely feel laggy, even as they age. If you are interested in an iPhone for these qualities, you can now get one at the price of a mid-range Android smartphone. Vijay Sales is currently hosting its Apple Days Sale, which is live from April 11 to April 16. During the sale, the platform is offering significant discounts on Apple products. The iPhone 15 is now available at a price comparable to a mid-range Android smartphone, making it a good opportunity for users who want to experience the iOS ecosystem or need a device that lasts for years without issues. iPhone 15 Vijay Sales Apple Days sale deal breakdown The iPhone 15 is currently retailing for Rs 59,900 in India for the 128GB variant. Vijay Sales is offering the device at Rs 56,900, which includes a direct discount of Rs 2,000. Additionally, buyers can get an instant discount of Rs 2,000 using SBI, ICICI,

or Axis Bank cards, bringing the effective price down to Rs 54,900. STORIES YOU MAY LIKE Nothing remains: Israel erases villages in Lebanon by rigging homes with explosives From Mahindra & Mohammed to M&M: The Partition story behind the brand Bihar bans private practice by govt doctors, aims to improve public healthcare 200 CCTVs, 100 phones tracked: How Delhi 'drug queen' was caught after 2-month hunt 18-year-old Gout Gout shatters Usain Bolt's record, runs 200m sprint in 19.67 seconds Buyers can further reduce the price through an exchange offer. If your old device is valued at Rs 10,000, you can save up to Rs 20,000 more, as Vijay Sales is offering an additional Rs 10,000 exchange bonus on top of the device's value. Combining these offers, the iPhone 15 can be purchased for around Rs 34,900. However, the exact exchange value depends on the condition of your old smartphone. iPhone 15 remains a strong option Although the iPhone 15 is three years old, it still offers good value for money. It includes features such as Dynamic Island,

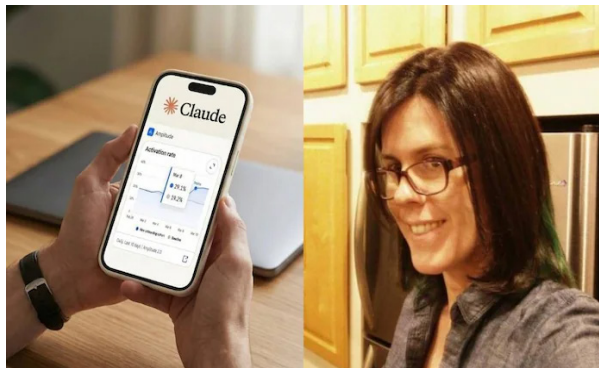


a USB Type-C charging port, the A16 Bionic chip, and a 48MP camera system. The Dynamic Island feature displays charging status, AirDrop activity, and music playback, and is also available on newer iPhones, so users will not feel left out. While the display refresh rate is 60Hz, Apple compensates with smooth animations, and the display offers excellent quality with peak brightness of 1600 nits. The A16 Bionic chip delivers strong performance and handles everyday tasks like watching videos, browsing the internet, and messaging with ease. The device includes a 48-megapixel main camera, a 12-megapixel ultra-wide sensor, and a 12-megapixel front camera. Photo and

video quality from both the front and rear cameras remain excellent, delivering detailed and accurate results across various lighting conditions. Where it stands in comparison with iPhone 16 When comparing the iPhone 15 with the iPhone 16, there are no major differences considering the price gap. Apple offers a similar display on the iPhone 16, so choosing the iPhone 15 does not mean compromising on display quality. Both devices feature similar camera setups, including a 48MP wide and a 12MP ultra-wide rear camera. There is also no significant difference in battery performance between the two models. Considering these factors, the iPhone 15 remains a good

AMD AI director reviews Claude Code, says it has become lazy and does not think deeply

New Delhi: Anthropic's Claude has surged in popularity over the past few months, with the company's run-rate revenue surpassing \$30 billion in March 2026, up from \$9 billion in 2025. However, despite this growth, many users feel that the AI company is degrading Claude's performance and doubt its ability to handle complex tasks. The latest complaints come from Stella Laurenzo, director of the AI group at AMD. In a GitHub post under the username "stellarcident," she alleged that Claude Code is not thinking as deeply and has become "lazy." Laurenzo said her team reached this conclusion after reviewing months of system logs, adding that every senior member on



her team reported similar experiences and anecdotes. Similar sentiments were also expressed by users in the comments on her post. Laurenzo and her team analyzed 6,852 Claude Code sessions, including tool calls and thinking blocks. They found patterns such as avoiding responsibility, quitting the reasoning process too early without solving problems and asking unnecessary permission

instead of completing tasks. She said these behaviours indicate that Claude Code is no longer thinking deeply and has become lazy. According to her report, such instances rose from zero on March 8 to an average of 10 per day through the end of last month. The period cited by Laurenzo coincides with a Claude Code update in early March,

which redacted thinking content. In simple terms, this means the feature hides the AI's internal thought process and shows only the final answer, not how it arrived there. Laurenzo said that due to reduced deep thinking, Claude Code has started performing minimal reasoning and choosing the easiest or fastest actions instead of the best ones. Laurenzo is not the first to report a decline in Claude's thinking. Users also reported truncated explanations when Anthropic released version 2.1.20 of Claude Code in February. At that time, users alleged that Claude Code stopped showing detailed information about what it was doing while handling tasks. Token usage issues

Hyderabad: Sam Altman is again in the news, and this time the issue is not related to his company but an attack on his home. A 20-year-old man attacked Altman's home on Friday, prompting an emotional response from the CEO. The attacker targeted the property with a Molotov cocktail, which ignited the exterior gate. The man fled the scene on foot after the attack but was later arrested by the police. The suspect was arrested an hour later near OpenAI headquarters, where he was allegedly threatening to set the building on fire. Police have not publicly identified the suspect or indicated the motive behind the attack. An OpenAI spokesperson confirmed the incident and thanked the police for their quick response and support

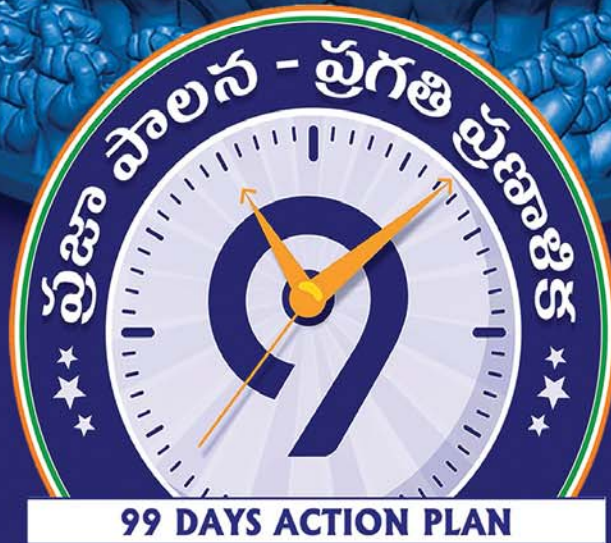
to employees. Altman responds to allegations and reports The attack also drew a response from Sam Altman, where he also addressed allegations put forward by a recent investigative report by The New Yorker. The publication, based on interviews with people that are associated with Altman and OpenAI, accused the CEO of deception and manipulation and described him as conflict-averse. In a blog post, Altman shared a photo of his husband and child and wrote, "in the hopes that it might dissuade the next person from throwing a Molotov cocktail at our house, no matter what they think about me." In the same post, Altman called the article "incendiary" and said he underestimated the power of words and narra-



tives. He said he is proud of his achievements and mistakes but accepted that his "conflict-averse" nature, an allegation put forth by the publication, has caused problems for him and the company. Admits mistakes and past conflict issues Altman acknowledged that he handled a major disagreement badly, especially with OpenAI's previous board. He said he is a flawed person and has made many

mistakes that have impacted the company and the people involved. In the blog, Altman said that conflicts were painful and serious and apologised to people he has hurt. "We knew going into this how huge the stakes of AI were, and that the personal disagreements between well-meaning people I cared about would be amplified greatly. But it's another thing to live through these bitter conflicts

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Formation Day

Path of Progress... Welfare of all People... Our People's Government...

In a nutshell

Commercial LPG turns pricier

NEW DELHI: Prices of commercial LPG — used in hotels and restaurants — as well as 5-kg market-priced LPG cylinders were on Monday hiked in line with global benchmarks, but rates of cooking gas used in household kitchens were kept unchanged. Commercial LPG was up Rs 42 to Rs 3,113.50 per 19-kg cylinder from Rs 3,071.50 in Delhi. The hike follows a sharp Rs 993 hike implemented on May 1, taking commercial LPG prices to their highest-ever levels. Prices of 5-kg free-trade LPG cylinders were also increased by Rs 11 to Rs 821.50 per cylinder. PTI

UPI logs 23.2 bn transactions in May

NEW DELHI: Summer travel and IPL fever pushed transaction through the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) to a record high of Rs 29.90 lakh crore and 23.2 billion in value and volume terms, respectively, in May, according to National Payments Corporation of India. In terms of value, it was at Rs 29.03 lakh crore in April against Rs 25.14 lakh crore in the same month a year ago, a 19% growth on an annual basis. In volume terms, it set a new record with 23.2 billion transactions during the month, up 24% from 18.67 billion in the corresponding period. PTI

State borrowings outpace April revenue

Debt-driven spending continues into 2026-27, shows CAG data

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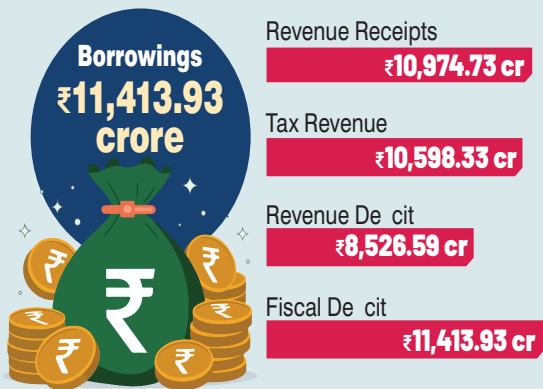
In a clear indication of the precarious condition of Telangana's treasury, borrowings of the Congress government have exceeded revenue collections in April. The State government raised Rs 11,413.93 crore through market borrowings during April, even as total revenue receipts stood at Rs 10,974.73 crore, including tax revenue, non-tax revenue and Central grants.

In other words, the government borrowed nearly Rs 108 for every Rs 100 earned through taxes.

The State's dependence on debt becomes more striking when compared with its tax revenue, which was Rs 10,598.33 crore, nearly Rs 816 crore lower than the borrowings raised in a single month. The State realised Rs 3,155 crore from GST, Rs 1,413 crore from Stamps and Registrations, Rs 2,923 crore from Sales Tax, Rs 1,445 crore from State excise duties and another Rs 1,260 crore from State's share in Central taxes.

Surprisingly, Telangana's tax revenue was lesser than Rs 10,916.68 crore collected in April last year.

Telangana's fiscal condition in April 2026



According to the monthly report of Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), the fiscal indicators also pointed to mounting pressure on the State's finances.

Telangana recorded a revenue deficit of Rs 8,526.59 crore during April, indicating that revenue receipts were insufficient to meet revenue expenditure. The Congress government presented the Budget with a revenue surplus of Rs 6,857.76 crore.

The State also posted a fiscal deficit of Rs 11,413.93 crore, equivalent to the entire amount raised through borrowings. This is un-

precedented for any State in the first month of the financial year. Borrowings accounted for more than half of the State's total receipts of Rs 22,392.28 crore in April.

On the expenditure side, the government spent Rs 21,472.31 crore during the month. Revenue expenditure alone stood at Rs 19,501.32 crore, with substantial outgo towards salaries (Rs 4,449.24 crore), pensions (Rs 1,893.11 crore), interest payments (Rs 2,350.90 crore) and subsidies (Rs 4,727.38 crore). Capital expenditure was pegged at Rs 1,970 crore

against an annual estimate of Rs 47,267 crore.

The latest CAG report indicated that the State's debt-funded spending pattern continued into 2026-27, with borrowings outpacing both overall revenue receipts and tax collections in the very first month of the financial year. This is a major cause of concern for the Congress government which is set to launch Phase-2 of Indiramma Illu housing scheme and numerous other initiatives on Tuesday on the occasion of Telangana Formation Day.

Although the first month of a financial year does not always reflect annual trends, the data offers an early indication of the challenges confronting the State's finances. With borrowings already exceeding both revenue receipts and tax collections in the opening month of FY27, fiscal management is likely to remain a key area of debate in the months ahead.

The government's ability to improve revenue mobilisation, while containing deficits will determine whether Telangana can sustain its spending commitments without becoming increasingly dependent on debt.

KCR greets people on State Formation Day

Pays tributes to martyrs; urges people to protect Telangana's identity, progress

STATE BUREAU
Hyderabad



BRS president and former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao.

BRS president and former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao greeted people of the State and Telangana natives living across the world on the occasion of Telangana State Formation Day on June 2. He paid tributes to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for statehood. Wishing that Telangana would continue its journey of progress, he wished prosperity, good health and happiness for farmers, workers and all sections of society.

In a statement, Chandrashekhara Rao recalled the Telangana statehood movement and its achievement through a democratic and parliamentary struggle after overcoming decades of discrimination and numerous obstacles. He stated that Telangana, which had once suffered neglect under united Andhra Pradesh, emerged as a model of development under self-governance and silenced those who criticised that people of Telangana were incapable of effective administration.

Pointing to the achievements of the previous BRS government, he said the State registered rapid progress in irrigation, drink-

The former CM calls on Congress govt to honour its commitments and focus on farmers' welfare

cautioned people to remain vigilant in safeguarding Telangana's identity and progress. Reiterating that the BRS would continue to stand as a protective shield for Telangana, he stated that the responsibility of protecting the State from regressive forces rested with all sections of society.

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Revanth blames Fadnavis for Tummidihatti delay

STATE BUREAU
Hyderabad

Reviving the plans for construction of Tummidihatti project after nearly two-and-a-half years, Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy has now begun blaming Maharashtra government for not responding to Telangana's appeals on the project.

Speaking at a public meeting in Kagaznagar on Monday, he disclosed that Telangana government had written several letters to Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis over the past year seeking an appointment to discuss the project. However, there was no response, he admitted.

The Chief Minister then threw the ball in the court of union Minister G Kishan Reddy, saying that as a representative of Telangana, he should shoulder the responsibility to act as a messenger between the two States. "I have no reservations. I will

If time is not allotted (for a meet with Fadnavis), Adilabad will revolt and it will become a major issue for Maharashtra

— A REVANTH REDDY

come to your house and you can take me to the Maharashtra Chief Minister's house to discuss the Tummidihatti project," Revanth Reddy said, referring to Kishan Reddy.

Interestingly, the situation was different when the BRS government was in power. Soon after assuming office in 2014, the then TRS government held discussions with the Maharashtra government on irrigation projects. However, Maharashtra was not willing to

part with land for the Tummidihatti project, citing large-scale submergence and other concerns. Water availability at Tummidihatti was also a contentious issue.

As a result, the TRS government explored alternative options, including redesigning the project and shifting its location to reduce costs and speed up execution. Subsequently, the Kaleshwaram project was taken up and completed at a rapid pace.

After spending the last two-and-a-half years criticising the BRS government over the construction of Kaleshwaram and the sinking of two pillars at Medigadda, the Congress government is now maintaining that the Tummidihatti project will be taken up at any cost. "Tummidihatti barrage will be constructed and irrigation water will be provided to two lakh acres," Revanth Reddy asserted.

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Drones, missiles deepen US-Iran conflict

DUBAI

The United States said Monday that it bombed radar and drone sites in Iran after Tehran shot down an American drone over the weekend. Iran then said it targeted American soldiers in Kuwait with missiles, which the US says it shot down.

The nominal ceasefire between Iran and the US has been repeatedly tested with such back-and-forth attacks, even as officials from both countries try to negotiate an end to the war. It's not clear how close they are to a deal - and there is always the risk that an attack could derail those talks.

In the meantime, Iran has maintained its chokehold on the Strait of Hormuz, disrupting global energy supplies and driving up the price of fuel around the world, with far-reaching consequences. A cargo ship came under attack off Iraq Monday afternoon, the British military said.

Fighting has also escalated between Israel and the



A tractor tows a small boat through shallow water as cargo ships and vessels are anchored in the Strait of Hormuz. — Photo: AP/PTI

Lebanese militant group Hezbollah, despite their nominal ceasefire. Israel has extended its occupation deep into Lebanon, and Hezbollah - which joined the

war in support of its main backer, Iran - continues to launch drones into Israel.

The US military's Central Command said it carried out the strikes in Iran around

Geruk and on Qeshm Island, hitting air defences, a ground control station and two attack drones it said threatened ships. "The deliberate strikes occurred ...

in response to aggressive Iranian actions that included the shootdown of a US MQ-1 drone that was operating over international waters," Central Command said. AP

NEET re-test: SC says no to CBT mode

NEW DELHI

A bench of Justices P S Narasimha and Aravind Kumar, which posted the plea by RJD MP Sudhakar Singh and others for hearing on July 27, refused to order the conduct of the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Undergraduate), or NEET-UG, in computer-based test (CBT) mode instead of the existing pen-and-paper method.

On May 12, the National Testing Agency (NTA) cancelled the NEET-UG held on May 3 for medical admissions amid allega-

Two Hyderabad boys make it to JEE Advanced top five

YUVRAJ AKULA
Hyderabad

Two Hyderabad boys - Mohit Shekher Shukla and Kuchi Sandeep - figured among the top five ranks in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Advanced 2026 results declared by IIT Roorkee on Monday.

Mohit Shekher Shukla, a student of Sri Chaitanya IIT Academy, bagged all India fourth rank and stood top-per from Telangana. He was also adjudged the topper in IIT-Madras zone, which covers Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala



Mohit Shekher Shukla Arohi Deshpande Shubham Kumar

studied at Narayana Educational Institutions at Madhapur secured all India fifth rank.

Speaking to 'Telangana Today', Mohit said he did expect a good rank after an-

that I would score about 300 marks and a good rank. I am delighted with my achievement," he shared.

Mohit is now planning to join his brother, who is pursuing a Computer Science

pursue Computer Science and Engineering at IIT Bombay, which is widely known for courses, campus placements and pay packages. I have not decided anything about my future plans, but I intend to take up a job after engineering," he said.

As for his preparation for one of the toughest examinations in the country, Mohit shared that he studied about eight to 10 hours a day without any distraction from social media or friends. "Except for WhatsApp, I did not use social media. My main focus was on topping the examination and getting

Smear campaigns hit BC leaders in BJP, Congress

S SANDEEP KUMAR
Hyderabad

Senior leaders from the Backward Classes (BC) community in the BJP and the Congress State units are facing targeted campaigns aimed at defaming them, reflecting rifts within the parties. TPCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud was described as a "disaster leader" in a report aired by a news channel. Now, BJP MP from Malkajgiri Eatala Rajender has come under a similar attack. Posters targeting him have appeared in Malkajgiri and Cyberabad

Glitch halts property registrations in SCB

CITY BUREAU
Hyderabad

Registration of immovable properties in Secunderabad Cantonment Board (SCB) was disrupted on Monday due to a technical glitch in the IGRS portal.

Recently, the Commissioner and Inspector General of Registration and Stamps (IGRS), Telangana, permitted the SCB to collect Transfer of Property Tax (TPT) directly from June 1. Officials at Sub-Registrar's Office in Bowenpally told 'Telangana Today' that a technical issue in the IGRS

by the SCB disrupted the process as the portal was not updated. "Unless the IGRS portal is updated with the provision for 5 per cent TPT charges to be collected directly by the SCB, property registrations will remain halted," officials said.

SCB officials said, "The non-updating of IGRS led to a technical issue in the collection of TPT charges. We are pursuing the issue with the IGRS department and hope it will be rectified soon." From June 1, SCB property owners were supposed to pay 6% through IGRS and the remaining 5%