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A New Look For Electricity Services With Technology NPDCL CMD K VARUNREDDY

Ch.Abhinay Bureau Chief Warangal August 10: Digital solutions.rapid recovery.. expansion of farmer-centric services o Chairman, Managing Director Karnati Varun Reddy's special initiative The company is moving forward towards providing faster and more transparent services to consumers by extensively utilizing modern technology in the electricity distribution sector. Special focus is being placed on reducing power outages, resolving complaints quickly, responding promptly in emergencies, and making agricultural electricity services more convenient for farmers."Electricity complaints through WhatsApp App WhatsApp chat bot has been made available to users to complain about electricity problems without the need to go around the offices. In addition to registering a complaint from the mobile, it has been provided with the opportunity to know its resolution status. If necessary, there is also a facility to chat directly with an agent. This increases the speed and transparency in resolving complaints. Special teams in emergencies "Huge boons. 24 emergency restoration teams are on standby to respond immediately when power is cut off due to storms, natural disasters or technical failures. These teams, available 24 hours a day with the necessary equipment, reach the scene based on GPS and restore supply as quickly as possible. The system is being implemented. Farmers are being given the opportunity to check their details by sending a link through SMS. The system is being imple-

mented so that the farmers do not have to purchase the equipment required for the connection work, but the company completes it itself. Officials go to farmers with 'field trip' They are undertaking a 'field trip' program to visit farmers to identify electricity problems. They are carrying out work such as repairing bent electricity poles in the fields, tightening loose lines, installing intermediate poles where necessary, and installing spacers. This will improve the quality of electricity supply and reduce accidents. "Farmers' awareness on the use of autostartersFarmers are being made aware that the use of autostarters fitted to agricultural motors can lead to problems such as water wastage, excessive load on the motors, and reduced lifespan of the motors. It is suggested that by running the motors only when necessary, water can be saved and electricity consumption can also be managed effectively."Improving motor performance with capacitorsInstalling capacitors in agricultural pump sets improves power factor. It reduces the load on transformers and reduces low-voltage problems. It also helps in preventing problems like burning of motors and improves their performance and lifespan. CapacitorsIt is possible to monitor the situation in real time. This is useful for quickly identifying where power outages have occurred and alerting the relevant personnel. Analysis of interruptions with SAIDI-SAIFI indices SAIDI-SAIFI indices are used to analyze the level, frequency, and duration of interruptions in power supply. Based on



these, it is possible to identify which areas are experiencing frequent power outages. The reasons for them can be identified and better measures can be taken in the future. Fault Passage Indicators (FPIs) are being used to quickly identify the location of a fault in a power line. This will reduce the time it takes to identify the fault and allow for faster repair work. Interlink lines for alternative supplyThe interconnect line system is used to provide supply through alternate routes whenever possible during power outages. This allows for the restoration of power supply through available alternative routes in the event of a fault in one area. A hyper-operation plan is being implemented to respond quickly. This will help coordinate actions such as identifying damaged areas, evacuating personnel and equipment, and restoring supplies. Online Line Clear App The online Line Clear (LC) app is being used to conduct power line maintenance work more safely and transparently. This will allow for the digital management of work-related permits and processes. "Unique easy identification with poll numbering" A system is being imple-

mented to easily identify a specific pole by providing unique pole numbering for electricity poles. This will be useful in clearly indicating the location of the problem to the staff in case of complaints or emergencies. "Technology is the way of the future Digital complaints system, real-time monitoring, fault detection technology, emergency restoration teams. The farmer-centric initiatives are collectively making the power distribution system more efficient. The company is expanding its technology-based services with the main objectives of reducing power outages, providing quality supply, resolving complaints quickly, and providing transparent services to farmers and consumers. "Transparent agricultural electricity services for farmers Material list, sketches and other details for agricultural electricity connections are provided to farmers in Telugu. Detection of power outages in real timeBy introducing RT-FMS (Real Time Feed-? Monitoring System) in the power distribution system, feedersHyper' action plan during natural disasters When the power system is damaged during heavy rains, storms, or other natural disasters

Thanks to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for Announcing Pension For Thalassemia And Sickle Cell Children Appreciation Meeting Organized By Hanamakonda Red Cross

Radhika Bureau Chief Hanamkonda August 10: On the occasion of Chief Minister Enumula Revanth Reddy's announcement that pension facility will be provided to children suffering from thalassemia and sickle cell disease from August 15, 2026, a thanksgiving meeting was organized under the auspices of the Indian Red Cross Society, Hanumakonda on Monday. The program, which was attended by the Red Cross governing body, thalassemia-sickle cell children, their parents, and well-wishers, was attended by the State Revenue, Housing & Information Minister and Hanumakonda District In-charge Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy as the chief guest. Earlier, Hanumakonda District Collector, Red Cross Society President Chahat Bajpai, and members of the Red Cross governing body extended a grand welcome to the Minister and presented a bouquet. Later, the Minister inaugurated the help desk set up for pension registration of thalassemia and sickle cell victims. Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy started by cutting the ribbon. Later, he participated in the appreciation meeting organized at the Red Cross Conference Hall. "You are not alone. The government is there for your children." Speaking on the occasion, Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy said that he was very happy to be among the sickle cell children and their parents. He blessed all the children and told their parents, "You are not alone. The government is there for your children." The government will support your family," he assured. He said that thalassemia is not just a problem related to the health of the child, but a problem that affects the entire life of the family. He said that parents have to con-

stantly worry about the health of their children, in addition to visiting hospitals for blood every month, seeing a doctor, and taking medicines. He said that the government understands the pain faced by those families due to the health of the child on one hand and the financial burden on the other. That is why the state government led by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has decided to provide pension to children suffering from thalassemia and sickle cell disease, and the pension will start from August 15th. This is not just a pension, it is a support for a child, a guarantee for a family, a "Courage to parents," the minister said. "We all need to work together for a thalassemia-free Telangana. The minister said that there is a need to make Telangana a thalassemia-free state in the coming days. This is not a task that the government can achieve alone, but the government, Red Cross, district administrations, district administration, doctors, blood donors, voluntary organizations, and youth should all work in coordination. He suggested that more awareness should be created among the people about thalassemia, that necessary tests should be conducted on time, and that steps should be taken to ensure that medical services are available. He said that there is a need to establish a strong system so that thalassemia children can get the blood they need continuously. He asked the youth to come forward to donate blood in large numbers and that everyone should take their part in ensuring a continuous blood supply for thalassemia children. The Minister praised the services provided by Hanumakonda Red Cross as exemplary for everyone. He said that the Red



Cross has been supporting the people for many years through blood services, assistance to children with cerebral palsy, health services and other social programs. Appreciating the efforts being made by Hanumakonda Red Cross, he assured that he would provide all possible assistance to the organization. He suggested that the Red Cross societies in all the districts of the state should be further strengthened in the same way that the Red Cross is working strongly in Hanumakonda. He said that the Red Cross Help Desk, District Administrative Council and District Administration should work in coordination to ensure that every deserving family gets the necessary assistance. The government is fulfilling its responsibility in the matter of these children. Now the society should also take its share of responsibility. Everyone should come forward to donate blood. "A thalassemia-free Telangana will be possible only when we all work together, not just the government," said Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy. MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy's first letter to the Chief Minister was for Thalassemia pension. Warangal West MLA and Indian Red Cross Society Patron Nayini Rajender Reddy said that the first letter he wrote to Chief Minister Enumula Revanth Reddy after being elected as an MLA for the first time was on the issue of providing pension facilities to children suffering from Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease. He said that they have brought the financial and medical difficulties faced by the families of Thalassemia and Sickle Cell children to the attention of the Chief Minister and now he expresses his heartfelt gratitude to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for announcing the pension. Later, Wardhanpet MLA K.R. Nagaraju Red Cross Board members distributed fruits to the children of Thalassemia. Later, the Indian Red Cross Society, Hanumakonda Board honored Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy with a shawl and shield and expressed gratitude. Hanumakonda District Collector Chahat Bajpai, Red Cross Chairman Dr. P. Vijaya Chander Reddy, Vice Chairman Peddi Venkata Narayana Goud, Treasurer Bommineni Papireddy, State Board member E.V. Srinivas Rao, District Board members Pulluri Venugopal, Bassetti Hariprasad, GWMC Commissioner T. Venkanna, RDO Venkatesh, ACP Punati Narasimha Rao, DWO Vishwaja, DM&HO Dr. A Appiah, Red Cross staff, Thalassemia-Sickle Cell children

Satya Sharada paid a courtesy call on State Minister for Information & Public Relations, Revenue, and Housing, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy & District Collector

Abhinay, Warangal Bureau Chief August 10 : Warangal District Collector Dr. Satya Sharada paid a courtesy call on State Minister for Information & Public Relations, Revenue, and Housing, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, on Monday at the Integrated District Office Complex (IDOC) in Hanamkonda. The Minister was visiting the area to inaugurate various development programs. On this occasion, the Collector presented a flowering plant to the Minister and conveyed her best wishes.



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The World Realized Eight

Decades Ago That Nuclear Weapons the world realized eight decades ago that nuclear weapons have the power to destroy humanity many times over. That is why, after World War II, many international agreements were signed to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and reduce existing weapons. However, nuclear weapons are being modernized where they should be reduced. The main reason for this is not technical flaws. The political duality of the superpowers makes America the most vocal in world peace and nuclear disarmament. However, the gap between its words and practice has weakened confidence in the international nuclear system. The same America that warns that other countries will threaten global security if they develop nuclear weapons, justifies its stockpiling of thousands of nuclear weapons in the name of national security. This double standard has increased dissatisfaction in many countries. America is the only country in human history to have used a nuclear bomb in a war. The atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima on August 6 and Nagasaki on August 9, 1945, killed millions of innocent civilians immediately or later due to radiation. The devastation left an indelible scar on human civilization. Although the United States officially said that this action was taken to end the war quickly, some prominent historians also analyze it as an act of America's military power to the then Soviet Union. Although there are differences of opinion on the reasons, it is a historical fact that the United States is the only country to have used nuclear weapons in war. The Non-Proliferation Treaty, which was formed in 1968, has been criticized from the beginning for dividing the world into two groups. Many countries believed that giving special status to the five countries that already had nuclear weapons and imposing restrictions on the rest was contrary to the principle of equality. Although the nuclear-weapon states declared their commitment to disarmament, they have not made the desired progress in that direction. Currently, the United States and Russia hold nearly ninety percent of the world's nuclear weapons. While talking about disarmament on the one hand, they are sending contradictory signals to the world by not modernizing their nuclear weapons systems on the other. This policy of indirectly saying that they need nuclear weapons and that other countries do not, is undermining confidence in the international system. The United States is also responsible for decisions that have weakened the international arms control system. It will not withdraw from the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty in 2002, it will not abandon the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action signed with Iran in 2018, and the consequences that led to the termination of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty between the United States and Russia in 2019 have had a negative impact on the global security system. They have led to a wide-ranging debate on the credibility of international security guarantees. Moral responsibility is even greater. The standards that are set for the world must be set first. At the same time, Russia was also accused of violating the treaty. As a result, mutual trust was further damaged. The war against Iraq is another important example in international politics. Although the war began with allegations of weapons of mass destruction, no such weapons were later found. However, millions of lives were lost; a country went into a deep political, economic, and social crisis. This incident raised questions about America's credibility worldwide. The developments in countries such as Libya and Iraq, as well as the situation in which Russia faced attacks after Ukraine gave up its nuclear weapons in 1994, created new doubts about the global security system. These developments according to some strategic analysts, these have reinforced the notion that nuclear weapons are the ultimate defense in some countries. This has become a setback for the goal of nuclear disarmament. However, it is not fair to say that the United States is the only one responsible for this crisis. Countries such as Russia, China, and North Korea are also constantly increasing their nuclear weapons capabilities. However, the United States is still considered the most influential country in world politics. Only when it is followed can that leadership gain credibility. What the world needs now is not a new arms race, but new confidence. All nuclear-weapon states should move towards adopting a policy of "no first use of nuclear weapons against any state." The necessary international cooperation should be strengthened to conduct inspections by the International Atomic Energy Agency, which monitors the use of nuclear energy, in a more transparent and non-discriminatory manner.

Massive Road Blockade Outside Collector's Bungalow Scuffle with Police, Arrests, and Protest at the Police Station

'Jail Bharo' Protest Against the Central BJP Government's Anti-Worker and Anti-People Policies

Ch Abhinay Bureau Chief Warangal August 10 "In response to a call by national-level labor and farmers' unions and inspired by the spirit of the Quit India Movement hundreds of people staged a massive road blockade today in front of the Collector's bungalow in Subedari, Hanumakonda. Organized by the CITU, AIAWU, and AIKS unions, the protest caused traffic to come to a standstill for half an hour. The Subedari Circle Inspector (CI) and police forces forcibly arrested the labor union leaders involved in the blockade; the situation was marked by high tension and scuffles. Following their arrest, the hundreds of protesters staged a sit-in demonstration outside the Subedari police station for half an hour. Slogans were raised on a large scale demanding an end to the Modi government's anti-labor policies, the repeal of labor codes, the withdrawal of the 'Jiramji' bill, and the scrapping of the Electricity Amendment Bill. Speaking on the occasion, CITU



State Secretary Ragula Ramesh called upon workers and farmers to launch a movement against the BJP's anti-labor and anti-people policies, drawing inspiration from the Quit India movement. He expressed concern that over the past 12 years, the BJP has been privatizing and selling off public sector undertakings; he noted that the Rural Employment Guarantee Schemewhich benefits agricultural laborers is being dismantled, and the introduction of the 'Jiramji' bill threatens to strip wage laborers of employment guarantees. Ramesh demanded the immediate withdrawal of the Electricity Amendment Bill, which was introduced in Parliament to facilitate the privatization of the power sector. CPM Dis-

trict Secretary G. Prabhakar Reddy, MCPI District Secretary Hamsa Reddy, and Agricultural Workers' Union District Secretary G. Ramulu also spoke, noting that under the Constitution, electricity generation falls under the State List. However, the 'Electricity Amendment Bill' was passed during recent parliamentary sessions. Under this legislation, the Central Government will henceforth oversee the responsibilities of electricity generation, supply, and distribution. The Centre will also determine electricity charges through the 'Electricity Regulatory Commission.' Smart meters will be installed, tariffs will be collected in advance, and free electricity schemes will be



abolished. Furthermore, the removal of cross-subsidies means that all consumers will be required to pay the full cost of production. Electricity could be imported from abroad, a move that would completely erode the state's rights. Charges would be hiked under the guise of "conventional (solar) energy usage." Currently, there are outstanding electricity dues amounting to lakhs of crores across the country, and these figures are set to rise further. Private entities would take control of generation, sup-

ply, and distribution, reaping profits worth lakhs of crores. "CITU District President T. Uppalaiah presided over the protest. Participants included CITU district office bearers Mettu Ravi, V. Srinivas, P. Ravi, J. Sudhakar, and Rajitha; KVPS district president and secretary Oruganti Sambaiah and Manda Sampath; as well as N. Rama, Sunitha, Kalavathi, Anil, Chiranjeevi, Godugu Venkat, K. Lingayya, Shivaji, and Premalatha, along with hundreds of workers.

Is The Government Looking Down on KU? Rs. 1,000 crore for OU.. Won't You Give A Penny To KU

Nathari Venksthesh State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 10. Educational compass for North Telangana.. but careless about funding? Congress leaders who raised slogans against KU during the elections.. Will they remain silent after coming to power? The debate on the 'Kurta' demand started during the Golden Jubilee Questions are being raised about how the university will be strengthened without providing funds for development? Kakatiya University has played a key role in the educational and social progress of North Telangana. Questions are being raised about the state government's attitude towards the university. The state government, which allocated a huge fund of Rs. 1,000 crore to Osmania University, is facing widespread criticism for its stubborn refusal to provide funds to Kakatiya University, the second largest university in the state. For fifty years providing higher education to North Telangana, thousands of educated people and intellectuals have raised questions on public issues, but why is the university so careless about funding? Questions are being raised. Congress leaders, who had severely criticized the previous government during the elections on the condition of the education sector and universities, and after the current

Chief Minister Revanth Reddy came to power, there is dissatisfaction in the education community over the non-allocation of necessary funds for the development of KU. This demand, raised by the Kakatiya University Retired Teachers Association (Kurta) on the occasion of KU Golden Jubilee celebrations, is now leading to a debate on the government's stance. KU is not just a university in Warangal. It is an institution that has grown into a center of educational consciousness in North Telangana. It has shown the way to higher education for thousands of students from socially and economically backward areas. It has provided many intellectuals, teachers, researchers, and talents who have excelled in various fields. It has become a platform for public questions. Questions naturally arise about the government's delay in allocating funds to such a university. Rs. 1,000 crore to OU.. Why not give it to KU.? In the wake of the government's decision to allocate funds of Rs. 1,000 crore for the development of Osmania University, the demand for similar special allocations in the case of KU has come to the fore. Providing huge funds to OU is commendable.. Why not give the same level of priority to KU? The government has to answer the question. Funds are re-



quired for many aspects such as the development of infrastructure in KU, the necessary facilities for students, a suitable environment for research, and modernization of laboratories. It is being expressed that it is not possible to push everything through the general budget allocations. The demand for the government to announce a special package to celebrate the Golden Jubilee is growing. Questions during the election season.. Where are the answers now? Congress leaders criticized the education sector during the election season for being neglected during the previous government's rule. They accused the then government of failing to allocate funds for the development of universities. The current Chief Minister Revanth Reddy also criticized the government's policies at that time. What is the KU community facing now, who expected that the situation would change after coming to power? The question arises. There is a debate as to why the leadership that mentioned the KU problems during the election season is taking a step

back in terms of funding for the same university after coming to power. Making political criticism is one thing, but putting them into practice after coming to power is another. The government has now faced the same test in the case of KU. Unlike the criticisms made against the previous government, the government has to prove that it is giving priority to the development of universities. The service rendered by KU to North Telangana is no less. Kakatiya University has played a key role in changing the face of education in North Telangana during its five decades of existence. At a time when higher education opportunities were concentrated in Hyderabad, the establishment of a university in Warangal became a great opportunity for the students of this region. Students from thousands of families studied at KU and settled in various fields. They made their mark in the government and private sectors as well as in research, teaching, political and social fields. The role of the university has also been crucial in promoting social cons

ciousness among students. It has now become interesting to see what message the government is giving to such an institution on the occasion of its fifty-year celebration. Is it just to organize grand celebrations for the golden jubilee? Or is it to strengthen the university by allocating funds according to future needs? That is the real question. What is wrong with the 'Kurta' demand? There are opinions that the demand for special funds for KU does not need to be viewed from a political perspective only. The education community states that it is a natural demand to ask for due priority to KU at a time when huge funds are being given to OU. Is it wrong to ask for funds to develop a university that is the educational center of North Telangana? The question is also being asked. On the one hand, while allocating huge funds to other prominent universities in the state, on the other hand, there is an opinion that if KU is not given special funds, it will create an opportunity for accusations of regional inequalities. How much funds are needed for KU? What work should be undertaken? In how many years should it be completed? Students and faculty are demanding that the government make a clear statement by formulating a comprehensive plan on the issues.

Mega DSC teachers hit streets, reject irregularity claims



The political controversy between the ruling alliance and the YSRCP over the Mega DSC-2025 recruitment has taken a new turn, with a large number of newly-recruited teachers taking to the streets in Kurnool on Saturday to reject allegations of irregularities in the selection process. The teachers asserted that their appointments were made strictly as per rules and purely on merit, without any political interference. Teachers from the erstwhile Kurnool, Kadapa and Anantapur districts participated in the 'Atma Gaurava Rally', which began at Kondareddy Buruju and culminated at the Zilla Parishad office. Carrying placards, they appealed to political parties not to drag their appointments into political controversies and raised slogans condemning what they termed as false propaganda and baseless allegations against the Mega DSC. The newly-appointed teachers said they had appeared for the DSC examination and secured their jobs through a competitive selection process based on merit. They expressed anguish that political allegations, without proper understanding of the recruitment process,

were creating unnecessary doubts about their careers and hard-earned jobs. They demanded that anyone questioning the recruitment process should come forward with evidence instead of making political statements. The teachers also raised slogans such as "DSC means Chandrababu means DSC" and expressed support for the government and education minister Nara Lokesh. They maintained that their appointments were the result of their hard work and merit and should not be turned into a political issue. The teachers recalled that the coalition government had fulfilled its promise to unemployed youth by issuing the DSC notification within six months of assuming office. After conducting the examination, the government completed the recruitment process and provided employment to thousands of candidates. The teachers credited education minister Nara Lokesh with playing a key role in expediting the Mega DSC process and said the jobs they secured were the outcome of their preparation and performance. Meanwhile, the government has repeatedly

maintained that there was no scope for irregularities in the recruitment and that the examination, merit list, reservations and roster were processed in accordance with the rules specified in the notification. The Kurnool rally has effectively added a new dimension to the ongoing political battle over the Mega DSC. While the YSRCP has been staging protests and alleging irregularities in the appointments, the newly recruited teachers themselves have come forward to defend the recruitment process and their selections. They alleged that attempts to question their appointments for political gains were causing unnecessary apprehension among thousands of successful candidates. The ruling side has also accused the YSRCP of politicising the issue for political mileage, while Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu and Minister Nara Lokesh have maintained that the recruitment was transparent. With the beneficiaries of the Mega DSC now publicly defending their appointments, the 'Atma Gaurava Rally' in Kurnool is being seen as a direct response from the newly appointed teachers to the controversy surrounding the Mega DSC-2025.

Employees hail CM for implementing OPS



MLC and Government Whip Vepada Chiranjeevi Rao on Sunday said that Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu provided financial security to thousands of state government employees by implementing the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) through GO 53. Speaking as the chief guest at a felicitation meeting organised by North Andhra employees who were brought under the OPS framework after transitioning from the Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS), he said the coalition government had ensured financial security for nearly 11,000 families through the implementation of the pension policy. Chiranjeevi Rao alleged that the state witnessed a difficult phase between 2019 and 2024, during which government employees faced several hardships, including delays in receiving Dearness Allowance (DA) arrears and medical reimbursements. He said the present government has taken measures to address long-pending employee welfare issues. The MLC said that the government has extended OPS benefits to employees and teachers who were recruited through the 2004 notification but joined service after 2004 due to technical reasons, thereby making them eligible for pension and related service benefits.

He lauded the government's decision to enhance teachers' salaries on a par with those of revenue department employees. Describing government employees as partners in governance, he appealed to them to support the government's developmental agenda and work towards bringing it back to power in 2029. Speaking on the occasion, TDP state president Palla Srinivasa Rao stated that Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu has been consistently working for the welfare of government employees and teachers. Highlighting the Chief Minister's administrative experience, he said teachers play a vital role in societal development and called upon employees and teachers to support the government's vision of 'Swamandhra' and contribute towards achieving its goals by 2029. North constituency MLA P Vishnu Kumar Raju criticised the previous government for assigning teachers duties near liquor outlets, terming it extremely disrespectful to the teaching community. He also alleged that the state had witnessed poor governance during the previous regime. Earlier, employees ceremonially performed 'palabhishekam' to the portrait of Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu as a mark of gratitude. MLCs Alapati Rajendra Prasad, P Rajasekharam and Kancharla Srikanth, MLA Velagapudi Ramakrishna Babu, teachers and government employees from North Andhra participated in the meeting.

Trade Unions call for constituency-level 'Jail Bharo' protests



Trade union leaders have issued a joint call to workers, farmers, and the general public to participate in large numbers in the constituency-level 'Jail Bharo' and protest demonstrations scheduled for August 10. The agitation aims to highlight resistance against the alleged anti-worker, anti-farmer, and anti-people policies of the Narendra Modi-led Central government. Addressing a preparatory meeting at the Devanakonda Tahsil office premises on Saturday, Agricultural Workers' Union district president B Veera Sekhar and AITUC district assistant secretary M Narasarao outlined their core demands. The leaders called for fixing a minimum wage of Rs 31,000 per month, immediate scrapping of the four labor codes, and the regularization of contract and outsourcing staff in permanent positions. Turning to agricultural

grievances, the union representatives demanded remunerative prices for all crops calculated at 50 percent above production costs, recognition and credit facilities for tenant farmers, farm loan waivers up to Rs 2 lakh, and free crop insurance in drought-affected regions. They also insisted on expanding MGNREGS to guarantee 200 workdays annually at a daily wage of Rs 700, alongside creating an urban employment guarantee framework. Strongly opposing the privatization of public sector enterprises and rising fuel prices, the leaders pressed for declaring Kurnool district as drought-hit and expediting the Vedavathi and Gundrevula reservoir projects. CITU mandal secretary M Ashok presided over the meeting, which was attended by trade leaders Yousuf Basha, Krishna, Y Mahendra, Ramanji, Bhaskar, and Vijay.

Collector seeks comprehensive report on Sunnipenta encroachments

Directing officials to maintain strict accuracy, Nandyal District Collector G. Rajakumari ordered Revenue and Survey departments to conduct a comprehensive field inquiry into land encroachments in Sunnipenta and submit a detailed report after thorough record verification. Reviewing the issue alongside Joint Collector Suraj Dhananjay at the Collectorate on Saturday, the Collector instructed officers to compile category-wise data on occupants. The report must clearly distinguish between individuals holding valid permissions and unauthorized occupants. Additionally, authorities must detail the socio-economic status of residents—including APL and BPL families, serving and retired government employees—and verify whether official land pattas were issued previously. Officials briefed the Collector on past site inspections, existing survey documents, and pending judicial cases. Collector Rajakumari instructed them to re-verify previous review data to eliminate discrepancies, cross-reference revenue registers, and align findings with ground realities. She stressed that



factual data compiled during this verification drive will form the basis for the state government's counter-affidavit in an ongoing High Court case. Furthermore, the Collector directed the administration to examine the nature of remaining encroachments to identify cases where land regularization could be considered under applicable government guidelines for eligible poor families. She warned against errors in data segregation and emphasized that no unauthorized occupation should be overlooked. Atmakur Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) Venkata Shiva, Land and Survey Assistant Director Sriram, alongside senior revenue and survey officials, attended the meeting to outline the roadmap for the upcoming joint field survey.

Andhra Governor calls for preserving cultural identity of tribals

Andhra Pradesh Governor S. Abdul Nazeer has called for preserving the traditions and cultural identity of tribals. On International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, he said that indigenous communities make invaluable contributions to our society, culture and heritage. "Their rich traditions, cultural identity and traditional knowledge must be preserved, while ensuring their rights, dignity, equal opportunities and inclusive development," he said. Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu conveyed heartfelt greetings to all tribal brothers and sisters on the occasion of World Indigenous Peoples' Day. He stated that the tribal culture, traditions, and their unique way of life intertwined with forests and nature are a great source of pride for the society. He said the government has set the goal to improve education, health, and employment for indigenous people and remains committed to their holistic development. "The government is continuously striving with the aim of enhancing the self-respect of tribals, their self-reliance, and progress," he said.



Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan said in his message on the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples that tribal communities are the eternal guardians of forests, custodians of ancient wisdom and living soul of Bharat's rich cultural heritage. "The forests have protected our Tribal communities for generations, and in return, they have protected the forests as guardians of nature, culture and ancient wisdom. On the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, I extend my heartfelt greetings to all my Tribal brothers and sisters," said the Jana Sena leader. "This year's theme, 'Honouring Indigenous Midwives: Safeguarding Life and Well-being,' reminds us of the invaluable traditional knowledge passed down through generations and the vital role Indigenous women and

communities play in protecting life, health, culture and heritage. My bond with our Tribal communities is deeply personal. Their affection and trust have always strengthened my resolve to work for their dignity and welfare," he said. "Through initiatives such as Adivi Thalli Baata, improved connectivity to remote habitations, livelihood opportunities, and stronger protection of forests and wildlife, we are working to ensure that development reaches every Tribal family while their identity and traditions remain protected. Their trust is a responsibility. Their heritage is our pride. Their progress is our commitment. Let us walk together towards a future where every Tribal family lives with dignity, opportunity, security and hope," the Deputy Chief Minister added.

US mulls ending 60-day grace period for H1B workers

The state government's claim that salaries, pensions, and other employee-related payments consumed 95 per cent of the state's own revenue in 2025-26 has triggered sharp reactions from employee unions, which have since accused the government of presenting the financial position in a manner that creates a misleading impression about the burden of employees on the state exchequer. The APJAC Amaravati and APNGO Association, in separate press conferences in Vijayawada on Saturday, challenged the figures presented in the financial 'White Paper' released by Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu on August 4. They said official CAG figures showed that expenditure on employees and pensioners constituted only 37.41 per cent of the total revenue expenditure in 2025-26. APJAC Amaravati chairman Bopparaju Venkateswarlu said the government should have clearly explained the basis for stating that HR expenditure consumed 95 per cent of the state's own revenue. According to figures cited by him from CAG reports, employee-related expenditure amounted to 59.36 per cent of the state's tax revenue, while salaries and pensions constituted about 47.64 per cent of total revenue income. He also disputed the White Paper's presentation showing employee salaries and pensions at 98 per cent of state tax revenue in 2024-25 and 94 per cent in 2025-26.



The impact could be felt by Indians working in the US on H1B visas. According to US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), 399,402 H1B petitions, covering both initial and continuing employment, were approved in fiscal year 2024. The agency's data shows that 71% of approved beneficiaries were born in India, far ahead of any other country. An H1B worker who is laid off currently has up to 60 days, subject to the existing rules, to find another employer willing to sponsor a new H-1B petition. Removing that window could make an already difficult job transition significantly more urgent. USCIS has previously acknowledged that the 60-day period gives unemployed foreign workers time to seek new employment and explore other immigration options. The impact could extend beyond H1B workers. The existing framework also covers categories including E1, E2, E3, H1B1, L1, O1 and TN, as well as eligible dependents. For Indians, the H1B category is likely to be the most closely watched because Indian professionals make up a large share of H1B beneficiaries.

Tirupati ready set to host grand 80th I-Day

District Collector Dr S Venkateswar has directed all government departments to work in close coordination and adhere strictly to timeline targets to ensure the grand success of the upcoming 80th

Independence Day celebrations. Chairing a virtual review meeting from Tirupati on Saturday, the Collector reviewed venue preparations alongside District Superintendent of Police L Subba Rayudu, Joint Collector R Govindarao, In-charge Municipal Commissioner

Sarada Devi, and District Revenue Officer G Narasimulu. Dr Venkateswar emphasized that all official arrangements must strictly adhere to state protocol to prevent coordination gaps. He announced that State Endowments Minister Anam

Rama Narayana Reddy will attend the main event as the chief guest. The Collector instructed the police department to execute foolproof security plans, traffic management, drone monitoring, flag-hoisting protocols, and ceremonial parade routines. Municipal

authorities were directed to oversee stage setup, floral decorations, lighting, sanitation, and drinking water arrangements. Meanwhile, electricity department officials were ordered to guarantee uninterrupted power supply throughout the celebrations.

Sri City marks 18th raising day with large blood donation drive

Commemorating 18 years of industrial excellence, Sri City celebrated its 18th Raising Day on Saturday with a massive voluntary blood donation camp reflecting its core focus on corporate social responsibility. The social initiative was organized by the Sri City Foundation in collaboration with the Tirupati-based NTR Trust. The drive witnessed enthusiastic participation from industrial workers and corporate employees across major units situated within the integrated business city, including Axxelent Pharma, TIL Healthcare, NGC, THK, and Rockworld. Organizers noted an overwhelming response, praising the strong community spirit and culture of giving demonstrated by the industrial workforce. Coinciding with the milestone celebration, state authorities reaffirmed Sri City's growth trajectory with the Andhra Pradesh government allocating more than 2,000 additional acres for its expansion. Local leaders and urban planners stated that this substantial land addition will further solidify Sri City's position as a premier national manufacturing hub. The expanded zone is slated to host state-of-the-art industrial plants, generate thousands of local jobs, and upgrade regional infrastructure while attracting domestic and foreign direct investment. Sri City officials stated that the township continues to balance competitive industrial standards with social inclusion and environmental care. Emphasizing its role as a model for 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' (Self-Reliant India), management highlighted that manufacturing-led economic development must go hand-in-hand with community welfare initiatives. With fresh land allocations and ongoing infrastructure build-outs, Sri City remains uniquely positioned to shape Andhra Pradesh's industrial roadmap while actively contributing to India's broader economic goals.



Congratulations to Irfan MLA Naini on Winning the Guinness World Record

Rakam Radhika Bureau Chief Hanumakonda August 10 Vision Martial Arts Academy International Taekwondo Academy India, Hyderabad Warangal's Mohammad Irfan achieved a Guinness World Record by showing his talent in the Guinness World Record Mega Achievement program organized at the Gachibowli Indoor Stadium. A large number of players participated in this program organized across the country, out of which 1,212 players qualified. Each player participating in the competition showed their talent by continuously kicking and



punching for 40 minutes. Mohammad Irfan, a 9th grade student at Golden Kids High School in Kothawada, Warangal, is special in participating in this competition and achieving a Guinness World Record. Warangal West MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy, Kazipet Peethadhipathi, Haj Committee Chairman Kusurupasha, former Corporator Abubakar and others congratulated the Guinness winner Mohammad Irfan. They wished that Irfan achieves more successes in the future and brings good name to the state and the country.

All arrangements For Urs Sharif At Kazipet Dargah Are Complete

Ch.Abbinay Bureau Chief Warangal August 10: Arrangements have been made to ensure that devotees do not face any difficulties - MLA Nayini. "Urs celebrations a symbol of religious harmony- Dargah chief Kusur Pasha The in-charge minister and district representatives will participate in the Urs celebrations this evening All the arrangements for the Urs Sharif celebrations to be held at Hazrat Syed Shah Afzal Biyabani Dargah Kazipet have been completed, said Warangal West constituency MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy. A media briefing was held at the Dargah premises on the arrangements for Urs Sharif. "MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy, Dargah Peethadhipathi and State Chairman Kusur Pasha spoke in the meeting. MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy said that arrangements have been made in coordination with all departments so that the devotees coming for Urs Sharif do not face any difficulties. Drinking wa-



ter He said that review meetings have been held under the auspices of the District Collector with the departments of supply, electricity, traffic, sanitation, medical, police etc. and necessary arrangements have been made. RDO and Joint Collector will continuously monitor the management of the festivals. The MLA said that other high-ranking officials have been specially appointed along with the level officers. He said that the officials will fully monitor the movement of devotees, traffic control, drinking water, power supply and other issues so that there are no problems. Nayini Rajender Reddy said that Kazipet Dargah is a symbol of religious harmony that unites

people of all castes and religions. He said that the specialty of Warangal district is that people of all religions celebrate festivals and fairs with brotherhood and unity. He asked that the festivals be celebrated with devotion, peace and brotherhood without any untoward incidents on the occasion of Urs Sharif. Speaking, Dargah Peethadhipathi and State Chairman Kusur Pasha said that MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy has taken special initiative and undertaken various development works in the Dargah this year. He said that a special conference will be organized on the topic 'Message of Ahle-bait - Message for Humanity' on this occasion.

Success is Based on Communication and Technical Skills

Ch Abhinay Bureau Chief Warangal August 10 : KITS Principal Professor Ashok Reddy conducts grand student orientation program at KITS The Student Orientation Program (SOP) for the first year B.Tech students was organized grandly at Kakatiya Institute of Technology and Science, Warangal (KITS), on Saturday. On this occasion, the college chairman Captain V. Lakshminantha Rao, treasurer Shinarayana Reddy, additional secretary V. Satish Kumar and other management members wished the first year B.Tech students. Speaking, Principal Professor K. Ashoka Reddy said that their faculty is dedicated to providing guidance to the students. He said that programming skills can be acquired by practicing coding daily using the Leet Code platform and that success depends on 80% communication skills and 20% technical skills. He said that their goal is to make their students AI-ready, quantum ready and future-ready by



2030. He urged the students to develop their abilities, personality and self-confidence and achieve success. He wished them a successful and satisfying educational journey. He said that self-motivation and perseverance are the keys to success. Chairman Lakshmi Kanta Rao said that through Outcome Based Education (OBE), the quality of knowledge in education in the current century KITS Chairman addressing the orientation program Captain V. Lakshmi Kantha Rao He said that abilities and skills play a key role. He said that his college has introduced a result-based curriculum to achieve abilities and skills. He called on you to put the knowledge you

have acquired into practice and strengthen your skills. He said that the B.Tech first year Student Induction Program (SIV) will be held from Monday to 14th. Treasurer Narayana Reddy said that the students who joined in the current academic year will complete their course in 2030 and this batch represents the golden jubilee year of the college. Therefore, he wanted the students to continue their studies with self-motivation, dedication and utmost respect and enhance their self-esteem. Additional Secretary Satish Kumar said that the student society is bad He said that one should stay away from habits, that consistency is greater than intensity, and

that success is possible only through consistent actions. He suggested that leadership qualities should be developed by participating in extracurricular activities through the Student Activity Center (SAC). He said that they have also introduced additional learning honors/minor dual degree options along with the basic degree. The program was attended by Governing Council members E. Venkatram Reddy, Akarav Harish, Registrar Professor M. Komal Reddy, Administrative Officer Professor P. Ramesh Reddy, Deans of various departments Professor Sura Narasimha Reddy, Professor L. Sudheer Reddy (Dean P&E), Heads of

departments Professor Srikanth Pabba (MED), Professor V. Raghuram (ECV), Dr. D. Harikrishna (Civil), Professor Niranjan (CSE), Professor Jyothi Prabha (CS-AI & ML), Professor Venkatramulu (CSN), Dr. M. Nara Simha Rao, Faculty Incharges of Academic Affairs Dr. Shri Nagaraj Reddy, Dr. R. Srikanth, Dr. R. Ramesh, Program Coordinators Dr. H. Ramesh Babu, Dr. K. Sivashankar, Associate Professor and PRO Dr. D. Prabhakaracharya, teaching and non-teaching staff, students, and their parents attended the two sessions, making the program a success.

BJP Alone Has Opened A New Debate In The Politics Of The Telugu States The announcement By State Party President N. Ramachandra

Yamsani Rahul State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 10. alone has opened a new debate in the politics of the Telugu states The announcement by state party president N. Ramachandra Rao said, that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) will contest the upcoming elections in Telangana alone has opened a new debate in the politics of the Telugu states. It is an undeniable historical fact that from the time of united Andhra Pradesh till today, the BJP has relied more on allies than on its own strength. In this context, it is necessary to analyze whether Ramachandra Rao's announcement is just to instill enthusiasm among the workers or is a testament to the strength the party has achieved at the grass roots level "BJP decides to fight alone" The main reasons for the BJP's current inclination to fight alone in Telangana are the perception that there is no shortage of candidates to contest alone in the 119 assembly seats, with strong leaders showing interest in joining the BJP. Both in the united state and after the bifurcation, the BJP has been in the shadow of the Telugu Desam Party for a long time. It is a truism that in the past, seat adjustments and candidate selection were made in accordance with the strategies of TDP chief Nara Chandrababu Naidu. Due to alliances, the BJP was limited to a few seats and lost the opportunity to expand its own cadre. While the same trend continues in Andhra Pradesh today, the political equations in

Telangana have completely changed after 2014. After the bifurcation of 2014, the BJP changed its strategy in Telangana. Currently, the national leadership is focusing on Telangana under the leadership of Nitin Nabin. In the last Lok Sabha elections, the BJP has emerged as a major force in the state by winning 8 seats in Telangana and increasing its vote share drastically. The BJP has established a strong base in about 660 of the 938 mandals in the state, with the weakening of BRS, and the BJP's desire to portray itself as the only alternative to the ruling Congress party, and has gained support from other parties. Even though the TDP, Jana Sena and BJP alliance is in power in Andhra Pradesh, it is difficult to apply those equations in Telangana. The TDP cadre in Telangana is almost empty. Jana Sena's influence is limited to a few urban areas. If alliances are formed again in Telangana under such circumstances, there is a risk of the growing BJP graph falling. That is why the BJP has decided to leave aside its allies and contest alone in 119 seats. Moreover, it is not possible to think that Ramachandra Rao would have made such a statement without the permission of the high command. But with the Telugu Desam Party alliance in power in Andhra Pradesh and Chandra Babu Naidu becoming a key ally of the



NDA government at the Center, it is possible that he will have an influence on the BJP's solitary fight in Telangana. By Revanth Reddy While it is true that he has a hold on the Congress and the AP BJP through alliances, Telangana's political strategies operate with completely different assumptions. Chandrababu Naidu's main priority has always been the development of Andhra Pradesh. It is about maintaining his power there. He uses his influence mostly to get funds and packages for AP from the Centre. Since the presence of TDP in Telangana has reduced to a large extent, there is no loss for him if BJP contests alone here. Moreover, if BJP enters the fray alone in Telangana, there is a possibility that the opposing votes will be split and indirectly it will benefit his friend Revanth Reddy (Congress). Revanth

Reddy may also feel that it is in the Congress's favor if BJP comes alone in Telangana. Because if it comes as a BJP-TDP-Jana Sena alliance, the vote equations will change. Therefore, Chandrababu can also maintain a strategic silence so that BJP tends to take independent decisions on Telangana. No matter how much Chandrababu Naidu spins the wheel at the Centre, he cannot stop BJP's national aspiration to grow at the field level in Telangana. Alliances in Andhra Pradesh To continue, Chandrababu Naidu must give the BJP the freedom to contest alone in Telangana as it pleases. Although the Andhra Pradesh TDP Janasena BJP alliance is running successfully, the leaderships of both parties have made it clear that the alliance cannot be extended to Telangana. Telangana BJP President

N. Ramachandra Rao has made it clear that the alliance with Jana Sena is limited only to the central level and AP, and that the BJP will contest the Telangana local and assembly elections alone, which has raised fears of a 'friendly contest' or separate competition between the allies in Telangana. BJP, which has benefited from Pawan Kalyan's image in AP, is in danger of Jana Sena splitting the votes of the settlers and youth in urban areas if he contests alone in Telangana. This may dent the BJP's vote bank to some extent. Meanwhile, after the victory in Bengal, it is clear that the BJP's central leadership is now focused on Telangana. Therefore, BJP is sure to go ahead alone in the upcoming Telangana elections. This development will change the equations in Telangana and set the stage for a new political battle.

Har Ghar Tiranga – The Tricolour on Every Home... Patriotism in Every Heart - Nandanam Kripakar National Joint Secretary - Yogasana Bharat

State Bureau Chief Warangal August 10: Whenever the tricolour on our flag flutters, Mother India smiles with pride. The flag reminds us of the sacrifices of our freedom fighters and ignites patriotism in every heart. In the Amrit Kaal, the call of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for "Har Ghar Tiranga" has become a powerful movement that has strengthened national consciousness across the country. Its aim is to honor our sacrifices and strengthen national unity by hoisting the tricolour on every home. The saffron in our national flag represents sacrifice, white represents peace, and green represents development. The Ashoka Chakra in the center symbolizes dharma and continuous progress.

The spirit of independence becomes meaningful only when these values are reflected in our actions. "Har Ghar Tiranga" is not just about hoisting a flag; it is a resolve to instill patriotism in every Indian. Love for the nation, respect for the Constitution, and unity must become part of every citizen's life. Patriotism is not limited to special days. Performing duties honestly, respecting laws, protecting society, and preserving the environment all these are true forms of national service. Our freedom is the result of the sacrifices of martyrs. Paying respect to the tricolour in their memory is the duty of every Indian. From every home, patriotism, unity, and a spirit of service should flourish. On this Independence Day, let the



tricolour proudly fly in every home. Let every heart be filled with love for Mother India. Let the youth commit themselves to national development. Together, let us participate in building a Viksit Bharat. The tricolour is our pride. Upholding its values is our duty. Serving the nation is our responsibility. Tricolour in every home... Patriotism in every heart..."

Varuna Yagya For The Prosperity Of The Ayacut And The Abundance Of Water

The soil is eagerly waiting for a drop of rain. The eyes of the farmers are constantly looking at the sky for the black clouds carrying the burden of hope. The ponds, ponds, streams and canals in the villages are waiting for the water. The rural region of Telangana is yearning for the sown seeds to sprout, the fields to turn green, the water levels in the wells to rise, and every reservoir to overflow. Due to the strange developments in the weather this year and the delay in the monsoon, many districts of the state have been experiencing a lack of rain. In such difficult times, the Telangana government has given utmost importance to the 'Maha Varuna Yagami', hoping that the state will receive abundant rains, rivers will overflow, reservoirs will be filled and the farmers will be prosperous. This great Vedic ritual will be held on August 10 at the Vijaya Vihar premises on the banks of Nagarjuna Sagar Dam on the border of Nalgonda and Guntur districts. "It is an ancient custom to perform yagnayaagads to appease the nature deities when the rainfall decreases. Rain also has an inseparable connection with the folk life of the Telugu people. The modern environmental slogan "Water is the life of the world" born from the farmer's experience of the proverb "If it rains, it is a harvest... if it ripens, it is a festival" has its roots in our ancient culture. "Everything is ready for the event. As per the special decision of the Chief Minister of

the state, Enumula Revanth Reddy, this grand event will be held under the auspices of the Endowment and Charitable Endowments Department and under the direct supervision of Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy. The chief priests of the Yadagirigutta Sri Lakshmina rasi mhaswamy Devasthanam, the oldest and most famous divine shrine in Telangana, and the renowned Vedic scholars and ritviks will conduct this yaga in a very scientific manner. The underlying symbolism and social necessity in choosing Asia's largest stone structure like Nagarjuna Sagar as the venue for this great ceremony are clearly visible. The Nagarjuna Sagar project, built on the Krishna River on the borders of the joint Nalgonda and Guntur districts, has been a lifeline for the agriculture of Telangana as well as Andhra Pradesh, the drinking water needs of crores of people, and the generation of hydroelectric power for decades. Agriculture is cultivated in an area of more than 20 lakh acres in the ayacut areas that receive Sagar water through the right and left canals. The maximum water level of this reservoir is 590 feet, and the full water storage capacity is 312 TMC. Only when the water of Sagar is flowing, the courage of the farmers of Nagarjuna Sagar ayacut will increase, the villages will come to life, and the rural economy will be revitalized. Therefore, conduct-

ing the Varuna Yagam on the banks of this vast body of water should not only be considered a prayer, but also a historical occasion that "tells" the society the importance of irrigation water and the conservation of water resources. "For the yagam, 11 Homa Kundas have been specially constructed in the Vijaya Vihar premises in accordance with Vedic norms. 108 Vedic scholars and Vedic eminent persons from various temples in the state of Telangana will perform this yagam amidst the chanting of Saptasati, Rudra, Pavamana and Varuna Sukta mantras. The yagam will be held on August 10 between 3.20 pm and 3.24 pm as per the Muhurta decided by the Yadadri Devasthanam Asthan Siddhanti. "A sacred Maha Poornahuti ceremony will be held. Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, several ministers and public representatives will participate in this ceremony and offer special prayers. On this occasion, a resolution will be made to fill the reservoirs and projects in the Krishna and Godavari river basins in Telangana with abundant rains and water. Water has a divine place in Indian traditional culture. The Vedas declare that "Aapo vai sarva devatah" means water is the embodiment of all deities. Since the Vedic period, water has been considered the source of life for all living beings. Among the forces of nature, we have a tradition of worshipping Varuna as the lord of water and the guardian of the laws of the universe ('Rutasya Gopa'). "Aapo

hishta mayo bhuvaah" says that the Krishna Yajur Veda glorifies water as the nectar principle that bestows happiness, health and prosperity. It is a custom since ancient times to perform yagna yaagads to appease the deities of nature when the rainfall decreases. Rain also has an inseparable relationship with the folk life of the Telugu people. The saying "When rain falls, there is a crop... when crop ripens, there is a festival" is a truth born from the experience of farmers. The truth is, the modern environmental slogan "Water is the life of the world" has its roots in our ancient culture. If we look at the current situation, the contemporary climatic challenges for the agriculture sector of Telangana are clear. The rainfall received during the southwest monsoon period (June to September) determines the annual cultivation of the state. While Telangana is usually expected to record an average of 730 mm of rainfall during these four months, some districts are facing severe rainfall deficiency due to adverse monsoon conditions. This not only affects crop cultivation but also leads to a decline in groundwater levels and the drying up of ponds. If the rains do not fall regularly from the time of sowing to harvesting, the investment made by the farmer, the cost of seeds and fertilizers will go to waste. The future of agriculture will be secure

only if the main reservoirs like Nagarjuna Sagar, Srisailem, Nizam Sagar, Sriram Sagar, Kaleshwaram projects like Mid Maneru, Lower Maneru, Kondapo chamma Sagar, Mallanna Sagar are filled. Along with these, only the restoration of more than 40 thousand small and medium-sized ponds in the state, modernization of canals, construction of Inkudu Gum Talas, and micro-irrigation methods that use water efficiently can prevent drought conditions in the long term. At the same time, we must remember that rainfall is a complex natural process that depends on many physical and meteorological factors such as monsoon movements, low pressures, surface oscillations, and sea temperatures (El Nino, La Nina effects). Therefore, instead of seeing Varuna Yaga as an alternative to meteorology, we should understand it as a symbol of the collective will of humanity and the humble obedience we express towards nature. On one side, the chanting of Vedic mantras by the sages on the sacrificial platform is heard, while on the other side, the farmer looks up at the sky with hope for the green seed to sprout in the field. The intention of both is the same - the clouds should melt and rain should fall abundantly, and the farmer should prosper: "It should rain, the dry soil should be moistened, the crops Rama

Jail Bharo' Protest Successful, Inspired by the Quit India Movement CPI(ML) Mass Line Wyr



T. Venkat Rathod, Bureau Chief Khammam August 10 : Today, under the aegis of the CPI(ML) Mass Line Wyr Division Committee, a protest march was held from Vikram Bhavan to the Wyr Ring Road, followed by a rasta roko (road blockade). The protest was organized in response to the call given by the SKM (Samyukta Kisan Morcha) across the country, inspired by the spirit of the Quit India Movement. The demonstration opposed the BJP government's aggressive imple-

mentation of policies that are pro-corporate and anti-worker, anti-farmer, and anti-people. Specific grievances included the move to allow zero-duty imports of agricultural products from the US, UK, New Zealand, and 32 other nations; the consolidation of 29 labor laws into four labor codes; the demand to withdraw anti-farmer laws; the removal of Mahatma Gandhi's name from the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and its renaming to 'Viksit Bharat'; and Prime

Minister Modi's stubborn refusal to even consider the recommendations of the Swami nathan Commission. Participants in the program included CPI(ML) Mass Line Wyr Division Secretary SK Lal Miya, Pasham Apparao, Veladandi Babu, K. Dargayya, SK Johnny, Gugulothu Shiva, Gogula Somulu, Rapolu Krishna, Gandikota Lakshman, Gandikota Ramesh, Medikondala Rao, Ramesh, Seenu, Ravi, Sunitha, Sujatha, Tirapamma, Mangamma, Joji, Ashok, Badri, and others.

Dr. Vivek and Swarnakumari Participate in Grand 'Ashadha Masa Vanabhojanam' Community Picnic Organized by Journalist Welfare Society; Pledge Funds for Development



Rakam Radhika Bureau Chief Mahabubabad August 10 "A grand 'Ashadha Masa Vanabhojanam' (community picnic) event was organized on Sunday under the aegis of the Journalist Welfare Society. A large number of journalists and their family members attended the event, creating a lively atmosphere. Dr. Vivek and Swarnakumari participated in the program, expressed their solidarity, and assured their support for future development initiatives. The

journalists expressed their happiness when the duo announced they would contribute towards the construction of the colony committee hall. Speaking on the occasion, Congress district leader Padmam Praveen Kumarone of the organizer snoted that such events play a vital role in strengthening friendship and unity among journalists. Setting aside the stress associated with daily news gathering, journalists and their families gathered to spend a pleasant time together. "Special

dishes were prepared and served to everyone during the picnic. Afterward, the group engaged in fun activities and enjoyed the day with great enthusiasm. The organizers of the Journalist Welfare Society thanked the journalists and their families for making the event a success. Representatives of the Journalist Welfare Society, numerous journalists, and their family members participated in the program.

Padayatra wishing KCR to become CM again

Direct Voice Reporter: Budde Rajesh, Asifabad Town, August 10 "Wishing for former Chief Minister KCR to become Chief Minister of Telangana again, Jade Tirupati and Durgam Shankar undertook a padayatra from Wankidi mandal headquarters to KCR's residence at Erravelli. "As part of the yatra, they reached the residence of local MLA Kova Lakshmi at the district headquarters on Monday. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA said that for every community in Telangana to live happily, KCR needs to become Chief Minister again. "The padayatriss said they are conducting this foot march with the prayer that KCR becomes Chief Minister again soon. Later, the MLA congratulated them and extended her support.



MLA Kova Lakshmi Extends Solidarity to Padayatra

Concern over Union Home Minister Amit Shah's absence from the Lok Sabha

Dr. Mallu Ravi Convener of the Telangana State MPs' Forum, MP for Nagarkurnool, and Chairman of the Telangana Pradesh Congress Disciplinary Committee



National Bureau Chief New Delhi August 10: He participated in a protest alongside fellow opposition members at the Parliament House. The MPs expressed concern regarding the alleged misappropriation of funds and the lack of transparency concerning donations collected for the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya. They demanded accountability and the disclosure of details regarding the utilization of public donations. Holding placards and collectively voicing their concerns, the MPs asserted that Parliament is the supreme forum for democratic accountability and insisted that the government must respond to issues of public importance within the House itself.

Will Increasing Punishments Be Enough To Check Paper Leaks?

The Public Examinations Prevention of Irregularities Amendment Bill, 2026, has been passed by both houses of Parliament with the primary objective of curbing the question paper leaks and systematic irregularities in government job recruitment and entrance examinations for higher educational institutions in India. Immediately after the parliamentary approval of this amendment bill, Prime Minister Narendra Modi responded on social media after midnight and stressed that there is no point in leaving the paper leak mafia and gangs that are playing with the future of the country's youth unattended under any circumstances. The government has announced that it is undertaking comprehensive reforms in partnership with the states, including the establishment of a special task force and fast track courts, to build a reliable education system. However, there are different views on the implementation of this amendment law from educationists, cyber experts and student associations. This new amendment law brought by the government is facing severe criticism that it only focuses on 'punitive measures to be taken after a paper leak occurs' and fails to provide clarity on preventive measures that would secure the system, rather than the actual paper leak. Despite the original act that came into force in June 2024, the leakage of NEET-UG exam results again in 2026 and the introduction of this amendment bill after strong protests due to it has given more importance to this discussion. A special law was brought in 2024 for the first time to prevent irregularities in public examinations including 'NEET' conducted by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC), Railway Recruitment Boards (RRB), IBPS, and Na-

tional Testing Agency (NTA) under the Central Government. However, the 2026 amendment bill has increased the severity of the punishments and significantly reduced the investigation and trial time limits. According to the provisions of the original act of 2024, individual offenders are liable to imprisonment for 3 to 5 years and a maximum fine of Rs. 10 lakhs. According to the provisions of the 2026 amendment bill, imprisonment for 5 to 10 years and a maximum fine of Rs. 50 lakhs. If service providers and vendors commit an offence, they will be fined a maximum of Rs. 1 crore and banned from conducting examinations for 4 years as per the 2024 Basic Act. As per the provisions of the 2026 Amendment Bill, they will be fined a maximum of Rs. 5 crore, with recovery of the examination expenses and banned for 8 years. If management/directors of the institutions commit an offence, they will be punished with imprisonment for 3 to 10 years and a fine of Rs. 1 crore as per the 2024 Basic Act. As per the provisions of the 2026 Amendment Bill, they will be fined a maximum of Rs. 5 crore will be imposed. If organized crime gangs and syndicates commit the crime, then according to the 2024 Basic Act, they will be punished with 5 to 10 years of imprisonment and a minimum fine of Rs. 1 crore. According to the provisions of the 2026 Amendment Bill, there is a provision for 7 to 10 years of imprisonment and a minimum fine of Rs. 10 crore and confiscation of the assets of the accused. According to the general laws of the 2024 Basic Act, there is a time limit for investigation within 90 days. According to the provisions of the 2026 Amendment Bill, there is a provision for filing a charge sheet within a maximum of 2 months 60 days. According to the original Act of 2024, an officer

of the rank of DSP and ACP should investigate. If necessary, there is a possibility of transferring the case to central agencies. According to the provisions of the Amendment Bill of 2026, the Centre has clear authority to constitute a special task force. 2024 According to the original Act, the trial should be conducted by ordinary sessions courts. According to the provisions of the 2026 Amendment Bill, special fast track courts should be set up in every state and the trial should be completed within 3 months of filing the charge sheet. According to the 2024 Original Act, the ordinary appeal procedure was implemented. According to the provisions of the 2026 Amendment Bill, the petition should be filed only before a two-member bench of the High Court within 30 to a maximum of 90 days. Through this amendment, the power to arrest those committing crimes without a warrant has been given. Major criticisms of leakage prevention reforms Amendment Bill Parliament After approval of the 'Kokroch Janata Party (CJP) representative The issues raised by Ashutosh Ranka have led to heated debate in the education sector. His main criticism is that the trend of amending the law has been to respond only after the crime has been committed, but has neglected the creation of preventive systems to prevent the actual crime from happening. Several aspects make it clear that many basic issues that the government should have discussed in depth to prevent leakages have been hidden in this law. There is no clear outline in the law on transforming the National Defense Testing Agency into an independent organization with its own permanent experts and data security departments, rather than an agency that relies solely on external private con-

tractors. The process of providing a constitutional and clear parliamentary legal status to the Staff Selection Commission, which recruits lakhs of people, remains incomplete. There was a lack of transparent technical oversight to permanently block third-party (private) vendors who engage in irregularities from the system and to ensure that they do not win tenders again under different names. There was no attention paid to transparency in the examination calendar, accuracy in the syllabus, and infrastructure reforms to set up centers only in secure government educational institutions instead of private centers. There was no mention of bringing in a national-level regulatory mechanism over coaching centers that are commercializing the competitive examination sector, increasing immense psychological pressure on students, and becoming a network for the leakage mafia. 'Leaks that don't stop despite increased penalties The nature of the NEET-UG leaks in 2024 and 2026 is a clear example of the fact that increasing punishments alone will not stop paper leaks. The differences in the two incidents exposed different flaws in the examination management machinery. In the 2024 incident, after the question paper printing was completed, the leakage occurred while the sealed trunk boxes were being moved from the printing houses to the examination centres. The investigating agencies have confirmed that the sealed trunks were illegally opened and the physically contained papers were copied and sent out. This is a logistical and transit security failure, and the leakage in 2026 was due to the supply chain. It happened before. Although there was no flaw in printing and transportation security, the officials found that the question paper was leaked in advance by

gangs and teachers inside the NTA and private institutions. Although the law with strict punishments and fines has been in force since 2024, there was a 'paper leak' due to internal errors in 2026. Based on this, former CBSE Chairperson Ashok Ganguly analyzed and clarified that the problem is more due to insiders who are responsible for the system than outsiders. He suggested that strict laws alone are not enough to protect the credibility of the education system and that the administration of exams should be handed over to specially trained professionals instead of general administrative officers. He also stated that the threat of leakage can be avoided by conducting the most important entrance exams written by lakhs of people in a 'two-stage examination system' instead of a single phase. This new amendment law brought by the government is facing severe criticism that it only "focuses on punitive measures to be taken after a paper leak occurs, and fails to provide clarity on preventive measures that can actually secure the system 'without a paper leak'." Following the 2024 NEET controversy, the central government has constituted a seven-member high-level committee headed by former ISRO Chairman Dr. K. Radhakrishnan to clean up the functioning of the National Testing Agency (NTA). The committee received nearly 37,000 suggestions from academics, cyber experts and students and submitted a comprehensive reform report. The Radhakrishnan committee proposed a total of 101 reforms, out of which the government has fully implemented only 67 recommendations. Another 10 have been implemented in partnership, while 27 of the most crucial preventive recommendations are still pending. The main technical preventive measures pro-

posed by the committee to prevent paper leaks have not been implemented. According to the rules, to prevent leakages during physical printing and transportation, encrypted question papers should be sent directly to the secure servers of the examination centers through digital medium and they should be printed locally only minutes before the start of the examination and handed over to the candidates. In the DG Yatra model, Aadhaar, biometric and artificial intelligence (AI) based identity verification should be implemented from the candidate's application to the entrance to the exam hall and admission. The exams, which are attended by more than 20 lakh candidates, should be conducted in computer-based multi-stage, divided sessions, instead of single-shift OMR method. A large-scale question bank should be prepared by separate teams of multiple experts and the paper should be randomly assembled by a computer algorithm only a few hours before the exam. Due to this, even the experts who set the paper will not have a chance to know which questions will appear in the final paper. NTA should be limited only to entrance exams of educational institutions and should be relieved of the responsibility of government job recruitment exams. The Center, which has increased the punishments through legislative amendments, Laxity in implementation of Radhakrishnan Committee recommendations. Experts believe that the lack of advance technical protection proposed by the Radhakrishnan Committee has created the possibility of NEET leakage in 2026. What is the digital forensic infrastructure in the courts? According to the new amendment, the police will have to complete the investigation of paper leak cases in just 60 days two months and file a chargesheet. Each state will have to conduct the investigation on a day-to-day basis in the proposed fast track courts and give a verdict within 3 months of filing the chargesheet. Although this time limit mentioned in the law is efficient to hear, there are serious doubts about the capacity of the field-level judicial and defense systems. While 90 days is enough for ordinary cases, it will be a challenge for the defense sector to complete the most complex cyber crimes inter-state mafia networks and cases related to digital evidence in 60 days. If the quality of the investigation is lacking due to time pressure, there is a risk of the accused being acquitted in the courts based on legal loopholes. Official statistics revealed by Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal in response to questions raised by MPs Rajkumar Chahar and Janardhan Mishra in the Lok Sabha clearly show the current situation of fast track courts in the country. Of these, 398 are special POCOS courts. As on December 31, 2025, 2,45,579 cases were pending. In 2025, 1,43,936 new cases were registered. Out of this, only 66,500 cases were disposed of. According to this data, the existing fast track courts are facing a heavy caseload, unable to dispose of more than half of the new cases registered annually. Without increasing the posts of new judges, without providing digital forensic infrastructure in the courts, and without imposing time limits under the new law, they will be able to deliver judgments within 3 months. It is becoming increasingly clear that this is practically impossible. A robust technical system without flaws must be developed. The Public Examinations (Amendment) Bill, 2026 introduced by the Central Government is a welcome legal step to instill fear among the criminals and send a stern warning to the orga-



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Special law for the Safety of Journalists Demand Demands on October 2nd Red Cross Day Special Arrangements for the Safety of Journalists

Yamsani Rahul National Bureau Chief Bangalore August 10: The Indian Journalists Union (IJU) has demanded the law. It has expressed deep concern over the increasing threats and harassment of journalists and the lack of appropriate laws for the privacy of news sources. The IJU national executive meeting has resolved that a strong law is needed for the safety of journalists and media organizations. The two-day IJU national executive meeting held in Karnataka's capital Bengaluru ended on Sunday. IJU national president Balwinder Singh Jammu presided over the event. IJU former president and Telangana Media Academy chairman K. Srinivasa Reddy moved a resolution for a special law for the safety of journalists. He expressed concern over the continuous deterioration of press freedom. He said that despite the constitutional guarantee of free dom of expression, there is no comprehensive law to protect journalists. Srinivasa Reddy revealed that although special laws have been enacted in some states, they have not been enacted to meet the need. The resolution condemned the use of the central and state governments' information and public relations budgets and

advertisements of various departments as weapons for positive propaganda. Two working papers of 1955 and 1958 In another resolution, the IJU demanded that a comprehensive law be enacted to provide job security, wage security and better working conditions in the wake of the repeal of the Journalist Acts. It urged the central government to increase the retirement age of employees of various media organizations from 58 years to 60 years. IJU Secretary General D. Somasunder presented a report on the state of the media in the country and the activities carried out by the union in the last four months. Union presidents, general secretaries and more than twenty national executive members and representatives from fifteen states participated in the discussion on the report. IJU Steering Committee members SN Sinha Devulapalli Amar, MA Majid, National Vice Presidents Amar Mohan Prasad, Y. Narendra Reddy, National Secretaries DSR Subhash, P. Bhaskar Reddy, Narendra Bharadwaj, Karnataka State Journalists Union President M. Janaki Mohan, General Secretary Anjan Kumar and others spoke. The IJU National Execu-



tive Meeting called for observing 'Journalist Demands Day' on October 2, the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, demanding a solution to the problems of journalists. It also called for a nationwide discussion on the current situation in which the Press Council of India is weakened on November 16, the National Press Day suggested. Explaining the need for a strong media council to raise awareness on the issue, it called for a campaign. The IJU national executive meeting said that roundtable meetings and conferences should be held by involving journalists, civil society leaders, public representatives, legal experts and academicians. It was decided to organize a national conference of women journalists in Hyderabad in the last week of October. Later, the 'Karnataka Rajya Prashasti' awards were presented with enthusiasm. These awards were presented by the IJU national leaders to eminent personalities from different walks of life.

Focuses on Track Quality Maintenance South Central Railway General Manager Sanjay Kumar Srivastava Focuses on Track Quality Maintenance

Kesaraju Devender Railway Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 10: South Central Railway General Manager Sanjay Kumar Srivastava emphasized the need to focus specifically on track quality maintenance during a review meeting held today at Rail Nilayam. He conducted a safety review meeting to evaluate the zone's preparedness in tackling monsoon-related challenges and ensuring uninterrupted, safe train operations. Additional General Manager Satya Prakash and Principal Heads of Departments attended the meeting, while the Divisional Railway Managers (DRMs) of Secunderabad, Hyderabad, and Nanded divisions participated via video conferencing. The General Manager reviewed monsoon preparedness measures and specifically highlighted the importance of track quality maintenance. He instructed field staff to thoroughly inspect track ballast to ensure stability during heavy rainfall. Attention was also directed towards newly constructed railway tracks and bridges that are more vulnerable during the onset of the monsoon. Special attention was focused on railway lines. The General Manager directed railway staff, contractors, and agencies to strictly adhere to safety protocols in all operations related to safe train running. He instructed officials to immediately report even minor issues, thereby enabling prompt corrective action. Additionally, to ensure uninterrupted train operations, he ordered preventive measures such as digging trenches and installing barricades in vulnerable areas as a proactive safety step. He also suggested conducting awareness programs for villagers regarding the risks of cattle straying onto the tracks, particularly near sensitive sections. He reiterated the Zone's commitment to proactive safety measures and ensuring reliable train operations through vigilant preventive actions during the monsoon season.



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Press Club A Platform For Unity Among Journalists "More than 200 People Attended.. Adhahak Committee With 60 People

Bureau Chief Srikakulam August 10: Several senior journalists have called for the Srikakulam Press Club to be a platform for the unity of senior and junior journalists. More than 200 journalists from various media organizations in the district attended the meeting organized in connection with the re-opening of the Press Club. Several journalists explained the difficulties faced in the past in the re-opening of the Press Club. It was decided that everyone would work together and bring a new splendor to the Press Club, regardless of the organization. "Whoever belongs to any organization is limited to the Press Club gate, and after crossing the gate, everyone is a journalist," said the senior journalist. "Yaru made it clear. "Adhoc Committee with 60 members. An Ad-Haq Committee with more than 60 members was formed for the protection and management of the Press Club assets and the provision of necessary staff. It was decided to fight collectively to protect the Press Club assets and prevent corruption. A proforma for membership will be prepared soon and applications will be invited. It was decided to issue membership cards to the eligible candidates after examining the applications. It was decided to remove the members of the Ad-Haq Committee from the committee if they are absent for two consecutive meetings. Members are not allowed to have personal relations with each other. They decided to work in coordination, avoiding criticism. National flag to be unveiled on August 15. The meeting decided to hoist the national flag on the Press Club building on August 15. Press meets and other meetings. The fee for the maintenance of the hall will be decided soon. Many journalists expressed their happiness that it is a good development that seniors and juniors have come together for the development of the Press Club. The meeting decided to work together for the unity, welfare and protection of the Press Club assets.



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Hanmajipet should become a fortress of sportspersons "Pratima Foundation Chairman Dr. Chennamaneni Vikas

Bureau Chief Vemulawada, August 10: Pratima Foundation Chairman Dr. Chennamaneni Vikas expressed his wish that rural youth should excel in sports and make Hanmajipet a "fortress of sportspersons". "On Monday, he inaugurated an Open Gym set up at the request of the Gram Panchayat governing body. Speaking on the occasion, Vikas said that youth should exercise daily and stay healthy, and showcase their talent in sports. He urged rural athletes to make use of central government schemes like Khelo India and Target Olympics. He assured that Pratima Foundation will always strive to provide necessary encouragement to sportspersons. Sarpanch Junke Madhu, ward members, BJP leaders, sarpanches and upa-sarpanches from various villages, councilors, party leaders, activists, and villagers participated in the program.



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Elaborate Arrangements for CM Revanth Reddy's Visit to Sangareddy New Smart Ration Cards to be Distributed on August 15 "Jaggareddy, Collector Prateek Jain and SP Paritosh Pankaj Inspect Helipad and Public Meeting Venue

Sangareddy, Correspondent : August 10 : Elaborate arrangements are being made for the visit of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy to Sangareddy on August 15. The Chief Minister will officially launch the distribution of new Smart Ration Cards in the district. "As part of the preparations, TPCC Working President T. Jayaprakash Reddy (Jaggareddy), District Collector Prateek Jain and District SP Paritosh Pankaj inspected the helipad being constructed at the premises of Tara Government Degree College and the public meeting venue at Ambedkar Stadium in Sangareddy. They reviewed the arrangements and issued necessary instructions to officials and organisers. Speaking to the media on the occasion, Jaggareddy criticised the previous BRS government, alleging that ration cards were issued only to a limited number of eligible beneficiaries during its 10-year rule. "He said the Congress government, after coming to power, had taken the decision to ensure justice to all eligible families and was set to distribute new Smart Ration Cards to around 1.05 crore beneficiaries across Telangana. "Jaggareddy welcomed the decision taken by Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, stating that the Congress government was committed to fulfilling its promises to the people. Although the programme is an official government event, the Congress party would accord a grand welcome to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy on his arrival in Sangareddy, Jaggareddy said. "He added that preparations were being made on a large scale to make the public meeting a grand success, with an expected gathering of around 50,000 people.



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Warangal Airport Project Work Should Be Accelerated TG BJP Team Handed Over Official Letter to Union Minister



National Bureau Chief New Delhi August 10: Union Civil Aviation Minister Kinjarapu Ram mohan Naidu and former Mahabubabad MP Professor Ajmira Sitaram Naik and team expressed special gratitude for the historic approval of the Central Government for the Warangal-Mamunur Airport Project. To this end, a team of Telangana BJP leaders comprising Adilabad Lok Sabha MP Godem Nagesh, Professor Ajmira Sitaram Naik, former MLA Kondeti Sridhar and BJP State Spokesperson Dr. Vannala Venkataramana "co urtesily met Minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu at the Union Civil Aviation Ministry office in Jorbagh Safdarjung, New Delhi, presented a bouquet of flowers and handed over an official letter. On this occasion, Telangana BJP official spokesperson Dr. Vannala Venkataramana said, "The initiative and special attention shown by Union Minister Rammohan Naidu under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the revival of Mamunur Airport, a long-standing desire of the people of the combined Warangal districts of Telangana for decades, is commendable. On this occasion, Professor Ajmira Sitaram Naik said in a letter that he had continuously worked for the development of airports in Warangal as well as Bhadrachalam areas during his tenure as the MP of Mahabubabad, and that today that dream is coming true, Ajmira said that he is very happy. "Recalling the meeting with the Union Minister in Kothagudem, where he took charge, he praised Rammohan Naidu's modesty, accessible nature and active leadership as inspiring. "The BJP team invited Union Minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu to visit Warangal city to mark this historic occasion. They requested to attend the foundation stone laying or official inauguration ceremony of the Mamunur Airport project as the chief guest. They expressed hope that the Union Minister's arrival will stand as a testament to the development of the Telangana region and the commitment of the Central Government. Meanwhile, Adilabad Lok Sabha member Godem Nagesh urged Union Civil Aviation Minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu to immediately start the construction of the Adilabad Airport. Former Wardhanapet MLA Kondeti Sridhar and BJP state spokesperson Dr. Vannala Venkata Ramana urged the Union Minister to provide job opportunities to the families who lost their lands at the Mamunur Airport as well as the people of the nearby villages. He assured that the Center would consider their requests. "On this occasion, the Union Minister was felicitated with shawls by the BJP team.

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Billa Srikanth Appointed as PGSAI District President

Ch Abhinay Bureau Chief Warangal August 10: Senior leaders from Warangal East Fort, 37th Division Qila, Warangal city, have been appointed as the President of Priyanka Gandhi Sangat han All India (PGSAI) Warangal District, said in a statement on Monday. To this end, Priyanka Gandhi Sangathan All India "Telangana State President Arumulla Yamuna Reddy handed over the appointment letter on Sunday. Speaking on the occasion, Billa Srikanth said that with the trust placed in him, his responsibility has increased and he will work tirelessly to develop Priyanka Gandhi Sangathan All India in Warangal district. I would like to express my special gratitude to Priyanka Gandhi Sangathan All India, Telangana State President Arumulla Yamuna Reddy, State General Secretary Nandelli Prakash, former Minister and MLC Baswaraju Saraiah, Congress Party State Women President Errabelli Swarna, Police Venkanna, PGSAI Warangal Joint District Incharge Medaraboyina Ramesh, and state and district leaders who helped me get this position.



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TGNPDCL to Organize Sports Tournaments for the First Time Since Formation of Telangana State

*Two-day sports competitions to be held on August 11 and 12
CMD Karnati Varun Reddy, IAS, to inaugurate the sports events*

Bureau Chief Warangal August 10—The Telangana Northern Power Distribution Company Limited (TGNPDCL) is organizing two-day sports tournaments for its employees for the first time since the formation of Telangana State, with the objective of promoting sportsmanship among employees and encouraging their physical and mental well-being. The sports competitions for the year 2026-27 will be conducted on August 11 and 12 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium (JNS), Hanamkonda. The tournaments are being organized under the aegis of the TGNPDCL Corporate Office, Warangal TGNPDCL

DCL CMD Sri Karnati Varun Reddy, IAS, will inaugurate the sports competitions tomorrow at 10:00 AM. Employees from 18 circles under the jurisdiction of TGNPDCL, including both men and women employees, are participating in the competitions. "To encourage enthusiastic participation among employees, competitions will be conducted in six sporting disciplines over the two days: Badminton, Cricket, Carroms, Chess, Table Tennis, Volleyball." The management stated that the initiative aims to promote team spirit, healthy competitive spirit, camaraderie and enthusiasm among employees by providing opportunities for both men and women employees to participate in various sporting disciplines. "The management further stated that TGNPDCL



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Parliament Must Enact Law Granting SC Status to Dalit Christians: MP Ravichandra BRS Floor Leader Participates in Protest with Dalit Christians at Jantar Mantar

National Bureau Chief New Delhi August 10 : BRS Parliamentary Party Leader Vaddiraju Ravichandra demanded that the Central Government enact legislation in Parliament to grant Scheduled Caste (SC) status to Dalit Christians. He expressed deep regret that, even as the nation approaches 80 years of independence and exists in an era of advanced AI and robotics, there is still a clinging to archaic, outdated laws. A massive protest was held on Monday at Jantar Mantar in Delhi, calling for legal recognition of marginalized Dalit Christians as SCs through an act of Parliament. MP Ravichandra attended the event organized by the All India Dalit Christian Rights

Committees the chief guest and addressed the gathering. He stated that the demand by Dalit Christians to revoke the 1950 Presidential Order and grant them SC status is just; noting that Telangana's first Chief Minister, Kalvakuntla Chandrashekar Rao, had previously passed a resolution in the Assembly recommending this to the Centre. MP Ravichandra affirmed that the BRS fully supports the demands of Dalit Christians across the country, including those in the Telugu states, and urged Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu to also come forward in their support. MP Ravichandra emphasized that Chandrababu bears the responsibility of



mounting pressure on the incumbent central government and Prime Minister Narendra Modi to secure justice for Dalit Christians. Addressing Chandrababu, MP Vaddiraju urged that much like brothers they should join forces to fight in Parliament for SC status for Dalit Christians. Prominent figures such as BRS General Secretary Dr. R.S. Praveen Kumar, former Telangana Foods Chairman Mede Rajiv Sagar, Professor Gali Vinod Kumar, Gaddam Solomon Raju, Sangati Manohar, Chinna Joseph, Ravulapati Moses, Manikyala Eliya, and Dr. Islamuddin addressed the massive protest. Slogans such as "Jai Bhim," "Long live Dalit Christian unity," "Repeal the 1950 Presidential Order," and "Enact a law in Parliament granting SC status to Dalit Christians" rent the air during the event.

State President of Buda Budaga Jangam Association Should Be Appointed as Telangana State SC Corporation Chairman

Rakam Radhika, Bureau Chief Hanamkonda, August 10. Sirigiri Jampayya, the Warangal District President, has urged that Siripati Venuthe State President of the Budaga Jangam Janasangham, who has been tirelessly working for the upliftment of the Buda Budaga Jangam community in Telanganabe appointed as the Chairman of the Telangana State SC Corporation. Speaking at a press conference held on Monday at the Greater Warangal Press Club, Jampayya recalled that during the recent Assembly elections, the Buda Budaga Jangam community had campaigned extensively at the village, mandal, and district levels to help the Congress party come to power in Telangana, thereby contributing significantly to the

party's victory. It was noted that following the Supreme Court's favorable verdict on SC categorization in 2024 and Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's announcement regarding its implementation, State President Siripati Venu spearheaded a movement on a war footing. He organized press conferences across approximately 26 districts, urging the government to recognize the Buda Budaga Jangam community as a distinct sub-category rather than grouping them with the Mala or Madiga communities; furthermore, he repeatedly met with state ministers to submit representations and advocate for the community's distinct identity. He played a pivotal role in ensuring the state government recognized Buda Budaga Jangams separately within



the SC categorization framework and issued them caste certificates. Compared to previous leadership, Siripati Venu's leadership has stood out remarkably in terms of uniting the community, fighting for their rights, and coordinating with the government; the Warangal District Committee has pledged its full support to work under his leadership. They expressed anguish that, since independence, no govern-

ment in Telangana has granted adequate political recognition or high-ranking positions to the Buda Budaga Jangam community, despite it being the third-largest SC group in the state by population, following the Mala and Madiga communities. The District Committee wholeheartedly appreciates the measures being taken by the Telangana Congress government to ensure the welfare of all sections of society, social justice, and

political equality; against this backdrop, they requested that the SC Corporation post be allocated to Venu, taking into account factors such as his commitment to social service and the movement, leadership capabilities, and ability to effectively coordinate with the government. Buda Budaga Jangala leaders Kathi Mallayya, Somayya, Raju, Jagan, and others participated in this event.

Montfort High School: 1998-99 Class 10 Alumni Reunion



T. Venkat Rathod Bureau Chief, Khammam August 10 : A grand and heartwarming reunion was held at Montfort High School for the students who studied in the 10th grade during the 1998-99 academic year. The school, located in the Guttala Bazar area of Khammam city, hosted this special gathering. The former Headmaster, Brother George Reddy, attended as the chief guest and expressed his delight at seeing the students of yesteryear now settled in high-ranking positions. They expressed great joy

in seeing so many of their former students achieve high positions and return to meet them; they remarked that this serves as a source of true happiness and fulfillment regarding their teaching efforts. Former teachers Khaliluddin, Ramana, Rajendra Prasad, Mallayya, and Narasimha Rao participated in the event. They noted that the discipline instilled alongside academics in those days helped many students rise to high positions today. They expressed that it was a matter of great honor to see these stu-

dents return to their old school and this region to remember and felicitate their teachers. Alumni including Vinay Kumar, Kiran, Vineet, Chandrasekhar, Manohar, Matangi Anil Kumar, Nagaraju, Paparao, Ganesh, J. Venkateswarlu, Ravi, Vijay Raju, Nageswara Rao, Sekhar, Guravayya, Rama Rao, Narasimha Rao, Bhanu Prasad, Rajesh, Khader Babu, Kukkala Kranthi, Basavayya, Vikram, Sudhakar, and approximately 50 to 60 other students participated, making the event a success.

PhD for Research on Intelligent IoT Network Optimization - Yannam Bharat Bhushan

Nathari Venkatesh State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 10 PhD for Research on Intelligent IoT Network Optimization "Yannam Bharat Bhushan a research scholar in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at GITAM School of Technology, Hyderabad, has qualified for a doctorate. He submitted his thesis titled "A Comprehensive Study on Hybrid Optimization Strategies Using Meta-heuristic and Quantum based Frameworks for Joint Resource Allocation and Congestion Aware Routing in IoT Networks." Dr. S. Aparna Associate Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Systems Engineering at GITAM School of Technology who is guiding this research announced this in a statement released on Monday. She explained that the thesis presents in-

novative hybrid optimization models designed to enhance energy efficiency resource allocation, congestion-aware routing, and overall network performance in largescale IoT environments. The research integrates advanced bio-inspired meta-heuristic algorithms, cross-layer optimization, and intelligent edge-fog-cloud computing frameworks to improve scalability, reduce communication latency, and optimize resource management. Simulation results demonstrated significant improvements in energy efficiency, latency, throughput, routing stability, and network lifespan compared to existing IoT protocols. It was noted that the findings of this research have broad applications in areas such as smart cities, healthcare, industrial IoT precision agriculture, environmen-



tal monitoring, and intelligent transportation systems. Optimism was expressed that these developments would contribute to the creation of next-generation IoT infrastructure. The statement mentioned that Dr. Bharat received congratulations from GITAM Hyderabad Pro-Vice-Chancellor Prof. D.S. Rao, Resident Director D.V.V.S.R. Varma, Head of the Department of Computer Science and Systems Engineering Dr. S. Mahabob Basha, as well as other department heads, faculty, and staff, upon qualifying for his Ph.D. degree.

BJP District President Saini Malleshham Meets Union Minister Bandi Sanjay

Bureau Chief Karimnagar August 10: Saini Malleshham recently appointed as the BJP District President, paid a courtesy visit to Karimnagar MP and Union Minister of State Bandi Sanjay Kumar for the first time to seek his blessings. Union Minister Bandi Sanjay Kumar congratulated Saini Malleshham on assuming his new responsibilities. On this occasion, Bandi Sanjay advised him to move forward by coordinating with party workers and strengthening the party within the



district. Mayor Kolagani Srinivas, Deputy Mayor Y. Sunil Rao, Corporators Ennam Lakshmi Prakash, Gajarama Shivaram, and Karre Padma Anil, along with senior leaders Gujja Srinivasa Rao, Gunjeti Shiva, and Gadlagani Ramesh, participated in the event.