

CM Revanth's letter to CEC on SIR

Nathari Venkatesh State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 29 "Concern over cancellation of nearly 92.86 lakh votes"A comprehensive review is required CM appeals for additional time Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has made it clear that no eligible voter should be removed from the list due to the Special Comprehensive Revision (SIR) process, and no ineligible voter should be included in the list. The Chief Minister has written a letter to the Chief Election Commissioner of India (ECI) Janesh Kumar to take necessary steps to this end. In the letter, he has asked for an extension of the deadline for filing objections and complaints and to take procedural safeguards to ensure that voters are provided with adequate time and necessary assistance. The Chief Minister cited

ECISVEEP statistics that showed that out of the 3.38 crore voters in the state as of June 10, 2026, 73.39 lakh (21.7 percent) were identified as absent, displaced, deceased and multiple registered voters (ASDD). He said that it is worrying that about 62 percent of this category, i.e. 45.19 lakh, are identified as permanent residents. On the other hand, out of the 2.65 crore digitized census forms, 60.50 lakh forms had errors and 32.36 lakh forms were not linked to the previous voters' list. This has led to the need to issue notices to about 92.86 lakh voters. This affects almost one-third of the voters in the state, he explained to the Election Commission. The Chief Minister mentioned in the letter that there are some key flaws in the current amendment process. He said that those who

were temporarily absent from their homes and those who had permanently changed their residence were being treated the same when the census staff came for inspection. "It is alleged that those who have genuinely changed their residence are being removed from their old residence without any assistance being provided through Form 6 to

register as voters in the new area. In addition, the names of those who have changed their residence are being removed. He said that the formal notice process is not being followed in advance. This creates a situation where voters are not aware of their disenfranchisement until they go to the polling station on polling day, which is against the principles of natural justice. The Chief Minister said that 58.6 percent of the total absentee, change

voters in urban areas are likely to face difficulties due to jobs, marriages and temporary changes of residence. The Chief Minister said that there are no elections in Telangana in the near future, hence there is enough time to conduct a comprehensive process of revision of the voters' list. He sought an extension of the objections and complaints period, which is currently from August 17 to September 16, by another four weeks and the date of publication of the final voters' list, which has been fixed, from October 19. "They appealed to conduct a wide campaign in advance in villages and municipal wards, organize at least two village council and ward committee meetings and publicly read out the draft voter lists." Daily wage earners, migrant workers and the elderly who received

notices said that a week is not enough time to submit their documents. The Chief Minister asked for at least three to four weeks of time. He suggested setting up help centers at the constituency and polling station levels, especially in urban areas, to educate voters about the necessary documents and to assist them in obtaining them. "The Chief Minister said that the people of urban areas are likely to face serious difficulties due to the non-acceptance of the family registration certificate issued as per the government order (GEO number 172). He suggested that the list of documents should be revised and expanded to also accept other documents that are easily available at the mandal level. The Chief Minister said that the appointment of just a few officers is not enough as

there are an average of over 78,000 cases in each constituency of Hyderabad. He asked for the appointment of additional officers below the level of Voter Registration Officer and the establishment of decentralized inquiry centers with specific dates and times mentioned in the printed notices. The Chief Minister urged the Election Commission to take steps to ensure that the people do not face any difficulties in the SIR process and that justice is done to every eligible voter. He clarified in the letter that the state government is ready to provide full administrative and other necessary support, including the establishment of help centers, the organization of gram sabhas, and other necessary support, to complete the voter list revision process smoothly and transparently.



We have fulfilled the promise we made...We witnessed joy in the eyes of the farmers from Nutankal and Maddirala

T. Venkat Rathod, Khammam Bureau Chief Khammam August 29: Land purchased legally had become a problem due to the Ceiling Act, preventing the issuance of patta land ownership documents. Even after the formation of the separate state, there was no one to listen to their grievances regarding this land issue. The anguish a family endures when they cannot sell their own land whether for a son's education, a daughter's marriage, or medical needs is indescribable. A farmer gains financial assurance only when they hold rights to their land; true confidence and financial security come only with



legal land rights. Today, witnessing the distress of the farmers in Nutankal and Maddirala, I realized how to describe those incompetent leaders who despite having the opportunity and authority failed for decades to resolve a legitimate issue within their own state. As part

of a tour of Suryapet district today, alongside my colleague Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, we resolved a decades-old land dispute across 15 villages in the Nutankal and Maddirala mandals. We cleared the status of approximately 1,061 acres of land for 1,044 farmers and distributed

pattadrapass books. Local MLA Mandula Samuel and the farmers had previously brought this land issue to my attention during a tour of the Thungathurthi constituency. They expressed their anguish over the fact that, despite the passage of decades and even after the formation

Yamsani SAI State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 29: Telangana Minister Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka extended warm Raksha Bandhan greetings to brothers and sisters across the state and tied Rakhis to media personnel at the residence of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on the occasion of Raksha Bandhan. Speaking to the media, Minister Seethakka said every sister wishes to see her brother happy, prosperous and safe. She described Rakhi as a sacred bond symbolising a sister's love, affection and prayers for her brother's well-being and protection. Seethakka recalled that she had been tying Rakhi to Chief

Minister Revanth Reddy for the past 12 years, expressing gratitude for his support and encouragement. "Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has played a significant role in bringing an Adivasi daughter, a daughter from a remote forest region, to this level. His support and contribution to my journey are unforgettable," she said. "The Minister said that every year she begins the Rakhi tradition by tying Rakhis to people of the Mulugu Assembly constituency, whose blessings and affection have been a source of strength throughout her public life. "With the blessings and support of the people of Mulugu, I have dedicated my life to public service.



I will always remain indebted to the people of Mulugu for bringing me to this position," Seethakka said. She also noted that several women, including Minister Konda Surekha, Congress women leaders and Brahma Kumaris, visited Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and tied Rakhis to him. Seethakka said the Chief Minister patiently

accepted Rakhi from hundreds of women who gathered at his residence, reflecting the spirit of affection and brotherhood associated with Raksha Bandhan. She extended her heartfelt wishes for happiness, peace, prosperity and security to all the sisters and brothers of Telangana on the auspicious occasion.

Liquor Flows Like a River: Record Sales in Four Months 1,600 liters of liquor sold per minute 5,200 bottles sold per minute Revenue of Rs. 14,668 crore in four months

D.rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 29 : Liquor consumption in Telangana is setting new records. The situation has reached a point where a bottle of liquor is considered essential for every occasion be it a festival, a celebration, a moment of joy, or even a time of sorrow. Between April and July of this year, consum-

ers drank a staggering 28.4 crore liters of liquor. According to Excise Department figures, 3,600 bottles of Indian-Made Foreign Liquor (IMFL) and 1,600 bottles of beer were sold every minute. In terms of volume, 1,600 liters of liquor were sold per minute. The Excise Department revealed that the total value of these sales

stood at ₹14,688 crore. Over the past four months, 3.5 crore cases (comprising 2.21 crore cases of beer and 1.29 crore cases of IMFL) were sold; based on packaging sizes, this translates to 91.5 crore bottles or 28.4 crore liters of liquor consumed. Within this four-month period, a combined revenue of 14,668 crore was generated for

the state exchequer and the liquor trade. Sales of liquor, particularly beer, surged dramatically during periods of intense heat. Liquor sales averaged 5,100 beer bottles per minute in April, 5,500 in May, and 5,400 in June. However, with the onset of rains in July, sales slowed down slightly, dropping to 4,850 bottles per minute.



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Weeds in Congress

Internal infighting in the Telangana Congress is nothing new. If in power, it is a kind of power struggle. Another kind of struggle for power. However, the people handed over power not for the personal power struggles of the leaders. For governance. If the Congress leaders forget this basic truth, the party will have to pay a political price. Recent developments have reinforced the criticism that some Congress leaders are still unable to fully digest Revanth Reddy's leadership. In the 2023 elections, the Congress won 64 assembly seats, while BRS was limited to 39 seats. This result is not just a reward for the people's love for the Congress. The opposition to the ten-year BRS rule and the people's search for an alternative leadership also played a key role. Revanth Reddy's establishment among the people as an alternative to KCR was one of the main reasons for the Congress's victory. After coming to power, another test began for the Congress. The government is formulating and implementing many schemes and programs. According to official figures, the government says that it has filled about 70 thousand government jobs in two and a half years. The government has disclosed that Rs. 20,677 crore has been paid to 25.35 lakh farmers under the farmer loan waiver and that more than Rs. 1.70 lakh crore has been spent on the agriculture sector. It has also announced that Rs. 9 thousand crore has been deposited in nine days under the Rythu Bharosa to 73.30 lakh farmers. All this on one hand... on the other hand, the responsibility of ministers in governance is equally crucial. Especially departments like Endowment and Forest should not be limited to just festivals and announcements. As the Endowment Department officially states, its main responsibilities include protecting temple lands from encroachment, administration of temples, welfare of priests, and offerings of incense sticks. That is why if there are questions about Konda Surekha, the answer should not be with political criticism. It should be given with the performance statistics of the department. How many temple lands have been protected? How much land has been reclaimed? How many temples have been provided with basic facilities? How many priests' problems have been resolved? The public needs clear answers to such questions. Since the Endowment Department itself is making information on temple assets available district-wise, the government also has the opportunity to measure progress. The same standard should be applied to the forest department. How many plants have survived out of the number of planting programs? How much forest area has increased? How many community forests have been formed? That is the real count. The public comments of leaders like Chinna Reddy and Rajagopal Reddy are raising questions about discipline in the Congress. Someone may be unhappy with positions, priorities, and political future. But turning that dissatisfaction into public criticism damages the government's reputation. If one Chief Minister after another is targeted, it will remain a personal dispute. It will become a sign of the party culture. At the same time, it is not justified to dismiss every criticism of the Congress. The government, which has allocated a total of Rs. 22,596.84 crore for the irrigation sector in the 2026-27 budget, should provide direct benefits to farmers by completing pending projects. What people want is not internal party political criticism, but results. Ministers should focus on their departments. MLAs should speak on public issues. Party leaders should avoid open battles that weaken the Chief Minister's leadership. What Congress needs now is not more discord. A leadership that works in the same direction. To save the party's harvest, weeds must be weeded out from time to time. Not individuals. It is time for the Congress leadership to take action on the political culture that undermines discipline. Otherwise, there is a risk of losing the power given by the people to internal infighting.

Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations to be held grandly on September 4 Sundar Raj Yadav, Chairman of Yadav Welfare Trust and former EXKUDA Chairman

YAMSANI SAI Bureau Chief Warangal August 29: Celebrations to transcend party lines. Spiritual and cultural festivities to take place at Kaloji Kalakshetram, Hanamkonda. Events showcasing Yadav culture and traditions; poster unveiling in the presence of Golla and Kuruma communities. Sundar Raj Yadav, Chairman of the Yadav Welfare Trust and former KUDA Chairman announced that grand spiritual and cultural programs said. would be organized at Kaloji Kalakshetram in Hanamkonda on September 4 to mark Sri Krishna Janmashtami. He stated that prominent figures from across the political spectrum would attend and urged the public to participate in large numbers to make the celebrations a success. On Saturday, Sundar Raj Yadav, accompanied by members of the Golla and Kuruma communities, unveiled the wall poster for the Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations at the BC Bhavan in Ramnagar, Hanam

konda. Speaking on the occasion, he noted that the Yadav Welfare Trust organizes these celebrations annually and promised that this year's event would be conducted with great grandeur. He highlighted that bhajans dedicated to Lord Krishna are being performed worldwide and remarked that the Bhagavad Gita has become a guiding light for the entire world. It was announced that programs showcasing the culture and traditions of the Yadav community to the world would be organized on September 4th to mark Sri Krishna Janmashtami. Dignitaries expected to attend the celebration on the transcending party lines include former Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, Legislative Council Deputy Chairman Bandu Prakash, Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council Madhusudhana Chary, Rajya Sabha Member and CM's Advisor Vemareddy, local MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy, Jubilee Hills MLA Naveen Yadav, former Minister Talasani Srinivas Yadav, and various other MLAs, MLCs, and MPs. As part of the festivities, a Ratha Yatra chariot procession will be held on September 4th at 2:00 PM, starting from BC Bhavan in Ramnagar and proceeding to Kaloji Kalakshetram, followed by a sacred Go-puja (cow worship) ceremony. Subsequently, a ritual involving the ceremonial rocking of Lord Sri Krishna's cradle will take place, alongside celebrations that reflect the essence of Yadav culture; the event will also feature music, dance, and other cultural performances by artists arriving from various regions. Sundar Raj Yadav stated that they aim to unite Yadavs from across the country and organize these celebrations on a grand scale in the future. They called upon the public to turn out in large numbers transcending party, caste, and religious lines to make the celebrations a success. Participants in the event included former corporators Jakkula Ravinder Yadav, Jakkula Srinivas Yadav, and Thotla



Raju Yadav; Yadav Welfare Trust General Secretary Ravindra Kumar Yadav, Vice President Kathula Sahadev Yadav, Secretary Tuthuru Ravinder Yadav, and Treasurer Chinnala Ravinder Yadav; All India Yadav Mahasabha Warangal District President Bolleboyina Kishore Yadav and Hanamakonda District President Mugala Kumar Yadav; Yadav women's leader Lalitha Yadav; as well as Kanakaraju Yadav, Idula Mallayya Yadav, Dudayya Yadav, Chennamallu Yadav, Peddaboyina Nagaraju, Pramod Yadav, Yugendhar Yadav, Vamsi Yadav, Koti Yadav, Kandula Jeevan Yadav, Ramesh Yadav, Hariprasad Yadav, Rana Yadav, Potaraboyina Rajayya, Yashwanth Yadav, Nanneboyina Raj Yadav, Velpula Sai Yadav, and others.

Messing With Students' Futures Due To Fee Arrears "The Condition Of 40 lakh Students BJP fought EX MLA HNK Marthineni Dharma Rao

Bureau Chief Warangal August 29: In the state is questionable. "O Rs. 15 thousand crore fee reimbursement arrears should be released. Otherwise, we will intensify the movement further." BJP state leader Rao Padma Reddy Congress government fees BJP's Warangal West constituency contested MLA candidate and former district president of the party, Rao Padma Reddy, has strongly condemned the demonic game being played with the future of poor students by not paying the reimbursement dues. She criticized that the future of about 40 lakh students across the state has become questionable due to the incompetence of the government. She de-



manded the immediate release of Rs. 15 thousand crores in fee reimbursement dues. Rao Padma Reddy on Saturday launched the 'Fees Due-BJP Lada' protest organized by the BJP Yuva Morcha at Hanamakonda Ekashila Park and expressed his full support. The program, which was presided over by District BJP President Kolanu Santosh Reddy, was presided over by

former MLA Ma "BJP fought Marthineni Dharma Rao and others participated. Speaking on the occasion, Rao Padma Reddy alleged that the Revanth Reddy government is weakening the fee reimbursement scheme that was introduced with the intention of enabling children of daily wage workers, auto drivers and other poor families to pursue higher education. He ex-

pressed his concern that the college managements were withholding the certificates of the students as the government did not pay the dues of about Rs. 15 thousand crores, resulting in a situation where even if job opportunities come, they cannot get them. The Chief Minister's statement that he has nothing to do with the dues of the previous governments is ignorant said it is a proof of irresponsibility. Rahul Gandhi, who spoke about the future of JJZ and students at the Delhi stage, demanded a response to the problems faced by students under the Congress rule in Telangana. She made it clear that the Congress government should im-



mediately provide justice to students and educational institutions and release the pending fee reimbursement dues. Otherwise, she warned that the agitation would be further intensified under the auspices of the BJP on behalf of the students. BJP and BJYM leaders, activists and students participated in the program in large numbers.

Godavari Pushkara Ghat Constructions in Bhadrachalam "Godavari Pushkara Works Begin "Ghat constructions with Rs. 46.65 crores.

Soma Giri Prasad Bureau Chief Bhadrachalam August 29: As part of the preparations for the Godavari Pushkaralu - 2027 to be held in Bhadrachalam next year, the construction of the ghats began on Saturday. "Bhadrachalam District Collector Ankit and Bhadrachalam MLA Dr. Tellam Venkat Rao participated as the chief guests in the special puja programs organized for this Pushkara work started in the Godavari river ayacut catchment area. In this sequence, Vedic scholars performed pujas with the Dis-

trict Collector and Bhadrachalam MLA. Later, the Pushkara work was started with great pomp by removing the soil with the help of JCB. Speaking on the occasion, District Collector Ankit said that the work for the Godavari Pushkara 2027 has been started in three phases. As part of this, the state government has allocated funds of Rs. 46.65 crore for the first phase of work. He said that the second phase of work will be done at a cost of Rs. 1.75 crore and the third phase of work at a cost of Rs. 60 lakh, to-

taling Rs. 49 crore. He said that all these works will be completed by March next year. He said that first, the Pushkara Ghat work will be done in Bhadrachalam, then in Parnasala in Dummugudem mandal and Mothe Patti Nagar in Burgampadu mandal. Finally, Pushkara Ghat work will be done in Chinnaravigudem, Ramajavaram and Ramachandrapuram areas of Mulugu district. Later, Bhadrachalam MLA Dr. Tellam Venkat Rao said that the work should be carried out without any

inconvenience to the devotees of the Godavari Pushkara to be held in the borders of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh states in June and July next year. He said that the Pushkara Ghat work will continue in the border areas of Vajedu and Venkatapuram. Currently, the development and repair work of Bhadrachalam Sri Seetharamachandra Swamy Temple sanctioned by the Telangana State Government is going on with Rs. 351 crore. He said that Bhadrachalam Temple EO Damo-



dar Rao, Irrigation CE Srinivas Reddy, SE Maheshwara Rao, DE Sub Division-1 Bhagyaraj Radhoda, EE Johnny Bhadrachalam Sarpanch Punem Krishna, Panchayat EO Srinivas, Tehsildar Ravi Kumar, AEE Ravi Teja participated in this program.

DSP Conducts Inspection at Gudur Police Station



Rakam Radhika Bureau Chief Mahabubabad August 29: DSP Tirupati Rao conducted a surprise inspection of the police station within the Gudur Circle limits on Saturday. He reviewed the station's maintenance, the progress of case investigations, pending cases, various records, and staff performance. He instructed the staff to expedite the investigation of pending cases and resolve them quickly. He ordered them to treat complainants courteously and address their issues promptly. The DSP also advised implementing special measures for crime control and prevention, alongside maintaining law and order in the Gudur Circle area. He directed the staff to remain vigilant and disciplined while on duty and to provide improved police services to the public.

TWJF Pays Grand Tribute to Satyanand As part of the TWJF padayatra foot march, members visited the late journalist's residence, garlanded his portrait, and consoled his family



T. Venkat Rathod, Bureau Chief Khammam August 29 : Leaders of the Telangana Working Journalists Federation (TWJF) Khammam District President and General Secretary Syed Khadeer and Kothapalli Srinivas Reddy, Vice President Duvva Sagar, State Committee Council member Nagender Reddy, and State Committee Executive member Santhosha Chakravarthy praised the services of the late journalist Satyanand, noting his constant struggle to resolve journalists' issues. The padayatra organized by the TWJF to advocate for housing for journalists, reached the residence of the late journalist Manda Satyanand in L. Govindhapuram, Madhira constituency, on Saturday. The federation's team paid a grand tribute by garlanding his portrait. Speaking on the occasion, they expressed deep sorrow over the young journalist's tragic death in a road accident, describing his loss as irreparable for both his family and the journalist community. They assured the family that their union would shoulder the responsibility of educating his young children and provide support in the future with the cooperation of various organizations. Leaders from various political parties, representatives of civil society organizations, office-bearers of district and city press club committees, video journalists, and others participated in the event.

Will Extend Full Support for Padmashali Sangam Development Whip, MLA Aadi Srinivas



Bureau Chief Vemulawada, August 29 : The newly elected executive body of the Vemulawada Town Padmashali Sangam paid a courtesy visit to Government Whip and Vemulawada MLA Shri Aadi Srinivas. On this occasion, they felicitated him with a shawl. Congratulating the new committee, MLA Aadi Srinivas assured that he would extend his full cooperation for the development of the Padmashali Sangam. He stated that the government is committed to the development of community associations. Association President Rampally Venkataramana, Vice Presidents Nagula Vishnu Prasad, Nadigatla Bhikshapati, Vasam Bhoomesh, General Secretary Tatikonda Raju, Kokkula Balaraju along with secretaries, honorary presidents, advisors, assistant secretaries, directors and community elders participated in the program.

Mupparam Selected as Pilot Village Lakshmi Prasanna, Additional Project Director, District Rural Development Agency

Report by Boddu Sarath Kumar, Dharmasagar, August 29: Lakshmi Prasanna, Additional Project Director of the District Rural Development Agency, announced that Mupparam village has been selected as a pilot village to implement various development programs under the Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme. On Saturday a Gram Sabha village assembly was held on the Gram Panchayat premise s, presided over by Sarpanch Guntupalli Renuka and attended by district and mandal-level officials as

well as villagers. Speaking on the occasion, Lakshmi Prasanna outlined the 317 types of works to be undertaken. She expressed her hope that the village would move forward through collective and individual development initiatives. Details regarding roads, drainage systems, government buildings, agricultural works, and other labor-intensive tasks were explained. Sarpanch Guntupalli Renuka stated that the state is looking towards Muppam village and assured that development programs would be ex-



ecuted in a planned manner. The event was attended by DRDO APD Sridhar, MPDO Anil Kumar, Engineering Officer Manjula, PR and RWS engineers Nikhil and Anil, ICDS Additional Project Officer Kavitha, and Agriculture Officer Rajesh, along with Deputy Sarpanch Tallapalli Kumarswamy Goud and members of the village committee.

More impetus for Khammam's sports and tourism sectors "International level sports complex at a cost of Rs. 92.76 crore" Minister Tummala's review with SAT VC and MD Soni Baladevi and Tourism Department MD Gauthami

T Venkat Rathod Bureau Chief Khammam August 29. Creation of infrastructure facilities in the synthetic track, work on the multipurpose stadium, varsity stadium, Khammam Khilla Ropeway, Haritha Hotel, Haritha Bhavan should be expedited. Expedited approvals for projects.. The works should be completed within the specified time. Minister Tummala reviews with SAT VC and MD Soni Baladevi and Tourism Department MD Gauthami. State Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao said that the government is taking steps to further develop the sports and tourism sectors in Khammam district and provide infrastructure to bring a new identity to the district. The minister held a review with senior officials of the relevant departments on the progress of various sports and tourism projects being undertaken in the district. He instructed the officials to resolve the issues facing the projects and expedite the work. International standard sports complex at a cost of Rs. 92.76 crore. As part of developing international standard sports infrastructure in Khammam district, which is known for its sports talent, proposals have been prepared to construct a comprehensive sports complex at Raghunathapalem at a cost of Rs. 92.76 crore. Government land measuring 20.00 huntas in Survey No. 218 in Raghunathapalem Revenue Village, the district headquarters, has been handed over to the District Youth Sports Department. It has been proposed to construct a comprehensive sports complex with an international standard cricket stadium and indoor and

outdoor sports facilities on this land. As per the instructions of Minister Tummala, the District Panchayat Raj Engineer (DPRE) has prepared a DPR with full technical assessments. The total project cost has been estimated at Rs.92.76 crore. "In this project, Rs. 14.99 crores have been allocated for the construction of a cricket stadium, Rs. 8.98 crores for the stadium commercial complex, Rs. 3.92 crores for the construction of a hostel with a capacity of 200 players. Similarly, 28 types of sports and ancillary facilities such as shooting hall, archery shed, kabaddi-kho kho multipurpose hall, badminton courts, wushu boxing hall, basketball court, football ground, gym, swimming pool, indoor-outdoor cricket practice nets, pickle ball court, convention hall, guest house, etc. have been included in the DPR. District Sports Authority Collector and Chairman Diwakara T.S. (IAS) wrote a letter to the SAT VC and MD on May 30, requesting for expeditious granting of administrative permissions and release of funds for this project. In this context, in a review held with SAT VC and MD Soni Baladevi (IFS)*, the Minister requested that the DPR of the Tummala project be approved quickly and further steps be taken. "Special focus on infrastructure facilities in the synthetic track and multipurpose stadium. The minister also reviewed the progress of projects such as the Raghunathapalem Sports Complex, the provision of infrastructure facilities in the synthetic track already completed in Khammam, the construction of the Khammam Multipurpose Stadium, the stadium at Kothagudem University

and other projects. The minister inquired from the officials about the problems faced in these projects, the progress of the permissions and work, and ordered them to take necessary steps and expedite the work. He suggested that the work should be completed within the stipulated time and better infrastructure facilities should be made available to the sports persons. Minister Tummala stated that the government's goal is to provide the best facilities to promote the sports talent among the youth of Khammam district. He said that if international standard sports infrastructure is made available, local sportspersons will get more opportunities to showcase their talent at the state, national and international levels. The work of tourism projects should be expedited. Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao reviewed the progress of projects being undertaken for the development of the tourism sector in Khammam district. In a meeting held with Telangana Tourism Department MD Gauthami IAS, various tourism projects being undertaken in the district were discussed. The Minister inquired about the current status of the construction works of Kothagudem Haritha Hotel, Khammam Haritha Bhavan and Khammam Qilla Ropeway. The Minister mentioned the issue of the construction work of Kothagudem Haritha Hotel being stopped in the middle even though it had started earlier. Stating that devotees and tourists coming to Bhadrachalam are facing difficulties due to the stoppage of the work, he directed the officials to immediately restart the con-



struction work of Haritha Hotel and complete it quickly and make it available. Similarly, since the government has already allotted 5 acres of land for the construction of Khammam Haritha Bhavan, the Minister suggested that proposals be prepared at an estimated cost of about Rs. 40 crore and further steps should be taken. The minister said that if Haritha Bhavan comes into operation, it will be useful for the devotees coming to Bhadrachalam as well as the non-farm workers in the Kothagudem area. Priority given to Khammam Fort Ropeway. Minister Tummala said that the city's tourism sector will get a further boost by making the Khammam Fort Ropeway available soon. Keeping in mind the historical importance of Khammam Fort, he suggested that the necessary infrastructure should be developed in the surrounding areas along with the ropeway to attract tourists. He also instructed the officials to quickly complete projects like Kothagudem Haritha Hotel and Khammam Haritha Bhavan and provide better facilities to tourists. Minister Tummala said that the government is moving forward with the aim of further developing Khammam district in the sports and tourism sectors by implementing the best infrastructure in the sports sector and attractive projects in the tourism sector.

Conducted A Surprise Inspection Of Scanning Centers Collector Chahat Bajpai

Direct Voice Bureau Chief Hanmakonda, August 29: Telangana Anukhanam: Collector orders notices to Mepson and New Vision Diagnostic Centers District Collector Chahat Bajpai conducted a surprise inspection of Mepson Diagnostic Center and New Vision Diagnostic Center in Kakaji Colony. First, the Collector inspected the Mepson Diagnostic Center and inspected the ultrasound, NEET scan, and MRI rooms in it. The Collector inquired about the details of the scanning at the diagnostic center from the representatives of the scanning center. The Collec-

tor questioned the representatives of the scanning center as there was a table showing the prices of various types of scanning tests at this scanning center. The price list of the scanning tests should be displayed as per the rules so that the people who come for scanning can clearly understand it. Similarly, the underground (cellar) of the New Vision Diagnostics Center was inspected as it was locked during the inspection. Notices were issued to these two diagnostic centers as they were using the spaces allocated for parking as per the building plan as per the government regulations for diagnostics. The District Collector ordered the District



Medical Health Officer Dr. A. Appiah to do so. He said that no one should use the spaces allowed for parking for other purposes. The Collector ordered that the price list and details of the doctors providing the services should be displayed in a visible manner to the public. He suggested that every clinic, hospital diagnostic centers, Clinical Establishment Act, PCPNDT Act, as well as Bio-medical and Pollution Control Board rules should be followed. Later, as per the orders of the District Collector, DMHCH Dr. Appiah inspected Kakatiya Kidney Center, Siddhartha Cardiac Center, Vinoda Dental Mallika Children's Hospital. He informed that notices will be issued to hospitals using the parking space for medical shops and other purposes in violation of the rules. Medical staff Sandeep and Ranjith participated on this occasion.

Teej, the festival of pure nature Government Whip Jatothu Ram Chandru Nayak

Bureau Chief Direct Voice Hanamakonda August 29: Teej celebrations are in full swing at the Hanamakonda Tribal Bhavan in Warangal metropolis. For nine days, young women and girls soaked wheat in baskets, poured water on it, made it sprout, and worshipped it with the greenery of nature. On the last day, thousands of people celebrated Teej festival on Thursday amidst the barren fields. A dazzling chariot journey "The Banjara Teej Rath Yatra, which was unprecedented in the country, was held in the city of Warangal with grandeur. With the idol of Sevalal Maharaj amidst thousands of Banjaras. Teej baskets were taken out as a Rath Yatra and immersed in the Vaddepalli tank. The Banjara Rath Yatra vehicle attracted the Vrajas a lot. Women and young women cheered with Banjara dances. The Rath

Yatra arrangements continued under the leadership of Subedari C.I. Ranjith. Speaking on the occasion, Government Whip Dr. Jatothu Ram Chandru Nayak said that Teej is a festival of pure nature and that unmarried young women soak wheat for nine days and pray for a good husband and abundant crops, just as they grow. On this occasion, he called on the Banjaras to teach their children the traditions of Banjara culture. "We will bring the Banjara festivals to the attention of the CM. He said that he will discuss the issue of including the Teej festival in the list of state festivals with CM Revanth Reddy with the cooperation of MLAs. He instructed the Commissioner to take immediate action on the problems in the Tribal Bhavan. He said that the tribal people love nature.. and Banjara customs and culture.. have



given them a lot of respect. "Former MP Professor Ajmira Sitaram Nayak said that for the last eight thousand years, the Banjaras have been living as nomadic tribes, loving the forest and practicing agriculture. Thousands of years ago, they made salt in the sea and transported it to cities, entered the business sector, and invented national highways. He urged the governments to provide a suitable place to the Banjaras, who have a population of 40 lakhs in the state of Telangana, and to recognize and officially organize their villages. Balda Commissioner Venkanna said that it is a privilege to celebrate Teej festival in Warangal metropolis with people from different tribes and villages. He congratulated the committee for organizing Teej celebrations without forgetting their culture and traditions no matter how high they have risen. He said that with the cooperation of the local MLA, they will develop the problems of the tribals. In this program, S. E. Rajkumar Congress leaders Banka Sarala, Banka Sampath Yadav, Naini Laxma Reddy, Ashwin along with Teej Committee Coordinators Dr. Chandu Nayak, Sambayya Nayak, Angothu Vinod Lok Nayak, Raju Nayak, Balaji Nayak, Bikshapati, Ravinder, Murali, Mohan, Kishan, Yakub, and thousands of Banjaras participated.

SPECIAL ADMISSIONS OPEN FOR MBA & MCA PROGRAMMES AT ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE VACANT SEATS ALSO AVAILABLE AT KAKATIYA UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S PG COLLEGE

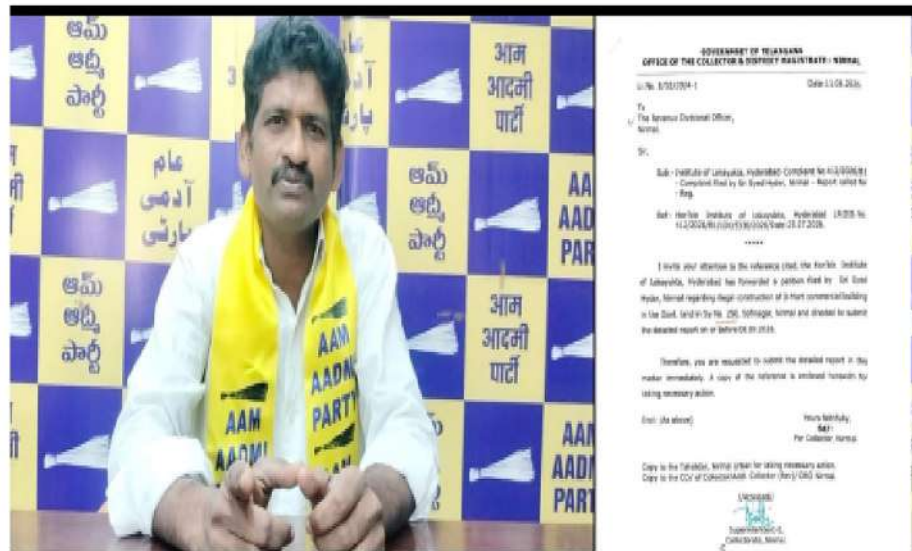
Bureau Chief Hanumakonda Aug. 29: Special admissions will be conducted for the MBA and MCA programmes for the academic year 2026-27 at the University Arts & Science College, Kakatiya University, Subedari, Hanumakonda, to fill the vacant seats, informed Professor Sunkari Jyothi, Principal. She stated that 12 seats are vacant in MCA and 40 seats are vacant in MBA. The special admission process will be conducted from August 31 to September 3, 2026. Eligible students can directly approach the college with their original educational certificates

and required documents to secure admission. The Principal appealed to eligible students to make use of this opportunity and join the postgraduate professional programmes offered by the college. VACANCIES AT WOMEN'S PG COLLEGE Similarly, vacant seats are also available in the postgraduate professional programmes at Kakatiya University Women's PG College. According to Professor Sunkari Jyothi, In-charge Principal, 40 seats are vacant in MBA and 53 seats are vacant in MCA. "Eligible women students can appear at the college with their



original educational certificates and necessary documents and obtain admission against the available seats. "The college authorities urged eligible students to utilize this special admission opportunity and secure admission without delay.

AAP Demands Demolition of Alleged Illegal D-Mart Construction on Government Land in Sofinagar



Direct voice Bureau Chief Nirmal August 29: The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has demanded the demolition of the alleged illegal construction of a D-Mart commercial building on government land in Survey No. 256 at Sofinagar, within Nirmal town limits. AAP Telangana Joint Secretary Syed Haider approached the Telangana Lokayukta in Hyderabad, alleging that a D-Mart commercial complex had been illegally constructed on government land worth crores of rupees. The complaint was filed as Complaint No. 412/2026/B1. Responding to the complaint and the documents submitted by Syed Haider, the Lokayukta directed the district administration to conduct a comprehensive inquiry

and submit a detailed report. Accordingly, the Nirmal District Collector's office issued an official letter (Notice No. E/52/2024-1, dated August 11, 2026) to the Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) and the Nirmal Urban Tahsildar, directing them to submit a detailed inquiry report by September 8, 2026. "Speaking to the media, Syed Haider alleged that the land had earlier been recorded as government land by the Collector, but that subsequent corrections were made in the records allegedly favouring private interests. He claimed to possess documents and evidence supporting his allegations. He further alleged that some Revenue and Municipal of-

ficials had colluded with private individuals, made changes to land records and facilitated permissions for the construction of the commercial complex. Syed Haider demanded that the government immediately take possession of the land in Survey No. 256, demolish the D-Mart building if it is found to have been constructed illegally, and initiate criminal and legal action against officials and others found responsible. He stated that the AAP would continue its legal and public fight until the alleged government land is reclaimed and the illegal construction is removed. He also appealed to the people of Nirmal to support the party's efforts.

Sports Spirit Honoured on Major Dhyhan Chand Jayanti



State Bureau Chief M.A. Samad Nizamabad, August 29, 2026: The District Youth and Sports Department organised Major Dhyhan Chand Jayanti celebrations in a grand manner in Nizamabad under the guidance of District Youth and Sports Officer (DYSO) B. Pavan Kumar. The programme was organised to commemorate the birth anniversary of legendary Indian hockey player Major Dhyhan Chand and to encourage young sports persons to pursue excellence through discipline, dedication and regular practice. "District Olympic Association General Secretary Bobbili Narsaiah, Handball Association General Secretary Mohammed Yaseen, retired Physical Education Teacher and former SGF General Secretary A. Mohan, national-level hockey player Sai Vineeth, kabaddi player Mee sala Prashanth, Suresh, Ganga Das and other sports department staff and sports representatives participated in the celebrations. "A special

prayer ceremony was conducted before the portrait of Major Dhyhan Chand, following which the participating sports persons took a sports pledge. The gathering highlighted the importance of sports in developing discipline, leadership qualities, physical fitness and a competitive spirit among youngsters. "Speaking on the occasion, Bobbili Narsaiah urged sportspersons to make continuous practice an integral part of their lives and work towards representing the country at national and international-level competitions. He encouraged young athletes to remain committed to their goals and bring recognition to Nizamabad through their achievements. "As part of the programme, A. Mohan, who recently retired after dedicating his life to physical education and served as the former SGF General Secretary, was felicitated for his valuable contribution to the field of sports and physical

education. "National-level hockey player Sai Vineeth was also honoured for securing employment through the hockey sports quota. Students who participated in national-level competitions were felicitated in recognition of their achievements. They included Saanvi Reddy of St. Jude's School for her participation in national-level kabaddi, Manvi of Presidency School in handball and Ayaz of Integral School in handball. "The organisers appreciated the efforts of Physical Education Teachers, coaches and office-bearers of various sports associations for their contribution towards making the sports celebrations successful. "DYSO B. Pavan Kumar conveyed his gratitude to all Physical Education Teachers, coaches, sports association representatives, staff and athletes who extended their cooperation and actively participated in the programme.

He Focused On Issues Relating To Claims And Objections The Delivery Of Notices And The Conduct Of Hearings - C. Sudharsan Reddy, IAS-Chief Electoral Officer

Nathari Venkatesh State Bureau chief Hyderabad August 29. He focused on issues relating to claims and objections, the delivery of notices and the conduct of hearings C. Sudharsan Reddy, IAS. Chief Electoral Officer said Telangana, along with Dr. Vasam Venkateswar Reddy, IAS, Additional Chief Electoral Officer, and G.S. Chary, Dy. CEO held a video conference with the Commissioner, GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad, all District Election Officers (DEOs) and Electoral Registration Officers (EROs), AEROs regarding the ongoing Special

Intensive Revision (SIR)-2026." During the meeting, he focused on issues relating to claims and objections, the delivery of notices and the conduct of hearings under SIR-2026 and gave the following instructions to all the DEOs and EROs Notice Delivery: To ensure that every notice is delivered by the BLO to the concerned elector in person and that proper acknowledgment is to be obtained. The 7-days notice period should be strictly maintained. BLOs should also remind the electors about the hearing date, time and place at least

two days in advance."Publicity: To ensure wide publicity is given regarding the prescribed documents required to be submitted by the electors."Hearing Schedule: To ensure that a proper hearing schedule is prepared based on the number of hearings required, in consultation with the AEROs and Additional AEROs. To ensure proper supervision is in place over the serving of notices and conduct of hearings No Mapping & Anomalies Cases: To ensure that the No Mapping and Anomalies case lists are shared with the political parties. The



Claims & Objections lists should also be shared with the political parties on a weekly basis during political party meetings. Strictly follow the prescribed procedure. Each activity should be properly documented and duly recorded. Then only the objective of SIR is achieved. Further, the CEO reviewed the progress with the DEOs of all districts regarding the serving of notices, preparation of hearing schedules, and distribution of cases among the AEROs and Additional AEROs. The Nodal Officers and PM (IT) were attended the Video Conference.

Hearing Notice Distribution to Be Speeded Up



State Bureau Chief M.A.Samad Nizamabad, August 29, 2026 : District Election Officer and Collector Bhavesh Mishra has directed officials to speed up the distribution of hearing notices as part of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. "State Chief Electoral Officer C. Sudarshan Reddy reviewed the progress of the SIR process with Collectors of all districts through a video conference from Hyderabad on Saturday. During the review, he discussed the distribution of notices and hearing process for voters whose details have not been mapped or who figure in the anomaly lists." The Chief Electoral Officer instructed officials to seek the cooperation of representatives of recognised political parties for the successful completion of the SIR process.

He stressed the need for transparent and error-free electoral rolls and directed EROs and AEROs to guide Booth Level Officers accordingly. "Speaking during the review, Collector Bhavesh Mishra said the SIR process was being implemented systematically in Nizamabad district in accordance with the guidelines of the Election Commission. He said 4,32,401 hearing notices had been prepared in the district, of which 56,678 notices had already been served to voters." The Collector said special awareness programmes were being organised for EROs and AEROs and that efforts were being made in a planned manner to complete the hearing process within the prescribed deadline. "After the video conference, Bhavesh Mishra in-

structed district officials to accord top priority to the distribution of hearing notices and further accelerate the process. Officials were asked to focus on field-level activities, serve the maximum possible number of notices to voters every day and obtain acknowledgements without fail. "He also directed officials to monitor progress on a daily basis, polling station-wise and mandal-wise. Special attention should be given to areas with a high number of pending notices and the remaining distribution should be completed at the earliest, he said. "Additional Collector Bhujanga Rao, Nizamabad Municipal Commissioner S. Dilip Kumar, RDO Rajendra Kumar, Collectorate A.O. Balaraj and other officials participated in the video conference.

We Must Rise To The International level JNS BADMINTON INDOOR STADIUM RE-OPENING CEREMONY Warangal West constituency MLA Nayini

Yamsani SAI Bureau Chief Warangal August 29 : Steps towards developing Hanumakonda as a sports hub. "Steps to create international standard infrastructure for athletes Warangal West MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy said that the state government is giving special priority to education, medicine and sports sectors and the government is taking steps to develop sports infrastructure in Hanumakonda with international standards and make this area a sports hub. On Saturday, the MLA, along with Warangal MP Dr. Kadiyam Kavya, Hanumakonda District Collector Chahat Bajpai and others, inaugurated the swimming pool developed in Hanumakonda. Later, the badminton stadium, whose renovation work has been completed at the JNS Indoor Stadium, was inaugurated. On the occasion of National Sports Day, MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy and Collector Chahat Bajpai garlanded the portrait of Major Dhyani Chand and paid tributes. "On this occasion, a meeting organized at the Indoor Stadium was presided over by Telangana Badminton Association and Hanumakonda JNS President Bodhireddy Prabhakar Reddy, while MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy, who



participated as the chief guest, said that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has been implementing the promises made during his tenure and has made special efforts for the development of Warangal region. "He said that they are paying attention. He said that in the last two and a half years, there has been significant development in the fields of education, medicine, sports, infrastructure and other sectors in Warangal and Hanumakonda districts. He advised the players to make full use of the modern facilities provided for JSA slow players and excel at the national and international levels. The MLA said that the government's goal is to provide better infrastructure for the athletes. He revealed that steps are being taken to further develop the existing facilities like indoor stadium and swimming pool and construct its own building for the

sports school. The MLA said that every victory achieved in sports is not only a personal victory for the athlete but also a source of pride for the family, region, district and state. He said that in the last two and a half years since his government came to power, many key projects have been brought for the development of the Warangal region. He said that progress has been made in the underground drainage project, ring road, airport and other issues. "He said that the process of preparing DPR, STP, land acquisition etc. for the underground drainage project is being taken forward. He revealed that orders have already been given to the concerned officials for land acquisition. The MLA suggested that the people should examine the funds received by the Warangal region during the previous government and the funds brought by the current



government. If you bring Rs.20 crores, we will bring Rs.80 crores. We have brought it. He said that the people will decide who has developed it and how much. The MLA said that some issues related to the employees still need to be resolved, and they have been brought to the attention of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, and the government will take steps to ensure justice for the employees. The MLA said that the government of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy is giving special priority to the Warangal region. He said that if steps are taken to provide more extensive management and development opportunities to Warangal, this region will develop more rapidly. We have achieved so much development in the last two and a half years. In the future, a stronger administrative system. People should think about the level at which Warangal can be

developed if opportunities like a corporation become available, he said. After the swimming pool was inaugurated, the MP, MLA, Collector and others observed the swimming of the sports and swimming academy players. After the badminton court was inaugurated, MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy, Collector Chahat Bajpai, ACP Jitender Reddy, Boddireddy Prabhakar Reddy played badminton. On this occasion, badminton veteran players Ramanaiah and Kaila Samlan were felicitated with shawls by the MLA. Collector. Judo Association State Secretary Kailas Yadav, Officers Club General Secretary Dr. Praveen, ACP Jitender, Badminton Association Hanumakonda General Secretary Ramesh Reddy were present on the occasion. Vishnu Vardhan Reddy and others participated.

MLA PA "Kalyan" scams " : Collected in crores of rupees: Fake appointment documents

Soma Giri Prasad Bureau Chief Bhadrachalam August 29 "A person who should have been very responsible in the responsibilities of MLA Personal Secretary deceived many people in the name of jobs and collected crores of rupees. PA Kalyan implemented his fraudulent ideas using the Bhadrachalam MLA camp office as a venue. He looted the money he received and fled. He collected crores of rupees from innocent people by promising them jobs in various government companies with his influence. After Kalyan switched off and fled, the victims are coming out one by one, looking confused. They reached the MLA camp office and were going to go to MLA Dr. Tellam Venkata Rao. They got caught. A person named Rayala Srinu, who gave money to Kalyan in the hope of a job, filed a complaint at the local police station. With this, the police have registered a cheating case against Kalyan and are investigating. When the victims came to the camp office and complained, MLA Venkata



Rao wrote a letter to the Bhadrachalam Kothagudem and Mulugu collectors, demanding that his PA Kalyan be removed from those duties. It seems that he has collected the details of BTPS landless people and called them and shown them the hope of jobs. The victims said that Kalyan also provides fake job appointment documents to many people. Many believe that this is a fraud of a serious criminal nature. "Complaints are being received that Kalyan has collected money in the name of jobs not only from Bhadrachalam district but also from many people from the joint Khammam district and border areas of Andhra Pradesh. It is reported that Kalyan has collected money from many people even by showing the recently announced Anganwadi job advertisement. It is said that Kalyan, who has become addicted to various types of financial addictions, has cheated innocent people to earn money in an easy way. It is said that he has collected about ten crore rupees. The locals are demanding an investigation into whether Kalyan alone did all this crime and who among the local ruling party leaders helped him. It is reported that the absconding accused surrendered at the Kothagudem SP office on Saturday evening! An official announcement is yet to be made in this regard. Overall, this Kalyan affair has become a source of pain for MLA Tellam Venkata Rao.

She inspected the welfare, facilities, and services provided to the children at the observation home Kandukuri Pooja, Secretary of the Warangal District Legal Services Authority

Ch. Abhinay, Bureau Chief, Warangal | August 29 "She inspected the welfare, facilities, and services provided to the children at the observation home. During the visit, she thoroughly examined various aspects, including living quarters, dining facilities, drinking water, sanitation, medical facilities, education and vocational training, counseling services, and security arrangements. She interacted directly with the children to inquire about their issues, needs, and the facilities being provided to them. Speaking in a friendly manner, she encouraged them to move forward with a positive outlook regarding their future. She instructed Superintendent Sridevi to raise awareness among the children about child rights and the availability of free legal aid. She emphasized the importance of

prioritizing essential areas such as education, health, psychological support, skill development, and social rehabilitation. She also reviewed record-keeping practices and the coordination among officials regarding the services provided to the children. She assured that the District Legal Services Authority would provide the necessary support to resolve any issues re-



lated to child welfare by bringing them to the attention of the concerned officials. Superintendent Sridevi and the staff of the observation home participated in the program.

Serious Crimes Have Decreased“ 7.15 Percent Increase In Crime In Three Years - DGP CV Anand Revealed In The Half-Yearly Crime Review

D. Rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 29 : Check cybercrime with collective efforts Special focus on drug control in the state No more unit-wise reviews Officials should monitor at the field level,DGP CV Anand clarified that despite the increase in crime in the state capital Hyderabad, serious crimes have decreased. The DGP conducted a half-yearly crime review with police officers on Friday at the DGP office. In particular, the implementation of AI, CCT NS, TG Cop, Hack Technology, Eagle, ICJS and new criminal laws was reviewed. Speaking on the occasion, the DGP said that crimes in the

state have increased by 7.15- 2023-2455 2,65,377 88 5, and 2025-2655 25 lakh 2,84,363 in three years. He said that drug cases have increased by 46.10 percent, from 2,026 cases to 2,960. He said that organized crime cases have also increased from 25 to 451. He said that there was a 9.48 percent increase in traffic crimes, but the cybercrime rate decreased to 13.29, financial crimes to 13.28, and serious crimes to 10.33. He said that while serious crimes in Hyderabad city decreased by 26.23 percent, drug cases increased by 90.98 percent. “Crimes increased by 7.15 percent “The DGP explained that the total

number of crimes in the state has increased by 7.15 percent in three years.2023-2455 2,65,37788.. 2025-26 2,84,363. He said that the crime rate has increased from 481.58 to 491.59, especially the drug crime rate has reached 2023-245 2,026 2025-2652,960. The DGP said that the state police should now give priority to monthly crime reviews, but crime reviews should not be limited to statistics alone. He said that an analysis should be made on the causes of crimes, working methods, quality of investigation and resolution of cases. He ordered to strengthen field level policing. He suggested to take immediate action on the problems



identified in the inspections The DGP said that cyber crimes have decreased by 13.29 percent in 2025-26 compared to 2024-25, and there has been a decrease of 13.28 percent in economic crimes. He said that the police department considers the decrease in the se two categories over a period of three years as a positive development. DG Mahesh Bhagwat, CID Director Shikha Goel, Women Safety, CID Director Charu Sinha, Eagle Director Sandeep Sandilya, Police Commissioners, District SPs and police personnel participated in the review.

MLA Kadiyam Srihari inspects sites for warehouse construction under Warangal Enamamula Market, accompanied by Market Chairperson Erra Priyanka

Boddu Sarath Kumar reporter Dharmasagar, August 29 : Former Deputy Chief Minister and Station Ghanpur MLA Kadiyam Srihari directed revenue and market officials to conduct a survey within 15 days to prepare a comprehensive layout map and land details, as well as to draft proposals for constructing warehouses with a capacity of 5,000 to 10,000 metric tonnes. MLA Kadiyam Srihari, accompanied by Market Chairperson Erra Priyanka Anil, inspected land parcels under the jurisdiction of the Warangal Enamamula Market located in Muppam (Dharmasagar Mandal) and Sodashapalli (Velair Mandal). Speaking on the occasion, the MLA instructed officials to survey the land in Muppam village to determine the total area, the land allocated for

the Model School and existing warehouse, and the remaining available land; he ordered them to demarcate boundaries and prepare a full-scale layout map within 15 days. He suggested preparing necessary proposals to effectively utilize the available land. Additionally, regarding the market land in Sodashapalli village (Velair Mandal), he ordered the immediate provision of a watchman, jungle clearance, electricity, and drinking water facilities at the sub-yard. He questioned market officials as to why the sub-yard, connected at a cost of ₹2 crore on a 5-acre site, was lying unused. Instructions were issued to make arrangements that cater to farmers' needs and facilitate grain procurement operations. Officials were directed to prepare proposals for



constructing a warehouse with a capacity of 5,000 to 10,000 metric tonnes, accompanied by a comprehensive layout map for the available five-acre site. It was noted that operationalizing the Sodashapalli market sub-yard and constructing the warehouse would foster regional development and prove highly beneficial to the farmers of Velairu Mandal. Participants in the event included Enamula Market Chairperson Erra Priyanka Anil Vice-Chairperson Bandi Janardhan, Market Secretary Srinivas, along with directors, Tahsildars, MPDOs, village Sarpanches, Congress party leaders and activists from Dharmasagar and Velairu Mandals, and farmers.

‘Vruksha Bandhan’ Promotes a Stronger Bond with Nature“Protecting Trees is Everyone’s Responsibility- Dharmapuri Rajagovindu

Direct voice Bureau Chief Warangal August 29: A unique “Vruksha Bandhan” programme was organised at Shreshta Gardens in Vinayaka Colony, Naidu Pump area of Warangal, with a call to strengthen the bond between people and nature and promote the protection of treesThe programme was organised under the aegis of Dhara Educational Society and the Resource Centre for United Nations Telangana Chapter. Dharmapuri Rajagovindu, Coordinator of the Resource Centre for United Nations – Telangana Chapter, attended as the chief guest and addressed the gathering Speaking on the occasion, Rajagovindu stressed the need for every individual

to recognise their responsibility towards environmental protection and give greater importance to nature conservation. He observed that just as Raksha Bandhan symbolises the sacred bond between brothers and sisters, Vruksha Bandhan represents the bond of affection, responsibility and protection between human beings and trees.He called upon people to develop a personal connection with trees and actively participate in their conservation. He urged every family to plant saplings in and around their homes and ensure that they are properly nurtured and protected. Planting a sapling is only the beginning; protecting it and

helping it grow into a healthy tree is equally important,” he emphasised, adding that love for nature and environmental responsibility should become an integral part of everyday life.“The organisers announced that the Vruksha Bandhan programme would be conducted every year with the objective of creating greater awareness about tree conservation and encouraging community participation in protecting the environment. Former MP Rapolu Anand Bhaskar, Prof. K. Vijayababu, retired DFO K. Purushotham Rao, Vinod Singh, Nitin, Suman Sharma and Mamata Charan conveyed their support and blessings to the programme through a virtual meeting. The programme was coordinated



by Blessina Daniel Joseph.“Nature lovers and environmental activists, including Vanapremi Award recipient Goka Ramaswamy, Mandal Parashuramulu, former Chairperson of the Warangal Child Welfare Committee, Pedduri Peddanna and Chitayala Ramesh Babu, Headmaster, along with others, participated in the programme.The participants collectively appealed to the public to plant more trees, protect existing greenery and make environmental conservation a shared social responsibility for the well-being of present and future generations.

District Public Relations Office Shifted to New Integrated Collectorate



Direct voice Bureau Chief Mulugu August 29: The District Public Relations Office (DPRO), which was functioning from the old Collectorate premises in Mulugu, has been shifted to the newly inaugurated Integrated District Offices Complex (IDOC), District Public Relations Officer (DPRO) M.D. Rafiq said in a statement on Friday.He stated that the District Collector has allotted Room No. G-20 on the ground floor of the new IDOC for the District Public Relations Department.With the relocation, all official activities of the District Public Relations Department will henceforth be carried out from the new Integrated District Offices Complex, he said.Official communication, media coordination and other departmental activities will also be handled from the new IDOC, the DPRO added.

Special Vehicle Checks on Pasra Medaram Road Police Intensify Drunk-and-Drive Checks Ahead of Festivities



Direct Voice Bureau Chief Mulugu August 29: With a focus on public safety during the festive season, police conducted special vehicle checks and an intensive drunk-and-drive enforcement drive on the Pasra–Medaram main road on The checks were aimed at preventing drunk driving, over-speeding, reckless driving and other traffic violations, particularly as vehicular movement is expected to increase during the festivities. The special drive was conducted on the directions of Mulugu District SP S. Sudheer Ramnath Kekan, IPS, and under the guidance of Mulugu DSP N. Ravinder. It was supervised by Pasra CI P. Dayakar, with Pasra SI S.K. Tajuddin, Tadvai SI K. Jagadish Goud and Narlapur/Medaram SI A. Kamalakara leading the enforcement teams. Police warned motorists that driving under the influence of alcohol is a serious offence and can endanger not only the driver but also other road

users. Strict legal action would be taken against those found violating traffic regulations, they said.“The police appealed to motorists to celebrate festivals responsibly and avoid behaviour that could put lives at risk. Two-wheeler riders were urged to wear helmets, while car and other vehicle drivers were advised to wear seat belts at all times.“Motorists were also instructed to carry essential vehicle documents, including a valid driving licence, Registration Certificate (RC) and insurance papers.Police said special attention was being paid to drunk driving, rash and negligent driving, over-speeding and helmet violations. They appealed to the public to cooperate with the police in ensuring safe travel during the festive season.“ Police appeal to youth“Police particularly urged youngsters to stay away from alcohol, drugs and dangerous driving practices.No to alcohol, no to drugs, no to speed

and no to negligence. Celebrate the festival with happiness and return home safely,” they appealed.The police stressed that festivals are meant for happiness and celebration, and that one person's negligence should not turn into a tragedy for another family. They urged every road user to remember that their loved ones would be waiting for them at home and to make road safety their priority.The special checks on the Pasra–Medaram road were intended not only to take action against violations but also to create greater awareness about responsible driving and road safety.Your safety is our responsibility, and your cooperation is our strength,” police said, urging the public to follow traffic rules and help prevent road accidents. “Pasra SI S.K. Tajuddin, Medaram SI A. Kamalakara, Tadvai SI K. Jagadish Goud and other police personnel participated in the special checking drive.

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Warm Raksha Bandhan wishes to all my friends“A Step Forward for the Welfare of Journalist Friends

D Rakesh Bhanu Bureau Chief Mulugu August 29: Every day, journalists work tirelessly braving the scorching sun and heavy rainsto gather information and serve as a bridge between the public and the govern- ment They continuously strive for the welfare of society, often having to take a short break under a tree whenever they find a little time to rest In this context, with the DPRO office being shifted to the new Inte- grated Collectorate building, we appeale d

to Minister Seethakka and District Collector Borkhade Hemant Sahad eo Rao to allocate the va- cated DPRO office pre- mises for the benefit of journalist friends. Both responded positively and agreed to the request. However, they have in- formed us that the offi- cial procedures and guidelines need to be ex- amined and completed before the premises can be formally allocated.We sincerely request every- one to consider this not as an achievement of any individual, but as a collec-



tive success made possible through the coopera- tion, unity and support of every journalist friend.“Our unity is our strength.“Let us continue to move forward together for the welfare and rights of journalists.Once again, warm Raksha Bandhan wishes to all my journalist friends

Decrease in Cyber and Financial Crimes in the state Special Focus on Drugs and Organized Crime Crimes are Controlled Through in-depth Analysis DGP CV Anand

Direct Voice State Bu- reau Chief Hyderabad August 29: Semi-annual crime review meeting with officers of all units“ DGP CV Anand has in- structed officers to en- sure that professional standards are adhered to in criminal investigation and policing.The DGP di- rected the high-ranking police officers of all units to not limit the review of crimes to just statistics... to deeply analyze the reasons behind each crime, the criminals' ap- proach, the investigation method, and the resolu- tion of cases, at the half- yearly annual crime re- view meeting held at the DGP office on Friday. In recent times, due to the special focus of the CCTNAS NSP, the CCTN AS data update, which was previously 70-80 percent, has been done.He said that reach- ing 96 percent with the collective efforts of the officers and staff is com- mendable. The DGP sug- gested that more impor- tance be given to the crime review meetings held every month. He said that the basic poli- cies to be followed by the police at the field level should be strictly implemented and that the officers should take professional standards as a competition. He di- rected the DIGs and multi-zone IGs of all zones to examine the in- spection notes from now on. He said that immedi- ate action should be taken on the issues iden-

tified during district tours and inspections of police stations. He suggested that the trend of crimes should be identified in advance and special ac- tion should be taken where necessary. Crime in the state increased by 7.15% in three years, drug cases increased by 46.10%, cyber and finan- cial crimes decreased.The total number of crimes in the state increased by 7.15 percent in three years. In 2023-24, 2,65,3 77 cases were registered, which increased to 2,84,363 in 2025-26. The crime rate per lakh popu- lation increased from 481.58 to 491.59. Drug cases increased from 2,026 in 2023-24 to 2,960 in 2025-26. An increase of 46.10 percent was re- corded in three years. Or- ganized crimes increased from 25 to 451, register- ing a growth of 1,704 per- cent. Traffic crimes in- creased from 29,130 ??to 31,891, an increase of 9.48 percent. On the other hand, cyber crimes de- creased from 25,373 to 22,000, a decrease of 13.29 percent, and finan- cial crim es decreased from 37,690 to 32,684, a decrease of 13.28 per- cent.10.33% decrease in serious crimesGrave crimes have decreased significantly compared to the previous year. In 2024-25, 7,019 cases were registered, but in 2025- 26, they decreased to 6,294. A decrease of 10.33 percent was recorded within a year. The crime rate per lakh population decreased from 11.21 to 10.88. Among the major commissionerates, Hyderabad recorded a decrease of 26.23 per- cent, from 1,483 to 1,094. In Cyberabad, it decreased from 656 to 613, and in Malkajigiri, it decreased from 664 to 549. However, grave crimes increased in some districts. In Mulugu, it increased from 44 to 88, in Nirmal, from 66 to 102, and in Adi Baba, it increased from 96 to 140. The statistics indicate that special at- tention is needed on the increasing grave crimes in small and tribal dis- tricts. General crimes in- creasing year by year“Even thou gh seri- ous crimes are decreas- ing, ordinary crime s are“Crimes against women and children have decreased.“Crimes against women and chil- dren, which were 31,593 in 2024-25, have de- creased to 31,108 in 2025-26. A decrease of 1.54 percent has been recorded in the year. However, they are 3.81 percent higher com- pared to 2023-24. While cases have decreased in Hyderabad, Cyberabad and Warangal commis- sionerates... they have increased from 790 to 994 in Future City. In the districts, a sharp in- crease was seen in Khammam, Adilabad, Maha bubab ad, Narayanpet and Mulugu Nandev are increasing. The cases that were 2,59,201 in 2023-24 have

increased to 2,78,0 69 in 2025-26. An increase of 7.28 percent has been recorded in three years. In the commissi- onerates, an increase of 23.70 percent has been recorded in Future City, 17.32 percent in Cyberabad, and 13.53 percent in Malka jgiri. Only in Hyder abad, a de- crease of 2.77 percent has been seen. When it comes to districts, an in- crease of 70.88 percent has beenrecorded in Komuram Bheem Asifa bad and 60.71 percent in Adi Labad. In Medak, Sanga reddy, Nalgonda, and Narayanpet districts Even ordinary crimes have increased.“Special surveillance on narcotics “The increase in narcotic cases in the state is be- coming a major chal- lenge for the police de- partment. While there were 2,026 cases in 2023- 24, it has reached 2,960 in 2025-26. The crime rate per lakh population has increased from 3.68 to 5.12. In the commis- sionerates, an increase of 90.98 percent has been recorded in Cyber abad from 266 to 508. In Warangal, there has also been an increase of 142.31 percent in three years. In the districts, Adilabad has increased from 57 to 219 cases. The crime rate has reached 7.22 to 26.91. In Nizam abad, it has increased from 62 to 123. A signifi- cant increase has also been recorded in Naraya npet, Mahab ubnagar, Jogulamba and Gadwal



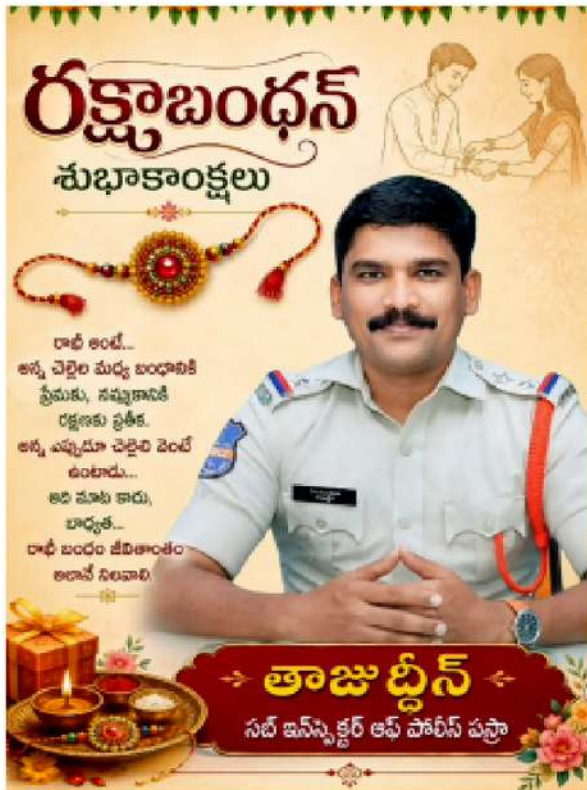
increase in drugs, orga- nized crimes, general crimes and traffic crimes. In this context, DGP CV Anand directed the offi- cers in this review meet- ing to focus on in-depth analysis of the crimes, monthly reviews, field level inspections and use of technology to control crime. DGP CV Anand in- structed the officers to update the information in the digital policing portals within the stipu- lated time frame. He ap- preciated the perfor- mance of the police units for recording timely and accurate information. He suggested that other units should also follow the same approach and improve their perfor- mance. The review spe- cifically discussed the use of technology in crime control. The offi- cers gave a presentation on the performance and use of digital platforms such as AI-based policing applications, CC TNS, TGCAP, HAWK etc. The implementation of the New Criminal Laws

(NCL), Interoperable Criminal Justice System (ICJS), cyber crime control measures, Eagle ac- tivities, performance of Forensic Science Labora- tory (FSL), and casel oad were also reviewed. Young IPS officers ex- plained the new innova- tions and technology- based programs under- taken in policing in the meeting. Issues related to the financial and bud- getary aspects of the po- lice department, police housing projects, infra- structure requirements, and operations were also discussed. Issues re- lated to surrendered Maoists and their reha- bilitation measures were also reviewed. Other is- sues related to the func- tioning of police units were also reviewed. “The officials also dis- cussed the issues. The DGP suggested that the priorities should be changed from time to time according to the crime situation prevail- ing in the respective units. He said that the

officials should be avail- able at the field level and monitor the situation closely. The DGP clari- fied that data analysis should be given priority in crime prevention, de- tection and investiga- tion. He said that better results are possible only with effective primary policing, timely data analysis, use of technol- ogy and continuous monitoring. He said that accountability at the unit level, timely decisions and effective actions at the field level will fur- ther strengthen crime control. DG (Law and Or- der) Mahesh Bhag wat, Seabody Director Shikha Goel, Women Safety, CID Director Charu Sinha, Eagle Director Sandeep Sand ilya were present at this review meeting. All the police commis- sioners of the state, dis- trict SPs and other high- ranking officials“Rulu and police personnel participated in the meet- ing.

Rakhi – A Bond of Love, Trust and Protection SI Tajuddin Pasra

Direct Voice Bureau Chief Mulugu August 29: Rakhi is not merely a sacred thread; it is a beautiful symbol of the everlasting bond between brothers and sisters. It represents love, affection, trust, care and the promise to stand by each other through every phase of life. A brother's protection is not just a promise it is a responsibility, while a sister's Rakhi is a reminder of the unconditional love and affection that strengthens this precious relationship. On this auspicious occasion of Raksha Bandhan, may the bond between brothers and sisters grow stronger with every passing year. May this festival bring happiness, prosperity, good health



and peace to every family. Warm wishes to all brothers and sisters on the joyous occasion of Rakhi! "TAJUDDIN" Sub-Inspector of Police "May the sacred thread of Rakhi always bind hearts with love, respect and lifelong togetherness."

Don't Stop Anywhere On The Sneeze Guard. "No Compromise Needed In River Water Disputes" Chief Minister Revanth Reddy

D. Rakesh Bhanu Direct voice State Bureau Chief Hyderabad August 29: CM Revanth Reddy has made it clear that there is no need for any compromise in the inter-state river water disputes. The interests of the Telangana state are the only ones that matter to him. On Friday, CM Revanth Reddy held a review meeting on the Irrigation Department at the Marri Chenna Reddy Human Resource Development Center. Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, senior officials and legal experts were present. It is learnt that in this meeting, inter-state water disputes, issues pending before various courts, boards and central institutions were discussed in detail. In addition, the CM instructed the officials to present strong arguments without disturbing the interests of Telangana under any circumstances. The Supreme Court Don't stop anywhere on the sneeze guard. Chief Minister CM Revanth Reddy has made it clear that there is no need for any compromise in the inter-state river water disputes. The interests of the Telangana state are the only ones that matter to him. On Friday, CM Revanth Reddy held a review meeting on the Irrigation Department at the Marri Chenna Reddy Human Resource Development Center. Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, senior officials and legal experts were present. It is learnt that in this meeting, inter-state water disputes, issues pending before various courts, boards and central institutions were discussed in detail. In addition, the CM instructed the officials to present strong arguments without disturbing the interests of Telangana under any circumstances. The Supreme Court, Don't stop anywhere on the sneeze guard. No compromise needed in river water disputes. Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's has made it clear that there is no need for any compromise in the inter-state river water disputes. The interests of the Telangana state are the only ones that matter to him. On Friday, CM Revanth Reddy held a review meeting on the Irrigation Department at the Marri Chenna Reddy Human Resource Development Center. Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, senior officials and legal experts were present. It is learnt that in this meeting, inter-state water disputes, issues pending before various courts, boards and central institutions were discussed in detail. In addition, the CM instructed the officials to present strong arguments without disturbing the interests of Telangana under any circumstances. The Supreme Court He suggested that the state's arguments should be strongly voiced on various platforms like the Central Water Commission (CWC), Krishna River Management Board (KRMB), and Godavari River Management Board. He directed that officials and lawyers should work in coordination on the ongoing water disputes in Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh and clearly state Telangana's stance. "Discussion on Tummidihetti project in Delhi on the 1st of next month under the auspices of the Central Water Commission with Telangana Maharashtra officials. In this context, the CM specially reviewed this issue with the officials. He instructed the officials to prepare the necessary information to make Telangana's argument strong on the issues of project construction, barrage height,

Maharashtra's objections, previously signed agreements and other issues. It is reported that it has been suggested that the impacts, benefits, losses, alternative routes, etc. on Telangana due to the construction at 148 meters should be explained to the central officials in a comprehensive manner. The CM made it clear that every objection raised by Maharashtra should be answered with facts and technical evidence. He wanted to create awareness that the barrage should be built at the previously proposed height under any circumstances. The CM suggested that the agreements, discussions and mutual agreements held in the past should be mentioned in the meeting. He instructed the officials to bring all the necessary issues to the attention of the Center to protect Telangana's interests in the Tummidihetti matter and to prepare a complete argument without neglecting any small issue. It is learnt that Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy has suggested that he personally supervise the preparations for the conference. Don't go anywhere A key meeting is being organized under the auspices of the Central Water Commission on the ongoing Krishna water dispute between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana on the 7th of next month. The CM has ordered that strong arguments be made in the meeting in accordance with the interests of the state. The discussion will focus on the utilization of Krishna water, release of water in Srisaillam and Nagarjunasagar projects, water. To protect the interests of the state The CM inquired about the



current status of the cases related to various water disputes between Telangana and Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh. What is the status of the cases pending in the Supreme Court? What arguments are being made by other states? What arguments have been made on behalf of Telangana so far? What is the strategy to be followed in the future? It is reported that the issues were reviewed. Also.. The CM learned details about the issues pending under the Central Water Commission, Krishna. Godavari River Water Management Boards. Lawyers, engineering officials, and irrigation department officials worked in coordination and prepared the necessary technical and legal evidence for the state's argument. It was suggested that Telangana's stance should be clearly stated on issues such as distributions. The CWC meeting has assumed importance in the backdrop of the ongoing disputes with AP over Krishna waters for years. It is reported that the CM has suggested that justice be done to the state on issues related to water availability, drinking water requirements, project management and water release with comprehensive information. In the recently held Krishna River Management Board meeting, the Telangana government clearly expressed its objections. Telangana has demanded that 112 TMC of water be allocated for drinking water needs till August 2027. In the Srisaillam and Nagarjunasagar projects It is reported that the meeting discussed the use of Godavari waters, permissions related to various projects, and disputes with Maharashtra on inter-state issues. The CM ordered a comprehensive examination of issues such as Telangana's rights, water utilization capacity, past agreements, and decisions of central agencies in the matter of projects. The CM has made it clear that Telangana's argument should not be weakened at any forum in inter-state water disputes and should move forward with a comprehensive strategy. He directed the officials to present arguments with evidence to protect the interests of the state at every forum, from the Supreme Court to the CWC, from the KRMB to the GRMB. "The board was asked to take steps to ensure adequate water storage. On the other hand, Telangana has expressed strong objection to the proposal made by AP to allocate 47 TMC of water for drinking water needs. Since the arguments of the two states were different, the meeting was postponed without taking a final decision. It is learnt that the CM has instructed the officials to act without compromising on the interests of the state in the next KRMB meeting to be held on the 4th of next month. The government intends to be vigilant regarding drinking water needs, keeping in mind the conditions of rainfall deficit due to the effect of El Nino.

Rs.5,000 Financial Assistance to Bereaved Family



Direct Voice Bureau Chief Mulugu August 29: The district president of the Adivasi Tribal Fishermen's Association, Siddaboina Surender, extended financial assistance of Rs.5,000 to the family of an Adivasi tribal fisherman who died prematurely due to illness. Bocchu Suraiah, a resident of Chityala village in Kannayigudem mandal, passed away recently after suffering from health-related problems. After learning about the bereavement, Siddaboina Surender visited the bereaved family, expressed his condolences and handed over Rs.5,000 in financial assistance on behalf of the association. "Speaking on the occasion, Surender said that the association would continue to stand by its members and their families during difficult times. He described Suraiah's untimely demise as a great loss to his family as well as the tribal fishing community. He also assured that the association would extend support to families in distress to the extent possible. District General Secretary Alam Bhaskar, District Vice-President Etti Paparao, District Secretary Vajja Narendra, District Executive Member Iruppa Krishna Rao, Shivapuram President Esam Suraiah, and presidents and representatives of various tribal fishermen's associations were present.

Actor Sanjosh Celebrates Raksha Bandhan with Visually Impaired Girls



Direct voice Bureau Chief Warangal August 29: Extends support to sisters with a heartfelt promise; gifts gas stove and arranges lunch "Actor Sanjosh celebrated Raksha Bandhan with the girls of the Srimatha Blind Foundation, turning the festival into an occasion to express compassion and social responsibility. As part of the celebrations, the actor presented a gas stove to the foundation for the girls' use and arranged lunch for all of them. Speaking on the occasion, Sanjosh assured the girls, "From now on, you are all my sisters. Whenever you need any support, I will stand by you to the best of my ability." The actor has already arranged meals for the girls of Srimatha Blind Foundation on two occasions and also participated in a fridge donation programme. "His social service initiatives extend beyond the foundation. Through mobile eye camps, he has so far supported cataract surgeries for 250 people and provided scholarships to 118 students. He has also personally taken responsibility for the education of three students. "Hailing from Warangal, Sanjosh has been entertaining audiences in the film industry with family-oriented stories while simultaneously pursuing social service activities with the aim of giving back to society. His commitment to supporting the underprivileged and encouraging education and healthcare initiatives has drawn appreciation from various sections of society.

Girls' Education Foundation for Nation's Empowerment Collector, Hemant Sahadeorao, Borkhade

D Rakesh Bhanu Bureau Chief Mulugu August 29: Educate the Girl Child – Empower the Nation' message highlighted as Balasadan girls tie Rakhis to Collector said On the occasion of Raksha Bandhan, girls from Balasadan tied Rakhis to Mulugu District Collector Borkhade Hemant Sahadeo Rao at his chamber in the newly inaugurated Integrated District Offices Complex (IDOC) here on The girls, under the aegis of the Women Development and Child Welfare Department, presented specially designed Rakhis carrying the message "Educate the Girl Child – Lead the Nation Towards Empowerment" and ex-

tended their Raksha Bandhan greetings to the Collector. The Collector warmly interacted with the girls, blessed them and distributed sweets. He advised them to pursue their education with discipline, move forward with self-confidence and set high goals to achieve success in life. "He directed officials of the Women Development and Child Welfare Department to give special attention to the care, education, health, safety and skill development of girls and ensure that they receive better services. He assured that the district administration would always extend the necessary support for their overall development. "District



Welfare Officer E.P. Premalatha said Raksha Bandhan symbolised not only love and affection but also mutual responsibility and protection. Educating a girl, she said, could pave the way for the progress of not only her future but also her family, society and the nation. "She stressed that ensuring a safe environment, equal opportunities and encouragement for girls to showcase their talents was the collective responsibility of everyone. District Child Helpline Coordinator Naresh, Balasadan staff members Aruna and Rani, Sakhi Centre staff member Lavanya, and personnel from the District Child Protection Unit and Women Empowerment Centre, among others, participated in the programme.