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Telangana Education Sector Is In ICU..

Nathari Venkatesh State Bureau Chief Hyderabad
October 7 : TPF letter to CM Revanth Reddy with 3 demands. The Telangana People's Front (TVF) has demanded that the government consider the education sector as an urgent priority in the state and take immediate comprehensive measures. To this end, retired IAS officers Aakunuri Murali, Dr. M.V. Reddy, M. Chamapala, Professor Padmaja and other TPF representatives wrote an open letter to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy on Wednesday. "The Telangana education sector is currently in the ICU. It needs immediate treatment," he expressed concern in the letter. He said that the education sector, which determines the future of the state, is under severe pressure, and the lack of infrastructure in government schools, junior and degree colleges and universities, and vacancies in teaching and non-teaching staff are seriously affecting the education system. On this occasion, he recalled the promise made by the Congress party in its 'Abhya-

hasam' manifest during the 2023 assembly elections to increase the education budget from 6.5 percent to 15 percent under the old government. Feedback through 'School Trip Bus Trip' He said that a 'Badis Kosam - Bus Yatra' was organized in the 10 districts of the common Telangana from September 15 to 29. During this yatra, 20 government schools as well as some private schools were inspected and the problems of schools were discussed at length with the parents of the students, village elders and public representatives. He announced that round table conferences were organized in 10 districts and based on the information (feedback) collected from the field, 3 main demands were placed before the government. "3 key recommendations from TPF to the government Demand 1: Act to regulate fees of private schools: The burden of fees is increasing day by day in corporate and private schools. An independent 'Fees Regulatory Commission' or a statutory body should be set up immediately to protect parents from this.



They urged that the process of determining fees and collecting them should be transparent and that additional fees imposed under various names should be strictly controlled. Comprehensive strengthening of government schools in the 'Arutla Model' Not only constructing new school buildings, but also upgrading thousands of existing government schools to the highest standards. Every school should be provided with adequate number of teachers, laboratories, libraries, computers, clean toilets, drinking water, sports facilities and digital teaching resources. They demanded that a law be brought with a clear road map to develop schools in all mandals without any compromise like the 'Telangana Public School' model in Arutla village. They made it clear that it is not right to select a few schools as a matter of course and develop them partially through contractors. At least 18 percent allocation for education in the state annual budget: In addition to the 15 percent promised in the manifesto, at least 18 percent of the state annual budget should be allocated to education in line with the future needs of Telangana. However, it was suggested that these funds should not be shown together with the expenses of Gurukul under welfare headings. The letter asked the CM to spend them in a balanced manner only on teachers, infrastructure, quality of education, higher education, research and student accommodation in general non-residential schools.

Prime Minister Modi's is a milestone worthy of being inscribed in golden letters in the nation's History- Gujjala Premender Reddy, BJP National Council Member

Dayyala Rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice Bureau Chief Warangal
October 7: Grand 'Viksit Sankalp Sabha' held at Warangal Crossroads; 'Seva Jyothi Kalash Yatra' flagged off by BJP State leaders. Gujjula Premender Reddy and Kondapalli Sridhar Reddy, along with District President Ganta Ravikumar. Modi's journey continues with the goal of a 'Viksit Bharat' Developed India. A prestigious 'Viksit Sankalp Sabha' was organized on Wednesday at Warangal Crossroads under the leadership of BJP Warangal District President Ganta Ravikumar and the chairmanship of 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan' District Convener Gogula Rana Pratap Reddy. Leaders remarked that the successful completion of 25 years of public administration as a head of government stands as a rare and magnificent milestone in the history of Indian democracy, noting that Prime Minister Modi's governance driven by the welfare of the

poor has become a guiding light for nations across the globe. They urged everyone to participate in the Prime Minister's efforts to transform India into 'Viksit Bharat' (Developed India) by 2047. Party leaders at the state and district levels, along with gathered citizens and party workers, watched the live address delivered by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi from the national capital, Delhi, on large screens. BJP National Council member Gujjula Premender Reddy, District In-charge Kondapalli Sridhar Reddy, and former MLAs Kondeti Sridhar and Vannala Sriramulu attended the event as chief guests. Leaders praised Prime Minister Modi's speech, noting that it serves as a guiding light for the nation's development and the creation of a 'Viksit Bharat,' while also instilling renewed enthusiasm among the party workers. Following the Prime Minister's address, leaders grandly flagged



off the "Seva Jyothi Kalash Yatra" at Warangal Crossroads as part of the 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan' initiative. The procession proceeded enthusiastically from Warangal Crossroads to Kothawada, accompanied by patriotic slogans and the spirited participation of party workers. Upon reaching the junction opposite Jakotiya Complex, the event concluded with the singing of the National Anthem. Subsequently, the 'Seva Jyothi' Flame of Service, brought as a symbol of service, was installed at the junction. On this occasion, BJP cadres named the junction "Viksit Seva Jyothi Junction." Participants in the event included BJP State Official Spokesperson Dr. Vannala Venkata Ramana, Seva Jyothi State Convener Siddham Nares, Program Coordinator Erragolla Bharat Veer, Executive Committee members Jalagam Ranjith Rao, Kusuma Satish, and Ratna Satish Shah; State leaders Kambhampati Pullarao and Malladi Tirupati Reddy; District General Secretaries Bakam Harishankar and Banna Prabhakar; as well as district office bearers, presidents of various wings and mandals, party workers, women, and city residents.

I will Serve The Nation Further PM Modi

Dayyala Rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice National Bureau Chief New Delhi
October 7: Prime Minister Modi stated that he has completed 25 years in governance thanks to the blessings of the people. Speaking at the 'Sankalp Jyothi' meeting, he remarked that when he took the oath as the Chief Minister of Gujarat on October 7, 2001, he had not imagined he would reach this level. He affirmed his commitment to serving the country further. He described himself as a perpetual student who always enjoys learning new things.



Bonus For Singareni Employees Kishan Reddy announced Rs. 1.30 lakh

Dayyala Rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice NATIONAL BUREAU CHIEF NEW DELHI
October 7: During the Dussehra and Diwali festivals, Singareni Collieries Company Limited The central government has said good news to the workers. Union Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy announced that a bonus of Rs. 1,10,250 has been announced for each worker eligible under the Performance Linked Reward. This time, it is a significant increase compared to the bonus of Rs. 1,03,000 paid last year. Union Minister Kishan Reddy said that the ef-

forts of the Singareni workers who are working hard under ground day and night to spread light to the country are invaluable. He said that Singareni is not just a coal production company, but is the gold of Telangana state and the livelihood of lakhs of families. He said that the role of Singareni workers is very crucial in the development of the country and the progress of the state. Keeping in mind the development of Singareni company and the welfare of the workers, the Union Minister demanded the Telangana government to immediately



release the dues of Rs. 60,000 crore due to Singareni from the Telangana government. He called on the management and workers to implement plans together to further increase coal production to meet the current needs. He said that he would like to extend his heartfelt wishes to the Singareni workers, employees and their families on the occasion of Dussehra and Diwali festivals. With the bonus announcement from the center, there was a festive atmosphere among the workers in the Singareni coal mines.

Eligible Graduates Should Register As Voters District Collector Divakara TS

Dayyala Rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice Bureau Chief Khammam
October 7: The last date for applications for the preparation of voters' list form-18 is November 6, considering November 1, 2026 as the eligibility date. Information for every eligible graduate A similar wide campaign As the voters' list is being prepared anew for the Warangal-Khammam-Nalgonda graduates' constituency, eligible graduates must register their names in the voters' list, District Collector Divakara TS said in a statement on Tuesday. Those who graduated by October 31, 2023 are eligible and November 1, 2026 is considered the eligibility date, the Collector said that the voters' list is being prepared anew as per the directions of the Election Commission of India. He said that this process is being undertaken in the context of the vacancy that will arise in the Legislative Council in March 2027. Form-18 should be submitted Warangal Khammam Nalgonda

graduates. The Collector advised the graduates who are eligible to register as voters in the constituency to apply in preparation of voters' Form-18. He said that in addition to applying online Form-18 can also be submitted directly to the concerned AER/officer. It was advised to submit the necessary supporting documents along with the application. The Collector clarified that the last date for submitting Form-18 applications is November 6. Eligible graduates should apply in advance without waiting until the last date. He said that the draft voters list will be prepared by November 20 and published on November 25, and objections to the voters list will be accepted from November 25 to December 10. The collector said that applications will be accepted and the final voters' list will be published on December 30. "Pro-motion should be done in educational institutions and banks. The Collector ordered the officials of all government offices, educational in-



stitutions, banks, service associations and other organizations in the district to inform the eligible graduates under their jurisdiction about this matter. He advised them to send information to degree, PG colleges and other educational institutions and create awareness among the eligible graduates. He said that the Lead District Manager should inform all the banks and inform the eligible employees and graduate account holders. The Collector ordered the Tahsildars and AERs to widely publicize in the mandals and villages under their jurisdiction. He said that the campaign should be conducted daily through TAMRAM and Public Address System in the mandal centers and villages. He advised that the eligible graduates should be clearly informed about how to submit Form-18. The last date is November 6. He also instructed to take steps to ensure that the information reaches every eligible person through local staff. The District Collector stated in the statement that officials from all departments should work in coordination to ensure that every eligible graduate gets his name registered in the voters' list and that this process should be given top priority.



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World Cultural Heritage Day Disappearing Buildings

World Cultural Heritage Day is celebrated every year all over the world. On the basis of heritage conservation issues, on 27th January 1984, under the auspices of the Prime Minister of India, Indira Gandhi, with Rajiv Gandhi as the Chairman, an organization called Indian National Foundation for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTAC) was established. In addition, the 'Department of Culture, Government of India' and the 'State Archaeological Department' have been entrusted with the responsibility of creating awareness among the people about the cultural value of India's heritage and its conservation. They stand as a mirror to the past glory and ancient history of Bhakta Karimnagar district. As a result of the extraordinary research of Dr. V. V. Krishna Shastri, retired Director of the State Archaeological Department, it is no ordinary matter if it is proved that the history of the district dates back to 50 thousand years ago. The civilization of this region, which stood as a bridge between North and South Indians, in the Karimnagar district, which is spread over the southern banks of the Gautami River, has been washed away by the flow of time, but as a result of the tireless efforts of enthusiastic historical researchers, the history that was preserved here and there in the form of stories, legends, in the mouths, in stones, in the eyes, and in the petals has been able to come to light to some extent. As far as Andhra history is concerned, the Satavahanas were the first royal dynasty, and not if we think of the Paithan or Nasika region in Maharashtra, but the Andhra Drityas mentioned in the Puranas before that, and the servants of the first Andhra Prathavalas, which is a special fact that has come to light in the excavations of Kotilingala. Historical research makes it clear that the ancestral home of the Satavahanas is in Karimnagar district. When the coins belonging to Srimukha were discovered by the historical researcher Kirtisheshu Sanganabhatla Naraharika, a native of Dharmapuri, it was proved that Srimukha, who is considered the founder of the Satavahana dynasty, ruled from Kotilingala as his capital, a new chapter in history began. Centuries before Christ, the Andhra kingdom flourished under the rule of the Satavahanas, and Buddhism, their favorite religion, prevailed over the worship religion of the people of this region. The name of every ancient village, every architectural skill, every building, every object, every earthenware vessel, speaks of a history intertwined with religion. In these areas where Buddhism flourished, peace and non-violence prevailed, and ancient stupas, sculptures, and buildings, which were the objects of worship of the ancients, are visible everywhere they are excavated. They are drowning in the waters of disrespect as silent witnesses to thousands of years of priceless history, worrying about their plight and being neglected by officials and public representatives, and their culture and life are fading away before their time. The Pashayigam Buddhist Stupa in Dharmapuri constituency, which had been humbly lamenting "Buddha Sharanam Gachami" until yesterday due to the negligence of a contractor, has fallen into ruin. Although Buddhism spread in the Gangetic plains in the sixth century BC, Buddhism, which entered before the time of Ashoka, gained special prominence during the reign of the Satavahanas. There were three ancient Buddhist stupas in Kurnnagar district. Among them, the Pashayigam Buddhist Stupa, which is related to Bharmnam, which dates back to 200 BC, was of particular importance. It had these circular rings. On these, a word, elephant figures, on both sides of the stupa, and the stupa with the inscription "older than the Dhulikatta Stupa", has been proven by historians to be "the most advanced stone cutter in the district". The inscriptions of Naga Simpi Yakaya and Jamajoraga Brahma, dating back to the second century AD, were found at Stavam. The famous Buddhist scholar Dignagu, a Buddhist scholar named Chennapana, built a Buddhist stupa on the Pashaigam hill, three kilometers away from Kotilinga, the first capital of the Satavahanas, on the present Rayapatnam-Kurnnagar state highway. The Chinese traveler Huen Glang mentioned in his book in the seventh century that this area was used by this area. The importance of the Pashaigam Buddhist stupa is clear from the announcement made by the former Director of the State Archaeological Department, V.V. Krishna Sastry, as the main speaker on the occasion of the Satavahana Kala Utsava on 21st, 2002 in Karimnagar. Such an ancient historical source of Buddhist stupa was unnecessarily damaged due to the negligence of the contractor, Irman International Limited, in the construction of the state highway. As a ritual, the ground was demolished on 25th December 1990. Later, the broken stupa slabs were collected and preserved in the District Central Archaeological Museum and re-erected. As a result, the Buddhist stupa of Pashaigam disappeared and the area was erased from the pages of history and lost its antiquity. Similarly, a temple dating back to the second century BC in Julapalli MandalThe Dhulikatta site, which is adorned with 47 sculpted slabs and engraved with the five-word "Muchilinda Nagam", the Bodhi tree and the Mahabhinishkramanam, is of special significance at the confluence of the Hussainiya stream and the small streams. "The unique plaques from the Dhulikatta were moved to Amaravati a while ago for the maintenance of the Kalachakra. More than 38 lakhs of funds allocated by the then state government to protect the historical sculptures, stupas, forts and paddy fields on the banks of the Dhulikatta and Mirjampet Maneru of Kotilingala have been misdirected. The ancient structures, Buddhist stupas, monasteries, and unique works of sculpture may not be known to the ruling elites who do not have proper understanding of history and do not respect it, but their historical background, which is invaluable for thousands of years, is not being expanded. On the one hand, the history of this region related to the spread of Buddhism is being forgotten... On the other hand, if the unique historical evidence of antiquity is being forgotten and their soul is being heard, the Indian Archaeological Department has to bow its head before the citizens of the world,

First FIR Related to Form-7

Hyderabad: A case has been filed against BJP booth-level agent (BLA) S. Balachander at the Chikkadpally police station for allegedly giving false information to poll officials to seek the deletion of voters from the electoral roll. The accused reportedly submitted 30 Form-7 applications seeking deletion of votes of a Muslim family, which includes Congress BLA Shafiuddin in Musheerabad Assembly constituency, recently. This was the first instance of bulk Form-7 applications which came to light on October 1 in Telangana.

T. Praveen Kumar Reddy, Musheerabad Assembly constituency electoral registration officer (ERO), lodged the complaint, following directions from district election officer. The case was booked under BNS Sections 217 (giving false information to a public servant) and 318 (2) (cheating) and Section 31 of the Representation of People Act (making false declarations).

The ERO, who received the field inspection report from booth level officer (BLO) and BLO supervisor, noted that Balachander had brought 30 pre-printed Form-7 applications and tried to submit them at polling station 210, on September 28, allegedly with the malafide intention of deleting voters not con-



nected to him. "The BLO concerned and BLO supervisor collectively refused to receive the bulk forms in spite of repeated requests from the said BLA of BJP and have not given any acknowledgement in token of receipt..." the FIR copy read.

Later, the assistant ERO and ERO verified the case on October 1, before submitting the report to the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO). "The act of conspiracy by BLA of BJP Balachander for involving in deletion of 30 electors is against rules and punishable under Section 31 of the Representation of People Act 1950 (sic)," Praveen Kumar's complaint to the police stated.

In the complaint lodged with CEO Sudharshan Reddy on October 1, the Congress had demanded that a thorough and impartial investigation be taken up into the effort to get voter names deleted. While welcoming the lodging of the police complaint, party leaders have noted that it vindicated the Congress claim.

"At last, an FIR was booked against the BJP BLA. I request the police to investigate the matter fully and book the people who are behind the printing, data collection, supply of pre-printed Form-7s and other things relating to the issue. He (the BLA) is only the scapegoat, police have to book the real culprits," said P. Rajesh Kumar, chairman of the Congress Election Commission co-ordination committee.

Warangal Collector Orders MGM Hospital To Address Lapses

WARANGAL: Warangal collector Dr Satya Sharada conducted on Tuesday evening a surprise inspection of MGM Hospital following continuous complaints of negligence, including incidents of ceiling plaster falling on patients and attendants. She directed the hospital administration to address the lapses.

During her inspection, the collector checked the administrative sections, record room, laboratory and other departments. She verified the attendance registers and directed the MGM administrative officer to issue show-cause notices to officials and staff absent from duty without prior permission.

Dr Satya Sharada directed doctors, officials, and staff to attend their duties regularly and discharge their responsibilities effectively, as MGM is the major government hospital in the region catering to a large number of patients.

During her inspection of the record room, she directed officials to maintain records systematically and keep the premises



clean. At the laboratory, she instructed staff to follow safety protocols and wear masks, gloves, and identity cards while on duty.

The collector stressed the need to reduce delays in laboratory services by replacing the manual slip-based system with an online programme to provide faster services to patients.

She directed security staff to perform their duties effectively and prevent stray dogs from entering the hospital premises.

Those present during the inspection included MGM nodal officer Harichandra Reddy, DMHO Rajireddy and DBCDO Pushpalatha

TG Govt Offers Cash Reward To Contractors To Complete Indiramma Towers Ahead Of Schedule

The state government will offer special incentives to contractors who complete Indiramma Towers ahead of schedule, with a reward of ₹45 lakh for finishing a project one month before the deadline and ₹90 lakh for completing it two months early, housing minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy said on Tuesday. He said the incentives aimed to speed up construction of one lakh flats under Indiramma Towers scheme in Hyderabad Core Urban Region (CURE) limits and ensure handover to beneficiaries within a year. The government has fixed a one-year deadline for completing the Indiramma Towers, he added. The minister was speaking after laying the foundation for Indiramma Towers at Gajularamaram in Quthbullapur Assembly constituency on Tuesday.

Srinivas Reddy said the government would take up construction of Indiramma Towers as a continuous process in 23 Assembly constituencies. In Quthbullapur, the scheme had received more than 7,000 applications of which 5,218 were found eligible after scrutiny. Of these, 480 beneficiaries were selected through an open lucky draw.

He said the beneficiary selection process was conducted transparently through an online system and details of how houses were allotted to each beneficiary would be shared with them along with the relevant documents.

The minister said the allocation of the present batch of houses would not mark the end of the programme and construction would be taken up in three more phases. Around 7.5 acres of land was currently available in the constituency, while other government and housing department land would also be identified for constructing houses for the poor. He said instructions had already been issued to senior Housing department officials in this regard.

Srinivas Reddy said quality would be given the highest priority in the construction of the houses and urged beneficiaries to regularly monitor the works. The objective was to ensure that beneficiaries could watch their houses being constructed and eventually enjoy the satisfaction of owning quality homes, he said.

BRS leader Manne Krishank gets relief as court rejects remand plea

A Secunderabad court rejected the police plea seeking remand of BRS social media coordinator Manne Krishank, arrested over a Congress leader's complaint. Separately, the Telangana High Court directed CCS police not to arrest him in another case and ordered notices



Hyderabad: A Secunderabad court on Tuesday rejected the police plea seeking the remand of BRS social media coordinator Manne Krishank, providing relief to the BRS leader who was arrested by Gopalapuram police in connection with a complaint lodged by a Congress leader.

Krishank was arrested at his residence following a complaint by Congress leader Mettu Sai Kumar, who alleged that banners and flexes had been put up near Medicover Hospital targeting Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy and his family with what he termed baseless allegations.

After his arrest, Krishank was taken to the police station and later to Gandhi Hospital for a medical examination before being produced before the court. The court subsequently rejected the police request to remand him.

The arrest drew a strong response from BRS leaders and cadres, several of whom gathered at the Secunderabad court. Former minister and Secunderabad MLA T Padma Rao, BRS general secretary RS Praveen Kumar, MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy, MLCs Dasaju Sravan Kumar and Shambipur Raju, and former MLAs Balka Suman and Gadari Kishore were among those who reached the court.

The development came a day after the Cyber Crime police registered another case against Krishank, MR Media Telangana and others based on a complaint by Sai Kumar over remarks and published material concerning alleged corruption involving the Chief Minister's family.

The BRS alleged that the two cases related to the same issue and accused the Congress government of using police cases to target Opposition leaders.

BRS legal cell lawyer Jakkula Laxman alleged that Krishank was arrested within hours of the complaint without a proper investigation. He also alleged that police were acting swiftly on complaints lodged by Congress leaders while BRS complaints remained pending.

Laxman further alleged that the police had invoked certain sections without obtaining the required court permission. He warned that defamation proceedings could be initiated against officials if false cases were registered.

Krishank had earlier criticised the registration of cases over his remarks, saying the ruling party and the Chief Minister's family should respond to the questions raised by him instead of filing cases. He had described the FIR registered over a press conference as a new low in Telangana politics.

Separately, the Telangana High Court directed the Central Crime Station (CCS) police not to arrest Krishank in another case. The court instead directed the police to issue notices to him in accordance with the procedure and seek his explanation.

The BRS has criticised the police action and questioned the registration of cases against its leaders over allegations made against the government. The Congress and the police position on the allegations should be incorporated if available.

This Training Is Aimed At Preparing Cadets As First Responders During Natural Calamities - DAILY ACTIVITY REPORT - CATC-VIII 10(T) BN NCC WARANGAL

Direct Voice Bureau Chief Warangal October 7: The day's activities commenced with an inspiring opening address by Camp Commandant Col S.S. Rama Dhurai He addressed the cadets of CATC-VIII on the importance of NCC training and formally inaugurated the Yuva Aapda Mitra training capsule."Yuva Aapda Mitra Training - Collaboration The Police Department and SDRF State Disaster Response Force will be coordinating with NCC for the next ten days to provide practical hands-on Disaster Management training to all cadets This training is

aimed at preparing cadets as first responders during natural calamities Commencement of Training SDRF personnel have started their practical training for cadets from today itself with demonstration classes RDC Selection The camp is also the Final Selection Camp for RDC IGC for Warangal Group Cadets are being rigorously trained in Drill Firing, Written Test and Personality for the selection Camp Staff Present Camp Commandant Col S.S. Rama Dhurai Dy. Camp Commandant AO Lt. Col. Ravi Sunhare Subedar Major Rakesh



Kumar Tomar BHM Ramnath Sonawale "Training Team Rahendran"Associate NCC OfficersLt. Ch. Kiran, First Officer S. Radha Krishnan, Second Officer A. Raju, Second OfficerV. Thirupathi CTOs Venkatratnam Madhuri Sangeetha, Raheem and Riyaz Civilian Staff A. Kumara swamy, Aruna The morale of the cadets is very high Dy. Camp Commandant"CATC-VIII

inaugurate walking track, children's play area, green zone, and Shilparamam stalls at the Pedda Cheruvu Mini Tank Bund Government Whip and MLA Yennam Srinivas Reddy District Collector Khushbu Gupta

Direct Voice State Bureau Chief, Mahabubnagar October 7: Government Whip Yennam Srinivas Reddy, accompanied by District Collector Khushbu Gupta, inaugurated several facilities on Wednesday evening at the Pedda Cheruvu Mini Tank Bundlocated in the heart of the townwhich were developed at an estimated cost of ₹1.50 crore. These include a walking track, children's play area, green zone, selfie point, and Bathukamma Ghat. Additionally, they inaugurated stalls at Shilparamam that have been allocated to members of women's self-help groups."Speaking on the occasion, Yennam Srinivas Reddy stated that the area at the Tank Bund has been developed to provide a pleasant space for children and families to spend time, offering opportunities for recreation, relaxation, and healthy activities during the Dasara holidays. He mentioned that facilities such as a walking track, green zone, and children's play area have been set up to enable city residents to engage in walking, yoga, and other exercises during the morning and evening hours. He further noted that this marks the first phase of development aimed at beautifying the Tank Bund and transforming it into a unique attraction for Mahabubnagar city. He



stated that the areas surrounding Tank Bund would also be developed in phases in the coming days, transforming them into a source of pride for city residents. He commended the MUDA Chairman, municipal officials, staff, and contractors for their cooperation in this endeavor. He urged the public to make extensive use of these facilities while also ensuring they are kept clean and safe. He mentioned that arrangements such as drip irrigation and water supply systems have been put in place to maintain the greenery. He added that he had instructed the Municipal Commissioner to deploy dedicated staff for the park's maintenance and advised implementing police patrols and security measures to prevent any anti-social activities. District Collector Khushbu Gupta spoke and advised members



of women's self-help groups to make effective use of the stalls allocated to them at Shilparamam. She expressed the hope that by displaying and selling their products at these stalls, the women would grow their businesses and strengthen themselves financially. MUDA Chairman Lakshman Yadav, Mayor G. Mamatha, Deputy Mayor Marepally Surender Reddy, DRDO Narsimhulu, Municipal Commissioner Ramanujula Reddy, along with other officials, corporators, and public representatives, participated in the event.

Dussehra Holidays Key Directives to Schools

Direct Voice special correspondent Warangal October 7: Dussehra holidays for schools and intermediate colleges in Telangana will begin from the 10th of this month. In this context, officials have issued key orders to the management of all educational institutions. They stated that the holiday schedule must be strictly followed and instructed that no special classes should be conducted Colleges will reopen on the 22nd and schools will reopen on the 23rd of this month.Meanwhile in Andhra Pradesh AP holidays have been declared



for schools from the 10th to the 21st of this month.

Investigation Underway In Case Of Missing Minor Girls East Zone DCP Ankit Kumar

Ch Abhinay Bureau Chief Warangal October 7: A case was registered at the Khanapur Police Station (under the Warangal Police Comm issionerate on September 29, 2026, following a complaint lodged by parents regarding the disappearance of two minor girls from their village. A special police team was constituted to swiftly locate and safely bring back the girls. During the investigation, the police traced the two girls to Hydera bad. While

they were being brought from Hydera bad to the Khanapur Police Station in the presence of their parents, the girls began vomiting near Kazipet. When the escort personnel and the girls' mothers questioned them, the girls revealed that they had consumed an unidentified pesticide; they were immediately rushed to MGM Hospital in Warangal. The girls are currently undergoing treatment un-

der medical supervision. Police investigation into the incident is ongoing. Police teams have been formed to identify and apprehend the suspects involved in the girls' disappearance. East Zone DCP Ankit Kumar stated that suspected individuals would be identified and questioned to ascertain their roles, and strict action would be taken in accordance with the law; he urged the public not to believe rumors re-



garding the case of the missing minor girls and assured that the investigation is proceeding transparently.

Intimidation of journalism will not be tolerateda warning to the Wardhannapet MLA NarenderPresident Warangal East Credit Society

Direct Voice Bureau Chief Warangal October 7:"Protesting against the burning of a media organization's effigy, journalists staged a massive demonstration at the Pochamma Maidan junction in Warangal, wearing black badges and sitting on the road. They condemned the aggression shown by the MLA's followers against the "Fourth Estate" and demanded an immediate apology from Wardhannapet MLA K.R. Nagaraju. Narender, President of the East Credit Society, warned that such incidents which



have now occurred four times would not be tolerated if attempts were made to suppress press freedom and intimidate journalists The protesters made it clear that the government must bear full responsibility for the safety of journalists and declared that they would not call off their protests until the MLA apologized.

Pending Dues Of Newspapers Must Be Paid TMSPJA Appeals To The Information Commissioner

Dayyala Rakesh Bhanu Direct Voice State Bureau Chief Hyderabad October 7 : The Telangana Medium Weekly-Daily and Periodical Journalists Association (TMSEJA) has urged the government to immediately pay the pending dues received by the newspapers from government departments and support them. To this end, the association met Information and Public Relations Commissioner G. Mukunda Reddy at the Secretariat on Wednesday and submitted a petition under the leadership of state president Babu Rao.He said that the Commissioner has responded positively to the issues. He assured that the bills regarding pending dues are under the scrutiny of the Finance Minister and that he will do his best to pay the dues soon Speaking on the occasion State President Babu Rao said that more than 400 small and medium dailies, weeklies, fortnightly and monthly magazines are being published regularly across the state. He said that around five thousand journalists are working in this sector. He urged the government to take special steps for the survival of small magazines and the welfare of



journalists TMS JA state president Babu Rao and others present a petition to Information Commissioner G. Mukunda Reddy He urged the government to take special action to address the problems of small and medium newspapers working in them. He appealed to the government to hold an immediate meeting with the officials and take steps to resolve the issue. State leaders Pulipalula Anandam Valla Jagan Kanteti Ramadevi Mitta pa Ili Surender, Karu nakar and others participated in the program." They want to set up a special corporation for the development of small and medium newspapers and create basic facilities, and implement a 30 percent share alloca-

tion for newspapers. They want to make small and medium newspapers eligible for government advertisements. They want to implement an online system for submitting advertisement bills and avoid delays in processing bills. They want to implement an online system for monitoring the regularity of publication of newspapers. They want to conduct the empanelment process of newspapers once in six months and provide an opportunity to weekly newspapers as well The strength of small newspapers the voice of the people He requested that small and medium sized newspapers be given adequate representation in the coverage of important government events and visits of dignitaries The

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Be Vigilant Against Cyber Frauds CP N. Shweta



Rakam Radhika Bureau Chief Warangal October 7 : With the Cyber ??Security Bureau declaring October as Cyber ??Fraud Awareness Month and conducting awareness programs, Warangal Police Commissioner N. Shweta has advised people to be vigilant against cyber crimes. When receiving phone calls, SMSs, WhatsApp messages, emails or suspicious links, follow the "Wait.. Think... Verify" policy."Lani said. It is advised not to believe fraudulent calls and mes-

sages in the names of KYC, bank account blocking, lottery, job opportunities, huge profits on investments. Be careful of fake websites that claim huge discounts and lowest prices in online shopping, and verify the website URL and seller details before making a purchase. "OTP, UPI PIN. ATM/debit card details like CVV, PIN, passwords should not be shared with anyone and suspicious links should not be clicked on. It was clarified that it is not. It was advised not to trust people

who pressure you to send money urgently. If you are a victim of cyber fraud, you should immediately call 1930 and file a complaint online at cybercrim e.gov.in. On this occasion Warangal Police Commissioner N. Shweta unveiled cybercrime awareness posters to create awareness among the public about cyber crimes. Additional DCP (Administration) Rayala Prabhakar Rao, Cyber ??Crime Inspector Ashok Kumar and Commissionerate AO participated in this program.

Coordinated Bathukamma and Dussehra celebrations Warangal West MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy

Ch Abhinay Bureau Chief October 07 : Warangal West MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy and District Collector Chahat Bajpai said that the relevant departments should coordinate and complete the arrangements to organize the festivals. On Wednesday, a coordination meeting was held at the conference hall of the Hanumakonda District Collectorate on the arrangements to be made under the auspices of various departments for the Bathukamma and Dussehra festivals to be held from the 10th to the 21st of this month. Warangal West MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy reviewed the arrangements for the festivals with the officials of the municipal, police, revenue, endowments and other departments. District Collector Chahat Bajpai reviewed the arrangements. Speaking on the occasion, Warangal West MLA Nayini Rajender Reddy said that

if the relevant officials make advance arrangements for each festival, all the festivals can be organized in a grand manner. The officials should perform their duties responsibly and take steps to ensure that the Bathukamma and Dussehra festivals are held in a grand manner. Officials from the Greater Warangal Corporation, Police, Revenue, Irrigation, Endowment Department, and other departments worked in coordination to provide relief to the devotees. They want to make proper arrangements so that there is no trouble. Speaking in this meeting, District Collector Chahat Bajpai said Engilipoola Bathukamma a Veyistambhala Temple Similarly, Saddula Bathukamma celebrations will be held in Padmakshamm Temple. He suggested that electric lamps be installed at the places where Bathukamma and Dussehra festivals are held. Arrange-

ments should be made so that devotees do not face any trouble. Strong measures should be taken to prevent traffic disruption. Details about Sri Devi Sharannavaratri Mahotsavam at Bhadrakali Temple were given in this meeting. Chief priest Bhadrakali Seshu explained the details, while chief priests Gangu Upendra Sharma and Shankar Sharma spoke about the Bathukamma festivals to be held at the Thous and Padmakshamm Temples. In this meeting, Additional District Collector Ravi. Central Zone DCP Dhara Kavitha, Greater Warangal Corporation Commissioner Venkanna. Jadni CEO Seshadri, DRDO Mesa Srisu, Parakala, Hanumakonda RDOs Venkanna, Venkatesh, Endowment Department Assistant Commissioner Sunitha, officers and priests of various departments participated.

SEVA JYOTHI TORCH RALLY HELD IN WARANGAL

K. Satish Kumar Direct Voice Reporter Warangal | October 7, 2026 : A Seva Jyothi Torch Rally was organised at Warangal Crossroads on Wednesday as part of the 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan', marking the completion of 25 years of continuous public service and governance. Former legislator Sri Kondeti Sridhar participated in the programme along with a large number of party leaders, workers, youth and supporters. "The programme was conducted under the leadership of Warangal District President Sri Ganta Ravikumar. National leader and former State General Secretary Sri Gujjula Premender Reddy attended the event as the chief guest. "As part of the programme, an LED screen was arranged at Warangal Crossroads, through which the concluding address of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the youth and people across the country was screened. "In his address, Prime Minister Modi emphasised the importance of public service and a sense of responsibility, stating that irrespective of the position or authority one may hold, the spirit of serving the people should remain paramount. He highlighted the principle of 'Nagrik Devo Bhava', stressing that governance should remain people-centric and that the spirit of service should be reflected in public policies and administration. "The Prime Minister also highlighted the vision of 'Viksit Bharat @ 2047', calling upon the youth to play a significant role in the nation's development. He emphasised that young people should actively participate in nation-building with a strong sense of social responsibility and contribute towards the country's long-term development. "Following the address, the Seva Jyothi Torch Rally commenced from Warangal Crossroads towards Warangal Pochamma Maidan, with participants carrying illuminated torches as a symbol of service, commitment and collective responsibility. "Several senior leaders and party functionaries participated in the programme, including Warangal District In-charge Sri Kondapalli Sridhar Reddy, former legislator Sri Vannala Sriramulu, District General Secretary Sri Banna Prabhakar, Sri Bakam Harish Shankar, Kisan Morcha State Vice-President Sri Malladi Tirupathi Reddy, State Spokesperson Dr. Vannala Venkataramana, Narsampet MLA candidate Dr. Kambhampati Pullarao, and State leaders Sri Kusuma Satish, Sri Jalagam Ranjith Rao and Sri Siddham Naresh. "District Mahila Morcha President Smt. Tekumatla Renuka, Sri Ratnam Satish Shah, women leaders, presidents of various Morchas, BJYM leaders and activists, youth leaders, senior party workers, Mandal and Division Presidents, in-charges and other party functionaries also participated in the rally. "The event witnessed enthusiastic participation and concluded with the Seva Jyothi Torch Rally proceeding from Warangal Crossroads towards Pochamma Maidan.

Protests Everywhere Over The 'Sir' Survey What Is The Guarantee Yamsani Srinivas Senior Journalist

The stir caused by the special comprehensive revision of the voters' lists 'Sir' is not all. The Election Commission has declared its aim that not a single eligible citizen's name should be removed from the voters' list and no ineligible person should be included. The Election Commission has ordered that 'Sir' be carried out in 16 states and three union territories by May 2026, based on Article 324 of the Constitution and the provisions of the Representation of the People Act. However, difficulties encountered in the process, allegations of deletion of voters' names, and doubts about the submission of documents have sparked a political uproar. "This is not just a technical issue related to the conduct of elections. The right to vote is the foundation of democracy. The absence of a person's name in the list means that his political voice is not heard. That is why opposition parties, students and youth groups are protesting demanding clarity on 'Sir'. On October 2, there were reports that more than a thousand people were detained in a protest against Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar in Delhi. However, the response to the criticism is not limited to political statements alone. It is noteworthy that the Election Commission itself on October 2 ordered to identify and register the youth who were left behind in the areas where the 'Sir' had been completed and who were going to vote for the first time.

That is, the need to re-integrate the 'left-out' voters into the system has been officially recognized. From here the question widens: Why is public trust in institutions declining? The answer is visible beyond our country's borders and around the world. In France, youth anger over the education sector turned into a nationwide movement on October 6. According to government figures, more than 2.5 lakh people took part in the rallies while classes were completely or partially suspended in 891 schools. The main concerns were the lack of education funding, staffing problems, and the poor conditions of schools. This is no coincidence. Young people are seeking security for their future. Once common goals of a job after education, a stable life after work, and a home of their own are now becoming unattainable in many countries. The streets are becoming their platform when they feel that the system is not providing solutions to their problems. The housing crisis in Spain is another example of this reality. An attempt to evict an 87-year-old woman in Madrid has sparked nationwide outrage. Rising rents, housing shortages, and unaffordable housing have become major political issues. The crisis has become even more political after parliament rejected housing reforms proposed by Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez's government. The situation is worsening, with estimates that

Spain's housing deficit could reach one million by 2028. From America to Europe, from Asia to Africa, there is one common theme behind these protests. The decline of trust in institutions by the people, especially the youth. Unemployment, social inequalities, the cost of living, climate change, wars, and political instability all increase fear about the future in this context, the controversy over 'Sir' should also be seen as part of a broader crisis of democratic confidence. The Election Commission should respond transparently to every objection so that doubts about its impartiality are not raised. A possibility of reconsideration should be provided without leaving even a single eligible voter off the list. At the same time, there should be clear criteria and an appeal system for the process of removing the ineligible. It is easy to suppress public protests. It is difficult to eliminate the discontent that caused them. That is why governments should listen to the voice of the new generation not as hostility but as a warning. If faith in the right to vote in a democracy is damaged, the first duty is to restore that faith. The sooner clarity comes on 'Sir', the sooner the clouds of suspicion will disappear and will be removed.



Progress Of Irrigation And Railway Projects Being Implemented In The State Under Central And State Governments Reviewed "Manoj Govil Secretary Coordination Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India

Nathari Venkatesh, State Bureau Chief Hyderabad October 7: A video conference was held on Wednesday, chaired by Manoj Govil, Secretary Coordination Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, from Delhi, to discuss pending issues regarding PRAGATI/PMG projects in Telangana. Telangana Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju participated from Hyderabad. From Mahabubnagar district, Collector Khushbu Gupta participated in the video conference from the Collectorate's video conference hall. The meeting reviewed the progress of irrigation and railway projects being implemented in the

state under the aegis of the Central and State governments. Discussions were held on expediting the resolution of pending issues related to these projects through coordination among the concerned departments. During the meeting, the Collector explained the progress of land acquisition for the Mahabubnagar Dhone railway line doubling project. She stated that the land acquisition process for the doubling project is nearly complete and assured that the remaining minor portion would also be finalized soon. Along with the Collector, RDO Naveen and officials from the concerned departments participated in the meeting.



Women's Safety Is The Primary Objective Of The 'SHE Team' Legal Action Against Those Who Harass Women Is Inevitable SHE Team SIs Yadagiri And Swathi

Ch. Abhinav Bureau Chief Warangal October 7 : An awareness program for students was held at the Government Vocational Junior College in Hanamkonda. SHE Team Sub-Inspectors (SIs) Yadagiri and Swathi emphasized that everyone must play a role in curbing crimes against women and fulfilling their responsibilities. They noted that exercising caution can help prevent such crimes. The awareness program regarding the SHE Team took place on Wednesday at the Government Vocational Junior College in Hanamkonda. Speaking on the occasion, they advised young women to be cautious

when sharing personal photos and details on social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and Telegram. They urged women to be aware of cyber crimes and to utilize the 'T-Safe App' when traveling alone to unfamiliar places. They also advised working women to be vigilant against individuals including eve-teasers who behave inappropriately at their workplaces and cautioned against sharing personal information with strangers. They encouraged women to boldly and immediately report any instances of inappropriate or indecent behavior to the SHE Team police. They stated that in the event



of cybercrimes, complaints should be lodged via the toll-free number 1930 or through the 'She Team' WhatsApp numbers specifically those of the CP (8712685257), CI (8712685142), and SI (8712685270). They assured that the identities of complainants would be kept strictly confidential, and that offenders would undergo counseling and face appropriate legal action. SHE Team Sub-Inspectors T. Yadagiri and M. Swathi, along with the college principal, teachers, Head Constable Surya Narayana, Constable Imran Khan, Vamsi Krishna, and other staff members, participated in the event.

Record-Breaking Rice Cultivation In Telangana Yet Soaring Rice Prices - Yamsani Srinivas Senior Journalist

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NAIDU, PAWAN KALYAN DISCUSS SEAT-SHARING STRATEGY FOR ANDHRA LOCAL BODY POLLS

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan held a two-hour meeting to discuss seat-sharing, mayoral posts, and electoral strategy for the upcoming local body elections, with NDA allies aiming to contest the polls in a coordinated manner.

Amaravati: Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan met Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Tuesday to discuss seat-sharing for the upcoming local body elections.

Pawan Kalyan attended the breakfast hosted by Chandrababu Naidu at his official residence at Undavalli.

Chandrababu Naidu's son and Minister Nara Lokesh was also present during the breakfast.

Later, Chandrababu Naidu and Pawan Kalyan discussed the upcoming elections to rural and urban local bodies.

During the two-hour meeting, they reportedly discussed seat adjustments among partners in the ruling National Democratic Alliance (NDA).

The discussion between the national president of the Telugu Desam Party (TDP) and Jana Sena reportedly centred around the number of seats their respective parties will contest.

The two leaders also discussed sharing posts of mayors and deputy mayors in the key municipal corporations.



Chandrababu Naidu and Pawan Kalyan also reported to have discussed the strategy of the ruling coalition for the civic polls and coordination among the allies.

They are reported to have agreed on the need for the coalition partners to move forward with a coordinated strategy after the announcement of the poll schedule.

The Chief Minister and Deputy Chief Minister felt that TDP, Jana Sena and BJP leaders should work together to ensure a clean sweep in the local body polls.

BJP state president P.V.N. Madhav is likely to meet Chandrababu Naidu separately to discuss the seat-sharing issue.

The allies are likely to agree to the seat-sharing in local body polls in proportion to their respective strength in the state Assembly.

The NDA, headed by TDP, had stormed to power in 2024 with a landslide majority. The coalition bagged 164 seats in the 175-member Assembly. The TDP has 135 MLAs, while Jana Sena and BJP have 21 and eight seats, respectively.

The Andhra Pradesh High Court on October 1 directed the state government and the State Election Commission to begin the process for local body elections within six weeks.

It pronounced the orders on a batch of writ petitions relating to gram panchayat and municipal elections.

The court also dismissed a few petitions seeking a direction to the State Election Commission to conduct the local body elections after completion of the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the electoral rolls in the state.

Transport Minister Orders Probe Into Conductor Cheating Woman

Transport minister Mandipalli Ramprasad Reddy has directed Tirupati APSRTC regional manager (RM) to conduct a comprehensive inquiry into allegations that a conductor cheated a woman after developing an acquaintance with her during bus journeys. He advised stringent action if the charges are proved.

The minister issued the directions after M. Baby Shalini of Kongaravaripalle in Chandragiri mandal met him at his Tadepalli camp office and sought justice.

Shalini alleged that APSRTC conductor V. Subrahmanyam, whom she came to know while regularly travelling between Chandragiri and Tirupati, gained her confidence by claiming that he loved her and subsequently cheated and sexually assaulted her.

According to her, the conductor allegedly took nearly ₹20 lakh from her in cash at different stages, got money transferred through digital payments apps on several occasions, and made her purchase gold. She alleged that Subrahmanyam later started harassing her and neither returned the money nor gold, causing her severe mental distress.

Shalini submitted digital payments transaction details, call records, messages, gold purchase bills, and other evidence to the minister.

Ramprasad Reddy spoke to the Tirupati RM over a video call and ordered a detailed inquiry. He ordered APSRTC employees to behave responsibly and courteously with passengers, particularly women. He instructed officials to take steps to prevent such incidents from recurring.

The minister directed officials to take action according to rules if the allegations are established and ensure that the woman receives justice through due legal process. He said the state government would ensure that women's safety and dignity are protected and that their exploiters receive lawful justice.



Rajnath Singh Launches First Indigenous FSS Surya In Vizag

Defence minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday launched the first Fleet Support Ship named Surya, laid the keel of the fifth Fleet Support Ship and inaugurated the upgraded Slipway-4 and 300-tonne Goliath Crane at the Hindustan Shipyard Ltd here.

"The launch of FSS-1 is a symbol of achievement, the keel laying of FSS-5 is a symbol of resolve and the new Slipway is a symbol of our growing capability," Singh said, adding that HSL was strengthening not only its shipbuilding capacity but also the foundation of India's maritime power.

Recalling the launch of the first ship built in independent India, Jala Usha, at HSL in 1948, the minister highlighted the country's maritime heritage and said its relationship with the sea dated back to ancient times. He described HSL as a custodian of India's national maritime capability and lauded its contributions to the country's maritime and defence requirements for more than eight decades.

Singh highlighted HSL's attainment of Miniratna Category-I status in 2025 after it came under the defence ministry, describing this as an important milestone reflecting its transformation and sustained efforts.

Highlighting the fleet support ship programme, Singh said the 43,500-tonne vessels were de-



signed to replenish warships at sea, allowing naval vessels to remain deployed for longer periods and extending their operational reach across the Indian Ocean Region.

FSS-1, named Surya, was launched following traditional honours performed by Laila Swaminathan, president, Navy Wives Wellness Association (NWWA) and wife of chief of naval staff Admiral Krishna Swaminathan. The vessel entered the waters of the Bay of Bengal amid cheers from the gathering.

Highlighting the role of Andhra Pradesh in India's maritime future, Singh said the presence of the Eastern Naval Command, Naval Dockyard, HSL and Visakhapatnam Port provided the city with the foundation of an integrated

maritime ecosystem. He called for the development of Visakhapatnam as a major maritime industrial hub by bringing together naval expertise, shipbuilding capability, engineering talent, port infrastructure and skilled manpower.

The minister also stressed the need for an integrated national maritime ecosystem involving the Navy, HSL, DRDO, academia, industry, MSMEs and startups. "India's maritime strength cannot be built by the Navy or shipyards alone," he said, calling for greater integration among all stakeholders.

The launch of the first Fleet Support Ship at HSL marked a milestone in India's indigenous shipbuilding sector and would give a further boost to Visakhapatnam's emergence as a major mari-

time and industrial hub, said AP roads and buildings minister B.C. Janardhan Reddy.

Speaking at the launch, he said the inauguration of the new slipway and keel-laying ceremony for the fifth Fleet Support Ship reflected the shipyard's growing capabilities. "Andhra Pradesh's long coastline, ports, industrial corridors and infrastructure offered scope for industrial growth, trade and investment," he said.

Janardhan Reddy said infrastructure development was not limited to building roads and ports, but aimed at attracting industries, creating employment for youth and improving people's quality of life.

He said HSL, with its eight-decade-old legacy, had made a significant

contribution to India's shipbuilding sector. A strong shipbuilding industry would generate demand for allied sectors such as engineering, steel and logistics, while creating opportunities for MSMEs, local entrepreneurs and technically skilled youth.

Strengthening of the indigenous shipbuilding and domestic supply chains would reinforce the Centre's Atma Nirbhar Bharat vision, he said, adding that coordinated efforts by the Centre, state, Indian Navy and industry would accelerate economic growth in Visakhapatnam and Andhra Pradesh.

Vizag MP Mathukumilli Sribharat and MLAs P. Vishnu Kumar Raju and P.V.G.R. Naidu were present.

Naidu Praises Temple Staffer For Feeding Differently Abled Devotee

Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Tuesday appreciated Gayatri, a woman employee at the Dwaraka Tirumala temple, for feeding a differently abled devotee who had no hands. The incident took place on October 3 at the temple's Annaprasadam centre, where Gayatri personally fed Satyanarayana, a devotee who had both hands missing. A video of the incident went viral on social media and drew the Chief Minister's attention.

Naidu shared the video on X and praised Gayatri for her gesture. "Shabash Gayatri," he said, saluting her kindness in feeding the devotee and helping satisfy his hunger. He said her gesture reflected the spirit of "Manava Seva Madhava Seva" (service to humanity is service to God).

Meanwhile, the Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy temple authorities invited Mr Naidu to attend the Devi Sharannavaratri Mahotsavams to be held at Srisailem from October 11 to 20. Temple Board chairman Pothugunta Ramesh Naidu, executive officer M. Srinivasa Rao and Srisailem MLA Budda Rajasekhara Reddy met the Chief Minister at his camp office and handed over the invitation. Temple priests performed Vedic blessings for Mr Naidu, while officials presented him with a portrait of Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy and prasadam. Naidu enquired about the arrangements being made by the temple authorities for the festivities.

The temple authorities also invited education and IT minister N. Lokesh to attend the celebrations. The Board chairman, executive officer and Srisailem MLA met Lokesh at his Undavalli residence and handed over the invitation. Temple priests blessed Lokesh with Vedic chants, while officials presented him with the deity's portrait and prasadam.



125 DAYS OF RURAL JOBS

- Employment guarantee rises from 100 to 125 days
- 48.12 lakh households benefit in 2026-27
- 76,300 assets created under the new framework
- Women's participation reaches 62.29%
- Telangana's Uttoor records 874 households and 1,251 workers

The Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin), or VB-G RAM G Act, 2025, seeks to give a new direction to India's rural employment framework by linking wage employment with sustainable development, livelihood promotion and productive asset creation. The framework is designed around the broader vision of Viksit Bharat @2047, with rural employment no longer being viewed merely as a means of providing temporary wages, but as an instrument for strengthening village economies and creating durable community assets.

One of the most significant provisions of the framework is the enhancement of the statutory employment guarantee from 100 days to 125 days in every financial year for rural households. The increased guarantee is intended to provide greater income stability to rural families, strengthen purchasing power and consumption in villages, and provide additional economic resilience to vulnerable households. The underlying principle is expressed through the phrase "Rozgar Bhi, Samman Bhi" — Employment with Dignity.

The new approach seeks to connect employment with development outcomes. Instead of concentrating only on labour-intensive activities, the framework gives greater importance to works that create productive assets capable of generating long-term economic and social benefits. Water conservation, rural infrastructure, livelihood facilities and climate-resilience works have therefore been brought into a more integrated planning framework.

Another important provision concerns the availability of agricultural labour during critical sowing and harvesting periods. States have been empowered to notify an aggregated pause period of up to 60 days in a financial year. The objective is to ensure that sufficient labour remains available to farmers during peak agricultural seasons while protecting the full 125-day employment entitlement during the remaining period of the financial year.

The framework also places the Gram Panchayat and Gram Sabha at the centre of rural development planning. Local institutions are expected to identify and prioritise works based on the actual needs of villages. These proposals are then consolidated at Block, District and State levels. Such decentralised planning is intended to ensure that employment programmes are closely connected with local development requirements rather than being driven solely by centrally determined priorities.

The integration of planning with the PM Gati Shakti approach is expected to improve coordination among infrastructure and development activities. By bringing different development requirements together, the framework seeks to avoid isolated projects and promote a more comprehensive rural infrastructure network.

Water Security Becomes a Major Priority:

Water security is one of the four major thematic areas under the new framework. Rural employment is increasingly being linked with activities that can improve the availability and sustainability of water resources. Works include irrigation support, groundwater recharge structures, watershed development, rejuvenation of water bodies, afforestation and rainwater-harvesting structures.

Water-related works have the potential to create benefits extending well beyond the period of employment. A properly constructed water-harvesting structure, restored pond or groundwater-recharge facility can support agriculture and livestock activities for several years. Such projects can also reduce vulnerability to drought and irregular rainfall.

The emphasis on water security is particularly relevant for rural communities where agriculture remains heavily dependent on rainfall and local water resources. By connecting employment with water conservation, the frame-



work attempts to address two challenges simultaneously — providing wages to workers and creating infrastructure that supports future livelihoods.

Afforestation and watershed-development activities also contribute to environmental protection. Increased vegetation cover can help reduce soil erosion, improve groundwater recharge and strengthen ecological resilience. In this manner, wage employment is linked with long-term natural-resource management.

Rural Infrastructure to Drive Development:

The second major area is core rural infrastructure. The framework provides for works relating to rural roads, public buildings, school infrastructure, Anganwadi centres, sanitation systems, renewable-energy infrastructure and housing-related activities.

Rural infrastructure plays an important role in determining the quality of life and economic opportunities available to village communities. Better roads can improve access to markets, schools, healthcare facilities and government services. Improved school and Anganwadi infrastructure can strengthen basic public services, while sanitation projects can contribute to healthier living conditions.

Renewable-energy infrastructure is another important component. As rural communities increasingly require reliable and affordable energy for households, agriculture and small businesses, infrastructure based on renewable sources can support local economic activity.

The focus is therefore not simply on creating employment for a limited period. The objective is to ensure that each day of employment contributes towards creating a useful and durable public asset.

The framework also seeks to strengthen the relationship between rural employment and government development programmes. Housing-related works and infrastructure connected with various government schemes can be incorporated into the broader employment framework, creating opportunities for convergence and reducing duplication of efforts.

Livelihood Infrastructure Gets Greater Focus:

The third thematic area is livelihood-related infrastructure, reflecting the shift from wage employment towards sustainable income generation.

The framework includes rural markets, storage infrastructure, food-processing units, cold-storage facilities, livestock infrastructure, fisheries facilities, compost units and skill-development centres. These interventions are aimed at strengthening rural value chains and creating opportunities for households to earn income from agriculture and allied activities.

For farmers, better storage facilities can reduce post-harvest losses and provide greater flexibility in selling agricultural produce. Cold-storage infrastructure can support perishable commodities, while rural markets can improve access between producers and consumers.

Food-processing facilities can also help villages move from the production of raw agricul-

tural commodities towards value-added products. Such activities have the potential to create additional employment opportunities within rural areas and reduce dependence on seasonal agricultural work.

Livestock and fisheries infrastructure can support diversification of household incomes. For families dependent primarily on crop cultivation, allied activities can provide an additional source of income during periods when agricultural employment is limited.

Skill-development centres are another important component. Rural workers equipped with appropriate skills may have opportunities to move into higher-value occupations, small enterprises and non-farm employment.

This approach reflects the broader philosophy that rural employment should contribute not only to immediate wage income but also to the creation of sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Climate Resilience and Women's Participation:

The fourth thematic area focuses on extreme-weather mitigation and climate resilience. Rural communities are increasingly exposed to floods, cyclones, droughts, extreme rainfall, heat and other climate-related risks. The framework therefore includes flood-management structures, embankments, cyclone shelters, post-disaster restoration and forest-fire management works.

By combining employment generation with disaster-preparedness infrastructure, the programme seeks to strengthen the capacity of rural communities to withstand extreme weather events. Such works can provide immediate employment while also reducing future risks to households, agricultural land and public infrastructure.

The framework also records a significant level of women's participation. According to the data provided for the 2026-27 financial year, women account for 62.29% of participation. This is an important indicator of women's growing role in rural employment and household economic security.

Women's participation in wage employment can strengthen household income and increase their involvement in economic decision-making. Direct wage transfers into workers' bank or post-office accounts can further improve financial inclusion by ensuring that payments reach individual beneficiaries through formal financial channels.

The framework provides for continued payment of wages through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT). Since July 1, 2026, the data provided records approximately 38.23 lakh DBT transactions. The system is intended to improve transparency and reduce dependence on intermediaries in wage payments.

Telangana's Uttoor Shows Grassroots Implementation

The data from Telangana provides an example of how the framework is being implemented at the local level. In Adilabad district's Uttoor Block, the programme covers 38 Gram Panchayats.

According to the figures provided, 874 house-

holds participated in employment activities, involving 1,251 individuals. The average employment provided per household was reported at 11.38 days, while the average daily wage rate per person stood at ₹306.24.

The Uttoor figures demonstrate the importance of Gram Panchayats and local institutions in translating the national employment framework into actual opportunities for rural households. Local-level planning can help identify works that address specific needs, whether they involve water conservation, roads, public infrastructure, livelihood facilities or climate resilience.

At the national level, the data provided for 2026-27 indicates that approximately 48.12 lakh households have benefited. Around 76,300 assets have been created, while approximately 459.38 lakh person-days of employment have been generated. The number of active workers is reported at 10.84 crore.

The funding structure follows a 60:40 Centre-State sharing ratio. The distribution of the budgetary share among states is based on the principle of horizontal devolution, as recommended by the 16th Finance Commission.

The role of field-level personnel will remain critical to the success of the programme. Programme Officers, Mates, Gram Rozgar Sevaks and other grassroots functionaries are responsible for ensuring that approved works are implemented effectively and that workers receive appropriate employment and wages.

To strengthen this administrative machinery, the administrative expenditure provision has been increased from 6% to 9%. The additional provision is intended to support capacity building, training, human-resource strengthening, remuneration and improved implementation at the field level.

The framework also provides for ex-gratia assistance in cases of death or permanent disability, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana.

Ultimately, the success of the VB-G RAM G framework will depend on effective implementation at the grassroots level, transparency in selection and execution of works, timely wage payments, proper monitoring and meaningful participation of Gram Sabhas.

The broader objective is clear: rural employment should not end with the payment of wages. It should create water security, infrastructure, livelihoods, productive assets and climate resilience. By combining employment with asset creation and local economic development, the framework seeks to strengthen rural communities and build a more resilient village economy.

The transition from a conventional wage-employment approach to an integrated model of employment, livelihood and productive asset creation represents a significant change in the direction of rural development. If implemented effectively, the 125-day employment guarantee could become an important instrument for strengthening household incomes while simultaneously building the infrastructure and livelihood foundations required for Viksit Bharat @2047



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Anupama Parameswaran's Heartwarming Smile Steals the Spotlight

In this beautiful photograph, Anupama Parameswaran lights up the frame with her warm, infectious smile. Dressed in a vibrant green silk blouse and a striped green-gold saree, she pairs the traditional look with a delicate choker, green bangles, and a ring. Her soft curls frame her face perfectly, while a simple bindi and natural makeup enhance her graceful, girl-next-door appeal against a lush outdoor backdrop. Truly a "Magale" moment that captures her pure, endearing energy.

Born on 18 February 1996 in Irinjalakuda, Kerala, Anupama made her acting debut in 2015 with the blockbuster Malayalam film Premam, playing Mary George opposite Nivin Pauly. The role instantly made her a household name.

She successfully expanded into Telugu cinema with Aa (2016) and followed it with hits like Vunnadhi Okate Zindagi, Karthikeya 2, and the comedy success Tillu Square (2024). Her Tamil and Kannada ventures, including Kodi and Natasaaravahowma, further showcased her versatility.

Recent and ongoing projects include Dragon, Paradha, Bison Kaalamaadan, Kishkindhapuri (2025), Lockdown, Mareechika, Crazy Kalyanam, and Bhogi (2026). With a strong presence across South Indian industries, Anupama continues to win hearts with her natural performances and charming screen presence.

Rashmika Mandanna Radiates Traditional Elegance in a Striking Maroon Saree

Radiating warmth and traditional sophistication, popular actress Rashmika Mandanna captures hearts in a richly woven checkered maroon saree paired with a contrasting orange drape and a tailored off-white puff-sleeve blouse. Styled with exquisite temple-inspired gold jewelry, she proves why this one is going to be special ?? in Threads of Sutrani attire and intricate Sheetal Zaveri by Vithaldas ornaments. Rashmika made her acting debut in the 2016 Kannada hit Kirik Party, which quickly catapulted her to fame as the "National Crush".

She seamlessly expanded into Telugu cinema with massive hits like Geetha Govindam and Tamil films like Sulthan, before conquering pan-Indian audiences with the blockbuster Pushpa franchise and Hindi hits like Animal. Consistently balancing grand spectacle with versatile storytelling, Rashmika continues to dominate the silver screen. Her lineup includes high-profile ventures such as the period drama Ranabaali, Cock-tail 2, and the highly anticipated next chapter of the Pushpa saga.



Comrade Kalyan Trailer: Sree Vishnu delivers Big Again

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Sree Vishnu starrer Comrade Kalyan made a good impression with the promotional content. Glimpse, teaser, songs have created high positive buzz for the film, directed by Janakiram Marella. The movie team have released trailer today and the cut is exciting growing anticipation to watch the film, from 9th October, in theatres.

The trailer showcases how Kalyan's mother played by Radhika Sarathkumar is an ardent fan of NBK and she has short temper. He falls in love with Odisha girl, played by leading lady Mahima Nambiar. The story takes a twist with a police officer charging to find Kalyan, who is a most wanted naxalite.

What did he do to have police after him? Why he did become a naxalite? The movie explores these questions in an entertaining way. The trailer promises a complete Sree Vishnu style entertainer with his trademark one-liners. Satya, Vennela Kishore and Sudharshan join him but it is Sree Vishnu show all the way.

His charm, dialogue delivery and performance, make this film, a must watch. Vijai Bulganin music and background score enhance the movie tone perfectly. Janakiram Marella promises a very entertaining film in a different backdrop and Seetha Karnati, Venkata Krishna Karnati production values are top notch, aiding his vision. Kona Venkat is presenting the film and Comrade Kalyan promises to be a sure-shot winner.



Crazy Kalyanam Coming Early to theatres on October 16

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Crazy Kalyanam features VK Naresh, Anupama Parameswaran, Tharun Bhascker and Akhil Uddemari of Raju Weds Rambai fame in the lead roles. Arrow Cinemas is producing the movie as its Production No. 2, with Boosam Jagan Mohan Reddy serving as producer.

Badrappa Gajula is directing the film, which has been positioned as an entertainer with appeal for both younger audiences and families. Instead of waiting until October 30 as originally planned, the makers have decided to bring the film to theatres two weeks earlier.

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The promotional campaign has already received a boost from the film's music. With more promotional content and activities expected before release, Crazy Kalyanam is preparing for a worldwide theatrical arrival with growing expectations.

Anakapalli Makers Hope for More Theatres This Dasara

The recently released Telugu film Anakapalli is getting a positive response from audiences after its theatrical release on October 2. The film, which has a raw and rustic backdrop, features Vikram Sahidev, Sandhya Vasishtha and Tarak Ponnappa in important roles. Khagesh Tammineni directed the movie, while Thrinadha Rao Nakkina handled the story and screenplay.

Produced by Kandregula Naidu and Thrinadha Rao Nakkina under Bhavya Sri Movie Makers and Nakkina Narratives, the film team organised a Thank You Meet on Tuesday to celebrate the audience response. The makers said that several shows are continuing to receive good crowds, while they also expressed disappointment over the limited number of theatres.

Actor, producer and director Thrinadha Rao Nakkina spoke about the film's journey and audience response. He said, "I did not invest any money in 'Anakapalli'. They used my name because they felt audiences would come to watch the film if my name was associated with it. I waited until Monday to see the result. Not just Monday, even today (Tuesday), there is a strong audience turnout. Shows are houseful at several places. The film is receiving a positive response from all quarters. All the artistes are also receiving appreciation for their performances. I request the media and audiences to continue supporting the film and take it even further."

Lagadapati Sridhar, who is associated with the film through his son Vikram Sahidev, also expressed confidence in its success. He said, "I am very happy to be part of the success of 'Anakapalli'. Vikram being my son and Thrinadha Rao garu and Naidu garu coming forward to support him is a great thing. The media always stands by small films and supports them. When 'Evadi Gola Vadide' was released, people said it would be removed within the first week. But it eventually completed a Silver Jubilee in the same theatre. Similarly, 'Anakapalli' will also achieve great success. It will stand out as a Dasara Dhamaka. Even the Monday night shows were full. I pray that with the blessings of Nookalamma Thalli, 'Anakapalli' achieves even greater success."



Producer Kandregula Naidu said that the movie was made with strong belief in the story and the team. He said, "I made 'Anakapalli' because of my faith in Thrinadha Rao Nakkina garu. We released our film in 200 theatres. We worked extremely hard to make this movie. However, theatres are being allocated to films from other languages instead of supporting a film that is receiving such a good response. I request everyone to support small producers like us when we come forward with good films. Even today, our shows are houseful at many places. We have made a good movie, and I request the distributors to allot more theatres to our film."

Hero Vikram Sahidev thanked the audience and media for their response. He said, "'Anakapalli' is receiving a great response. I have read all the reviews. Thank you to everyone who pointed out both the positives and negatives of our film. The number of theatres screening our movie is also increasing. I thank Thrinadha Rao garu for trusting me and giving me this opportunity. Because of Indrja garu, the family drama came out so beautifully. Davzand garu's music is fantastic. It was a pleasure working with Tarak Ponnappa garu. Sandhya Vasishtha performed wonderfully. During this journey, our producers Naidu garu and Raja garu have become like family members. I hope to continue travelling with them in the future as well."