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## Cong to win Nizamabad Corporation, 7 municipalities: CM Revanth

HYDERABAD / NIZAMABAD TSIT BUREAU: Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Thursday expressed confidence that the Congress party would win the Nizamabad Municipal Corporation along with seven municipalities in the district in the upcoming civic elections. Addressing a large public meeting in Nizamabad, he said voters were ready to give a decisive mandate in favour of Congress. The Chief Minister



said Nizamabad has a rich political and agricultural legacy and has produced leaders with clean public records. He alleged that despite long years of BJP rule at the Centre and BRS governance in the State, major civic and infrastruc-

ture issues in the district remained unresolved. He questioned BJP MP Dharmapuri Arvind over the absence of key projects such as Smart City status, an airport, and an outer ring road. Highlighting development initiatives, Revanth Reddy said Rs.600 crore had been sanctioned for educational institutions and about Rs.1,045 crore was being spent on municipal works in the undivided Nizamabad district.

### INDIA CREATES HISTORY: India defeat England, win sixth Under-19 World Cup



Harare (TSIT): Batting prodigy Vaibhav Sooryavanshi lit up the grand stage with a jaw-dropping 175 to power India to a record-extending sixth ICC Under-19 World Cup title with a 100-run victory over England in the final here on Friday. The triumph adds to India's previous titles in 2000, 2008, 2012, 2018 and 2022, underlining their dominance in the tournament's history.

The 14-year-old Sooryavanshi blazed his way to a stunning 175 off just 80 balls, recording the fastest 150 in Under-19 cricket history, reaching the milestone in 71 deliveries, as India piled up a daunting 411 for 9 after electing to bat. In response, England kept the required run rate within sight for large parts of the chase but lost wickets at regular intervals, which steadily derailed their pursuit.

They were eventually bowled out for 311 with Caleb Falconer scoring a 66-ball 115. Sooryavanshi, who shot into the lime-

light during last year's Indian Premier League, smashed 15 sixes and an equal number of boundaries, registering the highest individual score by any batter in an ICC tournament final.

**Brief Scores:**  
India 411/9 in 50 overs  
(Vaibhav Sooryavanshi 175, Ayush Mahatre 53; James Minto 3/63, Sebastian Morgan 2/74).  
England 311 all out in 40.2 overs (Caleb Falconer 115, Ben Dawkins 66; RS Ambrish 3/56, Deepesh Devendran 2/64)

### RBI holds rates at 5.25%, keeps neutral stance as inflation outlook improves



Mumbai (TSIT): India's central bank on Friday kept its key policy rate unchanged and maintained a neutral policy stance, citing easing inflation pressures, strong economic fundamentals, Reserve Bank of India Governor Sanjay Malhotra said after the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting.

The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) unanimously decided to hold the policy repo rate at 5.25% at the conclusion of its monetary policy review. All other policy rates were also left unchanged. Malhotra said, "Indian economy remains resilient; Monetary policy will be guided by new inflation data based on revised series." Malhotra added geopolitical tensions remain elevated and global trade pressures are rising, but the Indian economy continues to show resilience. The RBI projected retail inflation at 3.2 percent in the fourth quarter of the current fiscal year and 2.1% for the full year. Inflation is expected to rise to 4.0% in the first quarter of FY27 and 4.2% in the second quarter, largely due to a sharp increase in gold and silver prices, the governor said.

## 31 killed, 169 injured in suicide attack in Pak



Islamabad (TSIT): A suicide bomber blew himself up at a Shia mosque in Pakistan's capital, killing at least 31 people and injuring 169, said officials, in one of the worst terror attacks targeting the community in recent years. The powerful explosion, which was heard from a far distance, took place at Khadijatul Kubra mosque-cum-imambargah in the Tarlai area of Islamabad, the police said in a statement. The suicide bomber was stopped at the gate of the imambargah, but he detonated himself, police and eyewitnesses said. At least 31 people were killed and 169 others injured in the explosion, a district administration spokesperson said in a post on X. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the blast.

## Ghee made with bathroom cleaners used in Tirupati laddu, says CM Naidu



Amaravati (TSIT): Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, on Friday, claimed that Tirupati laddu was prepared with ghee made with chemicals used for cleaning bathrooms during the previous YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) government's tenure. He accused the YSRCP of trying to tarnish the sanctity of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple by adulterating the 'prasadam' (offering).

"For five years, they (YSRCP) had made 'prasadam' with ghee prepared from chemicals. The ghee was made with chemicals used for cleaning bathrooms," the Chief Minister said. Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu was addressing a public meeting at Yemmaginar in Kurnool district on the occasion of distribution of 'your land - your right' pattadar passbooks among farmers. He said that YSRCP leader and former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy is claiming that the Central Bureau of Investigation and Special Investigation Team gave them a clean chit but his own

uncle Y.V. Subba Reddy, who served as the Chairman of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam (TTD), admitted that adulteration did occur. The Chief Minister claimed that he tried to rectify the situation after YSRCP desecrated the TTD with adulterated prasadam. He said that there is a significant difference between the laddu offered in the past and the laddu offered now.

He also accused the YSRCP of engaging in a show of strength for political purposes instead of fighting for public issues. A show of strength should be done during elections, Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu remarked. Referring to Jagan Mohan Reddy's recent visit to Guntur, Chandrababu Naidu said he caused inconvenience to motorists. "In the past, they

ran over a person named Singayya under their convoy. In Bangarapet, they threw mangoes on the ground, trampled on them, and engaged in hooliganism," the Chief Minister said, adding that he knows how to deal with this kind of politics.

He said the Telugu Desam Party-led coalition government in Andhra Pradesh was providing pattadar passbooks to farmers with all security features to prevent tampering of land records. He made it clear that any anyone attempting to manipulate the records will be sent to jail. He criticised his predecessor Jagan Mohan Reddy for issuing passbooks with his photograph. "Who is he (Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy) to put his photos on the land inherited from our ancestors," the Chief Minister asked, and accused the YSRCP leader of spending Rs 700 crore to put his pictures on land survey stones. Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu alleged that the YSRCP leaders tried to seize lands of farmers through fraudulent methods.

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## DEMAND NOTICE

Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from Shriram Finance Limited, (Formerly known as Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name changed as Shriram Finance Limited) We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrower/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHIRRAM FINANCE LTD, under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrowers(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantors NPA DATE: Date Of Demand Notice: 09.04.2022 05.01.2026

(1) Motte Malaiha, S/o: Motte Maisaiah, Age: 31 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No: 13-1, Budiga Jangala Colony, Alair (V & M), Yadadri-Bhongir Dist-508101, Address-II: H.No: 28-228/12, Ward No. 7, Gopal Wada, Mancherial, Adilabad-504208, B/o: Proprietor of "Jay Reej Steel and Hair Enterprises" - At Same as Resi Address, Resi Address-II, 9000171697. (2) Motte Narsamma, W/o: Motte Maisaiah, Age: 52 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No: 13-1 (on) 14-297/8, Budiga Jangala Colony, B. J. Colony, Alair (V & M), Yadadri-Bhongir Dist-508101, B/o: Proprietor of "Steel & Hair Business", Same as Resi Address, 6303316223. (3) Motte Padma, W/o: Motte Maisaiah, Age: 30 Years, Occ: Self Employee, Address-I: H.No: 28-228/12, Gopal Wada, Mancherial, Adilabad-504208, Address-II: H.No: 13-1, Budiga Jangala Colony, Alair (V & M), Yadadri-Bhongir Dist-508101, B/o: Proprietor of "Steel & Hair Business", 6305231295. (4) Motte Kanakaiha, S/o: Motte Venkatesha @/alias Motte Yenka Narsu, Age: 35 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No: 13-16, Budiga Jangala Colony, B.J. Colony, Alair (V & M), Yadadri-Bhongir Dist-508101, B/o: Proprietor of "Hair & Steel Bussiness", 9110365609, 833299642.

...Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs

**BHONGTF2102180001 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:** All that the House Bearing No. 14-298/23 on Plot Bearing No. 17/North Part, 17/East Part, and 13/West Part in Survey No. 806 Total Admeasuring 150 Sqyds Yards or 125.4 Square Meters Situated at Gram Panchayat Block No. 14, Alair Village And Municipality, Alair Mandal, Yadadri-Bhongir District Bounded as under: **Boundaries for the Plot No. 17/North Part an area of 50 Square Yards:** North: 1500 Wide Road, South: Plot No. 17/South Part, East: Plot No. 17/East Part, West: Plot of Aletu Chandra & Mallesha. **Boundaries for the Plot No. 17/East Part an area of 50 Square Yards:** North: 1500 Wide Road, South: Proposed 1500 Wide Road, East: Plot No. 18, West: Plot No. 17/North Part & 17/South Part. **Boundaries for the Plot No. 13/West Part an area of 50 Square Yards:** North: Plot No. 8, South: 1500 Wide Road, East: Plot No. 13/East Part, West: Plot No. 12.

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-Construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

Please note that under Section 13 (3) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Dated: 06.02.2026

Place: YADADRI-BHONGIR & ADILABAD

## Telangana

HYDERABAD  
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## Urban Development Possible Only Under Congress Government Minister Sridhar Babu



Hyderabad (TSIT): State IT and Industries Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu on Friday said that comprehensive urban development in Telangana is possible only under the Congress government and called upon voters to give a decisive mandate to Congress candidates in the upcoming municipal elections.

Addressing campaign meetings in Tandur, Vikarabad, and Chevella municipalities in the Chevella Lok Sabha constituency, the Minister said the government led by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is committed to revitalising municipal corporations and towns that faced neglect in the past. He said civic infrastructure and urban living standards are being

improved through systematic planning and targeted investments. Sridhar Babu stated that the government is balancing financial stability with welfare and development commitments, implementing its election promises in a phased and structured manner with special focus on farmers, women, and youth.

Highlighting achievements, he said more than 70,000 government jobs have been filled so far and appointment orders have been issued to candidates selected through Group 1, Group 2, Group 3, and Group 4 recruitments. He noted that these recruitments will strengthen public administration and service delivery. He added that the State is focusing on skilling, re-skilling, and upskilling programmes to prepare youth as an industry-ready workforce aligned with current and future industrial needs, positioning Telangana as a model state across sectors.

## HINDUJA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

Corporate office #167-169, 2nd Floor, Little Mount, Saidapet, Chennai-600 015.

## APPENDIX-IV [Rule 8(1)] Possession Notice (For Immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Hinduja Housing Finance Ltd., under the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (ACT NO.54 OF 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice to below mentioned Borrower/s / Guarantor/s. After completion of 60 days from date of receipt of the said notice, The Borrower/s / Guarantor/s having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s / Guarantor/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Physical Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on them under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this.

| Application No, Borrower and Co-Borrower Name and Address  | Demand Notice Date and Amount  | Total Outstanding amount as on | DATE OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION |
|--|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Mr. Rodda Anil....Borrower<br>2. Mrs. Padma Rodda Co-Borrower<br>H-no. 4-115, annaram , Annaram, manakondur , Rural, KarimNagar , Telangana, India-505469<br>And Also: Mr. Rodda Anil Mrs. Padma Rodda H no 5-12/5 annaram manakondur karimnagar , Annaram manakondur, Rural, Karimnagar , Telangana, India-505469<br>L. o. n. o . :<br>AP/WGL/KRNR/A000000614 | 10.07.2024 and<br>H. Rs. 9,42,49/-<br>(Rupees Nine Lacs Eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Nine Only) | 06-02-2026,<br>Rs. 12,19,856/- | 03-02-2026                  |

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:** RCC Roofed House bearing No:5-12/5 having Plinth area 30.72 Sq feet Total area 203.81 Sqyds or 170.35 Sq meters, Situated at Annaram Village and Grampanchayat of Manakondur Mandal Karimnagar District and Under the Jurisdiction of Sub-Div Registration Karimnagar Rural Thimmapur District Registration Karimnagar 505469 Bounded by: Bounded by: EAST: Road, WEST: Land of Rodda shankaramma,NORTH: 12' Feet Wide Road SOUTH: R&B Road The Borrower/s / Guarantor/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Hinduja Housing Finance Limited, for an above-mentioned demanded amount and further interest thereon

Place : Karimnagar  
Sd/Authorised Officer  
For Hinduja Housing Finance Limited  
Date : 06-02-2026

## SHIRRAM FINANCE LIMITED

Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032.

Administrative office: 6th Floor (level 2), Building No. Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400701.

## SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of Shriram Finance Limited, (Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name changed as Shriram Finance Limited, by its Incorporation Certificate dt. 13-11-2022) a corporate body registered and incorporated as a company under the Indian Companies Act 1956, is doing Non-Banking financial activities, having its Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032 and having its administrative office at 6th Floor (level 2), Building No. Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400701, under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (said Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (said Rules) issued demand notices to the Borrowers details of which are mentioned in the table below to repay the amount mentioned in the said demand notices.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules, on this 05TH FEBRUARY, 2026.

| Borrower Name and Address   | Amount due as per Demand Notice |
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| (1) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o. Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (2) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (3) Baddam Sami Reddy @/alias Sammi Reddy Baddam, S/o: Baddam Kishan Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (4) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, K.V. Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (5) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (6) Baddam Sami Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (7) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (8) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (9) Baddam Sami Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (10) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (11) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (12) Baddam Sami Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (13) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (14) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (15) Baddam Sami Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (16) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (17) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (18) Baddam Sami Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (19) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (20) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252 B/o: Proprietor of "Tailoring & Paper Plates Manufac", (21) Baddam Sami Reddy, Age: 46 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H. No. 10-2-17, Chandalay (V), Atmakur (M), Nalgonda Dist-508111, B/o: "Borewells Business", Ph. 6301010392, (22) Baddam Jagannam Reddy, S/o: Baddam Malla Reddy, Age: 53 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: Address-I: H.No. 4-7-356/5, Plot No. 11/A, Raghavendra Nagar Colony, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Dist-501505, Address-II: H.No: 4-134/2, Sangam Village, Valgonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri-508252, B/o: Proprietor of "Ganapati Enterprises" - Borrower And Tailoring And Patching Manufacturing, # Same as Resi Address, 9948166066 & 7382301019, (23) Kavya Reddy, W/o: Baddam Mohan Reddy, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No. 4-134/2, Sangam |                                 |

## Gaddar Film Awards to be held grandly on Ugadi: Bhatti Vikramarka



**Hyderabad (TSIT):** Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu on Friday said the upcoming Gaddar Film Awards

ceremony will be organised on Ugadi in a historic and unprecedented manner, aiming to attract global attention to Hyderabad's

film industry.

He inaugurated the film screening programme of the awards at Prasad Labs and said the People's Government is committed to promoting socially responsible and people-oriented cinema in line with the ideals of revolutionary balladeer Gaddar. The awards, organised by the Film Development Corporation (FDC), will be conducted on a scale "never seen before," with full government support, he said.

### Congress must win all 26 wards for Sadasivpet development: Jaggareddy



**Hyderabad (TSIT):** TPCC Working President and senior Congress leader Jaggareddy on Friday called upon party leaders and workers to ensure the victory of Congress candidates in all 26 municipal wards of Sadasivpet, stating that a clean sweep is essential to secure full-scale development funds for the town.

Addressing a meeting of local Congress leaders, Jaggareddy said electoral victory is crucial in politics and urged party cadre to work in unity to deliver results. He said he would approach Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy to secure comprehensive development funds if Congress candidates win all wards.

### Motha Rohith Strengthens Grassroots Outreach as Khairatabad DCC President



**Hyderabad:** Khairatabad District Congress Committee (DCC) President Motha Rohith has been actively strengthening grassroots party structure and expanding public outreach across divisions in the constituency through continuous field engagement and community-focused programmes. Over the past several weeks, Motha Rohith has been conducting review meetings with local party leaders, booth-level committees, and youth and women's wings to improve coordination and responsiveness to public issues. Party workers say his focus has been on accessibility, quick grievance escalation, and connecting government welfare initiatives with eligible beneficiaries.

**DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED SCHEDULE PROPERTY**  
All that piece and parcel of the Residential House bearing D.No.6-9-211/1/A of land to the extent 192.08 Sq. Yds. = 160.59 Sq. Mts = 703.70 Sq.Ft situated at Sy No. 1457 of Ward No. 6, Block No. 9, N.G.B Colony, Nalgonda Town and Municipality, Nalgonda District, within the Jurisdiction of the Registration District Registrar and Joint Sub Registrar Nalgonda (Property Covered Under Doc No. 9389/2022 Dated 01-06-2022 Standing in the Name of (Late) Ravirala Sai Adithya, S/o. (Late) Anjitha) which is within limits of following Boundaries: **North:** House of P. Dharma Reddy, **South:** House of Duva Bharathamma, **East:** Plot of Others, **West:** 20' wide Road.

Date: 06-02-2026, Place: Nalgonda Sd/- Authorized Officer, State Bank of India

**POSSESSION NOTICE**  
(Under Rule 8(1) Immovable Property)  
A/c No's: P-LAP A/c. No. 43892629012,  
Personal Loan A/c. No. 44034886570

WHEREAS

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the State Bank of India, **Mythri Women's College Branch (20952)**, Nalgonda Town & District, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **Demand Notice** dated: **01-12-2025** calling upon the borrowers; Legal Heirs of (Late) Ravirala Sai Adithya, S/o. (Late) Anjitha (Deceased) Borrower: Smt. Ravirala. Soujanya, W/o. (Late) Ravirala Sai Adithya, H.No.6-9-211-1A, Sy.No.1457, NGB Colony, Nalgonda-508001 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.11,59,036/-** (Rupees: Eleven Lakh Fifty-Nine Thousand Thirty-Six only) as on **29-11-2025** + interest & expenses within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic/constructive possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rules 8 of the said rules on this **6th day of February 2026**.

The borrowers/guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs.11,59,036/-** (Rupees: Eleven Lakh Fifty-Nine Thousand Thirty-Six only) as on **29-11-2025** + interest & charges thereon.

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1.Name of the Borrowers/s: Mr. Kundurulu Yakub Reddy (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 710300016683 Demand Notice Date : 08.06.2025 ; Date of Symbolic Possession : 03.02.2026 Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 53,34,997.12 (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Seven and Paise Sixty Two Only) as on 09.06.2023 together with applicable incidental charges, costs.

Description of Immovable Property : All that the Residential Independent House on Plot bearing No. 186 Part, admeasuring 100.0 Sq. Mtrs. (out of 217.0 Sq. Yards), (including Plinth area 140.0 Sq. Ft. R.C.C. i.e. Ground Floor 700.0 Sq. Yards, and First Floor 700.0 Sq. Ft.), in Survey No. 156, Part No. 179, Plot No. 87/Part. 87/Part (West Side Part) and 88 in Survey No. 386, with an undivided share of land admeasuring 35.5 Sq.Yds out of total admeasuring 1066 Sq.Yds with built-up area of 770 Sq.ft including common area and car parking roof covered with RCC as shown in the plan annexed herewith situated at "Surya Vanash" Layout of Isupur Village, Patancheru, under G.P. Isupur, Sangareddy District, T.S. M.P. Patancheru, Z.P. Sangareddy, Registration Sub-District Sangareddy, registration District Sangareddy belonging to Mrs. Farhana Regd. Vide Sale Deed Doc No. 3054/2022 dated 29.08.2022 bounded by: Boundaries for the entire land: North: Survey No. 385, South: 33' Wide Road, East: Plot No. 87/Part, West: Plot No. 89, Boundaries for the flat: North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky, East: Open to Sky, West: Corridor.

As the above borrower has failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the LIC Housing Finance Limited for the amounts mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon and costs. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 05.02.2026, Place: Hyderabad Sd/- Authorized Officer, LIC Housing Finance Limited

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1.Name of the Borrowers/s: Mrs. Farhana Begum (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 712700003598 Demand Notice Date : 12.11.2025 ; Date of Symbolic Possession : 05.02.2026 Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 50,37,408.51 (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Eight and Paise Sixty One Only) as on 09.11.2023 together with applicable incidental charges, costs.

Description of Immovable Property : All the the Residential Independent House on Plot bearing No. 186 Part, admeasuring 100.0 Sq. Mtrs. (out of 217.0 Sq. Yards), (including Plinth area 140.0 Sq. Ft. R.C.C. i.e. Ground Floor 700.0 Sq. Yards, and First Floor 700.0 Sq. Ft.), in Survey No. 156, Part No. 179, Plot No. 87/Part. 87/Part (West Side Part) and 88 in Survey No. 386, with an undivided share of land admeasuring 35.5 Sq.Yds out of total admeasuring 1066 Sq.Yds with built-up area of 770 Sq.ft including common area and car parking roof covered with RCC as shown in the plan annexed herewith situated at "Surya Vanash" Layout of Isupur Village, Patancheru, under G.P. Isupur, Sangareddy District, T.S. M.P. Patancheru, Z.P. Sangareddy, Registration Sub-District Sangareddy, registration District Sangareddy belonging to Mrs. Farhana Regd. Vide Sale Deed Doc No. 3054/2022 dated 29.08.2022 bounded by: Boundaries for the entire land: North: Survey No. 385, South: 33' Wide Road, East: Plot No. 87/Part, West: Plot No. 89, Boundaries for the flat: North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky, East: Open to Sky, West: Corridor.

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1.Name of the Borrowers/s: Mr. Kundurulu Yakub Reddy (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 710300016683 Demand Notice Date : 08.06.2025 ; Date of Symbolic Possession : 03.02.2026 Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 53,34,997.12 (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Seven and Paise Sixty Two Only) as on 09.06.2023 together with applicable incidental charges, costs.

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1.Name of the Borrowers/s: Mr. Kundurulu Yakub Reddy (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 710300016683 Demand Notice Date : 08.06.2025 ; Date of Symbolic Possession : 03.02.2026 Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 53,34,997.12 (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Seven and Paise Sixty Two Only) as on 09.06.2023 together with applicable incidental charges, costs.

Description of Immovable Property : All that the Residential Independent House on Plot bearing No. 186 Part, admeasuring 100.0 Sq. Mtrs. (out of 217.0 Sq. Yards), (including Plinth area 140.0 Sq. Ft. R.C.C. i.e. Ground Floor 700.0 Sq. Yards, and First Floor 700.0 Sq. Ft.), in Survey No. 156, Part No. 179, Plot No. 87/Part. 87/Part (West Side Part) and 88 in Survey No. 386, with an undivided share of land admeasuring 35.5 Sq.Yds out of total admeasuring 1066 Sq.Yds with built-up area of 770 Sq.ft including common area and car parking roof covered with RCC as shown in the plan annexed herewith situated at "Surya Vanash" Layout of Isupur Village, Patancheru, under G.P. Isupur, Sangareddy District, T.S. M.P. Patancheru, Z.P. Sangareddy, Registration Sub-District Sangareddy, registration District Sangareddy belonging to Mrs. Farhana Regd. Vide Sale Deed Doc No. 3054/2022 dated 29.08.2022 bounded by: Boundaries for the entire land: North: Survey No. 385, South: 33' Wide Road, East: Plot No. 87/Part, West: Plot No. 89, Boundaries for the flat: North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky, East: Open to Sky, West: Corridor.

As the above borrower has failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the LIC Housing Finance Limited for the amounts mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon and costs. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of the Act, in respect of time available,

## Pawan Kalyan urges people to be 'conscious guardians of Dharma'

Amaravati, Feb 6 : Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan on Friday called upon people to act as conscious guardians of dharma. In the wake of the controversy over alleged adulteration of ghee used for making sacred Tirupati laddu, the Jana Sena leader reminded Hindus of their dharmic responsibility.

"Every devotee carries a Dharmic responsibility! Let us come out of the slumber and convenience of an average Hindu mind, where there is a fear of God and respect for faith."

"However, when someone desecrates Hindu Gods or mocks our Dharma, we often feel hurt in private, leave it to karma, and move on. This must change," Pawan Kalyan said in a post on 'X'. "Though we may be divided by caste, creed, region, and language, the Dharma is one and the gods remain the same. It is indeed our duty to voice our pain when our Dharma and



faith are deliberately mocked with malicious intent. Silence in such moments weakens the collective conscience," he said.

"Beyond being devotees, we must also act as conscious guardians of our faith. Protecting Hindu Dharma does not mean being against other faiths. It simply means safeguarding one's own," added the actor-politician. He used the hashtags 'no ghee in TTD laddu' and 'Sanatana Dharma Raksha Board'. Pawan Kalyan along with Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, state BJP president PVN Madhav and several ministers had

addressed a joint press conference on Thursday. They denied that the CBI's SIT gave the previous Andhra government the clean chit in the Tirupati laddu adulteration case and accused it of committing a grave sin. The Jana Sena leader quoted CBI as stating that substance used for making laddus is not prepared from milk fat. He claimed that no ghee was used and that the substance used was made from chemicals. Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu on Friday claimed that the Tirupati laddu was prepared with ghee made with chemicals used for cleaning bathrooms. He accused the YSRCP of trying to tarnish the sanctity of Sri Venkateswara Swamy by adulterating the prasadam (offering). "For five years, they had made prasadam with ghee prepared from chemicals. The ghee was made with chemicals used for cleaning bathrooms," he said at a public meeting in Kurnool district.

## Kishan Reddy slams CM Revanth over religion-based reservations



New Delhi: Union Minister of Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy on Thursday strongly criticised Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy over his remarks on making the 4 per cent Muslim reservation permanent, accusing the Congress of pursuing religion-based appeasement politics at the cost of social justice. In a statement, Kishan Reddy said the Congress party's approach validated Prime Minister

Narendra Modi's observation that the party had effectively turned into a "Muslim League Congress."

He alleged that the Telangana Congress government was attempting to institutionalise religious reservations by submitting documents to the Supreme Court, despite such quotas having been struck down twice earlier by the High Court as unconstitutional. The Union Minister

claimed the Congress had a two-pronged agenda — retaining the 4 per cent Muslim reservation and adding another 10 per cent by including Muslims under the backward classes category, effectively pushing reservations to 14 per cent on religious lines.

He further alleged that under the guise of a caste survey, the Congress government inflated BC population figures and included 10 per cent Muslims in the BC list, thereby reducing the effective quota meant for genuine backward classes. Referring to the 2020 GHMC elections, Kishan Reddy said a majority of BC-reserved seats were won by non-BC candidates, undermining the purpose of reservations. Warning that the people of Telangana were closely watching these developments, he said the Congress would face electoral consequences for betraying the principles of constitutional equality and social justice.

## Mangalya Shopping Mall opens 28th branch at Karmanghat



Hyderabad: Mangalya Shopping Mall, a leading textile retail brand that began its journey in Warangal in 2012, has grandly inaugurated its 28th branch at Karmanghat in Hyderabad. The new outlet marks another milestone in the mall's rapid expansion across Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, and Karnataka.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by popular film actress Sreeleela as the chief guest. She formally inaugurated the mall by lighting the lamp and later toured various sections, interacting with staff and reviewing the collections.

A festive atmosphere prevailed at the venue as large numbers of fans and customers gathered from early morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Sreeleela expressed confidence that the Karmanghat branch would receive strong public support and grow successfully with the blessings of local residents. LB Nagar MLA Sudheer Reddy congratulated the management and said the new mall would create employment opportunities for youth in the area.

Mangalya Shopping Mall Directors Pulluru Narasimha Murthy, Kasam Namashivaya, Kasam Mallikarjuna, Kasam Kedarinath, Kasam Shivaprasad, and Pulluru Arun Kumar said the brand's success lies in offering high-quality clothing for all segments at affordable prices. They highlighted the mall's in-house handloom designs tailored to modern fashion trends.

The mall offers a wide range of collections for men, women, children, and youth, along with exclusive wedding and festive wear. With prices ranging from Rs.99 to Rs.1 lakh, the management said Mangalya continues to grow as a trusted family shopping destination and plans further expansion across South India.

## Vivekananda School's "Avishkar" showcases creativity and patriotism

Karimnagar, February 6 (TSIT): Vivekananda Residential (CBSE) School, Jagityala Road, celebrated its 43rd anniversary with grand festivities under the banner "Avishkar," reflecting the blend of creativity, patriotism, and holistic education. The programme was inaugurated by chief guest Dr. Raghuraman with a ceremonial lamp lighting, prayer song, and sapling plantation. Chairman Dr. Sudhakar Rao Polsani, Secretary Ramadevi Polsani, Academic Director Dr. T. Lalita Kumari, and other dignitaries addressed the gathering, delivering

inspiring messages on the importance of value-based education beyond textbooks. Speaking on the occasion, the speakers emphasised that such celebrations nurture self-confidence, leadership qualities, and social awareness among students.

Cultural performances by students, including skits, dances, and songs, highlighted themes of patriotism, Indian festivals, national symbols, and India's achievements.



## Do not turn Sadashivpet into another Old City: Raghunandan Rao

Sangareddy, February 6 (TSIT): BJP MP Raghunandan Rao on Friday warned that Sadashivpet should not be turned into another "Old City" and expressed confidence that the BJP would emerge victorious in the upcoming municipal elections. Addressing a public meeting at Gandhi Chowk as part of the BJP election campaign, he asserted that the BJP flag would fly in two municipalities and accused the ruling MLAs of failing to deliver development despite being in power.

Raghunandan Rao said that under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, the country was witnessing progress across sectors, while Sadashivpet had remained stagnant for years. He questioned the

credibility of election-time promises, asking why ruling parties remembered the poor only during polls. Highlighting women's empowerment, he said the credit for 33 per cent reservation for women belonged to Prime Minister Modi and described it as a historic step. He announced that Rs.544 crore in central funds had been sanctioned for municipal development, including Rs.100 crore specifically for Sadashivpet.

Stating that the BJP believed only in development-oriented politics and not appeasement, he urged voters to choose leadership that would work consistently after elections, not just make promises.



## Progress Is Ours, Victory Will Be Ours: Congress Confident of Municipal Poll Win



Gruha Lakshmi scheme, expansion of educational institutions in backward regions like the erstwhile Palamuru district, issuance of ration cards and job appointments.

The Minister expressed confidence that Congress would secure 75 to 80 per cent of the seats across the State. He said the Congress government has implemented several welfare and development programmes after coming to power, bringing significant changes in healthcare, education and women empowerment. He highlighted initiatives such as free bus travel, the

Minister for Medical and Health Damodar Rajanarsimha on Friday said the Congress party's development record over the past two years will ensure its victory in the municipal elections. He came to Shadnagar to participate in the municipal election campaign in support of Congress candidates and later addressed a media conference along with MLA Veerlapalli Shankar and former MLA Choulapalli Pratap Reddy.

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## Ankuraarpanta for SKVST Brahmothsavams on February 07



TIRUPATI (TSIT): The annual Brahmothsavams of Sri Kalyana Venkateswara Swamy temple at Srinivasa Mangapuram will commence with Ankurarpanta on February 07 while the Brahmothsavams will be conducted from February 08 to 16. Dhwajarohanam will be performed on February 08 between 8.15 am and 8.35 am in the auspicious Kumbha Lagnam, followed by daily Vahana Sevas in the morning and evening. Vahana Sevas takes place between 8am and 9am, again between 7pm to 8pm. TTD has completed all arrangements for the Brahmothsavams, including decorations, drinking water, annaprasadam, medical, security, parking and queue facilities. The Cultural programmes like bhajans, kolatams and Annamacharya Sankeertans will be performed daily in front of the Vahana Sevas.

## TTD EO releases Sri Vedanarayana Swamy Temple Vimana and Ashtabandhana Mahasamprokshanam Posters



Tirupati: The TTD Executive Officer Sri M. Ravichandra, unveiled the posters related to Vimana and Ashtabandhana Mahasamprokshanam programs to be held from February 17th to 22nd at the Sri Vedavalli Sametha Vedanarayana Swamy Temple in Nagalapuram. The event took place on Friday evening in the EO's chamber at the TTD administrative building in Tirupati. Speaking on the occasion, the EO requested devotees to participate in large numbers in the Rajagopuram and Ashtabandhana Mahasamprokshanam programs. As part of this, on February 17th, at 5:30 PM, Acharya Rutvik Varanam, Punyam, Mrutsangraham, and Ankurarpanta will be performed. On February 18th, in the morning, Ashtabandhana Samarpantam will be performed, and in the evening, Punyam, Panchagni Pratishtha, Kumbha Vahanam, Aradhana, Homam, and Purnahuti will take place. On February 19th, Panchagavyadhisavam and Nava Kalasha Snapanam will be conducted. On February 20th, in the morning, Kshirabdi Vasam will be performed, and in the evening, Vedic programs will be held in the Yagashala. On February 21st, in the morning, Jaladhisavam will take place, and in the evening, Maha Shanti Tirumanjanam will be performed. On February 22nd, the consecration of the Vimana Gopuram (temple tower) will be performed between 11 AM and 12noon, and the Maha Samparkshanam (grand consecration) of the main deities in the sanctum sanctorum between 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM. Afterwards the devotees will be allowed to have darshan of the presiding deity. In this booklet release, TTD Additional EO Sri Sri Ch Venkaiah Chowdary, JEOS Sri V. Veerabrahman and Dr. A. Sharath, Deputy EO Sri Govindarajan, Temple Superintendent Sri Dharmaiah, and other officials participated.

## KITS Warangal Organized "Awareness Programme on "Strong Minds -Strong Women"

WARANGAL: The Women Empowerment Cell for Women of KITSW poster launch for AY 2025-2026 by the chief guest Swapna Sriramula, Counselling Psychologist & Behavioral Skills Trainer in association with Principal Prof. K. Ashoka Reddy, Dean Academic affairs, Prof. K. Veni Madhav and executive members of Women Empowerment Cell. The Women Empowerment Cell for Women of Kakatiya Institute of Technology & Science Warangal (KITSW) organized a poster launch for AY 2025-2026 and awareness program "Strong Minds Strong Women" in the college campus on Friday (06-02-2026) told by the Principal Prof. K.

Ashoka Reddy. The programme created awareness on women empowerment and mental health, highlighting the institution's commitment to the holistic development of women students. It is a platform nurturing leadership skills, emotional balance and decision making. The theme of the event perfectly reflected that spirit of the student community.

On this occasion the chief Guest, Swapna Sriramula, Counselling Psychologist and Behavioral Skills Trainer, and Director of Parikshkara Counselling and Guidance Center highlighted that strength, resilience, self confidence and leadership qualities among the women with practical examples.



## 35 Years of Pain Ends with Rare High-Risk Surgery at Medicover Hospitals



approach was planned and executed. The team included Dr Aneel Kumar, Neurosurgeon; Dr Damodar Kakumanu, Trauma Surgeon; Dr Rajasekhar Madala, Plastic Surgeon; and Dr Venugopal N, Chief Anesthesiologist.

The high-risk surgery lasted nearly six hours and required meticulous coordination across specialties. The surgical team successfully removed a large sacral (tailbone) tumor involving the spinal cord and rectum, a rare presentation associated with a high risk of neurological injury and bowel complications. Sacral tumors account for less than 5% of all spinal tumors, making such cases uncommon and technically demanding.

Given the complexity, a multidisciplinary surgical

team was assembled. The team included Dr Aneel Kumar, Neurosurgeon; Dr Damodar Kakumanu, Trauma Surgeon; Dr Rajasekhar Madala, Plastic Surgeon; and Dr Venugopal N, Chief Anesthesiologist. The team included Dr Aneel Kumar, Neurosurgeon; Dr Damodar Kakumanu, Trauma Surgeon; Dr Rajasekhar Madala, Plastic Surgeon; and Dr Venugopal N, Chief Anesthesiologist. The team included Dr Aneel Kumar, Neurosurgeon; Dr Damodar Kakumanu, Trauma Surgeon; Dr Rajasekhar Madala, Plastic Surgeon; and Dr Venugopal N, Chief Anesthesiologist.

Doctors at Medicover Hospitals stated that the success of this case highlights the importance of early specialist evaluation, advanced imaging, and coordinated multidisciplinary care in managing rare and long-standing spinal conditions.

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e-Tender Nos.Dy.CE-GS-BZA-13, 15, 16 & 17-2025-26 Dt.05.02.2026

Dy.Chief Engineer, Gati Shakti, South Central Railway, Vijayawada invites e-tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works in Open tender/Single Packet/Two packet system of tendering:

S.No.: 01 Tender No.: Dy.CE-GS-BZA-13-2025-26, dt:05.02.2026

Description of the work : Name of work: BZA Division ABSS- Proposed Construction of Gudivada (GDV) Station Left over works of Cable trench , Watering arrangements and PF Surface ,COP Shelter , Circulating area development , Construction of GRPF office Building , Parcel office P.way-Office Building ,Construction of Type-IV Staff Quarter (G+1), Dismantling of Existing Buildings, Proposal for Extension of Platforms at PF-1,PF2&3,ModularToilets. IPRSM I.D No.: 11.06.53.24.3.47.023 Tender value (₹): 156329153.29 EMD (₹): 931700. Completion Period: 12 Months Cost of Tender form (₹): Nil Date of Closing & time: 27.02.2026 @ 15.00Hrs

S.No.: 02 Tender No.: Dy.CE-GS-BZA-14-2025-26, dt: 05.02.2026

Description of the work : Name of work: BZA Division ABSS- Proposed Construction of Gunadala (GALA) Station Left over works of Cable trench , Watering arrangements and PF Surface ,COP Shelter , Circulating area development , Extension of Existing Station building with Facade , Compound walls and Ornamental walls , GLR, Water Tank and Pump house ,Modular Toilets. IPRSM I.D No.: 11.06.53.24.3.47.057 Tender value (₹): 18574937.96 EMD (₹): 1079900. Completion Period: 12 Months Cost of Tender form (₹): Nil Date of Closing & time: 27.02.2026 @ 15.00Hrs

S.No.: 03 Tender No.: Dy.CE-GS-BZA-15-2025-26, dt:05.02.2026

Description of the work : Name of work: BZA Division ABSS - Proposed Construction of Tadepalligudem (TDD) Station Left over works of Cable trench , Watering arrangements and PF Surface ,COP Shelter , Circulating area development , Extension of Existing Station building with Facade , Compound walls and Ornamental walls , Dismantling of Existing Buildings,GLR, Water Tank and Pump house ,Modular Toilets. IPRSM I.D No.: 11.06.53.24.3.47.020 Tender value (₹): 161245958.73 EMD (₹): 956200. Completion Period: 12 Months Cost of Tender form (₹): Nil Date of Closing & time: 27.02.2026 @ 15.00Hrs

S.No.: 04 Tender No.: Dy.CE-GS-BZA-16-2025-26, dt:05.02.2026

Description of the work : Name of work: BZA Division ABSS - Proposed Construction of Machilipatnam (MTM) Station Left over works of Cable trench , Watering arrangements and PF Surface ,COP Shelter , Circulating area development , TTE Rest House Building(G+1), Modular Toilets. IPRSM I.D No.: 11.06.53.24.3.47.015 Tender value (₹): 99172881.91 EMD (₹): 645900. Completion Period: 09 Months Cost of Tender form (₹): Nil Date of Closing & time: 27.02.2026 @ 15.00Hrs

S.No.: 05 Tender No.: Dy.CE-GS-BZA-17-2025-26, dt:05.02.2026

Description of the work : Vijayawada Division -Vijayawada (BZA)-Kondapalli(KI)section -Proposed Construction of Road under bridge (RUB) in Lieu of LC No.140 at Fly. Km. 56.9/31-33 Between Rayanapadu and Kondapalli Stations. RUB with RCC Box Size of 1 x 6.0m x 4.80m (Box Air-Pushing Method) and Retaining Wall (on Kondapalli and Ela pralu side) . I P R S M I.D.11.06.30.20.15.55.003. Year 2020-21. Tender value (₹): 109577967.55 EMD (₹): 697900.00 Completion Period: 09 Months Cost of Tender form (₹): Nil Date of Closing & time: 27.02.2026 @ 15.00Hrs

1. For bid document and other details, please log in to website <https://ireps.gov.in>.

2. Tenderers should watch for any corrigenda (issued online only) up to the date of commencement of the Tender Submission/Bidding period.

Dy. Chief Engineer, Gati Shakti, Vijayawada

e-Tender Notice Nos. C/E/29/Elec/M/SC/40/TF/OT/2025-26 Dt.05.02.2026

For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites e-tender for the given below work up to 15.00 hours on 27.02.2026

S. No.: 01 e-Tender No.: e-tender No.C/E.29/Elec/M/SC/40/TF/OT/2025-26 tender No.E-M-SC-40/OT-2025-26 Name of work: Secunderabad Division Electrical Maintenance Department - (i) Provision of goods loading line with rail level platform at Sirupur town in Kazipet-Balharsh section (ii) Slewing of Point no. 41, road no 5 and 6 CSR enhancement at Hyderabad (iii) Extension of Raghavapuram shunting neck on Kazipet-Balharsh section - Electrical Arrangements. Tender Value (₹): 3,29,21,62,000 EMD (₹): 3,14,600.00 CTF (₹): 0.00 Completion period: 6 Months

1. Tender conditions / other particulars are available in the Tender documents on I R E P S website at [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) which can be downloaded, can be participated and can view any modifications if any.

2. The tender notice is also displayed in the Notice Board located in the office of Sr.DEE(Maintenance), Secunderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad which can be seen on all working days.

3. The Railway reserves the right to cancel the tender without assigning any reason thereto.

Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer (M)/Secunderabad

## Komatireddy Leads Roadshows, Seeks Massive Mandate for Congress in Nalgonda Civic Polls

Nalgonda Roads & Buildings and Cinematography Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy on Friday led extensive campaign roadshows across several divisions of the Nalgonda Municipal Corporation, urging voters to deliver a decisive mandate to Congress candidates in the upcoming civic elections. Campaigning in Divisions 4 and 5, he appealed to voters to ensure the victory of Congress candidates Bogari Vaishnavi and Punna Gnaneshwari Ganesh with a large majority. He assured residents that all-round development of the colonies would be taken up on priority under Congress representation and said pending



previous BRS government, he alleged that development was limited and benefits did not reach the wider public, while the present Congress government has been implementing welfare and development programmes across Telangana. Referring to the earlier proposal to set up an

The Minister said that with Nalgonda upgraded to a Municipal Corporation, efforts are underway to mobilize funds from both State and Central governments to strengthen civic infrastructure. Criticizing the

Industrial Park at Kesrajupally, he said the plan was dropped in view of local residents' concerns, stressing that public interest remains the government's priority.

Komatireddy also campaigned in Division 20 in support of candidate Alli Subhash Yadav and in Division 42 for Pabbu Saishree Sandeep Goud. He said integrated development of Nalgonda is possible only under Congress leadership and promised lasting solutions for roads, drainage, sanitation, and drinking water issues. He called upon voters to support Congress candidates and vote for the hand symbol to ensure faster development and transparent governance.

## Bandru Shobharani Campaigns for Congress-Backed Candidates

Hyderabad: State Women's Corporation Chairperson Bandru Shobharani participated in the municipal election campaign in Aleru town, extending support to Congress-backed candidates contesting from multiple wards.

She took part in campaign activities for Ward 7 candidate Bijana Balamani-Bhaskar, Ward 5 candidate Chintakindi Murali, and Ward 8 candidate Pamu Anitha. During her out-



reach, she met local residents and appealed to vot-

ers to support the Congress-backed nomi-

nées for strengthened civic development.

Addressing gatherings during the campaign, she highlighted the welfare and development initiatives being implemented under the Congress-led state government and urged voters to elect candidates who would work closely with the government to resolve local civic issues. Local party leaders and workers accompanied her during the campaign programmes across the wards.

The Telangana Institute of Medical Sciences (TIMS), Sanathnagar, is being readied for inauguration in March, with officials setting February 28 as the deadline to complete all pending civil and infrastructure works.

Acting on the directions of the Chief Minister and the Roads & Buildings Minister, the Special Chief Secretary, Transport, Roads & Buildings Department, Vikas Raj conducted a detailed inspection of the facility on Friday to review preparedness and accelerate final-stage works.

Accompanied by the Director of Medical Education, officials from TGMSCIDC and MHIDC, R&B engineers, and representatives of EPC contractor Mega Engineering and Infrastructure Limited (MEIL), the inspection covered all major sections

including emergency wards, operation theatres, ICUs, and the Central Sterile Services Department (CSSD).

Officials directed that all balance works be completed within the deadline, including installation of 200 oxygen lines, 65 nursing stations, registration counters, and an RO plant for the emergency block. Trial runs of key systems and equipment items is in progress.

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# EDITORIAL

## THE DESCENT OF MAN (AND MP) - BY SHASHI THAROOR

One often hears of an MP's "precipitous drop" in political fortunes, but I hadn't expected to illustrate the metaphor so physically on the steps of Parliament on Wednesday. Having spent decades navigating the slippery slopes of policy and the treacherous inclines of debate, it was, quite ironically, a simple marble step that proved to be my undoing. One has often been warned about the dangers of "shooting oneself in the foot" in the political arena, but I have managed the far more literal, if slightly less dignified, feat of tripping over it. It was a singular, unassuming step outside the House that finally brought me low - in full view, mortifyingly, of the television cameras.

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My initial reaction was to make light of it, quote-tweeting a video-post of the incident with a Hindi couplet: "Jis diye ko tofaan me jaha hoga, usey sambhal sambhal ke chalna hoga" ("a lamp that must stay lit in a storm must watch its step"), and adding, "I am okay." Except that, as I found out when I got an X-ray done the next morning, I wasn't.

**A "Bottom-Up" View**

I had initially hoped my tweet - invoking that resilient lamp braving the storm - would be the final word on the matter. Alas, the medical profession has a way of grounding one's poetic flights of fancy. An X-ray, that most uncompromising of critics, has revealed a hairline fracture. Consequently, I have been "sentenced" to a month of immobilisation, a regimen of anti-inflammatories that should ideally temper the rhetoric of some other politicians, and an Air Cast on my right foot that is significantly less aerodynamic than its name suggests. This bulky contraption, coupled with a stern medical admonition against perambulation, has effectively "grounded" me in a way my political opponents never quite managed. I now find myself navigating the corridors of power from the vantage point of a wheelchair, a transition that brings with it a certain rueful perspective. There is, I've discovered, a profound humility in being eye-level with the waistbands of one's colleagues; it gives one a literal "bottom-up" view of Indian democracy that is as enlightening as it is humbling. I have become, quite overnight, a man of "wheel-power" rather than willpower, though I suspect the pace of my progress through the Makar Dwar and into the Lok Sabha chamber will now be measured in rotations rather than strides. While I have long advocated for "moving the needle" in Parliament, I didn't anticipate doing so on four wheels. Of course, it is salutary for anyone with delusions of grandeur to be confined to the View from Below. One notices quickly that the world looks quite different when you are eye-level with the gun holsters of the security guards.

**"If The Lamp Must Watch Its Step..."**

Despite this involuntary shift to a more sedentary existence, I have no intention of letting a mere hairline fracture impede the business of the people. While my gait has been forcibly slowed, my resolve remains unfractured. I fully intend to chair my Committee meetings with the same commitment (though perhaps less pacing), deliver my speeches from a seated position - a posture that, I am told, lent the legendary FDR a certain gravitas - and be steered through Parliament with the navigational precision of a slow-moving tugboat. There is a certain rueful irony in being silenced by a stair after surviving so many scuffles at the dispatch box. However, I am embracing this temporary "static" phase of my career. If the lamp must watch its step, it might as well do so while enjoying the comfort of a padded footrest. I shall simply have to ensure that my rhetoric remains more balanced than my gait.

## Why Foreign Investors Are Growing Worried About Their 'Minerals' Bets In Pakistan



gold and copper mines as well as the Saindak copper-gold project, Nushki holds considerable significance for Pakistan's currently expanding geo-economic calculus. By maintaining a presence in the region, BLA has gestured with intention and capacity to disrupt the logistics of upcoming mining projects, which they have historically portrayed as 'colonial extraction' by the federal government. The focus on Nushki reflects the insurgents' strategy to exploit geographic bottlenecks and paralyse state-led economic corridors and extractive projects. Foreign investors must be closely monitoring the existing security faultlines in Pakistan's restive provinces. Weeks after Pakistan's Army Chief, Field Marshal Asim Munir, showcased a briefcase of mineral samples in the presence of Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif at the White House in September 2025, Washington signalled interest in Pakistan's purportedly unexplored mineral resources. Billions Invested. In December 2025, the US Export-Import Bank approved USD 1.25 billion in financing for the Reko Diq copper-gold mining project, with US President Donald Trump publicly expressing business interest in Pakistan. In the following days, the 7th China-Pakistan foreign ministers' Strategic Dialogue's joint statement

announced the prioritisation of the mining sector on January 4. Meanwhile, Pakistan's Federal Minister for Petroleum Ali Pervaiz Malik held a meeting on January 28 with the Australian High Commissioner to discuss bilateral cooperation in the mining and rare earth sectors. While analysts have been tempted to frame the narrative around Pakistan's mineral wealth as a US-China competition, the domestic security challenges warrant foremost attention. For foreign investors, it is expected to remain an irritant, also considering that Pakistan's internal security resources already remain stretched thin. Alongside separatist violence in Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa remains a conflict zone with the continued operations of Islamist factions, most prominently the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP). In the Balochistan insurgency, the reported involvement of female fighters in active combat operations underscores the current character of the insurgency. This marks a big shift from the auxiliary roles Baloch women have historically played in the insurgency, thereby suggesting an expansion of the recruitment pool and psychological impact of the conflict. Ambition vs Capacity. The sustenance of this conflict presents a challenge for large-scale extractive and connectivity projects for all foreign investors.

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# Trust Tested: What The India-US Trade Deal Really Signals

The India-US trade deal comes at a critical moment not only for bilateral relations, but amid a broader churn in the global political economy. While the fine print of the agreement is yet to emerge, the initial impression suggests that India may not have conceded significant ground. Crucially, the deal arrives at a time when preventing disruption to sectors asymmetrically dependent on the US market was essential, thereby averting a potential hard landing for the Indian economy. At one level, the agreement in principle is symbolic of the underlying trust that managed to endure a period of pronounced political turbulence in the relationship. At another, it reflects a calculated jostling between two large economies seeking to safeguard their respective domestic interests and geo-economic positioning. The deal marks the end of a phase in which two decades of steady investment in trust-building gave way to a period of strain. More critically, this phase had pushed questions of geopolitics, regional balancing in the Indo-Pacific, and perhaps most importantly, strategic trust to the back burner. In that sense, the agreement was much needed to restore momentum at a time when global conflicts are intensifying, and protectionism is once again on the rise. *Nothing Is To Be Taken For Granted* One of the most important lessons from the past six months of intense negotiations and strain with the United States is that, for India, nothing in geopolitics can be taken for granted. Every nation must continuously curate and defend its own interests. It is, however, unfortunate that a protectionist America seems to be closing the gate on longstanding conversations around open economies and free trade. When the world's largest economy adopts the kind of tariff-centric behaviour that the United States has recently displayed, the effects ripple across the global system, impacting emerging and consequential economies most acutely. Donald Trump's approach to negotiations, his transactional tactics, and his disregard for normative and institutional frameworks offer a stark lesson for the world. For India, the experience of the last six months



should be particularly instructive in hindsight. The India-US relationship had, until recently, been anchored in strong political ties between two democracies, a deep diaspora connection, technology transfer, a robust defence partnership, and a growing great-power resonance - an alignment that took clearer shape since the George W. Bush administration, if not earlier. Subsequent administrations of Clinton, Obama, Trump in his first term, and Biden expanded considerable political capital in nurturing the relationship. Business and investment flows followed, further consolidating the partnership. Trump's first presidency, while widely viewed as an aberration from textbook governance, nevertheless offered early signals of disruption for India, most notably its removal from the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP). His policy reversals on climate and global governance now appear less anomalous and more symptomatic of a deeper rupture that fully unfolded in his second term. Yet, despite these disruptions, Trump's first term was not overtly antagonistic toward India and largely aligned with Indian interests globally and in the Indo-Pacific. His second term, however, proved to be the proverbial eye of the storm. *New Realities For India*, the recent economic jostling with the United States has come at a glass-half-full moment. While global conflicts such as in Ukraine and Gaza provide some context for Trump's assertive behaviour, India's own rapid economic ascent has also altered power dynamics, not only with the United States but with other major powers as well. India's economic and geopolitical categorisation is shifting rapidly, driven by robust growth projections that place it among the fastest-growing large economies. As India climbs the power ladder, friction with established powers is inevitable, bringing new realities into a relationship that previously operated on different assumptions. The past six months have thus served as a meaningful stress test for the India-US relationship. They reveal not only that India is now viewed differently by major powers, but also that tactical geopolitics, which is a Trumpian forte, cannot rest on trust alone. It requires the scaffolding of contingencies forged through moments of tension. Going forward, the India-US relationship is likely to be viewed through two distinct lenses: pre-Trump and post-

Trump. Not everything about this transition is necessarily negative. While the new realities may be uncomfortable for some in India, a pragmatic assessment suggests that the ground has shifted. One such reality is the imposition of an 18% tariff on Indian exports to the United States. Although these tariffs are not India-specific and in fact leave India among the least-tariffed economies in the Indo-Pacific, they nonetheless represent a structural change in the bilateral relationship. It is difficult to imagine a future US president with the political will or domestic support to fully reverse this new baseline. India and the United States will now have to move forward within this altered framework. The political agreement on the trade deal provides the necessary comfort on either side that was needed to assuage the domestic tensions in both countries, which are connected by a strong diaspora. The agreement could also help guide the domestic narrative, particularly in the United States, where nativist churn in the political discourse targeted at Indians from the American hard right may be chipping away at the foundations of the India-US relationship. The actual challenge now lies in implementing the promise of the trade deal.

## There Are Two Big Problems Trump May Run Into If He Actually Attacks Iran

The growing US military presence in the Gulf signals a potential military operation targeting Iran. While the objectives remain unclear, any use of military force would come with distinct constraints for the Trump administration. The Trump administration faces two broad military options with differing objectives and limitations. The first is a limited air operation aimed at the destruction of the Iranian leadership and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and/or destroying the country's nuclear-enriched stockpiles. The second option involves a sustained campaign aimed at ensuring that the current Iranian regime and its nuclear programme are eradicated from their roots and are replaced by a system that is acceptable to the United States and its regional allies. For the administration, the first option has several external, long-term constraints despite being a comfortable immediate one. The second option might have greater domestic, immediate constraints, but might be safer for attaining the desired outcome in the long term. Limited Strike. This option carries the fewest immediate constraints. It also appears the most likely outcome given the current US military posture, which has limited ground offensive capability but strong air and maritime capability. Without a sustained on-ground troop deployment, such an operation would not require prior Congressional backing. It would also limit risks to US



personnel and assets. A limited strike would receive support from partners such as Israel, as was seen during the June 2025 strikes. The United Kingdom is also likely to play a defensive role focused on asset protection. The primary constraints under this option emerge in the post-conflict phase. Israel, the central US partner in this scenario, seeks a permanent end to the Iranian threat. This would require the removal of the current regime, its replacement with a pro-Western system, and the destruction of Iran's nuclear stockpile. As demonstrated during the June 2025 confrontation, limited strikes alone do not guarantee the desired outcomes. The destruction of nuclear stockpiles without a regime change is likely to provoke strong Iranian retaliation in the short term. Over the longer term, Iran would attempt to re-establish its nuclear programme. This, in turn, would stall negotiations between Iran and the West for the foreseeable future, while sanctions remain in place. Iran would be left more distrustful of the West, allowing greater leverage for China and Russia. If regime change were to follow the destruction of the IRGC, the administration would face the challenge of managing the resulting power vacuum. Wider instability within Iran and the surrounding region would become likely. On-ground troop deployment remains the only effective means of ensuring post-regime change stability and the establishment of civilian governance. However, this option is constrained by political and coalition limits. Limits To A Sustained Campaign. If Trump were to launch a sustained ground campaign in Iran, he would face significant resistance from Congress and from allied partners. These constraints would narrow operational flexibility and increase pressure to bring the campaign to a rapid conclusion. There is bipartisan consensus within Congress against sustained military intervention in Iran. This opposition is driven by fears of prolonged foreign entanglement and the risk of regional escalation. At the same time, Congress has expressed concern over deteriorating human rights conditions within Iran. The members have repeatedly expressed growing concerns about the misuse of presidential authority to deploy forces that is largely derived from Authorization for Use of Military Force (AUMF) provisions.

## ISSPCON 2026 Begins in Hyderabad



Hyderabad, 06th February 2026: The 40th Annual National Conference of the Indian Society for Study of Pain (ISSPCON 2026) was inaugurated in Hyderabad, bringing together leading pain specialists, clinicians, and researchers from across India and abroad. This annual conference is being organised and hosted by Society of Study for Pain Telangana chapter by the Organising Committee consisting of Dr Umamaheshwara Rao W, Organising Chairman, Dr Nagalaxmi Patnala, Organising Secretary, Dr Sachin Joshi, Scientific Chairman and Dr Madhukar Goud B, Organising Treasurer under the guidance of Dr Muralidhar Joshi. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. Dilip Bhanushali, Immediate Past President, Indian Medical Association (IMA - India). Dr. Prabhakar Palacharla, Regional Chief Operating Officer - AOI & Citizens Hospitals, attended as Guests of Honour. The event was presided over by Dr. Krishna Poddar, National President, ISSP and Dr Anurag Agarwal National Hon Secretary ISSP. The multi-day conference focuses on interdisciplinary collaboration, recent advances in interventional and pharmacological pain management, and the bio-psychosocial approach to chronic pain. National and international faculty are sharing global and local perspectives to improve patient-centred pain care. Organisers highlighted that ISSPCON 2026 aims to strengthen knowledge, innovation, and compassionate care to improve quality of life for patients suffering from acute and chronic pain.

### TG ICET -2026 notification released



Nalgonda, Feb 6 (TSIT): The Telangana Integrated Common Entrance Test-2026 (TG ICET-2026) will be conducted on May 13 and 14 in four sessions with two sessions on each of the days by Mahatma Gandhi University (MGU), Nalgonda for admission into first year M.B.A. and M.C.A. for the academic year 2026-27 in the constituent colleges of the universities and in the affiliated colleges in the Telangana State. MGU Vice Chancellor Prof Khaza Althaf Hussain and ICET-26 Convenor and MGU Registrar Prof Aluvala Ravi have released the notification at a programme here on Friday. Eligible candidates who wish to apply for TG ICET-2026 may submit their applications through online mode

### GITAM scholar G. Rambabu awarded Ph.D. in Pharmacy



Hyderabad: GITAM Deemed to be University has announced the award of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Pharmacy to Dr. Rambabu Gugulotu for his research titled "Design and Synthesis of Azaheterocycle-Containing Pharmacophores as Putative Anticancer and Antimicrobial Agents."

Dr. Rambabu conducted his doctoral research under the guidance of Prof. G. Shiva Kumar, Principal, School of Pharmacy, GITAM Hyderabad. His research focuses on the design and synthesis of novel microtubule-targeting agents that inhibit the colchicine-binding site on tubulin, a promising approach to overcoming drug resistance and reducing toxicity associated with existing anticancer therapies.

The study involved the development and biological evaluation of innovative pyrrolidinyl benzylamine derivatives inspired by natural pharmacophores. These compounds show potential to enhance anticancer efficacy

and improve pharmacological performance, contributing to the identification of new lead molecules for cancer treatment.

The research is expected to make a significant contribution to the field of medicinal chemistry and anticancer drug discovery. Congratulating Dr. Rambabu on his achievement, GITAM leadership including Prof. D.S. Rao, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Hyderabad), Sri D.V.V.S.R. Varma, Resident Director, and senior faculty members lauded his academic excellence and wished him continued success in his future research endeavours.

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## CREDAI Hyderabad Property Show 2026 Inaugurated

The three day show calls homebuyers to 'Permanent Ho Jao' with city's best RERA approved projects showcased under one roof

**Hyderabad (TSIT):** The CREDAI Hyderabad Property Show 2026 was inaugurated at the HITEX Exhibition Centre, Hitech City, marking the commencement of Hyderabad's most credible and buyer-focused real estate exhibition. The three day Property Show is being held from 6th to 8th February 2026 at Hall 4, HITEX, bringing together CREDAI member developers and key stakeholders from across the real estate ecosystem on a single trusted platform. The event was inaugurated by Mr. Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister & Minister for Finance and Planning, Government of Telangana, with Mr. N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, Hon'ble Minister for Irrigation & Civil Supplies, Government of Telangana, and Mr. K Ramakrishna Rao (IAS) Chief Secretary, Government of Telangana in the presence of the senior leadership of CREDAI Hyderabad, including Mr. N. Jaideep Reddy, President; Mr. B. Jagannath Rao, President-Elect; and Mr. K. Kranti Kiran Reddy, General Secretary, along with Property Show Convener Mr. Susheel Kumar Jain and Co-Convenor Mr. N. Venugopal, other Managing Committee members, representatives from the banking sector, industry stakeholders and visitors.

Anchored in CREDAIability—CREDAI's core philosophy that stands for trust, transparency, ethical practices, and consumer confidence this edition of the Property Show carries the theme 'Permanent Ho Jao', a confident call encouraging homebuyers to invest in Hyderabad and make the city their permanent home with long-term assurance. The exhibition exclusively showcases more than 300 RERA-approved projects, ensuring that visitors engage only with verified, compliant, and credible developments. Homebuyers can explore a comprehensive range of residential and commercial offerings, including apartments, villas, plotted developments, and office spaces across Hyderabad's established residential zones and emerging growth corridors, all under one roof.

Addressing the gathering, Mr Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister & Minister for Finance and Planning, Government of Telangana, said Hyderabad is witnessing a major infrastructure transformation, with over 45 projects, including underpasses and road widening works worth more than Rs 7,000 crore, currently underway across the city. He added that key initiatives include Hi-tech City infrastructure packages, multi-level flyovers at major junctions, critical road widening projects, and upgrades to the southern corridor, ensuring balanced development across core areas, peripheral zones, and emerging growth corridors.

He further said that the Telangana Rising Vision launched after 2014 has positioned Hyderabad as a strong urban economic centre, driven by employment generation, innovation, and global investments. He noted that long-term urban planning initiatives such as the Blue Green Master Plan and the Comprehensive Mobility Plan are focused on sustainable and climate-resilient growth. He added that since December 2020, projects worth over Rs.20,000 crore are under imple-



mentation, with the government continuing to extend full support, ensure faster clearances, and work closely with industry, reaffirming investor confidence even during election periods.

Addressing the gathering at the CREDAI Property Show, Mr N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, Hon'ble Minister for Irrigation & Civil Supplies, Government of Telangana, said, Hyderabad is emerging as a premier investment destination, with the Honourable Chief Minister and the Minister for IT and Industries actively attracting investments across IT, hospitality, tourism, and allied sectors. He added that the government is focused on making the city more liveable and affordable through world-class infrastructure, strong law and order, and a business-friendly environment. Built on a legacy of inclusivity and a cosmopolitan culture dating back to the Nizam era, Hyderabad continues to outperform growth expectations. He also said that the government is ensuring simplified and digitised approval processes and proactive measures to ease departmental clearances, including irrigation-related approvals, while maintaining continuous engagement with developers and industry stakeholders.

Addressing the gathering at the CREDAI Property Show Mr. K. Ramakrishna Rao (IAS), Chief Secretary, Government of Telangana, said Rural to urban migration remains the biggest driver of real estate growth in India, creating demand not only for housing but also for hospitality, retail, healthcare, and infrastructure. He

added that over the next 15 to 20 years, India is expected to witness unprecedented urban migration, comparable to China's transformation, presenting significant opportunities for the sector. He further emphasised that real estate contributes nearly eight percent to India's GDP and is the largest employer after agriculture. He said that in Telangana, stamp and registration revenues have grown five to six times since 2014, annual revenue from stamps and registration department was approximately Rs.3000 Crore, today this figure has risen to nearly Rs. 15,000 Crore annually representing a 5 to 6 times increase. It is observed that number of registered documents have only doubled over the last decade, however the value of transitions has increased more than 5 times, indicating a sharp rise in per unit asset value. This largely driven by the expansion of Hyderabad's growth corridors, and that despite a brief slowdown during the COVID period, the sector has rebounded strongly. He added that timely approvals, effective regulation, and transparency are critical to sustaining growth, protecting homebuyers, and enabling inclusive urban development.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. N. Jaideep Reddy, President, CREDAI Hyderabad, said, "Hyderabad's real estate sector continues to stand out nationally for its structural strength, long term stability, and resilience. The city has benefitted from consistent policy direction, proactive governance, and sustained investments in physical and social infrastructure, which together have created a strong founda-

tion for orderly urban growth. This has translated into steady end-user demand, growing investor confidence, and a healthy balance across residential segments. Hyderabad today offers a compelling value proposition combining affordability relative to peer cities, expanding employment opportunities, and improving quality of life. For homebuyers, the current phase represents a strategic and timely opportunity to invest in a city that is clearly on a long-term growth trajectory, before the next cycle of price appreciation fully plays out."

Mr. B. Jagannath Rao, President-Elect, CREDAI Hyderabad, said, "Hyderabad has decisively evolved into a multi-dimensional global city, moving well beyond its identity as a technology hub to become a destination for innovation, lifestyle, and long-term capital investment. The city's diversified economic base, growing global visibility, and focus on balanced urban development are driving sustained demand for quality housing across segments. The CREDAI Hyderabad Property Show is curated with the theme 'Permanent Ho Jao' to reflect this evolution and encourage people to purchase their dream home and become permanent residents of the city. It offers homebuyers transparency, choice, and direct access to trusted developers, enabling them to evaluate options clearly and make confident, well-informed purchase decisions."

Adding to this, Mr. Kranti Kiran Reddy, General Secretary, CREDAI Hyderabad, said, "We represent 400 developers addressing critical challenges in the real estate sector, particularly illegal pre-launch and sales that distort pricing and mislead buyers. CREDAI is working closely with RERA. We are sponsoring a dedicated enforcement team and developing technology to curb such practices under the Unified Building Code. We are delighted that the authorities are forthcoming and have assured prompt support in resolving all the issues pertaining to the real estate sector. Through consultations, we submitted a 55-point proposal, of which 45 points were accepted, marking a major milestone after nearly a decade. We urge developers to work in close partnership with the government and fulfil their responsibility towards society."

The 3-day event, besides showcasing the best properties in the city will also host engaging discussions with RERA officials, bureaucrats, real estate research agencies and industry leaders to give homebuyers a complete unbiased perspective on city's growth and outlook. This will help homebuyers take a decision to become permanent residents of the city or move to a bigger home in the city. Mr. D. Sridhar Babu, Hon'ble Minister for IT, Electronics & Communications, and Industries & Commerce, Government of Telangana is likely to visit the property show on day 2 to interact with the developers and share the plans of the state government for the development and growth of the city with the people. This reassurance should definitely help homebuyers to decide to become permanent residents of the city.

## CyberFest 2026 inaugurated at CBIT Hyderabad



Hyderabad: CyberFest 2026, a national-level cybersecurity conclave organized by the Digital Defence Club, was inaugurated at Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT), Hyderabad. The event aims to create cybersecurity awareness, enhance technical skills, and provide hands-on exposure through a Hackathon, Capture The Flag (CTF) competition, and parallel technical workshops.

Addressing the gathering, Ms. P. Kiranmaie, Assistant Professor, IT Department, highlighted the scale of the event and said over 500 students from colleges across the country were participating. She appreciated the enthusiasm of the students and the efforts of the organizing team in hosting a large national-level conclave.

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and improve pharmacological performance, contributing to the identification of new lead molecules for cancer treatment.

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Chari, Head of the IT Department, noted that cybersecurity is among the fastest-growing domains globally, witnessing nearly 30 per cent growth driven by Artificial Intelligence and emerging technologies. He urged students to focus on AI-based cybersecurity solutions and keep pace with evolving cyber defence tools. CBIT Principal C.V. Narasimhulu expressed pride in the strong student participation, including attendees from Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu, and reaffirmed CBIT's commitment to innovation and industry-oriented education.

## Rivals in Andhra, friends in Sattupalli

Khammam (TSIT): Political parties that usually remain rivals and engage in political confrontations in neighbouring Andhra Pradesh came together during the Sattupalli municipal election campaign, underlining a message of unity at the local level. During the roadshow, leaders conveyed that all parties were united with a common objective and stressed that "everyone is one" when it comes to the development of Sattupalli. Congress, Telugu Desam, Jana Sena and YSRCP flags were seen together, creating an unusual but striking political scene.

The roadshow, organised as part of the municipal poll campaign, was taken out from the outskirts of Sattupalli town to the Subhas Chandra Bose statue. Cadres and supporters of all four parties participated jointly, raising slogans in support of Congress candidates. At a corner meeting, speakers alleged that development had been neglected in the past and said that works were now being taken up at a faster pace. They expressed confidence that Congress would register victories across all municipalities in the undivided Khammam district, stating that the unity displayed by different parties reflected a collective commitment to progress and local development.

## Development took place only under KCR's rule.. Nama



Khammam (TSIT): Comprehensive development in Telangana was achieved only during the rule of former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao, said former MP and former BRS Lok Sabha leader Nama Nageswara Rao, along with CPM State leader Potineni Sudarshan Rao. Campaigning in support of BRS and CPM candidates in the Wyra municipality elections, they said the State witnessed progress in all sectors under KCR's leadership after its formation. Criticising the Congress government, they said it had come to power by making impractical promises that remain unimplemented. They alleged that assurances such as monthly financial assistance to women, enhanced pensions and increased support to the differently abled had not been fulfilled. Recalling that schemes like Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak were implemented during the BRS regime, they said Wyra municipality too had witnessed development under BRS rule and appealed to voters to support BRS- and CPM-backed candidates in the municipal elections.

## Vijay weighs four seats for electoral debut as TVK begins candidate application process

CHENNAI: Actor and Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) president Vijay is actively weighing his electoral debut, with Vellachery, Virugambakkam, Vikravandi and Nagapattinam emerging as the four constituencies under serious consideration, even as the TVK on Friday launched the distribution of application forms for aspirants seeking to contest the upcoming Assembly elections.

Party sources said Vijay is personally assessing the political landscape and organisational strength in each of the four constituencies before taking a final call. "He is closely studying the ground realities and cadre feedback. A decision is expected in the coming days," a senior party functionary told DT Next.



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## Namakkal: Loudspeaker noise during temple event delays fire rescue call

CHENNAI: A sudden fire that broke out near a canal close to the Avathipalayam bus stand in Pallipalayam on Thursday evening highlighted concerns over excessive loudspeaker noise, after a passer-by reportedly struggled to contact the Fire and Rescue Services due to blaring festive music.

According to a Daily Thanthi report, the fire erupted around 4 pm near the canal, where garbage had been dumped. The flames spread quickly as the accumulated waste caught fire, sending thick smoke billowing into the air.

A youth identified as Hariharan (28), who was passing through the area, attempted to alert the Fire and Rescue Department using his mobile phone. However, he was unable to communicate clearly as loud film songs were being played through public address systems for the Mariamman temple festival in Avathipalayam.

He then rode his two-wheeler towards the Agraharam area in search of a quieter spot to make the call, but encountered similar noise due to a temple kumbabishekam event. Loudspeakers had reportedly been installed for nearly two kilometres up to the Sandhai Pettai area, continuing to play music at high volume. After considerable difficulty, he finally managed to inform the



Fire and Rescue Services. A fire tender later reached the spot and extinguished the blaze before it could spread further.

Following the incident, social activists and local residents reiterated calls for stricter regulation or a complete ban on high-volume horn loudspeakers during temple festivals, citing public safety and emergency communication concerns.

## TN announces shuffle among police officials



CHENNAI: Several Deputy Commissioners of Police (DCPs) in the Greater Chennai Police have been reassigned in a major statewide reshuffle ordered by the home department of Tamil Nadu government.

The changes, effective immediately, include: T. Eswaran posted as DCP (Traffic), Avadi Police Commissionerate; I. Eswaran, formerly SP of Railways, Chennai, posted as DCP, Anna Nagar; R. Uthayakumar posted as DCP, Koyambedu; and Sujit Kumar transferred as DCP (Traffic), Chennai West. Furthermore, R. Sughasini, DCP (Traffic), West, has been moved to the post of Superintendent of Police for the Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board (TNUSR) in Chennai.

The reshuffle also involves promotions and transfers across the state. Ankit Singh and Shristi Singh have been promoted to Superintendents

## Tiruchi: Woman jumps into well with infant, mom-in-law held

TIRUCHY: A young woman, along with a six-month-old baby girl, jumped into a well and died by suicide on Wednesday night, reportedly after dowry harassment by her in-laws. Police arrested her mother-in-law on Thursday, and a search is on for her father-in-law.

Sivabalan (33), a temporary staff member at Cooperative Credit Society at Ayakkaranpulam near Vedaranayam in Nagapattinam, married Kavya (20) after a love affair. It is said that

Sivabalan's mother, Senthamizh Selvi (53), a school teacher and his father Palanidurai (57), a noon meal organiser in a school, were in the habit of quarrelling with Kavya for failing to bring dowry. The frequent quarrel frustrated Kavya, and so Sivabalan sent his wife to her paternal house nearby. Still, Sivabalan's parents continued to torture her, and so the frustrated Kavya, on Wednesday night, took the baby and jumped into the well near the house after recording her statement and sharing it on social media.

## Tamil Nadu: From footwear to missiles, investments for Rs 34,200 crore gets cabinet nod



CHENNAI: Continuing its push to take industrial development to districts that remained below the radar for decades, the State government on Thursday cleared 15 industrial proposals to manufacture a range of products from footwear to ships and missiles, with a total investment of Rs 34,237 crore. The projects have the potential to generate about 55,000 direct and indirect jobs.

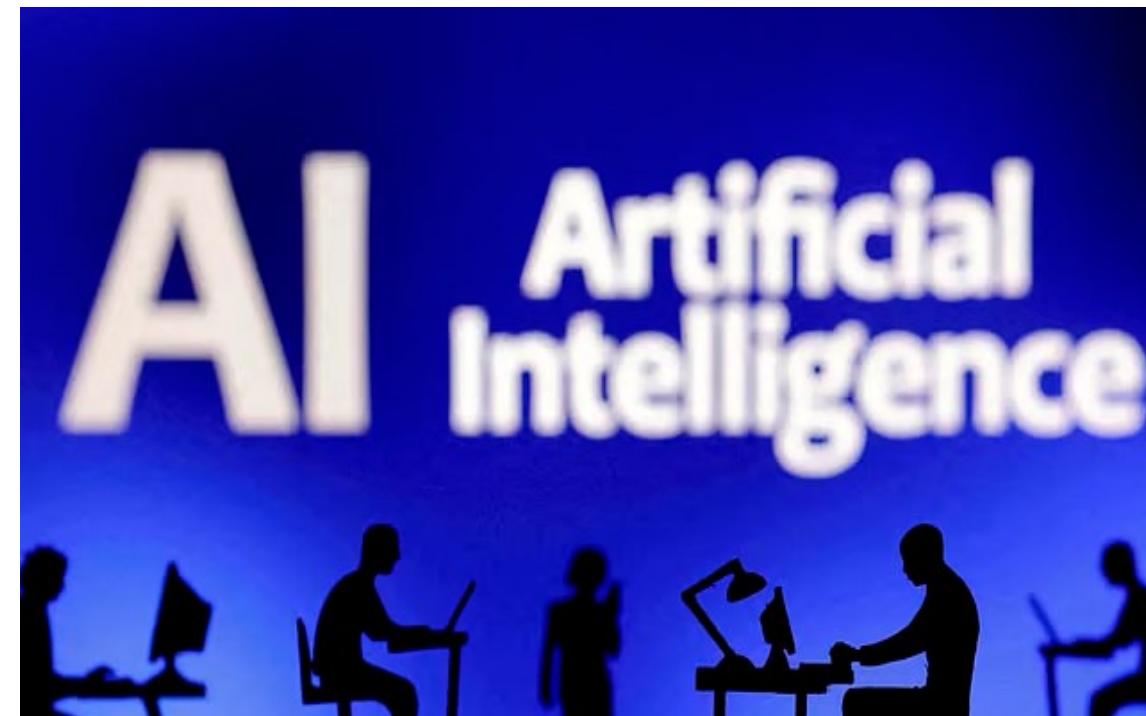
Besides greenfield projects, the list of proposals that were cleared by the State Cabinet chaired by Chief Minister MK Stalin also includes expansion of

automobile major Hyundai, and Gensol Engineering, which provides engineering, procurement, and construction services for solar power sector.

The biggest among them are Evervan Kothari's Rs 5,000 crore investment in

that Jeanuvs is pumping into Thoothukudi. Beyond the quantum of investment, what stands out about the project is that the unit would manufacture components for radar, artillery, missile, etc. Briefing reporters after the Cabinet meeting, Industries Minister TRB Rajaa pointed out that the units that would come up in Ranipet, Tiruvannamalai, Krishnagiri, Tiruchi, Karur, Ramanathapuram, and Thoothukudi show the government's commitment to balanced industrial development across the State.

## AI booster: Budget offers tax holiday for global cloud firms using Indian data centres



roads and power plants, forming the backbone of India's digital economy. India is eyeing a leading role in global AI conversations with New Delhi all set to host the India AI Impact Summit, the first-ever in the Global South.

The mega conference scheduled from February 16-20, 2026, at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, will mark the biggest congregation on AI in the world till date, bringing together 15 global leaders and Heads of State/Government, over 40 Ministers, 100s of leading CEOs and CXOs, and eminent academics from all over the world.

IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, earlier this week, noted that investments worth nearly USD 70 billion are already flowing into the AI infrastructure layer, with the potential to double by the conclusion of the Summit.

Last year, big tech companies Microsoft and Google grabbed headlines as they collectively pledged billions of dollars in fresh capital to build out gigawatt-scale data centres and sovereign AI

infrastructure in India. Sindhur Gangadharan, SAP Labs India and Chairperson, Nasscom, said the Budget strengthens the policy backbone required for India to operate as a global technology and AI execution hub.

The focus on cloud infrastructure and long-term clarity for cloud services directly addresses a core constraint in scaling enterprise platforms, the ability to run regulated, data-intensive workloads with confidence and continuity," Gangadharan said.

She added that for GCCs, this creates the conditions to move beyond delivery into ownership, where India increasingly designs, builds, and runs core platforms and mission-critical systems for global enterprises.

S Anjani Kumar, Partner, Deloitte India, noted the Budget treats AI as a horizontal enabler for the whole economy. It explicitly positions it as a force multiplier for better governance alongside structural reforms and financial-sector deepening.

The tax holiday signals a bet on India as a long-term compute hub, which is the infrastructure backbone for all of this AI adoption, Kumar added.

Piyush Prakashchandra Somani, Promoter, Managing Director and Chairman, ESDS, observed that the tax holiday for cloud services with local data centres is a timely and strategic move that reinforces India's commitment to data sovereignty and a resilient digital economy.

"By directly incentivising domestic data centre operations, the government is not only accelerating investments in India-based cloud infrastructure but also creating a stronger foundation of trust, security, and compliance for enterprises. "This policy will encourage cloud providers to scale locally, reduce dependence on offshore data storage, and position India as a preferred global hub for secure, compliant, and future-ready cloud services," Somani added.

## Sri Sri Wellbeing to open holistic health centre "Mruthunjaya Ayur" in Chennai

Chennai: Sri Sri Wellbeing Holistic Health has announced the grand opening of Mruthunjaya Ayur, a comprehensive natural wellness and holistic healing centre, on February 1, 2026, at Kilpauk in Chennai. The inauguration ceremony will be held from 6:00 pm onwards and will feature an auspicious lamp-lighting by Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Ji.

Rooted in the ancient wisdom of Ayurveda and guided by a vision of integrated wellbeing, Mruthunjaya Ayur is designed to blend traditional healing systems with modern therapeutic expertise. The centre aims to provide personalised, preventive, and restorative healthcare that nurtures physical health, mental calmness, and spiritual balance.

The facility will offer a wide range of authentic Ayurvedic therapies and diagnostic services, including Nadi Pariksha for constitution and imbalance assessment, Panchakarma therapies such as Vamana, Virechana, Vasti, Nasya, and Raktamokshana for detoxification and rejuvenation, and Netra Tejas for natural eye care and relief from digital eye strain.

Additional specialised therapies include Meru Therapy for spinal align-



ment, Marma Therapy for pain relief and energy balance, Osteopathy for joint and muscle care, and Ozone Therapy to support immunity, oxygen delivery, and detoxification.

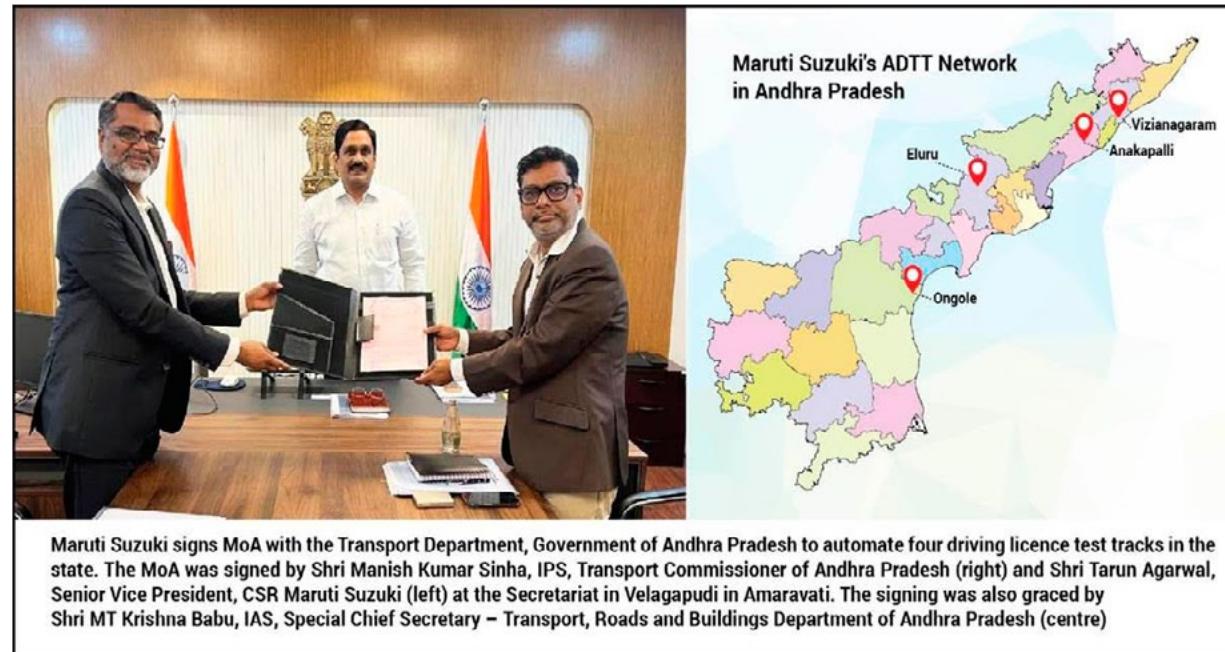
Sri Sri Wellbeing said Mruthunjaya Ayur continues its commitment to an integrated, lifestyle-oriented healthcare model by offering consultations, Panchakarma programmes, and holistic healing therapies under one roof. The organisation invited the community to experience a new dimension of holistic health that supports modern lifestyles through time-tested healing traditions.

## Wikipedia inks AI deals with Microsoft, Meta and Perplexity as it marks 25th birthday

Wikipedia unveiled new business deals with a slew of artificial intelligence companies on Thursday as it marked its 25th anniversary. The online crowdsourced encyclopedia revealed that it has signed up AI companies including Amazon, Meta Platforms, Perplexity, Microsoft and France's Mistral AI. Wikipedia is one of the last bastions of the early internet, but that original vision of a free online space has been clouded by the dominance of Big Tech platforms and the rise of generative AI chatbots trained on content scraped from the web. Aggressive data collection methods by AI developers, including from Wikipedia's vast repository of free knowledge, has raised questions about who ultimately pays for the artificial intelligence boom. The Wikimedia Foundation, the nonprofit that runs the site, signed Google as one of its first customers in 2022 and announced other agreements last year with smaller AI players like search engine Ecosia. The new deals will help one of the world's most popular websites monetize heavy traffic from AI companies. They're paying to access Wikipedia content "at a volume and speed designed specifically for their needs," the foundation said. It did not provide financial or other details. While AI training has sparked legal battles elsewhere over copyright and other issues, Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales said he welcomes it. "I'm very happy personally that AI models are training on Wikipedia data because it's human curated."

## Maruti Suzuki signs Memorandum of Agreement with Transport Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, to automate 4 driving license test tracks, under its CSR initiative

New Delhi, 06 February 2026: Maruti Suzuki India Limited ("Maruti Suzuki") signed a Memorandum of Agreement ("MoA") with the Transport Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, for set up and maintenance of 4 Automated Driving Test Tracks ("ADTTs") across the state under the Company's CSR initiative. The ADTTs will be set up at four Regional Transport Office (RTO) locations in the state, namely Eluru, Ongole, Vizianagaram, and Anakapalli. Under the MoA, Maruti Suzuki will automate and maintain these driving test tracks for a period of 3 years from the date of commissioning. The ADTTs will be equipped with high-definition cameras, RFID sensors, real-time analytics, and an integrated IT system to enable a technology-enabled, standardized, and objective driving license testing process. With zero human intervention, the ADTTs are aimed to make license testing more comprehensive, efficient, and transparent. The rigorous and standardized evaluation process is designed to assess candidates according to the Central Motor Vehicle Rules (CMVR). Test results are also automatically generated. Speaking on the initiative,



Maruti Suzuki signs MoA with the Transport Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh to automate four driving licence test tracks in the state. The MoA was signed by Shri Manish Kumar Sinha, IPS, Transport Commissioner of Andhra Pradesh (right) and Shri Tarun Agarwal, Senior Vice President, CSR Maruti Suzuki (left) at the Secretariat in Velagapudi in Amaravati. The signing was also graced by Shri MT Krishna Babu, IAS, Special Chief Secretary – Transport, Roads and Buildings Department of Andhra Pradesh (centre)

Mr. Hisashi Takeuchi, MD & CEO, Maruti Suzuki India Limited said, "During my meeting with Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri Chandrababu Naidu, I was impressed by his love for technology. Aligned with his vision for technology-led solutions, we are honoured to bring 4 Automated Driving Test Tracks (ADTTs) to the state of Andhra Pradesh. ADTTs use advanced technology that ensure a comprehensive, efficient, and transparent process with zero human

intervention. This guarantees that only skilled drivers are awarded a driving license, thereby improving overall road safety." Speaking at the MoA signing, Shri. Manish Kumar Sinha, IPS, Transport Commissioner of Andhra Pradesh, said, "I commend Maruti Suzuki, India's leading passenger vehicle manufacturer, for its significant contribution to road safety through the launch of Automated Driving Test Tracks (ADTTs) across the state. In this project, Maruti

Suzuki will extend support by providing technology in the areas of integration with the SARATHI\* system, training of personnel and routine maintenance for a period of 3 years. The Transport Department, on its part, will provide the required infrastructure at the existing driving tracks, undertake civil works, ensure security and electricity supply and conduct driving tests and issuance of driving licenses using the automated system." He added, "The automation of driving

test tracks is expected to bring greater uniformity and objectivity in the testing process and ensure that driving licenses are issued only to candidates with the requisite driving skills, thereby strengthening road safety in the state." The ADTTs in Eluru, Vizianagaram, Ongole and Anakapalli will serve Light Motor Vehicles (LMV) and Two-Wheelers (TW) driving license applicants. The ADTT in Ongole will additionally serve Heavy Motor Vehicles (HMV) driving license applicants.

## Fear of AI Replacing Jobs, Online Scams and Mental Health Concerns Top Vijayawada's Worry List: Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance's -Nishchit Index 2.0

**Hyderabad:** Key Findings: - Vijayawada's -Nishchit Index stands at 63, lower than India (79) and South Zone (71). Top concerns: Fear of AI-driven job loss, online scams, and rising mental health issues. Additional worries: Religious conflicts, natural disasters, rising cost of living. Uncertainty highest among SEC C (66); lowest in SEC A (59). Research Overview: -Nishchit Index 2.0 is a nationwide study commissioned by Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance and is based on a quantitative survey of 3,583 respondents and 21 qualitative interviews, capturing how Indians across cities and life stages perceive uncertainty. It maps 49 statements across 11 parameters covering financial security, health, mental and social well-being, career, safety, environmental, and societal concerns to provide a deeper, more comprehensive view of the country's evolving anxieties. Uncertainty lowest among residents with two insurance policies

(Index 49) Vijayawada: India continues to experience elevated uncertainty due to financial pressures, healthcare concerns, work-life imbalance, and broader societal risks. With the national Index at 79, anxieties around financial preparedness, healthcare affordability, mental well-being, and long-term stability remain widespread. Vijayawada, however, reports an Index of 63—significantly lower than national and regional benchmarks—indicating relatively higher perceived certainty among its residents. Yet several emerging risks and societal shifts continue to shape the city's underlying anxieties. Leading concerns include fear of being replaced by artificial intelligence at work, vulnerability to online scams, and the growing prevalence of mental health challenges. Other prominent worries include religious conflicts affecting social cohesion, natural disasters disrupting daily life,

inflation eroding savings, climate-related disruptions, and hesitation in seeking therapy due to personal or social barriers. Balancing personal interests with family time also emerges as a notable concern for residents. A blend of uncontrollable and controllable factors drives Vijayawada's uncertainty. Uncontrollable risks include online fraud, data-security threats, environmental disruptions, and broader social tensions. Meanwhile, controllable stressors such as AI-related job insecurities, mental-health management, rising living costs, and work-life balance highlight areas where awareness, planning, and appropriate support mechanisms can meaningfully reduce anxiety. City-level data shows that financial depth strongly influences perceived certainty. Uncertainty rises from 59 in SEC A to 66 in SEC C. Insurance ownership displays a non-linear pattern—uncertainty is lowest among residents with two policies (49), but spikes among those with three (94). A similar trend occurs across investment instruments, where uncertainty rises with greater diversification. Across demographics, uncertainty levels remain similar between men and women. Gen X emerges as the most uncertain age group (69), compared to Baby Boomers (60), Millennials (61), and Gen Z (63). Profession-wise and across life stages, uncertainty remains broadly uniform, suggesting that concern patterns are shared widely across the population. Overall, Vijayawada's findings reflect a national pattern where technological disruption, financial pressures, social risks, and health-related challenges increasingly shape public sentiment. As lifestyle pressures and external risks intersect across life stages, planning ahead and securing appropriate protection remain critical to strengthening confidence and reducing uncertainty.

## Generali Central Life Insurance expands 'Here Now' to support long-term planning across key life stages, from children's goals to retirement with life insurance

**Hyderabad:** While 'Here Now' Phase 1 focused on New Beginnings, the Phase 2 sharpens the narrative towards life-stage planning, offering solutions centered on two pivotal needs—children's future aspirations and retirement preparedness. Building on the belief that the future is built in the present, the campaign showcases how life insurance empowers people to dream fearlessly, think audaciously and embrace "Bada Socho for your bindass" dreams. Mumbai, 6th February 2026: Generali Central Life Insurance (GCLI) has rolled out the next phase of its national brand campaign, 'Here Now', with a sharper focus on life insurance solutions across two pivotal life stages—children's future aspirations and retirement security. Building on the Company's refreshed identity following Central Bank of India's entry as a joint-venture partner in 2025, the campaign reinforces the brand's commitment to empowering individuals and families to make informed financial decisions today for a

stronger, more secure tomorrow. As a true Lifetime Partner, the life insurer stands by customers through every stage of life, whether they are planning for their children's dreams or preparing for a carefree, fulfilling retirement. These visuals reinforce the campaign's core belief that thoughtful planning today enables people to dream fearlessly, think audaciously and live out "Bada Socho for your bindass dreams" across every life stage. The campaign reframes life insurance solutions for children as a foundation for future possibilities and retirement as a phase of renewed independence and purpose. For customers looking to secure their children's future, Generali Central Long Term Income Plan, Generali Central Money Back Super Plan and the Generali Central Assured Education Plan form some of the key solutions. To meet retirement-related needs, options like the Generali Central Long Term Income Plan, the Generali Lifetime Partner Plan and the Generali Central Money Back Super Plan offer structured planning.

## EXPECTEDLY, RBI KEEPS INTEREST RATES UNCHANGED

**Mumbai:** The Reserve Bank of India kept its benchmark interest rate unchanged on Friday, February 6, as expected, as inflation remained at manageable levels, and growth concerns eased following trade agreements with the US and the European Union. The central bank's six-member Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) voted unanimously to keep the repurchase, or repo rate, at 5.25 per cent. The RBI retained its neutral policy stance, signalling rates will stay low for some time. US President Donald Trump earlier this week announced a cut in tariffs on Indian goods to 18 per cent from 50 per cent, easing a key pressure point on India's economy and markets. The first tranche of the pact is likely to be finalised by next month, which includes a reduction in US tariffs. Announcing the decisions of the MPC, RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra said external headwinds



have intensified, but the successful completion of the trade deal with the United States bodes well for the economy. The RBI has cut rates by a total of 125 basis points since February 2025, marking its most aggressive easing cycle since 2019. It reduced rates by 25 basis points at its previous meeting in December. While the inflation remains benign, economic activity remains resilient. "Amidst heightened geopolitical tensions and elevated uncertainty, the Indian economy is in a good spot with strong growth and low inflation. Inflation remains below the



## FACING HIGH TRUMP TARIFFS, SOUTH AFRICA CLOSE TO NEW TRADE DEAL WITH CHINA

**Cape Town:** China and South Africa signed a framework agreement for a new trade deal on Friday, February 6, as Africa's leading economy looks to

other options following the high import tariffs imposed on it by the US and its diplomatic fallout with the Trump administration. South Africa's Ministry of Trade and Industry said the agreement would start negotiations over a deal that would give some South African goods, such as fruit, duty-free access to the Chinese market. The ministry said it expected the trade deal to be finalised by the end of March. In return, the trade ministry said China will get enhanced investment opportunities in South Africa, where its car sales have seen rapid growth. The US slapped 30 per cent duties on some

South African goods under President Donald Trump's reciprocal tariffs policy—one of the higher rates applied across the world. South Africa has said it is still

negotiating with the US for a better deal. The China-South Africa deal follows others looking for alternatives to US partnership in the face of Trump's aggressive trade policies. China is already South Africa's largest trade partner for both imports and exports, while Chinese economic influence across the African continent continues to grow and it dominates in the extraction of Africa's critical minerals that are key components for new high-tech products. "South Africa looks forward to working with China in a friendly, pragmatic, and flexible manner," the trade ministry said. Trade and Industry Minister Parks Tau, who travelled to China to sign the agreement, said the deal would benefit South Africa's mining, agriculture, renewable energy and technology sectors. US-South Africa diplomatic ties have plunged to their worst point in decades after the Trump administration accused South Africa of pursuing an anti-American foreign policy and allowing the violent persecution of a white minority group at home. South Africa's government has denied allegations that white Afrikaner farmers are being killed in a widespread effort to seize their land as baseless. Trump has also barred South Africa from taking part in meetings of the Group of 20 rich and developing nations this year in the US. South Africa's biggest exports to China are gold, iron ore and platinum-group metals, while Chinese cars have quickly grown their market share in South Africa. Industry groups estimate Chinese brands have grown from around 2.8 per cent of the South African market in 2020 to between 11 per cent and 15 per cent last year. China's BYD overtook Elon Musk's Tesla in 2025 as the world's biggest electric vehicle maker.

## RUSSIAN GENERAL SHOT SEVERAL TIMES IN MOSCOW



A high-profile general in Russia's military has been shot several times and wounded in Moscow. Lt Gen Vladimir Alexeyev was immediately taken to hospital after the attack in a residential block of flats on the north-western outskirts of the Russian capital and his condition is unknown. Alexeyev is number two in the main directorate of Russia's GRU military intelligence and the latest high-ranking military figure to have been targeted in the capital since the full-scale invasion of Ukraine began almost four years ago. He was placed under European Union and UK sanctions after the GRU was accused of being behind the 2018 nerve agent attack in Salisbury in the UK. "The victim has been hospitalised at one of the city's hospitals," said Svetlana Petrenko of Russia's Investigations Committee, which said it opened a criminal case for attempted murder. The gunman fled and investigators searched CCTV footage for clues and

began interviewing witnesses. A neighbour of Alexeyev told the Reuters news agency she had been woken up by the sound of "several" shots and had then heard another neighbour screaming for help. "This is all I heard. Other neighbours rushed out, too. They asked how they could help, should they call ambulance and police, but she had already called them." Alexeyev has played a significant role during the war in Ukraine, taking part in talks with Ukraine during the Russian siege of the city of Mariupol in 2022. He was also sent to negotiate with the head of the Wagner mercenary group.

## MORE THAN 30 KILLED IN BLAST AT PAKISTAN MOSQUE, OFFICIALS SAY

At least 31 people have been killed and 169 injured in an explosion at a mosque during Friday prayers in Pakistan's capital, Islamabad, according to a city official. Police officials say a suicide bomber detonated a device after approaching the gates of the Shia mosque in the Tarlai area of the city, while eyewitnesses told the BBC the blast was preceded by the sound of gunfire. An emergency was declared as hospitals began to receive the wounded, with an appeal sent out for blood donations. Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has condemned the incident, expressing "deep grief". In a statement released on social media, he called for a thorough investigation and the immediate identification of those behind the attack. Pakistan's President Asif Ali Zardari said in his own statement that "targeting



innocent civilians is a crime against humanity". Zaheer Abbas was inside the Khadijatul Kubra Mosque praying when he first heard the sound of bullets. "After that, we bowed and then prostrated, and then there was an explosion," he told BBC Urdu. "After which there were injured people lying everywhere." Pictures from the mosque in the aftermath show footware scattered across the floor, shattered glass, and people sat among the wreckage.

Abbas, who said he "lost his senses" in the moments after the explosion, was eventually pulled out by emergency services and taken to hospital, where he was quickly released. "Fortunately, I did not suffer much injury," he said. The mosque's caretaker Syed Ashfaq - who lives next door - also heard gunfire, and began running towards the mosque to help. "By the time I reached it there had already been an explosion," he told the BBC. "Bodies

were lying everywhere, some were missing arms, some missing legs. We took the most injured in our own vehicle [to hospital]." Islamabad's deputy commissioner Irfan Memon said on X that the death toll stood at 31, with the injured numbering 169. Pictures from local hospitals show the injured being brought by private vehicles and ambulances, with one photographer for news agency AFP saying they saw dozens of people arriving at hospital.

Attacks are relatively rare in the capital, although one in November left 12 dead. Another 27 were injured in the blast, outside a courthouse. The blast on Friday comes after a week of violence which saw 58 civilians killed in coordinated attacks in the province of Balochistan. The Balochistan Liberation Army (BLA) rebel group said it was behind the attacks. The military - which has been fighting an insurgency in the region for

decades - said it had killed more than 200 militants in response. Last year was also Pakistan's deadliest in over a decade as combat-related deaths surged 74%, with militants accounting for more than half the death toll, according to a new report released by an independent think tank. The Pakistan Institute for Conflict and Security Studies (PICSS) said violence in Pakistan left 3,413 people dead - up from 1,950 in 2024 - with 2,138 militants killed.

## Canada and France to open Greenland consulates after Trump demands



Canada is set to open its first diplomatic outpost in Greenland in a significant show of solidarity following US President Donald Trump's threats to take control of the territory. A delegation of senior Canadian officials, including Governor General Mary Simon, and foreign minister Anita Anand, are travelling to Nuuk on Friday to formally open Canada's consulate, accompanied by a Canadian Coast Guard ship. Ahead of the trip, Simon said in a speech that Canada "stands firmly in support of the people of Greenland who will determine their own future". Their visit comes amid a similar trip made by French officials, who are due to open their own consulate in the territory the same day. The Canadian and French missions are a historic expansion of foreign engagement in Greenland. Until this week, only Iceland and the US offered formal consular services in Nuuk. It is also a signal of the continued support offered by

## COIN PORTRAIT OF LATE QUEEN DRAWS CRITICISM IN AUSTRALIA



Two commemorative coins, released by the Royal Australian Mint and bearing a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II, have been criticised for their lack of resemblance to the late monarch. The \$5 (£2.56) and 50 cent silver coins, created to commemorate the centenary of the Queen's birth, were released in an online ballot that closed on Wednesday. "That's got to be the most unpleasant portrait on a coin," said one of several

people who reacted negatively online. The Royal Australian Mint defended the portrait, saying: "Our coin images don't always capture the full beauty of a design once it's etched in metal." Queen Elizabeth II died in 2022 at the age of 96 and was the UK's longest serving monarch. "There's a reason most portraits are from the side. Looks like she just ran into a wall," one person commented underneath a Facebook post from the mint. "If I saw that face without the hairdo and pearls, would never guess who it was meant to be," another said. Comparisons have been made with various TV characters, including Mrs Doubtfire - the beloved fictional housekeeper in the comedy film of the same name, played by the late Robin Williams.

Senior US and Iranian officials have held talks in Oman amid a crisis that has raised fears of a military confrontation between the two countries. The indirect discussions in the capital Muscat happened as the US military builds up its presence in the Middle East in response to Iran's violent repression of nationwide anti-government protests last month, which human rights groups say killed many thousands of people. Speaking on state television after the talks, Iranian Foreign Minister Araghchi said negotiators would return to their capitals for consultations, but described the meeting as a "good beginning". Iran had previously said the talks would be limited to its

nuclear programme. The US, which is demanding Iran freezes its nuclear programme and discards its stockpile of enriched uranium, had said they should also involve Iran's ballistic missiles and the country's support for regional armed groups. Earlier, Oman said its foreign minister had held separate talks with Araghchi, and US special envoy Steve Witkoff and President Trump's son-in-law and emissary Jared Kushner. It said the "consultations focused on preparing the appropriate conditions for resuming diplomatic and technical negotiations". The last round of talks between the US and Iran over the Iranian nuclear programme had been scheduled for last June but col-

lapsed after Israel's surprise attack on Iran. In recent weeks, Trump has threatened to bomb Iran if it does not reach a deal. The US has sent thousands of troops and what Trump has described as an "armada" to the region, including an aircraft carrier along with other warships as well as fighter jets. Iran has vowed to respond to an attack with force, threatening to strike American military assets in the Middle East and Israel. For Iran's embattled leaders, the talks could be the last chance to avert US military action that could further destabilise the regime, which analysts say is in its weakest position since it came to power following the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

## Savannah Guthrie's brother renews plea for proof mother is alive



The brother of US news presenter Savannah Guthrie has renewed his family's plea for proof that their mother is still alive after she disappeared last weekend. As the first deadline from an alleged ransom letter passed, Camron Guthrie said in a video posted to Instagram that the family had not heard anything about their missing mother, Nancy Guthrie.

The 84-year-old is believed to have been abducted from her home in Tucson, Arizona in the middle of the night. Police launched a massive hunt, with officials offering a reward of \$50,000 (£36,000)

for information that leads to an arrest. "We have to know that you have our mum," Camron said in the latest video message. "We want to talk to you." "We haven't heard anything directly," he said in the video, posted on Thursday just after 17:00 local time in Arizona

00:00 GMT. "We need you to reach to and we need a way to communicate with you so we can move forward." It came as the first supposed deadline for the Guthrie family to hand over money passed. At a briefing on Thursday, FBI Special Agent Heath

Janke said his agency was reviewing an alleged ransom note. It gave a deadline for payment of 17:00 on Thursday, he said, without specifying which time zone, and had a second deadline for Monday.

No further information was shared about what was threatened if the deadline was not met.

## TikTok told to change 'addictive design' by EU or face massive fines



The EU has told TikTok it must change its "addictive design" or face heavy fines, after it found the video sharing platform had breached its online safety rules. It follows an investigation which began in February 2024 into the Chinese-owned app by the European Commission. In its preliminary findings, the Commission said TikTok did not "adequately assess" how features like autoplay could harm the wellbeing of its users, including children, and said it failed to implement measures to mitigate the risks. A TikTok spokesperson told the BBC the findings presented a "categorically false and entirely meritless depiction of our platform" and it planned to challenge them. The platform has been invited to respond to the EU's findings. Depending on the outcome of this step, the Commission could fine TikTok up to 6% of its total global annual turnover - estimated to be in the tens of billions. EU tech chief Henna Virkkunen told reporters if TikTok wanted to avoid being fined, it would have to "change the design of their service in Europe". The Commission gave several suggestions for actions the platform could take, including implementing "screen time breaks" when people are using it at night and changing its algorithms, which feed users personalised content. It also suggested TikTok disable so-called "infinite scroll", which allows people to quickly cycle through millions of videos on the platform. "The Digital Services Act makes platforms responsible for the effects they can have on their users," Virkkunen said. "In Europe, we enforce our legislation to protect our children and our citizens online."

Professor Sonia Livingstone at the London School of Economics said while TikTok had introduced some tools to improve the online safety of its users, it was not enough to comply with the guidelines set down by the EU. "Young people are calling for such changes," she said. "They are frustrated that the platform does not prioritise their wellbeing over profit." And social media expert Matt Navarra said while the use of the word addictive was "often abused" in these debates, the Commission's findings seemed to be rooted in "true behavioural science".

## Trump endorses Japan's Takaichi ahead of snap election



Donald Trump has endorsed Japan's Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi ahead of a snap election in her country on Sunday. Takaichi has "already proven to be a strong, powerful, and wise leader... one that truly loves her country," the US president wrote in a Truth Social post on Thursday, adding: "She will not let the people of Japan down!" While it is rare for US presidents to publicly back candidates in foreign elections, Trump has done so before, endorsing Argentina's Javier Milei and Hungary's Viktor Orban most recently. Takaichi has courted the US president as Tokyo seeks more stability in its relationship with Washington, its closest ally, in the wake of Trump's tariffs. Trump had threatened

a 25% tariff initially, but Japan then struck a deal in July to invest \$550bn (£407bn) in the US. In exchange, Washington lowered import levies to 15%. Takaichi, 64, became PM in October after she won the leadership race in her party and secured enough support in parliament. But she has called an election to seek a public mandate. Just one week after she took office, Tokyo rolled out the red carpet for Trump, deploying a full military guard of honour and band to welcome him at the Akasaka Palace, the government's state guesthouse. It was her diplomatic debut, and the optics were striking: Takaichi aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington, fists pumping as the US president praised her in front of thousands

impressed with her, Trump wrote in his Truth Social post on Thursday, noting that the two countries have made progress in national security cooperation and on the economic front.

Trump also said he would welcome Takaichi to the White House on 19 March. Trump had threatened a 25% tariff initially, but Japan then struck a deal in July to invest \$550bn (£407bn) in the US. In exchange, Washington lowered import levies to 15%. Takaichi, 64, became PM in October after she won the leadership race in her party and secured enough support in parliament. But she has called an election to seek a public mandate. Just one week after she took office, Tokyo rolled out the red carpet for Trump,

invest more in defence. They heaped compliments on each other during the visit and signed a deal on rare earths, as well as a document heralding a new "golden age" of US-Japan relations. Takaichi described Trump as a "partner in a new golden era", and praised his role in bringing peace to the Middle East. "In my visit to Japan, I and all of my representatives, were extremely





## "Nahi Khilayenge": Pakistan Captain Salman Ali Agha Ready To Drop Babar Azam, Fakhar Zaman If Needed At T20 World Cup

For Pakistan, if they indeed go ahead with their boycott of the Group A game against India, their remaining group-stage matches against the Netherlands, Namibia and the USA will become crucial. In fact, the Salman Ali Agha-led team will need to win those matches to advance to the next stage. Ahead of their first match against the Netherlands on Saturday, Salman said they are ready to drop big names like Babar Azam and Fakhar Zaman if they don't fit the combination. "Jo best combination hain, hum wohi khilane ki koshish karenge (We will try to play the best combination)," Agha said. "Usme agar koi senior players, Fakhar or Babar fit nahi toh hum unko nahi khilayenge (If senior players like Fakhar or Babar don't fit into that combination, we won't play them). Hum wohi k-



layenge jo team ke liye best hain (We will play only those who are best for the team)." He went on to highlight that he took Babar and Fakhar's names only as examples. "Fakhar ne, I think, peechhe 10 saal mein Pakistan ke liye bohot per-

formance ki hain (I think Fakhar has performed a lot for Pakistan over the last 10 years)," he said. "Waise hi Babar ne bhi bohot performance ki hain (Similarly, Babar has also delivered many performances). Meri full support un logon ke liye

hain (They have my full support). Lekin jo team ke liye behtar hain, hum playing XI wohi banayenge (But we will pick the playing XI that is best for the team)." Ali Agha later confirmed he would remain at No 3 for the rest of the series against Australia and the start of the T20 World Cup, as he

believes it suits his style of targeting quick runs against opposition spinners. "Yes, I'll be batting at No. 3 (in the future)," Ali Agha said. "We expect to face a lot of spin, and I believe I can dominate spin during the Powerplay. That's why I moved up, and that is where I'll stay," he added.

## Smriti Mandhana Was Down With 103 Degree Fever Before WPL 2026 Final, Nobody In RCB Knew About Illness

Smriti Mandhana was at her aggressive best in the Women's Premier League (WPL) 2026 final. The Royal Challengers Bengaluru skipper smashed a 41-ball 87 as her team chased down a 204-run target against the Delhi Capitals in 19.4 overs. Mandhana finished as the highest run-scorer of the WPL 2026 after leading her side to their second title at the BCA Stadium in Vadodara on Thursday. The 29-year-old ended the season with 377 runs in nine innings and claimed the Orange Cap for the first time. Mandhana scored her runs at an average of 53.86 and a strike rate of 150. Her highest individual score of the season (96 off 61 balls) came against the Delhi Capitals during the league



stage. She also played a match-winning knock of 87 in the final, helping RCB lift the trophy for the second time after their maiden title in the 2024 season. After the match, the RCB coach revealed that Smriti had been running a fever a day

before the final. "Smriti, thank you so much for being such a wonderful captain and for turning up for this game without any complaints. I know how ill you were last night. The effort you put in... For people who didn't know, she had a fever

of 103 degree F last evening," said RCB coach Malolan Rangarajan in his dressing-room speech. He went on to say that Mandhana saved her best innings for the final. "Massive, massive flu. She was seriously unwell with a high fever. But she turned up and didn't show it - nobody in the team knew. Not for a second did she show it. That's the person Smriti is. When I spoke to her this afternoon, she said, 'Nahi, Malo, koi problem nahi (No, Malo, there's no problem), I'll be there. That's her work ethic," Rangarajan said after the six-wicket win. "I think she saved one of her best innings for the final," he added. "The way she batted was... inhuman? I don't even know the right word. So classy, so elegant."

## WHY SHOULD I NOT EXPRESS HOW I FEEL? - GUARDIOLA



Pep Guardiola defended his stance of speaking up about global conflicts by asking, "why should I not express what I feel, just because I am a manager?" On Tuesday, the Manchester City boss said he wants to use his position to "speak up to be a better society" as he talked at a football news conference about the "hurt" he feels for victims of global conflict. Guardiola received both praise and criticism for his passionate words, with Jewish community leaders advising the Spaniard to "focus on football" and "be more careful in his future language".

But the 55-year-old did not back down when asked to respond to those comments by BBC Sport, saying: "To be honest, I didn't say anything special. I don't feel that." Last week, Guardiola gave a speech in support of Palestinian children at a charity event in his home city of Barcelona. He used the news conference before Manchester

City's Carabao Cup semi-final second leg against Newcastle to speak about children being killed and injured in conflict zones across the world, saying the footage he sees "hurts me". He referenced conflicts in Palestine, Ukraine, Sudan and even recent shootings by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents in the United States. The Jewish Representative Council of Greater Manchester & Region said Manchester City have been "let down" by Guardiola "repeatedly straying into commentary on international affairs". Speaking in his news conference before Sunday's Premier League game at Liverpool, Guardiola said: "Why should I not express what I feel, just because I am a manager? I don't agree but I respect absolutely all opinions. What I said basically is how many conflicts are there right now all around the world? How many? A lot - I condemn all of them."

## Despite Questioning ICC And India, Ex-England Captain Included In Commentary Panel For T20 World Cup



ICC TV is set to deliver another world-class immersive viewing experience for cricket fans around the globe at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 in India and Sri Lanka. Alongside live coverage of every match, ICC TV will provide a comprehensive world feed service to licensees, ensuring consistent, high-quality coverage across all markets. Viewers will have access to every match of the tournament through an extensive broadcast offering that includes a pre-match show, innings interval programme, post-match wrap-up and daily highlights shows capturing the full story of the competition, right from the opening fixture through to the final. The tournament will be

delivered by six dedicated production crews operating across the eight venues in India and Sri Lanka, supported by eight broadcast kits deploying up to 45 cameras to capture the action with depth, precision and editorial flexibility. ICC TV

will collaborate closely with production services partner JioStar and equipment services partner NEP to bring the event to life. In total, approximately 720 broadcast professionals will be involved in delivering the event, spanning pro-

## ZFA Unbeaten In Ten Matches, Top Of Group B In AIFF Elite League 2025-26



Zinc Football Academy (ZFA) continued its impressive run in the AIFF Under-18 Elite League 2025-26, remaining unbeaten after ten matches and sitting at the top of Group B with just four matches remaining in the Zonal Round. The AIFF Under-18 Elite League Zonal Round began in November 2025 and will run until March 2026, with each team playing 14 matches in a home-and-away format across various zonal venues. Zinc Football Academy hosts its home matches across two venues - Hindustan Zinc Stadium, Debari and MKM Stadium, Zawar, while travelling across cities for the away fixtures. ZFA's strong position in Group B has been built on

consistency across both home and away matches. So far, the Academy have defeated Rajasthan United 7-0 and 2-0, Delhi FC 11-0 and 5-1, Sudeva Delhi FC 5-0, Juba Sangha FC 3-0, Lake City FC 3-0, and Lucknow Falcons FC 5-0, while playing evenly contested draws against Techtro Lucknow FC (0-0), and Juba

Sangha FC (2-2). With 8 wins and 2 draws, ZFA sit top of the table with 26 points from 10 matches, closely followed by Sudeva Delhi FC with 22 points from 9 matches. ZFA have showcased a free-flowing attack, scoring an impressive 43 goals so far. Striker Ashish Chetry has led from the front with 19 goals in ten matches, including three hat-tricks. Currently, he stands third in the overall top scorers' chart. ZFA's local talents Himesh Meena, considered the heart of the team by his coach, and Ritik Meena, known for delivering in big moments, have been equally influential, scoring goals consistently. ZFA have also been rock solid in defence, conceding just three goals in ten matches, including an impressive eight clean sheets. With just four matches remaining in the zonal round - three at home and one away in Delhi, ZFA will aim to maintain their momentum as they push towards qualification for the Final Round of the AIFF Under-18 Elite League 2025-26.

## Vaibhav Suryavanshi Achieves Huge Record In U19 World Cup Final. No Other Player Has Ever Done It



Vaibhav Suryavanshi captivated the crowd with yet another explosive innings in the U19 World Cup 2026 final against England on Friday in Harare. The young prodigy brought up his century in just 55 balls, giving India a commanding position in the match. His knock included six fours and six sixes, making it the fastest century by an Indian in U19 World Cup history. The 14-year-old from Bihar broke the previous record held by Raj Angad Bawa, who had reached a hundred in 69 balls against Uganda in 2022. Suryavanshi became the first India batter ever to score a century under sixty balls in an U19 World Cup match. In the overall tournament records, Suryavanshi became the second fastest centurion in U19 World Cup history, beating Qasim Akram of Pakistan, who brought up his ton in 63 balls against Sri Lanka in 2022. Suryavanshi ended his knock at 175 off 80, consisting of 15 boundaries and 15

sixes. He became the first player in the world to score 150 in an U19 World Cup final match. Along with surpassing Bawa's record, Suryavanshi also overtook South Africa's Dewald Brevis for the most sixes hit in a single U19 World Cup edition. Suryavanshi smashed 30 sixes in this tournament, eclipsing Brevis' tally of 18 from 2022. Earlier in the day, India Under-19 captain Ayush Mhatre won the toss and elected to bat first against England in the ICC U19 World Cup 2026 final at the Harare Sports Club.

## T20 World Cup Opening Ceremony Details: From Nora Fatehi To Badshah - Full List Of Performers And Timing



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## 'Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu', the blockbuster

Chiranjeevi Nayanthara entertainer, to stream from February 11th on ZEE5! 'Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu' film to stream in Telugu, Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam, Hindi, Marathi and Bengali. After setting the box office on fire this Sankranti, the Telugu blockbuster 'Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu' is all set to make its grand digital debut on ZEE5 on February 11th. The platform has acquired the exclusive digital rights of the Chiranjeevi-Nayanthara starrer, which has emerged as one of the biggest successes of the season. As announced earlier during the Sankranti campaign, the film will stream on ZEE5 from across all languages available on the platform, ensuring massive reach among Telugu diaspora and South Asian audiences globally. Written and directed by Anil Ravipudi, 'Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu' features Megastar Chiranjeevi in a powerful yet endearing avatar, alongside Venkatesh Daggubati, Nayanthara and Catherine Tresa. This family entertainer is deeply rooted in emotion, humour and relationships, while also delivering edge-of-the-seat drama. Blending action, comedy, emotion and fami-



ly drama, the film follows a national security officer's (Chiranjeevi) journey to protect his estranged family while rediscovering love, responsibility, and redemption. With Chiranjeevi's enduring screen legacy and Nayanthara's wide appeal across the country, the film found strong resonance with audiences during its theatrical run. Speaking

about the digital premiere, Chiranjeevi said, "Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu is a film that celebrates family, relationships and resilience, all wrapped in entertainment. The love the audience has shown us in theatres has been truly overwhelming. I'm happy that through ZEE5, the film will now reach even more viewers across languages and coun-

tries. It's always special when a story travels beyond cinemas and becomes a part of people's homes." Nayanthara added, "This film has a beautiful emotional core along with humour and action, and that balance is what makes it special. Working with Chiranjeevi garu and the entire team was a wonderful experience. I'm excited that audi-

ences who may have missed it in theatres can now watch Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu on ZEE5 and enjoy the journey from the comfort of their homes." Venkatesh Daggubati said, "What I love about Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu is how it blends large-scale entertainment with heartfelt relationships. Working with Chiranjeevi garu for the first time made this journey even more special. I'm glad the film is now reaching audiences worldwide through ZEE5 in multiple languages, allowing families everywhere to experience its emotion, humour and drama together." Director Anil Ravipudi added, "This film was designed as a complete family entertainer, something rooted in emotions, laughter and thrilling moments. The theatrical response has been extremely encouraging, and I believe the story will connect even more strongly on OTT. With ZEE5 streaming it across all languages, Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu will now reach homes across markets and cultures, which is truly exciting for us as creators." Get ready to relive the blockbuster magic as the film is streaming from February 11th, exclusively on ZEE5 in Telugu, Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam, Hindi, Marathi and Bengali languages!

The film 'Euphoria' starred Sara Arjun, Nassar, Rohit and Vignesh Gavireddy in the lead role of Bhumika. Presented by Ragini Guna and produced by Neelima Guna and Yuktha Guna, this film directed by sensational director Guna Shekhar was released on February 6. In the success celebrations organized on this occasion on Friday... Director Gunasekhar said that the movie 'Euphoria' is receiving good praise from the morning show. I thought youth will come after seeing this title. But the family audience is also coming. Bhumi and Sara Arjun may be the reason for that. Very good response. Whatever we expect from the movie comes. We tried to say hard hitting, not in regular commercial style, not following any formula. It gets a

good response. Congratulations from all friends. Leaving the regular format and making a film with new actors on such a large scale is considered daring. It is said that we have made the film so that all sections of the audience can appreciate such a bold content without any problem. Appreciating that we are seeing Gunasekhar anew feels like a great compliment. I tried with euphoria to reinvent myself. That effort is appreciated by many today. It is said that he is thinking like a new director. In the promotions of this movie, we have created the topics of adolescence, parenting and social impact in a very realistic and commercial approach. We have shown the conflict between mother and son. Family audiences are saying that they are enjoying the suspense in the second half of the movie. Viewers say that they have not seen such a standard climax lately. The movie was engaging from the first frame to the last frame. Our film was well understood and analyzed by the audience as well as the reviewers. You have to watch this movie in theaters and enjoy it. We believe in word of mouth. It should be spread more positively to everyone. 'Intillipadi' is a beautiful film that we have made for everyone to see," he said. Prithvi Addala said, "I am very happy to see the response to the movie 'Euphoria' since morning. Hard hitting, bold move. Gunasekhar's dare can be understood after watching the movie. The first staff is said to be very gripping. I was happy to see the emotional scenes between mother and son in the second half. Coming to you as Psycho Sahil with a movie like this is a good experience.



## MADHURI DIXIT, TRIPITI DIMRI TO STAR IN NETFLIX COMEDY THRILLER 'MAA BEHEN'



**Mumbai:** Actors Madhuri Dixit and Tripti Dimri will headline Netflix's upcoming comedy thriller film "Maa Behen", which also features Ravi Kishan. The movie was announced by Netflix on Tuesday during an event unveiling its India slate for 2026. "Maa Behen" centres on Rekha and her two daughters, Jaya and Sushma, who find themselves at the centre of attention in their conservative neighbourhood after an unexpected incident leaves their neighbour's dead body in their kitchen. The film is directed by Suresh Triveni, known for "Tumahri Sulu" and "Jalsa". The story is by Triveni and Pooja Tolani, with the screenplay and dialogues written by Tolani. The film is produced by Vikram Malhotra and Suresh Triveni under Abundantia Entertainment, in association with Opening Image Films. Dixit said it was the dark-comedy tone and the script that drew her

## 'Pithapuramlo' is Dr. Rajendra Prasad's first film to be released after receiving the 'Padma Shri' award

Mahesh Chandra has earned a good reputation as a director with films like "Preyasi Raave", "Ayodhya Ramayya", "Cheppalani Undi", "Joruga Husharuga", "Okkade", "Hanumanthu", "Aalasyam Amrutham", and "Red Alert". His latest film is 'Pithapuramlo', with the subtitle 'Ala Modalaindi'. The film stars Natakireeti' Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Prudhviraj, Kedar Shankar, Manichandana, Jayavahini, and Annapurnamma in lead roles. Dasari Padma, Sunny Akhil, Virat, Sai Praneeth, Srilu, Prathyusha, Rehana, Jr. Pawan Kalyan, J.D.V Prasad, K.A. Paul Ramu, Jabardasth Seshu, and others will be seen in key roles. The film is being produced by Dundigalla Balakrishna, Akula Suresh Patel, and F.M. Murali (Godari Kittayya) under the Mahesh



Chandra Cinema Team banner. The shooting has been completed, and the film is currently in the post-production stage. The release date will be announced soon. On this occasion, director Mahesh Chandra said, "This is a story of three fathers' anguish, which might seem like a story about three girls.

This is a real story that this internet generation needs to know. While watching this film, it will feel like you are seeing the society around you, many families, and the lives of many people. But don't think of this as a purely sentimental film. It has love, romance, entertainment, good punchy dialogues, and

## PM Narendra Modi Biopic 'Maa Vande' Wraps First Schedule in Hyderabad; Kashmir Schedule Next

**P**M Narendra Modi Biopic 'Maa Vande' Completes First Schedule in Hyderabad

Maa Vande' Makers Announce Schedule Wrap with BTS Pictures from Sets

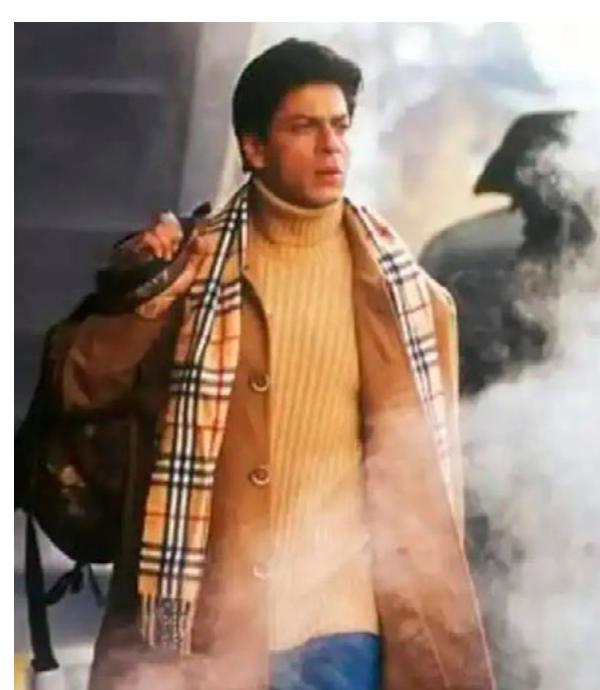
The makers of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi biopic Maa Vande, starring Unni Mukundan, have successfully wrapped the film's first schedule in Hyderabad. The announcement was made by the team through the release of behind-the-scenes pictures from the sets, offering an early glimpse into the making of the ambitious biographical drama. The Hyderabad schedule began on an auspicious note with a traditional pooja, following which several key portions of the film were filmed.



Marking the completion of this phase, the production team is now set to move into the next schedule in Kashmir. The BTS images shared by the makers also featured moments from the sets, including director Kranthi Kumar C.H. alongside Unni

Mukundan. Titled Maa Vande, the film is a biographical drama inspired by the life journey of Narendra Modi, tracing a story rooted in values, purpose, and resilience. The project was announced on the Prime Minister's birthday in September and is being mounted on a grand canvas with international production standards and strong technical values. The film is produced by Veer Reddy M. and written and directed by Kranthi Kumar C.H. Maa Vande brings together an acclaimed technical team comprising action director King Solomon, production designer Sabu Cyril, editor Sreekar Prasad, director of photography K.K. Senthil Kumar, and music composer Ravi Basrur. The collective body of work of the team includes landmark films such as Baahubali and Salaar, with Basrur's music having defined the soundscape of KGF. Their association underlines the makers' intent to deliver the biopic on a large-scale, cinematic platform befitting its subject.

## IS MAIN HOON NA 2 FINALLY HAPPENING? SRK'S NEXT FILM UPDATE OUT



**M**umbai: After the much-awaited action drama King, all eyes are on Shah Rukh Khan's next big-screen project. The wait may soon be over, as fresh reports suggest that the superstar is gearing up for a return with a sequel to one of his most popular films, Main Hoon Na. According to a latest report by Pinkvilla, Main Hoon Na 2 has emerged as the front-runner to be SRK's next film after King. The development also points to a likely reunion between SRK and filmmaker Farah Khan after nearly 12 years. Their last collaboration was the 2014 hit Happy New Year.

### ■ MAIN HOON NA 2 UPDATES

Sources quoted in the report reveal that Farah Khan has cracked an exciting concept for the sequel, with King Khan expected to play a double role. The idea is said to retain the soul of the original film while taking the story forward on a much larger scale. The narrative reportedly revolves around a new threat to India and will balance patriotism, action, comedy and emotion, much like the 2004 original. Interestingly, the core story idea for Main Hoon Na 2 is said to have come from Shah Rukh Khan himself. The screenplay is currently being developed by writer Aakash Kaushik, with the writing process in full swing. The report further states that Shah Rukh Khan is expected to hear the complete narration of Main Hoon Na 2 after wrapping up the shoot of King around May 2026. A final decision on the project will be taken after the narration.

### ■ SRK, FARAH KHAN'S HIT FILMS

Shah Rukh Khan and Farah Khan share a successful creative history, having delivered iconic films such as Main Hoon Na (2004), Om Shanti Om (2007) and Happy New Year (2014).