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SHORT TAKES

ED ATTACHES PROPERTIES WORTH RS 35 CRORE IN BANK FRAUD CASE

New Delhi (TSIT): The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has provisionally attached two immovable properties valued at Rs 35.05 crore in connection with an alleged bank fraud case involving BNR Infra and Leasing and Elite Infra Projects Pvt Ltd. According to the ED's Hyderabad Zonal Office, the attachment was carried out under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002. The seized assets include a land parcel and a residential flat linked to Beerreddy Narasimha Reddy and Anil Beniprasad Aggarwal. The money laundering investigation was initiated based on two FIRs registered by the Central Bureau of Investigation units in Chennai and Hyderabad.

LANKA REPATRIATES BODIES OF 84 IRANIAN SAILORS KILLED IN US STRIKE

Colombo: Sri Lanka has repatriated the bodies of 84 Iranian sailors killed in a US attack on the warship IRIS Dena on March 4. A special flight departed from Mattala International Airport on Friday. The ship was struck by a US submarine torpedoed off Sri Lanka's coast. A total of 87 bodies were recovered; 32 sailors were rescued.

4 TEENAGERS KILLED IN JHARKHAND ACCIDENT

Chatra, Mar 13 (TSIT): Traffic in Chatra district came to a standstill for more than 16 hours after villagers blocked a highway, demanding compensation and action following a tragic accident that claimed the lives of four teenage boys. The accident occurred late Thursday evening at Chiraiyatand under the jurisdiction of Piparwar police station. A speeding Scorpio SUV allegedly collided with a motorcycle carrying four minors. Three of the boys—Vikas Kumar (15), Manjit Mahto (14), and Pratap Kumar (15)—died on the spot. The fourth, Son Kumar (15), succumbed to his injuries while being transported to the Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences.

CM Revanth seeks public support for Musi rejuvenation project



Hyderabad TSIT BUREAU: Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy appealed to citizens, intellectuals, and stakeholders to support the Musi River rejuvenation initiative, stating that the programme is aimed at protecting Hyderabad's heritage, environment, and future development.

Speaking at the "MUSI INVITES" programme in Hyderabad, the Chief Minister said that some individuals are deliberately spreading half-truths and incomplete information that are creating unnecessary anxiety among the public.

across the world are moving ahead with modern riverfront development projects. He said the government has consulted experts and intellectuals from various fields to design a comprehensive plan for Musi rejuvenation. Recalling history, he pointed out that the devastating 1908 floods of the Musi River had submerged large parts of Hyderabad. Following that disaster, the Nizam administration consulted renowned

engineer Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya and constructed the Himayat Sagar and Osman Sagar reservoirs to control floods and supply drinking water to the city. These reservoirs have protected Hyderabad and served its residents for over a century.

"Hyderabad is a city with a great legacy. We cannot allow such a historic city to deteriorate," he said, urging critics to provide constructive suggestions rather than obstruct development. The Chief Minister noted that the Musi River, which originates in Rangareddy district, becomes heavily polluted by the time it reaches Hyderabad due to human activities. He stressed that reviving the river is essential not only for environmental restoration but also for preserving the city's history and culture. He also highlighted the historical importance of Babu Ghat, where the ashes of

Mahatma Gandhi were immersed at the confluence of the Musi and Esi rivers. However, he lamented that the area has not been developed into a major tourist attraction due to neglect and pollution.

Revanth Reddy clarified that the Musi rejuvenation project is not intended to harm anyone or seize properties, but to create better infrastructure, employment opportunities, tourism development, and a vibrant night-time economy for Hyderabad. He also assured that families living in the Musi catchment area would be provided with proper rehabilitation, housing, schools, and employment opportunities.

The Chief Minister said that the government has complete details of displaced families and is holding discussions with civil society groups to provide housing and improved living conditions for them.

Rejecting allegations that the project is linked to real-estate interests, he stated that if government initiatives lead to tourism development and economic growth, it ultimately benefits the state and its people. He concluded by urging all sections of society to cooperate in completing the Musi rejuvenation project, saying that protecting nature and reviving the river will strengthen Telangana's growth and secure a better future for coming generations.

ISRO conducts successful sea-level hot test of CE20 cryogenic engine at 22-Tonne thrust

Chennai (TSIT) ISRO successfully conducted a sea-level hot test of its Cryogenic Engine (CE20) at 22-tonne thrust using the Nozzle Protection System (NPS) and a multi-element igniter on March 10, 2026, at the ISRO Propulsion Complex, Mahendragiri.

Earlier, the sea level tests utilizing the nozzle protection system NPS were being carried out at a 19-tonne thrust level.

The CE20 cryogenic engine powers the upper cryogenic stage of the LVM3 launch vehicle. In order to enhance the payload capability of the LVM3 vehicle, future missions of LVM3 are planned to be operated with an uprated C32 stage with 22 tonne thrust for the CE20 engine.

Accordingly, the flight acceptance test of the CE20 engine was also conducted at the 22-tonne thrust level. The present test successfully qualified the engine's sea-level operation, with a test duration of 165 seconds at 22-tonne thrust using the NPS. The performance of both the engine and the test facility met expectations throughout the test.

Testing the CE20 engine at sea level poses considerable challenges due to its high area ratio nozzle, which has an exit pressure of approximately 50 mbar. Main concerns during testing at sea-level include flow separation inside the nozzle, which leads to severe vibrations & thermal problems at the flow separation plane, leading to possible mechanical



damage of the nozzle.

The Cryogenic engine utilized for this test has undergone a record maximum number of hot tests (20 No.s) successfully, that has enabled the demonstration of several key technologies using a single engine such as engine ignition using multi element igniter, ignition margin demonstration for Gaganyaan over a wide range of propellants tank pressure and pre-ignition chamber pressure, engine qualification for Gaganyaan at 20 tonne thrust level, demonstration & qualification of 22tonne thrust level operation, boot-strap mode starting of CE20 engine without start-up system for enabling re-start in flight, indigenous turbopumps bearings qualification, indigenous sensor qualification and Nozzle Protection System qualification for high area ratio nozzle hot test at sea level.

India's suffering is our suffering too: Iran envoy



New Delhi, March 13 : Iran's Ambassador to India, Dr. Mohammad Fathali, on Friday emphasised the strong ties between New Delhi and Tehran, saying that both countries share common interests and values and should continue supporting each other to overcome challenges. Speaking

to media persons, the envoy said that the people of India and Iran share a sense of solidarity, which strengthens bilateral cooperation.

"The suffering of the people of India is our suffering and vice versa. And for this reason, the government of India helps us. And we should help the government of India because we have common faith and common interests," he said. He added that as Iran's Ambassador in India, he believes in strengthening mutual understanding and cooperation between the two nations. Fathali also highlighted the ongoing diplomatic engagement between the two countries, noting that senior officials from Iran and India had recently held discussions to address issues of mutual concern.

UN chief urges Hezbollah-Israel ceasefire amid severe economic toll on Lebanon

Beirut, March 13 (TSIT) : UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on Friday called for a ceasefire between Hezbollah and Israel and restore Lebanon's sovereignty and stability. Following a meeting with Lebanese President Joseph Aoun in Beirut, Guterres said he was visiting "as a friend of the Lebanese people in full solidarity".

"Unfortunately, Lebanon was dragged into a war that is not a war that its people would be willing to have," Guterres was quoted as saying in a statement released by the UN Information Centre while expressing hope that his next visit would be to "a



Lebanon in peace," where the State has the sole control of the use of force and its territorial integrity is fully respected, Xinhua News Agency reported.

"This is no longer the time of armed groups. This is the time of strong states," he added.

For his part, Aoun said over 800,000 people have been displaced by the conflict, stressing the need to address their situation

and thanking the UN for its support. Aoun called for an end to Israeli attacks and voiced hope for stronger international support during what he described as a critical phase.

Meanwhile, a Lebanese economic official, citing data from professional syndicates and economic associations, said Friday that Lebanon's commercial production fell 50 per cent, with non-essential goods sales dropping 60-80 per cent. The industrial and agricultural production also contracted by about 50 percent and 40 percent respectively, affected by the shutdown of production units across the country.

KTR seeks probe into contracts linked to Telangana CM



Hyderabad (TSIT): Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) working president K.T. Rama Rao has demanded a probe by the Central agencies into the alleged irregular allocation of government contracts to KLSR Infratech Private Limited, a company, which he says is linked to Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy as a benami entity. In a letter to Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday, he raised serious concerns over the deteriorating law and order situation in Telangana.

In his letter, KTR alleged that during the investigation of cases related to KLSR Infratech, the state government tampered with evidence under the directions of the Chief Minister. He termed it extremely unfortunate that government officials informed the High Court that crucial evidence collected in the case had gone missing.

KTR stated that this incident reflects the alarming decline of law and order in the state and the pressure being exerted on investigative agencies. He alleged that the Chief Minister misused his authority and pressured officials to destroy evidence in order to protect his benami company. He urged the Government of India to ensure a thorough and impartial investigation into the financial irregularities, allocation of contracts, and possible money laundering linked to KLSR Infratech. He requested that central investigative agencies such as the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Enforcement Directorate (ED), and Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) conduct a comprehensive probe into the matter.

Opposition MPs move to seek CEC Gyanesh Kumar's removal

New Delhi, Mar 12 (TSIT): Opposition parties have collected signatures from Members of Parliament to submit a notice seeking the removal of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, alleging "partisan and discriminatory conduct in office", according to reports.

Sources told news agency PTI that the notice is expected to be submitted in both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha within the next one or two days. A senior MP familiar with the development said the process of collecting signatures has already been completed and the notice could be submitted on Thursday. Another opposition leader indicated that the submission may take place either on Thursday or Friday in both Houses.

According to sources, around 120 MPs have signed the notice

The notice reportedly lists seven charges against Gyanesh Kumar, including allegations of "partisan and discriminatory conduct in office", "deliberate obstruction of investigation of electoral fraud", and "mass disenfranchisement", among other accusations



intended for submission in the Lok Sabha, while nearly 60 MPs have signed the notice meant for the Rajya Sabha. Under parliamentary rules, at least 100 MPs are required to sign a notice seeking the removal of the CEC in the Lok Sabha, while a minimum of 50 signatures are needed in the Rajya Sabha.

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Kumar, including allegations of "partisan and discriminatory conduct in office", "deliberate obstruction of investigation of electoral fraud", and "mass disenfranchisement", among other accusations. Sources said the notice has been signed by MPs belonging to parties in the Aam Aadmi Party, which is no longer formally part of the alli-

ance, have also signed the notice. If submitted, this would be the first time a notice has been moved seeking the removal of a Chief Election Commissioner. Opposition parties have repeatedly accused the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party of benefiting from the Election Commission's decisions.

The allegations have been linked in particular to the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise, which opposition leaders claim could favour the ruling party. Concerns have also been raised regarding the conduct of the exercise in West Bengal, where Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has accused the Election Commission of removing genuine voters from electoral rolls.

Govt urges consumers to avoid panic buying as petrol, diesel, LPG supply is normal

New Delhi (TSIT): The Centre on Friday advised consumers to avoid panic buying of petrol, diesel, and LPG as adequate stocks are available across the country. No cases of fuel dry-outs have been reported at any of the 1 lakh retail outlets by the Oil Marketing Companies. Adequate stocks of petrol and diesel are available, and supplies are being maintained regularly, a senior Petroleum and Natural Gas Ministry official said.

The official underlined that India currently has a refining capacity of around 258 MMTPA and is the fourth largest refining hub in the world. The country is



self-sufficient in the production of petrol and diesel, and no imports of petrol and diesel are required to meet domestic demand. All refineries are currently operating at high levels, including some of them even above 100 per cent capacity. All Indian refineries are also currently maintaining adequate crude oil inventories, and supplies are being continuously received through diversified import sources and shipping routes.

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RAPID STAFFING AND CONSULTING SERVICES DISOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP FIRM

This is to inform that the partnership firm M/s. RAPID STAFFING AND CONSULTING SERVICES, having its registered office at Villa No. 50, Thiru Sankalp Villas, Nizampet, Bachupally, Medchal, Telangana, India, registered with the Registrar of Firms, Medchal-Malkajgiri under Registration No. 622 of 2021 pursuant to Section 58 (1) of the Indian Partnership Act, 1932, has been dissolved with effect from 11/11/2025.

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

Open e-Tender Notice Nos. C/E.29/Elec/M/SC/49/OE/OT/2025-26 Dt.11.03.2026

For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites e-tenders for the given below work up to 15.00 hours on 06.04.2026

1. Tender No. : etenderNo.C/E.29/Elec/M/SC/49/OE/OT/2025-26 tender No.E-M-SC-49-OT-2025-26 Name of work: Secunderabad Division Electrical Maintenance Department - Provision of web based monitoring (IoT) and controls of Pumps including automation of pumps, 30% - 70% Lighting on Platforms, street lighting circuits, Lifts and Escalators.

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

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

Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through online payment modes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc.

1. Tender No: 22-CWMLGDS-ET-2025-26 dated 07.03.2026

Description of work : Dismounting, Cleaning, Testing and Mounting of Underslung Water tanks and attention to additional side filling arrangements of LHB Coaches at Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda, Secunderabad.

Approximate Cost (Rs.Ps.) : (₹) 98,84,298.32 (Rupees Ninety Eight Lakh Eighty Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Eight and Thirty Two paise only)

EMD : (₹) 1,97,700/- (Rupees One Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Seven Hundred only)

Period of Completion : 24 Months

Date of Closing : 07.04.2026 11:00 hrs.

Website Particulars: www.ireps.gov.in

Notice board location where complete details of tender can be seen. : Office of the Chief Workshop Manager, Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda, Secunderabad-500017.

For further Tender conditions/details (available in the tender documents) and for downloading of tender documents, corrigendum, please visit our website https://www.ireps.gov.in/

Chief Workshop Manager, CWS, Secunderabad

E-TENDER NOTICE No: GNT/E.33/TrD/2025-26

E-Tenders from the Contractors for the following works are invited by the undersigned up to 15.30 hrs on 08-04-2026.

1. Tender Ref No:GNT/E.33/TrD/2025-26 Tender Title: GNT Division - (1) Up gradation of OHE/PSI infrastructure to improve reliability and safety in Tenali-Pagidipalli section and (2) Up-gradation of OHE/PSI infrastructure to improve reliability and safety in Nallapadu Nandyal section.

Approx. value in: (₹) 1,43,15,656/- Earnest money deposit in: (₹) 2,21,600/- Cost of tender form (non-refundable) in: NIL

Last date and time for online submission of E-bids: 08-04-2026 up to 15.30 hours.

If the due date of tender opening is declared as holiday at a later date the tenders will be opened on the next working day.

For any detailed information log on to website www.ireps.gov.in on or after 13-03-2026 up to 15-30 hrs on 08-04-2026. Any further Corrigendum/Corrigendum shall only be intimated through E-portal www.ireps.gov.in

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer, Guntur

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby informed that my client Canfin Homes Limited, having one of their Area Office at A.S. Rao Nagar, are proposing to sanction a loan to be advanced to Smt. Kotla Thirumala W/o K. Ramchandraiah, in respect of mortgaging House bearing No. 13-3 LIG, on Plot No. C2-3, in Survey Nos. 366, 367, admeasuring 117.2 Square Yards, Situated at Chandanagar Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District and it is Bounded by North: House No. C2-22 LIG, South: 6.00 Mtrs Wide Road, East: House No. C2-4 LIG, and West: House No. C-2 LIG, in the documents produced before me there is a Certified copy of link Document, i.e. (1) Sale Deed, with Document No. 2772/1999, dated: 21.04.1999, duly Registered at SRO: Ranga Reddy (R.O.), executed by HUDA in favour of Smt. A. Anasuya, upon enquiry it has been informed that Original was lost while travelling from Chandanagar to House, and that the same not traceable. The general Public is hereby cautioned not to deal with the person/persons who are in illegal possession of the documents. If any person/persons entering into any transaction with respect to the above mentioned property basing on the lost document shall be doing so at their risk and such transactions shall not be honoured.

If anyone has any claim/interest/dispute over the said property, the same may be reported to the undersigned within 7 days from the publication of the notice, failing which no further claim over the said property will be entertained and shall be deemed there is no Encumbrance pending against this Document.

Mereddy Narasimha Reddy (Advocate), Panel Advocate Can Fin Homes Ltd., House No. 11-13-194/14, Plot No. 5 Road No. 3, Green Hills Colony Kothapet, Ranga Reddy District-034, Phone No. 6301426732

TENDER NOTICE No. 63/2026 Dt.13.03.2026 SUPPLY OF STORES ITEMS e-Procurement Tender Notice

The Following Tenders Have Been Flolated Online. Tenders Are Requested To Visit The Website www.ireps.gov.in And Submit Their Offers Online. The Tender Description, Qty, EMD, SD May Be Seen In Website. Offers Submitted Manually Will Not Be Accepted. Offers By Post Will Not Be Entertained. Tender Closing Time Is 14.30 Hrs Of The Due Date Of The Tender. "For All Indigenous Offers, EMD Will Be Accepted Only Via Online System As Available On www.ireps.gov.in."

Table with 2 columns: Tender No. and Brief Description. Items include Track Machine Spares, Speed sensor FS01, Track Measuring System, etc.

Note:-Due dates of Tender Opening

SL.No.01 on dt.27.03.2026. SL.No. 02 on dt.30.04.2026. SL.No. 03 on dt.01.04.2026. SL.No.04 to 08 on dt.06.04.2026. SL.No.09 to 10 on dt.07.04.2026. SL.No.11 & 12 on dt.08.04.2026. SL.No.13 to 15 on dt.09.04.2026. SL.No.16 on dt.10.04.2026. SL.No.17 on dt.13.04.2026. L.No.18 on dt.15.04.2026. L.No.19 on dt.20.04.2026

Corrigendum

1).Tender Notice No.59/2026 dt. 12.02.2026 Tender No52255011A due on 09.03.2026 Brief: JIP Based VSS for Diesel Loco may be read as Due date 23.03.2026, instead of existing. 2).Tender Notice No.58/2026 dt. 06.02.2026 Tender No.66259796 due on 09.03.2026 Brief procurement of spares for track machines. may be read as Due date 16.03.2026, instead of existing

Beside Above Mentioned Tenders There Are Other Tenders Having Value Above Rs.50 Lakhs. For Details, Please Visit Railway Website Above.

Principal Chief Materials Manager/Secunderabad A2666

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

DGP Shivadhar Reddy Condoles Demise of Former Top Cop H.J. Dora

Hyderabad : Telangana DGP B. Shivadhar Reddy has expressed deep grief over the passing of H.J. Dora, a 1965-batch IPS officer who served as DGP of the erstwhile united Andhra Pradesh.



Recalling his contributions, the DGP said Dora was a visionary leader who introduced innovative initiatives like the 'Police Retreat' programme, which was recently revived by Telangana Police.

Mapping Process Must Be Conducted Systematically: Chief Electoral Officer.

Mancherial, March 13, TSIT :State Chief Electoral Officer Sudarshan Reddy directed officials to carry out the voter mapping process in a systematic manner as part of the Special Summary Revision of electoral rolls. He reviewed the progress of the mapping exercise through a video conference from Hyderabad on Friday with District Election Officers—Collectors, Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) and Assistant Electoral Registration Officers (AEROs) from across the state.



During the meeting, the Chief Electoral Officer instructed officials to extend necessary support to Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and ensure that the mapping process is completed efficiently. He said BLOs should conduct door-to-door visits to complete the mapping work. Village administration officers and other staff may be deployed as assistants to support BLOs and expedite the process. He also advised officials to hold discussions with representatives of recognized political parties and encourage them to appoint Booth Level Agents. Supervisors and AEROs were directed to closely monitor the work of BLOs and ensure that the mapping process is carried out without errors.

DEET-Mahindra & Mahindra Mega Job Drive Successful



Hyderabad: A mega job drive organised by the Digital Employment Exchange of Telangana (DEET) in collaboration with Mahindra & Mahindra Tractors, Zaheerabad, was successfully conducted at the Government Polytechnic College, Sangareddy on Friday as part of the Telangana Government's 99-Day Praja Palana - Pragati Pranaliika programme. According to officials, a total of 756 candidates registered for the recruitment drive. Out of them, 295 candidates were shortlisted in the first round of telephonic interviews, 125 candidates attended the job drive, and 78 candidates received offer letters. The recruitment drive provided employment opportunities for Intermediate, ITI, and Diploma holders in technical trades such as Machining, Fitter, Electrician, and Welder, along with positions in Quality and Line Support departments. The programme was attended by Dr. Indira Priyadarshini, In-charge Principal of Government Polytechnic College, Sangareddy Vanitha Santosh Kumar, Municipal Chairperson of Sangareddy; Tulja Naik, General Manager, DIC Sangareddy; Don Lewis, Head of Skill Development, Mahindra & Mahindra; V.S. Ram, Plant Head, Mahindra & Mahindra Zaheerabad Plant; P. Vamsidhar Reddy and Dr. M. Chandrashekar from DEET.

directions of the Election Commission and that about 61.6 percent of the mapping process has been completed in the district so far. He said the process is being closely monitored through Booth Level Officers. He added that necessary action is being taken as per Election Commission guidelines to remove duplicate voters during the Special Summary Revision and that meetings are being held with representatives of political parties. Applications received through Forms 6, 7 and 8 are also being processed promptly.

Recalling his contributions, the DGP said Dora was a visionary leader who introduced innovative initiatives like the 'Police Retreat' programme, which was recently revived by Telangana Police.

SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE. Where as, the undersigned being the authorised 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, Guntur, Chennai-600032 and having its administrative office at 6th Floor (level 2), Building No.Q2, Aarum Q Parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400716.

ICICI Home Finance

Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400059, India. Branch Office: 3rd Floor, D. No-5-11/1, Shop-1, KVLS Plaza, near TGPEDCI Sub station, Sanjeev Nagar, Sangareddy, Telangana - 502001. [See proviso to rule 8(6)] Notice for sale of immovable assets. E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

SPECIAL SANITATION DRIVE INTENSIFIES IN HUSBABAD TO BUILD 'CLEAN CITY'



Husnabad: Municipal Chairperson Dandi Lakshmi led a special sanitation drive near the Double Bedroom Housing Complex on Friday as part of the 'Praja Palana Pragathi Plan'. She supervised mosquito control measures, including oil ball dropping and insecticide spraying, and urged citizens to observe 'Dry Day - Friday' by eliminating stagnant water.

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER -J/II DEBITS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD(DRT 1) 3rd Floor, Triveni Complex Abids, Hyderabad-500001. DEMAND NOTICE. NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBITS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RITE 2 OF THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961. INDUSIND BANK LIMITED. Versus RADHIKA GURRAM. (CD 1) MRS. RADHIKA GURRAM W/O.MR.GURRAM PRAKASH, AGED MAJOR, OCC. BUSINESS, D.No.11-3-1112, NEHRU NAGAR STREET, NEAR CHAVA RAMALINGAIAH CHILDRENS HOSPITAL, KHAMMAMTOWN, KHAMMAM-507001.

HANAMKONDA BRANCH (0173) (Address:2-5-614, DMart Side Lane, Subedari, Hanamkonda - 506001, Contact: 8925950173, 9551917219 & 9538074696, Mail id: iob0173@iob.in) PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES. Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No.54 of 2002) whereas, the Authorized Officer of Indian Overseas Bank has taken possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" for realization of the Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said property/ies. The sale will be done by the undersigned through E-auction platform provided at the Web Portal (https://www.baanknet.com/eauction-psb/home) or https://baanknet.com/

HINDUJA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
 Corporate office at #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 Borrowers / 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 Borrowers Name and Address | Demand Notice Date and Amount | Total Outstanding amount as on 13/03/2026 | DATE OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION |
|---|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Mr. Sunitha Abbavathi, W/O. Sree Ramulu Survey No 57/A/2 In Plot No 40, Vidya Nagar Colony Ward No 16, Kalwakurthy Town, Nagar Kurnool Dist, Telangana-509324 | 24/02/2025 & Rs.14,98,890/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Eight hundred and Ninety Only) | Rs. 16,98,927/- | 13-03-2026 |

Also Both R/O.H.No: 3-791, Rachur Village Veldanda Mandal, Nagar Kurnool Dist, Telangana-509320..... Co-Borrower
 LAN: AP/HDB/MBNR/A000000564

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY All that the House in Plot No. 40 North Part Admeasuring 100 Sq. Yards in Survey No. 57/A/2 situated at Kalwakurthy Town & Mandal, Nagar Kurnool District, Telangana state, Pincode - 509324 under the limits of SRO Kalwakurthy and bounded by: North: 30 Feet Road South Plot No.40 South Part, East Plot No.41, West: 30 Feet 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: Mahabubnagar. Sd/-Authorised Officer
 Date: 13-03-2026 For Hinduja Housing Finance Limited

Karnataka Bank Ltd.
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Asset Recovery Management Branch, Ground Floor, Plot No. 50, Sringeri Colony, Road No. 3, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad- 500073. Phone: 040-23755686/23745686 E-Mail: hyd.arm@kblb.com Website: www.karnatakabank.bank.in L85110KA1924PLC001128

POSSESSION NOTICE
 (For Immovable Properties)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 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 under section 13(2) of the said act, details of which are mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrowers/ mortgagors/guarantors/co-obligants mentioned therein to repay the total amounts mentioned in the demand notice along with future interest within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notices.

Karnataka Bank Limited, Secunderabad-Dr. A S Rao Nagar Branch
 S.No.1) Mr. Balakrishna Ananthula, S/o Mr. Rajajiah, (2) Mrs. Prabha Rani Ananthula, W/o Mr. Balakrishna Ananthula, both s/nos. (1) & (2) are addressed at: No. 12-10-336/11/5, Seethaphal Mandi, Near Ramajayam Temple, Secunderabad, Telangana-500061. Date of Demand Notice: 04-03-2025. Amount Demanded: Rs.9,37,332.46 (Rupees nine lakh thirty seven thousand three hundred thirty two and forty six paise only) under

| Nature & Account No. | Balance Outstanding (Rs.) | Rate of Interest (Interest to be Compounded monthly) | Interest Calculated Upto | Interest To Be Added From |
|---|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Overdraft & Cash Credits A/c No. 7337000100014001 | 8,17,852.38 | 11.17% | 28-02-2025 | 01-03-2025 |
| PS-Term Loans A/C No. 7337001800021201 | 1,19,470.07 | 13.20% | 22-02-2025 | 23-02-2025 |
| Total | 9,37,332.46 | | | |

Date of taking possession: 12th Day of March, 2026.
 Balance outstanding as on the date of possession Rs.8,55,201.38 (Rupees eight lakh fifty five thousand two hundred one and thirty eight paise only) under

| NATURE & ACCOUNT No. | BALANCE OUTSTANDING (Rs.) | INTEREST TO BE ADDED FROM |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| OVERDRAFT & CASH CREDITS A/c No. 7337000100014001 | 8,55,201.38 | 01-03-2026 |

plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property
 All that part and parcel of Residential Building comprising of Ground and First Floor bearing No. 12-10-336/11/6A, having plinth area of 153.21 Sq yards out of 203.21 Sq yards in Plot No. 8-A, Sy No. 36 & 37, Seethaphalmandi, Secunderabad, Telangana - 500061. The property belongs to Mr. Balakrishna Ananthula. The property is bounded by: East: Plot No. 9, West: 40' Wide Road, North: 30' Wide Road and South: Plot No. 8.
 Location: Latitude & Longitude: 17.426694 & 78.549278

Karnataka Bank Limited, Hyderabad-Nampally Branch
 S.No.2) Mrs. Sandarshini Veg Fine Dining AC Restaurant (Sridhar Rao Enterprises), Represented by its Partners: a) Mr. Sridhar Rao Nerambally, b) Mr. Mithun Rao N, c) Mrs. N.S. Asha Rao, addressed at: Ground Floor, Sy. No. 90 92 93 1 57/90/2, Adjacent to Kinara Grand Hotel, Madinaguda-500049, Hyderabad, Telangana, (2) Mr. Sridhar Rao Nerambally, S/o N Venkat Rao, (3) Mr. Mithun Rao N, S/o Mr. Sridhar Rao Nerambally and (4) Mrs. N.S. Asha Rao, W/o Mr. Sridhar Rao Nerambally, S/Nos. (2) to (4) are addressed at: # 157/9, Plot No. 3, Vahini Nagar, Lane 1, Near Diamond Point, Hyderabad-500009, Telangana State. Date of Demand Notice: 04-06-2025. Amount Demanded: Rs.48,983.32 (Rupees forty eight lakh sixty eight thousand nine hundred eighty three and thirty two paise only) under

| Nature & Account No. | Balance Outstanding (Rs.) | Rate of Interest (Interest to be Compounded monthly) | Interest Calculated Upto | Interest To Be Added From |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| PS Overdraft A/c No. 3207000600075701 | 48,88,983.32 | 11.02% | 31-05-2025 | 01-06-2025 |

Date of taking possession: 12th Day of March, 2026.
 Balance outstanding as on the date of possession Rs.33,55,527.28 (Rupees thirty three lakhs fifty five thousand five hundred twenty seven and twenty eight paise only) under

| NATURE & ACCOUNT No. | BALANCE OUTSTANDING (Rs.) | INTEREST TO BE ADDED FROM |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| PS Overdraft A/c No. 3207000600075701 | 33,55,527.28 | 01-03-2026 |

plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property
 All that part and parcel of residential property on Plot No. 3 and 4 comprised in Sy. No. 157/9, New No. 157/10 with land measuring 253.33 sq yards and 220.00 sq yards (Total Extent of 473.33 sq yards) along with building situated at The Reshita Village, Sikh Village, Vahini Nagar, Secunderabad Cantonment, under Registration Sub-District, Boonapally, Telangana. The property belongs to Mr. Sridhar Rao Nerambally and Mrs. N.S. Asha Rao. The property is bounded by (for entire plot), East: Neighbours house on Plot No. 2, West: Neighbours house on Plot No. 5, North: Neighbours house and South: 30' Wide Road.
 Location: Latitude & Longitude: 17.466031 & 78.494296.
 Note: The aforesaid property is also a common security to the credit facilities bearing: a) A/c No. 032070240000201 of M/s. Sri Dhanlaxmi Enterprises. The aforesaid account mentioned under SI. No. a) classified as NPA. The Bank reserves its rights to initiate separate recovery action for the same.

Karnataka Bank Limited, Hyderabad-Nampally Branch
 S.No.3) Mr. Vishnu Baherje, S/o Mr. Krishna Beherje, (2) Mrs. Vrushali Baherje, W/o Mr. Raghavender Baherje and (3) Mrs. Sheela Baherje, W/o Mr. Vishnu Baherje, S.Nos. (1) to (3) are addressed at: 14-06-301, Chudi Bazar, Begum Bazar, Nampally, Hyderabad, Telangana-500012. Also S/Nos. (1) to (3) are addressed at: H.No. 16-9-654/C, Block-A, Ward-16, Block-9, Old Malakpet, Hyderabad-500036. Date of Demand Notice: 16-10-2025. Amount Demanded: Rs.17,94,555.64 (Rupees seventeen lakh ninety four thousand five hundred fifty five and sixty four paise only) under

| Nature & Account No. | Balance Outstanding (Rs.) | Rate of Interest (Interest to be Compounded monthly) | Interest Calculated Upto | Interest To Be Added From |
|---|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| PS - Term Loan A/c No. 3207001800121701 | 17,94,555.64 | 10.30% | 12-10-2025 | 13-10-2025 |

Date of taking possession: 12th Day of March, 2026.
 Balance outstanding as on the date of possession Rs.18,64,016.64 (Rupees eighteen lakh sixty four thousand sixteen and sixty four paise only) under

| NATURE & ACCOUNT No. | BALANCE OUTSTANDING (Rs.) | INTEREST TO BE ADDED FROM |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| PS - Term Loan A/c No. 3207001800121701 | 18,64,016.64 | 13-02-2026 |

plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property
 All that part and parcel of residential property, land admeasuring 94.43 Sq Yds with a built up area of 1000 sq ft, situated at H.No 16-9-654/C, Block-A, Ward-16, Old Malakpet, Hyderabad-500036. The property belongs to Mr. Vishnu Baherje and Mrs. Vrushali Baherje. The property is bounded by: East: 30' Wide Road, West: Old House of Wahabuddin Ahmed, North: House of Qutubuddin Ahmed and Neighbour's House and South: Neighbour's Property.
 Location: Latitude & Longitude: 17.378044 & 78.499647.

The borrower, mortgagors and the co-obligants/guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, mortgagors, co-obligants/guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rules on this date given above.

The borrower, the mortgagors and the co-obligants/guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Karnataka Bank Limited, for the amounts as described herein above.

(The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

Place: Hyderabad Sd/-Chief Manager/Authorised officer
 Date: 12-03-2026 Karnataka Bank Limited

Bank of India
 Address: #4-3-161, Ground Floor, Hanuman Tekdi, Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad - 500 001, Email id - Sultanbazar.telanganabank@bankofindia.bank.in Web: www.bankofindia.com

Ref. No. BR/SBZR/SARFAESI/2024-25/7511-191 Date: 06/03/2026

Annexure A
 By Registered Post/A/D To:
 Mrs. Tanneeru Aparna Flat no. 502, SS Sreekara Apartments, Swaroor Nagar, Uppal, Hyderabad-500039. Also at: Mrs. Tanneeru Aparna 22-1-44/2, Balaramiah Thota, Sai Nagar, Kandukur, Prakasam, AP- 523105

NOTICE US 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

1. At the request made by you, the Bank has granted to you various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of Rs.37,50,000/- (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakhs Fifty Thousand) of Home loan and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice:-

| S.No | Nature of facility | Sanctioned limit | Outstanding dues |
|------|-----------------------------|------------------|---|
| 1. | Home Loan - 860775110000191 | Rs.37,50,000/- | Rs. 41,50,875.49 + Interest @ 10.00% p.a.w.e.f. 28.02.2026 on monthly rests |

2. The aforesaid Home Loan granted by the Bank is secured by the following assets/securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank): EOM of All that the Residential house D. No. 22-1-43, 22nd ward, 1st block, an extent of 158.4/9 Sq. Yards, in Sy No. 1950, Kandukur town and municipality, Prakasam district, Markapuram registration district, standing in the name of Mrs. Tanneeru Aparna and bounded by East: Compound wall of Vadamudi Narasiah, admeasuring 62 feet, West: Bazar for ingress and egress, admeasuring 23 feet, North: Remaining extent belongs to Dasari Anuna, admeasuring 62 feet, South: Compound wall of Gattamaneni Hari Babu and others, admeasuring 23 feet

3. As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from 28.02.2026 in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.

4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank Rs. 41,50,875.49 + interest @ 10.00% p.a. w.e.f. 28.02.2026 on monthly rests within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 against the secured assets mentioned above.

5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Bank together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

6. The amounts realised from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realisation and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.

7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realised in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal/Courts, for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.

8. Please take note that as per Sub-section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift, mortgage or otherwise.

9. The undersigned is a duly authorised officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of aforesaid Act.

10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Place: Hyderabad Sd/-
 Date: 06-03-2026 (Authorised Officer)

Collector Hari Chandana's 'U-Shaped Classroom' Inaugurated at Yousufguda School

Hyderabad: An innovative U-shaped classroom seating model, conceptualized by District Collector Hari Chandana IAS, was inaugurated at the Government High School in Yousufguda by MLA Naveen Yadav. Implemented with support from the SOH Foundation, the arrangement replaces traditional benches to foster interactive learning. By allowing students to face each other and the teacher, the model aims to boost visibility, encourage discussions, and ensure equal participation, particularly benefiting girls and hesitant learners. The initiative is part of efforts to transform government schools into inclusive, modern spaces.

Mangalyam opens 30th outlet in Khammam

Khammam (TSIT): The 30th branch of Mangalyam Shopping Mall was inaugurated in Khammam on Friday by Telangana Revenue, Housing and Information Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy along with film actress Sreeleela. A large number of residents and fans gathered at the venue, creating a festive atmosphere during the launch event. The dignitaries later visited various sections of the mall after the opening ceremony.

Mangalyam Shopping Mall, which started in 2012 in Warangal, has grown rapidly in the textile retail sector by offering quality garments at affordable prices. Over the years, the brand has expanded its presence across Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, and the opening of the Khammam outlet marks its 30th branch. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy appreciated the efforts of the management in expanding the brand across three states while maintaining quality standards. He said the company, led by P.N. Murthy and Kasam Namashivaya Brothers, has earned the trust of customers by providing a wide range of garments at reasonable prices. He also noted that the company is planning to expand further and may soon enter Tamil Nadu.

Actress Sreeleela lit the ceremonial lamp and formally inaugurated the mall. Interacting with fans, she expressed happiness over the warm welcome from the people of Khammam and hoped that the new outlet would receive strong support from customers in the region. Directors Pulluru Narasimha Murthy, Kasam Namashivaya, Kasam Mallikarjuna, Kasam Kedarinath, Kasam Shivaprasad and Pulluru Arun Kumar said the success of Mangalyam lies in offering quality garments for every section of society at affordable prices.

Celebrations at Karimnagar District Court

Karimnagar, March 13, TSIT : Celebrations were held under the auspices of the Congress Legal Cell at Karimnagar District Court on the election of Ponnam Ashok Goud as a member of the Telangana State Bar Council.

Under the leadership of Congress Legal Cell District Chairman Lakshmaiah and State Joint Convener Rajneesh, lawyers distributed sweets and expressed happiness. Legal Cell District Convener Kotakonda Shankar, Co-Convener Aitu Sruljan and senior lawyers participated.

Telangana Govt Stands by Families of Deceased Gulf Workers: MLA Sanjay Kumar

Jagityala: MLA Dr. Sanjay Kumar handed over proceedings worth Rs.20 lakh to the families of four Gulf workers from Jagityala who died abroad, providing Rs.5 lakh each to the bereaved families. He also distributed Rs.10 lakh in Kalyana Lakshmi scheme checks to 10 girl children from the constituency. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA reaffirmed the state government's commitment to the welfare of Gulf workers and underprivileged girls. The event was attended by local officials and party leaders.

Public Notice
 It is hereby informed to the general public, as per the instructions of the Chief Manager, State Bank of India, Rasmac-Branch, Khammam: Vankudothu Mohanlal, S/o. Lakshuma, resident of H.No. 3-62, Manchukonda Village, Raghunadhapalem Mandal, Khammam District, has applied for a bank loan for house construction. He purchased the schedule property described below through Sale Deed No. 8036/2024 at SRO, Khammam from Yandrapalli Padmavathi alias Cherukuri Padmavathi, W/o. Cherukuri Nageswara Rao. Previously, the said Yandrapalli Padmavathi purchased this property through Sale Deed No. 1540/1997 from: 1) Smt. Pratapani Ramanakumari, D/o. Late Anantharamaya, 2) Smt. Pratapani Krishnaveni, W/o. Late Anantharamaya. Prior to that, Pratapani Anantharamaya had purchased an extent of 468 Sq. Yards in Survey No. 183u, Khanapuram Haveli Revenue, through Sale Deed No. 130/1984 on behalf of his minor daughters, Anuradha and Ramanakumari. Following the demise of Pratapani Anantharamaya and the unmarried daughter Pratapani Anuradha, their heirs, Pratapani Ramanakumari and Pratapani Krishnaveni, sold the scheduled property to Yandrapalli Padmavathi via Sale Deed No. 1540/1997. Subsequently, Yandrapalli Padmavathi sold the property to Vankudothu Mohanlal via Sale Deed No. 8036/2024. Therefore, if anyone has any objections regarding this scheduled property, they are requested to inform the address below in writing within 15 days from the date of this announcement.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY: Khammam Registration District, Khammam Sub-District, Khammam Urban Revenue Mandal, Khammam Municipal Corporation Area, Khanapuram Haveli Revenue, Survey Numbers: 183u and 192 Minijamla. Plot Details: Plot No. 18 (Part). Extent: 235.09 Sq. Yards (198.55 Sq. Meters). Boundaries: East: Plot No. 18 Part, West: Plot belonging to T. Gandhi, North: 30 Feet wide Road, South: Plot belonging to Bodepudi Kavitha.

Sd/- Kalluri Radhakrishna Rao, M.Com., LL.B. Advocate, H.No. 10-1-75, Flat No. 201, II Floor, OM Kavuturi Venkata Krishna Murthy Towers, Manilagudem, Khammam-507001. Cell: 9849665194

General Notice
 It is hereby informed to the general public that Smt. K. Yadamma, W/o. K. Krishnaiah has approached to S.B.I. Subhashnagar branch for loan. But, original registered sale deed bearing No. 1146/88, which was link document to the said property was lost, while she was proceeding from Clock Tower Chowrasta to Pan Chowrasta at Mahabubnagar town. On the same day she gave a complaint to 1 Town Police Station, at Mahabubnagar and said document was not traced-out till today. If anybody have any rights, claims or objections over the said property to inform to the below addressed Advocate within 7 days from the date this paper publication. Otherwise, the Bank will be confirmed that, there are no rights, claims or objections over the said property from the general public and other financial institutions and to initiate loan process.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY
 House bearing No. 8-4-85/1151/a, constructed on house plot bearing No. 40 admeasuring 157.11 Sq. Yds. out of Sy.N. 249 situated within the limits of myakalabanda area, Mahabubnagar town and district. Boundaries: North: 20 feet Road, South: Municipal Drain, East: Plot No. 33, West: Sy.No. 246.

Ayaluri Pardha Saradhi, M.A., LL.B Advocate & Notary H.N. 7-4-17/1, Sri Laxmi Narsimha Nilayam, Sri Venkateswara Colony, Mahabubnagar Town. (Mobile No. 94415 s64972)

Public Notice (Lost of Document)
 General Public are hereby informed that Manjunatha S/o. A. Veerabhadra Shetty, aged about 34 years, Occ. Business, Resident of H.No. 5-902, Near Jain Mandir, Maruthi Nagar, Kothapet, Uppal Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District, Telangana, is hereby inform that the Original Link Document i.e. 4342/1994, Dated: 01/07/1994 of Property Bearing H.No. 1-5-904 on Plot No. 26 Western Portion in Survey No. 176, Admeasuring 125 Sq.Yards Situated at Ward No. 1, Block No. 5, Maruthi Nagar, Kothapet Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District, Telangana, has been lost while travelling from Maruthi Nagar to Chaitanyapuri. Further, he made her efforts to trace the documents, but it is lost by recovery. Any Person/s having found the above mentioned Original Document to intimate to the below address. If anybody having any claims or objections, they may inform the undersigned within a week from the date of advertisement, thereafter, no objections will be entertained.

Sd/- M. BHANU SUNDER Advocate # 306, 3rd Floor, Rajinigandha Complex, Beside Bhagyasri Function Hall, Chaitanyapuri, Hyderabad-60. Cell: 8885565216.

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Farmer Welfare Government's Core Objective Deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka

Hyderabad : Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu said that the welfare of farmers is the primary objective of the people's government. He stated this while chairing a pre-budget meeting of the Agriculture Department at the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Secretariat on Friday. The meeting was attended by Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao and Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, along with



senior officials to review the department's proposals for the upcoming state budget. During the meeting, the Deputy Chief Minister suggested that Self-Help Groups

(SHGs) should be involved in organic and natural farming activities. He advised officials to promote the cultivation of vegetables and flowers through SHGs and ensure

proper marketing facilities for the produce.

Bhatti Vikramarka also proposed the installation of solar rooftop systems on Rythu Vedikas, agricultural market godowns and warehousing facilities. He said the initiative would help reduce electricity expenditure of the Agriculture Department and also enable the sale of surplus power, thereby strengthening the department financially. He directed officials to coordinate

with the Renewable Energy Development Corporation (REDCO) for implementing the solar rooftop project. Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao said the government is implementing several welfare schemes for farmers, including the supply of agricultural machinery and seeds at subsidised rates. The ministers stressed that officials should effectively communicate these benefits to farmers.

CM REVANTH REDDY CONDOLES DEMISE OF FORMER DGP H.J. DORA

Hyderabad: Chief Minister A.Revanth Reddy expressed deep sorrow over the passing away of former Director General of Police H.J. Dora, who served with distinction in the erstwhile united Andhra Pradesh. The Chief Minister conveyed his heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members and prayed for strength to them in this difficult time. Recalling the invaluable services rendered by H.J.Dora as Intelligence Chief and later as DGP, the Chief Minister said Dora played a significant role in strengthening the police department and introducing several reforms. He particularly noted Dora's efforts in promoting friendly policing and modernising the functioning of the police force, which helped build better relations between the police and the public.



MEHDIPATNAM BRANCH
D.No. 13-6-434/C/139/139/1,
MARUTI NAGAR MEHDIPATNAM RING ROAD
HYDERABAD TELANGANA 500008

[Rule - 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)
Whereas, The undersigned being the authorised officer of Union Bank of India, Mehdipatnam, Maruthi Nagar Branch under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) 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 dated 30.12.2025 calling upon the borrower Smt. B Saija & Sh. Bolbina Balaraju to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 36,85,038.77 (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Thirty Eight and Paise Seventy Seven only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this 9th day of the March month in year 2026.

The borrower 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 Union Bank of India, Mehdipatnam, Maruthi Nagar Branch for an amount Rs. 36,85,038.77 (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Thirty Eight and Paise Seventy Seven only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to the borrower to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Immovable Property: All the House bearing no. 6-584/32/3 admeasuring 77.44 Sq. Yds consisting of (Ground Floor 600 Sq. Ft. + First Floor 600 Sq. Ft. + Second Floor 600 Sq. Ft.) Total 1800.00 Sq. Ft. in Sy. No. 94,95,96 Ward No. 6, Block No. 3 situated at Gandhi Thala Nagar, Khairatabad, Hyderabad in the name of Mrs. B Saija w/o Mr. Bolbina Balaraju and bounded by North: 3'-0" wide lane and House of A Mahesh. South: Neighbour's House East: H No. 6-5-584/32/2, West: 25'-0" wide Road

Date: 09.03.2026 **Sd/- AUTHORIZED OFFICER,**
Place: Mehdipatnam **UNION BANK OF INDIA**

Bank of India KHAIIRATABAD BRANCH
Ground floor, P.T.I. BUILDING, A.C. GUARDS, MASAB TANK,
HYDERABAD-500004, Phone: 040-23323923, 23323924.

POSSESSION NOTICE
Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of the Bank of India, Khairatabad Branch under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 30-12-2025 calling upon the borrower Mr. Krishna Tanguthuri and Mrs. Priyanka Tanguthuri that all that the residential building on plot no.241 Northern part, admeasuring 100 Sq.Yards or 83.6 Sq.Mtrs with a Plinth area of 550 Sft, consisting Groundfloor of R.C.C Roofing in Survey Nos.76/6 to 76/16, situated at Chengicherla Village, under Boudpall Municipality, Medchal-Malkajgiri District to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 23,45,237.90 plus interest @ 9.60% p.a. plus 2.00% penal interest with monthly rests from 29-12-2025 in Home Loan (860975110000449), together with costs, expenses, etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Mr. Krishna Tanguthuri and Priyanka Tanguthuri the borrower(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken POSSESSION of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this 12 th day of March of the Year 2026 Mr. Krishna Tanguthuri 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 BANK OF INDIA for an amount Rs. 22,83,481 plus interest @ 9.60 % p.a. plus 2.00% penal interest with monthly rests from 29-12-2025 in Home Loan (860975110000449), and together with costs, expenses, etc.

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.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that Residential House No.5-96/3, Sy No.259, situated at Govt Polytechnic College Road, Malipuram Revenue Village, Thirumalagiri Mandal, Nalgonda District, Telangana State, admeasuring 121.00 Sq.Yds, Belongs to Shivarathri Yellaiah and bounded as follows: NORTH : Thirumalagiri-Thungathurthi Road, SOUTH : Land of Ganita Janardhan Reddy, EAST : Land of Shivarathri Venkanna, WEST : Land of Dandugula Lachiah.

Date: 19th February, 2026 **BANK OF INDIA, Authorized Officer**
Place: Hyderabad **KHAIIRATABAD BRANCH**

Bank of India
Address: #4-3-161, Ground Floor, Hanuman Tekdi, Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad-500 001.
Email Id : Sultanbazar.telangana@bankofindia.bank.in
Web: www.bankofindia.com

Ref. No. BR/SBZR/SARFAESI/2024-25/751-203 Date: 06/03/2026
Annexure A
By Registered Post/A/D

To,
Mr. Poreddy Praveen Kumar Reddy, H.No. 12-1-526/3/G5, Anand Nagar, Nagole, Bandlaguda, Ranga Reddy, Telangana-500068. Mob. No. 9652122075. **Mrs. Poreddy Bhagya Lakshmi**, H.No. 12-1-526/3/G5, Anand Nagar, Nagole, Bandlaguda, Ranga Reddy, Telangana-500068. Mob. No. 9652122075. Also at : **Mr. Poreddy Praveen Kumar Reddy**, Plot No.71, Survey No.1/A, Thattannaram Village, Abdulapurmet mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana, Mob. No. 9652122075.

NOTICE U/S 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

1. At the request made by you, the Bank has granted to you various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of Rs.45,20,000/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakhs Twenty Thousand) of Home loan and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice:-

| S.No | Nature of facility | Sanctioned limit | Outstanding dues |
|------|----------------------------|------------------|--|
| 1. | Home Loan - 86075110000203 | Rs. 45,20,000/- | Rs. 41,45,227.87 + Interest @ 9.60 % p.a. w.e.f. 02.03.2026 on monthly rests |

2. The aforesaid Home Loan granted by the Bank is secured by the following assets/securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank):- EQM of residential Land & Building situated at House constructed on Plot No. 71 North West Part, admeasuring 150 Sq. Yards, or 125.41 Sq. Meters, out of 205 Sq.Yards, out of 405 Sq.Yards, out of the layout consisting of Survey No 1/A, having plinth area of 1175 Sq.feet in Ground floor and 1175 Sq.feet in first floor situated at Thattannaram Village, Abdulapurmet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, under Pedda Amberpet Municipality and registration Sub-District Saroomarg, Rangareddy District in the name of Poreddy Bhagya Lakshmi and bounded by: North: 25 feet Wide Road, South: Plot No.71 South Part, East: Plot No.71 North East Part, West: Neighbours Plot.

3. As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from 02.03.2026 in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.

4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank Rs. 41,45,227.87 + Interest @ 9.60 % p.a. w.e.f. 02.03.2026 on monthly rests within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 against the secured assets mentioned above.

5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Bank together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redemption of the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

6. The amounts realised from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realisation and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.

7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realised in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debt Recovery Tribunal/Courts, for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.

8. Please take note that as per Sub-section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift, mortgage or otherwise.

9. The undersigned is a duly authorised officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of aforesaid Act.

10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Place: Hyderabad Sd/-
Date: 06-03-2026 (Authorised Officer)

CM REVANTH REDDY INVITED TO ATTEND WOMEN'S HOCKEY WORLD QUALIFIERS CLOSING CEREMONY



Hyderabad: State Sports Minister Vakitti Srihari Mudhiraj along with Special Chief Secretary to the Government Jayesh Ranjan, met Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and invited him to attend the closing ceremony of the Women's Hockey World Qualifying Tournament 2026 being held at the Gachibowli Hockey Stadium. Minister and officials personally presented the invitation to the Chief Minister for the concluding event scheduled to be held on Saturday. Among those present on the occasion were State Government Sports Advisor A.P. Jitender Reddy, Sports Authority Chairman Shivasena Reddy, Managing Director Dr.Soni Bala Devi, Special Secretary to the Chief Minister Srinivasa Raju, Sports University Vice-Chancellor Kishore Gopinathan, and Arjuna Awardee Ravikanth Reddy, among others.

Rs.16.10 Crore Bhadrakali Pond Reclamation Works Inaugurated in Warangal

Warangal: MLA Naini Rajender Reddy, Mayor Gundu Sudharani, and Collector Chahat Bajpai launched the reclamation and beautification of Bhadrakali pond on Thursday. The project, estimated at Rs.16.10 crore, aims to restore the historic pond and develop the area into a national-level tourist center. Plans include a glass bridge from the temple to the bund. Officials have been directed to complete the works by May 15. Irrigation department officials and corporators were present.



CENSUS 2027 TO BE CONDUCTED DIGITALLY; TRAINING PROGRAMME BEGINS IN WARANGAL



WARANGAL, Match 13, TSIT : Census 2027 is crucial for implementation of government schemes and national development District Collector Dr. Satya Sharada stated that the concerned authorities should work in coordination to manage effectively. On Friday, the Collector started a three-day training programme for district, mandal and municipal level officials on conducting population census-2027 in the district under the auspices of the planning department at the district collectorate meeting hall. On this occasion, the Collector said that the necessary procedures and guidelines must be followed to conduct the population census efficiently at the district level. She said that the census programme will be conducted in two phases. In the first phase, houselisting and house enumeration will be conducted and this phase will start on May 11, 2026 and continue till June 9, 2026 in Telangana state. In the second phase, the population enumeration process will be conducted in February 2027 and March 1, 2027 will be considered as the reference date, he said. She said that the population census to be held this time will be conducted digitally for the first time in the country and the counting process will be conducted using mobile apps and web portals. Similarly, a special portal will be made available about 15 days before the start of counting for people to register their details online themselves, she said.

Vem Narendra Reddy Meets TPCC Chief Mahesh Kumar Goud

Hyderabad: Rajya Sabha nominee Vem Narendra Reddy, who was unanimously elected, met TPCC President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud at his residence and extended his greetings. On the occasion, Narendra Reddy presented a bouquet to Mahesh Kumar Goud and held a brief interaction with him. Government Advisor Sudarshan Reddy was also present during the meeting.



Vishnu Vardhan Reddy Attends Iftar

Hanamkonda : Vishnu Vardhan Reddy participated in an Iftar dinner organised at Zakriya Function Hall on Friday and conveyed greetings to members of the Muslim community on the occasion of the holy month of Ramadan. Among those who attended the programme were 58th Division President Thallapalli Sudhakar, Fisheries State Executive Member Mandala Sammaiah, Thallapalli Ravinder, Thallapalli Rishikumar, and Emmadi Akshay Kumar, along with others. Leaders joined the gathering and exchanged Ramadan greetings with the attendees, wishing for peace, harmony, and prosperity.



Bharat Sai Reddy Inspects Iftar Arrangements

Hyderabad : Preparations are under way for the grand Iftar feast to be organised on March 15 under the leadership of TPCC Working President Jaggarreddy at Milad Ground in Sangareddy town. As part of the preparations, Jaggarreddy's son Turpu Bharat Sai Reddy visited the venue and inspected the arrangements being made for the Iftar gathering. Accompanied by Sangareddy Municipal Vice Chairman Sheikh Shafi Hafeez, he reviewed



the ongoing works and facilities being arranged at the ground. With thousands of Muslim brothers expected to attend the event, Bharat

Sai Reddy directed the organisers to ensure proper arrangements and necessary precautions for the smooth conduct of the programme.

Canara Bank
ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH
HYDERABAD (DP CODE: 2752)
MCH No. 10-2-163 & 10-3-163/3, Ground Floor,
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Secunderabad - 500 026

DEMAND NOTICE
Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Borrower/Proprietor/Mortgagor/Guarantor : M/s Myna Layer Farms (Borrower), Sy No 409/1, 409/5-6, 408, 409, Kanga Village Thouguta Mandal, Medak District 502114, M/s Myna Layer Farms (Borrower), Sy No 42/a, 46/a, 61/a, Tulekalan Village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District 501509. Smt. Pitta. Swaroopa Reddy (Proprietor & Guarantor), W/o. Pitta. Sudarshan Reddy, Plot No.329 B.n. Reddy Nagar, Near Hanuman Temple Vanasthalipuram, Hayath Nagar Taluka, Ranga Reddy District 500070. Sri. Pitta Mahender Reddy (Guarantor/S/o. Pitta. Sudarshan Reddy), Plot No.329, B.N Reddy Colony, Hanuman Temple Vanasthalipuram, Hayath Nagar Taluka, Ranga Reddy District 500070. Sri. Pitta Vijayender Reddy (Guarantor), S/o. Pitta. Sudarshan Reddy, Plot No.329 B.n. Reddy Nagar, Near Hanuman Temple Vanasthalipuram, Hayath Nagar Taluka, Ranga Reddy District 500070. Smt. Pitta Kranthi (Guarantor), W/o. Pitta Mahender Reddy, Plot No.329 B.n. Reddy Nagar, Near Hanuman Temple Vanasthalipuram, Hayath Nagar Taluka, Ranga Reddy District 500070.

Non-Performing Asset (NPA) as on 28-07-2025. Outstanding Amount: Rs.16,12,83,636.80/- (Rupees Sixteen crores twelve lakhs eighty three thousand six hundred thirty six and paise eighty only) the details of which together with future interest rate thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

1. All that the piece and parcel of Open Plot in Sy.No.116/RU, admeasuring 1904.72 sq.yds or 1952.58 sq.mts in sy no.116/RU located at, Saheb Nagar Kalan Village, Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal, under GHMC L.B.Nagar Circle, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana state by virtue of Regd Settlement deed bearing no.33301/2016 SRO L.B.Nagar, bounded by: North: Land of P.Ram Reddy in Sy.No.117, South: Land of P.Vijayender Reddy in Sy.No.116; East: Neighbours plot and West: 30' wide road. **MODTD DOC NO: 10288/2023, 16602/2018, 7807/2019, CERSAI ASSET ID:200019188863, CERSAI SECURITY INTEREST ID:400019231467.**
Name of Title Holder : Smt. PITTA. SWAROOPA REDDY, W/o. PITTA. SUDARSHAN REDDY.

2. All that the piece and parcel of open plot in Sy.No.116/RU admeasuring 1873.61 sq.yds or 1566.57 sq.mts in sy.no.116/RU located at Saheb Nagar Kalan Village Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal under GHMC L.B.Nagar circle, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana state. By virtue of Settlement Deed bearing no. 4977 of 2014 SRO L.B.Nagar bounded by: North: Land of settle in Sy.No.116/RU; South: Land of P.Mahendra Reddy in Sy.No.96/AA/3; East: Neighbours plot; West: 30' wide road. **MODTD DOC NO: 3946/2023, 10287/2023, 1983/2022, 1649/2022, CERSAI ASSET ID:200019189650, CERSAI SECURITY INTEREST ID:400019232255.**
Name of Title Holder : SRI. PITTA VIJAYENDER REDDY, S/o. PITTA. SUDARSHAN REDDY.

3. All that the piece and parcel of open plot in Sy.No.96/AA/3, admeasuring 1410.14sq.yds or 1179.05 sq.mts in sy.no.116/RU located at saheb Nagar Kalan Village Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal under GHMC L.B.Nagar circle, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana state by virtue of Regd. Settlement Deed bearing no.33300 of 2016 SRO L.B.Nagar, bounded by: North: Land of P.Vijayender Reddy in sy.no.116/RU; South: Land in Sy.No.96 belongs to Norma Saijaja; East: Neighbours plots; West: 30' wide road. **MODTD DOC NO:1649/2022, CERSAI ASSET ID:200019190593, CERSAI SECURITY INTEREST ID:400019233199.**
Name of Title Holder : Sri. PITTA MAHENDER REDDY, S/o. PITTA. SUDARSHAN REDDY.

4. All that the piece and parcel of Open Plot in Sy.No.116/RU admeasuring 1904.72 sq.yds or 1952.58 sq.mts in sy no.116/RU located at, Saheb Nagar Kalan Village, Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal, under GHMC L.B.Nagar Circle, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana by virtue of Regd Settlement deed bearing no.33301/2016 SRO L.B.Nagar, bounded by: North: Land of P.Ram Reddy in Sy.No.117, South: Land of P.Vijayender Reddy in Sy.No.116; East: Neighbours plot and West: 30' wide road. **MODTD DOC NO: 1649/2022.**
Name of Title Holder : Smt. PITTA. SWAROOPA REDDY, W/o. PITTA. SUDARSHAN REDDY.

In respect of loans availed by you at our branch, which have become Non Performing Asset(s) with balance outstanding mentioned above along with interest and costs etc. we have already issued detailed demand notice under Sect 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 by Courier/Registered post with acknowledgment due to you in case of your failure to pay the amount mentioned above within 60 days. You are advised (1) to pay the balance outstanding amount with interest and costs etc., within 60 days from the date of notice referred to above to avoid further action under the SARFAESI Act.

Date : 06-03-2026, Place : Hyderabad Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank.

NIWAS HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
(Formerly, Niwas Housing Finance Private Limited)

Regd. Office: - Unit No. 305, 3rd Floor, Wing 2/E, Corporate Avenue, Andheri- Ghatkopar Link Road, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400093

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1) and (2)]

Whereas, The Authorized Officer of the Secured Creditor mentioned herein, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Act), 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with (Rule 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the borrower(s) to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s) and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of NHFL has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the date mentioned against each property.

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.

The borrower(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 NHFL for the amount mentioned below and interest and other charges thereon.

| Loan Account Number | Borrower(s) & Property Details | Amount & Date of Demand Notice | Date of Possession | Possession Status |
|-----------------------|---|--|--------------------|---------------------|
| LNHBGH09L-11240050290 | 1.YERPULA MANOHAR (BORROWER) 2.YERPULA SUVARNA (CO-BORROWER) | Rs. 7,23,504/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred Four Only) DATE: 16-Dec-2025 | 11-Mar-2026 | SYMBOLIC POSSESSION |

PROPERTY BEARING :- ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE PROPERTY BEARING HOUSE BEARING GRAMPANCHAYATH HOUSE NUMBER:1-836, CONSTRUCTED WITH BRICK WALLS AND R.C ROOF BUILT UP AREA:700 SQ.FEETS GROUND FLOOR, TOTAL AREA: (INCLUDING BUILTUP AND OPEN SPACE)200 SQ.YARDS, EQUIVALENT TO 167.20 SQ.MTRS. GRAMAKANTAM, SITUATED AT: JANAGAM VILLAGE, MANDAL: NARAYANAPUR, YADADRI BHUVANAGIRI DIST. UNDER JANAGAM GRAMPANCHAYATH, M.P.NARAYANAPUR, Z.P.YADADRI BHUVANAGIRI, REGN: SUB-DIST. CHOUTUPPAL, REGN: DIST. NALGONDA. BOUNDARIES AS FOLLOWS: NORTH : HOUSE OF YERPULA SATHYANARAYANA, SOUTH : HOUSE OF CHUKKA ISTHARI, EAST NARAYANAPUR TO VALAPALLY VILLAGE ROAD, WEST HOUSE OF YERPULAMUNINDHAR

Date: 14-03-2026 Sd/- Authorized Officer
Place: Telangana NIWAS HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

ICI Home Finance Corporate Office: ICI Home Finance Company Limited ICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400059, India
Branch Office : Ground floor, Usha Kiran Complex, S.D.Road, Secunderabad - 500003

Notice for sale of immovable assets through Private Treaty

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets through Private Treaty under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(B) r/w Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

ICI Home Finance Company Limited (ICI HFC) conducted several e-Auctions for the sale of the mortgaged property mentioned below, however, all such e-Auctions failed. Now, an interested buyer has approached ICI HFC with an offer to purchase the said property for an amount of Rs. 65,00,000/-. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below-described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", by way of Private Treaty as per the brief particulars given hereunder:

| Sr. No. | Name of Borrower(s)/ Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No. | Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any | Amount Outstanding | Reserve Price/ Earnest Money Deposit | Date and Time of Property Inspection | Date & Time of Auction | One Day Before Auction Date | Sarfaesi Stage |
|---------|---|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (E) | (F) | (G) | (H) | (I) |
| 1. | G Harinathreddy (Borrower) Srividya Chennuru (Co-Borrower) Loan No. LHNDH00001632990 LHNDH00001632993 | House On Plot No. 12 Northern Part, Plot No. 13, S.No. 1106, Spotika Lingeswar Residency, Ghanapur Village And Gram Panchayath, Ghatkesar Mandal, Medchal-malkajgiri District, Telangana 501301 | Rs. 97,04,411/- March 11, 2026 | Rs. 65,00,000/- March 6, 2026 | Rs. 23,2026 11:00 AM To 03:00 PM | March 30, 2026 11:00 AM To 12:00 PM | March 27, 2026 before 04:00 PM | Symbolic Possession |

The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link- <https://BidDeal.in/>) of our auction agency ValueTrust Capital Services Private Limited. The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICI Home Finance Company Limited, Branch Office Address Mentioned on top of the article or before March 27, 2026 before 04:00 PM. The Prospective Bidder(s) also must submit a signed copy of the Registration Form & Bid Terms and Conditions Form at ICI Home Finance Company Limited, Branch Office Address mentioned on top of the article or before March 27, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favor of "ICI Home Finance Company Ltd.- Auction" payable at the branch office address mentioned on top of the article.

The general public is requested to submit their bids higher than the amount being offered by the interested buyer mentioned above. It is hereby informed that in case no bids higher than the amount being offered by the aforementioned interested buyer is received by ICI HFC, the mortgaged property shall be sold to the said interested buyer as per Rule 8(B) r/w Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the sale or submission of bids, kindly contact ICI Home Finance Company Limited on 9920807300.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit <https://www.icihfc.com>.

Date : March 14, 2026 Sd/- Authorized Officer, "ICI Home Finance Company Limited"
Place : Medchal-Malkajgiri CIN Number:- U65922MH1999PLC121016

EDITORIAL

What Happens If Saudi Arabia Really 'Asks' Pakistan To Go To War?

When Pakistan signed the Strategic Mutual Defence Agreement (SMDA) with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in September last, its military-controlled regime never imagined that this agreement would soon become so onerous. Pakistani generals and politicians had convinced themselves and their public that Saudis would shower Pakistan with money and, in return, Pakistan would guarantee Saudi security while expanding its own political and diplomatic influence all over the Middle East. The way the Pakistanis sold this deal was that it was a recognition of their military prowess and that it was primarily directed against Israel, which had carried out an airstrike in Doha just days before Pakistan and Saudis signed the SMDA. There was some talk of Pakistan giving Saudi Arabia security assistance against the Houthis and other para-state and state actors.

An Unexpected Turn

The Pakistanis, however, never imagined that their 'rent-for-hire' security services would be requisitioned against Iran. This was because Saudi Arabia and Iran were steadily improving their relations and putting their bitter rivalry, even enmity, aside. But Pakistan's too-clever-by-half calculations have caught them in a bind between the US-Israeli Operation Epic Fury (and Lion's Roar) on one side, and on the other, Iran's Operation Fatah Khyber. With Iran targeting Saudi Arabia among other Arab Gulf states that are allies of the US, Pakistan fears being called upon to fulfil its SMDA obligations towards Saudi Arabia, something it is reluctant to do because of its larger and long-term repercussions for Pakistan's own stability and security. Since the beginning of the conflict, questions have been raised about what role Pakistan would play on the side of the Saudis, especially since Iran was lobbing missiles and drones at targets in the country. The Pakistanis claimed that it was their clear warning to Iran not to force their hand, which, ultimately, made Iran spare Saudi Arabia to some extent. Pakistan's Foreign Minister postured that Iran was so scared of Pakistan jumping into the fray to support the Saudis that while it launched multiple attacks on other Gulf countries - Kuwait, UAE, Oman, Bahrain and Qatar - it avoided targeting the Saudis. This was sold as a sort of satisfactory military and diplomatic solution for both Saudi Arabia and Pakistan.

No Time For More War

At a time when Pakistan is battling two full-blown insurgencies in Balochistan and Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, waging an undeclared war against the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan, contending with widespread civil disturbances with sectarian overtones after the killing of Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei, and trying to keep the political opposition at bay and manage a broken, bankrupt economy, the last thing Pakistan wanted would be to get embroiled in a wider Middle Eastern war, and that too along with Israel and the US against another Muslim country. The fact that the Arab states, including Saudi Arabia, are reluctant to declare war or even retaliate against Iran - they have all only tried to defend themselves against the Iranian missile and drone attacks - has created some space for Pakistan. After all, if Saudi Arabia was not ready to declare war on Iran, how could it expect Pakistan to do so on its behalf? The Saudi reluctance was, in part, a function of their vulnerabilities to Iran targeting their critical assets - refineries, oil fields, infrastructure. Pakistan, in their view, was better-placed to open a second front on Iran's rear. But Pakistani analysts argued that the SMDA pact was for Saudi Arabia's defence and not for attacking another country.

MOJTABA'S FIRST MESSAGE MAKES IT CLEAR:

IRAN WON'T GIVE AN EASY 'EXIT' TO DONALD TRUMP

The appointment of Mojtaba Khamenei as Iran's new Supreme Leader was effectively Iran's slap in the face to US President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who had insisted that Iran's next leader should somehow meet their approval. Delusional? Without a doubt. The message from Iran was loud and clear: Iran's leadership will be decided in Tehran, not in Washington or Tel Aviv.

For weeks, rhetoric from Washington suggested that the US believed it could reshape Iran's political future through force. President Trump had even mused publicly about influencing who might succeed Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who was assassinated by US-Israeli forces in the first wave of attacks on Iran. That illusion collapsed the moment Iran's clerical establishment closed ranks and elevated Mojtaba Khamenei to the most powerful position in the Islamic Republic. In effect, the message from Tehran was, 'You do not decide Iran's leadership. We do.'

The sudden emergence of Mojtaba Khamenei from relative obscurity has profound geopolitical implications, not just in the Middle East but across the world. His appointment marks a hardening moment for Iran and perhaps for the wider Middle East.

The First Signal From Tehran

There are reports that the new Supreme Leader was injured in the attacks that killed his father, along with several members of his family, including his wife, mother and sister. He has yet to make a public appearance. That absence prompted Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to mock him publicly (at a press conference yesterday) and even hint at possible action against him, similar to what happened to his father.

But on Thursday, Iranian state television broadcast a statement attributed to Mojtaba Khamenei. It was read out by a presenter rather than delivered by him personally. Whether this was due to security concerns or injuries sustained during the attacks remains unclear.



But the message itself left little room for doubt. Iran, he said, would avenge the blood of its martyrs. And the country would continue to use the "lever" of blocking the Strait of Hormuz. That single phrase immediately captured the attention of governments and markets around the world. Roughly a fifth of the world's oil supply passes through the narrow waterway that is the Strait of Hormuz. By invoking the possibility of closing it, Mojtaba Khamenei was delivering a stark strategic reminder: Iran may be under attack, but it still holds powerful levers capable of imposing immense economic costs on its adversaries.

The Long Memory of War

Mojtaba Khamenei belongs to a generation shaped by conflict and siege. Born in 1969, he grew up in the aftermath of Iran's 1979 revolution and came of age during the brutal Iran-Iraq war. That war remains etched deeply in Iran's collective political psyche. The conflict lasted eight years and claimed hundreds of thousands of lives. It was also fought with the open support of Western powers for Saddam Hussein's Iraq. For Iran's leadership, the lesson from that period was clear: in moments of existential crisis, the

country must rely primarily on its own resilience. This historical memory explains much of Iran's worldview today. Iranian leaders often interpret external pressure not as limited tactical manoeuvring but as part of a broader attempt to dismantle the Islamic Republic. The assassination of Ali Khamenei has reinforced that perception dramatically. If the US and Israel believed the killing of Iran's Supreme Leader would weaken the regime or open the door to internal collapse, the early signs suggest they were highly mistaken and perhaps poorly advised by their intel-heavy advisers. Instead, it has strengthened the narrative of resistance - even 'martyrdom' - that has sustained the Islamic Republic for decades. The Hardening Of Tehran's Stance

The elevation of Mojtaba

Khamenei suggests that Iran's leadership is preparing for a long-term confrontation, a fight to the end, if you like. Unlike reformist figures who occasionally emerged in Iran's political system, Mojtaba is widely viewed as closely aligned with the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, perhaps the most important organisation in Iran today. The Revolutionary Guard has long advocated a strategy of resistance and

deterrence against external pressure. It emphasises asymmetric warfare, proxy alliances and economic leverage.

Mojtaba's first statement already reflects this thinking. The reference to the Strait of Hormuz signals that Iran intends to remind the world of the strategic costs of continued attacks. Broadly speaking, the new Supreme Leader is unlikely to grant Trump the easy exit that some of his policymakers are quietly hoping for. In Iran's political culture, the assassination of a supreme leader demands a response, a do-or-die response. Backing down quickly would risk undermining Mojtaba's legitimacy at home and weakening his authority among the headline institutions that underpin the regime. For that reason, Iran under his leadership is most likely to pursue a calibrated strategy of retaliation - not necessarily a direct conventional war with its adversaries, but a series of actions designed to impose pressure and demonstrate resilience. Therefore, under him, the so-called axis of resistance, such as the Houthis, Hezbollah and Hamas, will continue to get Iran's material and personnel support

The End of Illusions

The appointment of Mojtaba Khamenei, therefore, marks more than a succession within Iran's political hierarchy. It symbolises the beginning of a potentially more dangerous phase in the confrontation between Tehran, Washington and Tel Aviv.

We all know that external force rarely produces the political outcomes that its architects imagine. Instead, it often strengthens the very forces it sought to weaken. In Tehran today, the rise of Mojtaba Khamenei embodies precisely that dynamic. A leader - a hardliner - thrust into power by crisis, hardened by war, and now determined to demonstrate that Iran will not bend under pressure. The only way out would have been to surrender or go for a ceasefire. But under Mojtaba Khamenei, this is unthinkable. Instead, Iran is likely to make its retaliation harder and more painful.

Amazon Centres To Banks, What Iran's 'Target List' Of Tech Firms Reveals

On March 11, the 12th day of the war between the United States, Israel, and Iran, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) released a list. Distributed via Telegram by the IRGC-affiliated Tasnim News Agency, it named Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Nvidia, IBM, Oracle, and Palantir - together with their specific regional offices, data centres, and research facilities, as legitimate targets. The IRGC-linked Khatam al-Anbiya Headquarters, Iran's unified military command, framed the announcement in language that should concern every government and technology executive on earth: "As the scope of the regional war expands to infrastructure war, the scope of Iran's legitimate targets expands." The declaration was not rhetoric. It came 10 days after Iranian drone strikes had already hit three Amazon Web Services facilities across the Gulf - two data centres in the United Arab Emirates struck directly, a third in Bahrain damaged by a nearby explosion. AWS confirmed structural damage, disrupted power systems, and fire suppression activity that caused additional water damage. Two of three availability zones in the UAE region went offline. Emirates NBD, First Abu Dhabi Bank, Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank, the payments firm Hubpay, and the ride-sharing platform Careem all reported significant service disruptions. Iran stated explicitly that the facilities were targeted because AWS hosts United States military workloads. The Uptime Institute described it as the first confirmed kinetic strike on a hyperscale cloud provider in history. The March 11 targeting list was precise: Google's Dubai office, its Qatar cloud centre, Nvidia's largest R&D facility in Haifa, IBM's AI research centre in Be'er Sheva, Palantir's Abu Dhabi collaboration hub and Tel Aviv office, Oracle's Jerusalem and Abu Dhabi offices, and additional Amazon facilities in Tel Aviv and Haifa. Iran justified each target on the grounds that these companies supply technology with direct military applications to the United States and Israeli armed forces, a charge that

is, in several cases, a documented fact. All six companies named have Pentagon contracts. NVIDIA, IBM, Microsoft, Google, Oracle, and Palantir all have documented ties to Israeli government and military programmes. The list is not arbitrary. It is strategic. The destruction of economic infrastructure has proceeded in parallel. Iranian drones struck near Dubai International Airport on 11 March, wounding four people. The world's busiest airport continued operating, but the insurance, diplomatic, and logistical consequences were severe. Iran has effectively closed the Strait of Hormuz, through which a fifth of global daily oil supply passes. At least fourteen vessels have been struck since the war began; seven mariners have been killed. A Thai cargo ship, the Mayuree Naree, was set ablaze in the strait, with three crew members still missing after twenty were rescued by the Omani navy. The United States destroyed 16 Iranian minelayers near the Strait, but Brent crude has already risen 20% since February 28, pushing up fuel prices and rattling financial markets worldwide. The cyberspace dimension has been equally destructive. Israel launched what analysts described as the largest cyberattack in history against Iran on February 28, reducing internet connectivity to between 1% and 4% of normal. Tasnim itself was briefly hacked to display anti-government messages. Iran's retaliatory cyber operations targeted Gulf states, Jordan, Cyprus, and the United States, with over 600 attack claims logged within days. The GPS and automatic identification systems of more than 1,100 vessels were disrupted by coordinated electronic warfare. A cyberattack targeted Israeli railways, broadcasting evacuation warnings inside stations. The boundaries between kinetic, electronic, and cyber warfare have ceased to exist as meaningful distinctions. This transformation has exposed the fundamental inadequacy of existing international law. The Geneva Conventions, last substantially updated in 1977, were designed for a world of standing armies and physical

battlefields. They offer no meaningful guidance on dual-use digital infrastructure, AI in lethal decision-making, or accountability for autonomous and semi-autonomous strikes. The ICRC has repeatedly and urgently called for new legal instruments. A UN Group of Governmental Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons has deliberated since 2014. There remains no binding treaty, no enforcement mechanism, no shared red lines. The legal architecture of war has not kept pace with its technological architecture by a margin of decades. The legal vacuum has direct consequences extending far beyond the battlefield. Standard insurance policies do not cover losses incurred through military action, meaning the AWS strikes - and any prospective strikes on Google, Nvidia, Microsoft, Oracle, IBM, and Palantir facilities - will be borne entirely by the companies themselves. The Gulf states have attracted hundreds of billions in Western technology investment premised on stability. OpenAI's ten-square-mile Stargate AI campus in the UAE, backed by Oracle, Nvidia, and Cisco, now sits in a region where Iran has demonstrated both the will and capability to strike commercial technology infrastructure at will. Microsoft's reported fifteen-billion-dollar UAE investment faces an equally uncertain horizon. Infrastructure warfare is not a regional problem. Its consequences are global. There is a further, underappreciated dimension that international debate has barely begun to address: the epistemic failure built into AI-assisted targeting. Systems trained on historical conflict data encode biases about who constitutes a combatant. Deployed at machine speed in densely populated environments, misidentification is not an edge case, it is a structural feature. The United States military is already investigating how a Tomahawk missile struck an Iranian girls school in error. The principle of distinction, that combatants must be differentiated from civilians, was designed for a human-paced battlefield. Algorithmic war does not pause for deliberation.

Iran-Israel War, And What India Can Learn From The 'KC-135' Crash



The crash of a US Air Force KC-135 tanker aircraft over Iraq marks a grim new milestone in the escalating war with Iran. It appears to have been a catastrophic mid-air collision during one of several hundred refuelling missions that are taking place daily in Gulf airspace in support of the war. Images of the surviving aircraft, its tail section virtually shorn off, tell a story of a high-altitude nightmare. While the Pentagon is adamant this wasn't the result of enemy or friendly fire, the incident highlights the inherent, hair-raising risks of air-to-air refuelling. It is a testament to the crews involved that this complex dance in the sky has become a routine, indispensable pillar of modern air power. But there is a separate, deep, difficult takeaway from the crash

for India. The US was immediate and upfront in acknowledging the loss and the circumstances - just as it was in acknowledging the loss of three F-15 Strike Eagle jets in a bizarre friendly-fire incident earlier this month over Kuwait. < The United States military is far from traditionally transparent. It practically invented information warfare and mindgames. But even with a temperamental President at the helm who obsesses with loss statistics as a taunt, America's full-frontal transparency on battlefield losses reflects the behaviour of a confident, self-assured military power. They understand that high-tempo operations carry the risk of losing both hardware and humans. They budget for it. And they

feel no embarrassment in noting it. Contrast that with the silence following Operation Sindoor. Months later, the alleged loss of aircraft on both sides remains mired largely in gossip and claims. No formal statements, other than quips in speeches. No clear acknowledgements or numbers. And this when India cannot be compared to Pakistan in terms of credibility or stature. As a student of war, this is troubling. India is a nation that has fought wars for eighty years. Transparency doesn't just establish honesty; it denies the adversary the space to peddle the exaggerated claims we frequently see from Pakistan or China, where military losses erode state power. By being upfront about aircraft losses, the United States has denied Iran the

opportunity to fake numbers, restricting Iranian information attacks to 'how' the aircraft were shot down, an ambiguity that melts into a larger fog of war. In the current war, two weeks in, the US is nowhere near meeting its objectives. Its outcomes are all over the place. On the contrary, in Operation Sindoor, India achieved its specific goals in just 88 hours. If there was ever a moment to shed the hesitation of owning losses of aircraft or equipment, it was then. The US has shown this fortnight that it can get many things horribly wrong in combat and be bogged down in a poorly planned war operation. But in terms of messaging by the military, there is a ready playbook for India to learn from.

B. Indrasen Reddy Appointed as Telangana BJP State Spokesperson

Sangareddy, March 13 (TSIT) Businessman and investor B. Indrasen Reddy (ISR), who has nearly three decades of experience in the fields of technology, solar energy, and real estate, has been appointed as the State Spokesperson of the Telangana unit of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).



strengthen the party in Telangana.

Speaking on the occasion, Indrasen Reddy said that with a strong belief in nature and universal energy, he would work with honesty and a sense of equality to further

He expressed his gratitude to Telangana BJP State President N. Ramchander Rao for entrusting him with the responsibility. He thanked the party lead-

ership for placing their confidence in him and appointing him as the State Spokesperson.

Indrasen Reddy is currently associated with several organizations including Laghu Udyog Bharati, Bharat Global Industries Forum, and Swavalambhi Bharat Abhiyan. Through these platforms, he has been actively contributing to the development of entrepreneurs, policy advocacy, and business collaboration, aiming to support the vision of a developed India.

Prohibitory Orders Imposed at Exam Centers for Class X Annual Exams: DCP



Warangal: In view of the Class X annual examinations starting March 14, Central Zone DCP Dara Kavitha has enforced

Section 163 BNSS (akin to Section 144) at all 150 exam centers across Hanmakonda, Warangal, and Janagama. The orders, effective from March 14 to April 16, prohibit gatherings of three or more people near centers and ban rallies and sit-ins. All xerox shops within a 500-meter radius must remain closed from 6 AM to 2 PM daily. A strong police presence has been deployed to ensure smooth conduct of exams.

Ugadi Awards for Journalists; Pension Scheme Under Review: Minister Kolusu Parthasarathy

THE SOUTH INDIA TIMES, Amaravati : In a significant move towards journalist welfare, the Andhra Pradesh State Minister for Information and Public Relations, Kolusu Parthasarathy, announced that the state government will present Ugadi Puraskaram awards to journalists this year. Speaking to the media, the Minister reaffirmed the NDA government's commitment to the well-being of the journalistic community. He stated that several welfare schemes are currently being finalized and will be officially announced shortly.



The Minister revealed that a dedicated pension scheme for journalists is currently under active consideration by the government. There is a proposal to increase the health card limit for journalists to Rs.20 Lakhs, ensuring better access to premium healthcare. Support for Veterans: Veteran journalists will be provided with free bus pass facilities in the district of

their choice. The government plans to introduce accidental insurance coverage to provide financial security to media professionals. Minister Parthasarathy further mentioned that the grievances and issues faced by journalists were recently discussed in a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu. "The government is working on a comprehensive policy to address journalist welfare, including awards, pensions, and insurance. We will share 'good news' with our journalist friends very soon," the Minister added.

Bank of India Launches Nationwide 'Mega Samjhauta Campaign' for Loan Settlement



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The campaign will be conducted from March 16 to March 20, 2026, across all branches, zones and Field General Manager Offices (FGMOs) of the bank. The initiative focuses on resolving Non-Performing Asset (NPA) loan accounts and supporting borrowers facing financial difficulties. According to bank officials, many borrowers have struggled to meet repayment obligations due to genuine challenges such as business downturns, economic stress, or medical emergencies. To address these issues, the bank has introduced special OTS schemes for both small-value and mid-size loan accounts, offering substantial concessions to eligible borrowers.

The bank described the five-day campaign as a "golden opportunity" for NPA borrowers to regularize their accounts and regain financial stability. Eligible borrowers have been encouraged to approach their nearest branch and take advantage of the settlement facility during the campaign period. Through this initiative, the bank aims to provide relief to distressed borrowers while also strengthening its asset recovery efforts across the country.

Varun Khanna Launches 'The Hope Code' YouTube Channel to Demystify Healthcare

Hyderabad: Mr. Varun Khanna, Group Managing Director of Quality Care India Limited, has launched a YouTube channel called "The Hope Code" to encourage thoughtful dialogue on healthcare, patient trust, and medical decision-making. The platform aims to bridge the gap between the



abundance of health information and the ability to interpret it credibly. The inaugural episode will feature veteran Dr. Narottam Puri. Through conversations with experts, the channel seeks to help audiences navigate healthcare complexities with greater clarity and informed hope.

70th Rail Seva Puraskar Celebrations Held Under Waltair Railway Division in Visakhapatnam



Visakhapatnam: The 70th Rail Seva Puraskar Celebrations were held at the Rail Club in Visakhapatnam under the aegis of the Waltair Railway Division of Indian Railways on Friday.

Manager Lalit Bohra attended the ceremony as the chief guest and inaugurated the event by lighting the traditional lamp. Speaking on the occasion, he said the Waltair Division had secured the top position in the country

by generating an additional freight revenue of Rs.1,500 crore. He added that the division achieved a historic milestone by reaching a freight loading target of 78.45 million tonnes, 24 days before the close of the financial year.

Bohra also announced that security at Visakhapatnam Railway Station has been strengthened with the deployment of the AI-based robot ASC Arjun. For the convenience of passengers, special trains operating from Visakhapatnam to Tirupati, SMVT Bengaluru and Charlapalli are being regularized.

During the ceremony, the DRM presented merit

Pharma Anveshan 2026 State-Level Conference to be Held at Andhra University Today



Visakhapatnam: As part of the centenary celebrations of Andhra University, the state-level programme Pharma Anveshan 2026 will be organized on Saturday in collaboration with the Pharmacy Council of India.

Addressing a press conference at the AU Academic Senate Hall, Vice-Chancellor G. P. Rajasekhara said the event coincides with the 75th anniversary of the College of Pharmaceutical Sciences and the university's centenary celebrations. He noted that the programme aims to strengthen collaboration between industry and academia.

Bashubhai H. Chaudhari, Vice-President of the Pharmacy Council of India, said the initiative has been conducted for the past four years and brings together representatives from the pharmaceutical industry

and academic experts. The platform enables pharmacy students to present innovative ideas and receive guidance to transform them into practical solutions.

According to G. Girija Sankar, Principal of the College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, the programme will be held at the AU Convention Centre on Beach Road under the theme "Future Pharma Eco System—Fostering Synergy among Academia, Industry, Research, Regulatory and Practice."

The event will feature keynote lectures, panel discussions and a Pharma Ideathon, with nearly 800 students already registered. Officials including S. L. N. Prasada Reddy and M. Muralikrishna Kumar also attended the press meet where a poster for the conference was unveiled.

Indian Bank Sanctions Rs.1,422 Crore Under Mega RAM Credit Outreach in AP & Telangana

Hyderabad, March 12: Indian Bank organized a Mega RAM (Retail, Agriculture and MSME) Credit Outreach Programme across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana on March 12, 2026, sanctioning and disbursing loans worth Rs.1,422 crore to beneficiaries through eight zones and three MCBs.

Pranesh Kumar, Field General Manager (FGM), Hyderabad, participated in the disbursement drive at Tirupati along with Selvaraj M, Zonal Manager-Tirupati, and handed over sanction letters to beneficiaries. Addressing the gathering, he emphasized the importance of customer-centric lending and encouraged greater use of digital plat-



forms such as IndSMART and IndSMART BIZ for banking and loan services. Beneficiaries also displayed products at stalls set up during the event, showcasing enterprises developed with financial support from the bank. The outreach programme was conducted across various zones in both states in the presence of zonal managers and officials from District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) and Mission for Elimination of Poverty in

Municipal Areas (MEPMA). Senior officials including K. Srinivas (Hyderabad Zone), Swarna Prava Sundarraj (Malkajgiri Zone), Sudhakara Rao PSS (Karimnagar Zone), Gowri Sankar Rao N (Amaravati Zone), Mutchina Rajesh (Vijayawada Zone), Kattula Raj Kumar (Rajahmundry Zone) and Awadhesh Kumar Purbey (Visakhapatnam Zone) also participated in distributing sanction letters to beneficiaries.

AU Exam Results via Mana Mitra WhatsApp Services

The South India Times, Visakhapatnam : Andhra University Vice-Chancellor, Prof. G.P. Rajasekhara, stated that Andhra University students can henceforth access their examination results directly through WhatsApp. Speaking at a press conference organized today at the AU Senate Meeting Hall, he



announced that arrangements have been made for students to easily obtain their results via WhatsApp

through the State Government's 'Mana Mitra' app. A live demo of the process was showcased during the event. Furthermore, an AU student demonstrated the live process of receiving results on WhatsApp using their registered number. The event was attended by Registrar Prof. K. Ram Babu,



Indian Bank, Vijayawada Zone conducted "MEGA RAM CREDIT OUTREACH CAMPAIGN" on 12.03.2026. Zonal Manager Shri.M.Rajesh and Deputy Zonal Manager Shri.M.Seshagiri Rao handed over the sanction tickets to various beneficiaries amounting Rs.260.00 Crores. Similar Mega Credit Campaign was conducted in all 8 Zones of Indian Bank FGMO, Hyderabad Span. Shri.Pranesh Kumar, Filed General Manager handed over Rs.1422.00 Crores to various beneficiaries.

Ayurvedic Kidney Support Emerging as Key Part of Modern Wellness Routine

As awareness about preventive healthcare continues to grow, people are increasingly turning to holistic wellness practices that combine traditional knowledge with modern science. Ayurveda, one of the world's oldest systems of medicine, is gaining renewed attention for its natural approach to maintaining overall health, including kidney care. In this context, wellness company Vestige Marketing Pvt. Ltd. has introduced Ayusante KidneyHealth Capsules, an Ayurvedic formulation developed to support kidney function and promote urinary wellness. Designed using Ayurvedic principles and supported by modern research, the product aims to help maintain kidney health as part of a daily wellness routine. The formulation includes herbal ingredients traditionally known for their kidney-supporting properties, such as Emblica officinalis (Amla), Crataeva nurvala (Varuna), Tribulus terrestris (Gokshura), Saxifraga ligulata (Pashanbhed), and Tinospora cordifolia (Giloy). These herbs are believed to help support kidney immunity, assist in reducing the formation of kidney stones, and ease urinary discomfort. According to the company, the product works by helping inhibit enzymes linked to stone formation, reducing crystal aggregation in the kidneys, and supporting the body's natural detoxification processes. It may also help manage urinary tract infections and other urinary concerns. With growing global interest in natural healthcare solutions, Vestige says the initiative reflects its commitment to promoting Ayurveda-based wellness solutions and expanding their reach worldwide, especially around awareness occasions such as World Kidney Day.



AI to Create More Jobs Despite Displacement, Say Experts at GITAM Deemed to be University Conclave

Hyderabad, March 13: Industry experts stated that while Artificial Intelligence (AI) may displace nearly 85 million jobs worldwide by 2030, it is also expected to create about 97 million new roles across various sectors. The observations were made during Industry Conclave 3.0 organized by the Career Guidance Centre at GITAM Deemed to be University, Hyderabad, on the theme "Engineering the Future: Innovation in Core Sectors." The conclave brought together industry leaders and academicians for three panel discussions focusing on emerging trends in core engineering sectors. Experts emphasized that although the job market will evolve with AI-driven technologies, students must equip themselves with relevant skills to stay competitive.



Speakers advised aspiring engineers to gain practical exposure through internships, industry visits, and hands-on learning while continuously upgrading their knowledge. They also highlighted the importance of

adaptability, collaboration with industry, and maintaining a positive attitude, noting that attitude accounts for nearly 75 percent of success in recruitment. Chief guests Preet Yadav, Head - India Innovation Ecosystem at NXP Semiconductors, and Suman Gorla, Delivery Lead at Stellantis, delivered keynote

addresses stressing the role of innovation and strong industry-academia collaboration. The event concluded with panelists appreciating the advanced laboratories and infrastructure at the university's School of Core Engineering, while faculty members and students participated enthusiastically in the discussions.

CM Stalin inaugurates first unit of super critical thermal power plant in TN



CHENNAI: Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on Friday inaugurated first unit of 2x660 MW Super Critical Thermal Power plant established at an outlay of Rs 13,077 crore in Tuticorin district. The plant established by Tamil Nadu Power Generation Corporation Ltd is 6 per cent more efficient than the conventional thermal power plants and reduces fuel costs, besides allowing a quicker start-up time for power generation.

Through a video conference facility from the Secretariat here, Stalin inaugurated Unit 1 of the project built at Udangudi in Tuticorin. To meet the increasing power demand

of the state and provide electricity to industrial units, the government has been taking all necessary steps on a war footing, an official release said on Friday.

As a result of the initiatives, Tamil Nadu has emerged as a leader in the energy sector, the release said, adding by enhancing production of thermal, gas and renewable sources, the state's energy infrastructure has been strengthened.

A unique feature of the project is that it is the first such facility with a dedicated offshore captive port. Coal is transported from a terminal located 9km into the sea via

enclosed conveyor belts, reducing transportation costs and ensuring an environmentally friendly fuel supply, it said.

The power generated from this facility would be integrated into the grid through a 400 kV Gas Insulated Substation. The project would increase the state's self-generation capacity and reduce the need to purchase power from the open market. The Chief Minister also inaugurated 11 road projects completed by the state highways department in Salem, Namakkal, Coimbatore, Tiruvannamalai, Tiruppur and Tiruvallur districts at a total cost of

Rs 1,843.85 crore.

Some of the major projects launched include the upgradation of the Omalur-Sankagiri-Tiruchengode-Paramathi Road into a four-lane at Rs 985.18 crore spanning 36 km.

Under the Chief Minister's Road Development Schemes, widening and improvement of a 9.15 km stretch was taken up at Rs 59.15 crore, the release said.

In Coimbatore district, Stalin unveiled the Coimbatore Western Ring Road built at Rs 250 crore, a four-lane highway spanning 11.8 km.

In Tiruppur, he launched the 13.49 km Palani-Dharapuram road that has been widened into four lanes costing Rs 87.69 crore, the release added.

Later, Stalin also inaugurated and took part in the foundation stone laying ceremony of Municipal Administration and Water Supply projects worth Rs 265.66 crore, the government said. As per the release, the Chief Minister inaugurated 45 completed projects valued at Rs 211.90 crore, laid the foundation stone for 9 new projects worth Rs 53.76 crore and flagged off 28 new vehicles costing Rs 3.28 crore to the department.



Representatives of the Chennai Press Club called on the Honble Chief Minister at the Secretariat..

Sasikala launches All India Puratchi Thalaivar Makkal Munnetra Kazhagam

CHENNAI: V.K. Sasikala, the former interim general secretary of the AIADMK and close confidante of late CM J Jayalalithaa, has announced the formation of a new political party named All India Puratchi Thalaivar Makkal Munnetra Kazhagam. Addressing the media at her Poes Garden residence in Chennai, Sasikala unveiled the party's name and flag, confirming that it will contest the upcoming Assembly elections under the "Coconut Grove" symbol, which she described as representing unity.

The party flag had earlier been introduced by Sasikala at a public meeting in Kamuthi, Ramanathapuram, on February 24.

Speaking to reporters, Sasikala expressed confidence in the party's political future, stating that she believes the people will extend their support. She also indicated that her party would hold talks with like-minded political groups to forge an alliance ahead of the elections.



When asked whether her new party could defeat the AIADMK or the DMK, Sasikala did not offer a direct response, instead asserting that the people are the ultimate decision-makers.

In response to another query—on whether the divergent political paths taken by her and O. Panneerselvam would benefit Edappadi K. Palaniswami—Sasikala said the results of the coming elections would provide the answer.

The political developments follow the death of former Chief Minister J. Jayalalithaa in 2016. Sasikala was elected AIADMK interim general secretary by the party's general council soon after.

However, just as she was poised to take over as Chief Minister with the support of party MLAs, she was sentenced to four years imprisonment in a disproportionate assets case and lodged at Parappana Agrahara Central Prison in Bengaluru.

Before beginning her prison term, Sasikala facilitated Edappadi K. Palaniswami's elevation to the Chief Minister's post by consolidating the support of party MLAs. Subsequently, she was expelled from the AIADMK.

Meanwhile, after Jayalalithaa's death, O. Panneerselvam—who had been serving as Chief Minister—resigned and launched a "Dharma Yudham" against Sasikala, leading to a split in the party. Following Sasikala's imprisonment.

No, this Chennai restaurant is not charging extra for LPG

CHENNAI: As the whole country is in the grip of LPG shortage, a hotel bill from Chennai was posted on social media showing an additional charge of Rs 9.52 under the head 'gas'. However, when DT Next approached the establishment and bought food, there was no such added amount, and the hotel staff claimed the bill in question was fake. According to



the bill dated March 12, 2026, that was posted online, the customer had

one idli and one vada at Geeras Restaurant on MGR Salai in Perungudi, each costing Rs 33.33. In addition, there was another component on the bill: Gas - Rs 9.52. After adding the State and central GST, the total bill worked out to a round Rs 80. The bill quickly went viral on social media, with many popular handles sharing it with their own comments.

Some justified the additional charge while others criticised it. Those who consider themselves more careful while dealing with the present-day information ecosystem turned to the 'wise' one: "Is this true, @grok?" they asked. And the AI chatbot owned by Elon Musk, who has a dicey relationship with truth, said the bill did not look AI-generated.

Even the sky may not be the limit for AI data centres

If the architects of the artificial intelligence boom are right, it is only a matter of time before data centres — the giant computing facilities that power AI — will float in orbit and be visible in the night sky like planets. The science-fiction-like dream is being driven by AI and space industry leaders who are growing increasingly worried that data centres will eventually require more energy and land than are available on Earth. So one solution — perhaps the only solution, they say — is to start building them in space. Google announced in November that it was working on Project Suncatcher, a space data centre project that would begin test launches in 2027. Elon Musk said at a recent conference that space data centres would be the cheapest way to train AI "not more than five years from now." Others pledging support for the idea include Jeff Bezos, the founder of Amazon and Blue Origin; Sam Altman, the chief executive of OpenAI; and Jensen Huang, the CEO of Nvidia.

"It is not a debate — it is going to happen," said Philip Johnston, the CEO of Starcloud, a space data centre startup. "The question is when."

The notion has gained traction as the AI race hits a fever pitch, fueling fears of a potential bubble. Meta, OpenAI, Microsoft, Amazon and other big tech companies are investing hundreds of billions in data centres worldwide, with OpenAI alone committing \$1.4 trillion to such projects. Saudi Arabia and other nations are also pouring money into these efforts, while smaller companies pile up debt and take on financial risks to join the frenzy. Yet earthbound data centres are increasingly running into limits. In many places, the projects lack enough available power for the computing needs. Local opposition has also flared over whether data centres are driving up utility bills and exacerbating water shortages.



That has led to more creative — some might say wishful — thinking with space data centres. Technologists and scientists have researched the idea and concluded that some version of these projects may be possible in the next few decades. But sceptics said the proposals flew in the face of physics and would be astronomically expensive. Tech luminaries such as Musk have also recently made comments about space data centres that are a magnitude larger than what current research suggests is possible, said Pierre Lionnet, a space economist and director at Eurospace, a trade association.

"It's completely nonsensical," he said. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration introduced the idea of space data centres in the 1960s. In the 1980s, the concept of "data repositories" in space popped up in science fiction stories. In the past decade, the notion of space data centres that could power modern AI also emerged.

The main benefit to building a data centre in space is abundant

energy, with nearly 24/7 access to the sun and no clouds to obstruct the project's solar panels, Johnston said. There are also fewer environmental regulations than on Earth, not to mention fewer neighbours to oppose the imposition or complain about electric bills.

But the feasibility hinges on whether it will become cheaper to launch materials into space and whether technical issues like radiation and cooling can be solved in the meantime. Experts are split on how soon those conditions can be met. "As a business case, it's plausible," said Phil Metzger, a physics professor at the University of Central Florida and a former physicist at NASA. "It's been an evolving discussion." Data centres in space would look different from the football-stadium-size facilities on Earth. Most mock-ups from companies like Starcloud look like large satellites with a cluster of servers housing AI chips at the centre of miles of solar panels to power them. The data centres would need to be rebuilt every five years, which is when the computer chips are typically replaced, Johnston of Starcloud said. They

would be visible at dawn and dusk from Earth, he said, appearing in the sky as about a quarter the width of the moon. But it is too expensive to create space data centres today. A kilogram of material costs around \$8,000 to launch into space, Lionnet said. The cheapest rate — around \$2,000 per kilogram — is offered by the rocket maker SpaceX, he added. Individual server racks in a data centre can weigh over 1,000 kilograms.

If the space-launch costs fall to around \$200 per kilogram, the economics will start to make sense, Metzger said. He predicted that would take around a decade. In a research paper about Suncatcher published in November, Google predicted the costs could decline to that level "in the mid-2030s," comparing the timeline to its driverless robot taxis, which took 15 years to develop.

Others said they were not sure the costs would drop in such a short time. "It is like saying if we can get the cost of a McDonald's cheeseburger down to 10 cents, we will buy so many of them," Lionnet said. Modern computer chips and semiconductors are also not built to withstand the radiation in space, which would hurt their ability to compute reliably, said Benjamin Lee, an electrical and systems engineering professor at the University of Pennsylvania. And while space is a frigid minus 455 degrees Fahrenheit, it is also a vacuum. That means there is no air to transfer the heat from the AI chips. To cool the chips, the data centres would instead require large radiator panels to disperse the heat. Such hurdles have not stopped people such as Musk, who leads SpaceX and the artificial intelligence startup xAI.

Musk started engaging with others about space data centres in November on X, the social media platform he owns, saying that "serious AI scaling" had to "be done in space."

Over 100 fall ill after suspected food poisoning at wedding feast in Jharkhand



Palamu, Mar 13: More than 100 villagers reportedly fell ill after a suspected food poisoning incident at a wedding feast in Bohita village of the Palamu district, officials said on Thursday.

The incident occurred in Bohita village under the Satbarwa block, triggering panic among residents. In response, the district administration set up a temporary medical camp at the village school to treat the affected individuals.

According to officials, around 10 people are in critical condition and have been referred to Medininagar Medical College and Hospital and the Community Health Centre Lesliganj for advanced treatment.

Local residents said H a r i s h a n k a r Chandravanshi had hosted

ed a community feast on Wednesday evening ahead of the wedding of his son, Lavkush Sharma. The menu reportedly included puris, vegetables and boondi. Within hours of eating the food, several villagers began experiencing symptoms such as vomiting, diarrhoea, dizziness and severe stomach pain. By Thursday morning, cases of illness were reported from multiple households across the village.

A resident, Sudeshwar Singh, said many people felt sudden weakness and dizziness while heading to the fields in the morning, and the number of affected villagers quickly crossed 100.

As the number of patients surged, the health department converted a primary school in Pokharpar Tola into a temporary treatment centre.

Due to limited beds, many patients were treated with saline while lying on mats placed along the school veranda.

The civil surgeon of Palamu, Dr Anil Kumar Srivastava, visited the village with a team of health officials to supervise the response. He directed that critically ill patients be shifted immediately to nearby hospitals while others receive treatment at the temporary camp.

Authorities have deployed four ambulances in the area to handle emergencies. Officials said the incident appears to be a case of food poisoning, but the exact cause will only be confirmed after laboratory testing of food samples. A medical team remains stationed in the village to monitor the situation closely.

Maruti Suzuki Dzire Celebrates Momentous 3 Million Sales Milestone

New Delhi, March 13, 2026: Maruti Suzuki India Limited (Maruti Suzuki) announces the momentous 3 million sales milestone for the Maruti Suzuki Dzire, India's highest-selling car in calendar year 2025*1. The Dzire's sleek and sophisticated authentic sedan design language finds strong customer acceptance, making it India's highest-selling sedan*2. Crafted for individuals who thrive on success, the Dzire is a marker of success amongst its young customer demographic who aspire for the finer things in life. With its class-leading features, progressive design, welcoming interiors and robust safety, the Dzire impresses customers seeking a refined and sophisticated sedan. Commenting on the momentous occasion, Mr. Partho Banerjee, Senior Executive Officer, Marketing & Sales, Maruti Suzuki India Limited, said, "I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude towards all 3 million Dzire customers on this incredible milestone. The fourth-generation Dzire has well and truly reigned the sedan segment with its refined and sophisticated appeal, ensuring it finds strong preference among



young first-time buyers, this demographic in fact represents nearly 50% of customers. A wide range of comfort and convenience features alongside 5-star safety ratings ensure the Dzire caters to every preference of today's evolving customers." First introduced in 2008, the Dzire nameplate has evolved over four generations of the iconic sedan; launched as the 'Heart Car', the Dzire introduced high-end features into its segment with dual-front airbags, climate

control, Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS), etc. The second-generation Maruti Suzuki Dzire introduced the AGS automatic transmission to further elevate the indulgent nature of the sedan along with its inviting dual-tone interiors. The third-generation Dzire built on the indulgence of its predecessor with the new Z+ variants featuring LED projector headlamps, SmartPlay infotainment system, precision-cut two-tone alloy wheels and more. The

fourth-generation Dazzling new Dzire is powered by the all-new spirited yet efficient Z-Series engine and a range of new-age features to redefine customer experiences. The Dzire today finds strong customer preference courtesy of class-leading features that include an electric sunroof, 360 view camera with HD resolution, 22.86 cm (9") SmartPlay Pro+ with wireless Android Auto™ and Apple CarPlay™, Next Gen Suzuki Connect with Smartwatch connectivity,

Alexa Skill 5 and more. 15+ top-of-the-line safety features, including 6 airbags, Electronic Stability Program*6 (ESP*) with Hill Hold Assist, Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) with Electronic Brakeforce Distribution (EBD) and Brake Assist, ISOFIX child seat anchorages, etc. ensure complete occupant safety along with the Dzire's 5-star safety rating from multiple testing agencies including Bharat NCAP and Global NCAP.

ROYAL CHALLENGE LAUNCHES 'IRISH TRAIL' WITH AN IMMERSIVE CELEBRATION OF IRISH PUB CULTURE



Warangal, 13th March 2026: Royal Challenge has launched Irish Trail, its newest whiskey blend, with an immersive bar experience that brought authentic Irish pub culture to life in India. The evening took guests on a journey through a carefully curated venue Cock and Bull, Madhapur, Hyderabad—celebrating the spirit of camaraderie, connection, and music that defines the Irish pub experience. Royal Challenge Irish Trail is an exquisite blend that combines Irish Grain, Malt, and Pot Still Whiskey, skilfully harmonized with select Indian Malt. The result is a refreshingly smooth whiskey that delivers creamy sweetness with delicate vanilla undertones and subtle hints of matured

oak, finishing with an exceptionally sweet and smooth profile that's perfectly accessible for contemporary consumers. The launch experience showcased Irish Trail through multiple touchpoints—from interactive showcase zones and branded pub games to live Irish singalong performances and curated cocktails. The evening culminated in the official unveiling, where guests witnessed the launch moment and experienced an array of cocktails like: Irish Coffee, Irish Old Maid, Irish Buck, Irish Sour, Pickled Trail, which highlighted the blend's versatility and smooth profile. Elaborating on the launch, Ruchira Jaitly, Chief Marketing Officer, Diageo India, said: "Today's consumers are

increasingly seeking distinctive, globally inspired experiences when it comes to their choice of spirits. They value offerings that combine authenticity, smoothness, and a sense of discovery while reflecting evolving trends in the whiskey category. Royal Challenge Irish Trail brings this to life through an exquisite blend of Irish Grain, Malt, and Pot Still whiskeys, skilfully harmonized with select Indian Malt, delivering a refreshingly smooth whiskey designed for contemporary tastes. Created for the globally exposed, digitally connected consumer, it fits seamlessly into social occasions—whether at pubs, bars, or gatherings, bringing a fresh and approachable whiskey experience to the category."

Truecaller Launches Family Protection in India, Bringing Shared Safety Against Scams to Households

March 2026: As online scams like digital arrests, impersonation fraud and AI voice cloning evolve into direct threats against the security of Indian households, Truecaller, the leading global communications platform, is shifting the narrative from simple identification to proactive family immunity with the launch of Family Protection in India. This follows its successful rollout in several global markets, including Sweden, Chile, Malaysia and Kenya. Truecaller's Family Protection is a sophisticated digital shield, designed to protect the entire household, especially elders, from the rapidly evolving landscape of predatory scams. Every family has a tech-aware individual or CTO (chief technology officer) who manages the digital well-being of their parents, elders and children. Family Protection gives the CTO real-time fraud alerts and a remote call hang-up feature, allowing them to end suspicious



calls for any member of the group instantly. It also includes shared block lists, customizable security levels and a dashboard to monitor device safety settings, ensuring seamless protection across both Android and iOS devices. Importantly, Family Protection is free to use, allowing people to begin safeguarding their family members immediately. "Just knowing who is calling is no longer enough. Today, the real question is whether the call is safe to answer," said Rishit Jhunjhunwala, CEO, Truecaller. "As scams become more sophisticated and emotionally

manipulative, protection needs to move beyond the individual to the entire household. With Family Protection in India, we're empowering the most digitally aware member of the family to act as a safety anchor, helping ensure that everyone in their circle benefits from the same level of trusted communication". While Family Protection is free, if the CTO/admin opts for the Premium Family Plan subscription, they gain access to a broader suite of advanced safety features designed to deliver comprehensive protection for every member of the group. Crucially, the system is built on a foundation of "safety without

surveillance." While the family benefits from a shared security umbrella, individual privacy remains absolute. Members cannot see each other's call logs, messages, or personal data, ensuring that protection does not come at the cost of personal boundaries. As India continues its rapid digital transformation, the risks associated with mobile communication have evolved from mere nuisances to serious financial and emotional threats. By transitioning from individual-centric security to a household-wide protection model, Truecaller is reinforcing its commitment to making communication safe for everyone, everywhere. Family Protection is a necessary evolution in the fight against modern digital fraud, placing the power of advanced AI defense in the hands of the family's most trusted protector. For more information about Family Protection, please read the detailed FAQs.

AAKASH INSTITUTE KURNOOL EXCELS IN JEE MAIN 2026:

15 Students Shine; Kamble Koushik Becomes City Topper with 99.80 Percentile

Kurnool, 13th March, 2026: Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) 15 students from Kurnool have demonstrated exemplary performance during the JEE Main 2026 (Session 1) and given testimony to the continued success of their academic program throughout their region. According to the National Testing Agency (NTA) results released 16 Feb, In JEE Main 2026, 15 students from Aakash Institute, Kurnool delivered an excellent performance. Kamble Koushik has emerged as the Kurnool City Topper in JEE Main 2026 with 99.80 percentile. Other high scorers from the city include Ananya Swarna Chaya M (99.59 percentile), Hothur Sai Sumanth Reddy (99.206 percentile), Hima Vamsi Muppa (98.54 percentile), Swetha Nethula (97.93 percentile), Annem Venkata Mourya Vardhan Reddy (97.88 percentile), Kanekal Mohammad Tanveer (97.61 percentile), Kasireddy Abhinay Reddy (97.14 per-



centile), Shrikar Reddy B (97.12 percentile), Rangareddygari Santhosh Reddy (96.24 percentile), Namala Sanketh (96.15 percentile), Bangarapu Neeraj Kumar Yadav (95.92 percentile), Dudekula Saif Afrid (95.75 percentile), SK Parvez Vali (95.46 percentile), and Paramaiahgari Akshith Reddy (95.01 percentile). Commenting on the students' accomplishments, Mr. Dheeraj Kumar Misra, Chief of Academics & Business Head, Aakash Educational Services Limited said: "The exceptional results of our stu-

dents from Kurnool is a testament to their commitment to academics, as well as the strength of the Aakash educational ecosystem. We are so proud of their hard work and congratulate them on their accomplishments. We wish them continued success in their future endeavours." Many of the students also commented that by self-discipline, consistent practice, rigorous training, timely mentoring and regular assessment helped many of these students achieve success. Through their structured curriculum, the guidance from a qualified

instructor and the regular opportunity to take a simulated test, they maintained focus on their studies, identified weaknesses sooner, and increased their performance steadily. JEE Main, which has two opportunities during the year to take the test, allows students to improve on their previous results and is the means through which students can be admitted into NITs, IITs and other institutes supported by the Government, as well as qualify to take JEE Advanced, which is the entrance test to Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs).

Tumbbad Fame Sound Designer Mandar Kamalapurkar Hosts Inspiring Masterclass at Annapurna College



Hyderabad: Annapurna College of Film and Media recently hosted an inspiring masterclass by National Award winning Sound Recordist & Designer Mr. Mandar Kamalapurkar, offering students an opportunity to engage with the artistic and aesthetic dimensions of sound in cinema. Drawing from his extensive experience in Indian filmmaking, Mandar focused on how sound contributes to storytelling beyond its technical role.

During the session, he discussed the aesthetics of sound design, illustrating his ideas with examples from several films he has worked on. By breaking down specific scenes, he demonstrated how carefully crafted sound choices—ranging from ambiences, sound effects and silence to environmental textures—express the psychological contours of a character and construct the narrative of a film. His insights highlighted how sound can subtly guide the

audience's perception and deepen the realism of cinematic moments. The session featured insightful reflections from Mandar's experiences on professional film projects, giving students a clearer understanding of how creative intent and technical execution come together in professional sound practice. The masterclass also encouraged students to think critically about listening, perspective, and the role of sound as a storytelling tool.

VAAVE REBRANDS AS HOOPSTR TO IGNITE THE FUTURE OF LEARNING THROUGH ALUMNI NETWORKS

Hyderabad: 13th March 2026— Vaave, a Hyderabad-based alumni platform founded in 2011, today has announced its rebrand as Hoopstr, reflecting its evolution from an alumni management platform into a broader ecosystem that activates alumni networks to support lifelong learning and career advancement. Used by over 1200+ institutions worldwide, Hoopstr enables educational institutions to engage alumni through mentorship, networking, and collaborative learning. Hoopstr will empower educational institutions to bridge the gap between classroom learning and real-world experience. The company raised their first major external funding of 6.6 Cr from Aditya Vuchi VCMint & Raj Narayanan, Founder & Executive Chairman of Zaggie via RAN Ventures. The company is also looking to raise Pre-Series A investment in future to build the ecosystem offerings. The company is expecting 80-100% growth year on year. With a Current Team



size of 80 People the company has onboarded 1200+ institutions, with 4.9 Million Alumni across 28 Countries. Hoopstr is looking forward to expanding and capturing 2500 top institutions in India in the next 18 months. The company, Hoopstr, endeavours to activate the alumni networks of institutions to generate 10000 internships and leverage these networks to provide scholarships worth Rs. 100 Crores for students over the

next 3 years, working closely with 30 select institutions. In today's fast-changing world, careers are fluid, and industries evolve rapidly—yet real-world insights often fail to enrich ongoing education. Hoopstr changes that by positioning alumni as active contributors. These professionals, drawing from their lived experiences in careers, entrepreneurship, and leadership, share knowledge that keeps learning relevant, dynamic,

and connected to everyday realities. What emerges is a powerful cycle: alumni fuel education, while institutions nurture lifelong growth. Hoopstr brings together over 4.9 million alumni from partner institutions across 28 countries, creating one of the largest active alumni ecosystems focused on career growth, mentorship, and knowledge exchange. Through networking, mentorship, events, and career

opportunities, the platform enables institutions to transform alumni communities into powerful engines of guidance, opportunity, and lifelong connection. Institutions can implement Hoopstr's three pillars—Awakening Motion, Reinforcing the System, and Sustaining Progression—through targeted strategies that leverage digital tools, events, and feedback loops to activate alumni ecosystems. According to Mr. Paresh Masade, Founder & CEO of Vaave, "Education shouldn't end at graduation, nor should alumni ties fade to occasional events. We built Hoopstr to create a living loop where real-world experiences flow back into learning communities. When alumni share their journeys, we all grow together—stronger, more relevant, and ready for what's next. Hoopstr is looking forward to expanding and capturing 2500 top institutions in India (from the current 1200) in the next 18 months. We are targeting an 80-100% growth year on year."

Iran's supreme leader 'likely disfigured', Hegseth says as strikes hit Tehran's ability to build more weapons

US President Donald Trump has been speaking for Fox News, in an interview that aired on Friday. Here are the key lines: On when the war with Iran might end: When asked when he will know the war is over, Trump replies: "When I feel it, okay? I feel it in my bones" On Iran's new supreme leader: "I think he's damaged, but I think he's probably alive in some form." Trump says of Mojtaba Khamenei, who is yet to be seen in public On the Strait of Hormuz: The US would escort oil tankers through the Strait "if we need to", but "hopefully things are going to go very well. We'll see what happens", Trump says On damaging Iran: He says over the next week "we're going to be hitting them very hard". He adds: "We've already damaged them so badly it would take years for them to ever rebuild" On Gulf allies: Trump says the "unity is tremendous", and he has spoken to most of them today. They're "doing a very



good job in protecting themselves", he adds With world leaders - including Zelensky and Macron - warning that the US's easing of sanctions on Russian oil "does not help peace", the BBC has been speaking to experts warning that Russia stands to make huge financial gains. For Russia The move is "a serious bailout" for Putin's regime, says Benjamin Hilgenstock, head of macro-economic research and strategy at the Kyiv School of

Economics. He estimates that Russian oil exports could be boosted by around \$10bn (£7.5bn), with half of this being paid in tax straight into the government's coffers. If the crisis in Iran continues for longer than a month or two, it could put Russia's economy "back in quite a comfortable situation", says Hilgenstock. For the wider world On a global scale, the move will "only scratch the surface" of the supply disruption in the

Persian Gulf, says Warren Patterson, head of commodities strategy at Dutch bank ING. "There is only one solution for the oil market and that is getting oil flowing through the Strait of Hormuz," he says. Patterson says that India and other Asian countries - that have been most affected by the Strait's closure - are most likely to buy up the newly-available Russian oil. During a visit to France, Ukrainian President

Volodymyr Zelensky says the US decision to ease sanctions on Russian oil "does not help peace". Speaking at a news conference alongside French President Emmanuel Macron, he says it could provide Russia with about \$10bn (£7.4bn) to fund its full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Macron says Russia is "mistaken" if it believes the US-Israel war with Iran would "offer it a respite". He also says that the G7 reaffirmed during a meeting on Wednesday that rising oil costs "must in no way lead us to reconsider our sanctions policy toward Russia". The Lebanese president says he has not received a response to his proposal for direct negotiation with Israel amid its war with Hezbollah. "I expressed my readiness to negotiate, but until now we have not received a response from the other side," says Joseph Aoun in a statement after meeting with UN Secretary General António Guterres in Beirut. Aoun also criticises

"Israeli aggressions" and says they "must be halted". He has previously called Hezbollah an "armed faction" that gives "no weight to Lebanon's interests or to the lives of its people". Israel argues that Beirut has not taken meaningful steps toward disarming Hezbollah, viewing it as the responsibility of the Lebanese government under a previous ceasefire agreement. "I've been speaking to people in the Lebanese capital Beirut after the Israeli military dropped leaflets over the city today, calling on civilians to act against Hezbollah. Alaa Shikhani says he thought it was an air strike when he heard the bang of leaflets being released overhead. He looked up and saw them in the sky, blowing to other parts of the city. State media says an Israeli aircraft was flying at a low altitude before dropping the leaflets over a number of areas, including the Hamra neighbourhood of west Beirut.

French vote tests polarised electorate with right hoping to win control of Paris



France is preparing to vote in town council elections, whose results will be closely analysed for trends ahead of next year's presidential votes. A strong showing for Marine Le Pen's National Rally (RN) would be a boost for the nationalist right - even as she awaits a judicial decision on whether she can stand for head of state in 2027. More broadly the six-yearly municipal elections - which take place in two rounds over the next successive Sundays - will be a test of how far mainstream parties are prepared to go in forming alliances with the far left and far right.

Politics in France has become increasingly polarised, as in much of Europe, and traditional parties have found it harder to win elections without at least tacit support from formations on their outer flank. But this leads to accusations of pandering to extremism which in turn can cost votes in the centre. Inevitably the highest-profile contest is for the mayorship of Paris, which has been under left-wing control for 25 years, but could now shift back to the right. Here as elsewhere alliances will play a vital role in between the two rounds of voting.

CUBA SAYS IT WILL RELEASE 51 PRISONERS IN THE COMING DAYS



Cuba will release 51 prisoners in the coming days as a demonstration of "goodwill" following talks with the Vatican, Havana's government has said. It did not specify whether they included political prisoners, but it said they had all "served a significant portion of their sentences and have maintained good conduct while in prison". The release comes as Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel said that US and Cuban officials were holding talks to find solutions to the two countries' differences. He said no fuel had entered Cuba in three months. US President Donald Trump said on Monday that Cuba was in "deep trouble" as he threatened a "friendly takeover" of the Caribbean country. Cuba is experiencing several blackouts as the island struggles with fuel shortages, which have been made worse by pressure from the US. Since returning to the White House, Trump has made clear his desire to change Cuba's leadership. He has also threatened tariffs on goods imported into the US from any country that gives Cuba oil. Havana relies heavily on imported fuel for its electricity and the US has seized a number of oil shipments bound for Cuba. Venezuela

was believed to have sent around 35,000 barrels of oil a day to Cuba, providing about half the island's oil needs. But Washington's Venezuela raid - and capture of President Nicolás Maduro - in early January has disrupted the arrangement. In a national broadcast on Friday, Díaz-Canel said that not having fuel enter Cuba for the past three months has led to the gradual decline of diesel and fuel oil reserves. Given this, the country's electrical grid has become increasingly "unstable", he said. To mitigate the impact Cuba had increased production of domestic crude and gas, as well as solar generation. The US and Cuba have had strained relations since communist leader Fidel Castro overthrew a US-backed government in 1959. US sanctions and trade embargoes on Cuba have been in place since the early 1960s. Talks between the two nations were in their initial stages, Díaz-Canel, who is leading the Cuban side of negotiations, said. The Cuban president said the talks were taking place "on the basis of equality and respect for the political systems of both states, and for the sovereignty and self-determination of our governments".

KPOP DEMON HUNTERS TO RETURN AS NETFLIX ANNOUNCES SEQUEL



Netflix has announced a sequel to KPop Demon Hunters, the streaming platform's most watched movie of all time. No release date has been set yet. The sequel marks the first project under co-directors Maggie Kang and Chris Appelhans' new and exclusive multi-year deal with Netflix. The announcement comes as critics predict that the first film will win at the Oscars on Sunday, where

it has two nominations for best animated feature and best original song. Golden has already won a Grammy for best song written for visual media - the first time a K-pop song has won at the prestigious music awards. The original film follows main characters Rumi, Mira and Zoey from the K-pop group Hunt/x as they grapple with fame and their secret lives as demon hunters.

M. P. Ahammad, Chairman of Malabar Group, Conferred Maharashtra of the Year Award 2026 by Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnis

Mumbai, March 2026: Mr. M.P. Ahammad, Chairman, Malabar Group, has been honoured with the prestigious Business Bhushan Award at the Lokmat Maharashtra of the Year Awards 2026, in recognition of his visionary leadership and pivotal role in transforming the global jewellery retail landscape and society at large. Held at the iconic Gateway of India, the awards ceremony brought together leading policymakers, industry leaders, and prominent personalities from business and entertainment. The event was attended by the Chief Minister, Sri. Devendra Fadnis, and Deputy Chief Minister, Sri. Eknath Shinde of Maharashtra, Sri. Vijay Darda, Chairman of Lokmat alongside ministers, bureaucrats, and distinguished figures from across sectors. Presented by Lokmat Media



Group, the awards celebrate individuals whose vision, leadership, and achievements have significantly shaped industries while contributing meaningfully to society. Mr. Ahammad's recognition highlights his remarkable entrepreneurial journey and the role he has played in building Malabar Gold & to become the 5th largest global jewellery retailer and the largest jewellery retailer of Indian origin.

Expressing his gratitude for receiving the honour, Mr. M.P. Ahammad, Chairman, Malabar Group, said, "I am deeply honoured to receive the Business Bhushan award at the Lokmat Maharashtra of the Year Awards. This recognition reflects the collective dedication of the entire Malabar family and the trust our customers have placed in us over the years. Our journey is founded on the princi-

ple of collective growth of all our stakeholders guided by responsibility, integrity, and a commitment to creating lasting value for society while continuing to pursue excellence in everything we do." Maharashtra has been central to the brand's growth, with Malabar Gold & Diamonds expanding to 34 showrooms across major cities including Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur, and Nashik.

ALL SIX CREW MEMBERS KILLED AFTER US REFUELLING PLANE CRASHES IN IRAQ

All six members of a US military refuelling aircraft's crew have now been confirmed dead after it crashed in western Iraq, US Central Command (Centcom) has said. The US initially said it had located four of the deceased crew. It said neither hostile nor friendly fire were involved in the loss of the KC-135 aircraft on Thursday. The tanker had been involved in ongoing US operations against Iran and was one of two aircraft involved in the incident. The second landed safely. The Boeing-manufactured aircraft are capable of refuelling planes midair and play a major role in US military operations. They were used extensively in the first



Gulf War to extend the range of fighter jets and bombers. Centcom said the incident occurred at about 14:00 ET (19:00 GMT) on Thursday and that the circumstances of the crash were now under investigation. A search and rescue operation was then launched to locate the remaining two

crew members. The US military command unit added that the identities of the personnel who had been killed were being withheld for 24 hours so their next of kin could be notified. Gen Dan Caine, chair of the US Joint Chiefs, told a news conference on Friday that the plane

had crashed "while the crew was on a combat mission". US Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth hailed the aircraft's crew members as "American heroes", stressing that their "sacrifice will only recommit us to the resolve of this mission". The KC-135 usually has a crew of at least a pilot, a co-pilot and a boom operator responsible for controlling the refuelling arm of the aircraft. Centcom earlier described the crash as happening over friendly airspace - but this is a region of Iraq where pro-Iranian militias operate. Iran's military claimed on state TV that an allied group had targeted the plane with a missile.

NMDC Scripts History as India's First Mining Company to Reach 50 Million



Hyderabad, 13th March 2026: NMDC Limited, India's largest iron ore producer and a Navratna CPSE under the Ministry of Steel, has scripted history by becoming the first mining company in the country to produce 50 million tonnes (MT) of iron ore in a single financial year, a significant milestone that comes days ahead of the close of FY 2025-26. Established in 1958 to develop India's iron ore resources, NMDC produced around 10 MT in 1978. Over the decades, output has expanded fivefold to reach a historic 50 MT in FY 2025-26, reflecting the company's steady transformation into the backbone of India's iron ore supply chain. NMDC's rise to the 50-million-tonne mark also underscores a sharp acceleration in growth in recent years. Production has increased by nearly two-thirds since 2015, rising from about 30 MT to 50 MT, with nearly one-fifth of the current capacity added in the last four years alone showing the fastest expansion phase in the company's history. As India advances towards its target of expanding steelmaking capacity to 300 million tonnes by 2030, ensuring a

stable and reliable domestic supply of iron ore has become a strategic priority. Commenting on the achievement, Shri Amitava Mukherjee, Chairman and Managing Director, NMDC Limited, said: "Reaching 50 million tonnes is a notable achievement and reflects the strong progress we have made under NMDC 2.0. What once took decades to build, we have accelerated in just a few years through sharper execution, responsible mining practices, and a clear commitment to national priorities. Being India's largest iron ore producer comes with a huge responsibility, and this milestone reflects not just the strength of our operations but also the trust placed in us to support the nation's steel ecosystem." With highly mechanised operations across the mineral-rich regions of Chhattisgarh and Karnataka, NMDC remains central to ensuring the country's iron ore security. The company continues to focus on operational excellence, technological advancement, and responsible mining practices, as it looks ahead to the next phase of growth.



Bodies of 84 Iranian sailors killed in US torpedo strike to be repatriated

King expressed 'concern' over Alberta separatists, say First Nations chiefs



King Charles III "expressed his concern" over the Alberta separatist movement while meeting Indigenous leaders at Buckingham Palace, according to a delegation of First Nations chiefs that travelled to London. Grand Chief Joey Pete of the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations said he and other leaders made the King aware of the "threat

the movement represented by agreements signed by First Nations and the Crown more than a century ago. He added that the King was "very interested in what we had to say" and had "committed to learning more". It comes as a grassroots separatist movement in the west Canadian province gathers signatures to force a secession referendum in October.



IPL 2026 Schedule Announced By BCCI: RCB vs SRH On Day 1, MI vs KKR On Day 2

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on Wednesday announced the schedule for the first phase of the TATA Indian Premier League (IPL) 2026, to be played from March 28 to April 12, 2026. As three states are scheduled to undergo State Assembly elections during this period, the full schedule of the tournament will be announced once the poll dates are announced.

The 19th edition of the T20 league will commence when defending champions Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) host Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru. A total of 20 matches will be played across 10 venues: Bengaluru, Mumbai, Guwahati, New Chandigarh, Lucknow, Kolkata, Chennai, Delhi, Ahmedabad and Hyderabad. During this period, the tournament will feature four double-



headers, with the afternoon matches beginning at 03:30 PM IST and the evening matches commencing at 07:30 PM IST. Following the opening encounter on Saturday, Mumbai Indians will take on Kolkata Knight Riders at the Wankhede Stadium

in Mumbai on Sunday. The first double-header of the season will take place on April 4, 2026, when Delhi Capitals face Mumbai Indians in the afternoon match at the Arun Jaitley Stadium in Delhi, followed by Gujarat Titans taking on

Rajasthan Royals at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad. Rajasthan Royals will begin their home campaign in Guwahati, where they will host Chennai Super Kings and Mumbai Indians. Punjab Kings (PBKS), meanwhile, will

play their early home fixtures at the PCA Stadium in New Chandigarh.

During the season, Royal Challengers Bengaluru will play five home matches in Bengaluru and two in Raipur. Punjab Kings will play four home matches in New Chandigarh and three in Dharamshala, while Rajasthan Royals will play three home matches in Guwahati and four in Jaipur.

Note: The matches scheduled in Bengaluru are subject to clearance from the Expert Committee constituted by the Government of Karnataka. The committee will conduct a meeting and inspection of the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium on March 13, 2026, during which a full-scale mock demonstration of match-day arrangements will be carried out to assess the stadium's preparedness for hosting IPL matches.

Gulf Conflict, Ramzan Take Huge Toll On World Para Athletics Grand Prix

The escalating conflict in West Asia has dealt a major blow to the ongoing World Para Athletics Grand Prix, with participation shrinking drastically as only six foreign nations ultimately made it to Indian shores, despite nearly 30 countries having earlier confirmed their presence. Coaches associated with the Indian team said the war, coupled with the holy month of Ramzan, played a significant role in drastically reducing participation numbers, adding that while 18 foreign nations had travelled for India's inaugural edition of the World Para Athletics Grand Prix at the same venue last year, the organisers could not replicate those numbers this time. A total of 257 athletes are competing in the Grand Prix, the second leg of the season, with India fielding a massive 219 participants across multiple track-and-field events and sport classifications. Russia has the second-largest contingent with 40 para athletes, while the remaining countries account for only a minuscule presence in comparison.



"The event has been hit hard by the ongoing conflict in the Gulf as well as Ramzan. Around seven to eight Muslim countries could not make the trip because of that (Ramzan). Several International Paralympic Committee officials were also unable to travel and had to be replaced at the last minute as they were not getting flights into India," said a coach of a renowned para athlete on condition of anonymity. "Most of the connecting

flights come via Dubai and the Gulf and with the disruptions they (athletes) had to cancel their trips," said the coach. The inaugural World Para Athletics Grand Prix in Dubai last month featured athletes from 53 nations, lending the competition a truly international flavour, but the event in India has been largely dominated by the hosts, with several clean sweeps owing to the limited participation from foreign countries.

Pakistan Get Startling 'Shoot The Man' Message After Devastating Bangladesh Loss In 1st ODI

Pakistan are in a rebuilding phase after their T20 World Cup 2026 Super 8 exit. They chose six new faces for the ODI series against Bangladesh, but the start to that rebuilding phase was disastrous. Fast bowler Nahid Rana grabbed a maiden five-wicket haul as Bangladesh handed Pakistan a new low in white-ball cricket with a dominant eight-wicket win. Rana picked up 5-24, and captain Mehidy Hasan Miraz took 3-29 with his off-spin, as Pakistan were blown away for 114 all out in 30.4 overs. It was Pakistan's lowest-ever ODI score against Bangladesh, eclipsing the previous



mark of 161 during a 62-run loss at the 1999 World Cup. Bangladesh galloped to 115-2 in only 15.1 overs, powered by a blazing unbeaten 67 off 42 balls. Former Pakistan player Basit Ali was furious after the result. "First, shoot the man who told them to score a minimum

of 60 runs in the ten powerplay overs," he said on The Gameplan, as quoted by The Indian Express. From 41/0 in 9.5 overs, Pakistan collapsed to 92/9 in 23.5 overs. "He never played cricket on a ground. He just hands over a piece of paper. Did he not see what the condi-

tions are like here? Did he not know that even India have lost in Bangladesh?" Former Pakistan wicket-keeper Kamran Akmal also came down hard on the side.

"It felt like one team was international and the other was a club side playing a practice match before a World Cup," he said. "I called Basit and couldn't find words to describe what kind of cricket we were playing. I swear to God, batting like this doesn't even happen in club cricket. Club cricketers don't play this badly." The second and third games of the ODI series will also be played in Dhaka on Friday and Sunday.

India's Yuki Bhambri Reaches Indian Well Quarters With Andre Goransson In Men's Doubles Category

India's top doubles player Yuki Bhambri and his partner Andre Goransson advanced to the quarterfinals of the men's doubles event at the Indian Wells Masters after registering a straight-set win over the pair of Sander Arends and Jiri Lehecka. Bhambri and Goransson produced a solid performance to defeat Arends and Lehecka 6-4 6-4 in the pre-quarterfinal clash that lasted one hour and 14 minutes. They did not face any break point in the match and broke their rivals twice. The Indo-Swedish pair maintained control through most of the match, securing a crucial break in each set to seal the contest in straight sets. Listen to the latest songs, only on JioSaavn.com Bhambri and Goransson will



take on Alexander Erler of Austria and Andrea Vavassori from Italy in the last-eight stage of the prestigious ATP Masters 1000 tournament. India's Yuki Bhambri and his Swedish partner Andre Goransson have sailed into the semifinals of the Indian Wells Open on Thursday morning, dismantling the Austrian-

Italian pairing of Alexander Erler and Andrea Vavassori. Bhambri and Goransson registered a 6-3, 7-6(2) win over Erler and Vavassori. This is Bhambri's maiden semifinal at the ATP Masters 1000 level, having made the doubles quarter-final at the Masters 1000 level twice. His previous two quarterfinal appearances were at Indian Wells (with Goransson) and Miami Masters 2025 (with Nuno Borges). Notably, the unseeded duo has yet to drop a single set in the tournament. In the Round of 16, Bhambri and Goransson defeated the pair of Sander Arends and Jiri Lehecka 6-4, 6-4 after launching their campaign with a resounding victory, defeating the duo of David Pel and Fabrice Martin in straight sets 6-1, 6-3. They will face await the winners of Khachanov/Rublev and Rinderknech/Vacherot, with a place in the final at stake. Last month, Bhambri climbed to a career-high ranking of world No. 20 in the latest ATP Rankings, making him the first Indian men's doubles player to break into the Top 20 after Rohan Bopanna.

THE REALITY IS MOST MMA DREAMS FAIL - HARDWICK

When Harry Hardwick was working at his dad's cafe in Middlesbrough to fund his dream of becoming a UFC fighter, the bright lights of Las Vegas felt a world away. "It's not a sensible idea, pursuing MMA," he says. But in September 2025, on just five days' notice Hardwick stepped in to face Brazil's Kaua Fernandes for his UFC debut - over 10 years after his first professional MMA fight. Unfortunately for Hardwick, the fight didn't go to plan - he suffered a painful first-round loss and left the octagon in a wheelchair. Now the 31-year-old has a second chance to prove himself as he faces the undefeated Marwan Rahiki on Saturday at the Meta Apex in Las Vegas.



After a full camp and back at his preferred weight class of featherweight, Hardwick is expecting a better performance this time round. A second defeat could see him cut from the UFC - but after a career filled with highs and lows, he still feels thankful to be "one of the few MMA fighters that has escaped the rat race". "I

pinch myself because I'm very fortunate to be where I am," Hardwick tells BBC Sport. "I've still got a lot I want to do, and I'm still very much looking forward, but this is mad. The harshest reality is that most dreams fail." Hardwick is a former Cage Warriors featherweight champion and entered his UFC debut undefeated in his last nine fights, with eight wins and one draw. He's spent most of his career fighting alongside part-time jobs, including night shifts as a support worker and in his dad's local cafe. In the early days, Hardwick would often turn up to training without any sleep, and admits that at times the experience could be "miserable".

DE BOINVILLE DENIES 'RACIAL SLURS' TOWARDS QUEALLY

Nico de Boinville has "categorically" denied using any "racial slurs" towards Irish jockey Declan Queally during the opening race on day two of the Cheltenham Festival. The English jockey was accused of "abusing" the amateur jockey before the start of the Novices' Hurdle on Wednesday, as it was held up due to a false start. Queally later told The Racing Post, external he had received "repeated racist abuse" from his rival. The Irishman, riding I'll Sort That, and De Boinville on Act Of Innocence could be seen exchanging words at the start line, but the Englishman denies any wrongdoing. De Boinville told BBC Radio Sports Extra: "It is an ongoing



investigation. "The stewards are gathering all the evidence they can from all the video footage. "From my point of view, I deny all the allegations against me. "I can categorically say there weren't any racial slurs or anything like that. Let's let it play out." Queally, 37, appeared to topple off his horse before

the race started and had to be checked over by a doctor. He was given the all clear to race, along with Ballyfad, who was kicked pre-race and assessed by a vet in a chaotic few minutes. A number of false starts to the planned rolling start meant the horses were moved to a standing start at the tape-leaving jockeys jostling for position. Queally, who finished fifth in the race, told ITV Racing before entering the weight room post-race: "Being abused by an English rider, Nico de Boinville, not very nice."

NO RADUCANU OR BOULTER IN GB'S BJK CUP SQUAD



Emma Raducanu and Katie Boulter will be absent when Great Britain face Australia in their Billie Jean King Cup qualifier next month. Raducanu, the British number one and world number 24, has committed to playing the WTA 500 clay-court tournament in Linz, Austria, which runs across the same week. Boulter, ranked 64th in the world, also misses the tie. GB captain Anne Keothavong has instead selected Sonay Kartal, Harriet Dart, Jodie Burrage and 17-year-old Mika Stojsavljevic for the contest that will be staged in Melbourne on 10-11 April. A fifth player can be added to the squad nearer the time. Keothavong, who it was thought would face a tough task persuading the top British players to travel to Australia for a hard-court tie at a time when the European clay court season is getting under way, described the best-of-five encounter

as "tough". But she added: "We always embrace these weeks together as a team and will be up for the challenge. "We've got players with great experience in this competition in our team and it's an exciting opportunity for Mika to join the senior team for the first time." Kartal will be hoping to repeat the form that saw her reach the fourth round at Indian Wells this week before withdrawing with a lower back injury during her match against Elena Rybakina. Australia have also named their squad. Talia Gibson, who has beaten three top-20 players at Indian Wells en route to the quarter-finals, is included alongside Maya Joint, Storm Hunter, Kimberly Birrell and Ellen Perez. The eight-team Billie Jean King Cup finals will be held in Shenzhen in the week beginning 21 September. Great Britain reached the semi-finals last year.

Verstappen wishes F1 was 'more fun'

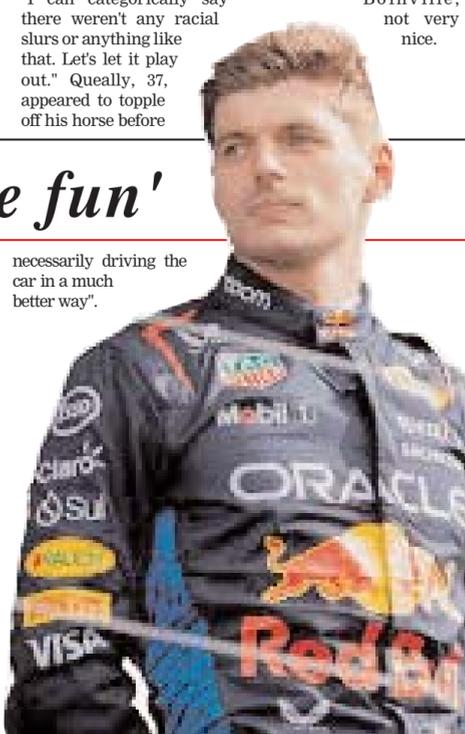
Max Verstappen says he wishes the new Formula 1 was "more fun" but is hopeful the sport is heading towards changes that will "improve everything". The four-time world champion is among many drivers who find the increased amount of energy management required for the engines this year is taking away enjoyment and some elements of their skill. "I am a bit conflicted, because I don't really enjoy to drive the car but I do enjoy working with the team," Red Bull's Verstappen said. "I don't want to leave [F1] but I also hope of course it gets better. I have had discussions with F1 and the [governing body] FIA and we are working towards

something that will hopefully improve everything." There are concerns over the unusual techniques required of drivers to ensure that the new engines, which have a 50-50 split between internal combustion and electrical power, have sufficient battery charge for optimum performance. F1's bosses initially agreed to take stock of the rules after the first three races and analyse whether changes could be made. It now seems there is a chance modifications could be made after this weekend's race in China, the second of the season after Sunday's opener in Australia. The main issue is that the overriding requirement to ensure the battery is fully charged at the most per-

formance-sensitive parts of the circuit is reducing the driving challenge, especially in the most demanding high-speed corners. Aston Martin's two-time champion Fernando Alonso said: "It is a different challenge. That's where you put the line, if these cars are more fun or less fun, and everyone will have their own opinion. "We used to 'fight for our life' in Turn 12 in Bahrain, Turn Nine and 10 in Melbourne, sector one and 130R in Suzuka, Turn Seven and Eight here in China. "There were always certain corners that in Formula 1 were challenging the limits of the physics, and the driver had to use all the skills and be brave in some of the moments as

well. "When you put new tyres and you go through the corner at a speed that you've never been before in any of the free practices, that challenge is gone in a way. "You use those corners to charge the battery, not any more to make the lap time. "Still fun? Yes, we love racing. Because I grew up on the other, and I was challenging myself in the corners, I probably prefer the other one. But I was super-lucky to race in that era and I still feel lucky that I race now, so I like both." World champion Lando Norris said the "very, very different style of driving" now needed meant "you can still make a difference as a driver by driving the power unit in the correct way, but not by

necessarily driving the car in a much better way".



Naga Chaitanya's Fiercest Transformation for Vrushakarma Stuns - New BTS Stills Released..

Yuva Samrat Naga Chaitanya is working hard for his next film Vrushakarma, A Mythical Spectacle Like Never Before directed by Karthik Dandu who scored a blockbuster with Virupaksha. The film is being produced jointly by SVCC and Sukumar Writings, with Bapineedu presenting the venture. Produced by BVSN Prasad. The recently released glimpse of Vrushakarma has received a sensational response from audiences across platforms, instantly going viral and creating massive buzz. The intense visuals and powerful world-building have stunned everyone, significantly raising anticipation for the film. Now, the makers have unveiled brand new BTS stills today showcasing Yuva Samrat Naga Chaitanya in a fiercest transformation and power-packed avatar. The images highlight the actor's intense physical transformation and the dedication he has put into bringing the character of Arjun to life. In one of the BTS stills, Chaitanya is seen pushing his limits during a grueling workout session, revealing a lean, chiseled physique built specifically for the character. The transformation highlights the dedication and discipline the actor has invested to step into the world of



Vrushakarma, where he plays the powerful role of Arjun. Another still captures him in a gritty, battle-worn look — bruised, intense, and battle-ready — hinting at the high-octane action and emotional depth that the film promises. The raw and rugged visuals suggest a character that goes through extreme challenges, making this one of Chaitanya's most intense on-screen avatars yet. Helmed by Karthik Dandu, Vrushakarma is mounted on a grand scale and is expected to blend mystery, mythology, and action into a spectacular cinematic

experience. With these pics now going viral across social media, anticipation around Vrushakarma has soared, as audiences eagerly await to witness Naga Chaitanya's most powerful and transformative performance on the big screen. On the other hand, the film's theatrical business is progressing at full swing, as the AP, TG and Karnataka rights were sold for a whopping 45crs in and are bought by Sithara Entertainments banner. More details about the film shall be out soon.

CHARMING STAR SHARWA'S HIGH-INTENSITY PREPARATION & RIGOROUS TRAINING FOR BIKER



With the countdown to the April 3rd theatrical release ticking fast, Charming Star Sharwa's much-awaited sports drama Biker is racing ahead with unstoppable momentum. Directed by Abhilash Reddy Kankara and backed by the prestigious banner UV Creations, the film—touted as India's first full-fledged motocross drama—continues to raise excitement with every new update. The character glimpses and first two singles from the movie received over-

whelming response. Sharwa has shifted into top gear for Biker, and his latest transformation video is proof that he's operating on a whole new level of discipline. What stands out instantly is the sheer physical refinement he has achieved. Sharwa now boasts a leaner, tighter, and visibly more athletic than ever before. His chiselled midsection, cut shoulders, and defined upper body reveal months of calculated training rather than a cosmetic makeover.

Title Track 'Aari Aari' from Dhurandhar The Revenge Drops and You Are Still Not Ready For This!

The recently released trailer of Dhurandhar The Revenge continues to soar and has been trending on YouTube across 45+ countries. Ever since the trailer dropped fans have been humming the 'Aari Aari' song which was used as the BGM and eagerly waiting for the song to be released. The high energy song is now available on the T-Series YouTube channel. Packed with pulsating beats, powerful vocals and explosive rap sections, the song sets the tone for the film's intense world while delivering a musical experience that is already shaping up to be the next big viral anthem. A Shashwat Sachdev musical, the track is composed, arranged and programmed by Shashwat Sachdev, blending contemporary production with Punjabi influences to create an infectious sound designed to get listeners moving. The song features vocals by Navtej Singh Rehal (Bombay Rockers), Khan Saab, Jasmine Sandlas and Sudhir Yaduvanshi, while the rap portions are performed and written by Reble and Token. The lyrics are penned by the acclaimed Irshad Kamil along with Bombay Rockers, and the score is produced by Adam Lucas. The song's visually stunning music video takes the track to new heights, spotlighting Ranveer Singh in a fierce, commanding role. Brimming with stylized action and gripping



sequences, the video radiates intensity and scale while showcasing Singh's powerful screen presence. Combining electrifying audio and dynamic visuals, "Aari Aari" kicks off the film's music journey with a thrilling, high-octane impact. Jio Studios presents a B62 Studios production, an Aditya Dhar film - Dhurandhar The Revenge, which will release in five languages:

Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and Kannada. The high-octane spy-action thriller, written, directed and produced by Aditya Dhar and produced by Jyoti Deshpande and Lokesh Dhar, arrives in theatres worldwide on 19 March 2026, on the occasion of Gudi Padwa and Ugadi, and ahead of Eid. The story of unknown men unfolds in cinemas worldwide on 19 March 2026.

VARSHA BOLLAMMA FLAUNTS SLIM LOOK IN ETHNIC STYLE

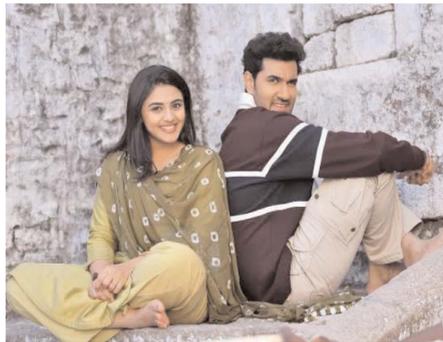


Varsha Bollamma, who is often loved by fans for her cute and slightly chubby looks, seems to have undergone a noticeable transformation. In her latest pictures shared on social media, the actress appears slimmer and more toned than before. The new photos quickly caught the attention of fans, with many praising her fresh and glowing appearance. In the pictures, Varsha is seen wearing a beautifully designed grey traditional outfit that blends elegance with simplicity. The long embroidered top features delicate patterns spread across the fabric, giving the outfit a rich and stylish feel. The full sleeves and neat neckline add a

graceful touch, while the flowing palazzo-style pants create a flattering silhouette. The soft grey shade of the ensemble looks classy and soothing, and the intricate embroidery enhances the overall look. Varsha kept her styling minimal and elegant. She paired the outfit with simple earrings and light makeup that highlights her natural beauty. Her softly curled hair and warm smile add charm to the photos. On the work front, Varsha was last seen in Thammudu starring Nithiin, where she played the role of Chitra. Though the film did not perform well at the box office, the actress is now busy filming her upcoming Tamil project Iruvam.

'Padhe Padhe' - The Second Single from "Rakasa" Brings a Soulful Blend of Classical Grace and Tender Romance

The makers of Rakasa have unveiled the film's second single, "Padhe Padhe," introducing audiences to a soothing romantic melody that captures the gentle emotions of love slowly finding its voice. Sung by Sindhuja Srinivasan, composed by Anudeep Dev, and written by lyricist Kittu Vissapragada, the track adds a heartfelt dimension to the film's growing musical journey. Presented as a lyrical video featuring Sangeeth Sobhan and Nayan Sarika, "Padhe Padhe" offers listeners an emotional glimpse into a moment where affection quietly begins to surface between the film's lead characters. What makes "Padhe Padhe" stand out is its elegant musical design that blends classical texture with



a contemporary melodic flow. Composer Anudeep Dev introduces the gentle sound of the veena into the arrangement, adding a graceful classical flavour that enriches the song's emotional depth. This traditional instrumentation moves smoothly over a soft urban melodic groove, creat-

ing a relaxed rhythmic structure that allows the melody to unfold naturally. Lyricist Kittu Vissapragada shapes the song around the delicate experience of expressing love through hints rather than direct confession, capturing the inner voice of someone who keeps finding small rea-

sons to move closer to the person they care for, hoping their feelings will eventually be understood. Complementing this emotional core, singer Sindhuja Srinivasan brings warmth and sincerity through her expressive vocal performance, giving the composition a gentle intimacy that enhances the song's tender romantic mood. Headlined by Sangeeth Sobhan, who has recently cemented his popularity with the youth-centric successes MAD and MAD Square, Rakasa places him alongside Nayan Sarika in a story that blends romance, humour and fantastical elements. The film also features a lively ensemble that includes Vennela Kishore, Brahmaji, Tanikella Bharani, Ashish Vidyarthi, and Getup Srinu.

Avneet Kaur Raises Temperatures In Bold Backless Gown

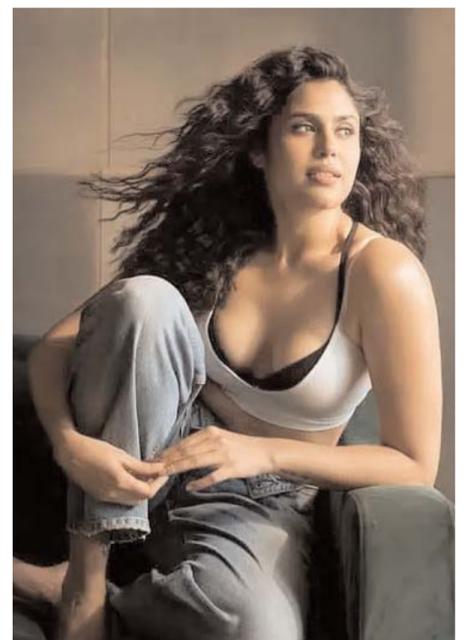


Avneet Kaur, the 24-year-old Bollywood actress known for her work in TV series, movies, and music albums, is once again trending on social media after sharing a new set of stylish photos. In the pictures, the young actress is seen wearing a stunning black backless gown that highlights an elegant and bold fashion statement. The gown has a deep open back design, giving the look a glamorous and modern vibe. Her simple hairstyle, soft makeup, and confident pose add more charm to the overall look. In one of the photos, the actress poses gracefully on a balcony, leaning slightly while show-

ing off the dramatic backless cut of the gown. The lighting and dark background make the outfit stand out beautifully, while a small tattoo on her upper back adds a stylish personal touch. Another shot captures a cinematic moment where she stretches her arms wide while standing on a high balcony with a city view in the background, creating a powerful and artistic frame. The black gown flows perfectly with the mood of the photos, making the entire shoot look classy and dramatic. Last year, Avneet also appeared in the international project Love in Vietnam, which brought her more attention beyond Indian audiences.

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FARIA ABDULLAH FLAUNTS GLAM SIDE IN STYLE



Hyderabad beauty Faria Abdullah is once again grabbing attention on social media with her latest glamorous photos. Known for her charming personality and stylish looks, the actress shared a new set of pictures where she looks confident and bold. Relaxing on a green sofa, Faria strikes a stylish pose wearing a casual yet trendy outfit. With her wavy hair flowing naturally and her relaxed posture, she highlights her toned look while maintaining a cool and confident vibe. She captioned the pictures with a simple yet striking line: "Deal with it." In the photos, Faria's posing style adds a strong attitude to the entire look. The way she leans back on the couch with one hand behind her head gives the pictures a relaxed yet glamorous

feel. Her fashion choice, combined with natural lighting and minimal styling, makes the photos look modern and striking. The Hyderabad girl clearly knows how to carry herself with confidence, and her latest pictures are quickly gaining attention from fans online. On the work front, Faria Abdullah made a brief cameo appearance in Anaganaga Oka Raju last year. This year, she is gearing up for an exciting project with Satyadev in his 15th film, currently referred to as #SD15. The film, which started production in February 2026, is directed by Lakshminarayana Puttamchetty and produced by Narendra under Trishul Visionary Studios, with music composed by Ram Miriyala. The movie is expected to be a fun and light-hearted entertainer.