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CBI UNEARTH'S BUILDER-BANK NEXUS IN HOMEBUYERS FRAUD CASE, FILES CHARGESHEET

New Delhi (TSIT)
The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has filed a chargesheet in a major homebuyers fraud case, unearthing an alleged nexus between builders, bank officials and proxy buyers that led to significant financial losses for both financial institutions and innocent homebuyers. According to CBI, the chargesheet has been filed against M/s AVJ Developers (India) Pvt Ltd, M/s AVJ Developers Pvt Ltd, M/s Kesari Builders Pvt Ltd, their Directors, and certain bank officials associated with Bank of India, ICICI Bank and UCO Bank, along with several alleged proxy homebuyers. The agency's investigation revealed that the accused builder firms and their Directors, in collusion with public servants and private individuals, allegedly lured homebuyers and investors through false assurances and misleading representations. The accused are said to have secured financial gains through deceptive and illegal practices. CBI officials further stated that certain bank officers abused their official positions to facilitate these irregularities, bypassing established banking norms and procedures.

Rajinikanth meets Stalin after DMK's defeat, expresses solidarity Chennai (TSIT)

In a significant political development following the Tamil Nadu Assembly election results, superstar Rajinikanth on Wednesday met DMK President M.K. Stalin at his residence in Alwarpet, Chennai, amid intense political activity surrounding government formation in the state. According to sources, Rajinikanth expressed solidarity with Stalin after the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam's disappointing performance in the Assembly elections and conveyed that he would continue to stand by the senior leader during difficult political circumstances. The meeting lasted for some time and is being viewed in political circles as an important gesture of personal and political support at a time when the DMK is facing one of its biggest electoral setbacks in recent years. The DMK, which had been in power for one term under Stalin's leadership, managed to secure only 59 seats in the 234-member Assembly, losing power after a high-voltage election campaign dominated by anti-incumbency sentiments and the dramatic rise of actor-politician Vijay and his party,

CM Revanth urges centre to approve Hyderabad metro phase-II expansion



New Delhi (TSIT):

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Wednesday urged Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal Khattar to accord early approval for the pending Hyderabad Metro Rail Phase-II project and requested the Centre to participate as a partner in the ambitious metro expansion initiative.

Chief Minister met Manohar Lal Khattar in New Delhi and held detailed discussions on the proposed expansion of Hyderabad Metro Rail under Phase-II and Phase-III projects. During the meeting, CM Revanth Reddy explained that the Telangana Government has already prepared a comprehensive Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Metro Rail Phase-II, covering seven corridors with a total length of 122.9 kilometres at an estimated cost of Rs.38,595 crore. He informed the Union Minister

that the DPR has already been submitted to the Central Government for approval. Highlighting Hyderabad's rapid urban growth and increasing transportation demands, the Chief Minister stressed the urgent need for expansion of the metro rail network to ensure safe, efficient and convenient public transportation for commuters across the city.

The Chief Minister further informed the Union Minister that the Telangana Government had taken full control of Hyderabad Metro Rail Phase-I from L&T Metro Rail Hyderabad Limited with the objective of ensuring seamless execution of future expansion projects under Metro Phase-II and Phase-III. CM Revanth Reddy stated that with the

State Government now directly managing the metro system, the implementation of the upcoming phases would become smoother and more efficient. He appealed to the Centre to expedite approvals and support the Hyderabad Metro Phase-II project as a joint venture between the Union and Telangana Governments.

The Chief Minister also requested the Union Minister to take up the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport-Bharat Future City corridor under Hyderabad Metro Rail Phase-III to meet the city's future transportation requirements. He informed that the DPR related to Metro Phase-III has also been submitted to the Union Government.

Union Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary K. Srinivas, Special Secretary to the Chief Minister B. Ajith Reddy, HMRCL Managing Director Sarfaraz Ahmed, State Government Advisor (Urban Transport) N.V.S. Reddy, Telangana Bhavan OSD Sanjay Kumar, Secretary for Coordination of Central Government Schemes Advait Kumar Singh and other senior officials participated in the meeting.

Requests Union Government to partner in Metro Rail expansion and take up Airport-Future City Corridor under Phase-III

India, Vietnam elevate ties to enhanced partnership; set \$25 billion trade target by 2030



New Delhi (TSIT):

India and Vietnam on Wednesday elevated their bilateral ties to an enhanced comprehensive strategic partnership and set an ambitious target of USD 25 billion in annual trade by 2030. The decision was taken during talks between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Vietnamese President To Lam, who is on a three-day state visit to India. The discussions focused on strengthening cooperation in trade, defence, digital connectivity, and critical minerals amid evolving geopolitical challenges.

Following the meeting, both sides signed 13 agreements cov-

ering key sectors such as digital payments, rare earth minerals, pharmaceuticals, education, banking, and culture, paving the way for deeper bilateral engagement. The leaders also reviewed the situation in the Indo-Pacific region and reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining peace, stability, and rule of law, particularly in the backdrop of rising tensions in the South China Sea.

Prime Minister Modi noted that bilateral trade has doubled over the past decade to reach USD 16 billion and expressed confidence that the new target of USD 25 billion by 2030 would further boost economic cooperation. He also highlighted steps to enhance financial con-

nectivity, including linking India's UPI system with Vietnam's fast payment network. The two countries agreed to update the India-ASEAN trade agreement by the end of this year to facilitate greater trade and investment flows. Cooperation in agriculture, pharmaceuticals, and energy security is also expected to expand significantly.

Expanding Vietnam as a key pillar of India's Act East Policy, Modi said the enhanced partnership would support mutual growth and strengthen collaboration across sectors. President To Lam the importance of deepening political trust and enhancing security cooperation between the two nations.

Congress signals openness to back Vijay's TVK in Tamil Nadu

New Delhi (TSIT)

The Congress on Tuesday indicated that it is considering extending support to actor-turned-politician Vijay and his party, Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK), to form a government in Tamil Nadu, with the final decision to be taken by the party state unit.

In a post on X, Congress general secretary KC Venugopal said Vijay had formally approached the party seeking its backing to form the government. "TVK President Thiru Vijay has requested the Indian National Congress for support to form a Government in Tamil Nadu. He has spoken about drawing inspiration from Perumthalaivar K. Kamaraj as well, in his political mission," Venugopal said.

He added that the Congress views the electoral verdict in Tamil Nadu as a mandate for a secular government committed to



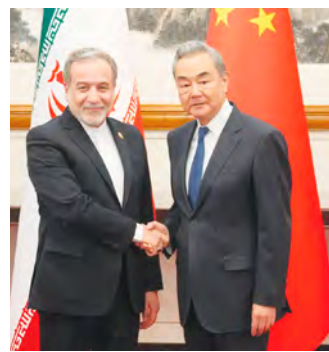
upholding constitutional values. "The INC is clear that the mandate in Tamil Nadu is for a secular government that is committed to protecting the Constitution in letter and spirit. The INC is determined not to have the BJP and its proxies run the Government of Tamil Nadu in any manner," he said. Venugopal said the party leadership has asked the Tamil Nadu Congress Committee (TNCC) to take a final decision on the request after assessing the ground situation. "Accordingly, the Congress leadership has directed the TNCC to take a final decision on Thiru Vijay's request, keeping in view the sentiments of the state reflected in the electoral verdict," he added.

Iran seeks 'fair' peace deal with US, says Iranian FM Araghchi

Beijing (TSIT)

Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi held talks with his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi on Wednesday, emphasizing that Iran will accept a peace agreement only if it is "fair and comprehensive." The discussions come as tensions persist over the Strait of Hormuz and regional hostilities. Araghchi's statement comes after US President Donald Trump's pause of "Project Freedom", a naval mission aimed at reopening the Strait of Hormuz.

Trump cited "great progress" in negotiations with Iran as the reason for the temporary halt, without providing further details. "We will only accept a fair and comprehensive agreement," Araghchi said, according to ISNA. He also praised China for its stance, particularly in condemning the actions of the United States and Israel, describing



China as a "close friend of Iran." Araghchi added that under the current circumstances, cooperation between the two countries will only grow stronger.

"The war launched against us is a blatant act of aggression and a clear violation of international law. We will do our utmost to protect our legitimate rights and interests in the negotiations," he said. The one-on-one meeting between Iran's top diplomat Abbas Araghchi and Chinese Foreign

Minister Wang Yi carries heightened significance as it comes ahead of US President Donald Trump's scheduled visit to China on May 15. Araghchi's stop in Beijing is the latest leg of his diplomatic tour aimed at garnering support for Iran and seeking a resolution to the ongoing conflict with the United States. China has played a key but largely indirect role in the crisis.

As Iran's largest oil importer, it has provided a crucial financial lifeline to Tehran while simultaneously working behind the scenes to mediate the conflict. Trump has even suggested that Beijing helped bring Iran to the negotiating table, highlighting China's strategic leverage in the region. Trump's "Project Freedom", announced on Sunday, had failed to bring about any significant resumption of traffic through the waterway, while provoking a new wave of Iranian strikes on ships in the strait and on targets in neighbouring countries.

Siddaramaiah signals full five-year term amid change-of-guard buzz

Mysuru (TSIT)

Amid intensifying speculation over a possible power-sharing arrangement in Karnataka, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Wednesday asserted that the Congress high command alone would decide on the continuation of his tenure, while expressing confidence that the gov-



ernment would complete its full five-year term. Addressing reporters here, Siddaramaiah said he was prepared to continue as Chief Minister for the entire tenure if directed by the party leadership, in remarks widely seen as a response to recurring political discussions surrounding a rotational chief ministership formula involving Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar.

CM Mann alleges BJP 'conspiracy' behind Jalandhar, Amritsar blasts; BJP Leaders Counter-Attack

Chandigarh (TSIT)

An intense political row has erupted between Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann and leaders of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) following the IED explosions near the BSF and Army installations in Jalandhar and Amritsar.

Chief Minister Mann, speaking during a 'Shukrana Yatra' at Sri Anandpur Sahib, alleged that these blasts are part of the BJP's election strategy to garner votes by creating fear among the public. He claimed that orchestrating small-scale

blasts and riots in poll-bound states is a hallmark of the BJP's political style. In light of the security situation, the Chief Minister has also postponed his scheduled visit to Jalandhar.

The BJP has hit back sharply at these allegations, with union Minister of State Ravneet Singh Bittu describing the Chief Minister's statement as "absurd" and "disgraceful". Bittu pointed out that while the Director General of Police (DGP) is citing the involvement of Pakistan's ISI, the Chief Minister is instead



attempting to incite internal political friction. He challenged Mann to file a formal case against BJP leaders if he had any evidence, rather than demoralizing security forces with such claims. BJP National Secretary Tarun Chugh also condemned the remarks, call-

ing them a cheap political tactic. Amidst this political sluff, security has been significantly tightened across the state. The main gate of the Punjab Police Headquarters in Chandigarh has been reinforced with bulletproof shielding, and additional personnel have been deployed to monitor all movement. While the political blame game continues, the DGP confirmed that special teams are investigating the Pakistani connection and the claims made by the Khalistan Liberation Army (KLA) regarding the IED detonations.

Record \$20.5 billion Indian Investment in US announced at SelectUSA Summit

New Delhi (TSIT)

A record USD 20.5 billion in investments by leading Indian companies into the United States was unveiled at the SelectUSA Investment Summit 2026 in Maryland, marking the largest-ever commitment from India at the forum and underscoring deepening economic ties between the two countries.

The commitments span key sectors including pharmaceuticals, advanced manufacturing, energy infrastructure, and emerging technologies, and are expected to create thousands of jobs in both countries while expanding



US production and joint innovation capacity. A dominant share, over USD 19.1 billion, comes from India's pharmaceutical sector, targeting manufacturing expansion, research and development, and new facilities in the US. Additional investments in steel, connectivity, and energy supply chains aim to reinforce industrial capacity and build resilient supply networks.

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Minister Adhuri Laxman Kumar Calls for Transparent Transfer Process in Welfare Department

Hyderabad TSIT: Telangana Welfare Minister Adhuri Laxman Kumar has directed officials to ensure that the transfer process in departments under the Welfare Ministry is conducted in a completely transparent, fair and dispute-free manner, giving utmost priority to employee welfare, equality and convenience. Chairing a high-level



review meeting at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat on Wednesday,

employee transfer process in a transparent and impartial manner across all welfare institutions and departments. TNS officials from GOSWREIS, GTWREIS, Ashram Schools, Scheduled Castes Development Department and the Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities attended the meeting.

CHARAN KOUSHIK YADAV APPOINTED CHAIRPERSON OF TELANGANA LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Hyderabad TSIT: The Government of Telangana has appointed Charan Koushik Yadav as the Chairperson of the Telangana Livestock Development Agency (TLDA), marking a significant step towards strengthening the livestock and dairy sectors in the State. Charan Koushik Yadav, known for his active involvement in public service and commitment towards rural development, expressed gratitude to Telangana Chief Minister A.Revanth Reddy and TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, Congress leadership for entrusting him with the responsibility.



PH.D. AWARDED TO R KRISHNAVENI

WARANGAL, TSIT: SR University congratulated R. Krishnaveni on successfully defending her Ph.D. The Department of English is delighted to announce that Krishnaveni Ramagiri presented her doctoral thesis, "Redefining Cultural Identity in Select Postcolonial Narratives," on February 27, 2026. Under the guidance of Dr. Rupesh Kotte, her research explores cultural identity, hybridity, and narrative reconstruction in contemporary literature, offering valuable insights into post-colonial discourse. We extend our gratitude to external examiners Dr. V K Karthika (NIT,



Tiruchirappalli) and Dr. Madhavi E. (GRIET, Hyderabad) for their evaluation. Wishing Dr. Krishna Veni Ramagiri continued success in her academic journey.

FUNDS TO BE ALLOCATED FOR MULUGU PRESS CLUB BUILDING: MINISTER SEETAKKA

Mulugu, May 6 (TSIT): Minister Dhanasari Anasuya on Wednesday assured that funds will be allocated for the construction of a Press Club building in the Mulugu district centre and directed officials to ensure early completion of the project. The assurance came after leaders of the District Journalists Joint Action Committee submitted a petition at the minister's camp office, seeking construction of the building and allotment of house sites for journalists. Speaking on the occasion, the minister expressed concern that the district still lacks a Press Club building. She noted that although the foundation stone was laid in 2024, the construction work has not commenced so far. She pointed out that lack of unity among journalists and formation of groups had



contributed to delays in taking the project forward. The minister assured that necessary instructions would be issued to the concerned authorities to expedite the process. Representatives who submitted the petition included JAC District Convenor Gurpu Sridhar, Honorary President Jinukala Prabhakar, Co-Convenor Enagandula Kumar, along with other association leaders and journalists.

Form No. IV (See sub-rule (2A) of rule 5)

SUMMONS UNDER SUB-SECTION (4) OF SECTION 19 OF THE ACT, READ WITH SUB-RULE (2A) OF RULE 5 OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 BEFORE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD-II

1st FLOOR, Triveni Complex, Hyderabad 500001

Case No: O.A.No. 289 OF 2026

M/s. INDUSIND BANK LIMITED

vs.

M/s. Hoya Enterprises and Others

To,

1. M/s. Hoya Enterprises, 10-6-353, Sai Nagar Colony, Saroor Nagar, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500035 Rep., by its Proprietor Sri Sunil Kumar Meena

2. Mr. Sunil Kumar Meena, S/o. Sri Ramchandra Meena, Age: Major, Occ: Business R/o. H. No. 5-9-240/36/F2, Sai Leela Enclave Circle - 28, Tirumalgi, Hyderabad - 500087

3. Mrs. Anita, W/o. Sunil Kumar Meena, Age: Major, Occ: Business, R/o. H. No. 5-9-240/36/F2, Sai Leela Enclave Circle - 28, Tirumalgi, Hyderabad - 500087...DEFENDANTS

Whereas, OA No.289/2026 was listed before Hon'ble Registrar on 30-04-2026 Whereas, this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/notice on the said Application under Section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts Rs. 4,40,51,511.39ps (Rupees Four Crores Forty Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Five Hundred and Eleven and Thirty Nine Paisa only). In accordance with sub-section (4) of Section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under-

(i) To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

(ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;

(iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;

(v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.

You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the Applicant and to appear before Hon'ble Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Hyderabad on 18-06-2026 at 10.30 AM. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence. Give under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this 30th day of April 2026.

BY ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL REGISTRAR, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, Hyderabad

Ensure timely paddy procurement and transport: Collector Sathyaprasad

Jagityala, May 6 (TSIT): District Collector B. Sathyaprasad has directed officials to ensure timely procurement of paddy and its immediate transportation to designated mills to avoid inconvenience to farmers. The Collector issued the instructions during a surprise inspection of paddy procurement centres at Goduru and Timmapur Thanda villages under Ibrahimpatnam mandal on



Wednesday. He instructed officials to weigh the paddy as soon as it arrives at the centres and dispatch it promptly to

mills without delay. Emphasising transparency, he said the procurement process should be carried out efficiently so that farmers do not face any difficulties. Sathyaprasad also warned against negligence in weighing, storage, and transportation, and asked authorities to provide comprehensive services to farmers. In view of unseasonal rains, he directed centre managers to keep sufficient stocks of gunny bags and tarpaulins to protect the produce. He further instructed that data entry be completed immediately after procurement to ensure timely payment is credited to farmers' accounts. Quick unloading at mills should also be ensured, he added. Metpalli RDO Narasimha Rao, Mandal Tahsildar, and other officials accompanied the Collector during the inspection.

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(Rule 8 (1) (For Immovable Property))

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated 03-03-2026 calling upon the borrower Mr. RANGU SANIPATH & Mrs RANGU GOUTHAMI to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.65,82,856/- (Rupees SIXTY FIVE LAKHS EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY SIX ONLY) with further interest at contractual rates, till date of realization within 60 days from the date 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 under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this 05th day of May of the year 2026. 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 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 CFIIL for an amount of Rs.65,82,856/- (Rupees SIXTY FIVE LAKHS EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY SIX ONLY) and interest thereon.

Description of immovable property

All that the Flat No.501 (in Fifth Floor) bearing House No.60 009/11/2/501 (PTIN No.1151602326), with Super built up area of 1666.0 Sq. feet (including common area of approx 300 SR), along with an undivided share of land measuring 52.65 Sq.yards (Out of 7,486.07 Sq.yards) in the building complex known as "FERNVILLE BLOCK" in terms of HUDA building permit No.8093/P4/P11/05. Dt.10-01-2006, in Survey No.148/Part, Situated at Outhullapur Village, Under GHMC Circle, Outhullapur Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, Telangana State and bounded by: **BOUNDARIES FOR ENTIRE LAND:** North: Owners Land South: Existing 40' WIDE BT ROAD, East: Existing 40' WIDE BT ROAD, West: Owners Land **BOUNDARIES FOR FLAT NO.501:** North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky, East: 2 MTRS WIDE COMMON CORRIDOR, West: Open to Sky

Date: 05-05-2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer, Can Fin Homes Ltd

NORTHERN ARC CAPITAL LIMITED

Regd. Office: 10th Floor, Phase-I, IIT-Madras Research Park, Kanagam Village, Taramani, Chennai- 600113, Tamil Nadu.

ANNEXURE-V E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

(Under proviso to Rule 8(6))

SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

The undersigned as Authorized Officer of Northern Arc Capital Ltd. has taken over possession of the following properties/ies u/13(4) of the SARFAESI Act. Public at large is informed that the e-Auction of the charged property/ies under SARFAESI Act in the below mentioned cases for realisation of NORTHERN ARC's dues will be held on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and on the terms and conditions specified hereunder.

Name of Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Outstanding Dues for Recovery of which Property /ies is/are being Sold
1. M/S. Sri Sai Baba Communications	Rs. 37,28,524/- and interest thereon w.e.f. as on 8 th May, 2025 plus other charges
2. Mr. Veldandi Narsimhamulu	
3. Mrs. Veldandi Jamuna	

DETAILS OF SALE ARE AS BELOW:- Property No. 1

Reserve Price	Last date for submission of Bid and EMD (10% of the Reserve Price)	Bid Increment Amount	Date and Time of E-Auction Sale
Rs. 32,38,245/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty Five Only)	16 th May, 2026 Rs. 3,23,824/- (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Four Only)	Rs. 25,000/-	18 th May, 2026 Time 11.00 am to 01.00 pm

Description of the Property: All that The House With Open Place Property Bearing H. No. 4113, Admeasuring 410.11 Sq. yards, Or 342.90 Sq. meters, Including Plinth Area 747.00 Sq. feet, Situated at Rangapuram Revenue Village Mogullapally Mandal, Jayashankar Bhupalpally And Registration District Jayashankar And Sub-Registrar, Bhupalpally And Boundaries: East: Open Plot Of Donor, West: CC Road, North: House Of Donor, South: Open Plot Of P. Chandraiah.

DETAILS OF SALE ARE AS BELOW:- Property No. 2

Reserve Price	Last date for submission of Bid and EMD (10% of the Reserve Price)	Bid Increment Amount	Date and Time of E-Auction Sale
Rs. 13,62,909/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Nine Only)	16 th May, 2026 Rs. 1,36,290/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Only)	Rs. 25,000/-	18 th May, 2026 Time 11.00 am to 01.00 pm

Description of the Property: All that The House With Open Place Property Bearing H. No. 3-1005, Admeasuring 55.6 Sq. Yards Or 42.406 Sq. Meters, Including Plinth Area 361.80 Sq. feets, Sk. No. 611, Situated At Madaram Renenuve Shivar, Parkal Mandal, Hanamkonda Dist. Within The Limits of Parkal Municipality And Registration District Jayashankar And Sub-Registrar, Parkal And Boundaries: East: House of Palakurthy Sadanandam West: Municipality Road, North: House of Kyatham Kotiah Joint Wall H. No. 3-1004, South: House of Kothagattu Vishalaxmi Joint Wall H. No. 3-1006.

Date & Time of Inspection of the Property: 12th May 2026 11:00 am to 05:00 pm and upon request on call to the Authorised Officer Mr. Sunil Verma 9987030148.

Terms and Conditions of the E-auction are as under:

- E-Auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and will be conducted "Online". The auction will be conducted through Northern Arc Capital Limited's approved service provider M/s E-Procurement Technologies Ltd. Auction Tiger Ahmadabad (Contact Person:- Mr. Ram Sharma Cell no. 800002397, Email ramprasad@auctiontiger.net & (Contact Person - Mr. Sunil Verma Cell 9987030148 Email sunil.verma@northernarc.com, Mr. Ramesh Rao 8978284555 and Sameer Suke Cell 9152910835 Email Sameer.suke@northernarc.com at the web portal (http://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net). E-Auction Tender Document containing online e-Auction bid form is available in websites, http://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net
- The intending purchasers / bidders are required to deposit EMD amount either through NEFT/RTGS in the Account No. 65252037994, Northern Arc Capital Limited: State Bank of India & IFSC Code: SBIN0009930 or by way of demand draft drawn in favour of Northern Arc Capital Limited, drawn on any Nationalized or Scheduled Bank.
- Bidders shall hold a valid email ID (e-mail ID is absolutely necessary for the intending bidder as all the relevant information and allotment of ID & password may be conveyed through email).
- The intending bidder should submit the evidence for EMD deposit like UTR number along with Request Letter for participation in the e-Auction, self-attested copies of (i) Proof of Identification (KYC) viz. Voter ID Card/ Driving License/Passport etc., (ii) Current Address-Proof for communication, (iii) PAN card of the bidder, (iv) valid e-mail ID, (v) contact number (Mobile/Landline) of the bidder etc. to Northern Arc Capital Limited by Date 12th May, 2026 Time 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM time. Scanned copies of the original of these documents can also be submitted to the e-mail ID of Northern Arc Capital Limited.
- Names of the Eligible Bidders will be identified by the Northern Arc Capital Limited to participate in online e-auction on the portal, http://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net (Auction Tiger) will provide User ID & Password after due verification of PAN of the Eligible Bidders.
- It shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the property before submission of the bid.
- The e-Auction/bidding of above properties will be conducted exactly on the scheduled Date & Time. The bidder shall improve their offer in multiple of the amount mentioned under the column "Bid Increment Amount" against the property. In case bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the e-Auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 minutes. The bidder who submits the highest bid amount (not below the Reserve Price) on closure of e-Auction process shall be declared as Successful Bidder and a communication to that effect will be issued through electronic mode which shall be subject to approval by Northern Arc Capital Limited / Secured Creditor.
- The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration and the EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded.
- The Sale confirmation/Sale Certificate will be issued in the name of the purchaser(s) / applicant(s) only and will not be issued in any other name(s).

Sd/- Authorised Officer, NORTHERN ARC CAPITAL LIMITED

Dated: 5th May, 2026 Place: Warangal

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APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 9 (1)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., LB Nagar Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 26-05-2026 (mention date of the sale), for recovery of amount mentioned hereinafter due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from respective Borrowers and Guarantors as on the respective dates, together with further interest and other charges thereon.

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers and Guarantors	liability amount as on 05-05-2026	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Type of Possession	Description of the property
1	Mr.RAMAVATH KISHAN S/o. Mr. RAMAVATH BHASKAR and Mrs. RAMAVATH MANJULA W/o. Mr. RAMAVATH KISHAN	Rs.27,70,950/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh Seventy Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Only)	Rs. 17,00,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Only)	Rs.1,70,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the Flat Bearing No.66, Block-B, Ground Floor, located in "YIN BUILDING" Having Plinth Area 730Sq.Feet (Including Of Common Area) And 4 Wheeler Parking Area in 100 Sq.Feet With Undivided Share Of Land Admrsing 25 Sq.yards or its equivalent To 20.90 Sq.Mtrs.(Out Of 448.0Sq.Yards) Constructed on Plot No.16, in survey Nos. 341/A and 341/E, situated at Brahmanapally, H/o.Torru Village, Previously Hayathnagar Revenue mandal, Now Presently Abullapurment mandal, Rangareddy district and bounded by: Boundaries for entire building Property: EAST: Plot No.17, WEST: Neighbours Land, NORTH: 30' Wide Road, SOUTH: Neighbours Land, Boundaries for Flat Property: EAST: Open to sky, WEST: 6 Feet Common Passage/Entrance, NORTH: Flat No.G-5, SOUTH: Open to sky. Encumbrances is NIL
2	Mr. PATARU PRAJAPATHI, S/o. Mr.PATURU RAMCHANDER and Mrs. PATARU MANIMALA, W/o. PATARU PRAJAPATHI	Rs.44,64,922/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Two Only)	Rs. 22,50,000/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Rs.2,25,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the House bearing Municipal No.1-6-174/72/1/A (PTIN No.1090135977) in Second Floor S1 with undivided share of land measuring 20.25 Sq.Yds./or 16.93 Sq.Mtrs., out of 162.00 Sq.Yds., or 134.43 Sq.Mtrs., including common areas situated at Bapuji Nagar, Zamnampur, Hyderabad, Telangana State and bounded by: Boundaries For Entire Land: North: Neighbour's House & 4'-6" Wide Common Open Space, South: 20 Feet Wide Road, East: Neighbour's H.No.1-6-174/12/1 & 12/1/A & 6'-0" Wide Common Open Space & 1-6-174/12/12/1/A, West: Neighbour's H.No.1-6-174/B/14 & 4'-6" Wide Common Open Space, Boundaries For Flat: North: S2, South: Corridor, East: Staircase, West: Corridor Encumbrances is NIL
3	Mrs. Singampalli Savitri, W/o. Mr. Singampalli Satyanarayana and Mr. Singampalli Satyanarayana S/o. S. Krishna Murthy	Rs.41,17,123/- (Rupees Forty One Lakh Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Three Only)	Rs. 20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only)	Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only)	Physical	All that the Semi-Finished Flat No. 504 in Fifth Floor of JKV-KSR ARCADE on Plot bearing Nos. 226 and 227 with built up area of 800.00 Sq. feet including common areas and 50.00 SFT. Two Wheeler Parking along with Undivided share land measuring 26.00Sq.Yards, or 21.73Sq.mts (Out of 534.00Sq.Yards) in Sy.No. 141(P), 142(P), 144(P), 145(P), 146, 147, 148(P), 149(P), 156(P), 157 and 158(P) of "K.S.R TOWNSHIP", situated at Kundanpally Village, Under Damalguda Municipality, Keesara Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District, under SRO Keesara and bounded by: Land Boundaries: EAST: Plot No. 225, WEST: Plot No. 228, NORTH: Plot nos. 233 and 234, SOUTH: 40' Feet Wide Road, Flat boundaries: EAST: Open to sky, WEST: 6 feet common passage/Entrance, NORTH: Flat no. 503, SOUTH: Open to sky. Encumbrances is NIL
4	Mr. BATIKE CHANDRAIAH S/o. BATIKE KRISHNAIAH and Mrs. BATIKE RENUKA W/o. Mr. BATIKE CHANDRAIAH	Rs.43,35,310/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ten Only)	Rs. 28,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Only)	Rs.2,80,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the Semi Finished Flat No.104 First Floor of JKV-KSR ARCADE on Plot bearing Nos. 226 and 227 with built up area of 800.00 Sq. feet including common areas and 100.00 SFT for Four Wheeler Parking along with Undivided share land measuring 26.00Sq.Yards, or 21.73Sq.mts (Out of 534.00Sq.Yards) in Sy.No. 141(P), 142(P), 144(P), 145(P), 146, 147, 148(P), 149(P), 156(P), 157 and 158(P) of "K.S.R TOWNSHIP", situated at Kundanpally Village, Under Damalguda Municipality, Keesara Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District, Telangana, Under S.R.O at Keesara, Boundaries of Flat: EAST: Open to Sky, WEST: 6 feet common passage/Entrance, NORTH: Flat No-103, SOUTH: Open to Sky. Encumbrances is NIL
5	Mrs. PENUMATCHA LAKSHMI W/o. PENUMATCHA VENKAT RAMA RAJU and Mr. PENUMATCHA VENKAT RAMA RAJU S/o. Mr. KRISHNAM RAJU PENUMATCHA	Rs.43,25,393/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Three Only)	Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Only)	Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the House Bearing No.6-105/A, on Plot No 105, Total admeasuring 150.0 Sq yards or 125.4 sq mtrs., with plint area of 454.0 sq.ft., of R.C.C. Ground Floor, in Sy no 337, 337/A & 337/B, Situated at Athvilly Village, Medchal Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District, Telangana - 501102, under RO Medchal and bounded by: Boundaries of Property: EAST: 20'0" Wide Road, WEST: Plot No.110, NORTH: Plot No.105/1, SOUTH: Plot No.104 Encumbrances is NIL
6	Mr. RAHULORE ANUDEEP, Mr. RPANDURANGA CHARY and Mrs. RAHULORE VINITHA SUNDARI, W/o. Mr. RAHULORE ANUDEEP	Rs.32,81,539/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Eighty One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Nine Only)	Rs. 30,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Only)	Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Only)	Physical	All that piece and parcel of the Semi-Finished Residential Flat bearing No.402, in Fourth Floor, located in "LAKE VIEW APARTMENT" having plinth area of 800 SFT (Including Common area) and Four Wheeler Parking area in 100 SFT with undivided share of land measuring 27.50 Sq.Yards or its equivalent to 22.57 Sq.Meters out of 549 Sq.Yards, Constructed on Plot No.410 North part, which is part and parcel of the Land bearing Survey Nos.47,48,49 and 50, Situated at Turkayamaji Village, Turkayamaji Municipality, Abullapurment Revenue mandal, Rangareddy District, Telangana, Registration Sub District Vanasthalipuram and bounded by Boundaries of Entire Plot: EAST: Plot No.486 WEST: 40' Feet Wide Road NORTH: Plot No.411 SOUTH: Plot No.410 South Part Boundaries of Flat: EAST: 6 Feet Common Passage/Entrance WEST: Open To Sky NORTH: Open To Sky SOUTH: Flat No.401 Encumbrances is NIL
7	Mr. MANKA MUTAKA VEMANARAYANA, S/o. LATE M.NARAYANA	Rs.40,94,058/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Fifty Eight Only)	Rs. 18,00,000/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Only)	Rs.1,80,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the Flat No.202 on Second Floor, Bearing Door No.5-112/AP/202 (Assessment No.1234), with a super built up area of 1000 SFT, of SAI DISHA APARTMENTS on Plot No.16, In Sy.No.1230 Part, and with undivided share of land admeasuring 21.0 Sq.Yards (Out of 916 Sq.Yards), Situated at Brindavan Colony of Shamipet Village & Grampanchayat, Mandal & Sub-Dist: Shamipet, Dist & Regn. Dist: Medchal-Malkajgiri and bounded by: Boundaries for entire Land: EAST: Plot No.85, WEST: 40'-00" Wide Road, NORTH: 30'-00" Wide Road, SOUTH: Plot No.17, Boundaries for Flat: EAST: Flat No.201, WEST: Staircase and Flat No.203, NORTH: Open to Sky, SOUTH: 6' Corridor Encumbrances is NIL
8	Mr. YADATTI MURALI KRISHNA SAGAR, S/o. YADATTI BHASKAR SAGAR and Mrs. Y. BHARATHI, W/o. YADATTI BHASKAR SAGAR	Rs.32,77,180/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand One Hundred Eighty Only)	Rs. 27,50,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Rs.2,75,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Only)	Physical	All That The Door No.3-19/1401A/1 (PTIN No.1195400440) on Flat No.401, In Third Floor bearing House No.3-19/111 having Plinth Area of 850 Sq.Ft., (Including Common Area and Car Parking Space) with Undivided Share of Land admeasuring 23.92 Sq.Yds or equivalent to 20 Sq.Mtrs, Out of 311 Sq.Yrds, Residential Complex Known as Sharanaya's Arcde, on Plot No.337 In Survey No.43, Situated at Block No.3 Prashanthi Hills of Meerpet Village, Balapur Mandal, Rangareddy District, Under Meerpet Municipal Corporation Registration at Sub Registrar Office LB Nagar, Ranga Reddy District and Bounded As Follows : Boundaries For Flat: North: Staircase & 6'6" Corridor, South: Open To Sky, East: Open To Sky, West: Open To Sky, Boundaries For Land: North: Plot No.338, South: Plot No.336, East: Plot No.380, West: 30' Wide Road. Encumbrances is NIL
9	Mr.S ANOOP KUMAR, S/o. S VISHWAMBER and Mrs. SREEVASTAVA KARUNA, W/o. S ANOOP KUMAR	Rs.43,64,765/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Five Only)	Rs. 35,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Only)	Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Physical	All that piece and parcel of Semi-Finished House on Plot No.87 East Part, admeasuring 75.14 Sq.Yards, or equivalent to 62.82 Sq.Mts, having total plinth area 909.98 SFT, (i.e. in Ground Floor 454.99 SFT, and in First Floor 454.98 SFT.), with RCC Roof, in Survey Nos.117/A.E.E.E and 118/A.E.E.E, Situated at Badangpet Village, Balapur Revenue Mandal, Rangareddy District, Under Badangpet Municipal Corporation, Registration Sub Registrar Office LB Nagar, Rangareddy District and bounded by: Boundaries of Property: EAST: Plot No.107, WEST: Plot No.87 West part, NORTH: Plot No.88, SOUTH: 60' Wide Road. Encumbrances is NIL
10	Mrs. M A MARTIN MARIA D/o. Mr. M A DAS and Mr. M A DELPHINE MARY W/o. Mr. M A DAS	Rs.41,01,932/- (Rupees Forty One Lakh One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Two Only)	Rs. 23,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Only)	Rs.2,30,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the Flat No.103 in First Floor of "DARVESH HOMES, House No. 3-18-116, having built up area of 970.00 Sq. feet with Undivided share of land measuring 25.00 Sq.Yards, or 20.90 Sq.Mtrs. (Out of 325.00 Sq.Yards) in Sy.No. 110/1, situated at Thirumalgheri, Secunderabad Contonment, Hyderabad District and the boundaries of the property as follows: Flat boundaries: EAST: Flat No.102, Corridor, WEST: Open to sky, NORTH: Open to Sky, SOUTH: Open to sky Encumbrances is NIL
11	Mr. MUTHAKANA SUMANTH, S/o. MUTHAKANA SURESH BABU and Mrs. PODISHETTI SATHVIKA GOUD W/o. MUTHAKANA SUMANTH	Rs.44,09,476/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Six Only)	Rs. 28,50,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Rs.2,85,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Only)	Physical	All that the Semi Finished Residential Flat No.103 in First Floor of Sri Sai Apartment, on Plot Nos. 14Part, 15Part, 19 and 20 in Sy.No.259/2 & 263/2, with built-up area of 840.00Sq.Feet, including common area and one Scooter Parking area, along with undivided share of land 27.36 Sq.Yds (out of 888.88 Sq.Yds). Situated at Jawaharnagar Village and Municipal Corporation, Kapra Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, and bounded as follows: Boundaries of Flat: North: Flat No.102, South: Open to Sky, East: Open to Sky, West: Corridor and Staircase, Boundaries of land: North: Plot nos.16,17 & 18, South: Neighbors Land, East: 40'-0" Wide Road, West: Part of Plot nos. 14 & 15 Encumbrances is NIL
12	Mr. VADLA BRAHMAN S/o. Mr. VADLA RAMULU and Mrs. SUNANDA VADLA W/o. Mr. VADLA BRAHMAN	Rs.46,16,093/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakh Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Three Only)	Rs. 28,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Only)	Rs.2,80,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)	Physical	All that part and Parcel of the Flat No.405 in Fourth Floor, of Sai Satya Nilayam, admeasuring 1037 Sq.Feet of Plinth area (Including common areas) and One Car parking area 100 Sq.Feet together with undivided share of land admeasuring 46 Sq.yards or 38.45 Sq.Mtrs., Out of total land admeasuring 2442 Sq. Yards or 2041.51 Sq.Mtrs., being constructed on Open Land in Survey Nos. 77/A & 78/A, Situated at Peerzadiguda Village and Grampanchayat, Ghatkesar Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District, Telangana, and bounded by: Boundaries of Entire Land: EAST: Open Land, WEST: 30'-0" Wide Road, NORTH: 20'-0" Wide Road, SOUTH: Open Land, Boundaries of Flat No.405: EAST: Open to Sky, WEST: Open to Sky, NORTH: Corridor, SOUTH: Open to Sky. Encumbrances is NIL

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction: www.auctionbazaar.com

Date: 06-05-2026 Place: LB Nagar (Hyderabad)

Sd/- Authorised Officer, Can Fin Homes Ltd

CHANGE OF NAME

I, N. Nageswara Reddy Father of No 15780010N Hav (OPR) N. Manoj Reddy Unit 27AD MSL Regt C/O56 APO have changed the name of my son from N, MANOJ REDDY to NALLAGATLA MANOJ REDDY.

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA, SR. DIVISION SIGNAL & TELECOM ENGINEER, HYDERABAD DIVISION, SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, SECUNDERABAD INVITES OPEN TENDERS FOR THE FOLLOWING WORKS THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT UP TO 11.30 HOURS OF DATED.28.05.2026

TENDER DATED 04.05.2026

SI. No. 1. Tender No. Y-SG-36-2026-27-03 Name of the work-Name of work: Hyderabad Division SC-MUE section: (1) Cavalry barracks - Replacement of Panel interlocking both indoor and out door by Electronic Interlocking System at Cavalry barracks stations in connection with provision of EI at balance stations on HUN/HDN routes where Kavach/ABS/CTC is sanctioned.

SADA BAINAMA APPLICATIONS TO BE CLEARED IN 35 DAYS: MINISTER PONGULETI

Khammam (TSIT): Minister was speaking at the 'Praja Palana - Praja Darbar' programme held at Guvvalagudem village in Nelakondapalli mandal of Khammam district on Wednesday, where he, along with MP Raghuram Reddy and District Collector T.S. Diwakara, received petitions directly from the public.



25% REBATE ON LRS CHARGES TILL JULY 31.

Mancherial May 6, TSIT :Additional Collector (Local Bodies) P. Chandrayya has announced a 25% rebate on fees and charges under the Layout Regularisation Scheme (LRS) as per Government Order No. 131. He stated that applicants have time until July 31, 2026, to avail of this concession.

Applicants from Mancherial Municipal Corporation, as well as municipalities and jurisdictions across the district, are advised to pay the required LRS charges within the stipulated deadline to benefit from the rebate.

For and on behalf of the President of India, the undersigned invites E-Tenders for the following work up to 15.30 hrs on Dt: 28.05.2026.

SI.No 1 Tender No & Name of the work: Vijayawada Division: S&T arrangements in connection with provision of CCTV Cameras at BZA, TEL, OGL, NLR, BTR, GDR, NDD, RYM, COA, CCT, GDV, BYRM, NS, MTM Stations over BZA Division to enhance security, operational monitoring and passenger safety.

Description Time Date Date of closing and timing 15.30 hrs. 28.05.2026 1. Tender conditions/other particulars such as the details of the name of work in full, the similar nature of the above works, eligibility criteria, etc. are available in the Tender documents published on the website at "www.ireps.gov.in".

SI.No 1 Tender No. 2x25KV-OHE-HX-RU-GY-PDL, Dt. 04.05.2026. Description of work Design, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning for OHE up-gradation of existing 1x25KV system to 2x25KV AT feeding system with feeder and earthing work in Kadapa (HX) (excl.)-Renigunta (RU) (excl.) & Gooty (GY) (excl.)-Pendekallu (PDL) (excl.) section of Guntakal Division under South Central Railway.

SI.No 1 Tender No. LGDL/02/2026-27/OT Description of work Outsourcing of maintenance of EOT cranes, machineries and substations (Electrical Portion) at CWS/LGD for the period of 3 years. Advertised value Rs. 1,48,56,224.54 (One Crore Forty-Eight Lakh Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Four and Paisa Fifty-Four Only) Bid Security Rs. 2,97,100/- Period of Completion 36 Months from the date of issue of letter of acceptance. Date of Closing 03.06.2026 at 15:00 hrs.

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TGHC Chairperson Nirmala Jaggareddy T Inaugurates Paddy Procurement Centre,



Hyderabad TSIT: TGHC Chairperson Nirmala Jaggareddy participated in multiple development and welfare-related programmes. During her visit to Kulpapur village in Sangareddy mandal, she inaugurated a paddy procurement centre set up under the supervision of PACS.

Khail and others participated in the programme. Later, in Begumpet village of Kandi mandal, Nirmala Jaggareddy attended the housewarming ceremony of a newly constructed Indiramma house allotted to Ella Goud, a local BRS party worker.

Speaking at the programme, she stated that the Congress government was implementing welfare schemes for all sections of society without discrimination. "Whether they belong to Congress, BRS or any other party, eligible beneficiaries are receiving government support equally," she said.

JAKKANI ANITHA APPOINTED VICE CHAIRPERSON OF TELANGANA HANDLOOM CORPORATION



Hyderabad TSIT: Jakkani Anitha has been appointed as the Vice Chairperson of the Telangana Handloom Corporation Limited. Belonging to the Padmashali community, she has been rendering dedicated and selfless services to the Congress Party since 2010.

Expressing her gratitude over the appointment, Jakkani Anitha thanked Telangana Chief Minister A.Revanth Reddy, TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, and senior Congress leader Meenakshi Natarajan for reposing confidence in her and entrusting her with the responsibility.

Speaking on the occasion, Anita stated that she would work tirelessly for the development of the handloom sector and the welfare of the Padmashali handloom community.

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (SIR) Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., under SARFAESI Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3, issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrowers / guarantors listed hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "said Borrowers"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the Notice, within 60 days from the date of receipt of Notice, as per details given below.

The said Notices have been returned undelivered by the postal authorities / have not been duly acknowledged by the borrowers. Hence the Company by way of abundant caution is effecting this publication of the demand notice (as per the provisions of Rule 3 (1)). The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrowers, as per the said Act. As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to the Company by the respective parties as detailed below.

Table with 5 columns: S.No., Name of the Borrowers/Guarantors with address, Amount claimed as per Demand notice, Description of the secured Assets, Date of NPA. Contains 4 entries for various borrowers.

Love and Compassion Are the True Path of Life Rev.Dr.Sangala Paulson Raj

Hanamkonda TSIT: Stressing the importance of love and compassion in human life, Christu Jyothi Ministries founder Rev.Dr.Sangala Paulson Raj said that the teachings of Jesus Christ continue to inspire humanity towards peace and harmony. The "Christ Jyothi Prayer Festival" being held at Karunapuram village in Dharmasagar mandal of Hanamkonda district entered its fourth day on Wednesday.

The spiritual gathering was presided over by Society of Christ General Secretary Rev.Dr.Jayaprakash Gopu. Addressing the congregation, Rev. Dr. Paulson Raj said, "Love bears all things and endures all things. The message of Christ 'Love your neighbour as yourself' is one of the greatest teachings given to mankind. A peaceful society can be built only when people live together with love, mutual respect, and unity."

Utkarsh Small Finance Bank

Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Zonal Office: Venkat Plaza 2, Greenlands Road, Punjagutta Officers Colony, Punjagutta, Hyderabad - 500082. Registered Office: Utkarsh Tower, NH - 31 (Airport Road), Sehmulpur, Kazi Sarai, Harhua, Varanasi, UP - 221 105. PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principle and interest of the Loan facility obtain by them from the bank and the loan has been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The Notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 on their last known address as provided to the bank by them, that in addition there to for the purposes of information of the said borrowers enumerated below, the said borrowers are being informed by way of this public notice.

Table with 5 columns: Sr. No., Name of the Branch, Name of the Account, Name of the Borrower/Guarantor (Owner of the Property), N.P.A Date, Amount outstanding as on the date of Demand Notice. Contains 1 entry for Mrs. Enugula Swaroopa W/o. Enugula Srinivas.

BAJAJ FINANCE LIMITED

Registered Office : Bajaj Finance Limited, C/o Bajaj Auto Limited Complex Mumbai Pune Road Akurdi Pune 411035 Branch Office : Bajaj Finance Ltd, 2nd Floor, Bajaj Finance Limited, Jacharla, Telangana Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Bajaj Finance Limited, hereby gives the following notice to the Borrower(s) Co-Borrower(s) who have failed to discharge their liability i.e. defaulted in the repayment of principal as well as the interest and other charges accrued there on for some loan(s)/Loan(s) Against Property advanced to them by Bajaj Finance Limited and as consequence the loan(s) have become Non Performing Assets (N.P.A.s). Accordingly, notices were issued to them under section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and rules there to on their last known addresses, however the same have been returned un-served undelivered, as such the Borrower(s)/Co-Borrower(s) are hereby intimated/informed by way of this publication notice to clear their outstanding dues under the loan facilities availed by them from time to time.

Table with 4 columns: Loan Account No./Name of the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) & Addresses, Description of Secured Immovable Property, Demand Notice Date and Amount. Contains 1 entry for LAN : PM60PBS10686737.

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(12) 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.

Table with 5 columns: Loan Account Number, Borrower(s) & Property Details, Amount & Date of Demand Notice, Date of Possession, Possession Status. Contains 2 entries for SAIKUMAR KASTHULA and KASTALA ANJAMMA.

PROPERTY BEARING : ALL THAT THE COLLAPSED RESIDENTIAL HOUSE NO.4-27 ON OPEN PLACE, IN GRAMAKANTHAM, ADMEASURING 60 SQ. YARDS OR 50.16 SQ. MTRS., SITUATED AT BOGARAM VILLAGE AND GRAMPANCHAYAT, KEESARA MANDAL, MEDCHALMALKAJIGRI DISTRICT AND BOUNDED BY: NORTH: 15' WIDE ROAD SOUTH: HOUSE OF K. RAMESH, EAST: OPEN PLACE OF K. RAMESH, WEST: HOUSE OF K. SWAMY

CAN FIN HOMES LTD

H No 58 MIG 1st Floor Phase -2 Site 1 Pothireddyally Bypass road sangareddy - 502295 Ph. Nos.: 08455 -277550 email:Sangareddy@canfinhomes.com CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699 Website: www.canfinhomes.com

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (SIR) Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., under SARFAESI Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3, issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrowers / guarantors listed hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "said Borrowers"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the Notice, within 60 days from the date of receipt of Notice, as per details given below.

The said Notices have been returned undelivered by the postal authorities / have not been duly acknowledged by the borrowers. Hence the Company by way of abundant caution is effecting this publication of the demand notice (as per the provisions of Rule 3 (1)). The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrowers, as per the said Act. As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to the Company by the respective parties as detailed below.

Table with 5 columns: S.No., Name of the Borrowers/Guarantors with address, Amount claimed as per Demand notice, Description of the secured Assets, Date of NPA. Contains 4 entries for various borrowers.

* Payable with further interest at contractual rates as agreed from the date mentioned above till date of Payment. You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon with in 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the under signed will be constrained to initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers /guarantors is invited to provision of section 13(8) of the Act. In respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 06-05-2026, Place: Sangareddy Sd/- Authorised Officer, Can Fin Homes Ltd

Visakhapatnam Port Wins Double Gold for Second Consecutive Year in CSR Awards

The South India Times, Visakhapatnam: The Visakhapatnam Port Authority has achieved yet another prestigious milestone. At the Greentech CSR Awards 2026, it won Double Gold awards in the categories of Healthcare Promotion and Skill Development, repeating this achievement for the second consecutive year. According to details shared by Port Secretary M. Shankar Babu, the awards were decided based on the performance of port officials during virtual presentations and question-and-answer sessions before a panel of judges constituted for selecting the winners. These awards, presented annually, recognize and honor organizations that render outstanding services in the field of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). The Visakhapatnam Port Authority has undertaken several service initiatives in the healthcare sector. These include providing funds for mid-day meal schemes for students in orphanages and unaided schools, installation of water purification plants in various areas, and setting



up safe drinking water ATMs through the "Aarogyam" preventive health project. Additionally, initiatives such as distribution of 100 air-conditioned helmets to traffic personnel, implementation of drone surveillance systems in the harbor area, HPV vaccination for girl students, and support for distribution of artificial limbs to persons with disabilities have been carried out. In the skill development sector, programs have been implemented for women's empowerment through distribution of sewing machines, skill training for tribal youth in Alluri Sitarama Raju district, financial assistance for vocational training to poor students, and special initiatives aimed at empowering fishermen. Chairperson Dr. M. Angamuthu congratulated the staff on this achievement and advised them to further expand CSR initiatives that benefit society. Deputy Chairperson Roshni Aparanji Korati, IAS, also extended her congratulations to the staff. The Greentech CSR Awards 2026 will be formally presented at a summit to be held in New Delhi on May 12-13.



CORDIAL WELCOME TO HON'BLE MINISTER NARA LOKESH AT SRI CITY HELIPAD TIRUPATI DISTRICT, SP, AND LEADERS PARTICIPATED.

Carrier to set up Rs.1,000 crore AC plant in Andhra Pradesh, 3,000 jobs expected



Bengaluru : City, May 6: In a major boost to industrial growth in Andhra Pradesh, Minister Nara Lokesh on Wednesday laid the foundation stone for a new air conditioner manufacturing unit of Carrier Global Corporation at Sri City Industrial Park in Tirupati district. The foundation ceremony was conducted in the presence of Carrier Chairman and CEO David L. Gitlin along with senior company officials. The project involves an investment of Rs.1,000 crore and is expected to generate around 3,000 employment opportunities. The state government has allotted 39 acres of land for the facility at Sri City, where the company will establish a state-of-the-art manufacturing unit to cater to the growing demand for HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning) systems. The plant is also expected to enhance Carrier's manufacturing footprint in India.

T.L. Sangeetha takes charge as Sangareddy Additional Collector



Sangareddy, May 6 (TSIT): T.L. Sangeetha assumed charge as the Additional Collector (Revenue) of Sangareddy district on Wednesday. Officials and staff at the Collectorate extended a warm welcome to her on the occasion. Revenue Department officials met her, presented bouquets, and conveyed their best wishes. Sangeetha also interacted with the officials and introduced herself in a cordial manner. Speaking on the occasion, she said she would work towards accelerating the district's development and strengthening revenue administration effectively.

Nirmala Jaggareddy tours Sangareddy, launches key welfare and development initiatives



Sangareddy, May 6 (TSIT): Nirmala Jaggareddy, Chairperson of Telangana State Industrial Infrastructure Corporation, toured Sangareddy and Kandi mandals on Wednesday and participated in multiple development and welfare programmes. As part of her visit, she inaugurated a paddy procurement centre at Kulpagur village under the supervision of PACS. Addressing farmers, she urged them not to sell their produce to private millers and instead utilise government procurement centres to ensure they receive the Minimum Support Price (MSP). Several local leaders and public representatives attended the programme. Later, she took part in the housewarming ceremony of an Indiramma house at Begampet village in Kandi mandal. The house, sanctioned to a local beneficiary, was completed under the government welfare scheme. Speaking on the occasion, she said the government is committed to implementing welfare programmes for all sections without discrimination and ensuring benefits reach eligible families regardless of political affiliation. During her tour, she also inaugurated a newly established foam servicing centre on the Sangareddy bypass road. Local leaders, including former councillors and public representatives, were present at the event.

Sri Venkateswara College Governing Body Meeting Held in Tirumala



Tirumala (TSIT) The 157th Governing Body Meeting of Sri Venkateswara College was held on Wednesday at Annamayya Bhavan in Tirumala under

the chairmanship of TTD Chairman Sri B. R. Naidu. TTD EO Sri Muddada Ravichandra, TTD Board Member Smt Panabaka Lakshmi, and College

Principal Prof. Vazhalla Ravi attended the meeting. The Governing Body decided to construct an auditorium and additional blocks for students at the college in Delhi. It was also decided to install air conditioners in classrooms due to the summer heat. The meeting approved laddu cards and Srivari darshan facilities for the college staff on par with TTD employees. Special focus will also be given to encourage students in research and publications. Earlier, the Principal presented a report on the college's development and academic activities.

Key decisions taken at TTD Board meeting chaired by B.R. Naidu



Tirumala (TSIT): The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Board, under the chairmanship of B. R. Naidu, held its meeting at Annamayya Bhavan in Tirumala on Wednesday and took several important decisions aimed at improving temple services, infrastructure, and welfare initiatives. Among the key decisions, the Board approved an increase in financial assistance for Dhupa, Deepa, and Naivedyam in temples from Rs.5,000 to Rs.10,000. It also decided to launch the

“Akshara Govindam” programme soon, under which free kits will be distributed to children. The Board gave its nod for the construction of a permanent Yagasala at Alipiri at a cost of Rs.4.75 crore for conducting Srinivasa Divyanugraha Homam. Additionally, approval was granted for constructing extra toilets in Srivari Sarvadarshan queue lines at a cost of Rs.4.55 crore and for development works worth Rs.3.61 crore at Varahaswamy Rest House-1. In a major boost to education and infrastructure, Rs.43.40 crore was sanctioned for modern facilities in TTD educational institutions, taking the total allocation to Rs.161.40 crore. The Board also approved Rs.6 crore for laying a new water pipeline from Gogarbham Dam to the filter plant.

SP and MLA Inaugurate Traffic Signals in Nagar Kurnool



The South India times Nagar Kurnool : Traffic signals were inaugurated in Nagar Kurnool town at Sripuram Junction by District SP Dr. Sangram Singh G. Patil along with MLA Rajesh Reddy. Speaking on the occasion, the SP said the signals were installed to address growing traffic issues in the town and to ensure smooth movement of vehicles without inconvenience to the public. The traffic signals have been set up at Sripuram Junction and near the Government Hospital to improve traffic regulation and road safety. The program was attended by DSP Srinivas, SI Govardhan, Traffic RSI Kalyan, Municipal Commissioner Nagireddy, Municipal Chairman Sunendra, traffic police personnel, and other officials.

Bomma Sriram Chakravarthy appointed Munnuru Kapu Corporation chairman



Husnabad, May 6: The state government has appointed Bomma Sriram Chakravarthy as Chairman of the Munnuru Kapu Corporation Limited, reaffirming its commitment to the upliftment of Backward Classes (BC) communities. A senior Congress leader from the erstwhile Karimnagar district, Sriram Chakravarthy brings over three decades of experience in political and social service. He has held several key positions, including Chairman of the AP State Cooperative Housing Societies Federation Limited, General Secretary of the APCC, Vice President of the AP Youth Congress, and Director of AP Housefed. He is also actively associ-

ated with community organisations, serving as Chairman of the Munnuru Kapu Student Hostel and Honorary President of the Munnuru Kapu Association.

Congress cadres and members of the Munnuru Kapu community across the region welcomed the appointment, expressing confidence that it would strengthen initiatives aimed at education, employment, and economic development of the community. Party leaders said the appointment reflects the government's focus on social justice under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. On the occasion, Sriram Chakravarthy and Congress leaders extended their gratitude to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, and Minister Ponnab Prabhakar for the opportunity.

Rs.2.50 Crore Donation to TTD SV Pranadanam Trust



Tirumala (TSIT) Himadri Foundation from Kolkata, West Bengal, donated Rs.2.50 crore to the TTD SV Pranadanam Trust. The donation was handed over by Trustee Sri Anurag Choudhary to TTD Chairman Sri B.R. Naidu at the Chairman's Camp Office in Tirumala on Wednesday. The Chairman appreciated the donor's generosity and said the funds will help provide quality medical services to poor patients. TTD Board members and officials were present.

MP and MLA Distribute Bicycles to Rural Students

Nagar kurnool (TSIT): A bicycle distribution program for government school students in the Nagar Kurnool constituency was held on Wednesday at the IDOC office premises. The initiative was launched by Member of Parliament Dr. Mallu Ravi, District Collector Hemanth Keshav Patil, and MLA Dr. Kuchukulla Rajesh Reddy. With the special initiative of MP Dr. Mallu Ravi and support from Jindal Steel Power under CSR funds, 130 students who completed 7th class in government schools were provided bicycles. Initially, 48 students from Kummera village received the bicycles.



Speaking on the occasion, the MP said that lack of transportation is one of the major challenges faced by rural students in continuing their education. He stated that providing bicycles would help students attend school on time and increase their interest in studies. He encouraged students to use this opportunity, remain disciplined, and aim for higher achievements. He also mentioned that the state government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, is giving high priority to education and is planning to provide breakfast along with mid-day meals from the next academic year. He appreciated the social service activities of Jindal Steel Power.

GITAM scholar earns PhD for research on gut microbiota in metabolic disorders

Hyderabad: GITAM Deemed to be University has awarded a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Pharmacy to P. Rajyalakshmi Devi for her research on the therapeutic potential of gut microbiota in managing metabolic disorders. Her doctoral thesis, titled "Role of Short Chain Fatty Acids (SCFAs) in Combination with Probiotics for the Treatment of Obesity and Diabetes in Rats," was carried out under the guidance of Dr. M. Vinyas at the School of Pharmacy, Hyderabad. The study highlights the significant role of short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs) and probiotics in tackling obesity and type II diabetes. Using experimental models, the research found



that the combined treatment led to notable improvements in body weight, lipid profile, insulin sensitivity, and glycemic control. Further analysis also showed positive changes in liver and pancreatic tissues. Among the SCFAs studied, butyrate demonstrated superior antidiabetic activity. Molecular dock-

ing analysis revealed its strong interaction with key metabolic regulators such as leptin, insulin receptors, and neuropeptide Y receptors, indicating its importance in metabolic signaling pathways. The findings suggest that SCFAs, especially when combined with probiotics, have strong potential as therapeutic agents in preventing and managing obesity, insulin resistance, and related metabolic disorders. University officials, including Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof. D. S. Rao, Resident Director D.V.V.S.R. Varma, and Principal Prof. G. Shiva Kumar, congratulated Dr. Rajyalakshmi Devi on her achievement and appreciated her contribution to pharmaceutical research.

KIMS Hospitals Launches First Internationally Recognized Fellowship in Sports Injuries & Arthroscopy

Hyderabad, May 6, 2026: KIMS Hospitals has achieved a significant milestone in orthopaedic education and sports medicine by launching the first internationally recognized fellowship program in Sports Injuries and Arthroscopy in the Telugu states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. This prestigious fellowship has been designed to bridge the gap between general orthopaedic training and the highly specialized skills required to treat athletes and physically active individuals. With the growing demand for minimally invasive surgical techniques, the need for advanced training in sports medicine has

become increasingly important. Arthroscopy, a minimally invasive surgical technique, requires precision and expertise in working within small joint spaces using advanced instruments and fiber-optic cameras. Procedures such as ACL reconstruction, labral repair, and cartilage restoration demand a high level of accuracy and skill. This fellowship aims to equip doctors with comprehensive training in these advanced procedures. The program offers specialized training in reconstructive arthroscopy of the knee, shoulder, and hip, along with sports medicine and joint preservation surgeries. It combines



hands-on surgical experience with structured academic learning, focusing on surgical precision, injury assessment, rehabilitation protocols, and evidence-based medical practices. A key highlight of this fellowship is its integrated approach, combining surgical expertise with research and patient-centric care. It also aims to enhance doctors' understanding of sports-specific movements and injury patterns, enabling them to

diagnose even subtle or complex injuries more effectively. KIMS Hospitals has consistently prioritized the development of Centers of Excellence, focusing not only on delivering superior clinical outcomes but also on nurturing skilled specialists. The international recognition of this fellowship reflects the institution's commitment to clinical excellence and adherence to global standards. The fellowship is led

by Dr. R. A. Poornachandra Tejaswi, Director and Head of Arthroscopy & Sports Medicine. Under his leadership, the program is set to become a benchmark in advanced orthopaedic training in the country. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Tejaswi said that the fellowship would significantly enhance the quality of sports injury management in the region by training doctors in advanced arthroscopic techniques. With this initiative, KIMS Hospitals is strengthening its leadership in advanced medical education and specialised surgical care, and setting new national benchmarks.

VMRDA Takes Key Decisions to Drive Urbanization in Rural Areas

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) The Visakhapatnam Metropolitan Region Development Authority (VMRDA) has taken several key decisions to promote the development of rural areas towards urbanization, Chairman M.V. Pranav Gopal stated. The decisions were made during the authority meeting held on Wednesday at the VMRDA conference hall under his chairmanship, where development works, fund allocations, and future plans were discussed in detail. Officials reviewed the progress of ongoing development works across all constituencies under VMRDA lim-



its and examined the utilization of funds. The Chairman emphasized that special priority is being given to areas beyond the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) limits. Funds have been allocated for the development of drainage systems, roads, and parks in municipalities such as Narsipatnam, Vizianagaram, Cheepurupalli, Nellimarla, and Payakaraopeta. An amount of approximately Rs.9 crore has been earmarked for the construction of a Sports Village in Gajuwaka. As per the directions of Chief

Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, steps are being taken to further develop Visakhapatnam as a major tourist destination. As part of this initiative, preparations are underway to inaugurate a Trishul statue at Kailasagiri on the 9th of this month. Efforts are also being made to complete the construction of key roads leading to the Bhogapuram International Airport within the stipulated time frame. Funds have been allocated for beautification works including decorative lighting, greenery in medians, and construction of drains where necessary along these roads.

South Coast Railway Zone Launch Fulfills Long-Pending Demand: Bhisetti Babji

The South India Times, Visakhapatnam : Lok Satta Party State President Bhisetti Babji expressed happiness over the long-pending demand of the people of Andhra Pradesh for the establishment of the South Coast Railway Zone finally being fulfilled. According to the Gazette notification issued by the Central Government, the new zone, with Visakhapatnam as its headquarters, will commence operations from June 1. Speaking at a press conference held at the Lok Satta office near Ushodaya Junction in Visakhapatnam East constituency on Wednesday, Babji recalled that extensive movements were carried out for the rail-



way zone as part of implementing the assurances under the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act. These efforts were led by Uttarandhra Charchavedika Chairman and former minister Konathala Ramakrishna, along with Lok Satta, left parties, and various public organizations. He stated that delegations had visited New Delhi twice

this matter, stating that only then would the South Coast Railway Zone be fully effective. He also expressed optimism that Visakhapatnam would develop into a major railway hub, contributing to the state's economic growth. Babji further appealed to the Central Government to expedite the implementation of remaining bifurcation assurances and to introduce new trains, railway lines, and a separate railway board in line with the state's needs. Lok Satta city president M.S.N. Murthy, Marrapu Sudheer, Ippalavalasa Gopi, Pakki Shankar, and Mahila Satta leader Rajeswari, among others, were present at the meeting.

Kiran Mugabasav Appointed to NSUI Central Election Authority



NEW DELHI :Shri Kanhaiya Kumar has appointed Shri Kiran Mugabasav to the Central Election Authority (CEA) of the NSUI to oversee internal organizational elections. A veteran leader from Hubli, Mugabasav previously served as an NSUI Election Commissioner (2016-18) and is recognized as a disciplined party soldier. Key Highlights of Kiran Mugabasav's Career: Organizational Leadership: Currently serves as an AICC Member and General Secretary of the KPCC. Grassroots Impact: Built the Rajiv Gandhi Panchayati Raj Sangathan (RGPRS) in Telangana and served as its National General Secretary. Dedicated Padyatri: Completed the 3,570 km Bharat Jodo Yatra, the 600 km Sarvodaya Sankalp Padyatra, and the 600 km Lok Swaraj Padyatra. Strategic Role: Served as National War Room Coordinator for the AICC in Maharashtra and New Delhi. This appointment leverages Mugabasav's extensive experience in grassroots organizing and his lifelong commitment to the values of Satya and Ahimsa.

Amit Shah to release Yedyurappa speech volumes

Bengaluru (TSIT) In a major political and symbolic tribute to veteran BJP stalwart BS Yedyurappa, union Home Minister Amit Shah will unveil two landmark books documenting the former Karnataka Chief Minister's five-decade-long political and public life journey during the grand 'BSY Abhimanotsava' celebrations in Chitradurga on Saturday.



The event, being projected by the BJP as a historic gathering, marks 50 years of Yedyurappa's public life and comes at a politically significant time for the party in Karnataka, where the veteran Lingayat leader continues to wield considerable influence. According to State BJP OBC Morcha president R Raghu (Kautilya), the two books seek to capture not just Yedyurappa's political rise, but also his aggressive legislative interventions, pro-farmer politics and mass leadership that helped shape the BJP's growth in Karnataka. The first book, titled 'Kendavare - Kamala Araladi Katha' (The Story of the Lotus Blooming from the Ashes), traces

Yedyurappa's journey from humble beginnings to becoming one of the tallest leaders in Karnataka politics. Written by R Raghu (Kautilya), the biography records key turning points from his childhood, organisational struggles and grassroots mobilisation to his emergence as the BJP's strongest face in the state. The second publication, 'Sadana Shikari - Yedyurappanavara Gudugina Nudigalu,' is a compilation of Yedyurappa's speeches in the Karnataka Legislature over several decades. The book highlights his combative style inside the Assembly and Council, where he frequently raised issues relating to farmers' distress, regional development and governance failures, irrespective of whether.

AIG Hospitals, Banjara Hills Launches "Beat the Heat" Public Awareness Campaign to Prevent Heat Stroke and Heat-Related Emergencies

Hyderabad, 6th May 2026: With Telangana witnessing intense summer conditions and several districts including Hyderabad recording temperatures above 44°C in recent days, AIG Hospitals, Banjara Hills has launched "Beat the Heat", a large-scale public awareness initiative aimed at educating citizens on heat stroke, heat-related illnesses, early warning signs, first-aid measures, and preventive action. Through intermittent rainfall and thunderstorms may bring temporary relief, weather advisories continue to underline the need for caution as heat stress remains a serious public health concern. The campaign comes at a time when weather experts are also closely watching the evolving El Niño pattern, which is often associated with increased heat stress, uneven rainfall, and greater weather variability in India. Telangana has also been advised to prepare for heat and uneven rainfall patterns as the season progresses. Speaking on the need for the initiative, Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy, Chairman, AIG Hospitals, said, "Heat stroke is one of those medical emergencies where awareness can directly save lives. Many people still think of heat-related illness as simple dehydration or tiredness, but in reality, it can rapidly affect the brain, heart, kidneys, and other vital organs. Our goal is to help people recognise danger signs early, protect vulnerable family members, and act correctly in the first few minutes." Heat stroke occurs when the body loses its ability to regulate temperature. It is not the same as ordinary fever. In fever, the body's temperature control system is still functioning; in heat stroke, that system begins to fail. As the core body temperature rises dangerously, it can cause altered mental status, seizures, collapse, and multi-organ damage. Medical guidance from leading health institutions identifies heat stroke as a medical emergency that can quickly damage the brain, heart, kidneys, and muscles if treatment is delayed.



Explaining the clinical seriousness, Dr. Praveen Kumar Koppula, Director & Sr. Consultant - Internal Medicine, AIG Hospitals Banjara Hills, said, "The biggest problem with heat stroke is that it often begins innocently. A person may first feel unusually tired, dizzy, nauseous, or may develop headache and muscle cramps. These are usually dismissed as exhaustion. But when the body is unable to cool itself, symptoms can progress very quickly. Confusion, unusual behaviour, slurred speech, fainting, persistent vomiting, seizures, or not sweating despite extreme heat should never be ignored. These are red flags that the brain and vital organs are under stress. At that point, waiting at home or assuming that the person will recover with rest alone can be dangerous." One of the key objectives of the campaign is to help the public understand the progression from heat exhaustion to heat stroke. Heat-related illnesses may begin with cramps, dehydration, heavy sweating, weakness, dizziness, or headache. If ignored, the condition may progress to heat stroke, where the individual may become confused, restless, drowsy, unconscious, or develop seizures. Delay in cooling and treatment increases the risk of kidney failure, cardiac complications, liver dysfunction, muscle breakdown, and brain injury. The longer the body remains overheated, the greater the chance of serious complications or death. Emphasising the importance of first response, Dr. Imran Shareef, HOD & Sr. Consultant - Emergency Medicine, AIG Hospitals, said, "In heat stroke, the first

further reduce blood volume, making the heart work even harder. For patients with coronary artery disease, heart failure, hypertension, rhythm disorders, or those taking diuretics and blood pressure medications, this can increase the risk of dizziness, low blood pressure, palpitations, worsening heart failure, or even acute cardiac events. Cardiac patients should avoid peak heat hours, maintain hydration as advised by their doctor, never skip medicines without consultation, and seek help immediately if they experience chest discomfort, breathlessness, fainting, or unusual fatigue during hot weather." As part of the "Beat the Heat" public awareness campaign, AIG Hospitals, Banjara Hills will focus on simple preventive measures that can be adopted by every household. These include drinking water regularly and not waiting until thirsty, avoiding direct sun exposure between late morning and afternoon, wearing light-coloured and breathable clothing, using caps or umbrellas outdoors, taking frequent rest breaks, avoiding intense exercise during peak heat, checking on elderly family members, avoiding alcohol and excessive caffeine during extreme heat, and ensuring children and pets are never left inside parked vehicles. The hospital also advises people with diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, kidney disease, and elderly individuals to be extra cautious during heatwave conditions. They should monitor symptoms closely, keep emergency contacts available, store medications safely, and consult their doctor regarding fluid intake if they have any restrictions due to heart or kidney conditions. The "Beat the Heat" initiative will include public awareness camps, doctor-led talks, educational materials, media outreach, community engagement, and practical guidance on recognising and responding to heat-related illness. The campaign's core message is simple: heat stroke is preventable, but only if people recognise the risk early and act in time.

TRP forms Jogulamba Gadwal district committee to boost BC empowerment

Jogulamba Gadwal, May 6 (TSIT): The Telangana Rajyadhikara Party, founded by Teenmar Mallanna, has completed the Formation of its district executive committee in Jogulamba Gadwal with a focus on strengthening political empowerment. The appointments were made under the supervision of joint district in-charge Vemulawada Madana Mohanachari and led by district president Morugu Veeresh. The newly appointed office bearers have officially assumed their responsibilities. Uppari Gangadhar Sagar from Sindhanur village was named Working President, while Ashok

Pujari from Pulikam village was appointed Vice President. Minigi Bharathi from Thatikunta village will serve as District Women's President, R. Thippareddy as Farmers Wing President, Narasimha Raju as Labour Wing President, and Suresh Naidu as District Social Media Incharge. Party leaders said the formation of the district committee aims to strengthen the organisational structure at the grassroots level and expand the party's outreach across the region. The newly appointed leaders expressed their commitment to uphold the party's principles and work actively towards its growth and public service initiatives.

Indian Overseas Bank (Br. Code: 2583) #17/1-382/R/16817 Part, Main Road, RTC Officer's Colony, Champapet, Hyderabad, Telangana -500 079.

PUBLIC NOTICE / LEGAL NOTICE

To, Rita Dhar, Do Brinda Kumar Dhar, 18-3-76/15, Venkateswara Nagar Colony Nadargul, Balapur Mandal, K V Ranga Reddy District, HYDERABAD-501 510

Subject: Jewel Loan A/c No. 258303462002549 dated 09.12.2024 for Rs. 4,10,000/-

WHEREAS, Indian Overseas Bank through its Champapet branch had granted financial assistance to the Borrower mentioned above.

WHEREAS, the Borrower defaulted in making repayments of the loan. Consequently, the loan account was classified as a Non-Performing Asset (NPA) on 08-03-2026.

WHEREAS, a reminder notices dated 09-03-2026, 25-03-2026 and 10-04-2026 were sent to you at your last known address via Registered Post/Speed Post, which has been returned undelivered.

WHEREAS, you are under liabilities of Rs. 4,61,813.34 (Rupees Four Lakh Sixty One Thousand Eight Hundred Thirteen and Thirty Four paise only) as of 04-05-2026.

NOW THEREFORE, through this publication, notice is hereby given to you to pay the above-mentioned outstanding amount (plus interest and charges up to date of closure) within 15 days from the date of this notice, failing which the Bank shall proceed for auction of jewellery as per guidelines.

Date: 06-05-2026 Place: Champapet, Hyderabad. Authorized officer For INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

TELANGANA GRAMEENA BANK (Sponsored by State Bank of India) Hanumakonda Branch, Hanumakonda District Head Office, Hyderabad, RBO, Warangal

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, Read with rule 3 of the security interest Enforcement Rules 2002

A Notice is hereby given that the following Borrower/s **Sri Mohammed Rafin S/o Mohammed Rafin, Smt Raziya Begum, W/o Mohammed Rafin, Aadhar Address : 11-25-1011/1, Kothawada, Warangal, 506002. A/c. No. HL - 7312125445-5, Topup 7314115863-4,** has defaulted to the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Telangana Grameena Bank, Hanumakonda Branch and the loans have been classified as Non Performing Assets (NPA) The notice were issued to them under section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known address but they have been returned unreserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice

Name of the Borrowers : Sri. Mohammed Rafin, S/o. Mohammed Rafi Mohammed, Smt. Raziya Begum, W/o. Mohammed Rafin, Aadhar Address : 11-25-1011/1, Kothawada, Warangal 506002

Date of Demand Notice : 04.05.2026 Date of NPA : 01.05.2026

Amount Outstanding : Rs.18,67,992.41/- + 7,13,890.03/-, Total Liability Rs. 25,81,882.44/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Eighty One Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Two and Forty Four Paise Only) as on 04.05.2026 You are also liable to pay future interest & expenses costs charges etc.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY :- Schedule I : (As per Gift Deed 4305/2024) :- All the House property bearing H.No. 11-25-1011/1, measuring to an extent of 53.23 Sq Yards or 44.50 Sq Mtr situated at Kothawada, Warangal City and District within the Municipal Corporation limits Warangal within the Jurisdiction of sub Registrar Warangal fort Warangal and bounded by following boundaries : East : House of T. Bikshapathi # 11-25-1011, West : 30 feet Road, North : House of Donor, South : 30 feet Road, Schedule II : (As per Sale Deed 71132/2011) :- All the House property bearing H.No. 11-25-1078, measuring to an extent of 54 Sq Yards situated at Kothawada Warangal City and District within the Municipal corporation limits Warangal within the Jurisdiction of Sub Registrar Warangal fort Warangal and bounded by following boundaries : East : House of T Bikshapathi # 11-25-1011, West : Road, North : House of Thaum Rajamallu # 11-25-986, South : House of Purchaser

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower (s) and / or their Guarantor(s) whenever applicable) are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publications of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002.

Date : 04.05.2026 Place : Hanumakonda Sd/- Authorised Officer

CAN FIN HOMES LTD Branch Office: Unit no 201 Second Floor, Vijay Sai Towers, Kukatpally Tel : 040-35106304/3218, E-Mail:kukatpally@canfinhomes.com CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (Rules)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., under SARFAESI Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3, issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrowers / guarantors listed hereunder (hereinafter referred to as the "said Borrowers"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the Notice, within 60 days from the date of receipt of Notice, as per details given below.

The said Notices have been returned undelivered by the postal authorities / have not been duly acknowledged by the borrowers. Hence the Company by way of abundant caution is effecting this publication of the demand notice (as per the provisions of Rule 3 (1)). The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrowers, as per the said Act. As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to the Company by the respective parties as detailed below.

S. No.	Name of the Borrowers/ Guarantors with address	Amount claimed as per Demand notice Date 05-05-2026	Description of the secured Assets	Date of NPA
1	Mr. KODALA SOLOMON DAVIDRAJ (BORROWER) Individual House Plot No 10 Part Survey No 569 & 570 Vikas Nagar Colony Nagara Village Dananagauda Municipality Keesara Mandal Medchal Malkajgiri District Telangana 500083 Mrs. KODALA DAVIDRAJ DEENA RAJ (CO BORROWER) Individual House Plot No 10 Part Survey No 569 & 570 Vikas Nagar Colony Nagaram Village Dammaiguda Municipality Keesara Mandal Medchal Malkajgiri District Telangana 500083	Rs.58,14,386/- (Fifty Eight Lakhs Fourteen thousand three hundred and Eighty Six Rupees Only)	All that the Individual House bearing with Super built up area of 1450.0 Sq.feet,along with an undivided share of land measuring 180. Sq.yards,off RCC Roof in the Ground Floor, in the Survey No 569 & 570,Situated at Vikas Nagar Colony, Dammaiguda, H/O Nagaram Village, under Dammaiguda Municipality, Keesara Mandal, Medchal District,Telangana State and bounded by: BOUNDARIES FOR INDIVIDUAL HOUSE North: PLOT NO 10 PART, South: PLOT No9, East: 30' WIDE BTROAD, West:PLOT NO 13	01-05-2026
2	Mrs. GOLLAMUDI PRAVALLIKA (BORROWER) Flat No G2, Ground Floor Thandava Mansion Plot No 11,12 & 13 Survey No 53 & 59 Bagh Ameerli Village Kukatpally Mandal Medchal Malkajgiri District Telangana 500072 Mr. DONTUHLA MANIKANTA (CO BORROWER) Flat No G2, Ground Floor Thandava Mansion Plot No 11,12 & 13 Survey No 53 & 59 Bagh Ameerli Village Kukatpally Mandal Medchal Malkajgiri District Telangana 500072	Rs.38,79,695/- (Thirty eight Lakhs Seventy nine thousand Six hundred and Ninety Five Rupees Only)	All that the Flat No.G2 (in Ground Floor) bearing House No.3-6-12, with Super built up area of 900.0 Sq.feet (including common area), along with an undivided share of land measuring 50.0Sqyds in the building complex known as "THANDAVA MANSION" in Survey No. 53 & 59, Situated at Baghameerli Village, Under GHM: Circle, Kukatpally Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, Telangana State and bounded by: BOUNDARIES FOR LAND North: PLOT NO 10 South: OPEN SPACE East: 25' WIDE ROAD West: NEIGHBOURS PROPERTY BOUNDARIES FOR FLAT North: PASSAGE South: OPEN TO SKY East: OPEN TO SKY West: OPEN TO SKY	01-05-2026

* Payable with further interest at contractual rates as agreed from the date mentioned above till date of Payment.

You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon within 60 days from the date of publication this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers/guarantors is invited to provision of section 13(9) of the Act. In respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 06-05-2026, Place: Kukatpally Sd/- Authorised Officer, Can Fin Homes Ltd

EDITORIAL

Mafia, Scams and Shifting Loyalties: How Mamata Banerjee Lost The Plot

In any election, there is never just one reason behind how people vote. Outcomes are shaped by multiple forces working together over time. West Bengal has a population of roughly ten crore, with around six crore voters - figures that can be verified - but the larger point remains: no single factor explains such a political shift.

Over the past two years, I have travelled across almost every district in the state. Based on those observations, a clearer picture begins to emerge.

The first and most visible factor was strong anti-incumbency against the Trinamool Congress government. Fifteen years in power had inevitably created fatigue. Anti-incumbency, after all, is almost a law of nature: what rises must eventually face decline.

The second factor was something I noticed consistently across districts: the rise of local strongmen. In many places, groups of 'goons' operated under political protection. They exercised control, often through intimidation, and gradually a culture of extortion took root. This was particularly visible in sectors like real estate - everything from sand supply to cement distribution became part of a larger patronage network. For many, this system became a livelihood, but it also created a coercive structure in which ordinary people had to pay "cuts" not just to local political figures but, in some cases, to the police as well. Small party offices often became centres of local authority, with individuals acting as power brokers. This was not hidden; it was visible on the ground. Even something as everyday as running e-rickshaws became tied to informal payments. Many drivers - sometimes without proper registration - paid local intermediaries to operate. Once such systems took hold, they became difficult to challenge. People endured them, but a growing desire to break free was unmistakable.

The third major factor was a sense of disillusionment among sections of civil society. This was not always loud, but it was there. Closely linked to that was the impact of the education scam controversies, which significantly damaged public perception of the government. The RG Kar incident further intensified concerns, particularly around women's safety - and this had a crucial electoral impact, since women had been one of Mamata Banerjee's strongest support bases.

That support had not emerged overnight. It was built over years. Even during her tenure as Railway Minister, long before she became Chief Minister, she had introduced measures benefiting working-class women, especially those who commuted daily for domestic work. Later, as Chief Minister, schemes such as health coverage registered in women's names, travel allowances for patients, and direct financial assistance like Lakshmi Bhandar (₹1,500 per month) helped consolidate that base.

This time, however, there was visible erosion. One reason was the counter-campaign led by Narendra Modi, who commands his own strong appeal among women voters across India. Issues of safety, amplified by high-profile incidents, weakened the earlier consolidation. Modi emphasised women's security and, notably, promised ₹3,000 per month for women - a pledge he had not made before. In 2021, he had actually opposed such welfare schemes, calling them a driver of unemployment; recognising that approach had been a mistake, the BJP quietly changed course. The party is not averse to adopting the same playbook when it suits them.

The fourth factor was law and order - or, more precisely, its deterioration. Violence by TMC-affiliated elements increased markedly, particularly around elections. This pattern is not new to Bengal: when Congress fell, its strongmen migrated to the CPM; when the CPM fell, they migrated to the TMC. The TMC thus inherited and amplified a culture of coercion that previous governments had also relied upon.

Another significant shift came from the urban, educated middle class - the so-called bhadralok. Historically aligned with Congress, this group had moved toward the Left during the Singur and Nandigram agitations, and Mamata had shrewdly channelled that discontent into a political movement. But over time, particularly after industrial setbacks such as the departure of the Tata project from the state, confidence in her government began to erode. This erosion was visible even in constituencies like Bhawanipur - cosmopolitan, elite, and politically prestigious, the kind of seat once contested by leaders like Syama Prasad Mukherjee and Siddhartha Shankar Ray. The role of Suwendu Adhikari also stands out. Despite not coming from an elite urban background, he emerged as a credible and effective face for the BJP, particularly in consolidating Hindu votes. This brings us to another critical factor: religious polarisation. Muslim voters had traditionally backed Mamata Banerjee strongly, and there was every expectation that this would continue, especially given anxieties within the community about national politics under Modi and Amit Shah.

But the BJP's campaign intensified polarisation through aggressive labelling and pointed narratives. In response, Mamata attempted a counter-balance through visible religious outreach - visiting temples, invoking cultural symbols - yet these gestures did not fully neutralise the BJP's framing. The party managed to consolidate a large section of Hindu voters. There was also a widespread perception, especially in urban areas, that the state government had been overly accommodating toward certain groups even when law and order were at stake. Whether accurate or not, this perception had real electoral consequences. Symbolic issues - such as state involvement in temple affairs - became talking points that fed into the broader narrative. Finally, structural factors also played a role. Processes like voter list revisions (referred to in political circles as SIR) are believed by the BJP to have influenced outcomes, particularly in border districts. Without these factors, many of the shifts described above may not have translated as effectively into votes.

In the end, it was not one wave but many currents converging. Anti-incumbency, organisational fatigue, shifting voter loyalties, identity politics, and strategic campaigning all combined to reshape the electoral landscape. Mamata Banerjee did not lose the plot because of a single misstep. It was the cumulative weight of multiple changes - some gradual, some sudden - that altered the outcome.

The Vijay Paradox: How A 'Welfare State' Still Ended Up Dissatisfied

We know it is a case of anti-incumbency vote. We also know that Tamil Nadu is famous for turning movie stars into leading-edge politicians. But we need to look beyond these obvious clichés to figure out what the new normal is in the state's socio-economic dynamics. We need to deconstruct the much-discussed 'Gen Z' factor, under which a new generation of voters has catapulted into power a two-year-old toddler party in assembly elections. The huge mandate for C Joseph Vijay and his Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK - or Tamil Nadu's Victory Organisation) is such that one has to see its timing, manner, context, and the demographics surrounding the vote that has given the party a majority only a few seats short of an absolute assembly mandate. Reading the message of a mandate in an election, especially one in a parliamentary democracy, is akin to reading a tarot card that goes into the mystical ways of emotions, relationships, and intellect to predict moods and outcomes. In political terms, you could say that the TVK's surge is like a coming-of-age moment for Tamil Nadu. One is tempted to suggest that this may be the beginning of the end of feudal-era politics, in which kinships based on caste, community, or region are giving way to a broad-based mandate based not just on basic needs but on ambitions and aspirations.

As I told a panel discussion on NDTV, Vijay's arrival matches in political terms a Hindi punline that went viral through an advertisement for Pepsi-Cola, popular when the movie star was rising in the 1990s: "Yeh dil maange more" (This heart wants more). Look at the context. Tamil Nadu has seen about three decades of an IT revolution driven by com-



puters, software, and the business process outsourcing (BPO) industries. There is a whole generation of digital natives in a state that has about 57 million voters, of which about 23 million - or about 25% - are below the age of 40. Smartphone penetration was about 92% a year ago. The state's population is around 85 million, while wireless subscriptions add up to 80 million. Clearly, the younger lot uses social media more. One humourist says elections in the last decade were about WhatsApp, while now they are about Instagram - where Vijay scores magnificently with a cult following. You are looking at a generation that has moved past a previous one that had to survive droughts, severe unemployment, distress migration, and security in relationships and marriages linked to blood relations and traditions. As election day approached, packed special trains ferried hundreds of thousands of young voters from bustling industrial hubs like Chennai and Coimbatore to

remote southern district towns and villages to cast their ballots. They carried not just the voter cards that enabled them to press a button on electronic voting machines (EVMs) but memories of conversations and memes on social media, and aspirations in the companies that they directly or indirectly worked with, such as Microsoft, Infosys Cognizant, Google and Amazon. Read that with the fact that Vijay saluted the portrait of 'Periyar' Erode Venkatappa Ramasamy (EVR) Naicker as he started his political journey. Much is being made out by critics of EVR's controversial anti-Brahmin politics to suggest that the TVK is a break from the Dravida politics of the past because his party does not contain the word "Dravida", which has been a shorthand for non-Brahmin, Hindi-baiting, often atheistic core of the Dravida movement that EVR founded through his Justice Party in the British colonial era. It is true that Vijay is definitely shedding a lot of the Periyar-era baggage.

But what he has retained is EVR's rationalist core that questioned the existing social and political establishment. Status quo has not been fashionable in Tamil Nadu for nearly a century now. That questioning spirit has been repackaged for a Gen Z and/or Millennial bundle of aspirations, much of which will be tested in the coming days. The TVK has to go the extra mile to deliver the goods because the DMK (Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam) under MK Stalin had spread out a slew of welfareist and supportive measures and schemes spanning education, industry, startups, farming, and skill-building, which was good but not enough for the Gen Z voters who wanted more. This could be because the game has shifted to a new normal, in which basic needs such as livelihoods, food, and clothing have been well taken care of. It is common to see in Tamil Nadu migrant workers from northern states like West Bengal and Bihar because locals are either better employed in jobs gained from

higher education and migration to developed countries. This new normal is one in which conversations have also gone beyond welfareist handouts and job opportunities. Dynastic politics, corruption, and an entrenched oligarchy of political families collectively signal to a new generation that they may have been short-changed. Liquor barons, sand mafia, illegal stone quarrying and rave parties are as much a part of social conversations as AI jobs. Here is where the "Yeh dil maange more" appeal of a youthful, energetic Vijay kicks in. His rhetoric is embellished by punchlines and dance movements in which the gap between a political speech and a 30-second prime-time commercial gets blurred. It is tempting to draw some corporate analogies to underline what Vijay's aspirational politics represent. Imagine a Sunder Pichai, born in Madurai and raised in Chennai, who now heads Google, one of the world's most towering technology companies. A Sundarapandian raised in Madurai cannot easily aspire for a similar leadership role in a DMK or even an AIADMK. Somewhere deep down, this helps Vijay's political promise. Much like employees who seek stock options, leadership roles, and bonuses beyond the usual salary and an annual raise, the Gen Z voters of Tamil Nadu seem to have raised the bar. What happens next is something we need to watch carefully. After all, electoral politics is not a cola war. (Madhavan Narayanan is a senior editor, writer and columnist with more than 30 years of experience, having worked for Reuters, The Economic Times, Business Standard, and Hindustan Times after starting out in the Times of India Group.

From Confrontation to Consultation



AMARAVAJI NAGARAJU

The role played by RTC workers in the Telangana movement remains deeply etched in public memory. They were not mere participants but frontline contributors who sacrificed livelihoods, halted services, and risked personal security to support the cause of statehood. In the aftermath of Telangana's formation, there was a widespread expectation that their contributions would be honoured through job security, institutional strengthening, and welfare measures. However, those expectations remained largely unfulfilled during the previous regime. The discontent among RTC workers reached a peak during the 52-day strike in 2019. Far from being a routine labour protest, it was a movement rooted in dignity, livelihood security, and long-pending demands. The response of the then government was marked by rigidity. Declaring the strike illegal, refusing dialogue, and invoking the "self-dismissal" of nearly 48,000 employees created an atmosphere of fear and uncertainty. Reports of worker deaths, including alleged suicides, underscored the human cost of the crisis. Yet, a conciliatory approach was conspicuously absent.

The episode revealed a deeper structural issue: the failure to engage with labour concerns through democratic dialogue. Decisions such as delaying pay revisions, withholding retirement benefits, discontinuing union

recognition, and shelving the promise of RTC's merger into the government further eroded trust. For a workforce that had stood firmly behind the Telangana movement, this phase was widely perceived as a betrayal. In contrast, the current Congress government has adopted a markedly different approach. Under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, there has been a visible shift from confrontation to consultation. The government's handling of recent labour concerns reflects a willingness to engage, listen, and resolve through dialogue - a fundamental principle of democratic governance.

Transport Minister Ponnampalath Prabhakar's proactive intervention played a key role in resolving the latest strike within days. By facilitating discussions between management and worker unions, the government created space for negotiation and mutual understanding. The acknowledgment that long-pending issues cannot be resolved overnight, but require sustained engagement, reflects administrative maturity.

Concrete measures have further reinforced worker confidence. The government has agreed to an 11% fitment, initiated discussions on the long-pending merger issue through a committee, and restored the recognition of unions that were previously dissolved. Additionally, the clearance of pending dues, including Rs.280 crore in wage revision bonds and other allowances, signals a commitment to financial accountability. Equally significant has been the government's humane approach from engaging directly with workers to offering assurances on wages during strike periods and withdrawing cases filed earlier. Such gestures, though administrative in nature, carry symbolic weight in rebuilding trust.

THE DAM BREAKS:

Kerala Didn't Reject The Left, It Rejected What It Had Turned Into

There are election results that change governments, and there are verdicts that discipline political cultures. Kerala 2026 belongs to the second category. On the surface, the message is simple: the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF) has returned to power after a decade, the Left Democratic Front (LDF) has been thrown out, and the BJP has made a small but symbolically important advance.

The Election Commission's current figures show the Congress winning 63 seats, the CPI(M) 26, the IUML 22, the CPI eight, the Kerala Congress seven and the BJP three in the 140-member assembly; alliance-wise, the UDF has won 102 seats and the LDF 35. But Kerala rarely speaks in one register. This verdict is not merely an anti-incumbency wave, though anti-incumbency was undoubtedly its strongest current. It is also a moral correction issued by a politically literate electorate against the tone of power. The Left did not lose simply because voters stopped believing in welfare, social justice, secularism, or the larger grammar of the Kerala model. It lost because too many people, including sections of its own ecosystem, appeared to believe that the Left in office had drifted from the Left as an ethical idea.

The charge from within the anti-LDF space was not that Kerala wanted less Left, but that it wanted a humbler, more inclusive, more humane Left. That is why the description of the verdict as a victory for a "Nehruvian Left" is more than just clever phrase-making. It captures the paradox of this election: the Congress has won by occupying, in sentiment if not in party structure, the



moral space that the Left vacated. The scale of the UDF victory makes another uncomfortable truth difficult to ignore. Without leakage from within the Left's social and organisational base, 102 seats would have been almost impossible. This was not simply a Congress mobilisation from outside the fortress; it was also a revolt from within the walls. The Left rank and file, its fellow-travellers, its disappointed voters, and its local rebels together helped convert resentment into a verdict. Reports of the CPI(M) rebels damaging the party in bastions, including G Sudhakaran's UDF-backed independent victory in Ambalappuzha, point to a deeper breakdown rather than just ordinary electoral fatigue.

WHEN THE LEFT LOST DISTINCTION

The Left's gravest wound in Kerala was not numerical. It was ideological. For decades, the CPI(M)-led formation could claim, whatever its administrative flaws, a clear distinction from the BJP's politics. This time, that distinction was blurred in the public imagination. The LDF was unable to effectively counter the perception that it had played a soft-Hindutva card to arrest a possible drift of Hindu voters towards the

BJP. Worse, it was accused by critics of enabling or failing to distance itself adequately from communally loaded and Islamophobic voices. In a state where political nuance matters, that was a devastating failure. The danger of such blurring is obvious. If the Left is seen to be flirting with majoritarian anxieties, if it is accused of offering a softer version of what the BJP already offers in full ideological force, why should voters looking for that politics not choose the original? Kerala has not become a BJP state, but the BJP's three-seat breakthrough is not a footnote. It has won Nemom and Kazhakkootam in Thiruvananthapuram and Chathannoor in Kollam, giving it its best Assembly tally in the state.

What makes this more significant is geography. The BJP's gains have come from south Kerala, where the Left has traditionally had influence and where the Congress has not always been structurally dominant. This means the old assumption may need revision. The BJP was once expected to first weaken the Congress in Kerala and then confront the Left. The emerging contest may be different: the BJP could increasingly compete with the Left for opposition space in pockets where anti-Congress sentiment sur-

vives, but anti-Left confidence has collapsed. That is bad news for the CPI(M), because a party can recover from defeat; it is harder to recover from losing the ideological terms on which it is opposed.

THE UDF'S QUIET SOCIAL ARCHITECTURE

The UDF's victory was not built on noise alone. It was built through a quiet, patient, open-door architecture that allowed a wide range of political energies to enter its fold: minorities who felt anxious, Christians who had drifted away in the previous assembly election, Muslims who consolidated sharply, Left rebels who needed a platform, and civil society voices uncomfortable with the arrogance of the regime. This openness had risks. At one stage, critics tried to portray the Congress's broad tent as an excuse to accommodate headline Islamist opinion. But the party did not lose its nerve. It stayed the course, and the Left's own inability to fully reject tactical support from Islamist quarters weakened its ability to attack the Congress on that front. The result was a consolidation that had both social and psychological depth. The IUML's performance reflects this clearly: it won 22 of the 27 seats it contested, its best-ever assembly performance, and reinforced its position as the UDF's indispensable second pillar. Minority consolidation appears to have been decisive. Reports indicate that the UDF won overwhelmingly in constituencies with substantial Muslim populations, while Christian voters who had moved away from the Congress in the previous assembly election returned in significant measure.

Delay in bypoll result raises doubts, CBI probe needed: R. Ashoka

Bengaluru: Leader of Opposition R. Ashoka has demanded a CBI inquiry into the one-day delay in declaring the Sringeri by-election result, alleging possible pressure on election officials. Speaking to reporters after the oath-taking ceremony of MLA D. N. Jeevaraj at Vidhana Soudha, administered by Speaker U. T. Khader, Ashoka questioned why the result was not announced immediately after the recount. He said the court

had directed that the Election Commission issue the certificate without delay once the result was finalised. Ashoka alleged that despite the result being clear, officials delayed the declaration by a day, and called for a probe to identify if any external pressure was exerted. He also dismissed allegations of vote tampering, stating that strong rooms are under CCTV surveillance and police security, making manipulation unlikely.

Bengaluru allows withdrawal of erroneous eKhata applications

Bengaluru: Citizens in Bengaluru can now withdraw wrongly submitted eKhata applications, announced Munish Moudgil, Special Commissioner (Revenue & IT), as part of new reforms aimed at improving public services.

The announcement was made during a workshop held at Town Hall, where officials were briefed on enhancements to the eKhata system designed

to make property-related services more efficient and citizen-friendly. Officials highlighted that around 13.05 lakh property owners linked to SAS ID-based properties can now download eKhata certificates and apply for final eKhata online, reducing reliance on manual processes.

As part of the reforms, citizens can also modify select property details online, minimising the need for office



visits. A new provision allows applicants to withdraw incorrect submissions, providing greater flexibility and reducing procedural delays.

Additionally, an auto-validation feature has been introduced for properties marked as ready for registration. Based on verification of Encumbrance Certificates (EC), the system can now fast-track approvals, easing property transactions.

Addressing the officials, Moudgil emphasised the adoption of a simplified, transparent, and user-friendly system, reinforcing the administration's commitment to digital governance and improved citizen convenience. Senior officials, including Joint Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, and Revenue Department staff, attended the workshop.

Sub-division-wise Control Rooms Must Function Systematically: Dr. Rajendra K.V.

COMMISSIONER CONDUCTS INSPECTION AND MEETING IN BASAVANAGUDI DIVISION

Bengaluru: Bengaluru West City Corporation Commissioner Dr. Rajendra K.V. has directed officials to ensure that the sub-division-wise control rooms established within the corporation function systematically. He addressed a meeting held today with the Engineering and Revenue Department officials of the Basavanagudi Division regarding monsoon preparedness, property records, and the 2027 Census of India. He

instructed officials to expedite works such as desilting drains to ensure the smooth flow of rainwater and to open sub-division-level control rooms to operate efficiently.

Inspection of Various Locations: The Commissioner visited the Assistant Revenue Officer's office and reviewed the maintenance of mutation registers and e-Khata documentation related to property records. He personally verified the pro-

cess of linking property records with GPS tags along with the GPS operator in the Basavanagudi Division.

Regarding the census, he directed the Charge Officers to carry out the house-listing process systematically. Joint Commissioner Sangappa, Executive Engineer of the concerned division, Assistant Executive Engineers, Revenue Officers, and other staff members were present on the occasion.

Jeevaraj accuses Speaker of oath delay, Khader denies allegations

Bengaluru, May 6 (UNI) BJP MLA from Sringeri DN Jeevaraj on Wednesday said approaching the Governor became "inevitable" after he was allegedly denied an opportunity to take oath as a member of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly, even as Speaker UT Khader rejected allegations of deliberate delay and assured that the oath would be administered soon in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Addressing reporters at the BJP state headquarters Jagannath Bhavan here, Jeevaraj said he had formally sought permission to take oath as an MLA, but Speaker Khader did not provide an opportunity in time.

"We had requested permission for administering the oath. But since the Speaker did not allow it, approaching the Governor with a complaint became unavoidable," he said. Jeevaraj said the issue, which could have been handled in a simple manner, was unnecessarily turned into a "high-voltage" controversy. He added that had the Speaker informed them that arrangements would be made within a couple of days, there would have been no need to meet the Governor.

He claimed that after the BJP's victory following the recount, developments that unfolded were "unusual" and could set a wrong political precedent. "In a democracy, there



will be victory and defeat. But filing complaints and FIRs immediately after losing, merely because one's own party is in power, creates pressure on those who have won after a prolonged struggle," he alleged. Jeevaraj further claimed that if such trends continued, it could discourage candidates from even contesting by-elections or seeking recounts in future.

He said he had submitted a letter to the Assembly Secretary seeking arrangements for the oath-taking ceremony. Since the Speaker was unavailable in Bengaluru, a personal meeting could not be held, he added.

Meanwhile, speaking to reporters in Mangaluru, Speaker Khader denied allegations of intentional delay and said the oath would be administered at the earliest after following due constitutional procedure.

Khader said Governor Thawar Chand Gehlot had spoken to him over the phone regarding the issue and that he had already clarified the situation.

"There is no delay as such. The matter requires

proper discussion and legal consultation. I will administer the oath in accordance with the Constitution and established rules," he said.

Responding to criticism over alleged unresponsiveness, Khader said the request for oath-taking had been submitted in the morning with a demand for immediate action.

"If an application is submitted in the morning, how is it possible to administer the oath by evening? At least 24 hours' time should be given," he remarked. Referring to the legal and procedural complexities, Khader noted that Congress leader TD Rajegowda had earlier taken oath after being declared elected, before the Karnataka High Court ordered a recount in which Jeevaraj later emerged victorious.

"Tomorrow, if there is another development and the results change again, how should the process proceed? These issues are interconnected and require careful consideration," he said.

Khader also cautioned against statements that could create doubts over constitutional offices, saying such remarks would weaken democratic and parliamentary institutions. Jeevaraj, however, expressed surprise over the remarks made by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar after the BJP's victory in the recount process.

Congress betrayed DMK, INDIA bloc must introspect: R. Ashoka

Bengaluru: The Congress, which contested the elections in Tamil Nadu in alliance with DMK, has now stabbed the same party in the back. Opposition Leader R. Ashoka said that the INDIA alliance partner parties should introspect on this matter. Speaking to reporters, he said: "In Tamil Nadu, Congress's true colours have been exposed. The DMK leaders who befriended Congress are now left with sullen faces. It was decided that they would come together and form the government after the elections. But after the results, Congress has grabbed the 'winning horse's tail'."

These people follow no principles. DMK, which trusted them, has been backstabbed. It has now become clear to the people that Congress is a party that betrays its allies. It is evident that Congress is not worthy of trust. Other parties in the INDIA alliance should seriously introspect on this. They need to watch how Congress betrays its partners. Otherwise, the same fate that has befallen DMK awaits them too."

He also said that Speaker U.T. Khader has agreed to administer the oath of office to MLA D.N. Jeevaraj. After approaching the Governor, permission was granted for the oath. Once a name is published in the gazette and the Election Commission issues the certificate, the oath must be administered. Either the Governor or a person nominated by him can administer it. It is



heartening that in the final stage, Speaker U.T. Khader himself has indulged in vote theft. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who is accusing others of dacoity, should have approached the court first.

When Rajegowda won, the Election Commission was fine; now they say it is not. Rahul Gandhi says EVMs are fine in Kerala but not in West Bengal. All these people need a brain mapping done. At least now, they should think properly before speaking about election results," he said. "After Mallikarjun Kharge's entry, no one is talking about the CM's chair anymore.

D.K. Shivakumar's dream has been shattered. He had said, I, the rock of Kanakapura, will become the stepping stone to Vidhana Soudha. Senior Congress leaders are busy carving that rock into a stone idol. The complete stone idol is not yet ready. D.K. Shivakumar will remain just a stepping stone and will never be able to become the stone (idol) himself," Ashoka remarked.

HI LIFE SUMMER FASHION EXHIBITION TO BEGIN IN BENGALURU

Bengaluru: Fashion enthusiasts in the city can look forward to a stylish summer as the Hi Life Exhibition - Summer Edition arrives with a curated showcase of designer collections.

The three-day exhibition will be held from May 8 to May 10 at The Lalit Ashok, bringing together top designers from across India under one roof.

The event will feature an exclusive range of designer wear, elegant couture, statement jewellery, and trend-forward accessories, offering visitors an opportunity to refresh their seasonal wardrobe with the latest fashion trends.

Organisers said the exhibition aims to provide a premium shopping experience, showcasing unique and high-quality collections for fashion lovers in Bengaluru. With a mix of traditional and contemporary styles, the Hi Life Exhibition is expected to attract shoppers seeking distinctive designs and summer-ready fashion.



WILDFIRES AND MENTAL HEALTH: COMMUNITY FIRST, THEN THERAPY

It was pitch black and smoky at 4 a.m., when Vivianne Parker, 66, of Altadena, California, got the emergency notice to evacuate now as the Eaton Canyon wildfire was approaching her home. She hurriedly gathered some necessities and set out to walk the 3 miles to the Pasadena Convention Center, the nearest evacuation center. Soon, another neighbor joined her walk, then another neighbor saw them and offered to drive them to the center. Have you checked in with yourself today? Health experts outline habits that positively impact your mood and protect your state of mind. Inside the center, she and hundreds of other evacuees had cots and other amenities; outside, representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other groups had set up shop.

Inside the evacuation center, social worker Elizabeth Hamilton, LCSW, MPH, senior director of regional behavioral health at Kaiser Permanente Southern California, was offering a listening ear to the evacuees. "People are looking for comfort," she said, and are reaching out to others to get that. "There is comfort in connections, in knowing people have your back."

Some call this psychological first aid, an approach used by mental health experts to reduce distress, encourage hope, and help people affected reconnect with family and friends. The support and connections just after a wildfire disaster can go a long way in preserving mental health, researchers have found. After a wildfire disaster, receiving good support from the community is at the top of the list for mental health, according to Vincent Agyapong, MD, PhD, a professor and head of psychiatry at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, who has long researched the mental health status of people affected by wildfires and other climate events.

"The most positive predictor of psychological well-being was the perception you are receiving good support from the community." That support can come from family, friends, local groups, or government, he said. As the fires continue to burn, the Los Angeles community continues to offer support. As of January 22, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the Eaton Fire was 91% contained; Palisades, 68%. More than 15,700 structures have been destroyed and more than 40,000 acres



burned. About 200,000 people were under evacuation orders at first, although some of those orders were later lifted.

Restaurants invited people affected by the fire to stop by for a meal. Hotels and short-term rentals are offering free or discounted stays. One collection point - Santa Anita Park, near the Eaton Fire - was so full of donations just four days after the fires began, the organizers said they didn't need more of some donations. Animal shelters helped evacuate small and large animals. Music benefits with big names are scheduled. GoFundMe accounts to help people rebuild are being set up at brisk rates. A synagogue in Pacific Palisades that survived the fire put together an information panel with speakers who had lost their homes in previous fires. A Veterans of Foreign Wars post miles from the fires is hosting a \$10-a-bowl pozole benefit, giving proceeds to displaced veterans. Clothing retailers are offering new clothes, gratis, to those affected. In 2024, according to the National Centers for Environmental Information, more than 61,000 U.S. wildfires burned more than 8.8 billion acres, the seventh-most burned acreage over the last 25 years. As the number of wildfires grows, research on the mental health effects is increasing. Alison Hwang, MD, PhD, an assis-

tant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at the Stanford School of Medicine, analyzed data from the California Health Interview Survey, which in 2021 added questions about exposure to extreme weather events and mental health. More than half, 53%, reported their mental health was affected by climate events such as wildfires. Young, White, college-educated respondents, as well as women and rural residents, were more likely to report poorer mental health, but Hwang can't entirely explain that finding. People with mental health issues are more vulnerable, she and others said. Agyapong's team tracked the mental health status of residents affected by the 2016 Fort McMurray wildfire in Canada, with 2,400 homes destroyed and 88,000 people evacuated. "Those who reported no support from the community were at greater risk of mental health problems at six months and also at five years," Agyapong said. Family and friend support also protected people from depression, he found. His team reviewed 63 published studies on the impact of wildfires on mental health, finding an increased rate of posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, and anxiety both right after the disaster and for years after. Just after evacuation, "people are seeking immediate

relief," said Dawn Gillam, a licensed clinical social worker and executive leader of behavioral health services at Kaiser Permanente Southern California. "They want to know where to get a shower, where to get food. They want help walking their dogs, playing with their kids." Then, "A few days in, they want to talk about their feelings. People want to talk about their frustration over little things, like they are not getting a warm-enough shower." Whether a therapist, friend, or family member is listening, people want to feel validated about how they are feeling, therapists said. Hamilton recalled a woman at the evacuation center who told her: "I'm not a crier, but I can't stop crying." She was in community leadership roles, and the reversal, of needing help instead of giving it, was difficult for her to accept, Hamilton said. Hamilton assured her that crying was normal, telling her: "We've been through the scariest days."

Humor might help. One woman fretted that she hadn't gathered the right belongings when she had to evacuate quickly. Hamilton teased her: "You didn't evacuate right?" That got a laugh. Another man joked: "People have told me my whole life I should see a therapist. Now might be the time." Hamilton has heard a lot of "I should have" and tells people to ease up on themselves. "All kinds of emotions get triggered by events like this," said Jeffrey Katzman, MD, a psychiatrist and director of the Silver Hill Academy for Research and Education in New Canaan, Connecticut. He grew up in Pacific Palisades and went to school there. Long-distance, he's helping family members who had to evacuate and are missing important medical equipment. "There's sadness, there is numbness. It's important to honor those feelings and have someone to listen." While Katzman said it's important to honor the range of emotions of someone who's been through a wildfire, "you don't want to get stuck there. It's important to keep moving." One way to do that, he said, is to regain structure in one's life. He advises those affected by wildfires to plan, as best and quickly as possible, how they'll work, where they will live. "Structure helps to engender a sense of hope, meaning, and a sense of the future. It takes us away from living in the loss and trauma."

GLP-1 drugs offer benefits but raise concerns over side effects, drug interactions: Experts

While GLP-1 receptor agonists (GLP-1 RAs) are gaining widespread use for diabetes and weight management due to their added health benefits, experts have flagged growing concerns over side effects and potential drug interactions. These medications, known for improving glycaemic control and aiding weight loss, are also associated with several gastrointestinal side effects such as nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhoea, constipation, bloating and flatulence. Other risks include hypoglycaemia when used alongside other antidiabetic drugs, gallstone formation, rare cases of pancreatitis, and possible loss of muscle and bone mass. Studies have also highlighted issues such as treatment discontinuation rates of 4-8 per cent, weight regain after stopping the drug, and high costs, raising questions about long-term sustainability. Experts note that long-term data on safety and effectiveness remain limited, particularly regarding bone health, fracture risk, and other adverse outcomes.

A key concern that has gained attention is the potential for drug interactions. GLP-1 RAs can delay gastric emptying, which may affect the absorption and effectiveness of other oral medications. Significant interactions have been observed with certain drugs. Tirzepatide has been shown to alter levels of oral contraceptives, while oral semaglutide may impact levothyroxine levels. When combined with insulin or sulfonylureas, the risk of hypoglycaemia increases, requiring dose adjustments. Additionally, experts advise discontinuing dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors when initiating GLP-1 therapy, as both act on similar pathways. There are also concerns that GLP-1 RAs may significantly increase levels of dabigatran, potentially raising bleeding risk. However, no major clinically relevant changes have been observed with drugs such as warfarin, digoxin, lisinopril, metformin, atorvastatin and paracetamol, despite minor variations in absorption patterns. Medical experts emphasise the need for further research to better understand these interactions and ensure safer use, especially for patients taking medications with narrow therapeutic ranges.

Cong breaks ranks with DMK, announces to support Vijay govt, heartburn in Stalin camp

Chennai, May 7 (UNI) Breaking ranks with the DMK, the Congress on Wednesday announced its decision to support Tamil Nadu Vetri Kazhagam (TVK) of actor-politician Vijay to form a secular government which has predictably enraged its former ally with the Dravidian major slamming it as an act of 'betrayal and backstabbing'.

With the election results throwing up a hung assembly, the Congress, with 5 legislators, is the first party to extend support to the TVK, which has emerged as the single largest party with 108 seats, including two won by Vijay, in the 234-member House and it required the support of



another 11 MLAs to prove its majority in the Assembly. The speed and alacrity with which the national party has acted signals the teaming up of Vijay with Congress leader Rahul Gandhi.

"The Tamil Nadu Congress Committee and the Congress Legislature Party (CLP) has decided to extend its full support to the TVK to form the

government. Our support shall be conditional upon the TVK keeping out of this alliance any communal forces that do not believe in the Constitution of India," AICC in-charge of Tamil Nadu, Girish Chodankar announced in a statement, adding that this followed a formal request from Vijay to the Congress leadership.

Explaining that the people of Tamil Nadu, especially youth, have delivered a very clear and overwhelming verdict for a secular, progressive and welfare government, the statement said "It is our constitutional duty to respect, uphold and help fulfil this mandate."

This marks the end of the more than a decade-long alliance with the DMK (that was revived in 2016 Assembly polls) which also puts the future of the INDIA bloc in to question.

The Congress which has won five of the 28 seats it contested in the DMK-led alliance, has made it clear that it is a historic duty to support a secular government in

Tamil Nadu to keep the BJP at bay. But, this is not palatable to the DMK, which has decided to sit in the opposition, accepting the people's mandate.

Reacting to the development, DMK spokesperson Saravanan Annadurai fumed that this is nothing but 'backstabbing and betrayal' by the Congress. "It was the sweat and blood of the DMK which had given the victory for the Congress. Even before the ink on the Returning Officer's signature on the victory certificate could dry up, the Congress has rushed to this new alliance. It is nothing but backstabbing and betrayal not only against us, but against the people of Tamil Nadu," he said.

CM-Elect Vijay meets TN Guv, stakes claim to form govt, swearing in tomorrow

Chennai, May 6 (UNI) On a day of fast paced political developments and a day after he was unanimously elected as the Legislature Party (LP) Leader of the Tamil Nadu Vetri Kazhagam (TVK), its Founder and Chief Minister-elect C Joseph Vijay on Wednesday called on Tamil Nadu Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar and staked his claim to form the next government, and the swearing in ceremony all set to take place in the forenoon of tomorrow.

Soon after the Governor landed in Chennai from Kerala, the actor-turned-politician, armed with the resolution adopted at the meeting of newly-elected TVK MLAs electing him as the LP leader and also with the letter of support given by Congress, which had earlier in the day severed its ties with the DMK and allied with the TVK, and the letters of the support signed by five of its Legislators, drove down to the Lok Bhavan met the Governor and staked claim to form the government.

The Governor welcomed Vijay, who was accompanied by senior leaders K A Sengottaiyan, TVK Secretary Bussy N Anand, Election Campaign Management General Secretary Aadhav Arjuna and others, by shaking hands, presenting him a shawl and a bouquet of flowers and also presented him with a memento.

After handing over the letter electing him as the LP leader and the one given by Congress and its MLAs, Vijay staked his claim to form the government being the single largest party.

Later, during a 30-minute meeting with the Governor, Vijay, who still needed the support of six MLAs to get



the magical number of 118 in the 234-member Assembly, was said to have discussed about the the swearing in ceremony and also sought time to prove his majority on the Floor of the House.

The charismatic Vijay in an unprecedented show of his youth and women power, came up with a stunning performance at the hustings, proved wrong all the post-poll predictions and won 108 seats in his first ever electoral foray putting an end to the six-decade long Dravidian duopoly.

Since Vijay himself had won from two seats—Perambur in Chennai city and Tiruchy East—technically, the TVK has 107 MLAs and needed the support of 11 more MLAs to get to the magical mark of 118.

In this scenario, the Congress, which had been riding piggyback with the DMK, which headed the multi-party coalition and won all the successive elections since 2017, snapped ties with it and announced its alliance with the TVK earlier in the day.

The alliance with the DMK continued in this

year's Assembly elections also but the DMK, which was eyeing for a second successive term, was blown away by the Vijay's political avalanche, as the Congress won just five of the 28 seats it had secured and contested after hard bargaining.

As the polls gave a fractured mandate resulting in hung Assembly, with the TVK, which had already promised to share power in the run up to the polls if it was voted to power, emerging as the single largest party, the Congress broke ranks with the DMK and ended its decade long honeymoon with the Dravidian major.

After Vijay formally sought its support, the Congress highcommand, after holding detailed discussions gave the nod following which a Congress delegation headed by AICC Tamil Nadu in-charge Girish Chodankar and TNCC President K Selvaperunthagai met Vijay and cemented the alliance to ensure formation of a secular government and to keep the communal forces like BJP at bay, and handed over the letters of support.

Auto, loadvan drivers take 2 seats into TVK's kitty



CHENNAI: In Chennai's Royapuram constituency, an auto driver handed TVK a coveted win, defeating former AIADMK minister D Jayakumar and the son of former minister Rahman Khan, A Subair Khan of DMK.

Vijay Damu, a district secretary of TVK, secured 59,091 votes, about 14,000 votes more than the runner-up DMK candidate. Damu's gesture of falling at Vijay's feet and hugging after his surprise candidature drew attention on social media. He called him-

self a "normal auto driver", but on May 4, Damu prevailed over two strongmen. In a similar story, TVK's R Prakasam alias Kutty, a loadvan driver, became the Poonamallee MLA 1,61,309 votes, with a whopping 72,740 margin over DMK's Krishnaswamy A.

TN Guv Arlekar honours Vijay with shawl, memento, but yet to extend invite to form govt

Chennai, May 6 (UNI) As part of further enhancing passenger amenities and decongesting and improving station infrastructure, Southern Railway has commissioned 20 new parking facilities in Chennai Division during the 2025-26 fiscal.

With this addition, the total number of authorized parking locations across the Division has increased from the present 106 to 126.

These parking facilities have been developed to provide organized, secure, and easily accessible parking spaces, thereby improving passenger convenience and decongesting station premises. A major highlight of this initiative is the commissioning of a Multilevel Parking Facility at Chengalpattu Railway Station, covering an area of 820.32 sqm, catering to the high commuter footfall at this key junction. The parking facilities have been opera-

tionalized at several locations including Vandalur, Potheri, Avadi South, Avadi North, Tambaram East, Chengalpattu, Perambur Carriage Works, Singaperumalkoil, Kadambattur, Tambaram Sanatorium, Nemilicherry, Ennore, Sullurupeta, Arakkonam, Guindy, St. Thomas Mount, Perambur and Jolarpettai.

Additionally, certain locations such as Chengalpattu and Perambur have been covered under development initiatives, including the Amrit Station Scheme (ABSS), a Railway release said. To enhance user convenience and safety, these facilities are equipped with modern features such as digital ticketing systems, UPI-enabled digital payment options and CCTV surveillance systems, it said, adding, the Chennai Division remains committed

Creatine: Beyond bodybuilding, researchers highlight wider health and brain benefits



New Delhi, May 6: Long associated with bodybuilding and fitness circles, creatine is increasingly being recognised for its broader role in human physiology, with new research suggesting potential benefits that extend far beyond muscle growth.

Scientists say the naturally occurring compound plays a key role in energy production, cognitive function and cellular metabolism, with ongoing studies exploring its possible therapeutic applications. Creatine is produced in the body in the liver, kidneys and pancreas from amino acids such as glycine, argi-

nine and methionine. Nearly 95 per cent of it is stored in skeletal muscles, while smaller amounts are found in the brain and heart.

Inside cells, creatine is converted into phosphocreatine, which helps regenerate ATP—the body's primary energy source—particularly during high intensity physical or mental activity. Once used, it breaks down into creatinine and is excreted through urine.

Experts emphasise that creatine is not a steroid, but a natural building muscle.

"Creatine's role in muscle development is solely to provide energy for contraction and respiration," noted pharmaceutical researcher Dr Mehdi Boroujerdi, adding that it should not be confused with performance-enhancing steroids. Creatine monohydrate, the most widely studied form, has been shown to improve strength, power output and training capacity during short bursts of intense activity by increasing muscle energy reserves.

Beyond physical performance, emerging research suggests potential cognitive benefits, including

improvements in memory, mood and processing speed, particularly in older adults or individuals with low baseline creatine levels.

Studies are also exploring its possible role in conditions such as Parkinson's disease, depression, and age-related muscle and bone loss, although researchers stress that more clinical evidence is needed before firm conclusions can be drawn.

Experts say supplementation protocols typically involve either a loading phase or a steady daily intake of 3-5 grams, with absorption influenced by diet, muscle capacity and metabolic factors. Combining creatine with carbohydrates may enhance uptake.

Research indicates that response to creatine varies by age, gender and diet. Vegetarians and vegans, who generally consume little or no dietary creatine, may experience greater benefits compared to omnivores.

Despite its strong safety profile in healthy individuals, experts caution that creatine is not a "magic solution" and does not replace proper training, nutrition or medical treatment where required.

"Creatine is a supplement with significant potential, but not a panacea," researchers said, highlighting the need for continued studies to better understand its long-term effects and optimal use.

World Hand Hygiene Day 2026: Small habit, big impact in preventing diseases

Mumbai, May 5: Observed annually across the globe, World Hand Hygiene Day serves as a powerful reminder that a simple act like washing hands can save millions of lives. In today's fast-paced lifestyle, hand hygiene is often neglected despite hands being constant carriers of germs from surfaces such as mobile phones, door handles, currency, and food. Without proper cleaning, these microbes can easily enter the body and cause infections.

The 2026 campaign emphasises the importance of timely action, urging individuals and healthcare systems to strengthen infection prevention practices. It highlights the need to integrate hand hygiene into national health strategies and improve monitoring of compliance.

A key message this year underlines that wearing gloves is not a substitute for clean hands. Even when gloves are used, proper hand hygiene remains essential to prevent the spread of infections.

Health experts, including the World Health Organization, continue to stress that handwashing is one of the most effective ways to curb the transmission of bacteria and viruses.

Maintaining clean hands helps prevent the spread of infectious diseases, protects vulnerable groups such as children and the elderly, reduces healthcare-associated infections, and promotes overall well-being. Poor hand hygiene is a major contributor to several illnesses. Diarrhoeal diseases, often caused by contaminated food and water, can be significantly reduced through proper washing practices. Respiratory infections like colds and flu spread when viruses transfer from sur-



faces to the face via hands.

Hand hygiene also plays a crucial role in limiting the spread of COVID-19 and other viral infections. Food poisoning, caused by bacteria entering food through unclean hands, and eye and skin infections resulting from touching the face with dirty hands, can also be prevented with consistent hygiene.

Experts recommend washing hands with clean water and soap, scrubbing all surfaces including between fingers and under nails for at least 20 seconds, followed by thorough rinsing and drying with a clean towel. Simple habits such as washing hands before meals and after using the restroom, car-

rying hand sanitizer while traveling, avoiding unnecessary face-touching, and maintaining clean nails can make a significant difference. Teaching children these habits early is also crucial.

Health authorities caution against rushing the process, skipping soap, ignoring fingertips and nails, relying solely on gloves, and neglecting handwashing after coughing or sneezing. The message of World Hand Hygiene Day 2026 is clear—small, consistent actions can have life-saving outcomes. By making handwashing a daily habit, individuals can protect not only themselves but also their families and communities from preventable diseases.

Effect of Shah's Chanakya Neeti: From Chhattisgarh to Haryana, Maharashtra, Delhi and Bengal, the Lotus has bloomed everywhere

AMIT SHAH DEFEATED MAMATA BANERJEE IN HER OWN STRONGHOLD OF BHAWANIPUR

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West Bengal: The land of Bengal, once fragrant with the music of Rabindranath Tagore, the spiritual brilliance of Swami Vivekananda, and the timeless writings of Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay, had, for decades, wrapped itself in a silence that signalled not development, but the ominous echo of decline. This was the Bengal that once showed direction to the entire nation, yet the wheel of time pushed it into a dark corridor of politics where only the noise of violence and vengeance prevailed. For 35 years, the Communist "Red Corridor" weakened Bengal's industrial backbone, and over the past 15 years, the rule of the All India Trinamool Congress dragged it further into a swamp of corruption, appeasement, and disorder. The closure of jute mills silenced the morning sirens, industries came to a halt, and Bengal's youth were forced to leave their own land in search of employment. In a state known for its rich cultural identity, the melodies of Rabindra Sangeet were replaced by the blasts of bombs and gunfire. From



Sandeshkhali to R. G. Kar Medical College and Hospital, stories of exploitation of women and administrative negligence pierced the very soul of Bengal. But the scorching summer of 2026 began scripting a new chapter. When Amit Shah, often called the modern "Chanakya" of Indian politics, landed at Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport, there was a visible resolve etched on his face and a clear blueprint of the future in his eyes. He sensed that Bengal was no longer seeking just a change in power, but a restoration of its

lost identity. Shah's Chanakya-like strategy was not merely theoretical; after demonstrating its impact in states like Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Maharashtra, and Delhi, he now set out to implement it on Bengal's fertile political ground. Leaving behind the air-conditioned rooms of Delhi, Shah made the streets of Bengal his base. For 15 continuous days, he immersed himself in the dust and pulse of the state as if he were not campaigning for an electoral victory, but embarking on a mission to revive civilisation. The most defining feature of

Shah's working style is his unwavering determination. In political circles, it is often said that, whether in Bhawanipur or New Delhi, transforming resolve into results defines Amit Shah. The rise of the Bharatiya Janata Party in Bengal is not a one-day miracle, but the result of a decade-long perseverance led by Amit Shah. If we turn the pages of history, in the 2016 Assembly elections, the BJP had to settle for just 3 seats. But Shah did not give up; he began identifying possibilities even in a vacuum. By the time the 2021 elections arrived, his strate-



gy started delivering results, with the BJP's strength rising from 3 to 77 seats, creating the first major crack in the seemingly invincible fortress of Mamata Banerjee. And now, reaching the massive figure of 207 seats in 2026 stands as a testament to Shah's organisational mastery, often described as the pinnacle of "booth management." An unbeatable warrior in the electoral arena, Shah wove Bengal's geography into the threads of his strategy. With more than 50 rallies and countless roadshows, he wasn't merely delivering speech-

es; he was invoking Bengal's glorious past, which he argued had been compromised under the "syndicate raj" and "cut money" culture of the All India Trinamool Congress. From the tea gardens of North Bengal to the creeks of the Sundarbans, the discussion around the "lotus" began to resonate everywhere. Shah built such a formidable organisational structure that the cadre-based dominance of the Trinamool Congress started collapsing like a house of cards. The management strategist Amit Shah had deployed his "silent army" at

every polling booth across Bengal. While Mamata Banerjee appeared absorbed in confidence of incumbency, Shah was quietly making inroads into regions where the Bharatiya Janata Party had traditionally been considered weak. He instilled a strong belief among the people of Bengal that under the leadership of Narendra Modi, the vision of "Sonar Bangla" could truly be realised. The massive crowds at rallies reflected a clear shift where the hunger for development began to outweigh the fear of destruction and the fatigue of violence-driven politics. One

of the most fascinating and historic moments of this electoral battle was the contest in Bhawanipur. Considered an impregnable stronghold of Mamata Banerjee, Shah's organisational prowess turned the tide here. This victory was not merely territorial; it carried deep symbolism, sending a message that public anger can outweigh even the strongest political strongholds. Shah demonstrated that with a precise strategy and motivated cadre, even the mightiest fortresses of opposition can be conquered. His prediction that "Bengal will be in BJP's fold in 2026" was no longer just a statement; it had transformed into a ground reality. His zero-tolerance stance against corruption, combined with the Modi government's infrastructure push, resonated deeply with the people. Finally, when the ballot boxes were opened on May 4, the results made history. The "Modi magic" connected with the hearts of the people, while the "Shah factor" converted that support into a mountain of votes. After nearly five decades of political darkness, a saffron sunrise emerged over Bengal.

Oil prices drop and stock markets rise after reports of deal to end Iran war

AGENCY
Mumbai: Oil prices have dropped and global stock markets have risen following reports that the US and Iran are close to a deal to end the war. Brent crude futures, the global benchmark oil price, fell to \$97 (£73) a barrel after the reports before rebounding. The price was over \$108 earlier in the day. The FTSE 100 index of London's largest public firms and the equivalent German Dax had risen over 2% mid-way through the trading day while the French Cac 40 was up 3%. Asian stock markets closed up. The market movements come after news outlet Axios reported that the US believes it is getting close to a one-page document which will end the war and set up more detailed nuclear negotiations. Oil prices are still much higher than the \$70 a barrel they were hovering around before the start of the US-Israel war with Iran, which has caused production and transportation of oil in the region to slump. Central to the conflict is Iran's threat to attack oil ships crossing the Strait of



Hormuz, a narrow waterway south of the country, in response to US-Israeli strikes since 28 February. About a fifth of global oil and gas shipments usually cross the strait, which has been effectively closed for weeks. Global gas prices have also soared since the conflict began. As for stock markets, the big European bourses are lower than they were at the end of February, while the S&P 500 is higher. The main Asian markets all rose on Wednesday, with the South Korean Kospi closing up 6.45%, the Hong Kong Hang Seng ending the day up 1.22%, and the Japanese Nikkei finishing 0.38% higher. The Hang Seng is down

since the start of war, but the other two are up. On 8 April, the US and Iran agreed a ceasefire, which caused oil prices to slump and stock markets to jump. However, on Sunday, US President Donald Trump said the US military would guide ships through the Strait of Hormuz, dubbing it "Project Freedom", leading to a rise in attacks in the strait from both Iran and the US. Trump then said on social media on Tuesday he would pause the operation "for a short period of time to see whether or not the Agreement can be finalized and signed". He added that "Great Progress has been made toward a Complete and Final

Agreement with Representatives of Iran". Trump said the US would continue to block ships transiting to and from Iranian ports, a move designed to put pressure on Iran's economy. On Wednesday, Axios reported that the US believes it is getting close to a one-page memorandum of understanding to end the war, citing two U.S. officials and two other sources briefed on the issue. That would, it is claimed, declare an end to the war in the region and start a 30-day period of negotiations on a deal to re-open the strait, limit Iran's nuclear programme, and lift US sanctions. The reports suggest this is the nearest to agreement that both sides have been since the conflict got under way. The US is believed to be awaiting response from Iran on several key points within the next 48 hours. US Secretary of State Marco Rubio also told reporters on Tuesday the initial US-Israeli offensive in Iran was over, as Washington's objectives had been met. "We would prefer the path of peace.

Samsung crosses USD 1 trillion valuation as AI boosts demand for chips

AGENCY
Mumbai: Samsung Electronics is now worth USD 1 trillion, joining a tiny club of the world's most valuable companies, after a global rush to build artificial intelligence (AI) systems sent demand for its computer chips soaring. The South Korean company's shares jumped 11 per cent on Wednesday, May 6, completing a stunning four-fold rise over the past year. It is only the second Asian company ever to hit this valuation after Taiwan's TSMC. Why chips are suddenly so valuable Every AI application - from ChatGPT to self-driving cars - needs vast amounts of memory chips to function. Samsung makes more of these chips than almost anyone else in the world, which means the AI boom has been extraordinarily good for its business. In the first three months of this year, Samsung's chip division earned 48 times more profit than it did in the same period last year. Companies building AI data centres



are buying chips as fast as Samsung can make them, and paying top prices to get them. In a potential boost to Samsung's prospects, Apple has reportedly held early-stage talks about getting Samsung to make the main processors for its devices in the United States, which it currently relies on TSMC to do. Will

the rally last? The supply of memory chips is currently tight, and Samsung has itself warned that the crunch will get worse in 2027, which means chip prices are likely to keep rising. Analysts polled by Bloomberg expect the stock to climb another 30 per cent over the next year. However, not everything is

going Samsung's way. While the chip business is booming, its smartphone and screen divisions are struggling with rising costs for raw materials and components. In the first three months of this year, Samsung's chip division earned 48 times more profit than it did in the same period last year.

VODAFONE IDEA SHARES SURGE OVER 5 PC



AGENCY
New Delhi: Shares of Vodafone Idea jumped over 5 per cent on Wednesday, May 6, as Aditya Birla group Chairman Kumar Mangalam Birla will now steer the debt-ridden firm as its new non-executive chairman. The stock climbed 5.37 per cent to Rs 11.38 on both the BSE and NSE during the morning trade. He will replace Ravinder Takkar, who has

stepped down from the position but will continue to assist Birla as non-executive vice-chairman, according to a regulatory filing on Tuesday. Vodafone Idea said that the board of directors has "Approved the appointment of Mr. Kumar Mangalam Birla, a Non-Executive Director, as the Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of Vodafone Idea Limited with effect from 5th May

2026." The board has also approved the appointment of Takkar as the Non-Executive Vice Chairman. Vi has incurred a loss of Rs 17,418 crore during the nine months ended December 2025, and its net worth stood at negative Rs 87,744 crore. Vi has incurred a loss of Rs 17,418 crore during the nine months ended December 2025, and its net worth stood at negative Rs 87,744 crore.

South Indian Bank Achieves Highest Ever Net Profit of Rs. 1,455 Crores and Recommends Dividend of 45%



TSIT DESK
Hyderabad: South Indian Bank declared net profit of Rs. 1,455.14 Cr for the FY 25-26 registering a growth of 11.69% compared to Rs. 1,302.88 Cr in FY 24-25. **Key Highlights of FY 2025-26** Highest ever business of Rs. 2,23,620 Cr in the history of the Bank Highest ever Net Profit of Rs. 1,455 Cr in the history of the Bank Highest ever Operating Profit of Rs. 2,373 Cr in the history of the Bank

Non-Interest Income of Rs. 2,009 Cr in the history of the Bank PCR including write off increased by 907 bps from 85.03% to 94.10% on Y-o-Y basis PCR excl. write off increased by 810 bps from 71.77% to 79.87% on Y-o-Y basis GNPA dropped by 177 bps from 3.20% to 1.43% on Y-o-Y basis NNPA reduced by 63 bps from 0.92% to 0.29% on Y-o-Y basis Operating Profit of the year increased by 4.55% from Rs. 2,270 Cr in FY 25 to Rs. 2,373

Y-o-Y growth	Rs. in Crores			
	Year ended 31-03-2026	Year ended 31-03-2025	Growth	%
Gross Advance	1,00,274	87,579	12,695	14.50%
Retail Deposits	1,20,116	1,04,750	15,366	14.67%
NRI Deposit	35,371	31,602	3,769	11.92%
Current Deposits	7,146	6,030	1,116	18.51%
Savings Deposits	32,475	27,699	4,776	17.24%
CASA	39,621	33,730	5,891	17.47%
CASA %	32.12%	31.37%	0.75%	
Gross NPA %	1.43%	3.20%	-1.77%	
Net NPA %	0.29%	0.92%	-0.63%	
Net Interest Income	3,437	3,486	49	1.41%
Other income	2,009	1,813	196	10.81%
Operating Profit	2,373	2,270	103	4.55%
Provisions excluding tax	417	513	-96	-18.71%
Profit before tax	1,956	1,757	199	11.33%
Net Profit after tax	1,455	1,303	152	11.67%
Bulk Deposit	3,230	2,776	454	16.35%
Total Deposit	1,23,346	1,07,526	15,820	14.71%

	Quarter ended			
	31-03-2026	31-03-2025	Growth	%
Net Interest Income	915	868	47	5.41%
Other income	386	572	-186	-32.52%
Operating Profit	581	683	-102	-14.93%
Provisions excluding tax	34	224	-190	-84.82%
Profit before tax	547	459	88	19.17%
Net Profit after tax	408	342	66	19.30%

Cr to Rs. 32,475 Cr

ADVANCES
Gross advances grew by Rs. 12,695 Cr from Rs. 87,579 Cr to Rs. 1,00,274 Cr showing an increase of 14.50% on Y-o-Y basis Corporate Segment grew by Rs. 2,472 Cr from Rs. 36,198 Cr to Rs. 38,670 Cr showing an increase of 6.83% on Y-o-Y basis, in well rated borrower accounts Share of A and above rated accounts in large corporate segments stood at 99.10% Gold Loan portfolio grew by Rs. 7,747 Cr from Rs. 16,982 Cr to Rs. 24,729 Cr showing an increase of 45.62% on Y-o-Y basis Vehicle Loan grew by 21.39% Y-o-Y from Rs. 1,987 Cr to Rs. 2,412 Cr Business Segment grew by Rs. 1,092 Cr from Rs. 12,686 Cr to Rs. 13,778 Cr showing an increase of 8.61% on Y-o-Y basis Mortgage loan grew by Rs. 1,621 Cr from Rs. 3,814 Cr to Rs. 5,435 Cr showing an increase of 42.50% on Y-o-Y basis

Cr in FY 26 The Board of Directors had recommended 45% Dividend subject to approval of the Shareholders in AGM

DEPOSITS
Retail Deposit grew by Rs. 15,366 Cr from Rs. 1,04,750 Cr to Rs. 1,20,116 Cr showing an increase of 14.67% on Y-o-Y basis NRI Deposit grew by Rs. 3,769 Cr from Rs. 31,602 Cr to Rs. 35,371 Cr showing an increase of 11.92% on Y-o-Y basis Savings Bank grew by 17.24% Y-o-Y from Rs. 27,699

Iran considering US proposal to end war, official says, as Trump warns of strikes if no deal

AGENCY
Tehran: Reports suggest that the US and Iran are inching closer to a one-page memorandum aimed at ending the war. Experts, however, are warning that any negotiations aimed at bringing the war to an end are incredibly complex, and in the case of Iran's nuclear materials are highly technical. Holly Dages, an Iran expert at the Washington Institute on Near East Policy, told the BBC that unless the Iranians address their nuclear programme as part of the proposed memorandum, the Trump administration is "highly unlikely" to be satisfied. While the one-page memorandum being reported sets a 30-day period to negotiate the issue - as well as the Strait of Hormuz and sanctions relief - Dages said that timeline may be unrealistic. "It's worth emphasising that the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, from which the first Trump administration with-

drew in 2018, was 150 pages long and included technical details," she said. There's also considerable confusion as to the pause in Project Freedom, and whether freedom of navigation in the Strait will, in fact, bring the two sides closer to a deal. "If this Mou [memorandum of understanding] does finalise, it should free up these vessels and be a big step in ending this war," a former top Pentagon official told me. "If it doesn't, this may further embolden Iran." Trump himself seems to be somewhat cautious about a deal. In a brief telephone interview with PBS this morning, Trump acknowledged that he's believed a deal was close in the past only to be thwarted. "I felt that way before with them," he said. "So we'll see what happens." On Tuesday, the US strategy seemed to be newly dependent on unclenching Tehran's grip on the Strait of Hormuz, with the diplomatic path apparently on the backburn-



er. Now, President Trump has ditched that approach and is saying that peace is all but at hand. It's being reported that there's a one-page document that the two sides are close to agreeing. The Pakistani mediators are talking it up, too. The little that's come out of Iran so far is as ever notably less enthused about developments. One official has said that what

'dictation', 'deception', 'extortion' or 'coercion', he adds. There is no direct mention of the US, or an American proposal to end the war, in the post. However, as we've been reporting, Baghaei has told Iranian Students' News Agency (ISNA) that Iran has shared its views on the US proposal with Pakistani mediators. An American proposal to end the war with Iran is still being considered, an Iranian foreign ministry spokesperson tells Iranian Students' News Agency (ISNA). In an interview with ISNA, Esmail Baghaei says that Iran is sharing its views on the US proposal with Pakistani mediators. A senior Iranian parliament member has dismissed US media reports of a deal to end the war with Iran being close as an American "wish-list" rather than a reality. According to a report from US news outlet Axios published earlier today, the White House believes it could be closing in on a 14-

point memorandum of understanding with Iran. Responding to the report, Ebrahim Rezaei, the spokesperson of the Iranian Parliament's national security and foreign policy commission, says the US will "not obtain through a failed war what they failed to gain in face-to-face negotiations". In a statement published on X in Persian, Rezaei says Iran "has its finger on the trigger and is ready". He warns that if the US "do not surrender and grant the necessary concessions", Iran will "deliver a harsh and regret-inducing response". While questions remain over whether the US and Iran could reach a deal to end the war, the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) has said it is continuing to strike Hezbollah targets in southern Lebanon. In an update earlier today, the IDF said two of its soldiers were injured by two explosive drones in the region, which it says were launched by Hezbollah.

Orphaned baby hippo to be hand-reared by keepers at Kenya sanctuary



AGENCY
Kenya: A baby hippo found desperately nudging its dead mother at a lake in Kenya over the weekend is now being hand-reared at a wildlife sanctuary after being rescued. The calf, which has been named Bumpy, was "just days old" when it became orphaned, according to Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, a charity whose keepers are now taking care of it. The Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS), which rescued the calf and handed it over to the wildlife charity for specialised care, said the mother may have died

from natural causes. Sheldrick said it was possible that the hippo's mother died in a "territorial fight... protecting her calf, as infanticide is common in hippo society". KWS said rescuing the calf from the water was a "logistical challenge", with the calf clinging to its dead mother. It said it had to make a "painful decision" to use the decomposing body "as the only anchor to safely reach the calf". According to Sheldrick, the mother had been dead for more than a day or longer, based on the level of decomposition.

Ted Turner, media mogul who revolutionised TV news by launching CNN, dies at 87



AGENCY
Washington: Media mogul Ted Turner, who pioneered the modern 24-hour news culture when he launched the CNN channel, has died at the age of 87, the network has announced. In 1980, Turner launched Cable News Network as the first dedicated rolling news channel, which soon became a central part of the media landscape. US President Donald Trump paid tribute to him as "one of the greats of broadcast history, and a friend of mine". Current CNN CEO and chairman Mark Thompson described Turner as "the giant on whose shoulders we stand, and we will all take a moment today to recognise him and his impact on our lives and the world". In a statement, Thompson said: "Ted was an intensely involved and committed leader, intrepid, fearless and always willing to back a hunch and trust his own judgement. "He was and always will be the presiding spirit of CNN." President Trump has been a fierce critic of the current CNN, but said of Turner:

"Whenever I needed him, he was there, always willing to fight for a good cause!" CNN initially faced scepticism and struggles - being mocked as the "Chicken Noodle Network" in its early years by those who thought it would not succeed. But the channel proved its worth by providing speedy and continuous updates of stories like the assassination attempt on US President Ronald Reagan in 1981, and the Challenger space shuttle disaster in 1986. The network truly came of age with its live rolling coverage from Iraq during the 1990-1991 Gulf War. President George Bush once said he learned more from CNN than he did from the CIA. CNN's success led other news channels to follow, such as Fox News, launched in 1996 by Turner's long-time rival Rupert Murdoch. But CNN was far from Turner's only outlet. He began his career by taking over the successful family billboard company when his father took his own life, then bought a radio station in Atlanta, Georgia.

Vivek Ramaswamy wins Republican nomination for Ohio governor



AGENCY
Washington: Vivek Ramaswamy will run for the position of Ohio governor in November, after the staunch ally of US President Donald Trump emerged victorious in one of a series of primary contests held in the US Midwest. Projected results on Tuesday night showed the health-tech entrepreneur had defeated Casey Putsch to earn the Republican nomination. Ramaswamy - who gained prominence during his

unsuccessful run against Trump for president in 2024 - said at a victory party that his plan was to "leave this state and this country better than we found it". Meanwhile, Democratic candidate Amy Acton, who ran unopposed for her party's own nomination, told supporters she wanted to make Ohio more affordable again. "It shouldn't be this hard," said Acton, who is the former Ohio public health director. "It is time to put working families first."

British doctor evacuated from virus-hit cruise ship in stable condition, Spanish minister says

AGENCY
London: It was earlier confirmed that three people were evacuated from the MV Hondius; a 41-year-old Dutchman, a 65-year-old German and a 56-year-old Briton. It leaves a total of 146 people on board the ship, operator Oceanwide Expeditions confirmed to the BBC, including a passenger who died on board on 2 May. Prior to this, in a press update on Tuesday, Oceanwide said that there were 61 crew members and 88 passengers. British passengers made up the highest number in Tuesday's update, with 19 on board, as well as four crew members. Meanwhile the Philippines made up the greatest number of crew, with 38 on board. Other nationalities listed include the USA, New



Zealand, India, Belgium, Ireland and Japan, among others. In total, there are 23 different nationalities listed by the operator. Officials at the World Health Organization (WHO) are monitoring 69 close contacts of people who have been on board the ship, health official Marie Roseline Belizaire says in an online briefing. Samples from people on board are being sent

abroad and analysed, the WHO's representative in Cape Verde Ann Lindstrand tells the briefing. But you have to be "sharing a cabin or bring a couple or really being close" to be able to spread the disease from one to another, she adds. Foreign Secretary Yvette Cooper says the UK is working with the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) to get British nationals on board the MV Hondius "safely home". In a statement, Cooper says she is taking this action "with proper protection for public health" as the UKHSA works with the World Health Organization to lead the UK's response. "The outbreak of hantavirus is very serious and deeply stressful for those affected and their families," the foreign secretary adds. In figures released by Oceanwide Expeditions on Tuesday, 19 passengers and four crew members were listed as British. Since then, a 56-year-old Briton has been evacuated. Cooper says Foreign Office staff "are in direct contact" with Brits on board the vessel, while ministers are working with Dutch and Spanish counterparts to facilitate medical evacuations.

MASSIVE ALASKA MEGATSUNAMI WAS SECOND LARGEST EVER RECORDED

AGENCY
Megatsunami: A massive 'megatsunami' wave created when part of an Alaskan mountain crumbled into the sea is the second tallest ever recorded - and a reminder of the risks posed by melting glaciers, say scientists. Last summer a giant wave swept through a remote fjord in southeast Alaska leaving destruction in its wake. The event went largely unreported at the time, but a new scientific analysis shows it was caused by a massive landslide. An incredible 64 million cubic metres of rock - the equivalent of 24 Great Pyramids - splashed into the water below. The sheer power of that amount of



rock plunging into the fjord in under a minute created a gigantic wave almost 500 metres tall. Only the time it happened - in the early hours of the morning - prevented tourist cruise ships being caught up in the devastation, say the researchers. Dr Bretwood

labelled megatsunamis, happen when a landslide caused by either an earthquake or loose rock hit water below. They are usually localised and dissipate quickly. The other type of tsunamis happen in the open ocean and are directly triggered by earthquakes, or occasionally other powerful events such as underwater volcanoes. They, like the 2011 Japan tsunami, can travel for thousands of miles, hitting populated areas and causing widespread devastation and loss of life. The biggest megatsunami was in the 1950s and was over 500 metres. This latest megatsunami was the second largest.

Russia ignores Ukraine's unilateral ceasefire and attacks kindergarten



AGENCY
Moscow: Volodymyr Zelensky has accused Russia of breaching a unilateral ceasefire announced by Ukraine by launching a wave of drone attacks on several cities. The Ukrainian president said Russia had carried out "active hostilities and terrorist shelling", targeting the front line as well as firing dozens of drones and missiles at civilian areas. In the Sumy border region, one woman was killed when a kindergarten was hit on Wednesday morning, local authorities said. No children were present at the time. Earlier this week the two warring sides had announced rival unilateral ceasefires - with no agreement on their terms, length or monitoring. Moscow was the first to demand a truce on 8 and 9 May to mark Victory Day on Saturday, when commemorations of the Soviet Union's victory over Nazi Germany are due to be held across the country. Kyiv followed on by announcing its own open-

ended ceasefire from midnight on Tuesday, and that Ukraine would act "symmetrically" from that point on. On Wednesday morning Zelensky stated that Russia's choice was "an obvious spurning of a ceasefire and of saving lives". Ukraine had "clearly stated that it would act in kind", he added, and would "decide on our further actions" based on evening reports from its military and intelligence. A slew of attacks on Tuesday left 27 people across Ukraine dead, including 12 victims in Zaporizhzhia alone. Ukraine's foreign minister, Andriy Sybha, said Russia's continued aggression showed "fake calls for a ceasefire on May 9th have nothing to do with diplomacy. Putin only cares about military parades, not human lives". Various events are due to be held in Russia on Saturday, including a grand military parade on Red Square - although authorities have announced this year's event will be a pared-down version due to the "terrorist threat" from Kyiv.

GERMAN POLICE RAID NEO-NAZI CRIMINAL YOUTH GROUPS

AGENCY
Berlin: Police have raided around 50 homes and other locations, targeting people suspected of involvement in far-right criminal youth groups that have recently emerged in Germany. Prosecutors said the suspects were believed to be part of two groups, "Jung & Stark" (JS), or Young and Strong, and "Deutsche Jugend Voran" (DJV), which means Forwards German Youth. No arrests were made in Wednesday's raids, which took place in 12 states, mainly in the east and south of Germany, including Bavaria, Berlin, Brandenburg and Saxony. In a statement, federal prosecutors said the raids targeted individuals suspected of



organising violence through social media and forming nationwide networks. "Some of the accused are said to have attacked members of the left-wing scene or people they believed to be paedophiles. In each case, the victims were beaten by several attackers and sustained significant injuries," prosecutors said. During their

meetings, authorities say, group members have called "for acts of violence against political opponents and against alleged paedophiles". Last year one of the leaders of DJV was sentenced to more than three years in prison after a string of violent attacks against political opponents in Berlin. Twenty-four year-old Julian

M, along with a group of 16 to 23 year olds, was convicted of brutally beating up a number of people who appeared to be wearing emblems connected to the political left. More than 600 police were involved in Wednesday's raids. There is deep concern in Germany about young people being drawn into far-right activity and violence targeting both left-wing figures and LGBT communities. Both JS and DJV operate openly, with a visible presence online, on Telegram, Instagram and other social media platforms. Jakob Guhl, from the Institute for Strategic Dialogue, says many of those who join JS and DJV are "pretty young", in their teens or early 20s.

Former FedEx driver sentenced to death for killing seven-year-old Texas girl

AGENCY
Texas: A former FedEx delivery driver was sentenced to death on Tuesday after he pleaded guilty to killing a seven-year-old Texas girl, Athena Strand, in 2022. A jury gave Tanner Horner a death sentence after a weeks-long court case, during which the court heard an audio recording of the young girl's last moments inside the attacker's delivery vehicle. "There are no words that truly capture the devastation that Tanner Horner caused us and our family," Elijah Strand, Athena Strand's uncle, said after the sentence was read. Horner was delivering Athena Strand's Christmas gift - a box of Barbie dolls -



to her home when he kidnapped her. She was later found dead not far from the property. Last month, Horner pleaded guilty to capital murder and aggravated kidnapping as his trial began. Jurors hearing the case had a choice of sentencing him to death or life in prison without parole. They ultimately chose a death sentence.



IPL 2026: SUNRISERS HYDERABAD SETS A TARGET OF 235/4 FOR PUNJAB KINGS



IPL 2026: Axar Patel Exposes 'Ineffective' Kuldeep Yadav Against CSK, Says "Missed Him"

AGENCY

Mumbai: Some admissions, some confessions, and a little bit of reflection, that was Delhi Capitals captain Axar Patel's post-match presentation ceremony after the defeat against the Chennai Super Kings on Tuesday. Axar admitted his side was below par in their eight-wicket loss to CSK in the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2026, conceding that the team was 10-15 runs short with the bat, and on a sticky pitch, they missed the point of difference a set batter could offer. On a pitch that was offering some assistance to bowlers, Axar said that he "missed his partner" Kuldeep Yadav, despite the chinaman spinner bowling 3 overs for 34 runs in the game. "Obviously, the way



the wicket was playing in the first innings, I felt that yes, 155 was a good score. But since we were playing with eight batters, I felt we were about 10-15 runs short," Axar said after the match ended, with Sanju Samson hitting an unbeaten 87 in a successful chase for CSK. Reflecting on the surface, Axar said conditions eased

out for set batters but remained tricky for new ones. "I feel it got a little better, but I think the difference was made by the set batter. When a batter is well set, it feels like there is nothing in the pitch, but I still feel there was something in it. "For a new batter coming in, it was not easy. Yes, it wasn't easy for new players because, you

know, the length balls were holding up, sometimes staying low, and occasionally even bouncing after holding. So I feel it was very difficult for new batters. But when set batters were playing, it looked easier. You could see the way Sanju took the game forward." Despite the defeat, Axar took positives from the batting efforts of Sameer Rizvi (40 not out) and Tristan Stubbs (38) despite the top five batters' collapse. Kuldeep, who hasn't had the best of IPL 2026 campaigns, looked ineffective with the ball on the day. Though Axar didn't criticise the left-arm spinner for the lack of wickets, he made his feelings known about his ineffectiveness. "Yes, obviously, considering our batting, I think that's a positive.

Stefon Diggs 'Not Guilty' Of Assault Charges, But NFL Suspension Looms Large

AGENCY

Texas: Stefon Diggs has emerged victorious following a lengthy court battle involving an alleged assault, a ruling that may very well prove to be the catalyst that gets his Pro Bowl-caliber career back on track. After nearly two hours of deliberations, a panel of jurors cleared the former New England Patriots wideout of all wrongdoing in the high-profile criminal trial. Although the courtroom drama may finally be behind him, there could still be obstacles for the player before he can take the field once again at the professional level. As of now, there is still an active investigation into the case by the National Football League. Stefon Diggs was



accused of slapping and choking Jamila Adams, his former live-in personal chef, during an argument in December at his house in Massachusetts. Stefon Diggs' legal representative, Mitch Schuster, emphasized his innocence and called the incident 'opportunistic targeting.' "The evidence has shown what we've maintained from day

one: Mr. Diggs was wrongly accused, and this case represents exactly the kind of opportunistic targeting that players can face the moment they step off the field," Schuster stated. The dismissal of the assault charges does not mean that the situation will remain unresolved. As mentioned on NFL.com, according to the league's spokesman

Brian McCarthy, Stefon Diggs's case remains under review within the framework of the personal conduct policy, which does not shy away from issuing suspensions despite no criminal conviction in question. There are good reasons to believe that the same may apply in Diggs's case. Indeed, many players have been suspended for similar incidents despite a lack of convictions. Among these cases are Ben Roethlisberger, Jameis Winston, and Ezekiel Elliott. High-Ranking Clubs Converge As Stefon Diggs Becomes An Intriguing Free Agent Now that Diggs's legal issues are largely cleared up, the focus is once again on his future.

Fan Gives IPL Cheerleader A Hand Fan To Beat Delhi Heat, Her Reaction Can't Be Missed

AGENCY

Mumbai: A little fan's heartwarming gesture towards a cheerleader during the IPL 2026 clash between the Delhi Capitals and Chennai Super Kings has gone viral. The video captured a young girl giving a hand fan to one of the DC cheerleaders at the Arun Jaitley Stadium in New Delhi. The cheerleaders had a short interaction with the girl, who then gifted them the fan in return for their kindness. The cheerleader, who was wearing a white top and a red-and-blue skirt, thanked the girl for the fan before passing the device to her colleagues. One of the cheerleaders even gave the little girl a DC flag to thank her for the gesture. Look at the priceless reaction of the cheerleader when a little



girl gifted her a hand fan during the live IPL match in Delhi's 45°C heat. First, the cheerleader interacted with the girl, and moments later, the little girl gifted her the hand fan. New Delhi experienced relatively cool and pleasant weather, with temperatures peaking around 33 degree C to 34 degree C and lows near 20 degree C to 23 degree C. However, the

National Capital Region experienced high humidity, peaking near 90% during early morning fog and averaging over 50% throughout the day due to unseasonal rain. Meanwhile, the BCCI announced on Wednesday that the IPL 2026 final will be held in Ahmedabad on May 31 instead of Bengaluru as originally planned.

Delhi Capitals Attain 'Worst' Record In IPL 2026 With Below Par Display vs CSK

AGENCY

Mumbai: It was another underwhelming display by the Delhi Capitals batters. Delhi Capitals' struggles with the bat at home continued as they faltered on a testing track to end up with a below-par 155 for seven against Chennai Super Kings in the Indian Premier League on Tuesday. On a pitch offering assistance to the spinners, with the odd ball holding up, the home team's batters failed to apply themselves. The free fall began with the loss of opener Pathum Nissanka, who failed to clear the mid-on fielder off a slower ball from left-arm pacer Mukesh Choudhary. Both Nissanka (19 off 15) and K.L. Rahul (12 off 13)



began with crisp boundaries but did not last long. After Nissanka's dismissal, Rahul attempted an inside-out hit off left-arm spinner Akeal Hosein but could not get to the pitch of the ball on the charge and was caught by opposition captain Ruturaj Gaikwad. According to Cricbuzz, DC have been the 'worst' team

in the IPL 2026 powerplays on four parameters. DC in Overs 1-6 in IPL 2026 Wickets lost: 21 Average runs per wicket: 23.85 Run rate: 8.35 Dot-ball percentage: 46.4% DC laboured to 37 for two in the powerplay, with Hosein bowling half of the overs, including one from the other end that produced the wicket of Rahul.

DAVID WARNER RAISES EYEBROWS OVER PAKISTAN SUPER LEAGUE'S TEAM OF THE TOURNAMENT



AGENCY

London: The 2026 Pakistan Super League (PSL) was won by Peshawar Zalmi, who clinched their second title with a five-wicket victory over debutant side Hyderabad Kingsmen in the final. The Babar Azam-led Peshawar were the most dominant team in PSL 11, losing just one match during the league stage before going on to dominate the title clash as well. Amid their title triumph, the PSL released its 'Team of the Tournament'. David Warner, who led Karachi Kings in the competition, questioned why none of his players were named in the side. "Where is (sic) Karachi players?" Warner asked. Karachi Kings finished sixth in the PSL standings. After defeating Hyderabad in the final, Babar praised his team-

mates for their collective effort and also thanked the management for their support. "This is quite an achievement for me, and I think for Peshawar Zalmi and all the fans as well. Throughout the tournament, as a team, we performed very well in all three departments and tried to enjoy our cricket. Every player executed the plans given to them in batting, bowling and fielding. Our aim was to take it match by match, and by the grace of God, we won tonight," Babar said during the post-match presentation. "From a planning perspective, the management always supported us. During our match-to-match discussions, we focused on identifying both the positives and the areas to improve, and we spoke about them openly," he added.

RADUCANU TARGETS WTA TOUR RETURN IN STRASBOURG



AGENCY

London: Emma Raducanu is targeting a return to the WTA Tour in Strasbourg in two weeks' time following her withdrawal from the Italian Open on health grounds. The British number one is, however, reliant on a wildcard having missed the entry deadline. Raducanu, 23, was granted a wildcard for last year's WTA 500 event and beat top 20 player Daria Kasatkina, before losing to American Danielle Collins. The tournament, which starts on 17 May, has not yet confirmed whether a wildcard will be forthcoming. Raducanu

pulled out of the Italian Open late on Tuesday, just minutes after completing a round of media interviews. She does not feel she has recovered 100% from a post-viral infection which has kept her away from the tour since March. Before her withdrawal, Raducanu told BBC Sport: "I had six weeks almost of doing nothing just trying to recover from the virus, and it takes a lot out of you physically." The event in Strasbourg takes place the week before the French Open, for which Raducanu will no longer be seeded - assuming she is fit to compete.

Haiti's record scorer on Paisley, stunning Scotland & escaping Iran



Nithiin's Next with Sithara Entertainments Officially Launched with a Pooja Ceremony

Actor Nithiin's next exciting project has been officially launched with a traditional pooja ceremony



The film is being produced by the prestigious Sithara Entertainments, known for delivering quality and successful films and is directed by talented filmmakers Nari Sirisawada and Somasekhar T. With a strong creative team coming together, the project makes all of us look. The film stars Nithiin in

the lead role alongside Ritika Nayak as the female lead. The project brings together a skilled and dynamic crew including DOP Anith Madadi, Music Director Suresh Bobbili and Production Designer Jonny Shaik each contributing their expertise to craft a visually rich and engaging film. The film is being produced by the

Naga Vamsi and Sai Soujanya under Sithara Entertainments and fortune four cinemas and presented by Srikanth studios. This combo is known for delivering quality and successful films.

'Sathi Leelavathi' is highly entertaining... everyone will enjoy the comedy" – Lavanya Tripathi Konidela



Under the presentation of Anandhi Arts and produced by Naagamohan under the banner of Durgadevi Pictures, the upcoming film 'Sathi Leelavathi' stars Lavanya Tripathi and Dev Mohan in lead roles. The film is directed by Tatineni Satya, known for Bheemili Kabaddi Jattu and SMS (Siva Manasulo Sruthi). The movie is set for a grand worldwide release on May 8. On this occasion, Lavanya Tripathi interacted with the media. Here are the highlights: I have already watched 'Sathi Leelavathi'. It's very good, and I have strong confidence in it. Now we have to see how the audience responds. During the shoot of this movie, I found out that I was pregnant. However, with the team's support, I completed the shoot smoothly. Every day after shooting, I used to go to the hospital for checkups. Minor injuries during filming are common. When I first heard the story, I told Varun about it, but I didn't know I was pregnant then, nor did I have any symptoms. I also understood that the shoot wouldn't be easy. I even lost weight

for this movie. I don't know where I got the strength from. But in the future, if I know I'm pregnant, I will definitely take a break from shooting. In this film, I play a director. The entertainment in the movie is amazing, and everyone will enjoy the comedy. My manager and I laughed a lot while watching it. It also has emotional moments. Though it conveys a good message, it doesn't feel preachy. The kind of relationships shown in 'Sathi Leelavathi' don't exist in the real world, and no woman should face such situations. In real life, I'm fortunate to have a good husband like Varun Tej. I'm currently happy with my husband and son. No changes were made to the script because

I was pregnant, but some adjustments were made to the action sequences. This is my first time doing action. I had a kicking scene, which felt a bit difficult. Ram Charan has always been supportive. He keeps asking if we need any help. It made us happy that he released our trailer, which also increased our reach. Dev Mohan is a good person and a wonderful actor. He also dubbed for the film. I'm trying to dub for my own role too—it feels satisfying. Chiranjeevi always encourages us. If we invite him for promotions, he will definitely come. We're also planning to show him the trailer. Currently, I'm not signing new films. I want to dedicate my time to my family. My son keeps me busy, and I've decided to take a short break.

RASHI SINGH STUNS IN Chocolate Lace and Gold

Rashi Singh may have had a small role in the recently released Telugu film Santhana Prapthirastu, and while the film did not set the box office on fire, Rashi made sure no one forgot her name. Her screen time was limited but her presence was impossible to ignore. Off screen, however, Rashi is turning every head in the room. Her

fashion game is nothing short of stunning, and this latest photoshoot is proof. Draped in a rich chocolate brown one-shoulder lace dress, gold bangles stacked on her wrist, and hair slicked back like she owns the room, she looks every bit the star she is becoming. Tollywood may still be warming up to her talent, but the fashion world

already knows exactly who Rashi Singh is. And from the looks of it, she is just getting started.



MALVIKA NAIR LOOKS EFFORTLESS IN BLACK AND SILVER



Malvika Nair has come a long way since her debut in Yevade Subramanyam. She truly won hearts playing Anandhi, a role that made the whole of Telugu audience fall in love with her quiet charm and natural screen presence. That girl next door energy has never left her. Her recent appearance in Sharwanand's biker film may not have worked out at the box office, but Malvika is not letting

that slow her down. She has been keeping herself busy and her latest pictures are a reminder of exactly why people root for her in the first place. Dressed in a stunning black lehenga with heavy silver embroidery, silver bangles stacked on her wrist and her long hair falling naturally, Malvika looks effortlessly beautiful. Warm golden light behind her, a soft smile on her face. No effort, all elegance.



"My Goal is to be Known as a 'Beauty with Brains'": Jo Sharma on Her Debut Thriller M4M

The Indian film industry is abuzz with the upcoming suspense thriller "M4M (Motive For Murder)." Starring American-based actress Jo Sharma and directed by Mohan Vadlapatla, the film is set for a grand worldwide release on May 8. Distributed by PVR Inox Pictures, the movie will hit screens in five languages: Telugu, Hindi, Tamil, Kannada, and Malayalam. In an exclusive interview, lead actress Jo Sharma

shares insights into her journey, the film's unique concept, and its international acclaim. Highlights of the Interview: - Unique Concept: A "world-first" plot involving murders modeled after legendary paintings. - Global Recognition: Already bagged 15 International Awards before its theatrical release. - Cannes Pride: Received a standing ovation at the prestigious Cannes Film Festival. - Audience Challenge: A cash prize of ₹1 Lakh for identifying the villain on release day.

Q: Coming from the US, what was your experience working in the Indian film industry? Jo Sharma: I have a background as a theater artist in America and even run my own theater production company. However, for this film, I trained under Mohan garu for three years. I was also a co-writer for M4M alongside Mohan garu and Rahul Adavala. Being involved in the writing process helped me design Radha's character with a lot of depth and strength.

Q: The film has already garnered significant international buzz. Could you share details about the awards? Jo Sharma: It's been overwhelming! We have won 15 international awards before the release. This includes Best Film at the Los Angeles Film Festival, Best Director in London, and I was honored with Best Actress awards at the New York, Hollywood, and Santa Monica film festivals.

A special poster from Lenin has been released on the occasion of Bhagyashri Borse's birthday: Grand Release on June 26th

The upcoming film Lenin is being produced under the banners of Manam Enterprises LLP and Sithara Entertainments by Akkineni Nagarjuna and Suryadevara Naga Vamsi. It stars Akhil Akkineni and Bhagyashri Borse in the lead roles, with direction by Murali Kishor Abburu. The movie is set for a grand theatrical release on June 26. All the posters and songs released so far have generated strong interest among audiences. Recently, a special poster featuring the heroine was unveiled to mark her birthday. Wishing her a happy birthday, the makers revealed a striking

look where Bhagyashri appears in a regal avatar, wearing a crown, sporting a mustache, and dressed in a unique costume. Her appearance in this look has caught everyone's attention. The background and significance of this look in the film are yet to be revealed. She is playing as Bharathi in the film. The music for the film is composed by Thaman S, and both the songs and background score are expected to enhance the film's overall impact. Leon Britto is handling cinematography, while Naveen Nooli is the editor. The film will release worldwide on June 26th, 2026.



'Ugly Story' Trailer Launched by 'Bheemla Nayak' Director Sagar K Chandra – Film Set for May 22 Release



The much-anticipated trailer of Ugly Story, a bold romantic thriller that explores the darker side of love, has been officially unveiled. The trailer was launched by Sagar K Chandra, director of Bheemla Nayak, adding significant buzz to the film's promotions. Starring Nandu and Avika Gor in lead roles, Ugly Story has already started trending across social media platforms. The trailer impresses with its intense narration, powerful emotions, and unexpected twists, promising a gripping cinematic experience. Music composed by Shrawan Bharadwaj further elevates the impact, and romance seamlessly. Backed by Riya Zia Productions, the film showcases high production values and hints at strong box-

office potential. The grand trailer launch event witnessed the team expressing immense confidence in the film's output. Director Pranava Swaroop shared, "Every love story has a darker side, and our aim was to portray that truth boldly. Nandu and Avika have delivered powerful performances. Our producers Subhashini and Lakshman have supported me immensely in maintaining quality. Audiences will surely have a compelling experience in theatres." Actor Nandu said, "This role is a new challenge for me. The story is filled with thrilling and engaging moments. Avika brought strong emotional depth to her character, and Pranav has crafted the film brilliantly." Avika Gor added, "Through this film, we wanted to showcase the reality of love.