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Trump announces 200 pc tariff on generic drugs, India faces hit



Washington (TSIT): US President Donald Trump on Wednesday, July 22, announced steep tariffs on imported generic medicines from August 2028, asserting that the move was aimed at onshoring the manufacturing of such pharmaceutical products.



Crowd swells near Jantar Mantar; Bajrang Punia, Rakesh Tikait join CJP protest

■ CJP urges Wangchuk to end fast, says agitation will continue; Dipke asks PM to break silence

New Delhi (TSIT)

Cockroach Janta Party on Wednesday said thousands of protesters had gathered at the Jantar Mantar, with spokesperson Saurav Das sharing visuals of the crowd swelling at the protest site.

Speaking to ANI news agency, CJP spokesperson Ashutosh Ranka claimed "millions more will come" if the government doesn't agree to their demands. Meanwhile, the ministry of

home affairs ordered the immediate deployment of 20 additional CRPF companies to Delhi. The CRPF companies are being brought in from West Bengal.

Heavy barricading continues at various areas in Delhi, including Parliament House and Rafi Marg, even as the Cockroach Janta Party continues its protest at the Jantar Mantar demanding the resignation of union education minister Dharmendra Pradhan over alleged irregu-

larities in NEET.

A total of six FIRs have been filed so far over the alleged violence and vandalism during the protest march held by the CJP on Monday, at Parliament Street, Connaught Place and other police stations, with police likely to probe a "larger and criminal conspiracy" behind the matter reported.

'India needs you, not in suffering, but in service': Opposition MPs urge Wangchuk to end fast

Sonam Wangchuk says he will end fast if govt assures no action against protesters

New Delhi: Climate activist Sonam Wangchuk has set conditions for the government to end his fast. In a letter addressed to Union



Health Minister J.P. Nadda and Minister of State Jitendra Singh, Wangchuk thanked them for visiting him at Medanta Hospital and appealing to him to end the fast. "During our discussion, you assured me that the Government would positively consider adequate compensation for the families of students who committed suicide following the examination paper leak, and initiate a meaningful discussion in Parliament to ensure accountability, including consideration of the resignation of the Hon'ble Education Minister," Wangchuk said in the letter.

152 paper leaks in a decade: Rahul guns for Modi apology

He also alleged that police officers who were dragging him whispered in his ears that they were fed up with the current government.

New Delhi: In an all-out attack on the Narendra Modi government, Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi said the Prime Minister should immediately apologise to students after the brutal attack by Delhi Police on them on Monday during the Chalo Sansad march.

In a press conference on Wednesday, July 22, the Congress leader condemned violence against students, several identified as school children, use of tear gas, lathi charges, assault and humiliation. "The question is why is this happening to students. What exactly have they done. Thousands of them. To have security forces aiming weapons at them. What have they done? They are protesting peacefully. They are asking for what this country owes them," Gandhi said, asserting their demands are legitimate.

"In every government, there comes a time when psychologically the leadership collapses. And this government is visibly panicked," he told the media. Gandhi, his sister and Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav and



other Opposition leaders staged a sit-in in front of PM Modi's residence on Tuesday demanding his resignation and the government take accountability for the deteriorating education system in the country. They were forcibly removed and detained by the Delhi Police.

On being pushed and dragged, Rahul Gandhi said, "It's a huge honour to be able to express the will of people. I am used to getting punched. Happy to take many more." He also alleged that police officers who were dragging him whispered in his ears that they were fed up with the current government. "As they were taking me, some said, 'Sir, please remove the BJP government.'"

CM Revanth leads Kodangal protest over NEET paper leak



Hyderabad, TSIT Bureau:

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Wednesday led a protest rally in Kodangal against the alleged NEET paper leak issue and the reported

police action on Congress leaders and students. The rally, attended by Congress MLAs, local leaders and party workers, started from the Chief Minister's residence and concluded at Ambedkar Crossroads, where Revanth Reddy paid

tributes to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

Addressing the gathering, the Chief Minister alleged that the Union Government was suppressing democratic protests instead of taking action against those responsible for the examination controversy. He criticised the reported police action on students at Delhi's Jantar Mantar and demanded accountability from the Centre.

Revanth Reddy reiterated the Congress demand for the resignation of the Union Education Minister and said the party would continue its agitation until justice was delivered to affected students.

Not interested: CJI on police action on student protestors

Hyderabad (TSIT): The Supreme Court on Wednesday, July 22, declined to urgently list a plea seeking action against Delhi police for its handling of student protestors during the Cockroach Janata



Party's (CJP) march to Parliament, with Chief Justice of India Surya Kant telling the lawyer mentioning the matter, "Don't waste our time, and don't waste your time." When the lawyer pressed on the issue, stating that there were videos of the police cracking down on students demanding proper conduct of the NEET exam, and reforms in the National Testing Agency, the CJI said, "We are not interested in videos; we don't have time to watch."

CM Naidu meets PM Modi, invites him for inauguration of Bhogapuram Airport



Amaravati (TSIT):

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Wednesday met Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi and invited him for the inauguration of Bhogapuram International Airport.

Accompanied by Civil Aviation Minister K. Ram Mohan Naidu and TDP parliamentary party leader Lavu Sri Krishna Devarayalu,

the Chief Minister called on the Prime Minister at Parliament House.

"Honoured to meet Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji in New Delhi today. I had the privilege of inviting the Hon'ble Prime Minister to Andhra Pradesh for the inauguration of Alluri Sitarama Raju International Airport, B h o g a p u r a m .," Chandrababu Naidu posted on X.

CM Vijay condemns Rahul's detention,

Renews demand to scrap NEET

Chennai (TSIT)

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister and Tamilaga Vetti Kazhagam (TVK) president C. Joseph Vijay on Wednesday broke his silence on the nationwide protests over the NEET controversy, condemning the detention of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and other Opposition leaders in New Delhi and describing the police action against student protesters as "undemocratic."



Issuing a statement on social media platform X, Vijay said that TVK stood firmly with the Opposition parties protesting inside the Parliament complex following the police crackdown on demonstrators participating in the 'Sansad Chalo' march.

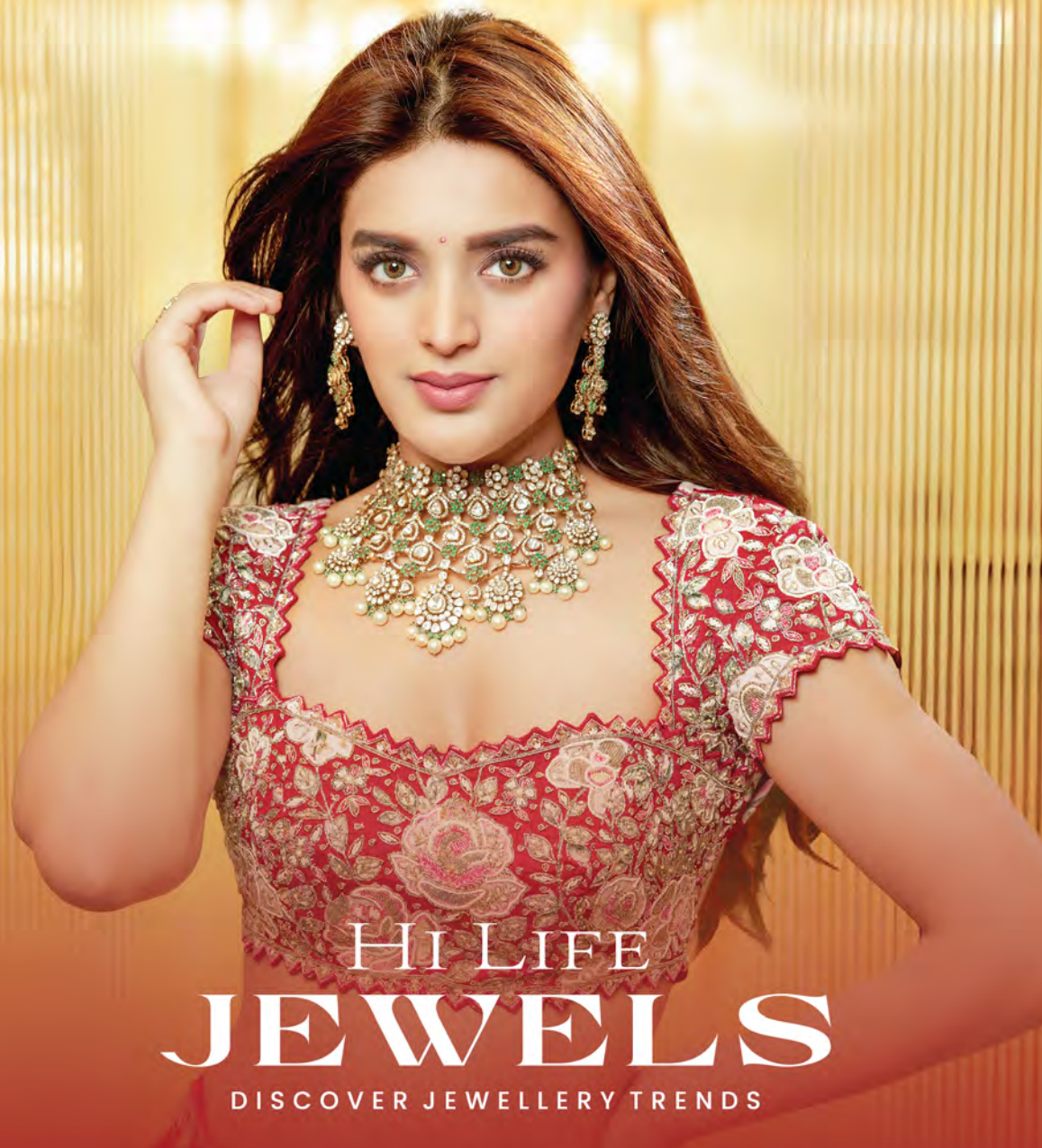
He also reiterated the party's unwavering opposition to the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET).

The Chief Minister said TVK has consistently maintained, ever since the party was founded, that NEET should be abolished permanently. He asserted that the party would not exploit the issue by making promises for electoral gains,

adding that the examination has caused immense hardship to students and their families. Calling for structural reforms, Vijay said the permanent solution was to move education from the Concurrent List to the State List, enabling states to determine their own admission policies.

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No such thing as power cut in Telangana, says Bhatti

Hyderabad: Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, who also holds the Energy portfolio, on Wednesday, July 22, said that there is no such thing as a "power cut" in the state, adding that only "temporary power interruptions" occur when trees fall on poles and lines due to rains and strong winds. He was speaking at a review meeting at the Northern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Ltd (TGNPDCL) office in Hanumakonda. The Deputy CM said that Telangana's power system has effectively withstood an additional burden of 7,000 MW caused by the El



Niño phenomenon. He said that the peak demand, which is usually 11,000 MW during the rainy season, has unexpectedly reached 16,500 MW, resembling the summer months. The lack of water in irrigation projects and the cessation of 2,000 MW of hydroelectric power have also put a severe shock on

the distribution system, he said. However, due to the tireless efforts of the power staff and the implementation of well-planned strategies, the government has been able to overcome these situations and provide free, quality electricity to the people without any problems, he said. Moreover, the government has successfully managed the increased electricity demand presented by large-scale lift irrigation schemes like Kaleshwaram, Devadula and Sitarama under the NPDCL, as well as the increased use of bore wells by farmers due to the lack of rain, Bhatti said.

Commissioner Along With MLA Reviews Civic Issues in Shamshiguda, Allwyn Colony

Hyderabad TSIT: Under the "One Ward Every Day" programme, Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) Commissioner Dr.Srijana along with Serilingampally MLA Arekapudi Gandhi, inspected Shamshiguda and Allwyn Colony wards to review civic infrastructure and interact with residents.



Residents highlighted issues related to sewerage, drinking water, roads, streetlights, garbage collection and sanitation. The Commissioner directed officials to prepare sanitation schedules for Resident Welfare Associations and deploy new electric vehicles to strengthen door-to-door waste

collection. Officials were instructed to resolve the identified civic issues within a fixed timeline and update residents on the progress. Commissioner Srijana said the initiative aims to ensure faster grievance redressal through direct public interaction and coordinated action by all departments.

Rahul Gandhi's arrest attack on democracy: Komatireddy

Hyderabad, TSIT: Telangana Roads & Buildings and Cinematography Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy on Wednesday condemned the arrest of Congress leader and Lok Sabha Opposition Leader Rahul Gandhi, calling it an attack on democracy and an attempt to suppress opposition voices.

In a statement, the Minister alleged that Rahul Gandhi was assaulted, injured



and arrested while participating in a peaceful protest at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi against the reported police action on students. He accused the BJP-led Central

Government of mis-using power and acting in an authoritarian manner instead of addressing public concerns.

Komatireddy said arrests cannot silence leaders fighting for people's rights and announced that the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) would organise a "Chalo Lok Bhavan" protest against the arrest and alleged anti-democratic policies of the Centre.

District Collector Reviews SIR Revision Process with Political Party Representatives

Mahabubabad TSIT District Correspondent July 22: Mahabubabad District Collector Sneha Sabareesh conducted a review meeting with representatives of all recognised political parties and officials of the Election Department at the Collectorate Conference Hall to assess the progress of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) and voter list digitisation process. Addressing the meeting, the Collector said that Booth Level Officers (BLOs) had already distributed Enumeration Forms to voters as part of the Special Intensive Revision and digitisation drive. She stated that the voter details submitted by citizens would be mapped with the existing elec-



toral rolls and digitised accordingly. The Collector urged all eligible voters who have not yet submitted their details to do so immediately through their respective BLOs or via the online portal. She appealed to Booth Level

Agents (BLAs) of all political parties to actively participate in the exercise and verify voter details at the grassroots level. They were asked to identify voters who have shifted residence, deceased voters, those who have transferred their voting

rights to other constituencies, and individuals with duplicate entries, and ensure that such information is accurately recorded.

The Collector informed that voters facing difficulties in filling out the forms or encountering technical issues could approach the specially established help desks for assistance. She also advised the public not to believe rumours or misinformation regarding the SIR and digitisation process and to contact their nearest BLO or the Election Section at the Collectorate for authentic information.

Representatives of various political parties who attended the meeting offered several sug-

gestions and recommendations regarding the ongoing survey and the implementation of the Special Intensive Revision programme. Additional Collector (Revenue) K. Anil Kumar, Trainee Special Deputy Collector Nitish Kumar, TRS representative Marineni Venkanna, Congress representative Suresh Naidu, BJP representative Shyam Sundar Sharma, TDP representative B. Rama Rao, CPI representative Perugu Kumar, Naveen, CPM representative Rajamouli, Election Superintendent Pawan Kumar, and other officials were present at the meeting.

Kazipet traffic police conducted special checks on school and college buses

Warangal, TSIT, Mattewada Surrender, July 22: On the orders of Additional DCP (Traffic) Rayala Prabhakar Rao, ACP (Traffic) T. Satyanarayana under Warangal Police Commissionerate, Kazipet Traffic Police conducted special Drunk and Drive (DD) checks on school and college buses at Adalat Centre. A total of 28 school and college buses were inspected in this special inspection conducted from 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm. Kazipet Traffic Inspector Venkanna said that these inspections were carried



out as a part of precautionary measures to prevent any accidents, keeping in mind the safety of passengers. On this occasion, the Kazipet Traffic Police suggested that school owners and bus drivers must follow the traffic rules and give priority to the safety of the students

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Borrower Name and Address	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1)Kanchanapally Satyam Goud, S/o: Kanchanapally Yadi Ramulu, Age: 42 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H.No: 1-3, Singannaguda(V), Mulugu(M), Kokkonda, Siddipet(D)-502336, B/O: Proprietor Of "Satyam Poultry Farm & Vegetable Supply", At # Singaipalli, Vantimamdi, Zapthi Singaipalle, Mulug, Siddipet: 502336, 7659959504. 2) Kanchanapally Sri Latha, W/o: Kanchanapally Satyam Goud, Age: 35 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: H No: 1-3, Singannaguda(V), Mulugu(M), Kokkonda, Siddipet(D)-502336, 7659951821.3) Manne Baskar, S/o: Marre Yadagiri, Age: 31 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H No: 2-19/2, Singannaguda(V), Kokkonda, Mulugu(M), Siddipet(D)-502336, 9666700882. Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs	Rs.2142734/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Seven Hundred And Thirty Four only)

HMYTNTF2308020001 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY : Property holder Name is **KANCHANAPALLY SATYAM GOUD**, Mortgage deed dated **27.07.2023** Registered as Document No **8044/2023** on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at **GAJWEL** All That The Piece And Parcel Of House Bearing No. 1-7, Admeasuring An Area Of 90.22 Sq.Yards, Having Construction Area Of 270 Square Feets, Assessment No. 320657400007, Situated At Singannaguda Village And Gram Panchayat, Mulugu Mandal, Siddipet District And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: House Of Kanchanapally Satyanarayana. Towards West: Road. Towards North: House Of Kanchanapally Nagarani. Towards South: House Of Kanchanapally Rajajah.

This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SFL is in the lawful Symbolic Possession of the immovable property mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SFL.

Place: **SIDDIPET**
Date: **18.07.2026**

Sd/-Authorised officer,
Shriram Finance Ltd,

Muthoot Homefin

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Muthoot Homefin (India) Ltd. (MHIL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower/s (the "said Borrower"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice/s issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower to pay to MHIL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest at 2% p.m. as detailed in the said Demand Notices, from the dates mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrowers. As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to MHIL by the said Borrowers respectively.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor/ Loan Account No./Branch	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
1.	Jangam Vijay/ Jangam Veeramani/ HYD-HL-000849/ Hyderabad	Rs. 32,11,967.00/- Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Seven Only.	30-Jun-2026	All That The Property Newly Construction House Bearing 0.2 - 8 - 73 / A (pti No.1020221785), Admeasuring 62.5 Sq. Yds., or 52.25 Sq.mtrs., Consisting Ground Floor Plinth Area 414 Sft., & First Floor Plinth Area 414 Sft., Situated at Block No.8, Bharath Nagar, Uppal Khalsa Village, Under G.H.M.C., Uppal Circle, Uppal Mandal, Medchal-malkajigiri District. Boundaries of Property North: 20' Wide Road; South: Neighbour's House; East: Portion of House Bearing No.2-8-73; West: 20' Wide Road;
2.	Durgesh Singh/ Babitha Bai/ HYD-HL-000914/ Hyderabad	Rs. 28,28,117.16/- Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventeen and Paise Sixteen Only.	30-Jun-2026	The Existing House and Open Place Property Bearing Municipal Corporation H No. 13-1-575/1/B (P.T.I.No.1141326378), Admeasuring 90.00 Sq. Yards Situated At Dilawar Gunj, Uppar Dhooplet, Hyderabad, Telangana State And Bounded By:- East: House of H No. 13-1-574 Belongs To Sheetal Singh West: Neighbours House, North: 10-0" wide Road, south: Neighbour S House

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to MHIL as aforesaid, MHIL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of MHIL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made thereunder, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Sd/-Authorized Officer,
Muthoot Homefin (India) Limited

Date: July 23, 2026
Place: Hyderabad

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER -III/ DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD (DRT-2) 1st Floor, Triveni Complex Abids, Hyderabad-500001

DEMAND NOTICE

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This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal Hyderabad (DRT 2) in **TA/460/2018** an amount of **Rs.39,02,900/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Two Thousand Nine Hundred Only)** along with pendente lite and future interest @ 11.75 % (simple interest yearly w.e.f. 01/10/2015 till realization and costs of **Rs. 42,000/- (Rupees Forty Two Thousands Only)** has become due against you (Jointly and severally/Fully/Limited).

2 You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.

3 You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.

4 You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on **04-08-2026 at 10.30 a.m.** for further proceedings.

5 In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay :
(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.
(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other process and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due. Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date **23-06-2026**

Recovery Officer
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD (DRT-2)

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Borrower Name and Address	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1) Shaik Munvarali, S/o: Mahamdhali Shaik @ Shaik Mohammed Ali, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H.No: 4-48/2, Ravalko(V), Medchal(D), Ravalkole, Kv Ranga Reddy-501401, B/O: Proprietor Of "Munvarali Transport", At # Same As Resi Address, 9336359896. 2) Shaik Sirraaj Begum, W/o: Shaik Munvar Ali, Age: 38 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: H No: 4-48/2, Ravalko(V), Medchal(M), Ravalkole, Kv Ranga Reddy-501401, 630580674. 3) Shaik Munzarali, S/o: Mahamdhali Shaik @ Alias Shaik Mohammed Ali, Age: 34 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H No: 4-48/1, Ravalko(V), Medchal(M), Ravalkole, Medak-501801, 800861491. Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs	Rs.2168105/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand One Hundred And Five Only)

HMYTNTF2305020007 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY : Property holder Name is **SHAIK SIRRAAJ BEGUM**, Mortgage deed dated **03.05.2023** Registered as Document No **6660/2023** on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at **MEDCHAL** All That The H No-5-42/1, (Assessment No. 1400) Admeasuring 200 Sq.Yds Equivalent To 167.2 Sq.Mtrs With A Plinth Areaof 100 Sq.Ft Of Acc Covered Under The Limits Of Gramakantam, Situated At Ravalkole (Village), Medchal (Mandal), Medchal-Malkajigiri District Telangana State And Bounded As Follows Towards East: Open Land Of Bandela Pentaiah, (Present: Sabarali House), Towards West: House Of Manjorai Ali. Towards North: Open Land Of Shaik Barakath Ali. Towards South: 20' Ft Wide Road.

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Place: **MEDCHAL- MALKAJIGIRI**
Date: **18.07.2026**

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Muthoot Homefin (India) Ltd. (MHIL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower/s (the "said Borrower"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice/s issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower to pay to MHIL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest at 2% p.m. as detailed in the said Demand Notices, from the dates mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrowers. As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to MHIL by the said Borrowers respectively.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor/ Loan Account No./Branch	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
1.	Swadesh Appala/ Bhagyalaxmi Appala/ KNR-NHL-000284/ Karimnagar	Rs. 8,35,387.42/- Rupees Eight Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Seven and Paise Fourty Two Only.	30-Jun-2026	All That The Property R.C.C. House Bearing H.No.6-96/1, In The Land Admeasuring 178.47 Sq. Yards 149.19 Sq. Meters, and The R.C.C. Ground Floor Plinth area 636.00 Sq. Fts. R.C.C. First Floor Plinth Area 636.00 Sq. Fts. Situated at Elanthakunta Village & Mandal, Karimnagar District. Boundaries of Property North: Grama Panchayath Road, South: House of Mahender Ast Grama Panchayath Road West: Grama Panchayath Road
2.	Hussain Gugulothu/ Jyothis Gugulothu/ WAR-NHL-000269/ Warangal	Rs.10,30,171.98/- Rupees Ten Lakh Thirty Thousand One Hundred Seventy One and Paise Ninety Eight Only.	30-Jun-2026	Existing House With Open Place Bearing Gwmc H. No. 31-3-553, Admeasuring 78.50 Sq. Yards Or 65.63 Sq. Meters, With Its Rcc Plinth Area 246.50 Sq. Feets, Ac Sheet of 144.00 Sq. Feets, Situated at Komatipally, Hanumakonda City and District and Within The Limits of Greater Warangal Municipal Corporation and Registration District Hanumakonda Joint Sub-Registrar Warangal (R.O.) and Bounded By:- East: H. No. 31-3-536 of G. Lalsingh West 20'-0" Wide Road, North: H. No. 31-3-553 of Domes (Gugulothu Hussain), South H. No. 31-3-551 of Bhukya Shankarnature of The Property: Residential House
3.	Ummadi Rajendar/ Ummadi Chandraiah/ Ummadi Lavanya/ KNR-NHL-000261/ Karimnagar	Rs.11,07,485.72/- Rupees Eleven Lakh Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Five and Paise Seventy Two Only.	30-Jun-2026	All That The Property House Bearing H.No.10-366/A, Sy No.82 In The Land Admeasuring 120.00 Sq. Yards Or 100.32 Sq. Meters, Rcc 500 Sft, Situated At Mulkanoor Village, Bhemadevarapalli Mandal, Hanmakonda District, Boundaries of Property:- North G.P Road, South Open Land of Jogula Badraiah, East: Open Land of Mayojula Sathyan, West: Open Land of Byrjuu Venkataiah

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to MHIL as aforesaid, MHIL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of MHIL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made thereunder, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date: July 23, 2026
Place: Karimnagar, Warangal

Sd/-Authorized Officer,
Muthoot Homefin (India) Limited

MLC Malka Komaraiah Urges SCR GM to Resolve Key Railway Issues



Hyderabad, TSIT: Teachers' MLC Malka Komaraiah met South Central Railway General Manager Sanjay Kumar Srivastava at the South Central Railway Headquarters in Secunderabad on Wednesday and submitted a representation seeking the early resolution of several key railway infrastructure issues concerning Nacharam, Moulali and Peddapalli.

During the meeting, Malka Komaraiah highlighted long-pending public concerns and requested

the railway authorities to take immediate steps to improve connectivity, passenger safety and commuter convenience. The SCR General Manager reportedly gave a positive response and assured that the proposals would be examined.

Among the key demands, the MLC urged the Railways to expedite the ongoing development works at Peddapalli Railway Station under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme.

He also sought the extension of the existing

Foot Over Bridge (FOB) at Moulali Railway Station towards Nacharam, providing direct access to Durga Nagar Colony, Nacharam and Mallapur. According to the MLC, thousands of students, employees, industrial workers and daily commuters are forced to wait for long periods at the railway level crossing due to the absence of a proper pedestrian link.

Komaraiah stressed that extending the FOB would significantly enhance passenger safety, reduce inconvenience and improve access to the railway station for residents of the surrounding localities. He noted that the project would also help ease traffic congestion in the busy Moulali-Nacharam corridor.

MLC further requested the construction of a Railway Over Bridge (ROB) at Level Crossing No. 6 to provide a permanent solution to traffic bottlenecks and improve connectivity between Moulali and Nacharam.

TJA marks foundation day with service at old age home

Mahabubabad TSIT District Correspondent July 22 : The Telangana Journalists Association (TJA) celebrated its 12th Foundation Day by organizing charitable service activities at an old age home in Shanigapur, Mahabubabad district.



Under the leadership of District President M e k a r a b o y i n a Nageshwar, the associa-

tion provided food to the elderly residents, distributed fruits, and enquired about their well-being.

Speaking on the occasion, District President M e k a r a b o y i n a Nageshwar said that serving society is the responsibility of every individual.

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PLEASE CONTACT:

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, No.955129-N, SGT **Venapally Nikhil** S/o Venapalli Sridar Rao, presently resident of Flat No.402, CSR'S Tridev Residency, Vishveshwariah Engineering Colony, Road No.9, Hashinapuram, Karmanghat, KV Rangareddy-500079, has been wrongly mentioned my mother's name as **Venapally Vanaja** in my Air Force service records. The actual name of my mother is **Venapalli Vanaja**, which may be amended accordingly vide affidavit dated 21th July 2026

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HDFC BANK

Branch: 3-6-310, Hyderguda Road Bashier Bagh, Hyderabad – 500029.
Tel.: 18002100018/040-66588491, CINI.65920MH11994PLC080618, Website: www.hdfcbank.com

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **HDFC Bank Limited** (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC) Under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s), within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice(s), as per details given below. The undersigned have, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known respective addresses of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s). Copies of the said Notices are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s), may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to pay to **HDFC**, within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated hereinbelow in their respective names, together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as detailed in the said Demand Notices from the respective dates mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and / or realisation, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to **HDFC** by the said Borrower (s) respectively.

Borrower(s) attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Sl. No.	Name of Borrower(s)	Total Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Description of Secured Asset(s) / Immovable Property (ies)
(a)	(b)	(C)	(d)	(e)
1	Mr. Burugu Vijay Kumar (Borrower)	Rs. 88,92,628/- (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakhs Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) Dues as on 31-Mar-2026*	15-Jun-2026	All that the part and parcel of the Plot bearing No.101 admeasuring 693 sq. yards, equivalent to 579.43 sq.mts, in the Layout named as "SPALENA" , in Survey Nos.293/2A, 293/2A/1 & 293/2A/2, situated at Bandaravilla Village and Gram Panchayath, Abdulapurmet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District., and bounded as follows: North: 30' Wide Road, South: 100' Wide Road, East: Plot No.100, West: Plot No.102
2	Mr. Baddam Vijay (Borrower)	Rs. 53,07,105/- (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Seven Thousand One Hundred and Five Only) Dues as on 30-Apr-2026*	29-May-2026	RCC Building House No. 2-93/1/16/12/A/1, having Ground Floor plinth area 943.70 Sft., total area 162.46 Sq.yds. or 135.83 Sq.mts. in Plot No.12 out of Sy. No.7/D, Situated at Arepally, Arepally Revenue Village of locality of Karimnagar town and Dist. With in the limits of city municipal corporation Karimnagar, under the jurisdiction of Sub-District and District Registration, Karimnagar. (Assessment No. 1102201096) Bounded By: East: Plot of Others, West: Existing 28'-0" Wide Road Proposed 30'-0" Wide Road, North: Under Construction House of Others in Plot No. 11, South: under Construction House of Others in Plot No. 13.
3	Mrs. Kasi Kavitha (Borrower) Mr. Sobhanbabu Kasimalla (Co-Borrower)	Rs. 83,80,759/- (Rupees Eighty Three Lakhs Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Nine Only) Dues as on 28-Feb-2026*	20-Apr-2026	All that piece and parcel of the house on plot no.20 north part, admeasuring 126 sq. yards., and plot No.20 south part, admeasuring 61 sq. yards., total admeasuring 187 sq.yards., or its equivalent to 156.35 Sq.Mtrs., having plinth area 999 sft., in Ground floor with RCC roof, in survey No.473/a situated at TURKAYAMJAL village abdulapurmet Mandal, Rangareddy District, Under Turkayamjal Municipality, registration at Vanasthalipuram, Rangareddy District and bounded by: North: Plot No.19, South: Existing House, East: 25 Wide Road, West: Plot No.11.
4	Mr. Gaurav Gupta (Borrower) Mr. Piyush Gupta (Co-Borrower)	Rs. 55,20,433/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Twenty Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Three Only) Dues as on 31-Dec-2025*	10-Mar-2026	All that Agriculture Dry land admeasuring Ac-5-00 Gts, in Survey No.116 part, situated at Kompally Village and Gram Panchayath, Dundigal -Gandimisammag Mandal, Medchal-Malkajigiri District, Telangana State (formerly Known as Quthbullapur Mandal, Rangareddy district and bounded by: North: 40' wide road, South: Agriculture Land in Sy.No.116 Part, East: Agriculture Land in Sy.No.116 part, West: Agriculture Land in Sy.No.115 part Schedule of the Property (Flat No.103): All that Flat No. 103, in First Floor, P-Block, (House No. 3-50/P/103, with a plinth area of 1040 sq.feet (including common area) and separate car parking 100 sqft., with an undivided share of land 47.03 sq.yards out of 24.200 sq.yards in the building consisting of split floor car parking + Five upper Floors of "HI VISION RESIDENCY" , in Survey No.116 part, situated at Kompally Village and Gram Panchayath, Dundigal- Gandimisamma Mandal, Medchal-Malkajigiri District, Telangana state., (formerly Known as Quthbullapur Mandal, Rangareddy District) and Bounded By: North: Flat No.104, South: Open to Sky, East: Flat No.102, West: Open to Sky.
5	Mr. Yerra Srinivasa Rao (Borrower) Mr. Yerra Chandrasekhar (Co-Borrower)	Rs. 1,07,93,897/- (Rupees One Crore Seven Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Seven Only) Dues as on 31-Aug-2025*	07-Nov-2025	All the property situated at Village Kodada, bearing House 12-134, Plot 14, S.No. 1052, Village Kodada, District Suryapet, Suryapeta district Kodada Revenue Kodada Municipality limits Survey No. 1052 Plot No. 14 in Old Block No. 11 New Block No. 12 measuring 208 Sq.m House No.12-134 measuring 50 Sq.m, Plot No. 11 measuring 150 Sq.m., Totalling 408 Sq.m and Door No.12-1-33/2 measuring ground floor first Floor house, electricity meters, electricity fitting, Etc., for a house with all the facilities related to this house Boundaries: North: Municipality Road, South: The place of Manikya Rao, Thota Ranga Rao, East: Municipality Road, West: 30 feet Wide Municipality Road.

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.
If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to **HDFC** as aforesaid, then **HDFC** shall proceed against the above Secured Asset(s) / Immoveable Property(ies) under Section 13 (4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules entirely at the risk of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) as to the costs and consequences.

The said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) are prohibited under the said Act to transfer the aforesaid Secured Asset (s) / Immoveable Property(ies), whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of **HDFC**. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the Act or Rules made thereunder shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date: 22-July-2026
Place: Hyderabad
Regd. Office: **HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai- 400020**
Sd/-
Authorized Officer

केनरा बँक Canara Bank ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH HYDERABAD (DP CODE: 2752), MCH No 10-3-163 & 10-3-163/A, Ground Floor, Circle Office Building, Beside Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad - 500 026
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SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immoveable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Date & Time of Auction : 13-08-2026, 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
(With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)
Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 12-08-2026 at 5:00 pm.
The property can be inspected on 11-08-2026 between 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

Ref: 2752/ARMB/SN/A. Ramaswamy/2026-27/05 Dt: 17-07-2026
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), mortgager(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Mahabubnagar Branch (13420) subsequently transferred to Asset Recovery Management Branch Hyderabad (2752), Canara Bank Secured Creditor for recovery followup, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" condition on 13-08-2026 for recovery of Rs. 32,09,082.78 (Rupees Thirty-Two Lakh Nine Thousand Eighty-Two and Paise Seventy-Eight Only) balance as on Dt. 06-07-2026 plus interest from 01-04-2026 and Bank charges, costs there on, due to the Asset Recovery Management Hyderabad Branch (2752) of Canara Bank from **Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgager(s) : Sri. Agapu Ramaswamy, S/o. Sri. Agapu Balakondiah, 3-46, Pothireddy Pally, Mahboobnagar, Telangana - 509215. Smt. Agapu Chennamma, W/o. Agapu Ramaswamy, 3-45, Pothireddy Pally, Mahboobnagar, Telangana - 509215.** The Reserve Price will be **Rs. 29,70,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Nine Lakh Seventy Thousand Only)**, and the Earnest Money Deposit will be **Rs. 2,97,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Ninety-Seven Thousand Only)**. Bid Multiples: **Rs. 50,000/-.**

DETAILS AND FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that the Non Agriculture Land in Sy No: 228/H an extent Of Ac 0.15 Gts (1815 Sq Yrds) as per NALA order No: 2300350888 dtd. 08/05/2023 situated at Pothireddipally Village, Thimmajipet Mandal, Nagarkurnool District, Mahboobnagar and **Bounded by: North:** A Ramaswamy Land, **South:** Cheruvu Kalwa, **East:** Jyothi Land, **West:** Ravi Land. CERSAI ID: 400089222310.

Ref: 2752/ARMB/SN/M A KHADER/2026-27/05 Dt: 17-07-2026
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), mortgager(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Mahabubnagar Branch (13420) subsequently transferred to Asset Recovery Management Branch Hyderabad (2752), Canara Bank Secured Creditor for recovery followup, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" condition on 13-08-2026 for recovery of Rs. 25,63,142.93 (Rupees Twenty-Five Lakh Sixty-Three Thousand One Hundred Forty-Two and Paise Ninety-Three Only) balance as on Dt. 30-06-2026 plus subsequent interest and Bank charges, costs there on, due to the Asset Recovery Management Hyderabad Branch (2752) of Canara Bank from **Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgager(s) : Sri. Molla Abdul Khader, S/o. Sri. Molla Kasim, 2-24 Pothireddy Pally, Thimmajipet, Nagar Kurnool, Mahabub Nagar, Telangana-509215. Sri. Kavali Akbar, S/o. Sri. Mohammed Buran, 2-79 Pothireddy Pally, Thimmajipet, Nagar Kurnool, Mahabub Nagar, Telangana-509215** The Reserve Price will be **Rs. 29,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Nine Lakh Only)**, and the Earnest Money Deposit will be **Rs. 2,90,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Ninety Thousand Only)**. Bid Multiples: **Rs. 50,000/-.**

DETAILS AND FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that poultry shed constructed on land in Sy No: 119/A/1/2 an extent Of Ac 0.15 Gts(1815 Sq Yrds) as per NALA order No: 2300350705 dated 08/05/2023 situated at Pothireddipally Village, Thimmajipet Mandal, Nagarkurnool, Mahboobnagar District and **Bounded by: North:** Land of C Ramulu, **South:** Land of Others, **East:** Bata, **West:** Land of Jangaiah, CERSAI ID: 400089426532.

Name of Title holder: **Sri. Molla Abdul Khader, S/o. Sri. Molla Kasim**

Ref: 2752/ARMB/SN/M Shiva Shankar/2026-27/11 Dt: 17-07-2026
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Wanaparthi Branch (7283) subsequently transferred to Asset Recovery Management Branch Hyderabad (2752), Canara Bank Secured Creditor for recovery followup, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" condition on 13-08-2026 for recovery of Rs. 43,47,993.89 (Rupees Forty-Three Lakh Forty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three and Paise Eighty-Nine Only) as on Dt. 09-07-2026 plus interest and Bank charges, costs there on, due to the Asset Recovery Management Hyderabad Branch of Canara Bank from **Borrower : Mr. Mallisetty Shiva Shankar, S/o. Mallisetty Venkata Swamy, H.No. 2-97, Allipur, Balmoor Taluka, Mahabub Nagar District-509203, Telangana State.** The Reserve Price will be **Rs. 61,43,000/- (Rupees Sixty-One Lakh Forty-Three Thousand Only)**, and the Earnest Money Deposit will be **Rs. 6,14,300/- (Rupees Six Lakh Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Only)**. Bid Multiples: **Rs. 50,000/-.**

DETAILS AND FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that the part and parcel of Residential plot bearing No.4, in Sy Nos 936/B/1/1, 937/A/2, 936/B2/1, 937/A/1/2, 936/2/2/1, 937/A/1/1/2, 936/2/2/2 TLP No. 007024 /LO /D/TCP /3067/ 0015/ 2022 & Nala Order Proceeding No.21000495303, an extent of 250.00 Sq.Yards situated Near Pangal Road Wanaparthi Town and District, Telangana State and **Bounded as follows:** North: Plot No.3, South: Plot No.5, East: 30 Feet Road, West: Plot No.8. Cersai Asset ID: 200073400778, Security Interest ID: 400072061600.

Name of Title holder: **Sri. Mallisetty Shiva Shankar, S/o. Mallisetty Venkata Swamy**

Date & Time of Auction : 24-08-2026, 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
(With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)
Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 21-08-2026 at 5:00 pm.
The property can be inspected on 20-08-2026 between 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

Ref: 2752/ARMB/SN/M Narasimha Rao/2026-27/04 Dt: 17-07-2026
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), mortgager(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the **Revoor Branch** (01664) subsequently transferred to Asset Recovery Management Branch Hyderabad (2752), Canara Bank Secured Creditor for recovery followup, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" condition on 24-08-2026 for recovery of Rs. 47,90,867.10 (Rupees Forty-Seven Lakh Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Seven and Paise Ten Only) balance as on Dt. 06-07-2026 plus subsequent interest and Bank charges, costs there on, due to the Asset Recovery Management Hyderabad Branch (2752) of Canara Bank from **Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgager(s) : Sri. Murakonda Narasimha Rao, S/o. Satyanarayana, Check Post Bazar, Mellacheruvu, Suryapet, Telangana -508246. Smt. Murakonda Vasantha, P. No. 11, Sp. Road No.1, Srinivasa Colony, Hayathnagar, Revenue Mandal, Rangareddy, Hyderabad, Telangana-501505.** The Reserve Price will be **Rs. 59,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty-Nine Lakh Only)**, and the Earnest Money Deposit will be **Rs. 5,90,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Ninety Thousand Only)** Bid Multiples: **Rs. 50,000/-.**

DETAILS AND FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that the part and parcel of Residential Flat No.103, in First Floor of "VEDA'S BREEZE BLOWS" having plinth area of 1200 Sft., (Including common area and balconies) one car parking area of 100 Sft., along with an undivided share of land admeasuring 44.50 Sq.Yards, equivalent to 37.202 Sq.Mts., out of 890 Sq.Yards, constructed on Plot No.71, in Survey Nos.321/a,322/a,323/a and 324/a, situated at Annagall Hayathnagar Village, Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, under Ward No.4, Block No.2 of GHMC, Hayathnagar circle, within the jurisdiction of Registration District: Ranga Reddy, Sub-District: Hayathnagar and **Bounded by: BOUNDARIES for Plot: North :** 30' Wide Road, **South :** Land of Kuncharam Gopal Reddy & Others, **East :** Plot No.72, **West :** 30ft. Wide Road. **Boundaries for Flat No.103 in First Floor, North :** Open To Sky, **South :** Open To Sky, **East :** Corridor & Stair-Case, **West :** Open To Sky. CERSAI ID: 400078621150. Name of Title holder: **Sri. Murakonda Narasimha Rao**

"No Known Encumbrances to the Knowledge of the Bank. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries / due diligence regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on auction and claims /rights / dues affecting the property, prior to submitting their bid.

For further details Mr V Sandeep Kumar (Name of Nodal Officer & its team ARM Branch,Hyderabad. Ph. No: 040-27725283/260 may be contacted during office hours on any working day. The service provider Baanknet (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd),(Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848/8160205051. Email: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com. Mode of Auction: Online Electronic Bidding.

Details of Auction Service Provider: M/s. PSB Alliance Pvt.Ltd (baanknet) Contact Numbers "8291220220, E-mail:support.baanknet@psballiance.com,Website:https://baanknet.com

Date: 17-07-2026, Place: Hyderabad. Sd/- Authorised Officer, CANARA BANK

IIFL FINANCE **సేవ్ ఫైనెన్స్**

PUBLIC NOTICE

The branch of IIFL Finance Limited located at D. No. 8-3-201/2/A, 1st Floor, ZP Center, Wyra Road, Khammam is shifting to below mentioned address with effect from 26.10.2026.

New Address: IIFL Finance Limited, H. No. 8-6-148-2A, Opp: Tummalagadda, Jammibanda Road, Khammam, Telangana - 507001

Contact No.: 9705220385
All existing services can be availed at the new location.

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BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, 1st FLOOR, TRIVENI COMPLEX, ABIDS, HYDERABAD
I.A. NO.2114 OF 2026

S.A. NO. 149 OF 2024.

Between:
M/s Venagro Nutri Foods Pvt Ltd.,
and another
...Applicants
AND
PNB Housing Finance Ltd., And others
...Respondents

NOTICE BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION TO,
Rep by Director Kamdhama
Jagan Mohan Reddy, S/o. K.Venkata Rami Reddy, Flat no. 202, Subham Lobhan Enclave, Road no.9, Vasanth Nagar, Medchal, Medchal-Malkajigiri-500090 Telangana State.

Sub: I.A.No.2114 of 2026 in S.A.No: 149 of 2024, Between M/s Venagro Nutri Foods Pvt Ltd., and another Vs PNB Housing Finance Ltd., and others on the file of DRT-II Hyderabad.

Sir,
Please take notice that my client M/s Venagro Nutri Foods Pvt Ltd., filed the I.A.No: 2114 of 2026 in S.A.No: 149 of 2024 against you before the Hon'ble DRT-II Hyderabad, to implead you as a party in the above mentioned case and the Hon'ble Tribunal was pleased to order notice and posted the matter on Dt.21-08-2026 for your appearance and counters at 11.00 am. This is for your information.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that My client, **Sri Vijay Kumar Bajaj**, residing at Villa No.100/A, Maple Town, Suncity, Rajendranagar, K.V. Rangareddy, Telangana - 500086, have entered into an Agreement of Sale dated 25th June 2026 with (1) **Smt. Renu Nishant Jain** and (2) **Smt. Indu Suresh Jain**, both residing at Polaris, Vasant Galaxy, Goregoan, Mumbai - 400090, for purchase of Plot No.10 admeasuring **582 Sq. Yds.** in "Legacy Village" layout (HMDA Final Layout Permit No.48/LO/Plg/HMDA/2009), situated at Fathepur Village, Shankarpally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, acquired vide Sale Deed Doc. No. 2102/015 dt.18.03.2015, S.R.O. Kukatapali, and bounded as follows: **North :** Plot No. 09, **SOUTH:** 40 ft. Road, **EAST:** 60 ft. Road, **WEST :** Plot No. 11.

Any person having any right, title, interest, claim, lien, mortgage or encumbrance of any nature whatsoever in respect of the said property, is hereby required to make the same known in writing along with the documentary proof thereof, to the undersigned advocate at the address given below, within **thirty (30) days** from the date of publication hereof, failing which the sale transaction shall be completed without any reference to such claims, and the claims if any, shall be deemed to have been given up or waived.

Sd/- P. Pradeep Kumar, Advocate
Flat No. 803, 8th Floor,
Raghav Ratna Towers, Abids,
Hyderabad - 01.
Mobile : 9222000222.

Place : Hyderabad Date: 21/07/2026

L&T Finance Limited
Registered Office: L&T Finance Limited, Brindavan Building
Plot No. 177, Kalina, CST Road, Near Mercedes Showroom
Santacruz (East), Mumbai 400 098
CIN No.: L67120MH2008PLC181833
Branch office: Hyderabad



PUBLIC AUCTION FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY

The Authorised Officer of **L&T Finance Limited** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 [54 Of 2002] and in exercise of powers conferred under the said Act is auctioning the following property on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"** by way of **"PUBLIC AUCTION"** for recovery of its dues and further interest, charges and costs etc.

Name of Borrower and Co-Borrower	Secured Property Address	Loan Account Number(s)	Physical Possession taken	Earnest Money Deposit 10% or more of RP (In ₹)	Secured Debt	Reserve Price (In ₹)	Date of Inspection	Date and Time of Auction
1. Mr. Banda Laxmi Narsimha Reddy 2. Mrs. Banda Keerthi	All That Piece And Parcel Of Residential House Bearing No. 27-64/20/2/1, (Ptn No. 1170767/233), (Old H.No. 27-64/24), Consisting Of 1300 Sq.Ft., Rec.Roof (Ground Floor 650 Sq.Ft + First Floor 650 Sq.Ft, On Plot No. 24, In Survey Nos. 121 And 122, Admeasuring An 235.80 Sq.Yds., Or 197.12 Sq. Mtrs, Situated At Brahma Nagar, Neredmet Old Village, Within The Limits Of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Malkajigiri Circle, Medchal – Malkajigiri District, Having Bounded As Hereunder:- Boundaries East South West North Neighbours Land Road 20'0" Wide House No. 25 Plot No. 33	H06052010723024704/ H06052010723024704L	20th September 2025	Rs. 8,16,627/-	As per Demand Notice dated 10-02-2025 Total outstanding dues is Rs. 88,21,079.93/- as on date 04/02/2025	Rs. 81,66,274/- BID Incremental Value Of :- Rs. 50,000/-	On 03/08/2026 from 10.00 A.M to 5.30 P.M with prior appointme nt.	10/08/2026 from 11:00 A.M To 12:00 P.M.
1. Karrotu Jagadeeswara Rao 2. Susmitha Karrotu	All That The Piece And Parcel Of The Bearing House No. 5-118 (Ptn No 11199116639 On Plot Nos 118, Ground Floor 1250 Sq.feet, First Upper Floor 1250 Sq.feet, Second Floor 800 Sq.feet, On The Plot Admeasuring 267 Sq.yards Situated In Survey Nos 58/1, Lane No 4, Road No.1 Adarshnagar Colony, Serilingampally, Ranga Reddy District, Having Purchased Through A Registered Sale Deed Document No 78230222 Dated- 26-08-2022 At S.r.o. Serilingampally, Ranga Reddy District. Telangana State, And Bounded By: Boundaries East West North South 30 Feet Wide Road Plot No. 98 Plot No 119 H.No 5-117	H04653201022115522, H04653201022115522G	22nd December 2025	Rs. 16,26,420/-	As per Demand Notice dated 07-03-2025, Total outstanding of Rs. 1,82,70,665.97/- as on date 04/03/2025	Rs. 16,264,203/- BID Incremental Value Of :- Rs. 50,000/-	On 03/08/2026 from 10.00 A.M to 5.30 P.M with prior appointme nt.	10/08/2026 from 11:00 A.M To 12:00 P.M.

CM Revanth reviews city development works

Hyderabad (TSIT) : Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Wednesday conducted a comprehensive review meeting on municipal administration at the Bodhi Pavilion, MCRHRD Institute, focusing on the progress of development works across the GHMC, Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) and Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation (MMC) jurisdictions.

Meeting was attended by Municipal Administration Secretary Sridevi, Chief Minister's Secretary Manik Raj, GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan, CMC Commissioner G. Srujana, MMC Commissioner T. Vinay Krishna Reddy, HYDRRAA Commissioner A.V. Ranganath, MRDCL Managing Director Narasimha Reddy, and Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) Managing Director Ashok Reddy.

Chief Minister reviewed the status of ongoing infrastructure and civic development projects in the three municipal corporation areas and directed officials to accelerate the



execution of all works without compromising quality.

Emphasising proper planning, the Chief Minister instructed officials not to invite tenders before completing land acquisition. He noted that a Special Officer has already been appointed to oversee land acquisition and directed departments to ensure timely completion of the process.

To improve coordination and avoid delays, the Chief Minister instructed that regular coordination meetings be held among all concerned departments for granting permissions related to development works within the GHMC,

Malkajgiri and Cyberabad jurisdictions. He also directed the Hyderabad Metropolitan Development Authority (HMDA) to expedite the works related to the proposed statue of former Prime Minister Dr. Mannohan Singh and the associated junction development in Cyberabad.

During the review, Chief Minister examined the proposed architectural designs for the National Institute of Urban Management (NIUM) building and the Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation headquarters, offering several suggestions for improving the designs before implementation.

Farmers Should Shift to Alternative Crops Amid El Niño Impact: Collector Khushboo Gupta

Mahabubnagar, July 22 (TSIT): With the possibility of drought-like conditions due to the El Niño effect, Mahabubnagar District Collector Khushboo Gupta advised farmers to move beyond traditional crops and adopt alternative crops that require less water. The Collector was speaking at the Growmore Nano Fertilizer Awareness Programme organized by Coromandel International, in association with the Department of Agriculture, at the Rythu Vedika in Bhoothpur Mandal on Wednesday.

Addressing the farmers, she said rainfall patterns have changed significantly compared to last year, with this season receiving much lower rainfall than expected. In view of the changing climatic conditions, farmers should carefully reconsider their crop choices to minimize risks.

The Collector directed Agriculture Department officials and Agricultural Extension Officers (AEOs) to visit villages, interact personally with farmers, and provide guidance on suitable alternative crops, market opportunities, profitability, and soil health. She emphasized that officials must help farmers overcome doubts and build confidence in adopting new farming practices.

She suggested that small and marginal farmers should



initially cultivate alternative crops on a limited area instead of converting their entire farmland at once. Farmers should also be made aware of government-supported initiatives such as subsidized seeds, Nano Urea, and other modern agricultural technologies.

Collector Khushboo Gupta stressed that agricultural officers should not limit their work to meetings and awareness posters but must ensure visible results at the field level. Successful farmers should be encouraged to share their experiences through Rythu Vedikas so that others gain confidence in adopting innovative practices. She also urged officials to continuously update their knowledge on drones, nano fertilizers, and other advanced farming technologies. Agricultural scientists and officers should go beyond textbooks, study changing field conditions, and provide practical solutions that benefit farmers. Highlighting the importance of digital learning, she said

agricultural officers should act as a bridge between scientific knowledge available on platforms like YouTube and the farming community. Recording crop progress through photographs and videos would help farmers better understand modern cultivation techniques.

Describing Mahabubnagar as an agriculture-dependent district, the Collector said the district's development depends on the prosperity of its farmers. She instructed every AEO to identify at least five farmers, document the outcomes of contingency measures, and ensure their effective implementation. Innovative field-level initiatives benefiting farmers would be recognized at the district level, and she expressed her willingness to personally visit villages showcasing exemplary work. The programme was attended by Horticulture Officer Venugopal, mandal-level agriculture officials, and a large number of farmers.

Education Minister should resign over NEET leak: Laxman Kumar

Jagityala, July 22, TSIT: State Social Welfare Minister Adluri Laxman Kumar demanded the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan over the alleged NEET-UG question paper leak. He also sought Prime Minister Narendra Modi's resignation as Home Minister, holding him responsible for the reported police action against protesting students.

The Minister, along with Jagityala MLA Sanjay Kumar, participated in a protest organised at the district centre following a Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee call against the arrest of Rahul Gandhi in Delhi. Laxman



Kumar said lakhs of students across the country depend on NEET-UG for their future and alleged that the Centre failed to conduct the examination responsibly. He questioned why the Union Government was not allowing a discussion on the issue in Parliament.

Demanding accountability, the Minister urged the Centre to take action against those responsible for the alleged paper leak and address students' concerns.

Minister to review monsoon impact in Husnabad

Husnabad (TSIT): State Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnann Prabhakar will conduct a review meeting on Thursday to assess the impact of monsoon and El Niño conditions in the Husnabad constituency. District Collector K. Haimavathi inspected the meeting venue at Husnabad IOC on Wednesday and reviewed arrangements. Officials from Agriculture, Horticulture, Rural Development, Irrigation, Electricity and other departments, along with Collectors from three districts, will participate in the meeting.



Telangana State Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka was welcomed by Telangana Congress senior leader Mandala Sammaiah with shawl at NIT Guest House on the occasion of his visit to Warangal to participate in the foundation stone laying programme of various development works in Warangal West Constituency.

Collector asks parties to help update voter details

Mulugu, July 22, TSIT: District Election Officer and Collector Borkhade Hemant Sahadeva Rao said that the special voter list amendment programme in 109-Mulugu ST Legislative Assembly constituency should be completed in a transparent and timely manner as per the guidelines of the Election Commission of India. A review meeting was held on Wednesday at the district collectorate meeting hall with the representatives of recognized political parties on the special voter list amendment programme.

On this occasion, the District Election Officer said that from June 25, 2026, the booth level officials are conducting a house-to-house survey and collecting enumeration forms from each voter. He



said that digitization of about 83.03 per cent enumeration forms has been completed in the district and steps are being taken to complete the rest of the process quickly.

Booth level agents and booth level officials are advised to work in mutual coordination. The officials were directed to contact the remaining voters in each booth and complete the collection and digitization of the pending enumeration forms. It is advised to enter the details accurately through the BLO app and upload the

digitized forms immediately.

Re-visits were conducted wherever necessary and special measures were ordered to ensure that not a single eligible voter was left behind. The representatives of the political parties were made aware of the process of accepting claims and objections which will start from 10th August.

It has been clarified that the addition, modification and deletion of names of voters will be done as per the rules of the Election Commission.

TPCC Stages 'Chalo Raj Bhavan' Protest; Demands Union Education Minister's Resignation Over NEET Paper Leak

Hyderabad, July 22 (TSIT): Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud led the 'Chalo Raj Bhavan' protest in Hyderabad on Tuesday, demanding the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan over the alleged NEET paper leak issue.

The protest, organised in response to a call given by the Congress party, witnessed the participation of a large number of Congress leaders and party workers who marched towards Raj Bhavan, raising slogans against the Central Government. Police detained Mahesh Kumar Goud and several senior Congress leaders near Raj Bhavan to prevent the demonstration from proceeding further.

Speaking to the media after his detention,



Mahesh Kumar Goud alleged that the Union Government was undermining democratic values and demanded that Dharmendra Pradhan accept moral responsibility for the NEET paper leak and resign immediately. He said the alleged irregularities had put the future of nearly 2.2 million students across the country at stake. He also criticised the reported detention of Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi and other

Opposition MPs for raising the issue, alleging that the Centre was attempting to suppress democratic protests and the voices of students.

Mahesh Kumar Goud asserted that the BJP-led government was playing with the future of the country's youth and said the Congress, under Rahul Gandhi's leadership, would continue its fight until justice was delivered to students affected by the controversy.

ACB Registers DA Case Against REDCO Engineer; Assets Worth Over 28 Crore Unearthed

Hyderabad, TSIT: Telangana Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) has registered a Disproportionate Assets (DA) case against Mutyam Venkata Ramana, Divisional Engineer, Renewable Energy Development Corporation (REDCO), Khairatabad, for allegedly amassing assets far beyond his known sources of income.

Acting on the case, ACB officials conducted simultaneous searches at the officer's residence, office and seven other premises linked to his relatives, associates and alleged benamidars on Wednesday.

During the raids, the ACB unearthed four residential flats in Serilingampally and Kukatpally, a G+3 commercial building at Anjaneya Nagar, Kukatpally, and a G+5 commercial building at Guttala Begumpet. Investigators also found



that four construction firms had allegedly been registered in the name of the officer's wife, through which ten residential apartments were under construction at Anjaneya Nagar, Moosapet, involving an estimated investment of 20 crore.

The searches also led to the recovery of bank deposits worth 52.02 lakh, 2,094 grams of gold ornaments valued at around 40 lakh, three vehicles, household articles and electronic gadgets worth approximately 30 lakh, besides 20 liquor bottles, for which a sepa-

rate case has been registered by the Excise Department.

According to the ACB, the assets detected during the searches are estimated at 27.65 crore, while the market value is expected to be substantially higher than the official valuation.

Bureau also noted that the officer had earlier been arrested in December 2019 in a trap case for allegedly accepting a 25,000 bribe while serving as Divisional Engineer (Technical) in the Cyber City Circle. With the inclusion of assets detected in that case, the grand total of the officer's assets has been estimated at 28.14 crore. accused will be produced before the Principal Special Judge for SPE and ACB Cases, Hyderabad, for judicial remand. The investigation is continuing to ascertain the full extent of the alleged disproportionate assets, the ACB said.

MMC Commissioner Orders Crackdown on Illegal C&D Waste



Hyderabad, July 22 (TSIT): Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation (MMC) Commissioner T. Vinay Krishna Reddy, conducted a field inspection in the Perumalla Swamy Temple area under Alwal Circle and directed officials to take strict action against illegal dumping of Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste.

Commissioner instructed officials to penalise violators, ensure timely renewal of trade licences, plant saplings in all vacant planter boxes and channel coconut husks to authorised coir industries for value-added products.

He also announced a special review after 15 days to assess the implementation of the directions and urged all departments to work in coordination to keep the city clean, green and free from illegal waste dumping.

SAI Team Inspects Telangana Sports Venues Ahead of Khelo India Youth Games 2026

Hyderabad, TSIT: Preparations for the 8th Edition of the Khelo India Youth Games-2026, to be hosted by Telangana, gathered momentum as a delegation from the Sports Authority of India (SAI) conducted a comprehensive inspection of sports infrastructure across Medchal-Malkajgiri, Karimnagar and Hanumakonda districts on Wednesday.

SAI team, led by Executive Director Amar Jyoti, along with Assistant Directors Madhu Harsha, Gopal Kandpal and Mohit, visited



the Hakimpet Sports School, Karimnagar Sports School, Satavahana University, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Stadium in Karimnagar and various sports facilities under the Sports Authority of Telangana in Hanumakonda. During the inspection, the

officials reviewed the readiness of the venues to host the prestigious national sporting event. They assessed the quality of sports infrastructure, playing arenas and amenities available for athletes, technical officials and visitors.

Congress Leaders Meet Collector Over Siddapur Dumping Yard Issue

RANGAREDDY (TSIT) Former Shadnagar MLA Choulapally Pratap Reddy, along with leaders of the Siddapur Dumping Yard Opposition Joint Action Committee (JAC), met



tion to the Collector, explaining that the proposed facility could adversely affect residents, farmers and nearby villages.

Siddapur, citing environmental and public health concerns. The delegation submitted a memorandum and made a presentation to the Collector, explaining that the proposed facility could adversely affect residents, farmers and nearby villages.

Collector Khushboo Gupta Inspects Bhoothpur Tahsildar Office and PHC

Mahabubnagar, July 22 (TSIT): Mahabubnagar District Collector Khushboo Gupta directed officials to dispose of all pending Bhu Bharati and MeeSeva applications within the stipulated time. On Wednesday, she conducted inspections at the Bhoothpur Tahsildar's Office and the Primary Health Centre (PHC) in Bhoothpur Mandal.

During her visit to the Tahsildar's Office, the Collector reviewed the status of pending Bhu Bharati and MeeSeva applications. She instructed officials to immediately verify applications requiring field inquiry and ensure their timely disposal.

She also reviewed the progress of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and directed



Booth Level Officers (BLOs) to complete the collection of Enumeration Forms within a week and achieve 100% digitization of the collected data. Tahsildar Kishan was present during the inspection. Inspection of Bhoothpur PHC Later, the Collector inspected the Bhoothpur

Primary Health Centre and reviewed the health-care services being provided. She interacted with members of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) who had come for medical check-ups and enquired about their health status and the quality of services available at the hospital. She instructed medical

officers to maintain a separate follow-up column in the register for SHG members undergoing health screenings. The Collector also examined laboratory records and directed officials to ensure that test reports are prepared daily. She instructed that patients with abnormal test results should be con-

tacted immediately and provided with timely medical treatment.

The Collector reviewed the hospital's daily Outpatient (OP) attendance. Medical officials informed her that the PHC receives around 40-50 SHG members and 80-100 general patients daily.

She also reviewed the implementation of various public health programmes, including the Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI) and the Routine Immunization Programme. Officials informed her that routine immunization sessions are conducted every Wednesday and Saturday. Medical Officer Dr. Abdul Rab and other departmental officials were present during the inspection.

International Magician Samala Venu Installed as 63rd President of Rotary Club

Hyderabad, TSIT: International magician Rtn.Samala Venu was installed as the 63rd President of the Rotary Club of Hyderabad North (RCHN) at the club's 63rd Installation Ceremony held in Hyderabad.

The event was attended by District Governor Elect (2027-28) Rtn. Harihara Prasad, along with seven to eight Past District Governors, making the occasion a memorable gathering of senior Rotary leaders from District 3150. Rtn. Y. Sandeep Reddy assumed office as the Club Secretary, while the newly elected Board of Directors and office bearers also took charge.

Chief Guest PDG AKS Dr.Ravi Vadlamani, a recipient of Rotary



International's prestigious Service Above Self Award, called upon Rotarians to focus on sustainable service programmes that create a lasting impact on society. He urged members to strengthen fellowship, develop future leaders and uphold Rotary's core values through meaningful community service. Congratulating the new

leadership, Past President Rtn. B.R.V. Susheel Kumar, Chairman of the Dhanyawad Project, RI District 3150, expressed confidence that President Samala Venu and his team would lead the club to new heights of excellence and further strengthen its reputation as one of the leading Rotary clubs in District 3150.

Collector encourages women to become entrepreneurs

Nalgonda TSIT: District Collector B. Chandrasekhar on Wednesday encouraged women farmers to utilise drone technology and develop themselves as successful entrepreneurs. He visited the drone operator training programme organised for women farmers at TTDC by Mirai Training Institute under DRDA-SERP with support from CSR initiatives.

Interacting with 50 women trainees, the Collector advised them to make the best use of the 10-day training and acquire necessary technical skills. He said drone operations could provide employment opportunities not only in agriculture but also in var-



ious other sectors.The Collector urged women to offer drone services with a commercial approach and turn available opportunities into income sources. He expressed hope that the initiative would help rural women achieve financial independence

and contribute to their families' progress and district development. Trainee Vijayalakshmi thanked the government for supporting women's empowerment. Officials from various departments participated in the programme.

Youth Must Lead the Fight Against Drugs: SP D. Janaki, IPS

Mahabubnagar, July 22 (TSIT) An awareness programme on drug abuse prevention was organized at SVS Dental College, Mahabubnagar, under the aegis of the Telangana Eagle Force. Mahabubnagar District Superintendent of Police Mrs. Daravat Janaki, IPS, attended the event as the chief guest and addressed the students.

During the programme, representatives of the Telangana Eagle Force delivered a PowerPoint presentation and screened awareness videos highlighting the devastating impact of drug addiction on individuals, families, friendships, and society.

Addressing the gathering, SP D. Janaki urged students to stay away from drugs during this crucial phase of their lives. She



said drug addiction can destroy a person's health, education, career, family relationships, and social reputation. She encouraged every student to take responsibility in the fight against drugs and spread awareness among their peers.

The SP appealed to the public to immediately report any information regarding the consumption, sale, or transportation of narcotic substances by calling 1908 or informing the nearest police station. She assured that the identity of informants

would be kept strictly confidential. She also emphasized that individuals suffering from drug addiction would be provided with counselling and rehabilitation through de-addiction centres, enabling them to return to a normal life. On the occasion, SP D.

Janaki presented Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals to three students who excelled in competitions organized by the Telangana Eagle Force as part of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking observed on June 26, 2026. Other participating students received Appreciation Letters from Telangana Eagle Force Director Sandeep Shandilya, IPS, along with Anti-Drug Soldiers Certificates. The programme was attended by Telangana Eagle Force DSP N. Buchaiah, SVS Vice Chairman Venkat Reddy, Principal Damodar Reddy, faculty members, Rural Sub-Inspector Vijay Kumar, Eagle Force personnel, and around 200 students.

Intermediate Education Department Signs MoU with Hetero Pharmaceuticals to Boost Skill Development and Employment

Hyderabad, TSIT: In a significant initiative to enhance industry-oriented skills and employment opportunities for students, the Telangana Intermediate Education Department has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Hetero Pharmaceuticals.

MoU exchange took place in the presence of Director of Intermediate Education Abhilasha Abhinav Joint Director Yenky Naik, SIVE Principal Dr. Jyotsna Rani, and Hetero representatives Dr.S.Venkata Jayapal Reddy (Vice



President-HR), Madhuri I. (Senior Manager-HR) and Karnakanti Venumadhav (Officer-HR).

Under the partnership, Hetero Pharmaceuticals will provide industry linkage, campus recruitment

drives, skill development training, internships, faculty exposure to industrial practices, and CSR support for laboratory development. The initiative will primarily benefit Intermediate and voca-

tional students pursuing Life Sciences and allied disciplines by preparing them for careers in the pharmaceutical sector.

Speaking on the occasion, Director of Intermediate Education Abhilasha Abhinav said the collaboration reflects the department's commitment to creating meaningful career opportunities for students.She noted that the partnership would equip youth with industry-relevant training and open the door to sustainable, long-term employment in the pharmaceutical sector.

Quality should be given priority in temple development works



Bhadradri Kothagudem, (TSIT). MLA Tellam Venkata Rao suggested that quality should be given priority in the ongoing development works at the Bhadrachalam Sri Seetharamachandra Swamy temple. He inspected the work being done at the temple on Wednesday. On this occasion, he inquired thoroughly about the progress of the works. He gave various suggestions and advice to the contractor and ordered him to give top priority to quality and complete the

work within the stipulated time. He suggested that the development works be completed expeditiously without causing any inconvenience to the devotees.Gram Panchayat Sarpanch Poonem Krishna, Devasthanam Executive Officer Damodar, Congress Party leaders Ratnam Ramakanth, Bhimavarapu Venkata Reddy, Mamidi Pullarao, Nageswara Rao, Rayala Srinu, Youth Congress leaders Gadi Vijay, Machineni Bhanu, and Shyam participated in the program.

Congress Stages Successful 'Chalo Lok Bhavan' Protest in Hyderabad



Hyderabad: Congress workers successfully carried out the "Chalo Lok Bhavan" protest in Hyderabad on Wednesday, responding to the All India Congress Committee (AICC) call against the alleged illegal arrest of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi.Rahul Gandhi was detained while leading a peaceful dharna at

the Prime Minister's residence in Delhi, highlighting issues faced by students. Led by TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, a large rally marched from Necklace Road to Lok Bhavan. Senior leaders, state ministers, MLAs, former representatives, and party workers participated in large numbers.

BJP holds protest in Husnabad



Husnabad The South India Times: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) organised a protest at Ambedkar Crossroads in Husnabad on Wednesday against the Congress party and INDIA alliance over their alleged anti-democratic actions. During the protest, police detained several BJP leaders and activists and shifted them to the police station. Speaking on the occa-

sion, former BJP state executive committee member Komatireddy Ramgopal Reddy condemned the reported attempt by Congress and alliance leaders to protest near Prime Minister Narendra Modi's residence. He alleged that such actions were against democratic values and were aimed at creating political unrest. He said the BJP would continue to protect con-

stitutional principles and democratic traditions. Party leaders also criticised the Congress leadership and raised slogans against Minister Ponnam Prabhakar. Several BJP district leaders, mandal representatives and party workers participated in the protest, including district general secretary Khammam Venkatesham and other senior leaders.

Union Bank reaches out to customers through awareness drive



Jogulamba Gadwal, July 22, TSIT: Union Bank of India's Gandhi Chowk Branch, Gadwal, conducted a "Shop-to-Shop Customer Service Excellence" outreach programme on Wednesday to create awareness about banking services and strengthen customer relations.

Branch Manager Ramudu said the bank is committed to providing efficient and customer-friendly services by understanding the financial needs of

people at their doorstep. As part of the initiative, bank officials visited shops, business establishments and residential areas in Gadwal to interact with customers and explain various banking products.

The awareness drive covered savings and current accounts, loans, digital banking facilities, insurance services, investment schemes and government welfare-linked financial programmes. Officials also advised customers to use secure digital banking methods and remain alert against cyber fraud.

Lead District Manager Srinivasa Rao, along with bank officers and staff, participated in the programme. The initiative received a positive response from traders and residents.

Fake DAP Fertiliser Racket Busted in Nagarkurnool District

The South India Times Nagarkurnool : A fake DAP fertiliser racket has been exposed in Nagarkurnool district, with authorities uncovering the illegal trade of around 2,900 counterfeit DAP bags. Police have registered cases against nine persons, while two accused are reportedly absconding.

During the investigation, agriculture and police officials seized 110 fake DAP bags at Mahadevunipet village. Further seizures were made at Ammampally, where 80 bags were seized, and Velgonda, where 185 bags were confiscated. Officials also identified large quantities of fake fertilisers with farmers in dif-



ferent areas of the district. Addressing the media at the Nagarkurnool DSP office, DSP Burri Srinivasulu revealed the details of the case and said that the main accused, who was allegedly operating a manufacturing unit in Rangareddy district, is being traced. The investigation also revealed the involvement of several

intermediaries in the supply of counterfeit fertilisers. Police officials stated that fake DAP fertilisers had been supplied to several mandals across the district. They advised farmers to purchase fertilisers only from government-authorised shops and ensure they collect proper bills for every purchase.

Ensure Transparency in Fund Utilisation and Welfare Schemes: PAC Chairman Pulaparthi Anjaneyulu



Visakhapatnam (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Chairman Pulaparthi Anjaneyulu stressed the need for transparency, accountability and effective utilisation of government funds while implementing welfare

schemes. During a review meeting with Andhra University and Tribal Welfare Department officials at the IIM Visakhapatnam campus on Wednesday, he examined audit observations relating to the 2014-19 period and sought explanations from officials. He directed

Andhra University to focus on providing quality education, improving teacher-student ratio, strengthening career guidance, skill development and research, and upgrading infrastructure. He also suggested introducing industry-oriented courses, enhancing communication and soft

skills, and ensuring effective functioning of SC/ST cells and student welfare mechanisms.

Reviewing the Tribal Welfare Department, the PAC Chairman instructed officials to ensure that government welfare schemes and financial assistance reach all eligible tribal beneficiaries without delay. He called for proper utilisation of TRICOR funds and said serving tribal communities was equivalent to serving God. He also directed officials to ensure that Aadhaar cards, ration cards, birth certificates and other essential documents are provided to tribals, and that no eligible beneficiary is denied government benefits due to technical issues. PAC members, Assembly officials, Andhra University authorities and Tribal Welfare Department officials attended the meeting.

Pawan Kalyan Reviews Progress of Palnadu-Prakasam Mega Drinking Water Projects

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Panchayat Raj, Rural Development and Rural Water Supply Pawan Kalyan directed officials to speed up the Jal Jeevan Mission and Amarajeevi Jaladhara mega drinking water projects in Palnadu and Prakasam districts, citing the possibility of severe drinking water scarcity due to El Niño-induced drought conditions. Reviewing the projects with Rural Water Supply (RWS) officials on Wednesday, he instructed them to complete the works within the stipulated time and ensure safe drinking water reaches every household. Officials informed him that the two projects, with a combined cost of nearly 2,500 crore, are progressing well. In the Prakasam Mega Water Grid Project, intake well construction has crossed 40% completion, while 53 km of pipeline has been laid. Under the Palnadu Mega Water Grid



Project, 152 km of pipeline network has been completed, with other key infrastructure works also progressing. Pawan Kalyan said the projects would provide a permanent solution to drinking water problems in the two districts and stressed that there should be no compro-

mise on quality or timelines. He also said he would personally inspect the works after recovering from his shoulder surgery. Once completed, the projects will provide safe drinking water to over 1.6 million people across nearly 10 Assembly constituencies.

AP Government Simplifies Removal of Lands from 22A Prohibited List



visakhapatnam (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Minister for Revenue, Registration and Stamps Anagani Satya Prasad on Wednesday announced new orders simplifying the removal of eligible lands from the 22A Prohibited Properties List, providing major relief to thousands of farmers and landowners. Addressing a media conference at the State Secretariat, he said the reforms are aimed at ensuring transparency and protecting land rights. The Minister said Webland 2.0 will serve as the sole official database for agricultural land records, while the Inspector General of

Registration and Stamps will maintain the centralized database of prohibited properties. Lands assigned before June 18, 1954, village habitation (Gramakantam) lands, Village Service Inam lands, conditional patta lands, eligible temple and Waqf auction lands, old unapproved layouts, and APSFC auction lands will be removed from the 22A list wherever applicable.

He clarified that if patta lands are wrongly included in the prohibited list, action will be taken against the concerned officials. The responsibility of proving that a property belongs

to the government will rest with the government, not the landowner. A mandatory show-cause notice and an opportunity to raise objections will be provided before any land is included in the 22A list. Refuting allegations of privatization of Sub-Registrar offices, the Minister said the PPP model is limited to providing infrastructure, while all statutory powers, including registrations and document verification, will remain with government officials. He also assured that document writers' livelihoods would be fully protected. On the ongoing land resurvey,

Help SHG Women Become Entrepreneurs: Minister Kondapalli Srinivas Urges Centre to Approve Sector-Based and Artisan Clusters

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Minister for MSMEs, Rural Poverty Alleviation and NRI Empowerment & Relations, Kondapalli Srinivas, has urged the Union Ministry of Rural Development to expedite approval for the Sector-Based and Artisan Cluster projects proposed by the State Government to transform Self-Help Group (SHG) women into successful entrepreneurs. During his two-day visit to New Delhi, the Minister met T.K. Anil Kumar, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, on Wednesday. He requested early approval for projects proposed under the DAY-NRLM, including the Jakkampudi Lakhpati Didi Park (benefiting 750 women), Ponduru Khadi Cluster, Guntur Pickles & Chilli By-products Cluster, Chirala Handloom Cluster,

Emmiganur Handloom Cluster, and Millet Cluster.

The Minister said these clusters would provide SHG women with skill development, value-added production, market linkages, and employment opportunities, while strengthening the State Government's vision of "One Family - One Entrepreneur." He also sought the Centre's support for promoting "SWAYAM", the brand developed by SERP to market products made by SHG women, through enhanced branding, marketing, and market linkages under the DAY-NRLM programme. Kondapalli Srinivas further requested the Centre to extend the DAY-NRLM Interest Subvention Scheme to loans provided to SHG women through Stree Nidhi, stating that it would reduce the financial burden on women entrepreneurs and encourage the growth of micro-enterprises.



Government Committed to Resolving Employees' Issues: Finance Minister Payyavula Keshav



Visakhapatnam (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Finance, Commercial Taxes and Legislative Affairs Minister Payyavula Keshav on Wednesday assured government employees that the State Government is committed to resolving their pending issues as far as possible. He was addressing the media after a nearly five-hour meeting with representatives of 21 employees' associations at the AP Secretariat. The Minister said the associations submitted several demands, including the constitution of a Pay Revision Commission (PRC), announcement of Interim Relief (IR), release of

pending Dearness Allowance (DA) instalments, and clearance of other pending bills. He assured that all the issues would be consolidated and placed before Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu for an early and positive resolution.

Payyavula Keshav said government employees and public representatives must work together for the State's development, adding that the government considers expenditure on employees as an investment rather than a burden. He noted that the government has already restored the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) in place of the Contributory Pension

Scheme and increased the retirement age of employees in State public sector undertakings from 60 to 62 years. Chief Secretary G. Sai Prasad said the government is committed to resolving employees' issues through dialogue and would examine all the demands raised by the associations. Health Minister Satya Kumar Yadav, Revenue Minister Anagani Satya Prasad, Food and Civil Supplies Minister Nadendla Manohar (virtually), senior officials, and representatives of 21 employees' associations participated in the meeting and presented their demands to the Ministers' Committee.

Andhra Pickle ball League 2026 to boost the Sport in Andhra Pradesh: Sujay Krishna Ranga Rao

Visakhapatnam (TSIT): Former Minister and Chairman of AP Forest Development Corporation, Sujay Krishna Ranga Rao, who is also the Chief Patron of Andhra Pickleball League 2026, announced that the first edition of the Andhra Pickleball League (APL) 2026 is being launched with the objective of promoting pickleball across Andhra Pradesh and establishing the state as a leading destination for the sport in India. Addressing a media conference in Visakhapatnam, he said pickleball has already earned recognition as the fastest-growing sport in the world, with thousands of players taking up the game in a short span of time. Keeping this rapid growth in mind, the Andhra Pickleball League has been conceived to accelerate the development of the sport in the



state. He said the league will feature eight franchises, each representing different regions of Andhra Pradesh. All eight team owners have come forward with confidence to invest in the league. Every team will have one iconic player, comprising some of India's top-ranked male pickleball players, including the country's No. 1 player. In addition, leading Indian women players have also registered for the league. They will be selected by the franchises during the player auction to be held

at Radisson Blu. Each team will consist of 10 main players and one reserve player, taking the total squad strength to 11 players. Ranga Rao further explained that every franchise will have a player purse of 5.5 lakh. After accounting for the pre-designated amounts for the iconic players, the remaining purse can be used to purchase eight players and one reserve player during the auction. The final bid amounts for individual players will depend on the auction process.

Human Skills Will Continue to Drive Global Opportunities in the AI Era: American Academicians at GITAM

Visakhapatnam (TSIT): Artificial Intelligence (AI) is transforming industries at an unprecedented pace, but it can never replace uniquely human qualities such as creativity, ethical decision-making, leadership, and the ability to build meaningful relationships, said Dr. Ashwini K. Voleti, Chancellor of the University of North Carolina Wilmington, USA. Speaking at an interactive session held at the School of Business, GITAM Deemed to be University in Visakhapatnam on Tuesday, Dr. Voleti urged students to combine technical expertise with strong human values to succeed in the rapidly evolving global business environment. Dr. Christopher Finelli, Dean of the University of North Carolina Wilmington, said AI should be viewed as a powerful tool that enhances human potential rather than replacing human labour. He emphasized the importance of lifelong learning, multidisciplinary knowledge, interpersonal skills, curiosity, critical thinking, collaboration, and self-confi-



dence in shaping future business leaders and entrepreneurs.

Professor Raja Phani Pappu, Dean of the GITAM School of Business, advised students to use AI responsibly while strengthening their problem-solving abilities, ethical values, and creativity. He said GITAM is committed

to developing global leaders through international collaborations, experiential learning, and innovative teaching practices. He encouraged students to build digital literacy, analytical thinking, emotional intelligence, environmental awareness, and an entrepreneurial mindset while actively

participating in internships, research, and global networking opportunities. During the interaction, students engaged with the international delegates on topics including AI-driven entrepreneurship, global innovation, career opportunities, and the future of business leadership.

Govt willing to hold discussion on NEET paper leak issue: Rijiju tells LS



NEW DELHI: The government on Wednesday told the Lok Sabha that it is willing to hold a discussion on the NEET paper leak

issue, and urged Speaker Om Birla to convene a meeting of all parties to decide on the rule, date and duration of the debate.

As soon as the House reassembled at noon after an earlier adjournment, Birla asked Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren

Rijiju to make a statement but Congress leader K C Venugopal intervened to assert that the Opposition is also seeking the resignation of Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan.

Rijiju said the government is willing to hold a discussion on NEET paper leak issue but the Speaker will have to meet floor leaders of all parties to decide on the rule under which the discussion will be held, its date and duration.

Amid Opposition sloganeering, the House was adjourned till 2 pm. The opposition has been demanding a discussion on the NEET paper leak issue and is also seeking the resignation of Pradhan over the handling of the controversy over the alleged examination irregularities.

Thalliki Vandhanam a boon for poor students: Chittoor MP

Chittoor : Chittoor Parliament Member and Politburo Member Daggumalla Prasad Rao has praised the 'Thalliki Vandhanam' Scheme as a great boon for poor students. He described the Alliance Government as a synonym for trustworthiness and congratulated Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu as a leader who stands firmly by his promises.

The Alliance Government, honouring its commitment, has released the second instalment of the Thalliki Vandhanam scheme. While attending Parliament sessions in Delhi on Wednesday, Chittoor MP Daggumalla Prasad Rao expressed his



happiness over the direct credit of funds into the mothers' bank accounts.

The Andhra Pradesh Government is implementing the prestigious 'Thalliki Vandhanam' scheme with the noble objective that parents of poor students should not face financial difficulties in educating their children. Under this scheme, the government is directly transferring financial

assistance into the bank accounts of eligible students' mothers. This is a shining example of the Alliance Government's sincerity and commitment, the MP stated.

The government is providing Rs.15,000 per year to every eligible student. As part of this, a total of Rs.10,120.78 Crores have been released into the accounts of mothers of approximately 64.76 lakh students across the state.

Chittoor MP Daggumalla Prasad Rao clarified that students studying in government, aided, and local body schools are eligible for this scheme. He added that the scheme also applies to poor students studying Intermediate

courses. The scheme provides benefits for all children in a family, irrespective of the number of children, thereby paving the way for a bright future for students.

He emphasised that this scheme will serve as a great support for students who might otherwise drop out of studies due to poverty. Direct financial assistance to mothers will enable them to pay special attention to their children's education, he noted. On this occasion, Daggumalla Prasad Rao extended his heartfelt thanks to the Alliance Government for standing as a strong support to poor students through the Thalliki Vandhanam scheme.

Hi Life Jewels brings exclusive jewellery showcase to Hyderabad



Hyderabad: Hi Life Jewels is set to present an exclusive jewellery showcase in Hyderabad, featuring some of India's finest jewellery brands and their exquisite collections. The three-day event will showcase a wide range of diamond, gold, polki, kundan and precious gemstone jewellery, along with contemporary designs and bridal collections.

The exhibition aims to bring together timeless craftsmanship, luxury designs and modern elegance under one roof for jewellery enthusiasts and shoppers. Visitors can explore a curated selection of statement pieces, traditional heirlooms and bridal jewellery collections crafted by leading jewellers from across the country.



The event will be held on July 24, 25 and 26 at Novotel HICC, Hyderabad. With a focus on quality, artistry and unique designs, Hi Life Jewels offers an opportunity for customers to discover exceptional jewellery pieces suitable for weddings, celebrations and special occasions.

Road safety is key to protecting brain health, say KIMS ICON doctors



Visakhapatnam, July 22, 2026: Emphasising that adherence to road safety norms can significantly reduce the risk of serious brain injuries, doctors at KIMS ICON Hospital urged motorists to follow traffic regulations and adopt safe driving practices. The appeal was made during an awareness programme

organised on the occasion of World Brain Day to promote road safety and brain health.

Traffic Circle Inspector S.K. Hussain and Law & Order Circle Inspector Vasu Naidu attended the programme as chief guests. Sub-Inspectors Shantaram and Krishna were also present. Speaking on the occasion,

Dr. C.H. Vijay, Dr. Manasa, Dr. Nikhil Nagireddy, Dr. K.A. Naidu, Dr. Remvath and Dr. Jagadeesh said that road accidents frequently result in severe head injuries, leading to traumatic brain damage, intracranial bleeding and blood clots. Such injuries, they noted, can cause paralysis, speech impairment, memory loss and other long-term neurological disabilities.

They stressed that timely medical intervention during the critical "golden hour" following an accident can substantially improve survival and recovery. The doctors also advised motorists to avoid overspeeding and reckless driving.

Naseeruddin Shah, Ratna Pathak support protesting students, slam police action

NEW DELHI: His heart is aching and he is furious at the injustice meted out to the young by masked "goons" who remind him of American ICE agents, actor Naseeruddin Shah said on Wednesday in a strongly worded statement against the police crackdown on protesting students. "Sab yaad rakha jayega (Everything will be remembered)," Shah said in an emotional video posted on Instagram while asking students to continue their fight. The video came two days after police in the city cracked down on thousands of people, mostly students, who hit the streets of the capital in response to a 'Chalo Sansad' call to push for the resignation of Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and voice their protest against irregularities in the exam system and NEET paper leaks.



Rajya Sabha adjourned till 2 pm as Opposition raises issue of police action against students

NEW DELHI: Rajya Sabha was adjourned till 2pm, for the second time on Wednesday, after Opposition members tried to raise the issue of police action against students protesting the NEET examination paper leak. "The House will meet again at 2 pm today," Deputy Chairman Hariwansh announced after his repeated requests to members to let the House function were ignored. The House proceedings began at 11



am, but as soon as the Leader of the Opposition and Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge attempted to raise the issue of the baton charge and use of tear gas against student protesters earlier this week, Treasury bench members objected loudly, triggering a shouting match across the House. Before Kharge could complete even one sentence, Chairman C P Radhakrishnan adjourned the proceedings until noon.

Medicover Hospitals Secunderabad Gives New Lease of Life to Baby Born at Just 25 Weeks

Secunderabad, July 22, 2026: The Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) team at Medicover Hospitals, Secunderabad, successfully treated an extremely premature baby boy born under highly critical circumstances, demonstrating excellence in advanced neonatal care.

The baby was delivered at just 25 weeks and 3 days of gestation, weighing only 816 grams, making him an extremely preterm infant.

During pregnancy, the mother developed several high-risk complications, including Preterm Premature Rupture of Membranes (PPROM), severe oligohydramnios, chorioamnionitis, and a urinary tract infection (UTI). Soon after birth, the baby developed severe respiratory distress and was immediately admitted to the NICU, where he received comprehensive advanced neonatal care.

The infant was managed with advanced respiratory support and received Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) through PICC and central



venous lines. Throughout the treatment, Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC), and the unwavering support of the multidisciplinary medical team, nursing staff, and the baby's parents played a crucial role in his recovery.

The baby recovered successfully without major complications such as intracranial hemorrhage (brain bleeding) or Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP). He is now healthy, steadily gaining weight, and achieving normal developmental milestones.

Doctors stated that the baby will continue to undergo regu-

lar follow-up evaluations to closely monitor his growth and overall development. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Deepa Dharanappa Shetty, Senior Neonatologist & Pediatrician, said, "Successfully discharging a baby born at just 25 weeks of gestation and weighing only 816 grams is a proud milestone for our NICU team. This achievement reflects the combined efforts of our experienced multidisciplinary team, state-of-the-art neonatal infrastructure, the importance of breast milk, Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC), and the unwavering commitment of the baby's

parents. With timely intervention and quality neonatal care, even extremely premature babies have a significantly better chance of surviving and leading healthy lives."

Present on the occasion were Dr. Srujana S., Senior Consultant - Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Laparoscopic Surgeon & Infertility Specialist; Dr. Madhavi Dokku, Senior Consultant - Gynaecological Oncologist, Obstetrician & Gynaecologist; Dr. Sajitha Reddy, Consultant - Neonatologist & Pediatrician; Ms. Krishnaveni, Centre Head; and Dr. Prashanth, Medical Superintendent.

Bank of Baroda Telangana North Region Celebrates 119th Foundation Day with CSR Initiative at PM Kendriya Vidyalaya, AFS Begumpet.

Hyderabad, July 22, 2026: As part of the 119th Foundation Day celebrations, Bank of Baroda, Regional Office, Telangana North under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative has sponsored an RO Water Purification Plant to PM Shri Kendriya Vidyalaya, AFS Begumpet, Hyderabad.

As part of the celebrations, an Essay Writing Competition was also conducted for students and prizes were distributed to the winners in recognition of their creativity. The event was graced by Mr. Sanil Kumar B, DGM, Regional Manager, Telangana North Region and Mr. Abhishek Bharti, AGM, Deputy Regional Manager, Telangana North Region along with Branch Heads & Staff members.

From PM Shri Kendriya Vidyalaya, Mr. R Venkateshwar Rao, Principal of the school, along with faculty members and students, actively participated in the programme. Speaking on the occasion, the school authorities expressed their heartfelt grati-



tude to Bank of Baroda for providing the RO Water Plant, stating that it will greatly benefit the students by ensuring access to safe and clean drinking water. They appreciated the Bank's commitment towards community welfare and its continued efforts to contribute positively to

society. Bank of Baroda remains committed to its legacy of service and nation-building by undertaking initiatives that promote education, health and social well-being in line with its vision of being ONE TEAM, ONE GOAL, ONE BANK.

EDITORIAL

A Rs 5,000 Fine Can't
Fix India's 'Babu' Raj.
But It's A Start

One small step for the government, and a giant leap for governance? That's the question that popped up in my mind this week as I read about an interesting decision by the Delhi government's cabinet to fine officials a maximum of Rs 5,000 if their service for citizens is delayed without a valid justification. If it is approved as expected, the Delhi (Right of Citizen to Time Bound and Ease of Delivery of Service) Bill replaces/upgrades a similar 2011 Act. As the name suggests, it holds itself accountable to citizens with a proposal to impose a fine of Rs 250 a day, with a Rs 5,000 ceiling.

In principle, this is a great idea and also reflects an increasing democratisation of governance in which elected leaders pressure the bureaucracy to do what is expected of them. But there is a very long way to go, because in India, which the UK's The Economist magazine once described as "a natural habitat of the clerk," there is a lot to do to undo the process-driven bureaucratisation that the magazine's land of birth itself left in its imperial stamp on its colony. The very same magazine recently ran a self-explanatory editorial titled, "Why can't India's government build a decent website?", and moaned about clunky online experiences among "failures of "Indian officialdom". Any casual watcher of the old BBC comedy series, "Yes, Minister", would be assured that "Great" Britain has been not so great in political control over bureaucrats. The culture is such. It does get tricky. How do you hold bureaucrats and lower-level government officials responsible in a system in which incentives and disincentives have to be balanced with costs, processes, and public accountability to legislators and institutions like the Comptroller and Auditor General? A rule-based system cannot easily function like an incentive-based culture or a severe hire-and-fire mechanism.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government is officially aware of the bureaucracy problem, but the solution requires re-engineering a culture from the bottom up. The ongoing controversy over the alphabet soup of state-run public examinations, NEET, CUET, and CBSE school exams, suggests that ministers and bureaucrats need to be sensitive to an increasing mass of aware citizens demanding accountability and efficient service. Again, the buck-passing involving politicians and so-called autonomous bodies, such as the National Testing Agency, shows that you cannot have autonomy without accountability, and you cannot absolve yourself of a responsibility by pointing to a structural autonomy designed to reduce bureaucratisation.

Much like the inflation-interest rate trade-off in macro-economics, this requires a trade-off between empowerment that improves efficiency and transparency that ensures there is no abuse of power.

Outsourcing things to private agencies, often risking underhand corruption as well as the "Li syndrome" in which the lowest bidder in a contract need not necessarily be the best service provider, is a trade-off between transparency at low cost and the public's desire to get better services.

A SNUB, A CANCELLED VISIT:

WHY TRUMP DOESN'T EVEN WANT
TO SEE NETANYAHU ANYMORE

It was just over five months ago that President Trump invited Israel's prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, to the White House's Situation Room, a rare honour for a foreign leader. The highly classified event, attended by the top security teams of both countries, was arranged at Netanyahu's request to persuade Trump to launch a joint military operation against Iran. The Israeli leader managed to convince the President that this was an opportunity for the US to secure a quick victory, similar to the one it achieved in Venezuela a month earlier. But that proved to be not only a major miscalculation but also the worst foreign policy decision by a US president in decades.

Trump is now so annoyed with Netanyahu that he doesn't even want to meet him. After failing to get an appointment with the President, the Israeli leader had to cancel his planned Monday visit to Washington. In recent weeks, Trump has humiliated Netanyahu by calling him 'crazy' and using expletives during phone calls. Last month, he told the Financial Times, "I call all the shots." Referring to Netanyahu, he added, "he doesn't call the shots". It is a remarkable fall from grace and power for the veteran Israeli leader, who, for over three decades, openly confronted and sometimes even lectured US presidents, without jeopardising his position or damaging Israel's special relationship with the United States. But that has now changed.

Shifting US Opinion

For the first time since the State of Israel's establishment in 1948, the US political consensus in Israel's favour is under the most serious strain, largely due to Netanyahu's actions. Last week, more than 100 Democratic members of the House of Representatives (about half of their strength) voted to end \$3 billion in military and humanitarian aid to Israel. Although the proposal was defeated, prominent Democrats, including Nancy Pelosi, Katherine Clark of



Massachusetts (the minority whip), and Ro Khanna, backed it. Israel has been the largest recipient of US foreign aid since World War II, receiving over \$300 billion between 1946 and 2025. The proposal to cut aid was intended as a protest against the actions of the Israeli government in Gaza, the West Bank, and Lebanon. Israel can't survive without military and economic aid from the United States. A week earlier, Rahm Emanuel, chief of staff in the Obama White House and a potential Democratic Party nominee for the 2028 Presidential election, delivered a stern message to Israel. Emanuel, who is Jewish and whose father was born in Jerusalem, told Tel Aviv University that the US-Israel alliance "can not stand or survive as it has been" and needs significant changes and a new direction. He attacked Netanyahu's leadership, which he said had turned Israel into a "territorial pariah", adding that America's "unconditional support has allowed you to deny food and medical relief to innocent Palestinians in Gaza,

leaving the world to conclude that Israelis not only want to kill Palestinians, but are completely indifferent to their death, to their destruction and completely indifferent to their suffering". Even sections of the Republican Party, which were earlier staunch supporters of Israel, are now openly critical of its government. The Vice President, JD Vance, who warned Netanyahu a month ago that President Trump was Israel's only ally, last week accused it of funding a campaign to manipulate US public opinion about the Iran war and to undermine negotiations to end the conflict. These developments reflect shifting public opinion in the United States about Israel, particularly since Netanyahu's disproportionate military campaign in Gaza following the Hamas attack on October 7, 2023. More than 72,000 Palestinians were killed in that campaign. In February, a Gallup survey found - for the first time in the poll's history - that more Americans now sympathise with Palestinians than with Israelis. In April, a Pew survey found that

60% of Americans have an unfavourable view of the Israeli government. The survey also found that, across both political parties, majorities of adults under 50 now rate Israel and Netanyahu negatively. Among Democrats, the figure was 84%.

Trump-Netanyahu Bromance

Soon after taking office, Trump announced a plan to 'relocate' Palestinians from Gaza to new homes elsewhere and presented a stunning proposal. He suggested that the US would take ownership of the strip and build what he called the "Riviera of the Middle East". Netanyahu was thrilled, as it gave him a political lifeline. However, Trump soon realised the plan was unrealistic, and the Gaza war was becoming increasingly unpopular in the US. With some Israeli hostages still held by Hamas, the dealmaker in Trump saw an opportunity. Within months, he presented his 20-point peace plan for Gaza and imposed a ceasefire on both Israel and Hamas. This marked the first setback for Netanyahu, who wanted

the conflict to continue.

Lasting Damage

But Netanyahu had a bigger plan: to invade Iran. He had been trying to persuade American presidents to attack the Islamic Republic for more than three decades, but all had turned down the idea, except Trump. The Israeli leader had already convinced him during his first term to abandon the 2015 Iran nuclear deal, the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), negotiated by President Obama. In June 2025, Trump decided to bomb Iran's nuclear facilities during the war started by Israel, even though the US and Iran were negotiating a new nuclear agreement at the time. The US decision to join Israel's war in February was seen in Israel as a major success for Netanyahu.

But as we know now, the war has trapped Trump, forcing him to sign a humiliating MOU with Iran, which has emerged as a more radical and uncompromising country. Tehran now has leverage to halt a fifth of the world's energy supplies passing through the Strait of Hormuz. No wonder Trump is frustrated and angry with Netanyahu. It's been even worse for Israel, making the Jewish nation more insecure and destroying Netanyahu's Mr Security brand at home. One of his war aims was to gain popularity and get re-elected in the October elections. But that now looks increasingly unlikely as Netanyahu is blamed for the debacle in Iran. Two opinion polls published in the past few days in Israel predict a narrow victory for the opposition in the upcoming election. One poll gives Netanyahu's coalition only 48 seats in the upcoming election, while another gives it 50, still short of the 61-seat mark for a majority in the Knesset. Netanyahu's Questionable Record

The Iran war is the culmination of a series of actions by Netanyahu over the years that have harmed Israel's reputation overseas and damaged its special relationship with the United States.

CRISIS IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM:

Why Won't the Government Accept
the Education Minister's Resignation?

Saurabh Varshney

A nation's greatest asset is not its natural resources, but its young generation. It is these young people who lay the foundation for the country's future. If their dreams, hard work, and future are jeopardized, it becomes not merely an administrative failure but a matter of national concern. Recent incidents involving the leaking of question papers for various competitive examinations across the country have deeply shaken the confidence of millions of students. Today, lakhs of students are asking: if the value of their hard work is not secure, what meaning remains in their years of struggle? Just as the government is quick to claim credit for the successful conduct of examinations, the New Education Policy, or reforms in the education sector, it must also accept moral responsibility for the failures of the examination system. In a democratic setup, accountability is not limited to achievements alone; accepting responsibility for failures is also an essential principle of good governance. The recurring incidents of question paper leaks in various parts of the country are not merely technical glitches. They indicate a serious institutional weakness within the examination system. Each time, an inquiry committee is formed, arrests are made, and assurances are given—yet, after a

while, the same incidents recur. This cycle has eroded the students' trust. Today, the country's students are compelled to take to the streets to demand their rights. Students are staging peaceful protests at various locations, including Jantar Mantar in the capital, Delhi. Amidst lathi-charges, scorching heat, rain, and harsh conditions, they have but one demand: that their hard work and future be safeguarded. It is an irony that the youth power, which ought to be in libraries and laboratories, is forced to stage sit-ins and protests for its rights. In a democracy, protest is not a crime. The Constitution grants every citizen the right to express their views peacefully. Instead of viewing the students' voices through a political lens, it is essential to understand their anguish. After all, they are not demanding special privileges; they merely seek fair examinations and equal opportunities. At this juncture, the question naturally arises: will the Ministry of Education accept moral responsibility for this entire sequence of events? In Indian democracy, ministers have often established a tradition of accountability by resigning on moral grounds. A resignation is not a personal defeat; rather, it can symbolize accountability to the system and respect for democratic values. However, it is equally important to recognize that

a minister's resignation alone is not a permanent solution. If the flaws plaguing the entire examination system are not rectified, the same problems could recur even under a new minister. Therefore, comprehensive reforms are needed—such as the use of state-of-the-art technology in conducting exams, a secure digital system for question papers, swift and stringent action against the guilty, effective control over the 'exam mafia,' and the establishment of a transparent investigation mechanism. The government must also understand that today's generation seeks results, not mere assurances. Known as 'Gen-Z,' this generation is tech-savvy, conscious of its rights, and expects accountability. If their hard work repeatedly falls victim to systemic weaknesses, it is natural for their faith in democratic institutions to erode. The role of the opposition is also crucial here. In a democracy, the opposition's duty is not merely to criticize the government but also to convey the voices of the public—especially the youth—to Parliament and society at large. If students take to the streets to voice their grievances, listening to them and providing a proper platform for their concerns is part of the democratic obligation. At the same time, any agitation must remain entirely peaceful and within constitutional bounds. Today, the paramount ques-

tion concerns not just any single individual, but the credibility of the entire education system. If the country's meritorious students begin to feel that success is determined not by their hard work but by leaked question papers or organized corruption, it poses a serious threat to the process of nation-building. The government currently faces both an opportunity and a challenge. If it adopts a path of transparency, accountability, and comprehensive reforms, the trust of students can be regained. However, if matters remain limited to mere assurances and inquiry committees, the chasm of discontent and mistrust will only widen. This is the time to rise above politics and make decisions in the national interest. The future of students is greater than any government, political party, or individual. Restoring the credibility of the education system is not solely the government's obligation but the responsibility of the entire democracy. Accountability must be fixed, the guilty must face severe punishment, the examination system must undergo lasting reforms, and the nation's youth must be assured that their hard work will be respected. For a nation's future is secure only when the trust of its students is secure.

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Student protests: Debate straying from
issues and concerns about the future

— Dr. Satyawan Saurabh

In a democracy, protest is not only a right but also an effective means of ensuring accountability. When serious flaws in the system are exposed, the public raises its voice and demands answers from the government. Especially when the future of millions of students is at stake, the voice of protest becomes even more natural. Reports of alleged irregularities and paper leaks in national exams like NEET have alarmed youth and their parents across the country. After years of hard work, when the fairness of an exam is questioned, it is not unusual for outrage to arise. But this entire incident also raises a significant question: is the purpose of student movements truly the future of students, or are they gradually becoming a platform for political and ideological conflicts? The greatest strength of any student movement is its morality. When students fight for their rights and future, society stands with them. Parents, teachers, and ordinary citizens also consider their demands justified. But as the focus of the movement shifts and topics unrelated to the original issue begin to surface, its credibility is bound to be questioned. If the platform for protesting exam irregularities becomes the center of slogans, speeches, or controversies that have no direct connection to the education system, the movement's gravity diminishes and the real issue is left behind. Today, the country's youth is troubled by

paper leaks. They worry that years of hard work may be wasted due to some criminal gang. In such a situation, the most important questions should be how to stop paper leaks, how to make the examination system more secure, how quickly and severely will the culprits be punished, and what institutional reforms will be implemented to prevent such incidents in the future. If these fundamental questions are replaced by political slogans and debates about opposition to or support for the government, the path to a solution is weakened. It must also be acknowledged that paper leaks are not a new problem. Cases of irregularities in various competitive examinations have been reported in different states, under different governments. This clearly demonstrates that the problem is not limited to a single party, a single minister, or a single government. The problem lies within the very system that criminal gangs are able to infiltrate. Therefore, if discussions are limited to political accusations and counter-accusations, the real culprits will escape, and students will suffer again and again. A minister's resignation may be a matter of democratic accountability, but it is not a definitive solution in itself. Changing ministers will only transform the system if administrative reforms, technical security, transparent investigations, and strict punishment are implemented. Without addressing the root causes, simply changing faces will

not change the outcome. Therefore, the focus of student movements should be on systemic reform, not individuals. In the age of social media, the direction of movements shifts rapidly. A few seconds of video clips, a slogan, or a single post can shape the image of an entire movement. This is why the responsibility of those involved in the movement is greater than ever. If slogans are heard on stage that have no connection to exams or education, ordinary citizens are forced to wonder whether the original purpose of the movement is the same as initially stated. Ideologies have a place in democracy, but when student movements become a medium for ideological competition, the greatest harm is suffered by the very students in whose name the movement was started. Any person active in public life—whether a social activist, a student leader, or the face of a movement—can be both agreed upon and disagreed with. Democracy is the essence of this diversity. But any movement should be judged not by the popularity of individuals, but by its purpose and results. If a movement is started for the future of students, then every action, every slogan, and every demand should strengthen that purpose. Otherwise, society's trust begins to weaken. The need today is not just for blame, but for comprehensive reform. A state-of-the-art digital security system must be developed for national-level examinations. Accountability must be

established at every stage, from the creation of question papers to their distribution. Cybersecurity must be strengthened. Serious consideration must be given to stringent measures such as confiscation of assets of organized gangs involved in paper leaks, speedy justice, and lifelong bans. The problem will not be completely eradicated until criminals fear that their crimes will be severely penalized. Political parties also have no less responsibility. Instead of avoiding criticism, the ruling party should take transparent action, while the opposition should offer constructive suggestions rather than limiting itself to criticizing the government. If every issue is viewed solely through the lens of political gains and losses, students' trust in democratic institutions will diminish. Education and the future of youth are far more important than any political gain. Society also needs to introspect. Too often, we quickly judge the pros and cons based on viral videos, incomplete information, or emotional messages on social media. However, any movement or controversy should be evaluated based on facts, evidence, and a balanced perspective. Dissent is necessary in a democracy, but it is only meaningful when expressed with discretion and responsibility. Students must also understand that their greatest strength lies in their moral credibility. If they remain united on their issues, the entire society will stand with them.



NMDC Invites Applications for 200 Fully Sponsored Nursing Seats Under Flagship Balika Shiksha Yojana

Hyderabad, July 2, 2026: India largest iron ore producer NMDC has invited applications for 200 fully sponsored nursing seats under its flagship Balika Shiksha Yojana (BSY) for the academic year 2026-27. The admission notification has been published inviting applications from eligible Scheduled Tribe (ST) girls from six districts of Chhattisgarh. Implemented under NMDC Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, the programme provides 110 seats for B.Sc. Nursing and 90 seats for General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM). Selected candidates will receive completely free professional nursing education, with NMDC bearing the entire cost of tuition fees, hostel accommodation, study materials, uniforms, examination fees and other academic expenses. The programme is exclusively open to ST girls from Bastar, Dantewada, Sukma, Bijapur, Kondagaon and Narayanpur districts belonging to families with an annual income not exceeding ₹72,000.



Applicants must be between 17 and 35 years of age. Candidates seeking admission to the B.Sc. Nursing programme must have qualified NEET-2026, while applicants for both B.Sc. Nursing and GNM courses must have passed Class XII with Science (Physics, Chemistry and Biology) and English, securing the prescribed minimum qualifying marks. The initiative aims to equip tribal girls with professional healthcare skills. Eligible candidates can submit their applications online only through the Careers section of the NMDC website (https://www.nmdc.co.in/ca

reers) from 11:00 AM on July 22, 2026, to 11:59 PM on August 5, 2026. Applicants must upload scanned copies of all required documents, including Class X and XII marksheets, ST caste certificate, income certificate, domicile certificate, Aadhaar or ration card, passport-size photograph, signature, and the NEET-2026 scorecard for B.Sc. Nursing applicants. Selection will be based on a written examination comprising objective-type multiple-choice questions (MCQs) conducted in English using an OMR sheet in offline mode. The 30-mark examination will include Biology (10

marks), English (7 marks), Physics (5 marks), Chemistry (5 marks), and General Knowledge (3 marks). Candidates shortlisted in the written examination will undergo document verification and a medical examination before final selection. Preference will be given to eligible applicants residing in areas surrounding NMDC project locations. For assistance with the online application process, candidates may contact the BSY Helpdesk at 7044599061 or email nbsylbachelio02@gmail.com. Since its inception, the programme has enrolled 330 GNM students till FY 22, with 230 graduates joining government healthcare institutions in Chhattisgarh. Additionally, 75 tribal girls have received fully sponsored B.Sc. Nursing education, with nearly 80% returning to serve in the state healthcare sector. NMDC invests up to ₹12 lakh per student per year, covering all educational and hostel expenses to make quality nursing education accessible to tribal girls.

Three athletes of Odisha AM/NS India Gymnastics High-Performance Centre to represent India in the Commonwealth Games 2026

Mumbai, July 22, 2026: Three athletes of Odisha AM/NS India Gymnastics High Performance Centre (Odisha AM/NS GHPC) to represent India in the Commonwealth Games 2026 to be held in Glasgow, Scotland during July 23 – August 02, 2026. Out of the eight athletes in artistic gymnastics category, three athletes — Tapan Mohanty, Tapeswaranath Das and Olympian Pranati Nayak are part of the Odisha AM/NS GHPC. Tapan Mohanty and Tapeswaranath Das are part of the India Men's Team in the Men's Artistic Gymnastics (MAG) category. Olympian Pranati Nayak is part of the India Women's Team in the Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG) category. This achievement highlights the dedication and hard work of the athletes, and world-class training and holistic development provided at the Odisha AM/NS GHPC, which continues to play a pivotal role in nurturing young talent and elevating Gymnastics in India. Mr. Ashutosh Telang, Director & Vice President – HR & Administration, AM/NS India said, "Having three athletes from our Odisha AM/NS GHPC competing at



the Commonwealth Games is a proud milestone for us. Tapan Mohanty, Tapeswaranath Das, and Olympian Pranati Nayak exemplify the excellence, discipline, and resilience nurtured at our Centre. Their achievement reflects the world-class training and holistic development ecosystem we have built in Odisha. On behalf of AM/NS India, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to them and wish them all the very best as they showcase their talent on

the global stage." The athletes of the Odisha AM/NS GHPC have been achieving laurels in various prestigious international and national platforms such as International Continental Cup 2026, Lisbon, Artistic Gymnastics Asian Championship 2025, FIG World Cup 2025 in Antalya, Turkey, Artistic Gymnastics National Championships 2025 – 2026, etc. showcasing the centre's consistent performance and readiness for the global stage.

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30 TH JUNE 2026



Business Growth - Total Business of the Bank stood at Rs.6,05,083 Crore as on 30.06.2026 registering a growth of 15.53% on Y-o-Y basis, wherein Gross Advances grew by 21.18% on Y-o-Y basis to Rs.2,72,768 Crore & Total Deposits grew by 11.28% on Y-o-Y basis to Rs.3,32,315 Crore. CASA Growth - Total CASA stood at Rs. 1,16,136 Crore as on 30.06.2026 registering a growth of 12.34% on Y-o-Y basis, Savings Deposit stood at Rs. 1,00,870 Crore registering a growth of 11.78% on Y-o-Y basis and Current Deposit stood at Rs. 15,266 Crore registering a growth of 16.23% on Y-o-Y basis. CASA Ratio stood at 36.94%. Advances in Retail, Agriculture & MSME (RAM) Sectors - RAM segment of the Bank increased by 25.27% to Rs. 1,57,745 Crore Y-o-Y backed by 27.32% Y-o-Y growth in Retail advances 30.01% Y-o-Y growth in Agriculture advances and 18.79% Y-o-Y growth in MSME advances. Profitability- Operating Profit for the quarter ended 30.06.2026 has shown an impressive growth of 79.84%

on Y-o-Y basis and stood at Rs.2,810 Crore. Net profit for the quarter ended 30.06.2026 stood at Rs.656 Crore as against Rs.607 Crore as on 30.06.2025 registering a growth of 8.05% on Y-o-Y basis. Net Interest Margin (NIM)- Global stood at 3.05% and Domestic NIM at 3.24% for the quarter ended 30.06.2026. Reduction in NPA - Gross NPA reduced by 55 bps Y-o-Y to 2.08% as on 30.06.2026 whereas Net NPA reduced by 20 bps Y-o-Y to 0.25% as on 30.06.2026. Capital Adequacy Ratio - Capital Adequacy Ratio (CRAR) stood at 19.03% as on 30.06.2026 with Tier I Capital Ratio of 17.44%. Credit to Deposit Ratio - Stood at 82.08% as on 30.06.2026 as against 75.38% as on 30.06.2025. Provision Coverage Ratio stood at 97.85% as on 30.06.2026 Financial Results for the Quarter Ended 30 th June 2026 Profitability (Quarter Ended June 30 th ,2026): Net Profit for the quarter ended 30.06.2026 stood at Rs.656 Crore as against Rs.607 Crore for the same period in the preceding year, registering a growth of 8.05% Y-o-Y. Net

Interest Margin (NIM)- Global improved by 9 bps Y-o-Y and stood at 3.05% and Domestic NIM improved by 6 bps Y-o-Y and stood at 3.24% for the quarter ended 30.06.2026. Net interest income (NII) grew by 16.86% on Y-o-Y basis to Rs.2808 Crore for the quarter ended 30.06.2026 as against Rs.2403 Crore for the quarter ended 30.06.2025. Cost of fund improved by 37 bps Y-o-Y to 4.36% for the quarter ended 30.06.2026. Yield on Advances (Domestic) stood at 8.14% for the quarter ended 30.06.2026. Return on Asset (ROA) stood at 0.68% as on 30.06.2026. Fee based Income grew by 35.12% Y-o-Y basis to Rs.505 Crore as on 30.06.2026 as against Rs.374 Crore as on 30.06.2025. Asset & Liabilities (As on June 30 th ,2026) Retail Advances stood at Rs.71,549 Crore for the quarter ended 30.06.2026 as against Rs.56,195 Crore on 30.06.2025 registering a Y-o-Y growth of 27.32%, backed by growth in Home loan and Vehicle loan portfolio which registered a growth of 19.98% and 65.45% respectively on Y-o-Y basis.

BPCL Strong, HPCL Weak: How Suppressed Fuel Margins Dictated Q1 Earnings

India's state-run oil marketing companies (OMCs) reported sharply contrasting June quarter performances, with Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL) delivering a much stronger-than-expected earnings performance, while Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (HPCL) reported a weaker operational showing despite both companies being hit by suppressed fuel marketing margins. The losses were widely anticipated during the quarter as government-led pricing constraints squeezed gross marketing margins on petrol and diesel. BPCL Delivers Strong Earnings Beat BPCL reported an Ebitda loss of Rs 4,080 crore for the June quarter, significantly better than the Bloomberg estimate of an Ebitda loss of Rs 13,713 crore. The company also posted a net loss of Rs 3,960 crore, substantially lower than the consensus estimate of a Rs 12,632 crore loss. According to analysts, BPCL's better-than-expected performance was driven by lower other expenditure, stronger gross refining margins (GRMs) and lower inventory losses during the quarter. The company also benefited from a foreign

exchange gain of around Rs 350 crore, which boosted other income. However, BPCL's debt increased by Rs 6,920 crore sequentially to Rs 17,396 crore at the end of the quarter. HPCL Reports Weaker Quarter HPCL reported an Ebitda loss of Rs 16,140 crore during the quarter, wider than the Bloomberg estimate of a Rs 12,672 crore loss. The company posted a net loss of Rs 11,530 crore, although it was marginally better than the consensus estimate of a Rs 12,296 crore loss. Analysts said HPCL's earnings were hit harder because of its relatively higher dependence on the fuel marketing business, where margins remained under pressure during the quarter. While HPCL's gross refining margin improved sharply to \$23.8 per barrel from \$14.3 per barrel in the previous quarter, the benefit was not enough to offset weakness in the marketing segment. HPCL's debt also rose sharply, increasing by around Rs 25,000 crore quarter-on-quarter to Rs 72,600 crore. Marketing Margins Remain The Key Driver The June quarter highlighted the importance of fuel marketing margins for India's oil marketing companies.

Plastindia Foundation Inaugurates Regional Office in New Delhi



New Delhi: Plastindia Foundation, the apex body of the Indian plastics industry, has inaugurated its Regional Office in New Delhi, marking a significant step towards strengthening collaboration among industry, government and academic institutions. The office will serve as a key centre for policy advocacy, innovation, skill development and sustainable growth initiatives for the Indian plastics industry. Established under the leadership of Plastindia Foundation President Mr Ravish Kamath, the Delhi office will function as a dedicated platform for policy advocacy, industry representation, stakeholder engagement and strategic collaboration with the Government, academic institutions, industry associations and allied organisations. It will play a vital

role in promoting innovation, skill development, MSME support, industry-academia collaboration and capacity building across the plastics value chain. The office was formally inaugurated in New Delhi with a traditional puja ceremony. The inauguration was led by Dr. Raju Desai, Vice President, and Mr Dharmendra Gandhi, Honorary Treasurer of Plastindia Foundation, marking the beginning of a new chapter in the Foundation's outreach and policy initiatives. Although located in the national capital, the Regional Office has been conceived as a pan-India initiative. It will serve the interests of the entire Indian plastics ecosystem by strengthening policy outreach, fostering regional and national collaboration, and contributing to the development of practical

solutions to environmental and sustainability challenges, particularly those relevant to the Delhi-NCR region. The initiative is expected to enhance the competitiveness of the Indian plastics industry while contributing to the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. Plastindia Foundation is the apex body representing the Indian plastics industry through its seven Founder Associations and two Constituent Associations. It is the only industry body in India that brings together the entire plastics value chain, including processors, raw material manufacturers, machinery manufacturers and manufacturers of finished plastic products. The Foundation is committed to promoting the industry's growth, technological advancement and global competitiveness.

NMDC BAILADILA KABADDI LEAGUE TO BE HELD FROM JULY 23 TO 26

Hyderabad, July 22, 2026: NMDC's CSR Initiative to Provide a Platform for Players from 26 Villages in the Bailadila Region Players from 26 villages in the Bailadila region of Dantewada district, Chhattisgarh, will get an opportunity to showcase their talent and sporting skills at NMDC Bailadila Kabaddi League, to be held from July 23 to 26. As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, Navratna company NMDC Limited is organizing the tournament to identify and encourage rural sporting talent and provide them with a platform to grow. A total of 24 teams representing 26 Gram Panchayats from the Bachel and Kirandul regions will participate in the competition. From the Bachel region, teams from Molasnar, Dugeli, Padhapur, Benpal, Bade Kameli, Kamalur, Jhirka, Dhurli, Gamawada, Nerli, Bade Bachel, Masenar, Ganjenar, and Bhansi will compete. From the



Kirandul region, players from Kodenar, Kadampal, Madadi, Cholnar, Tikanpal, Kalepal, Samalwar, Madkamiras, Hiroli, Kutrem, Gumiypal, and Taneli will showcase their sporting talent. The league matches will be held at the Football Stadium in Kirandul and the Hockey Ground in Bachel. The opening and closing ceremonies will take place at the Hockey Ground in the NMDC Township, Bachel. To ensure smooth conduct of the event, a waterproof German hangar has been installed, and synthetic rubber mats are being laid on the playing field for the

comfort and safety of the players. NMDC will provide sports kits and all necessary playing equipment to the participating teams. The tournament aims to promote a sporting culture in rural areas, encourage youth participation in sports, and support emerging local talent. The tournament will be attended by Sarpanches of the participating Gram Panchayats, public representatives, senior officials from NMDC Headquarters, Hyderabad, officials and employees of NMDC's Bailadila Iron Ore Mine projects at Kirandul and Bachel, and representatives of labour

unions. During the closing ceremony, the winner and runner-up teams, along with outstanding performers, will be honoured with prizes. The Bailadila Kabaddi League is another significant step by NMDC towards identifying and nurturing sporting talent from rural areas and helping them progress to national and international platforms. Through its CSR initiatives, NMDC remains committed to the holistic development of local communities by continuously working in the areas of education, healthcare, sports, skill development and community development.

More Style, More Exclusivity: Škoda Auto India Expands The Slavia Monte Carlo's Colour Palette

Mumbai, July 2026 – Škoda Auto India has expanded its Slavia range with the Slavia Monte Carlo receiving two new exclusive colour options – Shimla Green and Steel Grey. They are both offered in a distinctive dual-tone finish. Exclusive to just 200 units, these limited colour editions of the Slavia Monte Carlo combine the sedan's dynamic design and engaging driving experience with the brand's Rallye Monte Carlo heritage. The addition lends an even stronger visual presence and is aimed at customers seeking a more distinctive and exclusive ownership experience. Commenting on the introduction, Ashish Gupta, Brand Director, Škoda Auto India, said, "The Slavia Monte Carlo has been well received by customers for its distinctive design, premium appeal, engaging driving dynamics and strong connection to our motorsport heritage. We are further enhancing the individuality and desirability of the Monte Carlo range, offering customers greater choice and exclusivity. The Slavia Monte Carlo



continues to embody the perfect blend of style, performance, and modernity. We will continue to strengthen our sedan portfolio, in line with the evolving aspirations of our customers." The limited Monte Carlo Apart from the new exclusive colour options, the Slavia Monte Carlo continues to distinguish itself with its blacked-out exterior design cues, signature

Monte Carlo styling elements, premium black and red interior theme, and feature-rich cabin. The new Shimla Green and Steel Grey dual-tone finishes further amplify choice for customers seeking one of the most desirable variants in the Slavia range. The Slavia Monte Carlo continues to be offered with Škoda Auto India's proven TSI engines, combined with the brand's

array of real automatics, delivering a blend of performance, efficiency and driving pleasure. Customers can choose between the 1.0-litre TSI engine paired with a 6-speed torque converter automatic transmission or the 1.5-litre TSI engine paired with the 7-speed DSG. The 1.0 TSI is a three-cylinder turbocharged petrol that makes 85 kW (115 PS) and 178 Nm of torque, while the larger 1.5 TSI four-cylinder turbocharged petrol generates 110 kW (150 PS) and 250 Nm of torque. Moreover, the 1.5 TSI continues to be the only engine in its segment offering Active Cylinder Technology, where two cylinders shut down under light loads, saving fuel, along with Plasma-Coated Cylinder Liners for better heat management and thermal efficiency. Škoda Auto's racing DNA Motorsport has been an integral part of Škoda Auto for over a century. The Monte Carlo trim specifically pays homage to the company's association with Rallye Monte Carlo since 1912 and its various victories and podium finishes since then.

WHO IS MYKHAILO DRAPATYI, UKRAINE'S NEW COMMANDER - IN-CHIEF?



Maj Gen Mykhailo Drapatyi, 43, has replaced Oleksandr Syrskyi as Ukraine's commander-in-chief - the third since the start of Russia's full-scale invasion in 2022. His nomination has been welcomed by both civil society and the military. Drapatyi's name was chanted during protests that started off backing his friend, ex-defence minister Mykhailo Fedorov, but ended up demanding Syrskyi's dismissal. "There's no better person for this position nowadays in Ukraine," one Ukrainian soldier told the BBC. Drapatyi's support rests on years of military experience in post-Soviet Ukraine, his skills as field general and his reputation for being a humane and strong commander among the military. He graduated from the Kharkiv Institute of Tank Troops in 2004 and began serving as a lieutenant. Ten years later he gained prominence when footage went viral showing his infantry fighting vehi-

cle smashing through a makeshift barricade. It was May 2014 and pro-Russian separatists had taken over parts of eastern Ukraine, when Drapatyi's battalion entered the southern city of Mariupol to free hostages held in the city's police department. He later recalled being told there were barricades more than a metre high ahead and being asked what to do. "I said, let's take it by storm. This video flew around the world," he said in an interview. Later that year, he was commended for withdrawing encircled Ukrainian units from a border area of the Luhansk region. Drapaty returned to university in 2021 for further operational and strategic training and was presented with a sword of honour as top graduate in June 2021 by British ambassador Melinda Simmons. When Russia's full-scale invasion began in February 2022, Drapaty was deputy commander of joint forces.



Trump threatens to target Iran's bridges and power plants if Hormuz attacks persist

US TO ANNOUNCE DEAL ALLOWING SAUDI ARABIA A NUCLEAR PROGRAMME

The US and Saudi Arabia are expected to announce a deal that will allow the Gulf kingdom to develop a civilian nuclear programme. An announcement is expected from US President Donald Trump's administration on Wednesday, according to CBS News, the BBC's US partner. The agreement could be worth billions of dollars to the US, whose companies could be involved in building a facility to produce enriched uranium, which can be used as fuel for power plants but also to make nuclear bombs. Nuclear experts and former officials in Israel - the US's top ally in the Middle East - have voiced concern that the plan could ultimately lead to Saudi Arabia being able to develop a nuclear weapon. The BBC has asked the



White House for comment. The deal would allow U.S. companies to run nuclear power for the Saudis on Saudi soil, CBS reported citing a regional official familiar with the agreement. The corporations involved have not been disclosed and Congress would need to be consulted. After undertaking a joint study with the

US, Saudi Arabia may be allowed to enrich uranium on its soil to produce fuel at a US-built enrichment facility, instead of relying on imported fuel, according to media reports. The deal would last 30 years and is estimated to be worth tens of billions of dollars, The Wall Street Journal reported. That provision would distin-

guish this agreement from another one that was struck by the US in 2009 with Saudi Arabia's neighbour, the United Arab Emirates, under which the UAE does not produce its own fuel and accepts a host of other restrictions. For that reason, the agreement is also expected to attract the concern of nuclear non-proliferation campaigners, whose ultimate aim is to prevent an increase in the number of nuclear weapons worldwide. The nuclear issue has been at the centre of the months-long US-Israeli conflict with Iran. The two nations say one of the reasons they attacked Iran in February was to prevent the country from ever developing a nuclear weapon - something that Tehran denies planning to do.

BRITISH WOMAN JAILED FOR BLACKMAIL AFTER ACCUSING BANKER OF RAPE IN HONG KONG

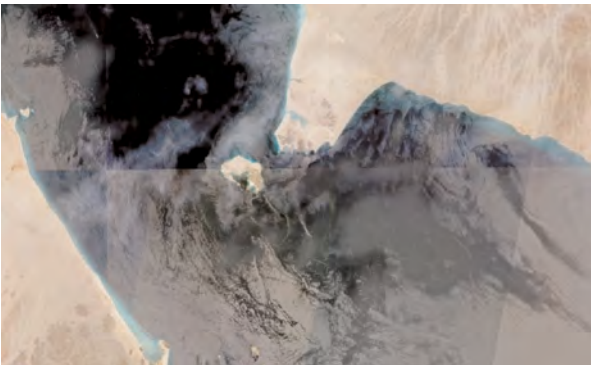


A British woman has been jailed for six years in Hong Kong for blackmail and perverting the course of justice after a court found she made a false allegation of rape. Isabel Rose, 26, from Hackney in east London, alleged that a British banker raped her after she travelled to Hong Kong to visit him in January 2024. The man was arrested after she reported the incident but later released without charge. Rose was subsequently arrested and charged. Local media reported that Rose was in Hong Kong's District Court on Wednesday for sentencing after being convicted in March. She had denied the charges. "I didn't wanna have sex" According to local press reports, Judge Adriana Tse sentenced her to five years in prison for blackmail and three years for perverting the course of justice, with one year to be served consecutively. Prosecutors argued that Rose fabricated the allegation in an attempt to extort £100,000 (\$134,000) from the man, whose identity was withheld. Rose denied the charges throughout the trial and has consistently maintained that she was raped. Rose had travelled to Hong Kong on 31 January 2024 after meeting the man while in Thailand a month earlier, according to court documents. At the centre of the prosecution case were WhatsApp messages exchanged between the pair in the hours and days after the alleged rape on 1

February at his apartment. In one message sent the following morning, Rose wrote: "Are you annoyed I didn't want to have sex," to which the man replied: "What no of course not. Was impressed by your restraint." Later that day, Rose wrote: "You violated me last night, I didn't wanna have sex." He replied: "I'm really deeply sorry, I was slightly drunk and I misread your signals, it's no excuse and I know it doesn't make it any better." In a later exchange, Rose wrote: "You basically raped me." The man replied: "That's not what I'm into at all and I feel sick." The pair later exchanged messages about money. According to the written judgement of the verdict published in March, the man agreed to reimburse Rose for her travel and accommodation. In one message, Rose wrote: "Send me the right amount you owe me for everything. Think about that. Think carefully." He transferred £5,000 that day and tried to send a further £5,000. Rose subsequently wrote: "You've given 10% of what I'm owed. 100% of my soul gone." In a later message, the man wrote: "But I don't have 100k, I have no way of paying you that." Rose reported the rape to police on 3 February. The man was arrested and questioned before being released without charge. Rose was arrested the following day and later charged with blackmail and perverting the course of public justice.

TANKERS MAKE SHARP U-TURNS AFTER HOUTHI SHIPPING THREAT

At least seven oil tankers have made U-turns close to Yemen since the Iran-linked Houthi group announced a "maritime embargo" against Saudi Arabia on Monday, ship-tracking data shows. All of the ships were travelling either to or from Saudi ports and made sharp changes of course after the embargo was announced. Nearly 15% of global sea trade moves through the Red Sea, which connects the Mediterranean and Gulf of Aden through two choke points - the Suez Canal in Egypt and the Bab al-Mandab Strait between Yemen and the Horn of Africa. The Red Sea has been a key route for exports of Saudi oil since the US-Israeli war with Iran led to the effective closure of the Strait of Hormuz, which has severely restricted the flow of oil and gas from the Gulf. This has played a "major role in relieving pressure to global markets" and if the Houthis further restrict trade then "prices will go up", said Rosemary Kelanic from the US-based Defense



Priorities think tank. The day before the Houthis announced their blockade, 20 vessels entered the Red Sea and 22 exited via the Bab al-Mandeb strait, according to maritime intelligence firm Kpler. Kelanic told BBC Verify that any Houthi attacks on vessels in the Red Sea or Gulf of Aden "will suppress all international traffic not just Saudi-bound vessels". The EU's naval force in the region Aspides recommended on Wednesday that "merchant vessels linked to Israeli, US or Saudi interests avoid transiting the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden until the threat level decreases", according

to an advisory seen by Reuters news agency. Ship-tracking data from MarineTraffic shows the crude oil tanker Rodos, loaded with Saudi crude, departed for India from the Red Sea port of al-Muajiz on Monday evening. The Liberian-flagged ship set off south towards the Bab al-Mandab Strait but about nine hours later made a U-turn and began sailing north instead. The Liberian-flagged oil and chemical tanker Mica departed Saudi Arabia's Jazan port on Monday afternoon and also headed south before reversing course. Ship-tracking data shows at least eight

ships bound for the Red Sea have made U-turns instead of entering the Bab al-Mandab Strait from the south as well. Marshall Islands-flagged vehicle carrier Liu Jiang Kou was sailing to Saudi Arabia's Jeddah port from China before completely changing course on Monday in the Gulf of Aden. A Hong Kong-flagged crude oil tanker sailing from China called New Prime also turned around as it headed towards Saudi Arabia on Monday and now appears to be waiting in the Arabian Sea. While the reasons for each course change cannot be independently verified, "the timing is consistent with the embargo announcement," said maritime risk management company Vanguard. In an email to shipowners on Monday, which the BBC has seen, the Houthis said "vessels are banned from loading or discharging cargo at any Saudi ports". It added that ships "may be subject to targeting in any location within the operational reach".

MODELLING SCOUT LINKED TO EPSTEIN FOUND DEAD IN PARIS



A modelling scout linked to the late convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein has been found dead at his home. Daniel Siad, 69, was discovered on Monday in Colombes, a north-west suburb of Paris, the Nanterre prosecutor's office confirmed to the BBC. An investigation to determine the cause of death was opened on Monday evening, the office said, adding that a post-mortem examination would be carried out. Siad's name appeared thousands of times in the Epstein files released by the US government. He denied knowing of the threat Epstein had

posed. His lawyer stressed that Siad, who had been the subject of several complaints in France including allegations of rape, had "never been prosecuted". "He is dead and he was innocent," Ménya Arab-Tigrine said in a statement. Epstein victim Anya - not her real name - previously told the BBC that Siad had introduced her to Epstein. "It was a complete set-up," she said, describing Siad as "essentially a professional trafficker". During one email to Epstein released in the files, Siad wrote in badly spelled English: "In This busyness I feel like fisherman some time I cache quick, some time no fish." Ahead of a BBC investigation on the subject published on Saturday, Arab-Tigrine had said her client was not available for comment. However, in a recent CNN interview, Siad said he had not known the women were being abused by Epstein. "I trusted him, I believed this guy is a professional person," he said.



Ukrainian drones hit Russian online giant retailer Wildberries for second time

Iran war has cost US \$37.5bn so far, Hegseth says, as Pentagon seeks billions more

The war with Iran has cost the US some \$37.5bn (£28bn) so far - an increase of nearly \$8bn since the last estimate in May, Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth has said. Hegseth told the Senate Appropriations Committee it was urgent that lawmakers approve another \$87bn in congressional funding for the Pentagon, with \$67bn of that destined for operations in the Middle East. The hearing was disrupted several times by anti-war protesters and ended in a shouting match between the defence secretary and a senator. It was Hegseth's first appearance on Capitol Hill since hostilities between the US and Iran restarted last week and comes after three American soldiers were confirmed killed in the region. The White House asked



Congress in April for \$1.5tn for the Pentagon over the next fiscal year, which would raise American military spending to an all-time high in the modern era. The US carried out an 11th consecutive day of strikes on Tuesday. Iran has been retaliating with strikes of its own against the US and its allies in the Middle East. The defence secretary began Tuesday's testimony by say-

ing, "we live in a dangerous world" and that it required bold and swift action. After being interrupted by protesters, Hegseth went on to say his funding request came at an urgent time. "Without these funds, we face critical shortfalls that threaten our ability to also simply pay our service members, rapidly replenish equipment and munitions, and sustain vital operations without disrupt-

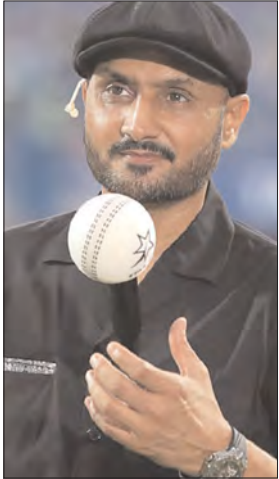
tion," Hegseth said. Every dollar appropriated, he added, would be used to build the "lethality" of US military forces and "reinforce peace through strength". Senate Appropriations Committee chairwoman Susan Collins, a Republican, questioned Hegseth over what the impact would be if the budget needs were not met. Hegseth said current and future training for military members would need to be cut without the funds, as he repeatedly blamed former President Joe Biden's administration for what he said was an underfunded military. The most senior Democrat on the committee, Patty Murray, pushed back on the funding request, saying it "does not make a lot of sense".

LIVERPOOL ISSUE BANS AS £1.2M
SEIZED FROM TICKET TOUTS



Harbhajan Singh Reveals
Sachin Tendulkar's Advice That
Changed His Career

Former India spinner Harbhajan Singh has revealed the most valuable piece of advice he received during his illustrious career, recalling how batting great Sachin Tendulkar urged him to stay focused on cricket and ignore the distractions that come with success. Harbhajan, one of India's greatest off-spinners, said Tendulkar's words have remained with him throughout his playing career and continue to shape the advice he now gives to the next generation of cricketers. "I think our seniors were so good because they wanted us to play well and become better within our limitations. The best advice I ever got was from the great Sachin Tendulkar,"



Harbhajan told Jio Star. "Sachin paaji told me, 'There will be many distractions, many things will come your way, but you have to keep your blinders on, so that you can't look left or right, and only look straight ahead."

Seniors Struggling To Adapt, Communication
Gap Exposes Vulnerable Team India: Report

India's ODI captain Shubman Gill publicly expressed his frustration at repeated injuries after the team concluded a forgettable tour of the United Kingdom. Recurring injuries, especially hamstring injuries, have become a headache for the team management, with many feeling that there seems to be a communication gap between the Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Bengaluru, the players, and the support staff. According to a report, players are struggling to adapt to a new system following a change in personnel last year. "The flurry of recent hamstring injuries suggests that the players may not have been absolutely fit before taking the field. There seems to be a gap in communication about a player's fitness status and workload between the CoE and the team management," a BCCI source told the Times of India. In fact, the



CoE is yet to appoint a head of medical staff since Nitin Patel left. "There has been no update to the SOPs drawn up in 2023. Washington Sundar, Nitish Reddy and Harshit Rana are some of the names that have been injured a little too often. The fact that Reddy worked with English coach Stefan Jones to improve his speed raised a few eyebrows. What was arguably the most surprising decision was the fact that Harshit Rana was called up by the Indian team

despite not being fully fit. "Reddy worked with English bowling coach Stefan Jones to increase his pace. But that needs to be a gradual process when he is with the team leading up to a big event. Instead, he is pushing himself to bowl faster whenever he is with the team," the source said. "It's a bit concerning how Harshit was cleared by the CoE at the insistence of the team management when he had not attained his pre-knee-injury weight.

CWG 2026: WHY INDIA MIGHT
NOT EVEN GET HALF OF 61
MEDALS THEY WON IN 2022

"The 2026 Commonwealth Games have arrived, with India hoping to build on the 61 medals they previously earned. However, a significant change will be seen in the tournament this year, as the number of sports countries will be participating in has been reduced by almost half, from 19 to 10. This alteration was made after Victoria (Australia) withdrew as host for the 2026 edition of the tournament due to ballooning costs. This situation prompted Glasgow to step in with a drastically reduced budget and a streamlined 10-sport format. If we compare the 2026 edition to 2022, a total of nine sports were dropped from the roster, including almost all of India's traditional powerhouses: Wrestling: Dropped (Accounted for 12 medals in 2022, including 6 Gold) Badminton: Dropped (Accounted for 6 medals in 2022, including 3 Gold) Table Tennis: Dropped (Accounted for 7 medals, including Para TT) Hockey: Dropped (Accounted for 2 medals - Men's Silver, Women's Bronze) Cricket (Women's): Dropped (Accounted for 1 Silver) The excluded sports in Glasgow accounted for a whopping 28 of India's 61 medals in Birmingham. Hence, it is going to be tough for India to even breach the 30-medal mark this time. Where Can India's Medals Come From? Athletics is undoubtedly India's biggest bet for medals in the 2026 CWG, backed by its largest athlete contingent in Glasgow. World-class field events lead the charge, headlined by Neeraj Chopra in the men's javelin throw. Beyond throwing events, India boast have some notable athletes compet-



ing in the Games. Long-jumper Murali Sreesankar is a solid bet, alongside other prospects in the triple jump and high jump. Distance events with runners like Parul Chaudhary and Gulveer Singh can also earn India success. Weightlifting remains India's most dependable and efficient source for podium finishes. Anchored by Tokyo Olympic silver medalist and defending CWG champion Mirabai Chanu in the women's 48kg category, the lifters carry high expectations. Complementing her are contenders across both men's and women's divisions, such as Bindyarani Devi, Ajaya Babu, and

Gyaneshwari Yadav, where India historically maintains a high medal-conversion rate. READ | CWG 2026: India's Full Schedule, Time In IST, Telecast, Live Streaming Boxing provides another major pillar for India's tally, with realistic opportunities across multiple weight categories. Led by Olympic medalist Lovlina Borgohain and reigning World Champion Jaismine Lamboria, India enters several women's divisions as top seeds. The overall depth in both men's and women's events does instill hope. Medals from Judo and Lawn Bowls, alongside Para Sports, can't be ruled out either.

Ravi Shastri Calls Rohit Sharma's
Lord's 138 A "Tight Slap"

The Lord's ODI between India and England was touted to be Rohit Sharma's last in the Indian shirt, but the veteran opener's valiant hundred in the match has put the retirement chatter to a halt. On Tuesday, Rohit was in the stands as The Hundred 2026 campaign kicked off with the first match between MI London and Sunrisers Leeds at the Kia Oval. Seeing Rohit watching the match at the Kia Oval, India's former coach and commentator for the match, Ravi Shastri, couldn't resist speaking about the debate around his future. Shastri didn't mince his words over the chatter around Rohit's future, saying his hundred at Lord's was a "tight slap with the bat". "Well, the hitman is in, Ravi. Yes, he'll be nice and relaxed after silencing his



critics. A lot of noise made before that last one-day international, and then a reply, a nice tight slap with the bat. 138. His first hundred at Lord's. Yeah, he's seen it all, five titles for the Mumbai Indians as captain," Shastri said in the commentary box during the match. Several former cricketers have shared their opinions on the future of Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli. Ravichandran

Ashwin took a rather bold stance, saying the duo can't be touched by the selectors or the team management. "They cannot touch Virat and Rohit if they want to play. It is because of their credentials. Rohit has scored almost 12,000 runs; they cannot touch him. The other thing is that they are batters, and if you touch them, they have an army. People come to see them. If you drop them, it will just break the roof down," Ashwin said on his YouTube channel. Speaking specifically of Rohit, Ashwin said Rohit's motivation is coming from his own desire to feature at the next ODI World Cup rather than from any need to respond to the critics. "The position he is in and the way he batted, it's not that difficult for him.

"It's An Obvious Thing": Vaibhav Sooryavanshi
Opens Up On Rough Start To India Career



Indian batting prodigy Vaibhav Sooryavanshi has acknowledged that he has endured "several ups and downs" in the past four months, but his confidence remains intact heading into the T20I series against Zimbabwe, beginning here on Thursday. Riding on his IPL blitzkrieg, the 15-year-old made it to India's T20I tours of Ireland and England. Although he did not feature in the two-match series in Belfast, he made his international debut in the second T20I against England in Manchester, becoming India's youngest-ever international crick-

eter, eclipsing Sachin Tendulkar's long-standing record. Sooryavanshi played the next three matches but managed only modest scores and was left out of the fifth and final T20I as Sanju Samson returned to the XI. India went on to lose the series 0-4. His omission sparked criticism from several former cricketers, who questioned the team management's decision to drop the teenage opener after just three innings. "Yes, there have been several ups and down in the last four months (kaafi ups and downs aaye hain 4 mahine mein). It's part of cricket it will keep happening but I have to follow the process and give my 100 per cent for the team," Sooryavanshi, whose familiarity with the conditions here could strengthen his chances of making the playing XI for Thursday's opener, told 'bcci.tv'. The youngsters were visibly emotional after being left out of the fifth and final T20I against England. Acknowledging the challenges of dealing with setbacks at a young age, he said the support he received from those around him helped him move on and regain his focus. "It's an obvious thing that whatever I want (guidance etc), the coaches are making it available and whatever practice I require I am getting that.

INDIAN SHOOTERS
STUMBLE IN FINAL
ASIAN GAMES TUNE-UP;
CHINA SWEEPS GOLDS



Indian shooters got an early indication of the challenge that awaits them at the Asian Games in Japan less than two months from now as hosts China dominated the opening day of the ISSF World Cup on Wednesday, winning both gold medals on offer while India finished without a podium. In their final global outing before the Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya from September 19 to October 4, the Indian shooters endured a disappointing start as neither of the country's two 10m air pistol mixed teams progressed beyond the qualification stage. The pairing of multiple World Cup gold medalist Suruchiinder Singh and Kedarling Uchaganve finished ninth with an aggregate score of 577, with Suruchi shooting 292 and Kedarling managing 285. With only the top four teams advancing, China underlined its superiority by ensuring two final spots with one of them - Yao Qianxun and Hu Kai - smashing the qualification world record with a combined 591. India's second pair of

Sainyam and Kamaljeet also totalled 577 but had to settle for 11th after scores of 288 and 289 respectively. Yao and Hu went on to clinch gold with a world record score of 488.4, ahead of compatriots Shen Yiyao and Bu Shuaihang (485.7), while South Korea claimed bronze and the Individual Neutral Athletes (AIN) finished fourth. There was some encouragement in the men's 10m air rifle, where junior world champion Rakesh Parth Mane qualified second with 633.4, behind China's double Olympic champion Sheng Lihao (637.5). However, Mane was unable to sustain the momentum in the eight-man final, slipping to seventh with 145.5 as Sheng secured the gold with 253.9 ahead of compatriot Zhang Changhong (252.4). The remaining Indians also fell short, with Tushar Mane finishing 12th (630.5) and Himanshu Dhillon 22nd (629.3) in the 88-shooter field, underscoring the gulf India will have to bridge against a formidable Chinese squad before the Asian Games.

Like Tokyo Olympics, India Can End 5-Decade
WC Medal Drought: Harmanpreet Singh

Indian men's hockey captain Harmanpreet Singh believes his side is capable of ending the country's five-decade-long World Cup medal drought, saying the team heads into next month's showpiece event with the same belief and preparation that helped it end a 41-year Olympic podium wait at the Tokyo Games. India had snapped a 41-year Olympic medal drought by winning bronze in Tokyo in 2021 before repeating the feat under Harmanpreet's captaincy at the Paris Games. The ace drag-flicker now wants the team to emulate that success

at the World Cup, to be held in the Netherlands and Belgium from August 15 to 30. "We had similar feelings as before the Tokyo Olympics. Our preparation is equally strong because our only goal is to end the 50-year World Cup podium drought," Harmanpreet told PTI in an interview. "Just as we won an Olympic medal after 41 years in Tokyo, we want to break the World Cup drought as well. We will go with the same mindset and the same preparation. There is no pressure; rather, it is our responsibility." India's only World Cup triumph came in Kuala Lumpur in 1975. The

team had also won bronze in 1971 and silver in 1973 but has not reached the podium since. For several members of the current squad, including those who were part of India's back-to-back Olympic bronze-medal-winning campaigns, the upcoming World Cup could be their final opportunity to make an impact on the sport's biggest stage. "The team's performance, confidence and unity in recent months have strengthened our belief that this is a golden opportunity," said Harmanpreet, who has played 264 internationals for India. "It is especially important for

the experienced players because this could be their last World Cup and there are expectations from them. They want to set an example through their performances and inspire the next generation." The 30-year-old, however, cautioned that success would require sustained hard work. "The path is not easy. A lot of hard work is needed. We play with a never-say-die attitude and that will remain our approach even in the practice sessions." Asked about India's realistic prospects, Harmanpreet said no team could be taken lightly in a tournament of such stature.



THE INDIA STORY UNVEILS
POWERFUL NEW POSTER

The makers of The India Story have unveiled a striking new poster that intensifies the conversation around one of the country's most concerning public health issues pesticide farming. Starring Kajal Aggarwal and Shreyas Talpade, the latest poster offers a glimpse into the film's hard-hitting narrative while emphasizing the silent dangers associated with the excessive use of pesticides in agriculture. The newly released poster carries a strong visual message, reflecting the film's core theme of exposing the hidden risks that often go unnoticed in everyday food consumption. With an intense and thought-provoking design, the poster further builds anticipation for the film, which promises to blend compelling storytelling with a socially relevant subject. Kajal Aggarwal and Shreyas Talpade take center stage in a story that aims to raise awareness about an issue affecting millions across generations. Speaking about the film's message, Kajal Aggarwal said, "The India Story is a film that carries an important message for every household. What drew me to the project was its courage to address a subject that directly impacts our daily lives yet often goes unnoticed. I hope the film encourages audiences to think more deeply about the food they consume and the choices they make."



"This story is not just about farming practices; it is about the health and future of generations to come. The new poster reflects the urgency of the issue we are highlighting through the film. We wanted to be part of a project that sparks meaningful conversations, and I believe The India Story has the power to create that awareness among audiences." The India Story has already garnered significant attention for tackling the alarming impact of pesticide farming and its long-term consequences on human health. The film seeks to shed light on how harmful agricultural practices can silently affect present and future generations, encouraging audiences to question what ultimately reaches their plates. Through its powerful narrative, the film aims to spark meaningful discussions and drive greater awareness about food safety and public health.

Presented by Zee Studios in association with MIG Production & Studios, The India Story is directed by Chettan DK and written and produced by Sagar B. Shinde. The film is slated for a worldwide theatrical release on July 24, 2026, and will arrive in theatres in Hindi, Telugu, and Tamil.

Imtiaz Ali Visits Hyderabad
to Celebrate the Success

Main Vaapas Aaunga continues its remarkable run in theatres, winning hearts across the country and witnessing extraordinary word-of-mouth appreciation from audiences. Now in its sixth successful week, the film continues to run across 450+ shows in India while also sustaining its theatrical run in 10 international countries a rare achievement for a Hindi film amidst strong competition from both Bollywood and Hollywood releases. Released across 59 countries on 804 screens, Main Vaapas Aaunga has emerged as one of the widest overseas releases for a Hindi film this year. The film has enjoyed an exceptional run not only across traditional Hindi-speaking markets but also in cities like Hyderabad, Bengaluru, and Kolkata, highlighting its strong pan-India acceptance and growing audience reach. As the film continues to witness overwhelming love and growing momentum at the box office, filmmaker Imtiaz Ali visited Hyderabad to personally express his gratitude to moviegoers for their immense love and support. Known for crafting emotionally resonant stories, Imtiaz Ali has been deeply moved by the response Main Vaapas Aaunga has received since its release. What began as a



film that steadily found its audience has now grown into one of the year's most remarkable theatrical success stories, powered purely by strong audience appreciation and word-of-mouth. The film has struck a deep chord with viewers across generations, with both Gen Z and family audiences embracing its heartfelt storytelling, memorable performances, and emotional depth. During his Hyderabad visit, Imtiaz interacted with audiences and thanked them for embracing the film and helping it grow into the phenomenon it has become. Their continued love and recommenda-

tions have translated into sustained footfalls, increased shows, and an exceptional theatrical hold across India and overseas. Set in Imtiaz Ali's signature world of love, emotions, and longing, Main Vaapas Aaunga features Diljit Dosanjh, Naseeruddin Shah, Sharvari, and Vedang Raina in pivotal roles. Produced by Birla Studios & Applause Entertainment and Mohit Choudhary & Shibasish Sarkar of Window Seat Films, this Birla Studios Worldwide release is successfully running in cinemas. The music of the film is on Tips Music.

SJ Suryah's Menacing
First Look Unveiled
From Karthi's Sardar 2



Starring Karthi in the lead, Sardar 2 is the sequel to the blockbuster Sardar, which became a huge success across Tamil and Telugu. The film promises to expand the franchise with a bigger canvas, international action, and high-octane thrills. Directed by PS Mithran and produced by S Lakshman Kumar under Prince Pictures, the film has music by Sam CS.

Sardar 2 is progressing with its shoot. The makers of Sardar 2 have dropped a massive surprise on the occasion of SJ Suryah's birthday, unveiling his striking first-look poster from the much-awaited spy action thriller. Along with introducing the versatile actor's character, the team has also officially confirmed that the film will hit cinemas worldwide on September 10.

MAREMMA GRAND
RELEASE ON
SEPTEMBER 10



The makers of Maremma, the debut film of Maadhav- son of actor Raghu and nephew of Mass Maharaja Ravi Teja, have officially locked the film's theatrical release. The intense rural action

drama will arrive in cinemas worldwide on September 10, 2026, as revealed through a striking new release date poster. The newly unveiled poster presents Maadhav in a fierce and battle-worn avatar, hinting at the raw intensity and emotional depth that define the film.

Nayanthara & Kavin's 'Hi' Set for a Grand
Worldwide Release on August 14

Release Date Announcement Video Unveiled for the Much-Awaited Family Entertainer. The makers of 'Hi', marking the first-ever on-screen collaboration of Lady Superstar Nayanthara and Kavin, have officially announced the film's theatrical release date by unveiling a special announcement video. The much-awaited family entertainer is all set to hit theatres worldwide on August 14. Directed by debutant Vishnu Edavan, Hi boasts of an impressive ensemble cast including Nayanthara, Kavin, K. Bhagyaraj, Prabhu, Radhika Sarathkumar, VTV Ganesh, Sathyan, Adithya Kathir and Qureshi, among others. The film's technical crew comprises cinematographer Rajesh Shukla, music composer Jen Martin, editor Philomin Raj, and production designer S. Kannan. Bankrolled jointly by Zee Studios, The Rowdy Pictures, and Seven Screen



Studio, the film is backed by producers Nayanthara, Vignesh Shivan, and S.S. Lalit Kumar. Vinodh C.J. and K.S. Mayil Vaganan serve as co-producers, while V.K. Kubeendran is the Creative Producer. The film has already generated considerable buzz following the release of its first single, which garnered millions of

digital views, thereby heightening expectation levels. Building on that momentum, the makers have now confirmed that Hi will arrive in cinemas across the globe on August 14. Speaking about the film, director Vishnu Edavan says, "Hi is exactly as the title suggests is a simple, heartwarming, and feel-

good film. Created as a wholesome family entertainer, the film promises two-and-a-half hours of engaging entertainment that audiences of all ages can enjoy together. Set across Chennai, Coimbatore, and Pollachi, the story unfolds with warmth, humour, and emotions. Much like classics such as Darling Darling, Santhosh Subramaniam, and Yaaradi Nee Mohini, Hi is a family entertainer without a conventional antagonist." Having previously worked alongside Lokesh Kanagaraj on blockbuster films such as Kaithi, Master, and Vikram, Vishnu Edavan makes his directorial debut with Hi. Furthermore, his collaboration that involves the first-time pairing of Nayanthara and Kavin, a stellar supporting cast, and a refreshing family-oriented narrative, the film has already registered itself as one of the most eagerly awaited Tamil releases of the season.

'Yama Kinkarudu' Becomes Telugu
Cinema's First AI (Artificial
Intelligence)-Based Feature Film



Renowned producer Thumalapalli Ramasatyanarayana is playing the title role while also writing, directing, and producing the innovative film 'Yama Kinkarudu'. The film is set to create history as the

first Telugu feature film made using Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology. Versatile actor Suman plays a pivotal role in the movie. The trailer of Yama Kinkarudu was officially unveiled by veteran producer K.S. Rama Rao, who appreciated the team's unique effort and extended his best wishes. Speaking on the occasion, K.S. Rama Rao said: "Ramasatyanarayana has always been at the forefront of embracing new technologies in Telugu cinema. It is truly commendable that he has made the first Telugu film using AI technology. The trailer looks highly innovative and engaging. Suman's role will undoubtedly be one of the film's major highlights. I sincerely wish this experimental venture becomes a grand success and brings great recognition to the entire team."

Nidhhi Agerwal Is Every
Bit A Modern Cinderella

Nidhhi Agerwal looks nothing short of a white Indian Cinderella in her latest photoshoot. Dressed in an elegant ivory lehenga paired with dazzling emerald jewellery, the actress radiates timeless grace. Her soft glam makeup, flowing hair, and princess-like charm make these pictures an instant visual delight.

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Raja Saab, which unfortunately failed to make an impact at the box office. Despite maintaining a strong presence on social media with glamorous photoshoots, the actress currently has no officially announced upcoming film projects, leaving fans eagerly waiting for news of her next big-screen appearance.



NIHARIKA'S
DRAMATIC
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IS PURE
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Social media sensation-turned-actress Niharika NM is currently riding high on the success of her latest Tamil outing, Idhayam Murali, which has struck a chord with audiences. Amid the promotional buzz, the star treated fans to a stunning picture that's now doing the rounds online. She was seen in a striking navy-blue halter-neck gown featuring a structured button-down bodice and a dramatic tie-dye pleated skirt, which she twirled to perfection for the camera.