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Dharmendra Pradhan resigns as Education Minister over NEET-UG row

CJP calls off protest as Centre agrees to demands following Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation



New Delhi: The Cockroach Janata Party (CJP) on Saturday called off its protest at Delhi's Jantar Mantar after the Centre accepted its key demands following Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation. The decision was announced at a joint press con-

ference in New Delhi following the third round of talks between Union Health Minister JP Nadda, Union Minister Jitendra Singh, and CJP representatives Saurav Das and Ashutosh Ranka, during which the Centre agreed to the protesters' key demands. Addressing the media, Nadda said the government had agreed to withdraw all police cases filed against protesting students, provide written confirmation of the FIR withdrawals, and ensure the highest possible compensation for families of students who died in incidents linked to the alleged paper leak controversy.

New Delhi (TSIT):

Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has resigned from his post, submitting his resignation to PM Modi on Saturday in a bid to meet the non-negotiable demand of the CJP amid escalating protests over the NEET-UG controversy and growing demands for accountability. His resignation comes ahead of the third round of talks between representatives of the CJP and union Health Minister Jagat

Victory of democracy: Activist Sonam Wangchuk on Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation



As Dharmendra Pradhan resigned from the post of Union Education Minister on Saturday, educator, innovator and climate activist Sonam Wangchuk congratulated the countrymen, calling it a "victory of democracy".

Prakash Nadda and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Jitendra Singh.

The resignation follows weeks of protests at Jantar Mantar over alleged examination irregularities and demands for Pradhan's removal. The agitation intensified after the "Sansad Chalo" march towards Parliament on July 20, 2026, where a police crackdown led to clashes between security personnel and protesters, leaving several people

'Win for democracy': CJP after Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation

President accepts Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation; Pralhad Joshi given additional charge of Education Ministry



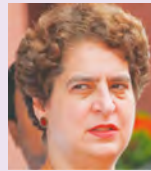
President accepts Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation; Pralhad Joshi given additional charge of Education Ministry. The resignation was formalised barely hours after Pradhan announced it on his X handle. Following several days of demands for the ouster of Dharmendra Pradhan as Education Minister, President Droupadi Murmu today accepted his resignation from the Union Council of Ministers on the advice of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, and New and Renewable Energy,

Pralhad Joshi, has been given additional charge of the Ministry of Education. A Rashtrapati Bhavan communication issued today said: "The President of India, as advised by the Prime Minister, has accepted the resignation of Shri Dharmendra Pradhan from the Union Council of Ministers, with immediate effect, under clause (2) of Article 75 of the Constitution of India. Further, as advised by the Prime Minister, the President has directed that Shri Pralhad Joshi, Cabinet Minister, be assigned the charge of the Ministry of Education, in addition to his existing portfolio."

Rahul warns PM after Pradhan exit: RSS has hollowed out education, to take up Shah's role in student violence in Parliament



'Nobody can ever dare to silence youth': Priyanka on Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation



Shashi Tharoor 'proud' of Gen Z, calls Pradhan's resignation 'important' for democracy



Assembly to pass resolution for Gen Z representation: CM Revanth

Hyderabad, TSIT BUREAU:

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Saturday announced that the State Government would move a special resolution in the Legislative Assembly urging the Centre to reduce the minimum age for contesting elections to legislative bodies, enabling greater representation for Generation Z (Gen Z) in politics.

Addressing a candlelight rally organised by the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) from People's Plaza to Necklace Road in protest against the alleged lathi-charge on students at Jantar Mantar and demanding accountability over the NEET paper leak, the Chief Minister said the Assembly would recommend lowering the minimum contesting age to 21 years for the Legislative Assembly and Lok Sabha, and 25 years for the Legislative Council and Rajya Sabha. Revanth



Reddy questioned why Indian youth should be denied opportunities available in several developed countries, where young leaders have risen to the highest political offices at an early age. He recalled that former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi had reduced the voting age from 21 to 18 years through the 61st Constitutional Amendment, while former Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha Rao had lowered the eligibility age for contesting local body elections from 25 to 21 years.

The Chief Minister pointed out that although Gen Z constitutes nearly 30 per

cent of the country's population, its representation in the 543-member Lok Sabha remains below one per cent. He said the Congress would strive to ensure that young people are given opportunities to enter Parliament and State Legislatures at the age of 21.

Announcing that a special session of the Assembly and Legislative Council would be convened in the first week of August, Revanth Reddy said a resolution seeking amendment of the eligibility age would be passed and forwarded to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Union Government.

Pradhan's resignation shows youth's future at heart of NDA government: Rajnath

New Delhi (TSIT)

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday said Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation was the reflection of the fact that safeguarding the future of the country's students and youth is of "paramount importance" for Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the NDA government.

Pradhan stepped down as Education Minister on Saturday amid mounting pressure over the NEET paper leak controversy, with the Centre conceding the principal demand of the Cockroach Janata Party (CJP)-led agitation after weeks of protests that spread from the national capital to several parts of the country.

He announced his decision in a statement, saying the developments of the past 10 days had "saddened" him

deeply and that the issue was "not a matter of personal prestige". Rajnath Singh said Pradhan resigned from his post taking into account the views and sentiments of the country's youth and students, "This resignation is a testimony of the fact that for Prime Minister Narendra Modi and our government, safeguarding the future of our students and youth is of paramount importance," the Defence minister said in a post on X. Singh said the



government is addressing "with utmost seriousness and sensitivity" the concerns of the students regarding the NEET exam, paper leaks and necessary reforms in the education system. PrintNewspaper Delivery "Our top priority remains to understand our students' genuine concerns, address them promptly, and ensure that they know their voices are being heard," he said.

Permanent Solution Needed for Tobacco Farmers' Crisis: CM Naidu



Visakhapatnam (TSIT): Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has stressed the need for a permanent solution to the recurring problems faced by tobacco farmers in Andhra Pradesh, while reiterating that farmers' welfare will remain the government's highest priority. He also called upon tobacco buyers and other stakeholders to cooperate in resolving the crisis.

Responding to the Chief Minister's continuous representations, the Union Government deputed Additional Secretary Nitin Kumar Yadav and Director Mounika Gaur from the Ministry of Commerce to

assess the issues affecting tobacco farmers in the state. The officials met the Chief Minister before his visit to Kurnool district.

Union Minister Pemasani Chandrasekhar, Ministers Gottipati Ravi Kumar and DBV Swamy, senior officials from the Agriculture Department, MARKFED, and representatives of the Tobacco Board participated in the meeting.

Three proposals aimed at supporting tobacco farmers were discussed, including interest-free working capital loans, financial incentives, and price deficit compensation. The Chief Minister

directed officials to ensure that no decision adversely affects farmers' interests and emphasized the need for short-, medium-, and long-term strategies instead of temporary relief measures.

He said all stakeholders—including farmers, buyers, the Tobacco Board, and the Central and State governments—must work together to find a sustainable solution. The Chief Minister also suggested exploring options for storing tobacco produce for one or two years and selling it when market conditions improve. He called for consultations with traders on marketing strategies for low-, medium-, and high-grade tobacco and underscored the need for an effective regulatory mechanism to prevent similar crises in the future. After the Chief Minister left for Kurnool, Union Minister Pemasani Chandrasekhar held a virtual meeting with major tobacco buyers along with representatives of the Ministry of Commerce.

Tilak, Kishan, bowlers help India drub Zimbabwe by 90 runs; take unassailable 2-0 lead

Harare (TSIT)

Power-packed fifties by Ishan Kishan and Tilak Varma worked well with bowlers' diligence as India trumped Zimbabwe by 90 runs in the second T20I to take an unassailable 2-0 lead in the three-match series here on Saturday. IndiaNews Updates Chasing 220 was never going to be easy for the Africans and the fate of the match was sealed when they lost five wickets inside 9 overs.

Eventually they were bundled out for 129, well

short of India's 219 for five, which was constructed around Kishans' 81 and Tilak's unbeaten 60. The series win will also give new T20I skipper Shreyas Iyer a big relief after losing two consecutive series against Ireland (0-2) and England (0-4). However, Zimbabwe started the hunt in earnest through Brian Bennett (32, 19b, 3x4, 3x6), who creamed debutant pacer Yash Thakur for a six and four in a row. But Thakur (2/30) extracted a quick revenge, as an attempted ramp did not go past wicketkeeper Kishan.



Once the first blood was drawn, Indian bowlers did not let the Zimbabwe batters off the hook. There

were little pockets of fight such as 20s by Ryan Burl and Tadi Marumani but nothing good enough to

challenge the Indian bowlers for a sustained period. Even part-timers Tilak and Abhishek Sharma (3/17) found themselves in the list of wicket-takers as India completed the stroll. But circumstances that led to the employment of part-timers might just give India some worries.

Pacer Prince Yadav (2/10 in 1.2 overs) walked off with a clutched hamstring, casting a shadow over such a dominant victory and raising another question about the team's injury management system. The genesis of that landslide

win was in India's intent-filled batting effort led by Kishan and Tilak. Asked to bat first India were in early trouble at 29 for two.

But Kishan first made 66 runs for the third wicket with skipper Shreyas Iyer (25) and then a 94 for the subsequent wicket with Tilak as the tourists overcame the early wobble.

Kishan paced his knock to a nicety as he focused on giving some stability to Indian innings. The left-hander brought his fifty in 31 balls, but the next 31 runs came in 13 balls as he pressed on the accelerator.

Fast track courts to hear paper leak cases on daily basis; New bill in Lok Sabha on Monday

New Delhi (TSIT)

Seeking to amend a two-year-old anti-paper leak law, a bill that proposes to set up fast-track courts in every state for speedy trials of accused and enhances punishment is set for introduction in the Lok Sabha on Monday.

According to the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026, investigations into paper leak cases are to be completed within two months. The bill circulated to the



Lok Sabha members ahead of its introduction says that individuals involved in paper leaks or unfair means in exams will get jail terms for a minimum of 5 years and a maximum of 10 years, and a fine of up to Rs 50 lakh.

For organised crimes, the bill proposes a minimum sentence of seven years and a fine of up to Rs 10 crore.

Komatireddy Venkat Reddy Receives Public Grievances



Hyderabad TSIT: Telangana Minister for Roads & Buildings and Cinematography Komatireddy Venkat Reddy on Saturday met members of the public at his camp office, Indira Bhavan, located at Clock Tower Centre in Nalgonda town, and listened to their grievances.

Parts of the district submitted representations seeking solutions to various civic and personal issues. The Minister patiently received each petition and assured the public that their concerns would be addressed. Komatireddy Venkat Reddy directed the concerned officials to examine every representation

promptly and take necessary steps for the speedy resolution of genuine grievances. Reiterating that addressing people's problems remains the State Government's foremost priority, the Minister said he would continue to remain accessible to the public and work towards ensuring timely redressal of their issues.

BJP moves CEO against Telangana CM over voter roll remarks

Hyderabad: Alleging that Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy had threatened voters with denial of welfare benefits if they were not included in the voters' lists during SIR, the BJP on Saturday, July 25, urged the state Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) to issue a notice directing him to withdraw his remarks.

In a memorandum and a video submitted to the CEO, Telangana BJP's Election Commission Affairs Committee Chairman Marri Shashidhar Reddy claimed that the CM threatened people in rural areas that they will not get the benefits of the government's welfare schemes such as 'Kalyana Lakshmi', 'Shaadi Mubarak' and 'Indiramma' housing. "This video exposes the gravity of the threat of



the Chief Minister," the memorandum said. "Threatening citizens with the withdrawal or denial of such government welfare benefits based on where they choose to register as voters is legally flawed and violates established electoral and constitutional principles."

Such threats raise severe concerns in view of the provision of "undue influence" under election law and also because of the disconnection between welfare benefits and voter registration, it added. If such statements are deliberately made by the Chief Minister during an

active election cycle or a sensitive administrative roll-revision phase like the SIR, they are "intimidatory". The BJP urged the Election Commission to immediately issue a notice to the Chief Minister on various alleged violations and "insist that he should, through the electronic media and his social media handles, to rescind from his earlier statements and clarify to people that voter ID is not mandatory for any government scheme". It also requested the CEO to release a video for electronic media and publish it across all social media handles of the CEO Telangana, explicitly citing the clarification issued by Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar that "a voter ID card is not mandatory for government schemes"

Hospital reception set ablaze over patient's death in Telangana



Hyderabad: Relatives of a deceased patient set a reception of a private hospital on fire on Saturday, July 25, in Bhadradri Kothagudem district. Venkataramana, 38, a tribal Sarpanch of Dantelaboru village, was admitted to the hospital a few days ago after falling ill. She died while undergoing treatment. Her family alleged medical negligence. Her husband said the hospital staff shifted her to the government hospital in Khammam after she died.

Collector inaugurates computer lab at Rajapur KGBV

Mahabubnagar, July 25 (TSIT): District Collector Khushboo Gupta inaugurated a newly established computer laboratory at the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) in Rajapur mandal on Saturday. The facility was set up with personal funds contributed by Jadcherla MLA Janampally Anirudh Reddy.



Collector appreciated the MLA's gesture of donating computers to support girls' education. She said the Telangana Government is giving top priority to strengthening government schools, residential institutions, and KGBVs by improving infrastructure and educational facilities. Encouraging the students to make the best use of the new facility, she advised them to

focus on academics and prepare for competitive examinations such as JEE, NEET, EAMCET, and CLAT. She urged the girls to pursue higher education, become financially independent, and never discontinue their studies under any circumstances. She also encouraged them to seek guidance from teachers whenever they face personal or family-related challenges.

Gudur Tribal Scholar Earns PhD from NIT Tiruchirappalli



MAHABUBABAD, July 25: Dr. Mood Yugender, a native of Govindapuram village in Gudur mandal of Mahabubabad district, has earned a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Engineering from the prestigious National Institute of Technology

(NIT), Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu. Hailing from a poor tribal (Lambada) family, Dr. Yugender's academic achievement has been hailed as an inspiration for students and youth across Mahabubabad district. Leaders of the Nava Telangana

Vidyarthi Sangham (NTVS) congratulated him, describing his success as a matter of pride for the region. Expressing gratitude, Dr. Yugender said his achievement was made possible through the support of his research supervisor, family members, friends, and well-wishers. He pledged to continue contributing to society through teaching, research, and innovation. Villagers of Govindapuram, residents of Gudur mandal, and his well-wishers congratulated Dr. Yugender on his remarkable accomplishment.

Collector turns teacher during surprise visit to KGBV



Medak, July 25 (TSIT) District Collector Pratima Singh said that students should cultivate discipline from an early age, as only then will a good path for the future be formed. On Saturday, the Collector visited the KGBV located in Chegunta mandal of the district. First, she observed the abilities of students in classes 06 and 07, and the Collector expressed satisfaction with their ability to recite tables up to 08. Later, she observed Unacademy classes for 10th standard, and emphasized the importance of Fast Maths and Get IT Right books.

The Collector learned that some computers were under repair and immediately ordered them to be fixed and Unacademy to be made available to everyone. She went into the kitchen and inspected the cooking ingredients and the prepared food. She asked if the cooking was done according to the diet chart and how many students were present. The Collector inquired. The Collector ordered that the sanitation around the KGBV premises should be good and kept clean at all times without any garbage. She said that measures should be taken to set up kitchen gardens in all KGBVs. She said that not everyone knows everything, and by studying every day, one can gain mastery over unknown subjects.

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Grand Celebration of Alumni Meet & Silver Jubilee Reunion-Class of 2001 held at KITS Warangal Campus

Hanumakonda, July 25, TSIT : The Kakatiya Institute of Technology & Science, Warangal Alumni Association, (KITSWAA) is organized an "Alumni Meet and Silver Jubilee Reunion- Class of 2001" held at Auditorium (NLR Shed) KITS Warangal campus on Saturday said by the Principal Prof. K. Ashoka Reddy. It was inaugurated by the chief guest of the inaugural function, Member, KITSWAA-National Executive council, Mamatha Kandi (Software QA Lead, Apple Inc.,, Sandiego, America) by lighting the lamp.

On the occasion, the Chief Guest, Ms. Mamatha Kandi, Member of the KITSW Alumni Association National Executive Council (KITSWAA-NEC), highlighted that KITS Warangal has a strong global alumni network of over 28,000 graduates spread across various coun-



tries and professional sectors. She emphasised that the institution's culture of innovation and entrepreneurship is being strengthened and sustained through the active engagement and support of its alumni community.

She further stated that KITSW

has embraced a progressive ecosystem focused on mentorship, innovation, industry internships, skill development, and enhanced employability, enabling young budding engineers to effectively navigate the rapidly evolving professional landscape.

The alumni network, she added, plays a vital role in connecting students with industry experts, emerging technologies, and real-world opportunities.

Highlighting the widening gap, she stressed that KITS Warangal is continuously striving to bridge the industry-academia gap by equipping students with cutting-edge 21st-century skills, emerging technological competencies, innovation-driven thinking, and industry-oriented capabilities to meet the evolving demands of the global workforce.

Man Arrested for Cheating People by Promising ST Corporation Loans

MAHABUBABAD, July 25: Mahabubabad Town Police arrested a man for allegedly cheating several people by falsely claiming he was a NITI Aayog Director and promising to secure loans through the ST Corporation.

According to Town Inspector Raghupathi Reddy, the accused, Boda Mahesh (36) of Cherla Thanda in Gudur mandal, collected around 1.85 lakh from multiple victims by assuring them that he could arrange government loans under various welfare schemes, par-

ticularly through the ST Corporation. Following complaints from the victims, police registered a case, conducted an investigation, and arrested the accused. The Town Inspector urged the public not to trust individuals demanding money in exchange for government loans, subsidies, or jobs. He advised citizens to approach only the concerned government departments for welfare schemes and to immediately report such frauds to the nearest police station.

Rahul Gandhi's Struggle Led to Dharmendra Pradhan's Resignation Says Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

Hyderabad, TSIT: Telangana Minister for Roads, Buildings and Cinematography Komatireddy Venkat Reddy on Saturday said the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan was the result of the sustained struggle led by Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, coupled with the nationwide move-

ment by students. In a statement, the Minister said Rahul Gandhi had consistently raised his voice on behalf of students over alleged question paper leaks in national-level entrance and recruitment examinations, including NEET. He said the Congress leader had challenged the Union Government both inside Parliament and among the pub-



lic, accusing it of jeopardising the future of millions of students across the

country. Komatireddy Venkat Reddy alleged that Rahul Gandhi had even faced arrests and attacks for questioning the Centre on issues affecting students and safeguarding the integrity of the education system. He said the united struggle led by Rahul Gandhi, the Congress party and other non-BJP political parties in support of students ultimately compelled

Dharmendra Pradhan to step down. Calling the development "more than just the resignation of a minister," the Minister described it as a victory for the legitimate struggle of students and a testament to the strength of democracy.

Komatireddy Venkat Reddy asserted that the Congress would continue to oppose any force that

threatened the future of students and reaffirmed that the party, under Rahul Gandhi's leadership, would always stand with the country's youth. He further stated that the Congress would continue its fight for transparency and accountability in the education system and remain committed to protecting students' rights and securing their future.

Helpline Launched for Indiramma Towers Scheme; Ponguleti Urges Public to Rely on Official Information



Hyderabad, TSIT: Telangana Revenue, Housing, Information and Public Relations Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy on Saturday launched a dedicated call centre helpline for the Indiramma Towers Housing Scheme to help citizens obtain official information and clear doubts regarding the scheme.

Inaugurating the helpline at the Telangana Housing Board office Minister said the initiative was aimed at ensuring transparency and preventing misinformation. He appealed to the public not to rely on middlemen and instead contact the official helpline 040-24603572 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Assistance will be available in Telugu, Hindi, English and Urdu. Ponguleti said the State Government,

under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, is implementing the Indiramma Towers project to provide dignified housing to poor and lower middle-class families residing in Hyderabad's CURE area. The Government has targeted the construction of one lakh houses, with the first phase comprising 7,680 flats across 16 Assembly constituencies.

The Minister clarified that applicants need to submit only their Aadhaar number while applying, and no income, caste or salary certificates are required at the initial stage. He said applicants must pay the 10,000 Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) only through UPI or Net Banking, and the amount would be refunded to the same account if a flat is not allotted.

Hungry Brothers Get Food, Hope in Medak

Medak, July 25 (TSIT): A touching incident in Medak town highlighted the importance of compassion and humanity. Satyanarayana, a representative of the Sahana organisation working with the support of the Carped organisation, noticed two young brothers begging on the roadside while on his way to meet local residents. Moved by the younger boy's plea, "Brother, I'm hungry," Satyanarayana took the children to a nearby sweet shop and provided them with a meal. He later spoke to them about their family



and education. The elder boy said he was studying in Class 9 and serving as his class leader, while his younger brother was in Class 4. Both said they attended school regularly.

Satyanarayana encouraged the brothers to continue their education, study well and achieve success in life.

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Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset (s)
1	Mr. Smrutl Ranjan Biswal (Borrower)	Rs.61,67,193/- (Rupees: Sixty One Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Three Only) due as on 31-JAN-2022*	23-FEB-2022	23-JUL-2026 (Physical Possession)	All that piece and parcel of villa on plot No.93, admeasuring about 200 Sq.Yds., along with construction having a total built-area of 1940 sft or 180.23 Sq Mtrs., (built-up area 1807 sft or 167.87 Sq Mtrs + terrace area 133 sft or 12.35 Sq Mtrs) in the project known as "VILLA Orchids" forming part of land in Survey Nos.3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 33 of Mahadevpur Village & Survey Nos.1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 of Kowkur Village, Malkajigiri Mandal, Ranga Reddy District now under Alwal Mandal, Medchal-Malkajigiri District and bounded on: North: Villa No.94, South: 30' Wide Road, East: 30' Wide Road, West: Villa No.104.
2	Mrs. P.Sridevi, W/o. Mr. Pannuri Rohan (Since Deceased), Mrs. P.Nirmala, W/o. Mr. Pannuri Rohan (Since Deceased), Master P.Rudra Shourya, S/o. Mr. Pannuri Rohan (Since Deceased) Represented By Natural Guardian Mother Mrs. P.Sridevi, And other known and unknown Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s) Successors and Assigns of Mr. Pannuri Rohan (Since Deceased)	Rs.33,97,167/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Seven Only) due as on 31-JAN-2024*	13-FEB-2024	21-JUL-2026 (Physical Possession)	All that the Residential Flat No.302 in Third Floor, bearing Municipal No. 42-608/115/T-302 (PTIN No.1171008502) consisting of 1350 Sq.Feet of Super built up area in the residential complex known as "RUKMINI ENCLAVE", with an undivided share of land admeasuring 40.00 Sq. Yards or 33.44 Sq. Meters, (out of 1035 Sq.Yards), together with 100 Sq.Feet of earmarked car parking place in the parking area provided, constructed on Plot No's 114, 115, 116/A and 116/B, in Survey No's 357/1 and 357/3, situated at Mehgunj Colony, Malkajigiri within the limits of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Malkajigiri Circle and Mandal, Medchal -Malkajigiri District and bounded by: North by: Open to Sky, South by: Flat No.303, East by: Open to Sky, West by: Corrido.
3	Mrs. Penumadula Sravya (Borrower)	Rs.65,56,912/- (Amount in Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Only) due as on 31-Aug-2025*	29-OCT-2025	20-JUL-2026 (Symbolic Possession)	All that part and parcel of the Flat bearing No.304 in the Third Floor, (As per RERA with a total Carpet area of 980 Sq. Feet) of built up area and saleable area is 1502 Sq. meters (including Common Areas & Two Car Parking), in the "VAASAVI BRUNDA-VANAM-II" along with an undivided share of land admeasuring 64 Sq. Yards or 53.51 Sq.Mtrs., out of the total extent of 4376.86 sq. Yards, in Survey Nos.46 and 50 Parts, in Ward No.12, Block No.1, Situated at Fathullaguda Village, Uppal Revenue Mandal, Medchal-Malkajigiri District, (earlier Ranga Reddy District), Under Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, within the Limits of L.B.Nagar Circle, and Flat bounded by: North: Open to Sky, South: Open to Sky, East: Open to Sky, West: Corridor.
4	Mr. Chiranjeevi Sudam (Borrower)	Rs.56,13,116/- (Amount in Rupees Fifty Six Thousand Thirteen Lakh One Hundred And Sixteen Only) due as on 31-Aug-2025*	26-SEP-2025	20-JUL-2026 (Symbolic Possession)	All that the House bearing No.9-83/1/5/NP, (PTI No-1197109773) with plinth area 792 Sft. & 73.58 Sq.Mtrs Unit-D, on Plot No.5 North-East Part, in Survey No. 144, admeasuring 153.33 Sq.Yds., or 128.20 sq. mtrs., Situated at Lakshma Reddy Nagar, Boduppal Village, under Boduppal Municipal Corporation, Medipally Mandal, Medchal-Malkajigiri District, under S.R.O. Uppal and bounded by: North: Plot No.6, South: Plot No.4 North East Part&5 South East Part, East: 30-0 Wide Road, West: Plot No.Swest Part.
5	Mr. Shaik Parvez Ali (Borrower)	Rs.56,90,351/- (Amount in Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Three Hundred Fifty One Only) due as on 31-Aug-2025*	27-SEP-2025	20-JUL-2026 (Symbolic Possession)	All that Flat bearing No.202 in Second Floor admeasuring 1188 Sq. Feet of super built up area (which includes plinth area, common areas, corridors, balconies, staircases, etc) along with 42/Sq. Yards of undivided share of land out of 688.05 sq. yards and one car parking slot in cellar in the apartments named as "WHITE CLOUD" being constructed on Plot bearing Nos.37, 38 part, 52 (South Part), Part of Plot No.51 (South Part) admeasuring 688.05 sq. yards out of 799 Sq.Yards (an extent of 110.95 sq. yards is affected in road widening) in Sy.Nos.2.3.4.5, 6 and 7, situated at Kalvancha Village, Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, under Pedda Amberpet Municipality, under registration Sub District Hayathnagar and bounded by: North: Corridor, South: Open to Sky, East: Open to Sky, West: Lift & Open to Sky.
6	Mr. Akarapu Mallikarjuna Chary (Borrower)	Rs.51,66,663/- (Amount in Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Three Only) due as on 31-Aug-2025*	29-OCT-2025	20-JUL-2026 (Symbolic Possession)	ALL THAT PART AND PARCEL OF open land bearing Plot No.247 North Part, admeasuring 37.5 Sq.Yards, Plot No.248 South Part, admeasuring 75 Sq.Yards, totalling land admeasuring 112.5 Sq.Yards, equivalent to 94.06 Sq. Meters, (Out of 225 Sq.Yards), in Survey Nos.415 and 416, situated at PASUMAMLA Village, Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, under Pedda Amber pet Nagar Panchayat, within the Registration Sub District: Pedda Amber-pet, and bounded by:- North: Plot No.248 North Part, South: Plot No.247 South Part, East: 25 Wide Road, West: Plot No.244 and 245
7	Mr. Rekha Satyanarayana Yadav (Borrower) M/s. Vijaya Sri Fancy Stores (Co-Borrower)	Rs.74,95,958/- (Rupees Seventy Four Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Eight Only) due as on 29-FEB-2024*	20-MAR-2024	20-JUL-2026 (Symbolic Possession)	All that piece and parcel House bearing No.5-4-72/A/10, constructed on land bearing Plot no. 10 middle part, admeasuring an area of 63 Sq.Yds in Survey No. 11 and Southern side of Plot No. 27 part admeasuring an area of 145 Sq. Yds in Survey No. 10 (part), in all admeasuring an area of 208 Sq. Yds or 173.90 Sq. Mtrs., situated at Kamalanagar Housing Colony, situated at Saheb Nagar Kalan Village, Hayathnagar Revenue Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, under Ward No. 5 and Block No. 4 of L.B. Nagar Circle-03 of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation Limits, under Registration at Sub-District, Vanasthalipuram and bounded by: North: Plot No.10 Northern Part and Northern Side of Plot No.27 Part, South: Plot No.10 Southern Part and Plot No. 27 Part, East: Road No.6 of 25'-0" Wide of the approved Layout, West: 20'-0" Wide Road.

*With further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.

However, since the borrower/s / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorized Officer/s of HDFC have taken the above said possessions of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/ them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above. The borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of **HDFC**. Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) attention is/are 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.

**Copies of the Panchnama drawn and Inventory made are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) is/ are requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Place: Hyderabad
Date: 24-JUL-2026

For HDFC Bank Ltd.
Sd/-Authorised Officer

Regd. Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai-400013

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APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
e-Auction Sale Notice Under SARFAESI Act 2002
Sale of Immovable Assets Under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("ACT")

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrowers/Co-borrowers/ Mortgagee(s) in respect of below mentioned secured asset which is mortgaged with Bajaj Finance Limited ("BFL"), and possession of which had been taken by undersigned Authorised Officer of BFL under the provisions of the ACT will be sold by Auction for recovery of the amount mentioned hereunder and further applicable interest, charges and costs etc.

The secured asset described below is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS" under Rule No. 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules ("The Rules") for recovery of the dues detailed as under:

Particulars of E-auction	
Name & Address of Borrower	1. Srinivasulu Kusangi S/o Somaiah Kusangi, R/o. 6-6 Valigonda Valigonda Mandal Valigonda Nalgonda Telangana 508112, Also at, R/o. H.No: 6-6, Assessment No. 1949, Sy No: 502, situated at Valigonda (G.P), Valigonda (Mandal), Yadadri Bhuvanagiri (District) T.S 508112 2. Kusangi Lavanya W/o Srinivasulu, R/o. 6-13, Valigonda, Valigonda Nalgonda Nalgonda, Telangana 508112, Contact: 994 89 448 20, Email id: srinivasulukusangi123@gmail.com
Loan Account Number	PF16 PRO1109 9006
Statutory Demand Notice u/s. 13(2) Date & Amount	Notice Dated 14.01.2026 Demand amount Rs. 46,49,912/-
Outstanding Amount as on 25.07.2026	Rs. 51,52,835/- (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Five Only)
Description of Immovable Property	All that piece and parcel of the residential house bearing no. 6-6 (Assessment No. 1949) within Sy.No. 502 constructed with Brick walls and R C C roof built up area 912 Sq.Ft. total area (including built up and open place) 373.83 Sq.Yards or equivalent to 312.52 Sq.Mtrs. Block No. VI (Bus Stand opp. side) inside residential zone situated at Valigonda Village and Mandal Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Regn. Sub. Dist. Ramannapet and Regn. Dist. Nalgonda G P and M P P Valigonda Z P P Yadadri Bhuvanagiri and Bounded as follows: East: Plot of Pallerla Veeralah, West: Plot of K Ramana Reddy, North: 12' Wide Road, South: 15' wide Road
Reserve Price in INR	Rs. 57,27,773/- (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three Only)
EMD	Rs. 5,72,777.3/-
E-auction date and time	28/08/2026 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
E- auction Portal	https://bankauctions.in
Last date of submission of EMD	27/08/2026
Bid Increment Amount in Rs.	Rs.25,000/-
Encumbrance Known to Secured Creditor	Not Known
Date of Inspection of Property	From 27/07/26 to 27/08/2026 on working day between 9.30 AM to 5 PM with Prior appointment

Public in General and Borrowers in particular please take notice that if in case auction on date scheduled herein fails for any reason whatsoever then secured creditor may enforce security interest by way of sale through private treaty, at the discretion on of the secured creditor. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link <https://bankauctions.in> and <https://www.bajajfinserv.in/auction-notices>

Date : 25/07/2026
Place : Pune

Authorized Officer
Bajaj Finance Ltd.

CanFin Homes Ltd
Branch Office: 12-13-416/I, Third Floor, Mani Mansion, Street No-1, Taranaka, Hyderabad- Ph No-27005553,
web: www.canfinhomes.com, e-mail: taranaka@canfinhomes.com
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

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 constructive/ physical (mention whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Taranaka Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 12-08-2026 (mention date of the sale), for recovery of **Rs. 47,44,898/-**(Rupees Forty seven Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Eight hundred Ninety Eight Only) (mention amount as per present liability) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr. CHAPALA BHASKAR S/O CHAPALA NARSAIAH (APPLICANT), Mrs. CHAPALA SWAPNA W/O CHAPALA BHASKAR (CO APPLICANT) and Mr. GATTU CHENNA RAO S/O LATE GATTU NAGAIHA (Guarantor),** as on 25-07-2026 (mention as on date of liability), together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.35,00,000/-** (Rupees Forty Lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.3,50,000/-** (Rupees Three Lakhs FiftyThousand Only)

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY
All that Residential Plot No.245 Northern Part, in Sy No's: 156/A, 156/B, 156/E, 157, 157/A, 157/B, 157/E, 157/A, 15 7/B, 157/E, 158/A, 158/B, E, 158 & 159, Admeasuring 75 Sq.Yards., or 62.7 Sq.mtrs.,(Out of 150 Sq.Yards.,),having plinth area 500 Sft,with and RCC Situated at Block No: 11, Peerzadiguda Village & Municipality, Medipally Mandal, Medchal-Malkajigiri Dist, Telangana State bounded on bounded by: **NORTH:** Plot No.244/A, **SOUTH:** PLOT No.245 Southern Part, **EAST:** PLOT No.216, **WEST:** 30-0 Wide Road. (Give short description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any).

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 constructive/ physical (mention whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Taranaka Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 12-08-2026 (mention date of the sale), for recovery of **Rs. 34,87,246/-**(Rupees Thirty Four Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Forty Six Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr. KATRAVATH CHANDU S/O K CHINYA NAIK(APPLICANT) AND Mrs. KATRAVATH SONA W/O KATRAVATH CHANDU (CO APPLICANT)** as on 25-07-2026 together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs. 36,00,000/-** (Rupees Thirtysix lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.3,60,000/-**(Rupees Three Lakhs Sixty Thousand Only)

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY
All that Residential Plot No. 280/WESTERNPART, Admeasuring: 130 Sq. Yards or 108.78 Sq. Mtrs. (Out of admeasuring 320 Sq Yards) In Survey Nos. 46 & 47, Situated at "IN SOUTHERN MEGA TOWNSHIP" (JANA SUVIDHA BLOCK", "OONPALLY VILLAGE, SHAMSHABAD MUNICIPALITY, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana State and bounded on bounded by: **NORTH :** Plot No.279, **SOUTH :** 30-0 Feet Wide Road, **EAST:** Plot No.280/East Part, **WEST :** Plot No.281. **Encumbrance:**NIL

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 constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Taranaka Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 12-08-2026 for recovery of **Rs. 39,42,817/-**(Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr.PAPAKANTI VENUGOPAL RAJU S/O PAKAPANTI RAGHAVENDRA RAJU (APPLICANT) AND Mrs. PAKAPANTI YAMUNA W/O PAKAPANTI VENUGOPAL RAJU (CO APPLICANT)** as on 25-07-2026, together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs. 35,00,000/-** (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.3,50,000/-**(Rupees Three Lakhs Fifty Only)

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY
All that Residential Flat No.811, Municipal bearing Door No: 12-1-500/RS/CO2/ 811 (PTI No: 1035503104), 2 BHK (in Eighth Floor), Tower No.C02, known as "SAHABHAVANA TOWNSHIP" having plinth area of 798 Sq. Feet, (including common areas) together with an undivided share of land admeasuring 10.68 Sq.Yards, or its equivalent to 8.92 Sq. Mtrs., (out of 1153.44 Sq.Yards), in survey No.42, Situated at Bandlaguda Village, Uppal Revenue Mandal, Under GHMC, Medchal-Malkajigiri District, Telangana and Bounded by: **NORTH :** Corridor, **SOUTH :** Open to Sky, **EAST :** Lift, **WEST:** Flat No.812. **Encumbrance:** Nil.

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

Date: 25-07-2026
Place : Taranaka

Sd/- Authorised Officer
CAN FIN HOMES LIMITED

NEET protest exposed Centre's failure, says MLA Chinta Prabhakar

Sangareddy, July 25: Sangareddy MLA Chinta Prabhakar on Saturday alleged that the NEET paper leak controversy exposed the Centre's failure to protect the integrity of the national examination system and shattered the aspirations of millions of students.

Addressing a press conference, Prabhakar said students who had prepared for years were forced to fight for justice after the alleged irregularities came to light. He lauded the youth for leading a democratic movement despite facing police action during



protests in Delhi, describing it as a historic victory for Gen Z.

He alleged that the Centre initially failed to respond to students' concerns and instead resorted

to police action against peaceful protesters. The MLA claimed that sustained nationwide protests eventually forced the government to take corrective steps and termed the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan as a victory for the students' movement.

Prabhakar demanded strict action against all those allegedly involved in the NEET irregularities and called for a transparent examination system to restore students' confidence. He assured continued support to students seeking justice.

Inspections conducted on millers by Civil Supplies and Vigilance officials.



Wanaparthi(TSIT):Inspections were carried out at a boiled rice mill in Pebbair Municipality, wanaparthi district. Officials from the Civil Supplies and Vigilance departments inspected the stocks of government-supplied paddy at the boiled rice mill and the area on Saturday. While Civil Supplies officials routinely inspect mills, a lack of strict oversight had previously allowed millers to operate unchecked; now, however, Vigilance and Civil Supplies officials are taking a firm stand against irregularities. As part of this effort, Vigilance officials inspected the boiled rice mill in Pebbair Municipality today.



District Collector Sneha Shabarish on Saturday directed officials to complete the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and voter-list digitisation by August 3. Reviewing the exercise in Maripeda mandal, she instructed Booth Level Officers to carry out door-to-door verification, ensure accurate data collection, and expedite submission of SIR forms. Later, the Collector inspected the Social Welfare Girls' Residential School at Narsimhulapet and directed authorities to strengthen education, nutrition, hygiene, and regular health monitoring of students.

Government schools to get corporate-style education: Suryapet Collector



SURYAPET TSIT District Correspondent July 25: District Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar has said the government is committed to providing digital education and corporate-level facilities in government schools to help students compete at the global level. The Collector was speaking after inaugurating a newly established digital computer lab at the PM Shri Zilla Parishad High School in Suryapet on Saturday.

Addressing the students, Mr Pawar said that he had first seen a computer only after reaching Class VII, but students today need digital education alongside conventional classroom learning to keep pace with the changing world. He said government school students were being trained

in coding at the global level through initiatives involving Artificial Intelligence, T-Fiber and AR/VR laboratories. Special digital learning books have also been introduced for students of Classes VI to IX, he added.

10,113 New Admissions in Government Schools

The Collector expressed happiness over the enrolment of 121 new students at the Suryapet ZPHS this academic year, attributing the increase to improved infrastructure and better Class X results recorded by the school last year.

He said as many as 10,113 students had newly joined government schools across Suryapet district this year.

Appreciating the efforts being made to improve the school, Mr Pawar

announced the immediate release of Rs.10 lakh for infrastructure development. He urged voluntary organisations and teachers to work together to transform the institution into one of the best schools in the district.

Breakfast Scheme for Government School Students Soon

Mr Pawar said the government was giving priority to the health and well-being of students. Along with quality mid-day meals, a free breakfast scheme for government school students would be introduced shortly, he announced.

A healthy body, he said, was essential for an active mind. He urged students to maintain personal hygiene, focus on their studies and strive to achieve higher goals.

Education is the Key to Overcoming Poverty: Former Telangana Tourism Development Corporation chairman Patel Ramesh Reddy said education was the only effective means to overcome poverty and earn respect in society.

Grand Celebration of Alumni Meet & Silver Jubilee Reunion-Class of 2001 held at KITS Warangal Campus

WARANGAL, July 25, TSIT : The Kakatiya Institute of Technology & Science, Warangal Alumni Association, (KITSWAA) is organized an "Alumni Meet and Silver Jubilee Reunion-Class of 2001" held at Auditorium (NLR Shed) KITS Warangal campus on Saturday said by the Principal Prof. K. Ashoka Reddy. It was inaugurated by the chief guest of the inaugural function, Member, KITSWAA-National Executive council, Mamatha Kandli (Software QA Lead, Apple Inc., Sandiego, America) by lighting the lamp.

On the occasion, the Chief Guest, Ms. Mamatha Kandli, Member of the KITSW Alumni Association National Executive Council (KITSWAA-NEC), highlighted that KITS Warangal has a strong global alumni network of over 28,000 graduates spread



across various countries and professional sectors. She emphasised

that the institution's culture of innovation and entrepreneurship is being strengthened and sustained through the active engagement and support of its alumni community.

She further stated that KITSW has embraced a progressive ecosystem focused on mentorship, innovation, industry internships, skill development, and enhanced employability, enabling young budding engineers to effectively navigate the rapidly evolving professional landscape.

The alumni network, she added, plays a vital role in connecting students with industry experts, emerging technologies, and real-world opportunities.

Highlighting the widening gap, she stressed that KITS Warangal is continuously striving to bridge the industry-academia gap by equipping students with cutting-

edge 21st-century skills, emerging technological competencies, innovation-driven thinking, and industry-oriented capabilities to meet the evolving demands of the global workforce.

According to the KITSW Principal Prof. K. Ashoka Reddy highlighted that the KITSW alumni extended their support to the KITSW students by contributing in great way, Lot of value is added to our institute through conducting seminars & workshops on emerging technical areas, industrial visits for internships and startups for the benefit of UG and PG students.

There were 161 registrations from a class of 2001 batch students from various countries such as the United states of America, Australia, Singapore, Canada and students from across the country.



Warangal Police Commissioner N. Swetha met High Court Judge Justice Vijayasena Reddy at Warangal R & B Guest House on Saturday and greeted him with a bouquet of flowers.

Shadnagar DCP Counsels Students on Cyber Safety, Drug Abuse



Ranga Reddy: (TSIT): Shadnagar Zone Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) C.H. Sirisha Raghavendra on Saturday visited the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Gurukul School under Kothur Police Station limits and interacted with students, encouraging them to stay focused on their education and build a disciplined future. Addressing the students, the DCP advised them to devote their full attention to academics and pursue their goals with determination. She stressed the importance of using social media responsibly and educated the students about cybercrime, online safety, the harmful effects of drug abuse, traffic rules, and personal security.

Objection raised over appointment of non-local Qazis in Husnabad



Husnabad, July 25: M.A. Anwar, president of the Husnabad Alamgir Masjid Committee and former BRS town president, has objected to the appointment of two non-local Qazis in Husnabad, alleging that the Waqf Board's decision has created unnecessary controversy within the Muslim community.Addressing a press conference on Saturday, Anwar said Zaheeruddin and Md. Abdul Mannan had already been appointed as Sadar Qazi and Naib Qazi for the Husnabad division after the formation of Siddipet district, and their appointments remain valid. He alleged that the recent appointment of Khaja Kareemuddin as Sadar Qazi and Shaik Ruhul Amin as Naib Qazi violated established norms.Claiming that the newly appointed Qazis are natives of West Bengal and are facing criminal cases, Anwar questioned their appointment and demanded that the Waqf Board cancel the appointments immediately. He also urged Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar to intervene, order a local inquiry and take action against officials who allegedly submitted incorrect reports.Alamgir Masjid Imam Abdul Bari, Mohammed Nayeemuddin, Mujahid, Abbu, Salim, Karim and others attended the press conference.

Grandly Ekalavya Jayanthi celebrations

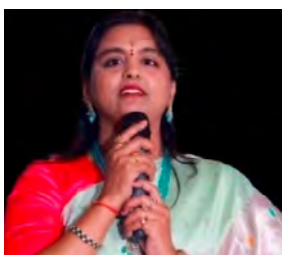
Jagityala, July 25, TSIT : Ekalavya Jayanthi celebrations were held on Saturday in Mothe village of Jagityala Urban Mandal. On this occasion, Ekalavya association president Dasari Pochaiah garlanded the portrait of Ekalavya and organized grand festivities. Working group members Mogili Gangadhar, Dasari Kishan, Sriram Bikshapathi, Laxmikantham Ellaiah and others participated in this programme.



Tandra Vishala Shravan Reddy Hails Centre-CJP Agreement as Democratic Victory

RANGAREDDY (TSIT) Congress leader Tandra Vishala Shravan Reddy on Friday described the agreement reached between the Central Government and CJP following the student agitation as a significant victory for democracy, stating that it reaffirmed the importance of dialogue in resolving public issues.

She said the unrest and protests witnessed across the country could have been avoided had the government initiated discussions with the protesting students from the beginning. Rather than suppressing public voices or ignoring democratic protests, governments should engage in meaningful dia-



logue to address people's concerns, she said.

Welcoming the Centre's decision to hold talks and reach an agreement with CJP, Shravan Reddy said the development was a step in the right direction. However, she stressed that the Central Government must ensure that every assurance given under the agreement is implemented sincerely and within a specified timeframe.

Collector Directs Development of Model Solar Green Energy Villages in Nagarkurnool

The South India Times // Nagarkurnool : District Collector Hemanta Keshav Patil has directed officials to accelerate the development of Thudukurthy and Kondareddypalli villages as 100 per cent Solar Model Green Energy Villages, ensuring solar power supply to every household and agricultural pump set.

Reviewing the progress of the project with Green Energy officials at the Collectorate on Saturday, the Collector said the State Government is giving priority to promoting renewable energy and developing self-reliant green energy villages across



rural Telangana. He instructed officials to create awareness among farmers about the benefits of adopting solar energy for

domestic and agricultural use.

The Collector said expanding solar power usage would reduce the electricity burden on farm-

ers, ensure uninterrupted power supply, and contribute to environmental conservation. He stressed the need to achieve complete solar coverage in the selected villages under the government's renewable energy initiative. Referring to the successful implementation of a solar power model in Kondareddypalli village of Vangoor mandal, the Collector said every household and 7.5 HP agricultural pump sets in the village are already receiving solar power. He directed officials to replicate the same model in Thudukurthy village of Nagarkurnool mandal and Kondareddypalli village of

Balmoor mandal.

Officials were instructed to prepare comprehensive data on household electricity connections, power consumption, agricultural pump sets, and their horsepower capacity while motivating residents and farmers to switch to solar energy.

During the review, officials informed the Collector that 907 household electricity connections exist in Thudukurthy village, with 639 houses identified as suitable for rooftop solar installations. So far, 78 households have been provided with solar power connections.

ICGTPF Brings Together Top Government, Industry and Green Energy Leaders

Hyderabad TSIT : International Centre for Green Technologies and Power Forum (ICGTPF) hosted a high-level programme in Hyderabad, bringing together senior government officials, industry leaders, academicians, renewable energy experts and technology professionals to deliberate on sustainable development and clean energy initiatives.

K.Kadhiravan Palani Additional Collector, Hyderabad, attended the programme as the Chief Guest. Among the distinguished guests were Dr. Venkat Narasimha Reddy, Principal, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Hyderabad (JNTUH) C. S. S. Rao, Joint Director and Head of Department, MSME



Development Facilitation Office (MSME DFO) K. K. Maheshwari, President, Federation of Telangana Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FTCCI) Srinivas Garimella, Senior Vice President, FTCCI N.Janaiah, former Vice Chairman and Managing Director of T-REDCO Narayana, Chairman, IEEE Hyderabad

Section Shrikant Sinha, former CEO of Telangana Academy for Skill and Knowledge (TASK) and former CEO of NASSCOM Dr. Suman Naredla, Director, NMIMS Dr.Michael George Paschal, President, Green Hydrogen Association, India Tarun Chakravarty, Additional Private Secretary to Union Cabinet Minister

G.Kishan Reddy Bala Prasad, Chief Information Officer, TCs and M.Venkatachalam, former Board Director (Power), NLC India Limited. programme was organised under the leadership of Dr. Sandip Chattopadhyya, Organising Secretary of ICGTPF and Founder of Chandradeep Solar Research Institute Dr.Rumana Sinha Sehgal, Founding Member of ICGTPF and Founder & CEO of Serendipity, also played a key role in the event.More than 35 stakeholders from government departments, industry, academia, research institutions and the renewable energy sector participated in the programme, making it a significant platform for collaboration, innovation and sustainable growth.

TRP calls for grand success of Teenmar Mallanna's July 29 programmes

Jogulamba Gadwal, July 25: Telangana Rajyadhikara Party (TRP) leaders have appealed to party workers, Backward Classes (BCs) and the public to participate in large numbers and make the party's programmes scheduled on July 29 in Mahabubnagar and Devarkadra a grand success. Addressing a press conference at Sri Rajarajeshwari Convention Hall in Mahabubnagar on Saturday, TRP Mahabubnagar district president Munnuru Kapu Jayapal Reddy said party founder and MLC Teenmar Mallanna would lead a series of programmes as part of the party's campaign for BC empowerment and Rajyadhikara (political power). He said the day's programme



would begin at 9.30 a.m. with the unveiling of the TRP flag at Enugonda in Mahabubnagar, followed by a massive rally to the RTO Office. At 12 noon, Teenmar Mallanna will reach Devarkadra, where another rally will be organised before he addresses a public meeting focusing on BC issues, social justice, political empowerment and the party's vision for BC

Rajyadhikara. Senior party leaders, including Nagarkurnool district president Bisam Anjaneyulu, Wanaparthy district president Vijay Yadav, Narayanpet district president Krishna, Vikarabad district president Ghouse Pasha, Mahabubnagar district general secretary Varma Mudiraj, Minority district president Ali, Town

Minority president Nazeer, Wanaparthy Assembly constituency convener Manohar Goud and Devarkadra Assembly constituency convener Venkatesh, attended the press conference. Earlier, following the directions of Teenmar Mallanna, TRP leaders paid floral tributes to the statue of prominent Mudiraj leader Erra Satyam on his birth anniversary in Mahabubnagar and organised a cake-cutting ceremony. Speaking on the occasion, the leaders praised Erra Satyam's contribution to the upliftment of the BC community and reaffirmed their commitment to carrying forward his ideals under the leadership of Teenmar Mallanna until BC communities achieve political empowerment.

Collector reviews electoral roll revision, targets 100% digitalisation by Aug. 3



Jogulamba Gadwal, July 25: District Collector Rizwan Basha Shaik has directed officials to intensify the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and complete 100 per cent digitalisation by the Election Commission's deadline of August 3.

Chairing a review meeting at the Collectorate on Saturday, the Collector described the SIR as a prestigious initiative of the Election Commission of India and stressed the need to create widespread public awareness about the programme. He instructed officials to ensure that Enumeration Forms distributed during the door-to-door survey are collected from all eligible voters who are yet to submit them and that the digitalisation process is completed within the stipulated timeframe.

The Collector said that 84 per cent of the digitalisation work has already been completed in the district. He directed supervisors and Booth Level Officers (BLOs) to re-verify the previously completed

mapping data to ensure accuracy and urged all officials to work with greater responsibility to achieve full completion within the deadline.

Reviewing revenue administration, Rizwan Basha Shaik instructed Tahsildars to dispose of all pending Bhu Bharati and Sada Bainama applications without delay. He also directed officials to expedite re-survey works in selected villages by effectively utilising the services of licensed surveyors.

The Collector further emphasised that caste, income, residence and other certificates should be issued promptly to ensure that applicants do not face unnecessary inconvenience.

Additional Collector (Revenue)Madhu Mohan, Revenue Divisional Officer Srinivasa Rao, Trainee Deputy Collectors Manoj Kumar Reddy and Raj Kumar, Election Department Supervisor Manjula, Tahsildars and other district officials attended the review meeting.

Vardhaman College completes ATL Sarthi Phase-I training



Hyderabad, July 25: Vardhaman College of Engineering (VCEH), Telangana's first ATL Sarthi & Mentor India Academy (MIA) Nodal Centre under AIM, NITI Aayog, has successfully completed Phase-I of the ATL Sarthi Training Programme. Held on July 17 and 18, the programme trained ATL School Incharges, Student Leaders and HEI interns from across Telangana in AI, IoT, Arduino, coding, Python, design thinking, 3D printing and other emerging technologies through hands-on sessions.

Collector Khushboo Gupta directs speedy completion of Solar Model Village project at Vennached

Mahabubnagar, July 25 (TSIT): District Collector Khushboo Gupta has directed officials to expedite the installation of rooftop solar systems for households and solar-powered agricultural pump sets in Vennached village of Gandid mandal under the Telangana Government's flagship Solar Model Village programme being implemented as part of the Clean and Green Energy Policy.

Reviewing the project's progress with officials from the Electricity Department and TGREDCO at the District Collectorate on Saturday, the Collector said that 81



villages have been selected across Telangana under the Telangana Model Solar Villages initiative, with Vennached being chosen from Mahabubnagar district.She stated that eligible households are being provided 2-kW rooftop solar systems, while interested farmers are receiving solar-powered agricul-

tural pump sets free of cost.

Officials informed the Collector that Vennached has 726 domestic electricity connections, of which 261 houses are suitable for rooftop solar installations. So far, 116 households have been equipped with 2-kW rooftop solar plants.

The village also has 447 agricultural power connections, and 64 farmers have so far been provided with 7.5 HP solar pump sets, officials added.

The Collector instructed the officials to complete the remaining works without delay and ensure that Vennached emerges as a model solar village for the state.

Solar Power Boost for Farms and Homes

Bonakal (TSIT): Solar energy initiatives aimed at benefiting both farmers and households came under field-level review in Bonakal mandal of Khammam district on Saturday. REDCO Vice Chairman and Managing Director Musharraf Faruqui, District Collector Divakar, and TGNPDCL CMD Karnati Varun Reddy inspected a solar pump set installed in an agricultural field at Garlapadu village and a rooftop solar plant under installation at Ravinuthala village.

At Garlapadu, the officials interacted with the farmer to assess the performance of the solar pump set and explained its benefits. They enquired whether the



farmer was facing any operational issues. The farmer expressed satisfaction, saying the solar pump was functioning efficiently and helping reduce irrigation costs.

Later, the officials visited Ravinuthala village and inspected the rooftop solar plant being installed at a beneficia-

P. Satyanarayana appointed AIPP National Secretary



Hyderabad, July 25: P. Satyanarayana of Telangana has been appointed as the National Secretary of the All India Panchayat Parishad (AIPP) on the directions of the organisation's National President, Dr. Ashok Chauhan.Apart from his new responsibility, Satyanarayana has also been appointed Chairman of the Disciplinary Action Committee for the southern region. He will oversee disciplinary matters in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep and Puducherry.

MLRIT Holds 17th Graduation Ceremony, 1,250 Students Receive Degrees



Hyderabad City TSIT: Marri Laxman Reddy Institute of Technology (MLRIT) celebrated its 17th Graduation Day with grandeur at the college campus on Saturday. Around 1,250 students from the 2022-26 B.Tech batch were awarded their degrees during the convocation ceremony.

JNTU Hyderabad Director Dr. A. Damodaram attended the event as the Chief Guest, while IBM Global Delivery Executive Dr. Ram Vaddadi was the Guest of Honour. The dignitaries conferred degrees on the graduating students and felicitated those who excelled in academics across various departments.

Addressing the gathering, MLRIT Founder Secretary and Malkajgiri MLA Marri Rajasekhara Reddy said that since its establishment in 2005, the institution has remained committed to providing quality technical education. He stated that more than 9,500 students from

the institute have secured employment in leading multinational companies across the world. He advised students to strengthen their fundamentals while continuously upgrading their knowledge of emerging technologies and acquiring advanced skills to remain competitive in a rapidly evolving world.

MLRIT Secretary Marri Anushreya Reddy congratulated the graduating students and administered the graduation pledge. She encouraged them to become responsible citizens and contribute meaningfully to society. She urged the graduates not only to aspire for employment but also to become entrepreneurs capable of creating job opportunities for others, while bringing laurels to the institution through their achievements.

Guest of Honour Dr. Ram Vaddadi called upon students to set ambitious goals, think creatively and focus on innovation to succeed in their careers.

Lulu Mall marks Kargil Vijay Diwas with 'Amar Jawan' tribute

Hyderabad, July 25: Lulu Mall Hyderabad organised a special "Amar Jawan" tribute and defence exhibition to commemorate Kargil Vijay Diwas, paying homage to the courage and sacrifice of the Indian Armed Forces. The three-day event, being held from July 24 to 26, attracted students, teachers and visitors.

Students of Mount Litera Zee School, Kukatpally, accompanied by their teachers, visited the exhibition and explored tribute panels, military artefacts and educational displays highlighting the significance of the 1999 Kargil War. The exhibition was designed to help young



visitors understand India's defence history and the sacrifices made by the armed forces.

Speaking on the occasion, Shareef, Regional Manager, Lulu Mall, said Kargil Vijay Diwas is a

moment of immense national pride and remembrance. He said the initiative aimed to provide students with an opportunity to connect with the bravery of the armed forces and appreciate

the sacrifices that continue to inspire the nation.

A major attraction was the Amar Jawan Tribute Zone, a memorial installation dedicated to the soldiers who laid down their lives during the Kargil War. Guided walk-throughs enabled students to gain valuable insights into the role of the armed forces and India's military heritage.

Lulu Group said such initiatives are aimed at strengthening community engagement, fostering patriotism among the younger generation and promoting meaningful educational experiences through interactive learning.

Special Drive Against Cyber Crimes in Mahabubnagar; Weekly Awareness Campaigns Every Wednesday: SP Janaki

Mahabubnagar, July 25 (TSIT): In accordance with the directions of Director General of Police (DGP) C.V. Anand, IPS, the Mahabubnagar District Police have launched a special initiative to curb the growing menace of cyber crimes, said Superintendent of Police (SP) Daravat Janaki. As part of the initiative, a review meeting was held on Saturday at the Conference Hall of the District Police Office with Deputy Superintendents of Police (DSPs), Circle Inspectors (CIs), Cyber Crime officials, IT Cell personnel, and Cyber Warriors.

Addressing the officers, the SP stated that cyber criminals are



adopting increasingly sophisticated methods to cheat people, making it essential for every police officer to focus on cyber crime prevention. She directed all police stations in the district to conduct extensive cyber awareness programmes every Wednesday in villages, wards, colonies, and streets to educate the

public.The SP stressed the importance of the "Golden Hour" in cyber fraud cases. She explained that victims who immediately call the 1930 Cyber Helpline and register a complaint on the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal (NCRP) stand a much better chance of having the fraud amount put on

hold and recovered. Police officers were instructed to create greater awareness about this crucial aspect among the public.

She also highlighted the latest cyber fraud techniques, including digital arrest scams, impersonation as police, CBI or court officials, fake KYC update requests, bank account blocking scams, fake job offers, investment and trading frauds, part-time job scams, loan app frauds, social media account hacking, QR code scams, fake links, OTP frauds, gift and lottery scams, and online shopping frauds. Officers were asked to educate citizens about these common methods.

Pawan Kalyan Calls for Faster Seed Ball Distribution Using Drones to Restore Degraded Forests



Visakhapatnam : Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Forest and Environment Pawan Kalyan has directed officials to accelerate the State-wide Seed Ball Distribution Programme by extensively using drone technology to restore degraded for-

ests, particularly in inaccessible areas. He emphasized that the initiative is crucial to achieving the coalition government's target of increasing the State's green cover to 50 per cent. Reviewing the programme with senior Forest Department officials on Saturday, the

Deputy Chief Minister said weather conditions, including rainfall and soil moisture, should be monitored continuously to ensure timely seed ball dispersal. He instructed officials to deploy more drones wherever necessary to reach remote valleys and forest areas inaccessible to human resources. Officials informed him that more than 30 million seed balls have been prepared across the State, of which over 6.3 million have already been dispersed across nearly 6,500 hectares. Around 5.9 million seed balls were distributed manually over approximately 6,000 hectares, while drone technology was used for the first time to disperse seed balls across nearly 1,000 acres of forest land.

Governor S. Abdul Nazeer Attends ANGRAU's 58th Annual Convocation at Bapatla

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Governor S. Abdul Nazeer arrived at Dr. B.V. Nath Auditorium of the Agricultural College, Bapatla, on Saturday evening to attend the 58th Annual Convocation of Acharya N.G. Ranga Agricultural University (ANGRAU). He was warmly welcomed by Bapatla District Collector Dr. V. Vinod Kumar, who presented him with a sapling as a mark of respect. Local MLA Vegesana Narendra Varma Raju, ANGRAU Vice-Chancellor Dr. V. Satyanarayana, Agricultural College Principal Dr. V. Prasanna Rani, District Superintendent of Police Umamaheswara Rao, and other dignitaries were present on the occasion.



Drinking Water Gets Top Priority; Government Taking All Measures to Ensure Irrigation Supply to Farmers

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) The Andhra Pradesh government is giving top priority to drinking water needs while taking all possible measures to ensure that farmers do not face any shortage of irrigation water despite deficient rainfall and reduced inflows into the Godavari River, said Engineer-in-Chief (ENC) of the Water Resources Department K. Narasimha Murthy. Addressing a press conference at the Dhavaleswaram Irrigation Office on Saturday, he said rainfall this year has been below normal across the country, with Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, and Maharashtra witnessing particularly adverse con-



ditions. He noted that water levels in major upstream reservoirs have declined considerably. The Jayakwadi Reservoir in Maharashtra and the Sriram Sagar Project (SRSP) and Yellampalli reservoirs in Telangana together have around 120 TMC of dead storage, while the Balimela and Jalaput

reservoirs account for another 103 TMC of dead storage. Narasimha Murthy assured that the government is closely monitoring the water situation and is implementing alternative measures to safeguard both drinking water requirements and irrigation needs across the state.

CM Naidu announces statewide rollout of sanjeevani programme from August

Hands Over Rs.197 cr to SHG Women

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Saturday handed over a cheque worth Rs.197 crore to Self-Help Group (SHG) women in Kurnool district and announced that the ambitious 'Sanjeevani' healthcare programme will be implemented across Andhra Pradesh from August.

Addressing a public meeting, the Chief Minister said Sanjeevani aims to build a Healthy Family, Healthy Village and Healthy Andhra Pradesh through predictive, preventive and curative healthcare services.



The programme will provide every citizen with a digital health profile and ABHA Health ID, while integrating services such as telemedicine, 108 emergency services, 104 mobile medical units, laboratory services and AI-assisted healthcare support on a

single digital platform. Stating that nearly 80 lakh people in the State are suffering from serious illnesses, he said Sanjeevani will strengthen public healthcare through technology-driven services and improve access to quality medical

care across Andhra Pradesh. Highlighting the coalition government's welfare initiatives, Chandrababu Naidu said social security pensions are being disbursed every month, farmers are receiving Rs.20,000 assistance under Annadata Sukhibhava and financial support is being extended to students under Thalliki Vandanam. Schemes such as Stree Shakti, Deepam 2.0 and household solar power initiatives are also being implemented for women's empowerment and sustainable development.

No Leniency for Those Aiding Red Sanders Smugglers: Dy CM Pawan Kalyan

VISAKHAPATNAM (TSIT) Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Forest and Environment Pawan Kalyan has warned that no one will be spared if found aiding Red Sanders smuggling syndicates.

He said the government is implementing stricter measures under Operation Aranya to curb illegal Red Sanders trafficking and will personally review its progress regularly. Reviewing the seizure of 78 Red Sanders logs worth Rs.1.5 crore near Varikuntla village in Kadapa district, the Deputy Chief Minister was informed that two interstate smugglers from Haryana and a Forest Beat



Officer were arrested in connection with the case. Authorities revealed that the contraband was being transported in a Bolero Max truck disguised as household goods. Investigations have also identified key master-

minds operating from Bengaluru, Haryana and Kolkata. Pawan Kalyan directed officials to form special teams to apprehend all those involved and ordered a comprehensive probe into the role of the Forest Beat Officer.

JLR India Launches Assured Buyback Programme

Vijayawada, TSIT: JLR India has launched its Assured Buyback Programme with enhanced financing options for select Range Rover, Defender and Discovery models. The programme offers eligible customers an assured buyback value of up to 55% of the vehicle's ex-showroom



price, subject to model eligibility and terms. The initiative aims to reduce resale value concerns while providing flexible financing and predictable ownership costs. Managing Director Rajan Amba said the programme enhances customer confidence by guaranteeing future vehicle value and making luxury ownership more convenient. The offer is available through participating authorised JLR retailers across India, with terms varying by model and dealership.

'Telugu Mahotsavam' Celebrates the Rich Heritage of Telugu Language and Culture at Undavalli Caves



Visakhapatnam (TSIT) A two-day 'Telugu Mahotsavam', aimed at preserving and promoting the richness of the Telugu language, literature, and cultural heritage for future generations, commenced on Saturday with grandeur at the historic Undavalli Caves in Guntur district under the aegis of the Andhra Pradesh State Creativity and Culture Society. The celebrations began with the 'Suryodaya Suprabhatam' programme at sunrise, where students of Ghantasala Venkateswara Rao Government College of Music and Dance presented devotional and literary Telugu compositions accompanied by classical musical renditions atop

the caves, creating a mesmerizing cultural experience. NTR District Collector Lakshmisha inaugurated the festival by lighting the ceremonial lamp in the presence of former Zilla Parishad Chairperson Gadde Anuradha, APMSIDC Chairman Chillapalli Srinivas, renowned Ghazal singer Ghazal Srinivas, NTR District DCP K.G.B. Saritha, and Telugu Sahitya and Samskruti Academy Chairman M.D. Wilson (Sharath Chandra). Addressing the gathering, the Collector emphasized that preserving the ancient Telugu language and its centuries-old literary and cultural heritage is a collective responsibility.



District Collector Dr. Satya Sharada met High Court Judge Justice Vijayasena Reddy at Warangal R&B Guest House on Saturday and greeted him with a bouquet of flowers.

GITAM Hosts Four-Day Workshop on Machine Learning and Deep Learning with MATLAB

Visakhapatnam (TSIT) The Department of Electrical, Electronics, and Computer Engineering (EECE) at the School of Core Engineering, GITAM Deemed-to-be University, successfully organized a four-day workshop on "Machine Learning and Deep Learning with MATLAB" from July 22 to 25. The workshop was conducted in collaboration with Arkance Systems



Private Limited with the objective of equipping faculty members with practical knowledge and hands-on experience in emerging

technologies. Dr. Shubhobrata Bhattacharya, Senior Training Engineer at MathWorks, served as the

lead resource person and conducted specialized technical sessions on machine learning and deep learning applications using MATLAB. The sessions provided participants with valuable insights into modern computational techniques and their engineering applications. More than 30 faculty members from various engineering disciplines actively participated in the

workshop and gained hands-on experience in implementing machine learning and deep learning concepts using MATLAB tools and frameworks. The participants enhanced their understanding of both the theoretical and practical aspects of these rapidly evolving technologies and expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to strengthen their professional skills and knowledge.

Farmers should prepare for alternative crops amid El Niño effect: G. Chinna Reddy

Wanaparthi(TSIT):State Planning Board Vice-Chairman Dr. G. Chinna Reddy and District Collector Adarsh Surabhi advised farmers to choose alternative crops instead of paddy, considering the El Niño effect and conditions of low rainfall. On Saturday, Dr. G. Chinna Reddy and Adarsh Surabhi participated as chief guests in a farmers' meeting held at Jayanna Thirumalapur village in Gopalpet Mandal, Wanaparthi district, to create awareness about the L Niño effect and crop diversification. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. G. Chinna Reddy stated that there is a need to alter traditional cultivation practices due to the impact of climate change. He advised farmers to select crops by considering not only yield but also investment costs, water availability, and market opportunities. He urged farmers to make good use of the awareness programs being conducted by the government in anticipa-



tion of the El Niño effect. He explained that by practicing crop diversification instead of relying on a single crop, farmers can minimize losses and secure a stable income. Officials from the Agriculture and Horticulture departments are ready to provide necessary technical guidance to farmers in every village, and farmers were advised to consult these officials regarding any queries. It was explained that conducting soil tests and applying fertilizers based on the results would

reduce cultivation costs and increase yields. Conserving rainwater in every village benefits future generations; farmers were urged to make extensive use of farm ponds, recharge pits, and micro-irrigation methods. He stated that by adopting scientific farming practices suited to local environmental conditions, farmers could successfully overcome any adverse situations. Due to the likelihood of reduced rainfall caused by the L Niño effect, farmers were advised to focus on culti-

vating crops such as red gram (pigeon pea), pulses, vegetables, and other horticultural crops instead of paddy. They were encouraged to seek advice from Agriculture and Horticulture officials and adopt scientific cultivation methods, noting that officials remain readily available to assist them. Emphasis was placed on preventing water wastage, using every drop of water judiciously, and practicing conservation in electricity usage. Farmers were also advised to reduce fertilizer usage during crop cultivation, as excessive application could negatively impact soil fertility in the long run. Furthermore, everyone was urged to take up the responsibility of planting saplings, as this enhances environmental balance and promotes abundant rainfall. Speaking on the occasion, District Collector Adarsh Surabhi mentioned that Dr. [Name/Title] serves as the Chairman of the State El Niño Committee.

Sri Soumyanatha Swamy graces devotees on Kalpavriksha Vahanam

Nandalur, July 25: Sri Soumyanatha Swamy blessed thousands of devotees on the annual Brahmotsavams at the Sri Soumyanatha Swamy Temple in Nandalur on the fourth day of the festivities on Saturday. The Vahana Seva was conducted in a spiritually charged atmosphere with devotees chanting "Govinda", performing traditional Chekka Bhajans and Kolatam, while temple musicians rendered auspicious devotional music. Devotees offered Karpoora Harathi throughout the procession and sought the divine blessings of the Lord. According to Hindu scriptures, the Kalpavriksha is the celestial wish-fulfilling tree that grants righteous desires. Temple priests explained that the Lord, seated on the Kalpavriksha Vahanam, bestows prosperity, good health and auspicious blessings upon devotees. A large number of devotees participated in the procession with devotion and faith. Temple officials announced that on July 26, the Lord will bless devotees on the Sesha Vahanam in the morning and the Garuda Vahanam in the evening. Temple AEO Ravi, Superintendent Hanumanthaiah, Temple Inspector Dileep, priests, officials and devotees took part in the Vahana Seva.





Hyderabad TSIT: As part of its commitment to promoting sustainable solid waste management, the Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) is continuing its initiative for the responsible management of furniture waste. The programme aims to minimise the amount of furniture ending up in landfills by encouraging scientific disposal, reuse, refurbishment and recycling, thereby conserving natural resources and strengthening the principles of a circular economy. Under the initiative, CMC is encouraging citizens, residential communities, commercial establishments and institutions to avoid discarding usable furniture and instead prioritise reuse.

Crop diversification vital for farmers' prosperity: Collector Sneha Shabarish

Mahabubabad, July 25: District Collector Sneha Shabarish on Saturday urged farmers to adopt crop diversification to ensure sustainable agriculture, higher incomes and better public health in the face of climate change. Launching the crop diversification programme at Edjerla village in Maripeda mandal, the Collector sowed green gram seeds in the fields of tribal farmers and appealed to cultivators to



DLSA Secretary Inspects Sub-Jail, Reviews Inmates' Welfare

MAHABUBABAD, July 25 (TSIT): District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Secretary Shalini Shakelli on Saturday inspected the sub-jail and reviewed the welfare of inmates. She visited all barracks, interacted with undertrial prisoners, and enquired about their grievances and well-being. She sought details of inmates who had been granted bail but were yet to be released, as well as newly admitted prisoners. Addressing undertrials unable to furnish sureties despite securing bail, she advised them to request the concerned court to relax bail conditions or reduce surety requirements during the next hearing. She also assured that eligible inmates would be provided free legal aid through the District Legal Services Authority. With the onset of the monsoon, Ms. Shakelli directed jail authorities to maintain strict cleanliness across

the prison premises, particularly in the kitchen and toilets, to prevent seasonal diseases. She also instructed officials to ensure the supply of safe and purified drinking water to all inmates. Jail Superintendent Mallela Srinivas was present during the inspection.

and low-chemical farming, assuring better market opportunities for such produce. The Collector also launched the distribution of Arka Tejasvi chilli seeds, a pest-tolerant variety developed by ICAR-IIHR, Bengaluru, which will be cultivated on 250 acres in the erstwhile Warangal district this year. Agriculture and horticulture officials, scientists and public representatives participated in the programme.

Centre to send high-level team to assess Assam flood damage, assures full support

Guwahati (TSIT): The Central government will dispatch a high-level team to Assam to assess the damage caused by the ongoing floods and determine the extent of financial assistance required for relief and rehabilitation, Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal announced on Friday. The Union Minister said the Centre has assured the Assam government of all possible support as the state battles one of its worst flood spells, which has affected more than 7.42 lakh people across 11 districts.



Expressing sorrow over the loss of lives, Sonowal conveyed his condolences to the bereaved families and said rescue agencies were continuing search operations for those still reported missing. "The Centre and the Assam government stand firmly with every citizen affected by the floods. We mourn the lives lost and pray for the safety of those who are still missing," he said in a statement. Sonowal said the flood situation in Assam was

reviewed during the Union Cabinet meeting chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday, where the Centre reaffirmed its commitment to extending all necessary assistance for relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction. He added that the Union government has remained in constant contact with the Assam administration since the onset of the floods and has assured Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma of every possible help. According to the Minister, a multidisciplinary team comprising officials from various Central ministries will soon visit the flood-affected regions to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the damage. The team will interact

with the state government and local authorities before submitting its findings to the Centre, based on which additional financial assistance will be provided for relief operations, rehabilitation of affected families and restoration of damaged infrastructure. Sonowal also praised the Assam government's response to the crisis, saying ministers, Members of Parliament, legislators, panchayat representatives and district administrations have been working in close coordination to ensure timely rescue and relief measures. He noted that the floods have inundated more than 2,000 villages, forcing thousands of people to seek shelter in hundreds of relief camps established across the state.

Yogi Adityanath blames Opposition for exam scams, backs tougher crackdown on paper leak mafia



New Delhi, Jul 25: Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Saturday accused the Samajwadi Party (SP) and the Congress of damaging the future of students by fostering a culture of examination irregularities, asserting that the Narendra Modi-led government has adopted a zero-tolerance approach against those involved in paper leaks and recruitment scams. Addressing a public gathering at Madaripur Kala Ground in Fatehpur after inaugurating and laying the foundation stones for 125 development projects worth over Rs 489 crore, the Chief Minister said protecting students' interests remains a top priority for both the Centre and the Uttar Pradesh government. Emphasising the Centre's efforts to curb examination fraud, Yogi said the government is moving to further strengthen the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024. He noted that the proposed amendments would introduce tougher legal provisions against those involved in paper leaks and other examination-related offences, including long prison terms and the confiscation of illegally acquired assets. The Chief Minister

praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi for taking what he described as decisive measures to restore confidence in the examination system. According to him, the Union government has resolved to impose a minimum prison sentence of 10 years and fines of up to Rs 10 crore on individuals found guilty of orchestrating paper leaks and cheating in public examinations. Referring to the controversy surrounding the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET), Yogi said the government acted swiftly against those responsible and ensured that the re-examination was conducted within a fixed timeframe so that students did not lose an academic year. He also said the examination results were declared on schedule to minimise uncertainty for candidates. The Chief Minister alleged that examination mafias were a legacy of previous Congress and Samajwadi Party governments, claiming that such networks had flourished under their patronage. He accused the Opposition of now attempting to portray itself as a champion of students despite, according to him, having failed to protect the interests of young aspirants while in power. Taking aim at the Samajwadi Party's tenure before 2017, Yogi alleged that recruitment processes during that period were marred by irregularities and controversies, depriving deserving candidates of employment opportunities. In contrast, he claimed that the BJP government in Uttar Pradesh has filled more than nine lakh government posts over the past nine years through transparent and merit-based recruitment.

KIMS Fertility & IVF Centre, Banjara Hills Celebrates World IVF Day

KIMS Fertility & IVF Centre, Banjara Hills, celebrated World IVF Day with an awareness program highlighting the latest advancements in fertility treatments and the importance of timely infertility management. On the occasion, Dr. Nimma Pooja Reddy, Consultant Fertility Specialist & Laparoscopic Surgeon, emphasized that modern IVF technologies have significantly improved success rates, offering new hope to couples facing infertility challenges. She encouraged couples to seek expert consultation at the earliest for better treatment outcomes and successful parenthood journeys. Dr. B. Sindhura, Fertility Consultant & Specialist in Reproductive Regenerative Medicine, spoke about the latest developments in repro-



ductive medicine and regenerative therapies that are helping improve fertility outcomes and overall reproductive health. The doctors highlighted that KIMS Fertility & IVF Centre is the first fertility centre in the Telugu States to introduce completely painless, needle-free fertility treatments, offering patients a more comfortable and stress-

free treatment experience. This innovative approach has helped reduce treatment-related anxiety and improve patient comfort during fertility care. The specialists interacted with patients and attendees, addressing common misconceptions about infertility and IVF treatments. The program aimed to create awareness about fertility health,

early diagnosis, and the various advanced treatment options available for couples aspiring to become parents. KIMS Fertility & IVF Centre remains committed to providing world-class fertility care through advanced technology, experienced specialists, personalized treatment plans, and pioneering innovations that enhance patient comfort and treatment success.

Indian student from Punjab strangled to death in Canada, partner arrested

Edmonton, Jul 25: A 23-year-old Indian student from Punjab was allegedly strangled to death at her residence in Edmonton, Canada, with police arresting her live-in partner, also an Indian national, in connection with the murder. The victim, Damanpreet Kaur, was a native of Samrala in Ludhiana district and had moved to Canada nearly five years ago on a student visa. According to the Edmonton Police Service (EPS), officers responded to a residence in the Silverberry neighbourhood of southeast Edmonton on Jul. 9 after receiving reports of an unresponsive woman with suspicious injuries. Emergency responders shifted Kaur to a hospital, where she succumbed to her injuries on July 12. An autopsy conducted



on July 14 confirmed that she died due to strangulation, following which the medical examiner ruled the case a homicide, the EPS said. Police arrested Ritish Kumar (22) on July 22 and charged him with second-degree murder. Investigators said the incident is being treated as an intimate partner homicide and confirmed that no other suspects are being sought in the case.

Books on liver disease awareness launched to promote early detection

Hyderabad, July 25, 2026: In a significant initiative to promote public awareness on liver health, renowned Hepatologist Dr. K.S. Somasekhhar Rao officially launched his two books, "Last Warning" (English) and "Aakhari Hechcharika" (Telugu), at a grand ceremony held on July 25, 2026, at Yashoda Hospitals, Hitec City, Hyderabad. The books were unveiled by former Supreme Court Judge Justice Jasti Chelameswar and Lok Sabha Member of Parliament Dr. Shabari Byreddy, who attended the event as Chief Guests, in the presence of Dr. G. S. Rao, Managing Director, Yashoda Hospitals. The event was attended by eminent medical professionals, healthcare experts, academicians, public representatives, social workers, media representatives, and several distinguished guests. Speaking on the occasion, the dignitaries highlighted the growing burden of liver diseases



in India, which have emerged as one of the leading causes of illness and premature mortality. Conditions such as Fatty Liver Disease, Viral Hepatitis, Alcohol-related Liver Disease, and Liver Cirrhosis continue to rise at an alarming rate. However, they emphasized that many of these diseases can be

prevented through timely awareness, healthy lifestyle choices, vaccination where appropriate, and early diagnosis. Driven by the vision of making liver health information accessible to everyone, Dr. K.S. Somasekhhar Rao authored both books in simple and easy-to-understand language, enabling

people without a medical background to understand liver diseases, recognize warning signs, and adopt preventive measures. Each book comprises six chapters, with every chapter beginning with a real-life patient story. These case studies help readers relate to practical situations and understand the importance of recognizing early symptoms, seeking timely medical care, and embracing healthy lifestyle practices. The books comprehensively cover common liver diseases, warning signs that should never be ignored, risk factors, common myths and misconceptions, preventive strategies, healthy dietary habits, the importance of vaccination, safe use of medications, and lifestyle modifications that help protect liver health. Addressing the gathering, Dr. K.S. Somasekhhar Rao said, "The liver is a silent organ, and many liver diseases remain unnoticed until they reach an advanced stage. Through these books, my

goal is to help every family recognize the early warning signs of liver disease, encourage healthy habits, and prevent avoidable liver disorders. Creating awareness before disease develops is the best form of healthcare." One of the highlights of the event was the presentation of the first copies of the books to several 'Liver Health Ambassadors'—patients who had successfully undergone treatment under Dr. Somasekhhar Rao. He dedicated the books to every individual and family who has battled liver disease. During the event, Dr. Somasekhhar Rao also felicitated Mr. Vivekanand Mishra, acknowledging his inspiration, encouragement, and unwavering support in the creation of these books. By releasing the books simultaneously in English and Telugu, the author reinforced his commitment to ensuring that liver health awareness reaches people across different sections of society, irrespective of language barriers.

EDITORIAL

‘Musafir Cafe’: An Earthy Relationship Drama Embedded In Frothy Affectations

Eventually, Sharanya Rajgopal’s Musafir Cafe settles into the cosiness of a novel found in a railway station book-stall. Those unintimidating 200-page paperbacks, which one buys for an overnight journey. Here, it happens in the seventh episode of this eight-episode series. Sudha (Vedika Pinto) is a pretty, impulsive, recklessly-ambitious girl from Bhopal – a version of a metropolitan idea of a small-town firebrand. The kind who discovered ‘Carpe Diem’ in her adolescence and never looked back. She has a job offer from Mumbai, which she reluctantly accepts. Unfortunately, she’s in love with Chander (Vikrant Massey), who she met a few months ago, and is currently vacationing with, in Mussoorie. Chander, a US-turned engineer who harbours dreams of owning a cafe on a hill station, is the opposite of Sudha. He’s excited about Mussoorie, his boss has agreed to become his loan guarantor, and he might have also found a business partner. Sudha hasn’t told Chander about her plans yet. And when she does – he quashes his plans, and talks about moving with her to Mumbai. This disappoints her. In a rather pragmatic moment in the show, Sudha shames Chander for flippantly giving up on his dreams, and choosing to follow her instead. Some of her respect diminishes for him. This scene is what the entire series is building towards – and it reveals a sincere relationship drama embedded within the glossy design of a staple Netflix rom-com. Based on Divya Prakash Dubey’s novel of the same name, Rajgopal’s series doesn’t begin with the same assurance. There’s an inherent clash between the show’s earthy source material and the frothy, urban Netflix aesthetic (that makes Bhopal look like Andheri). The actors, Pinto as Sudha and Massey as Chander, look (and sound) very protagonist-y. They’re not ‘ordinary’ by any measure. Chander has been asked to meet with Sudha at a cafe, as an arranged-marriage prospect. Sudha is transparently cruel as he tells him marriage is not on her radar, and that she does this to please her mother. Chander, a pragmatic nerd with low self-esteem, finds himself charmed by her lack of filter. An unsuccessful arranged marriage meet-up improvises into an unintentional first date. Directed by Ruchir Arun, who spearheaded the walk-and-talk relationship dramas on India’s Youtube (like Little Things), even Musafir Cafe has plenty of the genre’s ‘relatable’ affectations. Massey, usually an effortless actor, initially looks at sea with the narrative sparseness. There’s very little to Chander beyond his desire to get married, and his infatuation with Sudha. A quirk added for effect, where he’s particular about his coffee, never feels like an innate part of him. Pinto is unconvincing as a girl from Ratlam, especially with that body language that belongs in Soho House. The humour, and the abrupt relationship expediency, feel contrived at first. Things become more easy-going in the third and fourth episode. However, things become more easy-going in the third and fourth episode, when Chander’s mother (Anubha Fatehpuria), shows up unannounced. A scene featuring Sudha’s roommate, a staple scene in such shows, when the two girls giggle over Sudha’s brand-new partner.

CJP CALLS OFF PROTEST AMID JUBILANT CROWDS AT JANTAR MANTAR

New Delhi: The Cockrorach Janta Party (CJP) and Union government held a joint press conference on Saturday (July 25) in which the agitation at Jantar Mantar was called off. “Union education minister Dharmendra Pradhan has sent in his resignation, which means that our first demand has been met,” said CJP spokesperson Saurav Das as the press conference began. He said it was being done “in good faith and on the agreed-upon terms”.The second demand, that FIRs should be withdrawn against all the protesters and no new cases should be registered or action initiated against them in the future, has also been accepted, Das said. “The government has said they would be withdrawn and no action would be taken against the organisers either,” he said. The FIRs that have already been filed, he said, would be shared with the CJP within a few days. Das said that a draft of a “guarantee” related to immunity for student-agitators had been shared with the government and he hoped it would be agreed to as-is. The government has assured it would respond to that draft by Tuesday (July 28). The families of students who died by suicide due to the NEET undergraduate paper leak earlier this year have also been assured of compensation. This would be done as per “rules and regulations” for compensation, said Das. On the five-point demand related to examination reforms and reforms in the education sector, the government has asked for four weeks’ time to respond, which the CJP has accepted, Das said. Speaking after the CJP at the press conference, Nadda said, “The demand for no FIRs to be filed and no action to be taken on FIRs that have already been filed have been accepted by the government.” He said in the future as well, they would not face cases related to the protests. He also accepted the compensation-related



request of the agitation. “We are also sympathetic to those who are bereaved due to exams and we will give them what is the maximum allowed under the law,” Nadda said. He said the government would “try to do” whatever was possible in consultation with the CJP team. There was no reference to the apology – demanded by the CJP as well as opposition parties – from the security forces for the violence of July 20 during the ‘Sansad Chalo’ march. Education minister resigns Earlier today, Pradhan stepped down from his post in a letter on Saturday afternoon that he posted on social media. This is the first resignation under public pressure under Narendra Modi’s prime ministership. “Considering the situation at Jantar Mantar and elsewhere in the country, and so that anti-national forces do not take advantage of the circumstances, national unity is maintained, no student’s future gets entangled in legal complications, and our children can focus on their studies and building their careers, I have submitted my resignation to the Hon’ble Prime Minister. I sincerely

thank the Hon’ble Prime Minister for his guidance, trust, and continuous support. I also express my gratitude to all my esteemed colleagues in the Council of Ministers, the officers and employees of the Ministry, and everyone with whom I had the privilege of working. Serving the nation has always been the highest priority of my life, and I shall remain dedicated to it. With the blessings of Lord Jagannath, I will continue to dedicate myself in every possible way to serving Mother India, the people of Odisha, and fulfilling the aspirations of the youth of our nation.” While Pradhan has hinted at “ant-national forces” being responsible for what has happened, calls for his resignation have become a nationwide cry in the last few weeks. What began as an internet movement started by Abhijeet Dipke and the Cockroach Janata Party is now a movement that has brought together students, the youth, their well wishers and opposition parties across the country. Public sentiment has turned even further after the students’ peaceful protest was met with severe brutality

from the Delhi Police and RAF on Monday (July 20). The Union government has been in talks with spokespersons from the CJP, who had made clear that Pradhan’s resignation was a non-negotiable. They had also promised a larger and more intense stir across the country if Pradhan did not resign in a day or two. The opposition too had stood by this, saying that while they want a serious discussion around paper leaks and educational matters in parliament, this can be done only after Pradhan’s resignation. The Cockrorach Janta Party (CJP) on Saturday (July 25), called off the agitation at Jantar Mantar after a third round of talks with the government. The outfit said all its demands were met. CJP spokesperson Saurav Das said the Jantar Mantar protest was being called off “in good faith and on agreed-upon terms” with the Union government. Its demands included the resignation of Union education minister Dharmendra Pradhan, the withdrawal of FIRs against all the protesters and no new cases being registered or action initiated against them,

“The government has said they would be withdrawn and no action would be taken against the organisers either,” Das said at a joint press conference with Union ministers J.P. Nadda and Jitendra Singh. The CJP has prepared a draft of a “guarantee” assuring immunity for student-agitators that the government has assured it would respond to by Tuesday (July 28). The families of students who died by suicide due to the NEET undergraduate paper leak earlier this year will be provided compensation as per “rules and regulations”. On the five-point demand related to examination reforms and reforms in the education sector, the government has asked for four weeks’ time to respond, which the CJP has accepted, Das said. At the press conference, Nadda reiterated that each of these demands had been “accepted by the government”. Nadda said, “The demand for no FIRs to be filed and no action to be taken on FIRs that have already been filed has been accepted by the government.” He said in the future as well, the protesters and organisers of the agitation

would not face cases related to the protests. “We are also sympathetic to those who are bereaved due to exams and we will give them what is the maximum compensation allowed under the law,” Nadda said. He said the government would “try to do” whatever was possible in consultation with the CJP team with respect to education reform. There was no reference to the apology – demanded by the CJP as well as opposition parties – from the security forces for the violence of July 20 during the ‘Sansad Chalo’ march. There was also no reference to the alleged use of pellet guns by security forces during the march to parliament. Hours before the resignation, both the CJP and Lok Sabha leader of opposition Rahul Gandhi had made it clear that nothing less of Pradhan’s resignation or sacking from the cabinet would be acceptable to the youth and students of the country. “This is democracy. He has resigned. We have two more demands. We won’t go like this. Dharmendra Pradhan has resigned. But the families of the children who committed suicide should receive compensation of one crore rupees. They should get it. One crore rupees compensation to all those families. And second, these police goons who acted on the 20th. Action must be taken against the police officers for that. Remember, do not mess with cockroach,” said CJP founder Abhijeet Dipke after Pradhan’s resignation. After the march to the parliament on July 20 was brutally cracked down upon by police, the protest against the failure of the education system under the Modi government had snowballed into a larger show of anger and protest against the system. After a previous round of talks with the Union government, the CJP had said on Friday (July 24) that it will give another national call for protest if Pradhan doesn’t go in the next 1-2 days.

When slogans become abusive



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The most beautiful hallmark of democracy is that dissent is not considered a crime. Asking questions here is not rebellion, but evidence of being a conscious citizen. Taking to the streets to speak out, demanding answers from those in power, and raising voices against injustice is the very soul of democracy. But that very spirit begins to be wounded when slogans replace ideas with abuses, when the voice of protest abandons decorum and takes on the form of insults, and when the language of revolution deviates from civility and becomes the language of bitterness. A slogan isn’t just a collection of words. It’s the face of a movement, the voice of its soul. Future generations remember movements by their slogans. Slogans like “Inquilab Zindabad,” “Do or Die,” and “Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan” became immortal because they didn’t insult any individual, but rather represented an idea, a resolve, and the call of an era. When words connect with purpose, they become history, and when they become mere insults, they become nothing more than momentary noise. Today is a time of noise. Social media has

given every voice a platform, but it has also amplified every provocation. Now, those who speak the most sharply are heard the most. The mistake of mistaking restraint for weakness and decency for inaction is growing. This is why, in many movements, taunts replace arguments, satire replaces dialogue, and abuse replaces protest. This is not just a decline in language, but an erosion of democratic values. Abuse can never be a substitute for thought. Those who have run out of arguments often resort to abuse. In a battle of ideas, the higher the language, the higher the movement will rise. But if the language itself degrades, even the most noble cause loses its dignity. The moral strength of any movement is measured not by the loftiness of its slogans, but by the dignity of its language. Indian civilization has called speech austerity. Our sages said that words can be both arrows and balm. They can both unite and divide society. Therefore, restraint in speech is considered an ornament of character. If politics is a mirror of society, then the language of movements is a reflection of that mirror. If the reflection reveals only bitterness, then it is a concern not just for the movement but for the entire society. It’s also true that every movement involves thousands or millions of people. It wouldn’t be fair to judge the entire movement based on the inappropriate behavior of a

few individuals. However, leadership is tested in moments like these. Guiding a crowd isn’t just a matter of delivering a speech from a stage; it’s also the leadership’s responsibility to maintain respectful language. Leadership that remains silent on offensive slogans unwittingly accepts them. History shows that the most influential movements addressed even their opponents with dignity. Mahatma Gandhi’s struggle was against British rule, not against the British people. Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar, despite sharp differences, did not abandon constitutional language. Loknayak Jayaprakash Narayan spoke of systemic change, not the humiliation of individuals. This is why the memory of his movements lives on with respect. The need today is not just to change governments, but to preserve the language of public discourse. Democracy lives as much on the streets as it does in Parliament. If dialogue dies on the streets, parliamentary debates will also become hollow. If protest becomes merely an insult, there will be no possibility of consensus. The greatest asset of democracy is dialogue, and the first condition of dialogue is respect. We also need to understand that children and youth learn not only from books but also from society. When they hear abuses on TV and mobile screens, and during protests, they form the impression that perhaps this is the language of

struggle. This poses the greatest threat to the next generation of democracy. If we don’t provide them with a culture of ideas, they will accept the culture of noise as the norm. Democracy is not about victory or defeat. It is the art of coexistence amidst differences. Here, the opponent is not an enemy, but merely an ideological rival. Therefore, decorum in words is not merely a matter of linguistic etiquette, but a testament to democratic maturity. The time has come to restore our movements to their original spirit. Let slogans spark thought, let anger be expressed with restraint, and even disagreement be expressed with respect. History doesn’t remember who cursed the loudest; history remembers those who preserved the dignity of their language even in the most difficult times. Democracy operates not on the edge of a sword, but on the credibility of words. If words are wounded, even institutions cannot remain safe for long. So, the next time a movement takes to the streets, it should have placards in hand, hope in eyes, and determination in voice—but its words must be dignified. Because ideas triumph not through insults, but through dialogue; and the loudest voice of democracy is one that embraces disagreement but not indecency.

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Tech Platforms That Farm Rage With AI Fakes Cannot Claim Neutrality

In the space of a few days, a senior minister appeared to say something inflammatory he never said. A prime minister appeared to make comments he never made. A protest leader appeared to call off a movement he never called off. All three videos were fake. All three were generated by AI, and all three spread on social media before anyone could stop them. That is the real story of the recent Gen Z-led protests: not just what people were angry about, but how easily that anger could be weaponised and set loose at scale. AI misinformation is a live governance problem, and India needs a serious national conversation on regulating such synthetic content. Not to restrict innovation, but to ensure AI does not supercharge misinformation and hate speech capable of disturbing public order in a country as socially, culturally, and linguistically diverse as India. Traditional misinformation required real effort to scale. AI collapses that cost, as anyone can now produce a realistic fake video, voice clip or image in minutes, publish it instantly, and watch algorithms push it to hundreds of millions before any fact-checker or law-enforcement agency notices. It is this combination of cheap creation, instant publication and algorithmic virality that makes generative AI different in kind, not degree. By the time authorities identify one fake, several variants may already be circulating across languages and regions, which is why this can no longer be treated as a content-moderation problem alone. Once harmful AI con-



tent reaches millions, it becomes a law-and-order challenge, and sometimes it is already too late. India’s law-enforcement machinery is structurally outmatched here: cybercrime units are stretched thin across a twenty-plus-language information space, forensic verification takes hours a viral clip will not wait for, and jurisdictional friction (platforms headquartered abroad, complaints filed in one state about content viewed nationwide) slows things further. Police can register an FIR and courts can eventually establish the facts, but none of that stops the first few hours of unchecked spread, when the real damage is done. The goal must be to intervene before content goes viral, putting the burden on platforms that control amplification, not on police left cleaning up afterwards. Accountability Must Sit with Big Tech Platforms There are three points in the life cycle of AI content where responsibility could apply: creation, pub-

lication and viral amplification. Creation itself should not be heavily restricted. Generative AI has enormous legitimate value in education, creativity and business, and society should not stifle it because it can be misused. Real accountability should begin at publication. Platforms already deploy sophisticated systems to catch child sexual abuse material and terrorist content, and can build comparable safeguards for high-risk synthetic content: deepfakes that impersonate public figures, fabricate riot footage or incite communal hatred. Most important, though, is virality. Even after harmful content slips past initial moderation, platforms have rich signals once it starts spreading: engagement spikes, abnormal sharing, coordinated behaviour and user reports. AI systems are themselves capable of flagging synthetic media after the fact. If they can detect it post-virality, it is unacceptable that they lack the capability to catch

much of it during its spread. The trouble is that commercial incentives cut the other way. Emotionally charged, divisive content drives more engagement, a dynamic often called ‘rage farming’. Platforms cannot claim to be neutral hosts while running algorithms that decide what millions see. Once a platform makes that editorial choice at scale, responsibility must extend across the content’s entire life cycle, not end at hosting. AI-generated misinformation does not manufacture division out of nothing. It exploits existing fault lines, lending fabricated narratives more credibility and speed, which is precisely why this has become a public-order issue, not merely a technology one. Equal Safeguards for India Big Tech and AI platforms do not apply uniform safeguards everywhere. During US elections, these companies invested heavily in election-integrity operations, fact-checker partnerships and rapid-response detection.

Mumbai court orders Flipkart to refund iPhone buyer sent beard oil

Mumbai: A consumer court here has directed Flipkart and the seller to refund over Rs 1.11 lakh to a customer who received beard growth oil instead of the Apple iPhone he had ordered, and to pay Rs 70,000 in compensation and litigation costs. The District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Additional DCF, Mumbai (Suburban), in its order passed earlier this month, held that repeated closure of the customer's complaints without granting any effective relief amounted to "unfair trade practice". It noted that the order was placed through the online platform by making the necessary payments. "Therefore, the opposite party No 1 (Flipkart) owed a corresponding duty to ensure that the consumer received the product ordered and to provide an effective mechanism for redressal of consumer grievances," the commission said. An e-commerce entity cannot simply distance itself from a transaction after facilitating the sale,



particularly where the consumer immediately reports that a completely different product has been delivered, it said. The failure to investigate the complaint, recover the wrongly delivered parcel, provide a replacement or refund and repeatedly close the complaint without granting any effective relief "amounts to a clear cut deficiency in service and also constitutes an unfair trade practice", the commission said. The panel also emphasised that the failure on the part of the seller, International Value Retail Pvt Ltd, to deliver the contracted product and rectify the griev-

ance despite repeated requests clearly establishes deficiency in service on its part. Thus, both the platform and the seller are jointly and severally liable for the loss and inconvenience caused to the complainant, the commission ruled. Purchased in 2023 The complainant, a resident of Mumbai's Powai area, had purchased an Apple iPhone 14 Pro (128 GB) on April 22, 2023, via Flipkart for Rs 1,11,793 using a no-cost EMI scheme. While a separately ordered charger and cover were delivered successfully, the main package delivered the following day contained "beard

growth oil" and packing material instead of the high-end smartphone. The complainant alleged that despite repeatedly approaching Flipkart's customer support between April and May 2023 and submitting all required documents, the company failed to resolve the issue. Instead, the complaint was repeatedly marked as "resolved" without any refund or replacement being provided. The consumer forum directed Flipkart and the seller to refund the principal amount of Rs 1,11,793 with an interest of 9 per cent per annum from April 22, 2023, until actual realisation. Additionally, they were ordered to pay Rs 50,000 as compensation for mental agony and harassment, and Rs 20,000 as litigation costs within a period of 45 days. Complaint not maintainable: Apple India Apple India, also a party in the case, had filed a written statement, contending that the complaint was not maintainable either in law or on the facts and deserved to be dismissed.

INDIA'S GODAWAN WINS THE TITLE OF 'SINGLE MALT OF THE YEAR' AND 'SPIRIT OF THE YEAR' AT GLOBAL SPIRITS AWARDS 2026

THE AWARD-WINNING INDIAN SINGLE MALT ADDS TWO PRESTIGIOUS TITLES TO ITS GROWING LIST OF OVER 125 INTERNATIONAL ACCOLADES

Telangana, July 2026: Godawan Artisanal Single Malt Whisky by Godawan Distilleries, in Rajasthan, has won two major awards at the Bartender Spirits Awards 2026 held in Chicago, USA. Godawan 02 Fruit & Spice was named Spirit of the Year - India and Indian Single Malt Whisky of the Year, taking the brand's total international awards to over 125. The Spirit of the Year - India award recognises the highest-ranked Indian spirit across all categories at the competition and is the competition's most coveted title awarded to the spirit with the highest aggregate performance overall. Along with these two awards,

Godawan 02 Fruit & Spice also received a Double Gold Medal, while Godawan 01 Rich & Rounded won a Gold Medal. These awards recognise the quality and consistency of Godawan's whiskies. Organised by the Beverage Trade Network, the Bartender Spirits Awards are among the few global competitions judged by those who work closely with spirits every day - bartenders, bar managers and hospitality professionals. Spirits are blind tasted for their liquid quality, aroma, flavour, balance and overall character, and then evaluated on packaging and value. Commenting on the achievement, Vikram

Damodaran, Chief Innovation Officer, Diageo India, said, "We have always believed that the liquid has to speak for itself. From the beginning, our ambition was to create the finest single malt that could stand alongside global whiskies. To be recognised as Spirit of the Year - India and Indian Single Malt Whisky of the Year by bartenders and spirits professionals who work with some of the finest spirits in the world every day is a powerful endorsement of the whisky itself and the distinctive identity we have worked hard to create." Crafted in Rajasthan, Godawan draws its unique character from one of the world's most

demanding whisky-making climates. The region's intense heat and dry conditions create a rich, concentrated flavour profile, while the whisky is finished in specially treated casks infused with Indian botanicals, including Rasna and Jatamansi, giving it a flavour profile that is uniquely its own. Since its launch in 2022, Godawan has steadily built a reputation as one of India's most celebrated single malts, earning recognition across leading international competitions including Monde Selection Awards, One Club Pencil and Merit Awards 2026, Spikes Asia 2026, Clio Awards 2026, and more, for its liquid, design and innovation.

Kritagnya: Anvayaa Kin Care Honours India's Bravest and Turns 10 with Three New Launches for India's Elders

Hyderabad, July 2026: Ten years ago, when most of India's startup ecosystem was chasing food delivery and e-commerce, Prashanth Reddy made a quieter bet. He decided to care for India's parents. Today, that bet has become Anvayaa Kin Care, a platform that supports over 1.5 lakh seniors across 38 cities, has delivered more than 80 lakh hours of home care, and has managed over 5,000 medical emergencies with a 97% lives-saved record. On July 24, Anvayaa marked its 10th anniversary not just by looking back, but by looking forward with the launch of three new services designed to address the full spectrum of a senior's life: their body, their wellbeing, and their faith. Kritagnya: Celebrating 10 years of Anvayaa & Founders' vision. Anvayaa named the evening Kritagnya, a Sanskrit word that means gratitude and it was a fitting frame for everything the night held. This was not a corporate milestone event. It was a thank you: to the families who trusted Anvayaa with their parents, to the Care Managers who showed up every single day, to the families who made a phone call when asking for help felt hardest, and to a decade of quiet, unglamorous work that has genuinely changed lives. The celebration brought together senior



citizens, their families, Anvayaa's Care Managers and employees, partners, and invited guests, a room that, in many ways, told the Anvayaa story better than any slide deck could. The programme included the felicitation of Gallantry awardees & Padma Shri awardees for their contributions to country and a Anvayaa Kritagnya Showcase - a walk of confidence and self-esteem by Anvayaa Elderly Members showcasing a deliberate, joyful reminder that ageing is not the end of self-expression. The evening was attended by Chief Guests Shri Brahmanandam (Celebrated Comedy Actor, Padmashri and Guinness book record holder), alongside Shri. Jayesh Ranjan (Special Chief Secretary, Govt. of Telangana), Shri. S.K. Joshi, (Former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Telangana) and Shri

Mahender Reddy (Former DGP, Telangana), and other distinguished guests from across the senior-care ecosystem. **GIVING BACK TO THOSE WHO KEPT INDIA SAFE** The most quietly powerful moment of the evening had nothing to do with a product launch. Anvayaa announced lifetime complimentary emergency response assistance for a select group of Gallantry Award and Padma Shri recipients along with Anvayaa's patented Emergency Response System and its senior smartwatch, gifted to their families as a mark of respect and care. Families of recipients of the Gallantry Awardees (Param Vir Chakra, Vir Chakra, and Sena Medal) & Padmashree awardees were present at the event to receive this recognition. The gesture was a natu-

ral extension of everything Anvayaa stands for. Anvayaa's business is built on caring for elderly Indians in their own homes ensuring they are never alone in a moment of crisis, never left without a hand to hold or a voice to call. Extending that protection, without charge and without condition, to the families of those who sacrificed their safety so that India could be safe, was not a marketing decision. It was a responsibility. India's gallantry awardees and Padma Shri recipients have given this country something that cannot be repaid. The least Anvayaa could do was ensure that as they age, they are never alone in an emergency. The patented Emergency Response System, paired with Anvayaa's senior smartwatch, provides real-time monitoring, instant SOS

access, and coordinated emergency response bringing the same infrastructure that Anvayaa has used to achieve a 97% lives-saved record across 5,000+ emergencies directly into the homes of India's most honoured citizens. **Three Launches - Three Gaps Filled.** The evening saw Anvayaa introduce Curapod, a wearable pain-management device; a therapeutic wellness range from 3000 BC Therapeutics; and Punyaka, a digital platform for devotional services, each chosen because they address something real that families and seniors have been asking for.

CURAPOD: PAIN MANAGEMENT Curapod is a compact, wearable device that uses red and near-infrared light therapy to address joint and muscle discomfort, one of the most common and quietly debilitating challenges for seniors living at home. Users place the device directly on affected areas such as the knees, back, neck, shoulders, or hips using adhesive patches or adjustable straps. A mobile application allows users to select the pain area and begin a targeted session from home, without drugs, without a clinic visit, and without disrupting the daily routine that gives a senior their sense of independence.

New Economist Enterprise research supported by Brembo reveals a potentially dangerous gap between public confidence and expert assessment of road safety across the world's largest vehicle markets. Nine in ten people say they feel safe in their day-to-day road travel. Less than half (45%) of the transport professionals who design, build and operate mobility systems agree. New research from Economist Enterprise, supported by Brembo, reveals a striking "trust gap" between public confidence and expert assessment—which is widest in the markets with the poorest road safety records. The study, Safety in motion: Driving trust in modern mobility, surveyed road users and transport professionals across ten major vehicle-producing markets—Brazil, China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, South Korea, the UK and the US—together accounting for around 75% of global vehicle production. With 1.2 million people killed on the world's roads every year, the study argues that misplaced confidence is an overlooked barrier to progress, calling on industry and policymakers to close the gap by grounding public trust in evidence, transparency and measurable outcomes.

"The research makes clear that road users are far more confident in the safety of their daily travel than mobility experts. This is a serious concern," said Jean Todt, UN secretary-general's special envoy for road safety. "Trust is essential for mobility, but overconfidence can cause people to take unnecessary risks." **USERS FEEL SAFEST WHERE ROADS ARE MOST DANGEROUS** The gap between user and industry confidence is greatest in Brazil, China and India, where 94% of users say they feel safe—the highest among the markets surveyed—compared with just 18% of transport professionals. Yet these markets combined record an average road fatality rate of 16.2 deaths per 100,000 people, around double the study average. "In Brazil, China and India, public confidence has grown alongside rapid, visible infrastructure—new infrastructure, smarter vehicles, better technology," said Pratima Singh, principal of policy and insights at Economist Enterprise, who led the research. "But confidence has outpaced actual safety performance. When people believe systems are safer than they are, they often do not exercise the necessary attention to keep

them safe on the road." **SAFETY IS FELT UNEVENLY** Trust in mobility safety is not felt equally across demographics. Low-income users are nearly twice as likely as middle- and high-income users to report low or mixed confidence in their daily travel safety. Generationally, Millennials are the most confident (94% report high trust), while Gen Z and Baby Boomers are the least trusting—12% and 16% respectively express low or mixed confidence in their day-to-day safety. **THE NEW FRONTIER OF SAFETY RISK: HUMAN-SYSTEM INTER-ACTION** As vehicles become more advanced, the way people interact with increasingly automated mobility systems emerges as a key safety concern. Today, only 3% of industry professionals identify mechanical failure as a leading cause of incidents. Instead, 30% cite misuse or misunderstanding of driver-assistance systems as the greatest cause of mobility safety issues, while 24% point to features that distract users from the road as being the most serious safety risk. Users themselves rank their own behaviour on the road as their biggest concern.

Hyundai Motor India Celebrates 1.5 Million Sales Milestone for Hyundai i20 in India

Iconic Premium Hatchback Continues to Shape Customer Aspirations Across Generations Hyundai i20 achieves cumulative sales of over 1.5 million units in India Brand i20 has evolved across three generations since its introduction in 2008 Continues to be recognized in design, technology, connectivity and safety features Milestone reinforces i20's position as one of India's most successful premium hatchback brands Gurugram | July 2026 - Hyundai Motor India Limited (HML) today announced a remarkable milestone of its Premium Hatchback - Hyundai i20, surpassing 1.5 Million cumulative sales mark in India. Since its debut in 2008, the i20 has consistently redefined the premium hatchback segment through its combination of progressive design, advanced technology, superior quality and comprehensive safety features. Celebrating the milestone, Mr. Sunil Moolchandani, National Sales Head, Hyundai Motor India Limited, said, "The



Hyundai i20 has been one of the most iconic products in Hyundai Motor India's portfolio and has consistently represented innovation, aspiration and premiumness. Crossing the milestone of 1.5 million cumulative sales is a testament to the immense trust and loyalty that customers have shown towards the brand over nearly two decades. We thank our customers for making the i20 a preferred choice in the premium hatchback segment and remain committed to delivering products and experiences that exceed expectations."

stone significant? The Hyundai i20 has played a pivotal role in shaping the premium hatchback segment in India. Over nearly two decades, the i20 has evolved alongside the aspirations of Indian customers, earning a strong reputation among young professionals, urban families and customers seeking a premium ownership experience. Since its launch in 2008, the model has consistently introduced features and technologies that elevated customer expectations and redefined segment standards. The 1.5 million sales milestone reflects the enduring trust that Indian customers

have placed in the brand and reinforces Hyundai's commitment to delivering products that exceed customer expectations. **How has the Hyundai i20 evolved over the years?** Over three generations, the Hyundai i20 has continuously evolved to meet changing customer expectations and market trends. From introducing premium features that were previously uncommon in the hatchback segment to offering advanced connected-car technologies and comprehensive safety equipment, the i20 has remained at the forefront of innovation.

Pharma Pro & Pack Expo concludes its largest edition yet, raising the benchmark for industry engagement and experience

Hyderabad, July 2026: Pharma Pro & Pack Expo 2026, jointly organized by Messe Muenchen India and the Indian Pharma Machinery Manufacturers' Association (IPMMA), concluded at HITEC, Hyderabad, after three days of technology showcases, product launches, business meetings and industry knowledge exchange. It attracted 19,206 visitors, brought together 353 exhibiting brands and occupied more than 35,000 square metres across all seven halls of HITEC. Beyond its scale, the 2026 edition delivered a more comprehensive experience for exhibitors and visitors. A broader technology showcase, stronger international participation, structured business matchmaking, a dedicated International Pavilion, an expanded software solutions segment and three days of conferences gave participants more opportunities to evaluate technologies, meet decision-makers and advance business discussions within one platform. Compared with the previous edition, exhibition space increased by 30

per cent and there has been more than 100 per cent growth in visitor attendance. The 2026 edition delivered the scale, market reach and business value exhibitors had been looking for. There was participation from over 30 countries, including Canada, Germany, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Singapore, the United States, the United Kingdom, the United Arab Emirates, Switzerland, South Korea, Thailand, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. This reinforced the show's growing position as a platform connecting the pharmaceutical manufacturing industry across India with international markets. "The response to the 2026 standalone edition has confirmed the growing role of Pharma Pro&Pack Expo in the industry's investment and technology-evaluation processes. The scale of participation, the quality of business discussions and the presence of buyers from India and international markets have raised the benchmark for the platform. We believe the experience created this year will establish Pharma

Pro&Pack Expo an important date on the industry calendar in the years ahead," said Bhupinder Singh, President - IMEA, Messe München, and CEO, Messe Muenchen India. **A MORE COMPLETE PLATFORM FOR BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DECISIONS** Pharma Pro&Pack Expo 2026 brought together pharmaceutical processing machinery, packaging systems, water-treatment solutions, automation, quality-control solutions, cleanroom technologies, digital technologies, software platforms and production infrastructure. The expanded format allowed visitors to move from technology discovery to detailed technical evaluation and supplier discussions during the same visit. Pharmaceutical manufacturers, production and packaging teams, engineers, procurement professionals and business leaders could compare multiple solutions, examine equipment and engage directly with suppliers on ongoing and upcoming projects. The

International Pavilion gave overseas companies a focused platform to present their technologies to Indian buyers. The stronger presence of software and digital solution providers also highlighted the growing use of manufacturing execution systems, track-and-trace platforms, data integration, digital quality systems and production analytics in modern pharmaceutical manufacturing. The exhibition additionally served as a launch platform for more than 120 new products and technologies. These introductions reflected the sector's focus on automation, regulatory compliance, data-led manufacturing, production efficiency, patient-centric packaging and sustainable operations. For exhibitors, the larger standalone format provided greater visibility and wider access to buyers from different pharmaceutical markets. "Pharma Pro & Pack Expo proved to be a highly valuable platform for strengthening our presence in one of the world's fastest-growing pharmaceutical manufacturing markets.

Trump takes swipes at press during White House Correspondents' Dinner



US President Donald Trump took swipes at the media at the White House Correspondents' Association (WHCA) dinner, a night celebrating press freedom, after the first event was cancelled by a shooting three months ago. The president sat as reporters from outlets he has sparred with and even sued, including the New York Times, CNN and the Wall Street Journal, came up to be honoured with awards. Typically the president takes a lighter-hearted tone at the annual dinner, and Trump joked "the second time is always better" and praised the media - saying he respects "most of them". But the tone shifted as he aimed barbs at "fake news" and accused many in the room of having "Trump Derangement Syndrome". In her remarks, WHCA President Weijia Jiang of CBS News said the event would return to the scene of the April shooting, the Washington Hilton, next year. Friday's rescheduled event was held at the Waldorf Astoria a few miles away from that site, following criticisms that

security at the Hilton was inadequate. The outgoing WHCA head said she would "refuse to let an act of violence have the final word", referring to the gunman tackled at the first dinner in April. The officer shot at the scene, officer Victor Gonzalez of the US Secret Service, was given an award by Trump for his actions on the night of the shooting. "As I said three months ago, the show must go on," Trump said. "Just like my presidency, the second time is always better - and the third time will be better yet ... I'm only kidding," Trump said, joking that he would run for a third term in office. Trump stood and shook hands with award winners, including a Wall Street Journal team who was given an award for coverage of Trump's links to disgraced financier Jeffrey Epstein. Ahead of the event, many in the White House press corps theorised that Trump - who often criticises many of the reporters seated just metres away in the room - would deliver a stern rebuke of the media.



Ten killed in Russian attack on drone exhibition near Kyiv

Spanish PM warns of 'complex hours' ahead as wildfires displace 270,000 in Spain and France

A French-American mother has described how "there was ash falling from the sky like snow" after a wildfire broke out near her holiday home in Biscarrosse, southwest France. Rebecca Papin tells the BBC's Today programme she saw "an entire wall of fire" when she returned to her home after first seeing smoke in the distance from a nearby beach. Papin says since the fire did not seem close on Thursday night she put her "exhausted" children to bed and got some rest to prepare for a tiring day ahead. "Apparently during the night when I was asleep with my ear plugs in they evacuated the city and I did not hear it," she explains, adding that she was advised to remain in her home on Friday morning. Papin says the main roads nearby have



been closed, while a road down towards the beach has been "overwhelmed with cars". The final leg of the Tour de France - due to take place tomorrow - will be shortened from 133km (83 miles) to 89km (55 miles) so that security forces can be redeployed to areas affected by wildfires, organisers and police have said. In a statement shared on social media, they say the decision

is "in the spirit of national solidarity". The race passed through Bordeaux earlier this month before the current fires broke out, and will conclude in Paris tomorrow. Fans were urged to stay away from the finish line of the third stage earlier this month because of wildfires in Les Angles in the south of France. France's Interior Minister Laurent Nuñez has given an update on efforts by other European countries to help France. He says resources have been bolstered by: Forty personnel from a Romanian forest fire team A Croatian Canadair water-bombing plane Two Portuguese and two Swedish Air Tractor planes Two heavy helicopters from Germany, one from the Czech Republic and another from Slovakia Four Swiss light helicopters, alongside 30 ground team personnel Nuñez thanks the European countries for their support. The prefect of Landes says the situation in the area is "slightly less" critical than yesterday, as conditions are more humid on Saturday. But embers are creating new hotspots hundreds of metres from the main fire in the area, Gilles Clavreul tells French broadcaster Ici.

ICC top prosecutor removed over sexual misconduct allegations



Members of the International Criminal Court (ICC) have voted to dismiss Karim Khan as chief prosecutor for alleged sexual misconduct. Elected the ICC's third prosecutor in 2021, Khan was suspended last month. The decision to remove him was passed with 82 votes in favour. The court's oversight body found in June he had committed a "serious breach of duty and serious misconduct" by engaging in an improper sexual relationship with a junior ICC staff member and seeking to stop her pursuing her complaint. Khan has repeatedly denied all the allegations against him. His lawyer said he would challenge "the lawfulness and fairness of the decision through all available legal mechanisms". It was not immediately clear what legal avenues remained open to the ousted prosecutor. In a statement after the vote, the ICC "took note" of the decision of the Special Session of the Assembly of States Parties - the 125 member states which voted to remove Khan. "The Court will continue to attach the utmost importance to maintaining a safe, inclusive, and respectful working environment for all personnel," the ICC statement said. The entire process, however, goes beyond the fate of a single prosecutor and could reshape the world's only permanent war-crimes tribunal. The misconduct investigation has put the institution under a glaring spotlight, intensified divisions inside it and played out

alongside an unprecedented campaign to weaken, and in fact dismantle, the ICC in its entirety. The fear among its supporters is that the court will emerge weakened and less able to face the gravest global threats. Khan, a prominent British lawyer, has been on voluntary leave to fight the allegations since May 2025. He remains suspended from practising law in the UK, after the Bar Standards Board imposed an interim ban while it conducts its own inquiry. He was unable to attend the vote, held in the United Nations headquarters in New York, because he is barred from entering the United States under sanctions imposed by the Trump administration over the ICC's investigation into alleged war crimes by Israeli officials in Gaza. Regardless of his removal, the controversy is unlikely to end there. The decision follows a highly sensitive process that has left the court under intense scrutiny. In May 2024, allegations that Khan had engaged in sexual misconduct involving a female staff member were reported to the ICC by a third party. The court's Independent Oversight Mechanism (IOM) opened an investigation, but the case was later closed after the alleged victim declined to participate. Critics of the process argued that the investigation had been mishandled, undermining confidence in the IOM. Investigators ultimately said there was insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegations.

Zelensky tries to fix crisis over removal of defence minister and counts the cost

With an acting defence minister in place and a new commander-in-chief in charge of the military, Ukraine's recent political crisis is over, right? Not so fast. The political fallout from President Volodymyr Zelensky's 15 July decision not to re-appoint Mykhailo Fedorov as defence minister, as part of a cabinet reshuffle, continues to reverberate about Kyiv and beyond, even as air raid sirens wail and Russian drones and missiles are intercepted overhead. Fedorov's mostly young supporters are still mounting daily street protests, demanding that Zelensky reinstate the popular young innovator widely credited with driving much of Ukraine's recent technological innovation. On Thursday, Fedorov said he had rejected Zelensky's offers of alternative posts in government, saying there were only three positions worth having to influence the course of the war: minister of defence, commander-in-chief of the military or



president of Ukraine. "If you don't have a ministry under you, you don't have a budget," ex-deputy defence minister Alina Prolova said, "and you don't actually have the authority to do something." Fedorov's reference to the presidency did not go unnoticed. Was this the first public sign that the ousted minister sees himself as a rival to Zelensky? One former defence official suggested he became a real candidate for the presidency the moment he was dismissed. But with the country at war and no elections scheduled - Ukraine's constitution still prevents them in wartime - how useful is it to put your

head above the political parapet so far in advance? "He's being childish," one opposition MP told me, on condition that he remained anonymous. "He's looking to further his political career, which I think is just stupid in the circumstances where we are." The president's supporters say Zelensky has gone to great lengths to resolve the crisis, especially over the question of who to replace the unpopular commander-in-chief, Oleksandr Syrskiy. Eventually he decided on Maj Gen Mykhailo Drapatyi, 43, a highly respected former commander of Ukraine's land forces. "He consulted

pretty much every significant figure in the Ukrainian army," former government adviser Yuriy Sak told the BBC earlier this week. "So the decision that he has taken now is very well informed, and I support it because General Drapatyi is a young, battle-proven, modern general who will take our defences to a new level, hopefully." But while Drapatyi's appointment has been generally welcomed, it only represents a partial fix by a president scrambling to repair the damage caused by his removal of Fedorov. Ironically, for a president whose youth and apparent dynamism propelled him to power in 2019, Zelensky seems to have misjudged the mood of young Ukrainians, eager for their leaders - political and military - to represent their values and aspirations. "It's quite natural that people want to see someone who is a warrior against corruption, who is very modern, who is young," Oleksandr Merezhko, an MP from Zelensky's Servant of the People party, said.

Texts reveal 14-year-old allegedly murdered by singer D4vd had pregnancy and abortion



Texts between singer D4vd and Celeste Rivas Hernandez, the 14-year-old he is accused of murdering, reveal she had been pregnant and had had an abortion before her death. The messages were shown during a hearing for a judge to determine if the singer, whose legal name is David Anthony Burke, should go on trial for the teen's death last year. "What [if] the first abortion didn't work?" Celeste texted Burke in June 2024, according to prosecutors. She was 13 years old at the time and he was 19. Prosecutors say Burke killed her after she threatened to reveal he had been abusing a minor and

destroy his career. He has pleaded not guilty to charges of murdering and sexually abusing the girl. In an exchange from January 2024, Burke apologised to the teen for "putting her through this", according to messages shown in the Los Angeles court on Friday. She responded, "neither of us are capable of watching and taking care of the baby. it's for the best no?" Burke asked, "also my mother always told me to ask this question if I was ever in this situation ... it is mine right?" Celeste replied "of course it's yours David", according to testimony from a detective.

TRUMP ORDERS SMITHSONIAN TO POST WARNINGS ABOUT 'INACCURATE' US HISTORY

President Donald Trump has ordered signs to be placed outside the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, to caution visitors about exhibits his administration views as "inaccurate". The order directs the Department of Interior to issue the warnings, and also to direct people about where they can find "accurate information regarding America's history". The Trump administration has often accused the Smithsonian Institution, the world's largest research museum, as well as other academic organisations of harbouring an anti-American bias. The Smithsonian did not immediately respond to the BBC's request for comment. The order on Friday - titled Restoring Trust in the



Smithsonian Institution - accuses museum leadership of not doing enough to celebrate America's founders on the country's 250th anniversary of independence, which took place on 4 July. It says the museum's leadership team "views American history as a 'prime tool' to advance ideas of social justice and the radical transformation of our society". An accompanying White House statement

also accused the museum of veering "toward extreme political activism, rooted in Marxism, to divide, dispirit, and discourage Americans". Democrats who oversee the Smithsonian condemned the order. "This EO is a clear political overreach, driven by an ideological agenda to rewrite American history," congresswoman Melanie Stansbury, ranking member of the House Administration

Committee, wrote on X. "Our Smithsonian institutions do not belong to the President, but to the American people and so does our nation's history." The executive order comes just days after Smithsonian director Anthea Hartig was grilled by Republican lawmakers in two congressional hearings, where the museum was accused of being "infected by a woke ideology that seeped into public displays, educational materials and planning documents". Earlier this month, the White House Domestic Policy Council released a scathing report, claiming that the museum "erases our heritage". Trump has set out to radically reshape American culture, which he says has been contaminated by "woke" left-wing ideology.



Iran-backed Houthis claim missile attack on Saudi Arabia

PM's Message For Para Powerlifter Jhandu Kumar's CWG 2026 Bronze Goes Viral

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday congratulated para powerlifter Jhandu Kumar after the Bihar-born athlete won India's first medal at the Commonwealth Games 2026, securing bronze in the men's heavyweight event in Glasgow. Taking to X shortly after the podium finish, the Prime Minister praised Jhandu's perseverance and said his success had brought pride to the nation. "A spectacular performance by Jhandu Kumar, who has opened India's medal tally at the #CWG2026 by winning a Bronze in the Men's Heavyweight Para Powerlifting event!" PM Modi wrote on X. The bronze medal marked India's first podium finish of the Glasgow Games, with Jhandu producing a best lift of 130.9 to finish third in the overall standings. Nigeria's Riluanw Idris claimed the gold medal with 132.8, while England's Matthew Harding took sil-



ver after recording 131.0, leaving Jhandu just 0.1 short of second place. Congratulating the para athlete on the achievement, the Prime Minister highlighted the dedication behind the performance. He also underlined the wider significance of Jhandu's achievement, saying it would inspire aspiring athletes across the country. "Congratulations to him. His achievement is a powerful reflection of immense strength, unwavering determination and years of disciplined effort. By overcoming every challenge and excelling on the

international stage, he has made the entire nation proud and inspired countless Indians," Modi said. Jhandu had topped Group B ahead of Uganda's Dennis Mbaziira and Australia's Ben Wright before his lift proved good enough for an overall bronze in the combined classification. The 29-year-old's journey to the Commonwealth Games podium has been shaped by resilience. Born in Harnaut in Bihar's Nalanda district and affected by polio since birth, Jhandu grew up in a modest household as the son of a vegetable vendor.

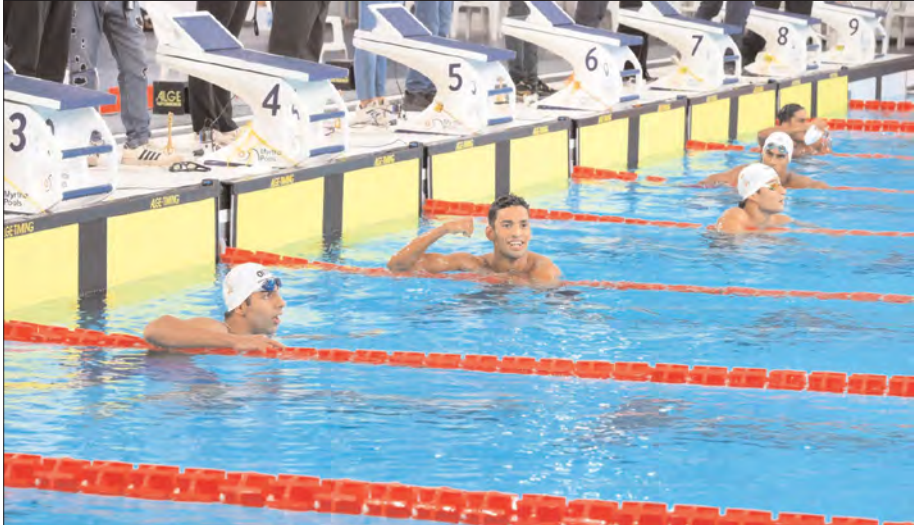
Why Did Jhandu Kumar Miss Out On Commonwealth Games 2026 Gold? Coach Reveals 'Miscommunication'



Rajinder Singh Rahelu, coach of Indian para powerlifter Jhandu Kumar, said that their target was a gold medal but Kumar missed out on the top spot at the Commonwealth Games 2026 due to a 'slight miscalculation and miscommunication'. Jhandu Kumar clinched the bronze medal in the men's heavyweight category after lifting 190kg on his second attempt. Rahelu said that the team had already calculated the lifts required for the gold medal and were quite confident of winning.

"It's a very good thing, feeling very good. We already knew, we had done the calculations. We had targeted gold, but for some reason, it was missed," Rahelu told ANI. However, they ended up missing the gold due to a 'slight error in communication'. "The competition for gold was very tough, as we saw. But it wasn't that; it was just miscommunication. I was a bit far, and there was some difficulty in calculation. As you saw, the medal was missed by just two points," he said.

CWG 2026: Indian Swimmers Fail To Qualify For 400m Final, 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball Team Loses



Indian swimmers endured a disappointing outing at the Commonwealth Games on Saturday as both Dhakshan Shashikumar (3:58.09s) and Aryan Nehra (4:00.26s) failed to qualify for the final of the 400m freestyle event. Shashikumar (3:58.09s) and Nehra (4:00.26s) finished 15th and 16th respectively amongst the 27 swimmers in the 400m freestyle heats at the Tollcross Swimming

Centre. Shashikumar had moved into seventh position at the halfway stage, but could not do enough to clear his heat. In heat 4, Nehra was placed last at the halfway stage, and ended in the same position. Dhakshan Shashikumar was in heat 3. India suffer heavy defeat against Wales in wheelchair women's basketball. India suffered a heavy defeat in the wheelchair

women's 3x3 basketball competition at the Commonwealth Games on Saturday, going down 1-16 to Wales in their Group B match. The Indian side struggled to match Wales' intensity and scoring efficiency, falling behind early and failing to close the gap. Wales dominated the match from start to finish as India were found wanting in attack, converting just one of their 12 scoring attempts.

FLU SCARE AT COMMONWEALTH GAMES? INDIA'S MEDICAL CHIEF BREAKS SILENCE

As wet weather and cold temperatures settle over the 2026 Commonwealth Games, India's Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Dinshaw Pardiwala, has issued a strict health advisory to the Indian contingent. Since upper respiratory infections present a continual threat at major international events, Dr. Pardiwala stressed that strict personal hygiene and preventive care should form India's first line of defence against possible flu outbreaks. Navigating chilly Scottish conditions is one of the primary hurdles for athletes arriving from warmer climates. To prevent illness before competition even begins, the medical team implemented firm protocols around outdoor exposure and ceremonial duties. "The weather is cold and it is raining. So the advice is primarily to just protect yourselves,



don't get wet and we are making sure that each of the athletes who doesn't need to be out, doesn't need to be out. So try and protect them as far as possible," Dr. Pardiwala told IANS. "So therefore even in the opening ceremony we made sure that none of the athletes who were participating immediately afterwards were part of the opening cere-

mony. We don't want to land up with colds and flus etc. just before participation." Preventing illness across a multi-sport contingent requires daily vigilance. According to Dr. Pardiwala, simple habits remain the most effective shield against viral spreads in shared athlete facilities. "Just simple health and hygiene, making

sure that everyone is keeping their hands clean and hand hygiene is being followed and that is the best way I think to just prevent any outbreak amongst the teams," he noted. "We get a morning update everyday amongst the Chief Medical Officers of the contingents and fortunately we don't have any outbreak of any flu or any colds and

coughs amongst any of the contingents right now. So that is a good sign and we hope that it continues that way." "In most large continental events, usually it is the upper respiratory tract infections that is the biggest blow to athletes performing at their best and fortunately this time it is under control." To ensure athletes maintain peak physical condition, the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) established an independent, fully equipped sports science and recovery facility directly at the games village. "You know whenever you have got a large contingent going out for the Olympics or the Asian Games or Commonwealth Games, you need sports science, you need injury management, you need preparation recovery services for the athletes.

'Even Leftover Food Tastes Like Wedding Meal': Ex-India Star On Shreyas Iyer's First Win As Captain



Shreyas Iyer won his first game as T20I captain on Thursday after a run of six defeats since replacing Suryakumar Yadav at the helm earlier this year. The defending T20 world champions lost 2-0 to Ireland, in what was a major upset, before a 4-0 thrashing at the hands of England in a five-match series. However, the wait was finally over for Shreyas as India beat Zimbabwe by seven wickets

in the first T20I of a three-match series in Harare. The victory came as a big relief for the under-fire India captain Shreyas, and former cricketer Sadagopan Ramesh warranted the celebrations, considering the recent results. "Many are saying India shouldn't be so excited for just a win over Zimbabwe. Yet, when you are starving for a victory for so long in T20Is, even leftover food will

taste like a wedding meal. Shreyas Iyer will be relieved, considering India's fall under his captaincy. He would have reached a point where a win over anyone would have been enough for him," Ramesh said in a video uploaded on Instagram. Ramesh also praised VVS Laxman for delivering results as India's interim head coach, especially when the team is losing elsewhere.

Gautam Gambhir Labelled 'Foolish', Brutally Slammed For Treatment Towards Vaibhav Sooryavanshi



Vaibhav Sooryavanshi shattered the record books in India's first T20I against Zimbabwe on Thursday, becoming the youngest player ever to slam their maiden T20I half-century. After failing to cross 15 in his first three senior games for India, Sooryavanshi came good on his fourth outing, hammering an 18-ball fifty. Following Sooryavanshi's explosive knock, former BCCI selector and 1983

World Cup-winner Krishnamachari Srikkanth expressed surprise that the 15-year-old had been dropped from the Indian side after just three failures in the England series. After scores of 14, 13 and 15 in three games against England, Sooryavanshi was left out for the fifth T20I of the tour. India head coach Gautam Gambhir, who is not with the team for

the Zimbabwe series, was slammed by Srikkanth for dropping Sooryavanshi. "He (Sooryavanshi) has an effortless range of shots, yet, not one shot was cross-batted. This boy is really something special. How did Gautam Gambhir foolishly drop him, of all people, after three failures to crush his confidence?" said Srikkanth, speaking on his YouTube channel, as quoted by Sportskeeda.

"Last Year Was Really Tough, This Medal Means A Lot": Shooter Sainyam Vij Reflects On ISSF World Cup Silver



India's Sainyam Vij described her silver medal at the ISSF World Cup in Hangzhou, China, as a reward for months of perseverance after enduring a challenging 2025 season, saying the podium finish has reinforced her belief ahead of the World Championships later this year. According to a press release, the Chandigarh shooter, who clinched India's first medal of the World Cup, revealed that making the final itself was a significant milestone after failing to reach any finals last year. "It's really special to me because this is my first ISSF World Cup medal at the senior level. It came after such a long wait. Last year was really tough for me as I

wasn't able to make any finals, so this means a lot," Sainyam said after her silver-medal finish. Sainyam remained unfazed despite competing against a formidable field featuring an Olympic champion, the reigning world No. 1, and two Chinese shooters on home range; she insisted that her focus never shifted from executing her own plans. "There was nothing in my mind about who I was shooting against. My only thought was to do my work and perform my best. Whoever performs better deserves to win," she said. Sainyam endured a slow start to the final, opening with a 49.7 that left her in fifth place. She responded emphatically in the second series, producing the field's best score of 51.9 to draw level with China's Qianxun at the top of the standings. From there, the Indian remained firmly in medal contention, trailing Qianxun by just 0.6 points before the final series.

Lionel Messi Has Ancestry In Brazil? New Study Reveals Argentina Icon's Historic Link

A new study has revealed an ancestral connection between Argentina's 2022 FIFA World Cup-winning football icon Lionel Messi and Brazil's Sao Paulo, tracing a part of his family's journey before they settled in Argentina. As per Brazilian outlet Globo quoted by Goal.com, Italian researcher Fiorenzo Santini's study has concluded that one of Messi's ancestors was born in Sao Paulo, Brazil, before family later made a move to Argentina. The research also highlighted changes in the family's surname during their migration journey.

Santini, who is a specialist in tracing genealogy and spent several years studying the superstar footballer's family tree, was curious by the origin of his surname Messi during his early days with Barcelona. As per the study, Messi's great-grandfather on his father's side, Angelo Messi, left the Italian city of Recanati and moved to Argentina's Rosario in 1893 with his wife. On his mother's side, the story goes back to his great-grandfather Ranieri Cocchietini. He was born in the Italian region of San Severino Marche and immigrated to Brazil with

his wife Rosa Ricchezza on a ship named "Washington", which arrived at port of Santos in September 1899. As per historic documents, the family's journey to Brazil saw a change in their name and surnames as difficulties were faced in writing foreign names at that time, with Ranieri becoming "Ramiero Conchietini", a change common amongst immigrants in that time frame. Settling in city of Sao Paulo, the great-grandfather worked on farms of Rincão region before moving to the city of Ribeirão Preto, where two of the family's children

were born, including Ardirigo in 1904. About a year after Ardirigo's birth, the family left Brazil for Argentina and settled near the city of Rosario, where they began a new phase of life. Antonio Cocchietini, Messi's grandfather, was later born, and then his mother Celia Maria Cocchietini, was born. Messi was born on June 24, 1987. Santini explained that his research went between 2019 and 2022, after he noticed that there was no record of "Cocchietini" surname in Italy. Through documents and relatives of Messi's moth-

er, the researcher was able to trace the change of name and surname during the family's time to Brazil. These findings, he added, helped the iconic footballer earn the title of 'honorary citizen' of the Italian city of San Severino Marche in 2022, in recognition of his family roots. No records suggest that Messi's relatives stayed in Brazil's Ribeirão Preto after the family moved to Argentina in 1905, as per the study.



THE WEDDING SONG" FROM VISHWANTH & SONS IS OUT NOW

After the massive success of the chartbusting first single Neno Butterfly, the Vishwanth & Sons team is back with another treat for fans "The Wedding Song" is out now and it's already being hailed as the perfect celebration anthem of the season.

A high-energy, festive number, the song sees Suriya and Mamitha Baiju light up the screen with their infectious dance moves, capturing the joy and warmth of a big fat family wedding. Adding a special touch, Suriya himself has lent his

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voice to the track, making it an even more personal and heartfelt musical moment. The music is composed by G. V. Prakash Kumar, with lyrics penned by Ramajogayya Sastry giving the song its distinct festive and celebratory flavour.

With two back-to-back chartbusters Neno Butterfly and now The Wedding Song, expectations for Vishwanth & Sons continue to soar. Directed by Venky Atluri and produced by Suryadevara Naga Vamsi and Sai Soujanya under Sithara Entertainments & Fortune Four Cinemas. Presented by Srikara Studios, the family entertainer is all set for a grand worldwide theatrical release this Independence Day weekend on August 14th.



"THE MAZE" FIRST LOOK POSTER UNVEILED



CINEMATOGRAPHER PAWAN CHANNA TURNS 'TRIKAAL' INTO A VISUAL WONDER



Cinema is not just about storytelling- it is an experience. And the one who transforms that experience into an unforgettable visual journey is the cinematographer. One such rare visual storyteller is Pawan Channa, who has elevated his craft to a whole new level with the mythological fictional thriller 'Trikaal - Script of God'. His exceptional cinematography has become one of the most talked-about aspects of the film, making "Pawan Channa, the man who turned Trikaal into a visual wonder" a trending topic in the Telugu film industry. Starring Shraddha Das in the lead role, Trikaal is set against the mysterious backdrop of Sanatana Dharma and was released worldwide on May 28, receiving positive reviews and an impressive response from audiences. Directed by Mani Tellaguti, jointly produced by Radhika and Srinivas, and presented by Chaganti Productions LLP, the film has won appreciation for its gripping narrative as well as its breathtaking visuals. One statement is repeatedly echoed by audiences and critics alike: "The cinematography has transformed this film into a

visual spectacle." Every Frame Breathes Divinity and Suspense Pawan Channa is regarded as one of the most promising cinematographers setting new visual benchmarks in contemporary Telugu cinema. Rather than merely capturing performances, he transforms every frame into a carefully crafted canvas that communicates powerful emotions. In Trikaal, he presents mythology with epic grandeur. His large-than-life compositions, meticulously balanced framing, and immersive visual depth keep audiences completely engaged. Through masterful use of lighting and shadows, he creates dramatic visuals that heighten the supernatural tension throughout the film. His high-contrast lighting setups perfectly amplify the haunting atmosphere and mystical energy, making every scene visually compelling. The Magic of Color Theory One of the film's strongest visual achievements lies in its symbolic use of color. The battle between the consuming darkness and the divine light of protection is beautifully portrayed through a combination of deep black tones and radiant golden light beams.

GRAND BLOCKBUSTER SUCCESS MEET FOR KIRAN ABBAVARAM"CHENNAI LOVE STORY"



Hero Kiran Abbavaram and Sri Gouri Priya's Chennai Love Story has emerged as a major success with audiences across all sections. Viewers have been praising the film as a beautiful and emotionally engaging love story. Along with widespread appreciation, the film has also registered impressive box office collections. Including premiere shows and worldwide Day 1 collections, Chennai Love Story earned ₹12.3 crore. To celebrate this achievement, the makers hosted a grand Blockbuster Success Meet in Hyderabad.

"AMMA...NAAKU AA ABBAYI KAAVALI SET FOR AUGUST 7 RELEASE



Introducing Pawan Mahaveer as the lead actor, GSR Movie Makers is all set to release its unique romantic entertainer "Amma... Naaku Aa Abbayi Kaavali" on August 7. Produced on a prestigious scale by noted entrepreneur G. Sailaja Reddy, the film is directed by Shivala Prabhakar. A unique highlight of the project is that Pawan Mahaveer is pursu-

ing his medical education in London while simultaneously making his debut as a hero. The film features Varshika and Suhana as the female leads, with Suman, Rao Ramesh, Rajeev Kanakala, Sathya Krishna, Sujatha, and others playing pivotal roles. Having completed all post-production formalities, the makers released the film's trailer ahead of its

theatrical release on August 7. The trailer launch event was held in a grand manner at Prasad Labs, Hyderabad, in the presence of several prominent personalities. Renowned filmmaker and Directors' Association President V.N. Aditya attended as the Chief Guest, while directors C. Ram Prasad, Shivanagu, and producer Tummalapalli Rama Satyanarayana graced the occasion as Guests of Honour. The guests appreciated the trailer, describing it as highly promising, and remarked that it was hard to believe this was Pawan Mahaveer's debut film because of his confident screen presence. They wished producer Sailaja Reddy and hero Pawan Mahaveer a bright and successful future.

Ameer Log on August 21: Director Ramana Reddy Soma at Release Date Event



Ameer Log is an out-and-out youthful entertainer produced by Madhavi Reddy Soma under the Awwal Number Productions banner. The film is directed by Ramana Reddy Soma, with Manohar Reddy Manchuri serving as co-producer. It stars MC Hari, Manoj, and Sasidhar in the lead roles, while Vedha Jalandhar, Raavan Nitturu, Vishwender Reddy, and Saiyogi play important characters. Presented by Rana Daggubati's Spirit Media, the film will have a grand Telugu release on August 21. The makers also released the lively 'Awwal Dawath' song at a media event held to announce the release date. Director Ramana Reddy Soma said: "I am from Raghavapuram near Nalgonda. I came to Hyderabad in 1997 and have lived in many parts of the

city. I made Ameer Log because I wanted to show the real people of Hyderabad on screen. We first screened the film for our team, and later for the Spirit Media team. They liked it and came forward to release it. After watching the film, people will understand who the real 'Ameer Log' are, those with money or those who live happily. The film

carries a meaningful message, but it never feels preachy. After watching Ameer Log, audiences will have even more love and respect for the people of Hyderabad. Our film releases on August 21. Please watch it and support us." Producer Madhavi Reddy Soma said: "I was born and brought up in the same basti shown in Ameer Log.

Ashika Ranganath Proves White Is Her Signature Shade

Actress Ashika Ranganath recently caught attention online after sharing her take on Christopher Nolan's The Odyssey. She said the film reminded her of themes from the Mahabharata, particularly the transition from the Dwapara Yuga to Kali Yuga described in the Indian epic. Her comment struck a chord with fans, especially as many others online had already been drawing parallels between Nolan's film and Indian mythology.



Niharika Konidela Serves Sultry Glam In Statement Saree

Actress and Producer Niharika Konidela is having an emotional high point in her career. She revealed that deciding to make Committee Kurrollu was the most fulfilling moment of her life, sharing that what began as director Yadhu Vamsee's dream eventually became her own. The film, made on a modest budget, has now brought her two National Awards, and she credits the trust of her team and cast for this big win. Meanwhile, Niharika turned heads in a stunning deep purple saree paired with a strapless, embellished corset blouse. She kept her hair sleek and

open, added statement drop earrings, and let the rich jewel-toned drape do all the talking. It was a bold, glam departure from her usual soft, girl-next-door looks. Adding more excitement for fans, Niharika is now teaming up with her brother, actor Varun Tej, for her production Bhari, a rural sports drama centered around volleyball, directed by Yadhu Vamsee. Niharika called launching the film with her brother "very special," and the movie is expected to hit screens around Sankranti. Her caption read, "It was a happy day." Niharika Konidela's fans were ecstatic to see her recent post and showered

her with love and praise. A fan wrote, "You are such a stunning woman, Niharika!" Another fan commented, "Oh my god! You lovely lovely girl!" A user commented on her smile and wrote, "Uff, such a beautiful smile." It is interesting to note that Niharika wore this saree during the Sankranti celebrations and posted these snaps on Instagram. In the photos, she can be seen posing with Sai Dharam Tej, Vaishnav Tej and Allu Sirish as well. Niharika Konidela hails from the mega family of Chiranjeevi. She is the daughter of actor-producer Nagendra Babu and Padmaja Konidela.

