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Total pilgrims : 69,697
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Laddu sale... 3.34 Lac
Annaprasadam.. 1.71 Lac
Aswini hospital ...3,226
Present Situation on 27-10-2026:
Waiting Compartments..31

Approx. Darsan Time for Sarvadarshanam (with out SSD Tokens)...8 H.

PM MODI URGES INDIA TO LEAD GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY REVOLUTION, WARNS AGAINST BLIND TRUST IN AI



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SCAN FOR E-PAPER

Cyclone Arnab disrupts life in coastal Andhra

SEA WATER ENTERS UPPADA; TREES UPROOTED IN VISAKHAPATNAM

VISAKHAPATNAM ■ (TSIT)

Cyclone Arnab intensified over the west-central Bay of Bengal, bringing heavy rain, strong winds and rough seas across coastal Andhra Pradesh on Tuesday. Sea water entered houses in Uppada of Kakinada district, forcing residents to move to safer places, while parts of Visakhapatnam witnessed uprooted trees, waterlogging, traffic disruptions and power outages.

The cyclone was centred around 170 km from Visakhapatnam and 180 km from Kakinada, and was expected to cross the coast near Kakinada–Yanam around midnight. Trees fell on the national highway at Sheelanagar and near Old Gajuwaka, disrupting traffic. Power supply was hit after a tree fell near the



Buchirajupalem substation, damaging jumpers connected to 33 kV switches.

Srikakulam district was placed on high alert, with rainfall of up to 60 cm reported and people advised to stay indoors between 8 p.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday. Home Minister Vangalapudi Anitha directed departments to prioritise public safety and keep SDRF and NDRF teams ready.

Visakhapatnam Collector M. Abhisikth Kishore ordered round-the-clock control rooms, with heavy rain forecast until October 29 and winds of 70–80 kmph, gusting up to 90 kmph. Relief centres, medical teams and machinery to clear fallen trees were kept ready, and fishermen were barred from venturing into the sea.

Emergency Contact Numbers:
District Control Room: 0891-2590100, 0891-2590102;
GVMC: 1800 4250 0009;
APEPDCL Helpline: 1912;
Emergency Helpline: 112.

Andhra CM Urges Caution as Cyclone Arnab Nears

84,396 shifted to safety; 290 shelters set up

VISAKHAPATNAM ■ (TSIT)

Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu urged people in cyclone-prone and low-lying areas of coastal Andhra Pradesh to remain indoors or move to shelters, warning of heavy to extremely heavy rainfall under Cyclone Arnab. The system was expected to cross the coast near Yanam in the Kakinada region, affecting districts from Srikakulam to Bapatla.Naidu said 290 cyclone shelters had been arranged and 84,396 people shifted to safety.



Control rooms functioned round the clock, with NDRF, SDRF, Navy and Coast Guard alerted, and over 30,000 fishing boats brought back. Around 5,000 pregnant women were moved to health facilities, and 8,400 electricity personnel mobilised.

550-PLUS FIRMS TO ATTEND T'GANA SUMMIT



HYDERABAD ■ (TSIT)

Telangana Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju on Tuesday, October 27, said the state government is inviting more than 550 leading domestic and international companies to participate in the 'Invest Telangana Global Summit 2026' to be held at the Future City here on December 7, 8 and 9. Jaju, who held a meeting with senior officials, said state government is organising the Global Summit prestigiously, with the objective of positioning Telangana as a leading global investment destination, attracting major investments, accelerating industrial development and generating employment opportunities for the youth.He said the curtain-raiser for the Summit would be held in New Delhi on October 29, with Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy attending it. Ambassadors, heads of leading companies, prominent industrialists and distinguished personalities from different sectors have been invited to the programme, according to an official release.

BRICS forum opposes unilateral sanctions,

BACKS PALESTINE 2-STATE SOLUTION



NEW DELHI ■ (TSIT)

The 12th BRICS Parliamentary Forum has condemned unilateral economic and secondary sanctions contrary to international law, calling for their elimination and warning of their adverse impact on development, health and food security. The forum also expressed concern over escalating tensions in the Middle East and West Asia, called for restraint and diplomacy, and reaffirmed its unwavering support for a peaceful resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict based on a two-state solution.

13 of 17 escaped Tamil Nadu prisoners traced using drones

CHENNAI ■ (TSIT):



Within a day of 17 inmates escaping the Theni District Jail, the Tamil Nadu police managed to nab 13 of them with the use of drone technology by Tuesday evening, October 27. South Zone IG Vijayendra Bidari confirmed the development.The 17 prisoners were in the same cell at the Thekampatti sub-jail. Around 10.30 pm, they called out to the prison guards for help, as they claimed one of the inmates had an epileptic seizure.When the prison guard entered the cell, the inmates allegedly attacked him and fled the premises. Police personnel Thangapandi, who is attached to the jail, sustained a head injury and was admitted to the Government Hospital at G Vilakku.

Election Commission of India

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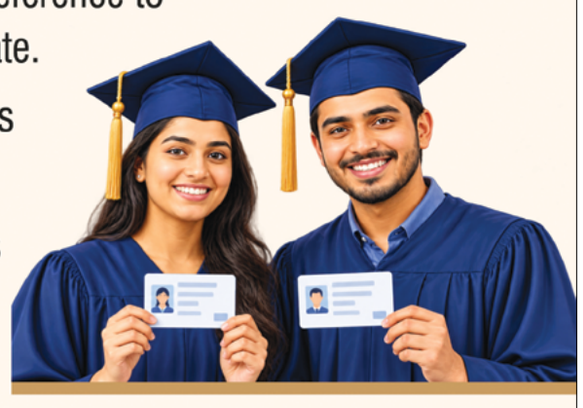
Register to exercise your right to vote in the following Graduates' Constituencies:

If you have graduated on or before **31.10.2023** and are a resident of the following districts, you can enrol as a voter in the respective Graduate Constituency.

MAHABUBNAGAR-RANGA REDDY-HYDERABAD GRADUATES:
Covering: Mahabubnagar, Nagarkurnool, Wanaparthy, Jogulamba Gadwal, Narayanpet, Rangareddy, Vikarabad, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Hyderabad districts.

WARANGAL-KHAMMAM-NALGONDA GRADUATES:
Covering: Warangal, Hanamkonda, Mahabubabad, Jangaon, Mulugu, Jayashankar Bhupalpally, Siddipet (partly), Khammam, Bhadradri Kothagudem, Nalgonda, Suryapet, and Yadadri Bhuvanagiri

- Legislative Council Constituency - Electoral Rolls: De-novo preparation of Electoral Rolls with reference to **1st November 2026** as qualifying date.
- Last date for receiving applications **(Form-18): 6th November 2026**
- Draft publication of Electoral Rolls **25th November 2026**
- Period of claims and objections **25th November 2026** to **10th December 2026**
- Final publication of Electoral Rolls **30th December 2026**



OFFLINE Enrolment: Applications shall be submitted in **FORM-18** to the Electoral Registration Officer & Additional Commissioner, GHMC Hyderabad for Mahabubnagar-Ranga Reddy- Hyderabad **and** Electoral Registration Officer & Additional Collector, Nalgonda for Warangal- Khammam-Nalgonda **and** Notified Assistant Electoral Registration Officers/ Designated Officers concerned.

ONLINE Enrolment: Applications shall be submitted through website **https://ceotelangana.nic.in** of the Chief Electoral Officer, Telangana.

"For any Clarifications and Doubts, please approach the Electoral Registration Officer Concerned

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DGP C.V. Anand Inaugurates Blood Donation Camp



Hyderabad, TSIT: Telangana Director General of Police C.V. Anand inaugurated a blood donation camp at the DGP office on Tuesday as part of Police Martyrs' Commemoration Week.

The camp was organised by the Police Department during the commemorative programmes being held from October 21 to 31.

Speaking on the occasion, Anand said police personnel work tirelessly to protect lives and property and also help save lives by donating blood during emergencies. Supporting people in distress, alongside ensuring public safety, reflected the social responsibility of the police, he said. DG, Law and Order, Mahesh Bhagwat; Additional DGP Akun Sabharwal; Multi-Zone II IG Shahnawaz Qasim; Red Cross Society Director Pitchi Reddy; and police officers and staff participated in the programme.

Collector Priyanka Ala Calls for Quality Education and Timely Meals



Hyderabad, TSIT: District Collector Dr Priyanka Ala directed teachers to provide quality education and take special steps to ensure that every student passes the upcoming half-yearly and annual examinations.

The Collector visited the NATCO Government High School at Borabanda in Khairatabad on Tuesday and reviewed its facilities. She enquired about the number of teachers and students and instructed the school authorities to serve nutritious breakfast and lunch on time, according to the prescribed menu.With more than 1,100 students enrolled at the school, she called for washrooms to be cleaned twice a day and for the school premises, surrounding areas and drinking water taps to be kept clean.Dr Priyanka inspected recent work on the stage, water tank, compound wall, toilets for boys and girls, iron shed and window grills. She directed the officials concerned to complete the remaining minor repairs promptly.The Collector also visited the nearby Government Junior College and reviewed student strength and the provision of breakfast and lunch.

When Principal Mahalakshmi informed her about a shortage of classrooms, the Collector said the possibility of adding another floor to the college building would be examined.

She urged the institutions to encourage students to participate in sports, saying the State government attaches importance to both education and sports. District Education Officer Yadaiah, Tahsildar Prem Kumar, school headmistress Prema Vani, college principal Mahalakshmi, NATCO representative Ravindra, contractor Mujahid and teachers were present.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, TAVUTI REDDY SURENDAR REDDY (Old Name) H. No. 3-63, Machupahad (V) Narmetta (M) Jangoan Dist - 506244, T. G, have Changed my Name from **TAVUTI REDDY SURENDAR REDDY** to **THOUTIREDDY SURENDER REDDY (New Name) s/o. THOUTIREDDY MALLA REDDY** for all future purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, TAUTI REDDY KALA (Old Name) H.No. 3-63, Machupahad (V), Narmetta (M) Jangoan Dist - 506244, T.G. have changed my name from **TAUTI REDDY KALA** to **THOUTIREDDY KALAVATHI (New Name) W/o. THOUTIREDDY SURENDER REDDY** for all future purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAMA RAO, F/O: NB SUB JNANANANDAM BANDARU**, R/o: H.NO.1-87, BELAGAM,R BELAGAM, SRIKAKULAM, ANDHRA PRADESH- 532290, have changed my name from **RAMA RAO** to **BANDARU RAMARAO ACHARY** and my Date of Birth is: 01/07/1962 Vide Affidavit dt.24/10/2026

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAMA DEVI, M/O: NB SUB JNANANANDAM BANDARU** , H.NO.1-87, BELAGAM, R BELAGAM, SRIKAKULAM, ANDHRA PRADESH- 532290, have changed my name from **RAMA DEVI** to **BANDARU RAMA DEVI** and my Date of Birth is: 01/07/1967 Vide Affidavit dt.24/10/2026

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VUPPALA SWAROOPA (old name), W/o. MD KHALEEL BABA, aged about 40 years, occu:- house wife, R/o H.No.28-1069, Vidya nagar, Miryalaguda Mandal and Town, Nalgonda District, Telangana State. I have changed my name from **VUPPALA SWAROOPA** (old name) to **MOHAMMAD BUSHRA FATIMA (new name)**, here after my name known as **MOHAMMAD BUSHRA FATIMA (New Name)** for all future purposes.

Canara Bank — DEMAND NOTICE

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank — Syndicate

Aroor Branch(1869). Aroor Village, Yadadri Bhongir District - 508112

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

A Notice is hereby given that the following Borrower/s ,Co-borrowers & Guarantors have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non Performing Assets (NPA) The notices were issued to them under section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses but they have been returned unserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice

Name of the Borrower/ Guarantors / Date of NPA	Description of Immovable Properties	Amount Outstanding
Borrower : Smt. Thummala Swetha, D/o. Thummala Anand Kumar, H.No. 333, Aroor Village, Valigonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhongir District - 508112. **Co - Borrower : Sri Thummala Anand Kumar, S/o. Tummala Madhusudhan,** H.No. 333, Aroor Village, Valigonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhongir District - 508112 **Guarantor : Sri. Golla Shivaiah, S/o. Late Golla Mallappa,** H.No. 2-3-722, Plot No 69, Near Krishnaveni Talent School, Lalitha Nagar, Hyderabad - 500068 **Guarantor : Sri Thummala Narsaiah, S/o. Thummala Siddaiah,** Aroor Valigonda Mandal, Yadadri Bhongir - 508112 **Date of NPA : 18.10.2026**	All that the part and parcel of the House No. 2-160/1 (Open Place) in survey No 716, admeasuring 362.00 Sq Yards equivalent to 302.63 Sq.Mtrs Situated at Aroor Village Valigonda Mandal, Nalgonda district and Bounded by Bounderies as follows **North :** House of Thummala Srujana **South :** House of Nalla Ramachandram. **East :** Plot of Burra Ramachandram. **West :** R & B Road. **CERSAI : 400066183292, 400009846045**	**Rs. 48,81,776.76/- (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Eighty One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Six and Seventy Six Paise Only)** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs

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

Date : 21.10.2026, Place : Aroor **Sd/- Authorized Officer,**

SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED

SHRIRAM Finance

Registered Office: Sri.Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032
Administrative office: 6th Floor(level 2), Building No.Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710.

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Where as, the undersigned being the authorised officer of Shriram Finance Limited, (Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name Changed as Shriram Finance Limited, by it's Incorporation Certificate dt.13-11-2022) a corporate body registered and incorporated as a company under the Indian companies Act 1956, is doing Non-Banking financial activities, having its Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai – 600 032 and having its administrative office at 6th Floor (level 2), Building No.Q2, Aurum Q Parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710, under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (said Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (said Rules) issued demand notices to the Borrowers details of which are mentioned in the table below to repay the amount mentioned in the said demand notices.
The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules, **on this 27.10.2026**

Borrower Name and Address	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1) A Laxmi Transport , Represented By Its Proprietor Smt Anreddy Laxmi, W/O: A Kashi Reddy, Age: 35years, Occ: Self Empolye, R/O: H No: Plot No. 13, 2-6-485/67, Sai Ram Colony, Nagole, Uppal Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri(D), Telangana, Pin Code: 500068, Ph No: 7702531478. **2) Anreddy Laxmi, W/O: Anreddy Kasi Reddy,** Age: 36years, Occ: Self Employe, R/O: H No: 1-6-21, Kollapur(V&M), Nagarkurnool(D), Pin Code: 509102, Ph No: 7702531478. **3) Kothakapu Saritha, W/O: Venkat Reddy,** Age: 40years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: H No: 1-6-21, Kollapur(V&M),L Nagarkurnool(D), Pin Code: 509102, Ph No:8985001165. **4) B Prathap Reddy, S/O: B Ram Reddy,** Age: 40years, Occ: Petrol Bunk, R/O: H No: 1-31, Yetham(V), Kodair(M), Nagarkurnool(D), Pin Code: 509102, Ph No:7702531478. **5) K Mallikarjunudu, S/O: K Pullaiah,** Age: 45years, Occ: Petrol Bunk, R/O: H No: 2-39, Giddhalur(V&M), Prakasam(D), Pin Code: 523357, Ph No: 9553483338. ....**Barrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs**	**Rs.1720132/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Twenty Thousand One Hundred Thirty Two Rupees Only)**

Description of Property: WANAPTF2112270004- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: Property On The Name Of Kothakapu Saritha, All Tghat The Open Plot No 20, Totally Admeasuring 200 Square Yards, In Survey No 327. Situated At Limits Of Nagarkurnool Mandal And District Bounded By: Towards East: 15 Feet Road. Towards West: Plot No 19. Towards North: Plot No 15. Towards South: Plot No 21

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

Place: NAGARKURNOOL **Sd/-Authorised officer,**
Date: 27.10.2026 **Shriram Finance Ltd,**

SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED

SHRIRAM Finance

(Formerly Known as Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited)
Registered Office: Sri.Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032
Branch Office: # 3-161, 1st, Main Road, Bhupalpally, Jayashankar Bhupalpally - 506169

RULE-8(3)] POSSESSION NOTICE

Note: "It is informed that "SHRIRAM CITY UNION FINANCE LIMITED" has been amalgamated with "SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" as per order of NCLT, Chennai. Subsequently the name of "SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" was changed as "SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED" with effect from 30.11.2022 vide Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to change of name dated 30-11-2022."
Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of Shriram Finance Limited (SFL) under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (said Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (said Rules) issued demand notices to the Borrowers details of which are mentioned in the table below to repay the amount mentioned in the said demand notices.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of SFL has been handed over the physical possession of the mortgaged Properties described herein below in pursuance of the order passed by the Hon'ble Chief Judicial Magistrate, at Jayashankar Bhupalpally, in Crl.M.P.NO.32/2026, under Section 14 of the said Act and Rules, on this **27th Day of OCTOBER' 2026.**

Borrower Name and Address	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1) Sai Bhavani Iron And Hardware Rep By Its Prop : A. Rajendra Chary, R/O.H No : 6-90, Kataram, Jayashankar Bhupalpally Dist - 505503. Cell : 9912149575. **2) Atkapuram Rajender Chary** S/O Mallaiah, Age : 43 Yrs, Occ : Iron And Hard Ware Business, R/O.H No : 6-90, Mro Office Raod, Jayashankar Bhupalpally Dist - 506169. Cell : 9912149575. **And Also At** Atkapuram Rajender Chary S/O Mallaiah, Age : 43 Yrs, Occ : Iron And Hard Ware Business, # House with Open place GP No.13-6/1, 555.12 Sq.feets, 61.68 Sq.Yards, Open place and 256.86 Sq.feets, 28.54 Sq.Yards, 812.97 Sq.fets, 90.33 Sq.Yards, Garepalli code No.025, Kataram Grampanchayath, Kataram Mandal, Jayashankar Bhupalpally District. **3) Atkapuram Kalpana** W/O Rajendra Chary, Age : 40 Yrs, Occ : House Wife, R/o.H No : 6-90, Mro Office Raod, Jayashankar Bhupalpally-506169. Cell : 9505647297. **4) Domakonda Mahendra Chary** S/O Venkatrajam, Age : 51 Yrs, Occ : Wood And Hard Ware Business, H No : 7-142, Reddy Colony, Bhupalpally-506169. Cell : 7989478618.	**Rs.26,73,274/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Four

Description of Property: (Property holder Name is ATKAPURAM RAJENDER CHARY Mortgage deed dated 02.08.2023 Registered as Document No.469/2023 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at Bhupalpally) House with Open place bearing GP no.13-6/1 to an extent of 555.12 Sq.feets of RCC and 61.68 Sq.Yards of Open place and 256.86 Sq.feets or 28.54 Sq.Yards totaling to 812.97 Sq.fets or 90.33 Sq.Yards situated at Garepalli code No.025 Kataram Grampanchayath, Kataram Mandal of Jayashankar Bhupalpally District is bounded by : East: R & B Road, West: Open place of Manthri Mallaiah, North: Lane, South: Open place of Tadakamatla Ramesh Babu.

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

Place: Kataram Date: 27.10.2026 **Sd/-Authorised officer, Shriram Finance Ltd,**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Home Finance | Registered Office: ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400051
Corporate Office: ICICI HFC Tower, JB Nagar, Andheri Kurla Road, Andheri East, Mumbai- 400059
Branch Address: 2nd Floor, Plot No.141, VDO Colony, Gattaiah Centre, Khammam- 507001.

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ("ICICI HFC") and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Durga Prasad Mahankali (Borrower), Divvela Tejasree (Co-Borrower), Hari Kumari Korukonda (Co-Borrower), H No 92 291, Madhura Basthi Kothagudem H No 92 291, Madhura Basthi Kothagudem, Madhura Basthi Kothagudem Bhajanamandir Khammam-507001 Telangana, LHKHA00001667351	All That The Part and Parcel of Residential House Bearing No. 11-3-16/3, Sy No 143, Site An Extent of 120 Sq.yds Or 100.33 Sq.mts Ground Floor Rcc Building Plinth Area 531.88 Sq.fts and 1st Floor 426.87 Sq.fts & Rcc L/B Plinth Area 46.75 Sq.fts Situated At Babu Camp, and Kothagudem Municipality Badradri Kothagudem Dis Singareni Colleries Khammam Telangana- 507001 and Bounded By East: House of D. Subbarao, West: House of Anand Rao, North: House of G. Ahithamma, South: Municipal Road. Bounded By- North By : House of Smt Gundla, South By : Bt Road , East By : House of Shri Subbaraju, West By : House of Ananda Rao.	13-10-2026 Rs. 29,27,270/-	10/03/2026
2.	Sravan Kumar Chitluri (Borrower), Saahithi Charugundla (Co-Borrower), H No.1-125 Regalla Kothagudem, Bhajanamandir, Flat, Bhajanamandir, Kothagudem- 507101 Telangana, LHKHA00001654977	All That The Part and Parcel of Residential Rcc Building of An Extent of 140 Sq.yds or 117.05 Sq,mts Near House No. 22-3-8 Out of Sy No 781, Ground Floor Plinth Area 651.65 Sq.fts Situated At Nehru Nagar Palwancha Town & Mandal, Palwancha Munici Pality, Bhadradri- Kothagudem Telangana- 507101 and Bounded By East: House of Doddi Devid, West: 20 Feet Wide Road, North: Plot of Mohammed Azaz Ahmed, South: Site of Kanagala Vijaya Kumari. Bounded By- North By : Plot No Md Aziz Ahmed, South By : Plot of K. Vijay Kumari, East By : House of D. David, West By : 20 Feet Wide Road.	13-10-2026 Rs. 49,27,269/-	10/03/2026
3.	Sravan Kumar Chitluri (Borrower), Saahithi Charugundla (Co-Borrower), H No. 1-125 Regalla Kothagudem, Bhajanamandir, Flat, Bhajanamandir, Kothagudem- 507101 Telangana, LHKHA00001655000	All That The Part and Parcel of Residential Rcc Building of An Extent of 140 Sq.yds or 117.05 Sq,mts Near House No. 22-3-8 Out of Sy No 781, Ground Floor Plinth Area 651.65 Sq.fts Situated At Nehru Nagar Palwancha Town & Mandal, Palwancha Munici Pality, Bhadradri- Kothagudem Telangana- 507101 and Bounded By East: House of Doddi Devid, West: 20 Feet Wide Road, North: Plot of Mohammed Azaz Ahmed, South: Site of Kanagala Vijaya Kumari. Bounded By- North By : Plot No Md Aziz Ahmed, South By : Plot of K. Vijay Kumari, East By : House of D. David, West By : 20 Feet Wide Road.	13-10-2026 Rs. 1,15,117/-	10/03/2026

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: October 28, 2026 Authorized Officer
Place: Khammam, Kothagudem ICICI Home Finance Company Limited

IKF Home Finance Limited

IKF Home Finance

Equinox by Phonenix-Tower 3, 10th Floor, Diamond Hills, Lumbini Avenue, Rai Durg, Gachibowli, Hyderabad Telangana - 500081

POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY [(Appendix IV) Rule8(1)]

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **IKF Home Finance Ltd.** (hereinafter referred to as "IKF") under Secuitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002), and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice dated mentioned below under Section 13(2) of the said Act calling upon you being the borrowers (names mentioned below) to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers mentioned herein below having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers mentioned herein below and to the public in general that the undersigned has Taken Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The borrowers mentioned here in above in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with said property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **"IKF"** for an amount as mentioned herein under and interest thereon.

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(S) LAN	Description of the Property / Secured Asset	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Date of Possession
1	Lan :- : **LNMRG04923-240007651** **Mr/Mrs. Konda Dheleep Kumar** **Mr/Mrs. Konda Sujatha** **Add:** H.No:- 4-17, Kethepalli (M), Bhemaram (V), Nalgonda, Telangana, India,-508374 **Also at:** H.No:- 4-17, Bhemaram (V), Kethepally (M), Bhemaram,-508374	House bearing Door No.4-17, admeasuring 283.3 Sq. yards or 236.86 Sq. meters, Assessment No.1075, Situated at Bheemaram Grampanchayath, Bhimaram Village, Kethepally Mandal, Nalgonda District, and bounded by: North: House of Vanguri Balaswami, South : House of Avirendla Dhanaiah, East: Bazar, West: Bazar	**20-01-2026 Rs. 10,59,717.62/- (Rupees Ten lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Seventeen and Sixty Two Paise Only)**	**24-10-2026**
2	Lan :- : **LNSRD00123-240009900** **Mr/Mrs. Mohd Khursheed Ahmed** **Mr/Mrs. Kanees Begum** **Add:** H.No.5-6-5/1, Shanthi Nagar, Sangareddy, Near All Arif School, Medak, Telangana, India-502001	All that the house bearing No 5-8-138/11/C/5/A/1 (PTIN No 1112017753) constructed on open plot bearing No 4/ part admeasuring an extent of 130 Sq. yards or 108.6 Sq.mtrs in survery No 391 with plinth area of 514.10 Sq.ft in ground floor and 514.10 sq.ft in first floor thus the total plinth area comes to 1028.20 sq.ft roof covered with RCC situated at KavakunthaSangareddy under the city Muncipal limits of Sangareddy town Mandal &Sangareddy District, T.S Registration, Sub District Sangareddy Registration District SRO Sangareddy and bounded by: North by 8 wide road, South by Plot No.5, East by Others plot and West by Plot No.4/ Part.	**10-07-2026 (Rs. 19,42,598.80/- Rupees Nineteen Lakh Forty Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Eight and Eighty Paise)**	**26-10-2026**
3	Lan :- : **LNSRD04923-240007684** **1. Mr/Mrs. Daana Anil Kumar** **2. Mr/Mrs. Danna Soujanya** **3. Mr/Mrs. Dana Anasuja** **4. Mr/Mrs. Dana Anjaiah** **5. Mr/Mrs. Dana Kumar Aravind** **6. Mr/Mrs. M/S Sai Hard Ware** **Add:** H.No. 5-77/A, Pulumamidi, Nawabpet, Sangareddy, Rangareddi, Telangana, India-501111	All that the open plot and house No.5-77/A, in Sy No.502/2/3, constructed with RCC Roof admeasuring 1273.00 Sq. Feets including open place total admeasuring 336.00 Sq. yards or 280.93 Sq. Meters situated at Palumamidi village, Nawabpet Mandal, Vikarabad District, T.S with Assessment No. 430 and Bounded by: North by Wide Road, South by open place of B.Ananthaiah, East by open place of Narsimulu & house of Chandraiah and West by house of Nalli Kistaiah.	**10-07-2026 Rs. 20,93,923.62/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Three and Sixty Two Paise)**	**26-10-2026**
4	Lan :- : **LNSRD06823-240009401** **Mr/Mrs. Anitha Muthangi** **Mr/Mrs. Bikshapathi Muthangi** H.No.3-77, Muthangi Village, Patancheru Mandal, Sangareddy District, Medak, Telangana, India-502300	All that the Resindential House No- 3.67 (Assessment No. 287) constructed on Open Place admeasuring area 86.6 Sq. Yds or 72.40 Sq.Mtrs, having built up area 200 sq.Feet, Roof covered with ACC, situated at Muthangi Village & G.P, Patancheru Mandal, Sangareddy District, Telangana State and bounded as follows North by House of Ramulu, South by G.P Road, East by House of Narsimulu and West by G.P Road.	**10-07-2026 (Rs. 13,78,981.92- Rupees Thirteen Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty One and Ninety Two Paise)**	**26-10-2026**
5	Lan :- : **LNSRD04923-240007674** **Mr/Mrs. Prabhakar Nayakoti** **Mr/Mrs. Jaya Nayakoti** **Mr/Mrs. M/A Shree Hanuman Agencies And Hanuman Bike Point** H.No. 4-81, Rudraram Village, Patancheru, Medak, Telangana, India-502329	All that the H.No 4-81, admeasuring 126.5 square yards which is equivalent to 105.76 square meters, plinth area of 894.2 square feet in the ground floor and 784.7 square feet in first floor, total plinth area comes to 1678.9 square feet roof covered with RCC, situated at Rudraram village and GP , Patancheru mandal, Sangareddy district and within the jurisdiction of RO Patancheru, registration District Sangareddy at Sangareddy District boundaries with North by 12 wide road, South 15 wide road, East by 3 seri after house of P. Shankaraiah& P. Srinivas and West by House of N. Narsimulu S/O Ramaiah.	**10-07-2026 (Rs. 16,82,448.62/- Rupees Sixteen Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred Forty Eight and Sixty Two Paise)**	**26-10-2026**
6	Lan :- : **LNSM00323-240008949** **Mr. Bejeerameni Santhosh Kumar, (Applicant)** **Mrs. Bejeerameni Sravanthi, (Co-applicant)** H.No.12-1-509, Flat No.401-c, 4th Floor Kirthi Tower, Opposite Nafeez Functional Hall Lalapet, Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Telangana -500017.	All that the Flat No.302 'B' (Assessed as No.12-1-509/B/302), in Third Floor admeasuring 1130 Sq.Feet, (inclusive of common areas, (together with undivided share of Land 47 Sq.Yards, (Out of Total extent of 5003 Sq. Yards) in the Building Known as ÒSree Keerthi TowersÓ constructed in the Premises bearing No.12-1-509 of Survey No.60, situate at Lalaguda Village TarnakaSecunderabad Telangana State and bounded on the, (PTIN No.1181218394). Boundaries : North : Open to Sky, South : Corridor, East : Flat No.301B, West : Flat No.301C	**28-07-2026 Rs. 38,54,213.62/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirteen and Sixty Two Paise)**	**26-10-2026**

Place: Telangana
Date : 24-10-2026, 26-10-2026

Sd/-Authorized Officer
For IKF Home Finance Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Home Finance | Registered Office: ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400051
Corporate Office: ICICI HFC Tower, JB Nagar, Andheri Kurla Road, Andheri East, Mumbai- 400059
Branch Address: 3rd Floor, 3-903/10, Nagarjuna Nagar Colony, Yella Reddy Guda, Ameerpet, Punjagutta, Hyderabad, Telangana- 500073
Branch Address: 9th Floor, Unit No. 1005, Vasavi MPM Grand, Yellareddyguda, Ameerpet, Hyderabad- 500073

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ("ICICI HFC") and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Mohammed Omar (Borrower), Fareda Begum (Co-Borrower), 16 111 Gurumurthy Nagar Opp IDPL Colony, Quthbullapur Kv Rangareddy Hyderabad 500037 Telangana, LHNDH00001759442	All That The Part And Parcel of Semi-finished Residential Flat Bearing No. 404 on 4th Floor In The Building Known As Mmm Tavisha Residency With A Super Built Up Area of 1380 Sq.fts Including Common Area Together With Undivided Share of Land Admeasuring 79.96 Sq.yds or 66.85 Sq.mts Out of Land Admeasuring 1464.55 Sq.yds or 1224.55 Sq.mts Covered By S.No. 10/AA Situated At Kowkoor Vill., Alwal, Malkajgiri, Medchal- Malkajgiri Dt., Hyderabad Telangana- 500010 And Boundaries For Building, North: 30-0 Feet Wide Road, South: Dairy Form In S.No. 19/AA, East: Open Plots In S.No. 19/AA, West: Independent House In S.No. 19/AA. And Boundaries For Flat North: Entrance, Open To Sky And Flat No. 403, South: Open To Sky, East: Open To Sky, West: Open To Sky. Bounded By- North By: Entrance And Corrdior And, South By: Open To Sky, East By: Open To Sky, West By: Open To Sky.	10-10-2026 Rs. 51,97,768/-	03-10-2026
2.	Gorijala Sunitha (Borrower) Gorijala Brahmaiah (Co-Borrower), H.No. 9-316 Ayodhya Nagar, Quthubullapur, Independent House, Kutbullapur, Hyderabad 500055 Telangana, LHHDA00001734133	All That The Part And Parcel of H.No. 7-188 Ptin No. 1150500185 on Plot No. 402, Admeasuring 100 Sq.yds or 83.6 Sq.mts With A Plinth Area of 540 Sq.fts Acc In S.No. 299, 300 & 301 Sitiuated At Vinayaka Nagar of Quthbullapur Vill & Md., Hyderabad Telangana- 500055 And Bounded By North: Plot No. 345, South: 40 Wide Road, East: Plot No. 403, West: Plot No. 401. Bounded By- North By :plot No 345, South By: 40 Feet Road, East By: Plot No 403, West By: Plot No. 401.	10-10-2026 Rs. 33,45,133/-	03-10-2026
3.	Gorijala Sunitha (Borrower), Gorijala Brahmaiah (Co-Borrower), H. No. 9-316 Ayodhya Nagar, Quthubullapur, Independent House, Kutbullapur, Hyderabad 500055 Telangana, LHHDA00001737280	All That The Part And Parcel of H.No. 7-188 Ptin No. 1150500185 on Plot No. 402, Admeasuring 100 Sq.yds or 83.6 Sq.mts With A Plinth Area of 540 Sq.fts Acc In S.No. 299, 300 & 301 Sitiuated At Vinayaka Nagar of Quthbullapur Vill & Md., Hyderabad Telangana- 500055 And Bounded By North: Plot No. 345, South: 40 Wide Road, East: Plot No. 403, West: Plot No. 401. Bounded By- North By: Plot No 345, South By: 40 Feet Road, East By: Plot No. 403, West By: Plot No 401.	10-10-2026 Rs. 1,49,279/-	03-10-2026
4.	V V Raghu (Borrower), Vanga Mamatha (Co- Borrower), H.No.3 146 33 Sai Nagar Chengi Cherla Changicherla Hyderabad 500039 Telangana, LHHDA00001510510	All That The Part And Parcel of House No. 3-109/1/4/A/1, Ptin No. 1197200617, on Plot No 4 Part, In Survey No 54, Admeasuring 121 Sq.yds or 101.15 Sq.mts Having Plinth Area of Ground Floor 665 Sq.fts And First Floor 665 Sq.fts Total Plinth Area 1330 Sq.fts With Rcc Roofing Situated At Chengi Cherla Village Under Boduppal Municipality Medipally Mandal Medchal Malkajgiri District, Hyderabad Telangana-500092 And Bounded By North: Plot No. 3, South: Plot No. 4 Part, East: 25 Feet Wide Road, West: Owner's Land. Bounded By- North By: Plot No 3, South By: Plot No. 4, East By: 25 Feet Wide Road, West By: Owners Land.	13-10-2026 Rs. 45,50,566.14/-	08-10-2026
5.	Kannennagari Prabhu Sekhar (Borrower), 4-71 2nd Floor Ganesh Nagar Road No 2 Narapally Ghatkesar, Medchel Malkajgiri Near Bus Stop Secunderabd Samskruthi Hyderabad 500088 Telangana, LHHPS00001637404	All That The Part And Parcel of Flat No. 807 In 8th Floor H.No. 2-C6/807, Ptin No. 1228321276, Tower C06, 2 Bhk, Sadhbhavana Township, With Plinth Area of 761 Sq.fts Together With Undivided Share of Land 11.42 Sq.yds Out of Total Land of 1232.87 Sq.yds In Sy No 35, Situated At Pocharam Vill., Municipality, Ghatkesar, Mandal And Under Municipality Medchal- Malkajgiri Dist Medchal- Malkajgiri, Dist Hyderabad Telangana- 501506 And Biunded By North: Open To Sky, South: Flat No. 808, East: Opn To Sky, West: Corridor. Bounded By- North By: Open To Sky, South By: Flat No 808, East By: Open To Sky, West By: Corridor.	13-10-2026 Rs. 20,55,657.77/-	08-10-2026
6.	Kannennagari Prabhu Sekhar Borrower), 4-71 2nd Floor Ganesh Nagar Road No. 2 Narapally Ghatkesar, Medchel Malkajgiri Near Bus Stop Secunderabd Samskruthi Hyderabad 500088 Telangana, LHHPS00001638318	All That The Part And Parcel of Flat No. 807 In 8th Floor H.No. 2-C6/807, Ptin No. 1228321276, Tower C06, 2 Bhk, Sadhbhavana Township, With Plinth Area of 761 Sq.fts Together With Undivided Share of Land 11.42 Sq.yds Out of Total Land of 1232.87 Sq.yds In Sy No 35, Situated At Pocharam Vill., Municipality, Ghatkesar, Mandal And Under Bounded By- North By: Open To Sky, South By: Flat No 808, East By: Open To Sky, West By: Corridor.	13-10-2026 Rs. 47,014/-	08-10-2026

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: October 28, 2026 Authorized Officer,
Place: Hyderabad ICICI Home Finance Company Limited

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, 1ST FLOOR, TRIVENI COMPLEX, ABIDS, AT: HYDERABAD

O.A. No. 801 OF 2026

Between:
Bank of Baroda,
Vivekananda Nagar Branch, Hyderabad. **...Applicant**
AND
1. M/s. Omkareshwara Infra Developers
Represented by its Partners
Mr. Sabavath Venkat Naik & Katravath Valya R/o. P No. 15, Flat No. 103, Kalchar Vihar Apartments, Upperpally, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana-500 048
Ph No. 9553357777 & 9032744401
2. Mr. Sabavath Venkat Naik
S/o. Sabavath Rajya, Age: 42 Years, Occ: Business, R/a. H No. 4-151, Singammaguda Thanda, Balanga Mandal, Rangareddyguda, Mahabub nagar, Telangana - 509 202, Ph No. 9553357777
3. Mr. Katravath Valya Age: 45 Years, Occ: Business, R/o. H.No. 4-67, Anjamma Thanda, Balanga Mandal, Rangareddyguda, Mahabub nagar, Telangana - 509 202, Ph No. 9032744401 **...Defendants 1 to 3**

Please take the summons in the above O.A. No: 801/2026 filed by the Applicant for recovery of money of Rs. **Rs.57,63,803/-** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal Order Summons to you by way of Paper Publication in South India Times daily news paper and posted the matter on **16-12-2026.**
In accordance within sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under
(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
(ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;
(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;
(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
(v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Presiding Officer on **16-12-2026 at 10:30A.M.** failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date: **26-10-2026**

Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Hyderabad.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, 1st FLOOR, TRIVENI COMPLEX, ABIDS, HYDERABAD.

OA NO. 915 OF 2026.

Between:
IDBI Bank **...Applicant**
And
Prathapuram Vikas and another ...Defendants

SUMMONS BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To,
1. Mr. Prathapuram Vikas S/o Shesha Chary
Flat no.406, Sanvis Sri Adobe,VTC Bachupally, Near Bachupally 'X' Roads,Hyderabad-500090
Also At:
Mr. Prathapuram Vikas S/o Shesha Chary
Head Digital Works Pvt Ltd., Unit-A, 8th Floor, Atria Block, The-V, Plot no.17, Software Units Layout, Madhapur, Hyderabad-500091
Also At:
Mr. Prathapuram Vikas S/o Shesha Chary
Flat no 213, 2nd Floor, Suryas Maruthi Sarover Sy.no.54, Mallampet(V), Medchal, Dindigal, Gandi Maisamma, Telangana-502303
2. Smt.Chakravrthula Ramya, W/o P.Vikas
Flat no.406, Sanvis Sri Adobe, VTC bachupally, Near Bachupally 'X' Roads,Hyderabad-500090
Also At:
Smt.Chakravrthula Ramya, W/o P.Vikas
Amazon Development Centre Pt Ltd., Nanakramguda, Kokapet, Hyderabad-500075

Please take the summons in the above O.A.no: 915/2026 filed by the Applicant for recovery of money of Rs. **Rs.57,53,637/-** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal Order Summons to you by way of Paper Publication in South India Times daily news paper and posted the matter on **01-12-2026.**
In accordance within sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under
(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
(ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;
(iii) you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;
(iv) you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
(v) you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Presiding Officer on **01-12-2026 at 10:30A.M.** failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date: **26-10-2026**

Signature of the Officer Authorised to issue Summons.

NEOGROWTH Lending simplified. Growth amplified.

NeoGrowth Credit Pvt. Ltd.
Times Square, Tower E, 9th Floor, Andheri Kurla Road, Marol, Andheri East – 400059; T: 91 22 4921 9999 www.neogrowth.in; CIN: U51504MH1993PTC251544

RULE 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

WHEREAS: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Neogrowth Credit Pvt Ltd., Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice dated: **13.06.2025** in respect of Loan Account no. 1271638, 1289933 calling upon the Borrower/Mortgagor, viz. **1) MARUTHI ENTERPRISES (Merchant), 2) VENUGOPAL REDDY RAVULA (Borrower/ proprietor/ Authorised Signatory)** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 32,98,608.69/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Six Hundred Eight Paise Sixty Nine Only) being the amount due as on 09.06.2025**, together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus all costs, charges and expenses till date of payment within 60 days from the date of the said notice.
The borrower/co-borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/co-borrower/ mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Physical Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 6 & 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **23.10.2026**.
The borrower/co-borrower/ mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property shall be subject to the charge of the Neogrowth Credit Pvt Ltd for an **Rs. 32,98,608.69/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Six Hundred Eight Paise Sixty Nine Only) being the amount due as on 09.06.2025**, together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus all costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.
The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY:

All That Piece And Parcel Of All That The Demolished Part Of Residential House Bearing No. 2-123/176, On Plot No. 44 Part, In Survey Nos.155 And 156/1, Admeasuring 40.00 Square Yards Or 33.44 Square Meters, Situated At Sri Sai Reddy Nagar, Macha Bolarum Village, Under Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Alwal Circle, Malkajgiri Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Now Newly Formed As Alwal Mandal Medchal-malkajgiri District, Telangana State, Telangana-500010 And Bounded By: East – Road, West – Alwal Village Boundary, North – Plot No. 168 Part, South – Portion Of House No. 1-123/176 On Plot No. 44 Part

Date : 28/10/2026, Place :Hyderabad — **Sd/- Authorised Office, M/s NeoGrowth Credit Private Limited**

FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD.
Registered Office: Unit No. 1101, 11th Floor, Cignus, Plot No. 71 A, Powai, Paspoli, Mumbai - 400087

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Fedbank Financial Services Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 09/03/2026** calling upon the **Borrower, Mortgagor, Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor:- (1) GYANENDRA KUMAR (Borrower); (2) KOMAL KOMAL (Co – Borrower);** to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being **Rs. 2593114/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lac Ninety Three Thousand One Hundred Fourteen Only) as on 9/3/2026 in Loan Account No. FEDHYC0HL0544322** together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus all costs charges and incidental expenses etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said demand notice.
The Borrower, Mortgagor, Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor mentioned hereinabove having failed to repay the above said amount within the specific period, notice is hereby given to the Borrower, Mortgagor, Co-Borrower(s), Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned Authorised officer has taken **PHYSICAL POSSESSION** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **26TH October of the year 2026**
The Borrower, Mortgagor, Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the following property and any dealings with the following property will be subject to the charge of Fedbank Financial Services Ltd. for an amount **Rs. 2593114/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lac Ninety Three Thousand One Hundred Fourteen Only) as on 9/3/2026 in Loan Account No. FEDHYC0HL0544322** together with further interest thereon at the contractual rate plus all the costs charges and incidental expenses etc.
The borrower's attention is invited to sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.
SCHEDULE I: DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY: All Piece and Parcel of Mortgaged Property Bearing All That Open Plots Bearing Nos. 42 (244.00 Sq. Yards) and 43 (244.00 Sq. Yards), Admeasuring a Total Extent of 488.00 Sq. Yards or Equivalent to 408.01 Sq. Mtrs., in Sy. No. 180/A, Situated at Bhagyanagar Colony, Farooqnagar (Shadnagar) Village Shivar, Shadnagar Municipality, Farooqnagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana, Under the Jurisdiction of the Sub-Registrar, Farooqnagar, and the District Registrar, Ranga Reddy, and Bounded as Follows: Boundaries for Plot No. 42: North: 40' 0" Wide Road, South: Plot No. 43, East: Plot No. 46, West: 40' 0" Wide Road. Schedule of the Property (Flat No. G-2): All That Undivided Share in the Land, Together with the RCC-Constructed House Building Bearing No. 13-134/5, Constructed on Plot Nos. 42 and 43, Comprising Flat No. G-2 on the Ground Floor, Having an Undivided Share of 24.4 Sq. Yards, with RCC Construction Having a Plinth Area of 1,050.00 Sq. Ft., in Sy. No. 180/A, Situated at Keerthi Plaza, Bhagyanagar Colony, Farooqnagar (Shadnagar) Village Shivar, Shadnagar Municipality, Farooqnagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana, Under the Jurisdiction of the Sub-Registrar, Farooqnagar, and the District Registrar, Ranga Reddy. Boundaries: East: Corridor, West: Open Place, North: Lift and Parking, South: Open Place.

Place: - SHADNAGAR, Date: - 26-10-2026 Sd/- Authorized Officer, Fedbank Financial Services Ltd

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD(DRT-2)
1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, Hyderabad-500001

Case No.: OA/ 928/2026
Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2AO of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal(Procedure) Rules,1993.
Exh.No.:399

AXIS BANK LTD
And
IMAGIX PYROLYSIS AND OTHERS

To,
1. IMAGIX PYROLYSIS PLANT Rep by its proprietor Muvvala Mani Ramakrishna Seshu Industrial Park, Plot No.209, Pashmylaram, Sangareddy- 502307. Mobile no: 7799661694, Email id : imagixpyro@gmail.com
2. Muvvala Mani Ramakrishna Seshu S/O. Muvvala Suresh Babu, R/o. 14/81/62/4, PLOT. NO. 269/B Beeramguda, Aeenpur Medak -502032, Mobile no: 7799661694.
.... Defendants

PAPER PUBLICATION

Please take the summons in the above O.A.No. 928 of 2026 filed by the Applicant for Recovery of money of **Rs. 25,46,231/-** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal ordered summons to you by way of paper publication in English local language and Telugu Local language and posted the matter on **25-11-2026.**
In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under;
i) To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the Original application;
iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;
iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of assets over which security interest in created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets of other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are hereby required to show cause on **25-11-2026 at 10.30 a.m** at Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, 1st floor, Triveni complex, Abids, Hyderabad - 500001, in person or by an Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this day **21st of October, 2026**

(By order of the Court)
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal - II,
Hyderabad.

Police raid prostitution ring in Husnabad



Husnabad: Acting on information about prostitution activities on Karimnagar Road in Husnabad town, Siddipet district, a special police operation was conducted last night under Husnabad ACP Sadanandam's directives and CI Sridhar's supervision, led by SI P. Lakshma Reddy and his team. Individuals involved were identified, and a case was registered against organiser Kamsani Sujatha and a client under the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act.

Avoid paddy in Rabi, farmers told



Khammam: Farmers should avoid paddy cultivation during the upcoming Rabi season as drought-like conditions are likely due to the El Niño effect, and instead opt for pulses, millets, vegetables and other less water-intensive crops. Agriculture Minister Thummala Nageswara Rao issued these directions at a review meeting at the Khammam Collectorate on Tuesday with Collectors Divakara and Ankit. Officials were told to prioritise drinking water, not release Kinnerasani water for Rabi irrigation, store water in the Paleru Reservoir, restore old drinking water schemes and take up conservation works. Groundwater has declined by two metres in Khammam and 3.5 metres in Bhadradri Kothagudem.

Conserve water and power, farmers told



Narayanpet: An awareness programme on conserving water and electricity was held at Hindupur village in Krishna mandal of Narayanpet district on Tuesday, organised by the TSS cultural troupe under the supervision of the District Public Relations Officer, following District Collector Priyanka's directions. Through songs, dialogues and folk performances, artists taught villagers to use these precious resources judiciously. They urged farmers to manage water efficiently in agriculture, avoid wastage, and prioritise less water-intensive crops, especially during inadequate rainfall, while following Agriculture Department guidance. People were also advised to use electricity only when necessary. Troupe artists Narasimha, Balayya, Bhupathi, Santosh, Padma and Franklin participated.

41 Vehicles Seized for Lack of Documents

POLICE INSPECT 180 HOUSES IN BC COLONY



Narayanpet, October 27 (TSIT): Police conducted a Cordon and Search Operation in BC Colony, Narayanpet, on Tuesday morning under the supervision of DSP Nallapu Lingayya, following the instructions of District SP Dr. G. Vineeth. A total of 50 police personnel inspected 180 houses and seized 41 vehicles, including 38 two-wheelers and three autos, for lacking proper documents. Police also educated residents about crime prevention, drug abuse, traffic rules, CCTV cameras, and cybercrime precautions. Residents were urged to report suspicious activities to the police. Cyber fraud victims were advised to call the 1930 helpline. CI Shivashankar, SIs Venkateshwarlu, Satish Reddy, and Gayatri, along with other police personnel, participated in the operation.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank — A Government of India Undertaking — सिंडिकेट Syndicate

ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH HYDERABAD (DP CODE: 2752)
MCH No 10-3-163 & 10-3-163/A, Ground Floor, Circle Office Building, Beside Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad-500 026. PH: 040-27725260, 27725259. E-MAIL : cb2752@canarabank.com

Ref: 2752/BKR/DN/27102026 — **Date: 27-10-2026**

DEMAND NOTICE

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
Note: This is a Fresh Demand Notice and supersedes all previous SARFAESI actions and notices.

Undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, ARM Branch, Hyderabad** (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor") **(File transferred from Hanamakonda II branch for recovery follow up),** appointed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, (hereinafter referred as the "Act") do hereby issue this notice to you as under :
Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor: Mr. Birudaraju Kantham Raju, S/o. Satyanarayana Raju, H. No. 2-57P, Dharmasagar Village, Kazipet Mandal, Hanamkonda District.
Non-Performing Asset **(NPA)** as on **31-03-2026.** Outstanding Amount: **Rs. 59,57,498.89 (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Eight and Paise Eighty Nine Only)** as on **30-09-2026** the details of which together with future interest rate thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Residential house with open place bearing H. No. 2-57/10 in Sy. No. 1095,1096,1097 & 1098 to an extent of 1763.00 Sq. Yds RCC Plinth area 4247 Sq. ft situated at Dharmasagar Village, Kazipet Mandal, Hanamkonda and **Bounded by: North:** Open plot of Vedavathi, **South:** Open plot of B. Raghupati Raju, **East:** 20 ft. Gram Panchayat Road, **West:** Open land of others. **Partition Deed No. 6873/2015 Dated 01/07/2015 executed at SRO Warangal fort MODTD No 3249/2016 dated 16/03/2016, 3175/2021 dated 29/09/2021 executed at SRO Bheemadevarapally. CERSAI ID: 400053329397.**
Name of Title holder: Mr Birudaraju Kantham Raju.

In respect of loans availed by you at our branch, which have become Non Performing Asset(s) with balance outstanding mentioned above along with interest and costs etc. we have already issued detailed demand notice under Sec13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 by Courier/Registered post with acknowledgement due to you which has been returned, unserved and undelivered. We have indicated our intention of taking possession of securities owned by the borrowers as per Sec 13(4) of the Act in case of your failure to pay the amount mentioned above within **60 days** You are advised (1) to collect the original notice/cover addressed to you and returned by Courier/ Postal Authorities from the undersigned for more and complete details and (2) to pay the balance outstanding amount with interest and costs etc., within **60 days** from the date of notice referred to above to avoid further action under the SARFAESI Act.

Date : 27-10-2026, Place : Hyderabad — **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank.**

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, AT HYDERABAD
I. A. NO. 3494 OF 2026
AND
I. A. NO. 3495 OF 2026
IN
O. A. NO. 391 OF 2020

BETWEEN :
AXIS BANK LIMITED ... PETITIONER / APPLICANT
AND
MR. SUDHIR REDDY & 103 OTHERS ... RESPONDENTS / DEFENDANTS

NOTICE BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To,
1. **E. Anupama Reddy,** W/o. **Late E. Sudhir Reddy** R/o. Plot No. 580, Road No. 32, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 033; **Also at :** M-22/3 RT, Vijayanagar Colony, Hyderabad-500 057.
... RESPONDENT NO. 103 / PROPOSED DEFENDANT NO. 103

WHEREAS the Applicant has instituted **O. A. No. 391 of 2020** against the Defendants for recovery of sum of **INR 1,18,57,25,979/-** amongst other reliefs and **WHEREAS,** upon learning of the death of **Defendant No. 1, Mr. Sudhir Reddy,** the Petitioner / Applicant has filed **I. A. No. 3494 of 2026** for impleadment of **Ms. E. Anupama Reddy** as **Defendant No. 103** in **O. A. No. 391 of 2020** being the legal heir of **Mr. Sudhir Reddy** and **I. A. No. 3496 of 2026** to condone delay in preferring **I. A. No. 3494 of 2026.** Since you, **Ms. E. Anupama Reddy,** are proposed to be impleaded as a Defendant in **O. A. No. 391 of 2020,** you are summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, 1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 001, in person or by a pleader on the **10th day of December 2026,** at **10:30 A. M.,** failing which the Tribunal may proceed ex-parte against you.

//ISSUED UNDER THE ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL//

Date : 28.10.2026 — Sd/-
Place : Hyderabad — **Samvad Partners**
(Counsel for the Petitioner/ Applicant)
1209, Aashray, 1st Floor, Road No. 60, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 033 **Ph.** 91548 29329

FOR ADVERTISMENT PLEASE CONTACT: 9948480279, 7330778889

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DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD(DRT-2)
1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, Hyderabad-500001

Case No.: OA/ 921/2026
Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2AO of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal(Procedure) Rules,1993.
Exh.No.:399

AXIS BANK LTD
And
EK BURN INDUSTRIES & others

To,1. EK Burn Industries Rep By Its Partner Ehtheshamuddin Mohammed Plot No. 29, Ida Fertilizer City Goutham Nagar, Ramagundam Peddapalli-505210. Mobileno:9849581020 Email Id: exburn@gmail.com
2. Ehtheshamuddin Mohammed S/O. S K Ameenuddin, Age: 44 Years; 0cc: Business H. No: 21-41-43/1, Shanti Nagar, FCI Ramagundam - 505208, Mobile No: 9849581020
3. Mrs. Nuzhath Sultana C/ O. Akbar Ali Shaik, Age:9/24/1989 Years; 0cc: Business Plot . No- 29, Ida Fertilizers City Gouthami Nagar, Ramagundam- 505210.
.... Defendants

PAPER PUBLICATION

Please take the summons in the above O.A.No. 921 of 2026 filed by the Applicant for Recovery of money of **Rs.33,36,691.49 Ps** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal ordered summons to you by way of paper publication in English local language and Telugu Local language and posted the matter on **25-11-2026.**
In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under;
i) To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the Original application;
iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;
iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of assets over which security interest in created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets of other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are hereby required to show cause on **25-11-2026 at 10.30 a.m** at Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, 1st floor, Triveni complex, Abids, Hyderabad - 500001, in person or by an Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this day **21st of October, 2026**

(By order of the Court)
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal - II,
Hyderabad.

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD(DRT-2)
1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, Hyderabad-500001

Case No.: OA/ 927/2026
Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2AO of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal(Procedure) Rules,1993.
Exh.No.:399

AXIS BANK LTD
And
SHIVA SAI PACKAGING AND OTHERS

To,
1. SHIVASAI PACKAGING Rep by its proprietor Plot No. 211/D, Phase-11, IDA Herlapally, Hyderabad -500051, Mobile no: 9393399988, Email id: sspackaging@gmail.com
2. DODDIMALLESH S/o.KOMARAIAH, Age: 41 years; Occ: Business, R/o.3-3-63/2/127, 1st Floor Bhavani Nagar, Manpur, Hyderabad- 500076, Mobile no: 9393399988
3. MURUGESHAN GOPAL S/o. RAMASWAMY GOPAL, Age: 66 years: Occ: Business Plot. No - 93, Flat no. 13, Rojamani Pride, Street, No. 10 Hmt Nagar, Nacharam Rangareddy - 500076, Mobile no: 9393399988.
.... Defendants

PAPER PUBLICATION

Please take the summons in the above O.A.No. 927 of 2026 filed by the Applicant for Recovery of money of **Rs. 81,14,641.64 Ps** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal ordered summons to you by way of paper publication in English local language and Telugu Local language and posted the matter on **25-11-2026.**
In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under;
i) To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the Original application;
iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;
iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of assets over which security interest in created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets of other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are hereby required to show cause on **25-11-2026 at 10.30 a.m** at Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, 1st floor, Triveni complex, Abids, Hyderabad - 500001, in person or by an Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this day **21st of October, 2026**

(By order of the Court)
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal - II,
Hyderabad.

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD(DRT-2)
1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, Hyderabad-500001

Case No.: OA/ 922/2026
Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2AO of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal(Procedure) Rules,1993.
Exh.No.:399

AXIS BANK LTD
And
KV R ELECTRICALS AND OTHERS

To,
1. KV R ELECTRICALS Rep by its Managing Partner Kallam Srinivas Reddy, H. No. 7-18/12, F. No. 202, Krishna Residency, Sangeeth Nagar, Kukatpally, Hyderabad-500072 Mobile No. 9553371234, Email id: KVRELECTRICALS12@gmail.com
2. KALLAM SRINIVAS REDDY S/o. KALLAM VENKATESHWAR REDDY, Age: 41 years, Occ: Business H. No. 5-1-81 Plot. No. 104,105 Near Bus Stop, Kukatpally Hydrabad - 500029. Mobile No: 9553371234
3. KALLAM DHANA LAKSHMI D/o. VENKAT REDDY KOMMA REDDY, 5-5-81/5/1, PLOT. NO. 104-105, F. No. 203, Sai Babanagar, Kukatpally, Hyderabad- 500072
.... Defendants

PAPER PUBLICATION

Please take the summons in the above O.A.No. 922 of 2026 filed by the Applicant for Recovery of money of **Rs. 24,59,146.92 Ps** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal ordered summons to you by way of paper publication in English local language and Telugu Local language and posted the matter on **25-11-2026.**
In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under;
i) To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the Original application;
iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;
iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of assets over which security interest in created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets of other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are hereby required to show cause on **25-11-2026 at 10.30 a.m** at Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, 1st floor, Triveni complex, Abids, Hyderabad - 500001, in person or by an Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this day **21st of October, 2026**

(By order of the Court)
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal - II,
Hyderabad.

Protium

PROTIUM FINANCE LIMITED
(Erstwhile Growth Source Financial Technologies Limited)
Registered & Corporate Office Address: 7th Floor, Block B2, Phase – I Nirlon Knowledge Park, Pahadi Village, Off. Western Express Highway, Cama Industrial Estate, Goregaon(E), Mumbai- 400063, Maharashtra.

POSSESSION NOTICE- (U/S 13(4) & As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Protium Finance Limited (hereinafter referred to as "Protium Finance Limited"), under the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) (the "SARFAESI Act"), and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a **Demand Notice dated 5th August 2026,** calling upon the **Borrower: K Ramarao Seeds Pesticides and Fertilizers Through its Proprietor Dattaram Kadham S/o Ramrao Kadham, and the Co-Borrowers: 1. Neelabai Kadham W/o Dattaram Kadham, 2. Dattaram Kadham S/o Ramrao Kadham, 3. Kadam Ramdas S/o Datharam Kadam, in respect of Loan Account No. GS045LAP2477581,** to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice, being **INR 1,13,89,152.20/- (One Crore Thirteen Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Two Rupees and Twenty Paise Only) as on 5th August 2026,** within 60 (sixty) days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers having failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described hereinbelow, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on **24th October 2026.**
The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property, and any dealings with the property shall be subject to the charge of Protium Finance Limited for an amount of **INR 1,13,89,152.20/- (One Crore Thirteen Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Two Rupees and Twenty Paise Only),** together with further interest thereon and all costs, charges and expenses incurred.
The borrowers' attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of the time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY

All that the existing RCC roofed building bearing MPL. No. (4-3-24/2C/4), vide Assessment/ PTIN No. 1096007857, consisting of G+ 3 upper floors (total BUA 3600 SFT) constructed on open Plot, lying in the Sy. No. 328/1/6 of Bhainsa Village Shivar, admeasuring total site area: (136.16) sq. yds or (117.23) sq. mtrs., property situated at Bhainsa Town & Mandal, Dist. Nirmal. Within the Municipality limits of Bhainsa & T.S **Bounded by: East:** Plot No. 13. **West:** House of Bhumanna. **North:** Open place of Suryakanth. **South:** Way.

Date: 24th October 2026 — **Sd/-, For Protium Finance Limited**
Place: Bhainsa, Telangana — **Authorised Officer**

M/S MINTIFI FINSERVE PRIVATE LIMITED
Reg. Office : Times Square, Unit No. 3b, 2nd Floor, Opp. Mittal Industries Estate, Andheri-kurla Road, Marol Naka, Andheri East, mumbai-400059.

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

WHEREAS,
The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the M/s Mintifi Finserve Private Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013 and registered with Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as non-banking financial company having its registered office at Times Square, Unit No. 3B, 2nd Floor, Opp. Mittal Industries Estate, Andheri – Kurla Road, Marol Naka, Andheri – East, Mumbai – 400059, is issuing this notice under section 13 (4) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) issued a Demand notice dated **12.08.2026** calling upon the Borrower **KRUPA TRADERS** along with the Co-Borrowers **SUNKARI KUMAR** and **SUNKARI SONI** which was duly delivered at their registered entity address located at 33-6-3/A/1, Chedupaka Sushila Mallesam Nilayam, Thimmapur Haveli, Rangshaipet Warangal, Andhra Pradesh-506002,. And Residential Address Located At H No. 33-6-542/5, Rangshaipet RTO Office, Warangal, Telangana - 506002 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice bearing of **₹.63,20,532.71/- (Rupees Sixty Three Lakh Twenty Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Two and Paisa Seventy One Only) as on 10/08/2026** along with further interest together with incidental costs expenses etc, thereon as stipulated under the respective financial documents executed between the Lender and the Borrower within a period of 60 (sixty) days from the date of the said demand notice.
The Borrower / Co-Borrower having failed to repay the amount; therefore, this notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act read with Rule 8 of the above said Rules on this **27th day October the year 2026.**
The Borrower/Co-Borrower mentioned herein above in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the M/s Mintifi Finserve Private Limited for an amount **₹.63,20,532.71/- (Rupees Sixty Three Lakh Twenty Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Two and Paisa Seventy One Only) as on 10/08/2026** together with further interest and other charges thereon at contractual rates.
The Borrower / Co-Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured asset.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (SCHEDULE'A')
DETAILS OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY MORTGAGED TO THE M/S MINTIFI FINSERVE PRIVATE LIMITED

Property 1 - "All that piece & parcel of immovable property including constructed structures on a Residential property bearing House No.2-73, admeasuring 354.65 Sq. Yds., With RCC Roof, Plinth area 351 Sft., Situated at Ward No.2, Patha Makdumpur Village, Narsampeta Mandal, Warangal District".
Address (Property Location)- "House No. 2-73, Ward No. 02, Situated at Patha, Makdumpuram Village, Narsampet Mandal, Warangal Dostrict, Telangana State -506332."
Boundaries As per Document : East- House Of Junnu Raju And Open Land, **West-** House Of Sunkari Kanuka Raju, **North -** Grampanchayath Cc Road, **South -** Open Land Of Nanumasa Swamy
Boundaries As per Site : East- Neighbour's House, **West-** Neighbour's House, **North -** 15 Feet Wide Road, **South -** Neighbour's House
Property-02 - "All that piece & parcel of immovable property including constructed structures on a Residential property bearing Open Plot admeasuring 200.00 Square Yards equivalent to 167.22 Square Meters in Survey No.283/A3/3 of Thimmapur (Haveli) Village, Khila (Fort) Warangal Mandal, situated at Ramgopalpuram, (Previously in Hanamkonda Mandal).,Warangal City & District".
Address (Property Location)- "H No 33-6-3/A/1, Sy No 283/A3/3, Thimmapur Havelli Village, Khila Fort Warangal Mandal, Warangal District, Telangana State."
Boundaries As per Document : East- Compound Wall of Govt High School Ramgopalpuram, **West-** 30 feet wide road, **North -** Plot of Others, **South -** Plot of Others
Boundaries As per Site : East- Govt High School, **West-** 30 feet wide road, **North -** Open Plot, **South -** Open Plot

Date : 27.10.2026, — **Authorised Officer,**
Place - Warangal — **M/s Mintifi Finserve Private Limited**

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LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
#201, 2nd Floor, Krishe Saphire Building, Near Image Hospital, Hitech City Main Road, Madhapur, Hyderabad – 500081.

POSSESSION NOTICE
(Under Rule 8(1) Immovable Property)

WHEREAS, the undersigned being the authorized officer of the **LIC Housing Finance Limited, Hyderabad** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices calling upon the following Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against their names with further interest / costs etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

1. Name of the Borrower/s: 1) Mr. Nandelli Chandra Shekar (Primary Applicant) A/c Nos: 7001260000600/ 7001260000635. Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2026; **DNPP :** 28.04.2026 ; **Date of Symbolic Possession :** 23.10.2026. **Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 30,28,066.58** (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Sixty Six and Paise Fifty Eight Only) **as on 13.04.2026** together with applicable incidental charges, costs.
Description of immovable Property: PROPERTY SCHEDULE "A" An undivided share of 52.28 Sq. yards land in the total area of 3705.40 Sq. yards relating to "VENKATA SAI HEIGHTS" in Sy. No. 337, situated at Rampur (Hanumannagar) locality of Karimnagar City, within the limits of City Municipal Corporation, Karimnagar under the jurisdiction of Sub-District and District Registration Karimnagar, near H. No. 8-4-465. Boundaries of total plot: East : Land of G. Raji Reddy and others West : Internal Road / Land of Sardar Ram Singh North : 60'0" Wide Road South : Internal Road / Land of Bhagavathula Kishtaiah.
PROPERTY SCHEDULE "B" All that the Flat No. 708, having Plinth Area of 1520 Sft. (including common area), RCC Structure in Seventh Floor, in addition to this the Car Parking Area (60.00 Sft.) in Sub Cellar provided for this Flat, relating to "VENKATA SAI HEIGHTS", in Sy. No. 337, situated at Rampur (Hanuman Nagar) locality of Karimnagar City, within the limits of City Municipal Corporation, Karimnagar under the jurisdiction of Sub-District and District Registration, Karimnagar, Telangana, belonging to Smt. Nandelli Rama, W/o. Sri Nandelli Chandra Shekar, registered vide Sale Deed Document No. 7279/2019 dated: 04.07.2019 and bounded by: East : 6'-6" Wide Corridor West : Staircase & Open to Sky North : Open to Sky South : Open to Sky.

2. Name of the Borrower/s: 1) Mr. Kadari Ramchandraiah (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 7001290002554 Demand Notice Date: 13.07.2026; **Date of Symbolic Possession :** 23.10.2026. **Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 22,78,571.46** (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Five Hundred Seventy One Rupees And Forty Six Paise Only) **as on 13.07.2026** together with applicable incidental charges, costs.
Description of immovable Property: All that the piece and parcel of the House bearing H. No. 12-112/A/A/1, Assessment No. 1192019584 in Plot No. 9/Part & 10 measuring 102 Sq. Yards or 898.35 sq. fts in Sy. No. 29/1 situated at Kalvakurthy Village , Kalvakurthy Municpality & Mandal, Sub-District Kalvakurthy, Nagarkurnool District, Registration District Mahabubnagar belonging to Mr. Kadaari Ramchandraiah Regd. Vide Sale Deed Doc No. 7704/2025 dated 30.10.2025 and bounded by: North : 20' Wide Road, South : Plot belonging to Mrs. Mahamunnisa, East : 20'Wide Road, West : Plot No. 9.

3. Name of the Borrower/s: 1) Mr. Bhimanadham Viswanath Reddy (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 7001280001545 Demand Notice Date: 11.06.2026; **Date of Symbolic Possession :** 23.10.2026. **Outstanding Loan Amount: Rs. 91.83.292.83** (Rupees Ninety One Lakhs Eighty Three Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Two and Paise Eighty Three Only) **as on 11.06.2026** together with applicable incidental charges, costs.
Description of immovable Property: All that the Flat bearing No. 101 in First Floor of "PN Residency" with builtup area of 2000 Sq.feet (including Common Area) & with Car parking along with an undivided share of land admeasuring 66.75 Sq.Yds (out of 267 Sq.Yds) on Plot No. 142 (in the final layout permit No. 7520/MP2/HUDA/94) in Sy.Nos. 30/1, 31/1, & 31/2 Situated at BHEL Vista of jeedimetla Village, Quthbullapur Mandal, Under GHMC Circle, Quthbullapur, Medhcal-Malkajgiri, Telangana State belonging to Mr. Bheemanadham Viswanath Reddy & Mrs. Bhimanadham Vijaya Regd. Vide Sale Deed Doc No. 2437/2025 dated 03.02.2025. and bounded by: Boundaries for Plot: North : 30 Feet Wide Road, South : Plot No. 139, East : Plot No. 141, West : Plot No. 143, Boundaries for Flat: North : Corridor & Staircase, South : Open to Sky, East : Open to Sky, West : Open to Sky.

4. Name of the Borrower/s: 1) Mr. Vijaya Kumar Bandari (Primary Applicant) A/c No: 710500005530 Demand Notice Date: 16.03.2026; **Date of Symbolic Possession :** 23.10.2026. **Outstanding Loan Amount : Rs. 12,60,818.02** (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Sixty Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighteen and Paise Two Only) **as on 16.03.2026** together with applicable incidental charges, costs. **Description of immovable Property:** All that the Flat bearing No. 203, in Second Floor, in the Complex Known as "Sri Venkateswara Residency", with a built up area of 1290 Sq. Feet, (including Common area) and Car Parking area of 100 Sq. Feet in Stilt bearing Parking No. 5, together with an Undivided Share of Land admeasuring 44.5 Sq. Yards. (Out of Total Land admeasuring 450 Sq. Yards) on Plot No. 197, in Survey Nos. 100, 101 & 105. Covered Under Block No. 49, Situated at Padma Nagar Colony, Phase – II, of Quthbullapur Village, Quthbullapur Mandal, Under GHMC, Quthbullapur Circle, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana State, Sub- Dist: & Regn-Dist: Ranga Reddy, (Nature of Roof: R.C.C. Type of Structure: with Pillars) belonging to Mr. Vijaya Kumar Bandari, Regd. Vide Sale Deed Doc No. 6094/2015 Dated 27.07.2015.and bounded by: Boundaries For Plot: North : 30' Wide Road, South : Plot No. 178, East : Plot No. 198, West : Plot No. 196, Boundaries For Flat No. 203 in Second Floor: North : Open to Sky, South : Open to Sky, East : Open to Sky, West : Corridor and Staircase.

As the above borrowers have failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said ruled on the dates mentioned above.The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the LIC Housing Finance Limited for the amounts mentioned against their names with further interest accrued interest thereon and costs.The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 26-10-2026 — **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Place: Hyderabad — **LIC Housing Finance Limited.**

Cyclone 'Arnab' impact: Several flights from Vizag, Vijayawada cancelled



Visakhapatnam, TSIT : Very severe cyclonic storm 'Arnab' in the Bay of Bengal has disrupted air services in Andhra Pradesh, with airlines cancelling several flights at Alluri Sitarama Raju International Airport at Bhogapuram near Visakhapatnam and Vijayawada International Airport on Tuesday. With heavy rains accompanied by gusty winds lashing the coastal region under the impact of the cyclone on Tuesday, various airlines have cancelled their services as a precautionary measure. Sixteen flights scheduled to depart from Bhogapuram on Tuesday have been cancelled. Services to destinations like Delhi, Hyderabad, Kurnool, Tirupati, Bengaluru, Kolkata and Chennai were cancelled.

Collector bids farewell to Vice President



Tirupati, October 27 (TSIT): District Collector Dr. S. Venkateswar bid farewell to Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan at Renigunta Airport on Tuesday following his two-day visit to Tirumala and Tirupati. District In-charge Minister Anagani Satyaprasad, MLA Bojjala Sudheer Reddy, DIG Shimoshi, District SP L. Subbarayudu and other officials were present.



The Honourable Vice-President of India Sri CP Radhakrishnan offering prayers to seventh mile Sri Anjaneya Swami in the First(Down) Ghat road.

Varudu Kalyani Seeks Bar Association's Support in GVMC Elections



Visakhapatnam, TSIT: YSR Congress Party mayoral candidate and MLC Varudu Kalyani met members of the Visakhapatnam District Court Bar Association at its chambers on Tuesday and appealed for their support in the upcoming Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation elections. During the interaction, Kalyani said the YSRCP was committed to the development of Visakhapatnam, public welfare and the improvement of civic infrastructure. She stressed that the participation of all sections of society was essential for the city's progress and assured that she would remain accessible to the public to address their grievances.

Highlighting the role of advocates in a democratic society, she said members of the legal fraternity played a significant role in upholding justice, protecting citizens' rights and creating public awareness. She urged the advocates to extend their support to her and other YSRCP candidates to contribute to the city's development. Kalyani interacted warmly with the advocates and sought their views on various issues concerning the city and its development. Bar Association representatives Krishna Mohan, Baji Naidu, B.V.R. Murthy, Sunny and Raviraj, along with Bar Council members, former government pleaders and public prosecutors (Ex-GPs and PPs), and a large number of local advocates, participated in the meeting

SIMBEX-2026 CONCLUDES IN VISAKHAPATNAM

INDIA AND SINGAPORE STRENGTHEN MARITIME COOPERATION AND OPERATIONAL INTEROPERABILITY



Visakhapatnam, TSIT : The 33rd edition of the Singapore–India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX-2026), hosted by the Indian Navy in Visakhapatnam, concluded on October 26, reinforcing the long-standing maritime partnership and operational cooperation between the Indian Navy and the Republic of Singapore Navy. As part of the bilateral engagement, RSN Fleet Commander Colonel Bertram Ang called on Rear Admiral Vishal Bishnoi, Flag Officer Commanding, Eastern Fleet. The two officials exchanged professional views on strengthening maritime cooperation and discussed matters of mutual interest.

The exercise was conducted in two phases. The Harbour Phase featured Subject Matter Expert Exchanges, cross-deck visits, professional interactions, sporting activities and planning conferences, facilitating the exchange of operational knowledge and enhancing mutual understanding between personnel of the two navies. The Sea Phase in the Bay of Bengal involved a series of operational drills, including Maritime Interdiction Operations, Anti-Submarine Warfare, Anti-Air Warfare and Anti-Surface Warfare. Seamanship evolutions and cross-deck flying operations further enhanced coordination and interoperability between the participating forces.

The Republic of Singapore Navy participated with RSS Supreme, a Formidable-class stealth frigate carrying an embarked SH-70B helicopter. The Indian Navy deployed the indigenously built stealth frigate INS Nilgiri, ASW corvette INS Kamorta and aviation assets, including P-8I and Dornier maritime patrol aircraft, Hawk Advanced Jet Trainers and MH-60R helicopters. SIMBEX continues to serve as an important platform for strengthening bilateral maritime ties, improving operational interoperability and promoting professional exchanges between India and Singapore. The successful conclusion of the exercise reaffirmed the commitment of both navies to enhancing maritime security and maintaining peace and stability in the Indian Ocean Region.

TTD EO Lauds Coordinated Conduct of Twin Brahmotsavams



Tirumala (TSIT) TTD Executive Officer M. Ravichandra attributed the successful conduct of the annual and Navaratri Brahmotsavams of Sri Venkateswara at Tirumala to enthusiastic and coordinated teamwork across all departments.

Reviewing departmental performance at a meeting in Tirupati on Tuesday, the EO said seamless coordination had enabled TTD to provide better facilities to devotees and ensure smooth conduct of the Vahana Sevas and Moolavirat darshan. He said minor difficulties reported during the initial days were promptly identified and resolved.

Ravichandra particularly appreciated the Garden and Electrical Departments for floral decorations and illuminations within the temple premises and across Tirupati city, which enhanced the festive ambience. He commended the Annaprasadam Department for serving quality food to lakhs of devotees, security personnel for their alertness, and the Health Department for maintaining cleanliness and sanitation in Tirumala. He acknowledged services rendered by the Kalyanakatta, Medical, Transport, Accommodation and Forest Departments, and appreciated the exhibitions organised during the festivals.

Noting that the Engineering Department had completed essential works within the stipulated time, the EO directed officials to prepare comprehensive advance action plans to prevent delays in future festivals. He instructed the Marketing Department to plan procurement of raw materials at least 90 days in advance, emphasising preparedness, inter-departmental coordination and continuous monitoring.

The EO lauded the services of Srivari Sevaks, NSS volunteers and NCC students in assisting devotees, and observed that SVBC had enabled crores of devotees to witness the Vahana Sevas through live telecasts. He advised the channel to further enhance broadcast quality and introduce more engaging programmes during the next Brahmotsavams. He said cultural performances by thousands of artistes from different States showcased India's rich cultural heritage.

Additional EO Ch. Venkaiah Chowdary, JEO (Education and Health) Gopinath and CVSO Muralikrishna presented PowerPoint presentations on departmental performance. Departmental heads submitted reports covering activities to be continued permanently, activities not implemented as planned, unexpected problems and corrective measures, and areas requiring further improvement. HoDs of all TTD departments were present.



K.P. NATARAJ, FOUNDER AND EDITOR OF KOTRAVAI NEWS & MONTHLY MAGAZINE, CONFERRED DOCTORATE BY INTERNATIONAL TAMIL CULTURAL UNIVERSITY..

Vice President visits Padmavathi temple

Tiruchanoor (TSIT): Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan offered prayers at Sri Padmavathi Ammavari Temple on Tuesday. TTD officials and State Revenue Minister Anagani Satyaprasad welcomed him. Priests performed traditional rituals, and TTD Executive Officer Muddada Ravichandra presented him with the Goddess's portrait and prasadam.



Paiditalli Sirimanotsavam concludes peacefully



Vizianagaram (TSIT): The traditional Sirimanotsavam of Sri Paiditalli Ammavaru concluded peacefully on Tuesday despite heavy rain caused by Cyclone Arnab.The procession began at 3 p.m. and ended at 4.40 p.m., with the sacred Sirimanu making three rounds between the temple and Kota. Traditional processions featuring the Paladhara, Anjali chariot, white elephant and fishermen's net representations preceded the main event.

Despite continuous rain, devotees gathered along roadsides and on rooftops to witness the procession, though attendance was lower than usual. Chief priest Bantupalli Venkata Rao, seated atop the Sirimanu, blessed the devotees.

District Collector S. Ramsundar Reddy and Superintendent of Police A.R. Damodar monitored the arrangements and security. Goa Governor and temple trustee Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju also witnessed the celebrations.

Dhanlaxmi Bank observes Vigilance Awareness Week

Hyderabad (TSIT): Dhanlaxmi Bank's Banjara Hills branch organised a programme for Vigilance Awareness Week 2026 on the theme "Probity for Prosperity".Telangana Cyber Security Bureau Sub-Inspector J. Chandana, Dhanlaxmi Bank DGM R. Raghunath, Branch Manager V. Renuka Devi and other staff members participated.

Chandana called upon people to fight corruption and explained ways for young people and senior citizens to protect themselves from rising cybercrimes. Participants later took a pledge promoting integrity and prosperity.



Gadwal Police Hold Road Safety, Cybercrime Awareness Drive



Jogulamba Gadwal: The Jogulamba Gadwal district police conducted an awareness programme at Anantapur village in Gadwal mandal, highlighting road safety, cybercrime prevention, the harmful effects of drugs, the POCSO Act and the importance of CCTV cameras. The programme was organised by the police cultural troupe under the directions of District Superintendent of Police T. Srinivasa Rao, IPS. Through performances and demonstrations, the team explained safety measures and legal provisions to villagers in an easy-to-understand manner.

The police urged two-wheeler riders to wear helmets, fasten straps properly, control speed and follow traffic rules. They cautioned parents against allowing minors to drive vehicles, stressing that road safety precautions could save lives.

The public was advised to dial 112 for emergency assistance, while cyber fraud victims were urged to report incidents immediately by calling 1930. People were cautioned against sharing bank details, OTPs, passwords and personal information with strangers. The police emphasised the message, "Stop, Think and Act," to prevent cybercrime.

Explaining POCSO provisions, the team said stringent punishment would be imposed for sexual offences against children. Women and girls facing harassment were advised to contact She Teams at 8712670312. The police also sensitised young people about the harmful effects of drug consumption, urging them to stay away from narcotic substances. Information on ganja and drug-related activities can be shared through toll-free number 1908, with informants' identities kept confidential.

Highlighting the role of CCTV cameras in preventing and detecting crimes, the team encouraged residents to install cameras to strengthen community safety. Police cultural troupe members Radhamma and Ramanjaneyulu, She Teams Constable Yashwanth, police station personnel and villagers participated.

Elderly Man Dies of Electrocution as Cyclone Brings Down Power Lines



Visakhapatnam, TSIT. An elderly man died of electrocution after fallen power lines came into contact with water at Duvvada Mangalapalem village in Gajuwaka amid the impact of the cyclone. The deceased was identified as Amara Pinni Devudu, aged 65. According to preliminary information, he reportedly came into contact with the live electric wires lying in water, unaware of the danger, and suffered a fatal electric shock. On receiving information about the incident, Duvvada police reached the spot and took possession of the body. The body was subsequently shifted to King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam, for further procedures. The incident cast a pall of gloom over the locality. Residents were urged to exercise caution around fallen power lines and waterlogged areas during adverse weather conditions.

Alliance leaders campaign for Kuppam candidate

Kuppam, October 27 (TSIT): Chittoor MP Daggumalla Prasad Rao and MLC Kancherla Srikanth campaigned for alliance-backed municipal chairman candidate Rajkumar at Dalavayi Kothapalli village.

Along with TDP, BJP and Jana Sena leaders, they visited households and highlighted the alliance government's welfare and development programmes. They appealed to voters to support Rajkumar on the cycle symbol, stating that his victory would accelerate Kuppam's development.



Naveen Reddy Urges Graduates to Support BRS Candidate



RANGAREDDY: BRS MLC Naveen Reddy has urged graduates to support the BRS candidate in the upcoming Mahabubnagar–Rangareddy–Hyderabad Graduates' MLC election, alleging that the Congress government had failed to fulfil its promises to unemployed youth. Addressing a preparatory meeting on graduate voter registration at Kosgi in Kodangal constituency, organised by the BRS under the leadership of former MLA Patnam Narender Reddy, Naveen Reddy urged eligible graduates to register their votes before November 6. He alleged that the Congress had failed to fulfil its promises of providing two lakh jobs within a year and unemployment allowances. He also criticised delays in fee reimbursement and scholarships, claiming that students and educational institutions were facing difficulties. Naveen Reddy further alleged that unemployed youth protesting for their rights were facing arrests.

Free health camp held at Nizampet



Nizampet: Sravani, which believes good health is a fundamental right, has been conducting free health camps every day in and around the neighbourhood, reaching out to those in need and providing access to essential healthcare services. As part of these initiatives, a camp was conducted on Tuesday at Nizampet Hightension Road Rachabanda grounds, where more than 50 people attended and received healthcare services. Through such efforts, the organisation remains committed to serving society and making a positive impact on the lives of people in the community. Photographs from the camp were shared for perusal.

Conduct census accurately, officials told



Suryapet: District Collector Tejas Nand Lal Pawar directed officials to conduct the census systematically without errors and appealed to the public to provide accurate information to enumerators and cooperate for its success. A second-phase census training programme was held on Tuesday at the Suryapet Collectorate meeting hall under the District Chief Planning Officer's supervision, attended by district and divisional officials, Tahsildars, MPDOs and Municipal Commissioners. The Collector said Phase-II enumeration will run from January 10 to February 28, 2027, with self-enumeration from January 10 to 24, field operations from January 25 to February 28, houseless enumeration on the night of February 28, and verification from March 1 to 5. Information will be collected through 40 questions.

Focus on Water Conservation, Drinking Water and Rural Roads : MLA SHANKAR



SHADNAGAR : Shadnagar MLA and State Public Sector Undertakings Committee Chairman Veerlapalli Shankar has directed officials to maximise employment generation under the employment guarantee scheme while prioritising water conservation, drinking water security and rural road connectivity. Reviewing development works with officials at the Farooqnagar Mandal Parishad office, he called for immediate measures to conserve water, recharge groundwater and protect existing water resources.

GITAM NCC cadets selected for national drone competition



Hyderabad: Two NCC cadets from GITAM Deemed to be University, Hyderabad, have been selected to represent the Andhra Pradesh and Telangana Directorate at the All India Inter-Directorate Drone Competition 2026, to be held at K. S. Rangasamy College of Technology, Tiruchengode, Tamil Nadu, from October 23 to November 4, 2026. Only four cadets from Telangana were selected for the national-level competition, of whom two are from GITAM Hyderabad NCC. The selected cadets are JUO A. Abhinav Sai Karthik (Senior Division) and JUO Tammuluri Kavya (Senior Wing). Lieutenant S. Ajay Kumar, Associate NCC Officer, called their achievement a source of pride, while university leadership congratulated both cadets and encouraged them to strive for excellence.

TOLIC Eluru reviews Hindi implementation



Eluru: The half-yearly meeting of the Town Official Language Implementation Committee (TOLIC), Eluru, was held on Tuesday at Hotel Kalyani Landmark, chaired by Shri Nampalli Srinivas, Regional Head of Union Bank of India and TOLIC Chairman. Proceedings were conducted by Shri Bijoy Kumar Choudhury, Senior Manager (Official Language) and Member Secretary. Heads of offices and Official Language personnel from Central Government offices, public sector undertakings, nationalized banks, financial institutions and insurance companies in Eluru attended, along with Official Language Officers from Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam. The implementation of Official Language Hindi was reviewed, previous minutes confirmed, and half-yearly reports examined. Discussions focused on promoting Hindi in day-to-day official work and strengthening coordination among member offices. Official Language shields were presented to offices in recognition of their efforts.

CMC Commissioner Srijana Highlights Civic Priorities at CSR Round Table



Hyderabad TSIT:
The Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) Commissioner presented the city's civic infrastructure and environmental priorities at the Telangana CSR Round Table 2026 in New Delhi on Tuesday. The event brought together government officials and corporate representatives to discuss opportunities for collaboration through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives. The Commissioner outlined priorities including public infrastructure, community parks, lake conservation and improvements to public spaces. She highlighted opportunities for corporate partnerships to support environmental sustainability and develop accessible, well-maintained public amenities. The discussions explored potential partnerships between the government and the corporate sector to address local civic needs through CSR funding. The Commissioner said such collaborations could strengthen urban infrastructure, protect water bodies and improve community spaces across Cyberabad.

Telangana Police to Host All India Police T20 Cricket Tournament from December 10



HYDERABAD, October 27: Telangana Police will host the 3rd All India Police T20 Cricket Tournament 2026–27 for men in Hyderabad from December 10 to 21. Around 35 teams from police departments across the country are expected to participate. Director General of Police C.V. Anand reviewed preparations for the national-level tournament with officials from various departments at the DGP office on Tuesday. He directed them to make comprehensive arrangements and work in coordination to ensure the event's smooth conduct.

Six main cricket grounds and two reserve grounds have been identified for the tournament, including grounds at Aziz Nagar in Moinabad, committee members informed the DGP.

Accommodation for visiting players will be arranged at the Telangana Police Academy. The DGP also reviewed arrangements for transport, food, ground maintenance, security and match coordination. Committees have been assigned responsibilities for administration, transport, media publicity, security, technical matters, match coordination and finance. The DGP instructed officials to complete the arrangements on time and make the tournament a success.

Form verification vital to SSR process: Sridevasena



Nalgonda (TSIT) Sridevasena, the Electoral Roll Observer for Nalgonda district—who also serves as the Commissioner of Collegiate and Technical Education—stated that the verification of forms and supporting documents is a vital component of the Special Summary Revision (SSR) of the electoral roll. She emphasized that the registration of new voters, as well as any deletions or modifications to the electoral roll, must be handled with great care and thorough scrutiny. On Tuesday, she inspected the SSR process at Polling Station No. 171, located at the Mandal Parishad Primary School in Munugode, Nalgonda district. During an interaction with the Booth Level Officer (BLO), Padma, she inquired about the conduct of the SSR process, specifically regarding voter registration, the verification of forms, and the issuance of notices for new registrations or requested changes. She also verified whether the SSR schedule and the examination of supporting documents were being carried out in accordance with the Election Commission's directives. Furthermore, she sought details on the status of new voter applications, the verification process, the handling of unmapped voters, and the methodology used to conduct door-to-door verifications based on the submitted documentation. Additionally, she advised that in cases where a voter is found to be registered in two locations, care should be taken to verify the correct place of residence before proceeding with any deletions, ensuring that the voter's registration is retained in the appropriate location. It was directed that VIP voters must be included in the electoral roll and that their details be recorded separately. Furthermore, it was mandated that any voter who received a notice must be informed of the final decision—whether their inclusion was accepted or rejected—following a hearing. District Collector B. Chandrasekhar stated that for voters who were issued notices, the outcome—regarding whether or not their name has been included in the electoral roll—will be communicated to them directly at their homes following the hearing.

BJP MP questions Singur water wastage



Sangareddy: BJP Medak MP Raghunandan Rao raised serious questions over government negligence in managing Singur reservoir waters at the joint Medak district review meeting held at the Sangareddy Zilla Parishad office on Tuesday. He demanded an explanation over allegations that 25 TMC of water was wasted in the name of repairs, and sought priority for drinking and irrigation water over Hyderabad transfers and industrial supply, including to beer manufacturers. He also questioned why 1,000 acres acquired by TGIIC for industries remained unused. Sangareddy MLA Chinta Prabhakar criticised the media's exclusion from the meeting. Ministers Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, Vivek Venkat Swamy and Damodar Rajanarsimha attended.

Officials trained for census phase-II



Warangal: A training programme for district, sub-district and charge-level officials on Phase-II Population Enumeration under Census-2027 is being held on October 27 and 28, District Collector Dr. Satya Sharada said. Addressing participants as chief guest, she stressed the census's role in development planning and instructed officials to ensure accurate, impartial data collection with transparency. Satish, a training officer from the District Census Operations division in Hyderabad, briefed officials on census procedures, data recording methods, technology use and field challenges. The Collector urged officials to fully understand procedures and be prepared for effective field-level enumeration. Additional Collectors L. Kishore Kumar and Y. V. Ganesh, District Revenue Officer M. Vijayalakshmi, RDOs Suma and Umarani, Chief Planning Officer P. Chandrakala and other officials participated.

KVK Scientists Create Awareness on Sustainable Farming



The South India Times // Nagarkurnool : A Khet Bachao Abhiyan (Save the Soil Campaign) was organised in Vattam village on Tuesday to create awareness among farmers about soil conservation and sustainable agricultural practices. Senior Scientist Dr Shaila from Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palem, attended the programme and explained the importance of soil health, multiple cropping, soil moisture conservation and high-density planting.

She advised farmers to protect soil fertility, use water efficiently and adopt sustainable farming methods to improve crop yields. She also explained the importance of modern agricultural practices and clarified various doubts raised by farmers.

Agricultural scientist Anjaneyulu, Agricultural Extension Officer Bhargav, village secretary Mahesh, Sarpanch Pittala Jyothi and RAWEP students Divya, Tejaswini, Srilatha, Gauthami, Aishwarya and Varalakshmi participated in the programme. Farmers and villagers also attended the awareness campaign.

Congress Workers Urged to Ensure Victory of Graduate MLC



Khammam (TSIT): Minister Thummala Nageswara Rao has called upon Congress leaders and cadres to work unitedly to ensure the victory of party-backed candidate Ramreddy Sarvotham Reddy in the Graduate MLC elections. He was speaking at a preparatory meeting held at his camp office in Khammam on Tuesday. He said the selection of Sarvotham Reddy by the AICC and PCC was a good decision, adding that his educational qualifications and political family background would help him understand and address the problems faced by graduates.

The minister asked party leaders and workers to focus on the graduate voter registration process. He urged every worker to reach out to eligible graduates and ensure that they register as voters. He also called for coordinated efforts among party leaders and cadres in Khammam district, in line with the work being carried out by the party in other districts.

K'taka voter count drops by nearly 1 cr after intensive electoral roll revision

SIR cuts electorate from 5.54 crore to 4.55 crore



BENGALURU, : The number of registered voters in Karnataka has fallen sharply after the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, with the final list published on Tuesday showing a reduction of 99.32 lakh names.

According to the revised figures, the state's electorate has decreased from 5.54 crore to 4.55 crore, making the exercise a major development in Karnataka's electoral administration.

The revision process commenced on June 30, when Booth Level Officers undertook door-to-door visits to verify voter details and identify discrepancies in the existing records. The Election Commission subsequently finalised the electoral rolls after the verification exercise. Women account for a larger share of the remaining electorate. The final list contains around 2.29 crore women voters and 2.25 crore men. It also includes more than 6.83 lakh voters aged between 18 and 19 years and 2,841 third-gender voters.

The revision process involved a substantial number of notices and applications. The Election Commission issued 43.82 lakh notices to voters over discrepancies in their enumeration forms. Separately, it received 10.42 lakh Form 6 applications from people seeking to register as new voters.

During field verification, more than one crore names were categorised as absent, shifted, dead or duplicate, commonly referred to as the ASDD category.

The final figures have drawn attention to the scale of the changes made to the electoral rolls. While the revision was undertaken to verify and update voter records, the exclusion of 99.32 lakh names is likely to prompt questions about the grounds for removal and the procedures available to eligible voters whose names do not appear in the final list.

9,064 Voters Deleted in Dakshina Kannada SIR



Bengaluru (TSIT) The Special Intensive Revision (SIR)-2026 of electoral rolls in Karnataka has been completed, with the final electoral roll of Dakshina Kannada district officially published on October 27, showing 9,064 voters deleted from the list. Deputy Commissioner Darshan H.V. said the district now has a total of 16,78,448 voters, including 8,23,198 male, 8,55,232 female and 18 third-gender voters. The draft roll published on August 24 had 16,46,387 voters, and 32,061 were added to the final list. The 9,064 deletions included those who had died and those who permanently relocated. A total of 53,806 correction applications were disposed of. During the claims and objections period, 41,125 new voters were added, including 32,986 Form 6 applications, 357 under Form 6A and 7,782 under Form 8.Among young voters aged 18 to 19, the district has 25,326 voters, of whom 12,908 were newly added. The district has 13,420 voters with disabilities, 14,086 senior citizens above 85 years, 366 NRI voters and 449 service electors.The Deputy Commissioner said all 1,50,131 notices and inquiries received during the revision were completely disposed of, with no cases pending. During the claims and objections period ending September 23, authorities received 1,205 objections, including 879 under Form 7 and 326 informal submissions.

Karnataka Deputy CM Parameshwara Stable After Heart Rate Spike



Bengaluru: Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister G. Parameshwara, who was admitted to Vaidehi Hospital in Bengaluru after experiencing a sudden increase in heart rate, is stable and responding well to treatment, hospital doctors said on Tuesday.

Dr. V.K. Srinivas told the media that Parameshwara's heart rate had returned to normal and his ECG results were normal. He said the Deputy Chief Minister was comfortable, having food, and was expected to be discharged within two hours.

According to the doctor, Parameshwara experienced an unusually rapid heartbeat on Tuesday morning. When he arrived at the hospital, his heart rate was above 180 beats per minute. Doctors examined him and administered the necessary treatment, following which his condition stabilised.

Srinivas explained that a sudden electrical disturbance in the heart could cause the heartbeat to accelerate sharply. Such episodes could occur in many people, though some might not notice them while others experience noticeable symptoms.

BJP MP Govind Karjol visited the hospital to enquire about Parameshwara's health. Speaking to reporters, Karjol said the Deputy Chief Minister was doing well and doctors had indicated he could return home later in the evening. He said he had spoken to Parameshwara's family and appealed to people not to worry. Parameshwara had attended a badminton event earlier in the day. As Sports Minister, he inaugurated the India International Challenge 2026 tournament organised by the Karnataka Badminton Association at its indoor stadium. He reportedly appeared fatigued during the programme, prompting his personal assistants and security personnel to take him to the hospital.

SC reserves order on plea challenging bail to Vinay Kulkarni in Yogesh Gowda murder case



New Delhi, : The Supreme Court on Tuesday heard appeals filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and Gurunath Gowda, brother of slain BJP leader Yogesh Gowda, challenging the bail granted to Congress MLA Vinay Kulkarni in the 2016 murder case.

A Bench of Justices Prashant Kumar and Sree Chandrashekhar heard arguments from both sides and observed that political murders must be treated seriously and those responsible should not be allowed to escape the law. The Bench granted five days to the parties to file written objections and reserved its order.

Appearing for the CBI, Additional Solicitor General S.V. Raju argued that established legal principles govern the suspension of a conviction. He contended that the High Court had erred in granting relief to Kulkarni despite allegations that he attempted to influence witnesses and destroy evidence while serving as an MLA.

Raju pointed out that Kulkarni's bail had been cancelled earlier and argued that the allegations warranted a strict approach. He also submitted that a conviction could be based on the testimony of an approver when supported by corroborative evidence. According to the CBI, the High Court had wrongly concluded that Kulkarni had no criminal antecedents, overlooking two previous cases cited by the prosecution.

Senior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhvi, appearing for Kulkarni, opposed the appeals and defended the High Court's order suspending the conviction and granting bail.

Singhvi argued that Kulkarni was not named in the original chargesheet and that the CBI filed a chargesheet against him only after four years. He said the trial had continued in Dharwad for three years and alleged that most witnesses, except witness number 30, had turned hostile.

BJP Seeks Lokayukta Probe into Waste Tenders



Bengaluru: BJP leader and Karnataka Assembly Leader of Opposition R. Ashoka has sought a Lokayukta probe into alleged irregularities in tenders worth Rs.133 crore for garbage and waste transfer centres in Bengaluru.

In a letter to Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, Ashoka alleged the tender process proceeded despite instructions from the Finance Department. He called for a detailed investigation into the decisions taken, examination of tender documents and legal action against those found guilty.Ashoka said the allegations raised serious questions about transparency in a project intended to strengthen the city's waste disposal infrastructure. He cited alleged violations of eligibility conditions, non-collection of additional security deposits and disregard of financial department instructions. He said he had earlier presented documents at a press conference to support his concerns.

The BJP leader highlighted the alleged failure to collect additional security deposits for two packages. Package 2, with an estimated cost of Rs.55.04 crore, was said to require an additional security deposit of around Rs.76.79 crore. For Package 5, the required amount was reportedly Rs.15.99 crore. According to Ashoka, the total amount in question was approximately Rs.112.99 crore. He asked the government to explain why work orders were issued without collecting the deposits and who should be held accountable.

IIT Kanpur's UpStart 2026 regional rounds conclude

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The Bengaluru and Hyderabad rounds were conducted online simultaneously on October 24, with 15 early-stage ventures engaging with 15 investors and venture capital representatives. Participants interacted with industry representatives from Hyderabad Angels, Impel Ventures, Venture East, ADP, NoQ Digital and IAN Ventures.

The participating startups represented sectors including fintech, health technology, deep technology, Web3 and cybersecurity. Besides pitching their ideas, founders received mentoring, expert feedback and networking opportunities, with scope for immediate funding discussions.

Shortlisted startups will undergo an intensive, multi-week mentorship programme led by industry experts to refine their business models and develop strategies for scaling up ahead of the national finale.

"Early-stage founders require more than capital to succeed. They need structured validation, hands-on mentorship and direct market access," said Gunjan, manager of events at the Entrepreneurship Cell, IIT Kanpur. The institute would focus on evaluating business fundamentals and connecting promising ventures with investors, Gunjan added.

Following the completion of its Seoul chapter in South Korea, UpStart 2026 will hold its final regional round in Mumbai on December 5. The national finale is scheduled to take place at the IIT Kanpur campus on January 23, 2027, with a total prize pool of Rs.18 lakh. More details are available at www.ecelliitk.org/upstart/.

4 Indians Picked for Australian Open Ballkids



Kia India has selected four young participants to represent the country as official ballkids at the Australian Open 2027 in Melbourne, following national trials held at the R.K. Khanna Tennis Stadium in New Delhi on October 24 and 25.

The trials brought together 60 shortlisted participants from Delhi, Mumbai and Bengaluru who had progressed through city-level selection rounds. Of these, 24 advanced to the final stage of assessments, from which four participants were selected for the AO27 Ballkids Programme.Candidates were assessed on agility, coordination, focus, responsiveness, communication and teamwork — qualities essential for supporting matches at a Grand Slam tournament. The selected participants will experience the Australian Open and gain first-hand exposure to the discipline, precision and teamwork required at the highest level of the sport.Atul Sood, senior vice-president, sales and marketing, Kia India, said the company's longstanding association with the Australian Open reflects its commitment to celebrating tennis and inspiring the next generation. He congratulated the selected participants and said the company looked forward to seeing them in Melbourne.

BWH Hotels Unifies 4,000-Plus Properties Under WorldHotels

BWH Hotels, the US-headquartered hospitality group behind Best Western, is bringing its portfolio of more than 4,000 hotels across 100 countries under WorldHotels as its global master brand, aiming to improve brand visibility, simplify bookings and expand international reach.

The transformation brings 18 brands, loyalty programmes and digital platforms under a unified identity, while allowing individual properties to retain



their existing names and distinct identities. The portfolio spans luxury, boutique, upscale, extended-stay and economy accommodation. The move marks a broader repositioning of BWH Hotels beyond its traditional Best Western identity.Larry Cuculic, president and CEO of WorldHotels, said consumer research indicated travellers were familiar with only part of the group's portfolio despite its wide range of options. The unified structure is expected to help guests discover properties more easily while enabling independently owned hotels to compete internationally without compromising their individuality. WorldHotels currently operates 34 hotels in India, with another 26 in its development pipeline. Ranjan Bhattacharya, chairman of WorldHotels India and South Asia, said the transition would build on Best Western's foundation while creating greater opportunities for hotel partners and guests.

Kharge Focuses on Party Rebuild, Social Justice

AICC COORDINATOR REVIEWS FOUR YEARS



Bengaluru, : BJP leaders and workers staged a protest at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Monday, demanding an apology from AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge for his controversial remarks about Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The protest turned tense when demonstrators attempted to march towards Vidhana Soudha and were stopped by police.

Leader of Opposition R. Ashoka, MLC Chalavadi Narayanaswamy and MLAs N. Ravikumar, C.K. Ramamurthy and Dr C.N. Ashwath Narayan were among those detained along with party workers.

Some protesters attempted to climb over barricades after police blocked their march.

The BJP accused Kharge of crossing the limits of political discourse and demanded that he apologise publicly to the Prime Minister and the people of the country. Protesters raised slogans against the Congress leader and criticised his remarks.

Addressing the gathering, Ashoka launched a sharp attack on Kharge, alleging that his statements reflected the Congress leadership's declining political standards. He said two leaders bearing the Kharge surname, referring to Mallikarjun Kharge and Karnataka Minister Priyank Kharge, were enough to damage the Congress party. Ashoka also questioned the language used by the AICC president and alleged that his remarks against Modi were inappropriate for a senior political leader. He accused Kharge of repeatedly targeting the Prime Minister through personal attacks.

Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy also criticised Kharge's comments, describing them as derogatory and a violation of political decorum. He alleged that bringing the Prime Minister's father into political criticism was unacceptable and said the remarks reflected poorly on the Congress.

Kumaraswamy said Kharge's long experience in public life should have been reflected in his choice of words. He termed the remarks regrettable and accused the Congress of reaching a low point in political discourse.

The BJP maintained that Kharge should withdraw his remarks and apologise. The protest highlighted the growing political confrontation between the BJP and Congress over personal attacks and the standards expected in public debate.

Short Film Festival Comes to Bengaluru

OVER 30 FILMS TO SCREEN ON NOV. 21, 22



Mysuru: Mysuru Cinema Society will organise a two-day short film festival, 'Gandhadagudi Cine Habba', in Bengaluru for the first time on November 21 and 22. The event will be held at Sir M. V. Auditorium in the FKCCI building on KG Road, Gandhinagar.

More than 30 films will be screened over the two days, with a total screening duration of 12 hours and 35 minutes. The festival logo was unveiled at a preliminary event by emerging Kannada actor Tejaswini Sharma and N. R. K. Vishwanath, president of the Kannada Film Directors' Association.

Tejaswini Sharma said organisations such as Mysuru Cinema Society played an important role in promoting Kannada films and cultivating an audience for meaningful cinema. Such platforms also help emerging actors and technicians gain recognition, she said, expressing hope the festival would be a success.

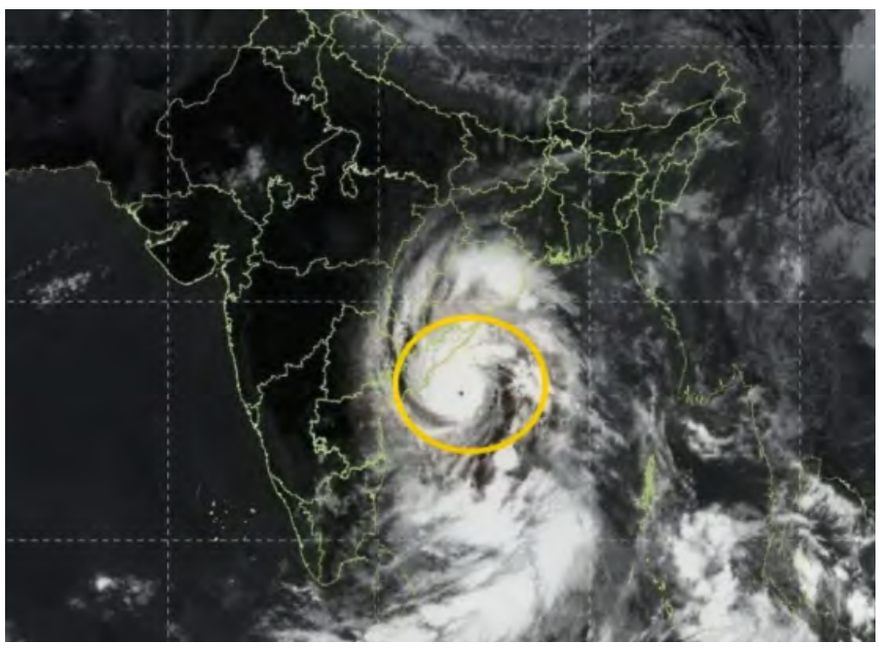
Vishwanath welcomed the initiative, noting it marked an expansion of the society's activities from Mysuru to Bengaluru. He said the initiative should eventually reach other parts of Karnataka and grow into a larger platform for filmmakers.

The society has been organising a short film festival titled 'Paridrishya' in Mysuru. After five years of work in the film sector, it has expanded to Bengaluru to provide a platform for emerging talent.

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Very Severe Cyclonic Storm "Arnab" over West central Bay of Bengal



Machilipatnam, Oct, 27 (TSIT) The very severe cyclonic storm "Arnab" over Westcentral Bay of Bengal moved nearly west-northwestwards with a speed of 20 kmph during past 6 hours, and lay centered today afternoon about 170 km south-southeast of Vishakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), 180 km east-southeast of Kakinada (Andhra Pradesh), 270 km east of Machilipatnam (Andhra Pradesh), 350 km east of Bapatla (Andhra Pradesh), and 370 km south-southwest of Gopalpur (Odisha).

It is very likely to move west-northwestwards till evening of 27th October. Thereafter, it is very likely to move northwestwards and cross Andhra Pradesh and Yanam coasts between Bapatla and Visakhapatnam, close to Yanam as a very severe cyclonic storm with the maximum sustained wind speed of 125-135 kmph gusting to 150 kmph by forenoon of 28th October, 2026. Meanwhile the Krishna District authorities has already taken all precaution measurs.



30 MLAs undergo governance training at Mahabalipuram

CHENNAI: A two-day leadership training programme for legislators began at Mahabalipuram on Tuesday, with the first batch of 30 MLAs set to undergo training in governance, legislative responsibilities and constituency development.

The Legislators Leadership Programme (LLP) was launched on the initiative of Assembly Speaker JCD Prabhakar, following instructions from Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay. Rural Development and Water Resources Minister N Anand, the MLA representing T Nagar, attended the inaugural session.

The programme aims to strengthen legislators' leadership capabilities and improve their effectiveness in public service. The sessions cover people-centric governance, legislative responsibilities, constituency development and approaches to resolving public grievances. Participants will also be familiarised with coordination among government departments, needs-based planning, accountable service delivery and measures to address issues faced by their constituents.

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Addressing the gathering, Anand said leadership was not merely a position or an exercise of authority but a responsibility that involved motivating others and helping them realise their potential. "Elected representatives must work responsibly, placing public welfare and constituency development at the forefront. Serving people and resolving their problems are our primary duties," he said.

Emphasising service-oriented leadership, the minister said CM Vijay had demonstrated these principles through his actions. He urged legislators to ensure that government schemes reached beneficiaries and that public needs guided their decisions.Anand also stressed the need to harness artificial intelligence, digital governance and data-driven decision-making to improve administrative efficiency and the quality of public services.

TVK opened one file leading to former minister's arrest, says Minister Nirmalkumar

Taking a dig at DMK leader MK Stalin for terming the arrest 'shamelessly' as an act of political vendetta

COIMBATTORE: Minister for Electricity and Law R Nirmalkumar on Tuesday said the arrest of former School Education Minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi over collection of more than Rs 400 crore through party funds from schools showed what could emerge from opening just one file.

Accusing the previous DMK regime of widespread corruption, NirmalKumar, while addressing reporters in Coimbatore, said several other files involving irregularities were under investigation.

"The DMK's Udhayanidhi Stalin was asking to open the files. The Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay has opened only one file and a former minister has got arrested.



Schools run by non-governmental organisations and Christian missionaries had been threatened into paying money to obtain a certificate issued by the School Education Department for the safety and security of school children," he said.

Taking a dig at DMK leader M.K. Stalin for terming the arrest 'shamelessly' as an act of political vendetta, the Minister said the DMK should be ashamed for collecting money from educational institutions.

Referring to videos purportedly showing supporters of Anbil Mahesh and former minister V. Senthil Balaji raising slogans that they should have finished him off that day in Karur, Nirmal Kumar said the DMK's drama in the Karur stampede issue has been exposed.

Claiming that documentary and video evidence was available against Anbil Mahesh in the corruption issue, NirmalKumar urged schools who had been forced to pay money to come forward and lodge complaints. He said all irregularities would be investigated and none would be spared. The minister also said efforts are on to nab 13 of the prisoners who escaped from jail break in Theni district.

Police hunt DMK councillor over threat to CM Vijay

CHENNAI: Police have launched a search for Vellore DMK councillor Teeta Saravanan after a video allegedly showing him making threatening remarks against Chief Minister Vijay outside Puzhal Central Prison went viral on social media. According to a Daily Thanthi report, Saravanan, a councillor from Ward 12 in Vellore, allegedly made the remarks when former DMK minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi was brought to Puzhal prison following his arrest in a Rs 100 crore bribery case. Anbil Mahesh becomes first ex-minister to be arrested for graft under CM Vijay's government As police brought Anbil Mahesh to the prison, DMK supporters reportedly blocked the police vehicle and raised slogans against the TVK government. During the protest, a man allegedly shouted, "Had we finished him (Vijay) off in Karur that day, would we be in this situation?" The man reportedly repeated the remark to another person standing nearby. A video of the incident subsequently circulated on social media, drawing widespread criticism. Following an investigation, police identified the man as Teeta Saravanan, who is said to be a close associate and supporter of Anbil Mahesh.Puzhal police have registered a case against Saravanan under four sections, including obstructing public servants from discharging their duties, intimidation and disturbing public peace.Police have formed three special teams to trace the councillor, who is reportedly absconding.The controversy comes after former School Education Minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi was arrested in connection with allegations of collecting more than Rs 100 crore from over 1,000 private schools by promising permanent recognition and statutory approvals, including DTCP and CMDA clearances. The Chennai Central Crime Branch registered a case against Anbil Mahesh, private schools association president and DMK functionary PT Arasakumar, and others following a complaint from the association.



Vaping a 'Stupid Habit': Doctor warns of addiction, throat irritation

Mumbai, Oct 27: Calling vaping a "stupid habit", a pulmonologist has warned about the potential health risks of e-cigarettes, including nicotine addiction, throat irritation and breathing difficulties. Although vaping is often considered a healthier alternative to conventional smoking, medical experts caution that e-cigarettes are not risk-free. According to Dr Shivaraj A L, Lead Consultant and Head of Pulmonology at Aster Whitefield Hospital, the aerosol produced by vaping devices may contain nicotine, fine particles, flavouring agents, volatile organic compounds and other potentially harmful substances.

These substances can irritate the airways and affect respiratory health. The absence of conventional cigarette smoke and its characteristic smell does not mean vaping is harmless.

Dr Shivaraj explained that vaping can cause dryness and irritation in the airways. When inflammation affects the larynx and vocal folds, it may lead to hoarseness and vocal fatigue. Such



symptoms can be particularly troublesome for singers, teachers and others who rely heavily on their voices.

However, he cautioned that voice changes cannot automatically be attributed to vaping without a clinical examination. Research into the long-term effects of e-cigarettes on the voice is still developing, and other possible causes must also be considered.

Nicotine addiction is another major concern associated with vaping. Nicotine affects the brain's reward system, creating an urge to repeat the behaviour and making it difficult to quit, particularly when devices contain high concentrations of nicotine.People attempting to stop vaping may experience withdrawal symptoms, including irritability, cravings, anxiety, restlessness and difficulty concentrating. Young people may be particularly vulnerable because their brains are still developing.

Vaping may also trigger wheezing and worsen symptoms of asthma and other respiratory conditions. The long-term effects of e-cigarettes on lung and cardiovascular health are still being studied, but the lack of complete long-term evidence does not establish that they are safe. The risks can vary depending on the device and its contents, but exposure to substances that irritate the airways remains a concern.

Dr Shivaraj advised people experiencing persistent hoarseness or respiratory symptoms to seek medical attention. Those whose voice changes continue for more than two or three weeks should consult an ear, nose and throat specialist, particularly if they vape.

Quitting can be challenging because of nicotine dependence, but professional support, psychological counselling and appropriate medication may improve the chances of success.

The key message from medical experts is that vaping should not be considered harmless simply because it does not produce conventional cigarette smoke. Its potential to cause nicotine addiction, airway irritation and breathing problems makes awareness and timely medical advice important.

Rare nipple melanoma in 93-year-old woman initially misdiagnosed as sarcoma

A 93-year-old woman with an eight-month history of a bleeding, ulcerated lesion on her left nipple was initially diagnosed with undifferentiated sarcoma, but further examination after surgery revealed invasive melanoma, highlighting the diagnostic challenges posed by this rare malignancy.

The lesion measured approximately 3–4 cm and appeared as a firm, purplish, protruding mass. Breast imaging identified a suspicious nipple mass measuring 44 × 35 mm, along with enlarged axillary lymph nodes. However, fine-needle aspiration did not reveal malignant cells, while a CT scan showed no evidence of distant disease.

An initial core biopsy suggested undifferentiated sarcoma, prompting doctors to perform a modified radical mastectomy and axillary lymph node dissection.

Further histopathological examination identified ulcerated, invasive superficial spreading melanoma of the nipple-areolar complex. The tumour had a Breslow thickness of at least 60 mm and a mitotic rate of



seven mitoses per square millimetre.The tumour displayed considerable cellular variability and inconsistent expression of melanocytic markers. Although the initial biopsy tested negative for S100, subsequent immunohistochemical testing showed patchy positivity for S100, Melan-A, HMB45, PRAME and tyrosinase.

The findings highlighted how limited tissue sampling can overlook important diagnostic features, particularly in poorly differentiated malignancies.

All 15 dissected axillary lymph nodes were found to be free of cancer, and the surgical margins were clear. The melanoma was classified as Stage IIC (pT4bN0M0).

Following a multidisciplinary review, the medical team decided against adjuvant treatment, primarily taking the patient's advanced age into consideration. She remained disease-free 26 months after diagnosis.

The case also raises questions about the most appropriate surgical approach for melanoma affecting the nipple. Although mastectomy was performed following the initial sarcoma diagnosis, a review of published cases indicated that such lesions are increasingly managed according to established principles for cutaneous melanoma.

Wide local excision is generally preferred over mastectomy, which has not demonstrated a survival advantage. Sentinel lymph node biopsy also plays an important role in assessing the spread of the disease to regional lymph nodes.

Primary melanoma of the nipple-areolar complex is exceptionally rare and can resemble Paget's disease, breast carcinoma or benign pigmented lesions. The condition can occur in patients of any sex, making awareness of its varied presentation important. The case underscores the need to consider melanoma when evaluating persistent nipple abnormalities. Comprehensive histopathological examination, appropriate biopsy sampling and expanded immunohistochemical testing can help prevent diagnostic errors and guide treatment, potentially avoiding unnecessarily extensive surgery.

EDITORIAL

India's Bond Market Is Bleeding, And The 'Savers' Are Losing

Oil, war, and a hawkish central bank have made Indian government bonds cheaper than at any point since early 2023. The damage to existing holders is real. So is the opportunity for new ones.

The 10-year yield, which ended 2025 below 6.6%, touched about 7.46% on October 23. The Reserve Bank of India raised the repo rate to 5.50% on October 7, its first increase since February 2023, and moved its stance from neutral to "calibrated tightening". Minutes of that meeting hinted at more to come. Retail inflation reached 5.54% in September, while wholesale inflation hit 11.39%, the highest in the current series. Several gilt funds recorded their worst twelve-month returns since at least 2014 in the year to May. In the United States, where the 10-year Treasury yield reached 5.3% this month for the first time since 2007, a growing view holds that rising yields lay the groundwork for better returns. The argument applies to India too, though local conditions shape who benefits.

Start with the arithmetic. A bond's yield acts as a buffer against price losses. The benchmark 10-year paper has a modified duration of close to seven years, so a one percentage point rise in yields cuts its price by about 7%. At today's yield, rates would have to rise by about 1.2 percentage points in the next twelve months before a buyer ended the year with a loss. For a five-year government bond yielding above 7%, the buffer is closer to 1.7 points. In 2021, when the 10-year hovered around 6.2%, it was nearer to 0.9 point. Bank deposits tell a different story. Bond prices adjust within minutes of a policy surprise, while deposit rates lag by months. SBI's highest fixed deposit rate is 6.40%. The five-year government bond yields more than 7%, and 10-year AAA corporate bonds were near 7.8% at the end of September. SBI's chairman said this month that banks may not raise deposit rates for two to three months, citing ample liquidity.

Banks park much of their deposits in government securities that now yield above what they pay savers. Through RBI Retail Direct, gilt funds or target maturity funds, a household can earn that difference for itself. The cost falls hardest on rural India, where September inflation was 6.08% against 4.88% in cities, and households rely on bank deposits.

Gains on debt mutual funds bought since April 2023 are taxed at slab rates without indexation, the same as FD interest. One advantage remains. FD interest is taxed every year as it accrues, while fund gains are taxed only when units are sold. That deferral compounds over time.

The bigger force on Indian bonds this year has been oil. India imports close to 90% of the crude oil it uses. After US and Israeli strikes on Iran on February 28 disrupted shipping through the Strait of Hormuz, the Indian crude basket rose from $69 to $117 a barrel within weeks. Brent was above $113 on October 22 after Houthi attacks on Saudi Arabia.

Most of this year's rise in yields traces back to crude. Expensive oil lifts inflation and pushes the RBI towards higher rates. It swells the import bill and weakens the rupee, and defending the currency drains cash from the banking system.

Will Israel 'Dump' Netanyahu? Why His Future Hangs In The Balance

Aishwaria Sonavane



Israel goes to the polls on October 27, in an election extensively framed as a referendum on Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. That assessment, however, limits a more crucial political contest to the fate of one leader, thereby missing a critical chapter of what Israeli politics looks like in the aftermath of the October 7 Hamas-led attack in 2023. The question that demands greater attention is whether the country's political center of gravity will shift if Netanyahu fails to secure an electoral mandate. Would a leadership change alter the country's strategic direction amid a heavily security-driven environment?

Before offering assessments of Israeli elections and their potential outcome, it remains important to understand the electoral process itself. Israeli citizens do not vote directly for the prime minister on the ballot; instead, they vote for parties to the 120-member Knesset, or the Israeli parliament, allocated through proportional representation. The country essentially functions as a single constituency, and any party surpassing the 3.25% threshold receives seats broadly proportional to its vote share. The result, therefore, remains less dependent on the number of seats each party secures and more on its ability to form a coalition to govern. The alliance is required to command the support of at least 61 lawmakers to win a parliamentary majority. In comparison with Indian parliamentary elections, an Indian voter picks an individual member to be elected to the Lower House of the parliament, and the first one past the post generally gives the largest party or a coalition a clear mandate. Whereas, an Israeli citizen votes for a party, instead of a candidate, and the order of candidates on that list remains predetermined. In simpler terms, a vote for the Likud party is not a vote for Netanyahu. A party can lead polls, yet fail to form a government. Meanwhile, a smaller party could win fewer votes but become indispensable in reaching a majority of 61 seats.

The system, as such, is essentially rooted in coalition-building and less in ideological alignment of parties. The political polarisation and trauma of the October 7 attack seem to be dominating the political plank, as demonstrated in the broader consensus on security-related issues. The key divisive issues are based primarily on two questions: who should govern and how the state should be governed.

ISRAEL'S POLITICAL SPECTRUM

The characteristics of Israeli politics are reflected in the parties contesting the polls, and a closer examination of these parties reveals how these entities hardly fit the conventional political spectrum of right-wing and left-wing. The Netanyahu blocs can be understood as an alliance of distinct right- and far-right-leaning parties and religious constituencies. For instance, Netanyahu's Likud party represents nationalist-conservative politics, with a focus on security-related issues, Jewish national identity, and a strong executive. The ultra-Orthodox parties, including Shas and United Torah Judaism, have prioritised religious education, welfare, and preserving the current religion-based status quo. The far-right parties, including Minister of National Security of Israel Itamar Ben-Gvir's Otzma Yehudit, take a hardline position on territory, Jewish settlements, and Palestinian statehood. While these parties have overlapping consensus on security and national identity, acute differences remain in how they view military services, the relationship between state and religion, judicial reform, and economic policy. They remain both strains and allies for Netanyahu.

A similar lens can be applied to the opposition bloc, which does not represent a conventional left-wing or a drastic opposition to the Netanyahu camp. The political plank of Gadi Eisenkot, known to be the biggest opponent in the ongoing polls, also rests on his security credentials as the former chief of staff of the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). He argues that Israel can remain security-centric without Netanyahu, while campaigning around issues of greater accountability, democratic institutions, and corruption concerns. Other key figures in the anti-government opposition bloc occupy distinct policy spaces - former Prime Ministers Naftali Bennett and Yair Lapid form a centrist-to-center-right alliance focused on security and governance reform, while Avigdor Liberman champions defense hawkishness alongside strict secularism. Meanwhile, the liberal-left, headed by Yair Golan, represents a smaller, distinct constituency.

With that logic, the upcoming Israeli government, even if without Netanyahu, is unlikely to have a softened stance on the question of Palestine and regional security. Despite consensus on the security approach, the issue of military services has emerged more prominently in the discourse. Israel is a citizen army, with conscription closely tied to the country's social contract. Historically, the Haredi, ultra-orthodox community has been exempt from military service. However, heavy reserve mobilisation and exacerbated concerns of security have made this exclusion a central political debate. For secular and religious parties, this remains a matter of sharing an equal burden; meanwhile, Haredi parties regard this exclusion as a way of preserving their distinct religious lifestyle.

Predictably, the October 7 attack has disproportionately dominated electoral campaigns over other national issues. The incident produced two competing arguments – how the security breach occurred under Netanyahu's watch, and who Israelis can trust to protect them in the future.

Therefore, any anti-Netanyahu vote or sentiment should not be misread as a desire for a different Palestinian policy, with neither bloc campaigning on the issue of a two-state solution or against the disproportionate use of force in Gaza in 2023, or increasing settlement-related violence in the West Bank. The election contest may not alter Israel's strategic or regional direction in the foreseeable future; however, a change of leadership can carry significant domestic consequences. The prime minister heads to the polls facing criticism from much of the world and an arrest warrant from the International Criminal Court for alleged war crimes, but with the backing of Donald Trump. "When you go to the Polls please remember that Bibi [Netanyahu] has been an outstanding Warrior Prime Minister!" the U.S. president said on Sunday, before suggesting that together they would launch another war against Iran: "We have to finish the job that we started!"

Netanyahu faces a heterogeneous bloc of Jewish opposition parties that represent half the country and range from traditional right to socialist left. Aware of the moment's importance, they have put aside their differences to try to defeat the prime minister. Together they could add up to about 56 seats. The two Arab lists (which represent Palestinians with Israeli citizenship, one-fifth of the national population) are expected to be the kingmakers the opposition will need if the arithmetic does not go their way, after the opposition largely refused during the campaign to make deals with them. Together they could win 15 seats, thanks to unprecedented mobilization by their voters, who feel discriminated against and treated as second-class citizens in Israel, especially since the 2023 attacks. In Israel's electoral system — which consists of a single constituency where voters almost always back their own parties — a handful of votes can change the landscape, due to the 3.25% electoral threshold. This is the percentage of votes a party needs to win seats. If a party falls short of this threshold, it is excluded from the Knesset and all its ballots are discarded.

The challenge of Islamic NATO: How much loss, how much potential for India?

Saurabh Varshney

In the changing geopolitical landscape of the world, the emergence of new strategic alliances is not limited to the security of a single country, but also impacts regional stability, international trade, energy security, and diplomatic relations. Recent developments in defense cooperation between Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, and Turkey, as well as strategic coordination among Muslim countries, have raised new questions for India's foreign policy. Some analysts are calling the emerging defense cooperation between these countries an "Islamic NATO." However, it would be premature to consider this a formal, integrated military alliance like NATO. The real question for India is how this changing equation could impact its security and national interests.

NATO is a formal military alliance with membership, institutional arrangements, and clear commitments regarding collective defense. In contrast, defense agreements and cooperation initiatives among Muslim-majority countries require an understanding of their terms, military commitments, and actual functioning before they can be considered an alliance of the same level. Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, and Turkey may share common interests on many issues, but their priorities are not the same on every subject.

Saudi Arabia's priority is to protect its regional security, energy assets, and economic development. Pakistan seeks to strengthen its military and diplomatic position, while Turkey aspires to expand its role in regional politics. The extent of these countries' future cooperation will depend on their ability to translate shared interests into concrete security arrangements.

India's primary concern is Pakistan's role. India's relations with Pakistan have long been affected by terrorism, cross-border infiltration, and security disputes. Any new defense cooperation that provides Pakistan with additional military resources, technical assistance, intelligence cooperation, or diplomatic support could increase India's security challenges. However, it would not be fair to conclude that allies will support Pakistan's every move based solely on defense agreements.

Another concern is the potential diplomatic mobilization against India on Kashmir and in international forums. If some countries adopt a united stance in favor of Pakistan, India may have to exert more diplomatic efforts to clarify its position. However, it would be wrong to consider Muslim countries as a single political group. Countries like Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates have trade, investment, and energy ties with India, which are of separate importance from their relations with Pakistan.

The third aspect concerns defense and strategic balance. If joint military exercises, supplies of advanced weapons, or extensive intelligence sharing between these countries increase in the future, India may have to review its strategy in West Asia and the Indian Ocean region. India will need to continuously strengthen its maritime surveillance, defense production, cybersecurity, and counterterrorism capabilities.

The fourth concern is energy security. India sources significant amounts of oil and gas from West Asian countries to meet its energy needs. If regional competition escalates into conflict, it could put pressure on oil prices, maritime transport, and insurance costs. This could have a direct impact on India's economy, inflation, and the pockets of ordinary consumers.

There is another side to this changing equation. The primary benefit could be that India further accelerates its defense preparedness and strategic self-reliance. Increasing investment in indigenous weapons manufacturing, modern surveillance systems, missile defense, and maritime security will be in the long-term national interest to address any potential challenge. This will enable India to strengthen its position in response to its broader security needs, not just in response to a single alliance.

The second opportunity is diplomatic. India has deep ties with Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, and other Gulf countries, spanning energy, trade, investment, and the Indian diaspora. India's partnership with these countries is not based solely on religious or political dynamics, but on mutual economic interests. Therefore, it will be essential for India to ensure that its relations with Pakistan do not overshadow its bilateral relations. The third advantage lies in strengthening India's strategic autonomy. India maintains relations with the United States, Russia, Europe, Japan, and West Asian countries in accordance with its interests. The emergence of a new regional alliance could further strengthen India's multilateral diplomacy. Additionally, it could enhance dialogue with partner countries on issues of counter-terrorism cooperation, security of maritime trade routes, and regional stability.

The fourth opportunity is that India may have a chance to clarify its role in West Asia. If India remains a reliable partner in economic cooperation, investment, technology, energy sharing, and regional peace, it can remain relevant regardless of any new strategic alignment.

India should neither unnecessarily raise fears about this potential alliance nor underestimate its impact. Foreign policy should be guided not by emotions or religious identity, but by facts, national interests, and long-term strategy.

Baruipur To Gaighata, Inside Suvendu Adhikari's Zero-Tolerance Approach To Crime

Jayanta Ghosal



From Baruipur in the South 24 Parganas district to Gaighata in North 24 Parganas, a new political culture is emerging in West Bengal. Although both districts are adjacent to Kolkata, the developments in these areas have become part of a wider political message. Suvendu Adhikari has adopted a zero-tolerance approach towards rape, making it clear that there will be no dilution of the government's position and no attempt to go soft on such crimes. That is the message his government has sought to convey through its actions. The first incident took place in July, after Suvendu Adhikari took over as Chief Minister in May. Now, in October, another incident has brought the issue into sharp focus. There is little doubt that, through this approach, Suvendu Adhikari is gaining considerable support among women in West Bengal, as well as among hardline Hindus. More broadly, he is drawing significant public sentiment around the question of humanism and justice for victims. West Bengal has a legacy of communist political culture. The Left has traditionally argued that excessive use of force and militarisation can lead to human rights violations. However, Suvendu Adhikari has adopted an issue that lies at the core of the BJP's national ideological position and reflects its traditional value system. Yogi Adityanath has become popular among his supporters for his encounter-based approach to crime. Similarly, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has taken a strict approach against criminals and insurgents. Suvendu Adhikari's approach places him within this broader political framework. Three decades ago, when Lal Krishna Advani was the Union Home Minister, I remember him proposing at the Home Ministers' Standing Committee that there should be no compromise when it came to rapists. He advocated a zero-tolerance policy and argued that rape should attract capital punishment. At the time, however, the chairman of the Home Ministers' Standing Committee was the communist leader Indrajit Gupta, who opposed the proposal. Gupta maintained that strong action should be taken against rapists, and there should be no leniency or political considerations in dealing with them. However, he did not believe that capital punishment was necessary to address the crisis. Several countries, after all, do not recognise the death penalty as a legal option. The world has long been divided between these two approaches to punishment. Advani, therefore, could not implement his proposal, although it reflected the BJP's position under the Atal Bihari Vajpayee government. After Narendra Modi became Prime Minister, the BJP adopted a strong approach towards crime and law enforcement. Amit Shah, too, has supported a tough stance on encounters, particularly in situations involving the self-defence of police and paramilitary personnel. From this perspective, encounters have been presented as another option available to the security forces. In Uttar Pradesh, Yogi Adityanath has brought the activities of mafia groups and criminal strongmen under control, according to the BJP's assessment of his governance. During Mulayam Singh Yadav's tenure as Chief Minister, a perception had grown that the state was witnessing mafia raj, with allegations that sections of the political establishment, including Yadav leaders, and the police were allowing criminals to escape punishment. This remains one of the BJP's principal allegations against its political opponents in Uttar Pradesh, including in the run-up to state elections. Yogi Adityanath has sought to counter that perception through strong action against criminal elements. Suvendu Adhikari has now adopted a similar national political line in West Bengal. For the BJP's core constituency, this approach is likely to be particularly appealing. At the same time, the issue could also benefit the party by generating political debate and wider public discussion. Even if the response is controversial, the resulting attention may work in favour of both the BJP and Suvendu Adhikari. CPM leader Sujan Chakraborty has already said that his party is opposed to rape but does not believe that encounters are always necessary. He has also raised concerns that encounters can create a perception that evidence is being tampered with. However, in the incident under discussion, the accused rapist was being transported in a police jeep when the police took action. The circumstances surrounding the incident have consequently become part of the wider debate over the government's approach to crime and punishment. Through this approach, Suvendu Adhikari stands to gain in at least three ways. First, he is receiving considerable support from sections of the West Bengal public.

MODI GOVERNMENT LAUNCHES MAJOR CRACKDOWN ON DRUG TRAFFICKING

Amit Shah Announces Action Across 38 Locations Under 'Operation Trident'



The dense forests of the Northeast, the difficult terrain of remote areas and the country's multiple international borders have long provided safe havens for drug traffickers. These very routes, which once enabled the unchecked movement of narcotics, have now come under the government's scanner as part of its determined campaign to safeguard India's youth. The crackdown signals that the fight against drug trafficking is no longer confined to sporadic raids. Instead, the government is pursuing a coordinated strategy to strike at the very networks that sustain this illegal trade.

At the centre of this strategy is Union Home Minister Amit Shah, whose reputation as a firm administrator and astute political strategist has been reflected in the government's latest anti-narcotics offensive. Acting on his directions, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), in coordination with central and state agencies, carried out simultaneous raids at 38 locations across Assam, Mizoram and Manipur on October 23, 2026, under an operation codenamed 'Operation Trident'. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the strategic guidance of Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Operation Trident saw coordinated action by the NCB alongside agencies operating in sensitive areas such as Aizawl, Champhai, Zokhawthar, Churachandpur and Cachar.

The operation delivered a clear message to international drug syndicates, particularly those operating across the Myanmar border: their networks would no longer be allowed to function with impunity. Eighteen individuals were arrested, 500 detonators and 12 lakh in cash were seized. This was no ordinary enforcement exercise, but a concerted attempt to dismantle the entire network, from the smuggling routes and financial channels to the individuals facilitating the illegal trade. The investigation also exposed the financial reach of these criminal networks. Acting under Shah's strategy, Operation Trident uncovered hawala transactions worth 100 crore, led to the freezing of 1,424 bank accounts and resulted in the seizure of assets valued at 17.82 crore. Routes used by traffickers in Myanmar's Sagaing region were also shut down. In accordance with the Narcotics Control Bureau's Vision Document (2026–2029), the campaign is being taken forward through coordinated action, intelligence-sharing and financial investigations. The significance of this crackdown extends well beyond a single operation. Shah has resolved to eliminate drug trafficking networks at their roots by December 31, 2029, and Operation Trident represents a major step towards fulfilling that commitment. His vision of a drug-free India rests on a clear principle: the offensive against narcotics must continue until the last smuggling network has been dismantled. The campaign to protect India's youth and secure its borders has now gathered renewed momentum. The Modi government's vision of a drug-free India is not merely a law-enforcement initiative. It is equally a commitment to protecting the country's younger generations and safeguarding the fabric of society. The coordinated operations across the Northeast send an unmistakable message to international drug syndicates: India will offer neither refuge, nor respite to those engaged in the narcotics trade.

10,000 plus women participated in the 4th edition of Mutual Funds Sahi Hai Pinkathon Day



The 4th edition of Pinkathon Day witnessed strong participation of women across Ranchi, bringing them together through a shared commitment to physical fitness. Organised by Pinkathon, India's biggest women's running movement, the event saw participants take part in a 3 km run beginning at 6:00 AM, encouraging women to incorporate physical activity into their everyday lives. Mutual Funds Sahi Hai was the Title Partner of this year's edition.

Mr. Venkat N. Chalasani, Chief Executive, Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI), "Through our association with Pinkathon Day, we aim to encourage women to take an active role in managing their finances and securing their financial future. Just as regular physical activity contributes to long-term health, informed financial decisions and disciplined investing can help build financial resilience and enable women to pursue their long-term goals with confidence. With participants coming together across 168 locations in 65 cities and three countries, Pinkathon Day provides a valuable platform to connect women's physical well-being with financial awareness. At AMFI, we believe that financial inclusion goes beyond access to financial products; it is about equipping women with the knowledge, confidence and opportunity to make informed financial decisions, participate meaningfully in the financial system and work towards greater financial security and independence."

Milind Soman, Founder of Pinkathon, said, "Every edition of Pinkathon Day is an opportunity to see how local communities can come together around a shared goal. The participation across cities reflects the efforts of our ambassadors, volunteers and running groups who encourage women to take that first step towards fitness. What matters now is for participants to carry this momentum into their everyday lives and find ways to stay active beyond the event. Building a healthier lifestyle is a continuous journey, and we hope Pinkathon Day inspires more women to make it a priority."

The city's participation was part of a wider effort that brought together over 10,000 participants across 168 locations in 65 cities in three countries: India, Bangladesh and the Netherlands. The initiative continued Pinkathon's efforts to build local running communities and encourage women across age groups and fitness levels to embrace an active lifestyle.

Family participation was another highlight of this year's edition, with major participants across the initiative joining alongside their family members. Among the participants was a 96-year-old woman who took part with her family, demonstrating how fitness can bring generations together.

As Title Partner, Mutual Funds Sahi Hai supported the initiative in extending the conversation around women's well-being to include financial awareness and planning. The association highlighted the importance of informed financial decisions and long-term preparedness alongside physical health.

The event was supported by Pinkathon's network of ambassadors, volunteers and local running communities, who helped bring participants together across locations. Through these community-led efforts, Pinkathon continues to encourage women to begin their fitness journeys and sustain healthier habits beyond organised events.

'Kya Saans Khuli, Kya Hawa Chali': Mentos Fresh Action Unveils a Refreshing New TVC



27th October 2026: Mentos, a flagship brand from the house of Perfetti Van Melle, has unveiled a playful new TVC for its recently launched Mentos Fresh Action Candy , bringing the new product's intense cooling freshness to life through an unexpected, larger-than-life moment. Built with the tagline, "Kya saans khuli, kya hawa chali" the film uses humour and visual exaggeration to transform a simple product experience into a memorable expression of freshness in true Mentos style.

At the heart of the campaign is a humorous film set inside a flour mill. The mill owner finds himself covered in flour from head to toe, just as his wife reminds him of the wedding they both have to attend. With no time to change, he turns to the boy working at the mill who pops a Mentos Fresh Action. The intense burst of freshness unleashes a powerful gust of air that blows the flour off the owner, revealing a perfectly pressed sherwani underneath. The film's twist comes a beat later: all that flour has landed on his wife standing behind him.

The powerful gust becomes a larger-than-life expression of Mentos Fresh Action's intense freshness, while the reveal brings together wit, energy and playfulness in a narrative designed to resonate with young consumers. By blending humour with playful exaggeration, the campaign makes the intensity of the product experience entertaining, relatable and memorable.

Speaking about the campaign, Gunjan Khetan, Director - Marketing, Perfetti Van Melle India, said, "With Mentos Fresh Action, we wanted to introduce an intense cooling freshness that adds a new dimension to the Mentos portfolio. The thought 'Kya saans khuli, kya hawa chali' gave us an engaging way to bring this experience to life, using humour and exaggeration to capture its intensity. By turning a simple product experience into an unexpected and entertaining moment, the TVC reflects the playful spirit of Mentos"

Parachute Advansed Gold Urges Women in Andhra Pradesh to Rediscover the Joy of Girlhood with 'Feel Like a Girl Again'



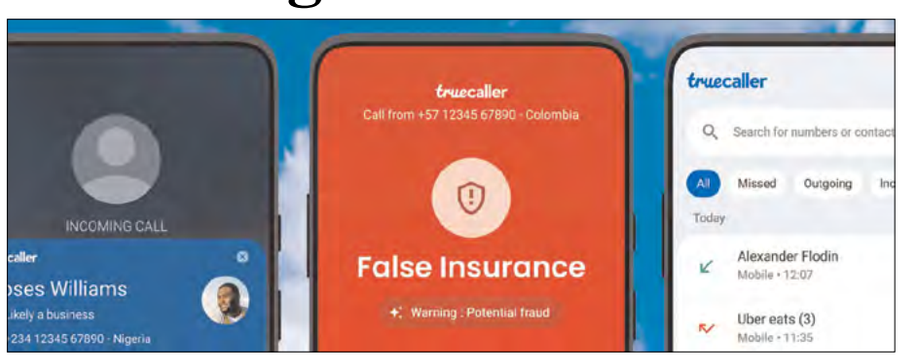
Hyderabad, 27 October 2026: Rooted in the cherished memories of long hair, friendship and carefree childhood days, the brand invites women to reconnect with the girl within.

Bringing together some of South Indian cinema's most celebrated talent, the film is directed by Gautham Vasudev Menon, known for his iconic and timeless songs over 25 years.

Remember the carefree days of girlhood, when long braids, endless laughter with friends and little moments of play brought the greatest joy? While growing up brings new responsibilities, the little girl within every woman never truly fades. Celebrating these cherished memories, Parachute Advansed Gold Coconut Hair Oil has unveiled 'Feel Like a Girl Again', a heartwarming new brand campaign, celebrating the joy, freedom and friendship that many women associate with their girlhood years. Commenting on the campaign, Vikram Karwal, CMO - India, Marico Limited, said, "Today, consumers seek brands that understand not just their needs, but also the emotions and memories that shape their lives. 'Feel Like a Girl Again' is built on the insight that long hair often serves as a powerful connection to cherished memories of girlhood. Through this campaign, we celebrate that emotional bond using a culturally resonant story to bring alive the confidence, beauty and freedom that beautiful long hair can inspire. The campaign reflects our continued focus on creating meaningful stories that connect deeply with consumers while staying true to the brand's core promise." At the heart of this cinematic celebration is Gautham Vasudev Menon, whose signature storytelling and memorable portrayals of women have made him one of South Indian cinema's most admired filmmakers. Bringing his distinctive emotional touch to the campaign, Gautham tells the story of three friends who take a break from their everyday routines to relive the joy of girlhood, capturing them running, dancing and playing by the sea, with their long braids swaying freely. Sharing his experience, Gautham Vasudev Menon said, "What drew me to this campaign was the beautiful simplicity of its message. There is a little girl in every woman who deserves to laugh, play and feel free, regardless of age. I wanted to capture that emotion through friendship, nostalgia, music and the familiar beauty of Andhra Pradesh. I'm proud to have brought 'Feel Like a Girl Again' to life with such an incredible team of artists and to be part of a campaign that celebrates women in such a joyful, heartfelt way." Adding to the magic is a powerhouse creative lineup featuring Karthik's original composition, Swetha Mohan's soulful vocals and Anantha Sriram's evocative lyrics. Renowned choreographer Brinda Master lends her signature touch with graceful choreography rooted in traditional dance, completing a musical experience filled with warmth, nostalgia and joy. With 'Feel Like a Girl Again', Parachute Advansed Gold invites women across Andhra Pradesh to let their hair down, relive those carefree moments and celebrate the little girl who still lives within them.

NO ROOM FOR SCAMMERS:

Truecaller Lite Brings Powerful Caller ID and Spam Blocking to India in Just 10 MB



Bengaluru, Oct 27 – Truecaller today announced the launch of Truecaller Lite in India, a new app that brings the protection people rely on most, knowing who is calling before they pick up and blocking unwanted calls, to Android phones with limited storage and memory. At about 10 MB, Truecaller Lite installs in moments, opens quickly and runs smoothly on phones with up to 4 GB of RAM.

The launch comes as India heads into its busiest shopping season, when scam calls spike: fake delivery calls, too-good-to-be-true offer calls and KYC fraud. For millions of people, the phone they use for payments, deliveries and staying in touch with family is also one that is short on space, with little room left once festive photos, videos and forwards pile up. Many of them have asked for a lighter Truecaller, and Truecaller Lite is designed so that protection no longer competes for that space.

Truecaller Lite is not a cut-down version of the main app. It is a separate, native Android app built from the ground up for phones with less memory and processing power. It draws on the same Truecaller database and detection systems and follows the same privacy standards. This means that the protection against spam and fraud calls offered by Truecaller Lite is the same as the main app.

WITH TRUECALLER LITE, PEOPLE CAN:

Know who is calling with caller ID, before they answer.

Block spam and fraud calls powered by signals from Truecaller's global community. Use it as their dialer, with call history, contacts and number search in one place. See who they just spoke to on the after-call screen, for both incoming and outgoing calls. Truecaller Lite stays light by focusing on the essentials. It takes up little storage, uses less memory and data, and stays responsive even when a phone is running low on space. Features such as messaging, voicemail, Family Protection and AI assistant are not part of Truecaller Lite, which keeps the app small and fast.

"Scammers don't check what phone you have before they call, and protection should not depend on it either," said Rishit Jhunjhunwala, CEO, Truecaller. "I have seen many people with older or basic Android phones struggling with heavy apps. Plus, so many people in India told us they wanted Truecaller but they either did not have the storage space for it or that didn't work smoothly. Truecaller Lite is built for exactly those phones: it's the same protection from spam and fraud, in an app small enough to fit and fast enough to stay out of the way."

AVAILABILITY

Truecaller Lite is available to download for free from the Google Play Store in India, on Android phones with up to 4 GB of RAM. The app is rolling out in phases and will reach eligible devices over the coming weeks. Truecaller Lite is available on Android only.

ABOUT TRUECALLER

Truecaller is an essential part of everyday communication for over 500 million active users worldwide, with more than a billion downloads since launch and 68 billion spam and fraud calls identified in 2025 alone. The company is headquartered in Stockholm and has been publicly listed on Nasdaq Stockholm since October 2021. For more information, visit www.truecaller.com.

HCLTECH SCALES CLIMATE ACTION GRANT TO 24 COUNTRIES, STRENGTHENING GLOBAL ACTION AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE

NOIDA, India, Oct. 26, 2026 – HCLTech, a leading global technology company, today announced the expansion of its flagship Climate Action Grant program to 24 countries worldwide to support a wider pool of non-profit organizations (NPOs) combating climate change and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity.

In 2023, the company launched the HCLTech Grant for Climate Action in the Americas to support locally relevant solutions that address pressing climate and environmental issues. HCLTech initially committed $5 million over five years to eligible NPOs in 10 countries in the Americas and has disbursed $3 million over the past three editions.

Encouraged by the success of the program in the Americas, HCLTech is expanding the program to 24 countries globally. These countries include Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, France, Germany, Guatemala, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, the Philippines, Poland, Romania, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, the United Kingdom, the United States and Vietnam.

The winners will be announced on June 5, 2027, following a rigorous screening process. One winner will receive $500,000, while three runners-up will each receive $250,000.

"Great ideas can come from any community, and solutions developed in one place can create possibilities in another.

The HCLTech Global Grant for Climate Action has evolved through our experience in India and the Americas, and taking the Grant global is the next step in that journey. By creating a broader platform for climate innovation, we want to support locally rooted ideas and help solutions with potential for wider impact reach further," said Dr. Nidhi Pundhir, Global Head of CSR at HCLTech.

HCLTech has a sharp focus on sustainability and is committed to achieving net-zero by 2040. The company has been named to TIME World's Most Sustainable Companies list for the second consecutive year. It also achieved EcoVadis Gold rating and MSCI AA (Leader) ESG rating for the second consecutive year in FY26.

HCLTech's corporate social responsibility initiatives, delivered through HCLFoundation in India, have impacted over 8.8 million lives, 54% of whom are women. It has planted over 3.6 million saplings, greened 74,000 acres of land and harvested more than 155 billion liters of water to date.

To apply for the HCLTech Global Grant for Climate Action, visit globalgrant.hcltech.com/

Turnout so far highest on record as Israelis vote in pivotal election



Turnout so far is at record levels, as Israelis vote in what many view as one of the most pivotal elections in the country's history. Polling published on Friday suggests incumbent Benjamin Netanyahu is almost neck-and-neck with former military chief Gadi Eisenkot in the race to become prime minister. But neither of their political blocs are projected to win the 61 seats needed to form a majority government - meaning weeks or months of political wrangling may lie ahead. The campaign has been shaped by the issues of democracy and security, and the election is widely being seen as a referendum on Netanyahu's rule. Many leading parties complained on Tuesday morning of alleged irregularities at polling stations across the country - but Israel's Central Election Committee (CEC) says there is no evidence of systematic tampering with ballot slips. Israel's proportional representation system means governments have always been coalitions - and the race to power can, and has, produced unexpected alliances. But this election looks especially tight - and lines in the sand have already been drawn. Eisenkot, who leads the newly formed Yashar Party, is the main figure in the so-called "change bloc", a collection of parties who have ideological differences but share the goal of ousting Netanyahu. Other leaders in the bloc include former prime minister Naftali Bennett and Avigdor Lieberman - both right-wingers who take hardline positions on security - and Yair Golan, a left-leaning former general. For Netanyahu, a titan of Israeli politics who first served as prime minister in 1996, a return to power will hinge on another alliance with the far-right and ultra-Orthodox parties that make up his current governing coalition - the most right-wing in Israel's history. There are two Arab party blocs in the running too, as about one-fifth of Israel's population is Arab - many of whom describe themselves as Palestinian citizens of Israel. In theory, they could prove kingmakers. But all but one of the leading Jewish parties have ruled out working with them. The campaign has been dominated by the issue of security - with the opposition bloc hammering Netanyahu for the unprecedented security failure that led to the 7 October Hamas-led attacks on Israel, in which nearly 1,200 people were killed and 251 taken back to Gaza as hostages. They have pushed for an independent commission of inquiry into the attacks - something Netanyahu has long resisted, insisting it would be biased against him. They also point to what they see as threats to democracy under Netanyahu, who faces an ongoing trial on corruption charges - which he denies - and is still pursuing contentious plans for reforms to the judicial system, which led to mass protests before the 7 October attacks. Despite the opposition's attack lines, Netanyahu has once again framed himself as "Mr Security" - pointing to what he says are strategic victories in Israel's wars across the Middle East and his close relationship with US President Donald Trump. On Sunday, Israel's Channel 12 reported that Netanyahu had pushed for last-minute military action that could trigger a confrontation with Iran prior to the elections - but was opposed by his own military chief Eyal Zamir. The following day, CNN reported that he had also tried to persuade Trump to carry out new strikes on Iran, but that Trump had refused to give the green light. Netanyahu denied both reports. He also made headlines in the final days of his campaign for posting an AI-generated image of a nuclear bomb hitting Tel Aviv, warning that he is the only leader who can protect Israel "if the Iranians acquire nuclear weapons". Eisenkot called him "hysterical". Another dominating issue has been conscription, with Netanyahu's government failing to enforce a Supreme Court ruling that ultra-Orthodox Jewish men in full-time religious study should be conscripted to the military - a highly divisive move as thousands of others have been conscripted to fight in recent wars. Eisenkot takes a broadly similar position to Netanyahu on Gaza, and has pledged to end Hamas rule in the territory within 18 months, through a US-led peace plan or, if necessary, military means. Israel has continued to strike Gaza almost every day since a ceasefire was agreed last year, saying it is targeting Hamas operatives. The Israeli military has killed more than 74,000 people since the start of the war, according to Gaza's Hamas-run health ministry whose figures are considered reliable by the UN. Israel has faced growing international condemnation over its conduct in the war, and relations with its allies around the world have deteriorated. Eisenkot largely supports Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank - which are illegal under international law - but wants to crack down on extremist Jewish settlers whose attacks are at an all-time high, according to UN figures. He has also spoken about creating the conditions for "autonomy or a state-minus" for Palestinians - under ultimate Israeli security control. The two-state solution - the creation of an independent Palestinian state in peaceful coexistence alongside Israel - has all but disappeared from mainstream Israeli politics.

NORWAY AND FINLAND LEADERS HOLD RARE CALL WITH PUTIN



The leaders of Finland and Norway have held a joint call with Vladimir Putin - a rare contact between the Russian president and European leaders. The aim was looking at "future negotiations to help to end the war" in Ukraine, the offices of President Alexander Stubb and Prime Minister Jonas Gahr Støre said. Their initiative was not on behalf of "Europe as a whole". After the call, Putin said "confrontational" EU and Nato policies were prolonging the war which began when Russia launched a full-scale invasion in 2022. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky has spoken to the two Nordic leaders after their conversation with Putin. Last week, Zelensky met them as well as US special envoy Steve Witkoff in Oslo. The Ukrainian leader said he was grateful for the "active support" of his Finnish and Norwegian counterparts. Tuesday's 90-minute phone call was held from the Finnish capital Helsinki, and showed "big differences in views", Støre said. Finland and Norway, which border Russia, initiated the call to "discuss Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine and the diplomatic efforts to end the war and promote peace and stability in Europe", the leaders' offices said. The call was "frank and substantive", Stubb said, explaining that the war's outcome will "have a direct impact on our and the broader European security". Støre added: "The war comes with enormous human and material costs... The suffering and destruction will impact generations." The Kremlin said Putin told the leaders that "a just and lasting peace" would only be possible if Russia's interests were considered. He - like Stubb and Støre - had agreed to continue their direct phone communication, the statement added. Støre said all their allies had been informed of the call ahead of time. Denmark's Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen said she was "very sceptical" of Tuesday's dialogue, telling Danish broadcaster DR, it had not been "co-ordinated with any of the rest of us". Meanwhile, Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk said Stubb had informed him that Europe's position on the upcoming talks in the United Arab Emirates, was "moderately optimistic". Relations between the US, Ukraine and its European allies have been souring since US President Donald Trump agreed to lift some sanctions from Russia - allowing it to export oil to the US. But last week, Stubb, Støre and Zelesnky met with Witkoff in the Norwegian capital, before the US special envoy travelled on to St Petersburg to meet Putin. Following the talks, Ukraine, Russia and the US agreed to resume three-way negotiations that Russia had stopped for months. After speaking to the two Nordic leaders, Zelensky said part of their discussions with Putin had centred on November's trilateral talks to be held in Abu Dhabi.

EX-FBI CHIEF JAMES COMEY FACES FEDERAL CHARGES FOR THIRD TIME



Federal prosecutors have taken steps to charge ex-Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Director James Comey with leaking national defence information, according to a court filing. It marks the third time the justice department has moved to bring criminal charges against Comey, a longtime critic of President Donald Trump. Few details are provided about the two counts in the three-page filing, but Comey's lawyers said in separate court papers that the case stemmed from an alleged disclosure of classified information to the New York Times in October 2016, while he was head of the FBI. Comey denied any wrongdoing in a video posted on Substack on Monday, calling the charges an "appalling abuse". "It would almost be funny if it weren't such an appalling abuse of the department of justice, one that we cannot become numb to," he said in the clip. "Nothing's changed with me - I'm still innocent, I'm still not afraid of these people and I still believe in the independent federal judiciary." Comey was charged in Washington DC through a criminal information, which is a formal written charging document filed directly by a prosecutor. This is different to a criminal indictment, which must be approved by a grand jury, a group of citizens sworn in to review if evidence is strong enough to prosecute. Comey's lawyer, Patrick Fitzgerald, said in a statement that two different teams of prosecutors had investigated the alleged disclosure to the New York Times a decade ago during the first Trump administration.

TRUCE BEGINS IN UKRAINE CITY WHERE RESIDENTS ATE WEEDS TO SURVIVE



A truce has begun in the Russian-occupied Ukrainian city of Oleshky, where residents have been trapped without food, water and electricity. Ukrainian officials and Russia's defence ministry say the limited ceasefire is being respected. The truce, which the White House said was secured by US First Lady Melania Trump, is meant to allow aid deliveries and a civilian evacuation on Friday. Oleshky, along the front line in the Kherson region, is trapped on one side by the Dnipro River, which separates it from Ukrainian positions, and on the other by Russian forces. Many residents have resorted to cooking garden weeds to survive, telling the BBC they are suffering extreme hunger and want to leave. There are concerns that the truce will not hold, with one resident saying: "I don't believe in Russia's humanity." Up to 6,000 people, including 200 children, remain in Oleshky and its surrounding areas, Kyiv believes, with only 1,700 still living in the city itself. Before the war it was home to 24,000 people, but it was seized by Russia during the first days of its full-scale invasion in February 2022. Conditions have become so desperate that not only is getting supplies into the city extremely difficult, but escape is highly dangerous because the routes out of Oleshky have been mined and subject to drone attack. Pope Leo XIV appealed earlier this month to Russia's President Vladimir Putin to allow food and medical aid into Oleshky as well as a safe evacuation, and urged his Ukrainian counterpart Volodymyr Zelensky to co-operate with Moscow over a ceasefire. The current truce is supposed to allow supplies in and enable roads to be cleared of mines to allow people safe passage out in an evacuation planned to take place on Friday. One woman told the BBC she had stepped on a land mine and was currently in hospital where she had undergone two operations. "I don't know how long I will have to spend there," she said, worried about not being able to join the evacuation. Many told the BBC last month there is only one hospital partially operational, opening a few days a week to perform critical amputations. It is hard to make contact with people in Oleshky as communication is patchy and many are reluctant to speak of the situation in fear of reprisals from the Russians, making it difficult to verify reports the ceasefire is being implemented. Many details on the evacuation plans are unclear, initially including how and where to register for it.

Jay-Z to perform at Super Bowl half-time show



Rapper Jay-Z will perform at the Super Bowl half-time show in February, the NFL has announced. Jay-Z's company Roc Nation has produced the half-time show since 2019, and he plays a key role in selecting each year's performer but he has not performed before at the NFL championship game. "Anticipation as to who Jay-Z might have guest star at halftime for the big game will now kick off," the NFL said in a statement. "Of course, his wife, Beyoncé, will be atop the list." Next year's Super Bowl LXI will take place on 14 February near Los Angeles. The hip-hop star will follow in the footsteps of other recent half-time performers including Bad Bunny, Kendrick Lamar, Usher, Rihanna and The Weeknd. The musical performance draws global attention while the sport is watched by tens of millions of people in the US. Kendrick Lamar's 2025 performance was the most watched Super Bowl half-time show in history and won the Emmy award for outstanding music direction. The announcement was made after Jay-Z, whose real name is Shawn Carter, performed two shows last weekend at the Los Angeles stadium where the Super Bowl will be played. The LA shows were part of a tour to celebrate the 30th anniversary of his debut album Reasonable Doubt. "From 'Reasonable Doubt' to standing on the Super Bowl halftime stage, this has been a journey," said Jay-Z. "Thirty years of music, work, and culture on the world's biggest stage. This run continues to be a dream come true."



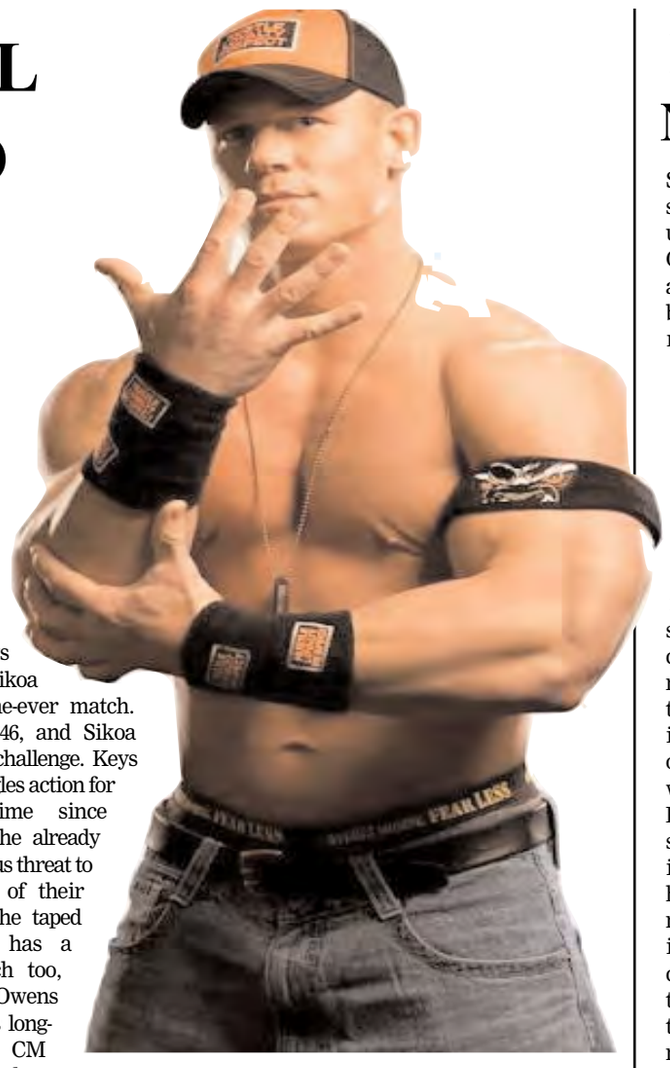
Jordan carries out deadly strike in Syria in retaliation for church attack

LULA'S COMEBACK IN BRAZIL DENTS TRUMP'S AMBITIONS FOR LATIN AMERICA



"Brazil will not accept being anyone's backyard," Brazil's left-wing President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva declared in his election victory speech, a message squarely aimed at Washington. Domestic elections are rarely won on foreign policy, and this one was no different. But Lula's defiance against what he has described as US interference in Brazilian affairs evoked a patriotic spirit that proved an effective campaigning tool. It also chimed with his wider brand of politics as a former union leader: standing up to powerful figures. Paradoxically, it seems to have earned him President Donald Trump's respect. "I like Lula, we get along well," Trump said, responding to the result. "I didn't take sides," he added, before calling the election "terrible" and "rigged". If that sounds muddled, it is because the relationship between the two men is not straightforward. Trump did not explicitly endorse Lula's rival Flávio Bolsonaro, who refused to recognise the result. But Trump was a close ally of Flávio's father, the former President Jair Bolsonaro. When I spoke to Lula at his residence about a year ago, relations had hit rock bottom. He told me he had "no relationship" with Trump, that they had never spoken, and that he had no intention of picking up the phone. Trump had recently imposed punitive tariffs on Brazil, largely as a political response to Jair Bolsonaro's coup trial, which the US president called a "witch-hunt". He made fiery speeches invoking Brazilian sovereignty, attacked US interference in the judicial process, and took to wearing a blue cap reading "Brazil belongs to Brazilians". His approval ratings jumped. He accused the Bolsonaro family, who had lobbied for the tariffs, of being unpatriotic – a blow to a political right that so often claims patriotism as its terrain. Even some in the agricultural lobby, typically strong Bolsonaro supporters but reliant on US trade, thought Lula had a point. The US eventually backed down and reduced the tariffs, although they have since risen again. Relations then improved. The two men spoke at the United Nations and later met in the Oval Office, where Trump called the talks "very good" and Lula said he left "very satisfied".

WWE CONFIRMS SPECIAL RAW START TIME AHEAD OF JOHN CENA'S RETURN TO WWE



WWE has moved next week's RAW up by two hours, and the reason is a double shift in Brooklyn. The show now starts at 6 PM ET/3 PM PT on Netflix from Barclays Center, with SmackDown getting taped the same night. It's the last RAW before Crown Jewel in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, on November 7, and John Cena is on the show. The company confirmed the new time on Monday, ahead of RAW's usual 8 PM ET start time. WWE moves RAW to an earlier start time to tape SmackDown before Crown Jewel Its post pushed the slot alongside Cena's return: "CENA IS BACK @JohnCena. John Cena returns to #WWERaw NEXT WEEK in Brooklyn SPECIAL START TIME 6 ET/3 PT only on @netflix." WrestleVotes connected the change to the November 6 SmackDown, which gets recorded right after RAW goes off the air so talent can travel to Riyadh. Barclays Center's own listing bills the night as "Two Shows," with doors opening at 4 PM ET. An earlier RAW also means the Brooklyn crowd isn't stuck waiting until late for the taping, which is how Cageside Seats described the thinking. The listing advertises Roman Reigns and Sami Zayn too, the two champions who meet at Crown Jewel with the Men's Crown Jewel Championship on the line. So the night is packed, and that's before anyone talks about the card. WWE won't get another live show to build toward Saudi Arabia once RAW ends. John Cena returns while Royce Keys and Solo Sikoa prepare for a first-time match Cena's appearance got confirmed through a video vignette that aired during this week's RAW. He retired from in-ring competition after losing to Gunther at Saturday Night's Main Event in December 2025, but he's still involved as a WWE ambassador, and earlier this year he hosted WrestleMania 42 in Las Vegas. Brooklyn will be his first appearance on WWE programming since Backlash. Nothing has been announced about the John Cena Classic, though the visit could bring some news on the competition. Beyond Cena, WWE booked Royce Keys against Solo Sikoa in a first-time-ever match. Keys leads 946, and Sikoa accepted his challenge. Keys is back in singles action for the first time since August, and he already issued a serious threat to Sikoa ahead of their showdown. The taped SmackDown has a notable match too, with Kevin Owens set to face his long-time rival CM Punk in a grudge match.

Big Blow For Sri Lanka As Pathum Nissanka Ruled Out Of Pakistan Tests



Sri Lanka have suffered a setback ahead of their upcoming ICC World Test Championship series against Pakistan, with star batter Pathum Nissanka ruled out as he continues to recover from injury. Lahiru Udara has been drafted into the squad as Nissanka's replacement for the two-match Test series, which begins in Rawalpindi on November 9, according to the ICC. Nissanka was initially named in Sri Lanka's Test squad subject to fitness clearance but has failed to regain full fitness in time for the Pakistan tour. The injury had also ruled him out of Sri Lanka's recent white-ball assignments in Pakistan, including the T20I series and the ODI tri-series involving England and the hosts. Sri Lanka recently made headlines by completing the second-highest successful run chase in ODI history against England during the tri-series. Udara will now link up with the Test squad after being part of Sri Lanka's ODI outfit for the tournament. The wicket-keeper-batter has previously represented Sri Lanka in Test and T20I cricket and recorded a career-best 188 during the World Test Championship series against the West Indies earlier in 2026. Under the captaincy of Kusal Mendis, Sri Lanka will begin their two-Test campaign against Pakistan at the Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium on November 9. The second Test will be played in Lahore from November 17. Sri Lanka Test Squad Kusal Mendis (captain), Anjala Bandara, Dinesh Chandimal, Dhananjaya de Silva, Sonal Dinusha, Asitha Fernando, Prabath Jayasuriya, Lahiru Kumara, Dilshan Madushanka, Eshan Malinga, Kamindu Mendis, Keshara Nuwantha, Milan Rathnayaka, Pasindu Sooriyabandara, Lahiru Udara.

Abhishek Sharma Surpasses Virat Kohli After 38-Ball 113 vs New Zealand, Need 3 More To Surpass Babar Azam In Elite List



Abhishek Sharma overtook Virat Kohli to become the Indian batter with the most T20 centuries on Tuesday. The explosive left-hander achieved this milestone during the third T20I against New Zealand in Wellington, scoring 113 off 38 balls, with nine fours and 11 sixes at a strike rate of 297.37. Now, Abhishek, with 11 T20 centuries, has overtaken Virat's tally of 10 T20 centuries, becoming the Indian with the most T20 hundreds. Only West Indies great Chris Gayle (22) and Pakistan batter Babar Azam (13) are ahead of him, making him the third-highest centurion in T20 cricket. Abhishek now has four T20I centuries, the joint second-highest in T20I history, levelling with stars like Rohit Sharma, Suryakumar Yadav and England's Phil Salt. Australian all-rounder Glenn Maxwell (5) holds the record for the most T20I centuries. In 70 T20Is and 69 innings, Abhishek has scored 2,240 runs at an average of 33.43 and a strike rate of 196.83, with four centuries and 14 fifties. His best score is 135. This year, in 37 T20Is, Abhishek has scored 1,125 runs at an average of 31.25 and a strike rate of 206.42, including two centuries and eight fifties, with a best score of 113. He is 40 runs away from breaking Suryakumar's record for the most T20I runs in a calendar year by an Indian (1,164 runs in 2022). This is the seventh time Abhishek has hit 10 or more sixes in a T20I innings; only Chris Gayle (18 times) has done so more often. Among T20I batters, he has surpassed Gayle in this aspect, having achieved the feat three times compared to Gayle's two. Austria's Karanbir Singh has hit 10 or more sixes in a T20I innings five times. With this assault, Abhishek is only the third Indian to reach 150 T20I sixes, currently sitting on 158 sixes, behind Suryakumar (179) and Rohit (205). Coming to the match, India won the toss and opted to bowl first. After Tim Seifert (2) was removed early, an 86-run stand for the second wicket between Finn Allen (40 off 25 balls, with five fours) and Daryl Mitchell brought New Zealand back into the game.

Abhishek Sharma-Vaibhav Sooryavanshi Break 2 World Records, Equal 1 In Wellington Carnage vs New Zealand



Abhishek Sharma and Vaibhav Sooryavanshi breathed fire from the word go as they opened the batting in the third T20I against New Zealand in Christchurch on Tuesday. Chasing a target of 199 runs, the pair paid little attention to who was bowling, shifting straight into fifth gear right from the start. Abhishek smashed a 15-ball half-century as India brought up their team fifty in just 2.2 overs, equalling the world record of scoring the fastest team fifty in T20 internationals. Later, India broke the record for scoring the fastest team hundred in the shortest format. Among Test-playing nations, India's team fifty is the fastest ever scored. Across all T20I-playing nations, India equalled the joint-record held by Papua New Guinea (against Vanuatu) and Romania (against Serbia). The previous record for the fastest team fifty by a Test-playing nation was 2.4 overs, held by New Zealand (achieved against both Scotland and England) and South Africa (against the West Indies). Later in the innings, India made the T20I world record entirely their own by reaching the team hundred mark in just 5 overs (30 balls). The previous overall record was held by Romania, who reached 100 in 32 balls (5.2 overs) against Serbia in 2021. Among Test-playing nations, South Africa previously held the record, having reached their century in 5.3 overs against the West Indies. The Indian team also broke the world record for the highest-ever powerplay score as they put 118 runs on the board from the first six overs of the 199-run chase. The figure is the highest-ever score for a team in the powerplay, going past the previous highest of Romania, who had aggregated 116/0 against Serbia in a T20 international match in 2021. Abhishek departed after completing his century in just 35 balls. Sooryavanshi, on the other hand, 19-ball 45 before returning to the dressing room. Abhishek Sharma scored a 15-ball half-century as India broke the world record for the fastest team hundred in T20Is at 5.0 overs.

"I'm Not Done Yet": Jarmanpreet Singh Dismisses Retirement Talk



Defender Jarmanpreet Singh is in no mood to retire just yet despite being among four senior players that Hockey India reportedly plans to phase out after the Asian Champions Trophy, with the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics firmly in his sights. Earlier this month, Hockey India sources had informed PTI that Jarmanpreet, Mandeep Singh, Amit Rohidas and Nilakanta Sharma, all members of India's Paris Olympics and Aichi-Nagoya Asian Games medal-winning squads, are set to feature in their final assignment for India at the Asian Champions Trophy, which begins on Tuesday. The move is understood to be part of Hockey India's long-term transition strategy with an eye on the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics, for which India qualified by winning gold at the recent Asian Games. "I want to continue playing and perform well at the Los Angeles Olympics. I want to do my best for the team," the 30-year-old defender from Amritsar told PTI. "Qualifying for the Olympics by winning the gold medal at the Asian Games is a big achievement for our team. It is a great opportunity for us, and we are well prepared for the Los Angeles Olympics. "After this tournament, we will begin our preparations for LA. I want the team to perform well there and win the gold medal," he added. India captain Harmanpreet Singh also rubbished the retirement speculation, describing it as a "rumour".

Sami Zayn Reveals He Dislocated His Shoulder Twice During His John Cena Match

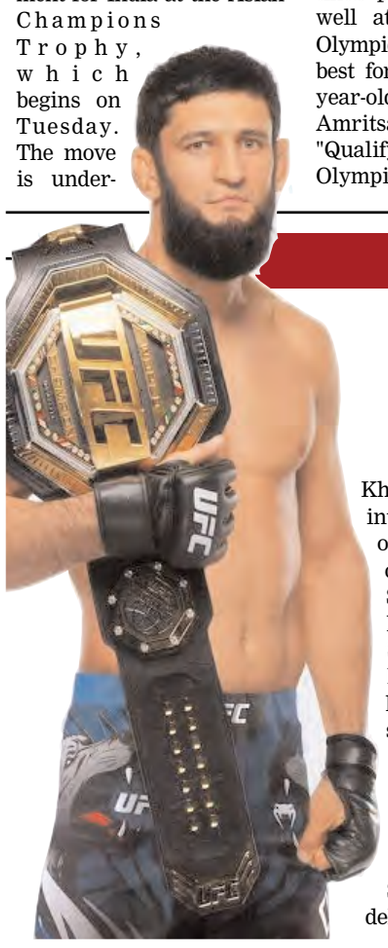
Sami Zayn dislocated his shoulder twice in his first main roster match and still finished it. The former NXT star challenged John Cena for the United States Championship in 2015, and the shoulder was already acting up before the match properly got going. It happened again inside the ring, but he kept wrestling anyway. On a recent appearance on INSIGHT with Chris Van Vliet, the WWE Champion talked about that night, including when he realised the injury was worse than he first thought. It started during his entrance. While pumping up the Montreal crowd, Zayn had what he later called a subluxation, which means the shoulder slipped out of the joint and went back in almost right away.



BAYLEY RENAMES WWE AFTER HER NO DQ VICTORY OVER LYRA VALKYRIA ON RAW



Bayley took to X after RAW and swapped World Wrestling Entertainment for "Women's Wrestling Entertainment." The post landed right after she beat Lyra Valkyria in a No Disqualification match, and it fit a card where three of the five matches featured women. She had a reason to feel good about the night. This was Bayley's first win over Valkyria in their series, which now stands at 2-1 after she lost the first two. The two used to team up before the feud started, so there was some history in the ring. Bayley calls WWE "Women's Wrestling Entertainment" after her No DQ win over Lyra Valkyria Bayley finished it by trapping Valkyria in a crossface with a kendo stick, and Valkyria had no choice but to submit. Her post was short, just the new name where the company's usual full name would go. The rest of the card gave her something to point at. Liv Morgan defended her Women's World Championship against Becky Lynch, a match that only happened because Stephanie Vaquer was ruled medically unable to compete. Vaquer was supposed to face Lynch in a No. 1 Contender's Match. Morgan kept the title when the main event ended by disqualification. IYO SKY and Raquel Rodriguez also met in a non-title match, so women's wrestling got a good share of the night from top to bottom. Bayley also returned to Big Time Wrestling for its 30th anniversary show in San Jose Away from RAW, Bayley went back to where it all began.



"WE WILL MAKE THIS MATCHUP":

Khamzat Chimaev Vows To Chase Sean Strickland Across Weight Divisions For Rematch

Khamzat Chimaev has intensified his pursuit of UFC middleweight champion Sean Strickland. He says he will follow Strickland to light heavyweight or heavyweight if necessary to secure a rematch. Chimaev's comments come as Strickland remains in a contract dispute with the UFC. Strickland has delayed a proposed title defence against Nassourdine Imavov. Chimaev lost a close decision to Strickland at UFC 328 in May. He believes the result was affected by his difficult weight cut. He has since demanded another opportunity and argued that Strickland should accept the fight if he wants a larger payday. Khamzat Chimaev says he's willing to chase down Sean Strickland wherever the middleweight champion's next move is "We will make the matchup. Don't worry. Light heavyweight, heavyweight, wherever he goes, we go after him. I'm the hunter. He's a chicken running away," he told Red Corner MMA. — Red Corner MMA (@RedCorner_MMA) October 26, 2026 Chimaev threatens to follow Strickland to heavyweight Khamzat Chimaev told Red Corner MMA. "We will make this matchup, bro; don't worry, if I've got to light heavyweight, heavyweight, wherever he goes, I will go after him." He added, "Yeah, I'm the hunter, and he's a chicken running away. If he goes, I will go up. Who cares, I don't care, bro, so for the pay I'm here." The 'Borz' believes the dispute gives him leverage. He claimed he earned five times more than Strickland from their first fight. He stressed that the champion should take the rematch if money is his priority. Sean Strickland signed a new six-fight contract before defeating Chimaev at UFC 328. The American has since demanded revised terms before agreeing to face Imavov. But Dana White has rejected a renegotiation because the deal was signed only months ago. Strickland has threatened to fight out his contract, vacate the middleweight title and explore opportunities elsewhere if the UFC does not improve his pay. White has pushed back, saying the champion must honour the agreement he signed.

R. Narayana Murthy Says 'Hushaaru 2' Will Make You Laugh and Think

He Gave Me Such a Great Role That There Was Nothing to Convince Me About; 'Hushaaru 2' Will Make You Think as Much as It Makes You Laugh," Says People's Star R. Narayana Murthy at Hushaaru 2 Movie Teaser Launch Event



The boys who once set out to make their mark are back, this time with a tequila venture that takes them into the unfamiliar territory of Chittragunj and a forest where their ambitions collide with a dangerous set of adversaries. The teaser for Hushaaru 2, written and directed by Sree Harsha Konuganti, offers a glimpse into this unpredictable adventure, culminating in the striking appearance of People's Star R. Narayana Murthy.

The teaser launch brought together the film's cast, crew, and special guest R. Narayana Murthy, whose address highlighted the social concerns underlying the film's entertainment-driven narrative.

Art Director Srikanth Ramisetty: "This is a very friendly and talented team. Harsha garu tells interesting, peculiar, and unique stories. I was the production designer for his previous successful film, and it was a pleasure coming back to work for him. Working with legendary people like Narayana Murthy garu alongside my friends has been a great experience."

Actress Vidhi Yadav: "I hope you all liked the teaser. It is my first time watching it, and I am mind-blown. We made this movie with a lot of hard work and love. In this film, you will learn what true friendship, true love, and true comedy are. I had a lot of fun shooting with this cast and crew."

Producer Rahul Varma: "Hushaaru 1 is one of my favorites, and Part 2 has shaped up to be a great script about friends. We made this film on a grand scale without compromising anywhere. Having Murthy garu on board is a blessing. I strongly believe you will all enjoy this movie."

Actor Sashidhar: "Harsha garu brought me in from small films and plays and placed me on a massive canvas. Hushaaru 2 is an adventurous story told through a thousand jokes. The entire team gave everyone the space to act and improvise. Our producer, Rahul Varma garu, looked after the set single-handedly and ensured everything ran smoothly."

Actor Dinesh Tej: "It feels like traveling back eight years to when we released Hushaaru 1. However much you liked the first part, I am confident this movie will be ten times more than that. Our family has extended and gotten bigger, and working with Narayana Murthy garu is a true blessing."

Actor Ashok Galla: "We are coming with double the fun, madness, and craziness. All four leads have incredible space in the film, and Murthy garu acts as a big mentor to us. All the fun you saw in the teaser will be there throughout the entire film." Writer-Director Sree Harsha Konuganti: "I worked on the script for two years before shooting. In my real life, my B.Tech friends and I went to central India to start a business, and this story is based on those real-life adventures. Rahul Ramakrishna's character has a beautiful arc and runs throughout the movie. When you see our four leads, they look exactly like best friends. Having Narayana Murthy garu on set brought a special energy that will explode on the big screen."

People's Star R. Narayana Murthy: "When people ask how Sri Harsha garu convinced me, what is there to convince? He gave me a great role. As much as he made you laugh in Hushaaru 1, he will make you think just as much in Hushaaru 2. He touches upon the burning issue of unemployment and how the youth's freedom and rights are impacted today. My character stands by these young boys as a friend and mentor while they try to build something meaningful for society. A film that makes you think while making you laugh will definitely be embraced by the audience. Sri Harsha garu is a director who works without compromise until a shot is 100% complete. I request the media to promote Hushaaru 2 grandly."

Written and directed by Sree Harsha Konuganti, Hushaaru 2 stars Rahul Ramakrishna, Ashok Galla, Ravi Anthony, Dinesh Tej, Shashidhar Kocharlakota, Vidhi Yadav, Abhignya Utuluru, Bhagawan Tiwari, Jatin Gosami, and Rajai Rowan, with R. Narayana Murthy in a pivotal role.

Produced by Rahul Varma, K. Veena Rani, and K. Hanumanth Raju, with Komatireddy Sharan Reddy as co-producer, the film is backed by Caveman Stories, HK Films, and Kaliyuga Varadha Creations. The technical crew includes cinematographer G. Srinivas Reddy, music director Sunny M.R., additional music director Ram Miriyala, editor Vijay Vardhan Kavuri, and art director Srikanth Ramisetty.

"KILLER WILL SHOCK AUDIENCES WITH ITS UNIQUE SCI-FI CONCEPT," SAYS DIRECTOR POORVAAJ

After watching KilleR, audiences will be thrilled to see how a film can be written and made with such a diverse approach" – Director, Producer and Actor Poorvaaj



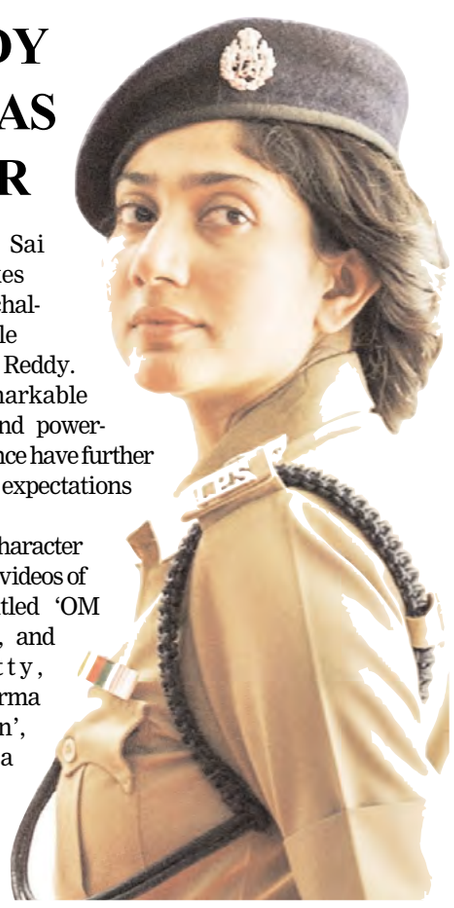
The sensational sci-fi thriller Killer stars Jyoti Poorvaj and Poorvaaj in lead roles. Manish Gilada, Chandrakanth Kollu, Ayyinabathina Dasarath Madhav, Vishal Raj, Archana Ananth and Gautham Chakradhar Koppishetti play other important roles. Produced by Poorvaaj and Padmanabha Reddy A. under the banners of Think Cinema and AU & I Studios, with the blessings of Dhyanam Nannagaru, the film is presented by Urvish Poorvaj and directed by Poorvaaj. Killer is set for a grand worldwide theatrical release on October 30. OMG Pictures is distributing the film overseas. In a recent interview, director, producer and actor Poorvaaj shared several highlights about the film. - KilleR is a film with rich content, and its censor formalities have been completed. The film has received a U certificate. After watching it, the members of the censor board appeared pleased, which made us feel that they liked our film. There is no bloodshed in Killer. I feel dizzy even at the sight of blood. Even if a story involves violence, I believe it should be conveyed through what the characters experience rather than showing them being subjected to torture. We have treated the vampire character in a way that makes the film accessible to everyone. The terrorist character appears for just ten minutes and does not return. The spy and vampire characters are also presented in a similar manner, without appearing again elsewhere in the film.

- Some members of our team have compared Killer to Christopher Nolan's Odyssey. That might sound like an exaggeration, but after watching our film, audiences may find themselves making that comparison. However, comparing Killer to Odyssey itself could be a spoiler. A few years ago, I wrote a story based on a concept called Screwed, but I could not make it with the resources available to me at the time. I have now adapted that script to suit the tastes of today's audiences and developed it into Killer. As a filmmaker, I believe everything audiences see on screen should have high visual quality.

SAI PALLAVI AS NITHYA REDDY IN 'OM' – ACTRESS IMPRESSES AS A POWERFUL POLICE OFFICER

The character introduction video of Sai Pallavi from 'OM – Chapter 1: Udhiram – The Blood Wood', a massive pan-India action entertainer starring Versatile Star Dhanush in the lead role and directed by Rajkumar Periasamy, has been released. In the film, Sai Pallavi will be seen playing a police officer named Nithya Reddy. The actress impresses in a distinctive role unlike anything she has portrayed before, drawing the attention of fans with her commanding screen presence as a powerful police officer.

Talking about Sai Pallavi's character, Nithya Reddy is introduced as a young police officer known for her intelligence, honesty and experience. Having previously worked with the CBI and Interpol, she leads 'Operation OM', an initiative aimed at curbing the illegal smuggling of red sandalwood. In the character introduction video, Sai Pallavi impresses with her powerful and intense look. Her authoritative body language, determination to achieve her mission and the different dimensions of Nithya Reddy's character are showcased in the video. Known for captivating audiences with her natural performances and expressive acting, Sai Pallavi takes on another challenging role with Nithya Reddy. Her remarkable makeover and powerful performance have further heightened expectations for the film.



Earlier, the character introduction videos of Dhanush, titled 'OM First Strike', and Mammootty, titled 'Burma Karthikeyan', received a tremendous response from fan.

"Not a Killer, But a Lover" – Shah Rukh Khan's Striking New Look from 'King' Grabs Attention



*A new poster from *King* has been unveiled, featuring Shah Rukh Khan in a striking new avatar that blends action, intensity and a touch of romance. With a rose held between his lips and an intense, piercing gaze, the Bollywood Badshah commands attention with his powerful look. The latest poster offers a glimpse of Shah Rukh Khan's appearance in this grand action entertainer, which promises a blend of action, emotions and romance. The new poster has further heightened expectations for the highly anticipated film.*

*The latest poster of *King* has raised the excitement surrounding the film to another level. With its powerful visual appeal and Shah Rukh Khan's impressive new look, the poster has further increased fans' anticipation of seeing the superstar in a completely different avatar on the big screen.*

*Directed by Siddharth Anand, *King* is jointly produced by Red Chillies Entertainment and Marflix Pictures. The film is set for a grand worldwide theatrical release on December 24, 2026.*

BACK TO THE SPOTLIGHT DIVYAVANI SET TO REFOCUS ON CINEMA

Popularly known as "Bapu Bomma" in the film industry and "Puttadi Bomma" on television, Divyavani has made her mark in politics as well. At the same time, inspired by the motto "Pay Back to Society," she has been actively involved in various social service initiatives, contributing her bit towards the betterment of society. Now, she has firmly resolved to focus on the film industry once again, with renewed energy and enthusiasm! With memorable films like Pelli Pusthakam and Edurinti Mogudu – Pakkinti Pellam, Divyavani carved a special place for herself in the hearts of Telugu audiences.



IS RAAG MAYUR TOLLYWOOD'S NEXT BIG THING WITH 'GARIVIDI LAKSHMI'?

Sollywood has always celebrated actors who bring an effortless mix of energy and style to the screen. But when an actor seamlessly sheds his true self to inhabit a character completely—bringing distinct physical variations, regional authenticity, and intense emotional depth—the audience is bound to take notice. Right now, Raag Mayur is doing exactly that, and his performance as Sattibabu in the upcoming film Garividi Lakshmi is rapidly becoming the talk of the town.



Five Shades of Sattibabu: A Masterclass in Versatility

Playing a character with five distinct shades in a single film is no walk in the park. It demands more than just changing makeup or costumes; it requires a deep understanding of human psychology, body language, and voice modulation for each phase of life. Raag Mayur's portrayal of Sattibabu is a testament to this rigorous process. Transitioning effortlessly across different age brackets, he ensures that the impulsive energy of youth gradually gives way to the deliberate, measured movements of age. A shift in age is conveyed through subtle nuances—the pace of a walk, the droop of a shoulder, the depth of a stare, and the steadiness of dialogue delivery. Mayur's ability to distinctly map out these variations while retaining the core soul of the character is drawing immense appreciation.

The Srikakulam Slang and the Burrakatha Challenge

Beyond the physical transformation, Garividi Lakshmi posed another massive challenge: authenticity. Sattibabu is a Burrakatha artist from the Srikakulam region. Mastering the tricky Srikakulam dialect and delivering dialogues with native fluency is a daunting task in itself. But coupling that with the highly expressive, physically demanding, and culturally rooted art form of Burrakatha takes the challenge to a whole new level. Wearing heavy traditional attire, matching the distinct vocal pitch required for the art form, and getting the body language just right demands sheer dedication.

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