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Telangana, Karnataka Should Partner To Strengthen Industry Value Chain: Sridhar Babu



Hyderabad: Industries and IT Minister D Sridhar Babu on Friday proposed a partnership between Telangana and Karnataka industry, describing the two states' strengths as complementary halves of a single value chain.

He was delivering the keynote address at the Bengaluru Roadshow of the Invest Telangana Global Summit 2026, organised with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), at Artezia Hotel.

"We have not come to Bengaluru to take anything away. Karnataka has its strengths, and they are extraordinary. Telangana has its own. We have come with humility, to propose a partnership," the Minister said.

He noted that Bengaluru's standing as India's startup capital, home to more unicorns than any other Indian city, and as the centre of Indian aerospace and space through HAL, ISRO and NAL.

Global companies whose first India centre is in Bengaluru, he said, could make Hyderabad their second home, drawing on talent from IISc, IIT Hyderabad, ISB and IIIT, and on startups from T-Hub. "Design and scale. Science and manufacturing. Ideas and execution. These are not rival strengths. They are two halves of one value chain," he said.

The Minister highlighted Hyderabad's rise in twelve years into one of the world's great technology cities, Genome Valley's emergence as a life-sciences powerhouse, and the global aerospace leaders that build and service engines and aircraft components in the state's

Congress To Step Up Graduate MLC Poll Campaign After Dasara

HYDERABAD: The Congress will step up its campaign for the two graduate MLC constituencies in Telangana after Dasara, with Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy scheduled to meet ministers, MPs, MLCs and MLAs from the Hyderabad, Rangareddy, Mahbubnagar, Warangal, Nalgonda and Khammam districts, where polling will be held, on October 23 to finalise the party's election strategy.



The meeting is expected to focus on strengthening coordination among elected representatives, monitoring voter enrolment and preparing a constituency-wise campaign plan ahead of the polls.

The Congress has already announced its candidates for the Warangal-Khammam-Nalgonda (WKN) and Hyderabad-Rangareddy-Mahbubnagar (HRM) graduates constituencies,

which are scheduled to go to the polls in early 2027. The Congress leadership has appointed ministers from the respective districts as incharges to co-ordinate the campaign and ensure the party's victory in both seats.

Revenue minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy has been entrusted with responsibility for the WKN constituency, and health minister Damodar Rajanarasimha the HRM constituency. The party has also assigned MLAs,

rol again.

Applicants must have completed a degree or an equivalent diploma at least three years before the qualifying date and be ordinary residents of the relevant Graduates constituency.

According to the schedule, draft electoral rolls will be published on November 25, 2026, and the final rolls on December 30, 2026. The Election Commission is expected to issue the notification for the elections in January 2027.

Revanth Reddy held a preliminary meeting with ministers and senior party leaders earlier this week to review the Congress's preparedness for the elections. He reportedly told the leaders that the party must win both seats to demonstrate its political supremacy in Telangana and entrusted the responsibility of securing victories to the ministers concerned.

Seethakka Distributes Indiramma Housing Sanction Letters To 109 Beneficiaries

Minister for panchayat raj, rural development, rural water supply, and women and child welfare Danasari Anasuya Seethakka said the government was committed to helping poor families realise their dream of owning a house through the Indiramma housing scheme.

On Friday, she participated in the second phase of the distribution of housing sanction letters at Rythu Vedika in Govindaraopet mandal. Along with district collector Borkhade Hemant Sahadeorao, she distributed letters to 109 beneficiaries from 13 villages. Each beneficiary will receive `5 lakh, taking the total allocation to `5.45 crore.

Seethakka said around 5,000 houses had been sanctioned in the first phase in Mulugu constituency. Those who were eligible but had not received houses in the current phase need not worry, as they would be considered in subsequent phases.

She urged beneficiaries to use the financial assistance properly and complete construction in accordance with government guidelines. Funds would be released after the foundation work was completed. The minister said eligible women belonging to self-help groups could obtain loans of up to `1 lakh through their groups to meet initial construction expenses. She directed officials to ensure the availability of sand and asked sarpanches to support beneficiaries in building their houses.

Referring to the government's welfare initiatives, Seethakka cited schemes including free electricity, ration rice, free bus travel for women and Indiramma houses. She expressed hope that beneficiaries would celebrate Bathukamma in their own homes next year.

Superintendent of police Sudheer Ramnath Kekan and other officials attended the programme.



Kharge Urges Modi to Hold All-Party Meet on Delimitation Proposals

Flagging the "unprecedented" delay in proroguing the Monsoon Session of Parliament, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge on Friday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to call an all-party meeting to discuss any new delimitation proposals, and cautioned him against any attempts to bulldoze a "far-reaching" Constitutional Amendment Bill. In a letter to Modi, Kharge said it has already been 64 days since the Monsoon Session was adjourned sine die on August 13, and both Houses of Parliament are yet to be prorogued.

Terming the scenario unprecedented, the Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha said he had first written to the prime minister on April 11 to convene an all-party meeting before bringing any Constitutional Amendment Bill on delimitation.

"You did not do so. Thereafter, you made the Bills public on the late evening of April 14, and convened a special session on April 16. The Constitutional Amendment Bill on delimitation failed to muster the necessary two-thirds majority in the Lok Sabha on April 17 by a decisive margin," Kharge said.

"Thereafter, on July 16 and August 27, I wrote to you again repeating our request for an all-party meeting. I am now doing so for a fourth time. Please convene an all-party meeting to have a detailed discussion



sion on your new proposals before they are finalised for consideration in Parliament," the Congress chief said.

All political parties must get sufficient time to deliberate among themselves, with each other and with all the other stakeholders, he added. "Please do not once again try and bulldoze a far-reaching Constitutional Amendment Bill through Parliament as you attempted earlier and that met its well-deserved fate," Kharge said.

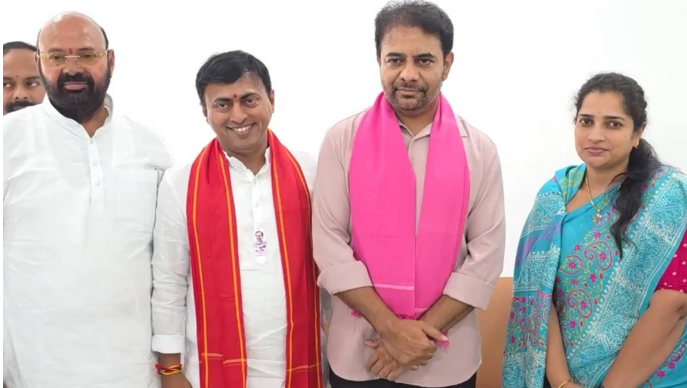
Sharing Kharge's letter on X, Congress general secretary (communications) Jairam Ramesh said, "Mallikarjun Kharge ji has just written to the prime minister on the unprecedented delay in proroguing the Monsoon Session of Parliament and any moves the Modi government may be planning."

Graduates will teach Congress a lesson in MLC polls: KTR

BRS working president KT Rama Rao alleged that graduates, educated youth and unemployed people were disillusioned with the Congress government over its failure to implement electoral promises. Reviewing preparations for the graduate MLC elections, he urged party leaders to focus on voter registration and mobilise support, asserting that voters would deliver a strong message to the ruling party.

Hyderabad: BRS working president KT Rama Rao said graduates, educated youth and unemployed people were angry with the Congress government which failed to implement its electoral promises. He said they would teach the ruling Congress a fitting lesson in the ensuing graduate MLC elections.

He accused the Congress of betraying students and unemployed youth by failing to fulfil its promises, delaying recruitment notifications and allowing employment opportunities to decline. He said the Congress government had pushed the education



sector into crisis.

In a party review meeting with BRS MLAs and senior leaders from the erstwhile Warangal district at Telangana Bhavan on Friday, Rama Rao discussed the party's preparations for the elections. He asked party leaders and workers to prioritise voter registration and ensure that every eligible graduate was enrolled so they could exercise their franchise.

Calling for coordinated efforts, he urged party cadres to work together to secure the BRS victory in the elections.

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GEAR UP FOR BATTLE AGAINST CHILD OBESITY

WHO's new guidelines offer India a roadmap to combat childhood obesity through healthier diets and lifestyle changes

Fueled by changes in lifestyles and food habits, India may well have become an epicentre of the obesity crisis, particularly affecting children and young adults. The country is projected to account for more than 11% of the global childhood obesity burden by 2030 if current trends continue. Against this grim backdrop, the World Health Organisation's first-ever global guidelines on integrated management of obesity in children and adolescents come as a welcome development and could go a long way in reversing the trend if implemented in the right spirit. Until now, the WHO had obesity recommendations only for adults. Given the alarming global rise in obesity—400 million children and adolescents were overweight in 2024—it has launched two sets of guidelines—covering 0 to 9 and 10-19 years—essentially focusing on structured diets, physical activity and behaviour-change support. Importantly, the global body has recommended that anti-obesity medications could be considered for adolescents only when supervised lifestyle programmes fail to achieve required health targets. It has said a strict no to pharmacological treatment, bariatric surgery or weight-loss devices for children aged 0-9 years, citing doubts over their safety and long-term effectiveness. The guidelines say that anxiety, depression and low self-esteem can contribute to unhealthy eating, physical inactivity and social withdrawal. According to the World Obesity Atlas 2026, over 14.9 million Indian children aged 5-9 years and 26.4 million adolescents aged 10-19 were living with overweight or obesity in 2025.

India ranks second worldwide behind China and is growing fast. It is estimated that 20 million children could be living with obesity by 2040, while 56 million may be overweight. Also, at least 120 million school-age children could show early signs of chronic diseases such as hypertension and cardiovascular disease linked to high Body Mass Index (BMI). India's challenges are particularly complicated because it confronts a double whammy: malnutrition and obesity simultaneously. The Indian Academy of Paediatrics' guidelines, issued in 2023, recognised the gravity of the problem. They recommended that highly obese children be assessed for associated conditions such as hypertension, abnormal blood lipids, diabetes and fatty liver disease. India's approach concurs with that of the WHO in recognising that containing obesity-related maladies requires a concerted effort involving parents, paediatricians and schools. The WHO's new guidelines rooting for supportive environments for children are particularly important for India. A growing body of research has underlined that children with limited access to healthy food options often rely on poor and unhealthy diets. Policymakers should take note of the global health agency's call for systemic change. Comprehensive national action plans are needed to prevent and treat obesity. The WHO's guideline is not just clinical—it's a preventive public-health call. Implementing the 'lifestyle-first' model through schools, primary care, and family-level behaviour change will be critical for India to avoid a tidal wave of early-onset diabetes and hypertension.

Modi To Visit Canada on Dec. 11-12 For Talks

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Canada on December 11-12 for bilateral talks with his counterpart Mark Carney. Carney confirmed the visit. Modi is expected to visit Ottawa and Toronto and interact with the Indian diaspora. The announcement follows a telephone conversation between the two leaders this week. Canadian foreign minister Anita Anand, who met Modi on Thursday, welcomed progress on the bilateral roadmap and the recent security dialogue between the two countries.

"Minister Anand and Prime Minister Modi discussed the importance of concluding a comprehensive economic partnership agreement by the end of the year," the Canadian government said. The two sides also discussed expanding bilateral trade and cooperation in education and technology. Canada's trade mission to India, led by international trade minister Maninder Sidhu, was cited as evidence of growing economic engagement.



CJP Takes Out Tiranga March After Conditional Police Permission in Bengaluru

Bengaluru: Members and supporters of the CJP on Friday undertook a Tiranga march from Town Hall here after Bengaluru Police granted permission, subject to conditions, citing a High Court order designating Freedom Park as the site for protests.

According to the organisers, the march was initially scheduled to begin at Town Hall at 4 pm and conclude at the Quit India Memorial.

However, the CJP members and supporters gathered after police granted permission for the march between 5 pm and 6.30 pm, subject to several conditions.

The organisers maintained that they were only going ahead with a peaceful march, with police prohibiting the organisers from holding any protest or symbolic protest at Town Hall, along the march route or near the Quit India Memorial.

The march from Town Hall was held amid police security. However, when the CJP members raised slogans against a politi-



cal party, senior officers on the spot again warned them and asked them to carry out the march peacefully.

According to a copy of police permission shared by the organisers, they have also been barred from raising slogans against any political party, organisation, community or individual, or displaying protest placards, banners and other material that could disturb public peace.

The organisers were directed to ensure that the march does not obstruct public or vehicular traffic and to strictly comply with the Karnataka High Court's order restricting protests, processions, rallies and similar activities in Bengaluru to Freedom Park.

It also stated that if any of the conditions of the order of the High Court are violated while assembling near Town Hall, during the foot march or while concluding it near the Quit India Memorial, further legal action will be initiated against them.

The march has been organised in association with Jagruta Karnataka, AISA Karnataka and My Vote, My Right, in solidarity with CJP co-convenor Ashutosh Ranka and spokesperson Saurav Das.

Das and Ranka were sent to five-day judicial custody and lodged in Tihar Jail on October 14 for allegedly violating their peace bonds and trespassing into Jantar Mantar in Delhi, which has been denotified as a protest site.

They had signed bonds to maintain peace for a year after being detained the previous week.

KTR blames Congress for drought, questions use of irrigation pumps

BRS working president KT Rama Rao accused the Telangana government of worsening drought conditions by allowing more than 1,000 TMCft of Godavari and Krishna water to flow downstream. He alleged that irrigation pumps were not used despite warnings of El Niño

Hyderabad: BRS working president KT Rama Rao accused the Congress government of creating drought conditions in Telangana by allowing vast quantities of water from the Godavari and Krishna rivers to flow downstream despite advance warnings of El Niño.

"This is not a drought brought by fate, but one created by Congress," he said, alleging that the government delayed the utilisation of available water and failed to protect farmers from an impending irrigation crisis.

Sharing a video of Narlapur pumps lifting water on X, Rama Rao said more than 750 TMCft of Godavari water and 250 TMCft of Krishna water had been allowed to flow downstream since June 1 this year. He said the government could have used the Kannepalli and Devadula pumps to fill reservoirs and tanks along the Godavari river, while operating the Palamuru-Rangareddy and Kalwakurthy lift irrigation schemes to utilise Krishna river water.

Citing the Narlapur pump house of the Palamuru-Rangareddy project, the BRS working president said inflows into the Srisailem reservoir began on July 29, but the Revanth Reddy government took 76 days to start pumping, just two days ago. The pump house accommodates 145 MW pumps, which are among the largest irrigation pumps in the world.

He recalled that despite repeated demands by BRS leaders to operate the pumps, the Congress government had delayed action. "Had pumping begun when the floodwaters arrived, Telangana could have lifted around 40 TMCft of water, enough



to irrigate four lakh acres, during the season," he said.

Rama Rao said the Congress government's reluctance to operate infrastructure built under former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao was driven by a desire to deny credit to the BRS leader. He stated that the delay had contributed significantly to the severe irrigation shortage now faced by farmers.

"Despite meteorologists warning of El Niño since March, the government failed to act. Andhra Pradesh diverted the released water through Pattiseema, Pothireddypadu and the Veligonda tunnel, supplying even the distant Kuppam region," he remarked.

Rama Rao said Telangana could have conserved and used more of its share through the timely operation of its lift irrigation projects. He accused the Congress government of squandering a crucial opportunity to build water reserves ahead of a potentially difficult agricultural season.

Centre Assures Coal Supply to Yadadri Plant



HYDERABAD: Union minister G. Kishan Reddy on Friday said the Centre would ensure uninterrupted coal supply to the Yadadri Thermal Power Plant (YTPP), which is on the brink of shutting down due to an acute shortage of coal to prevent a power crisis in Telangana.

Speaking to reporters, Kishan Reddy said Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka had spoken to him over the phone on Thursday, seeking coal allocation from Coal India after supply to YTPS was hit by reduced production at the Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL). Officials had been directed to work out linkages from Mahanadi Coalfields or Western Coalfields and supply coal immediately.

Kishan Reddy said hydropower generation had fallen sharply across the country due to El Niño conditions, while power demand had risen by 16 to 18 per cent. Dependence on thermal power had increased from 74 to 83 per cent, putting heavy pressure on the coal sector.

He said he, along with the Union railway and power ministers, was reviewing coal supply regularly. A record 496 railway rakes were being loaded daily against the normal 350 to transport coal to power plants. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was reviewing coal production, transportation and stocks at power plants twice a day, he added. Incentives were being given to about four lakh Coal India workers to ensure production continued even during holidays.

Responding to reports that 46 lakh metric tonnes of coal had gone missing from Singareni, Kishan Reddy said there was only an error in book adjustment. He alleged that Revanth Reddy and K.T. Rama Rao were levelling allegations against each other for political gain, and said both the previous BRS government and the present Congress government were responsible for pushing SCCL into crisis.

He alleged that Telangana Genco was using Singareni thermal power and coal without clearing its bills. Dues stood between ₹26,000 crore and ₹29,000 crore when the Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao left office, and had risen to ₹59,000–₹60,000 crore under the Revanth Reddy government.

He said three new coal blocks had been allotted to Singareni after 15 years since he became Coal Minister, and efforts were on to secure one more.

He said there was no shortage of foodgrains, with Food Corporation of India godowns holding sufficient stocks for the coming year. He alleged that the state government was following double standards, exporting fine rice abroad without disclosing the whereabouts of rice purchased with ₹32,000 crore Central funds, while blaming the Centre. Agriculture minister Tummala Nageswara Rao also met him to discuss national highways, the Kothagudem airport and the development of Singareni in Khammam district.

Referring to protests in Delhi, Kishan Reddy launched a sharp attack on Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, accusing him of trying to weaken constitutional institutions and topple the elected NDA government. He alleged that Gandhi was making "irresponsible" claims that officials from the CBI, ED, police and external affairs ministry were leaking information to him, saying such statements endangered national security and were unbecoming of a Leader of the Opposition.

He accused Gandhi of threatening CEC Gyanesh Kumar and attempting to "blackmail" the judiciary by taking out a procession to court. He said the Congress was targeting the Election Commission only because the BJP was winning elections. "Votes have not been stolen. Thieves are not getting votes from people," Reddy said, rejecting Rahul's poll-rigging allegations.

He alleged that international "deep state" forces and domestic disruptive elements were conspiring against India's rise. He warned that the current time was not 1977, when India returned to normalcy after the Emergency.



VIJAYAWADA: On the occasion of Moola Nakshatra on Friday, Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu ceremonially offered silk robes and a saree to Goddess Kanaka Durga on behalf of the state government. The chief minister said later that he prayed for the happiness, prosperity and well-being of the people of Andhra Pradesh. Accompanied by wife Bhuvaneshwari, Naidu visited the Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy temple atop Indrakeeladri during the ongoing Dasara Sharannavaratri festivities. The couple offered prayers and performed special rituals amid Vedic chants by priests.

Naidu Prays to Goddess Kanaka Durga For Rains, Poverty-free Statea

Temple officials and priests accorded a traditional welcome to the CM. Sthanacharya Siva Prasad Sharma adorned him with the traditional pariveshtam before the couple proceeded to the sanctum sanctorum with the offerings. The priests later blessed Naidu and Bhuvaneshwari at the Ashirvachana Mandapam. Temple executive officer Seena Naik presented the goddess's sacred garments to the chief minister, while the temple chairman and the executive officer presented him with a portrait of the deity. The CM said he had prayed for adequate rainfall, prosperity and improved living standards for the people across the state. He also sought the goddess's blessings to eradicate poverty and transform AP into a healthy, prosperous and happy society. Extending Dasara greetings to the people, he said the temple authorities and the administration had made arrangements to ensure a comfortable pilgrimage for devotees. Naidu said eight lakh devotees had visited the temple in the first six days of the festivities. Devotees ranging from children to the elderly were arriving in large numbers to seek the goddess's blessings, he added. Despite the chief minister's visit and the offering of silk robes, darshan continued without interruption for ordinary devotees, ensuring that the VIP visit did not disrupt the queues. Naidu said the simultaneous organisation of Vijayawada Utsav 2.0 and



the National Saras Mela had added to the festive atmosphere. He described it as a matter of pride that Vijayawada's Dasara celebrations were gaining national prominence. Meanwhile, Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath, popularly known as Chinni, visited the temple with his family on the occasion of Moola Nakshatram. He offered prayers to the goddess in her Saraswati Devi form. Sivanath said coordinated efforts by various departments, backed by technology, were helping monitor crowds, manage queues and address devotees' grievances promptly. He said the arrangements focused on ensuring safety, convenience and a satisfactory darshan experience for all pilgrims.



Andhra Pradesh NDA allies finalise seat-sharing deal for urban local body polls

The TDP, Jana Sena and BJP have finalised a seat-sharing agreement for Andhra Pradesh's urban local body elections. The TDP will contest most mayoral and chairperson posts, with the allocation broadly reflecting the allies' Assembly strength.

Amaravati: Partners in the ruling National Democratic Alliance (NDA) in Andhra Pradesh have reached a seat sharing agreement for Urban Local Body elections. After several rounds of talks among leaders of the Telugu Desam Party (TDP), Jana Sena Party (JSP) and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) during the last four days, the allies finalised the seat sharing on Thursday night. Initially there was a deadlock in the talks between TDP and JSP but both the parties adopted a give and take approach to reach an understanding. The NDA partners finalised the seat sharing in line with the aspirations of their leaders and cadres at the field level. As per the agreement for the posts of mayor for 17 municipal corporations, the TDP will contest 11 posts, Jana Sena four and BJP two. The coalition also reached an understanding for the posts of chairpersons of municipalities/nagar panchayats. The TDP will field candidates for 78 posts while Jana Sena will contest in 21 places. Seven posts have been left for the BJP. As per the agreement for all Urban Local Bodies, TDP has been allotted 72.35 per cent of the posts. Jana Sena got a share of 20.33 per cent and BJP 7.32 per cent. If one ally gets the post of mayor/chairman, the other allies will be given the post of deputy mayor/vice-chairperson. The TDP will contest for the posts of mayors of Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, Machilipatnam, Mangalgi-Tadepalli, Guntur, Ongole, Nellore, Kurnool, Kadapa, Tirupati and Chittoor. Jana Sena has been allotted Srikakulam, Kakinada, Eluru and Vijayawada while BJP will field its candidates for mayors in



Rajamahendravaram and Anantapuram. The seat adjustment was finalised after several round of talks among top leaders of the NDA partners during the last few days. Chief Minister and TDP National President N. Chandrababu Naidu, TDP state President Palla Srinivasa Rao, Deputy Chief Minister and Jana Sena chief Pawan Kalyan, state BJP President P.V. N. Madhav and other leaders participated in the talks. The seat-sharing in local body polls is largely in proportion to the respective strength of the three allies in the state Assembly. The NDA, headed by TDP, had stormed to power in 2024 with a landslide majority. The coalition bagged 164 seats in the 175-member Assembly. The TDP has 135 MLAs, while Jana Sena

and BJP have 21 and eight seats, respectively. The State Election Commission has already announced the schedule for the elections to urban and rural local bodies. Polling for 100 urban local bodies is scheduled on October 28 while Gram Panchayats will go to polls in three phases in November-December. Out of 123 Urban Local Bodies, the Commission has issued notifications for conduct of elections to 100 Urban Local Bodies (13 Municipal Corporations and 87 Municipalities/Nagar Panchayats). Elections have not been notified now for the remaining 23 Urban Local Bodies (4 Municipal Corporations and 19 Municipalities/Nagar Panchayats) as the pre-election activities for them are underway.

Collector Briefs Parties On Poll Schedule, Code Of Conduct



Alluri Sitharama Raju district collector T. Nishanthi on Friday briefed political party representatives on the local body election schedule, the Model Code of Conduct (MCC), and poll preparations following the issuance of the election notification. The collector outlined key dates and stages of the electoral process and explained the administration's measures to ensure transparent and orderly polling. She also answered representatives' questions and clarified election procedures. Nishanthi urged political parties and candidates to strictly follow the MCC and other election guidelines, stressing that compliance was essential for free, fair, and peaceful polls. Representatives received copies of the code and election guidelines to familiarise them with the provisions in force. Joint collector Tirumani Sripooja, ITDA project officer Aditya Varma, Paderu sub-collector Kanala Chiranjeevi Naga Venkata Sahith and additional superintendent of police Sruthi attended the meeting, along with other senior officials. Later, the collector reviewed poll preparedness with Zilla Parishad chief executive officer Vasudeva Rao, district panchayat officer Chandrasekhar, DLPO P.S. Kumar and panchayat raj department officials. The review focused on polling arrangements, responsibility allocation, and inter-departmental coordination across the district.

Tirupati Municipal Corporation Elections For 66 Wards On Oct 28



Tirupati: Municipal Corporation elections in the temple town of Tirupati will be held on October 28 and counting of votes will take place on October 30, Municipal Commissioner Jayakrishna said on Thursday. Addressing the media, he said elections will be held for 66 wards and the Mayor's post. The number of wards has increased from 50 to 66 following delimitation. The city has a total of 2,92,492 voters, including 1,43,000 men, 1,47,000 women and 29 voters from the third-gender category, he stated. As per the schedule, nominations will be accepted from October 16, scrutinised on October 19, and the last date for withdrawal is October 21. The final list of candidates will be released at 3 pm on October 21. Nomination centres have been established at 22 locations for the 66 wards, with 22 Returning Officers and 22 Assistant Returning Officers appointed. A total of 304 polling booths will be set up across 104 locations. Of these, 46 have been identified as critical, 77 as sensitive and 63 as hyper-sensitive. Between 1,800 and 2,000 personnel will be deployed for election duties, and 140 buses have been allocated for transport. Flying squads and surveillance teams have been formed to monitor the Model Code of Conduct. Voters will have to cast two votes, one for the ward councillor and another for the Mayor. Election material distribution, strong rooms and the counting centre will be arranged at SV Arts College. The Commissioner said restrictions will be imposed within a 100-metre radius of nomination centres, and media personnel will not be permitted inside polling booths and will only be allowed to film queues outside.

DEPUTY TAHSILDAR, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER (VRO) O/O THE TAHSILDAR, KEESARA MANDAL, MEDCHAL-MALKAJGIRI DISTRICT & ONE PRIVATE PERSON IN ACB NET

AMEER HUSSAIN CRIME BEURO CHIEF the (AO-1) Sri. Amanaganti Sandeep Kumar Reddy, Deputy Tahsildar, O/o The Tahsildar, Keesara mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri district demanded the bribe amount of Rs. 5,00,000/- and accepted the part payment of bribe amount of Rs. 2,50,000/- from the Complainant through A-2 Sri. Kavali Balakrishna, private person for doing an official favour, i.e. for processing and completing the work relating to the removal of agricultural properties standing in the names of the Complainant's mother and their family members from the Prohibited List under Section 22-A of the Registration Act, 1908. Further, pursuant to the instructions of the AO-1, AO-3 Sri. Nannuri Vijay kumar Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, O/o The Tahsildar, Keesara mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri district instigated A-2 to receive the bribe amount from the Complainant. Accordingly, A-2 accepted the part payment of the demanded bribe amount of Rs. 2,50,000/- from the Complainant, caught by the ACB officials of Rangareddy Range.



The tainted bribe amount of Rs.2,50,000/- was recovered from the possession of the A-2 at his instance. Thus, the AO-1 & AO-3 performed their duty improperly and dishonestly to obtain undue advantage.

Therefore, the AO-1, A-2 & AO-3 are being produced before the Hon'ble Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Nampally for judicial remand. The case is under investigation. The details of complainant are withheld for security reasons.

CELL PHONE NUMBER-1064 (TOLL FREE NUMBER): In case of a demand for a bribe by any Public Servant, the public is requested to contact the ACB Toll Free Number, i.e., 1064, to take action as per Law. ACB Telangana can also be contacted through social media platforms WhatsApp (9440446106), Facebook (Telangana ACB), and X (X/formerly twitter Telangana ACB). The QR Code of ACB is also displayed in all Government Offices and prominent public places to contact ACB, Telangana. The name and details of the victim/complainant will be kept secret

Ghatkesar CI Balaswamy Suspended!

Ameer Hussain, Crime Bureau Chief

Investigation into allegations of interference in civil disputes, corruption, and negligence of duty.

Action reportedly taken following directives from Malkajgiri CP Sumathi; awaiting an official statement.

Ghatkesar Police Station Circle Inspector (CI) Balaswamy has reportedly been suspended. This action follows allegations of his interference in civil disputes, involvement in corruption, and negligence in the discharge of his duties.



An inquiry into these allegations was conducted under the orders of Malkajgiri Police Commissioner Sumathi. It is understood that he was suspended after the investigation confirmed the allegations. However, no official statement has been issued by the Police Department regarding this matter yet.

A Similar Incident in the Past!

Many recall that a previous CI of Ghatkesar was also suspended—coincidentally, around the time of the Dussehra festival. This latest action against another CI has become a topic of discussion within police circles.

Awaiting an Official Statement

The public is always keen to know how police officers perform their duties, how they interact with citizens, and how transparently they address complaints. Against this backdrop, everyone is awaiting an official clarification from the Police Department regarding the full reasons and details behind the suspension of CI Balaswamy.

TAHSILDAR CUM JOINT SUB-REGISTRAR, O/ THE TAHSILDAR, VEMULAWADA RURAL, RAJANNA SIRICILLA DISTRICT & ONE PRIVATE PERSON IN ACB NET

AMEER HUSSAIN CRIME BEURO CHIEF

the (AO-1) Sri Md. Abubakar, Tahsildar cum Joint Sub-Registrar, O/o the Vemulawada Rural, Rajanna Sircilla District was caught by the ACB officials, Karimnagar range when he demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs. 8,000/- from the Complainant through A-2 Sri. Sankasala Anil Kumar, Private person (Bhu Bharathi Operator), O/o the Vemulawada Rural, Rajanna Sircilla District for doing an official favour "for facilitating the registration of a gift deed in respect of the agricultural land belonging to the complainant's aunt in the name of the complainant's father.



The tainted bribe amount of Rs.8,000/- was recovered from the possession of the A-2 at his instance. Thus, the AO-1 performed his duty improperly and dishonestly to obtain undue advantage.

Therefore, the AO-1 & A-2 are being produced before the Hon'ble Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Karimnagar for judicial remand. The case is under investigation. The details of complainant are withheld for security reasons.

CELL PHONE NUMBER-1064 (TOLL FREE NUMBER): In case of a demand for a bribe by any Public Servant, the public is requested to contact the ACB Toll Free Number, i.e., 1064, to take action as per Law. ACB Telangana can also be contacted through social media platforms WhatsApp (9440446106), Facebook (Telangana ACB), and X (X/formerly twitter Telangana ACB). The QR Code of ACB is also displayed in all Government Offices and prominent public places to contact ACB, Telangana. The name and details of the victim/complainant will be kept secrets

Floral Fiesta on the Banks of Moolavagu! Saddula Bathukamma Celebrations Soar in Vemulawada

Vemulawada, October 16: Amidst the beauty of flowers, the roar of folk songs, the bustle of Kolatam, and the joyous enthusiasm of women, the Saddula Bathukamma celebrations were held grandly in Vemulawada on Friday. The Rajanna shrine blossomed with the floral festival that stands as a symbol of Telangana culture and traditions. The banks of Moolavagu were a visual delight with Bathukammas stacked with colourful flowers.

As it is customary to hold Saddula Bathukamma on the seventh day itself in Vemulawada, women who were at their in-laws' houses reached their parental homes and participated in the celebrations along with their family members. From the morning itself, women beautifully stacked Bathukammas with Thangedu, Gunugu, Chrysanthemum and other flowers and performed pujas. In the evening, holding the Bathukammas, they reached Moolavagu and sang traditional songs going around them. Kolatams by young women and performances by artists were a special attraction of the festival. The venue was abuzz with Oggu Dolu beats and Bonam performances.

Speciality of MLA in Shobhayatra:

The Shobhayatra of God-



dess Gowri Devi's idol from the Municipal office to Moolavagu was a feast for the eyes. Government Whip and MLA Adi Srinivas performed special pujas to the Goddess and drove the vehicle himself, taking the idol to Moolavagu. Later, the idol of the Goddess was installed. The programme, held amid devotion, brought spiritual charm to the celebrations.

Officials Join the Festive Dance:

Government Whip Adi Srinivas, Collector Garima Agrawal, and SP Mahesh B. Githe participated in the celebrations at Moolavagu. They joined the women and participated in Bathukamma and Dandiya dances. People's artist Vimalakka filled enthusiasm by singing Bathukamma songs along with the women. They wished that Telangana culture and traditions should be preserved and farmers should prosper.



Arrangements worth Rs. 34 Lakhs for the Festival:

Arrangements were made at a cost of about Rs. 34 lakhs under the aegis of the Municipality for the Saddula Bathukamma celebrations. The festival area was decorated by installing LED lights and electric lights along the roads. Officials took necessary measures to ensure that the public did not face any inconvenience.

Peaceful Conclusion with Tight Security:

As a large number of people thronged the celebrations, the police made tight security arrangements to prevent traffic problems and untoward incidents. Security measures were taken under the supervision of SP Mahesh B. Githe, led by DSP Srinivas and Town CI Veeraprasad. Finally, women immersed the Bathukammas in Moolavagu and bid farewell to Gowramma. With this, the Saddula Bathukamma celebrations in Vemulawada concluded peacefully.

Municipal Chairman Pulakum Raju, BJP State Executive Member Prathapa Ramakrishna, TRS Constituency In-charge Chelimeda Narasimha Rao, BJP Constituency In-charge Vikas Rao, Former Municipal Chairperson leaders Enugu Manohar Reddy, Polasa Narender, Ramatirthapu Raju, public representatives, women and town people participated in these celebrations.

Transparency Must Be Maintained in Crop Procurement

Farmers Must Receive Minimum Support Price (MSP) District Collector Bhavesh Mishra

Nirmal : Nirmal District Collector Bhavesh Mishra directed officials to ensure transparency in the crop procurement process and take necessary measures to guarantee that farmers receive the Minimum Support Price (MSP) announced by the government. He emphasized that all essential facilities must be provided at procurement centres to ensure that farmers do not face any difficulties while selling their produce.

On Friday, the Collector conducted a surprise inspection of the market yard in Bhainsa town. During the inspection, he enquired with officials about the crop procurement process, weighing procedures, and facilities being provided to farmers.

He instructed officials to maintain complete transparency in weighing paddy and ensure that no irregularities take place. He warned that strict action would be taken against anyone found engaging in practices that cause losses to farmers.

Later, the Collector interacted with farmers who had arrived at the market yard to sell their produce and enquired about the problems they were facing during the procurement process. He advised them to immediately bring any difficulties to the attention of the concerned senior officials.

The Collector directed officials to work in coordination, keeping farmers' welfare as their primary objective, and ensure that the procurement process proceeds smoothly



without any inconvenience to farmers.

Tahsildar Shashibhushan, along with concerned officials and staff, participated in the inspection.

Women Leaders Steal the Show at Bathukamma Celebrations

Vemulawada, October 16: Saddula Bathukamma celebrations are continuing grandly in Vemulawada town. Women leaders stood as a special attraction in the celebrations held in various wards of the town. Padma Devender Reddy, Former ZP Chairperson Thula Uma, Aruna, Former Municipal Chairperson Ramatirthapu Madhavi and others participated in the festival celebrations by playing Bathukamma along with women. Enthusiasm prevailed among women with Bathukamma songs and dances. On the other hand, BRS Party Vemulawada Constituency In-charge Chalmeda Lakshmi Narasimha Rao along with his wife Sunila attended the Bathukamma celebrations.

In various parts of the town, women traditionally worshipped Bathukamma and celebrated the festival amidst joy and enthusiasm.



KTR accuses Congress of creating drought despite Telangana's irrigation infrastructure

BRS working president KT Rama Rao demanded a sitting judge's inquiry into alleged Singareni irregularities and proposed foreign coal imports. He blamed the Congress government for Telangana's drought, alleging water wastage, declining coal production and inadequate support for distressed farmers



Hyderabad: BRS working president KT Rama Rao on Friday challenged Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy to order an inquiry by a sitting judge into alleged irregularities in Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) and the proposed imports of foreign coal. He held the Congress government responsible for the drought conditions prevailing in Telangana, citing water availability in neighbouring Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.

Addressing a meeting of BRS leaders from Narsampet constituency at Telangana Bhavan here, Rama Rao criticised the Congress government for weakening Singareni and creating a coal shortage to facilitate expensive imports in return for commissions. He challenged the Chief Minister to order an investigation into an alleged Rs 10,000-crore scam involving his brother-in-law in Singareni. He also said he would soon expose an alleged solar power scam in the company.

Launching a broadside against the Chief Minister, Rama Rao called Revanth Reddy an "EMI Chief Minister", alleging that he would lose his post if monthly instalments were not sent to Delhi.

"He has been indulging in multiple scams and looting the State to send funds to Delhi. The foreign coal imports is another strategy with the same purpose," he said.

The BRS working president rejected the Chief Minister's claims that the previous BRS government was responsible for the coal shortage. He said Singareni had produced about 70 million tonnes of coal under the previous BRS government, supporting an uninterrupted power supply. He alleged that coal production had declined under the Congress government, while nearly Rs 60,000 crore in dues remained unpaid to the company.

Rama Rao questioned the government's power procurement policy, contrasting the previous BRS government's purchase price of Rs 3.90 per unit with the Congress government's reported plans to buy power at Rs 15 per unit. He accused Revanth Reddy of ordering an inquiry into earlier power purchases with political motives to target the BRS, while now justifying his decisions by citing power shortages.

Rama Rao also blamed the Congress government for allowing Godavari and Krishna river waters to flow downstream despite advance warnings of El Niño. He said the BRS had repeatedly urged the government, six months earlier, to lift water from

Kaleshwaram, but the pumps had not been operated. He claimed that nearly 1,000 TMCft of water had gone to waste, leaving farmers facing crop losses and shortages of drinking and irrigation water.

"You have allowed around 750 TMCft of water from the Godavari and another 250 TMCft from the Krishna to flow downstream without filling reservoirs in Telangana, but are now blaming El Niño and asking farmers not to cultivate crops," he said.

Comparing Telangana's situation with that of Andhra Pradesh, the former Minister said the neighbouring State had diverted water through Pattiseema and other projects, supplying it to areas as far as Kuppam, around 700 km away, while Telangana could not supply water to Mahabubnagar, barely 70 km from the Krishna river.

"This is not a drought brought by fate, but one created by the Congress," he said.

Appealing to the government to set politics aside and support distressed farmers, Rama Rao said Telangana was heading towards drought despite its irrigation infrastructure.

Meanwhile, Rama Rao promised to take responsibility for Narsampet's development if the BRS returned to power. He also assured support to the family of former MLA Peddi Sudarshan Reddy. Calling on party workers to remain united and work for the BRS's victory in the constituency, he asserted that BRS president K Chandrashekhara Rao would return as Chief Minister after the 2028 elections.

Expert questions CM Revanth's claims on Yadadri thermal power project

Irrigation expert V Prakash rebutted Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's remarks on Yadadri Thermal Power Station, defending its location, supercritical technology, G9-grade coal arrangements and land use. He alleged the Chief Minister omitted details about coal linkages and supply constraints.

Hyderabad: A day after Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy made critical observations about the location, coal imports and other aspects of the Yadadri Thermal Power Station (YTPS), irrigation expert V Prakash challenged his claims, alleging that the Chief Minister had suppressed facts and presented half-truths.

In a point-by-point rebuttal, Prakash explained the factors considered by the previous BRS government while finalising the location, technology and coal supply arrangements for the 4,000-MW power project.

At a press conference on Thursday, Revanth Reddy said the previous government had chosen Damaracherla for YTPS despite the availability of water and coal at other locations. He maintained that the project cost would have been significantly lower had it been established at Manuguru.

Prakash, however, said former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao had chosen Damaracherla to promote economic development in South Telangana. The location was also selected with a view to facilitating coal imports through the Krishnapatnam and Bandar ports, as the plant was designed to use imported G9-grade coal or blend it with other coal, if necessary, he explained.

Prakash said the plant was designed using supercritical technology, in line with the requirements applicable to new coal-based thermal power projects. He questioned how the previous government could have secured loans from Central government corporations had it failed to comply with the relevant national power policy requirements.

The 4,000-MW plant was designed to use supercritical technology suited to G9-grade coal, with a gross calorific value (GCV) of 4,601–4,900 kcal per kg. Supercritical technology improves efficiency and can reduce carbon dioxide emissions by around 10–15 per cent compared with older subcritical units, he said.

Why G9-grade coal?

Prakash said the coal



available from Singareni included lower grades such as G11, G13, G14 and G15, with limited availability of higher grades.

G13-grade coal has a GCV of 3,401–3,700 kcal per kg, while G14-grade coal has a GCV of 3,100–3,400 kcal per kg. As these grades generate less heat per unit of weight, power plants need to burn larger quantities to produce the same amount of electricity, he explained.

Lower-grade coal also contains higher ash levels, typically ranging from 35 to 50 per cent, increasing wear on boilers and other equipment and raising maintenance requirements. Transporting larger quantities of low-calorific-value coal over long distances also increases railway freight costs, he said.

According to Prakash, using more consistent, higher-calorific-value G9-grade coal would help maintain the operating conditions required for efficient power generation at YTPS.

Coal supply agreement

Revanth Reddy had said the previous BRS government entered into a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with SCCL in December 2016 for the import of seven million tonnes of G9-grade coal for YTPS.

Prakash countered that the coal linkage granted by the Ministry of Coal covered 14 MTPA of G9-grade coal from SCCL. He further cited an April 2022 MoU under which SCCL was to supply the entire 14 MTPA requirement, alleging that the Chief Minister had omitted this detail.

He claimed that SCCL's actual production of G9-grade coal had remained substantially below the plant's requirement, averaging between 1 and 4 MTPA.

Prakash put the selling price of SCCL's G9-grade coal at around Rs 5,000 per tonne, compared with approximately Rs 2,050 per tonne for domestic coal from sources such as SECL and MCL. Imported coal from Indonesia and South Africa, he said, cost around Rs 4,500–5,000 per tonne and offered a higher calorific value.

He added that investments for the project had been mobilised by TGGENCO through Central government corporations under both the BRS and Congress governments. He said SCCL had agreed to supply 14 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) of G9-grade coal to YTPS. However, the company's extraction capacity for this grade was limited, and it had supplied only 0.52 million tonnes during the current year, he claimed.

Land requirement

Prakash said YTPS required around four thousand million cubic feet (TMC) of water annually and was allotted approximately 2,800 acres. Of this, 704.12 acres were patta land, while the remaining 2,095 acres comprised forest land in Veerlapalem and neighbouring villages, he said.

He argued that acquiring such a large extent of land would have been difficult in established industrial locations such as Ramagundam or Kothagudem.

He also said a plant using lower-grade G13 or G14 coal would require around 1,200–1,500 acres for ash ponds, whereas YTPS required only about 400 acres. The ash generated at the plant could also be supplied to nearby cement factories, he added.

Khammam BRS demands White Paper on farmer's issues, power supply

Khammam: The district BRS leaders demanded that the Congress government release a White Paper on electricity supply for agriculture, compensation for withered crops, power generation capacity, and coal reserves as well as supply status in the State.

Speaking to the media here on Friday, MLC Tata Madhusudhan and former MLA Sandra Venkata Veeraiiah launched a scathing attack on the anti-people policies of the Revanth Reddy government alleging that governance in the State has completely de-railed.

Madhusudhan noted that the during former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao's ten-year rule, the State benefited from 24-hour, high-quality, free electricity, piped drinking water to every household, and the restoration of irrigation tanks under 'Mission Kakatiya', all of which transformed agriculture into a prosperous activity.

While the State's peak electricity demand stands at 15,000 megawatts, the government has been generating only 6,700 megawatts and has completely failed to bridge the resulting deficit. The fact that power outages occurred even during meetings attended by the Energy Minister Bhati Vikramarka speaks vol-



umes about the severity of the electricity crisis in the State, the MLC said.

While the Godavari has a storage capacity of 326.93 TMC, only 174.58 TMC was stored, and 750 TMC of water was allowed to flow into Andhra Pradesh causing a grave injustice to Telangana farmers.

The decision to issue notices to seed companies, prohibiting them from selling seeds for the second crop, was one of the most malicious actions in the history of Indian democracy, Madhusudhan alleged.

Venkata Veeraiiah demanded an explanation as to why coal production was cut from 70 million tonnes in 2023-24 to 58 million tonnes this year. The government was weakening SCCL to facilitate the import of foreign coal, thereby pocketing massive commissions.

Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's tendency to shift the blame for his own failures onto officials while also threatening them was clear evidence of his administrative incompetence, he said.

The BRS leaders demanded compensation to farmers whose crops had withered due to a lack of water and electricity. Burnt-out agricultural pump sets and transformers must be repaired on a war footing, at the government's expense.

A comprehensive inquiry must be conducted into Singareni tenders, the reduction in coal production, and the import of foreign coal. The government must immediately clarify its stand on the sale of shares in Singareni and any plans for its privatisation, they added.

Manne Krishank challenges Revanth Reddy over Medicovert, Maxbien Pharma links

Hyderabad: BRS spokesperson Manne Krishank on Thursday challenged Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy to a debate over alleged links between Medicovert Hospitals, Maxbien Pharma and MindVault Corporate Schools. He cited shareholdings held by three individuals across the three companies and their alleged close association with Revanth Reddy.

Responding to the Chief Minister's remarks, Krishank said he had presented three pieces of evidence to support his allegations regarding ownership of the companies.

Krishank said Dumpa Sirisha Reddy held 46,46,596 shares in Medicovert, 37 lakh shares in Maxbien Pharma and 1,97,500 shares in MindVault. Brahmananda Reddy held 28,78,192 shares in Medicovert and 65,834 shares in MindVault, while Annam Sharath Reddy held 5,08,808 shares in Medicovert and 1,08,000 shares in Maxbien Pharma, he said. According to Krishank, all three individuals are directors in all three organisations.

He alleged that Maxbien Pharma was linked to the Chief Minister's son-in-law, Goluguri Satyanarayana Reddy, and that MindVault was associated with his daughter, Nymisha Reddy.

"The link is clear, Revanth Reddy garu. You have successfully made black money into white by selling Medicovert Hospital for Rs 13,200 crore," Krishank said, demanding an explanation over the alleged connections.

He challenged Revanth Reddy to order a CBI probe or distribute the amount among farmers.



Measures to Ensure Better Medical Services in Government Hospitals

**Public Confidence in Government Healthcare Must Be Strengthened
Robust Fire Safety Systems Must Be in Place in Hospitals
District Collector Bhavesh Mishra**

Nirmal : District Collector Bhavesh Mishra directed officials, doctors, and hospital staff to work in coordination to ensure that people receive quality medical services in government hospitals and to strengthen public confidence in the government healthcare system.

On Friday, the Collector conducted a surprise inspection of the GovernmentArea Hospital in Bhainsa town. He enquired about the details of doctors and staff working at the hospital, the daily Outpatient Department (OPD) registrations, the number of patients receiving treatment in the inpatient department, and the medical services being provided.

The Collector instructed doctors and staff to report for duty on time and provide uninterrupted medical services to patients.

During the inspection, he examined the registers and records related to hospital administration and directed the officials to maintain all details accurately and transparently. He also inspected various departments, including the dialysis centre, newborn care unit, blood testing laboratory, pharmacy, and other sections.

He instructed the medical staff to provide better treatment to patients visiting these departments and ensure that all necessary diagnostic tests are conducted promptly.

The Collector emphasised the need to provide essential infrastructure and basic amenities for patients visiting the hospital. He also directed the authorities to maintain cleanliness across the hospital premises at all times.

During the visit, he interacted directly with patients undergoing treatment and enquired about the quality of medical services, availability of medicines, and other facilities provided by the hospital.

The Collector stressed that a robust fire prevention and safety system must be maintained in the hospital. He inspected the fire safety equipment and instructed the officials to check its functionality and expiry dates regularly.

He further directed the hospital authorities and staff to remain vigilant to prevent any untoward incidents. He also instructed them to ensure that CCTV cameras remain operational round the clock to strengthen security and monitoring within the hospital.

DCHS Kasinath, Tahsildar Shashi Bhushan, Municipal Commissioner Santhosh, along with other officials, doctors, and hospital staff, participated in the inspection.



25 Kg of Rice Donated to Bereaved Family Assistance Provided Under the Auspices of Amma Voluntary Organization

Peddapalli Correspondent, September 16: Kannuri Mysaiah, a resident of Adivarampet village in Ramagiri mandal of Peddapalli district, passed away on October 6. Recognizing the family's financial difficulties, members of the Amma Voluntary Organization came forward to extend their support to the bereaved family. On Friday, on the occasion of Mysaiah's death ceremony, the organization members consoled his wife and three daughters and offered them emotional support and encouragement. As part of their humanitarian initiative, they donated 25 kilograms of rice to the family on behalf of the Amma Voluntary Organization. The program was attended by Amma Voluntary Organization members Kannuri Babu, Kannuri Rajaiah (Field Assistant), Kannuri Nagesh, Kannuri Raju (Journalist), Kannuri Mohan, Kannuri Rajesh, Kampelli Arun Kumar, Kannuri Saraiah, Godishela Lingaiah, Godishela Sudhakar, and others.



I WARRIOR ACADEMY ANNOUNCES NOVEMBER KARATE BELT CEREMONY :

Hyderabad, October 16, 2026: I Warrior Martial Art Academy has announced that Karate Belt Examinations and a Belt Award Ceremony will be held in November 2026, marking an important milestone for students pursuing martial arts training under the guidance of Grand Master M.M. Mujahid.

The programme is designed to recognise students' dedication, assess their learning progress and encourage them to advance to higher levels of karate proficiency. The examinations will assess their technical abilities, discipline, concentration and practical understanding of the skills taught during training. Students who meet the prescribed requirements will receive belts and certificates in recognition of their achievement.

Grand Master M.M. Mujahid has called upon students to prepare with commitment and make regular attendance at training classes a priority. He also urged parents to extend their support by motivating their children to practise consistently and maintain discipline throughout their preparation.

Highlighting the broader benefits of martial arts, he emphasised the importance of developing physical fitness, mental strength, self-confidence and self-defence skills among children and young people. Regular martial arts practice can also encourage perseverance, respect, focus and a responsible approach to everyday life.

I Warrior Martial Art Academy provides training in Karate, Muay Thai, Self-Defence and Fitness, aiming to develop students' physical abilities while instilling valuable life skills. The academy encourages learners to progress through systematic training, dedicated practice and a strong commitment to personal improvement.

The forthcoming examinations and award ceremony are intended to motivate students to evaluate their progress, overcome challenges and work towards their next belt with renewed enthusiasm. The academy has encouraged all trainees to remain focused on their goals and demonstrate their abilities with confidence.

With the November programme approaching, the academy has reaffirmed its commitment to promoting martial arts education, discipline and self-defence awareness among young learners.

"Practice Hard, Stay Disciplined, Achieve Your Next Belt!" remains the academy's motivating message to every student preparing for the examinations

PB Money Gets OBPP License, Aims to Expand Access to Bonds for Retail Investors

PB Money to manage entire customer journey for bond investments, with a strategic partnership with Paisabazaar to make fixed-income products more accessible for retail investors.

Hyderabad, October 16, 2026: PB Money, an investment platform with a strategic partnership with Paisabazaar, has received a SEBI license as an Online Bond Platform Provider (OBPP), marking a significant step to expand access to bonds and strengthen the investment experience for retail investors.

The license enables PB Money to manage the end-to-end customer journey for bond investments, from investor onboarding and KYC, to bond discovery and evaluation, order placement, payment coordination and post-investment servicing. Through a partnership with Paisabazaar, large and varied consumer segments can discover the offering through Paisabazaar's platform and proceed to PB Money to complete their investment journey seamlessly.

Bonds remain an underexplored investment avenue for many retail investors, despite their potential to provide regular interest income and support portfolio diversification. With complete ownership of the



investment journey, PB Money aims to simplify how consumers discover, evaluate and invest in bonds, while making the asset class easier to understand and access through a digital

tal experience.

Santosh Agarwal, Director, PB Money & CEO, Paisabazaar, said, "Our vision is to address the evolving financial needs of consumers across their financial lives, and investments are an important part of that journey. Bonds represent an important yet relatively underexplored fixed-income investment avenue for retail investors in India. The OBPP license for PB Money is an important step in enabling a seamless experience across the bond investment journey, while making it easier for consumers to discover and evaluate bonds as part of their broader investment choices. We see significant potential to make a wider range of investment products more accessible to consumers as their financial needs evolve."

Through PB Money, investors can explore bonds using parameters such as yield, credit rating and investment amount, helping them compare available opportunities and make informed investment decisions. The platform will focus on simplifying the bond investment experience and enabling consumers to access a wider range of fixed-income investment options.

GMR Aero Technic and Logic Air Sign MoU to Strengthen Aircraft Modification and Engineering Capabilities

Hyderabad, 16th October 2026: GMR Aero Technic, a leading aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) company, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Corporation Logic Air Inc., a Canada-based aircraft modification, certification and maintenance organization, to collaborate on aircraft modification, engineering, certification and obsolescence solutions for customers in India and international markets.

The collaboration will focus on delivering turnkey aircraft modification solutions that can be seamlessly incorporated during planned maintenance events, aircraft redelivery programs, and transition checks. The partnership will also explore the validation, adaptation, and embodiment of eligible Logic Air STCs and modification data for Indian and international operators, with a particular emphasis on opportunities across the Middle East and Asia-Pacific. In addition, both companies will jointly pursue opportunities with airlines, lessors, and cargo operators while strengthening local capabilities in installation, training, sustainment, and through-life support in India, with project-specific commercial arrangements to be developed for individual engagements.

Speaking on the partnership Ashok Gopinath, President & Accountable Manager, GMR Aero Technic, said, "This MoU brings together complementary strengths that can create meaningful value for our customers and the wider aviation ecosystem. By combining Logic Air's aircraft modification, engineering and certification expertise with GMR Aero Technic's MRO infrastructure and execution capabilities, we aim to offer integrated solutions that can be delivered efficiently alongside maintenance and transition programs. The collaboration also strengthens our ability to support customers across India and international markets, particularly in the Middle East and Asia-Pacific."

Prashanth Rajanna, Executive Director of Strategy & Global Business Development, Logic Air Inc., said, "Our partnership with GMR Aero Technic marks an important milestone in Corporation Logic Air Inc.'s global expansion strategy and our commitment to



bringing Canadian aerospace innovation to international markets. By combining Corporation Logic Air Inc.'s extensive portfolio of Supplemental Type Certificates (STCs), avionics modernization, aircraft modification and certification expertise with GMR Aero Technic's established MRO capabilities and global customer reach, we aim to deliver cost-effective, turnkey solutions that extend aircraft operational life, address obsolescence challenges and enhance fleet performance. This collaboration also creates a strategic platform for Canadian aerospace engineering and innovation to support the rapidly growing aviation markets in India, the Middle East and Asia-Pacific."

The initial areas of collaboration include Boeing 737NG navigation and operational upgrades, ATR and Dash 8 engine indication modernization, cabin electrical and structural modifications, additional Dash 8 Q400 modifications,

freighter conversion and aircraft transition support, component obsolescence and on-wing support, as well as training and international market development.

The partnership brings together Logic Air's expertise in aircraft integration, engineering and certification, including Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) data and effectivity assessment, certification and validation planning, installation design, testing and continued-airworthiness support, with GMR Aero Technic's MRO infrastructure, installation capabilities, regulatory approvals and customer reach.

The partnership is expected to enhance GMR Aero Technic's ability to offer integrated modification and engineering solutions to its growing customer base, while creating opportunities for both organizations to expand their presence in the global aviation aftermarket.

Government General Hospital Celebrates Bathukamma with Devotion

Nagarkurnool Bathukamma celebrations were held with great enthusiasm at the Government General Hospital in Nagarkurnool on Friday. Special Ayudha Pujas and Durga Devi worship were performed in the gynaecology, surgical and orthopaedic operation theatres amid Vedic chants.

Hospital Superintendent Dr P. Supriya said prayers were offered seeking the complete recovery of patients visiting the hospital. Special prayers were also performed for the safe delivery of pregnant women and the well-being of mothers and newborns. Vedic scholar Kandadai Srinivasacharyulu blessed the doctors and staff, wishing them success in providing better maternal and child healthcare services.

Doctors, nursing officers, laboratory personnel, sanitary workers and other hospital staff participated in the celebrations. Specially decorated Bathukammas were worshipped, followed by traditional songs and dances. Civil Surgeon and RMO Dr Ravishankar, Dr Soumya, Dr R. Raghu, Dr Dheeraj Kumar, Dr Vani, Nursing Superintendent R. Sangeetha, K. Manjula Rani, other nursing officers and staff members attended the programme.



May All People Be Safe With the Blessings of the Goddess: Chalmeda Lakshmi Narasimha Rao

Vemulawada, October 16: On the occasion of Devi Sharannavaratri Utsavams, Vemulawada BRS Party Constituency In-charge Chalmeda Lakshmi Narasimha Rao visited the Goddess at the Durgamata Mandapam set up under the auspices of Anjani Youth in Ward No. 16 and 19 in Vemulawada town and offered special prayers. Speaking on the occasion, Chalmeda Lakshmi Narasimha Rao said that he prayed for the Vemulawada constituency to flourish prosperously with the grace and blessings of the Goddess and for good to happen to everyone



Niki, Deepti guide India to four-wicket win over Zimbabwe in first T20I

Debutant Niki Prasad and Deepti Sharma rescued India from 19/4 to secure a four-wicket win over Zimbabwe in the first women's T20I in Raipur. Sharne Mayers and Kelis Ndhlovu led Zimbabwe's scoring before India's bowlers restricted them to 114/5 overall



Raipur: Debutant Niki Prasad held her nerve to hit an unbeaten 39 while Deepti Sharma played a counter-attacking 49 as India recovered from a dramatic top-order collapse to beat Zimbabwe by four wickets in the first women's T20I in New Delhi on Friday.

After being sent in to bat first in Raipur, hosting its first women's international cricket game, Zimbabwe reached 60/1 at the halfway mark, with Kelis Ndhlovu (42) looking particularly fluent, and aided by some sloppy Indian fielding.

But India's bowlers squeezed the scoring through the middle overs. Sree Charani returned with 1-14 from her four overs, while Nandni Sharma had Nyasha and Michelle stumped off successive balls in the final over to finish with 2-11. Sharne Mayers provided late impetus with an unbeaten 43 to lift Zimbabwe to 114/5.

Chasing 115 at the Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh International Cricket Stadium, India got home with 26 balls to spare, but were made to work far harder than expected in Smriti Mandhana's first match as full-time captain.

After the first four wickets fell quickly, Deepti and Niki shared an 82-run partnership off 63 balls for the fifth wicket to help India survive an almighty scare. The duo were adept at placing their shots through the gaps while rotating the strike well and helped the hosts take a 1-0 lead in the three-game series.

Smriti began the chase with two boundaries in the opening over, but her dismissal sparked a stunning slide. Medium pacer Nyasha Gwanzura struck with her very first ball, inducing a leading edge from Mandhana's attempted lap shot, and then had Anushka Sharma caught at point three deliveries later.

Michelle Mavunga had Harmanpreet Kaur caught off a tame flick in a wicket- maiden over, while Nyasha held on to a sharp return catch to dismiss Shafali Verma in the fourth over. At 19/4, India had lost their first four wickets inside four overs for the first time in a women's T20I. Zimbabwe, who had lost all 18 of their T20Is this year, suddenly sensed an extraordinary upset.

But Deepti and debutant Niki had other ideas. Deepti, the experienced left-hander, counter-attacked, stepping out to loft Nyasha for two boundaries in the sixth over, while Niki showed remarkable composure for a player in her first international innings.

The pair took 15 runs off Olinder Chare in the 10th over and punished Michelle for three fours in the 14-run 12th over to take the game away from Zimbabwe. Deepti fell agonisingly one run short of a half-century when she swept

to short fine leg off Chare.

Richa Ghosh hit a six before falling to Beloved Biza, but Niki fittingly capped off the chase by driving Tendai Makusha for four to seal the win. Earlier, Zimbabwe relied almost entirely on Kelis (42) and Sharne (43 not out) for their runs, as the pair contributed 85 runs of the team's final total, though the visitors played out 67 dot balls.

Zimbabwe lost Beloved in the first over, trapped lbw by Kranti Gaud for a four-ball duck. Kelis, though, set the early tempo, cutting and driving with authority. Initially, India did not help their cause on the field. Anushka Sharma's wild throw at the stumps in the first over ran away for four overthrows, and another missed run-out in the sixth over cost four more as Kranti failed to back up.

Both chances could have accounted for Kelis' partners. Zimbabwe reached 60/1 at the halfway mark, but struggled to build on that platform as India's spinners tightened their grip. Charani, the leading wicket-taker in women's T20Is this year, struck in the first over after the drinks break, taking a simple return catch to dismiss Modester Mupachikwa for 16.

India lost a review in the same over when Charani's LBW appeal against Kelis was shown to be missing leg stump. But the squeeze told on Kelis, who, after reaching 42 off 30 balls, did not add another run and faced 14 dot balls before her dismissal.

There was drama in the 15th over when Niki ran in from long-off and took a diving catch to dismiss Kelis. Replays showed part of the ball had touched the turf as she slid, and third umpire N Janani overturned the decision. The reprieve lasted only two deliveries as Arundhati Reddy castled Kelis with a dipping slower ball for 42.

Sharne then counter-attacked, taking 15 runs off Arundhati's final over with a lofted six over long-off and two boundaries through the off side as Zimbabwe went past 100. She had earlier struck the first six of the match off Shafali. But Nandni ensured there would be no big finish for Zimbabwe.

Using her back-of-the-hand slower ball, she had Nyasha and Michelle stumped by Richa off successive deliveries in the final over before Chipo Mugeru-Tiripano denied her a hat-trick. The two stumpings took Richa to 94 dismissals as a wicketkeeper in women's T20Is, the fourth-highest in the format.

Sharne remained unbeaten on 43 off 33 balls with four fours and two sixes, but given how badly they rattled India's top order, Zimbabwe will rue not adding another 20 or 25 runs, which could have made this a very different contest. The second T20I will be played here on Sunday.

Brief scores:

Zimbabwe 114/5 in 20 overs (Sharne Mayers 43 not out, Kelis Ndhlovu 42; Nandni Sharma 2-11, N. Sree Charani 1-14) lost to India 116/6 in 15.4 overs (Deepti Sharma 49, Niki Prasad 39 not out; Nyasha Gwanzura 3-18, Michelle Mavunga 1-19) by four wickets

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BCCI Dismisses Reports of India-Sri Lanka ODI Moving From Delhi to Ahmedabad

New Delhi: BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia on Monday denied reports that the opening ODI of the upcoming three-match series against Sri Lanka has been moved from Delhi to Ahmedabad.

In a brief statement, Saikia said the match, to be played on December 13, was allotted to Delhi as per a standard policy and no change has been made to the venue.

"Reports suggesting that the India-Sri Lanka ODI match scheduled in Delhi may be shifted to Ahmedabad are not accurate. There has



been no such decision by the BCCI," Saikia said.

"Further, it needs to be reiterated that bilateral matches are primarily allotted by following a standard policy," he added.

The reports suggested that the match has been moved to Ahmedabad, which is to host the series finale on December 19, due to ongoing construction work at the Arun Jaitley Stadium here.

Apart from the ODIs, Sri Lanka will also play a three-match T20 International series during the tour.

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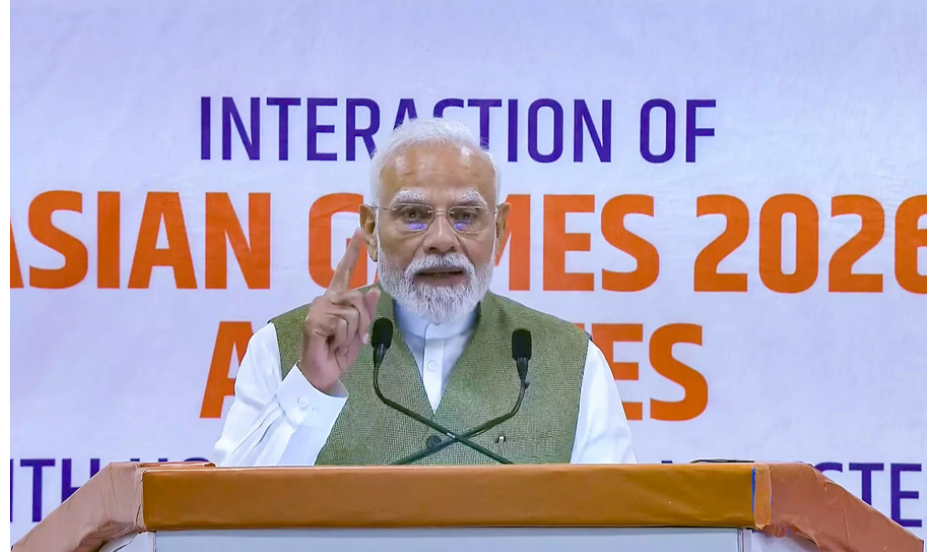
PM Modi Meets Asian Games Medal Winners; Reiterates Resolve To Host 2036 Olympics

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday met India's Asian Games medal-winners, including the gold-winning men's and women's cricket teams, at the Major Dhyan Chand Stadium here and said the country is not just becoming a stronger force in terms of performance but also evolving into a "credible host" for major international events.

The PM posed for pictures with the medal-winners and was presented with memorabilia ranging from signed jerseys to a bow from 17-year-old recurve archery sensation Kumkum Mohod, who won two gold medals (individual and women's team) and a silver (mixed team).

The contingent was accompanied by top officials of their respective governing bodies, including International Cricket Council Chairman Jay Shah and Indian Olympic Association (IOA) President P T Usha among others.

"You have made 140 crore Indians proud. The biggest success is to make the tri-colour fly high.



That's why your success is not just yours but it belongs to crores of our countrymen. I congratulate you on behalf of the entire country," the PM said in his address to the medal winners.

"India is emerging in establishing itself as a credible and hospitable country for international sports events. We are bidding for 2036 Olympics and it is our resolve that we will host the games," he asserted.

India won 85 medals at the Asian Games, including 21 gold. The count was lower than the 106 medals achieved in the previous edition in Hangzhou but the performance of India's Games debutants was heartening as they claimed 41 medals for the country.

"I especially want to congratulate our women athletes, they contributed 38 medals to our tally and 11 of those medals were gold," Modi said lauding the cricket teams, the hockey teams and the performance of archers, who won five gold medals.

"The women's hockey team ended a 44-year wait with its gold medal, it is highly appreciable," he added.

The entire men's T20 team led by Shreyas Iyer, which has a match against the West Indies in Bengaluru on Saturday, was in attendance, along with the women's team, which is due to take on Zimbabwe in a T20 in Raipur on Friday.

Harmanpreet Kaur, who captained the side to the Asiad gold, before stepping down from her role a few days ago, was also in attendance and presented a jersey signed by the medal-winning team to the PM. Her successor Smriti Mandhana also posed with her.

Golfer Pranavi Urs gave Modi her glove and a golf ball in a frame. "Sankalp aur sapne ek din mein poore nahi hote (Dreams are not achieved in a day). It takes years of hard work and dedication. In the last 12 years, India has shown patience and worked hard to create a sports ecosystem," he said.

"There was a time when India would win few medals at big event. The country did not know so many sports. We resolved to end this pessimism and the result is our increasing representation on the global stage.

Chola Chiefs stun Rajputana Royals in Archery Premier League

Chola Chiefs defeated Rajputana Royals 5-3 in the Archery Premier League, denting the defending champions' playoff prospects. Alejandra Usquiano and Rajat Chauhan delivered crucial performances as the Chiefs showcased tactical flexibility despite being out of contention themselves

Hyderabad: They may be out of contention for a place in the playoffs, but Chola Chiefs played spoilsport for the second consecutive evening, handing Rajputana Royals a damaging defeat in Season 2 of the Archery Premier League here on Friday.

The result puts Rajputana Royals' chances of defending their title under threat. They remain on eight points, with only one match left to play. The Chiefs have moved to six points, but their set-points difference is too steep for them to have any chance of qualifying for the top four. They will finish their season on Saturday regardless.

Although they have struggled for consistency, the Chiefs have shown that they can adapt their shooting order, as they did earlier in the season by fielding compound archers back-to-back at the start of the sets.

This time, they opted to field in-form Alejandra Usquiano and veteran Rajat

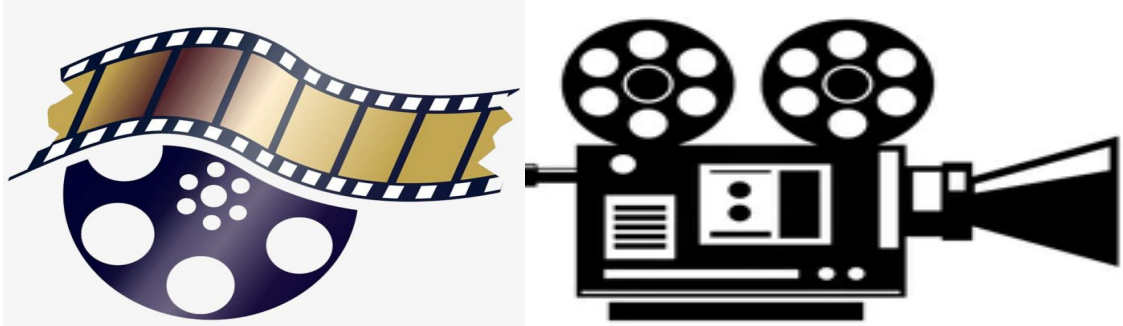


Chauhan as their anchors in each set, with the recurve archers shooting before them. Usquiano, who scored a perfect 80 on Thursday and then hit the bull's-eye in the shoot-off, was once again in impeccable form, scoring 79 out of 80 on Friday. Before recording her first nine, she had shot six tens, five of which landed in the X-ring.

Rajat later said he had suggested to the coaches that they adopt this new order for the match, and they had agreed. He added that he had years of experience as the closing shooter for the Indian compound team in international competition.

In the first set, the Royals made a poor start, managing only 69 points, with Tokyo Olympic champion Mete Gazoz scoring a six. The Royals fought back to take the second set comfortably after Ella Gibson came on as a substitute for Swati Dudhwal. However, the Chiefs, led by a perfect 40 from their compound archers, won the third set.

In the final set, Rajat Chauhan shot a crucial nine with his last arrow to level the scores and help his side secure a 5-3 victory.



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BSS Haindava Teaser:
Goosebumps Visuals and Concept

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Bellamkonda Sreenivas is choosing intriguing scripts and he joined hands with director Ludheer Byreddy for an intriguing fresh mythological mystical actioner, Haindava. The movie is produced by Mahesh Chandu on a massive scale and the makers have unveiled the teaser of the film locking 27th November release.

The teaser showcases Bellamkonda Sreenivas as an atheist who questions every belief in God. We see him investigating smuggling of figurines from an ancient temple in a village. He starts to interfere in all their activities, but temple priest strongly believes in the prophecy of Lord Vishnu going out of the temple to stop a catastrophe.

Bellamkonda Sreenivas is incredible and his screen presence is exceptional in the film. His performance as an atheist and submission to the character are praise-worthy. Ludheer's vision in presenting Lord Vishnu and the frames involving VFX, avatars of Vishnu and magic are



crafted brilliantly. Teaser doesn't reveal the entire story but gives us glimpses of strong moments that would give goosebumps while watching on screen. Sam CS background score works perfectly to elevate each scene and the fresh concept in an action based mystery raises further curiosity. Haindava looks like a sureshot winner from the teaser.

Aadi Saikumar announces
crazy Pan-India project

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Aadi Saikumar is stepping into a captivating and marvelous world with Trishul Entertainment's highly ambitious Production No. 3. The Pan-India film is being produced on a grand scale, bringing a gripping narrative filled with divine mystery and suspense to big screens. The project was announced with a powerful and ominous poster featuring a magnificent cobra coiled majestically around a trident. Set deep inside a shadowy forest resembling an ancient ritual site, the eerie poster is surrounded by ancient weapons, glowing oil lamps, and hanging bells that instantly grab attention. Directed by Navarrasan, the movie features a highly intriguing screenplay with spectacular vision. Produced by Prashanth G Rudrappa, the film promises a distinctive cinematic experience shaped by spirituality, ancient beliefs, and the chilling mysteries of the unknown. The intense drama will be elevated by a scintillating background score and songs from renowned music director B. Ajaneesh Loknath. Building huge anticipation, the makers have scheduled to reveal next update on Dasara day, on 20th October. The team is promising a never-seen-before thrilling cinematic experience.

Janhvi Kapoor, Sreeleela and
Siddharth Gupta's romantic thriller
goes on floors in Nainital

Janhvi Kapoor, Sreeleela and Siddharth Gupta's yet-to-be-titled romantic thriller has begun filming in Nainital under director Umesh Bisht. Meanwhile, Kapoor has condemned an explicit AI-generated deepfake video featuring her likeness, highlighting concerns over consent and digital abuse.



Mumbai: The upcoming yet-to-be-titled film starring Janhvi Kapoor, Sreeleela, and Siddharth Gupta has gone into production. The 1st schedule of the film is underway in Nainital. The film is a romantic-thriller, and is directed by Umesh Bisht, who is known for helming projects such as 'Paggilait', 'The Trial' season 2, 'Gyaarah Gyaarah' and others. The film follows the story of 2 women who become obsessed with the same man, setting the stage for an intriguing narrative. A source close to the development said, "The team has commenced the first shooting schedule in Nainital, and there is a lot of enthusiasm surrounding the project. With Siddharth Gupta, Sreeleela and Janhvi Kapoor coming together for this thriller, it is an exciting combination to look forward to. The team is now focused on bringing the story to life, and the shoot has officially begun as planned". The film is backed by Ektaa Kapoor and Guneet Monga Kapoor, the film is expected to explore the darker and more complex facets of romance and relationships. Further details about the film's title, characters and additional cast members remain under wraps. Meanwhile, Janhvi Kapoor recently found herself in a controversy when her AI-generated video with objectionable content went viral on social media. The clip was from her film 'Devara' in which she starred opposite NTR Jr.

The actress has strongly reacted to her sexually explicit deepfake video. She took to the Stories section of her Instagram, and penned a long note in which she criticised those who made the deepfake video. She lashed out at them for their lack of understanding on the concept of consent, and called the content bordering on sexual assault. She wrote, "The criminal misuse of technology to objectify women and circulate fictionalised content without consent is deeply violating, bordering on sexual assault. Almost every woman in my industry has faced some version of this, and women everywhere are increasingly being subjected to it. Consent, choice and respect for a woman's body should be among the most basic notions of humanity. Yet somehow, they continue to be treated as complicated. They are not". "It is surprising that it still seems too nuanced for some people to understand that even if a woman says yes five days in a row and no on the sixth, that no must be respected", she added.

Mamitha Baiju in Talks for
'Jai Hanuman'?

The chartbuster Kurchi Madathapetti from Superstar Mahesh Babu's film Guntur Kaaram has etched its name into the history by surpassing 600 million views on YouTube. With this feat, it becomes only the third Telugu song to cross this landmark, joining the ranks of Butta Bomma and Ramulo Ramula from Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo. What makes this achievement even more impressive is the pace at which it was accomplished. According to reports, Kurchi Madathapetti hit the 600 million mark in just 425 days, making it the fastest Telugu song ever to reach this number.

The song's phenomenal popularity can be attributed to several key factors: the infectious, high-energy composition by music director Thaman S, the electrifying dance performances by Mahesh Babu and Sree Leela, and its viral appeal across social media platforms. From Instagram reels to fan edits on YouTube Shorts, Kurchi Madathapetti has inspired a wave of user-generated content, further propelling its reach and engagement. Interestingly, despite Guntur Kaaram underperforming at the box office, its music has emerged as a standout success. This contrast underscores the power of music in transcending a film's commercial fate. The song has resonated with fans across Telugu-speaking states and garnered a nationwide audience, making it one of the most recognizable Telugu tracks in recent times.

For Thaman, Kurchi Madathapetti is a career milestone and a testament to his consistent ability to create chart-topping numbers. With its momentum still strong, the song is now eyeing the 700 million mark, a feat that looks well within reach in the coming months. While the Mahesh Babu-Trivikram Srinivas collaboration in Guntur Kaaram may not have met expectations at the box office, Kurchi Madathapetti stands as a shining example of how a powerful soundtrack can leave a lasting legacy, long after the curtains fall on the film.



Naga Chaitanya's epic ad-
venture Vrushakarma reaf-
firms release date

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Naga Chaitanya Akkineni is aiming at a huge box office winner with his big action mysterious adventure, Vrushakarma. The makers have reaffirmed that this high octane film is gearing up for 4th December release worldwide in multiple languages. The new poster showcases fearless attitude of Naga Chaitanya who is looking to escape a dangerous blast with a sharp hook ended wire being aimed at a mountain peak. The poster further conveys, that he is highly intelligent, witty and aware of the danger yet he is calculated risk taker. This raises anticipation to watch the actor in full action mode on big screens. Visionary director Karthik Dandu is directing the film in the production of BVSN Prasad. The hype and buzz for the film have been high since the announcement and each promotional material futher increased curiosity about this mystery adventure. Meenakshi Chaudhary is playing leading lady with Sparsh Srivastav in a prominent role. The movie post production works are going on at a rapid pace.