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Divis, MEIL Top Hurun India Rich List 2026

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Hyderabad has cemented its status as one of India's foremost wealth hubs, with 114 residents named on the M3M Hurun India Rich List 2026. Their combined net worth stands at Rs 10,03,800 crore, roughly Rs 10.04 lakh crore. This places the city fourth nationally by number of rich listers, after Mumbai (465), New Delhi (236) and Bengaluru (129), while Chennai follows with 96. In terms of aggregate wealth, Hyderabad trails Mumbai (Rs 53.21 lakh crore), New Delhi (Rs 26.83 lakh crore) and

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All elections rigged laws illegal

Rahul gandhi attacks centre over ec sir row bjp calls it jooth ki goonj

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Congress leader and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Thursday intensified his criticism of the Centre and the Election Commission over the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. He demanded the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and alleged that the electoral process had been compromised. Gandhi also accused Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah of being involved in what he described as "vote chori". These are political allegations and have not been established as facts.

Addressing a press conference in New Delhi, Gandhi claimed that the 2024 Lok Sabha and Assembly elections were "rigged" and said Kumar should resign immediately. He argued that the vote was the foundation of the constitutional system and linked his allegations to the functioning of Parliament, laws and public institutions. Gandhi said the issue extended beyond electoral rolls and concerned the broader functioning of democratic institutions.

The latest confrontation follows an Indian Express investigation that reported Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi had raised at least 14 formal objections over 10 months regarding decisions and orders connected to electoral-roll management and the SIR exercise. The reported concerns included changes to Form 6, access and control of electoral-roll databases, voter deletions and restoration, and certain appeals relating to electoral-roll decisions.

The report said the two commissioners questioned whether some decisions had been taken without their knowledge or approval. Among the issues cited were changes to Form 6 for new voters and concerns over the centralisation of access to electoral-roll databases. The report also highlighted questions concerning voter appeals in West Bengal and software-related issues involving eligible voters in Goa.

The Election Commission, however, has rejected the interpretation that these objections represented a breakdown or institutional split within the poll panel. The EC has maintained that internal queries, technical notes and suggestions are part of administrative deliberations and said that all final decisions, including those concerning SIR, were approved unanimously by the three commissioners. The BJP has also rejected Gandhi's allegations, questioning whether the reported internal objections demonstrated that any final decision of the Election Commission lacked unanimity. BJP leaders have argued that Gandhi has not provided evidence establishing that the 2024 elections were rigged.

Gandhi also spoke about what he described as the disappearance of anti-incumbency against the BJP, referring to electoral trends in Haryana, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat. He argued that political shifts had historically occurred frequently in these states but claimed the pattern had changed in recent elections.

Jantar Mantar 2.0 If Gyanesh Doesn't Resign: CJP

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The Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) on Thursday demanded the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar for "undermining" voter rights, and warned of a nationwide agitation, including "Jantar Mantar 2.0", if he does not step down within 48 hours. Speaking at a press conference here, CJP founder Abhijeet Dipke alleged that the electoral process had been "rigged" and the right to vote was being taken away from citizens.

"If Gyanesh Kumar does not resign within 48 hours, we will start a nationwide protest, before coming for a protest in Delhi," Dipke said, adding that if the CEC doesn't resign, "Jantar Mantar 2.0 will definitely happen".

He also said opposition parties should not participate in polls if they believe they are being rigged. "If you know elections are being rigged, you cannot participate. You will have to take a stand," he said.

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BJP Denies Vote-Chori Charges

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BJP national spokesperson and Rajya Sabha MP Sudhanshu Trivedi on Thursday strongly rejected Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's allegations against the Election Commission and his remarks on the political trend of anti-incumbency.

Gandhi had cited an Indian Express report stating that Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi had formally recorded objections on at least 14 occasions over 10 months concerning electoral procedures, database changes and the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of voter rolls.

Addressing a press conference in New Delhi, Trivedi questioned Gandhi's interpretation of the report and criticised his understanding of Indian political history. He pointed to the Congress party's electoral record in several states, arguing that anti-incumbency had affected the Congress long before the BJP emerged as a dominant national political force.

Trivedi cited Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Odisha as examples. He said the Congress had not returned to power in Tamil Nadu since 1967, while in West Bengal it had been out of government since 1977. He also noted that Bihar had not had a Congress government since 1990, Uttar Pradesh since 1989 and Odisha since 1999.

The BJP leader said these political developments demonstrated that changes in voter preferences and anti-incumbency were not phenomena that began after the BJP came to power at the Centre. He also questioned Gandhi's claim that anti-incumbency had suddenly disappeared in states where political power had historically shifted between parties.

Earlier, Gandhi had argued that anti-incumbency was a consistent feature of Indian elections and questioned how the trend appeared to have weakened against the BJP in states such as Haryana,

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Modi, Ministers Discuss 100% Reach of Welfare Schemes

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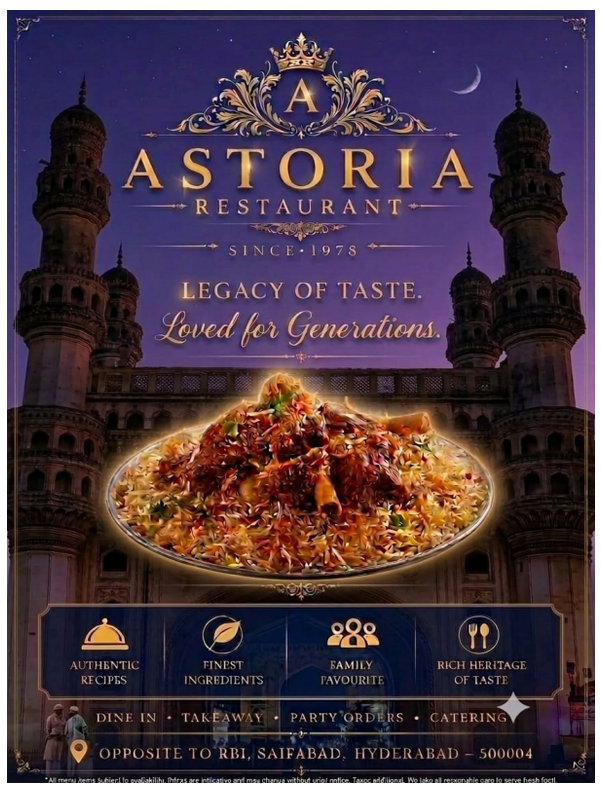


Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his council of ministers on Thursday discussed ways to ensure that government welfare schemes reach all eligible beneficiaries as the two-day Chintan Shivir concluded in New Delhi. For the second consecutive day, the ministers were divided into eight groups, with Modi interacting with each group besides addressing them collectively, sources said. With around 40-45 government welfare schemes under consideration, discussions focused on achieving saturation coverage and improving communication with citizens about welfare and development initiatives.

"Effective communication to the people is one area where the government will place stress in the coming days," sources said. The first day of the conclave discussed governance, reforms and outreach to women and youth. Ministers also deliberated on improving delivery mechanisms through closer coordination among ministries and departments. Modi took feedback from ministers and advised them on various aspects of governance, sources said.

The discussions also covered reforms, "Jan Vishwas Se Jan Aadhaar" and priorities for Viksit Bharat@2047.

The brainstorming session was aimed at taking stock of government programmes, improving coordination, setting the future agenda and reviewing welfare schemes and infrastructure projects. Progress of government schemes, policy implementation, time management, inter-ministerial coordination and public service delivery were also on the agenda.



Rain Kills 8, Leave Trail Of Destruction Across AP

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Incessant rain caused by a deep depression over the Bay of Bengal claimed eight lives in different incidents and disrupted normal life across Andhra Pradesh over the past 48 hours.

Two women were killed of electric shock at Gollaveedhi in Nathavaram mandal of Anakapalli district. The deceased were Gompa Manga, 55, and Rongala Janaki, 28. In Bapatla, a power line snapped and fell on the road following overnight rain.

Mudraboyina Ramadevi, 52, and her son Venkateswarlu, 32, were on their way to their agricultural field on Thursday morning. Ramadevi accidentally stepped on the live wire and suffered an electric shock. Venkateswarlu rushed to save her but also suffered the same.

In Pedakallepalli of Krishna district, a woman, Samrajyam, 55, died after coming into contact with a

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‘Black Magic’ Claims Land Congress Leaders in Court: Harish Rao

Harish Rao Takes Congress to Court Over ‘Black Magic’ Claims, Slams Revanth Reddy Over MLA Defections and Constitutional Issues

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Former Minister and BRS Legislature Party Deputy Floor Leader T. Harish Rao appeared before the Nampally court in connection with the criminal defamation case filed against TPCC president B. Mahesh Kumar Goud and Congress MLC Addanki Dayakar over alleged remarks linking his temple visits to occult rituals. The court accepted his petition, and statements of the Congress leaders are scheduled to be recorded on September 30.

Harish Rao said the allegations were baseless and amounted to an attempt to divert public attention from the government’s performance. He maintained that he would pursue the case legally and would not respond to what he described as “cheap” political remarks in similar language.

He also criticised the Congress government over pending Assembly privilege complaints and the delay in appointing a Deputy Speaker. Harish Rao alleged that the government was focusing on opposition leaders instead of addressing public concerns, including issues related to water and power.

Reacting to the Supreme Court’s dismissal of Danam Nagender’s challenge to his disqualification, Harish Rao said the verdict upheld the Telangana High Court’s decision under the anti-defection law.

Harish Rao alleged that the judgment raised questions over defections and urged other MLAs who switched parties to resign and seek a fresh mandate from voters.

He also questioned Congress leader Rahul Gandhi’s commitment to constitutional values, asking why the anti-defection law was being invoked nationally while defections in Telangana remained a political issue.

Harish Rao said the BRS would continue pursuing the matter through legal and constitutional avenues and expressed confidence in the judiciary.

Jagadish Reddy Alleges Deliberate Power Crisis at Yadadri Thermal Plant

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Former Minister and BRS MLA G. Jagadish Reddy alleged that Telangana is once again witnessing a power crisis, claiming that farmers, households and industries are facing electricity shortages across the state.

Speaking during a visit to the Yadadri Thermal Power Plant in Dameracherla, Jagadish Reddy said farmers were struggling to receive adequate power and were being forced to depend on diesel generators for agricultural operations. He also claimed that households were facing power cuts while industries were relying on generators to meet their requirements.Jagadish Reddy said the visit was undertaken following a call given by BRS leaders K. Chandrashekar Rao and K. T. Rama Rao. He said the delegation inspected the 4,000-MW Dameracherla plant, describing Yadadri Thermal Power Station as a major achievement of the previous BRS government.According to Jagadish Reddy, Telangana had a power-generation capacity of around 6,700 MW at the time of state formation, which he claimed increased to approximately 21,500 MW during the BRS tenure. He argued that the state has sufficient generation capacity to provide quality 24-hour power if the available infrastructure is properly utilised.He alleged that the present government had stopped or curtailed generation due to negligence and claimed that explanations being given for power shortages were misleading. He further alleged irregularities involving around 40 lakh tonnes of coal and claimed that coal was being diverted to other states.Jagadish Reddy said plant officials were concerned about the situation and alleged that the facility was being deliberately allowed to deteriorate. He demanded that the government explain the coal supply situation and power-generation disruptions.He said the BRS would continue investigating the allegations and vowed to raise the issue through legal and political forums.

TGSRTC to Run 700 Special Buses Round-the-Clock for Ganesh Immersion

The TGSRTC has made extensive arrangements to ensure hassle free public transport during the Ganesh idol immersion festivities in Hyderabad, with around 700 special buses to operate round-the-clock for 24 hours from various parts of the city.

Special services will connect areas around Hussain Sagar with different routes across the city to cater to the heavy passenger rush.

Officials said to coordinate operations amid traffic diversions, RTC officials and controllers have been deployed at 44 key locations, while a dedicated control room has been set up at the zonal office to monitor passenger movement and bus operations.

Also, relief vehicles have been stationed at Old MLA Quarters, Indira Park and V.V. Statue for emergency assistance.

Special RTC camps have also been arranged at Khairatabad, Lakdi-ka-pul, Koti, Basheerbagh, Indira Park and AIR.

To attend to breakdowns, 113 drivers and 87 mechanics have been kept available at police stations and other strategic locations for emergency repairs.

City and interstate bus routes, including APSRTC and KSRTC services, will be diverted as per traffic police instructions.

TGSRTC said alternative operational plans have been put in place to ensure uninterrupted public transport even as immersion activities

RS Praveen Kumar Demands Wider Probe Under GO 134

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BRS General Secretary Dr. R.S. Praveen Kumar has accused the Revanth Reddy government of using the inquiry ordered under GO 134 to target BRS leaders and demanded that the scope of the probe be extended to complaints against members of the Chief Minister’s family and Congress leaders.

Speaking at Telangana Bhavan, Praveen Kumar alleged that the government was pursuing “politics of vendetta” against KCR, KTR, Harish Rao and other BRS leaders. The government has constituted a three-member official committee to inquire into alleged land irregularities involving BRS leaders, following the Assembly discussion on Section 22-A of the Registration Act.

Praveen Kumar said BRS leaders had earlier demanded an inquiry by a sitting Supreme Court or High Court judge into the 22-A land issue. He questioned why the government had limited the official inquiry to 16 cases and objected to the inclusion of “KCR and others, associates” in its terms of reference. The committee is headed by A. Sridevasena, with Special Secretary Rajeevgandhi Hanumanthu as convenor and Jangaon Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha as a member.

He demanded that complaints concerning alleged land dealings involving the families of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy also be examined. He specifically sought inquiries into alleged transactions in Pasumamula, Ibrahimpatnam, Ramdaspally, Khanamet, Gachibowli, Diamond Hills, Serilingampally and Vattinagulapally.

Praveen Kumar also raised allegations concerning properties allegedly linked to Revanth Reddy’s family and his daughter’s reported land purchase in Kompally, calling for the relevant records to be examined by the committee. He further demanded scrutiny of alleged land dealings involving Ponguleti’s family and Raghava Developers.

He urged officials not to act selectively and said the inquiry should cover complaints from all sections of the public rather than being confined to BRS leaders. He also questioned the inclusion of former MLC Elvis Stephenson in the inquiry and expressed concern over what he described as pressure against political opponents.

The allegations made by Praveen Kumar were political claims and calls for investigation; the concerned individuals and the government have the opportunity to respond to them.

Name Warangal Airport After Professor Jayashankar: Udarapu Narasimha Chary

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Akhila Bharatiya Vishwakarma Parishad Youth Wing President Udarapu Narasimha Chary has urged the Telangana government to name the upcoming Warangal (Mammnoor) Airport after Professor Jayashankar, in recognition of his lifelong contribution to the Telangana statehood movement.

Speaking on the occasion, Narasimha Chary said Professor Jayashankar dedicated his life to protecting the rights, self-respect and development of the people of Telangana. As an educationist and economist, Professor Jayashankar highlighted the injustices faced by Telangana through facts, statistics and economic analysis, and played a significant intellectual role in explaining the need for a separate Telangana state.

Narasimha Chary said Professor Jayashankar’s



contribution to the Telangana movement remains an important part of the state’s history and should be remembered by future generations.

He appealed to the Telangana government to officially name the developing Warangal–Mammnoor Airport as “Professor Jayashankar Airport.” He said the proposed name would appropriately honour Professor Jayashankar while also reflecting Warangal’s historical and cultural importance.

Narasimha Chary further stated that naming the airport after Professor Jayashankar would serve as a lasting tribute to his dedicated service to Telangana and preserve his legacy for generations to come.

Congress Government Prioritises Welfare, Says MLA Sri Ganesh

HYDERABAD
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Secunderabad Cantonment MLA Sri Ganesh distributed Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak cheques to 25 beneficiaries at his camp office on Thursday.Addressing the beneficiaries and the media, Sri Ganesh said the Congress government was committed to supporting poor families and ensuring welfare schemes reached eligible beneficiaries without unnecessary delays.

He claimed that while beneficiaries earlier had to wait nearly a year for cheques, applications are now being processed within three to four months under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy.

The MLA also highlighted welfare initiatives including ration cards, fine rice distribution, free bus travel for women and Indiramma canteens aimed at helping the poor and auto-rickshaw drivers.Local officials, Congress leaders, party workers and beneficiaries attended the programme.

Raghu Vamsi Group appoints Amit Pathak as Group Chief Business Officer

Raghu Vamsi Group, the Hyderabad-headquartered precision aerospace and defence manufacturing group, has appointed Amit Pathak as its Group Chief Business Officer. In his new role, Pathak will lead the group’s commercial strategy and growth across all five business segments.

Pathak brings 27 years of experience in the global aerospace and defence industry, with a career spanning roles in engineering, business development, sales, strategy, product marketing, customer support, and programme management. He joins Raghu Vamsi Group from Collins Aerospace, part of RTX Corporation, where he most recently served as Regional Director for Asia Pacific, the Middle East and Africa, leading international defence account management and sales.

BRS Leader Rakesh Reddy Demands Time-Bound Action on Employees’ Issues

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana



BRS state leader Enugula Rakesh Reddy has demanded that the Congress government immediately address the long-pending issues of government employees, teachers, contract and outsourcing personnel, retired employees and other low-paid workers in Telangana.

Speaking at a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Rakesh Reddy said pending Dearness Allowance (DA) installments and the delay in implementing the Pay Revision Commission (PRC) were causing hardship to employees. He said the government had a responsibility to release employees’ rightful dues and implement the PRC without further delay.

He demanded that the government fulfil promises made to employees during the elections, including payment of pending DAs, implementation of the 12th PRC, restoration of the Old Pension Scheme (OPS), promotions and resolution of the Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS) issue.

Rakesh Reddy sought a clear explanation for the continued pendency of DA installments and demanded a white paper comparing Telangana’s position with other states. He also questioned the prolonged delay in implementing the 12th PRC, saying the process had taken considerably longer than previous PRC exercises.

He urged the government to place factual data before the public on employee salaries and the financial implications of releasing pending DAs. Instead of releasing one DA installment while another becomes due, the government should take steps to settle all pending DA dues, he said.

On CPS, he alleged that committees were being used to delay decisions and said employees needed time-bound solutions rather than repeated assurances. He also sought clarity on the Employees’ Health Scheme (EHS), questioning why adequate medical services were not available despite a 1.5% salary deduction. He demanded full implementation of EHS and transparency over the funds collected from employees.

Rakesh Reddy also called for special measures to ensure retired employees and teachers receive their benefits without repeatedly visiting government offices.

He highlighted the concerns of low-paid workers earning between ₹9,000 and ₹20,000, including ASHA workers, Anganwadi staff, Gram Panchayat employees, municipal workers, field assistants, home guards, 104 and 108 service personnel, RPs and VOAs.

He said rising living costs, education expenses and healthcare costs had increased the burden on these workers.

The government, he said, should directly engage with employee unions, take decisions on every demand and announce specific implementation dates.

Rakesh Reddy said the BRS would continue to raise these issues until the concerns of employees, teachers, contract and outsourcing staff and retirees were addressed.

Mounting debts drive tenant farmer to end life in Siddipet

Mounting debts drove a tenant farmer to end his life at Palugugadda village in Jagadevpur mandal on Thursday. The deceased was Lokula Sairam (30). The farmer, who just owns 10 guntas of land, had taken another one and half acre land for rent. Since he had suffered losses in farming during the last few years, his debts rose to Rs 15 lakhs. To clear the debts, he reportedly pledged his 10 guntas of land with a man and borrowed some amount.

Since he could not clear the debts he borrowed from the lender, the farmer was on the brink of losing his land. Worried over losing the land and unable to clear the debts, he ended life by hanging on Wednesday evening.

Congress Protest Raises SIR Concerns, Demands CEC Gyanesh Kumar's Resignation

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The Khairatabad District Congress Committee, led by DCC President Motha Rohit, organised a protest march from the Ambedkar Statue at Tank Bund to the Election Commission office, raising concerns over alleged irregularities and lack of transparency in the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls.

Former MP and Telangana Government Advisor for Backward Classes Welfare and Development, V. Hanumantha Rao, participated in the protest along with Congress leaders and workers.

The protest followed reports by The Indian Express concerning objections reportedly raised on record by Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi on 14 occasions over 10 months on issues including voter registration, deletion and restoration of names, changes to Form 6 and centralisation of electoral-roll data. The Election Commission has maintained that its decisions during the period were unanimous, while the report stated that the Commission did not dispute the existence, dates or contents of the notes.

Congress leaders demanded protection of the voting rights of all genuine and eligible voters and called for greater transparency, verification and due process during the SIR exercise.

Osman Bin Mohammed Al Hajri demanded a transparent, independent and time-bound investigation into the allegations. He said that if violations of law are established, those responsible should face appropriate legal action.

Al Hajri also demanded the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and urged the Election Commission to ensure that no eligible voter is removed without proper verification and an opportunity to raise objections or seek correction.

Several Congress leaders and workers from the Karwan Assembly Constituency participated in the protest, including Khaja Saifuddin Nawaz, Madhavi, Inayat Ullah Shareef, Salam Bin Ali Al Hajri, Ali Bin Osman Al Hajri, Osama Bin Osman Al Hajri, Abdul Rasheed Khan, Aftab Quraishi, Bogi Sai Kiran and Tal'ha Bin Mahsan.

BRS Approach Lokayukta Over Kodangal Lift Project

BRS Leaders Approach Lokayukta Over Kodangal Lift Irrigation Project

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Former BRS MLAs Patnam Narendra Reddy, Rajender Reddy and Ram Mohan Reddy approached the Lokayukta over alleged irregularities in the Kodangal Lift Irrigation Project, raising concerns over compensation for farmers whose lands are being acquired.

During the hearing on Thursday, BRS Legal Cell advocate Jakkula Lakshman informed the Lokayukta that a petition had been filed seeking intervention over the land acquisition process. He said notices had also been served on the government counsel.

Lakshman submitted that following the filing of the petition, the government issued orders for a resurvey of lands affected by the project to identify the genuine farmers whose properties are being acquired. He informed the Lokayukta that the resurvey process was currently underway.

As the government had initiated the resurvey in response to the concerns raised, Lakshman stated that the relief sought through the petition had effectively been addressed. He subsequently requested permission to withdraw the petition.

The Lokayukta Chairperson reportedly advised the petitioners that they could approach the commission again if any irregularities were noticed during the resurvey or subsequent land acquisition process.

Speaking to the media outside the Lokayukta office, Lakshman said the BRS had continued to raise issues concerning farmers and seek protection of their interests. He particularly referred to the concerns that had emerged following the Lagacharla issue.

Kiran, Mir Qurram Ali and Charan also participated in the media interaction and supported the concerns raised regarding the affected farmers.

Raju Ustad Joins Ganesh Annadana Seva



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Prominent leader Raju Ustad Garu participated in the grand Ganesh Annadana Program held in Abids, Hyderabad, supporting the community welfare initiative.

The programme was organized under the leadership of Chetan Garu, who actively took part in serving food to devotees. Raju Ustad Garu attended as the chief guest and interacted with devotees. Bitla Venkata Annagaru, Muthanna Garu, Nikinkar Garu and Dubbaka Naveen Mahar Garu also joined the programme and extended their support. The event highlighted the spirit of devotion, community service and solidarity during the Ganesh celebrations.

Kavitha Questions ₹1,000 Crore Promise to Osmania University

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Telangana Rakshana Sena Chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha questioned the Telangana government over the alleged delay in releasing the ₹1,000 crore promised for the development of Osmania University and urged Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy to immediately address the problems faced by students.

Participating in Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations at the Osmania University Law College, Kavitha said students had been protesting for nearly five to six months over the lack of basic amenities. She questioned why the government had failed to respond despite students reportedly staging protests on the streets and even cooking meals at the protest site.

She said Law College students had been without proper mess facilities for nearly ten months and were also facing shortages of drinking water. Students were reportedly concerned about snakes entering their rooms, she said.

Kavitha also raised concerns over the limited working hours of the university dispensary, which operates only from 2 pm to 4 pm, saying students could face serious difficulties during medical emergencies.

Despite the hardships, students were continuing Ganesh festivities to preserve their traditions, she noted.

Kavitha extended support to the protesting students and urged the government to resolve their grievances without further delay. She said her organisation would join the students' struggle if necessary and demanded immediate action on campus infrastructure and welfare issues.

Saddi Venkat Reddy Files Red Cross Election Nomination



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The election process for the Indian Red Cross Society, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Branch, for the 2026–2029 term has gained momentum with Saddi Venkat Reddy filing his nomination for the post of Director.

Saddi Venkat Reddy submitted his nomination papers to K. Srinivas Reddy, Election Officer and District Panchayat Officer, as part of the scheduled electoral process for the district branch.

Gaddam Gnana Prakash Reddy was present during the nomination proceedings and accompanied Saddi Venkat Reddy. Other members associated with the Red Cross election process were also present on the occasion.

The Indian Red Cross Society is engaged in humanitarian and community-service activities, including relief and welfare initiatives. The Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district branch has been involved in various local service activities aimed at supporting communities.

The filing of the nomination represents a significant step in the election process for the upcoming 2026–2029 term.

Further stages, including scrutiny and other election-related proceedings, are expected to take place according to the official election schedule.

The nomination proceedings were completed as part of the prescribed electoral process,
with candidates and members participating in the preparations for the district branch elections.

JDRF Expands Journalists' Rights Campaign to Telangana

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The Journalist Democratic Rights Forum (JDRF), which has been actively working in Andhra Pradesh for journalists' rights, media freedom and professional security, has announced the expansion of its activities into Telangana.

A meeting was held in Hyderabad on Wednesday to discuss the forum's proposed initiatives in the state. JDRF National President Poolathota Krishna said the organisation aims to take the discussion on journalists' democratic rights to the national level and work for their protection.

He highlighted several issues confronting journalists, including accreditation card problems, recognition of small publications and digital media journalists, job security, professional protection, media freedom, press independence and journalists' welfare.Bojja Bikshamaiah welcomed the participating journalists and stressed the need for an independent forum that would stand firm on journalists' issues without compromising its principles.

Prof. Gali Vinod Kumar called for media organisations to work for the interests of marginalised and underrepresented sections of society.JDRF National General Secretary Meda Srinivasa Rao recalled Telangana's long history of public movements and said journalism had played a significant role in highlighting people's concerns.

Secretary Bethala Sudarshan said changing media conditions require institutional solutions to the problems faced by journalists across mainstream, small and digital media.

Poster Unveiled for Mala Students, Unemployed Meet



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A poster for the Mala Students and Unemployed Maha Sabha was unveiled at the Dr BR Ambedkar Boys' Hostel in Kattalmandi, Malakpet, Hyderabad, ahead of the October 4 event at Osmania University's Tagore Auditorium.

The programme was organised under the leadership of OU student leader and advocate Arun Kumar of the All Mala Students Association. Addressing the gathering, Arun Kumar called on students and unemployed youth to make the meeting a success. He said the event would discuss alleged injustices faced by Mala students and job seekers under SC categorisation and the roster system, and seek collective action for their rights. Student leaders Shiva, Anil, Pradeep and Ajay attended.

Giridhar Reddy Visits Ganesh Pandals in Zaheerabad

ZAHEERABAD
Wakeup telangana



Telangana State SETWIN Corporation Chairman N. Giridhar Reddy visited several Ganesh pandals across Zaheerabad town on Thursday and offered special prayers to Lord Vigneshwara.Giridhar Reddy prayed for the well-being of people in the Zaheerabad Assembly Constituency, seeking divine blessings for the removal of obstacles and for happiness, prosperity, good health and longevity.Following the prayers, members of various Ganesh Utsav committees felicitated Giridhar Reddy by presenting him with shawls.Several Congress and Youth Congress leaders participated in the programme, including Zaheerabad Mandal Congress President P. Narasimha Reddy, former ZPTC Vice-President Ramulu, Youth Congress Assembly President Patlolla Nagireddy,
Councillor Ranga Arun Kumar, and other senior leaders and party representatives.Members of different Ganesh Utsav committees and local leaders were also present during the visits.

Gangadhar Reddy Condemns Alleged Threats in Nallagandla

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Former Gachibowli Division Corporator Gangadhar Reddy has strongly condemned alleged harassment and threats against a woman resident of Uma Sapphire Heights in Nallagandla HUDA Colony, reportedly following her appreciation of recently completed BT road works in the area.

Reddy said the resident, Prasanna Kumari, had expressed gratitude through a WhatsApp group for efforts made to address local civic issues. He alleged that some colony and political leaders subsequently subjected her to harassment and intimidation for appreciating the development works.

"Appreciating those who worked to resolve public issues cannot be treated as a crime," Reddy said, asserting that women should be treated with respect irrespective of political differences. He urged political groups to raise differences through democratic means rather than resorting to threats or intimidation.

Reddy said development works undertaken during his tenure as Gachibowli corporator included improvements to roads, drainage, drinking water facilities and other basic infrastructure in colonies and settlements across the division. He added that he had worked with the local MLA to address residents' concerns and improve civic amenities.

He said he had been serving local residents for nearly two decades and would continue working for public welfare irrespective of whether he held an elected position.

He appealed to all political groups to set aside differences and work together for the development of Nallagandla HUDA Colony.

Reddy further said allegations of harassment against a woman should prompt the concerned leaders to introspect and uphold democratic values and women's dignity. He stated that any false publicity or attempts to malign him would be addressed through legal means.

He also said the matter would be brought to the notice of Serilingampally MLA Arekapudi Gandhi and that a complaint would be lodged against those allegedly responsible. Reddy assured his supporters that he would stand by them and continue raising public issues with the concerned authorities.

TRAI mandates shorter-validity voice and SMS STVs for low-income consumers

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The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India on Tuesday released the Telecom Consumer Protection (Thirteenth Amendment) Regulation, 2026, mandating special tariff vouchers with reduced tariffs exclusively for voice and SMS across shorter validity periods.

This amended regulation will provide low-income consumers with more options, allowing them to recharge according to their requirements and financial capacity, according to an official statement. The statement from the Ministry of Communications said the amendment requires telecom service providers to offer STVs for voice and SMS with validities corresponding to each validity period of 30.

Service Will Remain BJP's Guiding Principle: PM Modi

NEW DELHI
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Reaffirming the BJP's resolve to focus on nation building and the country's development over politics and elections, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday emphasised that the spirit of service is at the foundation of the schemes implemented by his government. The Prime Minister also said that the youth will play a major role in realising the resolve to make India a developed nation by 2047.

Virtually interacting with participants of the "Seva Sankalp Yatra" being held from Vadnagar in Gujarat to Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh, Mr Modi said that service has been the core of the BJP's governance and values, affirming that they will never deviate from this path regardless of how much political power they may attain. "Politics, elections, and governance have their own place, but we have set out with the resolve to build the nation and develop India," Mr Modi said, interacting via video conference with participants of the Seva Sankalp Yatra.

The yatra, involving youth from various states, is being organised to mark Mr Modi's 76th birthday and his 25 years of public life as an elected representative. The participants of the yatra were currently in Madhya Pradesh's Dewas district. "Varanasi and Vadnagar are ancient cities that have remained vibrant," Mr Modi noted, adding that one is his birthplace and the other his "karmabhoomi" (land of duty).

"From Gujarat to Delhi, service has been the core of our governance system and values. When service is at the core of governance, the resolve of 'Nagrik Devo Bhava' (citizen is God) is at the heart of every policy," Mr Modi said, adding, "Our conduct should show people that no matter how much power we attain in politics, our fundamental path will remain service. We will never deviate from the path of service, no matter how high we reach."

The Prime Minister asserted that people remember works done with a spirit of service and bless those who serve. "My entire life has been driven by the blessings of the people. Their blessings have been the greatest energy in my life," he said, adding that "serving the nation through serving the people" has been the core mantra of his life.

The Prime Minister emphasised that the spirit of service is at the foundation of the schemes implemented by his government for the benefit of various sections of society, including the poor, women, girls, the sick, and tribals. He pointed out that when the spirit of service is applied to the country's policies, service itself becomes the "biggest driving force" for the country's progress. Highlighting the role of youth in nation building, Mr Modi emphasised that the young generation will play a crucial role in fulfilling the resolve to build a developed India by 2047 and that the youth must strongly connect with this goal. "Today's young generation is both the creator of a developed India and will also be a major beneficiary once this goal is achieved," he said.

Adani To Invest Over Rs 1 Lac Crores in WB by 2035

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana



Industrialist Gautam Adani on Thursday pledged to invest more than Rs 1 lakh crore across multiple sectors in West Bengal by 2035. He made the announcement after laying the foundation stone of Adani Arogya Mandir, a 2000-bed 'not-for-profit' world-class hospital-cum-modern medical college and research facility by Adani Foundation, with Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari at Silicon Valley in New Town.

Mr Adani, who landed in the city on Wednesday evening, informed that 1,000 beds among the 2,000 would cater to the patients under state and central government insurance schemes. The mega healthcare project, which is spread across around 51 acres of land, will generate 10,000 jobs at an investment of Rs 4000 crores by the business conglomerate. Mr Adani later said, "Port attracts logistics. Logistics attracts industry, driving manufacturing. Manufacturing needs energy."

He added, "Energy enables digital infrastructure. Digital infrastructure brings in industries of the future. And most importantly, jobs multiply. It is with this conviction that we expect to invest in Bengal over ₹1 lakh crore by 2035 in sectors spanning ports, logistics, power generation, transmission and distribution, roads, bridges, green cements and hyperscale data centers." The Adani Group chairman then underlined a huge prospect of the state in the industrial map of the country and beyond.

"Building a stronger Bengal must go beyond any institution. While healthcare can transform individual lives, infrastructure can transform opportunities available to millions. And this is where our larger commitment to Bengal begins. At Adani Group infrastructure is the heart of what we do. And no place in India has Bengal's extraordinary combination of geography, talent and economic potential," Mr Adani observed.

G4 Ministers Push for Reform of UNSC

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Strongly pushing for reform of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC), India, Germany, Japan and Brazil — collectively known as the Group of Four (G4) — have said the council is currently unable to effectively discharge its core responsibility of maintaining international peace and security. Foreign minister of Brazil Mauro Vieira, federal minister for foreign affairs of Germany Johann David Wadephul, minister of external affairs S. Jaishankar and minister for foreign affairs of Japan Motegi Toshimitsu met Tuesday on the margins of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The G4 Joint Ministerial Statement on the Reform of the UN Security Council, issued after the meeting, noted that the Security Council is currently unable to effectively discharge its core responsibility of maintaining international peace and security. "The representativeness, legitimacy, credibility and efficacy of the UNSC are in question, the G4 statement said. They assessed that one of the key underlying reasons was the eight-decade-old architecture, which did not reflect contemporary geopolitical realities and hindered efforts to effectively address present and future challenges to peace and security.

The G4 ministers noted that the IGN framework has been largely "ineffective" in forging any concrete outcomes towards real UNSC reform despite 18 years of activities. The G4 said they had "serious reservations" about the presentation of a so-called bridging proposal before the commencement of text-based negotiations. They regretted that the proposal does not take into account the views of a clear majority of member states in favour of expansion in both categories of membership. They also recalled that, under the UN Charter and the IGN mandate, consensus is not the benchmark for decision-making on Security Council reform.

"Against this backdrop, the G4 ministers emphasised that it is crucial to implement UNSC reform at the earliest so that the council is fit-for-purpose, truly reflecting contemporary geopolitical realities. They underscored that expansion of the UNSC in both the permanent and non-permanent categories of membership is central to such reform and that this position is supported by a majority of member states," it added.

"Moving forward, the G4 will further collaborate and identify synergies with other reform-oriented groups with a view to developing a consolidated model that properly reflects the voice of a majority of Member States and commencing text-based negotiations as a high priority, which is the key to realising the vision of real and impactful UNSC reform," the joint statement added.

Opposition to Move Impeachment Notice Against CEC Gyanesh Kumar in Parliament

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Opposition parties are set to move an impeachment motion notice against Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar in both Houses of Parliament, with the Congress reaching out to other opposition parties over the issue, party sources said on Thursday. The notice is expected to be submitted within the next two weeks, according to Congress sources. The move comes after fresh allegations and political exchanges over the functioning of the Election Commission of India (ECI), following media reports related to the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process. The Indian Express published a fresh report stating that the Goa Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) wrote to authorities in Delhi eight times within seven days seeking access to certain facilities, but received no response.The report followed an earlier media report which claimed that Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi had raised objections.

ECI Blames State ERO for Names Deletion Goof Up

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Amid criticism over the functioning of its ECINet software, the Election Commission of India (ECI) on Thursday clarified that it is a decentralised platform accessible to election officials in states and Union Territories for performing their statutory duties. The ECI said it neither operates nor controls access to ECINet's day-to-day functioning and only provides centralised cybersecurity protection.

The poll body also clarified its position on the contentious issue of an additional declaration linked to Form 6 for new voters during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR). "ECINet is a decentralised platform designed in accordance with the RP Act, 1950, RP Act, 1951, and instructions issued by the ECI from time to time. As per law, booth-level officers (BLOs), assistant electoral registration officers (AEROs), electoral registration officers (EROs), district election officers (DEOs) and chief electoral officers (CEOs) perform their respective statutory functions on ECINet using unique IDs and passwords. No one else can perform their statutory functions on ECINet, including any other officer of the ECI," an ECI official said.

The official said the ECI provides cybersecurity protection to ECINet to ward off hacking attempts. The platform faced around 68 lakh malicious attempts on the counting day of Assembly elections held earlier this year, he said. Referring to the deletion of 97 names from the electoral rolls in Goa, ECI officials attributed it to an error by the ERO, who had mistakenly rejected claims submitted by voters who had been issued notices and furnished the required documents.

"These 97 voters had gone to the ERO, who heard them. But on the ECINet app, he mistakenly clicked the 'not satisfied' option, which led to rejection of their claims. The ERO quickly realised his mistake and tried to roll back that step, which the software does not allow. ECINet allows an action only once," officials said. They said the next authority who could have ordered the inclusion of the names on appeal was the sub-divisional magistrate (SDM). "Hence, inclusion and deletion of names are statutory powers of state polling officials which no one can take away," officials said.

Ladakh Shuts Down to Honour Victims of Last Year's Unrest

SRINAGAR
Wakeup telangana

Leh, Kargil and several other parts of Ladakh observed a shutdown on Thursday to commemorate the civilians killed in violent incidents a year ago. On September 24 last year, Ladakh's main town was engulfed in turmoil when protests demanding statehood and inclusion under the Sixth Schedule of the Indian Constitution escalated into violence. The unrest on the streets of Leh, nestled in the western Himalayas and serving as one of the joint capitals of the Union Territory of Ladakh, resulted in four civilian deaths and more than 80 injuries, nearly half of them involving police personnel.

Shops and business establishments remained closed in the two major towns of Leh and Kargil, as well as in neighbouring townships, while only limited transport operated on the roads. Some places saw only a partial shutdown, reports said. Various local groups and climate activist Sonam Wangchuk had called for the day to be observed as 'Shaheed Diwas', or Martyrs' Day, to pay tribute to those killed. Prayer meetings for the deceased were held at several places, according to a report from Leh.

Ahead of the first anniversary of the violent unrest, Ladakh Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena announced on Wednesday the withdrawal of criminal cases against 20 people. An official statement issued in Leh described the decision as a significant step towards fostering peace, public tranquillity and social harmony in Ladakh. "He has approved the withdrawal of criminal cases against 20 individuals in connection with the unfortunate violence that erupted in Leh on September 24 last year. The cases have been withdrawn under Section 360 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023, on the recommendation of the Ladakh Police following a comprehensive review of the investigations," the statement said.

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Jantar Mantar 2.0.....

Dipke alleged that Kumar was the "biggest threat to Indian democracy" and accused the EC of deciding who would be allowed to vote. "Who is Gyanesh to revoke our right to vote?" he said, calling for criminal proceedings against him. The remarks came a day after The Indian Express revealed that questions were repeatedly raised on issues related to the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls within the three-member Election Commission (EC) by two of the three election commissioners, Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi.

The national rollout of the SIR has been under the supervision of all three commissioners. But Sandhu and Joshi have formally objected, on record, at least 14 times over the last 10 months four times on a single day to decisions taken and orders issued, they say, without their knowledge, according to the report in the English daily.

BJP Denies Vote.....-

Earlier, Gandhi had argued that anti-incumbency was a consistent feature of Indian elections and questioned how the trend appeared to have weakened against the BJP in states such as Haryana, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat.Gandhi also alleged that the 2024 Lok Sabha and Assembly elections had been "rigged" and accused the Election Commission of failing to protect the integrity of the electoral process. He demanded the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and linked his allegations to the reported objections raised by the two Election Commissioners.

The Election Commission has maintained that internal queries, technical notes and differing views are part of its administrative deliberations and has said that final decisions, including those concerning SIR, were unanimous.

The BJP has rejected Gandhi's allegations, while the Congress has continued to question the Election Commission's handling of electoral-roll revisions. The dispute has brought renewed focus on the SIR exercise, the reported internal objections within the poll panel and competing political claims over electoral processes.

Rain Kills 8, Leave.....

In Pedakallepalli of Krishna district, a woman, Samrajyam, 55, died after coming into contact with a snapped power line. In Kakinada district, eight-year-old Lakshminarayana died after a house wall collapsed due to heavy rains at Chinavalasa in Tallarevu mandal.

In Pedakatha village of Dattirajeru mandal in Vizianagaram district, two elderly persons, Samireddy Paradesamma, 65, and Nangireddy Lakshmunaidu, 63, died amid intense rain.

In Visakhapatnam, a retaining wall at LBS Nagar collapsed, following which five families comprising about 14 members were shifted to Dronamraju Kalyanamandapam nearby. Heavy rain also inundated the cellar of an apartment complex at Kommadi in Madhurawada. Police launched a rescue operation and evacuated around 80 residents to safer locations. Visakhapatnam collector Abhishik Kishore said 71 trees were uprooted in the city, of which 65 had been cleared. In ASR district, 71 kucha houses were damaged in the rains and overflowing streams disrupted road connectivity.

Rain Kills 8, Leave.....

In terms of aggregate wealth, Hyderabad trails Mumbai (Rs 53.21 lakh crore), New Delhi (Rs 26.83 lakh crore) and Bengaluru (Rs 12.40 lakh crore). Seven Hyderabad-based individuals feature in the list's top 100, holding Rs 4,01,200 crore.

The List of the seven Hyderabad-based residents who feature in the top 100, with a combined wealth of Rs 4,01,200 crore are:

-Divi's Laboratories | Murali Divi & family - Rs 1,25,400 crore -Megha Engineering & Infrastructures |
P Pitchi Reddy - Rs 53,100 crore -His nephew and MEIL MD PV Krishna Reddy - Rs 52,100 crore
The new entrant to the list is CTRL S Datacentres |
Sridhar Pinnapureddy & family - Rs 46,100 crore

-Aurobindo Pharma | PV Ramprasad Reddy - Rs 39,900 crore -Hetero Labs | B Parthasaradhi Reddy & family - Rs 39,400 crore -Premier Energies | Surender Pal Singh Saluja & family - Rs 35,200 crore

CRIME

CP Sumathi Directs People-Friendly Traffic Policing in Malkajgiri

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Malkajgiri Commissioner of Police B. Sumathi, IPS, conducted the annual inspection of the Assistant Commissioner of Police, Traffic Trimulgherry Division office and reviewed the functioning of the division. During the inspection, the Commissioner issued directions to improve traffic management, road safety and public convenience. She stressed the need to create greater awareness among citizens about traffic rules and strengthen measures to prevent road accidents.

CP Sumathi instructed traffic personnel to maintain a cordial relationship with the public and adopt a people-oriented approach. She directed officers to identify and resolve traffic-related problems, including illegal parking and encroachments, not only on major roads but also on internal roads and residential colonies where they affect traffic movement and inconvenience residents.



She emphasized visible traffic policing, particularly at important junctions and locations during peak hours, to ensure smooth traffic regulation and improve road safety.

The Commissioner also directed officers to identify new traffic junctions, assess their feasibility and take up junction development and improvement wherever necessary. She asked officers to coordinate with relevant government departments and agencies for effective implementation of traffic management measures.

CP Sumathi further advised officers to introduce innovative, practical and result-oriented initiatives that provide tangible benefits to road users and create a positive impact among the public and other stakeholders.DCP Traffic-I Malkajgiri K. Rahul Reddy, IPS, along with senior traffic police officers from Begumpet, Trimulgherry and Alwal Traffic Police Stations, attended the inspection.

The officers assured the Commissioner that her directions would be implemented effectively, with priority given to road safety, smooth traffic movement, public convenience and people-oriented policing.

CBIT NSS Conducts Anti-Ragging Awareness Session

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The National Service Scheme (NSS) of Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT), Hyderabad, conducted an Anti-Ragging Awareness Session at the Institute Assembly Hall to sensitise students about the dangers of ragging and promote a safe, respectful and inclusive campus.

Ms. Sirisha Raghavendra, DCP, Shadnagar Zone, Future City, Telangana, addressed the students and explained the legal provisions, consequences and reporting procedures related to ragging. She urged students to remain responsible and immediately inform authorities about any incidents.



CBIT Principal Prof. C. V. Narasimhulu reaffirmed the institute's commitment to maintaining a disciplined and ragging-free campus. He encouraged students to uphold mutual respect and understand the difference between healthy peer interaction and behaviour that could cause physical, psychological or emotional distress.

Dr. Sridhar, NSS Coordinator, who served as Convenor, highlighted the role of NSS volunteers in promoting social responsibility and responsible citizenship. The session concluded with students reaffirming their commitment to maintaining a friendly, respectful and ragging-free campus.

Hyderabad court sentences man to life imprisonment for 2020 SR Nagar murder

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A local court on Thursday sentenced a man identified as Raju Naik to life imprisonment and imposed a total fine of Rs 16,000 for the murder of P. Ramesh (50) in SR Nagar in 2020.

Ramesh had gone missing after leaving his Vikaspuri Colony home on February 1, 2020. Though a WhatsApp message was later sent from his phone, subsequent calls went unanswered and the phone was switched off.The SR Nagar lolice investigated

Woman Sentenced to Life for Murdering Husband

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A woman has been sentenced to life imprisonment for murdering her husband in 2021. District SP D.V. Srinivasa Rao said the District Principal Court imposed life imprisonment and a fine of ₹6,000 on the accused in connection with the case registered at Manoharabad police station. Murali, a native of Parkibanda village, married Vijayalakshmi of Manoharabad 22 years ago. The couple had two children. Frequent disputes led to counselling sessions at the police station and mediation by village elders.

Murali broke his leg in a road accident 18 months ago and had been staying at home since, unable to work. Arguments between the couple increased. On the night of March 15, 2021, while Murali was asleep, Vijayalakshmi attacked him with a pestle, causing fatal injuries. Based on a complaint filed by family members, then SI Raju registered a case and initiated investigation. Police said meticulous investigation and strong evidence ensured conviction.

Two Killed After DU Student's Car Hits Workers on Dwarka Expressway

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Two labourers were killed, while three others, including the driver of a speeding hatchback, were injured after the car went out of control and hit the workers near Shri Ram Chowk along the Dwarka Expressway early Thursday, police said.The accident occurred when the labourers were installing iron grilles to secure the divider near Shriram Chowk. After positioning the grille, two of them were tightening the screws while the other two stood holding it in place when they saw a white Chevrolet Beat approaching from Delhi direction and going out of control.

The car, allegedly driven by a 20-year-old Delhi University student, ploughed straight into the youths who were standing by the crash barrier, leaving two youths dead on the spot, police said. The other two workers leapt towards the green belt along the middle of the expressway to save their lives. The car then came to a halt after crashing into a wall.

Son Kills Mother After Argument Over Instagram Relationship

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A 21-year-old man slit his mother's throat following an argument over her alleged relationship with a man she had met through Instagram, at Balajinagar in Kazipet's 47th division on Thursday. Stating this, police said the accused, Dorababu, fled the house after the incident. According to family members and locals, Nagula Sudhakar and his wife Udayashree, 40, lived in Balajinagar with their son Dorababu, daughter and Sudhakar's elderly mother. Sudhakar works as an attendant in a private organisation and is said to support the family along with his mother's railway pension. Dorababu was pursuing a BBA at a college in the city. Udayashree, who stayed at home, was reportedly active on Instagram and made reels. Family members alleged that she became acquainted with a man from Karimnagar district through Instagram around four years ago and that the acquaintance later developed into a close relationship. The man reportedly visited their Balajinagar residence occasionally in recent months. The two were also said to have decided to set up a separate household.

After the conclusion of Ganesh Navaratri celebrations, the man allegedly asked Udayashree to leave the house after informing her family about their relationship. When she attempted to leave the house on Thursday morning, Dorababu reportedly came to know about it. He took his mother into a bedroom, saying he wanted to speak to her, and locked the door. Family members said the two argued for some time inside the room.

Dorababu allegedly tried to persuade his mother to end the relationship, but she did not agree. He allegedly picked up a knife kept in the room and slit her throat. Dorababu later came out of the room and reportedly told family members that he had killed his mother. Neighbours were alerted and he fled from the house.

EDITORIAL

NO COMPULSION TO SING VANDE MATARAM WELCOME

HYDERABAD
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The Supreme Court's position that a "conscientious objector" should not be punished for refusing to sing 'Vande Mataram' has come as a welcome relief for those who believe that India belongs to all Indians; it has also struck a body blow to the propensity of the BJP, which leads the Union government, to push its divisive agenda even on matters of national importance. The court has reminded the government of its position in 1986 when it decided that a citizen can respectfully decline to sing even the national anthem and that the state is not going to subject him to criminal action. The court stopped short of sending notice to the Union government in deference to the request of its law officer and limited itself to seeking its response on the subject.

The contention of Carnatic vocalist and author T.M. Krishna before the court was that mandating the singing of all six stanzas of 'Vande Mataram' violated the country's secular character. Extending penal provisions to the national song, coupled with directions for rendition of all six stanzas of 'Vande Mataram', raises fundamental questions concerning freedom of speech and expression, freedom of conscience, equality, religious freedom and secularism as enshrined in Articles 19, 25 and 26. The court appeared to have agreed with him in the larger point and has said it will examine whether the rights of one who declines to sing on religious grounds are protected under the law.



'Vande Mataram', the national song, has been a venerated symbol of India's national movement, passed down by generations of patriots. The song in Bengali was sung by freedom fighters across the country, as they found it a means to unite them in the fight for a noble and legitimate cause. When the nation's political climate changed, the context of the song and its meaning also underwent a change, which resulted in the leaders of the movement restricting the rendition of the song to its first two stanzas. Dr Rajendra Prasad's announcement in the Constituent Assembly that 'Vande Mataram' will be the national song of India and will be venerated at par with the national anthem was received with cheers.

Three quarters of a century later, the BJP has suddenly woken up to those forgotten stanzas and made it part of the national song. It also got a piece of legislation passed providing for the same protection to 'Vande Mataram' that the national anthem and the national flag command. It is not that there is a national emergency and people have revolted against all those symbols.

The party knows that this move has the potential to divide people on religious lines and that it can spread the message of hate through those fault lines.

From the Preamble to the last Article, the Constitution talks about discarding the old baggage of bigotry and creating a new world for all Indians premised on the best of human attributes. Those ideals have stood the test of time. The Supreme Court's stand on the issue reaffirms the belief that it will stand in the way of attempts to undo all those values, and is hence reassuring.



Young Innovators Use AI, Wearables to Transform Para-Sports and Athlete Safety

HYDERABAD
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Can technology help discover India's next para-athlete, make swimming safer for visually impaired athletes or help people with Parkinson's exercise more safely? Eight young innovators from Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Odisha are exploring these possibilities after securing a place in the Top 20 of Samsung Solve for Tomorrow 2026.

The innovators have developed five technology-driven ideas using artificial intelligence, sensors, IoT and wearable devices to address challenges in sports, physical activity and health.

Among the ideas is Untethered, developed by 21-year-old Pasupuleti Ruthvik from Chittoor. The wearable sensor system is designed to alert visually impaired swimmers when they are nearing the pool wall, potentially reducing the risk of collisions and giving swimmers greater independence during training.

From Visakhapatnam, 16-year-old Kolla Venkata Siva Surya has developed an assistive system aimed at helping visually impaired swimmers maintain their trajectory. The technology provides real-time feedback when swimmers begin moving away from their intended path, helping them stay within their lanes.

In Sundargarh, Vatala Harika, 21, and Ritesh Routray, 20, are working on ParaSync, an AI-powered platform aimed at identifying promising para-athletes. The system seeks to assess adaptive sporting techniques and connect emerging talent with coaching and competitive opportunities.

Another innovation, Rogue, is being developed by Chennai-based Manoj Kumar Kasinathan, 21, Jena R, 20, and Chriswin William D, 20. The wearable uses sensors to explore the difference between intentional movements and involuntary tremors associated with Parkinson's, with the broader goal of supporting safer physical activity.

Hyderabad's 21-year-old Homanshika Reddy Pullagurla is developing Somatrace, an IoT-enabled wearable that tracks spinal load among precision-sport athletes. The system is intended to provide real-time information about physical strain during training and help athletes understand their movement patterns.

The eight innovators are part of a national Top 20 cohort representing 18 cities across 12 states, with more than half coming from Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities.

As part of the programme, the participants underwent a prototyping programme with FITT-IIT Delhi, including an Innovation Bootcamp and mentorship from Samsung experts. They also received exposure to Samsung's design, research and engineering facilities.

Samsung Solve for Tomorrow is now entering its final stages. Four winning teams will collectively receive ₹2 crore in incubation grants, along with support from FITT-IIT Delhi to refine, validate and potentially develop their ideas into market-ready ventures.

Poompuhar Mega Handicrafts Expo from Sept 26 in Secunderabad

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana



A "Mega Handicrafts Expo" organised by the Tamil Nadu Handicrafts Development Corporation Ltd. (Poompuhar) will be held from September 26 to October 4 at Our Sacred Place, next to Himalaya World on Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad.

C. Gopikannan, Assistant Manager (Sales), Tamil Nadu Handicrafts Development Corporation Ltd., said the exhibition will showcase an extensive collection of traditional handicrafts created by skilled artisans from different districts of Tamil Nadu.

The expo aims to provide visitors with an opportunity to explore and purchase a variety of handcrafted products while promoting the state's rich cultural and artistic heritage. The collection will include bronze statues, traditional brass lamps, Thanjavur paintings, Thanjavur art plates, papier-mâché dolls, wooden and stone sculptures, brass artefacts, clay and terracotta products, cane furniture, banana-fibre products, jute items and palm-leaf crafts.

Visitors can also explore fashion jewellery, incense products, spices, handmade textiles and handloom products. The organisers said the exhibition will offer Hyderabad residents a chance to experience the diversity of Tamil Nadu's traditional craftsmanship under one roof.

The expo will remain open through October 4, providing craft enthusiasts and shoppers several days to discover the unique products made by artisans across Tamil Nadu.

KLH Aziznagar Hosts Global Experts at AI-SIIS 2026

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KLH Aziznagar inaugurated the IEEE International Conference on AI and Security for Industrial IoT Systems (AI-SIIS 2026) on September 24, bringing together researchers, academicians, industry experts and students to discuss the growing role of artificial intelligence in securing connected industrial systems.

The three-day international conference, scheduled to conclude on September 26, has attracted significant research interest, with 886 papers submitted and 187 accepted. Of these, 123 papers have been registered for presentation. More than 100 participants, including speakers and delegates, are expected to take part in the event.

Technically co-sponsored by the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IES), with WE Hub serving as the knowledge partner, the conference features technical sessions and expert discussions on cybersecurity, intelligent sensors, robotics and Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT).



The programme also examines AI applications in smart healthcare, energy systems, autonomous transportation, smart cities and environmental monitoring, with emphasis on responsible and secure deployment.

Distinguished speakers include Juan José Rodríguez-Andina of the University of Vigo, Spain; Stamatis Karnouskos of SAP, Germany; Jan Haase of Nordakademie University of Applied Sciences, Germany; Kavinga Upul Ekanayaka of ACCLER, Sri Lanka; Preeti Bajaj, Chair-Elect of the IEEE India Council; and Ashish Singhal, Chair of the IEEE Student Activities Committee.

Er. Koneru Lakshman Havish, Vice President of KL Deemed to be University, said the conference would promote global research exchange, meaningful collaborations and innovative solutions for an increasingly connected world. The conference is convened by Dr. Mousmi Ajay Chaurasia under the guidance of Dr. A. Ramakrishna, Principal, KLH Aziznagar.

Sarkari Kaam Brings 3.25% Soft Loans for ₹100 Crore+ Projects

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Sarkari Kaam's Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) division has rolled out a soft-loan programme aimed at helping Indian businesses raise affordable, long-term capital for major projects.

The facility starts at ₹100 crore and offers a fixed interest rate of 3.25% per year. A key feature is that promoters can raise funds without giving up equity, allowing them to retain ownership while expanding their businesses. The funding can be used for large greenfield projects in sectors such as solar energy, pharmaceuticals, food processing and electric-vehicle infrastructure.

Sarkari Kaam says it has already helped raise more than ₹10,000 crore for over 170 companies across 31 industries. The organisation believes its low-cost, predictable funding model can give businesses the patient capital needed for long-term expansion.

Its support goes beyond arranging finance. A 50-member professional team assists companies with regulatory approvals, documentation, pitch decks and compliance. The team also helps international investors from 15 countries understand and navigate India's investment process.

The initiative aims to connect Indian entrepreneurs with global capital while supporting industrial growth and the broader vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

Alakh Pandey Announces 2-Year PhysicsWallah Expansion Plan Across

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana



PhysicsWallah (PW) founder and CEO Alakh Pandey has announced a two-year expansion plan focused on strengthening the company's presence across South India.

Speaking at an event in Tirupati, Pandey said he would dedicate the next 24 months to students in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala.

Pandey said the initiative aims to make quality and affordable education more accessible to students in the southern states. He highlighted PW's goal of creating a measurable impact in the region by bringing its technology-enabled learning ecosystem and competitive exam preparation model to a wider student community.

Founded in 2020 by Alakh Pandey and Prateek Maheshwari, PhysicsWallah has expanded significantly across India. The company says it has impacted more than 40 million students through its platforms and recorded over five million paid student enrollments in FY2026. PW currently offers courses across 16 test-preparation categories and provides learning content in multiple languages.

As part of its South India expansion, PhysicsWallah has signed a five-year partnership with Mohan Babu University (MBU). Under the agreement, PW will provide online courses focused on artificial intelligence, skilling and careers to nearly 18,000 MBU students.

The company, which initially gained popularity through Hinglish-based courses, now offers content in Hindi, English, Hinglish and nine regional languages. PW said its multilingual ecosystem will help it address language diversity as it expands its education services across South India.

Free Police Coaching Announced in Seven Telangana Districts

Academy for Success and Achievement Opens Central Office, Free Police Coaching Announced in Seven Telangana Districts

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The central office of the Academy for Success and Achievement, an initiative aimed at supporting youth aspiring for careers in the police department and other uniformed services, was inaugurated in Hyderabad by Jamaat-e-Islami Hind Telangana State President Mohammad Azheruddin.

The academy has been launched against the backdrop of Telangana's police recruitment notifications and the announcement of preliminary examination dates. It aims to provide structured coaching, guidance and physical training to candidates preparing for recruitment.

Speaking at the inaugural programme, Mohammad Azheruddin said greater participation of educated Muslim youth in government services was necessary. He described police service as not merely an employment opportunity but also a means to serve society, uphold the rule of law and contribute to peace and security.

Former IFS officer and former CEO of the Minorities Welfare Department Muhammad Abdul Waheed explained the recruitment process, which includes the preliminary examination, physical test and mains examination. He stressed the importance of systematic preparation, time management, speed, accuracy, regular practice and a focused examination strategy.

Former Assistant Commissioner of Police Muhammad Tajuddin encouraged youth to consider police service as an opportunity to contribute to society by enforcing laws and helping maintain peace and security.

Former Commandant Musa Bin Ibrahim spoke about physical preparation, advising aspirants to focus on daily exercise, running, fitness and disciplined training.

Academy Convener Iqbal Hussain said the organisation's activities would extend beyond the current recruitment cycle. The academy plans to keep youth informed about recruitment opportunities in the police, defence and security sectors and provide timely coaching and guidance.

Free coaching centres have been arranged in Nizamabad, Adilabad, Karimnagar, Warangal, Mahabubnagar, Sangareddy and Khammam districts. At Wadi-e-Huda, selected candidates are also being provided accommodation along with coaching and physical training.

Iqbal Hussain said earlier initiatives during the 2014 and 2024 police recruitments had helped several candidates secure jobs. Around 31 candidates were selected in 2014, including one Sub-Inspector and 30 Constables, while approximately 33 candidates, including two Sub-Inspectors and 31 Constables, were selected in 2024.

He said the new academy was established as a permanent and structured initiative based on these experiences. Former DSP Azmatullah Khan also encouraged candidates to remain disciplined, confident and consistent in their preparation.

The programme was attended by former police officials, academy representatives, students and youth preparing for recruitment.

Mujahid Pasha conducted the programme, while Academy Joint Secretary Khalid Abdul Rahim Bawazir proposed the vote of thanks.

Maha Annasamaradhana Held at Prashanth Nagar Ganesh Mandapam



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A Maha Annasamaradhana (food distribution) programme was organised at the Ganesh mandapam of Prashanth Nagar Colony Welfare Association on Thursday under the leadership of BJP state leader Chinthakindi Govardhan Goud. As part of the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan, food was distributed to more than 2,500 devotees.

Speaking on the occasion, Govardhan Goud said various service activities were being organised across the country from September 17 to October 17 as part of the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan.

He said that as part of the Ganesh Navratri celebrations, Annasamaradhana programmes were planned at five Ganesh mandapams in the Serilingampally constituency. Similar food distribution programmes had already been organised at Adarsh Nagar, Lingampalli Rain Tree Community and Gopi Nagar Bajrang Youth Ganesh mandapams, he said.

Govardhan Goud thanked the Prashanth Nagar Colony Welfare Association representatives for facilitating the food distribution programme for more than 2,500 devotees. Leaders from different parties, colony welfare association representatives, local residents, youth and devotees participated in the programme in large numbers.

Paramount Settlement Explained: What It Means for the Future of Movies

Movie studio Paramount on Monday agreed to settle an antitrust lawsuit filed by 12 states, the last big obstacle blocking the company's $81 billion acquisition of Warner Bros. Discovery in a deal that would transform the movie industry landscape. In the settlement, which still needs to be approved by a judge, Paramount agreed to terms including a five-year movie production plan and to invest $1.5 billion in domestic movies.

State attorneys general say the settlement guarantees investment in domestic movie production and provides worker protection. But analysts say the deal is still likely to lead to less competition in the industry — and higher prices for consumers.

"Where I'm looking at this is through the consumer's point of view and resoundingly consumers are concerned about price hikes and they are preparing for price hikes," said Forrester research director Mike Proulx. "They care less about the theatrical releases and some of the other industry terms. What they care about is how this is going to hit their wallets."



Here's a closer look at the biggest terms Paramount agreed to in the settlement: Paramount says it will invest in domestic films and independent films Paramount said it will spend $1.5 billion over five years, or $300 million a year — on top of what it spent in 2025 on filming domestically. According to the state attorneys general, currently only about 5% of Paramount's production is in the U.S.

Paramount also said it would create a five-year, $25 million fund for buying independent films. The settlement lays out a five-year film production schedule The movie studio agreed to make 30 films a year in the first two years and 32 films a year in the following three years. It also said it will release at least four independent films each year. That dovetails with plans Paramount chairman and CEO David Ellison has previously laid out to grow the combined company's movie slate to more than 30 movies a year.

But the agreement includes penalties: If Paramount doesn't produce the required amount, the company will be forced to sell Miramax Studios and pay $30 million to health care and retirement trust funds associated with worker unions. The agreement includes a fund for laid-off workers Paramount has said it would look for ways to save some $6 billion through job cuts in "duplicative operations" when the deal goes through. Under the settlement, Paramount will create a $47.5 million workforce fund for training and career development for laid-off workers. It also agreed to honor previously established collective bargaining agreements and bargain in good faith with unions. Cable channels will be negotiated for separately and an independent board will be named Under the agreement, Paramount won't have to sell cable channels. But the company will have to hold negotiations over basic cable channels under Paramount and Warner Bros. separately for five years. If it doesn't, it might have to sell some channels under the agreement. The agreement also calls for the creation of a board to ensure that Warner-owned CNN and CBS, owned by Paramount, maintain editorial independence.

Yami Gautam pays tribute to Maheshwari handloom tradition

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Actress Yami Gautam celebrated traditional Indian craftsmanship as she wore an elegant black Maheshwari saree, showcasing the heritage of the traditional handloom.

In a recent Instagram post, the 'Bala' actress revealed that the saree was woven by a seventh-generation Salvi family weaver from Maheshwar, who has carried forward the family's legacy of handloom craftsmanship. The saree was crafted using silk, cotton and zari.

Sharing details about the traditional weave, Yami highlighted the history of Maheshwari handloom and the generations of artisans who have helped preserve the craft. She also emphasised that the beauty of the craft lies in the hands of artisans who have kept the weaving tradition alive across generations.

Sharing a series of photographs, she wrote: "The black Maheshwari saree is woven by a seventh-generation Salvi family weaver from Maheshwar, carrying forward a family legacy of handloom craftsmanship. Woven in silk, cotton and Zari. Maheshwari weaving was nurtured by Maharani Ahilyabai Holkar, who brought skilled weavers to Maheshwar. The beauty is in the hands that have kept this craft alive for generations."

In the photographs, the 'Kaabil' actress is seen posing in a black saree featuring golden embroidery along the sides. She paired it with matching earrings and wore her hair in a high bun. She completed the look with subtle makeup.

Through her look, Yami celebrated the artistry and heritage of Maheshwari handloom while drawing attention to the craftsmanship behind the traditional saree.

Yami also wore the same black Maheshwari saree while receiving the National Award for Best Actress for her performance in 'Article 370'. The 72nd National Film Awards were held on September 22 in Kevadia, Gujarat.

Maheshwari weaving is a traditional handloom craft that originated in Maheshwar, Madhya Pradesh. The craft was promoted in the 18th century by Queen Ahilyabai Holkar of the Holkar dynasty, who invited skilled weavers from Surat and South India to create special sarees for royal guests.

GVR Karate Students Shine at Hyderabad District Selections



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Students of GVR Karate Academy put up an impressive performance at the SGF Hyderabad District-Level Karate Selections, winning gold, silver and bronze medals across Under-14, Under-17 and Under-19 categories.

Five gold medallists from the academy — Akshayini, Akula Rohika, A. Akshitha, Gouthami and G. Avighna Venkat Reddy — have qualified for the SGF State-Level Karate Competitions. Their achievement was appreciated by sports officials, coaches and parents at the event.

Akshayini won gold in the Under-17 Girls' -32 kg category, while Akula Rohika secured gold in the Under-17 Girls' -40 kg category. A. Akshitha emerged victorious in the Under-17 Girls' -48 kg category and Gouthami won gold in the Under-17 Girls' +68 kg category. G. Avighna Venkat Reddy claimed gold in the Under-19 Boys' -45 kg category.

In the Under-14 category, Chinmayi Priya won bronze in the Girls' -34 kg category, while Shritha secured silver in the Girls' -50 kg category. Professor K. Deepla, Director of Physical Education, Osmania University, attended the programme as Chief Guest, while Dr. B. Lakshmaiah, Director of Physical Education, Avanthi Degree College, was the Special Guest. Dr. G. S. Gopal Reddy, Founder and Director of GVR Karate Academy, also participated in the programme and encouraged the students.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Deepla said sports and education are equally important for students' overall development. He highlighted the role of sports in building discipline, confidence, perseverance, leadership, time management and a healthy competitive spirit.

He said karate also helps improve physical fitness, concentration, self-control and self-defence skills. He congratulated the medal winners, coaches and parents, and wished the state-level qualifiers continued success. Prof. Deepla and Dr. Lakshmaiah presented medals to the winners. Black Belts Amrutha Reddy and Gana Santoshini Reddy, academy students and parents were also present.

Butterfly Hospitals Inaugurated at Gachibowli

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Butterfly Hospitals proudly announces the inauguration of its new state-of-the-art hospital in Gachibowli, Hyderabad, marking a significant milestone in its commitment to delivering comprehensive and high-quality healthcare for women and children.The new facility, inaugurated under the theme "A Celebration of Hope & New Beginnings," aims to provide advanced medical services under one roof, reinforcing the hospital's vision of "Complete Woman and Child Care."Distinguished DignitariesThe inauguration ceremony will be graced by D. Sridhar Babu Garu – Minister for Information Technology, Electronics, Communications, Industries and Commerce, Government of Telangana, Harkara Venugopal Rao Garu – Advisor to the Government of Telangana, Manjula Ghattamaneni – Actor, Producer, Director, Arekapudi Gandhi Garu – MLA, Serilingampally Assembly Constituency & Shaik Hameed Patel Garu – Corporator, Kondapur.A Commitment to Accessible and Quality HealthcareSpeaking on the occasion, Dr. Vasanth Kumar Chakilam, Managing Director of Butterfly Hospitals, emphasised the hospital's commitment to making advanced healthcare services for women and children accessible with advanced services."Our goal is to provide comprehensive women and child healthcare services that combine advanced medical expertise, high-quality treatment, and accessibility. Through our new facility in Gachibowli, we aim to bring specialised healthcare closer to families and ensure that



every mother and child receives the care they deserve," said Dr. Vasanth Kumar Chakilam.Free Consultation Drive AnnouncedTo commemorate the inauguration, Butterfly Hospitals has announced a Free Consultation Drive, offering patients an opportunity to receive expert medical guidance from experienced specialists.The initiative reflects the hospital's commitment to improving access to quality healthcare and encouraging timely medical consultations for women, children, and aspiring parents.Advanced Facilities for Women & ChildrenThe newly inaugurated hospital features modern medical infrastructure, advanced diagnostic and treatment facilities, and a dedicated team of experienced healthcare professionals.With a strong focus on ethical medical practices, patient safety, and compassionate care, Butterfly Hospitals aims to provide comprehensive services across obstetrics, gynaecology, paediatrics, neonatology, and other specialised healthcare disciplines.The new facility



Telangana sets up TG-TMARS bureau for traffic management, road and rail safety

The Telangana government has established TG-TMARS as a specialised police wing to bring traffic management, enforcement, highway patrolling and road crash investigation under one framework. The bureau will also oversee road and rail safety and statewide traffic enforcement.

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The State government has ordered the establishment of the Telangana Traffic Management, Road and Rail Safety Bureau (TG-TMARS) as a specialised wing of the State Police to bring traffic management, enforcement, highway patrolling and road crash investigation under a common framework.

The government issued G.O.Ms.No.135 on Thursday in this regard.

The order said the existing Traffic Wings in commissionerates and districts lacked a common command for standards, technology, training, analytics and review.

Headquartered in Hyderabad with jurisdiction across Telangana, TG-TMARS will be headed by an officer of the rank of Additional Director General of Police or Inspector General of Police, designated as Director.

The Bureau will function under the administrative and disciplinary control of the DGP, while implementing decisions of the State Road Safety Council.

The new bureau will have two principal wings — Traffic and Road and Rail Safety. Its responsibilities will include statewide traffic management, electronic and physical enforcement, operation of traffic control rooms, highway patrolling, road crash investigation, enforcement analytics and prosecution monitoring.

It will also oversee policing related to the safety of travel on Metro Rail, high-speed rail and other rail transport in the State.

A key component will be the mandatory response to road crashes.

A Road Crash Response Officer will be designated in every police station, both Traffic and Law and Order, to respond round the clock, secure crash scenes, facilitate shifting of injured persons within the golden hour and immediately record crashes on the eDAR platform.

The Bureau will also operate a State Traffic Control Room and link unit-level control rooms and electronic enforcement devices for real-time monitoring. It will oversee the e-challan system and enforcement against offences such as drunken driving, helmet and seatbelt violations, wrong-side driving, lane violations, speeding and overloading. For highways, dedicated patrol units will be deployed on National Highways, Expressways, the Outer Ring Road and notified State Highways.

Also, police stations having more than 50 km of National or State Highway within their jurisdiction will have a Highway Patrol Unit with a Head Constable, a Police Constable and a dedicated patrol vehicle. The units will be equipped with dashboard cameras, automatic number plate recognition and speed-detection devices.

The order also provides for a Traffic Management Fund, into which 40 per cent of police compounding fee and fine collections under the Motor Vehicles Act and Rules will be credited. The fund will be used for electronic enforcement equipment, patrol vehicles, traffic control rooms, technology, emergency road works, training and related road-safety measures.

In an organisational expansion, a post of Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic) will be created in every Police Commissionerate and an Additional Superintendent of Police (Traffic) post in every district. The government has also directed the DGP to migrate 300 posts, along with personnel, from other police wings to TG-TMARS.

The existing Traffic Wings, Traffic Police Stations and e-challan operations will come under the Bureau's oversight from the date of the order.

The Director of TG-TMARS has been tasked with issuing detailed Standing Orders and Standard Operating Procedures and reporting on the Bureau's operationalisation to the State Road Safety Council within six months.

KTR questions ECI over voter registration, deletions

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BRS working president KT Rama Rao raised fresh concerns over the functioning of the Election Commission of India (ECI), calling for urgent steps to safeguard the country's democratic institutions. "We call ourselves the world's largest democracy, but the institution meant to safeguard democracy is turning 'almost autocratic'," he said.

In a statement, Rama Rao questioned the decision-making process within the three-member poll panel. "Two out of three is a majority, or at least it used to be. Looks like the definition is changing now. When two of the three Election Commissioners themselves are repeatedly raising objections, it's time to fix the EC," he said.

The BRS working president also questioned the process of voter registration, deletion and restoration. "If decisions on voter registration, deletion and restoration are pushed through questionably, are we even a democracy anymore?" he asked.

He asserted that the fate of the country could not be decided by an institution whose foundations, he alleged, were eroding. He urged political parties, constitutional bodies, citizen forums and the Supreme Court to come together to "save what is left of the country's democracy".

In a separate post on X on the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) in Telangana, Rama Rao said he was not surprised that the highest number of voter deletions in Telangana were in BRS-won seats. He said the political contest in Telangana was now "KCR garu Vs All". He accused the Congress and BJP of forming an "unholy, illicit and undeclared alliance" to defeat the BRS, and alleged that the Election Commission now appeared to be joining them.

He said the BRS would fight the issue in courts and with the people, asserting that every illegally deleted vote would be added back. "There is only one SIR in Telangana, KCR Sir. No SIR can defeat the love people have for him," he declared.The ECI has been facing questions over the SIR process, while its own position is that differing views and observations are part of institutional deliberations and that its orders and decisions carry legal sanction.

Arrangements in place for Ganesh idol immersion across Hyderabad

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As Hyderabad prepares for the grand finale of the Ganesh festivities, the GHMC, CMC and MMC have made elaborate arrangements at water bodies for Ganesh idols immersion on Friday.

The Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) facilitated immersions at 53 designated points across its limits. Its teams coordinated sanitation, waste clearance, access and other essential civic arrangements at the sites.

Under its jurisdiction, the Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation (MMC) set up 39 immersion centres across three zones, with 10 in Uppal, 20 in Malkajgiri and nine in LB Nagar. These cover major water bodies and artificial points in parks, playgrounds and market yards.

The plan lists 18 lakes, seven ponds or baby ponds, and 15 artificial lakes or portable tanks. Major sites include Saroor Nagar, Safilguda, Shamirpet and Edulabad.

The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) officials arranged a decentralised network of more than 40 major lakes and tanks, along with 74 artificial immersion ponds.

Further, arrangements are under way for the immersion of Hyderabad's 69-foot-tall Khairatabad Ganesh idol in Hussain Sagar on Friday. The GHMC, Hyderabad police and engineering wings are involved in ensuring the Panchamukha Sankatahara Maha Ganapathi idol reaches its destination safely and ahead of schedule. The Khairatabad Ganesh Utsav Committee restricted darshan of the deity from Thursday as welding and other civil works began at the pandal.

Hyderabad residential registrations dip 9 per cent in August 2026: Knight Frank

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Hyderabad residential market continues to witness a slump due to different factors. According to Knight Frank India's latest assessment, residential property registrations in Hyderabad registered a dip of nine per cent in August 2026.

The property consultancy firm said with 5,937 homes registered during August 2026, there was a decline of nine per cent Year-on-Year (YoY) and 4 per cent Month-on-Month (MoM). Homes worth Rs 4,576 crore were registered in the period, with transaction value declining two per cent YoY while increasing 3 per cent MoM.

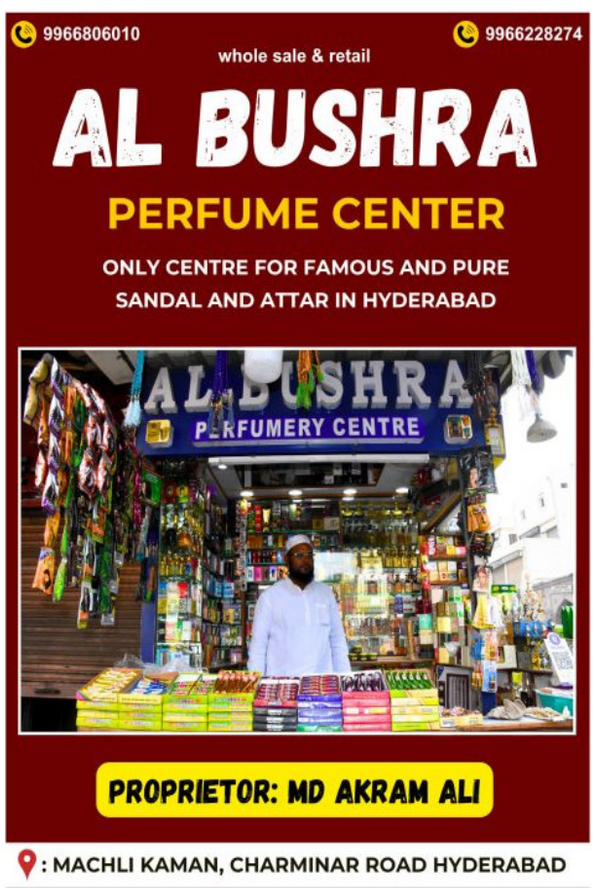
August 2026 saw registrations decline across all three ticket size segments, with the sharpest decline in homes priced below Rs 50 lakh. Registrations in this segment declined 12 per cent YoY, while those in the Rs 50 lakh to Rs 1 crore segment declined five per cent. Similarly, registrations of homes priced above Rs 1 crore declined eight per cent. However, transaction value in this segment increased two per cent YoY, lifting its share of total transaction value to 54 per cent from 51 per cent a year ago, Knight Frank India's latest assessment said.

On a cumulative basis, registrations rose two per cent YoY to 50,095 units during January-August 2026, while transaction value increased six per cent to Rs 35,423 crore. Registration activity has remained uneven since the revision in guidance values that came into effect on June 5, leading to a sharp rise in May 2026 and a correction in June 2026.

The Hyderabad residential market spans four districts, namely Hyderabad, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Rangareddy, and Sangareddy, and includes transactions from both the primary and secondary real estate markets.



Hyderabad Collectorate sanctioned ₹1.28 crore for development works at Government Degree College, Golconda. The works include two lifts, additional classrooms, campus whitewashing, flooring, washroom improvements and other infrastructure upgrades. Karwan MLA Kausar Mohiuddin inaugurated a newly completed lift in the presence of college staff, AIMIM corporators, party leaders and workers.



Shashikumar Honoured by Cyberabad CP for Rescuing Minor Girl



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Cyberabad Police Commissioner Dr. M. Ramesh honoured and appreciated Shashikumar for courageously rescuing a two-year-old minor girl from an alleged assault and handing the accused over to police.

The incident occurred on August 16 when Shashikumar heard the girl crying while passing through the area. Responding immediately, he reached the spot, rescued the child safely and apprehended the suspect before handing him over to the police.

Recognising his timely intervention and courage, Dr. M. Ramesh invited Shashikumar to Gangaram Lake and felicitated him with a shawl. The CP said his prompt response and sense of responsibility in protecting the child were commendable.

Dr. Ramesh said Shashikumar's courage and humanity set an example for others and stressed the importance of citizens responding responsibly during emergencies.

₹4 Crore Road Works Completed in Shaikpet's Surya Nagar

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Several VDCC road works worth nearly ₹4 crore have been completed in Surya Nagar Colony, Shaikpet, following sustained efforts and representations by Jubilee Hills Constituency Colonies Forum President Asif Hussain Sohail on civic issues raised by residents and worshippers.

The VDCC road near Masjid-e-Noor has also been sanctioned. Residents said their long-pending civic concerns had remained unresolved for nearly two decades before receiving attention.

Sohail thanked GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan, Zonal Commissioner P. Uday Kumar, SE Vijay Kumar, former SE Srinivas Reddy and officials of the GHMC Golconda Zone for responding to residents' concerns and supporting the development works.

Residents also appreciated Sohail for consistently raising issues related to roads, water and sewerage lines, parks and playgrounds and remaining accessible to the public.

Sohail said citizens should directly approach authorities regarding genuine civic problems rather than waiting for political representatives. He stressed that ordinary residents can contribute significantly to local development through collective efforts and sustained engagement with officials.

Surya Nagar had earlier witnessed a NOTA campaign during the previous GHMC election, with residents highlighting local civic issues through the slogan "No Development, No Tax."

Sohail, who also heads the Surya Nagar Colony Welfare Association, said citizens have a responsibility to work for Hyderabad's development and raise genuine public concerns.

Supreme Court upholds Danam Nagender's disqualification as MLA

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The Supreme Court on Thursday dismissed former Khairatabad MLA Danam Nagender's petition challenging the Telangana High Court judgment disqualifying him from the Assembly under the Tenth Schedule for defection from the BRS to the Congress.

A bench comprising Chief Justice of India Surya Kant, Justice Joymalya Bagchi and Justice V Mohana held that the High Court had correctly interpreted the law and that there was no ground for interference.

Senior Advocate Mukul Rohatgi, appearing for Nagender, argued that the Tenth Schedule contained a provision to condone a member giving up party membership. "Ghar Wapsi?" Justice Bagchi commented.

When Rohatgi referred to Paragraph 2(1)(b), the bench pointed out that it applied to voting against the party whip and not to Paragraph 2(1)(a), which dealt with voluntarily giving up party membership."Your case is 'aaya Ram, gaya Ram, phir aaya Ram'?" Justice Bagchi asked.

The BRS counsel denied that the party had condoned Nagender's conduct and said it was the BRS member who had filed the disqualification petition.

Dalit Lands Must Remain with Dalits, Says Telangana Mala Samithi

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The Telangana Mala Samithi (TMS) has urged the Siddipet district administration to take immediate steps to protect lands allocated to Dalits and ensure they are not transferred, encroached upon or diverted to others.

Led by TMS State President Barigela Venkataswamy, a delegation submitted a representation to the Siddipet District Collector and Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) seeking strict administrative action over alleged land disputes and irregularities.Venkataswamy said land security was essential for the social and economic empowerment of Dalits.

He called for an immediate inquiry into disputed lands and urged officials to safeguard the ownership rights of eligible beneficiaries.The initiative was undertaken following directions from Union Coal Mines Minister G. Vivek Venkataswamy, the TMS said.

TMS State General Secretary Mandalapu Ramesh, State Advisor Vijay Rao, State Vice President Gujju Narasingha Rao and senior leader Gajjela Sayulu were among those who participated.The delegation raised slogans of "Jai Bheem" and "Jai TMS", reaffirming its demand for protection of Dalit land rights.

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