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WEATHER
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MIN:24.3°C
RH: 84%
RAINFALL 7.5 MM
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Ajay Devgn Moves HC Against FDA Notice

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Bollywood actor Ajay Devgn has approached the Bombay High Court to challenge a show-cause notice from the Maharashtra Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regarding his involvement in 'Vimal Elaichi' commercials, calling the agency's move arbitrary.

His petition is expected to be heard on November 4 by a division bench consisting of Chief Justice Mahesh Chandra Tripathi and Justice Advait Sethna.The FDA's notice alleges that the 'Vimal Elaichi' campaign serves as surrogate advertising for 'Vimal Pan Masala,' a banned chewable product in Maharashtra.

El Niño May Hit Telangana GSDP by 2%, Hurt Revenue: Panel

Telangana's GSDP Projected to Grow 10–10.7% This Financial Year: Report

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The El Nino-induced rainfall deficit could undermine Telangana's economic growth and put pressure on the state's revenue collections, an expert committee appointed by the government has cautioned. The impact of poor rainfall during the southwest monsoon is expected to extend beyond agriculture, as reduced kharif output and declining farm incomes could dampen rural purchasing power, with adverse consequences for the industrial and services sectors.

The committee projected that the state's GSDP growth, estimated at 10 to 10.7 per cent for the current financial year, could suffer a setback of 1.5 to 2 percentage points. It also warned that lower agricultural production and a contraction in cash circulation could erode government revenues and expose banks to a higher risk of non-performing assets (NPAs) due to weakening repayment capacity.

The multidisciplinary expert committee, constituted by the state government to assess the likely impact of El Nino and suggest measures to protect agriculture and allied sectors, submitted its report to the government on October 28. It has called for a comprehensive contingency plan; a special financial package and expansion of employment guarantee works to prevent a sharp contraction in rural economic activity and maintain cash circulation in villages.

Though the government achieved its revenue collection targets during the first six months of the current financial year, the committee cautioned that collections could come under pressure in the coming months as the impact of the rainfall deficit began to reflect in household spending and business activity, it said. It recommended a special financial assistance package through direct benefit transfer (DBT) to put money directly into the hands of farmers, tenant farmers and rural artisans. The committee also called for scaling up employment guarantee works to provide additional income opportunities and ensure continuous cash flow into rural households, thereby cushioning the wider economy against the effects of the El Nino-induced drought.

Warning of a severe setback to agriculture and allied sectors, the report said declining groundwater levels and reduced storage in reservoirs and irrigation projects could restrict Rabi cultivation to just 30 to 40 per cent of the 70 lakh acres normally brought under crops during the season. The agriculture department's advisory against water-intensive crops could further reduce paddy and other irrigated crop cultivation, affecting overall agricultural output. The consequences would be felt across the agricultural supply chain. Rice mills and food processing units could face shortages of raw materials, while a fall in agricultural activity at market yards would hit the livelihoods of loaders, transport workers and drivers. With more than 60 per cent of Telangana's workforce dependent on agriculture and allied sectors, declining farm incomes could trigger a wider economic slowdown by weakening purchasing power and reducing business transactions in rural areas.

I.N.D.I.A. Bloc Prepares for Mega Rally in Delhi

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The I.N.D.I.A. bloc is preparing for a major show of strength at Ramlila Maidan on Sunday against alleged electoral irregularities and to demand the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, with opposition leaders and supporters from different states arriving in the national capital. The rally will be preceded by a march, titled 'Chalo Dilli', from the Minto Road-Connaught Place junction to Ramlila Maidan.

A massive tricolour canopy has been erected over the main stage for senior opposition leaders, while a separate stage is being prepared for representatives of the alliance's state units.

The Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) and several student organisations have extended support to the protest, with the I.N.D.I.A. bloc appealing to students, youth, women, workers and civil society groups to participate.

The march is scheduled to begin at noon, while the rally will be held between 10 am and 5 pm. Senior opposition leaders are expected to travel in open buses from Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge's residence to the starting point.

Modi: Opposition is now an 'Avrodh Paksh'

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday accused the Opposition of acting as an "Avrodh Paksh" (obstructive force) rather than a "Virodh Paksh" (opposition), alleging that it was trying to divide the country and weaken its unity. Addressing a gathering at the Parade Ground in Gujarat's Ekta Nagar on the occasion of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas, marking the 151st birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Mr Modi said the country needed to remain united against forces working against its interests. "It is our misfortune that the Opposition has turned into Avrodh Paksh," he said.

In a veiled reference to Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's foreign visits, the Prime Minister asked, "Who is secretly meeting whom in foreign countries? To whom are forces opposed to India extending their support? Who is speaking the language of India's enemies?" He alleged that the Opposition wanted to divide people and said social media was being used as a weapon to spread rumours and tarnish India's image.



"Social media is being used as a weapon, rumours are being spread, and India's image is being tarnished," he said. Modi also said the country had fulfilled its resolve to become free of Naxalism and Maoism, but warned that the threat of"dimagi Naxals" remained high. "I said last year that we would not rest until the country was free from Naxalism and Maoism; that promise has been fulfilled.

Though we have finished Naxals, the threat of 'dimagi Naxals' remains very high," he said. Listing the country's next priorities, Mr Modi said these included securing the borders, stopping infiltration and demographic changes, and moving towards a secular civil code.

"Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" and "Vikshit Bharat" were the country's two goals, he said, adding that India was moving ahead on the path shown by Patel.

Diljit Remarks Hurt, But Respect Remains: Dipke

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Cockroach Janata Party (CJP) founder Abhijeet Dipke on Saturday said he was hurt by Punjabi singer Diljit Dosanjh's decision to distance himself from a student protest, but maintained that his admiration for the singer remained unchanged. Dipke's response came after Dosanjh addressed his critics during a concert at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium on Friday, revisiting his controversial "I'm an artist, bro" remark.

Referring to criticism surrounding his film Satluj, earlier titled Punjab '95, Dosanjh said he had chosen to remain silent despite the controversy. "I am being quiet, so let me stay quiet. I support all of you. Don't teach Punjabis how to fight battles," he said. The singer said his team had struggled for years to bring the film, based on the life of human rights activist Jaswant Singh Khalra, to audiences.

During the concert, Dosanjh also invited a woman CRPF personnel on stage and thanked her for her service, saying security personnel made people feel safe. Responding on Instagram, Dipke said his disappointment arose from the respect.

Telangana Braces For Warmer November Days

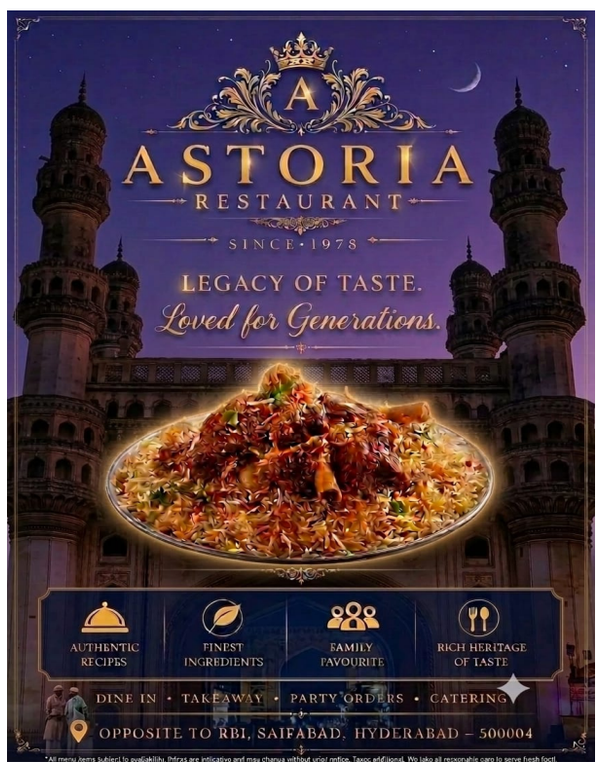
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Telangana is likely to see warmer-than-usual days through November, even as rain is expected in several districts during the first week of the month. The forecast comes after an unusually dry October, which appears to have added very little to the state's rainfall total. The India Meteorological Department's (IMD) November outlook, issued on Saturday, predicted above-normal maximum temperatures over most parts of Telangana. "In simple terms, daytime temperatures are expected to be higher than the usual November average for the region. The IMD's map shows the likelihood of above-normal temperatures," an IMD scientist told.

The IMD has also said very strong El Nino conditions are likely to persist through November and December. Neutral Indian Ocean Dipole conditions are expected to continue until December. The rainfall outlook also pointed to below-normal rainfall over much of Telangana. The IMD's specific forecast of rainfall below 77 per cent of the long-period average (LPA, based on 50-year rainfall record) was for five south peninsular meteorological subdivisions.

The rain forecast came amid substantial seasonal shortfall. TGDPS data show that Telangana received 628.2 mm of rainfall between June 1 and October 31, against the normal 830.7 mm. The state is short by 202.5 mm, which is 24 per cent. The deficit was particularly high in parts of southern Telangana. Jogulamba Gadwal recorded 50 per cent less rainfall than normal, followed by Narayanpet at 44 per cent. Nalgonda and Nagarkurnool were each 42 per cent deficient, while Hanumakonda recorded a 41 per cent shortfall. Hyderabad was 34 per cent below normal and Medchal-Malkajgiri 39 per cent.

October appeared to have been the weakest month. A comparison of TGDPS cumulative rainfall figures at the end of September and October suggested that the state received approximately 12.7 mm during October, against an estimated normal of 90.1 mm - a shortfall of around 86 per cent. The showers forecast for early November may bring some relief, particularly to districts facing large rainfall deficits. But a few days of rain will not, by themselves, make up the shortfall accumulated since June.



AP Braces for Severe Cyclone as Bay Depression Intensifies

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Andhra Pradesh is likely to face a severe cyclonic storm within a couple of days, according to a bulletin issued by the India Meteorological Department (IMD), Amaravati, on Saturday evening. As per the communiqué, there is a depression over southeast Bay of Bengal and adjoining areas of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Andaman Sea. It has been moving west, northwest-wards with a speed of 30 kmph for the past six hours. As of 5:30 am on Saturday, the depression lay about 960 km east-southeast of Chennai (Tamil Nadu), 980 km southeast of Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), 1,030 km southeast of Machilipatnam (AP), and 1,080 km east-southeast of Ongole (AP). According to the IMD, the depression is very likely to move west, northwest-wards and intensify into a deep depression over southeast Bay of Bengal by midnight of Saturday and into a cyclonic storm

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INDIA Bloc Calls for Gyanesh Kumar's Treason Trial at Public Impeachment

NEW DELHI
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Opposition INDIA bloc on Saturday called for the removal of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, alleging that he participated in a "devious and malevolent criminal conspiracy orchestrated by the BJP to steal national and state elections", and asserted that he must be tried for "treason" in a court. The resolution seeking to indict Kumar was read out by Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge at a symbolic "public impeachment" of the CEC, who has been under a fierce attack from the opposition over alleged electoral irregularities and the Special Intensive Revision (SIR)



The resolution stated that the Members of Parliament of the INDIA bloc resolved that he be impeached on the "charges" laid down by it. In the first charge, the INDIA bloc alleged that the CEC Kumar has overseen and participated in a "devious and malevolent criminal conspiracy orchestrated by the BJP to steal national and state elections". Kumar has "willingly broken the rule of law by allowing them to access voter rolls, to delete and add voters at will and manipulate the outcome of the elections", the resolution alleged.

"He is guilty of operationalising a premeditated attack on the electoral process that is the very foundation of India's democracy. This is a criminal act and an act of treason against the nation and the Constitution of India," said the INDIA bloc resolution. Former Lok Sabha Speaker Meira Kumar presided over the event, while Samajwadi Party (SP) MP Awadhesh Prasad and Trinamool Congress (TMC) MP Saugata Roy were serving as vice-chairs.

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Harish Rao accuses Revanth of taking credit for land cases won under BRS government

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The Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) accused Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy of taking credit for land cases fought and won by the previous BRS government. BRS Deputy Floor Leader T Harish Rao said the Chief Minister's claims about protecting government lands from encroachments were either false or half-truths.

"Revanth Reddy should stop this credit theft drama. He should order an inquiry by a sitting judge into the Manchirevula Greyhounds registration scam, the Kanche Gachibowli broker commissions and other cases," Harish Rao demanded.

A day after the Supreme Court delivered its verdict on the Miyapur lands, the Chief Minister was already pressuring Collectors to put the land up for sale, Harish Rao alleged. "With whom has he taken advances?" he asked.

At a press conference here on Saturday, Harish Rao countered the Chief Minister's claims by presenting court judgments and orders, registration documents, encumbrance certificate copies and Bhu Bharati records.

Manchirevula Greyhounds land: 142 acres and an alleged Rs 2,000-crore scam

Revanth Reddy had claimed that the BRS government tried to sell 142 acres of land at Manchirevula, worth Rs 10,000 crore, and that he had saved it.

Harish Rao dismissed this claim, saying the land had been the subject of a 50-year legal battle. In the undivided State, the Congress government lost the case before a single judge of the High Court on February 5, 2010. The judg-



ment went in favour of private parties, and the Congress government handed over the land, Harish Rao said.

After the BRS came to power, the then Greyhounds wing informed the Chief Minister that the government had lost the Manchirevula Greyhounds land case. Permission was sought to engage senior advocates from Delhi to save the land. Accordingly, senior Supreme Court advocates CS Vaidyanathan and Giri were engaged. On December 31, 2021, a High Court division bench ruled that the land belonged to the government. The private parties challenged the order in the Supreme Court. On August 1, 2023, the Supreme Court bench ruled that all 142 acres belonged to the State.

"The BRS government was in power on August 1, 2023. Congress lost this land. And now Revanth Reddy blames us for it," Harish Rao said.

He further alleged that the Greyhounds compound wall on the southern side near Mrugavani was demolished overnight under the Congress government. An extent of 10 acres and 10 guntas was left with private parties. A new compound wall was built further inside within two days, he charged.

The 10 acres and 10 guntas were registered in the names of Dream Valley Resorts Private Limited and Dream Valley Properties through Mohammed Ameer Salauddin and eight others. The companies were represented by K Santosh Reddy, Harish Rao said. He added that Bhu Bharati records continued to show the land as belonging to the Greyhounds.

He alleged that another 10 acres had also been lost.

In 2018, the BRS government issued a land acquisition notification for an adjoining 10 acres because the Greyhounds firing range required additional space. Private parties challenged the notification in court.

After the Congress government came to power, a High Court single judge quashed the notification on September 3, 2026. However, the judgment clearly stated that the order did not prevent the government from initiating fresh acquisition.

SCCL's Srirampur Area achieves 5.04 lakh tonnes of coal in October

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The Srirampur Area of Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) produced 5.04 lakh tonnes of coal in October against its monthly target of 5.45 lakh tonnes, achieving 94 per cent of the target. Area Chief General Manager M. Srinivas disclosed these details while briefing media representatives on the unit's performance on Saturday.

Explaining the production figures, Srinivas said the underground mines collectively produced 1.20 lakh tonnes of coal against the target of 1.15 lakh tonnes, registering an impressive 105 per cent achievement. In contrast, the two opencast projects (OCPs) together recorded 3.83 lakh tonnes of production, achieving 91 per cent of their combined target.

Among the underground mines, SRP 3A recorded the highest production, extracting 30,470 tonnes against its target of 26,000 tonnes. Meanwhile, IK OCP registered the lowest performance among the projects, producing 80,242 tonnes against its target of 1.20 lakh tonnes.

Srinivas further stated that underground mines performed better in overburden removal activities, achieving 107 per cent of the target.

Highlighting the growing demand for coal amid concerns over the anticipated El Nino impact, he said increasing production was a major responsibility of SCCL officials. He emphasised that all-out efforts were underway to improve coal output and strengthen the company's performance.

The Area Chief General Manager directed officials and concerned personnel to intensify production activities, overcome operational challenges and improve performance in the coming days. He stressed the need to achieve the targets and fulfil the expectations of the state government.

Damodar Rajanarsimha Pays Tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on National Unity

Telangana Minister for Medical and Health, Family Welfare and Science and Technology, C. Damodar Rajanarsimha, paid rich tributes to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's first Deputy Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna awardee, on his birth anniversary, observed across the country as National Unity Day.In his commemorative message, the minister described Patel as one of India's greatest national leaders, whose extraordinary vision, courage and determination played a decisive role in shaping the country after Independence.Recalling Patel's invaluable contribution to the freedom struggle and nation-building, Rajanarsimha highlighted his historic efforts in integrating hundreds of princely states into the Indian Union. His remarkable leadership and unwavering commitment to national integration earned him the enduring title of the "Iron Man of India."The minister said Patel's ideals and dedication to the nation continue to inspire generations and remain significant in strengthening India's democratic foundations and national solidarity.On the occasion of National Unity Day, Rajanarsimha urged every citizen to draw inspiration from Patel's life and work towards safeguarding the country's unity, integrity and sovereignty.He emphasised that collective responsibility, mutual respect and commitment to national interests are essential for building a strong, peaceful and united India.

BRS alleges Narsingi road alignment changed to benefit builder, favour CM's daughter's school

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The Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) has accused the Congress government of changing the alignment of a 100-feet road in Narsingi to benefit a private builder, putting 4,000 families living in 2,000 apartments at risk.

BRS Deputy Floor Leader T Harish Rao, former Minister P Sabitha Indra Reddy and other party leaders met residents of Seven Hills, Western Meadows and other colonies in the area on Saturday. A 100-feet road was approved in the area in 2013. However, the original alignment required the road to pass through a hillock, affecting a 400-year-old Hanuman temple located atop it.

After the BRS came to power, local residents brought the issue to the notice of then Minister P Sabitha Indra Reddy. She immediately took it up with then Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao.

In 2018, the BRS government issued a new gazette, GO No. 181, retaining the road alignment with minor deviations to protect the temple. The BRS government made the changes in the public interest. It saved a historic temple without affecting any household or taking away even an inch of land, Harish Rao said.

In contrast, the Revanth Reddy government is putting 4,000 families living in 2,000 apartments at risk to benefit a builder, he alleged. Road-widening marks were fixed outside their homes just before Dasara, he added.

Seven Hills was developed by 1,553 Central government employees, who have been living there for the past 17 years. Red marks have been extended by 10 metres on one side and by seven metres on the other. According to the road-widening markings, the cellar, temple, walking track, cellar parking and even the pillars of the buildings would be affected.

"If not for the builder's influence and benefit, how can a GO issued on January 7 be replaced by another gazette overnight?" Harish Rao asked.

Dr Nandagopal, a resident of Western Meadows, explained that the changes were allegedly being made to facilitate a corporate school for Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's daughter and high-rise buildings planned by RR Realty.

The former Minister said RR Realty had found that the original 100-feet road alignment affected its venture and had consequently secured a change in the alignment. The builder also required access to a 100-feet road for its newly acquired land to construct high-rise buildings. As a result, the revised alignment would lead to the demolition of 10 apartments, he said.

"To build apartments for one private venture, all these apartments are being demolished. Similarly, another school is being demolished to construct the Chief Minister's daughter's school. Is this justified?" Harish Rao asked.

He further claimed that the 100-feet road alignment issue was deliberately concealed and the land was auctioned for Rs 47,000 per square yard, against a market price of nearly Rs 2 lakh.

"A government is meant to work for the welfare of people, not for one builder and one contractor," he said.

Harish Rao alleged that the government had violated the prescribed procedure for changing the master plan.

National Honour for Holistic Wellness Practitioner Sanjay Reddy

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Healthcare professional and international holistic wellness practitioner A. Sanjay Reddy has been selected for the prestigious national-level 'Bharatiya Chikitsa Gaurav Samman–2026' in recognition of his contributions to traditional healthcare, holistic wellness and natural healing practices.

The award, presented under the aegis of Jivran Foundation, associated with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and NITI Aayog, recognises his efforts in promoting holistic health awareness and providing services through traditional and natural healthcare approaches.

Sanjay Reddy has been actively working in various wellness disciplines, including Marma therapy,



acupressure, reflexology, aroma therapy and yoga therapy. Through these practices, he has been encouraging awareness of holistic health and the importance of integrating traditional wellness approaches into everyday life.

In another significant achievement, he received an Advanced Reflexology Certificate from the Chairman of the Indian Red Cross Society, Hyderabad, during the national-level Holistic Wellness Conference, 'Acchu Utsav 2026', held in Hyderabad.

His continued efforts to expand his services in the international holistic wellness sector, while promoting traditional therapies and yoga-based healthcare practices, have earned him appreciation from several quarters.

The national recognition marks an important milestone in Sanjay Reddy's professional journey and acknowledges his contributions to the promotion of traditional healthcare and holistic wellness. Several well-wishers have congratulated him on the achievement and expressed confidence that he will continue his efforts to create greater awareness about natural and traditional wellness practices..

Neelam Padma Leads Bhuvanagiri Mahila Congress Team to Delhi

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Telangana State Mahila Congress leaders departed from Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Shamshabad, to participate in the 'Chalo Delhi' programme.Neelam Padma, Bhuvanagiri District Mahila Congress President, joined fellow women leaders from across Telangana in the delegation heading to Delhi.

The participation highlights the representation of district-level Mahila Congress leadership in the programme and the involvement of women leaders in the party's organisational activities.

The delegation gathered at Shamshabad Airport before departing for the national capital. Neelam Padma's participation represented Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district in the Telangana Mahila Congress team.

BRS Leaders Distribute ₹3.5 Lakh LOC for Medical Treatment in Quthbullapur



BRS leaders on Saturday handed over a Letter of Credit (LOC) worth ₹3.5 lakh to Ragi Pushpavathi, wife of late Ragi Ravi, a resident of Sanjay Gandhi Nagar in Suraram Division (129).

The financial assistance was sanctioned for her medical treatment under the initiative of Quthbullapur MLA and BRS Legislature Party Whip K.P. Vivekanand. The LOC documents were handed over to her family members at the MLA's office in Chintal by Division President Puppala Bhaskar and former Corporator Mantri Satyanarayana.

Speaking on the occasion, the leaders said MLA K.P. Vivekanand was committed to providing better healthcare facilities and ensuring health security for economically weaker sections in Quthbullapur.

They urged eligible patients facing medical emergencies to utilise the LOC facility to access quality treatment.

Division General Secretary Siddiq, Laxman and other local leaders participated in the programme.

KTR questions IDBI Bank privatisation, demands transparency in valuation

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Raising concerns over the proposed privatisation of IDBI Bank, BRS working president KT Rama Rao demanded that the Union government explain the urgency behind selling a reputed public sector bank to a private player, particularly amid allegations of undervaluation of its assets.

Stressing the need to safeguard Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and public sector banks, which he described as national assets, Rama Rao questioned the transparency of the proposed sale.

"Before selling off a reputed public sector bank to a private player, the Union government owes the country some straight answers. What's the hurry?" Rama Rao asked on X.

Pointing out that IDBI Bank owns valuable



real estate assets, including prime land in Hyderabad, he sought to know whether their value had been properly assessed and accounted for in the proposed sale.

"Reports about undervaluation of IDBI Bank are really concerning. Why were the rules and valuation methodology changed when bids fell below the reserve price? Why are the concerns raised by the IDBI employees not being addressed?" Rama Rao questioned.

Meanwhile, the All India IDBI Officers Association, which has been opposing the bank's privatisation, urged the BRS working president to intervene and demand a review of the proposed sale. The association also sought measures to protect the interests of employees and their families.

It alleged that despite consistently recording profit growth in recent years, IDBI Bank was being proposed for sale at a lower valuation.

Such a move would not serve the nation's interests, the association argued.

"A profitable and strategically important Indian bank should not be sold at a throwaway price, thereby risking foreign control and adversely affecting customers, MSMEs, agriculture and the broader economy," the association stated on X.

The proposed privatisation also raised serious concerns over employees' job security, reservation safeguards, public interest and the future of a strategically important financial institution, it added.

Candlelight Rally Honours Police Martyrs in Nizamabad



Nizamabad Police Commissioner P. Sai Chaitanya, led a candlelight rally and unity run to mark Police Martyrs' Remembrance Day (Police Flag Day) and Rashtriya Ekta Diwas.The rally started at Court Chowrasta and passed through the Municipal Office and NTR Chowrasta, concluding at Police Headquarters, where tributes were paid at the Martyrs' Memorial.The Commissioner said the sacrifices of police martyrs in protecting society would remain unforgettable and assured that the department would always support their families.Additional DCP N. Shubham Prakash, ACPs, inspectors, police personnel, martyrs' family members and college students attended the programme.

Mudhole Government Hospital in a State of Neglect, Patients' Lives at Risk

16 of 33 Sanctioned Posts Vacant; Medical Services Continue in Dilapidated Building

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The Government Hospital at Mudhole, which serves as a major healthcare centre for the people of the Mudhole Assembly constituency and surrounding areas, is facing severe infrastructure and staffing problems. The hospital, which is expected to provide affordable medical services to poor and middle-class families, is itself struggling with a lack of basic facilities. Shortage of doctors and medical staff, a deteriorating building, falling ceiling plaster, inadequate toilet facilities and a poor drainage system have added to the difficulties faced by patients.
More alarmingly, pieces of plaster have reportedly been falling from the ceiling even while patients are undergoing treatment, raising serious concerns about their safety and the possibility of a major accident at any time. Constructed in 1974, the hospital once earned recognition for providing quality healthcare services to people from four mandals — Mudhole, Lokeswaram, Basara and Tanoor.
However, despite a steady increase in the number of patients, no significant improvement has been made to its infrastructure or facilities. Despite these challenges, the hospital treated approximately 51,000 patients during the last nine months and secured second place across Nirmal district in conducting various blood tests, reflecting the dedication and hard work of its doctors and medical staff.
More Than Half of Sanctioned Posts Vacant
Out of the total 33 sanctioned posts at the hospital, as many as 16 remain vacant, placing an additional workload on the existing staff. Appointments have been made to posts including Assistant Surgeon, Physician, two Gynaecologists, Anaesthetist, Paediatrician and two Medical Officers. However, due to a shortage of essential medical equipment and facilities, some staff members are reportedly being sent on deputation to Bhainsa Hospital.
The hospital also lacks adequate separate toilet facilities for male and female patients, while the drainage system remains in poor condition. Only one room is available for doctors and staff members to rest during night shifts. There is also an acute shortage of rooms for outpatient services, forcing two to three doctors to attend to patients in a single room, affecting the smooth delivery of medical services.
Post-Mortem Room Lacks Essential Facilities
Although a post-mortem room is available on the hospital premises, there is no freezer facility to preserve bodies, nor is adequate supporting staff available. In addition, the movement of poisonous snakes around the hospital premises during night hours has created fear among patients and medical personnel. The hospital was brought under the Telangana Vaidya Vidhana Parishad in 2022, but despite having a history of nearly five decades, there has been no significant improvement in its overall condition.
Public Demand for a New Hospital Building
With thousands of people from four mandals depending on this hospital for their healthcare needs, the construction of a new building equipped with modern medical facilities has become an urgent necessity. Residents are demanding immediate recruitment to vacant posts, the provision of modern medical equipment, separate toilets for men and women, an improved drainage system and proper rest facilities for doctors and other staff.
Above all, they have urged the government to replace the dilapidated structure with a modern hospital building without further delay. Public representatives and residents are questioning why an institution that has treated around 51,000 patients in just nine months and demonstrated notable performance at the district level continues to be deprived of basic amenities and adequate infrastructure. People have appealed to senior officials and public representatives to immediately intervene, address the serious shortcomings and ensure a permanent solution to the problems confronting Mudhole Government Hospital.

Telangana to Expedite Allocation of Christian Burial Grounds Statewide

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The Telangana Christian community has welcomed the state government's decision to expedite the allocation of dedicated burial ground lands across all designated areas in the state, addressing a long-standing demand for adequate burial facilities and ensuring dignity in the performance of final rites.
The decision was communicated during a meeting between a high-level delegation of bishops and pastors, representing 42 Christian denominations and a community of over 70 lakh people across Telangana, and the Minority Affairs representative at the Chief Minister's Office.
The delegation included Bishop Timothy K, Bishop Jayakumar, Rev. Dr. P. Menno Joel, Rev. Prasanna Kumar, Rev. Dr. K. Daniel, Rev. Suresh Manohar, Rev. Dr. P. Jayaprakash and B. Prem Sagar. The meeting followed sustained representations, advocacy and prayers by the Telangana United Christians Pastors Association (TUCPA) seeking dedicated burial grounds and essential community infrastructure.
During the discussions, the government representative conveyed that steps would be taken to expedite the allocation of burial ground lands across designated locations in Telangana soon.
TUCPA General Secretary Goneh Solomon Raj and the committee members expressed their gratitude to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the concerned ministers and government officials for considering the community's long-pending request. They stated that access to dedicated burial grounds would help Christian families conduct final rites with dignity and respect.
The TUCPA committee also thanked bishops, pastors, church leaders and congregation members across the state for their collective efforts and continued support in taking up the issue.
The association appealed to all churches to communicate the development to their congregations and urged Christian communities to continue praying for the state leadership and the successful implementation of the government's decision.

NCC Officer Doodala Venkatesh Leads National Unity Day Celebrations at ZPHS Aleru



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National Unity Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour at ZPHS Aleru under the leadership of NCC Officer Doodala Venkatesh. NCC cadets organised a Unity Run and took the National Unity Pledge, commemorating the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.School Incharge Headmaster Ravula Satyanarayana Reddy and Venkatesh highlighted Patel's contribution to national integration by uniting around 560 princely states. They urged students to uphold patriotism, discipline and brotherhood while strengthening national unity beyond caste, religion and regional differences.Teachers, senior NCC cadets, students and staff participated in the celebrations, reaffirming their commitment to a united and harmonious India.

Two Girl Students Injured as RCC Slab Falls at Khammam

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Two ninth-grade girl students sustained minor injuries after pieces of a reinforced cement concrete (RCC) ceiling slab fell on them at the SC Girls' Residential School in Bonakal mandal of Khammam district.
The injured students were identified as Poojitha and Keerthana. The incident occurred when portions of the deteriorating classroom ceiling suddenly broke off and fell on the students. Fortunately, both sustained minor injuries, averting a potentially serious accident.
Photographs from the school revealed the alarming condition of the ceiling, with large portions of concrete damaged and iron reinforcement bars exposed. The incident has triggered concerns among parents and the local community over the safety of students studying in government residential institutions.
The incident has also raised questions about the maintenance of school buildings and whether regular structural inspections are being conducted by the concerned authorities.
Parents and residents have called for immediate intervention by education and engineering officials to prevent similar incidents. Authorities should conduct a comprehensive structural inspection, repair the damaged ceiling and shift students to safe classrooms until the building is declared secure.
The incident highlights the urgent need for regular infrastructure audits and timely repairs in government schools across Telangana.

Congress Leaders Pay Floral Tributes to Indira Gandhi at Bowenpally



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Congress leaders and party workers paid rich floral tributes to former Prime Minister and 'Iron Lady' Indira Gandhi on her death anniversary at New Bowenpally near the Pump House in Secunderabad.
The programme was led by Jampana Pratap, former Vice Chairman of the Cantonment Board and senior Congress leader. Party leaders garlanded Indira Gandhi's statue and recalled her contributions to the country, particularly her commitment to national development and the welfare of weaker sections.
Addressing the gathering, Jampana Pratap praised her fearless leadership, strong administrative approach and dedication to the upliftment of the poor.
He said Indira Gandhi earned international recognition through her decisive leadership and policies that strengthened India's position globally. He highlighted the nationalisation of banks as one of her landmark decisions, stating that it expanded access to institutional credit for rural communities and economically weaker sections.
He also recalled her 'Garibi Hatao' slogan and the 20-Point Programme, which focused on poverty alleviation and social welfare.
Pratap called upon Congress workers to follow her ideals and continue working for social justice and inclusive development.
Congress leaders and activists, including Sai Baba Yadav, Mukesh Yadav, Suresh, Harikrishna, Raju and Varaprasad, participated in the programme and paid their respects to the former Prime Minister.

Ghatkesar Youth Create History in Guinness World Records

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Young talents from Ghatkesar have brought laurels to Telangana by earning recognition in the Guinness World Records through their exceptional skills and dedication.
Slicer Glades Kondamudi, a resident of Gandhi Nagar, Ghatkesar, achieved a Guinness World Record during an event held at Gachibowli Stadium in Hyderabad on August 9. The certificate was presented in the presence of former Lok Sabha Speaker Madhusudana Chary, Grandmaster Nagaraju Gyar and Jayanth Reddy.
Bingi Sharvani of GNR Academy also showcased her talent in the slicer-glass category, adding further recognition to the region.
Speaking at the event, Madhusudana Chary stressed the importance of self-defence training for girls. He urged parents to encourage their daughters to learn karate and martial arts to develop confidence and protect themselves in challenging situations.
Local leaders, councillors, community representatives and family members congratulated the achievers and appreciated their dedication. They expressed hope that the youngsters would achieve greater milestones and inspire others.
The accomplishments highlight how discipline, perseverance and proper guidance can help young talents achieve international recognition.

Congress Leaders Pay Rich Tributes to Indira Gandhi on 42nd Death Anniversary

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Congress leaders and party workers paid heartfelt tributes to former Prime Minister of India, late Smt. Indira Gandhi, on her 42nd death anniversary at the Indira Gandhi statue at IB Junction in Sangareddy on Saturday.
The programme was organised under the leadership of *Gangera Srihari, Chairman of the Sangareddy District SC Cell Committee, under the supervision of **TPCC Working President Toorpu Jagga Reddy*. Congress leaders and participants garlanded the statue of the late Prime Minister and paid homage to her memory, recalling her contributions to the nation.
Members of the Sangareddy District SC Cell Committee, Congress leaders, party workers, public representatives and admirers participated in the commemorative programme and expressed their respect for the former Prime Minister.

Swarnagiri Temple, Lions Club Serve Free Breakfast at Bhongir Hospital

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In a gesture of compassion, Swarnagiri Sri Venkateswara Swamy Devasthanam and the Lions Club of Bhongir Port are jointly providing free breakfast daily to patients, their attendants and municipal sanitation workers at Bhongir Area Hospital in Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district.
Former Lions Club president Gaddam Gnana Prakash Reddy actively participated in the food distribution programme, personally serving breakfast to beneficiaries along with other service representatives.
The programme was attended by Lions Club president Kuchipatla Satyanarayana Reddy, Dr. M. Palla Buchi Reddy, Karipe Narsinga Rao, secretary Kadari Ramesh Babu, Lions Club president Ranga Krishnaiah, secretary Koditala Naveen Kumar, vice-president Datrak Dayakar, Guditala Sangameshwar and others.
The daily initiative aims to support patients and attendants facing difficulties during hospital visits while recognising the contribution of sanitation workers. The organisers appreciated Swarnagiri Devasthanam for extending support to the humanitarian service.
The initiative highlights the importance of community participation and voluntary service in helping the needy, upholding the spirit of "Annadanam Mahadanam."

Nizamabad Police Support Unemployed Youth with Free Study Material

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In a major initiative to support unemployed youth aspiring for police jobs, the Nizamabad Police Department distributed free study material to 250 candidates undergoing a 60-day pre-recruitment training programme at the Giriraj Government College Auditorium on Saturday.
Police Commissioner P. Sai Chaitanya, attended the programme as the chief guest and personally distributed the study material to the candidates.
The initiative aims to provide quality coaching, proper guidance and financial support to unemployed youth preparing for Telangana Police recruitment examinations for Constable, Sub-Inspector and other posts.
The 60-day free training programme is being conducted by the Bhagya Kiran Institute, Hyderabad, with the assistance of experienced faculty and subject experts. Classes are held daily from 9 am. to 6 pm. at the Giriraj Government College Auditorium.
Candidates are being trained in various subjects relevant to police recruitment examinations, with special emphasis on problem-solving techniques, accuracy, time management, examination patterns and important topics. The programme also focuses on building confidence and overcoming examination-related fear through regular practice and expert guidance.
Addressing the candidates, Commissioner P. Sai Chaitanya said that providing proper guidance and opportunities to unemployed youth was part of the social responsibility of the Police Department.
He said the free coaching initiative was designed to reduce the financial burden on aspirants and help them achieve their career goals.
He advised the candidates to utilise the 60-day training programme effectively, attend classes regularly, follow the guidance of faculty members and revise their lessons every day. Identifying individual weaknesses, maintaining discipline and working with determination were essential to achieving success, he said, instilling confidence among the aspirants.
Additional DCP (Administration) N. Shubham Prakash, Nizamabad CTC ACPs Prakash Yadav and Rajasekhar, faculty members and the trainees participated in the programme.

PM Modi to pay tributes at Statue of Unity on Sardar Patel's 151st birth anniversary

NEW DELHI,
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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will pay floral tributes at the Statue of Unity in Gujarat on Saturday, marking Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's 151st birth anniversary, at around 9 a.m. He is scheduled to inaugurate and lay the foundation stones for 31 tourism and infrastructure projects in the Statue of Unity area, with a combined outlay of Rs 426.71 crore.Of these, 23 projects worth Rs 307.83 crore are to be inaugurated, while foundation stones will be laid for eight projects worth Rs 118.88 crore.The projects to be inaugurated include an IRCTC hotel built at a cost of Rs 50 crore, an Ekta Cruise costing Rs 16 crore, a Rain Forest attraction worth Rs 14.30 crore and an Eco Trail costing Rs 3.67 crore.The package also includes sewage and water treatment plants, travelators, a parade track, staff quarters, road improvements, facade lighting at the Statue of Unity campus and the development of Ekta Prakash Parv.Earlier on Friday, PM Modi visited the 'Ekta Prakash Parv-2026' at Ekta Nagar in Gujarat's Narmada district, taking in illuminated displays depicting the cultural traditions of the country's four regions, a day before the 151st birth anniversary celebrations of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.During the visit, PM Modi viewed the indoor section of the illumination festival, which has been divided into four zones representing North, East, West and South India.PM Modi will also visit the Rain Forest and Vaman Vriksha Vatika before participating in the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas celebrations at around 5:30 p.m.The programme will include the Ekta Parade featuring Central Armed Police Forces, state police forces and central police organisations.A theatrical presentation on 'Naxal Mukt Bharat' by the National School of Drama will involve around 2,000 artistes from 126 districts affected by Left-Wing Extremism.

Tableaux and cultural performances will be based on the theme 'Vande Mataram', with around 5,000 artistes from across the country taking part in the larger cultural presentation.The celebrations are expected to highlight Sardar Patel's historic contribution to India's unity and integration, while showcasing the country's cultural diversity and development achievements. The government has organised a series of programmes to commemorate the Iron Man of India's legacy and inspire citizens, particularly the younger generation, to uphold the values of national unity, integrity and patriotism. The Statue of Unity, the world's tallest statue, continues to attract visitors from across the country and abroad, serving as a major landmark dedicated to Patel's vision of a united India.PM Modi to pay tributes at Statue of Unity on Sardar Patel's 151st birth anniversary

LoP Gandhi Announces 'Chalo Dilli' March, Police Say No Permission

NEW DELHI
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Leader of the Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, on Saturday announced that Opposition parties would take out the 'Chalo Dilli' march from the Minto Road-Connaught Place junction to Ramlila Maidan on November 1. However, Delhi Police sources said that no permission had been sought for taking out a march from Connaught Place.LoP Rahul Gandhi shared the rally details in a post on X, inviting people to join the march. "See you tomorrow, let's walk together! Connaught Place Minto Road Junction-Ajmeri Gate-Ramlila Maidan. 1 November, 12 p.m.," he posted.The march will culminate at Ramlila Maidan, where the INDIA Bloc is scheduled to hold a rally against Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar, alleging irregularities in the electoral roll revision process and demanding his resignation.However, according to Delhi Police sources, no permission has been sought for taking out a march from Connaught Place.

Police sources said that MPs and political leaders could travel in their private vehicles to Constitution Club, Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge's residence or any other location as per their convenience.The sources also pointed out that Jantar Mantar has already been de-notified as a protest site. Besides, prohibitory orders under Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) are in force across the New Delhi area, including near the Election Commission of India office.Meanwhile, elaborate security arrangements are being put in place at Ramlila Maidan for Sunday's rally. Personnel from the Central District and several other districts of Delhi Police, along with paramilitary forces, will be deployed to maintain law and order and ensure security during the event.The Congress is making extensive preparations to ensure the success of the rally, which is being projected as a major show of strength by the Opposition INDIA Bloc. The protest is aimed at highlighting the Opposition's allegations of electoral manipulation through the SIR exercise and mounting pressure on the Election Commission.In view of the rally, traffic restrictions will remain in force across several parts of Delhi from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on November 1, the Delhi Police said.

According to the Delhi Traffic Police, diversions may be enforced at key intersections in central Delhi depending on the prevailing traffic situation. These include Netaji Subhash Marg T-point, Rajghat, Delhi Gate, ITO A-point, Ajmeri Gate red light, Ranjeet Singh Flyover, Jhandewalan roundabout, Turkman Gate and Mirdard Chowk.

Gujarat CM Joins 'Run for Unity' on Srdar Patel's Birth Anniversary

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Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel on Saturday joined citizens and students in the 'Run for Unity' organised at Navlakhi Ground in Vadodara district to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2026. The event also saw young participants use the occasion to spread awareness about drug abuse and promote a drug-free society. Patel was accorded a Guard of Honour accompanied by the Vadodara Police band, when he arrived at the venue.He then paid floral tributes to the statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's first Deputy Prime Minister, before the gathering joined in the National Anthem.Following this, the Vadodara City Police Commissioner administered the national unity pledge to the citizens and students present at the event.The Chief Minister flagged off the 'Run for Unity' and also took part in the run alongside participants.The event witnessed participation from citizens, public representatives, office-bearers, government officials and employees, yoga volunteers and college students.Organised under the theme 'Ek Bharat – Shreshtha Bharat', the programme aimed to reinforce the message of national unity and integrity, commemorating the contribution of Sardar Patel, who played a key role in the integration of princely states after Independence.A prominent feature of this year's event was the participation of young people carrying placards bearing the slogan 'Say No To Drugs, Say Yes To Life'.Through the campaign, they sought to draw attention to the dangers of substance abuse and encourage people, particularly the youth, to adopt a healthy lifestyle.The participation of students and young people gave the event an additional focus on social awareness, alongside its central message of national unity and patriotism.The annual observance of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas on October 31 marks the birth anniversary of Sardar Patel, popularly known as the 'Iron Man of India'.The 'Run for Unity' is organised as part of the celebrations across the country to promote national integration and encourage citizens to uphold the values of unity and collective responsibility. The Vadodara event brought together people from different sections of society, with the Chief Minister's participation marking the central programme in the city.The Chief Minister appreciated the enthusiasm of the participants and highlighted the importance of involving younger generations in nation-building activities. He said that Sardar Patel's vision of a united India continues to inspire citizens to work together beyond differences of caste, religion

Unity is not uniformity: The idea behind Ekta Diwas is being challenged

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

This is an oft-repeated chant that generations of Indians have grown up hearing. It is also an idea that sounds increasingly utopian in a society where religion is routinely used for divisive politics.Every October 31, India celebrates Rashtriya Ekta Diwas to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and his contribution to the unification of the country. The day is marked by all the trappings of national unity – the symbolic Run for Unity, pledges, parades and citizens gathering under the tricolour.There is little to disagree with about the idea of running together on common ground. But a run represents only one particular idea of unity: everyone wearing the same T-shirt, moving in the same direction at the same time and repeating the same words. It creates an appearance of agreement – a uniformity that unity does not necessarily require.It is possible to move in a shared direction while holding divergent views. In fact, that is precisely the difference between unity and uniformity Dissent is not disloyalt The Run for Unity symbolises the idea that Indians share a nation, a Constitution and a common destiny. However, the spirit of that run should not end at the finishing line. It should extend to those who question the government,.

Prez Murmu Hoists Sacred Flag for Nashik Kumbh Mela

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President Droupadi Murmu on Saturday hoisted the sacred Simhastha Kumbh Mela flag at Nashik's Ramkund, formally marking the commencement of the Simhastha Kumbh Mela amid chants of "Jai Shree Ram" and elaborate religious ceremonies. Deputy Chief Ministers Eknath Shinde and Sunetra Pawar, Mahants of the 13 Akhadas, Governor Jishnu Dev Varma, and other dignitaries were present on the occasion. This is the first time in history that a woman hoisted the Kumbh Mela flag.Prior to the flag hoisting, religious rituals were completed in the presence of President Murmu, including the worship of the Dharma Dhwaja (religious flag), Ganga Pujan, and the worship of the flagpole. Along with the main Dharma Dhwaja in the Ramkund area, a flag was also hoisted atop the Ganga-Godavari Temple. The main flagpole erected at Ramkund stands 51 feet tall and is crafted from Panchadhatu (five metals).Symbols representing the 14 gems (Ratnas) that emerged from the Samudra Manthan (churning of the ocean) are depicted on this pole, along with Garuda holding the Amrit Kalash (pot of nectar). The second flagpole has been erected near the Shri Ganga Godavari Mata Temple. This pole is 31 feet tall and is also made of Panchadhatu. It likewise features the symbols of the 14 gems from the Samudra Manthan, which include Halahal (poison), Kamadhenu (the divine cow Surabhi), Uchaishravas (horse), Airavata (elephant), Kaustubha Mani (jewel), Kalpavriksha Parijat (divine tree), Rambha (apsara/nymph), Mahalaxmi (goddess of wealth), Varuni (wine/liquor), Chandra Dev (moon), Dhanvantari Vaidya (physician of the gods), Dhanush (Hari's bow), Panchajanya Shankh (conch), and Amrit (pot of nectar). The main Dharma Dhwaja is 15.5 feet long and 5.5 feet high. On one side of the flag, Jupiter's vehicle (the Lion) and the Sun and Moon are depicted as symbols of Time.It signifies that as long as the Sun and Moon exist, the Kumbh Mela will continue to take

ISRO's GSLV places NVS-03 satellite in orbit; Modi congratulates

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Wakeup telangana

India's independent regional navigation satellite system NavIC was restored to its minimum operational configuration of four satellites on Friday, October 30, as ISRO successfully launched its navigation satellite NVS-03, which was placed into the designated injection orbit by a GSLV rocket.The second-generation navigation satellite NVS-03, with indigenous and procured atomic clocks, has a wide array of applications, including civilian use like real-time tracking of trains, vehicles, and shipping vessels.Further, the NavIC constellation is an important component of the 'one nation, one time' project, ISRO chief V Narayanan said after the successful mission launch.The NVS-03 satellite is all set to complement three other navigational satellites in operation, including the NVS-01 and it will strengthen infrastructure for a robust IST, with the government recently notifying the Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2026. The nation's own satellite navigation system 'NaVIC' is the Indian version of GPS, albeit confined to the country and 1,500 km beyond.On Friday, the 50-metre-tall GSLV rocket carrying NVS-03 lifted off at the scheduled time of 11.51 pm from the second launch pad at Satish Dhawan Space Centre, following a 24-hour countdown.After a flight of about 18 minutes, which saw the successful performance of all three stages including the complex cryogenic upper stage, the primary payload was separated.

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INDIA Bloc Calls.....

Besides Kharge, Congress Parliamentary Party Chairperson Sonia Gandhi, Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, party General Secretaries Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Jairam Ramesh and K C Venugopal, among others, were present at the "public impeachment" held on the eve of the opposition rally here. Additionally, several MPs and leaders from various constituent parties of the opposition alliance -- including SP MP Dharmendra Yadav and TMC parliamentary party leader Derek O'Brien -- were in attendance.

The event was part of the opposition bloc's campaign against alleged irregularities in the SIR exercise and its demand for accountability from the Election Commission. The BJP has accused the opposition of resorting to anarchy and attacking constitutional bodies after failing to win the confidence of voters. In the resolution on Saturday, the INDIA bloc also accused the Chief Election Commissioner of being directly responsible for a manipulated, truncated and destructive SIR of electoral rolls. "He has ensured the intentional deletion of 13.2 crore voters, depriving them of the fundamental right to vote guaranteed to them by the Constitution of India, in a manner that is partisan, opaque and flagrantly violative of natural justice. "This is a criminal act and an act of treason against the nation and the Constitution of India," the INDIA bloc resolution read. The opposition bloc also alleged that the Chief Election Commissioner is guilty of illegally, without Parliamentary oversight or knowledge, having amended Form 6 of the Registration of Electors' Rules, 1960. It decried it as a "criminal conspiracy to prevent the enrollment of first-time voters and stealing from them the fundamental right to vote guaranteed by the Constitution, effectively negating their rights as citizens of India. "This is an act of treason against the nation and the Constitution of India," the INDIA bloc resolution said. It also alleged that Kumar is guilty of illegally centralising control over the electoral rolls in the ECI, through the malicious use of the ERONET/ECINET software, with the aim of deleting voters and preventing local ERO's from adding legitimate voters. "This is a criminal attempt to tamper with the process of free and fair elections upon which the democratic framework of India is founded. It is an act of treason against the nation and the Constitution of India," the resolution said.

AP Braces for.....

As per the communiqué, there is a depression over southeast Bay of Bengal and adjoining areas of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Andaman Sea. It has been moving west, northwest-wards with a speed of 30 kmph for the past six hours. As of 5:30 am on Saturday, the depression lay about 960 km east-southeast of Chennai (Tamil Nadu), 980 km southeast of Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), 1,030 km southeast of Machilipatnam (AP), and 1,080 km east-southeast of Ongole (AP).

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According to the IMD, the depression is very likely to move west, northwest-wards and intensify into a deep depression over southeast Bay of Bengal by midnight of Saturday and into a cyclonic storm over the same region on Sunday.

It could turn into a severe cyclonic storm over west central Bay of Bengal on Monday.

It is very likely to reach the south Andhra Pradesh coast by early hours of Tuesday, November 3, and cross south AP coast as a severe cyclonic storm with wind speed of 100 kmph to 110 kmph, gusting to 120 kmph, between Nellore and Narsapur by Tuesday morning. The cyclone is expected to be named Murasu, a name proposed by India. It refers to a percussion instrument Tamil, which is used during war and festivals.

CRIME

Gym trainer booked for sexually assaulting minor in Hyderabad

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A 28-year-old gym trainer has been booked for allegedly sexually assaulting a minor girl on multiple occasions, Banjara Hills Police said on Friday, October 30.The accused, Mallela Ravi, reportedly works as a fitness trainer at a popular gym in Banjara Hills. The victim had joined the gym in June 2025 when she was still a minor.The trainer allegedly assaulted her on multiple occasions over the course of one year by promising to marry her.A complaint was lodged with Madhuranagar Police on Thursday and was transferred to Banjara Hills Police Station. A Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) case has been registered.Ravi is currently absconding.Police officials said that efforts are underway to trace the accused and take him into custody. Investigators are also gathering evidence, recording statements and examining the circumstances surrounding the alleged incidents. The victim's statement is expected to play an important role in the investigation. As the case involves a minor, authorities are proceeding under the provisions of the POCSO Act, which provides strict legal safeguards for children against sexual offences. Police have urged parents and guardians to remain vigilant and encouraged victims of abuse to report such incidents without fear. Further investigation is underway.The police are also examining whether the accused used his position as a fitness trainer to gain the victim's trust and allegedly exploit the relationship. Officials are likely to verify the duration of the victim's association with the gym and collect relevant information as part of the investigation. Under the POCSO Act, offences involving sexual assault against children are dealt with through special legal procedures, including provisions for protecting the identity and dignity of the victim. Police are continuing efforts to locate the accused, while further details are expected to emerge as the investigation progresses. Authorities have reiterated that any information relating to crimes against children should be reported promptly to the police so that appropriate legal action can be initiated.The incident has once again drawn attention to the need for stronger safety measures for minors in gyms, coaching centres and other establishments where young people interact with adult trainers and instructors. Experts emphasise that institutions must maintain appropriate safeguards, ensure responsible staff conduct and provide a safe environment for young members. Parents have also been advised to maintain open communication with their children and encourage them to report any inappropriate behaviour immediately. Police are expected to continue questioning relevant individuals and examining available evidence to establish the sequence of events. The authorities have stated that further action will be taken in accordance with the law as the investigation advances.G

EDITORIAL

PM MODI HAILS KASHI-DELHI VANDE BHARAT SLEEPER TRAIN

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday described the impending launch of the Kashi-Delhi Vande Bharat Sleeper Train as a historic day for those travelling by rail between Delhi and Kashi, saying the new service would not only save time but also improve the overall travel experience. PM Modi took to social media 'X' in Hindi and said, "Today is a historic day for those traveling by rail between Delhi and Kashi. With the launch of the Kashi-Delhi Vande Bharat Sleeper Train, not only will there be a saving of time, but their experience is also set to improve. Equipped with modern amenities and a state-of-the-art safety system, this is the country's second Vande Bharat Sleeper Train." In another post, the Prime Minister said that the train would make travel more convenient for millions of devotees, tourists, youth and businesspersons.The Vande Bharat Sleeper train running from Kashi to Prayagraj, via Kanpur Central, to Delhi will make travel convenient for millions of devotees, tourists, youth, and businesspeople. Whether it's a darshan of Baba Vishwanath or a journey to the Sangam, this train will connect faith with opportunity and tradition with modernity. Heartfelt best wishes to everyone for this new rail service," PM Modi said.Following the launch of the Vande Bharat Sleeper service on the Howrah-Kamakhya route, Indian Railways is set to introduce the new service between New Delhi and Varanasi. Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath are scheduled to flag off the train from Varanasi.The semi-high-speed train is expected to transform overnight travel between the two cities, particularly during the ongoing festive season. The new service is expected to operate six days a week. Train number 27421 will depart from Varanasi at 8:50 p.m. and reach Delhi at 5:55 a.m. the following day. Train number 27422 will leave New Delhi at 9:40 p.m. and arrive in Varanasi at 6:45 a.m. the next day.The 16-coach train will offer three classes of accommodation -- Third AC, Second AC and First AC. Running via Kanpur Central, it will cover the approximately 760-km journey in nine hours and 30 minutes, offering passengers a faster and more comfortable overnight travel option.The train is equipped with modern passenger facilities, advanced safety features and improved onboard services designed to provide a comfortable overnight journey. The sleeper coaches feature ergonomically designed berths, automatic doors, upgraded toilets, CCTV surveillance and advanced fire detection and suppression systems. The service is also expected to benefit pilgrims travelling to the Kashi Vishwanath Temple and the Triveni Sangam in Prayagraj, while providing improved connectivity for passengers travelling for education, business and tourism. Railway officials expect the new service to strengthen rail connectivity between Uttar Pradesh and the national capital, particularly during periods of heavy passenger demand. The introduction of the sleeper version of Vande Bharat marks another step in Indian Railways' efforts to modernise long-distance travel through faster trains, upgraded infrastructure and improved passenger amenities.The introduction of the new sleeper service is also expected to support tourism and economic activities along the route by making important destinations more accessible. Passengers will have the convenience of travelling overnight and reaching their destinations in the morning, reducing the need for additional daytime travel. The train's modern design and upgraded facilities are aimed at meeting the growing demand for premium long-distance rail services. Indian

ED identifies Rs 5 cr properties in Hyderabad linked to cyber fraud

HYDERABAD
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The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has identified plots and villas worth around Rs 5 crore in Hyderabad allegedly acquired using proceeds of a cyber fraud in which a Kerala-based complainant was cheated of more than Rs 24.76 crore.The ED's Kochi Zonal Office conducted searches at three premises linked to Allamraju Satyanarayana Murthy in Hyderabad on October 28 under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). Murthy is an accused in a cyber fraud case registered by the Cyber Police Station in Ernakulam, Kerala. According to the ED, the case originated from a complaint lodged by Nimesh, who alleged that he was approached through phone calls and Telegram messages and persuaded to invest in online trading through www.capitalix.com with promises of high returns. He allegedly transferred more than Rs.24.76 crore in multiple instalments to bank accounts controlled by the accused between May 23, 2023, and May 27, 2024.

Police bust sex racket, arrest 3; rescue victim in Hyderabad

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Golconda police, in a joint operation with the commissioner's task force, conducted a raid on a brothel and apprehended three individuals while rescuing the victim.Police arrested the organiser, sub-organiser and the customer from the premises and seized an unused and used condom as well as four mobile phones.The accused organisers were identified as Farha Begum, wife of Mohammad Gaffar and Farheen, wife of Mohammad Mas-

4 Unauthorised Clinics Identified

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Telangana State Medical Council (TGMC) identified four unauthorised clinics, allegedly providing allopathic treatment without recognised medical qualifications during surprise inspections in Kamareddy town. The inspections were conducted by a team led by TGMC chairman Dr K. Mahesh Kumar and vice-chairman Dr T. Kiran Kumar as part of checks against unqualified practitioners and unauthorised clinics.
The council identified Popular First Aid Centre, run by MD Ghulam Dastagiri near the old bus stand; Naresh First Aid Centre, run by Naresh near Shanti Talkies; Sri Sai First Aid Clinic, run by M. Srinivas opposite Shanti Talkies; and Sri Sai First Aid Centre, run by A. Shivaji Rao on Sircilla Road. According to the council, the centres were found providing injections and antibiotics to patients without the required medical qualifications and authorisation. The TGMC said criminal cases and legal action were being initiated against those involved under TMPR Act and National Medical Commission Act.

Hyderabad actress files complaint over online harassment

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A 52-year-old actress filed a complaint with the Jubilee Hills Police on October 27, after facing online abuse for her participation in a reality show.The complainant, Sri Devi, alleged that a fellow contestant and his followers were posting derogatory remarks and abusive content against her on social media platforms, including YouTube, Facebook, Instagram and X. Such online activities have caused me considerable mental distress and humiliation. They intend to damage my reputation and dignity in public," Sri Devi said in her complaint.She urged the police to take action against the accused and to protect her dignity the Jubilee Hills Police confirmed that a complaint has been filed and refused to share details, stating that the matter is under investigation.Based on the complaint, the police registered a case under Section 79 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), which deals with acts intended to insult a

Hyderabad girls' hostel raided over suspected egg racket

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Hyderabad: A women's hostel in the Malkajgiri Police Commissionerate was raided on Friday, October 30, over a suspected egg collection racket.The raid was conducted at the Ami Neeta Girls Hostel in Prakash Nagar by the Malkajgiri Police Special Operations Team in the afternoon. According to local reports, 10 women from Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Odisha have been detained.We seized syringes and some contraceptive pills from the hostel premises and sent them for testing at the Gandhi Hospital in Secunderabad. Whether the women were ovulating and a racket was being operated from the hostel would be confirmed based on the medical report," Begumpet Station House Officer (SHO) Saidulu He added that a case of cheating under Section 318(4) and a case of wrongful confinement under Section 127 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) have been registered and the investigation is underway.Police officials said that the operation was launched following information about suspected irregular activities at the hostel. During the inspection, officers examined the premises and collected materials that could help establish the nature of the alleged operation. The detained women are being questioned to determine whether they were aware of any such activity and whether anyone was involved in organising or managing the suspected racket. Investigators are also trying to identify the persons who allegedly arranged the women's stay and the purpose behind collecting the medical-related materials. Officials said that further action would depend on the findings of the medical examination and other evidence gathered during the investigation.The police are also examining whether the women were brought to Hyderabad



Interfaith Leaders Unite in Hyderabad

Call for End to Religious Hate and Promote Communal Harmony

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Religious leaders and prominent representatives of different faiths on Saturday called for an end to hatred and divisions in the name of religion, stressing the need to strengthen mutual respect, national unity and communal harmony.

The appeal was made at an interfaith seminar organised on the second day of the three-day exhibition, 'Beyond The Divide – Countering Hate, Building Harmony', organised by Jamaat-e-Islami Hind, Greater Hyderabad, at Nampally Exhibition Grounds.

The seminar brought together Sri C.S. Rangarajan of Chilkur Balaji Temple, Rev. Fr.





Samala Marianna Michael of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad, Dr. Sardar Sajjan Singh of the Sikh Heritage Foundation, Bhikkhu Buddhapala of Mahabodhi Society, Goswami Sushil Ji Maharaj, Mahaswami Sri Ma. Ni. Pra. Korneeshwar and former IPS officer Sri Rohidas Waghmare, among others.

Prof. Mohammed Saleem Engineer, Vice President of Jamaat-e-Islami Hind, said that a lack of dialogue and understanding between religious communities often creates suspicion and misconceptions. He emphasised that interfaith platforms encourage meaningful conversations and strengthen social unity.

The speakers observed that peace, compassion, brotherhood, justice and service to humanity are common teachings of all religions and should guide everyday life.

Mohammed Azheruddin, Ameer-e-Halaqa of Jamaat-e-Islami Hind, Telangana, said the exhibition aimed to remove misconceptions and replace hatred with harmony. City President Dr. Mohammed Mubashir Ahmed stressed that mutual respect could unite society despite differences in religious beliefs.

Qur'an Telugu translator Mohammed Azizur Rahman said religion should unite people through humanity, love and compassion rather than divide them.

The exhibition will conclude on Sunday, November 1, with programmes from 12:30 pm to 9 pm, including a special history session featuring intellectuals, historians, academics and religious representatives. Organisers appealed to people to participate in the concluding-day programmes.

SEBI Chief Focuses on Capital Formation, Investor Protection

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The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) Chairman, Tuhin Kanta Pandey, said on Saturday that the capital markets regulator continuously works towards making India's capital markets more accessible, efficient and resilient, focusing on facilitating capital formation, improving ease of doing business and strengthening investor protection. Speaking at the 'Bharat Chamber of Commerce Investors Forum' in Kolkata, Pandey noted strong expansion of market capitalisation in India over the past decade, with companies raising on average more than Rs 10 lakh crore annually through equity and debt issuances.While we continue to strengthen markets for businesses, an equally important priority is investor protection. World-class markets must be not only efficient during normal times, but also resilient during periods of stress," Pandey said.

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CCI Clears Adani Energy's ₹3,050-Crore IntelliSmart Deal

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PI Industries Limited has launched Pioxazon® (Pioxaniliprole 20% SC), a new crop-protection product powered by India's first indigenously discovered insecticide molecule, marking a significant milestone in India's agricultural innovation journey.

Developed specifically for Indian farming conditions, Pioxazon targets three major crop pests: Yellow Stem Borer in rice, Fall Armyworm in maize and Pod Borer in Bengal gram. The product has undergone multilocation field trials across diverse agricultural conditions and received registration from the Central Insecticides Board and Registration Committee (CIB&RC).

Pioxazon offers rapid absorption within 30 minutes of application, strong rainfastness,



high efficacy and prolonged pest control. Its unique molecular structure ensures strong binding affinity to pests, while its translaminar action enables effective movement through plant tissues.

The product is also designed to be safer for beneficial insects, including predatory spiders, beetles, ladybird beetles, damselflies and green lacewings, making it suitable for Integrated Pest Management practices.

Mayank Singhal, Vice Chairperson and Managing Director of PI Industries, said Pioxazon represents a defining milestone in the company's innovation journey, demonstrating India's ability to discover, develop, register and commercialise indigenous agricultural technologies.

Saket Bhatnagar, CEO – India Brands, PI AgSciences, said the company would introduce the product across major rice, maize and Bengal gram-growing regions through its distributor and retailer network, supported by field demonstrations and farmer training programmes.

Founded in 1946, PI Industries serves customers across more than 40 countries. The launch reinforces its commitment to indigenous research and advanced crop-protection solutions for Indian farmers.

Cyclone Arnab: Telecom restoration efforts underway in affected districts

NEW DELHI
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The government is is undertaking restoration efforts and monitoring the telecom network situation to ensure the continuity of essential communication services in the affected areas, after Cyclone Arnab hit along the coast of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.

Widespread heavy rainfall, flash floods, tree falls and power infrastructure disruptions affected telecom services across parts of Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and adjoining regions.The Department of Telecommunications (DoT), in coordination with Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), is undertaking restoration efforts.Significant progress has been achieved in restoring network connectivity across Andhra Prades and Odisha, with particular focus on resolving power supply disruptions and restoring optical fibre connectivity," according to the Ministry of Communications. Emergency connectivity arrangements, including ICR and COW deployments, are being maintained to facilitate uninterrupted communication for citizens and support relief and restoration activities in the affected regions," it said in a statement.In Andhra Pradesh, overall telecom network availability has reached 99.18 per cent. In Odisha, the telecom network situation in Ganjam, Gajapati and Kandhamal districts has been gradually improving with the easing of rainfall and receding of floodwaters. Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) have initiated restoration work at affected sites, resulting in progressive improvement in network connectivity and a reduction in service disruptions. All TSPs are making sustained efforts on a priority basis to restore the remaining affected sites and ensure early normalisation of telecom services and uninterrupted connectivity for the public, informed the ministry.

Intra Circle Roaming (ICR) is a telecom arrangement where a mobile subscriber connects to another operator's (TSP's) network within the same telecom circle (region).

Windfall tax reset: Petrol exports exempt, duties increased on diesel and ATF



HYDERABAD
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The government on Saturday withdrew the special additional excise duty on petrol exports while increasing export levies on diesel and aviation turbine fuel (ATF). According to notifications issued by the Finance Ministry, petrol exports will no longer attract any export duty, compared with the earlier levy of Rs 2.50 per litre.

At the same time, the duty on diesel exports has been increased to Rs 11.50 per litre from Rs 8.50 per litre, while the export levy on ATF has been raised to Rs 11 per litre from Rs 10.50 per litre.The revised rates come as the government continues its fortnightly review of fuel export duties in response to fluctuations in international crude oil and refined product prices.The latest revision reverses part of the October adjustment, when the government raised the levy on petrol exports to Rs 2.50 per litre from Rs 0.50 per litre while simultaneously reducing the duty on diesel exports to Rs 8.50 per litre from Rs 16 per litre.

Fuel export duties have undergone multiple revisions in recent months as authorities sought to balance domestic supply requirements with changing global market conditions.The export levies were reintroduced in March this year after geopolitical tensions in the Middle East triggered a sharp rise in global crude prices and disrupted established energy supply routes.The government had said the measures were aimed at ensuring adequate domestic fuel availability by discouraging refiners from diverting

Pregnant Women Advised Against Nirjala Fast on Ahoi Ashtami

Ahoi Ashtami fast is observed for the long life of children, take special precautions during pregnancy



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Pregnant women should avoid observing the traditional Nirjala fast on Ahoi Ashtami, as prolonged abstinence from food and water may affect their health and the well-being of the unborn baby, cautioned Dr. Chanchal Sharma, Director and Gynaecologist at Asha Ayurveda, New Delhi.

Ahoi Ashtami holds special significance in Hindu tradition, with mothers observing a fast for the long life, good health and prosperity of their children. However, the customary practice of staying without food and water from sunrise until the appearance of stars may not be suitable for pregnant women.

Dr. Sharma explained that pregnancy increases the body's requirement for water, energy and essential nutrients. Prolonged fasting can cause dehydration, weakness, dizziness, restlessness and low blood sugar levels. Maintaining adequate hydration is also important for supporting normal pregnancy functions and amniotic fluid levels.

She advised expectant mothers to keep five important precautions in mind while observing the festival.

1. Avoid Nirjala Fasting: Pregnant women should not abstain from drinking water throughout the day, as dehydration can lead to headaches, dizziness and excessive fatigue.

2. Consult a Doctor: Women, particularly those with high-risk pregnancies or conditions such as diabetes, anaemia and high blood pressure,



should seek medical advice before considering any form of fasting.

3. Choose Nutritious Foods: If medically permitted, women can follow a modified fasting routine by consuming fruits, milk, curd, makhana, coconut water, almonds and walnuts.

4. Avoid Long Gaps Between Meals: Eating small, nutritious portions at regular intervals can help maintain stable blood sugar levels and energy.

5. Avoid Physical Strain: Pregnant women should avoid prolonged standing, lifting heavy objects and excessive household or puja-related activities. Adequate rest is essential.

Watch for Warning Signs

Dr. Sharma further advised women not to ignore symptoms such as dizziness, severe weakness, headaches, rapid heartbeat, faintness or continuous vomiting. If these symptoms occur, they should stop fasting, take appropriate fluids and seek immediate medical attention. Any noticeable reduction in the baby's movements should also be reported to a doctor promptly.

She emphasised that religious observances should never come at the cost of maternal and foetal health. Pregnant women can participate in Ahoi Ashtami rituals without undertaking a strict fast, prioritising their health and their baby's safety.

Viksit Bharat can be realised only through Viksit Panchayats: Minister

HYDERABAD
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The approval of Pradhan Mantri Viksit Gram Swaraj Yojana (PM VGSY) reflects the government's abiding faith in Panchayats as the foundation of democracy and recognises that the vision of Viksit Bharat can be realised only through Viksit Panchayats, Union Minister of Panchayati Raj Rajiv Ranjan Singh has said. He called for the participation of all stakeholders in the efforts being made towards achieving 'Atmanirbhar Panchayats' (self-reliant Panchayats) and 'Viksit Panchayats' (developed Panchayats).

He was addressing the National Workshop on the People's Plan Campaign (PPC) 2026-27, organised by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj in New Delhi, that saw participation of over 400 participants from across the country.

Outlining the key objectives of PM VGSY, the Union Minister highlighted the need to create awareness about government schemes, promote discussions and deliberations at the grassroots level.

Aapse ghatiya aadmi koi nahi hai: Salman Khan tells ScoutOP

MUMBAI

Calling someone your sister comes with expectations, and Salman Khan has some tough questions for Scout about precisely that. The latest Weekend Ka Vaar promo of Bigg Boss 20 shows the host confronting him over his failure to stand up for Love.The conversation centres on Scout's silence when Kaashvi accused Love of manipulating him. With Scout referring to Love as his sister, Salman questions why he did not defend her when the allegation was made.Salman questions Scout's silence In the promo, Salman asks Scout why he had nothing to say to Kaashvi when she made the remark about Love. His questioning puts the spotlight on whether Scout's actions match the bond he claims to share with her.Taking a



sharp dig at the contestant, Salman says, "Aapse ghatiya aadmi koi nahi hai."The remark sets the tone for a tense Weekend Ka Vaar, with Scout facing questions about his own response to the situation.Scout and Love's bond under scrutiny

Scout and Love's equation is once again at the centre of a confrontation. This time, the focus is on his silence when she was accused of manipulating him and why he let that claim go unchallenged.The promo offers a glimpse of Salman's confrontation with Scout. How the contestant explains his silence will unfold in the episode.The upcoming episode is expected to bring further drama inside the Bigg Boss house as Salman Khan addresses the contestants over their friendships, loyalties and behaviour towards one another. His remarks have sparked curiosity among viewers, particularly regarding Scout's response to the criticism and whether he will openly clarify his position. The confrontation also raises questions about the expectations contestants place on personal relationships while competing in the reality show. Meanwhile, Love's reaction to the discussion and Kaashvi's response are likely to become important moments in the episode. The Weekend Ka Vaar segment is expected to feature intense exchanges, candid questions and Salman's trademark straightforward remarks, adding another dramatic twist to the ongoing season. Fans are eagerly waiting to see whether Scout stands by Love and how the disagreement will affect relationships inside the house.The promo has already generated discussion among Bigg Boss followers, with viewers sharing their opinions about Scout's silence and his friendship with Love. Many are keen to watch how he responds when questioned directly by Salman Khan and whether the confrontation leads to a change in his approach

Sanjay Gupta dies at 57: What led to the filmmaker's death?



MUMBAI
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Mumbai: Filmmaker Sanjay Gupta, known for directing films such as Kaante, Shootout at Lokhandwala and Kaabil, has passed away. He breathed his last on October 30, 2026, according to reports. His demise has come as a shock to the Hindi film industry, with further details surrounding his death awaited.According to Film Information, Sanajy Gupta suffered a fall in his bathroom, resulting in a head injury, following which he passed away.

Filmmaker Ashoke Pandit confirmed the news of his demise through a social media post, expressing shock and grief over the loss. He also revealed that Gupta passed away due to a head injury at home.He wrote, "It's really shocking and sad. Just got the news that our dear friend an ace director @_sanjaygupta is no more. He passed due to a head injury at home. Another talent gone too soon. He was a wonderful narrator, full of life persona & a passionate filmmaker. A great loss to our industry. Will miss you my friend. Condolences to his family & dear ones. Om Shaanti."Sanjay Gupta's career in Bollywood

Gupta made his directorial debut with Aatish: Feel the Fire in 1994, starring Sanjay Dutt and Aditya Pancholi. The action drama introduced audiences to his signature style of filmmaking, marked by high-impact action sequences, sharp dialogues and stylised storytelling.Over the years, he became known for his crime dramas, urban thrillers and films exploring the Mumbai underworld. His association with actor Sanjay Dutt remained one of the notable collaborations of his career. The duo worked together on several films, including Kaante (2002), Musafir (2004), Zinda (2006) and Shootout at Lokhandwala (2007).The filmmaker also directed Shootout at Wadala (2013), another crime drama inspired by real-life events. His other notable directorial ventures included Dus Kahaniyaan (2007), Acid Factory (2009), Jazbaa (2015),

HPRC Tigers and Artists Storm into Final of Arena Polo Tournament 2026

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HPRC Tigers and HPRC Artists secured their places in the final of the HPRC Arena Polo Tournament 2026 after completing unbeaten pool campaigns at the HPRC Arena on Saturday evening. The tournament, presented by Inhabit – The Inside Story, will conclude with the much-awaited final on Sunday, November 1, at 6:30 PM. Following Friday's rain disruption, all four remaining pool matches were played under lights on Saturday, with each match shortened to two chukkers of five minutes each.

In the opening encounter, Warriors defeated Chargers 3–1 in Pool A, with Saif Attari scoring all three goals. After a 1–1 first chukker, Warriors dominated the second to register a convincing victory.

The Pool B clash between Devils and Titans ended in an exciting 5–5 draw. Shahbaz and Arun Jupally scored four goals each, while both teams shared points after neither could establish an advantage. Sri and Naresh also contributed for Devils.

HPRC Tigers then defeated Chargers 4–2 to seal their place in the final. Chaitania Kumar delivered an outstanding performance, scoring all four goals for Tigers, with two goals in each chukker. Siddharth Mukerjee scored both goals for Chargers.

In the final pool encounter, Artists defeated Titans 9–6 to finish unbeaten and claim the Pool B top position. Arun Jupally produced an exceptional performance with six goals, taking his evening tally to ten. However, Artists showcased their collective strength through Shehzad Khan (four goals), Arsalan Khan (three) and Vedanth Lohia (two).

In the final standings, Tigers topped Pool A with four points and a goal difference of +5, while Artists led Pool B with four points and a +9 goal difference.

The tournament final will see HPRC Tigers, represented by Chaitania Kumar, Vishal Singh and Arjun Reddy, take on HPRC Artists, featuring Arsalan Khan, Vedanth Lohia and Shehzad Khan, in a four-chukker contest. The final will be followed by the prize distribution ceremony, with Saif ur Rehman serving as Master of Ceremonies. Surya Bahadur will officiate as umpire, while Asu Singh will serve as the official scorer.

Tournament organisers have invited members, their families and guests to witness the exciting title showdown at the HPRC Arena.

Hem Charan Wins Silver at State-Level Taekwondo Championship

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Hem Charan, a student of Sri Chaitanya Junior College, Abhyasa Campus, S.R. Nagar, and trainee at Nayak Budokan Karate Academy (NBKA), has secured a silver medal at the prestigious 70th SGFI State-Level Taekwondo Championship.

Competing in the Under-19 Boys (73–78 kg) weight category, Hem Charan displayed exceptional skill, discipline and determination to achieve the remarkable feat. His accomplishment has brought pride and recognition to his college, academy and coaches.

Principal P. Narendra Kumar congratulated Hem Charan on his achievement and appreciated his dedication to sports. He also acknowledged the coaches for their committed training and guidance in shaping the young athlete's success.

P. Ganesh Nayak, Founder of Nayak Budokan Karate Academy, expressed happiness over Hem Charan's performance and lauded his hard work and perseverance.

The achievement stands as an inspiration to aspiring young sportspersons, highlighting the importance of discipline, consistent practice and dedication in achieving sporting excellence.

Hylo Open: Sindhu reaches second consecutive final, Lakshya joins her in title

NEW DELHI
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India set itself up for a grand double with PV Sindhu in women's singles and Lakshya Sen in men's singles reaching the final of the Hylo Open Super 500 at the Saarlandhalle in Saarbrücken, Germany, on Saturday.

Continuing her rich vein of form, two-time Olympic medallist Sindhu stormed into her second consecutive final on the BWF World Tour with a straight-games win in the women's singles semi-finals. In men's singles, Lakshya Sen also advanced to the final after defeating Toma Junior Popov.

Fresh from her runner-up finish at the French Open last week, Sindhu defeated compatriot Anmol Kharb 21-13, 21-16 in the semi-finals on Saturday. The 38-minute contest was the first international meeting between the two Indians, with Sindhu maintaining her unbeaten run at the tournament without dropping a game. Sindhu will face Denmark's Line Hojmark Kjaersfeldt in the final.

In the French Open in Paris, Sindhu produced a courageous performance before settling for a 21-16, 11-21, 12-21 defeat at the Arena Grand Paris, world number one An Se Young of Korea secured her fourth French Open title.

Joining her in the title round, Lakshya Sen booked his place in the men's singles final with a composed 21-17, 21-13 win over France's sixth seed Toma Junior Popov in 41 minutes. The victory gave Sen a 3-2 lead in the head-to-head record.

This marks Lakshya's second final appearance of the season, following his runner-up finish at the All England Open earlier this year. He will now face Denmark's Mathias Sogaard in the final.

The last time both Sindhu and Lakshya reached the finals of the same tournament was at the Syed Modi India International in 2024.

After her semifinal clash, Sindhu said it was good to play an Indian player in the semifinals after a long time.

"Yeah, I think I'm playing her after a very long time, and I think it's good to see two Indians in the semi-finals. But I think, you know, I was just, you know, playing my game and giving my 100% irrespective of whoever the opponent is or, you know, whatever rank she is. And I'm happy that I'm through to the finals," Sindhu said. "I think, I mean, overall, I'm happy that I played well and I hope that I continue the same tempo tomorrow as well. And I think I'm glad that, you know, I was maintaining the lead and I kept the lead going, and I finished it off in two sets. And I'm happy for that," he said.

El Niño Impact: Telangana Releases ₹120 Cr for Singur-Dependent Districts

Rural water supply minister Dhanasari 'Seethakka' Anasuya said the funds would be used to make alternative arrangements in areas likely to face drinking water shortages.

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The Telangana government has sanctioned special funds to ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply across the state in view of the anticipated impact of El Niño and the possibility of water shortages in several regions. The government has allocated Rs 120 crore for alternative drinking water arrangements in Sangareddy, Medak, Kamareddy and Nizamabad districts, which depend heavily on the Singur reservoir. The reservoir's water level has reportedly fallen below the dead storage level, raising concerns over future supply. Other districts have been sanctioned Rs 1 crore each to meet immediate drinking water requirements and undertake emergency measures.

Rural Water Supply Minister Dhanasari Seethakka Anasuya announced the allocations while reviewing the state's drinking water preparedness during a teleconference with Mission Bhagiratha and Public Health Department engineers on Saturday.

She directed officials to expedite alternative arrangements and ensure that no village or urban locality faces disruption in drinking water supply.

The minister instructed officials to identify vulnerable villages, particularly those experiencing declining groundwater levels, and prepare location-specific contingency plans. She stressed that preventive measures must be taken well in advance rather than waiting for shortages to emerge.

Officials were asked to utilise available local water sources, hire private borewells wherever necessary and arrange water transportation through tankers. Hand pumps, single-phase and three-phase water supply schemes, wells and other existing facilities must be kept functional to meet emergency requirements.

Seethakka also emphasised the need to identify areas where Mission Bhagiratha supplies could be affected and establish alternative arrangements.

She called for village-level awareness campaigns to educate residents about water conservation and the possible impact of El Niño.

Reviewing groundwater recharge measures, the minister directed officials to ensure that recent rainfall in Hyderabad, Medchal, Khammam, Yadadri and other districts percolated into the ground. Existing recharge pits and magic pits near drinking water sources must be made operational to improve groundwater levels.

She instructed officials to complete all pending works related to these structures within two days.

The minister further directed continuous monitoring of reservoir storage levels and strict implementation of government guidelines for managing drinking water resources.

Singur reservoir is a major drinking water source for Hyderabad and parts of the erstwhile Medak and Nizamabad districts, including Sangareddy, Kamareddy, Banswada,

Jukkal, Yellareddy, Bodhan, Medak and Nizamabad. Its supply network also serves parts of the CURE area, including Serilingampally and Patancheru.

Mission Bhagiratha Engineer-in-Chief Krupakar Reddy, chief engineers, superintending engineers and executive engineers from Mission Bhagiratha and the Public Health Department participated in the review.

The government has prioritised advance planning, alternative water sources and groundwater conservation to

safeguard drinking water supplies during the anticipated challenging conditions.

43 Women Rescued in Egg Donation Racket

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

In a major crackdown, the Malkajgiri special operations team (SOT) and law and order police rescued 43 women and arrested nine persons during raids at Begumpet, Erragadda, Saroornagar and Gopalapuram. Police commissioner B. Sumathi said the women, brought from different states, were lured with payments of up to ₹30,000 per egg donation and kept in rented houses before being referred for fertility procedures.

Eight persons were arrested in Begumpet and Saroornagar, while businessman Emirishetty Durga Prasad was held in Saroornagar. The accused include Amit Sharma, prime organiser from Prakashnagar, Begumpet, who had been running the racket for two years, paying ₹50,000 rent monthly. Others arrested were Nikat Parveen, recruiter from West Bengal; Reshma Khatoon, agent; Meghavath Srinivas, coordinator; Jepray Pradeep, ART manager; Sk. Parveen, role under probe; Vijay Bhagwah Rao Salunke, documentation; and Pankaj Soni (52), intermediary.

Raids led to the seizure of documents, mobiles, vials of injections, syringes, needles and tablets. Investigators are probing whether hormonal drugs were administered to prepare women for egg retrieval. Preliminary findings show recruiters targeted financially vulnerable women in West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra, promising ₹20,000–₹30,000 per cycle. Police are verifying medical histories, recruitment circumstances, consent and links with fertility centres and ART banks. Suspected forged Aadhaar cards, affidavits and financial transactions are also under scrutiny.

Three cases have been registered — one at Begumpet and two at Saroornagar — under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Act, 2021.

The operation was supervised by Commissioner Sumathi with senior officers from LB Nagar and Malkajgiri zones.

Police appealed to the public to report suspicious recruitment or accommodation of women in the name of employment or fertility services.

The identities and circumstances of the rescued women are being verified, while

the joint teams are examining whether the alleged activities were carried out in violation of prescribed medical and legal safeguards.

Rapido rider pockets gold jewellery he had to deliver

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A Rapido driver allegedly fled with gold jewellery worth around Rs 70,000 after a person booked a two-wheeler ride to deliver the parcel to his relatives.

According to a Times of India report, Datta Prasad Neetipalli, a manager at Vivo, had booked a Rapido ride on October 27 to transport a parcel to his cousin's residence in Nagole. The parcel contained a gold side-ear chain worth Rs 62,383, purchased from Joyalukkas in Panjagutta and a rose-gold anklet bought from Giva.

He had instructed his security guard, Biju, to pack the parcel and hand it over to the rider. After collecting the parcel, the accused, G Murali, called Prasad and requested Rs 100 for petrol.

After Prasad sent the money through PhonePe, Murali allegedly blocked Prasad's number and stopped taking calls from other numbers. The parcel never reached the intended location, and Prasad was unable to get a hold of Murali through Rapido customer service.

A complaint was lodged with the Jubilee Hills Police Station on October 29, and a case was registered under Sections 314 (dishonest misappropriation of property) and 316 (criminal breach of trust) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). Murali is currently absconding.

Telangana Opens Doors For Start-ups As Contractors With TISC Initiative

HYDERABAD
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The government has opened the doors for start-ups in Telangana to become contractors, launching the Telangana Innovation Startup Challenge (TISC) to provide young innovators and entrepreneurs an opportunity to work closely with the government, develop solutions to real-world problems and stand a chance to secure government contracts.

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy had directed officials to invite innovative solutions for solar-powered irrigation, designated as the lead challenge under TISC.

The objective was to develop affordable solar pumps or retrofit kits for deep borewells that are 30 per cent cheaper, equipped with theft-resistant solar panels and tamper-proof grid metering.

The broader goal is to provide solar-powered irrigation facilities to every farm in the state while reducing the burden on the power sector. The TISC initiative aims to harness the state's innovation capabilities to address seven priority challenges confronting rural and urban Telangana.

Start-ups, innovators, researchers, technology companies, industry and academic institutions have been invited to develop scalable solutions under the inaugural phase of TISC.

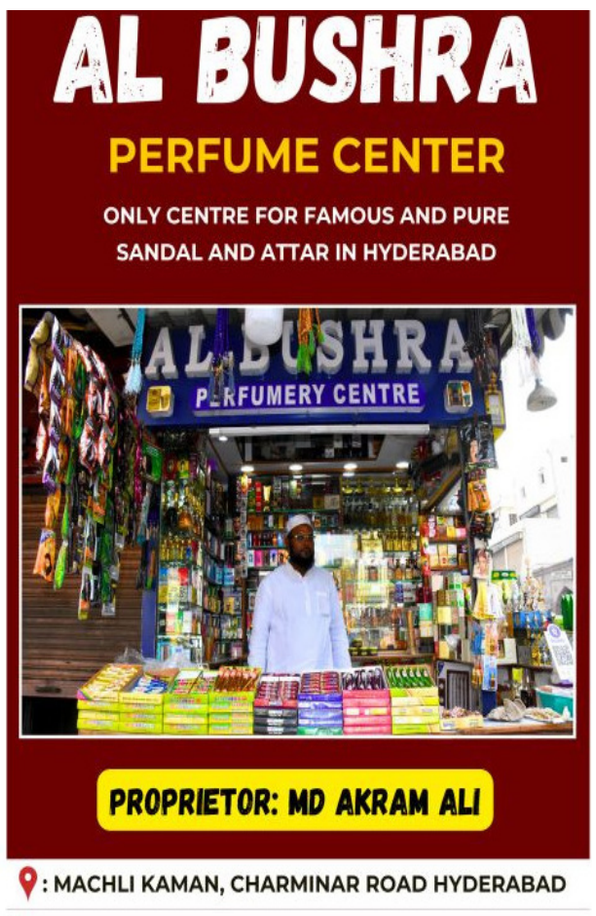
The challenge was launched at the curtain-raiser event for the Invest Telangana Global Summit in Delhi last week. Applications are open until November 30, and interested applicants can submit their proposals through tisc.telangana.gov.in.

Dates for shortlisting, departmental reviews and the final round will be announced shortly.

Submissions will be evaluated on the relevance of the proposed solution to the identified problem, uniqueness of innovation, technology readiness, capability of the team and potential impact on the public and industrial sectors. Applicants from across India and global innovation hubs are eligible to participate.



Congress leaders paid floral tributes to former prime minister Indira Gandhi on her death anniversary and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on his birth anniversary at the District Congress Committee (DCC) office in Nizamabad on Saturday.



Auto driver caught with 1.94 kg ganja in Hyderabad

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A 38-year-old auto driver was arrested by Commissioner's Task Force, Charminar Zone team on Saturday, October 31, for allegedly peddling ganja. Approximately 1.94 kg of the drug valued at Rs 1 lakh was seized from him.

The accused has been identified as Shaik Asif, a resident of New Indira Nagar, Bandlaguda. According to the police, Asif is addicted to ganja and his income as an auto driver was insufficient to meet his expenses. To earn money within a short period, he procured ganja from



Nagpur to sell in Hyderabad.

He went to Nagpur on October 28, purchased two kilogram of ganja for Rs 10,000, and returned to Hyderabad. On Saturday, Asif was waiting for customers near Bandlaguda X Roads and was apprehended.

Green Water service: HMWSSB to supply treated sewage water

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The Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) has made arrangements to launch its 'Green Water' tanker service on November 1 to supply treated sewage water for construction, industrial, gardening and other non-potable uses.

In the first phase, the HMWSSB has arranged 21 tankers to source treated water from sewage treatment plants (STPs) across the city.

The service will later be expanded to all divisions. Each tanker will be painted green, carry prescribed branding and prominently display the warning: 'STP Treated Water – Not for Drinking.'

The HMWSSB has listed five tankers from Attapur, three from Amberpet, two each from Mir Alam, Nagole, Mulkatva Cheruvu, Nalla Cheruvu, Hussain Sagar and Saroornagar, and one each from Kokapet, Gopanpally and Lingamkunta.

Officials said about 100 private water tankers had registered with the board for the initiative. Supplies through these tankers will be expanded in phases.

Special officers have been appointed at each STP to supervise filling points, tanker allocation, water quality and supply

operations. Officials said the treated water was intended for construction, park maintenance, gardening and other non-potable requirements.

36-hour water supply disruption in parts of Hyderabad from Nov 3

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Drinking water supply will be disrupted in several parts of Hyderabad from 6 am on November 3 to 6 pm on November 4 as the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) undertakes 36-hour repairs to major leakages in the Gandipet conduit. Repairs near Sabza Colony, Tolichowki and Manikonda will begin on November 3 (Tuesday) and continue until November 4 (Wednesday), HMWSSB said in a press release on Saturday.

Affected areas include Red Hills, Nampally, Mallepally, Sitarambagh, Godeki Khabar, Hindi Nagar, Assembly area, Secretariat, New MLA Quarters, Adarsh Nagar, Nampally South Central Railway area, Gunfoundry, Chintal Basti, Vijayanagar Colony, Old Mallepally, Asif Nagar and Ahmed Nagar in Golconda Zone. Domalguda and other areas under Kavadiguda and Gandhinagar wards in Kavadiguda Circle, and Banjara Hills ward in Jubilee Hills Circle, will also be affected, said the release.HMWSSB officials urged consumers in affected areas to use water sparingly.

Hotel Nayaab among 14 eateries to shut after food safety raid

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The Telangana Standards Authority for Food and Essential Drugs (TG SAFE) has suspended the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) licences of 14 restaurants in Golconda and Charminar Zones following inspections on Saturday, October 31.Officials inspected 22 restaurants and found unhygienic kitchens, cockroach and housefly infestations, spoiled vegetables, fungal contamination, expired food products and improper storage of raw and cooked food.

Several establishments were also found using cooking oil repeatedly, while food handlers were working without hairnets and aprons.

As part of the enforcement action, officials collected 21 food samples on suspicion of adulteration and discarded 544 kg of spoiled and contaminated vegetables, leftover food, expired products and food articles infested with pests.

Another 13 kg of used cooking oil suspected to have been repeatedly used for frying was also discarded.

Show-cause notices were issued to eight establishments, including Taj Falaknuma Palace at Engine Bowli, Hotel Sabzi at Charminar, Pista House at Shah Ali Banda, Sweekar Hotel at Santosh Nagar, Mandi@36 Arabian Kitchen at Charminar, Golconda Hotel and Resorts at Masab Tank, Imperial Multicuisine Restaurant at Tolichowki and Taiba Bakery at Bazarghat.Further action, including imposition of penalties, will be initiated against them.

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