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WEATHER
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RH: 84%
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Nora Fatehi Receives Fresh Summons in Sukesh Chandrasekhar Extortion Case

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A Delhi court has summoned actor Nora Fatehi once again as a witness on November 6 in the Rs 200-crore extortion case involving alleged conman Sukesh Chandrasekhar. Additional Sessions Judge Gagandeep Singh issued fresh summons to the actor while expressing displeasure over her non-appearance. During the proceedings, Nora Fatehi's counsel requested an exemption from her appearance on Monday. "This cannot be taken lightly... As a witness, you should have appeared in court; your conduct is not proper, don't take the court for granted...," the judge said.

Rahul, Revanth Cannot Protect Infiltrators from SIR: Shah

Amit Shah Leads Maha Padyatra in Hyderabad, Accuses Congress of Protecting Infiltrators



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Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday launched a sharp attack on the Congress and the INDIA bloc, describing their 'Vote Bachao' rally in Delhi as a 'Ghuspaithiya Bachao Rally' and accusing the opposition of attempting to protect illegal infiltrators through its campaign against the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls.

Addressing a massive 'Loktantra Bachao, Arajakta Hatao' rally in Hyderabad, following a 26-minute Maha Padyatra, Shah alleged that nearly three crore infiltrators had been removed from electoral rolls during the SIR exercise. He claimed that another 6.5 crore voters had shifted their residences, while nearly three crore names belonged to deceased persons.

Challenging Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, Shah said neither he nor Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy could prevent the removal of illegal infiltrators from electoral rolls. He asserted that only Indian citizens should have the right to vote and challenged the Congress to participate in a parliamentary debate on the issue.

The Home Minister said the NDA government was prepared to convene a special session of Parliament to discuss SIR, Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and VVPATs. He accused the Congress of repeatedly questioning electoral processes whenever it faced defeat and demanded that Rahul Gandhi explain how non-BJP governments were elected in several states.

Taking aim at the Revanth Reddy

Voter Count Falls 12.2% After SIR In Five Poll-Bound States

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The number of voters across Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Goa, Punjab and Manipur came down by up to 13.24 per cent after the completion of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the voter list, data shows.The five states will go for assembly polls early next year.

According to data made public by the Election Commission and state chief electoral officers in recent past, across these five states, the electorate shrank from about 18.71 crore to 16.43 crore after SIR, a net reduction of around 2.29 crore -- about 12.2 per cent.

Uttar Pradesh, which has the biggest electorate among states, alone accounted for nearly 90 per cent of the total drop. In UP, which went for SIR in phase II,

the electors went from 15.44 crore pre-SIR to 12.56 crore in the draft roll, then 13.40 crore in the final rolls.

The net loss stood at around 2.04 crore or 13.24 per cent, the steepest among the five states.

Signal Free Drive, Clean City on CM's Revanth's Agenda

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Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy directed municipal officials on Monday to take concerted measures to transform Hyderabad into a clean and traffic signal-free city. He said there should be no compromise on daily garbage collection, efficient waste management and traffic regulation. At a review meeting with municipal officials at his residence, the Chief Minister instructed them to ensure that no garbage was found lying anywhere and that door-to-door waste collection was carried out every day without fail. He called for continuous monitoring and warned of strict action against negligent officials and staff.

Revanth Reddy also directed special arrangements for the collection and transportation of construction waste. In industrial areas under municipal limits, he asked officials to coordinate with Industrial Area Local Authority (IALA) representatives for proper disposal. He stressed the need to promote the use of treated wastewater from sewage treatment plants (STPs) for construction, greenery maintenance, landscaping, gardening and park development instead of potable water. He asked officials to create awareness about green water tankers and ensure their optimum utilisation.

He recalled that the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) had introduced green water tanker services in the first phase through 28 tankers linked to 19 STPs. He directed expansion of treated wastewater supply across GHMC, Cyberabad Municipal Corporation and Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation limits, keeping local requirements in view. This, he said, would conserve drinking water by meeting non-potable needs with treated sewage water.

Bomb Threat Emails Trigger Security Scare At 4 Maharashtra Courts

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The district and sessions courts in Maharashtra's Pune, Thane, Hingoli and Beed received emails threatening bomb blasts on the premises on Monday, triggering a security scare and a police search.Police said nothing suspicious was found on the premises of courts in Thane, Hingoli and Beed, while a search is underway at the district and sessions court inShivajinagar, Pune. According to police, the court building in Thane city was evacuated in the afternoon as the office received a message that a bomb would explode at 3.30 pm. "Personnel from Thane Nagar police station evacuated the entire court complex. Judges, advocates and other staffers were safely led out of the premises. A dog squad and BDDS personnel then carried out a thorough search," an official informed.

The search is underway, though nothing suspicious has been found so far, he added. In Pune, the Shivajinagar court premises were evacuated after the court administration received a bomb threat, a Pune Police officer said. "The court administration received a bomb threat through an email stating that a bomb has been placed in the court building. "After receiving the mail, the court premises were evacuated, the Bomb Detection & Disposal Squad (BDDS) has been

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Rahul Challenges Modi to Debate Foreign Help Allegations

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Congress leader and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Monday challenged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to an open debate over allegations that the opposition was receiving foreign assistance to destabilise the country.

Gandhi hit back at the Prime Minister, accusing him of relying on foreign support to remain in power and questioning his remarks against opposition parties.

Responding to Modi's allegations, Gandhi said the Prime Minister should stop making what he described as false claims against the opposition and agree to a public debate on the issue.

"Mr Modi, stop lying to this nation. You became PM because of foreign help. You remain PM because of foreign help," Gandhi alleged in a post on social media platform X.

He further claimed that India's financial system was fully controlled and supported by foreign interests and alleged that foreign social media platforms were backing the Prime Minister.

Gandhi also issued a direct challenge to Modi, saying he was ready to debate the issue at any venue and at any time.

"I challenge you to an open debate about this. Any stage, any time. Come if you have the guts. You won't dare, because you are terrified of what I know about you," he posted.

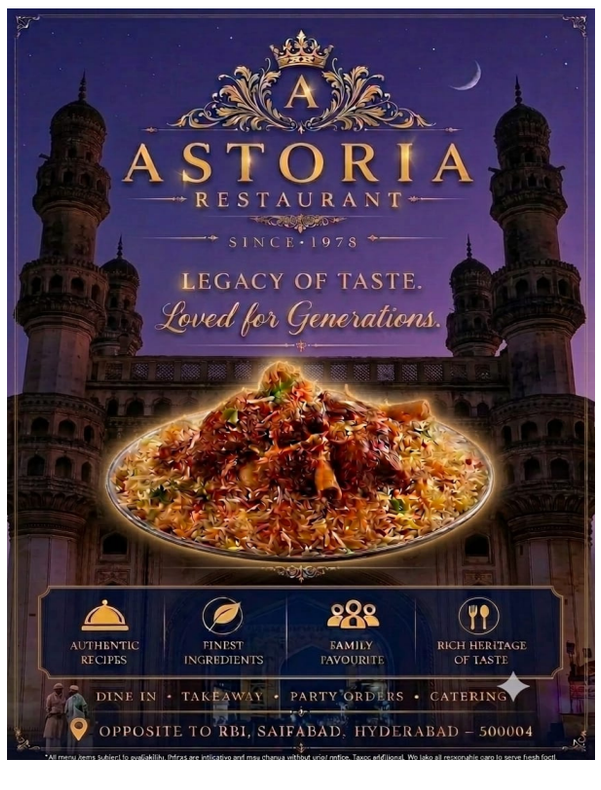
The Congress leader's remarks came in response to Modi's recent criticism of opposition parties during his visit to Gujarat on Saturday. The Prime Minister



had accused certain forces within the country of attempting to create instability by spreading misinformation and rumours, particularly when India was facing external challenges.

Modi said that while the country was seeking solutions to external threats,

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Explosion Sparks Major Fire at HPCL Visakhapatnam Refinery

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A major fire broke out at the sulphur pitch of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited's (HPCL) Visakh Refinery in Malkapuram at around 10.15 pm on Monday, triggering panic among employees and residents in the surrounding areas. Fortunately, no casualties or injuries were reported in the incident.

According to preliminary reports, an overhead electrical line is suspected to have triggered the fire. However, the exact cause of the incident is yet to be officially confirmed. The extent of the damage was also yet to be assessed.

Following the incident, five HPCL fire tenders were immediately deployed to control the flames. Deputy Inspector of Factories V. Suresh said firefighting operations had brought the fire largely under control. However, smoke continued to billow from the sulphur pitch, raising concerns among employees and the public.

Regional Fire Officer Ni-

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Cyclone Murasu Landfall Begins; 120 Kmph Winds Hit AP

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Severe cyclonic storm Murasu began its landfall process close to Ongole in Prakasam district in the early hours of Wednesday, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said.According to the Met department, the cyclone started making landfall around 1 am on Wednesday, bringing heavy rainfall, accompanied by gale winds reaching speeds of up to 110 kmph and gusting up to 120 kmph. "The landfall process commenced at 0100 hours IST on November 3. The forward sector of the wall cloud is entering the coast, while the wall cloud region is very close to the coast," the IMD's official press release said.

Under the influence of the cyclone, heavy rain struck several places in the southern state. The cyclone was centred over the west-central Bay of Bengal, close to the South Andhra Pradesh coast, about 40 km southeast of Ongole, 60 km northeast of Kavali and 70 km south of Bapatla, as of 0130 hours. The IMD said the landfall point was expected to be between Nellore and Narsapur, close to Ongole. The gale-force winds of nearly 110 kmph, gusting to 120 kmph, were likely to prevail along and off the coast until morning.

Heavy spells of rainfall were also likely across South Coastal Andhra Pradesh during the next 12 hours, said the Met department A storm surge of 1-1.5 metres above the astronomical tide was likely to inundate low-lying areas of South Coastal Andhra Pradesh until Wednesday morning, with the maximum peak surge expected over Bapatla, Krishna and Prakasam districts, the IMD added. Cyclonic Storm Murasu intensified into a severe cyclonic storm over the west-central and adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal and is likely to cross the south Andhra Pradesh coast between 11:30 pm on November 2



and the early hours of November 3, moving between Nellore and Narsapur close to Ongole, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said. In its latest bulletin, the IMD said the system moved nearly west-northwards at a speed of 10 kmph , 100 km east-southeast of Nellore and lay centred over the same region at 02.30 pm IST on November 2.

Harish Rao Demands Cancellation of PMU Tenders for Gurukul Hostels

Harish Rao Alleges Tender Irregularities, Seeks Protection for Local Vendors and Gurukul Students' Welfare

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Former minister and BRS Legislature Party deputy floor leader T. Harish Rao has demanded the immediate cancellation of centralised Project Management Unit (PMU) tenders for supplying essential commodities to Gurukuls and welfare hostels across Telangana, alleging irregularities, inflated prices and commissions in the procurement process.

Representatives of the Telangana Gurukul Contractors Association met Harish Rao at his residence in Hyderabad and explained how changes in tender rules had affected thousands of local vendors and small business families. Responding to their concerns, he urged the government to restore the earlier procurement system, under which individual institutions could purchase supplies through local vendors under the District Purchase Committee (DPC).

Harish Rao alleged that the Congress government had centralised procurement through tenders worth approximately Rs. 800 crore, excluding local suppliers through higher eligibility requirements and substantial earnest money deposits. He claimed that the contracts were awarded at prices 35 to 45 per cent higher than those quoted by local vendors, increasing the financial burden on the system serving underprivileged students.

He further alleged that the contract had been awarded to a company previously blacklisted and questioned the decision in view of its reported history of violations. He also claimed that unauthorised subcontracting arrangements had been made and alleged that Rs. 66 crore was collected as goodwill payments, alongside demands for 20 per cent commissions on monthly bills. These allegations require investigation by the competent authorities.

Recalling earlier procurement practices, Harish Rao said local traders had supplied goods to 1,023 Gurukuls, more than 3,000 welfare hostels, Ashram schools and Anganwadi centres. He argued that restoring institution-level procurement would protect local livelihoods while ensuring fresh, quality supplies to students.

He also cited the neighbouring Andhra Pradesh government's reported withdrawal of a similar centralised procurement arrangement following complaints, questioning why Telangana was continuing with the system.

Harish Rao accused the Congress government of neglecting students' welfare and demanded that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy investigate the alleged irregularities and take immediate corrective action.

He maintained that transparent procurement, competitive pricing and local participation were essential to protecting students' nutrition and public funds. He urged the government to reinstate the DPC-based system without delay.

Jana Sena Mulls Independent Contest in Khairatabad Bypoll

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Speculation is growing over the Jana Sena Party's strategy for the Khairatabad Assembly by-election in Telangana, with political circles discussing the possibility of fielding a prominent industrialist who is said to be close to party chief and Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan.

According to political discussions, Jana Sena is considering contesting the by-election independently, regardless of its alliance arrangements. However, the party has not officially confirmed its decision or announced a candidate.

The name of an industrialist with substantial experience in the software and business sectors is reportedly being discussed as a possible contender.

The individual is said to be close to Pawan Kalyan and holds key responsibilities within the party.

The reported possibility has generated interest in political circles, particularly over whether Jana Sena will give a business professional an opportunity to enter electoral politics and represent the party in Telangana.

The Khairatabad by-election is being viewed as an opportunity for Jana Sena to strengthen its presence in the state, expand its grassroots network and take its ideology to a wider section of the electorate. The party is also seeking to connect with young voters and various social groups.

Supporters of the idea believe that a candidate with business and technology experience could bring fresh perspectives to issues such as employment generation, youth opportunities, development and social welfare. However, the party leadership's final decision will depend on its electoral strategy and assessment of the constituency.

The possibility of an independent contest has also raised questions about Jana Sena's approach to political alliances in Telangana and its plans to build a separate electoral base.

No official announcement has been made regarding the industrialist's candidature or the party's decision to contest independently. Clarity is expected only after the Jana Sena leadership formally communicates its position.

The candidate selection and the party's eventual electoral strategy are likely to attract further attention in Telangana's political circles.

Rest Stops Bring Relief to Gig Workers

Gig workers engaged in food delivery, quick commerce and other app-based services in Hyderabad have welcomed an initiative to provide dedicated rest stops, saying the facilities offer much-needed relief during long working hours. However, they hope more such centres will come up across the city, closer to their delivery zones. Spending nearly 10 to 12 hours a day on the roads, delivery personnel often look for places to rest, have meals, charge their phones and access drinking water between assignments.

Initiatives such as Amazon India's Ashray rest centre in Kondapur offer them a dedicated space to take a break. Akhilesh, a delivery worker from Bihar, was waiting for his next order under the shade of a tree after parking his motorcycle. Speaking to Deccan Chronicle, he said he was unaware of the Ashray facility in Kondapur. "I usually stop somewhere to rest or have lunch before starting work again. I was not aware of this centre, but such an initiative would definitely help people like us," he said, adding that he works for nearly 10 to 12 hours a day.

Another delivery worker, S. Prashanth, said similar facilities across Hyderabad would make them more accessible to workers.

"If such centres are available at more locations, delivery workers can use them without travelling far from their work areas," he said. On Tuesday, a few delivery partners were seen resting at the Ashray centre, which provides seating, drinking water, toilets, fans, mobile charging points and parking facilities.

Revolution Begins Against Unauthorised Floors in GHMC Circle-30, Goshamahal

Residents and Senior Citizens Unite; GHMC Commissioner Orders Demolition of Unauthorised Floors in Six Buildings

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A movement against unauthorised construction and illegal floors has begun in GHMC Circle-30, Goshamahal, as local residents and senior citizens of Gowliguda have joined hands to demand strict action against building violations.

Concerned over the construction of unauthorised additional floors in their locality, residents and senior citizens formed a committee and submitted a complaint to the GHMC Commissioner, seeking immediate intervention and demolition of the unauthorised portions of the buildings.

Responding to the complaint, the GHMC Commissioner reportedly directed the concerned Town Planning authorities to take demolition action against the unauthorised constructions. Acting on the directions, Town Planning officials demolished unauthorised floors in six buildings in Gowliguda and Putlibowli, near Koti, marking a significant step in the enforcement of building regulations in the area.

The action has encouraged local residents, who are demanding that building permissions and approved plans be strictly enforced and that unauthorised additional floors should not be allowed to continue unchecked.

Residents and senior citizens have called for continued inspections by Town Planning officials throughout Circle-30, Goshamahal, to identify further violations and take action in accordance with the law.

The residents' initiative highlights the importance of public participation in addressing unauthorised constructions. They have urged the GHMC administration to continue its enforcement drive and ensure that building regulations are implemented fairly and consistently.

The message from Gowliguda and Putlibowli is clear: residents are coming together to demand lawful construction and accountability, while calling for sustained action against unauthorised floors across GHMC Circle-30.

Kamareddy Leaders Demand District-Level RTI Committee

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Leaders of the Right to Information Act Implementation Committee have urged the district administration to establish a district-level RTI committee in Kamareddy to ensure the effective implementation of the RTI Act, 2005. They submitted a representation to the District Collector on Monday, November 2, seeking necessary action.

The delegation made the appeal under the directions of National Chairperson Chanti Mudhiraj and Telangana State President Sura Sravanthi.

The leaders also demanded the restructuring of the monitoring members' system, the establishment of a dedicated RTI assistance centre at the District Collectorate and special awareness programmes to educate the public about their rights under the RTI Act. They highlighted that the Right to Information Act plays a crucial role in promoting transparency and accountability in government administration. They urged the authorities to forward appropriate proposals to the Telangana State Government and the Telangana State Information Commission for further action.

The delegation included Kamareddy District President Kodipyaka Sairam, Social Media In-charge Routhu Srikanth, District In-charge Athimamula Satish, Kamareddy Constituency President Pitla Swamy, Working President Bojja Naresh Kumar, Domakonda Mandal President Bojja Swamy, Kamareddy Municipality In-charge Vanga Bhaskarachari, Executive Member Bhanu Prakash and Isanapalli Village President Vamsi, among others.

Governance Crisis in Bowenpally Circle 3 as Town Planning Assistants Allege Workload Exploitation

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A growing governance crisis is reportedly emerging in Municipal Corporation (MMC) Bowenpally Circle 3, with ground-level Town Planning assistants alleging excessive workload, administrative overreach and exploitation by officials.

According to the employees, an intermediate assistant system originally established to streamline civic administration and improve public service delivery has gradually turned into a multi-departmental dumping ground, placing additional responsibilities on already stretched staff.

Under the official MMC charter, Town Planning assistants have a clearly defined role focused primarily on monitoring unauthorised constructions and supporting town planning enforcement activities.

Their prescribed responsibilities include serving notices to unauthorised structural developments, conducting on-site inspections in response to town planning complaints, photographing existing ground conditions to maintain evidence and submitting inspection reports directly to the Assistant City Planner or Deputy Commissioner.

However, employees allege that these limited responsibilities have been expanded considerably, with staff being assigned duties unrelated to their designated positions.

They claim that such administrative practices are affecting their ability to concentrate on core town planning responsibilities and raising concerns about accountability, efficiency and working conditions.

The employees reportedly want senior authorities to intervene, review the allocation of duties and ensure that responsibilities are assigned in accordance with the official service framework.

They have called for a clear division of departmental work, adequate staffing and an end to the alleged misuse

Upper caste men deny Dalit family temple entry in Wanaparthy



A Dalit family were denied permission to enter a temple by members of the Reddy community in Telangana's Wanaparthy district.

A video of an argument between the Reddys and a Dalit man carrying his little daughter was shared on social media platforms, telling him not to enter the temple because he is of a lower caste. The incident occurred in Mangampalli village.

"This temple was built by us. We gave donations to build it. How dare you try to come here?" asks one of the elders.

As the young Dalit man tries to reason, his words fall on deaf ears.

Congress leader Tudi Megha Reddy represents the Wanarpathy constituency. When Siasat.com tried to contact him, the office said he was in New Delhi.

The Wanarpathy Superintendent of Police was also not reachable.

Sufi Conference at Nagaur Calls for Peace, Hindu-Muslim Unity

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Hazrat Syed Naseeruddin Chishti, Chairman of the All India Sufi Sajjadanashin Council and successor to the Ajmer Dargah's spiritual leadership, called for peace, love, Hindu-Muslim unity and national harmony at the Indian Sufi Conference held at Nagaur Sharif, Rajasthan.

The conference, themed "Mera Mulk, Meri Pehchaan" (My Country, My Identity), was organised on the occasion of the 775th Urs of Hazrat Khwaja Hameeduddin Chishti Nagauri, a distinguished Khalifa of Hazrat Khwaja Gharib Nawaz. Dargah heads, Sajjadanashins and thousands of devotees from different parts of the country attended the programme.

Addressing the gathering, Syed Naseeruddin Chishti emphasised t hat India's strength lies in its diversity, shared cultural heritage and mutual respect among communities. He urged citizens to consider safeguarding the country's unity and integrity a collective responsibility, irrespective of religious differences.

The campaign aims to spread the teachings of Sufi saints, particularly love, humanity, brotherhood and service to society. He highlighted the role of Dargahs, Urs celebrations and Sufi gatherings in promoting communal harmony and strengthening social bonds.

The programme also stressed the importance of dialogue over confrontation and unity over division. Young people were encouraged to contribute to national development through education, social service and constructive engagement.

Several prominent Sajjadanashins and religious representatives from Rajasthan attended the conference and pledged support for the campaign. Participants reaffirmed their commitment to promoting peace, mutual respect and national integration.

The initiative seeks to reinforce the message that India's identity rests on unity in diversity, with peace, love and brotherhood serving as foundations for a harmonious society.



Karimnagar Home Guard Saves Life Of Aged Man

Karimnagar police outpost home guard V. Anjaneyulu saved an 80-year-old man Bommideni Komuraiah from drowning in the Lower Manair Lake. Komuraiah had jumped into the waters of Lower Manair Dam on Tuesday in an attempt to commit suicide. Home guard Anjaneyulu, who had been on duty at the lake, rushed to the spot, dived in, and rescued Komuraiah. Reserve sub-inspector B. Ramesh later summoned Komuraiah's family members to the police station, counselled, and handed over the old man to them. Senior officials have appreciated the home guard for acting promptly and saving the Komuraiah.

El Nino Threat: Govt To Pump Additional 60 MGD Drinking Water to Hyderabad

Water Board officials informed the meeting that special green tankers were being arranged to supply treated wastewater for such uses.

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The state government plans to mobilise an additional supply of 60 million gallons a day (mgd) of water for the city, on top of the 560 mgd supplied every day, in view of the drinking water stress likely to be caused by El Nino conditions of high temperatures and deficit rainfall. The government proposes to draw, for the CURE limits within the Outer Ring Road, 15 mgd more from the Krishna river and utilise 20 mgd, and if necessary an additional 20 mgd, from Mission Bhagiratha, and an additional five mgd from the Osmansagar and Himayatsagar.

By November, pipeline work from the Mallannasagar to the city woud be completed, making another 20 mgd available. These details were provided during a review meeting that Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju held with senior officials to review the drinking water situation in CURE limits. He said that if people in the three municipal corporations of Hyderabad, Cyberabad and Malkajgiri conserved just 20 per cent of their water consumption, around 80 mgd could be saved every day.

Jaju said all measures were being taken to ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply to the city despite the El Nino conditions. He appealed to people to conserve water and cooperate with the government in managing the available resources efficiently. He asked officials to curb the wastage of drinking water, particularly its use for washing vehicles, and launch an intensive 60-day public awareness campaign on water conservation. The campaign would involve film actors, celebrities and other prominent personalities to encourage people to adopt water-saving practices. Jaju appealed to residents to treat every drop of water as a valuable resource and use it judiciously to help the city tide over the challenges posed by El Nino.

The Chief Secretary noted that groundwater levels in Greater Hyderabad had fallen significantly over the past two to three months resulting in increased demand for water tankers. He directed officials to take necessary measures to meet the growing demand and ensure that residents did not face hardship. Emphasising the need to reduce pressure on freshwater sources, Jaju instructed officials to ensure that sewage treatment plants (STPs) in gated communities and apartment complexes functioned at full capacity. He called for awareness campaigns to encourage residents to use treated wastewater for gardening, vehicle washing and other non-domestic purposes.

Water Board officials informed the meeting that special green tankers were being arranged to supply treated wastewater for such uses.

The government was also preparing alternative arrangements for Medak, Nizamabad, Kamareddy and Sangareddy districts, which depend on the Manjeera and Singur reservoirs for water. Jaju said borewells and other alternative water sources had already been identified in these districts, taking into account the available water levels.

Srinivas Goud Slams Govt Over Farmers' Crisis

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Former minister V. Srinivas Goud criticised the Telangana government over the worsening agricultural crisis, drinking water shortages and alleged failures in healthcare and administration, demanding immediate relief for farmers and other affected sections.

Reacting to the declaration of a crop holiday amid El Niño concerns, Goud questioned the government's preparedness and demanded compensation for farmers whose crops were drying up and those unable to cultivate a second crop. He also called for financial assistance and alternative employment for agricultural labourers dependent on farming.

Referring to water availability, Goud alleged that despite substantial water flowing downstream from the Krishna river, the state had failed to adequately store and utilise available resources. He cited declining storage at the Srisailam project and compared Telangana's situation with water storage in neighbouring states, accusing the government of neglecting farmers' irrigation needs.

He also expressed concern over drinking water shortages in villages, where people were reportedly staging protests, and demanded advance planning for irrigation, electricity, fertilisers, seeds and grain procurement.

Highlighting healthcare concerns, Goud alleged that employees, pensioners and journalists were facing difficulties accessing treatment because of health card issues and pending hospital dues. He urged the government to release payments to hospitals and ensure uninterrupted medical services, including health protection for police personnel and home guards.

Goud further raised concerns over students' fee reimbursement, unemployment, outsourcing employees' problems and rising essential commodity prices.

He accused ministers of neglecting administration and demanded coordinated action to address the crises. Declaring a crop holiday, he said, could not be a substitute for government support, compensation and livelihood security for affected farming families.

Siddigari Mallikarjun Appointed Vice-President of RTI Committee, Hyderabad District

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Siddigari Mallikarjun has been appointed as the Vice-President of the Hyderabad District, Cantonment Constituency, of the Samachara Hakku Chattam Sadhana Committee (SHCSC), with immediate effect.

The appointment was made by National Chairman Dr. Chanti Mudhiraj. Mallikarjun expressed his special thanks to Telangana State Assistant Secretary Sayam Mahesh Kumar for his support in securing the appointment.

Committee members congratulated Mallikarjun and expressed their hope that he would work actively to strengthen the organization and create greater public awareness about the Right to Information Act.

Govt Schools Set For Major Upgrade With ₹205.95 Crore

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The government has taken a major step towards transforming government schools into model educational institutions by sanctioning `205.95 crore for development works at 20 schools across the state. The initiative aims to provide quality education from pre-primary to Class 12 along with modern infrastructure. School education secretary Yogita Rana issued GO 188 on October 9, granting administrative approval for the works.

Under the project, 30 per cent of the total cost, amounting to `61.79 crore, will be funded through the state budget. The remaining 70 per cent, or `144.16 crore, will be met through a proposed loan from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank. The Telangana education and welfare infrastructure development corporation has been entrusted with the works through a tendering process. Two schools in erstwhile Warangal: The list includes the Government Boys High School at Kazipet in Hanamkonda district, for which `10 crore has been sanctioned. The school falls under the Warangal West assembly constituency and the Warangal SC-reserved parliamentary constituency.

Another `9.95 crore has been sanctioned for the Zilla Parishad High School at Pedapur in Atmakur mandal, under the Parkal assembly constituency. The allocations will pave the way for infrastructure development at these two government schools in the erstwhile Warangal region.

The project aims to improve the learning environment in government schools and develop them into model institutions equipped with modern facilities. The government has asked the school education director and TSEWIDC officials to take further action.

Alleged Building Violations in Narayanguda: Four to Five Floors Rise on 220-Sq-Yard Plot

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Alleged violations of building regulations have triggered serious concerns among residents in Lingampalli, Narayanguda, under Kachiguda Division of Amberpet Constituency, where a four-to-five-storey building is reportedly being constructed on a small 220-square-yard plot at premises 3-4-471/2.

Locals and civic activists allege that the construction has exceeded permissible limits under Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) regulations.

They claim that the structure has extended beyond the sanctioned boundaries from the first floor onwards, raising questions about compliance with approved building plans.

Residents have also expressed concern over the alleged absence of mandatory setbacks. Such open spaces are essential for ventilation, emergency access, fire safety and maintaining adequate distance between neighbouring structures. Their alleged violation could pose serious risks to residents and surrounding properties.

The construction has prompted questions about the role of GHMC Town Planning officials and the effectiveness of their field-level inspections. Residents want authorities to clarify how many floors were originally sanctioned and whether the ongoing construction matches the approved building plan.

Locals have urged the GHMC Commissioner and Telangana Government to order an immediate inspection and transparent inquiry into the construction at premises 3-4-471/2.

They have demanded verification of building permissions, measurements of the actual structure, examination of setback violations and appropriate legal action if irregularities are established. Residents have also called for work to be stopped wherever unauthorised construction is confirmed.

The community is seeking urgent intervention from civic authorities to ensure building regulations are enforced and public safety is not compromised.

18-Year Delay in Ghatkesar Railway Flyover Triggers Town-Wide Bandh

HYDERABAD
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Strong public resentment over the 18-year delay in completing the railway flyover project led to a town-wide bandh in Ghatkesar on Monday, with shops, schools and colleges remaining closed as residents demanded immediate government intervention.

The bandh, organised by an all-party action committee, received widespread support from traders, students, auto-rickshaw and taxi workers, and local residents. Protesters took out a rally from the railway gate through the town, raising slogans demanding the speedy completion of the long-pending project.

Residents expressed anger over repeated delays, alleging that despite nearly 18 years of waiting and several representations to authorities, the project remains incomplete. The unfinished bridge has severely affected traffic movement, public transport and daily commuting. The reported suspension of RTC bus services through Ghatkesar has further increased difficulties for students, employees, traders and passengers, forcing many to depend on alternative routes.

Local representatives have sought completion of the flyover by December 2026. According to reports, two bridge slabs have been completed, while another slab and other construction works remain pending. Concerns have also been raised over the slow pace of work despite approximately Rs 4 crore reportedly being paid.

A contractor has reportedly assured completion by December 2026. However, residents have demanded a definite construction schedule and accountability from the concerned authorities.

Telangana Workers Union Celebrates Mahabubnagar Region Victory



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Telangana Workers Union leaders celebrated their victory in the Mahabubnagar region at a felicitation ceremony held at the residence of Telangana Government Adviser and TSRTC Workers Union Honorary President Jitender Reddy.

State General Secretary Ashwatthama Reddy led the programme, where leaders honoured Jitender Reddy with a shawl and bouquet. They stressed workers' unity in protecting employee rights and resolving RTC staff issues. Narasimhulu, Venkatayya Goud, Ravi Goud, Jahangir Baba, Maqsood and others attended.

BJP Mahankali District Leads Save Democracy Padayatra

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The BJP Mahankali District organised a 'Save Democracy – Eliminate Anarchy' padayatra in Hyderabad on Monday, following a nationwide call by Union Home Minister Amit Shah. The rally began at the Babu Jagjivan Ram Statue and concluded at Mojamjahi Market, with party workers and supporters participating.

The programme was led by BJP Mahankali District General Secretary Nemali Anand (Nandu), who mobilised party cadres and local supporters. Former District OBC Morcha General Secretary C. Vijay Kumar, senior leader Ashok Yadav and Division General Secretaries T. Shravan, Baburao, Mysore Madhusudan, J. Anand, Pandian, Kranti, Yadagiri, Abhishek and Yakub also participated.

Speakers highlighted the need to safeguard democratic principles and raised concerns over alleged political anarchy and lawlessness.

BRS Leaders Demand Removal of Public Access Restrictions at Razzak Manzil

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BRS leaders Syed Akbar Hussain, former Chairman of the Telangana State Minorities Finance Corporation (TSMFC), and Waheed Ahmed, Advocate and former member of the Telangana State Waqf Board, met the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Telangana State Waqf Board and submitted a representation demanding the immediate removal of restrictions on public access at Razzak Manzil.

The leaders expressed concern over the difficulties faced by visitors to various government offices housed on the premises, including the Telangana State Waqf Board, Telangana State Hajj Committee, Minorities Finance Corporation, Urdu Academy and District Minorities Welfare Officer's office.

They said people travelling from different districts of Telangana were facing inconvenience in submitting applications and official representations. They also highlighted reports of police challans being issued to visitors for parking vehicles outside the premises. Even devotees visiting Haj House Masjid to offer prayers were reportedly experiencing difficulties.

The delegation raised objections to the installation of channel gates at several locations and restrictions on lift access to the first floor, stating that these measures were causing unnecessary hardship to ordinary citizens.

During the meeting, the CEO reportedly stated that the restrictions were imposed based on instructions from higher authorities, specifically referring to directions from Delhi. However, the delegation expressed dissatisfaction over the lack of a clear assurance regarding the restoration of public access.

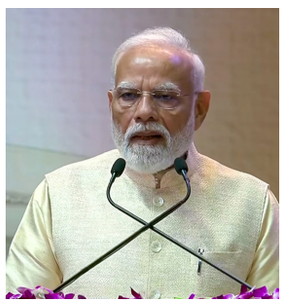
The BRS leaders questioned why ordinary citizens should suffer due to administrative restrictions, particularly when government institutions are meant to serve the public. They demanded free access to government offices, convenient vehicle parking and unrestricted access to Haj House Masjid.

Copies of the representation were also submitted to the Chief Minister, Deputy Chief Minister, Minorities Welfare Minister, Hyderabad District In-charge Minister, Chief Secretary and Principal Secretary of the Minorities Welfare Department.

The leaders warned that if the restrictions were not removed promptly, they would organise a large-scale democratic protest on Thursday, November 5, and appealed to the government to intervene immediately.

PM Modi condoles loss of lives in mishap in Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu

NEW DELHI,
Wakeup telangana



At least eight labourers died and five others sustained burn injuries after a machine used in road construction came into contact with an overhead electricity line in Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu district on Monday, police said. Three women and two men sustained injuries and are undergoing treatment.Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed grief over the deaths and announced an ex-gratia of Rs 2 lakh from the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund for the next of kin of each deceased. Those injured will receive Rs 50,000 each.Saddened by the loss of lives due to a mishap in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan. My condolences to the bereaved families. May the injured recover at the earliest," the Prime Minister said in a post on X.The accident occurred in Chhapoli village under the Udaipurwati police station area.Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma expressed grief over the accident and ordered a high-level inquiry. He sought a detailed report from the district collector and directed officials to ensure prompt and proper treatment of the injured.The chief minister also directed minister Jhabar Singh Kharra to visit the spot and ensure all possible assistance to those affected by the incident.Energy Minister Heeralal Nagar said that according to preliminary information, the road was being constructed with public participation and the work was being carried out privately on a small scale.He said the work was underway on a narrow road connecting Chhapoli to Kadamkund.Nagar said technical officials had been directed to visit the spot and ascertain the circumstances that led to the accident. "If any departmental or technical lapse is found, action will be taken," he said.Officials said a detailed investigation is underway to determine whether safety precautions were followed during the construction work and how the machinery came into contact with the high-voltage power line. Police and administrative teams reached the accident site soon after receiving information and initiated rescue and relief operations. The incident has raised concerns over workplace safety and the need for strict adherence to electrical safety guidelines, particularly during road construction activities. Authorities are expected to examine possible negligence and fix responsibility based on the findings of the inquiry.Meanwhile, local residents have demanded stricter monitoring of construction activities and better coordination between electricity officials and contractors to ensure worker safety.

Experts have stressed the importance of maintaining safe distances from high-voltage transmission lines and following proper precautions before operating cranes, machinery and other heavy equipment. The incident has also drawn attention to the need for regular safety inspections, proper training for workers and awareness of electrical hazards at construction sites. Authorities are expected to take preventive measures and strengthen safety protocols to avoid such tragic accidents in the future.

Rajnath Singh Meets New Air Chief Ashutosh Dixit, Wishes Him Success

NEW DELHI
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Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh met the new Indian Air Force (IAF) chief Air Chief Marshal Ashutosh Dixit on Monday and wished him a "wonderful tenure" ahead. Air Chief Marshal Ashutosh Dixit assumed charge as the 29th Chief of the Air Staff on Saturday, succeeding Air Chief Marshal A.P. Singh, who superannuated after 42 years of distinguished service to the nation.

Taking to X, Singh said, "Met with the newly appointed Chief of Air Staff, Air Chief Marshal Asutosh Dixit. He is a distinguished air warrior known for excellent leadership. I wish him a wonderful tenure ahead."An alumnus of the National Defence Academy, Air Chief Marshal Ashutosh Dixit was commissioned into the Fighter Stream of the Indian Air Force on December 6, 1986.Over a career spanning four decades, the Air Chief has rich experience across diverse domains such as Operations, Flight Testing, Capability Development and Joint Staff assignments.An accomplished Fighter Pilot, Qualified Flying Instructor and Experimental Test Pilot, he has over 3,300 hours of flying experience on a wide range of aircraft, including the Mirage-2000, various MiG variants, Jaguar and several transport aircraft," the Indian Air Force (IAF) said in a statement.The IAF said that Air Chief Marshal Dixit is widely recognised for his contribution to the modernisation of the Indian Air Force and was instrumental in finalising the Jaguar and MiG-27 upgrade projects and in the completion of the Initial Operational Clearance (IOC) and Final Operational Clearance (FOC) activities of the LCA Mk-I Tejas.His operational command assignments include command of a Mirage-2000 Squadron, a Forward Base Support Unit in the Western Sector and Air Force Station Bidar, a premier fighter training base of the IAF," the force said.He has served as Air Defence Commander at Southern Air Command, Senior Air Staff Officer at South Western Air Command and Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, steering key capability development and procurement initiatives.He subsequently commanded Central Air Command as Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief and later served as Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to the Chairman, Chiefs of Staff Committee during Operation Sindoor.

TN CM Vijay to Distribute ₹100 Crore Welfare Aid in Pudukkottai

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana



Tamil Nadu Chief Minister, C. Joseph Vijay, will distribute government welfare assistance worth more than ₹100 crore to 14,000 beneficiaries during his visit to Pudukkottai district on Monday, when he will also inaugurate completed infrastructure projects and launch new development works. The Chief Minister is scheduled to fly from Chennai to Tiruchirappalli in the morning and travel by road to Pudukkottai. His programme includes a four-kilometre journey through the town before attending the government function at the Armed Reserve Police grounds. Among the major projects scheduled for inauguration is a modern bus stand constructed in Pudukkottai at a cost of ₹23.25 crore and CM Vijay will formally open the facility and dedicate it to public use during the visit.CM Vijay will also inaugurate a multipurpose indoor sports stadium built at a cost of ₹8 crore, open other completed projects and launch new works. Welfare assistance will be distributed at the main function, bringing together beneficiaries of various government schemes.The district administration has made arrangements for the visit, with 4,000 police personnel deployed for security. After completing his engagements, CM Vijay will return by road to Tiruchirappalli and take a flight to Chennai.The visit comes amid expectations that bye-elections will soon be announced for five vacant Assembly constituencies.CM Vijay is planning visits to districts containing these seats, giving his Pudukkottai programme political significance alongside its welfare and development agenda.His Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam, or TVK, heads the coalition government after emerging as the largest party in the recent Tamil Nadu Assembly election. Subsequently, AIADMK legislators representing Viralimalai, Karur, Ambasamudram, Perundurai, Madurantakam and Dharapuram resigned from the Assembly and joined TVK, resulting in vacancies in all six constituencies.The bye-elections have since been held in Madurantakam and Dharapuram, with TVK winning both seats.The remaining four constituencies—Viralimalai, Karur, Ambasamudram and Perundurai—continue to remain vacant.Tiruchirappalli East, which Vijay won in the Assembly election and subsequently relinquished, is also vacant. These five constituencies are, therefore, expected to face bye-elections, although no polling schedule has been announced in the information provided. With Viralimalai falling within Pudukkottai district, Monday's visit comes as attention turns to the anticipated electoral contest there.

Bengaluru academy bans all plays after Gandhi row, sparks debate

BENGALURU
Wakeup telangana

A police order stopping all theatre performances at Bengaluru's Suchitra Film and Cultural Academy has sparked a debate over artistic freedom and the limits of police intervention in cultural spaces.

The Banashankari police issued the directive following a dispute during the October 31 staging of 'The Truth Behind Gandhi's Assassination', authored by Addanda C Cariappa, former director of Mysuru Rangayana. The confrontation led to complaints and counter-complaints, and an investigation is under way.The police have instructed the academy to postpone all theatre performances until further orders. The directive also warns of legal action if any event is held and causes a law-and-order problem.The decision has been criticised by writers and social media users, who argue that the restriction affects not just the organisers of the controversial play but also other theatre groups and artists using the venue.

Writer Rohith Chakrathirtha alleged that the order brought back memories of censorship during the Emergency of 1975-77, when cultural and media expression faced restrictions.

He questioned the government's commitment to freedom of expression, pointing out that even staging a play had now been prohibited at the academy.

Jaishankar Meets Overseas BJP Friends in Atlanta

ATLANTA
Wakeup telangana



External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar met members of the Overseas Friends of BJP in Atlanta, Georgia, during his ongoing visit to US. Sharing details of the interaction, EAM Jaishankar posted on X: "Delighted to meet Overseas Friends of BJP in Atlanta today morning.Earlier on Sunday, the External Affairs Minister also met members of the Indian diaspora in Atlanta and expressed pride in their achievements and contributions.Always a pleasure to interact with Indian diaspora. Proud of their achievements and contributions," he said in another post on X following the interaction.EAM Jaishankar is in Atlanta to participate in the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, where he attended discussions on key global issues, including supply chain resilience, economic cooperation and developments in the Indo-Pacific region.On Saturday, following the conclusion of the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, EAM Jaishankar highlighted India's position on strengthening global supply chains and called for resisting predatory practices and promoting the right to industrialise.The @G20org #Atlanta today concluded with the Plenary III focused on Supply Chains," he said in a post on X. Outlining the issues raised during the session, he said securing supply chains and ensuring their resilience were central to the well-being of the global economy.The right to industrialise must be promoted; predatory practices and targeting competition should be firmly resisted," he said. The External Affairs Minister also attended the Quad Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Atlanta, where he highlighted freedom of choice, resilient supply chains and action against non-market practices as key priorities for the grouping.In a post on X after the meeting, EAM Jaishankar said the Quad's continuing commitments in the Indo-Pacific included maintaining stability, driving prosperity and ensuring freedom of choice.He outlined the priorities discussed with US Secretary of State Marco Rubio, Japanese Foreign Minister Toshimitsu Motegi and Australian Foreign Minister Penny Wong.

Cyclone Murasu LIVE: 10 IndiGo flights from Andhra Pradesh cancelled

AMARAVATI
Wakeup telangana

Severe cyclonic storm 'Murasu' is set to cross Andhra Pradesh coast between Nellore and Narasapur in the intervening night of November 2-3, the Meteorological Department said on Monday, November 2.Under the influence of Murasu, the Met department forecast light to moderate rain or thundershowers across several places in Andhra Pradesh.The severe cyclonic storm Murasu is very likely to move northwestwards and cross the south Andhra Pradesh coast as a severe cyclonic storm with a wind speed of 100 to 110 kmph (and) gusting up to 120 kmph between Nellore and Narasapur to the south of Ongole during midnight (11.30 pm) of today to early hours (4 am) of tomorrow, November 3," the Met department said in an official release.Under the influence of Murasu, it forecast light to moderate rain or thundershowers at most places over Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Yanam and Rayalaseema on Monday.Likewise, extremely heavy rainfall is expected at one or two places over Bapatla, Prakasam, Nellore, Chittoor and Tirupati districts.In an X post, IMD says that the cyclone "is very likely to move northwestwards and cross south Andhra Pradesh coast as a Severe Cyclonic Storm with wind speed of 100 to 110 kmph gusting to 120 kmph between Nellore and Narsapur, to the south of Ongole during midnight (2330 Hrs IST) of today, the 02nd November to early hours (0400 Hrs IST) of tomorrow, the 3rd November, 2026".

FROM FRONT PAGE

Explosion Sparks.....

Following the incident, five HPCL fire tenders were immediately deployed to control the flames. Deputy Inspector of Factories V. Suresh said firefighting operations had brought the fire largely under control. However, smoke continued to billow from the sulphur pitch, raising concerns among employees and the public.

Regional Fire Officer Niranjan Reddy said flames were still burning at two locations within the premises. Fire personnel were using foam to extinguish the remaining flames and prevent the fire from spreading further.

He also stated that employees had heard a blast shortly before the fire broke out. As a precautionary measure, workers were evacuated from the affected area to ensure their safety.

The incident created panic among refinery employees after videos showing flames and thick smoke emerging from the facility circulated widely on social media. Firefighting teams continued cooling operations to prevent any possibility of the fire reigniting. Authorities were monitoring the situation, while an assessment of the damage and further investigation into the cause of the incident were awaited. Despite the intensity of the fire, the timely response by emergency teams helped prevent casualties.

Rahul Challenges.....

"I challenge you to an open debate about this. Any stage, any time. Come if you have the guts. You won't dare, because you are terrified of what I know about you," he posted.

The Congress leader's remarks came in response to Modi's recent criticism of opposition parties during his visit to Gujarat on Saturday. The Prime Minister had accused certain forces within the country of attempting to create instability by spreading misinformation and rumours, particularly when India was facing external challenges.

Modi said that while the country was seeking solutions to external threats, some groups were allegedly working to divide society and weaken national stability through misleading narratives.

Taking a swipe at opposition parties, the Prime Minister described them as an "Avrodh Paksh" (obstructionist opposition) rather than a constructive "Virodh Paksh" (opposition).

He alleged that opposition leaders were obstructing the country's development due to political frustration after remaining out of power for more than a decade.

Modi further accused opposition parties of violating constitutional principles and attempting to undermine democratic institutions.

In an indirect reference to Rahul Gandhi's foreign visits, the Prime Minister questioned whom certain political leaders were meeting abroad and whether anti-India forces were extending support to them. "Who is secretly meeting whom abroad? Whom are the anti-India forces supporting? Who is speaking the language of India's enemies? We will have to recognise all these patterns," Modi said. The exchange has intensified the political confrontation between the ruling BJP and the Congress, with both sides trading allegations over foreign influence, national security, constitutional values and the role of the opposition.

While Gandhi has demanded a public debate to substantiate his counter-allegations, Modi has maintained that certain opposition forces are creating instability and obstructing national development.

Bomb Threat.....

"The court administration received a bomb threat through an email stating that a bomb has been placed in the court building. "After receiving the mail, the court premises were evacuated, the Bomb Detection & Disposal Squad (BDDS) has been summoned, and the search for any suspected object is on," he said.

In Hingoli in the Marathwada region, an email threatening to blow up the court building came to light after the court opened in the morning. The court authorities immediately informed the police, following which a police team, accompanied by the BDDS, rushed to the spot and launched a thorough search. A police official said the email might have been a hoax, adding that the Hingoli cybercrime unit has launched a probe to trace the email's source.

CRIME

Murder Plot Foiled in Uppal; Five Arrested

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Malkajgiri Police foiled an alleged conspiracy to murder a man identified as Arfaz and arrested five persons in connection with the case. The arrests were made during a joint operation by the LB Nagar SOT and Uppal Police. Police seized two country-made firearms, eight rounds of ammunition, three knives, two two-wheelers, an auto-rickshaw and four mobile phones. According to Police Commissioner Sumathi, the suspects were found behaving suspiciously near an open area close to the Musi River, behind Uppal Shilparamam, during patrol operations on November 2. Police intercepted five persons travelling in two two-wheelers and an auto-rickshaw. During the search, two country-made firearms, eight rounds of ammunition and three knives were recovered. Preliminary investigation revealed an alleged plot to murder Arfaz over previous personal enmity.

Police said the alleged conspiracy was linked to a series of earlier murders and retaliatory attacks. According to the preliminary investi-



gation, Dasari Surender alias Suri was accused of murdering his wife Shaba and later her brother Salman in 2024. In July 2026, Arfaz, another brother of Shaba, allegedly murdered Surender. After being arrested and subsequently released from prison, Arfaz reportedly became the target of a revenge plot allegedly planned by five associates of Surender.

Investigators found that Tanay Kumar alias Kanna and Sheikh Akbar had allegedly transferred Rs. 35,000 through PhonePe to Aditya Kumar Thakur. Aditya reportedly travelled to Saidpur Dabra in Bhagalpur district of Bihar, where he allegedly purchased two country-made firearms and six rounds of ammunition from an unidentified person for Rs. 30,000 and brought them to Hyderabad. Three knives were also allegedly procured as part of the plan.

The five arrested persons were identified as Tokata Tanay Kumar alias Kanna (26), a loan recovery agent from Uppal; Sheikh Akbar (26), an auto driver from Meerpet; Aditya Kumar Thakur (33), a security guard from Uppal; Dudani Lakshman Singh alias Sonu (27), a welding worker from Kothapet; and Vathya Venkatesh alias Nani (22), an auto driver from Almasguda.

Police stated that Lakshman Singh was a rowdy-sheeter at Chaitanyapuri Police Station and had around 30 previous criminal cases against him, including two murder cases. The seized property included two country-made firearms, eight rounds of ammunition (six KF 7.65 mm and two KF 8 mm), three knives, two Honda Activa scooters, one auto-rickshaw and four mobile phones.

Commissioner Sumathi warned that strict legal action would be taken against those possessing illegal weapons or conspiring to commit murder over personal disputes. She appealed to the public to inform the nearest police station about any information regarding unlawful activities.

Rs 1.33 crore embezzled from CAR welfare funds; two held

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A total of Rs 1.33 crore was allegedly embezzled from the City Armed Reserve (CAR) headquarters, leading to the arrest of two employees. Central Crime Station (CCS) police registered a case against junior assistants B Vinay Kumar and Mohsin Jalal for allegedly misappropriating funds from various welfare and service-related accounts by forging the signatures of authorised officers on unused cheque leaves from old cheque books. The case came to light after E Kalyani, an administrative officer at CAR headquarters, lodged a complaint with the CCS on October 28, following an internal inspection that revealed irregularities in education, sports, widow, dhobi, recreation, unit welfare, water charges and canteen accounts. According to the complaint, the accused allegedly presented forged cheques at the State Bank of India's Hussaini Alam branch and transferred the money into various individual accounts. Police have identified 35 suspicious cheques and NEFT trans-

Andhra chainsaw attacker undergoes surgery; bullet removed

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Hemanth, the accused in the chainsaw attack on two students at the Rathpadu Zilla Parishad High School in Andhra Pradesh, underwent surgery on Monday, November 2, during which a bullet was removed from his body.On Sunday, November 1, the AP police shot at and apprehended Hemanth after he allegedly tried to assault the personnel.According to local reports, police got a tip-off that 21-year-old Hemanth was hiding in a forest area in

Three Held for Telangana Man's Murder

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A woman and two men, with whom she was allegedly in a relationship, have been arrested on charges of murdering her husband in Telangana's Kamareddy district, police said on Sunday, November 1. The body of Chakali alias Gummadi Kasiram (26) was found in a lake on the outskirts of Hanmajipet village on the night of October 23. Following a complaint lodged by his father, police initially registered a case under Section 194 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) for suspicious death. However, the case was later altered to murder after the preliminary post-mortem report and other evidence indicated that Kasiram had been killed. Kamareddy Superintendent of Police M Rajesh Chandra formed a special team to investigate the case. Based on CCTV footage, technical data and local information, police arrested the three accused on October 30. During questioning, Kasiram's wife, Savitha (23), allegedly confessed to plotting the murder over her relationship with Chintakindi Ramu and Pasupula Santosh. According to police,

Telangana cybercrime losses fall to Rs 881 crore in 9 months

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Financial losses due to cybercrimes in Telangana declined by 20 per cent during the first nine months of 2026, according to the Telangana Cyber Security Bureau (TGCSB). TGCSB Director Shikha Goel said reported cybercrime-related financial losses fell from Rs 1,104.42 crore between January and September 2025 to Rs 881.72 crore during the corresponding period in 2026, marking a reduction of Rs 222.70 crore. Meanwhile, the amount placed under lien in suspected fraudsters' bank accounts increased by 42.2 per cent, rising from Rs 183.11 crore to Rs 260.30 crore, reflecting improved reporting and coordinated financial intervention. As part of its efforts to strengthen public awareness, the TGCSB launched a statewide campaign in October focusing on emerging cyber threats, fraud prevention and safe digital practices. Police organised awareness programmes in educational institutions, public spaces and com-

Hyderabad: Man arrested with 1.1 kg ganja in Balanagar

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Balanagar Excise officials seized 1.1 kg of ganja from a person during special inspections conducted across several areas as part of efforts to curb the illegal sale and possession of narcotic substances. According to excise officials, a team from the Balanagar Excise Station was conducting checks at various locations when they noticed a person behaving suspiciously. On questioning him, officials identified him as S. Srikanth, a resident of Bollaram. A search of his belongings led to the recovery of 1.1 kg of ganja. The officials immediately seized the contraband and took Srikanth into custody for further action. A case was registered against him at the Balanagar Excise Police Station under the relevant provisions of the law. Quthbullapur Excise Superintendent R. Praveen said the department had intensified efforts to prevent the circulation of ganja in the region, with special teams conducting inspections in different localities to identify individuals involved in the possession and sale of narcotic substances. He added that surveillance and vehicle checks would continue in vulnerable areas to prevent drug-related activities. Excise officials also urged residents to cooperate with the department and share credible information about the illegal sale, storage or transportation of ganja. They said strict action would be taken against those found involved in such activities and appealed to the public, particularly youngsters, to stay away from drugs and help create a drug-free society.The Excise Department is also focusing on strengthening its intelligence network and increasing field-level monitoring to identify drug supply channels and prevent the movement of narcotic substances. Officials said regular inspections, surprise checks and co-

EDITORIAL

PM MODI ANNOUNCES ₹2 LAKH AID FOR RAJASTHAN VICTIMS' FAMILIES

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday expressed grief over the deaths of eight labourers who were electrocuted while working on a road construction project in Chapoli village of Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu district. He also announced an ex gratia payment of Rs 2 lakh from the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund (PMNRF) for the next of kin of each deceased.PMO India took to X to express condolences to the bereaved families and wish a speedy recovery to those injured in the incident.Saddened by the loss of lives due to a mishap in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan. My condolences to the bereaved families. May the injured recover at the earliest. An ex-gratia of Rs. 2 lakh from PMNRF would be given to the next of kin of each of those who lost their lives. The injured would be given Rs. 50,000," he said.Meanwhile, eight laborers were killed, and several others sustained burn injuries after being electrocuted while working on a road construction project in Chapoli village of Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu district on Monday, police said.According to police, the incident occurred when a machine being used to mix gravel during road construction came into contact with an overhead high-tension electricity line. The electric current spread through the machinery, striking the labourers working at the site.

Udaipurwati Station House Officer (SHO) Rampal confirmed the incident and said the labourers were electrocuted after the machine came into contact with the high-voltage power line. Following the accident, the injured were taken for medical treatment.The incident triggered anger among local residents, who gathered at the site and staged a protest. Villagers expressed their outrage over the deaths and demanded accountability from those responsible for ensuring safety at the construction site. Police and other authorities reached the spot following the incident. Further details regarding the identities of the deceased, the condition of the injured and the circumstances leading to the accident are awaited.Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma expressed condolences and said, "The news of the untimely demise of labourers due to electrocution in the accident that occurred in Jhunjhunu is heartbreaking. Instructions have been issued to the concerned officials to ensure proper treatment for the injured, provide immediate all possible assistance to the affected families, and investigate the incident. I pray to God that the departed souls attain a place at His divine feet, the injured recover health soon, and the bereaved families find the strength to bear this immense sorrow.Former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said, "The tragic and heart-wrenching deaths of several labourers due to electrocution in Chhapoli, Udaipurwati, Jhunjhunu, are extremely sorrowful and poignant. A thorough investigation of this entire incident is essential to determine how this accident occurred during road construction and who is responsible for these deaths. One cannot help but feel anguished thinking about the unimaginable grief that must be passing over the families who have lost their loved ones in this mishap. The government must ensure that appropriate compensation and every possible assistance is provided to the families of the deceased. May God grant a place to the departed souls at His divine feet and bestow strength upon the bereaved families to endure this unbearable sorrow."ers were electrocuted after the machine came into contact with the high-voltage power line. Following the accident, the injured were taken for medical treatment.The incident triggered anger among local residents, who gathered at the site and for medical treatment.The incident triggered anger among local residents, who



EIPL Group Expands into South Hyderabad

with Treasure Trove and Orbis Residential Projects

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

EIPL Group is expanding its presence in South Hyderabad with two distinctive residential developments, Treasure Trove and Orbis, marking a significant step in its long-term growth strategy.Treasure Trove features exclusive private estates with plot sizes ranging from 800 to 1,000 square yards. With homes already constructed and getting ready for launch, the project focuses on premium private estate living.Orbis, spread across 10.5 acres in Tukkuguda near ORR Exit 14, is a low-density gated residential community comprising 900 homes. The project offers thoughtfully designed 3



BHK apartments starting at ₹85 lakh, focusing on spacious living, community-oriented planning and convenient connectivity.The expansion builds on EIPL's experience in West Hyderabad through projects such as Riveredge, Cornerstone, Skyila, La Paloma, Apila, Rivera, Flora, Floatilla and The Tamarind. The group has consistently focused on combining contemporary architecture, landscaping and open spaces to create planned residential environments.Speaking about the expansion, EIPL Group's Mr. Chaitanya Challa said South Hyderabad was emerging as one of the city's most promising residential corridors. He stated that the company was entering the region with a long-term vision, offering two different residential experiences to meet
diverse homebuyer aspirations.As part of its expansion, EIPL has established a dedicated regional office in Tukkuguda, approximately 5 km from ORR Exit 14 and close to both projects. The office will serve as an operational hub, enabling closer engagement with homebuyers, channel partners and other stakeholders.The company is promoting its expansion through the brand campaign "Now Roaring in South Hyderabad," highlighting its entry into a new growth market.With improving connectivity, infrastructure development and emerging residential neighbourhoods attracting attention to South Hyderabad, EIPL aims to strengthen its position through Treasure Trove and Orbis while extending its development experience beyond the western part of the city.

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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IS SADAN POLICE REFUND ₹72 LAKH TO CYBER VICTIMS

SHO B. SAI PRAKASH GOUD URGES PUBLIC TO AVOID SUSPICIOUS LINKS





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I.S. Sadan Police facilitated the refund of ₹72,07,838 to cyber fraud victims through the MRM Portal during October 2026, highlighting the station's efforts to protect citizens from online financial fraud. According to themonthly report, no cybercrime cases were reported within the police station limits during the month, while all 27 petitions received through the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal (NCRP) were closed.As per the directions of the Hyderabad Commissioner of Police and DCP, Charminar Zone, I.S. Sadan Police organised cybercrime awareness programmes to educate residents about online fraud, digital payment safety and precautionary measures.SHO B. Sai Prakash Goud appealed to citizens to exercise extreme caution while using smartphones, online banking and digital payment applications. He specifically warned people not to open suspicious links received through WhatsApp, SMS, emails or unknown sources, as fraudsters may use them to steal personal and banking information.He urged the public never to share OTPs, ATM PINs, UPI PINs, passwords or bank account details with anyone, including callers claiming to be bank officials, police personnel or government representatives. He also cautioned against fake customer-care numbers, fraudulent investment offers, lottery messages and calls threatening account suspension.The SHO advised residents to verify suspicious calls and messages before responding and to avoid downloading applications or sharing their screens at the request of unknown persons.He further urged victims of cyber fraud to report incidents immediately by calling the national cybercrime helpline 1930 or registering complaints at www.cybercrime.gov.in. Early reporting can help authorities take timely steps to prevent further financial losses.I.S. Sadan Police reiterated that public awareness and responsible digital practices are essential to preventing cybercrime and appealed to residents to remain alert and spread cyber safety awareness among family members and friends.PUBLIC APPEAL: Never share your OTP, PIN or password. Never click on unknown links. Think before you click!

ICICI Life Launches Guaranteed Indexed Pension Plan for Retirement Security

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ICICI Life Insurance Limited has launched the ICICI Life Guaranteed Indexed Pension Plan, a retirement income product designed to provide financial security and growth opportunities through a combination of guaranteed and variable annuity benefits.
The plan offers a fixed guaranteed income for life, ensuring financial stability during retirement. It also features a variable income component linked to the NIFTY 50 Total Return Index, allowing policyholders to participate in market-linked growth and potentially enhance their retirement income while addressing inflation concerns. The product also provides additional benefits, including joint-life coverage, return of purchase price and flexible options to manage retirement income according to individual financial needs.
Through this offering, ICICI Life aims to help customers secure a steady income after retirement while providing opportunities for income growth linked to market performance. The plan combines long-term income certainty with the potential to maintain purchasing power, supporting customers in achieving greater financial confidence during their retirement years.

Bandaru Dattatreya Unveils Kitchen Star Products at Silver Jubilee Event



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Former Governor Bandaru Dattatreya unveiled several new spice products of Hyderabad-based Kitchen Star during the company's grand Silver Jubilee celebrations marking 25 successful years in the industry. The event was held at the Contractor Club in Kondapur, Hyderabad.
Attending as the chief guest, Dattatreya appreciated the company's commitment to quality and said Indian traditional cuisine and spices enjoy growing popularity worldwide. He expressed confidence that Kitchen Star would expand its presence across India and establish itself as an internationally recognised brand.
Highlighting Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Make in India initiative, he said Hyderabad-manufactured products should gain global recognition.
He also emphasised the health benefits and unique flavours of Indian spices and encouraged consumers to support indigenous brands. He congratulated the management and employees on completing 25 successful years.
Kitchen Star founder Vivekananda expressed gratitude to millions of consumers for their continued trust and support.
He said the company had maintained its reputation by consistently delivering quality products and was introducing new varieties to meet changing consumer preferences. He also announced plans to accelerate the company's expansion across the country.

PCI President Urges Responsible Antibiotic Use at Hyderabad AMR Campaign

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Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) President Dr. Montu Kumar M. Patel has called upon pharmacists and pharmacy students to play a leading role in combating Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), stressing the need to prevent antibiotic misuse, self-medication and the sale of antibiotics without valid prescriptions.
Dr. Patel made the appeal while inaugurating the Telangana State-Level Mega Awareness Campaign on Antimicrobial Resistance at Sultan-ul-Uloom College of Pharmacy (SUCP), Banjara Hills, Hyderabad. He flagged off a massive awareness rally, marking the beginning of the campaign organised under the theme "Swasth Bharat – Combating Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)" and the tagline "Responsible Use • Safer Tomorrow."



The campaign was organised by the Pharmacy Council of India in association with SUCP as part of World Pharmacists' Day and National Pharmacy Week 2026. Before flagging off the rally, Dr. Patel interacted with students and encouraged them to spread awareness about the responsible use of antibiotics.
Addressing the gathering at Ghulam Ahmed Hall, Dr. Patel expressed serious concern over the dispensing of antibiotics and narcotic drugs without valid prescriptions. He emphasised that registered pharmacists must personally supervise pharmacy operations and ensure medicines are dispensed strictly according to prescriptions and recommended dosages.
He also highlighted PCI's efforts to strengthen pharmacy education through curriculum reforms, practical training, industry partnerships, Artificial Intelligence and improved patient counselling.
The inaugural programme began with the traditional lighting of the lamp. Dr. Anupama Koneru, Principal of Sultan-ul-Uloom College of Pharmacy, welcomed the dignitaries and highlighted the important role of pharmacists in addressing emerging public health challenges.
Zafar Javeed, Honorary Secretary of Sultan-ul-Uloom Educational Society, thanked PCI for selecting SUCP to host the prestigious state-level campaign and reiterated the Society's commitment to academic excellence and community healthcare.
Prof. T. Kishen Kumar Reddy, Vice-Chancellor of Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Hyderabad (JNTUH), stressed the importance of research, innovation and quality education. He called for stronger efforts to discourage self-medi-

Skill India Centre, ITI clusters cleared for Assam under PM-SETU scheme

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The Centre and the Assam Government on Monday exchanged a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for setting up a Skill India International Centre as part of the strategic partnership under the PM-SETU initiative.
The announcement was made at a programme organised here by the Union Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) on 'Skilling for International Mobility & PM-SETU', with a special focus on the tourism and hospitality sector.
Letters of Intent (LoIs) were also signed for two ITI clusters in Jorhat and Tinsukhia, supported by Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) and Oil India Limited (OIL), respectively, under the PM-SETU scheme. This marks a significant milestone in strengthening industry participation and fostering industry-led transformation of the vocational education and training ecosystem in the region.
The programme also deliberated on international mobility and WorldSkills as avenues for expanding opportunities for young people from the North-Eastern Region.
Delivering the keynote address, Jayant Chaudhary, Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, highlighted the importance of aligning India's skilling architecture with the changing requirements of industry and the global economy.
He emphasised that initiatives such as PM-SETU are aimed at bringing industry closer to skill development and training, ensuring that ITIs evolve into modern, demand-driven institutions capable of preparing young people for emerging opportunities.
"Through PM-SETU, we are working towards transforming our ITIs into modern, industry-responsive institutions that equip young people with skills relevant to the future of work. The North-Eastern Region has enormous potential, particularly in tourism and hospitality, and our endeavour is to ensure that its youth are not only prepared for opportunities.

Kareena Kapoor expresses happiness over 'Koffee with Karan' coming to an end

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The latest episode of the ninth and final season of 'Koffee With Karan' will have none other than Bollywood couple Kareena Kapoor Khan and Saif Ali Khan as guests. During what seemed to be a fun episode, Kareena revealed that she feels 'happy & relieved' as she doesn't have to come on 'Koffee With Karan' from now on.

The makers unveiled the latest promo of 'Koffee With Karan season 9' on Monday, in which host and filmmaker Karan Johar mentioned that this is going to be the last season of the show as he welcomed Bebo and Saif.Reacting to this, a visibly amused Kareena said, "Quite happy and relieved. Because now we don't have to keep coming on Koffee With Karan." Karan then thanks Bebo for her sensitivity.Saif admits



that he feels he is 'slightly miscast' on the show.If the promo is any hint, the show will have several such moments with Kareena and Saif tapping into their quirky side.

As Karan asks Kareena who, according to her, is Bollywood's No. 1 female star at the moment, she replied, "The one sitting opposite you," without giving it any thought. Jumping in on the conversation, Saif added, "You're allowed to praise other people."In another fun moment, Karan begins a statement with, "Nepo babies go mainstream globally…" Before he could complete the sentence, Saif presses the buzzer and adds, "Because of you", taking a playful dig at KJo.

It must be noted that Kareena has been on 'Koffee with Karan' many times; however, she will be coming to the show with Saif for the second time.The couple first appeared together on the show during Season 3 in 2010, back when they were dating. These two will be making a comeback on the 'Koffee With Karan' couch after The promo has already generated excitement among fans, particularly because Kareena and Saif are known for their candid conversations and playful exchanges on the show.

Their return to the famous Koffee couch after 16 years is expected to bring back memories of their earlier appearance, while also offering a glimpse into how their relationship and careers have evolved over the years.

The episode is also expected to feature discussions about Bollywood's changing landscape, celebrity families, nepotism and the challenges of maintaining a balance between professional commitments and family life. Karan Johar's announcement about the ninth season being the show's final instalment has added an emotional touch to the episode, as 'Koffee With Karan' has remained one of Bollywood's most talked-about celebrity chat shows for years, known for its entertaining revelations.

Right to protest only for Indians: Bombay HC tells Imran Khan

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The Bombay High Court on Monday lambasted actor Imran Khan, a US citizen, for participating in a protest over the CEC-SIR issue, and said the fundamental right to protest is available only to Indian citizens, prompting him to tender an unconditional apology.A bench of Chief Justice Mahesh Chandra Tripathi and Justice Advait Sethna said the magnanimity of India is such that a US citizen holding an Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card is first issued a notice, asking him to leave the country, instead of deporting him forthwith.Khan's counsel Venkatesh Dhond immediately tendered an undertaking that the actor would not participate in any protest in the future and also submitted an unconditional apology.

The bench then posted Khan's plea challenging the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) notice, asking him to leave the country by October 28 for participating in a protest against Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar over the SIR issue in Mumbai last month, for further hearing on December 7.The high court extended its earlier order keeping the notice in abeyance until then.The court observed that while India respects democratic values and freedom of expression, foreign nationals residing in the country under OCI status are required to comply with the conditions governing their stay. It emphasised that an OCI card does not confer the same political and constitutional rights enjoyed by Indian citizens, particularly the right to participate in political protests. The proceedings arose after Khan challenged the FRRO notice, arguing against the direction to leave India following his participation in the demonstration. The bench took note of the undertaking and unconditional apology submitted on his behalf and continued the interim protection granted earlier. The matter is scheduled for further hearing on December 7, when the court will examine the legal issues surrounding the FRRO notice and the actor's OCI status. The case has brought renewed attention to the distinction between the rights of Indian citizens and those of Overseas Citizens of India, particularly concerning participation in political activities and public demonstrations.

Telangana's Diana Grace Wins Gold and Two Bronze Medals at CBSE Nationals 2026

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Telangana gymnast Chilkamukku Diana Grace, a Class XI student of Cornerstone School, has brought laurels to the state and her institution by winning one gold and two bronze medals at the CBSE National Gymnastics Championship 2026, held at SNBP International School, Rahatani, Sinhgad Sports Complex, Pune, from October 26 to 31.

Diana secured first place in the Under-19 Individual Beam event with an impressive score of 9.45, defeating Aarohi Koundal of Assam (9.15) and Keya Prashanth of Maharashtra (9.10). She also won bronze medals in the Uneven Bars event with a score of 7.25 and the All-Around Championship with 34.05 points.

This remarkable achievement marks Diana's fifth consecutive appearance as a national-level medalist in gymnastics, reflecting her dedication, discipline and commitment to the sport.

Expressing her happiness, Diana said gymnastics had taught her perseverance, hard work and determination. She aims to continue representing her school with pride and achieve greater milestones in the sport.

She expressed heartfelt gratitude to God, her parents, coach Sri Sai, and the coaching team for their constant encouragement and guidance. She also thanked Director Sharmila, Chairman Solomon, Principal Shilpa and the entire school management for their continued support throughout her journey.

Diana's outstanding performance has brought recognition to Telangana and Cornerstone School, inspiring young aspiring gymnasts to pursue excellence in sports.

Seifert, Milne Power NZ to 7-Wicket Win; India Clinch T20I Series 3-2

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Tim Seifert produced a sensational 93 as New Zealand defeated India by seven wickets in the fifth and final T20 International in Hamilton on Sunday, November 1, chasing down a target of 192 with seven wickets and overs to spare. Seifert smashed 11 fours and five sixes in his 50-ball innings, joining forces with Glenn Phillips, who remained unbeaten on 65 off 38 balls, to guide the hosts to 195 for three. The pair shared an 86-run partnership for the third wicket after Daryl Mitchell contributed 29 off 16 deliveries.

Earlier, India posted 191 for eight, powered by half-centuries from Shreyas Iyer and Ishan Kishan. Despite the defeat, India clinched the five-match series 3-2.

New Zealand's chase began with the early dismissal of Finn Allen off Arshdeep Singh, but Seifert and Mitchell added 73 runs for the second wicket. Mitchell attacked the Indian bowlers, hitting consecutive sixes off Prince Yadav and another maximum against Varun Chakravarthy before being dismissed, with Abhishek Sharma taking a fine catch near long-on.

Seifert, who had struggled initially, recovered from a slow start and accelerated brilliantly to bring up his half-century in 34 balls.

He made India pay for a dropped catch on 13, with Naman Dhir missing an opportunity near the boundary. The New Zealand opener later launched a fierce attack on the Indian bowlers, particularly targeting Bhuvneshwar Kumar with a sequence of boundaries and sixes, including a massive 108-metre hit. The 13th over, bowled by Chakravarthy, yielded 18 runs as Seifert and Phillips continued their assault. Indian bowlers struggled to maintain consistent line and length on a pitch offering some bounce, allowing the New Zealand batters to dominate the chase.

Seifert narrowly missed his maiden T20 International century when an unfortunate inside edge off Nitish Kumar Reddy ended his impressive innings. Phillips remained unbeaten to complete the victory, giving New Zealand a consolation win in the final match, while India finished the series with a 3-2 advantage.The victory provided New Zealand with a positive finish to the series after India had already secured an unassailable lead in the five-match contest. For India, the defeat highlighted areas that need attention, particularly bowling consistency and fielding, ahead of their upcoming international assignments. The Indian team management will also assess the performances of individual players and the effectiveness of different bowling combinations. Seifert's match-winning knock and Phillips' composed innings stood out as the major highlights of the contest, while India's batting performances in the earlier matches helped them secure the series despite losing the final encounter.New Zealand's commanding performance also reflected the depth of their batting line-up, with Seifert and Phillips taking full advantage of the conditions and putting the Indian bowling attack under sustained pressure.

The hosts maintained an impressive scoring rate throughout the chase, ensuring there was little opportunity for India to make a comeback. For the Indian side, the series provided valuable opportunities to test combinations and give players exposure under different match situations.

Despite the final-match setback, India's 3-2 series triumph remained a significant achievement, with several players delivering important contributions across the five matches. The focus will now shift towards strengthening the team's overall balance, improving fielding standards and maintaining consistency in the shortest format.

Shah's Rally Proves Telangana Rejects Rahul's 'Politics of Anarchy': Ramchander Rao

"Go and show it your Abbu Jaan in Delhi," Rao told Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy in a post, according to PTI.

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Telangana BJP president N. Ramchander Rao on Monday claimed that the turnout for Union home minister Amit Shah's 'Save Democracy' padayatra in the city had sent a clear message to Congress leader Rahul Gandhi that the state rejected the "politics of anarchy". In a series of posts on X, Rao asked if the Congress and its leader Rahul Gandhi had the courage to accept Shah's challenge for a debate in Parliament on the special intensive revision (SIR) of the electoral roll, electronic voting machines and other key issues, PTI reported.

Taking a swipe at the Congress, Rao said the grand old party could not even fill half of Ramlila Maidan in Delhi during the I.N.D.I.A. bloc protest held on Sunday, despite a month-long campaign and mobilisation of people from all states. In contrast, the Telangana BJP had drawn lakhs of people for Shah's 'Save Democracy, Remove Anarchy' march here, he claimed.

He alleged that while the BJP stood with the people, the Congress aligned with anti-India forces and followed their diktats.

"Telangana has sent Rahul Gandhi a clear message: Complete rejection of Congress and its politics of anarchy! India will NEVER forgive your anarchy! (sic)," Rao said in a post on X. The people's turnout in large numbers for Shah's rally demonstrated the strength of "nationalists," he said. "Go and show it your Abbu Jaan in Delhi," Rao told Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy in a post, according to PTI.

Thanking the people of Hyderabad for their participation, he said the images of the rally showed that "people are fed up with Congress and its cockroaches, and stand firmly with India, our Constitution and our democracy".

Rao described Amit Shah as the "Iron Man of New India" and credited him with achievements such as "crushing Naxalism", abrogation of Article 370, and zero terror attacks in India.

He said the Union home minister's powerful address at the padayatra, with a clarion call for a BJP government in Telangana next, has infused new energy into him and the entire state BJP family. He expressed his gratitude to Shah for the visit to the city.

HM Shah offers prayers at Bhagyalakshmi temple

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday offered prayers at the Bhagyalakshmi temple, located adjacent to the historic Charminar here.

Soon after he arrived in the city to lead a 'Maha Padyatra' organised by the BJP, he visited the temple in the old city and offered prayers. He was accompanied by Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy and state BJP president N. Ramchander Rao.

Earlier, Amit Shah was accorded a warm welcome on his arrival at Begumpet Airport in the city. Kishan Reddy, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Bandi Sanjay Kumar, Ramchander Rao, BJP MPs and other party leaders welcomed him.

Amit Shah is in Hyderabad to lead 'Maha Padyatra' organised by the BJP as part of its nationwide campaign 'Save democracy, remove anarchy'.

The foot march from Babu Jagjivan Ram Statue at Basheerbagh to Moazzam Jahi Market is being organised to counter the anti-SIR campaign launched by the INDIA bloc.

The Union Home Minister will also address a corner meeting at Moazzam Jahi Market. He is expected to respond to the INDIA bloc's attack against the BJP in the rally organised at Ramlila Maidan in Delhi on Sunday.

BJP leaders have appealed to people to come together in solidarity and participate in the march to save democracy and safeguard constitutional institutions. Meanwhile, Telangana BJP president Ramchander Rao posted on 'X' that they offered special pooja at Bhagyalaksmi Temple for strength to fight deshdrohi forces attempting to create anarchy in our country.

Rakesh Jaiswal Leads BJP Rally from Jambagh to Mouzamjahi Market

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BJP former corporator and Jambagh Division leader Rakesh Jaiswal led a rally of BJP leaders and party workers from Jambagh to Mouzamjahi Market in Hyderabad to participate in the Maha Padyatra organised in connection with the programme led by Union Minister for Home Affairs and Cooperation Amit Shah.

Several senior BJP leaders, including Mahesh Yadav, Balaji Thakur, Narsingh Thakur, Venkat Reddy and Baburaja, joined the rally along with other party leaders and a large number of karyakartas. The participants marched together from Jambagh to Mouzamjahi Market, demonstrating their participation in the party programme.

Rakesh Jaiswal coordinated the participation of Jambagh Division BJP workers in the Maha Padyatra, which was attended by Amit Shah and senior Telangana BJP leaders.

Road Work on Toli Mosque Waqf Land Draws Protest

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Road construction on Waqf land belonging to Toli Mosque in Karwan has raised concerns, with activists alleging that the property has faced encroachment for the past 25 years. They alleged that a cement concrete (CC) road was being laid without following due process for land acquisition and providing compensation to the Waqf Board. The road is intended to improve connectivity between Puranapul and Langar Houz.

A drainage pipeline has been laid over more than four acres of the 27.30 acres of Waqf land and graveyard belonging to Toli Mosque over the past several months. The GHMC is now constructing a CC road on the land without any settlement or clearance, activists alleged. Osman bin Alhajri, president of the Deccan Waqf Protection Society, said the GHMC had attempted to lay a road across 15,000 square yards of land in 2013.

He said he had submitted a representation to then Chief Minister Kiran Kumar Reddy, seeking compliance with legal procedures and compensation. He had also filed a case before the Waqf Tribunal. Alhajri said the work was stopped after the GHMC gave an undertaking before the court that it would not proceed with it. However, construction resumed in 2022, he said.

He added that they had asked the authorities to follow due process.

He also alleged that the graveyard attached to the mosque was being encroached upon. In a recent letter to the GHMC Commissioner, Waqf Board Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mohammed Asadullah referred to a case filed by Osman bin Al Hajri and a petition pending before the High Court in 2022. The CEO said the Waqf Board had repeatedly written to GHMC officials, asking them to follow the law and initiate land acquisition proceedings under the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.



AIMIM Karwan MLA Kausar Mohiuddin handed over Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) Letters of Consent for medical treatment to six beneficiaries at the AIMIM party office in Mehraj Colony.

TGO Unveils Poster for 2026 Bathukamma Celebrations



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The Hyderabad district Telangana Gazetted Officers (TGO) Association unveiled the poster for the 2026 Bathukamma celebrations to be organised under the aegis of the TGO Central Association.

M. B. Krishna Yadav, president of the Hyderabad District TGO Association, formally unveiled the poster under the leadership of Bandi Srinivas, state president of the TGO Engineers Forum and the Association of Telangana Assistant Executive Engineers.

Women engineers, including Siddharth, Archana, Shailaja, Sirisha, Supriya, Deepika and Vedavathi, participated in the programme.

Speaking on the occasion, M. B. Krishna Yadav called upon women engineers to participate in large numbers and make the celebrations a grand success.

The Bathukamma celebrations will be held tomorrow at 3 p.m. at TGO Bhavan in Nampally, Hyderabad.

Gopal Singh Leads Massive Rally in Support of Amit Shah's Maha Padyatra

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Satya Sundaram Helping Hands Foundation Chairman Gopal Singh led a massive rally involving hundreds of supporters in solidarity with Union Home Minister Amit Shah's Maha Padyatra in Hyderabad.

The rally began at Nampally Care Hospital and proceeded towards the public meeting venue at Troop Bazaar, where Amit Shah was scheduled to address the gathering. Gopal Singh, accompanied by hundreds of foundation members and supporters, expressed solidarity with the BJP's Maha Padyatra.

Speaking on the occasion, Gopal Singh said India was progressing towards becoming a global leader in various sectors under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He stated that the welfare and development initiatives introduced by the Modi government were receiving widespread appreciation across the world.

He further said that the Centre's policies were contributing to poverty alleviation and accelerating development across the country. He asserted that the BJP-led government had brought development to different parts of India and that several welfare schemes had become a blessing for people belonging to all sections of society.

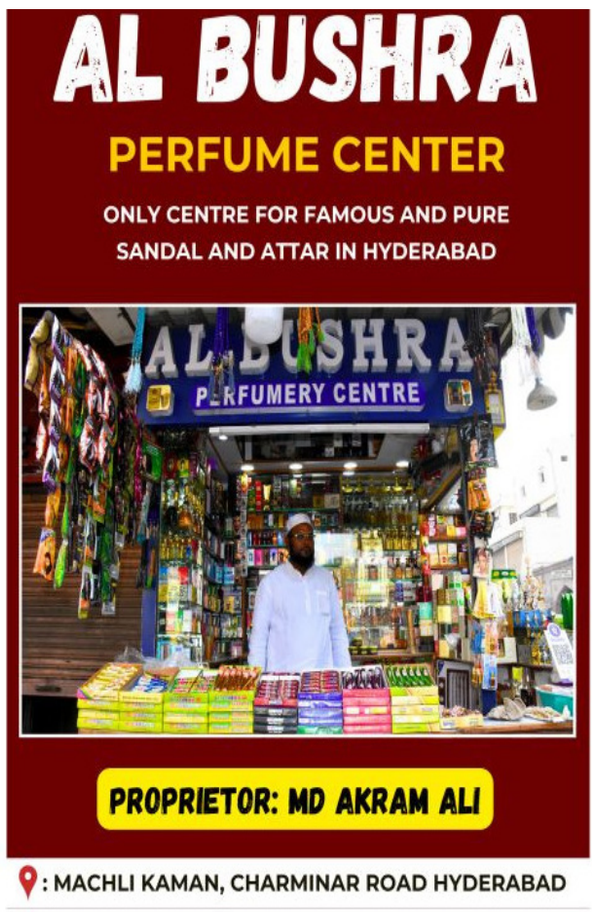
Former MLA Prem Singh Rathore felicitated Gopal Singh with a shawl and congratulated him for mobilising hundreds of supporters and extending strong solidarity to Amit Shah's Maha Padyatra.

Osmania T-JUDA Temporarily Calls Off Strike, Gives Government 10 Days

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The Osmania General Hospital of T-JUDA has temporarily called off its strike after the health minister and senior officials assured it that deficiencies affecting patient care and medical education would be addressed within 10 days. The association said it would monitor the implementation of the assurances and expect measurable improvements within the stipulated period. The strike was organised to highlight deficiencies in hospital infrastructure, essential medical supplies, diagnostic facilities and equipment, along with problems affecting the academic environment for undergraduate medical students and postgraduate residents.

Osmania T-JUDA said the issues had a direct bearing on patient care and the quality of medical education. Following discussions with the authorities, the association decided to give the government 10 days to demonstrate improvements on the ground. The association clarified that the decision was only a temporary suspension of the strike and not a withdrawal of its demands. It said it would remain vigilant and assess the progress made during the period.



HYDRAA Steps Up Lake Cleaning, Clears Inlets to Improve Rainwater Flow

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HYDRAA said it had intensified lake cleaning and desilting works to ensure that rainwater flowed into lakes without obstruction to reduce the risk of flooding. The agency was deploying its Disaster Response Force (DRF) teams to clear waste, remove silt from channels and check the condition of lake inlets and outlets. The teams were also removing water hyacinth, weeds and thorny bushes around lakes to improve cleanliness and access, according to a statement.

The agency said it was prioritising lakes where Bathukamma celebrations would be held. The DRF teams were cleaning Lingam Cheruvu and Doolapally cheruvu in Quthbullapur, Gopi Cheruvu in Lingampally, Gurnath Cheruvu, Pale Cheruvu and Maisamma Kunta in Miyapur, Bathukamma Kunta and Mansoorabad Lake in Hayathnagar, and Saroornagar Lake. HYDRAA said it was also clearing inlets that carry rainwater into lakes and ensuring outlets allow water to flow freely.

The agency is taking up desilting work along the Kukatpally nala, where around 40 truckloads of waste have already been removed. Silt has been cleared along nearly three kilometres of the channel to prevent obstructions to water flow.

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