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Brief Insights

4 Dead in Rajasthan Trench Collapse

Four labourers died and three got injured after soil caved in during pipeline excavation work in Rajasthan's Bharatpur on Sunday morning, police said. According to the police, some labourers were filling a 10 feet deep trench dug to lay a pipeline near Jangi ka Nagla village when the soil caved in and the labourers got trapped underneath. Upon hearing the cries, other workers and project staff started rescue attempts, but the depth and heaviness of the soil made immediate efforts difficult, they said. District administration, police and disaster management teams reached the site soon after being alerted. The rescue teams used earthmoving machines to remove soil and retrieve the trapped labourers. They managed to pull out seven labourers, four of whom -- Anukul (22), Vimla Devi (45), Vinod Devi (55) and Yogesh Kumari (25) -- died. One injured was given primary treatment and two are admitted at the district hospital. There were 12 labourers working at the site. When the soil caved in, some managed to quickly come out while seven were trapped.

TD to Have Own Party Offices in Every District and Constituency



Telugu Desam general secretary and education minister Nara Lokesh has underscored the need for erecting their own buildings for the party in every district and constituency. Addressing a meeting on the Suparipalana Tholi Adugu at the party's central office on Sunday, Lokesh also said it was time to ensure women's large-level participation in the party's functioning, through new leadership roles, thereby promoting inclusivity and engagement. The minister urged all party members to actively involve themselves in the TD's door-to-door campaign. He said the success of the Suparipalana

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Shah Cautions Telangana on Regrouping by Naxals

PM Modi aims to end Maoism, terrorism by March 2026, Amit Shah said.

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Union home minister Amit Shah on Sunday cautioned against the outlawed Maoists regrouping and making Telangana their hub, given the lenience of the Congress and its government in the state. He took strong exception to Congress' demand for talks with the outlawed Maoists and suspending of Operation Kagar on the state's borders with Chhattisgarh. "Talk to the kin of personnel of the security forces, police and tribal families killed by the Naxalites first," he said. Shah reiterated that Prime Minister Narendra Modi was firm on eliminating Maoists by March 31, 2026. He said the Modi government had decided to eliminate terrorism and naxalism from the country. Shah was speaking at a



Kisan Sammelan at the Government Polytechnic College ground, after inaugurating the National Turmeric Board in Nizamabad. He reached the town from Hyderabad in a BSF helicopter. The Union home minister asked the audience whether or not they would like Maoists to be eliminated, and all of the responded in his support. Shah said that Maoists had killed around 40,000 people. Around 10,000 Maoists had surrendered before police and remain-

ing should also give up and lead a normal life, he said. Shah said that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy should not support Maoists nor provide them shelter in Telangana. Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave a fitting lesson to Pakistan after its three terrorist attacks including the Pahalgam incident. The Army attacked the headquarters of terrorists and gave confidence to the people, he said. The home minister said Prime Minister Modi had given top priority for the safety

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PM Plays Anti-Emergency Remarks in Mann Ki Baat

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Playing on the remarks of iconic anti-Emergency politicians in his monthly radio broadcast, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday slammed the then Congress government for atrocities on people and said those who fought Emergency should always be remembered "to keep our Constitution strong and enduring". Speaking in his monthly radio broadcast "Mann ki Baat", Mr Modi said that those who imposed the Emergency not only "murdered" the Constitution but also made the ju-



diciary their "puppet". Without naming the Congress or the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, he condemned the Emergency-era excesses. The assertions come in the backdrop of an ongoing bitter war of words between the ruling BJP and the Opposition parties, which have claimed that an "undeclared emergency" prevails under the Modi government. Condemning the imposi-

tion of the Emergency in 1975 by the then PM Indira Gandhi, Mr Modi noted that with the power of public participation, big crises can be confronted. "I will play an audio for you... In this audio you will get an idea of the magnitude of that crisis. How grave that crisis was," he said. In the first audio clip played, Morarji Desai, who became the Prime Minister after the Emergency, said the "oppression" of the Indira Gandhi regime was going on for several years but reached its peak in the last two years after the Emergency was imposed. CONT:P4

Maharashtra Cancels 3-Language Policy Resolution Amid Hindi Imposition Charge



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The Maharashtra government has cancelled two resolutions on the three-language policy for schools, at a time political parties have strongly criticised the government's attempt at "Hindi imposition" in the state. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has announced that a panel will deliberate on the policy's future. After a state Cabinet meeting, Mr Fadnavis announced, "We have decided that a committee will be formed under the leadership of educationist Dr Narendra Jadhav to determine from which standard the languages should be implemented, how the implementation should take place, and what choices should be given to students. Based on the report submitted by this

committee, the state government will make a final decision on the implementation of the three-language policy. Until then, both the Government Resolutions issued on April 16 and June 17 have been cancelled. "The June 17 GR stated that Hindi "generally" the third language, and not mandatory, for Classes 1 to 5 in English and Marathi medium schools. It came after the Fadnavis government had issued a GR on April 16, making Hindi a compulsory third language for students in classes 1 to 5 studying in English and Marathi medium schools. The second GR reopened the 'Hindi imposition' row, which refers to claims by non-Hindi-speaking states - that Hindi is being forced on non-native speakers to the detriment of their languages.

Lonavala's Ekvira Aai Temple to Enforce Dress Code from July 7

The trust managing the Ekvira Aai Temple at Lonavala in Maharashtra will enforce a dress code for devotees from July 7, banning Western attire and revealing clothing. As per a release from the office of MP Suresh Mhatre, who is the chief trustee of the Karla Ekvira Aai Trust, a resolution was passed regarding the dress code during a meeting of the temple's board of trustees on Friday. The Ekvira Aai Temple near the Karla Caves in Lonavala sees a heavy footfall of devotees and tourists. "Ekvira Aai Temple in Karla is a place of devotion for lakhs of people, especially from the Agri and Koli communities. However, the sanctity of the temple is being compromised by devotees arriving in revealing and inappropriate clothes," the release quoted Mhatre as saying. He said the board of trustees has taken a unanimous decision to implement a dress code to address this issue, which will come into effect from July 7. The new rules explicitly prohibit shorts, mini skirts.

TN CM Seeks Centre's Help After 8 Fishermen Held by Sri Lanka

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Eight fishermen from Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, were apprehended by Sri Lankan authorities on June 29, 2025, sparking concern over repeated arrests in the region. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin, in a letter to External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar on Sunday, urged urgent intervention to secure the safe repatriation of the fishermen



and their seized mechanised fishing boat. Stalin highlighted the recurring issue, noting its serious impact on the livelihood and mental well-being of fishing communities. "These incidents result in loss of boats, prolonged

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Railways to Prepare Charts 8 Hours Early, Boost PRS Booking Speed

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In a significant move aimed at enhancing passenger convenience, Indian Railways will now prepare reservation charts eight hours before a train's departure, instead of the current four-hour window. The decision was approved by Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, who also reviewed

the ongoing upgrade of the Passenger Reservation System (PRS). The shift to earlier chart preparation is intended to reduce uncertainty for waitlisted passengers, particularly those traveling from remote areas or suburbs to board long-distance trains. For trains departing before 2 PM, the chart will now be finalized at 9 PM on the previous

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Cloudburst in Uttarakhand Kills 2, Triggers Landslides as Monsoon Hits Nation Early

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A cloudburst in Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand early Sunday led to the death of two construction workers, with seven others missing, as intense monsoon rains covered the entire country nearly a week

earlier than usual, triggering floods, landslides, and disruption across several northern and northeastern states. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a 'red alert' for extremely heavy rainfall on June 29 and 30 across multiple districts of Uttarak-

hand, including Uttarkashi, Rudrapur, Dehradun, Tehri, Pauri, Haridwar, and Nainital. Authorities have temporarily halted the Chardham Yatra to ensure the safety of pilgrims. In Utrkashi, a landslide—caused by the cloudburst—washed away worker shelters along the Yamuno-

tri National Highway, where 29 labourers were stationed for hotel construction. Twenty were rescued, while nine went missing. The bodies of two workers were later recovered from the Yamuna River banks near Tiladi Shaheed Smarak, around 18 km

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Kolkata Gangrape Case Splits TMC Wide Open

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The student's gangrape by a young Trinamul Congress leader and his aides at South Calcutta Law College has triggered a storm within the ruling party of West Bengal, thanks to its elected representatives' tirade against the victim, their fellows and party lines. On Sunday, Kamarhati MLA Madan Mitra questioned the 24-year-old student's purpose to visit her academic institution on the fateful day. This was the



second time in a span of 24 hours when he stumped his party that already disapproved of his similar comments in a statement. Referring to the victim, the former state minister said this time, "You knew

them. You were also aware of none present at the college. You were offered the general secretary's post in the girls' section. Why did you go alone there to get the post? Why didn't you take your friends or parents with you or didn't inform our party workers for your visit?" He argued, "The college was empty. The perpetrators took advantage of the situation." State TMC president and Rajya Sabha MP Subrata Bakshi immediately issued a show cause notice to Mr Mitra "for violating

party discipline" and sought his explanation within three days. In the notice, Mr Bakshi stated that Mr Mitra's "unsolicited, unnecessary and unsympathetic comments on June 28 have tarnished our party's image and go against the party's firm stand." On the other hand, Serampore MP Kalyan Banerjee declared his "hate" for his fellow parliamentarian from Krishnanagar Mahua Moitra over her dig at him for wondering "if rape can happen between two friends."

India Plans Rare Earth Magnet Deal With China

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Sensing the shortage of rare earth magnets, India is mulling a crucial 'deal' with the China government as it has short-listed some domestic auto industry representatives to send to China for expediting the import of rare earth magnets. India is still in touch with China's commerce ministry on the issue of rare earth magnet supply, as Beijing has imposed restrictions on their

exports in April, an Industry source privy to development said on Sunday. Rare earth magnets, primarily neodymium-iron-boron (NdFeB) and samarium-cobalt (SmCo) magnets, are used in a wide range of applications, mostly in electric motors, including those for electric vehicles (Evs), wind turbines, and various power tools. Also, these rare earth magnets are integral to permanent magnet synchronous motors used in

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DCC Hyderabad President Waliullah Sameer celebrates his birthday at his residence in Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, with a cake-cutting ceremony attended by party leaders and close friends, who marked the occasion with shawls, garlands, and warm wishes.

Dr. RS Praveen Kumar Blames Congress for Phone Tapping Row

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Senior BRS leader Dr. RS Praveen Kumar accused the Congress-led Telangana government of orchestrating a smear campaign through selective leaks and false narratives related to phone tapping. He alleged that confidential intelligence is being deliberately leaked by the Chief Minister's own team to defame BRS leaders and mislead the public. Calling it a dangerous



tactic, Dr. Praveen warned that such leaks could severely affect internal security and law and order across Telangana. "Revanth Reddy is adopting a strategy of distortion, diversion, and distraction to shift focus from governance failures," he said. He further cautioned that

intelligence leaks are being weaponized to stir emotional public sentiments and even incite physical attacks. He urged the media to refrain from becoming a platform for character assassination and appealed for responsible journalism. Clarifying the legal framework, Dr. Praveen emphasized that phone tapping cannot be authorized by a Chief Minister alone and requires clearance from senior officials through due legal process.

Builders Delay Handover to RWAs Despite RERA Mandate, Hyderabad Residents Suffer

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In Hyderabad, several residential housing projects are witnessing prolonged delays in the handover of control from builders to Residents Welfare Associations (RWAs), raising concerns over compliance with the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act (RERA), 2016. Despite residents moving in and fulfilling their obligations, many developers continue to maintain control over essential services and common amenities, thereby violating the spirit of the law. As per RERA guidelines, developers are obligated to initiate the process of forming an RWA within three months from the time a majority of flats in a project are booked. Additionally, until the RWA is formed and officially takes charge, builders are



responsible for maintaining essential services such as water supply, power backup, lifts, and sanitation. However, this legal framework is often disregarded. In several instances, RWAs are formed only on paper with no actual transfer of powers, assets, or decision-making authority. This delay prevents homeowners from independently managing maintenance, budgeting, and improvements in their gated communities. In turn, residents remain dependent on the developer, who continues to

manage operations and, in many cases, retains commercial control over clubhouses, retail outlets, and other revenue-generating facilities. "This kind of delay is more frequent with smaller and emerging developers," said Nandi Rami Reddy, founder and CEO of Realtor Oxygen, a real estate consultancy. "They often intentionally postpone the handover to retain control over amenities and generate additional income from common facilities." He added that while many reputed builders do take initiative to form

RWAs, loopholes in enforcement allow others to delay the actual transfer of management responsibilities. The implications for residents are severe. Without a fully empowered RWA, community decisions regarding infrastructure upgrades, security, maintenance charges, or emergency repairs remain stalled or under unilateral control of the builder. In some cases, developers continue to collect maintenance fees while evading accountability. One such instance was recently brought before the Telangana RERA Authority. A villa owner filed a complaint alleging that a builder collected ₹3.41 lakh in corpus and maintenance fees back in 2022 but failed to register the promised housing society or hand over control. Despite multiple meetings and assurances,

the association remained unregistered and the builder continued demanding additional payments. After reviewing the complaint, RERA issued a directive to the developer and its partners, instructing them to register the association of allottees within 45 days and comply with relevant provisions of the Act. The case highlights both the growing frustration among homeowners and the importance of RERA's enforcement mechanisms in protecting consumer rights. Many affected RWAs are now urging the state's real estate regulatory body to adopt stricter oversight and penalize erring developers who intentionally delay the handover process. As Hyderabad continues to expand with new residential projects, timely implementation of RERA

UGD and Cement Road Works Inaugurated in SBI Colony and Surrounding Areas



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Cantonment Board Nominated Member Banuka Narmada Mallikarjun and Cantonment MLA Shri

Ganesh jointly inaugurated the underground drainage (UGD) and cement road construction works in SBI Colony, Chandulal Bowli, and Kummarigutta in Ward 6 of the Secunder-



abad Cantonment Board. These development works are being executed with an allocated budget of ₹50 lakhs. Local residents expressed happiness over the launch,

stating that Banuka Narmada had previously ensured the provision of basic amenities in their colonies and once again took the initiative to develop infrastructure.

Addressing the gathering, Banuka Narmada assured that development of the park and community hall would also be undertaken soon, as requested by the colony residents, in collaboration with the local MLA and MP. She further announced that more development works are in the pipeline across the cantonment, with the support of Member of Parliament Shri Etela Rajender. She emphasized that efforts will be made to up-

grade infrastructure in other wards in a phased manner. Prominent attendees included former Vice President of the Board Keshav Reddy, BJP leaders Banala Srinivas Reddy, Prateek Jain, Ajay, Abhilash, Narendra, and women leaders Anjali, Sunitha, Swarupa, Anuradha, alongside residents Sai, Naresh Jain, Gautam Jain, Shravan Kumar, Murgeshan, Narsingh Raj, Tirupati, Raju Jain, and Devender Reddy.

Condolence Meeting Held in Memory of Maganti Gopinath at Vengalrao Nagar



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A solemn condolence meeting was held today at Vengalrao Nagar in the Jubilee Hills Constituency to honor the memory of late MLA Maganti Gopinath. The gathering was organized under the leadership of Division Corporator Smt. Deepyya and drew emotional tributes from public representatives, party members, and local residents. Telangana MLC Dr. Dasoju Sravan attended as the Chief Guest and paid floral tributes to the portrait of Maganti Gopinath. In his address, Dr. Sravan fondly remembered Gopinath as a dedicated public servant who remained deeply connected with the people throughout his political journey. He lauded Gopinath's unwavering commitment to development and his tireless efforts in

addressing the concerns of his constituency. Former MLA Vishnuvardhan Reddy, former Corporation Chairman Sridhar Reddy, several corporators, division presidents, and BRS party leaders also participated in the event. They joined the community in reflecting on the invaluable contributions made by Gopinath in various spheres of public service. Residents from across Jubilee Hills came together to express their grief and share memories of a leader who was known for his accessibility, humility, and people-centric governance. The event stood as a heartfelt tribute to a beloved leader whose legacy of service and compassion continues to inspire. The gathering concluded with prayers for the departed soul and a reaffirmation of the collective commitment to uphold the values he stood for.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Hosts Blood Donation Camp in Secunderabad

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The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Secunderabad, organized a blood donation camp on Sunday at Masjid Noor, where 20–25 volunteers donated blood in a humanitarian effort.

Led by Mr. Shameem Ahmed, President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, and Mrs. Zubaida Kaleem, President of the Ladies Wing, the initiative saw active participation from community members. Maulvi Noor Miyan Sahab, Missionary Incharge, stated that the donations were made purely for the cause of humanity. The event aligns with the community's global motto, "Love for All, Hatred for None," and reflects its commitment to peace,



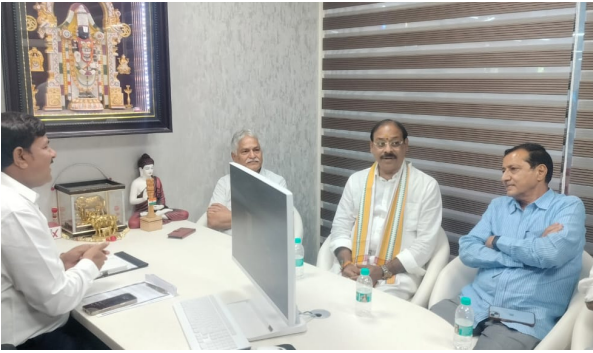
compassion, and service. Founded in 1889 under the divine guidance of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is a peace-loving sect within Islam. The community denounces all forms of violence and upholds that respecting humanity is a fundamental part of Islamic teachings. The organization also operates a global humanitarian wing, Humanity First, which offers food, clean water, and disaster relief

across various nations. The current spiritual leader and fifth successor to the founder, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, leads the worldwide community from its international headquarters in London, UK. Under his guidance, the community has expanded to over 210 countries, continuing its mission to promote peace, equality, justice, loyalty, and brotherhood—the core tenets of Islam.

Bandi Ramesh Slams TRS Over Attack on MahaNews, Seeks Action

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TTPCC Vice President and Kukatpally Congress in-charge Bandi Ramesh strongly condemned the recent attack on the MahaNews office, allegedly carried out by BRS goons. On Sunday, Ramesh, accompanied by Congress leaders, visited the MahaNews office and met with CMD Marella Vamsi to understand the incident in detail. Ramesh termed the attack as shocking and unprecedented in India, calling it a direct assault on the freedom of the press—the fourth pillar of democracy. He demanded immediate and strict action from the government and po-



lice against the perpetrators to ensure such violent acts are not repeated. He criticized the BRS regime, stating that many such anarchic incidents occurred under its rule. He also alleged that the BRS government had tapped the phones of opposition leaders and even their own party women, describing it as a serious violation of democratic principles. Ramesh accused BRS leaders of attempting to suppress dissent and erase truth through intimidation. Referring to BRS leaders' remarks suggesting this was only the beginning of future attacks, he said such threats reveal the extent of their authoritarian mindset. He urged all media houses to unite and condemn the incident unequivocally.

BJP Playing Another Drama with Turmeric Board: Vemula Prashanth Reddy

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Former Minister and BRS MLA Vemula Prashanth Reddy lashed out at Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to Nizamabad, calling it yet another political drama over the National Turmeric Board. Reddy criticized the BJP for repeatedly inaugurating the same temporary turmeric board office without addressing the core



issues of turmeric farmers—such as Minimum Support Price (MSP), funding, or a per-

manent structure. He recalled that the turmeric board office, now led by BJP's Palle Gangareddy,

is merely an extension of the existing Spices Board in a rented building previously used under the KCR regime. No new budget allocations were made in the 2025 Union Budget, and no concrete steps have been taken to help farmers who are suffering from falling turmeric prices. Reddy demanded MSP of ₹15,000 per quintal, direct procurement, and a legally established board with a permanent head-

quarters and full governing body. He accused BJP of betraying farmers with false promises since 2019 and using re-inaugurations as election stunts. He also condemned sections of the media for launching personal attacks on KCR, KTR, and Harish Rao, stating that if media houses want to engage in politics, they should do so openly instead of misusing journalism.

Vivek Venkataswamy Secures Venue for SC, ST, BC, Minority Conference

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In a swift response to venue concerns, Minister of State for Employment and Mines, Shri Gaddam Vivek Venkataswamy, directed the Telangana Cultural Director, Dr. Mamidi Harikrishna, to facilitate the booking of Ravindra Bharathi for a major upcoming event. The directive came after the Minister was informed during a meeting at his residence that bookings were



unavailable for the National Conference and Honorary Conference being organized by the All India Scheduled Castes, Tribes, BC Minority Associations on July 27. Recognizing the importance of the event, Minister Venkataswamy instructed

that the organization's president should approach Dr. Mamidi Harikrishna directly. He emphasized that all necessary support must be extended to enable the conference to take place as scheduled. The conferences aim to bring together voices from marginalized communities to discuss key issues and honor significant contributors from across the country.

PM Modi lauds ‘Bhadradri Millet Magic’ in Mann Ki Baat, boosts Bhadrachalam women’s SHG

Prime Minister Narendra Modi praised Bhadrachalam’s Srirama SHG in ‘Mann Ki Baat’ for their millet biscuit venture, ‘Bhadradri Millet Magic’. The recognition has elevated the group’s profile and opened up new opportunities for branding and expansion with CSR support

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The women of Bhadrachalam’s Srirama Joint Liability Group, who transformed their lives by making millet-based biscuits under the brand ‘Bhadradri Millet Magic’, received a major morale boost on Sunday as Prime Minister Narendra Modi praised their efforts during his monthly ‘Mann Ki Baat’ radio address.

Speaking under the theme of ‘Women-led Development’, the Prime Minister said: “You will also feel good when you come to know about the success of the women of Bhadrachalam in Telangana. These women once used to work as labourers in fields. They used to work hard all day for



their livelihoods. Today, the same women are making biscuits from millets, i.e., Shreeanna. These biscuits, named ‘Bhadradri Millet Magic’, reach right from Hyderabad to London. These women of Bhadrachalam joined a Self Help Group and received training.”

Reacting to the national

recognition, the group’s leader T Lalitha told that they were proud and overjoyed to hear the Prime Minister highlight their journey on a national platform. She credited the group’s success to their commitment to quality and the trust they earned from customers across domestic and overseas markets.

She also thanked the Integrated Tribal Development Agency (ITDA), Bhadrachalam, and its Project Officer B Rahul, for their support in providing training and helping set up the production unit. “It was through this institutional support that we could take the first steps,” she said.

PO Rahul, too, ex-

pressed happiness over the recognition. He recalled that the group had earlier set up a stall at Rashtrapati Bhavan, where President Droupadi Murmu appreciated the taste and quality of the millet biscuits. It was after that visit, he said, that the decision was taken to feature the group in the Mann Ki Baat programme.

Plans are now under way to organise further training in branding and packaging, and to scale up marketing with the help of CSR support from private firms. The Prime Minister’s praise, officials said, has significantly enhanced the visibility and brand value of ‘Bhadradri Millet Magic’.

Karne Prabhakar Condemns Media Smear Campaign on BRS, KTR

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Former MLC Karne Prabhakar on Saturday issued a sharp condemnation of what he described as a malicious media campaign targeting Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) and the party’s legacy.

Speaking at a press briefing, Prabhakar criticized certain media sections for indulging in “yellow journalism” and spreading sensationalist, misleading content aimed at discrediting the BRS leadership. He expressed concern over the use of vulgar thumbnails and distorted narratives designed to confuse the public and erode trust.

“Under the guise of journalism, a section of



the media is actively engaged in a smear campaign against KTR and BRS. Telangana society is watching these conspiracies closely,” he warned.

Highlighting the BRS’s legacy, Prabhakar recalled that the Telangana movement was achieved through democratic and peaceful means under the visionary leadership of K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR). “Not a single drop of blood was shed. KCR proved that revolutionary change can happen through re-

straint and commitment,” he stated.

He also praised KTR’s global appeal and recent successful rally in Dallas, USA, calling it a reflection of his wide-reaching influence and progressive leadership.

Prabhakar reiterated that despite media efforts to defame BRS, the public continues to recognize the party’s contributions to Telangana’s formation and development. He urged the media to act responsibly and stop misleading the people with fabricated stories.

TG advisor VNR launches book on Temple Construction

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A book entitled ‘Alaa Nirmanan-Prasada laxanam’ was launched by Vem Narender Reddy, Advisor to Telangana Chief Minister at his residence on Sunday. Mr Reddy on this occasion said that the book which consists of authentic clear information on Temple construction right from laying foundations till the completion with full of information drawn from Silpa and Agama Shastras supported by beautiful drawings of all the components of temple, mandapas and gopuras, useful to the Silpis working in Endowments departments, TTD and professionals in the dual Telugu states. Narendar



reddy complemented Dr P.Subramani, writer and Dr E.Shivanagireddy-Sthapati, editor of the book. On this occasion Vem Narender reddy appreciated Mr.Mogulla Rajireddy, INTUC -Telangana State unit Vice President for extending full financial support for the publication of this book on the occasion. Mr Rajireddy said that this book is very much useful

to the practicing and upcoming Silpis in the profession. Mr Patel Ramesh Reddy, Chairman, Telangana State Tourism Development Corporation, Dr E.Shivanagireddy, Archaeologist and CEO, Pleach India Foundation and B.Venkatareddy, Temple architects were participated in the event added Mr.Mogulla Rajireddy.

Community Unites to Uplift Poor Students in Sanjeevayyanagar

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In a strong show of community support for underprivileged students, a program held in Sanjeevayyanagar Weeker Section, New Boinapally, focused on the distribution of notebooks to government schoolchildren from economically weaker sections. The initiative, organized by Goutham Jain, saw former Cantonment Board Vice President Jampana Pratap attend as chief guest and appeal to donors and community leaders to adopt and support government



schools.

“Government schools are lifelines for underprivileged children. With proper facilities and support, we can change lives and build a better society,” Pratap

said during his address. He urged philanthropists to step forward and provide basic educational resources, highlighting the need for collaborative efforts to uplift educational infrastruc-

ture in public schools.

The event also served as a tribute to the decade-long efforts of social worker Goutham Kaatariya and his family, including Disha Jain, Rajesh Kataria, Sumit Kataria, and Shaurya Kataria. Their continued contributions—providing notebooks, resources, and learning aids—were widely lauded by attendees and community members.

Local leaders such as Basti President Ashok Kumar, Varadharani, Varaprasad Shashi, and others were present and extended their support to the cause. Their participation reinforced the

community’s collective resolve to promote education among the marginalized.

Children receiving notebooks expressed joy, with many families hoping for sustained support in the future. The event concluded with a renewed call for action, emphasizing that education-driven initiatives are essential for building an inclusive and empowered society. By spotlighting such community-driven programs, Sanjeevayyanagar sets an example of how grassroots action can drive lasting social change, especially in the realm of education.

MLA Marks One-Year Victory with Cantonment Public, Vows Continued Commitment

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Celebrating one year since a decisive electoral win, the MLA of Cantonment constituency joined hands with locals at an event organized by the Scheduled Caste Rights Protection Society. The gathering, held at Risala Bazaar, drew a diverse crowd including senior citizens, women, youth, and community leaders.

In a moving address, the MLA thanked residents for their trust and reaffirmed their commitment to inclusive development. “This day is not just about victory—it reflects the strong connection we’ve built together. My doors will always remain open for every resident,” the MLA stated.

Over the past year, the leader has launched various development initiatives in infrastructure, education, healthcare, and welfare. Citizens praised the MLA’s accessibility and prompt response to community needs.

The anniversary celebration featured cultural



programs, speeches from community leaders, and an open forum for residents to share aspirations. Special acknowledgment was given to the Scheduled Caste Rights Protection Society for fostering unity through the event.

The atmosphere ended on a note of collective hope and unity. With a clear message of people-first governance, the MLA promised to continue working hand-in-hand with the public to build a stronger, more inclusive Cantonment.

Sri Jagannatha Ratha Yatra Celebrated with Devotion at Lal Darwaza

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The annual Sri Jagannatha Ratha Yatra Festival, organized by Sri Sri Radhe Krishna Atma Raman Mandir, Lal Darwaza, concluded with great devotion and enthusiasm on Sunday. Devotees from all walks of life participated in pulling the sacred Rath, receiving the blessings of Lord Jagannatha, Balabhadra, and Subhadra.

Hundreds gathered along the route as the Ratha Yatra began at 10:00 a.m. from the temple premises, following a grand Aarti. The chariot procession passed through Lal Darwaza, Balagunj, Gowlipura Market, Sudha Talkies, and Lal Darwaza X Road, finally returning to the Mandir.

The festival culminated with the Maha Aarti and the ceremonial Chappan Bhog



offering to the deities. Devotees were then served Maha Prasadam (Lunch Prasadam), creating a spiritual and festive atmosphere for all attendees.

Organizers expressed heartfelt gratitude to all devotees, guests, families, and well-wishers for their gracious presence and support. The celebration was not just a spiritual journey but also a cultural confluence, reaffirming faith, unity, and devotion in the hearts of all who attended.

Harish Rao Unveils Sai Chand Statue in Emotional Tribute



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Former Minister Harish Rao paid a heartfelt tribute to Telangana cultural icon and singer Sai Chand on his second death anniversary by unveiling a 7-foot bronze statue at the new bus stand in Amarachinta, Vanaparathi district.

The commemorative event drew emotional responses from supporters and cultural

activists, honoring Sai Chand’s contributions to the Telangana movement and his legacy in the arts.

Later in the day, Harish Rao addressed a gathering at ZP Boys High School — Sai Chand’s alma mater — where he recalled cherished memories of the artist and spoke with deep emotion about his role in inspiring generations through cultural activism and patriotic songs.

Three arrested in Adilabad for forging documents to help UP job aspirants

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Three persons were arrested on Sunday in Uttnoor mandal centre for allegedly creating fake nativity certificates and Aadhaar cards to help job aspirants from Uttar Pradesh secure positions in the armed forces.

Uttnoor Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) Kajal Singh briefed the media, stating that Shaik Kaleem, Shaik Fareed, and Jadhav Gajanand, all residents of Islampur in Echoda mandal, were apprehended for their involvement in the forgery racket. The trio allegedly

collected Rs. 1 lakh from each of nine candidates from Uttar Pradesh for creating the forged documents. During interrogation, Kaleem and Fareed reportedly confessed to forming a gang to make quick money after being approached by armed forces aspirants.

the Congress People’s Government led by Honorable CM Revanth Reddy, expressed gratitude to the newly constructed 6-lane bi-directional flyover for those traveling in the Hyderabad IT corridor in the name of the late P.Janardhan Reddy, the beloved son of Hyderabad. The program was organized by senior Congress party leaders Puli Srikanth Patel at Raju Colony, Balanagar Division, with the chief guest Constituency In-charge



Bandi Ramesh and TPCC official spokesperson Dr Satyam Srirangam attended and anointed with the milk statue of PJR and the portrait, later

Revanth Reddy. Speaking on the occasion, Satyam Srirangam said that he was very happy that this flyover was named after the stalwart late P Janardhan Reddy. He said that the availability of a state-of-the-art multi-level flyover will greatly benefit the people of Hyderabad, especially those traveling in the IT corridor. He said that the God of the poor, the leader who greets everyone warmly, the leader of the people’s hearts, who filled the lights of the poor and the weaker sections, PJR is standing by the people. AMC

Chairman K.Pushpa Reddy, Division Presidents Madhu Goud, Krishna Rajput, senior leaders of the constituency Congress Party Gottimukkala Deshal, Sanjeev Rao, Yugender Reddy, Akula Narendar, Bandiga Balanarasimha, Madari Srinu, Prasanna Kumar, Renuka, Sai Bharathi, Ravimudiraj, Sadagoud, Ravigoud, Rammohan, Srinivas, Sonu, Shiva, Ramana, Ravi, Yugandhar, Anil, Aslam, Shekhar Gajanand, women leaders, and activists, PJR fans, Congress party ranks, and fans were present in large scale.

TN CM Seeks Centre’s Help After 8 Fishermen Held by Sri Lanka

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Eight fishermen from Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, were apprehended by Sri Lankan authorities on June 29, 2025, sparking concern over repeated arrests in the region. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin, in a letter to External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar on Sunday, urged urgent intervention to secure the safe repatriation of the fishermen and their seized mechanised fishing boat. Stalin highlighted the recurring issue, noting its serious impact on the livelihood and mental well-being of fishing communities. “These incidents result in loss of boats, prolonged deten-

tions, and heavy psychological tolls on the affected families,” he stated. The arrests come just as the annual fishing ban has ended and the new season has commenced. CM Stalin stressed that fishermen had only recently resumed activities, hoping to earn their livelihood. He called for the Ministry of External Affairs to proactively engage with Sri Lankan authorities to foster restraint and mutual understanding on fishing-related issues. Stalin emphasized that this is a matter of “grave concern” for Indian fishermen, particularly those from Tamil Nadu, and requires immediate diplomatic attention.

Railways to Prepare Charts 8 Hours Early, Boost PRS Booking Speed

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In a significant move aimed at enhancing passenger convenience, Indian Railways will now prepare reservation charts eight hours before a train’s departure, instead of the current four-hour window. The decision was approved by Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, who also reviewed the ongoing upgrade of the Passenger Reservation System (PRS). The shift to earlier chart preparation is intended to reduce uncertainty for wait-listed passengers, particularly those traveling from remote areas or suburbs to board long-distance trains. For trains departing before 2 PM, the chart will now be finalized at 9 PM on the previous day. The system will be rolled out in phases to ensure smooth implementation. Alongside this reform, Indian Railways is set to drastically enhance its ticket booking capacity. The upgraded PRS, under development by CRIS, will support over 1.5 lakh bookings per minute—a fivefold

increase from the current 32,000. Enquiry capacity will also be scaled up ten times, from 4 lakh to over 40 lakh queries per minute. The new system is being designed to be agile, flexible, and scalable, with a user-friendly, multilingual interface. Passengers will be able to select seats, view a fare calendar, and access integrated services for Divyangjan, students, and patients. In another key update, starting 1st July 2025, only authenticated users will be allowed to book Tatkal tickets on the IRCTC website and mobile app. By the end of July, OTP-based authentication will also be enforced. Authentication will require valid government-issued ID such as Aadhaar, accessible via DigiLocker. Minister Vaishnaw emphasized the need for a smart, transparent, and accessible ticketing system that prioritizes passenger comfort. These reforms reflect Indian Railways’ commitment to modernising operations and enhancing public service delivery. <

"Ready To Respond": Iran's New Warning To Israel Over Ceasefire Breach

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Iran has cast doubts on the durability of the US-brokered ceasefire with Israel, warning it is ready to respond if hostilities with the Jewish state resume. Tehran also demanded that the United Nations recognise Israel and the United States as being to blame for their recent 12-day war. "We did not start the war, but we have responded to the aggressor with all our power," Iran's armed forces chief of staff, Abdolrahim Mousavi, was quoted as saying by state television, referring to Israel.

"We have serious doubts over the enemy's compliance with its commitments, including the ceasefire. We are ready to respond with force" if attacked again, he added, six days into the ceasefire announced by US President Donald Trump. The conflict between the arch-foes in West Asia saw the most serious escalation on June 13, when Israel launched a bombing campaign in Iran that killed top military commanders and scientists linked to its disputed nuclear programme. Israel claimed it aimed to keep the Islamic republic from developing a nuclear weapon -- an ambition



Tehran has consistently denied, insisting it has the right to develop nuclear power for civilian purposes like energy. The fighting culminated after the US--a staunch ally of Jerusalem--joined Israeli forces to attack three nuclear facilities in Iran, following which Tehran targeted a US military base in Qatar. The fighting also derailed nuclear talks

between Iran and the United States. Trump has threatened further strikes should Iran enrich uranium to levels capable of manufacturing nuclear weapons. Iran Demands Responsibility In a letter to UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres published on Sunday, Iran demanded

that the United Nations recognise Israel and the United States as being to blame for this month's war. "We officially request hereby that the Security Council recognise the Israeli regime and the United States as the initiators of the act of aggression and acknowledge their subsequent responsibility, including the payment of compensation and reparations," Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi wrote in the letter. According to Iran's health ministry, at least 627 civilians were killed and 4,900 injured during the 12-day war with Israel. Retaliatory missile attacks by Iran on Israel

killed 28 people, according to Israeli authorities. Iran's Nuclear Program According to the International Atomic Energy Agency, Iran had enriched uranium to 60 per cent in 2021, well above the 3.67 per cent limit set by a 2015 agreement from which the United States unilaterally withdrew in 2018. To make a weapon, Iran would need to enrich uranium up to 90 per cent. Israel has maintained ambiguity about its own atomic arsenal, neither officially confirming nor denying it exists, but the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute has estimated it has 90 nuclear warheads.

Trump Says He Saved Khamenei, Threatens More Strikes on Iran

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Former U.S. President Donald Trump issued a fiery statement on Friday, claiming he had personally prevented the assassination of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, while warning that the United States would not hesitate to launch fresh airstrikes if Tehran resumes efforts to develop nuclear weapons. In a series of posts on his Truth Social platform, Trump criticized Khamenei for what he called "ingratitude" and threatened to escalate military actions, saying, "If Iran is still able to enrich weapons-grade uranium, we will bomb them again—without question." The remarks come amid lingering tensions following recent U.S.-Israeli airstrikes on Iranian nuclear facilities. Trump said he had recently been working on possible sanctions relief for Iran but halted all efforts after Khamenei responded to the U.S. attacks with defiance, denying



major damage and proclaiming victory over both the U.S. and Israel. "I SAVED HIM FROM A VERY UGLY AND IGNOMINIOUS DEATH," Trump wrote, referencing alleged plans by Israel and the U.S. military to kill Khamenei, which he claims he blocked. The former president accused Khamenei of lying in his post-conflict speech and misrepresenting the scale of damage inflicted by allied airstrikes. "As a man of great faith, he is not supposed to lie," Trump wrote. He mocked the Iranian leader's declaration of victory in what Khamenei described as a 12-day war with Israel, stating that Iran had been "beat to hell" in the conflict. The dramatic claims come as a

tentative ceasefire remains in place between Iran and Israel. In a speech Thursday—his first public appearance since the ceasefire—Khamenei dismissed U.S. military success and reiterated Iran's refusal to submit to Western pressure, calling the American president's version of events "exaggerated." Earlier this week, Iran's foreign minister denied Trump's claim that nuclear talks between the two countries would soon resume. Trump had previously suggested at a NATO summit in The Hague that negotiations were imminent. Despite diplomatic efforts from Trump's special envoy Steve Witkoff to push for a comprehensive peace deal, prospects remain uncertain. The exchange of threats and accusations adds a new layer of volatility to U.S.-Iran relations, already strained by years of tension over Tehran's nuclear ambitions and regional power plays. Whether diplomacy will resume—or give way once again to confrontation—remains to be seen.

TD to Have Own Party Offices in Every District and Constituency

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Telugu Desam general secretary and education minister Nara Lokesh has underscored the need for erecting their own buildings for the party in every district and constituency. Addressing a meeting on the Suparipalana Tholi Adugu at the party's central office on Sunday, Lokesh also said it was time to ensure women's large-level participation in the party's functioning, through new leadership roles, thereby promoting inclusivity and engagement. The minister urged all party members to actively involve themselves in the TD's door-to-door campaign. He said the success of the Suparipalana Tholi Adugu initiative is possible only with their dedication and connection with the community. He sought systematic feedback through the "My TDP" app to enhance the party's outreach and effectiveness. He said, "When I started the

Yuvagalam Padayatra, our leader Chandrababu Naidu said that a CUB system (cluster, unit, booth) is being established. Due to this, we found that our booths became stronger after the cluster, unit and booth system came into being. We are able to do many programmes."Lokesh said, "The Suparipalana Tholi Adugu campaign should be taken to every door. Everyone should participate. Despite all the financial difficulties, we have implemented the Salute to Mother initiative. We are giving pensions like nowhere else. We are paying salaries on the first day. We have started Anna Canteens. We are working tirelessly and doing wonderful programmes by gathering financial resources. We should go to the people and explain the development and welfare done by this government. We are working with the aim of fulfilling every promise we gave the people."

PM Plays Anti-Emergency Remarks in Mann Ki Baat

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Playing on the remarks of iconic anti-Emergency politicians in his monthly radio broadcast, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday slammed the then Congress government for atrocities on people and said those who fought Emergency should always be remembered “to keep our Constitution strong and enduring”. Speaking in his monthly radio broadcast “Mann Ki Baat”, Mr Modi said that those who imposed the Emergency not only “murdered” the Constitution but also made the judiciary their “puppet”. Without naming the Congress or the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, he condemned the Emergency-era excesses. The assertions come in the backdrop of an ongoing bitter war of words be-

tween the ruling BJP and the Opposition parties, which have claimed that an "undeclared emergency" prevails under the Modi government. Condemning the imposition of the Emergency in 1975 by the then PM Indira Gandhi, Mr Modi noted that with the power of public participation, big crises can be confronted. "I will play an audio for you... In this audio you will get an idea of the magnitude of that crisis. How grave that crisis was," he said. In the first audio clip played, Morarji Desai, who became the Prime Minister after the Emergency, said the "oppression" of the Indira Gandhi regime was going on for several years but reached its peak in the last two years after the Emergency was imposed. "People's right to freedom was snatched away. Newspapers were left

without freedom. Courts were made completely powerless. And the way more than one lakh people were put in jail and then arbitrary rule continued, it is difficult to find its traces in the history of the world," Mr Desai had said. Referring to the audio clip, Mr Modi said, "Former Prime Minister Morarji Bhai Desai spoke about the Emergency in a brief but very clear manner. You can imagine what that period was like! Those who imposed the emergency not only murdered our Constitution but also had the intention to keep the judiciary as their slave." The Prime Minister stated that during this period, people were tormented on a large scale and there are many such examples of this, which can never be forgotten. George Fernandez Sahib was tied in chains.

Cloudburst in Uttarakhand Kills 2, Triggers Landslides as Monsoon Hits Nation Early

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A cloudburst in Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand early Sunday led to the death of two construction workers, with seven others missing, as intense monsoon rains covered the entire country nearly a week earlier than usual, triggering floods, landslides, and disruption across several northern and northeastern states. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a ‘red alert’ for extremely heavy rainfall on June 29 and 30 across multiple districts of Uttarakhand, including Uttarkashi, Rudraprayag, Dehradun, Tehri, Pauri, Haridwar, and Nainital. Authorities have temporarily halted the Chardham Yatra to ensure the safety of pilgrims. In Uttarkashi, a landslide—caused by the

cloudburst—washed away worker shelters along the Yamunotri National Highway, where 29 labourers were stationed for hotel construction. Twenty were rescued, while nine went missing. The bodies of two workers were later recovered from the Yamuna River banks near Tiladi Shaheed Smarak, around 18 km from the landslide site. The deceased are believed to be of Nepalese origin. Rescue operations are ongoing, involving teams from the NDRF, SDRF, and local police, while the highway remains blocked, forcing Yamunotri pilgrims to stay at safe shelters. The Shimla Meteorological Centre issued a red alert for 10 Himachal Pradesh districts as well. Since the monsoon's onset on June 20, the state has witnessed 20 rain-related deaths.

On Sunday, boulders and fallen trees disrupted the UNESCO-recognised Shimla-Kalka railway, halting services. A bridge in Solan's Barotiwala industrial zone was washed away, while landslides on the Shimla-Kalka National Highway (NH-5) triggered long traffic jams. The swollen Bald River in Baddi flooded homes in Shivalik Nagar. Authorities opened all five spillway gates of the Pandoh Dam, raising Beas River's level and prompting local officials to warn residents to stay away from riverbanks. Moderate to high flash flood risks remain in 10 Himachal districts, including Chamba, Mandi, Kangra, and Solan. Rising river levels were also reported in Odisha, where the Budhabalang, Subarnarekha, Jalaka, and Sono rivers threaten to overflow. Balasore district has

been placed on high alert. In Kerala, 13 shutters of the Mullaperiyar Dam were opened after water levels reached near capacity, prompting authorities to place nearby villages on high alert and establish over 20 relief camps. Flood Rescue in Jharkhand, Rail Disruptions in Northeast In Jharkhand, 162 students trapped at Lav Kush Residential School in East Singhbhum were rescued on Sunday after their school was flooded. The students, stranded on the roof overnight, were saved with the help of police, fire personnel, and villagers. A red alert for rainfall remains in effect for the state through July 1. In the Northeast, rail connectivity to Tripura, Manipur, Mizoram, and southern Assam was partially restored six days after landslides snapped

the link in the Lumding-Badarpur section. Limited train operations resumed on Sunday, including the passage of the Kanchenjunga Express. This year's monsoon is progressing rapidly, having covered the entire country by June 29—its fastest advancement since 2020, when it did so by June 26. Normally, the monsoon completes its spread by July 8. The IMD confirmed full advancement into Rajasthan, West Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, and Delhi as of Sunday. The monsoon had reached Kerala as early as May 24, marking the earliest onset since 2009. Rainfall figures from Sunday include 119.5 mm in Chandigarh, with downpours also reported in Punjab's Ferozepur, Ludhiana, Mohali, Patankot, and Patiala.



EDITORIAL

ISRAEL'S ATTACKS ON IRAN A THREAT TO GLOBAL PEACE

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It is with reckless abandon that one man who is clinging to the Prime Minister's office by fighting wars has opened a new front in attacking Iran. Benjamin Netanyahu sees this as means to stop what Israel considers its biggest existential threat — a nuclear-armed Iran. The theocratic leaders of Iran may have spoken of nuclear bombs as a way of annihilating the Jewish state, but Iran may be some way from making the bomb and which process the Israelis may have hastened now with their attack.

Any war to stop Iran's nuclear proliferation is an illegal and excessively ambitious attempt to forestall that nation's programme. The Israeli actions also brought about an end to what appeared to be a promising way to resolve the nuclear issue through a US-Iran dialogue. With that avenue shut-

ting, it needs no guessing that however weak Iran may have seemed in all the time that Israel has attacked it with bombs, missiles and drones, it is still capable of proceeding with its enrichment plans.

The Israeli attack and Iranian counterattack, which led to loss of life in Iran, including that of scientists running the nuclear programme as well as those who died in Israel when some of Iran's missiles got through the air defence shield, represent a dramatic escalation. International attention should focus on who can best stop Netanyahu now and that man is not Donald Trump. The US President, after having appeared to cheer Israel on, still boasts he can bring about a deal with Iran in a day but what he says about his magical capacity feels like so much hot air.

The blame for starting Israel's surprise air strikes of Friday targeting Iran's nuclear infrastructure at key fa-

cilities in Natanz and Isfahan that shattered the relative peace after Iran's proxy Hezbollah had gone quiet in Lebanon lies squarely with Netanyahu whose party's coalition was set to lose its majority in Parliament. And to keep his government safe he may have had to keep starting wars, this time by dragging Iran into a conflict that could have grave implications for the embattled Middle East region.

The IAEA reporting Iran on not fulfilling conditions to keep its nuclear programme from progressing away from peaceful purposes and into harmful nuclear proliferation may have been the cue on which Israel acted, after keeping the US President in the loop. The gross violation of international laws could not have been starker than in Israeli action, which may have been anticipated for months but which still shocked a world that believes in a rules-based order.

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The Editor

HC Lets College Take Part in Deecet Counselling

Justice K. Lakshman of the Telangana High Court directed the Director of School Education and other authorities to allow Netaji College of Elementary Education, a private District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) college, to participate in the second phase of TG Deecet counselling for 2025-26, subject to the outcome of the writ petition filed by the institution. The judge was hearing a writ plea filed by the society challenging the authorities' decision to exclude the college from the counselling process despite claiming to have necessary approvals and affiliations. The institution runs a two-year diploma programme in education and submitted building permissions, fire NOC, affiliation certificates, and staff approvals in support of its case. According to the writ petitioner, a surprise inspection was conducted by regional authorities on March 11, which coincided with a local holiday due to celebrations at the Sri Panduranga Devaswamy Temple. Following the inspection, the regional director of school education recommended the issuance of a showcase notice on March 17, alleging that the college lacked staff, failed to maintain registers, and was not functioning. The petitioner replied, stating that the institution was closed on account of the declared holiday. Despite this, a second showcase notice was issued, and the college was excluded from the first phase of Deecet counselling. Even after submitting explanations and relevant documents, the institution was not included in the revised admission schedule. The government pleader argued that the building was in a dilapidated condition and alleged that the institution issued certificates to students without conducting regular classes or maintaining essential infrastructure, such as laboratories and qualified teaching staff. The petitioner denied these allegations and submitted documentation, including a structural soundness certificate issued prior to the inspection, contending that the college was fully staffed and compliant with all statutory norms. After considering the submissions, the judge directed the respondents to permit the institution to participate in the second phase of counselling, scheduled to begin tomorrow, subject to the final outcome of the writ petition. The judge also instructed the respondent authorities to file their response by next week and posted the matter for further adjudication.

BJP's Pandarinath demanded to GHMC officer, not to sanction the Bill's illegal contractors.

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During the Ashadamasa Bonala Jathara, the pertinent engineering officers have prepared estimates for the development works at the temples of the goddesses in all the divisions of the Chandrayanagutta constituency as per the list given and have assigned them up for online tenders. As per the online tenders for the development works for some temples in Riyasath Nagar, Kanchanbagh, Chandrayanagutta, Barkas, in the Chandanagutta constituency were not found, today S.Ravi, Ranjith, Laxman, and the division presidents together with the relevant engineering



officer Salauddin were questioned. The executive engineer responded and realized that it was true that due to some unavoidable circumstances, the development works of some temples were not received and informed that the de-

velopment works would definitely be carried out in the second phase. There and then Orders were issued to the concerned assistant engineers. Aedla Pandu BJP Convener informed to Executive Engineer Chandrayan Gutta

Circle 8 that like last year, this year too, during the Ashadamasa celebrations, the development work near the temples should not be of better quality and if the development work is not completed 100% of the time, then the relevant contractors should not record for the bills and should not pay the bills. This year representatives demanded, the development work near the temple is almost 82 Works on tenders online After the completion of the above works, the relevant temple persons should be informed and the bills should be sanctioned. Among them, S Ravi Laxman Division President meets pertinent authorities.

Cops shifted to RTC seek parity with SPF

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Justice Surepalli Nanda of the Telangana High Court will continue to hear a writ petition filed by 34 Special Protection Force (SPF) constables currently working with the Telangana Road Transport Corporation (TGRTC), seeking enforcement of an earlier tribunal order directing either their repatriation to the SPF or extension of pay parity and pension benefits on par with SPF constables. The petitioners were recruited pursuant to a 2011 notification for 787 SPF vacancies. They contended that although they were declared successful, appointed, and trained for roles, their services were later absorbed by the TSRTC based on departmental correspondences and options exercised under pressure. The petitioners argued that by the time they were appointed, the pay scales was revised upwards, and they were entitled to the updated scale and pensionary benefits applicable to SPF constables. Citing a judicial order of the High Court, as well as the earlier judgment of the AP Administrative Tribunal, they asserted that the authorities were bound to comply with the directions and could not now back-track. The petitioners contended that the pay scale notified at the time of recruitment differed from that prevailing at the time

of their selection and appointment, and that the refusal to grant the revised pay was arbitrary. They further that the respondents were estopped from denying benefits already judicially recognised, and that the RTC could not selectively deny them pension benefits or refuse repatriation from their service. On the other hand, the counsel for the respondents, including the TSRTC, argued that repatriation to the SPF was no longer feasible due to differences in training protocols, nine months for SPF constables versus four months for RTC, and that the petitioners' appointments were made only after securing their willingness to work for the RTC. They claimed that the RTC constable pay scale was higher than SPF at the time, and that the petitioners, being meritorious candidates, had benefited from better terms. Respondents contended that RTC only came into the picture after the recruitment process concluded, and the option to join RTC was provided transparently. They also noted that the rejection proceedings regarding these claims were not challenged in the present writ petition, and a review petition on the same issue was pending before the court. After hearing both the parties, the judge posted the matter for further hearing.

Hearing in letters patent case deferred

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The Telangana High Court on Monday deferred hearing in two letters patent appeals (LPA) challenging the impleadment of a company in contempt proceedings related to enforcement of a foreign decree. The panel comprising Justice Abhinand Kumar Shavili and Justice Tirumala Devi Eada is hearing LPAs filed by Matrix Pharmacorp Private Limited assailing the interim orders passed by a



single judge in a contempt case. The appeals were filed against Ras Al Khaimah Investment Authority and others. The contempt case arose from alleged violations of an undertaking said to have been given by IQuest Enterprises Pvt. Ltd in a commercial execution petition filed by the Ras

Al Khaimah authority for enforcement of a decree passed by a UAE court. The single judge earlier directed that status quo be maintained by Matrix Pharmacorp, despite it not being a party to the underlying execution proceedings. Appearing for the appellant, senior counsel Avinash Desai

contended that Matrix Pharmacorp had neither given any undertaking nor been impleaded in the commercial execution petition, and that the directions issued in the contempt proceedings were beyond the scope of the Contempt of Courts Act. Earlier, the panel stayed the operation of the interim order and suspended further contempt proceedings against the appellant. On Friday, the bench extended its earlier order and posted the matter after two weeks.

Pawan Kalyan congratulates Kamal Haasan on Oscar Academy invitation

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Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan has congratulated legendary actor Kamal Haasan for being selected as a member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (AMPAS). The Jana Sena leader called it a moment of immense pride for the Indian film industry.

Pawan Kalyan, who is a popular actor of Tollywood, took to ‘X’ on Sunday to congratulate Kamal Haasan. It is a moment of immense pride to Indian film industry that Padma Bhushan Kamal Haasan has been selected as a member of the prestigious Awards 2025 committee,



he said.

“With a phenomenal acting career spanning six decades, Kamal Haasan garu is more than an actor. His cinematic brilliance as an actor, storyteller, and director, along with his versatile talent and decades of experience, has made a lasting impact on Indian and global cinema,” Pawan Kalyan

said.

“His exceptional command over every aspect of filmmaking as a writer, singer, director, producer, and actor is truly inspiring. He is a true master of the craft. I extend heartfelt congratulations and wish him many more years of impactful service to world cinema,” posted Pawan Kalyan.

Actors Kamal Haasan, Ayushmann Khurrana, and Cannes Grand Prix-winning filmmaker Payal Kapadia are among the 534 artists and executives to have been invited this year by AMPAS.

The Los Angeles-based Academy, which conducts the Oscars, announced the ‘Oscars’ Class of 2025’.

Kamal Haasan on Saturday reacted to his selection as a member of AMPAS. “I am honoured to join the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. This recognition is not mine alone, it belongs to the Indian film community and the countless storytellers who shaped me,” the actor posted on ‘X’.

Abhijeet Bhattacharya slams Diljit Dosanjh over ‘kisi ke baap ka Hindustan’ statement

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Actor and singer Diljit Dosanjh has been facing a lot of backlash for working with Pakistani actress Hania Aamir in “Sardar Ji 3”. Recently, a video from one of the concerts from his Dil Luminati tour has been going viral on social media.

Hitting back at the trolls, Diljit was heard saying, “Agar khilaaf hai...toh hone do, jaan thodi hai. Agar khilaaf hai...hone do, jaan thodi hai. Yeh sab dhuaah hai, aasmaan thodi hai. Agar khilaaf hai...toh hone do, jaan thodi hai. Yeh sab dhuaah hai, aasmaan thodi hai. Sabhi ka khoon shaamil hai iss mitti mein, kisi ke baap ka Hindustan thodi hai.”

These lines were met with a phenomenal response at the



concert.

Now, singer Abhijeet Bhattacharya has fired back at Diljit for his “kisi ke baap ka Hindustan thodi hai” remark.

He took to his Instagram handle and dropped a video including Diljit’s clip from the concert. Bhattacharya further incorporated his own reaction to the statement saying, “Hindustan hamare baap ka hain...Hindustan

hamare baap ke baap ke baap ke purvajo ka hain.”

The post ended with a picture of Bhattacharya holding the Tiranga with “Sare jahan se acha” playing in the backdrop.

“Hindustan Hamare BAAP ka hai.”, the singer captioned the picture.

In the meantime, renowned filmmaker Imtiaz Ali came in support of his ‘Amar Singh Chamkila’ actor

amidst the ongoing controversy.

Calling Diljit a true ‘patriot at heart’, the ‘Tamasha’ maker said “I don’t know the details, but casting someone isn’t the decision of the actor. I don’t know how it went, but I know that uske andar desh prem bahut zyada hai (He loves his country too much). Jo log dekh paayenge unke andar ke sach ko, unko ye samajh mein aa jaayega (People who can see the truth, will understand).”

He added that Diljit is not someone who fakes things. “Fakeness ke saath woh kuch nahi karta hai (He doesn’t fake things). No one asked him to do it. At the end of all his concerts, he says, “Main hoon Punjab”, with the Indian flag,” Imtiaz shared.

‘Ee Nagaraniki Emaindi’ turns seven; Team drops major update

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It’s been seven years since Ee Nagaraniki Emaindi charmed the audience with its relatable story of friendship, dreams, and chaos. The buddy comedy, directed by Tharun Bhascker Dhaassiyam, remains a cherished favourite among many Telugu movie lovers.

On the film’s seventh anniversary, the makers surprised fans with exciting news: the much-



loved story is not over yet. A sequel has officially been announced, sparking fresh buzz and nostalgia among moviegoers. Titled ENE Re-

peat, the sequel will see the same gang back together. The original cast, Vishwak Sen, Sai Sushanth Reddy, Abhinav Gomatam, and Venka-

tesh Kakumanu, are all set to reprise their iconic roles. This time, the story will shift to the US, where Karthik’s long-time dream finally takes shape, with Sai Sushanth Reddy leading the way.

Director Tharun Bhascker returns to capture the same madness and charm, while Suresh Productions teams up with S Originals to back the film. Music composer Vivek Sagar, who gave the first film its soulful vibe, will once again work his magic on

the soundtrack.

Pre-production is already underway, and the shoot will begin soon. Team ‘Kanyarasi’ promises fans another dose of chaos, comedy, and heartwarming moments that celebrate friendship in its purest form.

With ENE Repeat, the cult film’s legacy is set to continue, and fans can’t wait to see what new mischief the gang has in store this time around.

Mohan Babu Receives Rs 4 Cr Cheque?

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According to industry sources, veteran actor Mohan Babu and producer was reportedly given a cheque after day one collections. “The distributors hand over 4 crore cheque on Saturday, says a distributor who adds, “Vishnu Manchu starrer garnered 9 crore gross collection on day one world over and after deducting various charges, he was given a cheque today,” he adds.

The much hyped histori-



cal epic received mixed reports but collections picked up after matinee and had decent occupancy for night shows. “Vishnu played tribal warrior and had his moments. While Prabhas

special role had attracted some crowds. Definitely, Prabhas charisma should draw more collections in the days to come,” says distributor. The last twenty minutes of the film where Kannpaa showcases his love for Lord Shiva has gripped the audience in two Telugu states. “Even presence of Mohan Babu, Mohan Lal and Akshay Kumar has helped in drawing footfalls and it has to pick up now and cover big investments,” he concludes.

BUSSINESS

Reducing Logistics Cost, MSME Productivity Gap Will Improve Manufacturing Output

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Reducing the reliance on road transport can bring down the logistics cost of the manufacturing sector. A reduction in logistics cost by 10 per cent can increase the country’s exports by about 5-8 per cent. Further, the MSME productivity gap is huge and narrowing it can add up to 10.5 per cent to the GDP. Cheap, reliable logistics is the missing link between India’s current assembly-led export boom

and its ambition to become a high-value manufacturing powerhouse.

The use of roads by the manufacturing sector in India is 60 per cent against 37 per cent in the US and 22 per cent in China. Railways account for 29 per cent of cargo movement in India against 48 per cent in the US and 47 per cent in China. Inland waterways support just two per cent for India’s freight movement against 14 per cent in the US and 31 per cent in China.

Indian cement sector sees 9 per cent year-on-year growth in May

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The Indian cement sector reached 39.6 million metric tonnes (MT) in May, recorded a strong 9 per cent year-on-year (YoY) growth in volumes, according to a new report.

The positive trend continued in the first two months of FY26, with volumes rising 8 per cent YoY to 78.7 million MT, according to the report by ICRA. For FY2025, cement volumes grew by 6.3 per cent YoY, totalling 453.0 million MT. ICRA projects a further



6-7 per cent growth in FY2026, with volumes expected to reach 480-485 million MT, driven by sustained demand from the housing and infrastructure sectors.

Average cement prices

saw an 8 per cent YoY increase in May 2025, reaching Rs 360 per bag, while prices for the first two months of FY2026 were up 7 per cent YoY. ICRA anticipates an 80-150 basis points (bps) im-

provement in operating margins for its sample set of cement companies, rising to 16.3-17.0 per cent in FY2026.

The rating agency maintains a Stable outlook for the Indian cement sector, reflecting confidence in continued demand and favourable cost conditions. The sector’s resilience underscores its critical role in supporting India’s infrastructure and housing development. The combined Index of Eight Core Industries (ICI) increased by 0.7 per cent in May compared to the same month last year, according

to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry data. The production of cement, steel, coal, and refinery products recorded positive growth last month.

The final growth rate of the Index of Eight Core Industries for February, March and April was observed at 3.4, 4.5 and 1.0 per cent, respectively, said the ministry. Cement production rose by 9.2 per cent in May. Its cumulative index increased by 7.8 per cent during April to May, 2025-26 over the corresponding period of the previous year.

India Plans Rare Earth Magnet Deal With China



Sensing the shortage of rare earth magnets, India is mulling a crucial 'deal' with the China government as it has short-listed some domestic auto industry representatives to send to China for expediting the import of rare earth magnets. India is still in touch with China's commerce ministry on the issue of rare earth magnet supply, as Beijing has imposed restrictions on their exports in April, an Industry source privy to development said on Sunday.

Rare earth magnets, primarily neodymium-iron-boron (NdFeB) and samarium-cobalt (SmCo) magnets, are used in a wide range of applications, mostly in electric motors, including those for electric vehicles (EVs), wind turbines, and various power tools. Also, these rare earth magnets are integral to permanent magnet synchronous motors used in EVs for high torque, energy efficiency and compact size.

The move of the government comes at a time when there is a ‘bitter’ relationship with China on the issue of supplying rare earth magnets to India, although New Delhi has officially acknowledged raising this matter with China to resolve the issue mutually.

Anant Ambani to earn Rs 10–20 crore annually as Reliance Executive Director

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Anant Ambani, the youngest son of billionaire Mukesh Ambani and the first among three siblings to be appointed Executive Director on flagship Reliance Industries, will be paid Rs 10-20 crore salary annually plus a host of perks including a commission on company profits, according to a shareholder notice.

While the richest Asian’s all three children – twins Akash and Isha, and Anant – were inducted on board of the oil-to-telecom-and-retail conglomerate in 2023 as

non-executive directors, the youngest of the three was in April this year appointed Executive Director of Reliance Industries Ltd. As non-executive directors, the three were entitled to no salary and were each paid a sitting fee of Rs 4 lakh in 2023-24 fiscal year and a commission on profit of Rs 97 lakh each.

But as an Executive Director, Anant, 30, will be entitled to salary and other prerequisites. Reliance in a stock exchange notice on Sunday said shareholder approval for the appointment has been sought through a postal ballot.

The appointments in

2023 were part of a succession planning at India’s most valuable company, which many saw as Ambani’s attempt to avoid the sibling feud that followed his father’s death in 2002.

Isha is on the board of Reliance Retail and joined that of the newly spun-off Jio Financial Services, Akash chairs telecoms. Anant is part of the materials and renewable energy ventures. They operate alongside professional managers.

In the postal ballot, Reliance said Anant’s “salary, perquisites and allowances shall be in the range of Rs 10 crore to Rs 20 crore per annum.”

“The perquisites and allowances shall include accommodation (furnished or otherwise) or house rent allowance in lieu thereof; house maintenance allowance together with reimbursement of expenses and/or allowances for utilisation of gas, electricity, water, furnishing and repairs and leave travel concession for self and family including dependents,” it said.

He shall also be entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred for travelling, boarding and lodging including for his spouse and attendant(s) during business trips and provision of car(s) for use

on company’s business and communication expenses at residence.

He shall also be entitled to medical reimbursement as well as company-arranged security for him and his family members.

“In addition to the salary, perquisites and allowances, Anant M Ambani shall be entitled to receive remuneration based on net profits,” the notice said.

Mukesh Ambani had in August 2023 announced the induction of his three children on the board of oil-to-telecom conglomerate as non-executive directors, in preparation of an eventual succession plan.

This followed his statements that the children would have significant roles at Reliance, India’s most valuable and profitable company. Unlike Mukesh Ambani, who had to drop out of Stanford to look after his father’s business, twins Isha and Akash graduated from Yale and Brown, respectively.

Eldest son Akash joined the leadership team at the group’s telecom unit Jio in 2014 after completing college. He was made the chairman of the telecom arm, Jio Infocomm, in June 2022. He also manages the Mumbai Indians cricket team in the cash-rich Indian League.

Isha drives the company’s retail, e-commerce and luxury businesses. She is said to be behind the firm’s expanding presence in fashion through the company’s e-commerce app as well as its growing partnerships with top international luxury brands.

Anant is involved in Reliance’s energy businesses, which range from fossil fuels to developing solar panel manufacturing. A graduate of Brown University, he also serves on the board of Reliance Foundation – the group’s philanthropic arm – alongside his mother.

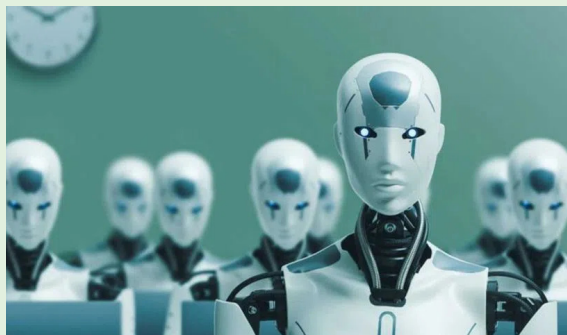
CITY CLICKS

Alcaraz eyes third title in a row as Wimbledon gets underway



Carlos Alcaraz’s first match on a grass court came just six years ago. He’s obviously a quick study. When Wimbledon gets started Monday, the 22-year-old from Spain will play in the first Centre Court match of this fortnight, an honour reserved for the previous year’s men’s champion. The contest against Fabio Fognini will open Alcaraz’s a bid for a third consecutive championship at the place. That’s something only four men have achieved in the Open era, which began in 1968: Bjorn Borg, Pete Sampras, Roger Federer and Novak Djokovic. Not bad company. Alcaraz already is 5-0 in Grand Slam finals, which includes going 2-0 at the French Open — which he won three weeks ago via a comeback from two sets down against No. 1 Jannik Sinner in the final — and 1-0 at the US Open. Last year, the No. 2-ranked Alcaraz became the youngest man to win a major trophy on each surface: grass, clay and hard courts. But he’s got a fondness for the green stuff. “The most beautiful tennis that we can watch is on grass. The style that the people bring to the court when they play on grass. ... The sound of the ball,” said Alcaraz, who will go into Monday on a career-best 18-match winning streak, including a title at the Queen’s Club tournament last weekend. “The movement is really tough, but when you get it, it’s kind of (as though) you’re flying.”

China’s humanoid robots generate more soccer excitement than human counterparts



While China’s men’s soccer team hasn’t generated much excitement in recent years, humanoid robot teams have won over fans in Beijing based more on the AI technology involved than any athletic prowess shown. Four teams of humanoid robots faced off in fully autonomous 3-on-3 soccer matches powered entirely by artificial intelligence on Saturday night in China’s capital in what was touted as a first in China and a preview for the upcoming World Humanoid Robot Games, set to take place in Beijing. According to the organisers, a key aspect of the match was that all the participating robots operated fully autonomously using AI-driven strategies without any human intervention or supervision. Equipped with advanced visual sensors, the robots were able to identify the ball and navigate the field with agility. They were also designed to stand up on their own after falling. However, during the match several still had to be carried off the field on stretchers by staff, adding to the realism of the experience. China is stepping up efforts to develop AI-powered humanoid robots, using sports competitions like marathons, boxing, and football as a real-world proving ground. Cheng Hao, founder and CEO of Booster Robotics, the company that supplied the robot players, said sports competitions offer the ideal testing ground for humanoid robots, helping to accelerate the development of both algorithms and integrated hardware-software systems. He also emphasised safety as a core concern in the application of humanoid robots. “In the future, we may arrange for robots to play football with humans. That means we must ensure the robots are completely safe,” Cheng said.

Chennai Bulls crowned inaugural Rugby Premier League champions

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In a stunning display of power, precision, and passion, the Chennai Bulls etched their name into the history books as the first-ever champions of the GMR Rugby Premier League (RPL). The Bulls delivered a belligerent, brilliant, and breathtaking performance at the Shahaji Raje Bhosale Sports Complex in Mumbai on Sunday, crushing the Delhi Redz with a thumping 41-0 victory in the grand final. The championship clash was a one-sided affair, with the Chennai Bulls asserting their dominance from the very first whistle. The margin



of victory — 41 points to none — was not only a testament to their superiority but also the largest win recorded throughout the inaugural season of the GMR RPL. The Bulls carried the

momentum from their emphatic semi-final triumph and wasted no time in stamping their authority over the Redz. Vaafauese Maliko opened the scoring with the first try of the match, setting the tone for what would be a relentless onslaught. Filipe Sauturaga successfully converted to add the extras. The Redz barely had time to regroup before Joseva Talacolo added a second try, capping off a fluid attacking move that showcased the Bulls’ seamless coordination and aggressive flair. While Chennai celebrated their historic win, the earlier fixture of the day saw the Hyderabad Heroes secure a commendable third-place

finish after overcoming the Bengaluru Bravehearts in a tightly contested playoff. The Heroes, who had topped the table during the league stage, showed immense character to bounce back after an early deficit and ultimately triumphed 17-12. The Bravehearts started strong, with Tone Shiu and Philip Wokorach scoring tries in the first half. Akuila Rokolisoa converted one of them, giving Bengaluru a solid lead going into the break. However, the Hyderabad Heroes were undeterred. Joji Nasova kickstarted the comeback with a crucial try, which was expertly converted by Manuel Moreno before halftime.

The second half belonged to the Heroes, as Kevin Wekesa powered through the Bravehearts’ defense to add a decisive try. Bhupinder Singh followed suit with another game-changing effort, helping Hyderabad edge ahead and maintain their lead until the final whistle. The inaugural season of the GMR Rugby Premier League concluded with fireworks on the field and passionate support in the stands, highlighting the growing popularity and competitive spirit of rugby in India. With the Chennai Bulls lifting the maiden trophy and setting the benchmark high, the future of the league looks bright and promising.

Media Team Triumphs in GHMC Sports Meet 2025 Cricket Final

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The GHMC Sports Meet-2025 witnessed a thrilling cricket final on Sunday at the GHMC Stadium in Nagole Bandlaguda, where the Media Team emerged victorious against the Corporators Team by 38 runs in the Corporators vs Media category. Winning the toss, the Media Team elected to bat first and set a challenging target of 121 runs in 14 overs, losing six wickets in the process. Sadanand Goud, who opened the innings, provided a strong start, while first-down batsman Shravan, along with Ratnakumar and Rajender Goud, made valuable contributions to build a formidable total. In reply, the Corporators



Team struggled against the tight bowling and agile fielding of the Media Team. Despite decent efforts from players like Latchireddy, Darshan, Shravan, and Vijay Kumar, the Corporators managed only 84 runs for the loss of 8 wickets in 14 overs. The Media Team’s bowling unit, led by Sadanand, Manche Mahesh, Shra-

van, Ratnakumar, Rajender Goud, and Mallam Venkatesh, delivered an impressive performance. Their tight line and length restricted the Corporators from chasing the target. The fielding unit also shone brightly, with stellar efforts from captain Shravan, Ratnakar, Ganesh, Bapurao, Mallam Venkatesh, Baswaraj, Niranjan, and Mahesh.

Following their win, the Media Team was declared the tournament champion, while the Corporators Team finished as runners-up. Corporators Darpalli Rajasekhar Reddy, Koppula Narasimha Reddy, Shravan, and Prem Maheshwar Reddy, among others, extended their congratulations to the winning Media Team.

Siraj, Deepika win titles in Telangana Open Squash



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Siraj Chand and Deepika won the men’s and women’s titles respectively in the Telangana Open squash championship at Secunderabad Club here on Sunday. The results: All finals: Men: Siraj Chand bt Aryan Pratap Singh 11-3, 11-1, 11-6. Women: Deepika bt Reeva Nimbalkar 8-11, 11-6, 11-8, 9-11, 11-4. Junior Category Mix under 9: Winner: Gaurvi Ajmera bt Abeer Roperia 11-8, 11-5, 11-6. Boys under 11: Winner: Nirvaan Parikh bt Aarav Kothapalli 11-4, 11-5, 10-12, 11-9. Girls under 11: Winner: Sameeksha Sugumar bt Shra-

vanthi S 13-11, 11-8, 9-11, 11-8. Boys under 13: Winner: Kiaan Kulkarni bt Rishabh Shyam 11-5, 11-5, 11-9. Girls under 13: Winner: Isha Shelke bt Shashwi S 11-6, 11-7, 11-6. Boys under 15: Winner: Dhruv Boppana bt Vivaan Sagar 11-7, 11-6, 11-1. Girls under 15: Winner: Armaa Dwivedi bt D Nityashree 9-11, 12-10, 11-6, 11-8. Boys under 17: Winner: Varun Shah bt Lokesh S 11-5, 11-2, 9-11, 11-1. Girls under 17: Winner: Sehar Nayar bt Saanvi Sree 11-4, 11-5, 11-7. Boys under 19: Winner: Ayush Verma bt Sanjay 11-8, 13-11, 11-6.

India slumps Timor-Leste to 0-4 defeat in AFC Women’s Asian Cup Qualifiers

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The Indian senior women’s team continued their impressive run in the AFC Women’s Asian Cup 2026 Qualifiers with a commanding 4-0 victory over Timor-Leste here on Sunday. Winger Manisha Kalyan (12’, 80’) scored a brilliant brace, while Anju Tamang (58’) and Lynda Kom Serto (86’) added their names to the score-sheet in a one-sided contest that saw India dominate from start to finish at the 700th Anniversary Stadium. The Blue Tigresses led 1-0 at half-time. With the win, India now sit atop Group B with six points from two games,



ahead of Iraq and Thailand, who are set to face each other later in the day. The top spot in the five-team group remains up for grabs, but India have certainly staked a strong claim with back-to-back dominant displays. Fresh from the record-breaking 13-0 triumph over Mongolia in their opening fixture, India entered the match brimming with confidence.

Right from kick-off, India picked up from where they left off against Mongolia, applying pressure high up the pitch and creating opportunities with slick passing and energetic wing play. The first chance came as early as the sixth minute when Tamang latched onto a through ball, but Timor-Leste goalkeeper Gorette Da Costa did well to deny her at the near post.

However, the breakthrough came soon after. A neat one-two between Manisha and Tamang unlocked the left side of Timor-Leste’s defence. Tamang released Manisha with a perfectly weighted pass, and the forward showed blistering pace to beat her marker before cutting inside and rifling a powerful left-footed strike into the back of the net. The early goal gave India a firm grip on the contest. The Blue Tigresses dictated the tempo with ease, dominating possession and probing constantly for openings. Pyari Xaxa nearly made it 2-0, but her curling shot rattled the woodwork. Moments later, Soumya Guguloth tested Da Costa

again, who stood firm despite the relentless Indian pressure. Timor-Leste offered very little going forward and opted to sit deep in an attempt to absorb India’s attacking threat. Their conservative approach did little to disrupt India’s rhythm, and the first half ended with them in complete control, albeit with only one goal to show for it. India resumed the second half with renewed intent. The reward for their persistence came in the 58th minute when Sanju’s teasing cross from the left caused chaos in the Timor-Leste box. Goalkeeper Da Costa misjudged the flight, and Tamang capitalised, tapping in from close range

to double India’s lead. Manisha then produced a moment of sheer class. Tamang, who had been involved in much of India’s attacking play, slipped in a clever pass to the edge of the box. Manisha took one touch before blasting a thunderous shot past Da Costa to make it 3-0 and all but sealed full points. India’s fourth goal was a textbook example of fluid team play. Substitutes Lynda Kom and Grace Dangmei combined beautifully in midfield to split the Timor-Leste defence. Grace drove into the box, drew defenders towards her, and unselfishly squared the ball to Lynda, who calmly slotted home with time and space to spare.

Hyderabad techie drowns in River Krishna at Somasila

A software employee drowned in the River Krishna at Somasila on Saturday. The deceased has been identified as Bharath, a native of Kurnool district in Andhra Pradesh. Bharath, who was residing in Hyderabad and working in the IT sector, had visited Somasila and entered the river casually. However, he is believed to have accidentally drowned, according to initial reports. Police have registered a case and taken up investigation.

HMDA signs MoU with army for elevated corridors in Secunderabad



A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Hyderabad Metropolitan Development Authority (HMDA) and the Local Military Authority (LMA) on Saturday, June 28, as the next step towards building elevated corridors in the Secunderabad Cantonment area. The two skyways would extend from Paradise Junction to Shamirpet and from Paradise to Dairy Farm Road. Although the permission for the corridors was granted in March 2024, the MoU formalises the transfer of defence land while also outlining the modalities and timeline of the transfer, along with security protocols necessary to safeguard military operations during construction. The MoU was signed by HMDA chief engineer Ravinder and Station Commander Brig S Rajeev on behalf of Headquarters Telangana and Andhra Sub Area (TASA).

KTR Slams Amit Shah, Questions Silence on Revanth Reddy Regime’s Corruption

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In a fiery rebuttal, BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao lashed out at Union Home Minister Amit Shah, questioning why the BJP-led Centre has failed to initiate a probe into the alleged corruption of the Revanth Reddy-led Congress government in Telangana. KTR reminded Shah of his previous remarks labeling the state regime as an “ATM” for the Congress high command and asked why no action had followed. KTR alleged a secret



understanding between the BJP and Congress, claiming both parties enact a “mock fight” in Delhi while striking backdoor deals in Telangana. “Is the BJP shielding Revanth Reddy because it cannot take on the BRS alone?” he asked. The BRS leader also recalled Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s earlier “RR tax” accusation against the Telangana

Congress, questioning the lack of follow-up investigations. “If your words are limited to public rallies while the Congress continues to loot, what signal are you sending to the people?” he asked. Defending the Kaleshwaram Project, KTR condemned what he described as a politically motivated campaign to tarnish the state’s flagship irrigation scheme, crediting it with transforming Telangana into the nation’s top rice-producing state. Highlighting BJP’s neglect of Telangana, he pointed out that despite

having eight MPs and two Union Ministers from the state, not a single major central institution—like an IIT, IIM, or AIIMS—has been granted national status. He also criticized repeated symbolic launches of the Turmeric Board, calling it a hollow stunt with no budget or permanent office. Accusing BJP of betrayal, KTR listed cancelled or ignored promises like Bayyaram Steel Plant, ITIR for Hyderabad, Kazipet Coach Factory, and curtailed water rights, vowing the people would continue to reject such injustice.

Kishan Pushes for Unity in State BJP Chief Election

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Telangana BJP president and Union minister G. Kishan Reddy stressed that the election of his successor on July 1 should be unanimous and reflect the unity in the party. The notification for the election was released on Sunday and nominations will be accepted on Monday in presence of party’s senior leaders including general secretary Sunil Bansal and the Union minister of state Shobha Karandlaje, who is incharge



of party’s state president election. On other issues, Kishan Reddy charged Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy of speaking without proper understanding of issues, and reminded him that the Narendra Modi-led Congress government works for the people of Telangana and not

working for him (CM) or for the Congress. He was replying to a question on Revanth Reddy’s charge that the Centre had not given approval for the expansion of Metro Rail project, Kishan Reddy pointed out that the state government had submitted the detailed project report to the Centre only last week after an inordinate delay, despite making tall claims for over a year. He said the Centre was examining the report and would take a decision.

HYDRAA reclaims encroached park land in Yellareddyguda after six decades

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A park land measuring 1,533 square yards in Yellareddyguda, which had been under encroachment for many years, was reclaimed by the Hyderabad Disaster Management and Asset Protection Agency (HYDRAA) on Sunday to be utilised for its original purpose as a public park. With the reclamation of park land after a gap of six decades, a joyful atmosphere was witnessed among the residents of Sai

Saradhi Nagar. They expressed happiness that their dream of creating the park was realised after a 60-year struggle. However, the doctors said they have received no communication from the minister, the director of medical education Dr Narendra Kumar or the health secretary Dr Christina Chongthu. “We are expressing our joy as our prolonged efforts to establish a park finally succeeded, fulfilling our long-standing aspiration,” a few residents told HYDRAA officials. HYDRAA teams

today entered the park and demolished encroachments near Madhuranagar Metro Railway Station following a complaint filed by the representatives of Sai Saradhi Nagar Residents Welfare Association through Prajvani programme. An investigation found the park land to be encroached upon. In 1961, a layout was established over five acres in the name of Sai Saradhi Nagar with 35 plots. In the layout, 1,533 square yards were designated as park land, a press release from HYDRAA said.

Amit Shah Unveils Statue of D. Srinivas

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Union home and cooperation minister Amit Shah on Sunday unveiled a statue of former minister and Rajya Sabha member D. Srinivas at the Kanteshwar Bypass Road chowrasta. The initiative was led by Srinivas’ younger son, Nizamabad BJP MP Arvind Dharmapuri. Speaking at the public meeting, Shah praised Srinivas’s contributions to Ni-



zamabad district and paid rich tributes on his first

death anniversary. MP Arvind Dharmapuri and other BJP leaders were present at the ceremony. Srinivas began his political career as Nizamabad MLA in 1989 and served as a minister in successive Congress governments. He also twice led the united Andhra Pradesh Congress Committee before resigning from Congress, joining the BRS, and being elected to the Rajya Sabha.

Police register case against BRS leaders for obstructing entry into Telangana Bhavan

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The Banjara Hills police on Sunday registered a suo motu case against several BRS leaders for allegedly obstructing police personnel from discharging their duties during the arrest of BRSV president Gellu Srinivas Yadav at Telangana

Bhavan on Saturday night. Among those who reportedly intervened during the police action were senior BRS leaders, including Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council S Madhusudhana Chary and former MLA Balka Suman. Around 20 leaders and activists of the BRS and its student wing BRSV, includ-

ing Srinivas Yadav, were arrested by the Jubilee Hills police in connection with the attack on the Mahaa News channel office. The incident followed the channel’s broadcast of allegedly derogatory content against former Chief Minister and BRS president K Chandrashekhara Rao and BRS working president KT

Rama Rao. On Sunday, police conducted searches at Srinivas Yadav’s residence in the new MLA quarters amid tight security. However, members of the BRS legal cell and advocates representing Srinivas Yadav raised objections, citing various provisions under the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS).

Talasanani Seeks Grand Arrangements for Mahankali Bonalu

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Sanathnagar MLA and former minister Talasani Srinivas Yadav emphasized the need for comprehensive arrangements for the upcoming Mahankali Bonalu festival, ensuring the event is celebrated smoothly and traditionally. Participating in the Ghattala Edurukollu (welcoming of the holy pots) ceremony, the MLA offered prayers and adorned the ceremonial pots with



decorative ornaments. He was warmly received by temple authorities amidst Vedic chants, marking the spiritual fervor of the occasion. The celebrations featured the Phalaharam Bandi

Uregimpu (fruit cart procession) and the Thottela Uregimpu (decorated bamboo structures procession), in which Talasani actively participated, showcasing devotion and community spirit.

He was joined by Temple Executive Officer Manohar Reddy, Trustee Kamesh, former Corporator Attili Mallikharjun Goud, BRS Division President Attili Srinivas Goud, and other party leaders. The Bonalu festival, a vibrant tradition of Telangana, is set to draw thousands of devotees, and Talasani emphasized the importance of coordination among departments to ensure security, sanitation, and uninterrupted celebrations.

Hyderabad teen dies in car crash in Medak

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A 17-year-old girl from Hyderabad died in a road accident near Edupayala temple in Medak district during the early hours of Sunday, after the car she was travelling in overturned and the driver lost control of the steering. The deceased, Kothuri Prathima, a resident of Begumpet in Hyderabad, had gone on a long drive with her friends, Golla Chintu (17), Manohar, and Shiva Kumar, all residents of Fatehnagar. After offering prayers at the Edupayala temple, the group was returning via the Narsapur–Medak road when the accident occurred.

Heavy turnout of devotees at Bibi ka Alawa



A large number of devotees throng Bibi Ka Alawa in Dabeerpura, Hyderabad.—Photo; Mir Zulfequar ali

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Thousands of devotees are flocking daily to Bibi Ka Alawa in Dabeerpura to offer flowers and ‘dhatti’ during the ongoing ziyarat of Bibi Ka Alam, as the footfall continues to grow with each passing day since the Alam was first established.

The sacred site has become a focal point of devotion during the Muharram season, drawing crowds from across the city and beyond. From early morning to late evening, people of all ages and backgrounds can be seen lining up to pay their respects, creating an atmosphere charged with spiritual fervor and com-

munal solidarity. Security arrangements have been strengthened and traffic diversions put in place by Hyderabad police to manage the swelling crowds and ensure smooth conduct of the rituals. Volunteers and community leaders are also actively assisting in organizing the devotees and maintaining discipline.

The Bibi Ka Alam, a significant relic in the Shia Muslim tradition, is revered for its spiritual and historical importance, and the ziyarat is considered an act of deep religious merit. With more days of observance ahead, officials anticipate an even larger turnout in the coming days.

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