

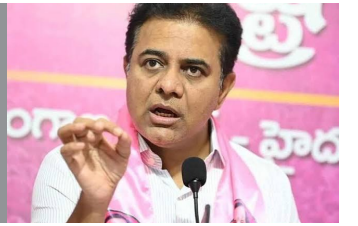


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India no dharmshala, only those born here will stay: Amit Shah

These Congress leaders and Uddhav ji, who is sitting in the lap of the Congress, want to survive by turning infiltrators

Kolhapur: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday, June 20, took a sharp jibe at Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray, accusing him of sitting in Congress's lap and trying to turn infiltrators into a vote bank, warning that India is not a dharmshala in an apparent reference to the imminent split in Thackeray-

led Sena (UBT). Shah said that earlier people had to refer to the Shinde-led faction separately, but "now no faction remains, and there is only one Shiv Sena, which is headed by Eknath Shinde". The Sena (UBT) is staring at a crisis as at least six Lok Sabha MPs are believed to have revolted against Thackeray and are likely to cross over to the ruling Shiv Sena. These Con-

gress leaders and Uddhav ji, who is sitting in the lap of the Congress, want to survive by turning infiltrators into a vote bank. I want to tell them clearly that this country is not a dharmshala (charitable shelter). Only those who belong to this country will live here," Shah said. He said every infiltrator would be identified and expelled from the country. Shah was addressing a gath-

ing after the launch of the Goddess Ambabai temple corridor project here in Maharashtra. Modi's chapter will be inscribed in golden letters: Shah Referring to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 12 years in office, Shah said the time would occupy a significant place in the history of independent India, and his tenure would be remembered for building a resurgent nation and enhancing its prestige.

globally. "The chapter on Narendra Modi's 12 years in office will be inscribed in golden letters for creating a resurgent India and enhancing the country's prestige", he said. He said several tasks once considered impossible had been accomplished in the last 12 years under Modi's leadership, citing the construction of the Ram temple in Ayodhya, the redevelopment of the

Kashi Vishwanath corridor, Kedarnath and Badrinath shrines, and works at Somnath and Kamakhya temples. Cultural renaissance taking place across the country: Shah Shah said a cultural renaissance was taking place across the country under the mantra of "Vikas bhi, Virasat bhi" (development as well as heritage), and described the Ambabai temple corridor as another step in preserving

India's religious and cultural legacy. He said the Rs 500-crore project would come up over 28,058 square metres and transform the historic seventh-Century shrine into a modern pilgrimage centre equipped with AI-based security systems, LED lighting, heritage galleries, a light-and-sound show, a multipurpose hall and other facilities. Shah added that 41 temples in and around the Maha-

laxmi temple would be conserved in consultation with the Archaeological Department and thanked Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde and the Maharashtra government for taking up the project. Spending Rs 1,500 crore on places where our history, religion and culture reside is not a big amount. Such places inspire the entire country," Shah said.



Dipke Seeks Protest Extension, Vows to Stay Till Pradhan Resigns

New Delhi: Wakeup telangana

Cockroach Janta Party founder Abhijit Dipke on Saturday said he will not leave Jantar Mantar until the education minister resigns and asked Delhi Police to extend permission to let the protest continue. He was addressing a large number of students and supporters demonstrating at the second protest organised by the Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) here over alleged examination irregularities, repeated paper leaks and demands for accountability from the government. request the authorities... since youth from all over the country is here. They want to sit here till we get justice. (1) request Delhi Police to extend our permission. The protest has been peaceful. we are just innocent students who want to sit here." The youth leader



also said that the channel for dialogue is open, but the "only condition is that Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan should resign". requested Delhi Police to "open a dialogue with the Centre" and asserted, "If there are arrests, I will be the first to court arrest." Dipke also appealed to supporters to join the ongoing protest at Jantar Mantar at 6 pm, ex-

pressing confidence that police will grant the permission for the extension. The protest started earlier in the day amid heavy police deployment as students sloganeered and held placards seeking answers from the government over alleged failures in ensuring transparent examinations and protecting the interests of aspirants. Supporters responded

to Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) founder Abhijeet Dipke's call to bring "thali and cham-mach" (plates and spoons), using them as symbols of protest and banging them during the demonstration. Chants of "Dharmendra Pradhan must resign" echoed at the venue, as protesters renewed their demand for accountability over issues related to examination

management. Dipke arrived at the protest venue to huge cheers from the crowd and said they want to resolve the issues faced by the students. We are here to solve today's students' problems," he said. A young public policy professional, who requested anonymity, said it is important to show up "Nobody knows exactly where this is going. The movement started on social media rather than in organised rooms. It was organic and refreshing, and that is why people connected with it," he added. Echoing this sentiment, many participants admitted uncertainty about the future direction of the movement. Yet, they said, they felt compelled to join because some form of collective mobilisation had become necessary. Supporters wore cockroach masks at the protests and held

Palestine Seeks Urgent Medical Aid from India for Gaza

In a statement issued on Friday, June 19, the embassy said hospitals across Gaza are struggling to operate as the humanitarian crisis deepens. It called on the Indian government, medical institutions and humanitarian organisations to support efforts aimed at sustaining healthcare services and saving civilian lives. The appeal comes as the World Health Organization (WHO) warns that Gaza's health system has reached a "breaking point". According to the agency, only 19 of the enclave's 36 hospitals remain partially operational, functioning under extremely limited emergency conditions. The embassy said shortages of anaesthetics, antibio-

tics, dialysis supplies, blood units, insulin, surgical equipment and fuel are severely affecting medical services. Thousands of patients are also awaiting urgent medical evacuation for treatment unavailable within the territory. It further highlighted deteriorating public health conditions caused by overcrowded displacement camps, damaged sanitation infrastructure, limited access to clean water and the accumulation of waste. These conditions have increased the risk of infectious diseases, particularly among children, older people and those with weakened immune systems. The statement said the Embassy of the State of Palestine has urged

Kerala HC denies bail to imam accused of sexually assaulting minor

Kochi: The Kerala High Court denied bail to a 63-year-old imam accused of sexually assaulting his eight-year-old girl student in a madrasa, saying that it appeared to be a "premeditated criminal act". Justice Kauser Edappagath dismissed the bail plea and said, "Considering the nature of the crime, the gravity of the offence, the complicity of the applicant in it, and the facts and circumstances mentioned above, I am of the view that the applicant cannot be released on bail at this stage." According to the prosecution, the accused, who is in judicial custody since February 8

this year, had groped and touched the minor girl's private parts while she was studying in the madrasa. He was booked for various offences under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, the prosecution told the court. The accused had sought bail claiming he was falsely implicated and that there were no materials to connect him to the alleged crime. The court rejected the contention, saying that "a perusal of the case diary would reveal that the accusation against

Iran rejects report of Araghchi trip to Switzerland for US talks

Iran on Saturday, June 20, denied reports that Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi is travelling to Switzerland for negotiations with US envoy Steve Witkoff, saying no talks will take place until Washington fulfils its obligations under a recently signed memorandum of understanding (MOU). According

to Iran's Tasnim news agency, Tehran rejected claims that Araghchi and Witkoff would soon meet in Switzerland. Iranian officials said no delegation would attend negotiations unless Article 13 of the MOU is fully implemented. The statement came as fighting continued in Lebanon despite reports of ceasefire efforts,

with Israeli strikes on southern Lebanon on Saturday killing at least seven people, including two children. Iran sets conditions for resuming talks Iran maintains that all negotiations with the United States, including discussions on its nuclear programme, remain suspended until key provisions of the agreement

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Trial run of Bibi-Ka-Alam procession held in Hyderabad's Old City



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A trial run of the Bibi-Ka-Alam procession was taken out in the Old City on Saturday by the organisers of the procession. The elephant Sreedevi was arranged from Kerala and arrived in the city three days ago. The organisers of the procession, along with the Hyderabad City police, as a practice, conducted a trial run on the procession route to familiarise the jumbo with the atmosphere that prevails during the procession. The elephant passed through Yakutpura Bada Bazaar Road, Etebar Chowk,

Alijah Kotla, Charminar, Gulzar Houz, Panjasha, Mandi Miralam and Darulshifa. Hyderabad Commissioner of Police, VC Sajjanar, and Joint Commissioner of Police, Tafseer Iqbal, and other officers were present at the Bibi ka Alawa. The main procession will be taken out on the 10th day of the Muharram, coinciding with 26 June. The district buses will be diverted towards Rang Mahal and Afzalgunj and allowed to come on Kalikabar and Miralam Mandi road till the procession reaches the destination. Traffic from Tank Bund towards Karbala Maidan

will be diverted towards Kavadiguda, Bible House and RP Road. The police said the traffic from RP Road towards Karbala Maidan will be diverted towards either Kotla Alija or Purana Haveli side, and traffic from Purani Haveli will not be allowed towards Etebar Chowk and diverted towards Chatta Bazar, Dabeerpura or SJ Rotary. Similarly, traffic from Moghalpura and Volta hotel will be diverted at Bibi Bazar 'X' road towards Paris café or Talab-

katta, while vehicles from Mitti-ka-sheer and Madina will be diverted at Gulzar House towards M. Traffic from Etebar Chowk will be diverted towards Salar Jung/Shivaji Bridge on Gowliguda side. The district buses will be diverted towards Rang Mahal and Afzalgunj and allowed to come on Kalikabar and Miralam Mandi road till the procession reaches the destination. Traffic from Tank Bund towards Karbala Maidan will be diverted towards Kavadiguda, Bible House and RP Road. The police said the traffic from RP Road towards Karbala

from the Moghalpura water tank will be diverted at Hafez Danka Mosque towards Paris Cafe or Bibi Bazar, and from Shakkerkote will be diverted towards Ghansi Bazar or Chelapur. Traffic from Nayapul will be diverted at Madina 'X' road towards City College, and traffic from Chaderghat Rotary, Noorkhan Bazar, Salarjung Museum and Shivaji Bridge will be diverted towards Nayapul, Shivaji Bridge and Noorkhan Bazar. Traffic from Chaderghat Rotary will be diverted towards Ranga Mahal or Koti via Chaderghat Bridge and traffic coming from Gowliguda or Afzalgunj will be diverted towards Salar Jung/Shivaji Bridge on Gowliguda side. The district buses will be diverted towards Rang Mahal and Afzalgunj and allowed to come on Kalikabar and Miralam Mandi road till the procession reaches the destination. Traffic from Tank Bund towards Karbala Maidan will be diverted towards Kavadiguda, Bible House and RP Road. The police said the traffic from RP Road towards Karbala

Around 50 passengers stranded after RTA seizes Hyderabad-Rajasthan bus

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Around 50 passengers travelling from Hyderabad to Rajasthan were reportedly stranded after the Khairatabad RTA seized their private bus. Travellers alleged that no alternative transport was provided, leaving them without adequate food and restroom facilities for several hours. Around 50 passengers were reportedly left stranded after officials of the Khairatabad Regional Transport Authority (RTA) seized a private travels bus that was en route from Hyderabad to Rajasthan on Saturday.



According to information available, the bus was taken to the Khairatabad RTA office along with all those on board. They alleged that authorities failed to arrange an alternative vehicle after seizing the bus, forcing them to remain inside the vehicle throughout the night. Passengers said they faced severe hardship due to the lack of food and ac-

cess to proper restroom facilities. Women, children and elderly travellers were among those affected. Even after several hours, the passengers and the seized bus reportedly remained at the RTA office premises, leaving many frustrated and upset. RTA officials have not responded to the matter.

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Ameerpet residents concerned over delay in stormwater drain works amid monsoon



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During the visit, he directed the officials concerned to revamp the existing stormwater drain by widening and remodelling it, and to complete the work on a war footing to avoid inconvenience. Residents, however, said the works were continuing at a snail's pace. The delay has been attributed to a lack of coordination between Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) and the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) in completing the works. At Srinivasa Nagar, earth excavation work was seen at the stormwater drain site behind Maitrivanam, with soil

piled up, causing inconvenience to locals and students. Srinivasa Nagar has been a hub for software-related coaching centres for several years, with hundreds of students passing through the area from their hostels. The locality remains busy with students, Xerox centres, and stationery shops. Students express worries about the excavation works remaining unfinished for the past two weeks. They said a heavy downpour had added to difficulties while crossing the site and urged officials to complete the work immediately. GHMC officials of Khairatabad Zone said the slab work on the stormwater drain had been completed, and that laying sewerage lines remained pending

from the HMWSSB side. They said GHMC would lay a new CC road soon after the pipeline work was completed. Residents of Gangubhai Basthi and Srinivasa Nagar, behind Maitrivanam, in Ameerpet, have raised concerns over the slow progress of stormwater drain (SWD) works, saying the delay could lead to inundation during the ongoing monsoon. Gangubhai Basthi drew attention after Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy made a sudden visit during last year's monsoon, when the city witnessed torrential rains. Slum residents told the Chief Minister that the locality faced frequent inundation every rainy season due to the stormwater drain overflowing.

DEWI Collective & Visista Gold & Diamonds Sri Pancha Vaarahi Puja Yaga Mahotsavam 2026

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*DEWI Collective, under the divine guidance of *Sri Uma Maheswara Pandit Garu, Peethadhipathi of Sri Jyothirvasthu Vidya Peetham, Fasalwadi, Sangareddy, successfully organized the magnificent **Sri Pancha Vaarahi Puja Yaga Mahotsavam 2026, bringing together thousands of devotees in an extraordinary display of faith, devotion, and spiritual unity. Dedicated to invoking the divine blessings of Sri Pancha Vaarahi Amma for peace, prosperity, protection, and well-being, the event witnessed an overwhelming response from devotees across Telangana and beyond. The event was a grand success with 108 couples participating in the sacred Maha Homam, 1,800 devotees performed the Maha Kalasha Puja simultaneously. Over 4,500 devotees gathered to witness this historic spiritual celebration. A mesmerizing and spiritually uplifting Vaarahi Amma devotional dance performance by Sunny Master and Team left devotees spellbound and filled with goosebumps. The divine Utsava Vighram of Sri Vaarahi Amma was taken in a grand palanquin procession, showering blessings upon devotees. A dedicated Go Seva and Go*



Shala awareness initiative highlighted the spiritual and health benefits associated with cow protection and service. Adding to the divine atmosphere, a gentle and refreshing rain blessed the gathering, which devotees considered a sign of the grace and blessings of Lord Shiva and Mother Vaarahi. DEWI Collective, founded in Telangana also celebrated its one year anniversary with core team - Sridevi Palabatta (Honorary chairperson Dewi), Sridevi Kothamasu (Kubera) Swapna Membi (Kubera), Associate founders Pallavi Madhupathy (Secretary DEWI), Dr Sravathy Gummadi (Vice President), Sowmya Kollu, Lavanya V. Snehalatha, Dr Satyasree, Nagalakshmi, Mounika Chegu, Swapna Priya (President Dewi),

Geetha Bhandari, Kavitha, Swapna C, Nikita, Bhargavi, Dr Rupa Lavanya, The Mahotsavam was graced by several eminent personalities, political leaders, spiritual seekers, and celebrities, including: Shri Anil Kumar Yadav - Rajya Sabha MP, Shri Naveen Yadav - MLA, Shri Ponguleti Sudhakar Reddy, Former MLC and BJP National Co-In charge for Tamil Nadu & Karnataka, Ms. Sukruti Upadhyay, Senior Manager - Partnerships, Sewa Bridge Foundation, New Delhi, Dr. Rahul Sariden, Official Spokesperson, BJP, Ms. Tanuja Puttaswamy, Actress & Television Celebrity, Dr. Nizamuddin, Mutta Gopal, Uppala Srinivas, Chairperson of TGIIC Smt. T. Nirmala Jagga Reddy, Boggarapu Dayanand,

Kalva Sujatha and several other distinguished dignitaries, spiritual leaders, entrepreneurs, and devotees from all walks of life. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Neelima Vemula, Founder & Chairperson of DEWI, said: "DEWI is a unique movement that blends spiritual wisdom, cultural heritage, and modern leadership, creating a platform where women can remain deeply rooted in tradition while confidently embracing the future." Dewi Core Puja committee was fully supported by its hard-working team members - Led by Core committee Head Dr Sravanthi Gummadi, Swapna & Ganesh Pola, Pranati Chopra, Snehalatha, Santoshi, Venkat pola, Rajesh Kumar, Shivabhanu, Lavanya, Nagesh, Shilpa, Kavitha, Sirisha, Suman, Swapna, Vijalakshmi, Nikita, Satish Grandhi. With a vision to take the essence of India's timeless values to the global stage, DEWI is building an international sisterhood of women who celebrate culture, uphold traditions, embrace innovation, and inspire positive change. Pallavi Nagalla, Co-Founder & Brand Custodian of DEWI, added: "From Telangana to the world, DEWI is creating a global sisterhood of women who are spiritually rooted, culturally enriched, and future-ready. We be-

Amoy Kumar Appears Before ED Again in Bhoodan Case

Senior IAS officer Amoy Kumar on Monday appeared before the Enforcement Directorate (ED) at Basheerbagh in connection with a case relating to the alleged alienation of Bhoodan land at Nagole in Medchal Malkajgiri district. The Central economic intelligence agency took up the investigation based on a case registered at the Maheshwaram police station against private persons and government officials on the illegal sale of 42 acres of Bhoodan government land through forged documents and manipulated government revenue records. Amoy, who is currently posted in the animal husbandry and dairy development department, served as the district collector of Rangareddy and Medchal Malkajgiri districts earlier. The ED had questioned Amoy in October, 2024. Though Amoy was not named as an accused in the FIR, his role in the use of the Dharani portal and registration of properties which were under prohibited categories came under scrutiny during the ED's probe.

Jana Sena Expands in Telangana with Janavani Launch

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Jana Sena Party on Friday opened its Telangana state office with the party president and Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan declaring that Jana Sena will accelerate its political journey in Telangana. He called upon the party cadres to work to fulfil Telangana's aspirations and hopes. He said the first priority should be the nation's integrity and unity. The actor-politician provided direction to the party cadres on how the party's journey in Telangana should progress. He urged them to take the party's principles and ideology to the people. He urged the senior leaders to guide the newcomers, so they understand the party's ideology.



Pawan Kalyan called on them to conduct 'Janavani' in Telangana to listen to people's problems. "When someone comes to us to share their problem, we must first respect them. We must listen to their issue carefully. We must find a solution. Prepare a plan to conduct the Janavani programme in Telangana as well. Listen to people's issues from all regions. Bring the problems of those who come to us to the attention of officials and public representatives so they can be resolved. If

they still remain unresolved, let's think about how to launch public movements. First, set up a platform to fully hear people's issues. Ensure this works strongly in all regions," he said. The Jana Sena leader said that the Telangana region is like the heart of India. He recalled that with the iron man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's vision, a five-day Police Action took place in Hyderabad. He said party leaders must fight with their lives for such a region and its

people. The spirit of struggle in Telangana should be an inspiration to the nation, he added. Pawan Kalyan stated that the Jana Sena movement has begun in Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Karnataka as well. The Jana Sena chief claimed that he understands the soul of Telangana. "The soil here, the struggles, the sacrifices—all of these have inspired me. The caste-free struggles for rights led by the youth in Telangana are immensely valuable. This is a land of struggles... a blessed land. The Jana Sena movement began from the soil of Telangana," he said. Addressing the party leaders after inaugurating the party office in Manikonda, he said people's problems should be the agenda of the party.

HONOURING INTEGRITY: K.N. Mehra Felicitated for Exemplary Public Service

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

In recognition of his outstanding commitment to public service, transparency, and administrative integrity, K.N. Mehra, President of the GHMC Town Planning Technical Staff Association Executive Body, was honoured with an Appreciation Certificate by the Society for Crusade Against Corruption at a special felicitation ceremony held in Hyderabad. The award was presented in appreciation of Mehra's decades-long contribution to the Town Planning wing of the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC), where he has earned a reputation for prompt service, professional excellence, and unwavering dedication to public welfare. The Society for Crusade Against Corruption, known for promoting accountability and ethical governance, stated that Mehra's work



serves as a model for public servants. The organization highlighted his efforts in maintaining transparency, ensuring efficient service delivery, and strengthening public trust in civic administration. Speaking on the occasion, representatives of the society praised Mehra's leadership and commitment to honest governance. They noted that his career reflects the values of integrity, accessibility, and responsibility, qualities that are essential for effective public administration. Over the years,

Mehra has played a significant role in addressing issues related to town planning and technical staff welfare while maintaining a citizen-centric approach in his professional responsibilities. His leadership within the GHMC Town Planning Technical Staff Association has been widely appreciated by colleagues and stakeholders alike. The felicitation ceremony was attended by executive members of the Society for Crusade Against Corruption, civic representatives, well-wishers, and members of

Kapu Srinivas Reddy Leads by Example in Public Service



Sangareddy District, Wakeup Telangana

Former Karchal Sarpanch and Congress leader Kapu Srinivas

Reddy actively participated in the relocation of an electricity transformer along with Electricity Department officials in Raikode Mandal on Friday. The transformer shifting was undertaken to improve power infrastructure and ensure uninterrupted electricity supply to villagers. Residents appreciated Srinivas Reddy's hands-on in-

volvement, noting that he continues to work for village development even after his tenure as Sarpanch. The development activities are being carried out in coordination with the current Sarpanch, Kapu Urmila. Villagers praised Srinivas Reddy's dedication to public service and his commitment to addressing local issues and improving civic

Rahul Gandhi Birthday Celebrations Held in Serilingampally

HYDERABAD
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Srirangam Venkatesh

The birth anniversary of Rahul Gandhi was celebrated with enthusiasm at the Congress Party office in Nallagandla under the leadership of Serilingampally Congress In-charge and TPCC General Secretary Jaga-deeshwar Goud. Party leaders and workers cut a cake and extended birthday wishes to Rahul Gandhi.



Speaking on the occasion, Jaga-deeshwar Goud praised Rahul Gandhi's efforts towards social justice, democracy, and public welfare. He also highlighted the contributions of the Gandhi family, including former

Prime Ministers Rajiv Gandhi and Indira Gandhi, to the nation's development. Congress leader Yelamanchi Uday Kiran said Rahul Gandhi's commitment to youth empowerment, national unity, and public engagement con-

tinues to inspire people across the country. Leaders also stated that the Congress government in Telangana, under the leadership of Revanth Reddy, is effectively implementing welfare and development programmes. A large number of Congress leaders, Youth Congress members, Mahila Congress representatives, party workers, women, and youth participated in the celebrations

PAC Chairman Reviews ₹530-Crore Miyapur Flyover and Underpass Project



Wake Up Telangana | Rangareddy District | Srirangam Venkatesh

PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi inspected the proposed ₹530-crore Miyapur traffic decongestion project along with CMC Commissioner Srujana, zonal commissioners, engineering officials, and HICTI project authorities. The project includes a 1.79-km, six-lane bi-directional flyover from Miyapur X Roads to Alwyn Colony X Roads, a three-lane uni-directional underpass from Hafeezpet to Miyapur, and another three-lane uni-directional underpass from Bachupally to Alwyn Colony. Speaking on the occasion, Gandhi said the project, recently inaugurated by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, will

significantly reduce traffic congestion in Miyapur, Hafeezpet, Chandanagar, Bachupally, and surrounding areas. He stated that the flyover and underpasses would improve connectivity, reduce travel time and fuel consumption, and provide major relief to commuters. Officials reviewed the progress of the project, land acquisition status, and pending issues. Gandhi directed departments to strengthen coordination and expedite all pending processes to ensure timely completion of the works. The project is aimed at easing traffic congestion, improving road connectivity, and meeting the growing transportation needs of the Miyapur-Kukatpally corridor.

MIETW, CBIT Sign MoU to Promote Indian Knowledge Systems

Medchal-Malkajgiri District
Wakeup telangana
Thalka Anjaiah

In a significant initiative aimed at strengthening academic collaboration and promoting India's rich intellectual heritage, Megha Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (MIETW), Ghatkesar, and Chaitanya Bharati Institute of Technology (CBIT),

Gandipet, signed an Academic Collaboration Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Friday. The MoU seeks to facilitate academic cooperation in the field of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) through the exchange of knowledge resources, research expertise, academic practices, and collaborative educational activities. The partner-



ship is expected to create new opportunities for students and faculty members while encouraging interdisciplinary learning and research. The agreement was formally signed by Dr. C. V. Narasimhulu,

Principal of CBIT, and Dr. B. Sai Venkata Krishna, Vice Principal of MIETW, in the presence of distinguished academicians Dr. G. Suresh Babu, Professor at CBIT, and Prof. D. Harrison Sunil of

MIETW. Speaking on the occasion, representatives from both institutions highlighted the importance of integrating traditional Indian wisdom with modern educational practices. They stated that the collabo-

ration would pave the way for joint research projects, faculty development programs, academic exchange initiatives, seminars, workshops, and student engagement activities centered on Indian Knowledge Systems. The MoU reflects the shared commitment of MIETW and CBIT towards preserving and promoting India's knowledge traditions while fos-

tering innovation, academic excellence, and cultural understanding among future engineers and technologists. Academicians expressed confidence that the collaboration would contribute significantly to the advancement of higher education and the wider dissemination of Indian Knowledge Systems in engineering and technology education.

Former Corporator Seeks Action Against Alleged Nala Encroachment in Gopanpally

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Former Gachibowli Corporator V. Gangadhar Reddy has submitted a representation to the Serilingampally MRO seeking immediate action against alleged encroachment of a government nala and land by a construction firm in Gopanpally. According to the complaint,



the construction company is allegedly carrying out unauthorized structures on government land in Survey No. 21 while encroaching upon a natural water channel and a portion of land used for a cremation ground. Gangadhar Reddy stated that such encroachments could obstruct the natural flow of rainwater and increase flood risks for nearby colonies during heavy rains. He urged revenue authorities to conduct a site in-

spection, remove the alleged encroachments, restore the nala and government land to their original condition, and initiate legal action against those responsible. The former corporator warned that if immediate action is not taken, local residents may launch protests to safeguard public land, water channels, and community resources.

IT Corridor Prepares for Monsoon; Authorities Issue Traffic Advisory



Wake Up Telangana | Hyderabad:

A high-level coordination meeting was held between Cyberabad Traffic Police, Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC), the Society for Cyberabad Security Council (SCSC), and IT company representatives to strengthen monsoon preparedness, improve traffic manage-

ment, and ensure quick emergency response in the IT corridor. The meeting was attended by Cyberabad Police Commissioner M. Ramesh, CMC Commissioner Srujana, Traffic DCP Sheshadri Reddy, SCSC CEO Naved, and other officials. Officials announced the establishment of the Cyberabad Convergence Centre (CCC) to coordi-

nate rapid responses to civic and traffic emergencies during heavy rains. Waterlogging-prone locations have been identified, while towing cranes, water pumps, and quick-response patrol teams have been deployed for emergency situations. To reduce congestion during sudden downpours, IT companies were advised to implement staggered employee logouts, encourage carpooling, and promote the use of Metro Rail and RTC buses. Officials noted that nearly 10 lakh IT employees commute through the corridor and around 1.2 lakh single-oc-

cupancy vehicles enter the area daily. Authorities also directed commercial complexes and IT parks to maintain rainwater harvesting pits and drainage systems to prevent water stagnation. A dedicated Cyberabad Weather App is being developed to provide real-time weather updates and emergency alerts. Officials said Cyberabad Traffic Police and SCSC volunteers will remain on duty round the clock and urged commuters to follow the Traffic Pulse app and official traffic social media channels for live traffic updates and travel planning

Ahead of NEET retest, aspirants battle stress and uncertainty

For lakhs of students preparing to appear for the NEET UG re-examination on Sunday, June 21, the days leading up to the test have been marked by anxiety, uncertainty and exhaustion after an examination they had already written was cancelled over allegations of a paper leak. In Manipur, the challenge has extended beyond academics. Students from conflict-affected districts have had to travel under security escort to reach examination centres, navigating a state still grappling with ethnic tensions. According to a report by Indian Express, aspirants from districts such as Kangpokpi and Senapati have described being emotionally and physically drained after preparing for and appearing in the original examination on May 3, only to be asked to sit for the test again. District administrations, police and security forces have coordinated special transportation and

PM Modi extends birthday wishes to President Droupadi

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday extended greetings to President Droupadi Murmu on her birthday, praising her remarkable journey of public service and describing her life as an inspiration for millions across the country. In a post on X, the Prime Minister said, "Warm birthday greetings to the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu Ji. Her journey, marked by courage, simplicity, humility and unwavering commitment to public service, continues to inspire people across the country." Highlighting President Murmu's contributions to nation-building and social welfare, Modi added, "Through her many years in public life, she has served the nation in an outstanding manner, especially passionate about the wellbeing of the underprivileged and marginalised.



Her steadfast dedication to India's development is very motivating." Extending his wishes, the Prime Minister said, "May she be blessed with a long and healthy life in the service of the nation. I look forward to meeting her later today at the programme in Odisha." Joining the greetings, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath also lauded President Murmu's

commitment to public service and constitutional values. In a post on X, he wrote, "Heartfelt birthday greetings to Her Excellency the President, Smt. Droupadi Murmu Ji. Your simple life, unwavering dedication to the upliftment of tribal society, and steadfast commitment to constitutional values serve as an exemplary inspiration for all citizens of the country. I pray

to Lord Sri Jagannath Ji for your long and illustrious life and excellent health," he added. President Droupadi Murmu, the 15th President of India, assumed office on July 25, 2022, becoming the first tribal woman and the youngest person to hold the country's highest constitutional office. Before becoming President, she served as the ninth Governor of Jharkhand from 2015 to 2021. Born on June 20, 1958, in Uparbeda village of Odisha's Mayurbhanj district to a Santhal tribal family, President Murmu's life story is one of perseverance and determination. Beginning her education at a village primary school, she went on to pursue higher studies in Bhubaneswar, becoming the first girl from her village to pass the matriculation examination and earn a college degree. She graduated from Ramadevi Women's College in 1979 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political

India diversifies LPG imports during West Asia conflict as OMCs absorb price shock

New Delhi: India sharply diversified its liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) sourcing during the West Asia conflict, increasing imports from the US, Iran and several other countries to reduce dependence on the Gulf region, while state-owned fuel retailers absorbed much of the surge in international prices to shield households. Before the conflict, roughly 90 per cent of India's LPG imports came from West Asian suppliers, leaving the country heavily exposed to regional disruptions. By April 2026, the United States accounted for

nearly one-third of India's LPG imports, up from just 8 per cent in February, according to a Crisil report. The shift was aided by a 2.2 million tonne-per-year LPG supply agreement signed with the United States in late 2025, equivalent to about 10 per cent of India's annual import requirement. Iran also re-entered India's import basket, accounting for around 6 per cent of April imports, while supplies were sourced from countries like Argentina, Chile, France and the Netherlands. The diversifica-

tion helped maintain supplies during the conflict, but came at the cost of longer supply chains and higher freight expenses. The disruption nevertheless weighed heavily on demand. LPG consumption fell to 2.47 million tonnes in April from 3.2 million tonnes in February as tighter availability and rising prices curbed usage. After growing 6 per cent to a record 33.2 million tonnes in fiscal 2026, India's LPG consumption declined 13 per cent year-on-year in both March and April, before falling 20 per cent in May.

Go Pradhan Go Slogans as Youths Demand Account-

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

The June 20 demonstration follows CJP's earlier protest at Jantar Mantar, where the youth-led group had raised concerns over alleged paper leaks, examination irregularities and delays affecting students and job aspirants. The youth-led

Cockroach Janta Party on Saturday held its second protest at Delhi's Jantar Mantar, with a large gathering of students and supporters joining the demonstration over alleged examination irregularities, repeated paper leaks and demands for accountability from the government. The protest site witnessed

heavy police deployment as students sloganeered and held placards seeking answers from the government over alleged failures in ensuring transparent examinations and protecting the interests of aspirants. Supporters responded to Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) founder Abhijeet Dipke's call to



bring "thali and chammach" (plates and spoons), using them as symbols of protest and banging them during the

demonstration. Chants of "Dharmendra Pradhan must resign" echoed at the venue, as pro-

testers renewed their demand for accountability over issues related to examination management. Dipke arrived at the protest venue to huge cheers from the crowd and said they want to resolve the issues faced by the students. "We are here to solve today's students' problems,"

he said. Ahead of the protest, Dipke had written an open letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, demanding that accountability be fixed over the concerns raised by students. While the letter referred to fixing responsibility, the CJP has also been demanding the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmen-

dra Pradhan over the handling of examination-related issues. The June 20 demonstration follows CJP's earlier protest at Jantar Mantar, where the youth-led group had raised concerns over alleged paper leaks, examination irregularities and delays affecting students and job aspirants.

NEET aspirant jumps to death days before re-test

Indore: A 21-year-old female student, who had been preparing for NEET UG 2026 for the last three years, allegedly ended her life by jumping from a multi-storey building in Indore, police said on Friday. The incident took place on Thursday night, and the victim died during treatment on Friday morning, just two days before the NEET UG re-test. The victim's doctor father claimed that his daughter had been suffering from depression

for the last five months and committed suicide due to depression. Bhanwarkuan police station in-charge Santosh Dudhi told PTI that the victim, Avantika Maurya, died after falling from a multi-storey building on Thursday night. The student, who originally hailed from Dhar district, lived in a rented house in the building where the incident took place, he said. "The student went to the rooftop while talking on her mobile phone around 11 pm on Thursday and

suddenly fell. Hearing the sound, the people present there took her to a nearby hospital. She died during treatment on Friday morning," Dudhi said. The station house officer said that a post-mortem was conducted, and her death is being investigated from all angles, including that of suicide. The incident is also being investigated based on the student's mobile phone and call details. It will be determined who she was talking to and what she

was talking about during her final moments. A conclusion will be reached after a detailed investigation," he added. According to Dudhi, the student's family members say that she had not told them any specific reason for her mental distress. "We will examine the call details of the student's mobile phone and also question witnesses to find out what stress led her to commit suicide," he said. The student's family members said that she

Shah Backs Shinde as Sole Shiv Sena Chief, Jabs Uddhav on Vote Bank Politics



NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Kolhapur: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday took a sharp jibe at Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray, accusing him of sitting in Congress's lap and trying to turn infiltrators into a vote bank, warning that India is not a

dharmshala. In an apparent reference to the imminent split in Thackeray-led Sena (UBT), Shah said that earlier people had to refer to the Shinde-led faction separately, but "now no faction remains, and there is only one Shiv Sena, which is headed by Eknath Shinde"

Centre Bans 16 Drug Combinations Amid Public Health Concerns

New Delhi, The Centre has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of 16 fixed-dose combination (FDC) drugs, saying they lack "therapeutic justification" and their continued use was not considered beneficial in relation to the potential risks involved. The move, the Union

Health Ministry said, was to safeguard public health and promote rational use of medicines while ensuring only effective and scientifically validated medicines are available to the public. FDC drugs are those which contain a combination of two or more active pharmaceutical ing-

redients (APIs) in a fixed ratio. The decision follows a review of FDCs undertaken in compliance with the Supreme Court's directions. The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) had constituted an expert committee to examine various drug combinations and identify those that were irratio-

nal, therapeutically unjustified or potentially harmful. The manufacture for sale, sale, distribution and supply of the identified 16 FDCs for human use shall stand prohibited with immediate effect across the country," the Ministry said. It added that these combination drugs were found to "lack

therapeutic justification" and were "not considered beneficial" with respect to the risks involved. It further said that the prohibited formulations span a range of therapeutic categories, including certain dermatological preparations, analgesic (pain-killers) and anti-spasmodic (muscle

relaxants) medicines, and antibiotic-based combinations. Among the banned formulations are combinations such as Acetyl Salicylic Acid with Ethoheptazine; Dicyclomine, Paracetamol and Clidinium Bromide; Dicyclomine, Paracetamol, Clidinium Bromide and Chlordiazepox-



EDITORIAL

Behind the noise of an 'Iran deal', Palestine continues to burn



Most people in the West, even those who follow international news avidly, have likely not heard of Sam Fahd Abu Haikal, the seven-month-old Palestinian baby Israeli soldiers shot in the face and killed near Hebron in the occupied West Bank earlier this month. They probably are not aware of the relentless, escalating Israeli violence across the rest of the occupied territories, either. Indeed, Western media rarely talk about West Bank villages like Sinjil, encaged in barbed wire, its residents forbidden to access their own land. News bulletins rarely mention how Israeli settlers continue to set fire to homes and cars, harass, threaten and torture Palestinian villagers while enjoying the Israeli military's full support and protection. The fact that more than half of Gaza has been de facto annexed by the occupation in the past few months, and that Palestinians in the war-torn enclave are still starving, unable to access life's most basic necessities, is buried at the bottom of long articles about Israel's supposed security

concerns and struggles. As a result, much of the Western public, from the United States to Germany, appears to be under the impression that Palestine is now somewhat old news. As the war with Iran took over the headlines, coverage of Gaza fell away while the killing went on. They believe Israel has concluded its assault on Palestine with the so-called "ceasefire" in Gaza and turned its attention solely to its much bigger war of "self-defence" against the "terror state", Iran, and its ally, Hezbollah, in Lebanon. Now that Iran and the US have announced that they have reached a deal, the headlines talk of the "end of war". But Israel's war is nowhere near over, because it was never primarily against Iran. Iran is just another front in the same long war against Palestine. Since the ceasefire came into effect in October, Israeli fire into Gaza has continued nearly every day, with more than 2,000 documented violations by spring and at least 981 Palestinians killed.

many of them children – shot for approaching a yellow line that keeps approaching them. The buildings are still falling. The children are still dying. The snipers are still there. The drones are still there. The bulldozers are still there. And we are expected to call this a "ceasefire". The hunger has not ended, either. Aid is treated not as a right, but as a calculation: how little can enter, how slowly it can move, how long people can be kept alive without allowing them to live. In mid-March, as the world's attention shifted to Iran, the Israeli army sent aid organisations maps showing it had pushed 11 percent past the yellow line, from the 53 percent of Gaza the ceasefire granted it to 64. By late May, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was telling a settler conference that the army already held 60 percent and that he had ordered it to take 70, while the crowd screamed for 100 and he assured them that Israel was going in order, taking 70 first. Palestinians can no longer reach roughly

two-thirds of their own territory, including nearly all of Gaza's farmland, which lies east of the yellow line. The geography now enforces starvation. Farmers are shot for trying to reach their land. Fishermen are killed for trying to reach the sea. Families are fired on for trying to return to what is left of their homes. Children looking for food are treated as targets for crossing the lines Israel drew through their own neighbourhoods. This is genocide administered as geography.

And it is exactly what the Iran story helps bury. When Gaza's crossings close, Israel calls it security. When aid is blocked, it says the region is under threat. When Palestinians are killed, it folds them into the war with Iran, branding them terrorists after the bullet has already landed. The dead become operatives, collaborators, threats. The affiliation is conjured after the killing, as if even that would excuse shooting children in the head.

And so Palestine keeps disappearing inside another story. The dead are no longer dead because Israel killed them. They are dead because the region is unstable, because Iran is dangerous, because Israel says it is defending itself. Every Palestinian body is made to carry an explanation larger than the life that was taken

THE RETAKING OF CUBA

In 1960, Cuba took its docks, sugar and power back from American owners. This May, Washington moved to take them back: it indicted Raul Castro over the 1996 Brothers to the Rescue shoot-down, sailed an aircraft carrier into the Caribbean, and won Supreme Court backing for claims over confiscated property. None of this is improvised. The roll-out looks chaotic, like much of the spectacle of the current US regime, but its impact is anything but. Behind this convergence sits old machinery. The US embargo, begun under Eisenhower and tightened under Kennedy, is older than most Cubans alive today. The Helms-Burton Act, a US law since 1996, lets US nationals sue any company that uses property Cuba confiscated from Americans, whether it docks

at, ships through or builds on it. Those Americans were mostly US corporations and the Creole families who became Americans in exile. The Foreign Claims Settlement Commission has held its 5,913 certified claims, worth \$1.9bn in principal and some \$9bn with interest, since the 1960s. Waiting. What is new is not the design but its speed: the taking, and the retaking. Recommended Stories list of 4 items list 1 of 4 Trump says US strike killed Tren de Aragua gang boss with Venezuelan help list 2 of 4 Iran, US agree tentative deal to 'end war': Your questions answered list 3 of 4 World Cup Day 1: The games, predictions, stories shaping the tournament list 4 of 4 Albanian PM Rama vows to push on with Kushner-

linked luxury resort end of list The pace of the retaking recently sped up: on January 3, 2026, US forces seized Venezuela's president in a predawn raid on Caracas and, in the same operation, killed 32 Cuban officers. The raid cut one of Cuba's lifelines: Venezuelan oil. Mexico moved to cover the gap, but within weeks, it halted shipments as Washington threatened tariffs on any country that supplied Cuba. By May, parts of Havana were dark for up to 20 hours a day. Now, Trump says Cuba is next for US-imposed regime change, once Iran is settled. Advertisement "We are dying alive," a Cuban television director said last week. Still, the blockade is not evenly borne. The research I began in Cuba in 1998, which became iVencemos?, showed who

absorbs the worst of the shock when the economy collapses and the grid goes down: not the families with Miami remittances, nor the elite among them biding their time for a return of their property. Engineered hunger produces its own politics, and the blockade manufactures a demand for "rescue". When the Havana demographer Juan Carlos Albizu-Campos Espineira calls for "international humanitarian intervention" and even "interposition forces" to "protect the population from violence", he is speaking from inside that emergency, not inviting a US invasion. But relief without coercion is a road Washington and Miami have consistently refused to take. Instead, on May 20, Cuban Independence Day, the Justice Department indicted Raul



Campus Activewear Launches 'Élan by Campus'; Jim Sarbh Fronts New Campaign Celebrating Effortless Elegance

New Delhi, June 20: Leading sports and athleisure footwear brand Campus Activewear has announced its entry into the fast-growing neo-casual footwear segment with the launch of Élan by Campus, a premium collection designed for modern men seeking a blend of style, comfort and versatility. The launch is accompanied by the brand's latest campaign, 'Most Elegant Man in Town', featuring acclaimed actor Jim Sarbh. With this new offering, Campus Activewear is expanding its portfolio beyond sports and

athleisure footwear to cater to evolving consumer preferences and lifestyle-driven fashion choices. The Élan collection has been designed for men who transition effortlessly between professional, social and casual settings, offering an elegant alternative to traditional formal footwear while ensuring day-long comfort. The collection includes a wide range of footwear styles such as casual shoes, loafers, derby shoes, moccasins and brogues. According to the company, the range is tailored to suit multiple occasions, including office wear, business meet-



ings, weekend outings, travel and evening gatherings. At the centre of the launch is a visually rich campaign film that presents the concept of the "Effortless Elegant Man" through a contemporary fashion lens. In the film, Jim Sarbh appears as himself—confident, relaxed and

authentic—stepping into a stylized world where Élan by Campus becomes an extension of his personality rather than a transformation. Through cinematic visuals, fluid movement and expressive storytelling, the campaign highlights elegance as an attitude rooted in con-

fidence, versatility and individuality. Speaking on the launch, Nikhil Aggarwal, Whole Time Director and Chief Executive Officer of Campus Activewear Ltd., said that Élan by Campus represents an important milestone in the company's growth strategy. He noted

that the neo-casual category is witnessing strong momentum and that the new range enables the brand to strengthen its presence in a premium segment while addressing the needs of aspirational consumers seeking versatile footwear solutions. Jim Sarbh, commenting on his association with the campaign, said that Élan by Campus reflects an effortless and authentic approach to style. He added that the collection successfully combines elegance, comfort and versatility, while allowing wearers to express confidence in a subtle yet meaningful

way. The campaign will be rolled out across digital, social media, retail and e-commerce channels, including Amazon and Myntra. Through the launch, Campus Activewear aims to deepen its lifestyle appeal by embracing fashion-first storytelling and culturally relevant narratives that resonate with today's consumers. The Élan by Campus collection is now available through the company's official website, leading online marketplaces and retail outlets across India, offering consumers a fresh expression of modern elegance and everyday sophistication.

Centuryply Strengthens Its Relationship with Andhra Pradesh



Vijaywada, 20 June 2026: Centuryply (I) Ltd further strengthened its bond with the state of Andhra Pradesh after having established its integrated plant in Badvel, Kadapa district of Andhra Pradesh at an initial investment of 1000 cr. While hosting Shri Nara Lokesh Garu, Hon'ble Minister of Information and Technology, Electronics & Communication and Human Resource Development, Govt of Andhra Pradesh in Kolkata at an event by the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Andhra Pradesh emerged as a lucrative state for invest-

tors. Speed, stability and service were the three highlights of the state, as mentioned by the Hon'ble Minister. Speaking on this occasion and welcoming investors from Bengal to Andhra Pradesh, the Hon'ble Minister said, "India is at the inflection point. West is looking at India; East is looking at India. The demographic dividend is here to be reaped. Andhra Pradesh as a state is leading on execution. As the leadership just shared, 100 rupees that's getting invested in India, out of those 25 rupees is actually coming to the great state of Andhra Pradesh. A lot of people

ask me, what makes Andhra Pradesh different? Why Andhra Pradesh? I'll give you three yeses. The first one is speed. The second is stability. The third S is service. Once you shake hands, it's no longer your project, it becomes our project. We are here to help, we're here to solve problems, and we're here to deliver on the promise. Andhra Pradesh today is a \$220 billion economy, will be a \$2.4 trillion economy, and we would love to have you as a partner of our growth trajectory and story. Shri Keshav Bhajanka, Vice President, ICC and Executive Director, Century Plyboards (I) Ltd., said, "The vision, foresight, and strategic thinking of Shri Nara Lokesh Garu are truly exceptional and unmatched. 2 months back we had met and his possibility of exploring investors from Bengal were discussed. We are extremely fortunate and privileged to have had this opportunity to have him present among us here today. Personally, I

am deeply humbled to witness someone of his caliber return from Stanford and dedicate himself to the cause of nation-building. We look forward to a brighter future for our brand in Andhra Pradesh." Century Plyboards had also commenced its commercial dispatch of medium density fibreboard (MDF) from Badvel plant in 2024. The brand doubled its MDF capacity from 900 to 1900 cubic meters post the Badvel plant launch. The Badvel unit of Centuryply has provided an employment to about 2200 people. Besides, the company purchases raw material required directly from the farmers in Badvel region. To meet the future needs, the farmers are being encouraged to plant trees that are useful for manufacturing plywood in 80,000 acres in the next 8 years. As part of the initiative, 1,000 farmers had already been roped in to plant trees in 5,000 acres at a subsidised price.

Government Schools Witness Growing Public Trust as Enrolments Increase



Wakeup Telangana | Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District | June 20:

The efforts of the Telangana Government to strengthen public education are yielding encouraging results, with an increasing number of parents choosing government schools over private institutions for their children. The reforms and innovative initiatives introduced under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has significantly improved the quality of education, infrastructure, and learning environment in government educational institutions across the state. A notable example of this positive change can be seen at Zilla Parishad High School (ZPHS), Mator, in Motakondur Mandal of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District. The school has recorded 15 new admissions for the current academic year, including 10 students transferred from private schools and 5 students from government primary schools. Parents are increasingly recognizing that government schools now offer quality education, dedicated teaching staff, improved facilities, digital learning opportunities, free textbooks, uniforms, and various welfare measures at no cost. As a result, confidence in public education is steadily growing. Recently, several parents from Mator village shifted their children from private schools to ZPHS Mator. Among them were local com-

munity leaders and public representatives, whose decisions have inspired many others to consider government schools for their children's future. Mator Sarpanch Janne Siddulu expressed happiness over the growing enrolment and appreciated the collective efforts of the Headmaster and teaching staff. Addressing the newly admitted students, he advised them to listen carefully to their teachers, clarify doubts without hesitation, and work hard to achieve academic success. He encouraged them to bring pride to their parents, school, and village through dedication and discipline. The Sarpanch further stated that the increasing admissions reflect the trust that people have developed in government educational institutions. He commended the teachers for their commitment towards student development and quality education. Deputy Sarpanch Bairapaka Ramulu, village elders, parents, teachers, women's groups, and community leaders are actively supporting initiatives aimed at strengthening government institutions and promoting public education. Educationists believe that such developments mark a significant transformation in rural education. The growing preference for government schools demonstrates that quality education can be made accessible to every child regardless of economic background. The success story of ZPHS Mator

Collectors swap files for classes in Telangana sch



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

For a few hours this week,

some government school students in Telangana found their lessons being taught not by their usual teachers, but by the most

senior administrative officers in their districts. District Collectors across the state stepped out of their offices and into classrooms, swapping files and review meetings for chalk and blackboards, as part of a continuing push to spend more time in government schools and connect directly with students.

In Narayanpet, Collector Chekka Priyanka visited the Primary School at Tiprus village in

Uttoor Mandal, where she sat with students and interacted with them about their studies. Jagtial Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha went a step further at the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya, Model School and Girls' Hostel in Kodakanda, taking an actual mathematics class for the students there.

In Hanumakonda, Collector Chahat Bajpai made an unannounced visit to the Primary and High Schools

at Jeelgul village, where she spoke with both students and teachers and took stock of academic activities on the ground. Mahabubabad Collector Sneha Shabareesh chose the Government Boys Junior College in Mahabubabad town for her visit, where she spent time discussing career and academic plans with students before joining in on classroom teaching herself.

Spain vs Saudi Arabia: World Cup 2026 – Yamal, prediction, watch, kickoff



F Spain return to Atlanta on Sunday looking to bounce back from a disappointing goalless draw against Cape Verde and revive their FIFA World Cup 2026 campaign with a stronger performance against Saudi Arabia in their Group H clash at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. The reigning European champions entered the tournament as one of the favourites to lift the World Cup trophy, but their failure to convert chances in the opening match has raised concerns about their attacking effectiveness. Spain dominated possession and fired 27 shots against Cape Verde but were unable to find the back of the net. A major talking point ahead of Sunday's encounter is the fitness of teenage sensation Lamine Yamal. The 18-year-old winger is recovering from a hamstring injury and made only a brief appearance from the bench in Spain's opening match, coming on in the 71st minute. Speaking to Spanish broadcaster TVE, Yamal confirmed that he is feeling fit but is not yet ready to start a full match. "I'm fine, I'm feeling good, but it's too soon. I'm still settling in and it's not the right time to play a full match yet. However, I can play for as many minutes as the manager wants," Yamal said.

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Super Prasad: Pacer's historic 5/23 blows Afghanistan away at sizzling



Hyderabad
Vasu Sports Reporter
Wakeup telangana

Hyderabad: Ashmita Chaliha's challenge at the Macau Open BWF World Tour Super 300 came to an end at the semi-final stage after the

left-handed Indian went down against Korea's Park Ga Eun in Macau on Saturday. Ashmita went down 21-17, 21-9 in 38 minutes and with her loss, India's challenge in the competition also came to an end. The Indian left-hander began strong in the opening game against Park and even held a 15-11 lead before the Korean won 10 of the next 11 points to seal the game. Ashmita struggled with her rhythm in the second game and Park wrapped up the match in straight games. Despite the defeat, Ashmita can take several positives from her performance in Macau, where she produced a series of impressive displays to reach the semi-finals. Her deep run in the tournament is expected to boost her confidence and provide valuable ranking points as she continues her preparations for upcoming international events. With Ashmita's exit, India's challenge at the Macau Open 2026 came to an end. The Indian badminton contin-

Ram Charan's daughter Klin Kaara's face revealed



Charan and Upasana holding Klin Kaara close as she flashes a bright smile for the camera.

As soon as the photos were posted, social media was flooded with reactions from fans and celebrities alike, making Klin Kaara one of the most talked-about star kids online today.

With the long-awaited face reveal finally here, the adorable family portrait has become an instant hit among Ram Charan's fans. Ram Charan and entrepreneur Upasana Kamineni tied the knot on June 14, 2012, in a grand ceremony in Hyderabad. The couple welcomed their first child, daughter Klin Kaara Konidela, on June 20, 2023. Their family grew further in 2026 with the arrival of twins – a son, Shivram, and a daughter, Anveera Devi. Today, the couple are proud parents to three children.

The wait is finally over for fans of Ram Charan and Upasana Konidela. On the occasion of their daughter Klin Kaara's birthday, the star couple shared adorable family picture and offi-

cially revealed her face for the first time. The heartwarming photos quickly went viral on social media, with fans showering the little one with love and birthday wishes.

Sharing the picture on Instagram, Ram Charan and Upasana wrote, "Happy Birthday KlinKaara our precious little one." The photo capture a joyful family moment, with Ram



Mumbai: India's senior bridge team coach Vinay Desai believes contract bridge needs a figure like Viswanathan Anand to inspire young players and boost the sport's popularity. As India prepares for the 5th Asia Cup Bridge Championship in Goa from June 21-27, Desai expects the strong Indian contingent to win at least two medals. Despite recent international success, including Asian Games medals, bridge continues to struggle in attracting youngsters, with most top players in their 50s and 60s. Desai said increased competition from foreign players and corporate



Hyderabadis Are Obsessed With Chai, Says Sania Mirza Hyderabad tennis icon Sania Mirza has revealed what she believes Hyderabadis cannot live without — chai. Speaking in a recent interview, Sania said the city's people are passionate about tea and enjoy it at any time of the day or night. Calling herself a chai lover, Sania said Hyderabad's tea culture is unique, with residents often heading out for a cup even at 2 am. The city's love for chai, especially Irani chai, is reflected in the popularity of iconic cafés such as Cafe Niloufer and Nimrah Cafe. According to Sania, if there is one thing Hyderabadis are truly obsessed with, it is chai.

Cunha hits Brazil double against Haiti to seal first World Cup 2026 win



VINICIUS JUNIOR SCORED AND ASSISTED ON ONE OF MATHEUS CUNHA'S TWO GOALS AS FIVE-TIME CHAMPION BRAZIL ELIMINATED HAITI FROM THE WORLD CUP WITH A 3-0 VICTORY. HAITI, THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE'S POOREST NATION THAT QUALIFIED FOR THE WORLD CUP FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1974, BECAME THE FIRST TEAM GUARANTEED NOT TO REACH THE KNOCKOUT ROUND. MEANWHILE, THE SELECAO GOT THE DECISIVE PERFORMANCE THEY NEEDED ON FRIDAY.

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CAREER WORLD CUP GOAL. HE THEN SENT A LEFT-FOOTED STRIKE INTO THE UPPER LEFT CORNER FOR A 2-0 LEAD IN THE FIRST HALF AGAINST THE OVERMATCHED HAITIANS. BRAZIL FORWARD RAPHINHA, WHO WAS SUBBED OUT WITH AN INJURY IN THE FIRST HALF, HAD AN EARLY GOAL DISALLOWED ON AN OFFSIDE CALL THAT ONLY TEMPORARILY MUTED THE YELLOW-CLAD SELECAO FANS IN AN OTHERWISE FESTIVE ATMOSPHERE AT THE HOME OF THE TWO-TIME SUPER BOWL CHAMPION PHILADEL-

PHIA EAGLES — WHOSE CHEERLEADERS DID THEIR PART TO RALLY THE CROWD. HAITIAN FANS DANCED AND SANG "GRENADYE ALASO" ("GRENADIERS TO THE ATTACK"), THE TRADITIONAL BATTLE CRY OF THE NATIONAL TEAM. BRAZILIANS CHANTED BACK, REMINDING THEM THEIR COUNTRY IS THE FIVE-TIME WORLD CUP CHAMPION AND THE HOME OF THE KING OF FOOTBALL: "A THOUSAND GOALS, A THOUSAND GOALS, A THOUSAND GOALS, A THOUSAND GOALS!"

Congress buried Rythu Declaration by restricting procurement of grains: Harish Rao

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Siddipet: Former Minister T Harish Rao has accused the Congress government of burying the Warangal Rythu Declaration on the day of party leader Rahul Gandhi's birthday by restricting the procurement of grains. Speaking to reporters on Friday, Harish Rao said Rahul Gandhi had announced the Rythu Declaration during a public meeting in Warangal ahead of the 2023 Assembly elections, making several promises for the welfare of farmers. Stating that the Congress had already failed

to keep those promises, Rao said the Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy-led government had buried the entire declaration with its decision to restrict the procurement of agricultural produce in line with the quota prescribed by the Centre. When the Congress was in the Opposition, the former Minister said Revanth Reddy had assured farmers that every grain of paddy would be procured, encouraging them to cultivate the crop without restrictions. Recalling how the BRS government led by former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Reddy had assured farmers that every grain of paddy would be procured, encouraging them to cultivate the crop without restrictions. Recalling how the BRS government led by former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Reddy had assured farmers that every grain of paddy would be procured, encouraging them to cultivate the crop without restrictions.



eral challenges and despite the Centre not procuring grain, he said BRS MLAs and MPs had staged protests in New Delhi against the Centre's restrictions on procurement. Rao expressed concern that the Revanth Reddy

government would not procure maize, jowar and other grains if the Centre stopped purchasing them. He further said that the Centre was purchasing only 25 per cent of pulses and oilseeds besides imposing restrictions on several grains. While

Telangana farmers were producing more than 90 lakh metric tonnes of agricultural produce in a season, the Revanth Reddy government was procuring only 50 lakh metric tonnes as prescribed by the Centre, pushing farmers into dis-

tress, he alleged. Telangana State Updates Elaborating on the struggles faced by farmers under the Congress government, he said that hikes in diesel, seed and fertiliser prices, coupled with the digital urea booking system,

had left farmers struggling. Accusing the Congress of cheating farmers after promising a bonus for all crops, Rao said the government had restricted the bonus to only seven varieties of fine rice. Seeking an apology from the Congress

for going back on its promise, the former Minister demanded that the government explain why it had restricted the bonus to just seven varieties of fine rice, down from the earlier 33. He also alleged that Revanth Reddy had gone back on the promise of releasing the Yasangi instalment of Rythu Bharosa after making a statement during the inauguration of an oil palm factory at Narmetta. Rao further sought an explanation from the Congress on why Rythu Bheema benefits had allegedly not been released to 7,600 farmers since January.

Rahul Gandhi's Birthday Marked by Welfare Activities in Hyderabad



Hyderabad, June 19, 2026: To mark the birthday of Leader of Opposition in Parliament, Rahul Gandhi, Al Faiz Welfare Society organized a week-long series of social welfare and community outreach programmes in Hyderabad. The celebrations featured a painting competition for students and children, distribution of fruits among the underprivileged, and the circulation of special birthday greeting cards commemorating the oc-

casation. The commemorative greeting cards were formally released by Ubaidullah Kotwal, Chairman of the Telangana Minority Finance Corporation. Addressing the gathering, members of the society emphasized the importance of promoting social service, community welfare, and public participation through such initiatives. Society President Jahangir Baba, Advocate Malik Shakeer, and several other dignitaries a

Free RTC Bus Travel for NEET Re-Exam Candidates

Hyderabad, June 20: In a major relief to thousands of students appearing for the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) re-examination, the Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TGSRTC) has announced free bus travel for all candidates on June 21 across the State. The initiative has been taken to ensure hassle-free transportation for students travelling to and from their ex-

amination centres and to help them reach venues on time without facing financial or logistical difficulties. According to TGSRTC officials, candidates can avail the free travel facility by producing their NEET re-examination hall tickets while boarding buses. The concession will be valid from the first bus service on June 21 until midnight on the same day. The free travel facility

will be available on all TGSRTC bus services except air-conditioned (AC) buses. Students travelling in ordinary, express and other non-AC RTC services can make use of the benefit across Telangana. Nearly 73,000 Candidates Expected The NEET re-examination is expected to witness the participation of nearly 73,000 candidates from different districts of Telangana. Consid-

ering the large number of examinees and the need for timely transportation, TGSRTC has made elaborate arrangements to handle the increased passenger traffic. RTC authorities have deployed additional buses on routes connecting major towns, cities and examination centres. Special focus has been placed on areas where large numbers of students are expected

to travel during the early morning and afternoon hours. Officials said the corporation is committed to ensuring that students reach their examination venues comfortably and without delay. Depot managers and field staff have been instructed to monitor passenger movement and operate extra services wherever necessary. Support for Students and Parents The decision

has been widely welcomed by students, parents and educational institutions. Many candidates travel long distances from rural and semi-urban areas to reach designated examination centres. Free transportation is expected to reduce the burden on families and help students focus on the examination rather than travel arrangements. Parents have appreciated the RTC's

Can Telangana fund Metro Phase II alone? Concerns grow over

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Hyderabad: With the takeover of Hyderabad Metro Rail Phase I acquiring political overtones, questions are being raised about the State government's claim that it can execute the Metro Phase II project on its own, particularly in view of its financial constraints. Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy has repeatedly acknowledged the financial challenges facing the State in implementing welfare and development programmes. On a few occasions, he has stated that the government was finding it difficult to spend even Rs 500 crore a month on capital expenditure. He has also maintained that Telangana's monthly revenue stands at Rs 18,500 crore. Of this, around Rs 6,500 crore is spent on salaries and pensions, while another Rs 6,500 crore goes towards loan repayments and interest payments. This leaves about Rs 5,500 crore for welfare and de-



velopment activities. Telangana State Updates Despite these constraints, the State government has expressed its willingness to take up Metro Phase II on its own. It has already submitted proposals for the project, which comprises seven corridors spanning 122.9 km at an estimated cost of Rs 38,595 crore. The Telangana government had requested the Centre to sanction Metro Phase II as a 50:50 joint venture. However, in a letter addressed to Union Minister G Kishan Reddy on Tuesday, the Chief Minister stated that if approval for the project as a 50:50 joint venture was delayed, the State government was prepared to proceed using its own resources and in-

stitutional financing arrangements. He urged the Centre to grant the required approvals at the earliest so that implementation could begin without further delay. Meanwhile, the delay in the release of the Rs 13,527 crore loan from the Indian Railway Finance Corporation (IRFC) has affected the State government's plans to take over Metro Phase I. Although the agreement was signed three weeks ago, the loan amount has not yet been released. The Centre has also made seamless integration of the privately operated Phase I network with the proposed Phase II network a mandatory condition. Until the takeover of Phase I is completed,

Pan India Jewels Show Shines Bright in Hyd

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Hyderabad: The Pan India Jewels Show, one of the country's premier jewellery exhibitions, concluded successfully at OM Convention, Narsingi, Hyderabad, after drawing an overwhelming response from jewellery enthusiasts, buyers, designers, and industry professionals during its three-day run from June 19 to 21. Founded by Sajja Annapurna and Niranjan, the exhibition featured more than 60 leading jewellery brands from across India, making it one of the largest and most diverse jewellery showcases in the region. Visitors explored an extensive collection of over two lakh jewellery designs, highlighting a blend of traditional craftsmanship, artistic excellence, and contemporary innovation. The exhibition showcased a wide range of jewellery categories, including Gold, Diamond, Polki, Jadau, Kundan, Silver Jewellery, and the increasingly popular Lab-Grown Diamond Jewellery. From everyday elegant ornaments to exclusive bridal collections, the event catered to a broad spectrum of customer preferences. One of the major attractions of the exhibition was the exclusive discounts and special offers presented by



participating brands, allowing customers to purchase premium jewellery at attractive prices. The event was attended by several distinguished guests, including Dr. Preeti Reddy, Vice Chairwoman of Malla Reddy Vishwavidyapeeth, who graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Speaking on the success of the exhibition, founders Sajja Annapurna and Niranjan thanked participating brands, exhibitors, partners, and visitors for their enthusiastic support. They noted that the strong turnout reflects Hyderabad's growing prominence as a key destination for premium jewellery and luxury retail. The Pan India Jewels Show provided a unique platform for leading jewellery brands to connect directly with customers, showcase their finest creations, and celebrate India's rich jewellery heritage alongside evolving design

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