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Prez Leads Leaders in Wishing Telangana

President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday greeted the people of Telangana on the occasion of the state's formation day, noting its significant progress in innovation and development over the years. Andhra Pradesh Governor S. Abdul Nazeer and Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu also extended their greetings to the people of Telangana on the occasion. Telangana was carved out of Andhra Pradesh and attained statehood on June 2, 2014.

"Warm greetings to the people of Telangana on Statehood Day! Telangana is blessed with a rich cultural heritage and hard-working people. The state has made significant strides in innovation and development over the years. I wish the people of Telangana continued progress and well-being."

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CBSE Heads Roll Over OSM Fiasco

Days after the CBSE's glitch-marred digital evaluation system inflicted a harrowing time on Class 12 students, the Centre shunted out board chairman Rahul Singh and secretary Himanshu Gupta and constituted a one-member committee to probe the controversial procurement of services for on-screen marking. The Centre also appointed senior IAS officers Lokhande Prashant Sitaram and Varun Bhardwaj as chairman and secretary.

The probe committee, to be chaired by S. Radha Chauhan, chairperson, Capacity Building Com-

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Annamalai Resigns From BJP

Putting at rest all speculations over his political moves, former BJP State president K Annamalai reportedly submitted his resignation from the party after meeting Union Home Minister Amit Shah, BJP national president Nitin Nabin, and general secretary (organization) B L Santhosh in New Delhi with the hope of launching his own regional party. The resignation caused a flutter in political circles as his proposed new outfit, which would be touted as secular party with a Tamil Nadu oriented approach to issues, could attract people in the prevailing political scenario in which

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“Your leadership inspires us and your dedication drives us forward. Wishing you a year filled with good health, happiness and continued success in your service to the people.”

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ADV MIR QURRAM ALI

Brsv ghmc coordinator | Chairman BRS Wf | SSLA

Congress Rule Pushing Telangana Backwards, Alleges KTR

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Alleging a complete collapse of governance under the Congress government, BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) on Tuesday claimed Telangana had been pushed back by 25 years within just two-and-a-half years of Congress rule. Speaking at Telangana Bhavan during Telangana Formation Day celebrations, he accused the ruling party of undermining the State's progress and vowed that the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) would intensify its efforts to safeguard Telangana's interests. KTR alleged that the Congress came to power through false promises, misleading propaganda and lies, and has since failed to meet public ex-



pectations. He claimed that farmers, who had benefited under the previous BRS government through schemes such as Rythu Bandhu, are now facing severe hardships. According to him, shortages of fertilizers, poor crop procurement mechanisms and inadequate institutional support have pushed the farming community into distress. Targeting the government's handling of irriga-

tion, KTR accused the Congress administration of deliberately damaging major irrigation projects to tarnish the image of former Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhara Reddy (KCR). He also criticized the government's management of Krishna and Godavari river waters, alleging that Telangana's interests were being compromised. On employment, the BRS leader questioned the gov-

ernment's performance and alleged that it had failed to provide even 4,000 jobs since assuming office. Challenging Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, he said the Chief Minister should meet unemployed youth without police protection at public places such as Chikkadpally Library or Ashok Nagar crossroads to understand their grievances firsthand.

Describing the prevailing situation in the State, KTR said Telangana had effectively become a "dharna chowk," with farmers, unemployed youth, government employees and pensioners taking to the streets to protest against various issues. He further raised concerns over law and order, alleging an increase in crime incidents, includ-

ing daylight murders, and pointing to irregularities in sectors such as mining. KTR also accused the Congress government of burdening Telangana with ₹4 lakh crore in debt without delivering corresponding benefits to the people. He alleged misuse of public funds and claimed that citizens were being deprived of welfare benefits while resources were being diverted elsewhere.

Stating that public dissatisfaction with the government was steadily growing, KTR said many people were seeking a change in leadership. He asserted that the BRS was not fighting for political power but was committed to protecting Telangana and preserving the progress achieved since the State's formation.

V. Hanumanth Rao Leads Grand Telangana Formation Day Celebrations

KAMAREDDY
Wakeup telangana

Telangana State Formation Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour at the Kamareddy district headquarters on Tuesday, with Government Advisor for BC Welfare Hanumanth Rao leading the official celebrations.

As part of the programme, Hanumanth Rao, accompanied by District Collector Ashish Sangwan, paid floral tributes to Telangana martyrs at the Amaraveerula Stupam in the district centre. Later, he attended the main Telangana Formation Day event at the Integrated District Offices Complex (IDOC), where he received a ceremonial police guard of honour and unfurled the National Flag.

Addressing the gathering, Hanumanth Rao said the State Government remains committed to the welfare and inclusive development of all sections of



society. He stated that fulfilling the aspirations of the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of Telangana would be the most meaningful tribute to their struggle. He also highlighted various welfare and development initiatives being implemented across the district and the progress achieved under different government programmes. Cultural performances by school students added colour to the celebrations and emerged as a major attraction. The students showcased Telangana's rich cultural heritage and traditions, earning appreciation from the audience. Hanu-

manth Rao, Collector Ashish Sangwan, and District Superintendent of Police Rajesh Chandra felicitated the participants with mementos.

On the occasion, students who excelled in international yoga competitions were presented cash awards of ₹50,000 along with mementos. Sanction letters were also distributed to seven beneficiaries under the second phase of the Indiramma Housing Scheme.

The Government Advisor and District Collector later visited exhibition stalls set up by various government departments and reviewed public welfare services. Earlier, Collector Ashish Sangwan unfurled the National Flag at the District Collector Camp Office. Additional Collectors Victor and N.V. Giri, public representatives, district officials, staff from various departments, students, and citizens participated in the celebrations.

Bidekanne Village Celebrates Telangana Formation Day

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Usha Sree

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour in Bidekanne Village of Jharasangam Mandal on Tuesday. Under the leadership of Sarpanch C. Ravinder, the National Flag was hoisted at the Gram Panchayat office and tributes were paid to Telangana martyrs. Addressing the gathering, Ravinder said June 2 symbolizes Telangana's self-respect and democratic aspirations. He recalled the sacrifices made during the statehood movement and highlighted Telangana's



progress in agriculture, education, healthcare, irrigation, infrastructure, and welfare. Villagers, youth, women, students, self-help group members, sanitation workers, and local leaders participated enthusiastically, concluding the celebrations with slogans of "Jai Telangana."

Windstorms, rains wreak havoc in Kothagudem, Warangal

WARANGAL
Wakeup telangana

Severe windstorm wreaked havoc across Karakagudem mandal and other parts in Kothagudem and erstwhile Warangal districts on Tuesday evening resulting in power outages; property damage and death of livestock. Heavy rains, which lashed the region for two hours uprooted trees at several places. In Srirangapuram village in the mandal, gusty winds ripped a house's metal



roof off, sending it flying and shattering it. In the same village a massive tree was uprooted and crashed onto a house; fortunately, a tragedy was averted as there was no one inside at the time. Similarly, in Regulla village, a mango tree was uprooted by the winds,

crashing onto two tractors parked beneath it damaging their engines. In Cherla mandal at CR Colony due to the intensity of the strong winds, two houses belonging to Kisari Nagesh and Chippanapalli Ramulu razed to the ground and damaged household appliances,

grain and other equipment.

In Venkatapuram mandal as many as 35 goats were killed by lightning strike on the outskirts of Alubaka village. The goats belonging to Majja Chandrayya died on the spot. In another incident three cattle died due to a lightning strike at Barrebonda village.

The cowherds, Chinna and Narasimha Rao, sustained minor injuries in the lightning strike and were rushed to Venkatapuram Hospital for treatment.

Telangana Formation Day Celebrated with Grandeur in Mator Village



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Thalka Anjaiah

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Mator Village in Motakondur Mandal under the leadership of Sarpanch Janne Siddulu and Vice-Sarpanch Bairapaka Ramulu. The National Flag was hoisted at the Gram Panchayat office and tributes were paid to Telangana mar-

tyrs. Addressing the gathering, Siddulu said June 2 symbolizes Telangana's self-respect and aspirations achieved through decades of struggle and sacrifices. He highlighted the state's progress in agriculture, education, healthcare, irrigation, and welfare sectors. Villagers, youth, women, students, and local leaders participated, raising slogans of "Jai Telangana" and honoring the martyrs' legacy.

Pawan Kalyan vows Jana Sena will contest 2029 Telangana polls

Pawan Kalyan announced Jana Sena will contest Telangana in 2029, triggering debate over his past remarks and Telangana-related issues.

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Political temperatures in Telangana rose sharply after Jana Sena Party (JSP) founder and Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan announced that his party would contest the 2029 general elections in Telangana. Declaring that Telangana was not anyone's "fiefdom," the actor-turned-politician defended his earlier remarks on the State's formation and asserted his party's right to expand politically in the region.

Addressing a press conference in Hyderabad, Pawan Kalyan clarified that his 11-day fast during the bifurcation of the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh was not against Telangana but against the manner in which the State was divided. However, his past comments regarding Telangana's formation and his controversial statement that Telangana had cast an "evil eye" on Andhra Pradesh's Kona-seema region have continued to draw criticism



from several sections in Telangana.

The controversy intensified after Hyderabad police denied permission for a proposed Jana Sena gathering titled "Telangana Nava Nirmana Sankalpa Sabha." Following the denial, Pawan Kalyan held a media interaction at his Jubilee Hills residence, where he also addressed allegations circulating on social media regarding land owned by him on Hyderabad's outskirts. Critics alleged that the land was part of a water body and had been encroached upon. Rejecting the accusations, he challenged the government to prove the claims, stating that he

would hand over the land if any encroachment was established.

The developments came amid an ongoing controversy involving a YouTube influencer who made remarks about Pawan Kalyan's interaction with Union Home Minister Amit Shah. Though the influencer later withdrew the comments and received a conciliatory response from Pawan Kalyan, a police case registered in Andhra Pradesh further escalated tensions and triggered a debate that evolved into an Andhra Pradesh-Telangana political issue.

In this backdrop, Pawan Kalyan's announcement that Jana Sena would ac-

tively contest elections in Telangana gained significant political attention. Some Telangana intellectuals and political observers viewed the move as part of a broader strategy to strengthen the BJP-led alliance's influence in the State.

Targeting the Congress, Pawan Kalyan questioned why some leaders objected to his political activities in Telangana. He pointed out that national leaders had contested elections across different states and argued that democratic politics should not be restricted by regional boundaries. He also recalled that Jana Sena was founded in Hyderabad and claimed the party has nearly one lakh workers in Telangana. Maintaining that he would continue to raise his voice against injustice, Pawan Kalyan asserted that no political force could prevent him or his party from functioning in Telangana, reiterating that the State belongs to all Indians and not to any individual or political party.

Panduranga Reddy Proud of Telangana Movement Role

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Zaffer abedi

Former Chairman of the Ranga Reddy District Library Institution and TRS district president Kappati Panduranga Reddy expressed pride in having been part of the Telangana statehood movement, describing the formation of Telangana as one of the most remarkable achievements secured through a peaceful and democratic struggle.

On the occasion of the 12th Telangana State Formation Day celebrations,



Panduranga Reddy released a statement recalling his journey in the movement. He said it was a matter of immense satisfaction to participate in the celebrations as a movement activist who actively contributed to the cause of statehood.

He noted that after the formation of the Telangana Rashtra Samithi

(TRS) on April 27, 2001, he had the opportunity to play an active role in the second phase of the Telangana movement. During the course of the agitation, he served in various capacities, including Kandukur Mandal Convener, Mandal President, District Executive Member, District General Secretary, Maheshwaram Constituency In-charge, Political JAC spokesperson, and State Executive Member.

Panduranga Reddy said the 14-year-long Telangana movement stood as an example to the world

for its peaceful and non-violent approach. He paid tribute to the sacrifices of martyrs, the efforts of activists, and the support extended by people from all sections of society and the Political Joint Action Committee (JAC), which ultimately led to the realization of Telangana on June 2, 2014.

He added that despite facing hardships, financial losses, and personal challenges during the struggle, he remained committed to the cause and feels honored to have served the people even after statehood.

PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi Pays Tribute to Martyrs

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Thalka Anjaiah

As part of the Telangana Government's General Transfers-2026, senior official Gaddam Gnanaprakash Reddy formally assumed charge as Superintendent at the Zilla Praja Parishad (ZPP), Yadadri Bhuvanagiri, on Monday. Gnanaprakash Reddy reported for duty at the district-level office following his transfer from the Mandal Praja Parishad Office in Bommalararamam, where he served as Super-



intendent and earned recognition for his dedicated service, administrative efficiency, and cordial relations with public representatives, officials, employees, and local residents.

Speaking after taking charge, he expressed gratitude to everyone who supported him during his tenure in Bommalararamam. He said the mandal would always hold a spe-

cial place in his life and described his service there as one of the most memorable phases of his career.

"I sincerely thank elected representatives, government officers, employees, well-wishers, local citizens, and members of the print and electronic media for their continuous support and affection. The experiences, friendships, and memories gained during my tenure in Bommalararamam will remain with me forever," he said. He noted that the cooperation extended by various

sections of society enabled him to discharge his responsibilities effectively and strengthened his commitment to public service. With his transfer to ZPP Yadadri Bhuvanagiri, Gnanaprakash Reddy begins a new chapter in his administrative career. He also conveyed his best wishes for the continued development and progress of Bommalararamam Mandal.

Officials and colleagues expressed confidence that his experience and commitment would contribute significantly to the func-

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.

Congress Government Fulfilling Promises: TPCC chief Mahesh

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud on Tuesday asserted that development and welfare are the two pillars on which the State government is progressing, stating that the Congress government is fulfilling the promises made to the people before the elections.

Addressing party workers after hoisting the national flag during Telangana State Formation Day celebrations at Gandhi Bhavan, Mahesh Kumar Goud said several welfare initiatives, including free bus travel for women and subsidized rice distribution, were being implemented successfully. He described these schemes as unprecedented in the country and said the government was



committed to ensuring both development and social welfare reach every section of society.

Extending Telangana Formation Day greetings to the people, Goud paid tribute to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for achieving statehood. He recalled the long struggle for Telangana and credited former Congress president Sonia Gandhi for playing a decisive role in the formation of the State. According to him, Telangana was created in

line with the aspirations and dreams of its people due to her determination and commitment.

He said Telangana continues to uphold secular values and communal harmony, adding that the Congress party has a strong future in the State. Criticizing BJP leaders, he alleged that they were attempting to mislead the public with false narratives, while the Congress government was focused on delivering governance and welfare.

Calling upon party workers to intensify their efforts, Mahesh Kumar Goud urged them to dedicate the next two-and-a-half years to strengthening the Congress at the grassroots level and contributing to Telangana's development. He expressed confidence that under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the Congress would retain power in the next Assembly elections.

The celebrations at Gandhi Bhavan were organized under the supervision of Seva Dal chairman Jitender and witnessed the participation of senior Congress leaders, including TPCC working presidents Anjan Kumar Yadav and Geetha Reddy, MP Anil Yadav, whip Balamuri Venkat, MLA Naveen Yadav, corporation chairpersons, and district-level leaders.

Telangana Martyrs' Sacrifices Will Never Be Forgotten: Shabbir Ali

ADILABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana State Formation Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit across Adilabad district on Tuesday, with State Government Advisor Shabbir Ali leading the official commemorations at the district headquarters.

As part of the celebrations, Shabbir Ali visited the Amaraverula Memorial and paid floral tributes to the martyrs who laid down their lives during the Telangana statehood movement. He said the sacrifices of Telangana martyrs remain a source of inspiration and can never be forgotten, emphasizing that future generations must remember their struggle and dedication.

Addressing the gathering, he stated that the Telangana government is committed to fulfilling the



aspirations of the martyrs through welfare-oriented governance, inclusive development, and people-centric policies. He noted that the progress achieved by Telangana since its formation reflects the vision and sacrifices of those who fought for a separate state.

Shabbir Ali urged the youth to draw inspiration from the Telangana movement and actively contribute to the development of society and the state. He said preserving the ideals of the movement and working towards social progress would be the true tribute to the martyrs. The programme wit-

nessed the participation of several public representatives, officials, and political leaders. Among those present were District Collector, District Superintendent of Police, Municipal Chairperson Bandari Anusha Satish, MLA Payal Shankar, Market Committee Chairman Srikanth, Councillor Swati Kamle, ATMA Committee Chairman Santosh Rao, Adilabad Congress Party In-charge Kandi Srinivas Reddy, DCC President Naresh Jadhav, former DCC President Sajid, Sujatha, Krishna Reddy, Anil, Konda Gangadhar, Babanna, and other dignitaries.

Lucky Draw Winner Gets Free Ayodhya Trip for Family at Hyderabad Exhibition

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A unique lucky draw offering a free family trip to Ayodhya has become a major attraction at the KS Handloom & Handicrafts Fun Fair being held behind Nexus Mall, JNTU, Hyderabad.

According to organizer Karthik Srinivas, the exhibition features a special replica of the Ayodhya Ram Mandir, creating a spiritual ambience for visitors. As part of a special promotional initiative, one lucky visitor is selected every Monday through a draw to receive complimentary round-trip



air tickets for four family members to Ayodhya. In the lucky draw conducted on June 1, Nagender, a medical shop owner from Balkampet, emerged as the winner. The announcement was met with cheers from visitors at the venue. Expressing his happi-

ness, Nagender said that receiving free air tickets for an Ayodhya pilgrimage was an unforgettable experience. He appreciated the organizers for offering a spiritually enriching reward instead of conventional exhibition promotions. The organizers said the initiative aims to promote spiritual awareness while providing visitors with a memorable experience. The weekly Ayodhya travel giveaway has attracted significant public interest and has become a talking point among exhibition visitors across the city.

Illegal Constructions, Cellar Misuse Hindering Fire Safety Operations

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Illegal cellars and unauthorized constructions across the city are severely impacting Fire Department operations and posing serious risks to public safety, alleged the Society for Crusade Against Corruption (SCAC), represented by its General Secretary M. Purushotham.

According to the organization, widespread violations such as illegal cellar conversions, encroachments, and unauthorized building extensions are obstructing emergency access routes



and delaying firefighting and rescue operations. Fire officials have reported that many commercial and residential buildings have converted parking cellars into shops, offices, and storage units, violating regulations and creating hazardous conditions. The issue is particularly alarming in densely populated commercial areas, where unauthorized structures and

encroachments have narrowed roads, making it difficult for fire tenders to reach incident sites. Recent inspections also found several buildings operating without valid fire safety clearances or making unauthorized modifications after approvals. SCAC warned that illegal cellars often lack proper exits, ventilation, and firefighting systems, increasing the risk during emergencies. The organization urged municipal authorities to take strict action against violators and enforce fire safety regulations to protect public lives and property.

Telangana Formation Day Celebrated at PHC Abdullapurmet

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Thalka Anjaiah

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour at the Primary Health Centre (PHC), Abdullapurmet, on Tuesday under the leadership of Medical Officer Dr. Priyanka Thalka. The National Flag was hoisted and tributes were paid to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of Telangana State. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Priyanka Thalka said June 2 represents the self-respect, aspirations, and democratic rights of the people of Telangana. She recalled that the State was formed on June 2, 2014, after decades of struggle and the sacrifices of thousands of martyrs.

She highlighted Telangana's achievements in agriculture, irrigation, edu-



cation, healthcare, infrastructure, and welfare sectors over the past 12 years. Emphasizing the government's focus on farmers, women, youth, and rural development, she urged citizens to work collectively for community health and social harmony. Medical staff, ANMs, ASHA workers, public representatives, women, and local residents participated in the celebrations, which concluded with slogans of "Jai Telangana" and homage to Telangana martyrs.

Tributes Paid to Telangana Martyrs

Nerdam Bhasker Goud Demands Implementation of Promises Made to Telangana Activists

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Formation Day celebrations were held with enthusiasm at Uppal Mande Market and near the Telangana Thalli statue in Chilukankana under the leadership of former BRS State Secretary Nerdam Bhasker Goud. Floral tributes were paid to the Telangana Thalli statue, and the National Flag was unfurled in remembrance of the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of Telangana. Addressing the gathering, Bhasker Goud



said the people of Telangana should always remember the sacrifices made by martyrs and activists who played a key role in the statehood movement. He urged the government to fulfill the promises made to Telangana movement participants without further delay. He demanded allocation of 250-square-yard house sites to activists, issuance of

identity cards, employment opportunities for eligible family members of martyrs, and pension benefits for deserving beneficiaries. He stated that implementing welfare measures promised to Telangana activists would be the true tribute to the martyrs. Several Telangana movement activists and local leaders, including Gajjela Satyaraj Goud, Mohan Reddy, Nagaraju, Babu, Ramulu, Yadagiri, Anantha Reddy, Manoj, Venkatesh, Mallaiah, Lakshman, Ravi, Rami Reddy, Naveen Chari, and Narasimha, participated in the programme.

Serilingampally Zone Celebrates Telangana Formation Day

RANGAREDDY
Wakeup telangana
Srirangam Venkatesh

The Telangana Formation Day celebrations were held with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour at the Serilingampally Zonal Office on June 2, 2026. Serilingampally Zonal Commissioner Narayan Amit, IAS, attended the programme as the chief guest and hoisted the National Flag. Heads of various departments, officials, staff members, and Circle-49 officers participated in the celebrations.

On the occasion, participants paid tribute to the spirit of Telangana, its achievements, and aspirations for future development.

Addressing the gathering, Narayan Amit



called upon officials and employees to work collectively towards transparent governance, citizen-centric services, and the continued progress and prosperity of Telangana. He also remembered the sacrifices of Telangana martyrs and urged everyone to contribute towards the vision of a prosperous and developed Telangana.

Telangana Formation Day Celebrated with Grandeur in Aleru



Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor in Aleru town on Tuesday. As part of the celebrations, the National Flag and the BRS Party Flag were ceremonially hoisted. Several Telangana movement leaders, present and former councilors, and leaders who served in various capacities were honored with traditional shawls for their contributions to society and the Telangana cause.

Sonia Gandhi Realised Telangana Dream, Driving Progress: Dr. Satyam

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Prashanth reddy

Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) Official Spokesperson and PCC Member Dr. Satyam Srirangam said that Telangana became a reality because of former Congress President Sonia Gandhi's historic and courageous decision to honor the aspirations of millions of people, and that the state is now emerging as a model of development, welfare, and social justice. Participating in the Telangana Formation Day celebrations held at the Gandhi statue on First



Road, KPHB Colony, Dr. Srirangam hoisted the national flag along with Congress leaders under the leadership of former Kukatpally Town President Sheri Satish Reddy. He paid floral tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana movement and per-

formed a milk abhishekam to Sonia Gandhi's portrait in recognition of her decisive role in the creation of Telangana.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Srirangam said the formation of Telangana was the culmination of decades of sacrifices, struggles, and aspirations of people from every section of society. He urged citizens to uphold the Telangana while collectively working toward the state's continued growth and prosperity.

"The unity, determination, and sacrifices displayed during the Telangana movement will continue

to inspire future generations," he said. He emphasized that Sonia Gandhi's unwavering commitment to fulfilling the promise of a separate Telangana state, despite immense political pressure and challenging circumstances, remains one of the most significant chapters in India's democratic history. As Telangana marks 12 years since its formation on June 2, 2014, and enters its 13th year, Dr. Srirangam noted that the Congress government is ushering in a new era of hope through its people-centric governance, welfare initiatives, and development programs.

Congress Leaders Credit Sonia for Telangana, Seek Aid for Activists

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Dp Srinivas Rao

Congress leaders on Monday credited Sonia Gandhi for making Telangana a reality and urged support for grassroots activists from the Secunderabad Cantonment area who they said were neglected after the state's formation.

Participating in Telangana Formation Day celebrations at New Bowenpally Playground, former Secunderabad Cantonment Board Vice-President and senior Congress leader Jampana Pratap hoisted the national flag and paid tributes to Telangana martyrs. Addressing a gathering near the Telangana Thalli statue in Sitarampuram Colony, he said Sonia Gandhi's decisive leader-



ship and commitment were instrumental in the creation of Telangana. Highlighting the history of the movement, Pratap recalled that the first Telangana Thalli statue at Bowenpally Playground was installed through the efforts of early activists, including Prabhugupta, Sanam Sashi, Veera Reddy and Sukumar. He expressed concern that several frontline activists from the Cantonment region had been sidelined after the achievement of statehood. Re-

ferring to observations made by Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, he appealed to local MLA Ganesh to extend support and recognition to those who worked tirelessly for the Telangana cause.

Pratap announced that he would soon meet senior Congress leader K. Kesava Rao and submit a list of such activists to ensure they receive due recognition and welfare support.

Former board members K. Pandu Yadav, Sai Baba Yadav and Dasharat Yadav, along with several community leaders and activists, participated in the celebrations. Leaders reaffirmed their commitment to safeguarding the ideals of the Telangana movement and supporting the families of those who sacrificed for statehood.

Nomination Filing for 27 Rajya Sabha Seats Begins

Filing of nominations for elections of 27 seats in Rajya Sabha began on Monday. While three seats, each belonging to Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Odisha will witness bye-elections, 24 seats covering ten states will see biennial elections. These ten states are Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Rajasthan, Arunachal Pradesh, Karnataka and Mizoram. The Election Commission of India had earlier announced elections to 27 seats in the Council of States (Rajya Sabha) including biennial and bye-elections and for the State Legislative Councils (by MLAs) in Bihar and Karnataka. The last date for filing of nominations is June 8 till 3 PM. The scrutiny of nominations will be taken up by the Returning Officers (ROs) on June 9 and the last date for withdrawal of candidatures is June 11. In case of contested elections, the polling will be held on June 18 from 8 AM to 4 PM.

India, US Begin Talks On Interim Trade Deal

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Trade negotiators from India and the United States began a three-day round of talks in New Delhi on Tuesday to finalise the first phase of an interim bilateral trade agreement (BTA), with discussions on unilateral tariff powers under Section 301 of the US Trade Act of 1974 expected to be central, official sources said. India's chief negotiator Darpan Jain and the US team, led by Brendan Lynch, resumed scheduled discussions at Vanijiya Bhavan. "We expect that the two sides will clinch the first phase of the deal as per the schedule and take forward the negotiations for the broader bilateral trade agreement," the official said. "The ongoing talks will be carried forward tomorrow, and the final contours of the

agreement between the two countries will remain under discussion..." the official added.

Sources said India is likely to raise concerns over the Section 301 investigation mechanism and potential tariff actions as both sides work to conclude the interim pact. The discussions follow changes in the US tariff regime after the US Supreme Court ruled against President Donald Trump's reciprocal tariffs imposed under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA). Subsequently, the US administration imposed a uniform 10 per cent tariff on all trading partners for 150 days beginning February 24, altering the earlier tariff framework.

Officials said the US retains the option of invoking Section 301 to impose additional duties, prompting India to seek

legal assurances that such measures would not undermine tariff concessions agreed under the pact. "The risk for India is that even if a trade agreement reduces tariffs and expands market access, additional duties imposed later under Section 301 could dilute the benefits of the deal," the official said. India has sought safeguards to ensure tariff predictability and maintain an advantage over competing exporters.

On February 7, both countries issued a joint statement outlining the framework of the first phase of the agreement. Under it, the US agreed to reduce tariffs on Indian goods to 18 per cent from 50 per cent and remove a 25 per cent tariff linked to India's purchase of Russian oil, with the remaining 25 per cent to be cut to 18 per cent.

Officials indicated that both sides may revisit elements of the framework in light of recent tariff changes. "In light of these changes, the two sides met in Washington in April, when the Indian team, headed by Jain, visited America from April 20-23.

To carry forward those discussions, the US team is here for the talks," the official said. Under the framework, India proposed reducing or eliminating tariffs on US industrial goods and a range of agricultural products, including dried distillers' grains, red sorghum, tree nuts, fruits, soybean oil, wine and spirits. New Delhi also indicated plans to purchase \$500 billion worth of US energy products, aircraft, precious metals, technology goods and coking coal over five years.

Prez Leads Leaders in Wishing Telangana

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday greeted the people of Telangana on the occasion of the state's formation day, noting its significant progress in innovation and development over the years. Andhra Pradesh Governor S. Abdul Nazeer and Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu also extended their greetings to the people of Telangana on the occasion. Telangana was carved out of Andhra Pradesh and attained statehood on June 2, 2014.

"Warm greetings to the people of Telangana on Statehood Day! Telangana is blessed with a rich cultural heritage and hardworking people. The

state has made significant strides in innovation and development over the years. I wish the people of Telangana continued progress and well-being," Murmu said in a post on X. Greeted the people of the state Prime Minister Narendra Modi reiterated the Centre's commitment to supporting Telangana's growth and contributing to the vision of a developed India.

"Greetings to the people of Telangana on the special occasion of Telangana Statehood Day," Modi said in a post on X. The Prime Minister said the people of Telangana are known for their spirit of innovation and enterprise, while the state is renowned for its rich culture and history marked by courage and determination. "The Central

government is committed to supporting Telangana's growth trajectory in realising our dream of a Viksit Bharat. Praying for the good health and success of the people of the state," he said.

Governor Nazeer said, "I extend my hearty greetings and felicitations to the people of Telangana on the occasion of State Formation Day," in a post on X.

He said Telangana, with its rich cultural heritage, resilience and remarkable progress, has emerged as a vibrant hub of innovation, agriculture and economic growth. The Governor expressed hope that the state would continue to prosper and achieve greater heights in development, peace and prosperity.

SIR: CM Calls For Preparedness Across AP For EC's Revision Process

VIJAYAWADA
Wakeup telangana

Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Tuesday called upon his Telugu Desam party leaders and cadre to remain fully alert and create awareness among voters about the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls being undertaken by the Election Commission. He stressed that the voter registration and verification process must be

treated as a top organisational priority. Addressing a state-level workshop on SIR at the TD central office in Amaravati, attended by MPs, MLAs, MLCs, zonal coordinators, party observers and booth-level agents, Naidu said coordination among TD, Jana Sena and BJP would be critical during the SIR exercise. A three-party coordination committee would soon be constituted and an NDA meet-

ing held to streamline the efforts.

Naidu said the revision process would be closely monitored throughout the state. TD cadres must undertake repeated field visits, verify voter records and coordinate with booth-level officers to ensure comprehensive voter mapping before the exercise concludes. "Voter lists form the foundation of every electoral strategy. Every vote must be mapped and



every eligible citizen must be enrolled," he said.

The chief minister announced that the TD would conduct periodic reviews of the voter-verification exercise down to the grassroots. He also emphasised the importance of alliance

coordination, stating that the TD would work closely with its alliance partners, the Jana Sena and BJP, during the revision process. A joint coordination mechanism involving the three parties will be established soon to oversee voter-list activities and strengthen grassroots cooperation.

Referring to the recently concluded TD Mahanadu, Naidu said more than 24.5 lakh people participated in it

through the hybrid format. The event, he said, reflected the party's organisational strength and highlighted the responsibility of cadres in the run-up to future election exercises. In a major organisational initiative, the CM announced a 45-day state-wide door-to-door outreach campaign beginning on June 25. The programme will feature bicycle-based public interaction across AP, with Naidu himself tak-

ing part.

The campaign aims to showcase the achievements of the governments at the Centre and in the state, including welfare initiatives, infrastructure development, restoration of key projects, investment mobilisation, governance reforms and employment generation. Calling on elected representatives to remain closely connected with the people, Naidu urged party leaders to focus on

development, good governance, integrity and public trust. Sustained grassroots engagement, strong leadership and organisational discipline would be crucial for maintaining electoral success and meeting future political challenges. He urged party workers to remain vigilant, organised and proactive in both voter enrolment efforts and public outreach programmes across Andhra Pradesh.

Didi Says 'Do Or Die', Vows To Defeat BJP If Alive

KOLKATA
Wakeup telangana

Stepping out of home for the first time after losing power in West Bengal, Trinamul Congress supremo Mamata Banerjee emerged in her popular avatar of a street fighter and opposition face again on Tuesday with the calls for "Do or Die" and a vow to defeat BJP if she survives. The former chief minister took the pledge after sitting in a two-hour dharna over the statewide post-poll violence and several other is-



ssues with her party MLAs and MPs in front of TMC supporters at Y Channel in the heart of the city: Esplanade in the afternoon. She also tore into the BJP for trying to break TMC. Ms Banerjee, who had confined herself to her residence on Harish Chatterjee Street in Kalighat since the announcement of Assembly

Election results on May 4, reached the venue of her agitation after paying tributes to B R Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhi statues near Red Road in the Maidan area. "Karenge ya Mareng (Do or Die) until we can democratically and politically tackle those who are unleashing atrocities and state-sponsored anarchy. Lareng ya Mareng (Fight or Die). Agar Jiyenge Toh Lareng (Will fight if alive). Aur Agar Jiyenge Toh BJP Ko Hatake Hi Jayenge (And if we remain alive, we will

ensure BJP's ouster)," Ms Banerjee told the crowd. She then lashed out at the BJP government for ordering the Kolkata Police to offer her party a tiny space for the protest instead of a larger one and threatened to organise sit-in demonstration anywhere she wishes if a suitable venue is not provided next time. "No one can stop me. Our MLAs, MPs and councillors are being intimidated in a conspiracy to break our party," the TMC chief claimed before alleging,

Fadnavis Hits Out At Anti-Hindi Politics

MUMBAI
Wakeup telangana

Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis criticised anti-Hindi politics, warning it risks blocking cultural knowledge for future generations. Speaking at a Mumbai Hindi Patrakar Sangh event, he stressed the value of native tongues. The remarks follow intense pushback from Raj Thackeray led MNS and Uddhav Thackeray led Shiv Sena (UBT) over a proposal to intro-

duce Hindi in primary schools. Addressing the Hindi Journalism Bicentenary organised by the Mumbai Hindi Patrakar Sangh at Ravindra Natya Mandir, Mr Fadnavis said that language cannot be a medium of conflict. He said that while political power and votes could be gained by creating disputes in the name of language, such conflicts would ultimately erode the country's knowledge. "Those who are opposing the language, do

not study the language and create controversies over it. Perhaps this may help some people secure votes, but it will diminish the country's knowledge. Moreover, we will not be able to pass on this knowledge to future generations," the Chief Minister said. Mr Fadnavis added that Hindi deserves respect because it played a significant role in India's freedom struggle. "We must learn our mother tongue because abandoning it disconnects us from

a very natural process of acquiring knowledge. At the same time, learning another Indian language enables us to access and absorb the knowledge of the country," he said. The Chief Minister also pointed out that countries which have achieved significant development have done so by imparting education in their mother tongues. "Developed nations impart education in their own languages, whereas many developing nations continue to impart education.

FROM FRONT PAGE

Annamalai Resigns....

could attract people in the prevailing political scenario in which the DMK and the AIADMK have seemingly lost their popularity among the youth as it was evident from the recent election results. Since repeated instances of faux pas by the leaders of the Tamilaga Vetri Kazhagam (TVK), as it has been happening after the party assumed power in Tami Nadu, could possibly impel the younger generation of voters, particularly in urban areas, to look for another alternative to not only the traditional parties, including the Dravidian majors,

but also the TVK in future, Annamalai's party could find some takers, some say. As a leader already having some following among the youth in view of his credentials as a former IPS officer, he might be able to attract the youth if he could shed his saffron colour, it is felt. So the new outfit to be launched by him could garner the support of people when they start looking for an alternative to the Dravidian majors and also the TVK in future elections, some believe. Personally, Annamalai has been sulking for quite some time after his ouster from the State president post in April 2025 and has been sending out indica-

tions of his resentment over the treatment meted out to him in the party. He told reporters who accosted him at Chennai airport on Monday when was found travelling in a car without the BJP flag, that he would reveal his plan in a couple of days. **CBSE Heads Roll.....**

The probe committee, to be chaired by S. Radha Chauhan, chairperson, Capacity Building Commission, will inquire into matters relating to the procurement of services for the on-screen marking system by the CBSE. Chauhan has been empowered to obtain the assistance of officials from other departments, as re-

quired, while the Capacity Building Commission will provide secretarial assistance to the panel. The committee will submit its report to the department of personnel and training within one month. Elsewhere, Sardhak Sidhant, a 17-year-old student from Jharkhand affected by the CBSE's on-screen marking system (OSM), appeared before a parliamentary panel where he pointed out the anomalies in the tendering process of the CBSE to select vendors for online marking and put forth a set of questions for the board. Sidhant presented a seven-page copy of his findings before the parliamentary committee for edu-

cation, chaired by Congress MP Diggvijaya Singh. At the centre of the row is the selection of Coempt Edu Teck, a Hyderabad-based company, after the alleged dilution of tender standards. The company has been accused of having a controversial past, including alleged involvement in the erroneous marking of Intermediate exam papers in Telangana, which led to the suicide deaths of 23 students. The committee had summoned top officials of the CBSE and the ministry of school education to discuss the issue of using OSM in the Class 12 board exams and the problems faced by students.



CRIME

92 life convicts to walk free from Cherlapally prison

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Ninety-two life convicts, including 86 men and six women, are set to be released from Cherlapally Central Prison on Tuesday after being granted special remission by the Telangana government under its revised premature release policy.



brought to a logical conclusion through the arrest of all accused persons involved. The Telangana Prisons Department had identified eligible life convicts as of February 1, and submitted the list to the government for consideration.

prising senior Home and Law Department officials and the Director General of Prisons. The proposal received Cabinet approval and was subsequently sent to Telangana Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla for final clearance.

clear timelines for considering remission cases. Telangana now reviews eligible cases three times a year, on February 1, June 1 and October 1. This is the second large-scale remission exercise undertaken since the Congress government assumed office.

Santoshnagar Police Mark Telangana Formation Day

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana Zaffer abedi

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with enthusiasm and patriotic spirit at Santoshnagar Police Station on Tuesday. The National Flag was ceremonially hoisted at the police station premises, and tributes were paid to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of Telangana.



gramme and remembered the contributions of Telangana movement activists and martyrs. On the occasion, personnel took a pledge to strengthen citizen-friendly policing, maintain communal harmony, and work towards

ensuring peace, security, and public welfare. The event reflected the department's commitment to serving the people with dedication, integrity, and professionalism while upholding the values and aspirations of Telangana.

Chain-Snatching Bid on Woman Foiled in Kompally

An alert resident foiled the attempts of a person to snatch a gold chain from a woman at Jayabheri Colony in Kompally.

The accused entered an oil shop on the pretext of a customer and tried to snatch gold from a woman sitting inside. When she raised an alarm, local residents rushed to her rescue and caught hold of the accused. The residents assaulted the accused before handing him over to the police, who booked a case and took up investigation.

Boy drowns in Kushaiguda pool

An 11-year-old boy drowned in a swimming pool at a sports complex in Kushaiguda on Monday evening. The deceased, a Class VI student at ECIL, and resident of BN Reddy Nagar, Cherlapally, had gone to the pool at Sportivo Sports Arena when the incident occurred.

PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi Cracks Down on Illegal Belt Shops in Madhapur

RANGAREDDY Wakeup telangana Srirangam Venkatesh

Responding to complaints from women residents, PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi personally conducted a late-night inspection in Gokul Plots Colony, Madhapur Division, where illegal belt shops were allegedly selling liquor and disturbing the local environment.



Speaking on the occasion, Gandhi said strict legal action would be taken against anyone involved in the illegal sale of liquor and endangering public health. He expressed concern over the impact of such activities

on families, public safety, and the peaceful atmosphere of residential colonies. The PAC Chairman also voiced dissatisfaction over the alleged inaction of certain excise officials and warned that the matter would be brought to the notice of higher authorities if negligence continued. Local women and residents welcomed the swift response and thanked Gandhi for taking immediate action on their complaints.

Telangana Police Key to State Development: Cyberabad CP

RANGAREDDY Wakeup telangana Srirangam Venkatesh

The 12th Telangana Formation Day celebrations were held at the Cyberabad Police Commission-erate Parade Ground on June 2, with Cyberabad Police Commissioner Dr. M. Ramesh, IPS, hoisting the National Flag and receiving the guard of honour.



development, innovation, welfare, and law enforcement since its formation in 2014. He stressed that public safety is the foundation of progress and highlighted the role of

police in maintaining law and order, attracting investments, and supporting development. He noted that Cyberabad has become one of India's fastest-growing regions due to its IT sector, infrastructure projects, metro connectivity, and industrial growth. He also called for coordinated efforts from all departments to help achieve Telangana's goal of becoming a \$3 trillion economy by 2047. During the event, the Commissioner presented

Mahonnatha Seva, Uttama Seva, and Seva Medals to police personnel for distinguished service. Several Cyberabad officers were among the recipients of the Telangana State Police Service Medals for 2026. Children and staff from an orphanage and old-age home also attended the celebrations, while senior police officers from various wings of the Cyberabad Commissionerate were present.

EDITORIAL

AFTER SC BACKS EC ON SIR, BALL IN PARL COURT

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The Supreme Court order upholding the ongoing special intensive revision of the electoral rolls across India as a genuine constitutional process is not just in harmony with its unfortunate approach to the conduct of the exercise but in fact sets a dangerous precedent of looking the other way when the government in power arbitrarily strips people of their constitutional right. The court's position comes in the backdrop of a series of litigations questioning the SIR conducted in several states, especially in Bihar and West Bengal. The Bihar SIR started and was completed in a matter of 30 days, which was too little time for many citizens to get their documents ready, particularly in the case of those working outside the state. West Bengal's was the worst experience, where

about 90 lakh voters were removed from the voters' list. There are about 27 lakh people who were denied their voting rights in the recently held Assembly election there on account of "logical discrepancies" in their document, a term even the apex court found to be inappropriate. Natural justice demands that a person is convinced as to why a right previously enjoyed by him is going to be denied to him before it is finally taken away. The Supreme Court has now given its stamp of approval to the injustices caused by the EC's inefficiency. Instead of penalising the floundering authority, it has now punished its victims. The argument the Supreme Court presents to legitimise a process gone awry is that it cannot be invalidated just because it did not adhere strictly to modalities. It also said that the SIR is in consonance with

the Representation of the People Act and the 1960 Rules. It is "intended to secure the constitutional mandate of free and fair elections by ensuring that the roll on which the election rests is accurate and reliable", the court has stated. But this is a strawman argument as nobody was questioning the idea in the first place. It is not the first time that such an exercise has been conducted in India. For instance, there were no complaints about the last SIR in West Bengal when it was conducted in 2002. It is unsettling that the top court in the country makes light of the procedural mandates of such an important exercise. That the law does not prescribe a fixed process for the periodic clean-up of the voters' list does not mean that the Election Commission has got a free run on deciding who can vote and who cannot. It is the duty of the courts

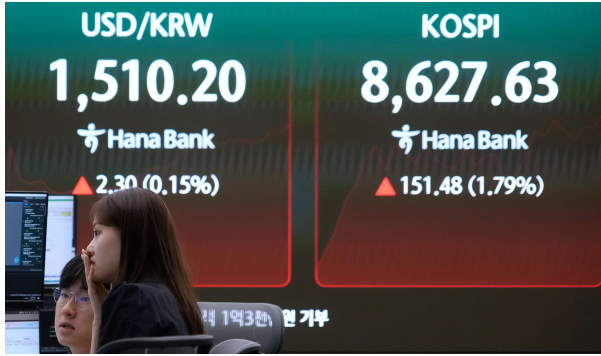
to come to the aid of the citizen when they are faced with the threat of losing a critical constitutional right and unacceptable that the Supreme Court in this case has refused to do so. The Supreme Court is of the opinion that examining questions bearing upon citizenship "must be undertaken with due regard to the presumption operating in favour of an elector whose name is already borne on the roll" but has chosen not to make it binding on the EC. It is a costly contradiction. Universal adult franchise is the bedrock of representative democracy and the Constitution is the document that guarantees it. The Supreme Court has practically washed its hands of the matter of protecting voting rights. It is up to the Parliament now to ponder over ways to ensure justice for the unsuspecting voter.



South Korea Overtakes India as World's Sixth-Largest Stock Market

NEW DELHI
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South Korea's equity market has overtaken India's as the world's sixth largest, driven by a relentless surge in chip heavy-weights powering the global artificial intelligence buildout. The total market capitalization of Korea-listed companies has soared 86% this year to \$5 trillion, while India's has declined to \$4.8 trillion, data compiled by Bloomberg show. Samsung Electronics Co. and SK Hynix Inc., newly minted members of the \$1 trillion valuation club, have powered Korea's equity surge. Korea's latest milestone comes after it vaulted past Canada and other European countries this year, underscoring how investors are concentrating their bets on AI and its critical suppliers. Together with Taiwan, the



two Asian chipmaking hubs are rewriting global equity rankings in a way that captures investor fascination over their outsized influence in the AI economy, yet also stirs concern about the risks of an overheated market. The rally "highlights the continued relevance of South Korean technology companies in the next wave of technological innovation," said Gerald Gan, chief investment officer at Reed Capital Partners. "It also reflects a broader shift in global

capital flows toward major Asian economies, which were once overshadowed by Western markets but are now playing an increasingly prominent role in shaping the future of technology and growth."

The Korean stock market has benefited from a dual tailwind, as President Lee Jae Myung's push for corporate reform coincided with the emergence of AI as a dominant investment theme. The Kospi Index has powered past Lee's 5,000 goal earlier this

year and Wall Street analysts are now calling for 10,000. But given the heavy concentration of gains in a handful of stocks,

Ross McGarry, senior investment analyst at Asset Value Investors, cautioned that Korea must follow through.

"This year's rally has been heavily carried by the memory cycle — Samsung and SK Hynix have done the heavy lifting," he said, calling the closing in on India "a remarkable milestone."

The real test, he added, is whether Korea can sustain this re-rating through genuine corporate governance reform. India, meanwhile, has been dragged lower by a weakening rupee, record foreign outflows and a dearth of companies directly linked to the AI infrastructure. Higher energy costs have also stoked inflation concerns

and clouded growth prospects, prompting global funds to sell about \$26 billion of local equities this year. India's stock benchmark is down about 11% this year, heading for its first annual drop after a decade of gains.

"The India growth story has increasingly lost momentum in investors' minds as the country contends with mounting domestic and external political challenges," Gan said. "At the same time, longstanding infrastructure deficiencies continue to undermine its ambitions in advanced manufacturing." While Korea has overtaken in market value, India's \$4.15 trillion economy — among the fastest growing in the world — still trumps Korea's \$1.93 trillion gross domestic product, according to International Monetary Fund estimates.

How to Decode Adulteration in Tea: What Every Consumer Should Know

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

Tea lovers are being urged to stay vigilant as concerns over adulteration in loose tea continue to grow across the country. Food safety authorities and the Tea Board of India have warned consumers about the presence of unauthorized substances in tea leaves that can affect both quality and health.

According to the Tea Board of India, adulteration involves adding artificial colouring agents or foreign materials to improve the appearance, flavour, or weight of low-quality tea. Chemicals such as bismarck brown, potassium blue, turmeric, indigo, and plumbago have been identified as prohibited additives that may be used to make damaged tea leaves appear fresh and attrac-

tive. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) mandates that tea products must be free from extraneous matter, added colouring substances, and harmful contaminants. Regulatory authorities have emphasized that such additives offer no nutritional benefit and may pose potential health risks to consumers.

To help consumers identify possible adulteration, FSSAI and the Tea Board recommend a simple cold-water or filter-paper test. Genuine tea leaves release colour gradually when immersed in water, whereas an immediate release of colour or dark staining may indicate artificial dyes or exhausted tea leaves. Consumers are also advised to check for a natural earthy appearance, uniform texture, and the absence of excessive dust

or foreign particles. Authorities have raised particular concerns about loose tea sold through unverified channels, where quality checks and traceability are often limited. In contrast, packaged tea from reputed brands generally undergoes stricter quality-control procedures and complies with established food safety regulations.

Experts further recommend purchasing tea only from trusted sources and verifying product authenticity through certifications, packaging details, and brand reputation. As awareness about food safety grows, informed purchasing decisions and simple home-testing methods can play a crucial role in protecting consumers from adulterated tea and ensuring a safe, authentic tea-drinking experience.

US Reduction of Tariffs on Metal Products May Not Benefit India in a Big Way

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

The United States administration has announced revisions to its sectoral tariffs on certain industrial and agricultural equipment made from steel, aluminium and copper, offering limited relief to exporters from several countries, including India. While some categories of equipment will now attract lower duties, the core tariffs on steel, aluminium and

copper metals remain unchanged at 50 per cent. Under the revised tariff structure, duties on agricultural machinery such as combines, harvesters and certain related equipment have been reduced from 25 per cent to 15 per cent. The US government has also expanded the range of industrial equipment eligible for the reduced 15 per cent tariff. The extended category now includes mobile industrial ma-



chinery such as bulldozers, forklifts and similar equipment imported from countries that have trade agreements with the United States and qualify for

preferential treatment. Another significant change relates to products manufactured using American-origin metals. Foreign companies exporting capital

equipment that contains at least 85 per cent US-melted and poured steel or US-smelted and cast aluminium by weight will now qualify for a reduced duty rate of 10 per cent. The revised tariff measures will remain in force until December 31, 2027.

Despite these concessions, industry experts believe the benefits for Indian exporters will be minimal. The Engineering Export Promotion Council (EEPC) noted that only a small seg-

ment of Indian exporters, particularly those involved in agricultural machinery, may gain from the reduced tariff rates. However, India is not a major exporter of agricultural equipment to the United States, limiting the overall impact of the policy changes. EEPC Chairman Pankaj Chadha said the 10 per cent duty concession linked to the use of US-origin metals is unlikely to provide meaningful advantages

to Indian manufacturers. Since steel and other metals produced in the United States are generally more expensive, Indian companies seldom use them in their manufacturing processes. He also pointed out that the tariff reductions available to countries with trade agreements do not extend to India.

The Global Trade Research Initiative (GTRI) echoed similar concerns, stating that the fundamental chal-

lenge remains unchanged. Indian exports of steel, aluminium and copper products continue to face the steep 50 per cent sectoral tariffs imposed by the US. In addition, many downstream and value-added metal products exported from India are still subject to a 25 per cent duty, limiting the competitiveness of Indian shipments in the American market despite the latest tariff adjustments.

RPI(A) Marks Telangana Formation Day, Demands Justice for Activists



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The South India regional office of the Republican Party of India (Athawale) celebrated Telangana Formation Day with enthusiasm, reiterating its commitment to protecting Telangana's identity and securing justice for activists who played a key role in the statehood movement.

RPI(A) National Executive President Dr. M. Venkataswamy attended the programme as chief guest. Telangana advocate, writer and social activist Jagannadham Praveen Kumar delivered a special lecture, while Indian Praja Congress Party National President Sridhar addressed the gathering and spoke on the significance of safeguarding Telangana's as-

pirations. Addressing the event, RPI(A) South India Working President Shrawan Kumar said Telangana was achieved through decades of struggle and sacrifice. He alleged that certain forces were attempting to weaken Telangana's identity but asserted that the people of the state would firmly resist any such efforts.

South India General Secretary Gollapalli Nagaraju expressed concern over the continued neglect of Telangana martyrs and activists. He welcomed the Telangana High Court's acceptance of a petition seeking justice for activists and appreciated the government's decision to constitute the KK Committee to address their welfare and grievances.

AESL Shines in JEE Advanced 2026 with AIR 4, Nine Top-100 Ranks

Mohit Shekhar Shukla tops Telangana with AIR 4 as AESL records strong national success, producing 11 Top-100 and 25 Top-200 rank holders in JEE Advanced 2026

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) has delivered an exceptional performance in JEE Advanced 2026, with its students securing nine ranks within the national Top 100, including AIR 4, AIR 17, AIR 35, AIR 42, AIR 52, AIR 59, AIR 63, AIR 86 and AIR 94. The achievement further strengthens AESL's reputation as one of India's leading institutions for engineering entrance examination preparation.

Leading the Telangana contingent, Mohit Shekhar Shukla emerged as the state topper with an outstanding AIR 4, scoring 319 marks. Telangana students from AESL recorded impressive results, with two students securing ranks within the Top 100, three within the Top 200, and eight within AIR 1000.

Among the other top performers from Telangana were Jayanth Shekhar



(AIR 94, 276 marks), Hanzalah Abedeen (AIR 105, 274 marks), Shiva Tejanshu A (AIR 374, 241 marks), Alamuri Chaitanya (AIR 634, 225 marks), Rishit Kytham (AIR 676, 223 marks), Deepak Nikethan Karthick (AIR 799, 218 marks), and B. Abhijeet Reddy (AIR 844, 217 marks).

Congratulating the students, Dheeraj Kumar Misra, Chief Academic & Business Head, AESL, said the remarkable results reflected the students' dedication, disciplined preparation and determination to excel. He noted that AESL remains committed to nurturing talent and

helping students achieve their academic goals.

The successful candidates credited their achievement to the institute's comprehensive academic support system. They said AESL's study material, classroom coaching, mock tests, regular assessments and faculty mentorship played a vital role in strengthening their conceptual understanding and problem-solving abilities. They also acknowledged the support of their teachers and parents throughout their preparation journey.

The students were enrolled in AESL's classroom programmes, which are designed to build con-

ceptual clarity, analytical thinking and examination readiness for highly competitive tests such as JEE Advanced.

AESL's performance in JEE Advanced has shown consistent improvement over the past three years. In 2026, the institute produced one Top-100 rank holder, compared to none in 2024 and 2025. The number of students in the Top 50 rose to five from two in 2025 and one in 2024. Similarly, Top-100 rank holders increased to 11 in 2026 from nine in 2025 and six in 2024, while the number of students in the Top 200 climbed to 25, reflecting AESL's growing success in producing top-ranking engineering aspirants nationwide.

JEE Advanced serves as the gateway to admission into the prestigious Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and is widely regarded as one of the toughest engineering entrance examinations in the world.

IntrCity SmartBus Launches 10-Point SafeBus Safety Promise

NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

IntrCity SmartBus, a leading tech-enabled intercity bus platform in India, has launched its comprehensive 10-Point #SafeBus Promise to strengthen passenger safety and operational preparedness across long-distance bus travel. The initiative introduces a safety-first framework aimed at establishing minimum safety standards and improving reliability in intercity mobility.

The company said the framework has been developed in response to the growing demand for safer travel and is designed around four key pillars — prevention, preparedness, monitoring, and emergency response. It integrates advanced technology with onboard safety infrastructure to create a safer travel experience for passengers. Speaking on the launch, IntrCity SmartBus Co-founder and CEO Manish Rathi said safety remains a core part of the company's travel experience. He added that the #SafeBus Promise reinforces the company's commit-



ment to making intercity travel safer, smarter, and more dependable through stronger operational protocols and technology-driven monitoring.

The 10-point safety framework includes emergency exits, roof hatches, fire-retardant interiors, fire extinguishers, emergency glass-breaking hammers, CCTV and GPS-based monitoring, first-aid kits, a dual-driver policy for long routes, a public address system, AI-powered driver monitoring, and Fire Detection & Suppression Systems (FDSS). Operating on more than 670 routes across 17 states, IntrCity SmartBus said the initiative will help standardise safety practices and enhance passenger confidence in intercity bus travel across India.

Diljit Dosanjh Faces Backlash Over 'Chakka' Lyric in Aroma

Indian-Punjabi singer Diljit Dosanjh has come under criticism over the lyrics of his song Aroma, with social media users accusing the track of using language that is offensive to the transgender and queer community. The controversy gained momentum on June 1, the beginning of Pride Month, despite the song having been released on April 23.

Aroma, a collaboration between Diljit Dosanjh, Raj Ranjodh, and TruSkool, has recently drawn attention for a verse containing the word "Chakka," a term widely considered a slur against transgender individuals in South Asia. Critics argue that the lyrics reinforce harmful stereotypes and promote outdated ideas about masculinity by contrasting courage and strength with gender-nonconforming identities.

The verse at the center of the controversy reads: "Oh mardaan di gall hundi yakkyaan di nai, Jurrataan di talk hundi chakkyaan di nai." The line has been translated



by critics as, "There are talks of men, not of weaklings. This is the talk of courage, not of 'chakke'," a phrase many believe demeans transgender people and members of the LGBTQ+ community.

Several listeners said they were unaware of the meaning behind the lyrics when the song was first released. However, after translations of the verse circulated online,

many fans expressed disappointment and questioned why the language had not been challenged before the song's release.

The criticism intensified across social media platforms, with users calling on the singer to address the concerns. Actor Manish Poonam was among those who publicly criticized the lyrics. In an Instagram story, he wrote, "Courage and men don't

go along each other. Hoping this move would make you more of a man. Shame."

Other social media users also voiced concern over the message conveyed by the song. One Instagram user questioned how such lyrics made it through the production process without objection, noting that the entertainment industry has long been shaped and supported by queer individuals.

Many commenters emphasized the influence celebrities hold over their audiences and argued that public figures should be more mindful of the language they use. Others highlighted the ongoing struggle for equality faced by LGBTQ+ communities and called for greater sensitivity, particularly during Pride Month.

As of now, Diljit Dosanjh has not publicly responded to the criticism surrounding Aroma. The controversy continues to generate discussion online, with many awaiting clarification or a statement from the singer regarding the lyrics and their interpretation.

Sonali Bendre Makes a Comeback in 'Raakh'

MUMBAI
Wakeup telangana

Popular actress Sonali Bendre is set to make a significant comeback with Raakh, a thriller series set in late 1970s Delhi. The series explores a period when families felt secure enough to let their children venture outdoors alone after sunset, while weaving together suspense, emotion, and human relationships.

Speaking about her return, Sonali said the depth of the story and its emotional complexity attracted her to the project. Although Raakh unfolds as a thriller, she described it as a deeply human story that examines relationships, loss, and resilience.

In the series, Sonali portrays Mona Arora, a grieving and emotionally distressed mother whose journey forms a crucial part of the narrative. The actress said the role allowed her to explore emotional dimensions she had not previously experienced in her acting career.

"The series gave me the opportunity to ex-



plore emotional spaces I hadn't tapped into before as an actor," Sonali said. She added that Mona is a character who embodies both vulnerability and quiet strength, making the role particularly rewarding to portray. According to the actress, Raakh stands apart because it balances suspense with strong emotional storytelling. She expressed hope that audiences would connect with the series and be moved by its narrative in the same way the cast and crew were during its creation.

Known for her successful career in both Telugu and Hindi cinema during the

1990s, Sonali remains one of the most admired actresses of her generation. Her return through Raakh marks a notable moment for fans who have followed her journey on screen over the decades.

Set against the backdrop of a changing Delhi in the late 1970s, Raakh promises a blend of mystery, emotion, and compelling character-driven storytelling. With Sonali Bendre leading a powerful emotional arc as Mona Arora, the series is expected to draw attention from audiences seeking both suspense and heartfelt drama.

India Set for 53-Match International Schedule Ahead of 2027 World Cup

Several teams are also expected to tour India during this period. West Indies, Sri Lanka, and Zimbabwe are scheduled to visit for white-ball series comprising ODI and T20I matches.



NEW DELHI
Wakeup telangana

India is expected to play a demanding schedule of 53 international matches between June 2026 and the start of the 2027 Indian Premier League (IPL) season, according to the Future Tours Programme (FTP) currently being dis-

cussed among cricket followers. The packed itinerary includes 10 Test matches, 20 One-Day Internationals (ODIs), and 23 Twenty20 Internationals (T20Is), making it one of the busiest phases for the national team in recent years. India's international campaign is scheduled to

begin on June 6, 2026, with a home series against Afghanistan. The series is expected to feature both Test and ODI matches and will mark the start of a lengthy season spanning multiple countries and formats. Following the Afghanistan assignment, India is slated to embark on over-

seas tours of Ireland, England, Zimbabwe, and Sri Lanka. These tours will involve a combination of Test, ODI, and T20I fixtures, providing the team with extensive international exposure ahead of major global tournaments.

In an interesting development, Afghanistan is also expected to host India for a three-match T20I series at a neutral venue in New Delhi. Although the matches will be officially hosted by Afghanistan, logistical considerations have led to the selection of a neutral venue in India.

The schedule also includes several home white-ball series. Teams such as West Indies, Sri Lanka, and Zimbabwe are expected to tour India for ODI and T20I contests. These series will provide valuable opportunities for India to test squad depth, experiment with combinations, and prepare for up-

coming international challenges.

A major highlight of the calendar will be the prestigious Border-Gavaskar Trophy against Australia. The five-Test series is expected to commence in late January 2027 and continue through early March, serving as a significant challenge for both teams.

The extensive schedule comes in the lead-up to the 2027 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup. With 20 ODI matches planned before the global event, India will have ample opportunities to fine-tune its preparations in the 50-over format. The proposed itinerary has already sparked considerable discussion among cricket enthusiasts, many of whom have pointed to the intense travel demands and workload facing players during the nine-month period from June 2026 to March 2027.

Sindhu returns to world top 10 with winning start in Indonesia



INDONESIA
Wakeup telangana

Back in the top 10 of the world rankings, PV Sindhu kicked off her Indonesia Open 2026 campaign with a 25-23, 21-16 win over Thailand's Busanan Ongbamrungphan at the Istora Senayan Stadium in Indonesia on Tuesday. Also advancing to the next round was the men's doubles combination of Hariharan Amsakarunan

and MR Arjun, who registered a straight-games victory over Malaysia's Tan Wee Kiong and his current partner Nur Mohd Azriyn.

India's ace shuttler Sindhu, who entered the world top 10 for the first time since 2023, opened her campaign with an 11th successive win over the Thailand shuttler. Sindhu now leads the head-to-head record against Busanan 21-1.

She will now face the winner of the match between top seed An Se Young of Korea and Neslihan Arin of Turkey.

Later, Hariharan and Arjun outplayed the experienced Malaysian duo 21-18, 21-10 in just 33 minutes. Meanwhile, Lakshya Sen lost to home favourite Alwi Farhan 21-19, 21-16. Alwi had defeated World No. 1 Shi Yu Qi at the Singapore Open last week.



Revanth Reddy Pays Tribute to Telangana Martyrs

On the occasion of Telangana State Formation Day, Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy paid floral tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana movement at the Telangana Martyrs Memorial (Gun Park) in Hyderabad on Tuesday. The Chief Minister honoured the sacrifices made by those who laid down their lives for the achievement of a separate Telangana state. He offered respects at the memorial and remembered the contributions of the martyrs whose struggle paved the way for the formation of Telangana.

Revanth Vows To Turn Telangana Into Global Economic Powerhouse

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Tuesday unveiled an ambitious vision to transform Telangana into a global economic powerhouse, stating that his dream was to position the state not merely as a gateway to India but as a gateway to the world. The roadmap for achieving this goal has been outlined in the "Telangana Rising-2047" Vision Document, he said while addressing the Telangana Formation Day celebrations at the Parade Ground in Secunderabad. Owing to the intense summer heat, Revanth Reddy concluded his address early. Although a 16-page speech had been prepared, he read only the first nine pages and skipped the remaining



Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy hoists the National Flag, reviews the ceremonial police parade, and receives the Rashtriya Salute during Telangana State Formation Day celebrations at the Parade Grounds in Secunderabad.

seven pages. Stating that the government was giving equal priority to development and welfare, the Chief Minister claimed Telangana is the only state implementing a wide range of welfare programmes while simultaneously pursuing rapid development, making it a role model for the coun-

try. He said that over the past two-and-a-half years the government has taken several policy decisions and implemented action plans to fulfil the aspirations of all sections of society. Urging farmers to diversify crop cultivation, the Chief Minister said Telangana should evolve into a

land of diverse and abundant harvests. He revealed that the government had spent Rs 1,56,496 crore on agriculture and farmer welfare during the past two-and-a-half years. The Chief Minister said it was the firm resolve of the "people's government" to make Telangana a \$1 trillion economy by 2034 and a \$3 trillion economy by 2047. He asserted that no other state in the country has prepared a comprehensive master plan covering an entire state in the manner envisaged under Telangana Rising-2047. Revanth Reddy said the vision document classified Telangana into three development zones — CURE, PURE and RARE — and adopted a three-tier strategy for balanced growth. CURE, the core urban region economy, within the Outer Ring

Road (ORR) would be developed into a world-class services hub. The primary objective is to make the area completely eco-friendly and pollution-free. To achieve this, the government has introduced the HILT Policy to facilitate the relocation of polluting industries beyond the ORR and was promoting electric vehicles by providing exemptions on registration fees, road taxes and lifetime taxes. The Chief Minister said the government was constructing the Regional Ring Road on the lines of the ORR and planned to transform the area between the two ring roads into the PURE (Peri-Urban Region Economy) zone, to serve as a major centre for infrastructure and manufacturing.

PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi Pays Tribute to Martyrs



RANGAREDDY
Wakeup telangana
Srirangam Venkatesh

PAC Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi hoisted the National Flag at the MLA Camp Office in Miyapur as part of Telangana Formation Day celebrations and paid tribute to Telangana martyrs along with local leaders, activists, and residents. Speaking on the occasion, Gandhi said development works worth nearly ₹2,000 crore are underway in Serilingampally under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. He highlighted major projects including the pro-

posed ₹530-crore Miyapur Flyover, ₹459-crore Gachibowli IIT Junction Flyover, ₹220-crore Khajaguda Flyover, and the upcoming ₹308-crore Lingampally ROB Flyover. He also announced a ₹200-crore Young India Integrated School and ₹100-crore Core Urban Schools in Kondapur and Chandanagar. Gandhi reaffirmed his commitment to developing Serilingampally with better infrastructure, education, and public services. Former corporators, leaders, activists, colony association members, and residents participated in the celebrations.

Telangana Formation Day Celebrated in Suraram

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour at Shivalayam Nagar in the 129-Suraram Division of Quthbullapur Assembly constituency. The flag-hoisting programme was organised under the leadership of Maheshwar Reddy. Former Division Corporator Mantri Satyanarayana and BRS Division President Puppala Bhaskar participated in the event and unfurled the National Tricolour as well as the Bharat Rashtra Samithi party flag. Speaking on the occasion, leaders paid tribute to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of Telangana and highlighted the importance of preserving the ideals of the Telangana movement. They also called upon cit-



izens to contribute towards the state's continued development and progress. The programme was attended by Srikanth Mudiraj, Pawan, Ravi Kumar, Prasad, Laxman and several division-level party leaders and activists. The celebrations were marked by enthusiasm and a strong sense of Telangana pride, with participants reaffirming their commitment to the state's growth and welfare.

Telangana Completes Over 68% of Pre-SIR Voter Mapping

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), C. Sudharshan Reddy said on Tuesday that 68.30 per cent of the voter mapping ahead of the special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral roll was completed across the state. The exercise involves verifying each voter to the SIR of 2002, using either their own registration or the registration of their parents or grandparents as voters. The SIR itself is to begin on June 15. During a meeting to review arrangements for the SIR in Telangana, in the presence of senior ECI officials, principal secretary, Avinash Kumar and under-secretary Sanjay Kumar at BRKR Bhavan, the CEO briefed the officials on the details of the assembly constituencies, the manpower drafted for SIR (including EROs, AEROs, BLO supervisors, and BLOs) and the setting up of help desks. The ECI officials stressed the need



to remain vigilant while filling out and collecting enumeration forms. They instructed officials to widely publicise the online submission of enumeration forms via the official portal (voters.eci.gov.in), as well as the 'Book a Call' facility, which helps voters get quick information about the SIR. Additionally, the district election officers were directed to hold regular all-party meetings and actively involve booth level agents in the SIR process. The ECI team also clarified several technical and administrative queries raised by the EROs and AEROs present.

Man puts feet near co-passengers on Hyderabad Metro, sparks ire

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

People using the Hyderabad Metro have to deal with inconveniences every day – from overcrowded trains at all hours to people watching reels on full volume without headphones and men occupying seats in the ladies' compartment. Now, a video of a man putting his bare feet up on the seat and not budging even after other passengers confronted him has sparked a fresh debate on civic sense. The video, which sur-



Video of a man putting his bare feet up on the seat and not budging even after other passengers confronted him has sparked a fresh debate on civic sense. The video, which surfaced on social media on June 1, shows a man brazenly resting his leg near the window, right next to another passenger. When others asked him

to act appropriately in a public space, the man tried to argue, saying his leg was not touching the other passenger. When a different passenger asks him to move his legs so he could sit in the seat next to him, the man shifts his position, taking as much space as possible while saying "sit sit." The video cuts off as people try to reason with him, saying, "This is not right" and "This is not your house." The man's attitude has received massive backlash on social media, with

people asking him to be banned from using the Metro. "His parents should feel ashamed for bringing up such a kid into this world," commented one X user, while another said, "Delhi metro maina discussion nahi hota abtak the WWE ke 2-3 round ho chuke hote (If this happened in the Delhi Metro, there wouldn't be so much discussion; people would have just started a wrestling match)." There has been no response from the Hyderabad Metro so far.

Power cuts on State Formation Day leave residents fuming

Hyderabad residents reported power cuts, voltage fluctuations, billing issues, and poor customer service on Telangana Formation Day, sparking widespread criticism.

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

While Telangana celebrated its State Formation Day with official ceremonies and patriotic fervor, several parts of Hyderabad witnessed power disruptions, drawing sharp criticism from residents against the Energy Department and power distribution authorities. Consumers from different localities took to social media platform X to express their frustration over frequent power outages, voltage issues, delayed restoration of supply, and poor customer service. Residents of Manikonda complained that power cuts continued even on Telangana Formation Day. "While others are discussing development, we are facing power cuts," remarked a resident on X, questioning the reliability of electricity supply. Frequent and unannounced outages were also reported from Aravind Nagar Colony in Tolichowki. Residents alleged that short-duration power interruptions during both day and night



had become a regular occurrence in recent weeks. Consumers urged the power utility to improve service quality and ensure uninterrupted supply. In Secunderabad's Gunrock area, residents complained that one phase of the power supply was not functioning, affecting households and daily activities. Consumers appealed to authorities to restore normal power supply without delay. Similar grievances emerged from Bhavanipuram Colony in Ashok Nagar, where residents reported prolonged outages lasting over 90 minutes. Locals expressed anger over repeated power cuts occurring multiple times a day, including during morning, afternoon, evening and midnight hours. Apart from supply interruptions, some consumers raised concerns over elec-

tricity billing. A domestic consumer from Dammaiguda alleged that he received a bill of Rs. 6,438 for consumption of 1,006 units over 61 days, prompting questions over billing calculations. Several residents also complained about delays in obtaining new power connections and the non-functioning of customer care helplines. Consumers alleged that toll-free numbers were either inaccessible or failed to provide effective assistance during outages. One resident stated that despite repeated calls to customer care, the contact numbers provided remained switched off. Another consumer reported being without electricity for over four hours and criticized the lack of communication from authorities regarding restoration efforts. The growing number of complaints on Telangana Formation Day highlighted public dissatisfaction over power supply management, customer service responsiveness and infrastructure maintenance across several parts of the city.

CM Revanth honours police personnel with gallantry medals

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy honoured police personnel with gallantry and Jeevan Raksha medals on Tuesday, June 2, on the occasion of Telangana Formation Day. The medals were presented to the police officials in recognition of their bravery, outstanding achievements and dedicated service to the nation and society. Telangana Chief Secretary K Ramakrishna Rao and Director General of Police (DGP) CV Anand presented the medals to the police personnel at the Parade

Grounds in Secunderabad. Some of the recipients of the gallantry medals are Shaikh Nagul Meera, Assistant Assault Commander/Sub-Inspector (SI), Khammam, Greyhounds; T Mahesh, Deputy Assault Commander/Reserve Inspector (RI), Greyhounds; K Adinarayana, Senior Commando, Head Constable 596, Greyhounds; K Ashok, Assistant Assault Commander, ARSI-82, Greyhounds; R Sunil Kumar, Junior Commando, PC-848, Greyhounds; H Sukumar, PC-848, third Battalion Telangana State Police, Ibrahimpatnam.

Hyderabad police book cases over vandalism during RCB victory

The Hyderabad police registered cases against several individuals for creating a nuisance and damaging public property during the celebrations following Royal Challengers Bengaluru's (RCB) victory in the IPL on Sunday night. A huge crowd gathered near the Telangana Secretariat and NTR Ghat to celebrate RCB's victory over Gujarat Titans on Sunday. However, during the celebrations, several individuals who were allegedly drunk started damaging police barricades and other vehicles, prompting the police to resort to a lathi charge to disperse the crowd. Videos of the mob damaging public property went viral on social media platforms, drawing criticism from several quarters.

Hyderabad Police arrest chain snatcher linked to 180 cases

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Hyderabad Police on Tuesday, June 2, arrested a 43-year-old man allegedly involved in more than 180 chain-snatching cases across Telangana and several cases in neighbouring Andhra Pradesh, officials said. The accused was identified as Mohammed Faisal Shah Ali Jabri alias Abdullah alias Sohail alias Altaf, a resident of Murad Nagar in Asif Nagar. He was apprehended follow-



ing a tip-off, the police said. According to the police, the accused is a habitual offender and was wanted in connection with a large number of chain-snatching cases registered across Telangana. Fourteen non-bailable warrants are pending against him. Police said Jabri allegedly carried out a series

of gold chain-snatching offences in 2023 under the limits of Saifabad, Moghalpura, Charminar and Nampally police stations before going absconding. Investigators said he subsequently fled to Bengaluru to evade arrest and later moved to Rayachoti in Andhra Pradesh, where he allegedly committed three more chain-snatching offences under the limits of Rayachoti and Chennur police stations. Further investigation is underway, the police said.

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