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WEATHER

MAX : 32.0°C
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Muslim IPS Officer Shunted In WB After Right Wing Group's Complaint

NEW DELHI
A young Muslim female IPS officer, Bushra Bano, has faced transfer a day after a Hindu outfit lodged a complaint with West Bengal chief minister Suwendu Adhikari's department, accusing her of not uttering 'Vande Mataram' and 'Jai Hind' during her speech in a viral video. Ms Bano was posted as additional superintendent of police (SP) at Kharagpur in West Midnapore. The 2021-batch IPS officer was made deputy commandant (4th battalion) of the state armed police on Monday in a transfer order issued by the state home department, headed by Mr Adhikari.

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BRS seeks judicial probe into 22-A irregularities

BRS working president K. T. Rama Rao demanded a judicial inquiry into alleged irregularities in Telangana's 22-A prohibited lands list. He accused the Congress government of harassing property owners, sought removal of wrongly listed properties and demanded restoration of safeguards



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BRS working president K. T. Rama Rao on Tuesday demanded a judicial inquiry into the alleged irregularities in the 22-A prohibited lands list. He accused the Congress government of including private properties in the list to harass people and

allegedly extract commissions of 30 per cent of the property value. He demanded that colonies, apartments and houses purchased with people's hard-earned money, if wrongly included in the prohibited list, be removed unconditionally and that the government apologise to the affected owners.

Speaking to mediapersons in New Delhi, Rama Rao said the Congress government had failed to provide a satisfactory answer in the Assembly, with Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy merely apologising for the errors. "The mistake was committed by the government, not officials. It is not proper to shift the blame

on officials without resolving people's problems," he said. The former Minister termed the erstwhile Dharani system a safeguard against unauthorised transfers as it required the property owner's fingerprints. He said properties were now being registered without the owners' knowledge and subsequently placed on the prohibited list. "This is not Bhu Bharati, but Bhu Harathi," he said, demanding restoration of safeguards for property ownership. He also asked the ruling Congress to stop what he termed attempts to extract commissions. On assigned lands, Rama Rao reminded the Congress of its promise to take a decision within 100 days of assuming power. He demanded that as-

signed lands of SCs and STs be regularised and ownership rights granted to them. He also alleged that certain Congress leaders were entering into agreements with landowners in advance in the name of issuing pattas. He demanded a judicial inquiry into the 22-A issue to protect everyone's interests. "The government committed the mistake, but people are suffering the punishment," he said, adding that the Congress could not escape responsibility for what he termed its "crimes". The BRS working president accused the government of deliberately suspending party legislators to avoid answering issues raised by the principal Opposition in the Assembly.

Revanth Proposals Today For 22A Relief

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Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is likely to announce key measures in the Assembly on Wednesday to provide relief to property owners whose land was included in the Section 22A prohibited list. He is also likely to order a probe into the alleged illegal transfer of Section 22A and other government land to private individuals during the previous BRS regime through the erstwhile Dharani portal. The Chief Minister on Tuesday held a meeting with ministers and senior officials of the revenue and other departments on the issues surrounding Section 22A. Deputy chief minister Mallu Bhathi Vikramarka, revenue minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, ministers N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, D. Sridhar Babu, Damodar Rajanarsimha and G. Vivek, along with senior officials from the Chief Minister's Office, revenue, stamps and registration departments, attended the meeting. The meeting discussed options to provide relief to genuine property owners affected by the prohibitory list, including the procedure to remove eligible private properties from Section 22A and whether



such properties could be regularised without charges or by collecting a prescribed fee, while ensuring that the government does not face legal complications in the future. Revanth Reddy is also expected to present documentary evidence to the Assembly regarding the misuse of Section 22A provisions during the BRS regime and the transfer of government lands to BRS leaders and their supporters through the Dharani portal. The Chief Minister is learnt to have sought details from officials on how several private properties and entire colonies came to be included in the Section 22A list during the previous governments in combined Andhra Pradesh and also in Telangana state. He was also briefed on the corrective measures taken by the Congress government, including the removal of eligible properties from the

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Govt Constitutes Task Force To Bring Back Formula 1 To India

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The CPI and CPI(M), which provide outside support to the ruling TVK, on Sunday announced that they will contest one Assembly segment each in the bypolls to be held next month in Tamil Nadu. While the CPI will fight from Dharapuram, the CPI (M) will try its luck from Maduranthakam in the October 6 bypolls. Speaking to reporters in Chennai, CPI

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State Secretary M Veerapandian said the October 6 byelections in the state are "imposed," and not a natural outcome. Firmly continuing with the stand of not being part of any electoral alliance, the CPI has decided to contest the bypolls by

joining hands with CPI-M. "We have conveyed our opinion (to fight polls) to the CPI-M and it has also taken the same stand; the CPI will contest from Dharapuram," he added. Marxist party state secretary M Shanmugam told reporters in Tiruchirappalli that the party's state committee meeting has decided to fight bypolls and it will be a lone fight of the Left parties, the CPI(M), CPI and the CPI (Marxist-Leninist).

Tardy Babus Cost Telangana ₹4k-Cr Land

HYDERABAD
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The Supreme Court on Tuesday dismissed the Telangana government's appeal regarding a claim over 40 acres of prime land in Survey No.s 1 and 2 of Lothkunta in Medchal-Malkajgiri district. The offices of both the Medchal-Malkajgiri collector and the Advocate-General were to be squarely blamed for the government losing land, said to be worth at least ₹4,000 crore, to the pri-

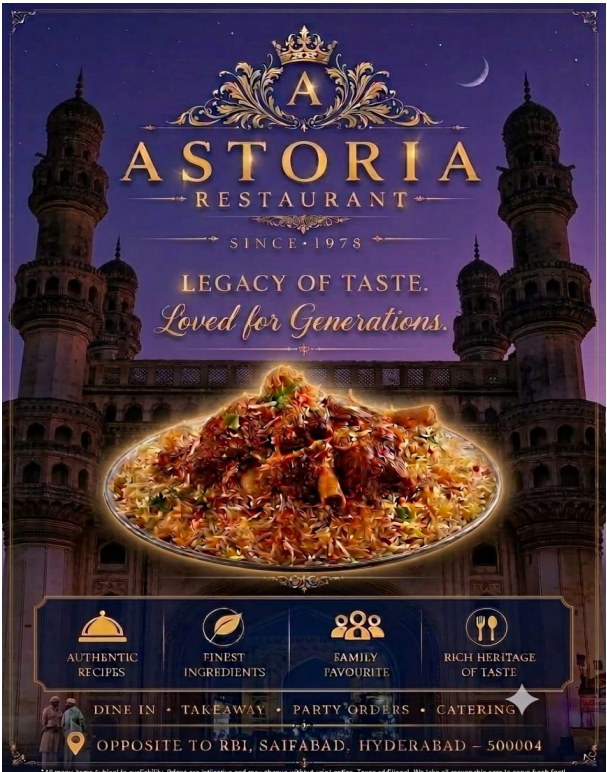
ivate builder Shanta Srimam Constructions Pvt. Ltd, as the dismissal of the appeal was based on a simple technical flaw — delay in filing the special leave petition (SLP) in the Supreme Court. The ground for dismissal was the delay of 219 days in filing the appeal after a division bench of the Telangana High Court issued orders in favour of Shanta Srimam, which is also a litigant over government land in Banjara Hills.

The state should have mandatorily filed the appeal in the apex court within 90 days of the High Court order. Calling it a "callous" approach, sources told Deccan Chronicle that the action of the two government functionaries in responsible positions came as a blow to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's efforts to protect valuable government land. Recently, when the High Court threatened to get HYDRAA chief A.V. Ran-

ganath arrested by the military and wanted the state government to transfer him over the same land, the Chief Minister came out openly in support of protecting the land worth ₹4,000 crore in Lothkunta and HYDRAA's actions in this regard. According to sources, the Medchal-Malkajgiri district revenue authorities took their own sweet time to refer the case to the Advocate-General's office and obtain his opinion on filing

the SLP. The A-G office took time and the SLP was hurriedly filed only in June this year, when the High Court took serious note of HYDRAA's alleged contempt. "The government will unnecessarily be blamed for the delay which will be construed as a deliberate attempt to help the private builder," sources close to the Chief Minister said, adding that a thorough inquiry should be initiated to bring out a nexus, if any, and fix re-

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Delhi Cop Suspended For Making Gun Reels During BRICS Duty

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A Delhi Police constable deployed as a rooftop sniper during the 18th BRICS Summit has been suspended for allegedly making Instagram reels while handling firearms during security duty, officials said. The constable, Deepak Bangar, is posted with the Foreigners Cell of the Northwest district. He was deployed for security arrangements at a five-star hotel in Central Delhi where foreign delegates attending the summit were staying.

Bangar was assigned sniper duty on the hotel terrace as part of the security arrangements. During his deployment, he allegedly recorded and uploaded videos showing himself handling firearms and later shared them on Instagram. The videos subsequently came to the notice of senior police officials, prompting an inquiry into the constable's conduct. The department suspended Bangar after taking note of the alleged violation of security protocols.

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Govt Constitutes Task Force To Bring Back Formula 1 To India

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The government has constituted a task force under NITI Aayog to examine the revival and development of Formula One and the broader motorsports ecosystem in the country, with a focus on identifying challenges and formulating a coordinated roadmap for the sector. The task force will undertake a comprehensive assessment of taxation-related issues and other challenges affecting the growth of motorsports

in India. The task force will also assess the potential international, economic, tourism and investment benefits of hosting motor-sport events, while identifying key priorities, infrastructure requirements and operational needs for sustainable development of the sector. It will further examine the need for a comprehensive policy framework and recommend suitable Public-Private Partnership (PPP) models to support the growth of motorsports. The Task Force

for Formula One Grand Prix feasibility assessment is chaired by Yugal Kishore Joshi, PD (YAS), NITI Aayog. The members of the Task Force include Kunal, Joint Secretary, Department of Sports; Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce; Joint Secretary, Ministry of Tourism; representatives from CBIC and CBDT, Department of Revenue; representatives from Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra State Governments; representatives from Buddh International Cir-

cuit (BIC) and Madras International Circuit (MIC); President/Secretary General of the Federation of Motor Sports Clubs of India (FMSCI); a Technical Expert nominated by FMSCI; and any other member co-opted by the Chairperson based on requirement. The government is considering bringing back Formula 1 to the Buddh International Circuit, almost thirteen years after the last race was held at the track.

Praveen Kumar Alleges Conspiracy Behind Saifabad Police Station Attack

Former minister T Harish Rao accused the Congress government of neglecting development and welfare in Telangana. He raised concerns over roads, power supply, government hospitals and irrigation, and alleged that projects sanctioned for Siddipet were being shifted elsewhere

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BRS General Secretary Dr. R.S. Praveen Kumar has alleged that the incident involving BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao's personal assistant Mahender Reddy and PRO Mahesh at Saifabad Police Station raises serious questions about law and order and demanded an independent investigation into the episode. Addressing a press conference, Praveen Kumar alleged that Mahender Reddy and Mahesh were deliberately made to wait for several hours after appearing at the police station for questioning in connection with the September 7 Assembly-related incident. He questioned the circumstances under which they were allegedly taken into a dark room for interrogation and also raised concerns over the reported disruption of electricity at the police station.



The BRS leader further alleged that around 15 masked persons entered the police station in the evening and attempted to attack Mahesh and Mahender Reddy. According to his allegations, police and others present at the station intervened, following which the group allegedly fled. He questioned why the persons were allowed to enter the police station and why they were not stopped or detained when they allegedly attempted to leave. However, police have disputed the allegations. Khairatabad

DCP K. Shilpavalli stated that a group had entered the police station seeking permission for a Ganesh Chaturthi DJ event and that an argument took place involving the group, the two aides and police personnel. Police maintained that CCTV footage did not establish that an assault had taken place. Praveen Kumar questioned the police explanation, particularly the alleged presence of masked individuals at the station. He asked why people seeking permission for a DJ event would allegedly wear masks and appear in such numbers. He demanded that senior police officials provide a detailed explanation of the incident. He also referred to the Telangana High Court's September 11 directions concerning the investigation against Mahesh and Mahender Reddy, noting that the court had allowed the investigation to continue while directing police not to take

coercive action against them. Praveen Kumar accused the Congress government of selectively registering cases against BRS leaders while allegedly failing to act on complaints submitted by the Opposition. He demanded that FIRs be registered on all such complaints and investigated according to law. He also called for a Special Investigation Team (SIT) to examine the circumstances surrounding the Saifabad episode, including the alleged presence of masked persons and the handling of the two BRS functionaries at the police station. The BRS leader urged senior police officials, including DGP C.V. Anand and Hyderabad Police Commissioner V.C. Sajjanar, to clarify the allegations. He said the BRS would continue to pursue the matter until its complaints were registered and investigated.

Srinivas Goud Accuses Congress of Failing Tribal Community Promises

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Former Minister V. Srinivas Goud accused the Congress government of failing to fulfil promises made to the tribal community during the elections. Speaking at a meeting with tribal community members at the BRS party office in Mahabubnagar district headquarters, he alleged that schemes including the proposed ₹12 lakh assistance under Ambedkar Abhayastham, 12% reservation in government procurement and contracts, Podu land pattas and Vidya Jyothi education incentives had not been implemented. Goud highlighted initiatives undertaken during the previous BRS government, stating that ST reservations were increased to 10% and 3,146 Thandas were up-



graded into Gram Panchayats, creating opportunities for around 30,000 tribal representatives. He also cited the construction of Sevalal Banjara Bhavan and Komaram Bheem Adivasi Bhavan in Hyderabad and several tribal welfare projects. He said residential schools and hostels had deteriorated under the present government and urged authorities to improve facilities and allocate adequate funds to tribal corporations.

Goud also raised local issues, including pending Podu land titles for 36 Chenchu families in Dachakapalli, completion of stalled structures for tribal beneficiaries, and immediate hand-over of two acres allotted to the Yerukala Association. He said 167 double-bedroom houses in Mahabubnagar had been allocated to poor ST families and demanded that pending tribal welfare works be completed without delay.

Vikarabad's Meritorious Sagara Students to Receive 'Merit Student Awards-2026'



A special felicitation awaits talented students of the Sagara community as the Telangana Sagara Sangham prepares to honour meritorious students with the "Merit Student Awards-2026" at a grand ceremony in Hyderabad on Wednesday, September 16. The award ceremony will be held at Ravindra Bharathi, Hyderabad, from 10:00 AM onwards. Selected awardees have been invited to attend the programme along with their parents and family members. Ravi Sagar, President of the Telangana Sagara Sangham, Vikarabad District, has highlighted the importance of recognising and encouraging academic excellence among students. He appealed to the selected meritorious students and their parents to participate in the felicitation programme and make the occasion a memorable one. The initiative is intended to recognise outstanding academic achievement, talent and dedication, while motivating the younger generation to pursue higher education and excel in their chosen fields. For the award recipients, the felicitation represents more than a certificate or honour—it is recognition of their hard work, dedication and academic performance. Such encouragement can inspire students to set higher goals and motivate others in the community to strive for excellence. The Telangana Sagara Sangham has called upon all selected students to attend the ceremony on time and join the celebration of their achievements.

Patient-Centric Services Needed at Yashoda Hospital, Secunderabad

Busy Medical Report Dispatch Counter Causes Unnecessary Waiting for Patients and Attendants

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Patients and their attendants visiting Yashoda Hospital in Secunderabad are reportedly facing inconvenience due to delays at the medical test clinical report dispatch counter. At the report collection and dispatch area, patients and attendants were seen waiting at the counters. Of the three designated counters, only two appeared to be functioning, resulting in queues and additional waiting time. For patients who have already paid substantial amounts for medical tests, timely access to clinical reports is important, particularly when reports are required for scheduled consultations or follow-up appointments. Any delay in receiving reports can cause inconvenience and may leave patients and their families concerned. Patients and attendants have also raised concerns regarding entry arrangements near the ground-floor exit and security area. Seriously ill,



elderly, weak and mobility-impaired patients may require additional assistance while entering or leaving the hospital. Hospital security and reception personnel should, wherever permitted under hospital protocols, provide clear guidance and assistance to such patients instead of directing them unnecessarily between different entry points. Patients expect hospitals not only to provide medical treatment but also to offer efficient, compassionate and convenient support throughout their visit. The hospital management may consider measures to improve the situation, including ensuring that all available report-dispatch counters operate during peak

hours, reducing waiting times and providing priority assistance to elderly, seriously ill and mobility-impaired patients. Clear signage and consistent guidance regarding entry and exit points could also help patients and attendants navigate the hospital more easily. Training security and front-office personnel in patient-oriented communication may further improve the overall experience. Ensuring that report-collection delays do not unnecessarily affect doctor appointments would also benefit patients. With healthcare expenses placing a significant financial burden on many families, patients expect timely and efficient services alongside medical care. The hospital management is therefore requested to examine the concerns and issue appropriate instructions to the concerned departments to further strengthen patient-friendly services at Yashoda Hospital, Secunderabad.

Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri Distributes Free Clay Ganesha Idols

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Promoting an eco-friendly Ganesh Chaturthi, the Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri distributed free clay Ganesha idols to devotees as part of an environmental awareness initiative. The programme was supported by Dr. Empalli Buchi Reddy, head of Kepal Bones Setting Centre, Oushapur. Rotary Assistant Governor Pakeer Kondal Reddy and Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri President Kuchipatla Satyanarayana Reddy participated



in the distribution. Rotary representatives urged devotees to celebrate Ganesh Chaturthi with devotion while protecting the environment. They highlighted clay idols as an eco-friendly

alternative that can help reduce pollution caused by idol immersion and protect water bodies. Former Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri president Gaddam Gnana Prakash Reddy also participated in

Expert Dubbing Workshop to Empower Aspiring Voice Artists

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Aspiring voice artists, actors, content creators, students and media enthusiasts will get an opportunity to learn professional dubbing techniques at an Expert Dubbing Workshop scheduled for September 23 at Malla Reddy Vishwavidyapeeth in Hyderabad. The workshop will be conducted by Dr. Gopi Sathya Garu, associated with the School of Media, Design & Technology at Malla Reddy



Vishwavidyapeeth. The session will focus on the creative and technical aspects of dubbing, including voice modulation, clarity, timing, emotional expression and character interpretation. Dubbing involves more than delivering dialogue. Voice artists must under-

stand the character, match emotions, maintain appropriate timing and deliver dialogues with clarity while adapting to the visual performance. The workshop is expected to provide participants with practical insights into voice, tone, expression, culture and professional dubbing practices. It will be particularly useful for those aspiring to pursue careers in dubbing, voice-over, acting, OTT content, digital media and entertainment.

Dalit Self-Respect Maha Dharna Held at Indira Park, Hyderabad

A Dalit Self-Respect Maha Dharna was organised at Indira Park in Hyderabad on Sunday under the leadership of G. Chennayya Mala and Medi Papayya Madiga, with the participation of Mala and Madiga sub-caste organisations, demanding an impartial inquiry into recent incidents allegedly involving Dalit dignity and constitutional values. The organisers condemned alleged inappropriate remarks against the Legislative Assembly Speaker and the reported incident in the Erravalli area where turmeric water was allegedly sprinkled on a route used by Dalits, describing it as an act of "purification." They demanded that the facts behind the incident be brought into the public domain and that legal action be taken against those found responsible. The gathering also discussed protection of Dalit constitutional rights, problems faced by Dalit communities from the village level to the State level, implementation of welfare schemes and other public issues. The organisers called for an impartial probe into the Erravalli incident, seeking clarity on who was responsible, why it occurred and whether anyone encouraged the act.

CCTV Cameras at Lalapet Bridge: Public Safety Watch or Just Showpieces?

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CCTV surveillance has become an essential tool of modern policing, helping authorities monitor public spaces, prevent crime and investigate incidents. However, concerns over the functioning and maintenance of some CCTV cameras at Lalapet Bridge have resurfaced following a recent bike theft reported in the area. Residents and commuters say effective surveillance is particularly

important around the bridge and the busy public space beneath it, where vehicles, workers, residents and commercial activity remain active throughout the day. They fear that non-functional cameras or inadequate coverage could leave incidents unnoticed and make subsequent investigations more difficult. A CCTV camera is useful only when it is operational, recording and capable of providing footage when required. In cases where government-installed cameras fail to



provide usable footage, investigators may have to depend on private CCTV systems installed by nearby shops, businesses and residents. The situation has prompted residents to

seek greater accountability regarding the maintenance of public surveillance infrastructure. They want the concerned authorities to clarify how many cameras around Lalapet Bridge are currently operational and when they were last technically inspected. Questions have also been raised over whether the cameras are recording continuously, whether network connectivity is functioning properly, how long footage is being stored and how quickly

damaged or faulty equipment is repaired. Residents are particularly seeking a comprehensive CCTV audit covering the bridge, its surroundings and the area beneath it. They believe regular technical inspections should form part of a systematic maintenance programme rather than being undertaken only after an incident occurs. The concern, residents say, is not aimed at blaming any particular department or individual. Instead, it is about ensuring that surveillance in-

frastructure installed with public funds serves its intended purpose. Authorities are being urged to inspect the CCTV network, restore non-functional cameras and strengthen coverage in potential surveillance blind spots around Lalapet Bridge. For residents, the expectation is straightforward: CCTV cameras should not merely be installed—they should remain functional, monitored and capable of providing critical footage when the public needs it.

Eco-Friendly Ganesh Celebrations Gain Momentum in Bhuvanagiri

With Vinayaka Chavithi celebrations underway, the Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri Central is promoting an eco-friendly approach to the festival by encouraging devotees to choose traditional clay Ganesh idols. Gaddam Gnanaprakash Reddy has highlighted the importance of celebrating the festival with devotion while protecting the environment. The initiative focuses on creating awareness among the public about the benefits of using natural clay idols and reducing pollution in water bodies during idol immersion. As part of the awareness initiative, the Rotary Club is encouraging devotees to opt for eco-friendly clay Ganesh idols, reinforcing the message that religious traditions and environmental responsibility can go hand in hand. The campaign seeks to encourage a wider public movement towards "Devotion Without Pollution", particularly during the festive season when large numbers of idols are immersed in lakes, ponds and other water bodies.

Banyan Tree Translocated from Karkhana to Bison Polo Ground

Banyan Tree Successfully Translocated from Karkhana to Bison Polo Ground in Major Move for Traffic Management and Tree Conservation



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In a significant step towards tree conservation and sustainable urban development, a mature Banyan Tree (Marri Chettu) obstructing vehicular movement near the Office of the ACP, Traffic Trimulgherry Division, Karkhana, has been successfully translocated to the Bison Polo Ground.



The tree translocation was undertaken as part of ongoing junction improvement and traffic management measures. After obtaining the necessary permissions, the operation was carried out under the orders of B. Sumathi, IPS, Commissioner of Police, Malkajgiri Commissionerate, and under the supervision of K. Rahul Reddy, IPS, Deputy Commissioner of

Police, Traffic-I, Malkajgiri Commissionerate. Instead of removing the mature tree, the Traffic Trimulgherry Division chose to preserve it by relocating it to a suitable site. The tree was carefully removed using scientific methods and transported to the Bison Polo Ground, where it was replanted. Officials said care was taken to minimise damage

and improve the tree's chances of survival at the new location. The initiative highlights efforts to balance traffic management and urban development with environmental conservation. Regular watering, post-translocation care and monitoring will be carried out to help the Banyan Tree adapt to its new surroundings and continue growing. The Traffic Trimulgherry Division appreciated the cooperation of the concerned departments, authorities and personnel involved in successfully completing the translocation. The initiative demonstrates efforts to preserve mature trees while carrying out necessary urban improvement works and strengthening the city's green cover.

Revanth's Trademark Is Breaking Promises: Kavitha

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Telangana Rakshana Sena chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha criticised Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy over the alleged failure of the Congress government to fulfil promises made to government employees and teachers before the elections. Speaking at a conference on employee and teacher issues organised by the Telangana Rakshana Sena at Sundarayya Vignana Kendram in Bagh Lingampally on Tuesday, Kavitha alleged that six installments of Dearness Allowance (DA) had remained pending for employees over the past 32 months. She also raised concerns over Pay Revision Commission (PRC)



benefits, pensions, retirement benefits and employee health cards. "Breaking promises and going back on one's word has become Revanth Reddy's trademark," Kavitha said, alleging that employees seeking solutions to their grievances were being threatened instead of being heard. She asserted that government employees were not "slaves" and should be allowed to raise legitimate demands without fear. Kavitha also demanded the implementation of

the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) for teachers recruited in 2003 and police personnel covered by the demand. She claimed that shifting eligible teachers to OPS could generate around ₹2,000 crore for the government, which, she suggested, could be utilised to clear pending employee dues. She said many of the 37 demands submitted by the JAC representing 206 employee unions did not involve major financial implications and cited issues such as GO 317. Kavitha urged the government to resolve the pending issues by September 18 and called on employee unions to consider a Hyderabad blockade if the deadline was not met.

BRS Leaders Urged to Protect Eligible Voters During SIR



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A special meeting on the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls was held in Balnagar Division under the leadership of former corporator Avula Ravinder Reddy. Speaking at the meeting, Ravinder Reddy urged BRS party Booth Level Agents (BLAs) and leaders to ensure that no eligible voter loses their

voting rights during the SIR process. He asked party representatives to coordinate with Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and create awareness among residents about the verification process. Those who receive notices as part of the SIR exercise should contact the concerned BLOs promptly and submit the required details and documents within the stipulated time, he said.

Sangareddy Engineer Mamatha Manda Honoured Ahead of Engineers' Day

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Mamatha Manda, Deputy Executive Engineer (DEE), Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (RWSS), Panchayat Raj Department, Narayankhed Sub-Division, Sangareddy District, was felicitated during an advance Engineers' Day celebration held at the Institution of Engineers (India), Khairatabad, Hyderabad, on September 13. Organised by the Brahma Kumaris ahead of Engineers' Day, the



programme recognised engineering professionals for their contribution to public service, infrastructure development and social welfare. Mamatha was honoured for her dedicated professional service and work

in the RWSS and Panchayat Raj sectors. Her posting in Narayankhed Constituency, a remote border region, involves responsibilities related to rural water supply, sanitation and essential infrastructure, directly benefiting local communities. The recognition was appreciated by colleagues, officials, friends and relatives, who extended their greetings to Mamatha on Engineers' Day. Er. Ramana Naik also participated in the programme. Thalka Group conveyed

its heartfelt wishes to Mamatha on receiving the Best Engineer Award/recognition, describing the honour as encouragement for engineers serving communities in challenging field conditions. Engineers' Day is observed annually on September 15 in honour of Bharat Ratna Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. The celebration highlighted the importance of combining engineering expertise with professional commitment, public service and social responsibility.

KTPS Postings, Promotions Under Scrutiny as Ambedkar Sena Demands Inquiry

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The National Ambedkar Sena has demanded a comprehensive and impartial inquiry into alleged irregularities in postings, promotions, transfers and allocation of key responsibilities in the Accounts and Administration departments of KTPS VII Stage and other power stations. Telangana State President Taluka Rajesh said employees have raised concerns over alleged deviations from seniority, eligibility, sanctioned strength and departmental procedures. The association specifically sought verification of the SAO-I and SAO-II posts, including claims that certain officials have continued at the same location for several years. The Sena also demanded a review of recent JAO promotions and subsequent postings, alleging that some employees were retained in preferred positions while others were posted to plants. It called for disclosure of the official orders, eligibility criteria and rules governing such decisions. The association further raised allegations regarding excessive administrative influence and alleged links involv-



ing real-estate dealings. It stressed that such claims must be independently verified and should not be treated as established facts without evidence. If credible financial or administrative irregularities are found, the Sena urged competent Vigilance authorities to investigate and consider further action under applicable law. Rajesh said the association would approach the concerned Minister, Energy Secretary, Chairman and Directors if the grievances remain unresolved. He warned that peaceful democratic protests, including a hunger strike, may be undertaken at Electricity Soudha in Hyderabad. The National Ambedkar Sena said it would support employees seeking lawful remedies in matters concerning promotions, postings, transfers, seniority and administrative decisions, irrespective of caste or religion.

Women's Power Is the Force Behind India's Progress: Neelam Padma

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

Women must come forward and play a leading role in every sphere of society and contribute their strength to the nation's development, said Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Mahila Congress President Neelam Padma at the 42nd Foundation Day celebrations of the All India Mahila Congress held at Gandhi Bhavan on Monday. The programme was organised under the leadership of Telangana Pradesh Mahila Congress President Errabelli Swarna. TPCC President



and MLC Bomma Mahesh Kumar Goud attended as the chief guest and cut the anniversary cake, extending his greetings to Mahila Congress leaders and workers. A special felicitation was also organised to mark the completion of two years

of Mahesh Kumar Goud as TPCC President. Mahila Congress leaders led by Errabelli Swarna applied bottu and performed harathi as a mark of respect and felicitated him. Speaking on the occasion, Neelam Padma said the history of India has wit-

nessed the courage and leadership of several inspiring women who fought for the progress of society and the nation. She recalled the contributions of legendary women including Razia Sultana, Rani Rudrama Devi, Sarojini Naidu and Indira Gandhi, saying their determination and sacrifices continue to inspire generations. "Women have demonstrated their strength in every generation. Today's women should draw inspiration from these pioneers, become more empowered and confidently lead from the front," she said.

Fake GHMC Complaints Allegedly Used to Pressure Builders

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An alleged serial complainant, identified in local accounts as Srisailam, has reportedly been accused of using the GHMC grievance mechanism to pressure builders and developers in Ramgopalpet. According to allegations, he allegedly identified active construction sites and filed repeated complaints claiming unauthorised construction or structural violations. The complaints were said to be followed by GHMC notices or inspections, creating pressure on the concerned developers. It is further alleged that he



then approached some builders and demanded money in exchange for withdrawing the complaints. Following the alleged payments, the complaints were reportedly withdrawn, only for a similar pattern to allegedly emerge at another construction site. The allegations require verification by the authorities, and no guilt has been established.

Engineers' Day Celebrated Grandly at PR Division, Andole

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

Engineers' Day was celebrated grandly at the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj (PR) Division, Andole, recognising the contribution of engineers to rural development and infrastructure. The programme was led by Er. Kurumaiah Lenkepally, Executive Engineer (FAC), PR Division, Andole. Addressing the gathering, Kurumaiah said engineers are the backbone of rural de-



velopment, transforming plans into roads, buildings and essential public infrastructure. He emphasised technical excellence, transparency, teamwork, quality and dedication to public service. Deputy Execu-

tive Engineers K. Madhukar, J. Krishna and Jyothi, Technical Officer Jangam Madhukar, senior assistants Radhika, Ramakrishna and Srinivas, Junior Assistant M. Balraj, Computer Operator Samad and other staff participated. Contractors and public representatives also attended the celebrations. The event concluded with a renewed commitment to quality development, stronger rural infrastructure and effective public service.

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

The stretch beneath Lalapet Bridge on the busy Tarnaka-Nacharam route is reportedly facing growing civic problems, with abandoned vehicles, garbage, stagnant water and open urination creating inconvenience for commuters and pedestrians. The area is frequently used by motorists, auto-rickshaws, school vehicles, dairy vans and pedestrians travelling between Tarnaka, Nacharam, Mallapur, Chilkanaagar and Uppal.

Residents say the accumulation of unusable vehicles along the roadside has reduced available space and contributed to congestion. Open urination is another major concern. Residents reportedly complain of foul odour near house gates, apartment entrances and pedestrian pathways. They say women, children and senior citizens are particularly inconvenienced while passing through the area. Garbage scattered around waste containers and stagnant water have also raised sanitation concerns,



especially during the rainy season. Residents fear that such conditions could encourage mosquitoes and other pests. Locals also allege that attempts to question people about open urination can sometimes result in arguments, particularly when individuals appear to be under the influence of al-



cohol. Residents therefore want the authorities to intervene rather than expecting citizens to confront offenders themselves. Residents have urged the GHMC and Traffic Police to conduct a joint inspection and take action according to applicable procedures. They have

sought removal of abandoned vehicles, regular garbage clearance, mosquito-control measures, prevention of open urination, improved pedestrian access and action against unauthorised parking. They have also called for better lighting, CCTV coverage and regular inspections during peak hours. The Lalapet under-bridge stretch is an important public route, and residents say timely civic intervention is necessary to restore cleanliness, pedestrian safety and orderly traffic movement.

Scientists Demand Halt To E20 Rollout, Scrapping NTA

dia March for Science, E20 fuel, ethanol blending, National Testing Agency, NTA, anti-black magic law, scientific temper, M S Raghunathan, S G Dani, education fundinA collective of prominent scientists, academicians, and activists has urged the government to halt the E20 fuel rollout, scrap the National Testing Agency, and enact a nationwide anti-black magic law, calling for public policies to be guided by scientific evidence. Issuing a joint appeal during the India March for Science in Mumbai on Saturday, the signatories raised strong objections over the promotion of pseudoscience, evidence-denying public policies, and shrinking public investment in education and research. The appeal was signed by scientists and activists, including Padma Bhushan awardee Prof M S Raghunathan of CEBS, Mumbai; SSB awardee Prof S G Dani, president of Break-through Science Society; Prof.

New UPI MDR Framework From Oct 15: All You Need To Know | FAQs

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Q1. Why is this Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) being introduced now?

Answer: UPI processes billions of transactions every month. The MDR is distributed only amongst the UPI ecosystem, to further invest into infrastructure resiliency, innovation, cybersecurity (protecting the UPI Infrastructure with banks and non-banks) and customer service. UPI is a home-grown payment system, and its charges (MDR) are much lower than other payment instruments such as Credit Cards, Debit Cards, Wallets etc. The charges are kept very reasonable and will be applicable only for transactions above ₹ 2,000 to ensure UPI remains the most affordable mode of accepting payments.

Q2. Will small-value UPI transactions be im-

pacted?

Answer: There is no impact on small-value UPI transactions up to ₹ 2,000, which comprise more than 95% of the total volume of UPI (P2M) transactions. The intent of levying reasonable MDR is to ensure that UPI remains, accessible and convenient for everyday transactions while supporting long-term ecosystem sustainability.

Q3. What MDR is being introduced for merchants on UPI transactions?

Answer: A MDR of 0.4% will be introduced on Person-to-Merchant (P2M) UPI transactions above ₹ 2,000/-. For transactions of ₹75,000/- and above, the MDR will be capped at ₹300 per transaction.

Q4. How does UPI

MDR compare to traditional Debit and Credit Card MDRs?

Answer: UPI MDR is structured to be much lower than all traditional card-based transaction fees. Standard credit card MDRs typically range from 1.5% to 2.5% per transaction, while debit card MDRs are capped up to 0.90%. By setting the baseline UPI MDR at 0.4% on transaction above ₹ 2,000 and capping it at ₹300 for high-value purchases, UPI remains the most affordable digital payment acceptance tool for commercial enterprises. This cost difference helps merchants lower their payment processing expenses while accepting digital transactions.

Q5. When do the updated MDR provisions take effect?

Answer: The finalized MDR framework and threshold structure take effect from 15th October

2026. This timeline gives acquiring banks, payment aggregators, fintech applications, and corporate accounting platforms adequate lead time to update their software engines and billing systems.

Q6. How does this compare with international payment systems?

Answer: Most global payment systems (including Digital Public Infrastructures) have economic models that support infrastructure and innovation. India's approach continues to prioritise accessibility, scale and inclusion.

Q7. Who decides the ultimate implementation and enforcement of MDR caps?

Answer: The operational parameters, fee distribution models, and category caps are decided by the UPI and Services Steering Committee, headed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).



Madhya Pradesh: Rahul, RSS Chief Eye MP Youth; BJP's Naveen To Launch Seva Sankalp

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

Youth will be the focus of Leader of Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi and Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat during their upcoming tours to Madhya Pradesh in the current week. Mr. Gandhi is scheduled to take part in the 'Chatron Ki Goonj' programme, part of a series of such an event planned in the country by the Congress for him to reach out to the Gen- Z, at Indore on September 19.

The programme was earlier planned at Indore Stadium on September 12 but was dropped due to the denial of permission by the local administration, citing a high court directive. The Congress had made it an issue and alleged that



permission to hold the programme in the Indore Stadium was denied at the behest of the ruling BJP. Although several non-sports events were held in the stadium in the recent past, permission was not granted for Mr. Gandhi's programme, Congress spokesman Bhupendra Gupta regretted.

The programme is now rescheduled to September 19 at Regional Park in the city. The Congress has claimed that more than 1.5 lakh students have already registered to attend the

event. RSS chief Mr. Bhagwat is coming on a two-day tour to Madhya Pradesh on September 17. He is scheduled to address a 'Yuva Dharma Sansad' programme, a conclave of youths, at Ujjain, around 40 km from Indore, on September 18.

BJP national president Nitin Naveen is also scheduled to make a two-day visit to Madhya Pradesh on September 17. This will be his first visit to Madhya Pradesh after becoming party president. He is scheduled to launch 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan' at Indore on September 17, a month-long campaign planned to commemorate 25 years in public life of prime minister Narendra Modi. He is scheduled to take part at the 'Depotsav' on the bank of Kshipra in Ujjain.

13 Indians Rescued, One Missing After MT El Gaia Attack

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

India on Tuesday reiterated the call for free and safe navigation in international waters and the unhindered flow of commerce through international waterways in the region after the Panama-flagged commercial vessel MT El Gaia came under attack off the coast of Oman, with 13 of the 14 Indian nationals on board rescued while search operations are underway for one missing seafarer. Responding to a question from ANI during the bi-weekly press briefing in the national capital, Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said the attack involved a Panama-flagged vessel carrying 14 Indian nationals. "Of these, 13 have been rescued, and we deeply thank the Omani authorities for their efforts in rescuing our nationals. One Indian national, a seafarer who was on board the vessel, remains missing," Jaiswal said. He added that search and rescue operations were



continuing with the assistance of the Omani authorities, while the Indian Embassy remained in close contact with them. He also voiced concern over attacks targeting commercial shipping and civilian interests in the region, stressing that the safety of seafarers and uninterrupted maritime commerce remain critical. "Targeting commercial shipping, seafarers, civilians, and civilian infrastructure in the region is unacceptable to us," the MEA spokesperson said. Jaiswal further called for the restoration of safe maritime movement and the uninterrupted flow of commerce through international waterways in the region at the earliest. "We also urge that free and safe navigation, as well as the flow of commerce through international wa-

terways in the region, be restored at the earliest," Jaiswal said. This comes as the United States military on Monday dismissed assertions from Iran's Revolutionary Guards alleging that an oil tanker collided with a naval mine within the Strait of Hormuz. "The Panama-flagged oil tanker El Gaia was struck by an Iranian missile last month and rendered inoperable. This weekend, Iran struck the tanker again with a drone while the ship was in waters off the coast of Oman. The tanker is currently being towed by a regional partner," CENTCOM said.

Before the American statement, Iranian state media outlet Fars News Agency reported, referencing the ICGC, that an oil tanker had hit a naval mine in the Strait of Hormuz, resulting in an explosion and fire onboard. Fars confirmed the vessel involved was the Panama-flagged El Gaia. The El Gaia corresponds to the vessel subjected to the weekend attack off the Omani coastline.

Maharashtra Rolls Out Mahakhanij 2.0 To Check Illegal

In a bid to prevent illegal mining of minor minerals, the Maharashtra Government on Tuesday launched the portal 'Mahakhanij 2.0,' which will monitor, track and manage the excavation and transport of minor minerals across the state. The portal was inaugurated by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis on Tuesday in the presence of Deputy Chief Ministers Eknath Shinde and Sunetra Pawar and Revenue Minister Chandrashekhhar Bawankule.

"Illegal mining of minor minerals leads to loss of revenue to the state government and loss of natural resources. It is an attempt to make the process from mining to transportation more transparent and technology-based through Mahakhanij 2.0. The system will help prevent revenue leakage by effectively controlling illegal mining and transportation," said CM Fadnis. According to state officials, the mining mafias in Maharashtra evade state government revenue by illegally extracting soil, murrum and crushed stone. There were constant complaints that the state government is losing revenue due to illegal mining of minor minerals in the state. Exceeding the permitted mining, traffic irregularities and illegal traffic permits have posed a major challenge.

Muslim IPS Officer Shunted In WB After Right Wing Group's Complaint

NEW EDLHI Wakeup telangana

A young Muslim female IPS officer, Bushra Bano, has faced transfer a day after a Hindu outfit lodged a complaint with West Bengal chief minister Suwendu Adhikari's department, accusing her of not uttering 'Vande Mataram' and 'Jai Hind' during her speech in a viral video. Ms Bano was posted as additional superintendent of police (SP) at Kharagpur in West Midnapore. The 2021-batch IPS officer was made deputy

commandant (4th battalion) of the state armed police on Monday in a transfer order issued by the state home department, headed by Mr Adhikari. Partha Ghosh, who was additional deputy commissioner of Chandannagar Police Commissionerate, replaced her as additional SP(Kharagpur). Controversy hit Ms Bano after she was seen introducing herself in her uniform while sitting at her office chamber with a greeting of 'Assalamualaikum' to

the audience of an online session. The cop later described her job profile and how Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) coached her in cracking the UPSC examination. She instantly became the target of right-wing groups in social media over the video. One of them, Hindu Legal Fund, posted on X-handle on September 13, "Complaint filed with West Bengal Home Secretary regarding IPS Bushra Bano's official video statement. She began with Assalamualaikum, used Inshallah, ended with Ja-

zakallah — and did not use Vande Mataram or Jai Hind." It added, "A serving officer representing the Indian state should maintain neutrality and use national expressions in public communication. Seeking appropriate review and action." Hailing from Kannauj in Uttar Pradesh, Ms Bano pursued her higher studies at AMU. She later worked as assistant professor at Saudi Arabia before returning to India to prepare for the UPSC. Ms Bano ranked 277 and 234 in 2020 and 2018.

Indonesia Ferry Sinks, 130 Missing; 107 Rescued

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

Indonesian rescuers say about 130 passengers and crew are missing after a ferry carrying more than 240 people sank in bad weather in the Java Sea on Sunday. At least 107 people were rescued and the bodies of six passengers were recovered as the search operation expanded in waters around the vessel's last known position. The ferry was travelling from Surabaya in East Java to Banjarmasin in South Kalimantan province, officials said. The vessel's captain had earlier reported rough seas with waves up to 10 feet before issuing a distress message, saying the ship was listing, said I Putu Sudayana, who heads the Banjarmasin Search and Rescue Office. Authorities later received information indicating the vessel had overturned and then sunk. The rescue agency in Banjarmasin said it received a report two hours after contact was lost with the Virgo Transport 8 at

about 2 am Sunday. The ship had departed from Surabaya, Indonesia's second largest city, en route to Banjarmasin, a city on Borneo Island. "The ship's operator reported the incident to authorities after receiving information that the vessel had encountered bad weather," Sudayana said in a video briefing. In response, a rescue ship was headed to the Virgo Transport 8's estimated last known position, he said, and authorities were deploying rescue teams

supported by four vessels, including a navy ship, and a helicopter as the ferry was carrying a large number of passengers and crew. Initial information indicated the vessel's last known position was in the Java Sea, about 148 kilometres from a pier in Banjarmasin. The ship's manifest said it was carrying 243 people - 213 passengers and 30 crew members - although it is common in Indonesia for the number of passengers to differ from the manifest.

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The number of complaints received through the toll-free call centre has also declined since the government began addressing the issue. The centre received 117 calls on August 18, its first day, followed by 198 on August 19, 189 on August 20, 369 on August 21, 304 on August 22 and 317 on August 24. The number subsequently declined steadily to 56 calls on September 7, official sources said. The government is also likely to highlight that the Section 22A issue has not caused a decline in registration revenue. Registration revenue during the first five months of 2026-27, from April to August, stood at Rs 7,575 crore compared with Rs 6,216 crore during the corresponding

period of 2025-26, representing an increase of about Rs 1,359 crore. Officials pointed out that the government inherited several errors, discrepancies and incomplete information in land records even before the introduction of Dharani. They said some errors occurred while uploading the data in Bhulharati, but the Congress government did not suppress them and instead initiated corrective measures on the Chief Minister's directions. They said the process had its legal background in a High Court directive, following which the then government issued GO 121 in 2016 and framed guidelines in 2017. However, the guidelines were not implemented by the BRS government of the time. As a result, 28,611 cases relating to Section 22A were

filed in the High Court between 2017 and 2025. Following further court directions, the Section 22A lists under categories A, B, C, D and E were placed in the public domain on December 3, 2025.

Tardy Babus Cost.....

According to sources, the Medcal-Malkajgiri district revenue authorities took their own sweet time to refer the case to the Advocate-General's office and obtain his opinion on filing the SLP. The A-G office took time and the SLP was hurriedly filed only in June this year, when the High Court took serious note of HYDRAA's alleged contempt. "The government will unnecessarily be blamed for the delay which will be construed as a deliberate attempt to help the pri-

vate builder," sources close to the Chief Minister said, adding that a thorough inquiry should be initiated to bring out a nexus, if any, and fix responsibility for the delayed filing of the SLP.

The Supreme Court bench headed by Justice Deepankar Gupta refused to intervene in the High Court judgment, observing that the state government had failed to challenge the order within the stipulated period.

The apex court also made it clear that the state could not seek to overcome the delay by advancing what it termed excuses.

The High Court, in its judgment dated October 7, 2025, had dismissed the state's appeal in CCCA No. 49 of 2022 and upheld an order of a trial court dated April

19, 2022. The trial court had rejected the state's suit under Order VII Rule 11 of the Civil Procedure Code (CPC), holding that it was barred by limitation and lacked a cause of action.

Delhi Cop.....

The videos subsequently came to the notice of senior police officials, prompting an inquiry into the constable's conduct. The department suspended Bangar after taking note of the alleged violation of security protocols.

Officials are examining the circumstances in which the videos were recorded and uploaded, including whether the constable was on duty when the footage was made. The incident has raised concerns over the use of social media

by personnel deployed for sensitive security assignments, particularly during an international summit attended by foreign leaders and delegates.

The 18th BRICS Summit was held in India amid heightened security arrangements across venues hosting foreign dignitaries. Police personnel from different units were deployed at hotels and other locations as part of the extensive security measures.

The suspension comes as authorities continue to maintain strict security protocols for personnel deployed around visiting foreign delegations.

Further action against Bangar will depend on the findings of the departmental inquiry, officials said.

CRIME

No Attack on KTR’s Aides Inside Saifabad PS, CCTV Footage Proves: DCP Shilpavalli

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Saifabad police on Tuesday clarified that no attack took place on the associates of BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao at the police station, rejecting allegations that they were assaulted by masked persons. Khairatabad Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) K. Shilpavalli said police examined the CCTV footage recorded inside the station and found no evidence of any attack. “We have examined the CCTV camera footage at the police station and no incident related to the attack was seen,” she told the media. According to the DCP,

KTR’s personal assistant Mahender Reddy and public relations officer (PRO) Mahesh were called to the Saifabad police station on Monday as part of an investigation into the controversy that occurred near the Assembly gates last week. Shilpavalli said that, around the same time, a group of local youths had also arrived at the police station seeking permission to organise a DJ event at a Ganesh mandapam. While the youths were discussing the permission with the Saifabad station house officer, one of them reportedly recognised KTR’s PRO Mahesh. Police said the organisers of the Ga-

nesh pandal had a separate issue involving the PRO and raised the matter with him while they were inside the police station premises. According to the police version, the discussion led to a heated exchange, following which police personnel intervened and brought the situation under control. The clarification came after BRS leaders alleged that Mahender Reddy and Mahesh had been attacked at the police station. The party leaders claimed that a group of “masked persons” had entered the premises and assaulted KTR’s associates. Police, however, maintained that the CCTV

footage did not show any such attack. The DCP’s statement has placed the focus on the sequence of events inside the station and the interaction between the local youths and KTR’s PRO. The allegations and the police version have emerged amid continuing political exchanges over the incident at the Assembly gates. While BRS leaders have demanded clarity over the alleged assault, police officials have maintained that their examination of the available CCTV footage found no evidence supporting the attack allegation.

Telangana HC Rejects Bail In Ganja Trafficking Case

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Telangana High Court has ruled that prolonged incarceration alone cannot be treated as a ground for bail in cases involving illicit trade or international trafficking of ganja and marijuana. The court said bail can be granted only if there are reasonable grounds to believe the accused are not guilty and unlikely to commit offences while on bail. Justice B.R. Madhusudhan

Rao reiterated that “jail is the rule and bail the exception” in NDPS cases, while dismissing regular bail petitions filed by Mohammed Rasheed and Mohammed Ibrahim. Both face charges under Sections 8(c), 20, 23, 27A, 28 and 29 of the NDPS Act. Counsel for the petitioners argued they were first-time offenders with no criminal antecedents, and that only 6.75 kg and 6.85 kg of ganja were recovered from their trolley

bags — below the 20-kg threshold for commercial quantity. They claimed the accused were mere carriers and that the prosecution case rested on statements recorded during DRI custody. The court noted that the accused had earlier sought bail, which was dismissed on May 4, 2026. It held that successive bail applications without change in circumstances amounted to seeking a review of the earlier order, which was impermissible.

Drunk man dies after touching transformer in Madhapur

A 40-year-old man died after reportedly coming into contact with an electric transformer at Siddiquenagar, under Madhapur Police Station limits, on Wednesday. Police said the man was reportedly under the influence of alcohol at the time of the incident. His body was shifted to Osmania Hospital for post-mortem examination. As his identity has not yet been established, police have circulated his photographs among police stations across Cyberabad to identify him. Further investigation is underway.

HC rejects bail plea of suspended inspector

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Telangana High Court on Friday dismissed the anticipatory bail petition of suspended former Jubilee Hills inspector U. Srinivasulu Reddy, who faces allegations of sexual assault, harassment, intimidation and misuse of his official position. The case was registered at Ameenpur police station in Cyberabad following a complaint by a 31-year-old woman from Sangareddy district. Public Prosecutor Palle Nageshwar Rao submitted that the officer abused his power when the woman,

involved in a family dispute, approached him while he was serving as inspector and SHO of Ameenpur. According to the prosecution, Reddy repeatedly contacted her, threatened her by invoking his official position and sexually assaulted her against her will. She alleged continuing exploitation, physical assault, intimidation and blackmail. The complaint further stated that she became pregnant and that the accused provided abortion tablets in January 2024. She later underwent a DNC procedure at a private hospital.

No coercive action against KTR staff: HC

WARANGAL
Wakeup telangana

The Telangana High Court on Friday directed the police not to take any coercive action against two staff members of the BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao in connection with a case registered over the September 7 Assembly session incident. However, Justice J. Sreenivas Rao made it clear that the investigation would continue. The judge was hearing criminal petition filed by the PRO-cum-media coordinator Ma-

hesh Manikya and PA to K. T. Rama Rao Mahender Kumbala alias Mahender Reddy, seeking quashing of FIR No.371 of 2026 registered at Saifabad police station on September 9. The petitioners were accused of allegedly instigating BRS leaders against police personnel and marshals and creating hurdles in the discharge of their duties during the first day of the Assembly session. The court issued notice to the complainant and adjourned the matter to September 21 for further hearing.

HC Directs State’s Response on Residential School Teaching

NIZAMABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Telangana High Court has sought the state’s response to a PIL challenging the timetable followed in Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Telangana Backward Classes Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society (MJPTBCWREIS) schools and the deployment of teachers for hostel and other non-teaching duties. A division bench comprising Chief Justice Aparesh Kumar Singh and Justice Vakiti Ramakrishna Reddy issued notices to the government and posted the matter after two



weeks. The PIL was filed by Madiri Shiply, who questioned GO Ms No.16 dated July 2, 2024, prescribing school timings from 8 am to 4.30 pm, with 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm earmarked for supervised study instead of regular teacher-led classes. Petitioner’s

counsel Barkat Ali Khan contended that the arrangement resulted in the loss of around 7,920 teacher-led periods in an academic year and was contrary to applicable educational norms and earlier court directions on teaching hours. He raised concerns over the shortage of wardens in residential schools, stating that teachers were being assigned hostel supervision and night duties in their absence. This deployment was alleged to be contrary to Section 27 of the Right to Education Act, which restricted the government from assigning teachers to non-educational duties.

EDITORIAL

IS LATEST JOINT SECY REJIG PAVING ROAD TO 2029?

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Centre’s latest appointment of 48 babus at the joint secretary level across ministries looks routine on the surface. It isn’t. When postings cut across agriculture, commerce, defence, civil aviation and home, it’s less about filling vacancies and more about recalibrating the government’s operating system. Joint secretaries sit at that crucial junction where policy leaves the drawing board and meets the real world. Change the people there, and you often change how things actually get done. The headline move is the appointment of Hardik Satishchandra Shah as private secretary to Narendra Modi at the joint secretary rank. That’s not just a posting — it’s a signal. It tells you who’s in the room when decisions are shaped, who filters information and who gets to nudge priorities. Clearly, this isn’t an iso-

lated reshuffle; it’s part of a longer game. The Narendra Modi government has been steadily tightening coordination across ministries, favouring officers who deliver, move files efficiently, and stay aligned with the larger political direction. With another round of changes expected later this year, this looks like scaffolding being put in place for the road to 2029. There’s a logic to it. Governments don’t run on announcements; they run on execution. And execution, in India, is only as good as the babu handling the file. Put the right people in the right slots, and things move. Get it wrong, and even flagship schemes start gathering dust. But let’s not pretend this is purely technocratic. Babu reshuffles have always doubled as political messaging. There’s also the issue of churn. Move people around too often, and institutional memory takes a hit. Projects that need steady hands

don’t always benefit from musical chairs. Still, the intent is hard to miss. This is about tightening the system, placing trusted officers where they matter most, and getting the machinery ready for the next phase. Whether it delivers sharper governance or just smoother optics will depend on one simple thing: Are these officers empowered to act, or just expected to comply? Bihar is about to do what Indian states do best when power changes hands: reshuffle the bureaucracy and call it a reset. The difference this time? There’s a clearer sense of what that reset is meant to achieve. Bihar is about to do what Indian states do best when power changes hands: reshuffle the bureaucracy and call it a reset. The difference this time? There’s a clearer sense of what that reset is meant to achieve. Former chief minister Nitish Kumar has left a

deep imprint, but if the early signals around Samrat Choudhary hold, this isn’t just about moving babus around. The idea is to build a compact core team, bring in technocrats who understand industry, and push Bihar toward manufacturing-led growth, which it has long promised but rarely delivered. The logic is sound. States like Gujarat and Tamil Nadu didn’t attract investment by accident. They got the basics right — land, power, roads — and ensured the bureaucracy didn’t become a bottleneck. Bihar, for all its ambition, has struggled precisely here. The sectoral focus on food processing, textiles and automobiles is sensible. These are scalable, job-heavy industries. But sectors policy says so. They grow when businesses can actually set up shop without getting lost in paperwork.



Ownly Takes ‘Mooshak on Wheels’ Across Hyderabad

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

This Ganesh Chaturthi, Hyderabad’s roads are set to witness a festive twist as Ownly, the standalone food delivery app by Rapido, brings its “Mooshak on Wheels: Bappa’s Delivery Partner” activation to the city.

The mobile festive installation features a larger-than-life Mooshak mounted on a branded van, offering a contemporary interpretation of Lord Ganesha’s traditional vahana and trusted companion. The campaign aims to take the familiar festive symbol beyond pandals and processions and onto some of Hyderabad’s busiest streets.

The installation will travel across the city from



September 14 to 25, covering prominent Ganesh pandals, busy neighbourhoods, key roads and high-footfall locations. The planned route includes Balapur, Old City, Nagole, Secunderabad, Hitech City, Madhapur and Kukatpally. The van will operate mainly between 2 pm and 9 pm, with evening hours expected to attract greater

visibility as families head out for darshan and pandal visits.

Designed as a moving festive landmark, “Mooshak on Wheels” is intended to create a memorable experience for Hyderabad residents, encouraging them to spot, photograph and share the installation as it moves through different parts of the city.

“Ganesh Chaturthi is celebrated with immense joy across Hyderabad and many parts of the country. In Indian households, Bappa’s name is often invoked before embarking on something new, with Lord Ganesha symbolising auspicious beginnings and positivity. We wanted to participate in that festive energy in a way that feels familiar, joyful and rooted in the occasion,” said an Ownly spokesperson.

The festive campaign also extends beyond the road activation. Ownly has introduced Ganpati-themed in-app communication across Hyderabad and Bengaluru, highlighting Indian sweets and pure vegetarian selections for festive ordering.

In Hyderabad, the brand

has also established a presence at select Ganesh pandals, including Khairatabad, Balapur, Madhapur, Miyapur, Ameerpet, Secunderabad, Dilsukhnagar and Kukatpally, through festive branding and the distribution of agarbattis to visitors.

By combining an on-ground mobile installation, pandal activations, in-app communication and digital outreach, Ownly aims to participate in multiple moments of Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations.

The campaign brings together tradition and the modern delivery experience through a simple festive message: this Ganesh Chaturthi, Bappa’s Delivery Partner is on the move.

Dubai Tourism Records Strong August Growth as ATM 2026 Opens

DUBAI
Wakeup telangana

Dubai’s tourism sector recorded its strongest monthly international visitor volume since February 2026, with around 869,000 international overnight visitors arriving in August, according to data released by the Dubai Department of Economy and Tourism (DET) at the Arabian Travel Market (ATM) 2026.

Hotel occupancy reached 66% in August, marking a significant recovery from 36% in March. The emirate recorded 21.61 million occupied room nights during the first eight months of 2026, while hotel inventory approached 149,000 rooms by the end of August.

Dubai welcomed 6.97 million international visitors between January and August, with Western Europe accounting for 20% of arrivals, followed by South Asia at 17%, the



GCC at 16% and CIS and Eastern Europe at 14%.

DET CEO Issam Kazim said the performance reflected the continued efforts of Dubai’s tourism partners and the strength of the destination’s diversified international markets.

ATM 2026, being held from September 14 to 17 at Dubai World Trade Centre, features more than 115 Dubai-based co-exhibitors representing hotels, attractions, destination management companies, aviation and government entities.

DET is also hosting more

than 300 international travel trade professionals from over 40 countries through its ATM Hosted Buyers Programme.

India remains a key source market. DET recently conducted its largest-ever Indian roadshow across Mumbai, Delhi and Bengaluru, involving 28 stakeholders representing 88 tourism entities. Discussions indicated strong expectations for Indian travel demand during the October-December season, particularly in luxury travel, wellness, MICE and experience-led holidays.

Kenisha Styles Wins Best Wedding Wardrobe Stylist 2026

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Hyderabad-based personal styling studio Kenisha Styles has been honoured with the ‘Best Wedding Wardrobe Stylist 2026’ award at the prestigious WV Awards, held during WV Connect Season 4 at Arth Resort, Hyderabad. The event brought together more than 800 delegates from the global wedding and film industries. The recognition places Kenisha Styles among

notable names in India’s wedding wardrobe and bridal styling sector. The WV Awards are evaluated by an independent jury of industry experts and recognise excellence and craftsmanship across the wedding ecosystem.

Founded by Kenisha, a stylist and image consultant with over 15 years of experience in fashion and image consulting, Kenisha Styles is Hyderabad’s maiden unisex personal styling studio. The studio spe-



cialises in personalised, end-to-end wedding wardrobe solutions for brides, grooms and their families.

Its services include trousseau shopping, wardrobe planning for multiple wedding ceremonies and coordinated

styling for family members. Rather than focusing solely on current trends, the studio aims to create looks that reflect each client’s personality, lifestyle and individual story.

“Every couple we work with has a different story, and our job is to help them tell it through their wardrobe — with confidence, comfort, and a little bit of magic,” said Kenisha, Founder and Chief Stylist, Kenisha Styles.

Beyond wedding styl-

ing, the studio offers personal styling, wardrobe organisation, virtual styling, colour analysis and corporate styling workshops. Its approach emphasises intentional, versatile and sustainable wardrobes. The award marks another milestone for Kenisha Styles as it continues its mission of making professional personal styling more accessible while promoting a thoughtful and individualised approach to fashion.

CBIT Celebrates Engineers’ Day

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Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT), Hyderabad, celebrated National Engineers’ Day on the 165th birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, honouring his enduring contribution to engineering and nation-building.

The programme was jointly organised by the Department of Civil Engineering, Civil Engineering Association (CEA), Institution of Engineers (India) Student Chapter and Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering. More than 400 students and 25 faculty and staff members participated.

CBIT Principal Prof. C. V. Narsimulu urged students to pursue excellence, innovation and continuous learning. Chief Guest Er. Sai Baba Ankala, former Chief Engineer/HAG, Indian Railways, delivered a lecture on “Challenges in

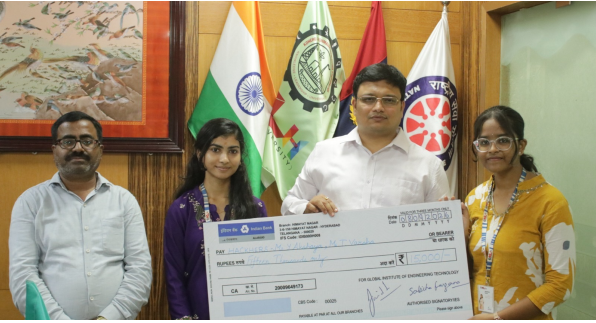


Design and Construction of the World’s Tallest Bridge,” highlighting safety, sustainability, engineering judgement and interdisciplinary collaboration.

Guest of Honour Prof. Prasad Teeglapalli discussed the commercial and economic dimensions of engineering projects. Faculty members highlighted Visvesvaraya’s legacy and encouraged students to embrace emerging technologies.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks, acknowledging faculty and student coordinators for their efforts in organising the celebration.

KLH Students Win Global Codeverse 2026



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Students of KLH Azinagar secured first prize in the Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning category at Global Codeverse 2026, a 24-hour national-level mega hackathon, winning a cash prize of ₹15,000 after successfully completing three competitive rounds.

The winning team, HackHERS, comprised second-year B.Tech Computer Science and Engineering students Yedla Akshaya and Thirunagari Varsha. They developed Krishi-Netra, a Telugu voice-enabled, AI-powered crop health and risk advisory platform designed to support smallholder farmers with timely and informed decisions.

Krishi-Netra analyses crop images, growth stages, weather conditions and farmer-reported symptoms to identify risks and recommend suitable actions. Its Telugu-first bilingual interface provides

voice input and read-aloud support, improving accessibility for farmers facing language and digital-literacy barriers.

Following a “See, Understand, Verify, Act and Rescan” cycle, the platform offers risk forecasts, follow-up alerts and continuous crop monitoring. Built using a low-cost, open-source technology stack, it integrates AI, computer vision and contextual reasoning.

KL Deemed to be University Vice President Er. Koneru Lakshman Havish congratulated the students, highlighting their ability to apply emerging technologies to real-world challenges.

Dr. A. Ramakrishna, Principal, KLH Azinagar, said the hackathon was organised by the Global Institute of Engineering and Technology, Hyderabad, and emphasised the institution’s continued focus on innovation and student participation in hackathons.

RBI Files Caveat in Bombay HC Over Tata Sons NBFC Registration

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The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has filed a caveat in the Bombay High Court after rejecting Tata Sons’ application to surrender its non-banking financial company (NBFC) registration, sources said on Monday. The move is aimed at ensuring that the central bank gets an opportunity to present its case before the court passes any order on a potential legal challenge by Tata Sons.

The RBI rejected Tata Sons’ application, submitted in March 2024, to surrender its NBFC registration. The decision means Tata Sons remains classified as an Upper Layer NBFC and is required to list its shares on stock exchanges.

The prospect of a mandatory listing has become a contentious issue within the Tata group, particularly among its shareholders. Tata Trusts, which collectively hold more



than two-thirds of Tata Sons, have reportedly been reluctant to pursue a public listing. In contrast, the Shapoorji Pallonji Group, which owns around 18 per cent, has publicly supported the listing.

The caveat filed by the RBI would require the court to hear the central bank before passing any order, including an interim stay, if Tata Sons approaches the High Court against the regulator’s decision.

Neither the RBI nor Tata Sons responded to requests for comment.

The Tata Sons board is scheduled to meet on Thursday, and sources indicated that any legal challenge to the RBI’s

decision could be considered only after the meeting.

The regulatory dispute comes amid broader discussions over the future leadership and governance of Tata Sons. Chairman N. Chandrasekaran is due to complete his current term in February next year and has reportedly opted out of seeking re-appointment.

The listing issue has also emerged as a point of disagreement among shareholders. Noel Tata, chairman of Tata Trusts and a member of the Tata Sons board, is understood to have sought assurances that the company would not be compelled to list.

Ai+ Rolls Out NxtQuantum OS v1.1

NEW DELHI
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Ai+ Smartphone has launched NxtQuantum OS v1.1, introducing enhanced privacy controls, transparent software practices and network diagnostics designed to give users greater control over applications and personal data.

The company said the OS maintains a sovereign data boundary, routing application data traffic through India-hosted infrastructure.

Its automated security analysis monitors more than 1,000 connections and 172 unique destination IPs. Ai+ said data traffic and IP pings remain within India, except essential Google core services routed to California and Singapore for standard OS

functions.

The update features the NxtPrivacy Dashboard, enabling users to review, modify and revoke application permissions from a single interface.

Enhanced background activity visibility and privacy alerts help users identify applications accessing sensitive resources and potentially unnecessary permissions.

Madhav Sheth, CEO of NxtQuantum Shift Technologies, said the company is focused on building technology centred on user trust.

Ai+ said its transparency initiative, Project Open Review 2.0, allows reviewers, journalists, creators and ethical hackers to independently test devices and provide feedback before launch.

Pan-India? Nani Calls Term ‘Overused and Abused’

The much-hyped “Pan-India” label in Indian cinema appears to be facing a reality check, with actor Nani questioning its growing use for films that may not actually target audiences across the country. Speaking about his upcoming film The Paradise, Nani said the movie will be released in multiple languages but stressed that its primary focus remains the Telugu market. He described “Pan-India” as an “overused and abused” term, arguing that releasing a film in several languages does not automatically make it a Pan-India project. Nani’s comments come at a time when several regional films, particularly from the Telugu industry, are being promoted as Pan-India ventures. The term, which once represented films that successfully crossed linguistic and geographical boundaries, has increasingly become a marketing label attached to projects of varying scales and genres. A leading producer backed Nani’s view, saying the term is now being misused. According to him, Telugu film-



makers should concentrate on strengthening their connection with the home audience rather than assuming that every Telugu release will automatically attract viewers in North India. He suggested that upcoming projects featuring actors such as Vijay, Nikhil, Naga Chaitanya and Vishwak Sen should first focus on establishing a strong connect with Telugu audiences before aggressively targeting other markets. Interestingly, actor Rana Daggubati, who played a major role in the success of the Baahubali franchise, has also previously questioned the phrase “Pan-

India”. Rana had described it as a problematic term, while acknowledging that it initially served a purpose when regional films began making a significant impact in North India. The rapid growth of OTT platforms, dubbed content, subtitles and social media has further blurred linguistic boundaries. Films can now reach audiences across India without necessarily requiring a separate “Pan-India” identity. Producers also warn that the label can inflate production budgets. Producer Ravi Shankar Yellamanchili said a Telugu film originally planned at around Rs

50 crore could see its budget increase several times once makers begin planning for multiple markets. Such higher costs can make financial recovery considerably harder. A Hindi distributor also cautioned that the success of stars such as Prabhas and Allu Arjun in the Hindi market cannot automatically be replicated by every Telugu actor. Ultimately, a film can release across India without necessarily belonging to every market. The real measure of a Pan-India film may not be the number of languages it releases in, but whether audiences outside its home market genuinely choose to watch it.

APD Launches ‘AS i AM’ to Redefine Disability Representation in India



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Association of People with Disability (APD) has launched ‘AS i AM’, a national photography and videography movement aimed at changing how people with disabilities are represented in India’s visual culture. The initiative invites photographers, videographers and visual storytellers from across the country to capture the authentic, everyday experiences of people with disabilities. APD said the movement seeks to move beyond portrayals based on pity or inspiration and instead showcase lives that are ordinary, joyful, diverse and full of aspirations. Submissions for the challenge are open until midnight on October 31, 2026, with winners to be

announced on December 3, International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The competition features three categories — Best Entry, Best Emerging Storyteller, and Best Photographer with a Disability. Winners will receive cash and other prizes, mentorship from jury members, opportunities to feature in a permanent global stock image library with royalties, inclusion in a public exhibition, national media exposure and APD certification as a Certified Disability-Sensitive Visual Storyteller. The jury includes filmmaker and screenwriter R. Balki, cinematographer Santosh Sivan, BBDO India Chairman and CCO Josy Paul, Nirvana Films founder Sneha Iype, parabadminton champion Manasi Joshi, filmmaker and visual artist Ishaan Nair, Know Disability founder Mohit Ahuja, and Indian School of Public Policy co-founder Luis Miranda. Tanishq from Titan Company, as Lead Sponsor, and the Azim Premji Foundation are supporting the campaign. Jacob Kurian of APD called on visual storytellers to use their cameras to document disability on its own terms. Manasi Joshi said the initiative would help showcase the full and ordinary lives of people with disabilities. Entries can be submitted through www.asiamapd.com or by contacting asiam@apd-india.org. Founded in 1959, APD is one of India’s oldest disability-focused organisations, working across healthcare, education, employment and advocacy in urban and rural South India.

Hyderabad Globe FC Clinch CCOB Cup Under-21 Football Championship



HYDERABAD
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Hyderabad Globe FC emerged champions of the CCOB Cup Under-21 Football Championship, defeating Hyderabad Sporting FC 1-0 in the final at Quli Qutub Shah Stadium. The tournament was organised by the CCOB Football Association in Hyderabad. Syed Imtiyaz Ahmed scored the decisive goal for Hyderabad Globe FC in the 55th minute, securing the championship after a closely contested final. Hyderabad Globe FC had earlier produced a strong run through the knockout stages. In the first quarter-

final, the team registered a commanding 5-0 victory over Saidabad Football Club. Faizan Ahmed scored twice, while Sham, Saifullah and Omer Farooq contributed one goal each. The champions continued their impressive campaign in the semifinal, edging past hosts CCOB 1-0. Saifullah scored the crucial goal in the final minute of the match to send Hyderabad Globe FC into the title clash. The second semifinal saw Hyderabad Sporting Club take on Abbas Union FC. The match ended 1-1 at full time, with Hyderabad Sporting Club eventually securing victory in the tie-breaker to book their

place in the final. The final witnessed a disciplined performance from Hyderabad Globe FC, with the team maintaining its defensive organisation after taking the lead through Imtiyaz Ahmed. Hyderabad Sporting FC were unable to find an equaliser as Globe FC held on to complete their championship-winning campaign. Following the final, the winning Hyderabad Globe FC squad, along with coaches Wahed Khan and Syed Owais Uddin, posed for a group photograph with CCOB club officials, marking the team’s successful title triumph.

Aizah Mir Wins Gold at Hyderabad Horse Show Finale

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana
Waheed Uddin

Young equestrian Aizah Mir emerged as the standout performer on the final day of the Hyderabad Horse Show 2026, winning the 110-115 cm Under-14 Show Jumping competition with Quibelle at the Nasr Polo & Equestrian Academy. Aizah delivered a strong performance in the Under-14 category to secure the top spot. She also finished second in the 110-115 cm Open competition, again riding Quibelle, while securing fourth place in the 100 cm Under-14 event with Giacomo. Her performances contributed significantly to the success of the host academy on the concluding day of the competition. Mir Najamuddin Azam added to Nasr Polo & Equestrian Academy’s impressive results by



finishing second in the 100 cm Under-14 category with Rikotta. He

also secured fourth place in the 110-115 cm Open competition with Beliz Pong. In the 100 cm Under-14 competition, Vedik of Covai Stables, riding T9, claimed the first position. Mir Najamuddin Azam finished second, followed by Aamir of Covai Stables with Darcy in third. Aizah Mir completed the top four with Giacomo. The 100 cm Open category was won by Prabhnoor Singh Madan of Flying Sea Stallion, who rode Bhima. Sanjay of Archi Horse Riding Academy finished second with Condero, while Senthil of Covai Stables took third place with Mallorca. Prabhnoor Singh Madan also secured fourth with Black Bird, and Eeshaan Bhardwaj of Archi Horse Riding Academy finished fifth with Salerno. The 110-115 cm Under-14 event saw Aizah Mir and Quibelle take the top position, highlighting their strong combination throughout the competi-

tion. In the 110-115 cm Open category, Senthil of Covai Stables emerged victorious with T9. Aizah Mir and Quibelle finished second, followed by Senthil with Delano in third. Mir Najamuddin Azam secured fourth place with Beliz Pong. The concluding day featured 25 participants and 14 prize-winning performances, bringing the Hyderabad Horse Show 2026 to a successful close. The competition provided a platform for young riders and experienced competitors to demonstrate their skills across multiple show-jumping categories. The results also highlighted strong performances from riders representing Nasr Polo & Equestrian Academy, Covai Stables, Flying Sea Stallion and Archi Horse Riding Academy, marking an eventful finale to the 2026 Hyderabad Horse Show.

Revanth Invites Aga Khan V to Global Summit, Pitches Future

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has invited Prince Rahim Aga Khan V to attend the Telangana Global Summit 2026, scheduled to be held from December 7 to 9 at Bharat Future City. The invitation was extended during a courtesy meeting with the Aga Khan at Taj Falaknuma Palace on Tuesday. During the meeting, Revanth Reddy sought the cooperation of the Aga Khan Development Network in key sectors, including education, tourism and healthcare. He particularly requested assistance in restoring Hyderabad’s historic City College and the Nizam-era Osmania General Hospital building located in the Musi catchment area.



The Chief Minister said a new Osmania General Hospital building is being constructed at Goshamahall and proposed that the existing hospital structure be developed and preserved as a heritage asset. He also briefed Prince Rahim on the state government’s plans to rejuvenate the Musi river and create a night-time economy along its banks.

Revanth Reddy also presented details of the proposed Bharat Future City, which is planned across 30,000 acres near Shamshabad Airport. The project is envisioned as a net-zero city, with a green zone covering around 15,000 acres. According to the government, a Singapore-based company is currently preparing the master plan for the ambi-

tious development. The Chief Minister highlighted the longstanding association between the Aga Khan family and Hyderabad and appreciated the contribution of the Aga Khan Foundation to heritage conservation projects in Telangana. He recalled the restoration of the Qutb Shahi Tombs and the historic Legislative Council building with the foundation’s support. Education emerged as another key area of discussion. State officials briefed Prince Rahim on recent efforts to attract international universities to Hyderabad. The government also proposed establishing an Aga Khan University campus in Bharat Future City, aimed at strengthening the city’s education ecosystem. Revanth Reddy further

outlined Telangana’s goal of becoming a \$3 trillion economy by 2047. He said representatives from more than 100 countries are expected to participate in the Telangana Global Summit, providing a platform to showcase the state’s investment and development opportunities. During the interaction, the Chief Minister also expressed condolences to Prince Rahim Aga Khan over the death of his father, the late Aga Khan IV, and recalled the Aga Khan family’s enduring connection with Hyderabad. The meeting was attended by Minister Mohammed Azharuddin, Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju, CM’s Advisor Ramakrishna Rao, senior officials and representatives of the Aga Khan Foundation.

‘Telangana Police working for Congress’, says KTR

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) Working President KT Rama Rao on Tuesday, September 15 alleged that the Telangana police was working more actively for the Congress party than even its own workers. He condemned the attack on his PRO, Mahesh Mudiraj, and PA Mahender Reddy inside the police station in Hyderabad on Monday, September 14. Speaking to media persons in Delhi, he alleged that the Congress party was resorting to the attacks out of frustration. “The government is in a state of frustration and desperation. That is why it was resorting to attention diversion every single day. Unable to answer the questions we have been raising after 1,000 days, the government is resort-



ing to these attacks,” he said. The BRS leader said earlier that an attack was carried out on the residence of KCR, a senior leader who was elected by the people of Telangana twice as Chief Minister and who fought relentlessly for the achievement of Telangana. “An attack was carried out on the house of a leader who fought for Telangana without caring for his own life. When we went there to stop the attack, we were detained inside the police station, and an attempt was made to attack us as well,” he said.

He claimed that on Monday, the government again attempted to attack his PRO and my PA inside the police station itself, using around 15 people. “Who were the people who attempted the attack inside the police station – goons or police? It must be established who those people were who came in plain clothes and attacked them. Even when we demanded that an FIR be registered over the attack on our people, the police refused to register one,” he said. Rama Rao alleged that the police are supporting those who resorted to attacks inside a police station and are refusing to register FIRs. “Our senior leaders, MLAs and former ministers were there and repeatedly requested the police for five hours to register an FIR. Yet, the police refused to do so,” he said.

20K police personnel to be deployed along Ganesh immersion route

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

City Police Commissioner VC Sajjanar, on Tuesday, September 15, said around 20,000 police personnel would be deployed across Hyderabad on Ganesh Chaturthi immersion day that falls on September 25. Sajjanar inspected the 19 km Ganesh immersion procession route, beginning from the Balapur Ganesh mandapam, Chandrayangutta, Falak-

numa, Charminar, MJ Market and ending at the Telugu Talli Flyover. Quick Response Teams (QRT), dog squads, anti-chain-snatching teams and SHE Teams will be deployed along the procession route. “We would be continuously monitored through CCTV cameras installed in Hyderabad from the Command and Control Centre,” he said. With impending rains, Ganesh pandal organisers have been advised to take

precautions to prevent electrical shocks and other mishaps. He urged citizens and devotees to cooperate with the police and help ensure that the procession and immersion are conducted peacefully without even minor incidents. Earlier, Sajjanar, HY-DRAA Commissioner A V Ranganath, GHMC Commissioner RV Karnam and Hyderabad Collector Priyanka Ala visited the Balapur Ganesh idol and offered special prayers.

Mega Free Health Camp Conducted at Rajendranagar

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Prime High Care Hospital organised a Mega Free Health Camp in Rajendranagar, offering basic health check-ups, medical consultations and health guidance to members of the local community. The initiative was aimed at encouraging preventive healthcare and improving awareness about common health concerns. The camp was coordinated by Advocate Majid Hussain, with Advocate Mir Qurram Ali partici-



pating along with respected judges, advocates and members of various Bar Associations. Their presence and support added significance to the community-focused programme.

During the camp, members of the public were provided access to basic medical screening and guidance, helping them understand the importance of regular health monitoring and timely



medical attention. The organisers said the programme was conducted with the objective of promoting health awareness and accessible medical services, particularly for people who may

face difficulties in obtaining routine healthcare services. The initiative received support from members of the legal fraternity and local residents.



MLA Kausar Mohiuddin meets Hyderabad Collector Dr. Priyanka Ala IAS, along with Minority Welfare Principal Secretary Ahmed Nadeem IAS and Waqf Board CEO, to discuss the Golconda 18 Seedi graveyard and land dispute with Army authorities.

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CBIT Principal Honoured with Visvesvaraya Award 2026



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Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT) Principal Prof. C. V. Narasimhulu was honoured with the prestigious Bharat Ratna Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya Award 2026 by the Institution of Engineers (India), Telangana State Centre. The award was presented during the 59th Engineers’ Day celebrations at Visvesvaraya Bhavan, Khairatabad, commemorating the 166th birth anniversary of Sir M. Visvesvaraya. Prof. B. Ramana Naik,

Chairman, IEI Telangana State Centre, and former Telangana Chief Secretary Er. C. S. Joshi, the chief guest, felicitated Prof. Narasimhulu. The award recognises his contributions to engineering education, research, innovation and institutional development. Under his leadership, CBIT has promoted emerging technologies, entrepreneurship and industry-academia collaboration. Prof. Narasimhulu thanked the IEI for the honour, while the CBIT management, faculty, staff and students congratulated him.

TPCC president blames employees for 22-A controversy

HYDERABAD
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The Telangana Congress continues to blame employees for the controversy surrounding the inclusion of several lands and properties in the prohibited category under Section 22-A. The origins and introduction of Section 22-A would become clear from official records, TPCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud reportedly said during an informal interaction with media persons on Tuesday. He said the issue was mainly due to the “overenthusiasm” of a

few employees, causing hardships to people. “Our responsibility is to ensure that common people do not suffer. A person who purchased a plot should not be blamed. Action should be taken against those who developed ventures despite knowing that the land was on the prohibited list,” Goud said. The TPCC president also denied having differences with Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. “My wavelength matched well with Revanth Reddy. Differences of opinion are natural in any political party. Reports of a gap between us are incorrect,”

he said. On completing two years as TPCC president, Goud highlighted the Congress’ victories in the Cantonment and Jubilee Hills by-elections under his leadership. He said he was also saddened by the removal of a BC Minister from the Cabinet, but clarified that action against Konda Surekha was taken as per the AICC’s decision. “No one would be spared if they cross the line and violate party discipline. The AICC has decided to take a strict approach towards indiscipline,” he said.

Azharuddin reacts to IPS officer’s transfer over ‘Assalamualaikum’



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Minority Welfare Minister Mohammed Azharuddin on Tuesday, September 15, questioned the transfer of Bushra Bano, an Indian Police Service Officer in West Bengal, over her greetings in a video. In a post on X, Azharuddin said the transfer was concerning. “An IPS officer is reportedly transferred after a complaint over saying “Assalamualaikum” and “Inshallah” in an interaction with civil service aspirants. When greetings become grounds for targeting a public servant, we must ask: what kind of message are we sending to minorities?,” he asked. The minister said that India’s strength lies in its diversity and not in policing identities.

Rana Daggubati to Launch New LEGO Store in Hyderabad

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Actor Rana Daggubati is set to make a special appearance at the launch of the new LEGO store at Inorbit Mall, Hyderabad, on September 19. Rana will join the leadership teams of LEGO India and Ample to inaugurate the city’s newest

LEGO destination. The actor, known for films including Kaantha, Mirai, Baahubali: The Epic and Parasakthi, is expected to add a touch of star power to the store opening. The launch is likely to attract Hyderabad’s entertainment and Page 3 circles, along with LEGO enthusiasts and families.

Known for his larger-than-life screen presence, Rana will step away from film sets to celebrate the opening of a destination built around the iconic LEGO experience. The event is expected to combine celebrity appearances, entertainment and nostalgia for LEGO fans.

