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Hyderabad doctors save 16-year-old boy after he ingests multiple razor

NEW DELHI: Doctors at Osmania General Hospital (OGH) saved the life of a 16-year-old boy from Hyderabad, who was admitted to the hospital after ingesting multiple razor blades. The youngster, Md Mujibur Rehman, who has a history of mental health illness, was brought to the hospital at around 2 am on Thursday and was immediately taken to the casualty ward, according to OGH authorities. The youngster immediately underwent an X-ray, which revealed multiple radio-opaque blade pieces in his stomach and was immediately referred to Medical Gastroenterology.

Revanth Fast Tracks Kodangal Projects



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Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Friday directed officials to complete Phase-I works of the Makthal-Narayanpet-Kodangal lift irrigation project by December 2027 and Phase-II works by October 2028, while instructing them to take all necessary measures to expedite the prestigious irrigation project. At a review meeting held in his home constituency Kodangal, the Chief Minister directed the irrigation authorities to immediately invite tenders for the Phase-II works. He also sought comprehensive details on the annual budgetary requirement for the project and instructed officials to prepare plans for ensuring adequate funds to accelerate the execution of works.

Irrigation officials briefed the Chief Minister on the progress of the project and the measures being taken to meet the deadlines. They informed him that efforts were under way to complete Phase-I by December 2027 and Phase-II by October 2028. The Chief Minister directed the officials to

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Delhi Police Detains Hindutva Influencer Swatantra Bhardwaj

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Hindutva influencer Swatantra Bhardwaj was detained from Bulandshahr in Uttar Pradesh on Friday, hours after Delhi Police assured CJP protesters that he would be arrested within 72 hours for allegedly assaulting the father of a student in July, officials said. Several teams were deployed to trace Bhardwaj, who describes himself as



a 'kattar Hindu'. A video clip of an interview in which he is heard boasting about cracking the skull of Sanjay Kumar, the father of student activist, Nishu Azad, during the July 20 protest in Delhi had gone viral. Bhardwaj had allegedly fled from Naitla village on a Bullet motorcycle towards Khurja before the police team reached there to apprehend him. He was wearing a helmet, apparently to conceal his identity, officials said. The Cockroach Janta Party staged a protest outside the Parliament Street police station in the national capital on Friday to demand action against him.

KCR to chair BRS legislative party meeting on Sunday

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BRS president and former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhara Rao will chair the party's legislative meeting at his Erravelli residence on Sunday, ahead of the Telangana Assembly session scheduled to begin on Monday. All BRS MLAs and MLCs have been invited to attend the crucial meeting, which is expected to focus on the party's strategy for the upcoming session. KCR is likely to brief legislators on the key issues that need to be raised in the Assembly and Council, while also outlining the party's approach towards the government. The meeting assumes significance as the BRS prepares to take up issues concerning the people and question the Congress government over its policies and implementation of key promises. Party legislators are expected to discuss matters including governance, welfare schemes, development and other pressing state issues during the session.

India's First 'Sentient' Corporate Campus to Come in Pune

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India's first sentient corporate campus will be set up at Bajaj Finserv Campus at Koregaon Park Annex, Pune. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis on Friday laid the foundation stone for the project. Speaking at the ceremony, CM Fadnis said that the Bajaj Finserv Campus will not only be the largest but also the most intelligent and sustainable ecosystem in the



country. Built with AI and IOT at its core, the Bajaj Finserv Campus building will sense its environment and occupants' needs and proactively adapt in real time. According to company sources, the AI and IoT systems will enable the Campus to respond to

changing weather, occupancy and environmental conditions. Sensors and analytics will help optimise energy and water consumption, crowd density and movement. Predictive maintenance systems using IoT sensors will monitor critical infrastructure, while automation and robotics will support Campus operations. The Campus' eco-efficient design will maximise natural breeze and

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Waste-to-Power Plants Threaten People's Health

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In a report that places a major question mark on the functioning of waste-to-energy (WTE) plants such as the ones at the Jawaharnagar dump yard here, the Centre for Financial Accountability (CFA) has said that WTE incineration plants were the single most polluting industrial sector in the country, surpassing open-cast coal mining, copper smelters, and thermal power plants. Its report released on Friday in

Delhi, the CFA said the included findings were based on official monitoring data and inspection records of the Central Pollution Control Board, and the Delhi Pollution Control Committee. This data that was submitted to the Supreme Court and the National Green Tribunal, the CFA said, showed that WTE facilities score a cumulative Pollution Index of 100 out of 100, making them some of the most polluting entities. In a news release, the CFA said that as far as Telangana was concerned,



the findings pointed to a "catastrophic failure in Hyderabad's centralised waste management model," turning the city's infrastructure into a severe public health crisis and a global climate burden. Despite boasting of India's largest single-location incineration capacity in the form of two plants with total capacity of 48

MW which are operated by Re-Sustainability Ltd at Jawaharnagar, a study had shown that the dump yard "emits a staggering 5.9 tonnes of methane per hour. This makes it India's top methane emitter from waste and the fourth largest globally, leaking 49,000 tonnes of methane annually and a global warming potential of 3.96 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year," CFA said. The study, supported by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, and conducted by UCLA

scientist using Carbon Mapper satellite data, said that the "massive methane plume debunks claims that incineration resolves municipal solid waste issues." The burning of high-moisture organic (wet) waste which constitutes around 60 per cent of the fuel in the WTE plant at Jawaharnagar, the CFA said was inefficient, releases massive volumes of carbon dioxide while leaving unprocessed waste to decompose into methane.

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Protesters Open Fire During SIR Hearing In Arunachal, Security Deployed

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Clashes broke out on Friday at Bordumsa in Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh following a controversy over the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) in the Bordumsa - Diyun legislative assembly constituency. The clashes, which were triggered during the SIR hearing process at the office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), triggered some firing incidents as well, sources have said. An official statement regarding the fight and pre-

vailing tensions is yet to be released. Sources said members of the All Arunachal Pradesh Students' Union (AAPSU), Bordumsa Students' Union and other organisations staged a protest against the alleged inclusion of members of the Chakma community in the electoral roll. The situation later escalated, with unidentified protesters opening fire. However, the exact circumstances leading to the incident have not yet been established. During the unrest, an AAPSU leader was reportedly injured.

Akhilesh, CJP Meet Raises Hackles In UP

NEW DELHI
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A closed door meeting between Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav and Cockroach Janta Party leader Ashutosh Ranka in Lucknow, months ahead of the UP polls, seemed to have ruffled the feathers in the Sangh Parivar. The RSS questioned the motive of the 90-minute long confabulation through 'Organiser', a publication aligned with it, while the BJP has adopted a wait-and-watch approach. A BJP's ally, Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party, whose leader O.P. Rajbhar is a Cabinet minister in Uttar

Pradesh government, hit out at the SP for the secret parleys. While both the SP and CJP were tightlipped about what transpired in the meeting held on Thursday evening, speculation was rife that the leaders discussed ways to influence and target the youth and Gen Z voters. Sources said Yadav and Ranka held a closed-door meeting for around one-and-a-half hours from about 4 pm at the office of the Janeshwar Mishra Trust near the SP headquarters in State capital Lucknow. Ranka left the premises after the meeting without speaking to

the media, while the SP did not issue any statement on the purpose or outcome of the interaction. Sources said that the discussion might have included issues concerning students as well as the concerns of Gen Z and Gen Alpha. "They could have dived on raising issues related to education in the run up to the crucial Assembly polls," sources said, while stressing that there was no official confirmation on the details of the meeting. The 'Organiser' wrote: "There has been no official announcement of an alliance between the SP

and CJP, nor has either side confirmed that the meeting was about forming any political front. Yet the timing of the meeting comes after a series of high-profile protests, confrontations and campaigns associated with the CJP, making the question of what happens next particularly relevant." The meeting came against the backdrop of the CJP's activities around student-related issues in recent months. Yadav had publicly raised the issue after Ranka was allegedly attacked in Rajasthan last month during the "School Thik Karo" campaign.

BRS steps up statewide agitation as Congress marks 1,000 days in office

HYDERABAD
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Massive rallies, Vanta-Vaapu programmes, road blockades and protests were held as part of the BRS ‘Samarabheri’ statewide agitation for the third consecutive day on Friday, as the ruling Congress completed 1,000 days in office. The party leaders targeted the Congress government over non-implementation of election promises, focusing largely on women, senior citizens and persons with disabilities, with the BRS demanding implementation of promised financial assistance and pension hikes. The party has been conducting a week-long campaign from September 2 to 8, with each day devoted to specific issues and sections of society. At several places,



BRS cadres organised ‘Vanta Varpu’ programmes, rallies and public meetings. BRSLP deputy leader T Harish Rao participated in a protest in Sirpur and demanded that Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy apologise to farmers for insulting them by treating them as land encroachers by listing their legally purchased lands in the 22A prohibited lands list. He stated that the Chief Minister failed to deliver promises of hiked pensions to senior citizens, differently abled persons, single women and others,

besides shelving welfare schemes like KCR Kits and Dalit Bandhu. ‘‘This Congress owes around Rs 66,000 to every beneficiary of Aasara pensions. We will force it to cough up the dues,’’ he said. He slammed the Chief Minister for getting his house removed from the prohibited list overnight, while forcing the genuine property owners to run around government offices for clearance and giving them sleepless nights. Former Minister Vemula Prashanth Reddy participated in the protest in

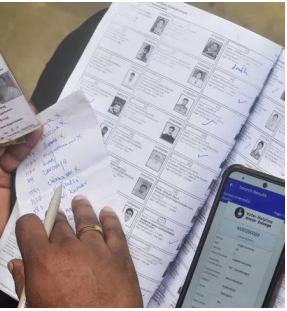
Morthad of Balkonda constituency and questioned the Congress government over Six Guarantees promised to women, farmers and youth. He said the Congress government owes Rs 82,500 to each woman as it failed to implement the monthly honourarium of Rs 2,500 to each woman and another Rs 66,000 to each Aasara pension beneficiaries as part of its election promise. In Pocharam, a protest was held at the PHC colony in Annojiguda, where the party alleged that promises including

Rs 6,000 monthly pension for persons with disabilities and Rs 2,500 monthly assistance for women remained unfulfilled. In Nirmal, more than 500 women and persons with disabilities participated in the protests and voiced grievances over the alleged failure to implement election assurances. Similar programmes were held in Maldaqal in Jogulamba Gadwal district, Tirumalagiri in Suryapet and other parts of the State. The agitation also took a strong farmers’ turn. Boath MLA Anil Jadhav led a protest at the Ichoda electricity substation, followed by a Vanta Varpu programme. He joined farmers in a symbolic protest using nooses, alleging that the government’s power policies were causing distress to the farming

Tgana SIR: Special campaigns for claims, objections on Sept 5 and 6

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The Telangana Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) has announced two special campaign drives to facilitate the verification of draft electoral rolls and submission of claims and objections as part of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in the State. The first special campaign is being conducted on September 5 and 6, while the second campaign will be held on September 12 and 13 at polling stations across Telangana. The initiative is aimed at providing electors with an opportunity to check their entries in the draft electoral rolls and seek corrections or raise objections wherever necessary. During the designated campaign days, applicants and electors can visit the concerned polling station to verify their details in the draft electoral roll. Those seeking inclusion, deletion or correction of



entries can submit their claims and objections through Forms 6, 7 and 8, depending on the nature of their request. The election authorities have clarified that electors need not necessarily wait for the special campaigns to submit their applications. The regular facility of lodging claims and objections at the offices of the concerned Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) will also continue to be available. To assist voters during the special drives, Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and Booth Level Agents (BLAs) will be present at the designated polling stations. They will help electors verify their entries

and guide them through the process of submitting claims and objections. According to the CEO, BLOs will examine the draft electoral roll in coordination with BLAs and identify corrections or discrepancies, if any. Necessary action will be taken in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Election Commission of India. Election officials have appealed to all eligible electors to utilise the special campaign days and carefully verify their names, addresses and other details in the draft rolls. Voters have also been encouraged to promptly submit claims or objections wherever required. The exercise is intended to improve the accuracy and completeness of the electoral rolls and ensure that eligible citizens are included while incorrect or duplicate entries are addressed before the final electoral rolls are prepared.

Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri to Honour 12 Outstanding Teachers

The Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri will honour 12 outstanding teachers at a special Teachers’ Day felicitation programme to be held on Saturday, September 5, at 5 PM at the Conference Hall of SV Hotel in Bhongir. The programme, organised as part of the ‘Guru Poojotsavam’ celebrations, is aimed at recognising educators for their dedicated service to students and their contribution to strengthening the education system. The initiative seeks to highlight the important role teachers play in guiding and inspiring younger generations. Gaddam Gnana Prakash Reddy, Social Media Chairman–Kakatiya Region, emphasised the importance of honouring teachers and expressing gratitude for their contribution to society. He said teachers go beyond classroom teaching by inspiring, guiding, empowering and helping students build a better future. The Rotary Club will felicitate M. Mallikarjun, HM, ZPHS B.N. Thimmapur; M.D. Ghousuddin, HM, ZPHS Velmajala; K. Anuradha, SA, ZPHS Rajapet; P. Vijender Reddy, SA, ZPHS Bollepally; P. Satish, SA, ZPHS Turkepally; N. Venkat Reddy, SA, ZPHS Battugudem; G. Balraju, SA, ZPHS Gundala; B. Renuka Bhai, SGT, PS Datarpally; K. Srisailem, SGT, PS Mulkalpally; N. Swapna, SGT, PS Bommaipally; K. Arunadevi, SGT, PS Mothkur; and A. Sudheer Reddy, SGT, PS Sadarshapoor. Rotary Club President Kuchipatla Satyanarayana Reddy, Secretary Kadaru Ramesh Babu, Treasurer Pendam Venugopal and Assistant Governor P. Kondal Reddy are associated with the event. Past Presidents, Past Assistant Governors and Rotary members have been invited to participate in the celebrations.

Dubai Gate Garbage Menace Alarms Old Bowenpally Residents

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Residents living near Dubai Gate in Old Bowenpally are demanding immediate action from the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) over a growing garbage menace that they say has become a serious public health concern. A large quantity of household waste, plastic bags, food scraps and other discarded material has accumulated at the locality, turning the area into an open dumping ground. Residents allege that the garbage is not being cleared regularly, allowing waste to spill onto public pathways and the boundaries of nearby residential quarters and shops. The overflowing waste has reportedly created an unbearable stench, particularly during hot weather. Residents say the foul smell has made it difficult to keep windows open and has



Residents fear the accumulated garbage could become a breeding ground for mosquitoes, flies and other disease-carrying pests. Stagnant water and decomposing waste may increase the risk of vector-borne diseases such as dengue and malaria, prompting locals to demand urgent sanitation measures from civic authorities.

caused considerable inconvenience to pedestrians and people living in the surrounding buildings. Locals are also worried about mosquitoes, flies and stray animals gathering around the accumulated waste. They fear that stagnant water and decomposing organic matter could create conditions conducive to the spread of vector-borne diseases, including dengue and malaria, besides posing broader sanitation risks. Residents claim that repeated complaints have failed to bring a permanent solution. They are seeking regular garbage collection, im-

mediate removal of the accumulated waste and strict action against those responsible for indiscriminate dumping. The community has urged the GHMC Bowenpally sanitation division to inspect the area without delay, clear the garbage and introduce preventive measures to stop the location from becoming a recurring dumping point. Residents say the civic body must act urgently before the situation worsens, stressing that access to a clean and hygienic neighbourhood is a basic civic necessity.

CWPRS Conducts Tests on Komaram Bheem Project Bund Damage

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Engineers of the Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS), Pune, has conducted tests to ascertain the reasons for damage to a portion of the bund of the Komaram Bheem irrigation project. Another test is required to determine the exact cause, for which the irrigation department has to pay Rs 40 lakh. The project is currently not being filled to its full storage capacity as irrigation officials are limiting storage to avoid further damage to the bund. A portion of the bund has developed cracks and has been covered with tarpaulin for the last four years. In June 2025, officials of the Cen-



tral Water Commission and the dam safety authority inspected the project and advised irrigation officials not to store more than 6tmc ft of water, against its capacity of 10.5tmc, to avoid a threat to the bund during the monsoon. The project has been receiving rainwater from the surrounding hills during the monsoon. The issue of storing water has assumed importance due

to the prolonged dry spell attributed to the effects of El Nino and the forecast of scanty rainfall in the coming months, particularly in view of future drinking water requirements in agency areas. The project is not currently providing water for irrigation, with officials discharging water downstream instead of storing it. The Komaram Bheem Asifabad reservoir is the main source for Mission Bhagiratha water supply from Asifabad mandal up to Indraveli mandal in Adilabad district. Asifabad collector K. Haritha had sanctioned Rs 45 lakh for repairs to a portion of the right canal at Maniguda village in Asifabad mandal. However, the repaired portion was washed away in recent floods.

Krishna Janmashtami: Health Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha Extends Greetings to People

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Telangana Medical and Health Minister C. Damodar Rajanarsimha extended heartfelt greetings to the people on the auspicious occasion of Sri Krishna Janmashtami. In a message issued on the festival, the Minister conveyed his wishes to families across the State and prayed for the divine blessings of Lord



Krishna to bring happiness, good health, peace, progress and prosperity into their lives. ‘‘With the divine bless-

ings of Lord Krishna, I wish you and your family happiness, good health, peace, progress and prosperity. Heartfelt greetings on Sri Krishna Janmashtami,’’ Rajanarsimha said in his message. The Minister wished everyone a joyous and blessed Krishna Janmashtami, marking the sacred celebration of the birth of Lord Krishna.

Telangana HC Bars Colleges from Withholding Certificates Over Fee Dues



The Telangana High Court has ruled that educational institutions cannot withhold students’ original certificates over unpaid fees, describing the documents as the personal property of the students. The ruling has been welcomed by the Samata Sainik Dal as a major relief for economically disadvantaged students. In orders issued on August 21, 2026, Justice Juvvadi Sridevi directed a college to return the original educational certificates of three B.Tech graduates. The documents included academic records and other certificates required for higher education and employment. The organisation said withholding certificates can severely affect students’ prospects, preventing them from pursuing higher studies, applying for jobs or appearing for competitive examinations. It also argued that delays in government fee reimbursement should not become a burden on students. The Samata Sainik Dal urged the government and educational institutions to ensure that students’ certificates are returned promptly and that fee-related disputes are resolved through lawful channels rather than by restricting students’ futures.

Breakfast Scheme To Cover All Govt Schools, Junior Colleges From November

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The state government has decided to extend the breakfast scheme to all government schools and junior colleges from the first week of November, covering nearly 22 lakh students, official sources said on Friday. Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, who launched the scheme on June 15, reviewed its implementation with senior officials and directed them to complete construction and upgradation of centralised community kitchens in all 33 districts

by October-end. The kitchens are being established at an estimated cost of `300 crore to facilitate statewide implementation of the scheme. In the first phase, the programme covered 1,269 government schools and 33 junior colleges in eight districts, benefiting 1,44,610 students through seven community kitchens. With the subsequent commissioning of kitchens at Madhira and Manthani, the number of beneficiaries has increased to nearly two lakh. Sources said the government aimed to



achieve 100 per cent coverage by the first week of November. Community kitchens are currently operational at Narsingi, Uppal, Mahbubnagar, Sangareddy, Kodangal, Hanamkonda, Warangal, Madhira and Manthani. Another kitchen is sched-

uled to be opened at Mancherial by the end of September. The government plans to establish 39 centralised kitchens at various locations across the 33 districts. Seven existing kitchens will be upgraded and the remaining facil-

ities newly constructed. The government will bear 70 per cent of the infrastructure cost, while voluntary organisations will contribute the remaining 30 per cent. The Hare Krishna Movement Charitable Trust and Manna Trust are among the organisations partnering in the initiative. Market yard premises are being preferred for the kitchens as many already have platforms and sheds, making them suitable for conversion into large-scale cooking facilities and helping expedite construction, the sources said.

The kitchens will use modern machinery for washing and cutting vegetables, cooking rice and preparing other food items. Officials said this would reduce manual labour, improve hygiene and ensure compliance with food safety standards. Bulk procurement would help reduce costs, while standardised cooking would ensure consistency in taste and quality. The menu, prepared under the supervision of nutrition experts, will provide a balanced intake of vitamins and proteins.

Forest Beat Officer Caught in ACB Trap

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) officials on Thursday caught Kanchanapally forest beat officer Banoth Ravi Kumar while he was allegedly accepting a Rs 30,000 bribe through a person engaged by him in Bhadradi-Kothagudem district. The ACB sleuths laid a trap following a complaint alleging that Ravi Kumar had demanded ‘30,000 from the complainant for extending undue favour by not obstructing podu cultivation and refraining from action such as digging trenches, thereby allowing cultivation to continue without interference. According to the ACB, Ravi Kumar instructed the complainant to hand over the bribe amount to Patan Sadiq Khan, known to him, at his residence in Ramana-jagudem of Allapally mandal. The ACB arrested the accused and produced him before the Special Judge for SPE and ACB cases at Warangal.

Harish Rao Slams Government Over Poor Facilities at ST Hostel

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

Former finance minister and BRS leader T Harish Rao on Friday criticised the Telangana government over the alleged neglect of tribal students staying in government-run hostels. He made a surprise inspection of an ST hostel in Kagaznagar while on his way to Koutala to participate in a BRS protest. During the inspection, Harish Rao interacted with hostel inmates and enquired about their living conditions, education and difficulties. The students reportedly brought several problems to his notice, particularly the lack of drinking water and other basic amenities. Harish Rao expressed concern after learning that the hostel’s reverse osmosis (RO) water purification plant had stopped func-



tioning. With the facility remaining out of service, students were reportedly facing difficulties in getting safe drinking water. He urged the officials concerned to immediately repair the RO plant and ensure that students have regular access to clean drinking water. He also expressed concern over the condition of the hostel rooms. Harish Rao pointed out that several windows did not have proper doors or protective fittings, allowing

mosquitoes to enter the rooms. He said such conditions could expose students to mosquito-borne illnesses and create an unhealthy environment for those staying at the hostel. The former minister also questioned the authorities over the non-supply of uniforms to the students. He alleged that officials had failed to provide essential facilities despite the students depending on the government hostel for their residential

needs. Speaking to the media later, Harish Rao said the government’s claims of providing quality education would remain meaningless if students were forced to live without basic amenities. He alleged that the condition of the ST hostel reflected negligence towards the welfare of tribal students. Harish Rao demanded that the government take immediate steps to improve hostel infrastructure, restore drinking water facilities, provide uniforms and address sanitation and mosquito-related concerns. BRS leader Dr RS Praveen Kumar, Asifabad MLA Kova Laxmi, former MLAs N Diwakar Rao and Koneru Konappa accompanied Harish Rao during the inspection.

Miyapur Among Key Hotspots as CMC Demolishes 185 Unauthorised Structures

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

The Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) has demolished 185 unauthorised structures across Cyberabad between August 24 and September 3, as part of its intensified drive against illegal constructions. Miyapur and Narsingi have emerged as major hotspots, with several unauthorised buildings being identified and demolished. Serilingampally Zone recorded the highest number of demolitions with 69, followed by Quthbullapur with 52 and Kukatpally with 33, according to officials. Officials said many violations involve small plots where multiple floors are being constructed beyond the per-



mitted limit. Enforcement teams are also cutting slabs of unauthorised floors in some buildings to stop further construction. The intensified drive follows the collapse of a seven-storey unauthorised building at Anjaiah Nagar, Gachibowli, in which two workers were killed. CMC teams are identifying illegal constructions through field inspections, citizen com-

plaints, Prajavani petitions and MyGHMC complaints. Officials have been directed to conduct daily inspections and take action against violations as per rules. Miyapur, being part of the Serilingampally Zone, is also under intensified monitoring, particularly in areas witnessing rapid residential and commercial development.

Jai Bheem Sena Demands 8% SC Quota for Malas

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Jai Bheem Sena founder and national president P. Balwanth Rao has demanded justice for the nearly 30 lakh Mala population in Telangana, urging the government to increase SC reservations from 15% to 18% and allocate the additional 3% to Malas. Rao alleged that GO Ms No. 3 allocated only 5% reservation to Malas despite their population exceeding 50% of the Scheduled Caste population. He sought revision of the GO based on population proportions and demanded that 16 of the 18



roster points be allocated to Malas. He also demanded a Mala Corporation with a ₹1,000-crore budget and implementation of the promises made under the Chevella Declaration, including financial assistance and housing benefits.

St. Mary’s College to Honour 31 Faculty on Teachers’ Day

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St. Mary’s College of Pharmacy, Secunderabad, is set to celebrate Teachers’ Day with a grand Guru Poojotsavam on September 5, honouring around 31 faculty members for their dedicated service and contribution to students’ academic and personal growth. The celebrations have been organised by students, faculty and college management, with preparations underway for the past week. The



programme aims to express gratitude to teachers who guide students, nurture their talents and help them move from uncertainty to confidence. The occasion will highlight the timeless role of a Guru, whose influence extends beyond classrooms and text-

books. Teachers not only impart knowledge but also encourage curiosity, discipline, confidence and a sense of purpose among students. Pranathi Thalka extended her heartfelt Teachers’ Day wishes and respectful Pranaam to teachers and all those who serve as

Gurus in different stages of life. She said a Guru takes a person “from the unknown to the known, from darkness to light and from doubt to direction.” She also conveyed special wishes to the 31 faculty members being felicitated at St. Mary’s College, appreciating their efforts in shaping the younger generation. The celebrations carry a broader message: while teachers educate the mind, true Gurus also teach valuable lessons for life.

1,000 Days of Praja Palana a Milestone: Neelam Padma

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Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Mahila Congress President Neelam Padma Venkat Swamy described the completion of 1,000 days of Praja Palana as a milestone and congratulated Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, ministers, elected representatives and Congress workers. Speaking to the media, Padma said the government had placed farmers, women, youth, weaker sections, education and healthcare at the centre of its policies. Highlighting agricultural welfare, she said more than ₹20,000 crore had been spent on crop-loan waiver, benefitting about 25.35 lakh farmers, while Rythu Bharosa assistance had been enhanced to ₹12,000 per acre. She also cited expenditure on free agricultural power, Rythu Bima and bonus payments for fine varieties of paddy. Padma highlighted Gruha Jyothi, providing up to 200 units of free electricity, and the ₹500 LPG cylinder scheme. She said the government had also issued 16.32 lakh new ration cards and taken steps to strengthen food security. On employment, she said more than 70,000 government appointments had been made, while the Young India



Skills University and upgrading of ITIs into Advanced Technology Centres were aimed at improving youth skills and employment prospects. She also referred to the proposed 100 Young India Integrated Residential Schools, the BC caste survey and SC sub-classification, saying social justice remained an important part of the government’s agenda. Padma said the government would continue to support farmers, women, agricultural labourers, youth and weaker sections. Responding to criticism from the BRS and BJP, she said, “People are watching the governance and will ultimately judge its performance.” The programme was attended by Yadagirigutta Municipal Chairperson Gundlapally Vani, councillors Lavanya, Saroja, Dhanalakshmi and Rahima Begum, State Secretary Pavani, Market Committee Chairman Chaitanya, District General Secretary Pushpa, Kalye Latha, Renuka and Mamatha, besides sarpanches and Congress workers.

Korvi Krishna Swamy Was a Leader of All Sections: Neelam Madhu Mudiraj

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

Paying rich tributes to Korvi Krishna Swamy Mudiraj on his birth anniversary, Medak Parliament Congress Party in-charge Neelam Madhu Mudiraj described him as a visionary leader who worked for the upliftment of weaker and marginalised sections of society. The birth anniversary celebrations were held on Friday at the NMR Camp Office in Chitkul, where Neelam Madhu garlanded the portrait of Krishna



Swamy and paid floral tributes. Speaking on the occasion, Neelam Madhu said Krishna Swamy was a freedom fighter, journalist, writer, educationist and multifaceted personality who dedicated his life to public service and the advancement of disadvantaged communities. Highlighting his contribu-

tion to Hyderabad’s development, Neelam Madhu said Krishna Swamy had served as Mayor of Hyderabad and that his farsighted approach to urban development, including his contribution to the city’s master planning, left a lasting mark. “Korvi Krishna Swamy stood with the Bahujan and

weaker sections and worked tirelessly for their progress. His life and ideals should continue to guide future generations,” Neelam Madhu said. He called upon the community and supporters to remain united, move forward collectively and strengthen themselves by carrying forward Krishna Swamy’s ideals and spirit of public service. Leaders, party workers, supporters and others participated in the programme and paid tributes to the late leader.

Korvi Krishna Jayanti Observed at Hothi-K

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Korvi Krishna Jayanti was observed at Hothi-K village in Zaheerabad Constituency on Friday with the participation of community representatives, village chairmen, members and local residents. As part of the programme, participants paid floral tributes to the portrait of Korvi Krishna and lit a ceremonial lamp in his memory. Speakers recalled his contributions and said his ideals and service to society should continue to inspire future generations. Taluka Chairman Peddadoddi Shankar participated in the programme and paid tributes to Korvi Krishna. Several chairmen representing different vil-



lages, committee members, local leaders, village elders and youth also took part in the commemorative event. The participants stressed the importance of unity, community development and carrying forward the ideals of Korvi Krishna, particularly among the younger generation. The programme concluded with the participants remembering Korvi Krishna’s legacy and expressing their commitment to work collectively for the welfare and progress of the community.

Congress Workers Clash With Police in Balanagar

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Tension prevailed in Balanagar on Friday afternoon after Congress workers attempted to block the convoy of Kukatpally BRS MLA Madhavram Krishna Rao, leading to a confrontation with police and the detention of several local Congress leaders. The incident occurred as Krishna Rao was travelling to Vinayaknagar to attend a protest meeting organised by BRS former corporator Avula Ravinder Reddy. Anticipating the MLA’s arrival, a group of



Congress workers led by Balanagar Congress Division President Puli Shiva Kumar Goud gathered along the main road. As the convoy approached, the protesters reportedly crossed police barricades and moved onto the road, raising slogans against the BRS MLA and attempting to stop his convoy. The protest disrupted traffic and

created tension in the area. Police personnel intervened immediately, pushing the protesters away from the road and dispersing the gathering. Officers subsequently detained several prominent local Congress leaders as a preventive measure to prevent the situation from escalating further.

Telangana to Expand Dental Care in Govt Hospitals: Damodar Rajanarsimha

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Telangana Medical and Health Minister C. Damodar Rajanarsimha on Friday inaugurated the 32nd National Conference of the Indian Society of Oral Implantologists (ISOI) at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC). The national conference is being held in Hyderabad from September 4 to 6. Addressing the gathering, Rajanarsimha said oral implantology has



emerged as a key component of modern dentistry, going beyond replacement of missing teeth to help improve patients’ chewing ability,

aesthetics, confidence and overall quality of life. The Minister said the Telangana government was strengthening dental

healthcare services in government hospitals and noted that around 50 dental doctors are being recruited as part of efforts to improve access to oral healthcare. Expressing concern over oral cancer, Rajanarsimha stressed the need for greater emphasis on prevention and early detection. He called upon dental professionals to play an active role in increasing public awareness about oral health and encouraging timely screening. The confer-

ence brings together clinicians, academicians, researchers and dental professionals, with scientific discussions focused on advances and emerging technologies in oral implantology. This year’s conference theme focuses on regeneration, restoration and rehabilitation in the digital era. The Minister formally inaugurated the conference by lighting the ceremonial lamp in the presence of ISOI representatives and dental professionals.

Abhinandan Varthaman Joins FLY91 As Commercial Pilot

The former Indian Air Force Group Captain Abhinandan Varthaman (retd), who was conferred the Vir Chakra for shooting down a Pakistani fighter jet during Balakot attack has joined a Goa-based regional airline as a pilot. According to an statement, he joined the airline last month. In February 2019, Gp Capt. Vardhaman, then a Wing Commander, flying his MiG-21 Bison had brought down a Pakistani F16 in a dogfight which had intruded in Indian airspace on February 27, 2019. During the chase then-Wg Cmdr Abhinandan's MiG21 was hit and he had to eject over Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. He was captured and Pakistan's then- Prime Minister Imran Khan announced the next day that Wg Cmdr Abhinandan would be released on March 1 as a "peace gesture".

Uttar Pradesh Floods: Over 17,500 Evacuated, 26 Districts Hit

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

More than 17,500 people have been evacuated to safer places from 26 flood-affected areas in Uttar Pradesh, with no loss of life or livestock reported so far, the state government said on Friday. According to the office of the Relief Commissioner, around 3.53 lakh people have been affected by the floods. As many as 17,544 people have been moved to safer locations, while 4,847 people are currently staying in relief shelters. A total of 1,312 flood shelters have been set up across the state, while 1,634 flood outposts, 1,697 boats and motor-boats and 1,068 medical teams have been deployed in the affected areas, the government said in a statement issued on Friday. The relief machinery



has distributed 72,897 food relief packets and 3,67,551 lunch packets among affected people. More than 5.52 lakh chlorine tablets and 1.87 lakh ORS packets have also been distributed as part of health and sanitation measures. More than 5,000 quintals of fodder have been provided for livestock. Over 45,000 animals have been affected by the floods, but no livestock death has been reported, the statement said. The affected districts are Amroha, Ayodhya, Azamgarh, Ba-

daun, Ballia, Barabanki, Basti, Chandauli, Farrukhabad, Ghazipur, Gonda, Gorakhpur, Hardoi, Kasganj, Kanpur, Lakhimpur Kheri, Mirzapur, Moradabad, Pilibhit, Prayagraj, Raebareli, Rampur, Sant Kabir Nagar, Shahjahanpur, Unnao and Varanasi. In Chitrakoot, the water level of the Mandakini River has receded to 128 metres from its peak of 135.20 metres recorded on August 29, but authorities continue to monitor the situation and relief operations, the government said. As many as 688

people have been evacuated to safer locations, while 13,906 people in 36 affected villages have received assistance. The affected areas include 19 villages in Karwi, seven in Rajapur and 10 in Manikpur. The administration has distributed 28,803 lunch packets and 2,065 relief kits in the affected areas. Eighteen flood shelters are operational, while 28 medical teams equipped with ambulances and medicines have been deployed. The government said 653 houses suffered partial damage in the floods. Financial assistance of Rs 7.52 lakh has been transferred to the accounts of 188 affected beneficiaries, while Rs 1.20 lakh has been provided in a case of complete damage. Payments in other cases are being processed.

Crores In Cash, 100 Kg Ganja Seized From Rented House In Puri; 2 Detained

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

Police on Friday seized around 100 kg of ganja and bundles of cash allegedly running into crores of rupees during a raid on a rented house at Gopalpur village in Puri district, uncovering what investigators suspect could be part of a larger drug-trafficking network. The cash was allegedly found concealed inside the house when police raided the premises to recover ganja that had been packed into 176 separate packets. According to police, two men had rented the house, owned by contractor Chandradhwaj Patra, near the Pharmacy College in the area and were allegedly using it to store and distribute ganja. Acting on specific infor-



mation about the suspected drug trade, personnel of Penthakata police conducted a raid on the premises and detained Kartikeswar Samantaray and Debendra Sahu for questioning. Police suspect that the duo had been supplying ganja after packaging it into smaller consignments. Investigators have also received information that the accused allegedly maintained storage depots at several other locations, prompting police to plan further raids. The source of the seized contraband and its in-

tended destination are yet to be established. Police are also investigating the origin of the cash recovered from the house and whether it was linked to the alleged drug trade. Puri Superintendent of Police Prateek Singh said the police had received information that two persons were using a rented house for ganja-related activities. "We received information that two people were using a rented house for ganja-related activities. They also have past records of involvement in drug-related activities," he said.

Minister Orders Statewide Crackdown On Scrap Autorickshaws

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

Maharashtra Transport Minister Pratap Sarnaik has directed the Motor Vehicles Department to launch a special statewide drive against autorickshaws that have been declared scrap and those illegally ferrying passengers. The crackdown will continue until October 5, with all Regional Transport Offices (RTOs) instructed to conduct inspections and submit action-taken reports. The instructions were issued at a special meeting held at the Transport Commissioner's office on Friday following complaints about the operation of scrapped and unauthorised autorickshaws. Transport Commissioner Rajesh Narvekar, Shashank Rao, president of the Mumbai Autorickshaw-Taximen's Union, and representatives of various rickshaw associations from across the state attended the meeting. The term "scrap autorickshaws" refers to vehicles



that are more than 15 years old and are no longer legally permitted to operate on the roads as they are considered unfit for operation. Mr Rao, who led a delegation that met Mr Sarnaik, submitted a letter demanding that scrap autorickshaws be barred from operating on the roads. Speaking to this newspaper, he claimed that around two lakh scrap autorickshaws were currently plying across Maharashtra, including nearly one lakh in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR). He said the illegal vehicles were affecting the livelihood of nearly 2.80 lakh autorickshaw drivers in Mumbai and its suburbs, besides posing a serious threat to passenger safety. "Scrap autorickshaws are operating in areas such as Bandra Terminus, Shivaji Nagar,

LTT, Malavani and Kurla," Mr Rao said. The union has also demanded that a flying squad be deployed in each district to take action against vehicles illegally ferrying passengers. Mr Sarnaik said passenger safety was the government's top priority and that no leniency would be shown towards dangerous or unauthorised vehicles engaged in passenger transport. He directed officials to identify autorickshaws that had been declared scrap but were being reused, vehicles registered using forged documents, and those violating transport regulations. Authorities have been instructed to impose penalties and initiate stringent administrative action against violators. "I have instructed officials that once they find scrap autorickshaws, they should immediately run a roller over them. The lives of passengers are more important than the financial losses suffered by scrap autorickshaw drivers," Mr Sarnaik said.

Delhi HC Seeks NTA Reply on UGC-NET English Re-Test Challenge

The Delhi High Court has sought a response from the National Testing Agency and the Centre on a plea challenging the decision to re-conduct the UGC-NET June 2026 for the English subject. While the English and Commerce papers will be re-conducted on September 9, the Sociology paper will be held on September 10. Justice Jasmeet Singh issued notice to the Central government and the National Testing Agency (NTA) on a plea by a candidate who appeared in the UGC-NET June 2026 examination. The high court, on August 31, also directed authorities to take a decision regarding refund of the examination fee of the concerned examination. It listed the matter for further hearing on October 6. Petitioner Parul Sheoran sought a court's direction to quash the August 16 notice by the NTA directing re-conduct of the UGC-NET June 2026 examination for English.

Maharashtra Districts Crack Down On High-Decibel DJs, Laser Lights

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Amidst growing opposition to the use of DJ systems during the festive season, several city authorities in Maharashtra have enforced stringent restrictions to curb excessive use of high-decibel DJ systems and laser lights in the processions of the Dahi Handi and Ganeshotsav celebrations. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has instructed district authorities to im-

pose the maximum possible restrictions on such practices following wider public consultations. Citing critical concerns regarding noise pollution and public safety, district administrations across Maharashtra like Nagpur, Navi Mumbai, Solapur and Pune have banned high-decibel DJ systems, modified sound systems, and laser lights ahead of the Dahi Handi and Ganeshotsav festivals. The restrictions specifically target high-decibel sound

configurations, including a complete crackdown on plasma sound systems, pressure mids and high-intensity beam or laser lights. Authorities have warned that any violations will lead to immediate criminal liability, the seizure of sound equipment, fines, and the suspension or revocation of operator licenses. Pune City Police have announced a complete ban on plasma sound systems and pressure mids ahead of the upcoming festive

season, warning that violators will face seizure of sound equipment and legal action under the Noise Pollution Rules. The Pune Police said sound monitoring teams would remain active during the festive season and enforcement would be carried out to ensure compliance with prescribed noise limits while allowing traditional celebrations to continue without causing inconvenience to citizens.

EB-1 Visa Limit Gets Closer, Says US State Dept

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

Indian employment-based green card applicants could face delays after the US state department warned that the EB-1 category for India may become unavailable in the coming weeks if the number of applicants reaches its pro-rated visa limit before the end of the 2026 fiscal year. The warning, which appeared in the September 2026 Visa Bulletin, stated that

if the limit was reached, the category could be declared "Unavailable," meaning no further visa numbers would be issued until availability changes or at the beginning of the new fiscal year. However, the family-sponsored visa classes saw major advancements in the filing dates and final action dates. The F4 family visa, which is issued to the brothers and sisters of US citizens, has advanced by almost five years, from November 1

of 2006 to October 22 of 2011. Additionally, the F1 visa, allotted to unmarried sons and daughters of US citizens, has advanced by almost two years, from December 15, 2018 to January 22, 2020. The F2B visas, issued to unmarried sons and daughters of permanent residents, advanced by one year and eight months from January 1, 2018 to August 22, 2019, and the F3 visa, issued to married sons and daughters of US citizens, advanced by

more than two years from May 15, 2012 to October 22, 2014. In the filing category, the F3 visa advanced by almost 3 years from March 1, 2012, to November 1, 2014. The F1 visa advanced by almost a year from June 15, 2019, to February 1, 2020, and the F2B visa advanced from January 1, 2019, to September 1, 2019. The F4 visa saw no change, still applying from December 15, 2006.

FROM FRONT PAGE

Revanth Fast.....

The Chief Minister directed the officials to closely monitor the progress and ensure that there was no delay in implementation. Earlier in the day, Revanth Reddy inspected work at the Hakimpet education hub and reviewed the progress of various educational and healthcare institutions coming up there. He enquired about the status of the Young India Integrated Residential School, government medical and nursing colleges, institutes for physiotherapy and paramedical sciences, the 430-bed hospital and other structures being constructed in the hub. The Chief Minister also reviewed the progress of roads and buildings (R&B) works in the Kodangal Assembly constituency. Officials

briefed him on road connectivity, construction of government buildings, bridges and other infrastructure projects being taken up in the constituency. Revanth Reddy directed the officials to expedite all road connectivity and building construction works and ensure that infrastructure projects were completed within the stipulated timelines. He specifically instructed them to develop a comprehensive road network connecting every tribal habitation or thanda in the constituency.

Akhilesh, CJP Meet....

After police had resorted to a lathi-charge during the CJP's agitation at Delhi's Jantar Mantar, SP leaders, including party MP Dimple Yadav and Azamgarh MP Dharmendra

Yadav, reached the protest site to express solidarity with the protesting students. Yadav has also spoken on several occasions in support of the student movement being pursued by the CJP. In a social media post, Mr Rajbhar used a series of sarcastic references to target Samajwadi Party chief and questioned whether he had lost faith in his party's organisational machinery. "The TV shows that the 'red' spray is meant to eliminate cockroaches, but here, the 'red' ones themselves are seeking help from the cockroaches?" the UP minister said.

Waste-to-Power.....

The CFA also questioned the Telangana government's plans for a new 4,000 tonnes per day WTE

and waste facility at Siddapur in Rangareddy district, "under the euphemistic Eco-Town moniker." It said the proposed plant was reclassified under CPCB's 2025 'Blue' category, thereby allowing it to bypass mandatory public hearings and environmental impact assessments (EIA) for industries in other CPCB categories. Villagers in and around Siddapur, it said, fear Jawaharnagar-style heavy metal contamination and air pollution. The CFA also said that the 'Blue' category reclassification "severely weakens the Telangana Pollution Control Board's ability to hold WTE operators accountable." In real terms, this regulatory 'blue-washing' shields failed operators from environmental compensation, strips local communities of their

statutory right to public consultation, and deepens ecological injustice while locking public funds into unviable incineration infrastructure instead of decentralized biomethanation and circular waste solutions, the CFA said.

India's First 'Sentient..

The Campus' eco-efficient design will maximise natural breeze and daylight while reducing cooling requirements. The Campus will operate on renewable energy and target 80% water recycling, rainwater harvesting and zero waste. It's biophilic design will bring nature into the workplace through extensive green zones, including rare Ayurvedic gardens, Miyawaki and replanted native forests. Native species from Maharashtra will be

used to support biodiversity. The Campus will be supported by floor and cluster-level monitoring of air quality and temperature. An integrated employee app will provide access to campus facilities, including navigation, parking and bookings. The Campus will also have an integrated medical centre offering telemedicine and emergency response services, along with dedicated wellness support. Sanjiv Bajaj, Chairman & Managing Director, Bajaj Finserv, said, "Built to global LEED and IGBC standards, the Campus will combine eco-efficient and biophilic designs with AI-driven systems and operate entirely on renewable energy. The Campus will be a testament to a tech-ready future and to India's growing financial.

CRIME

AIMIM Leader’s Murder Solved
Police Cite Black Magic Superstition as Motive

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Falaknuma police have cracked the murder of 53-year-old AIMIM local functionary and real estate dealer Md Mahboob Ali, arresting seven people, including a juvenile, in connection with the crime. Police said the murder was allegedly driven by a superstitious belief that Ali was involved in black magic. Ali, who served as the AIMIM Vattepally area in-charge, was attacked near Almas Hotel in Vattepally on the night of August 30. He was stabbed by a group of assailants and was rushed to a hospital in Shalibanda, where he was declared dead at around 10.30 pm. According to Rajendrana-



Falaknuma police said they solved the murder of AIMIM functionary Md Mahboob Ali and arrested seven accused, including a juvenile. Rajendranagar DCP S Srinivas said the killing was allegedly planned after the main accused, Mirza Mohsin Baig, suspected Ali of performing black magic. Police said six knives were procured for the attack. The accused were arrested, produced before court and remanded in judicial custody.

gar DCP S Srinivas, the investigation identified Mirza Mohsin Baig as the alleged main accused. Police said Mohsin suspected that Ali had performed black magic, which he believed was responsible for his mother’s prolonged illness and the death of his uncle. Acting on this belief, Mohsin allegedly conspired with his cousin Mohammed Imran Ahmad and their associates Md Naseer, Shaik Akram, Md

Abrar Ali, Md Sami and a juvenile to eliminate Ali. Police said the accused allegedly procured six knives and tracked Ali before launching the attack near Almas Hotel. The coordinated investigation subsequently led police to identify and apprehend all seven accused. The accused were arrested on Thursday and produced before a court on Friday. They were subsequently remanded in ju-

dicial custody. Police seized six knives allegedly used in the attack, along with two two-wheelers and three mobile phones believed to be connected to the case. Authorities said the investigation exposed how superstition and unfounded beliefs allegedly culminated in a fatal attack, highlighting the dangers posed by irrational beliefs and vigilante actions.

EAGLE Force Busts Vape Network in Madhapur, 3 Arrested

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Wakeup telangana

The Telangana EAGLE Force, along with Madhapur Police, busted an alleged network selling banned e-cigarettes and vapes during raids at two outlets in Madhapur and Durgam Cheruvu on Thursday. Police seized 152 e-cigarettes, 34 packets of foreign cigarettes, three scanners and ₹9,500 cash from the outlets. Three employees — Mohammed Raihan Khan



(24), Mohammad Zubair (25) and Ashiq (28) — were arrested. The alleged owners, Aboobakar Siddiqui and Rameez, are reportedly absconding. According to police, the outlets allegedly sold vapes through a website and WhatsApp, with payments made

through QR codes and products delivered through delivery platforms. Investigators have reportedly identified hundreds of customers who purchased the banned products. Police registered cases under relevant provisions of the BNS, Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes Act, COTPA and Juvenile Justice Act. Further investigation is underway to trace the alleged owners and identify others involved in the supply network.

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.

Cyberabad Police seek driving licence cancellation of Anand Sai’s son in hit-and-run case

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

The Cyberabad Police have moved to suspend the driving licence of B Shiva Sandeep Sai Anand (23), son of art director and TTD board member Anand Sai, in connection with the fatal road accident reported near Khajaguda. Madhapur ACP Sridhar has reportedly written to the Regional Transport Authority (RTA), recommending cancellation of Sandeep’s driving licence as the investigation into the crash continues. The accident

occurred on August 31 morning, on the road connecting the Nanakramguda ORR Rotary and Khajaguda. Police said one Nanda Kishor Kumar Ray, a Bihar native working as a helper at a hotel in Raidurgam, was crossing the road when he was struck by a vehicle. According to the police, Zaid Shah Qadri (21), a student who was driving an Innova Crysta, stopped after the initial collision and attempted to help Ray. Another person, Syed Amer Hussain, also stopped to assist.

IED Blast In Karreguttalu Hills Claims Tribal Man’s Life

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A tribal community man was killed when an improvised explosive device (IED) exploded in the Karreguttalu hills, which has been declared Maoist-free. Police said the victim, Madakam Nageswara Rao, 55, of Nugur Colony in Venkatapuram mandal, had gone towards the Karreguttalu and Pamunuru hills on Wednesday along with five others to collect bamboo. They reportedly left their homes on Monday along with provisions

for three days. While returning with the bamboo, Nageswara Rao reportedly stepped on an IED planted along a forest path, triggering a powerful explosion. He sustained critical injuries and collapsed in a pool of blood. Despite the darkness, his companions refused to abandon him. They fashioned a makeshift sling using lungis and dhotis and, with the help of a doli, carried the injured man for several kilometres through the forest towards the Palem project area.

Revenge killing: 3 held for murder of auto driver in Hyderabad

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Wakeup telangana

Mailardevpally Police arrested three persons for allegedly murdering auto driver Mohammed Abdul Rauf over a grudge linked to the death of one accused’s younger brother in Karnataka in 2024. According to DCP Rajendranagar, the murder occurred on September 2 within Mailardevpally police limits. Police arrested Mohammed Javed alias Hekla Javed, Mohammed Abdullah and Shaik Arif. Police said Javed alleg-



edly suspected Rauf’s involvement in the death of his younger brother Sajid in Karnataka on May 19, 2024. He also allegedly claimed that Rauf had threatened and mocked him and his associates,

following which they planned the attack. The accused allegedly intercepted Rauf while he was travelling in his auto around 11 pm. Police said they used pepper spray before stabbing him with

knives, causing fatal injuries. After the attack, the accused allegedly fled and discarded the weapons, blood-stained clothes and pepper spray bottles near Palle Cheruvu. Police apprehended the trio around 6 am on September 4 near Aramghar while they were allegedly attempting to flee towards Basavakalyan in Karnataka. Rauf’s mobile phone and other articles were recovered from Javed. Police said Javed is involved in 180 cases, while Arif and Abdullah have three and one cases respectively.

EDITORIAL

IS LATEST JOINT SECY REJIG PAVING ROAD TO 2029?

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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 don’t grow because policy says so. They grow when businesses can actually set up shop without getting lost in paperwork.



RBI to conduct Rs 7 lakh cr 30-day variable rate reverse repo auction on Sep 7

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The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Friday said it will conduct a 30-day variable rate reverse repo (VRRR) auction for a notified amount of Rs 7 lakh crore on September 7, according to the notification. The auction will take place on September 7, between 9.30 am and 10.00 am. The reversal of these funds will take place on October 7. “On a review of the current and evolving liquidity conditions, it has been decided to conduct a Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR) auction on Monday, September 7, 2026,” the RBI said in

a release. The excess liquidity in the banking system is estimated to be in surplus of around Rs 10.32 lakh crore as on September 3. The central bank also said participants will have the option of premature reversal of the amount lent, including partial reversal, the RBI said. Requests for premature reversal can be placed through the E-Kuber portal during 0900-1700 hours on working days in Mumbai and must also be intimidated by email to the Financial Markets Operations Department. Settlement of premature reversal will take place at the start of the



next working day following the date of the request. Participants can seek premature reversal at least two working days before the original reversal date. On the scheduled reversal date, the participant’s current account with the RBI will be credited with the principal amount and accrued interest for the lending period, while the securities offered as collateral by the RBI will be debited from the participant’s reverse repo constit-

uent SGL account. Today, the RBI absorbed over Rs 6.02 lakh crore from the banking system through two VRRR auctions as surplus liquidity remained at a record high. The RBI has stepped up liquidity absorption operations as the banking system has been flooded with funds following large inflows through the special FCNR(B) deposit scheme. The RBI’s special forex measures mobilised USD 136.38 billion by August 31, including USD 127.23 billion through FCNR(B) deposits, USD 5.26 billion through OFCBs and USD 3.89 billion via

ECBs, according to the RBI’s data. The FCNR(B) window was closed a month early on August 31 due to the strong response, while the ECB/OFCB facility remains open till December 31 and inflows through these routes are expected to pick up. The mobilisation brought foreign currency into the banking system, while the subsequent swaps with the RBI provided rupee liquidity to banks. In order to align with the repo rate, the central bank 32 VRRR auctions between August and so far in September, with a maturity ranging between overnight and 14 days.

India, Belgium should collaborate on lab-grown diamonds: Piyush

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana



Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal on Friday suggested India and Belgium should work together on the lab-grown diamonds front. Speaking at a high-level dialogue on the India-European Union Free Trade Agreement (FTA) in the presence of visiting Belgian Prime Minister Bart De Wever, Goyal said the two countries need to work on technology and certification aspects of lab-grown diamonds. Outlining gems and jewellery as the top area where the two economies complement each other, Goyal said, “Let us co-create, design, maybe lab-grown diamonds would be a new area we should look at working together in.” The initiative can be anchored in Antwerp, a major marketplace for rough dia-

monds, and in Mumbai and Surat, Indian cities at the forefront of diamond polishing. Earlier in the day, Wever inaugurated a Belgian diamond grading company HRD Antwerp’s expanded facility at the Bharat Diamond Bourse, which will increase research capacity by 30 per cent, as per an official statement. The visiting PM said while the India-EU FTA signed in January this year will scrap or reduce tariffs on 95 per cent of Indian and European goods exports, there is a case for going down to zero as well, certainly in the case of diamonds. Speaking about the pact,

the visiting PM said, “It is an expression of strategic openness. It is an expression of the willingness to trust. It is the proof of mutual respect. It makes our economies resilient against disruption and against coercion.” “Our cooperation is directed towards an international order that is more stable, more prosperous and better in balance,” he said. Without taking any names, Wever flagged the growing number of people who want barriers to go up, who formulate policies arbitrarily without any economic logic. “More and more voices today are calling for barriers to go up, for markets to be shut off, for tariffs to be imposed. Some do this entirely arbitrarily. They decide something on Monday, they revoke it on Wednesday, they reinstall it on Saturday,” he said to loud applause.

LVPEI Urges People to Pledge Eyes During 41st Eye Donation

HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

The L V Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI) has urged people to pledge their eyes and help restore sight to those suffering from corneal blindness as the 41st National Eye Donation Fortnight is being observed from August 25 to September 8. More than two million Indians are affected by corneal blindness, with around 60% of those affected being below 12 years of age. Corneal diseases, injuries and infec-

tions can cause the cornea to become opaque, leading to severe or complete vision loss. Corneal transplantation remains the only established treatment for corneal blindness. Despite the significant need, corneal donations in India currently meet only about one-fourth of the requirement. LVPEI officials said lack of awareness, along with myths and fears surrounding eye donation, continues to limit donations. Dr Sunita Chaurasia,



Medical Director, Ramayamma International Eye Bank, Kallam Anji Reddy Campus, L V Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad

only after death and requires the consent of family members. She urged those pledging their eyes to inform their families and request them to honour their wishes after their death. LVPEI collects donated corneas through voluntary donations by families of deceased persons, including through its Hospital-based Cornea Retrieval Program. Grief counsellors and trained cornea recovery technicians work with partner hospitals to counsel families and facilitate dona-

tions based on medical suitability. Since 1989, the LVPEI Eye Bank Network has collected more than 1,70,626 donor corneas and distributed corneas both within and outside its network for transplant surgeries. The network operates eye banks in Hyderabad, Bhubaneswar, Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada and Kadapa. As part of Eye Donation Fortnight, LVPEI is conducting awareness programmes to highlight the importance of eye donation and encourage

people to pledge their eyes after death. LVPEI, established in 1987, provides comprehensive eye care and is a WHO Collaborating Centre for the Prevention of Blindness. The institute said more than half of its services are provided entirely free of cost, irrespective of the complexity of treatment. Eye Donation Helplines: Hyderabad: 9849545822; Bhubaneswar: 9337704637; Visakhapatnam: 9440821919; Vijayawada: 9642351513.

KCR Has Been in Deep Slumber for a Thousand Days: Motha Rohit Mudiraj



HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

Under the leadership of Khairatabad District Congress President Motha Rohith Mudiraj, a rally was organised from Gandhi Bhavan to Gun Park to protest against the conduct of former Chief Minister and BRS chief K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR). As part of the protest, a huge cutout of Kumbhakarna featuring KCR’s photograph was erected as a unique form of protest. Congress leaders said, “KCR, who has distanced himself from the people and confined himself to

his farmhouse, has been in deep slumber for the past thousand days. KCR, who has failed to pay attention to people’s problems, should resign from his MLA post at least now,” they demanded. Government Adviser V. Hanuman Rao, former corporators Ramana Goud, Santosh Gupta and Sangeeta Yadav, senior leaders Pandit Tiwari and Kanayya Lal, Youth Congress District Presidents Haridhar and Rahul, along with Youth Congress and NSUI divisional presidents and other leaders, participated in the programme.

CBIT Hosts Pre-Conference Workshop Ahead of CIS 2026



NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT), Hyderabad, successfully conducted the Pre-Conference Workshop of the 7th Congress on Intelligent Systems (CIS 2026) on September 4. The workshop was organised as part of the academic collaboration between CBIT and NIT Warangal, bringing together researchers, academicians and technology professionals. CBIT Principal Prof. C. V. Narasimhulu delivered the welcome address and highlighted the institution’s academic and research initiatives. Prof. V. Barla, Advisor-IIC, spoke about the NIT Warangal-CBIT collaboration, while Dr. T. Sudhakar Babu briefed participants on the work-

shop. The inaugural session featured Chief Guest Dr. Bayya Yegnanarayana, Distinguished Professor, IIT Hyderabad, who spoke on the relationship between success and algorithms. He stressed that experience, experimentation, creativity and human judgment play a crucial role in achieving successful outcomes. Technical sessions included a keynote address by Dr. P. Syamkumar of IDRBT and a tutorial by Prof. Earnest Paul Ijjina of NIT Warangal. Research papers were presented under the Intelligence Systems in Medical Cyber Physical Systems track. Thodupunoori Aashritha of TKR College won the Best Paper Award. The workshop concluded with closing remarks and lunch.

‘Can We Trust AI to Act?’ New Book Examines Future of Enterprise AI

Flt. Lt. Bipin Pendyala, President, HYSEA; releases the book - Trust Before Intelligence!

NEW DELHI Wakeup telangana

HYSEA President Flt. Lt. Bipin Pendyala on Saturday released “Trust Before Intelligence: Why 95% of AI Pilots Fail, How 5% Succeed,” authored by Ram Dhan Yadav Katamaraja, CEO of Colaberry, at T-Hub, Gachibowli. The book focuses on a crucial challenge facing enterprises as artificial intelligence evolves from predictive systems to autonomous AI agents capable of making decisions and taking actions. The programme, hosted by Colaberry and CaiRL, was attended by business and technology leaders, including Colaberry Managing Director and CaiRL Co-Founder Rama Mohan. The discussions centred on a key question for organisations adopting agentic AI: Can AI be trusted enough to act independently? Speaking at the launch, Flt. Lt. Bipin Pendyala said trust would be fundamental to the successful



adoption of AI agents. As companies increasingly replace human interactions with AI-driven systems, organisations must create confidence among users rather than expecting consumers to simply accept new technology. He said AI agents were inevitable and predicted that governments could introduce regulatory frameworks for their use in sectors including finance, healthcare, banking and accounting over the next three to five years. Author Ram Katamaraja said enterprise AI was no longer only about whether AI was intelligent enough, but whether organisations could trust it enough to allow it to act. Drawing from nearly 15 years of experience in data science, machine learning and AI, he said the book examines why many AI pilots fail to reach production and identifies trust, governance and accountability as critical factors. The book presents three frameworks focused on evaluating whether AI agents are trustworthy, continuously monitoring and holding them accountable, and developing enterprise architecture and infrastructure capable of supporting trusted AI agents at scale. A fireside chat featuring Bala Prasad Peddigari and Dr. Rajesh Dhuddu explored “AI Agents in the

Real World: From Reasoning to Action,” covering multi-agent systems, MCP and A2A interoperability, Physical AI and human oversight. A leadership panel featuring Dr. Ratnakar Palakodeti, Rajesh Gali Mangara, Sowjanya Ananthuni, Flt. Lt. Bipin Pendyala and Ram Katamaraja discussed autonomous supply chains, agentic logistics and accountability when AI systems make consequential decisions. Katamaraja is the founder and CEO of Colaberry and has developed the INPACT™ Framework and GOALS™ methodology for AI-agent infrastructure.

30 Women Complete 31-Day Tailoring Training at Canara Bank RSETI Bhongir



HYDERABAD Wakeup telangana

A 31-day Women’s Tailoring Training Programme conducted by Canara Bank Rural Self Employment Training Institute (RSETI), Yadadri at Bhongir, concluded successfully, with 30 women completing the training. The programme focused on providing participants with practical tailoring and garment-making skills that could help them take up self-employment, establish tailoring units or generate income from their

homes. During the month-long programme, the trainees received hands-on exposure to various aspects of tailoring and garment making. The initiative was aimed not merely at teaching a skill but at encouraging rural women to develop the confidence required to turn their training into a sustainable livelihood. The successful completion of the batch marks another step in RSETI Bhongir’s efforts to promote skill development, entrepreneurship and economic empowerment among rural women.

Romanchakam Review: A Patchy Love Story That Gets Some Laughs but Misses the Thrill

Cast: Sumanth Prabhas, Ananthika Sanilkumar, Upendra Limaye, Narendra Ravi, Mani Aegurla, Venkatesh Kakumanu, Sai Sohan, K. V. Anudeep and others
Director: Venu Gopal Reddy

Romanchakam, produced by director Sandeep Reddy Vanga's banner, arrives with some curiosity because of its association with the production house behind Arjun Reddy. The film attempts to blend romance, comedy and thriller elements, but the result is uneven. While the lead pair and a few friendship-driven comedy scenes work reasonably well, the romance lacks emotional depth and the suspense fails to generate the intended impact. Sumanth Prabhas plays a young man who falls in love with Ananthika Sanilkumar through an online connection. Their relationship develops through conversations before she decides to travel to Hyderabad. However, the story takes a darker



turn when Ananthika's character, Mythili, suddenly goes missing, leaving Sumanth and his friends desperate to find out what happened. Sumanth Prabhas is one of the film's positives. He fits comfortably into the role of a young lover and brings an easy charm to the character. His chemistry with Ananthika works better in the initial portions. Ananthika looks appealing and delivers a decent performance, although her character is not given enough depth. Despite spending considerable time establishing their relationship, the writing does not create enough emotional investment in

the couple. The film's more enjoyable stretches come from the friendship track. Sumanth and his group of friends share some entertaining conversations, particularly during their drinking sessions. Narendra Ravi and Venkatesh Kakumanu make these portions lively, while the buddy comedy provides the film with much-needed energy whenever the central narrative slows down. The missing-person storyline attempts to introduce suspense, but the thriller element remains underwhelming. The audience is made to wait for answers about Mythili's disappearance, yet the

eventual revelation does not deliver the shock or emotional payoff expected from the build-up. Upendra Limaye, following his comic role in Sankrantiki Vasthunam, once again plays a humorous cop. He gets a few amusing moments, but the performance feels familiar rather than fresh. The repeated references to "Gen Z" also do little to make the film genuinely contemporary. At its core, Romanchakam remains a fairly conventional romantic story, with limited freshness in its writing. The first half benefits from the friends' banter, but the second half struggles to balance romance, comedy and suspense. Overall, Romanchakam has a likeable lead performance and some entertaining comedy stretches, but its weak emotional connect and ineffective thriller track prevent it from becoming a compelling romantic entertainer. Verdict: A patchy love story with a few laughs, but not enough romance or thrill to leave a lasting impact.

Shehnaaz Gill on exploring Bengali culture through 'Singh Vs Kaur 2': 'I enjoyed it a lot'

MUMBAI
Wakeup telangana

Actress Shehnaaz Gill has opened up about her character Jasneet Kaur in "Singh Vs Kaur 2." Speaking exclusively to IANS, she shared what made portraying the Bengali-rooted character an interesting experience for her. Jasneet Kaur comes from a Bengali background, while the story of the film travels across Punjab, Kolkata, and Canada. Speaking about the character, Shehnaaz shared that the role gave her an opportunity to explore different cultures, languages, and personalities. Gill stated, "It was a lot of fun, and it was a very interesting character. And I enjoyed living in that culture. And seriously, when you watch the film, the way we have presented Kolkata so beautifully, you will find it very interesting. When you watch the film on 11th September, you tell me how much you found my character interesting. I enjoyed it a lot." Shehnaaz has opened up about being part of the 'Singh vs Kaur 2' franchise and addressed the possibility of comparisons with the first film.



The actress said she does not feel any pressure, as her character Jasmeet is different from the one portrayed in the original. The actress explained that while the first installment featured a different character named Jasmeet, the sequel introduces her in the role. "I think, as far as comparisons are concerned, in Singh Vs Kaur, the first character was a girl named Jasmeet, who was someone else. Now, it's me. So, I don't have any pressure about this at all. And I don't think there will be any point of comparison because, of course, some things have a lot of impact on the audience's minds. But when people see me, trust me, they will fall in love with me too," said Shehnaaz. Directed by Navaniat Singh, 'Singh Vs Kaur 2' stars Gippy Grewal and Shehnaaz Gill in the lead roles. The film is slated for a worldwide release on September 11, 2026.

Mahalakshmi Ramanna Goud Encourages Young Karate Athletes



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Former Himayatnagar Corporator Mahalakshmi Ramanna Goud congratulated and encouraged students of GVR Karate Academy who are participating in the Taika Open National Karate Championships being held at Gachibowli Stadium in Hyderabad on September 5 and 6. A total of 26 students, comprising 14 girls and 12 boys, from the academy are taking part in the national-level championship. The participants will compete across different age categories in both Black Belt and Colour Belt divisions. The details were announced by Dr. G. S.

Gopal Reddy, Director of GVR Karate Academy. Mahalakshmi Ramanna Goud met the selected students and conveyed her best wishes ahead of the competitions, urging them to perform with confidence and bring laurels to Telangana. Speaking on the occasion, Mahalakshmi Ramanna Goud said students are the backbone of the nation and stressed that sports should receive equal importance alongside education. She observed that participation in sports and other extra-curricular activities helps children develop confidence, discipline and a positive outlook. She particularly highlighted the importance of self-defence training for

girls and women, stating that recent incidents in society underline the need for women to acquire skills that can help them protect themselves and respond confidently during challenging situations. She urged the young karate participants to give their best and win medals for Telangana, thereby bringing pride and honour to the state. The programme was attended by Vijitha Reddy, retired Principal of Madapati Hanumantha Rao Girls' High School, along with Black Belts Amrutha Reddy, Ghana Santoshi Reddy and Avignya Venka Reddy. Parents of the participating students were also present and extended their support to the young athletes.

Sabalenka Interrupts US Open Match Over Cannabis Smell

NEW YORK
Wakeup telangana

World No. 1 Aryna Sabalenka experienced an unusual interruption during her US Open third-round match on Friday after a strong smell of cannabis drifted onto the Louis Armstrong Stadium court. Sabalenka, the tournament's top seed, was facing Uzbekistan's Kamilla Rakhimova when she paused play during her second service game to alert chair umpire Eva Asderaki-Moore. Sabalenka had made a quick start, moving 3-0 ahead, when she noticed the strong odour. "Someone is smoking weed," Sabalenka told the umpire while serving at 30-0. She then asked whether officials could address the issue, saying the smell was particularly strong. Play subsequently resumed, and Sabalenka maintained her focus to defeat Rak-



himova in straight sets and advance to the fourth round. Speaking to reporters after the match, Sabalenka said she was not opposed to people enjoying themselves but urged spectators to avoid smoking near the tennis courts. "I was like, Guys, you can do whatever, you can smoke whatever, you can relax as much as you can, but please do not do it around the tennis courts," Sabalenka said with a

smile. She explained that the smell could make it difficult for players to concentrate while competing at the highest level. Sabalenka said she had noticed the smell of cannabis during the tournament before, but Friday's incident was particularly strong. She suggested that windy conditions may have carried the odour into the stadium from outside the venue or from the surrounding

crowd. The presence of cannabis smoke has previously been reported as an unwelcome distraction at the US Open. Although smoking is prohibited inside the tournament grounds, recreational cannabis use is legal for adults aged 21 and over in New York. Smoke from areas around Flushing Meadows-Corona Park can occasionally drift toward the tennis complex. World No. 3 Jes-

sica Pegula, who was playing at nearby Arthur Ashe Stadium at the same time, also acknowledged the issue. Pegula said the chaotic atmosphere was part of New York's character but argued that factors outside the match should not interfere with players' performances. She also addressed concerns surrounding influencers and content creators at major tennis events, saying spectators should understand basic tennis etiquette. On the cannabis issue, Pegula was more direct: "You probably just shouldn't do that. I feel like that should be a known thing." The incident has once again highlighted the challenges players face in maintaining concentration amid the increasingly lively atmosphere surrounding the US Open.

Telangana Congress Stage Protests

Demands KCR Attend Assembly

Telangana Congress leaders staged a protest against BRS chief KCR, accusing him of remaining away from public and legislative activities and demanding that he attend Assembly sessions or resign.

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Telangana Congress leaders on Friday staged a protest against former Chief Minister and BRS president K Chandrashekar Rao, demanding that he regularly attend Assembly sessions and perform his responsibilities as Leader of the Opposition or resign from the post.

The protestors took out a march from the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) headquarters at Gandhi Bhavan to Gun Park. During the demonstration, Congress leaders displayed a large poster portraying KCR as “Kumbhakarna”, alleging that he had remained away from public and legislative activities for an



extended period. They used the term as a political jibe, saying “K” stood for Kumbhakarna, “C” for Chandrashekar and “R” for Rao. Khairatabad District Congress Committee (DCC) president Motha Rohit alleged that KCR had failed to discharge his responsibilities towards the people of Telangana despite holding the constitutional po-

sition of Leader of the Opposition. “The people of Telangana have given him the responsible position of Leader of the Opposition. But for the past thousand days, he has not come out. He is sleeping in his farmhouse. We demand that he come out and represent the people of Telangana,” Rohit said. Congress leaders also al-



leged that KCR continued to receive a salary and enjoy security facilities while remaining largely away from public and legislative engagements. The allegations were made as part of the party’s broader criticism of the former Chief Minister. Rohit further accused KCR and his son, BRS working president K T Rama Rao, of failing to

fulfil several promises made during their decade in power. He also levelled allegations of corruption against the previous BRS government. Rohit said the Congress government, led by Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, had completed 1,000 days in office and claimed that it had fulfilled most of its electoral commitments. He asserted that the remaining promises would also be implemented. The Congress leader said the protest was aimed at highlighting what the party described as the BRS leadership’s failure to function as a responsible Opposition at a time when Telangana was witnessing political debate over the government’s performance.

CMC launches Re-collect app for disposal of construction debris

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) has launched the Re-Collect app to streamline the collection and responsible disposal of construction and demolition (C&D) waste across its jurisdiction. The civic body announced the initiative on Friday, September 4, urging residents not to dump construction debris on roads, footpaths, open spaces or other unauthorised locations. Instead, residents can use the app to schedule a collection from their premises. In a post on X, the CMC said the Re-Collect app would make C&D waste collection simpler and more organised. The initiative is aimed at encouraging residents, particularly those constructing or



renovating homes, to adopt responsible waste-disposal practices. Residents can download the Re-Collect app from the Google Play Store and book a collection in a few steps. Once a request is placed, CMC’s authorised collection system will facilitate the removal of construction and demolition debris from the specified location. The move is expected to help address the problem of indiscriminate dump-

ing of construction waste, which can obstruct roads and footpaths and contribute to an unclean urban environment. The CMC’s latest initiative follows another appeal made by the civic body a day earlier concerning the disposal of bulky household waste. It had asked residents to schedule the collection of old furniture, mattresses, wooden items and other bulky materials instead of leaving them in public spaces. The civic body had also shared a QR code through which residents could schedule bulky-waste collection every Saturday. With the Re-Collect app, the CMC is seeking to make waste management more convenient for residents while promoting cleaner roads, public spaces and a greener Cyberabad.

Warangal Congress MLC Saraiah dares Konda Surekha to resign, contest as Independent

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Senior Congress leader MLC Baswaraju Saraiah has challenged former Minister Konda Surekha to quit her MLA post and contest against him as an independent candidate from Warangal (East) Assembly segment. This, he said, was in reference to reported remarks made by Surekha against the MLC wherein she said even his own wife would not vote for him. The MLC said that he was ready to

contest as an independent and told the ex-Minister to do the same. Speaking to the media here on Friday, Saraiah noted that the dismissal of Surekha from the State Cabinet was entirely her own doing and there was nothing wrong with it. The party high command would not tolerate anyone who speaks against the party leadership violating the party discipline. The party leadership acted against a senior leader like Dr. G Chinna Reddy, dropping him from the position of Vice-

Chairman of the Telangana State Planning Board and even Indira Gandhi was once suspended from the party for violating the party rules, he said. Stating that it was inappropriate to criticise Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy and the party leaders, the MLC alleged that Konda Murali and his wife Surekha were used to engage in blackmail politics; blackmailing members of whichever party they belong to was second nature to them.

Bengal native arrested in Hyderabad with 91 gram heroin

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

A man from West Bengal was arrested in Hyderabad for allegedly peddling heroin, with the Telangana Excise Department’s Special Task Force (STF) seizing 91 grams of the contraband valued at around ₹9 lakh. The accused was identified as Anu SK, a native of Malda district in West Bengal. According to excise officials, he allegedly procured heroin in bulk from West Bengal at a comparatively lower price



and transported it to Hyderabad for sale. Officials said Anu had been staying in a rented accommodation in the city, where he allegedly repacked the heroin into small packets

using silver foil. Each packet reportedly contained around one gram of the drug, which he allegedly sold to consumers for ₹10,000 per gram. Acting on credible information,

an STF team led by Inspector Venkateshwarlu, under the directions of Deputy Superintendent of Police Tula Srinivasa Rao, conducted a raid at the suspect’s rented accommodation. The team allegedly caught Anu while he was engaged in selling heroin. In a video shared on social media, the accused reportedly admitted that he had brought heroin from West Bengal and had been selling it in Hyderabad for about a week. The STF seized 91 grams of heroin from his posses-

sion and subsequently handed over the accused along with the seized contraband to the Gandipet Excise Station for further investigation. Inspector Venkateshwarlu said further investigation was underway to determine the source of the drug and identify others who may be involved in the supply and distribution network. Authorities are also examining whether Anu had been operating independently or as part of a wider interstate drug trafficking network.



BRS leaders and activists stage a protest at King Darbar in Monda Market, Secunderabad, opposing the Congress government’s “1,000 Days of Administration” and raising slogans against its performance.

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Krishna Swamy’s Services Continue to Inspire Society: Neerudu Ashok

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Hyderabad’s first Mayor, late Koravi Krishna Swamy Mudiraj, rendered exemplary services to society, which continue to inspire the present generation, said Telangana State Human Rights and Social Justice president and Janata Congress State general secretary Neerudu Ashok Kumar Mudiraj. Ashok Mudiraj paid floral tributes to Krishna Swamy’s statue near JBS on Friday to mark his birth anniversary. Speaking on the occasion, he recalled Krishna



Swamy’s contributions and said his dedication to public service remains a source of inspiration for society. He urged the youth to follow Krishna Swamy’s ideals and work towards the welfare and development of society. Arun Kumar, Gomathi, Gadi Srinivas Mudiraj, Praveen and others joined Ashok Mudiraj in paying tributes to the former Mayor.

Dhoolpet: Traffic curbs from Sept 5-14 for Ganesh idol transport

HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Traffic diversions have been announced from September 5 to September 14, in view of the sale, purchase, and transport of Ganesh idols from Dhoolpet. General traffic will not be allowed from Bhoiguda Kaman to Gandhi Statue and vice versa, said Joel

Davis, Hyderabad City Traffic Joint Commissioner of Police, in a release on Friday, September 4. Vehicles coming in to take Ganesh idols must enter Dhoolpet from Gandhi Statue and Puranapool and exit from Bhoiguda Kaman X Roads. General commuters, including lorries entering the area from Puranapool

and Gandhi Statue intending to go towards the Mangalhat side, will be diverted towards Takkarwadi T Junction, Jinsi Chowrahi, and Ghode-ke-khabar. Motorists from Seetarambagh en route towards Mangalhat, Puranapool will be diverted at Bhoiguda Kaman towards Aghapura, Ghode Ki Khabar, Jinsi Chowrahi, Takkar-

wadi T Junction, Jumeeratbazar, and Puranapool. Traffic moving from Darusalam towards Puranapool via Mangalhat will be diverted at Aghapura towards Mahalaxmi Tiffin Centre, Ghode Ke Khabar, and Takkarwadi T Junction. Lorries transporting idols should be parked at the Jummerath Bazar ground,

as they will be allowed to take the idols only after 10 pm, police said. Those vehicles are directed to park on 100 Feet Road, Puranapool. In case of heavy rains, the police said the vehicles have to be stationed on MJ Bridge Road towards Jummerath Bazar Road in a single line up to Jummerath Bazar Parking Area.

Dengue, Malaria Cases Rise in Banjara Hills Amid Mosquito Menace



HYDERABAD
Wakeup telangana

Mosquito menace has intensified across Banjara Hills, raising concern among residents over the spread of dengue, malaria and other fevers. Social activist Gokula Kalyan Rao said several areas, including Road No. 1, Lake Kundla Cheruvu, Ministers’ Quarters, Prem Nagar, Gouri Shankar Nagar, Sriram Nagar and Devarakonda Basti, are severely affected. Residents allege that stagnant water, poor drainage maintenance and inadequate fogging have worsened the situation. Rao urged municipal authorities and public representatives to launch special sanitation and mosquito-control drives immediately. He also demanded medical camps in affected localities to provide timely treatment and prevent further spread of vector-borne diseases.