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Revanth lays foundation for Rs.1,511 crore development works at Uppal Bhagayath



From Our Staff Reporter

Hyderabad, June, 7 : Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy laid the foundation stones for development works worth Rs.1,511 crore at the Uppal Bhagayath layout in Hyderabad on Sunday. Among the proposed development projects, the foundation stone was laid for the Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation building, a 10-acre facility with an estimated cost of 98 crore. Additionally, the construction of alternative roads at the AOC Center, valued at Rs.960 crore, also had its foundation stone laid. Furthermore, a 6-lane flyover at TKR College Junction, projected to cost Rs.416 crore, and a 100-bed Malkajgiri District Hospital, with an investment of Rs.37.50 crore, were similarly inaugurated with foundation stone ceremonies. Ministers Duddilla Sridhar Babu and Damodara Raja Narasimha; Government Advisor V. Hanumantha Rao; Rajya Sabha Members Vem Narendar Reddy and Anil Kumar Yadav; Bhongir MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy; Government Whip Addanki Dayakar; and MLAs Bandari Lakshma Reddy, Malreddy Ranga Reddy, and Sri Ganesh were present.

Bhatti inspects progress of Lakshmipuram integrated school campus

From Our Staff Reporter

Khammam, June, 7 : Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka described the Integrated Residential Schools being constructed across the state as not merely buildings, but as "temples of vision" that will shape a brighter future for coming generations. He emphasised that the Indiramma People's Government is giving the highest priority to education. The Deputy Chief Minister personally inspected the construction works of the Integrated Residential

School at Lakshmipuram in Bonakal mandal under Madhira Assembly constituency in Khammam district on Sunday. During his visit, Bhatti Vikramarka walked through the school campus and closely reviewed the progress of various construction activities. He inspected the junior hostel, junior and senior academic blocks, and the Administrative Block, and sought updates from officials on the status of the works. He paid special attention to the mechanical, science, mathematics, and

computer laboratory buildings, which are expected to serve as platforms for students' bright futures. Bhatti Vikramarka directed officials to ensure that there is no compromise on quality and that all works adhere to the highest standards and prescribed norms. He also instructed officials and contractors to accelerate the pace of construction and complete the project within the stipulated timeframe. The Deputy Chief Minister stated that every rupee spent by the government on education is



not merely an expenditure, but a valuable investment in building strong and capable future generations.

Governor inaugurates IRA universal school at Bowrampet

From Our Staff Reporter

Hyderabad, June, 7 : Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla inaugurated the IRA universal school at Bowrampet in Medchal-Malkajgiri district on Sunday. The event was attended by former Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy, MP Etela Rajender, MLC Anji Reddy, in-charge Vice-Chancellor of Hyderabad Central University Dr. J. Anuradha, and IRA Universal School Chairman Dr. M. Malla Reddy, among others. Addressing the gathering, the Governor said education should not be limited to marks but must focus on developing life skills and values among students. He underlined the need for a balanced approach combining modern knowledge, global skills, and strong ethical foundations. He encouraged students to set ambitious goals and move forward with confidence, noting that failures are only stepping stones to success. Teachers must act as guiding lights, while parents should provide constant encouragement and support, he said. The Governor further stated that students equipped with skills and values will form the foundation of a strong future India. He also called for collective efforts towards building a drug-free society.

Telangana youth shot dead during weekend delivery job in US

From Our Staff Reporter

Hyderabad/Philadelphia (United States), June, 7 : Tragically, a young man from Telangana, lost his life in the United States after being shot while on a pizza delivery. The victim, identified as 28-year-old Anshul Kuncha, sustained multiple gunshot wounds and died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. His family in Gundlapochampally of

Medchal Malkajgiri district in Telangana, was informed that the incident occurred on the night between Friday and Saturday. Anshul, who was employed full-time by a multinational corporation, had taken up a part-time role as a pizza delivery driver on weekends to supplement his income. He was reportedly shot at close range while attempting to deliver a pizza, an order that his

family believes was a fabrication. Information received by his relatives indicates that he was dispatched to a remote location late at night for a supposed delivery. Upon arrival, two unknown assailants opened fire, striking Anshul multiple times in the head before escaping. He succumbed to his injuries at the scene. The absence of any stolen items from the victim

has cast doubt on the motive behind the fatal attack. Relatives have also been told that two masked individuals, carrying backpacks, were observed in the vicinity around the time of the shooting. Anshul's family has come forward alleging that the pizza delivery was a deliberate ruse designed to lure and kill him. "He was instructed to deliver pizza to an abandoned area, but we

later discovered it was a sham. No one was there; it was a setup, intended solely to end his life. We don't understand their gains or their intentions. They took my brother and murdered him," stated Anshul's sister, Tanvi. It was also revealed that Anshul had previously been a victim of robbery in the US, during which his necklace, phone, and cash were taken.

Massive traffic diversions in Nampally for fish prasadam

From Our Staff Reporter

Hyderabad, June, 7 : In connection with the "Fish Prasadam" event at the Exhibition Grounds, Nampally, traffic diversions will be implemented from Monday at 6 AM to Tuesday at 8 PM, as moderate traffic congestion is anticipated on the roads surrounding the venue. To ensure the safety of commuters and facilitate smooth and uninterrupted traffic flow, certain traffic diversions will be enforced. The following diversions will be implemented in and around the Exhibition Grounds, Nampally, and at adjoining junctions on a need basis to ensure hassle-free movement of motorists. The following diversions/alighting and parking places will be made, if re-



quired as per the local situation: People coming on 4-wheelers from Nampally side for Fish Prasadam will park their vehicles at Gruha Kalpa, Gagan Vihar & Chandra Vihar and proceed

on foot towards Exhibition Ground Gate No. 2 for Fish Prasadam. The People coming for Fish Prasadam in buses/vans from M.J. Market will alight at Gandhi Bhavan Bus Stop. While

the Buses / Vans coming from Nampally will alight at Gruha Kalpa Bus Stop and proceed to Exhibition Ground Gate No. 2 for Fish Prasadam. **Turn to Page 2**

Water Board Election Results Confirm Workers' Support for Congress Government: TPCC President



From Our Staff Reporter

Hyderabad, June, 7 : TPCC President and the Party MLC Bomma Mahesh Kumar Goud on Sunday stated that the results of the Hyderabad Water Board's recognized labour union election clearly demonstrate that the workers and employees support the Congress government. A felicitation meeting was

held on Sunday at Gandhi Bhavan for Mogulla Raji Reddy, who achieved a resounding victory as the president in the Water Board's recognized labor union election. Speaking on the occasion, Mahesh Kumar Goud congratulated all the workers, who participated in the election and voted for the Telangana Water

Board Employees Union, ensuring its victory. He extended special congratulations to Mogulla Raji Reddy and his team for their impressive win. He expressed confidence that, just as the Congress party's flag is hoisted through INTUC, the party would also achieve victory in the upcoming GHMC elections. He criticized the previous BRS administration for failing to respond during the RTC strike, contrasting it with the current government's actions. He noted that under Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's leadership, negotiations were held with the RTC workers and the strike was called off within just three days. He lashed out at the BRS leaders for keeping organi-

zations like Singareni and the Water Board under their tight control and causing hardships to the workers, specifically highlighting Harish Rao's continued dominance over the Water Board. He stated that after the Congress government assumed power, the workers freely exercised their right to vote to elect their leaders. He advised Mogulla Raji Reddy's team to stand by the workers through their joys and hardships. He praised Sanjeeva Reddy for his significant efforts in securing the victory for the T.J.E.U. (affiliated with INTUC). He assured that they would bring the workers' issues to the Chief Minister's attention and strive for their resolution. **Turn to Page 2**

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All VIP car pass holders coming from M.J. Market will proceed towards Gandhi Bhavan and take left turn at Ahab Hotel lane towards Gate No. 1 and CWC Gate towards VIP Entry Gate and the VIP car pass holders coming from the Nampally will take "U" turn at Gandhi Bhavan and take left turn towards Gate No. 1 and CWC Gate towards VIP Entry Gate. Their vehicles will be parked at VIP Parking area. People coming on 2-wheelers for fish Prasadam from M.J. Market, they will park their vehicles

at Manoranjan Complex parking area. The two wheelers coming from Nampally will park their vehicles left in Bheem rao bada (which is beside of Shezan hotel).
Auto alighting are arranged for people coming for Fish Prasadam in front of Shezan Hotel. Government vehicles, Buses/ Vans will be parked at CWC parking. The Vehicles coming from the M.J. Market side will be diverted towards Abids, GPO Nampally, Hyderabad. Water tankers of HMWS and vehicles of the Fisheries department bringing fish to the Exhibition Ground will be allowed from Gate No. 3. The vehicles of voluntary organizations carrying food materials with valid passes will be allowed from Gate No. 3. General traffic coming from the M.J. Bridge and Begum Bazar Chatri and proceeding towards Nampally will be diverted at Alaska towards Darusalam, Ek Minar etc. Private travels and heavy vehicles will be diverted at MJ market towards GPO & at AR petrol pump towards GPO. Private travels and heavy vehicles will not be allowed MJ market towards Taj Island & Taj Island to MJ market. All commuters are requested to make note of the above diversions and take alternative routes to reach your destinations and to follow traffic updates on social media platform @ Hyderabad Traffic Police face book page (facebook.com/HYDTP) and @HYDP (Twitter handle). In case of any emergency in travel, kindly call traffic help line 9010203626 for travel assistance. All citizens are requested to cooperate with the Hyderabad traffic police.

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He remarked that the victory in the Water Board elections stands as a testament to the workers' self-respect and their faith in the Congress party. Mahesh Goud stated that the Congress government would work with even greater sincerity for the workers' welfare in the coming days.
Speaking on the occasion, Mogulla Raji Reddy thanked everyone, who contributed to his victory, acknowledging them indi-

vidually. He expressed special gratitude for the massive majority secured by the candidates backed by the Congress party and the INTUC-affiliated union (Telangana Water Board Employees Union) in the Water Board-a victory achieved after twelve years. He noted that CM Revanth Reddy, Mahesh Kumar Goud and Ministers Vivek Venkataswamy and Ponnamp Prabhakar had extended their full support and cooperation. He pledged to bring the Water Board workers' issues to the government's notice and resolve them as quickly as possible.
The meeting was attended by INTUC in-charge and former Mayor Bonthu Rammohan as well as INTUC State General Secretaries R.D. Chandrashekar and Y. Naganna Goud, Adil Sharif, T.J.E.U. General Secretary K. Raghavendra Raj, Associate President Alli Shraavan Kumar, Water

We will win all elections in Telangana : Government Whip Adi Srinivas

From Our Staff Reporter Hyderabad, June, 7 : State Government Whip Adi Srinivas on Sunday stated that although TRS party chief Kavitha claims the Congress government will not retain power, he said that his party was confident of winning any election held in the state.
Speaking at a press conference in Hyderabad, he said that if Kavitha possesses evidence regarding lands linked to actor Pawan Kalyan, she should bring it to the state government's attention and added that appropriate action would be taken against the actor. He noted that state government lands worth Rs.50,000 crore had been protected through HYDRAA. "The BRS government opened the doors to the land grabbing and corruption and Kavitha



ought to speak about that. She is aware that BRS leaders KTR and Harish Rao engaged in the land grabbing and transferred the properties to benamis (proxies). Lacking public support, they are merely stalling for time by making false allegations. If there is evidence of the government land encroachment, it should be brought to the officials' notice," Adi Srinivas said. He remarked that Harish Rao was speaking based on mere imagination-driven by frustration and a desire to divert political attention-and asserted that he has no right to speak on the issue of Krishna waters. He questioned as to why Harish Rao remained silent when the Kaleshwaram project collapsed during the BRS regime? He challenged Harish Rao whether KCR did not previously promise to supply

BRS party should win in Gosha Mahal in upcoming assembly elections: Talasani Srinivas Yadav

From Our Staff Reporter Hyderabad, June, 7 : Former Minister and BRS party Deputy Floor Leader in the Assembly Talasani Srinivas Yadav on Sunday called upon party leaders and cadres to work like soldiers to ensure the 'Pink Flag' (BRS party flag) flies high in the Goshamahal assembly constituency in the upcoming elections.
He attended the Goshamahal constituency BRS party meeting held at Telangana Bhavan under the chairmanship of constituency in-charge Nagender Goud as the chief guest.
Speaking on the occasion, he clarified that there was no room for lobbying or favoritism within the party and added that only those, who work hard and enjoy public support would receive due recognition and respect. He highlighted the numerous development works undertaken in the



Goshamahal constituency under former KCR's leadership, citing initiatives such as the construction of double-bedroom houses, a fish market costing ?10 crore, nala (stormwater drain) construction and the resolution of drainage issues. He urged everyone to remain vigilant regarding the special voter revision program commencing on the 24th of this month. He asked them to take precautions to prevent illegal voting and to create public awareness. He emphasized the need to ensure that individuals, who have turned 18 register as voters. He mentioned that the party membership drive was being conducted digitally this time and instructed the party leaders and cadres to work together to carry out door-to-door membership registration. He advised them to inform the public during these door-to-door visits about the Congress government's betrayal to fulfill its pre-election promises even after two and a half years in power. He lashed out at the Congress party, accusing it of deceiving people from all walks of life after coming to power by making unfeasible promises. He criticized the Chief Minister for speaking recklessly about KCR, noting that he does so because his own government has no achievements to showcase. He highlighted that under KCR's ten-year tenure, the state government implemented numerous development and welfare programs, setting an example for the entire nation.
He condemned the Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for using abusive language, stating that such behavior degrades the dignity of the high office he holds. He urged everyone to remain constantly among the people and fight against the government to resolve public issues, assuring them of the party's full support. Senior BRS leaders Gaddam Srinivas Yadav and Mahender, along with various other leaders and activists, participated in the meeting.

Cycling should become a way of life: Governor

From Our Staff Reporter Hyderabad, June, 7 : Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla said that cycling plays a vital role in achieving the objectives of Fit India, healthy living, and environmental conservation. The Governor was the chief guest at the "Sundays on Cycle" programme organised at the Gachibowli Stadium on Sunday to mark World Bicycle Day. The event was conducted by the Sports Authority of Telangana (SATG) with the support of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) under the spirit of the Fit India Movement. On the occasion, the Governor flagged off a cycle rally. A large number of cycling enthusiasts, youth, and sportspersons participated in the rally.
Addressing the gathering, Shukla said that cycling not only promotes physical fit-



ness, but also contributes significantly to environmental protection. He urged citizens to incorporate cycling into their daily routines. Programmes such as "Sundays on Cycle", he said, help create awareness about healthy living and encourage people to adopt cycling as an integral part of their lifestyle.
The Governor observed that World Bicycle Day recognises cycling as an affordable mode of transport, an environmentally friendly means of travel, and an effective fitness activity. He noted that cycling can help reduce traffic congestion and serves as a sustainable solution for building healthier cities. Ministers Duddilla Sridhar Babu and Vakiti Srihari, Sports Advisor Jitender Reddy, Chairman of the Sports Authority of Telangana Shivasena Reddy, Special Chief Secretary Jayesh Ranjan, and SATG Vice-Chairperson and Managing Director Soni Bala Devi, among others, participated in the programme.

Tilak Varma, Mohammed Siraj, CV Milind headline inaugural TG20 Player Auction's major signings

From Our Staff Reporter Hyderabad, June, 7 : Telangana cricket entered a new era on Sunday as the inaugural TG20 Player Auction got underway at Princess Convention Centre, Ramoji Film City, marking a significant milestone in the journey of Telangana's premier franchise-based T20 league. With a player pool comprising over 1,300 HCA-registered cricketers, franchises began assembling their squads by securing some of the state's finest cricketing talent across the Icon, A+ and A categories. The auction brought together international stars, accomplished domestic performers and promising district cricketers, reflecting

TG20's vision of creating a world-class platform for Telangana talent.
Icon Category Highlights
Tilak Varma emerged as the highest-valued player of the auction, joining Medak Falcons for Rs.33 Lakhs.
Mohammed Siraj was picked by Warangal Warriors for Rs.14 Lakhs.
CV Milind became the most expensive uncapped player, with Anvita Khammam Aces securing him for Rs.17 Lakhs.
Other notable Icon category signings included Ravi Kiran (Palamuru Strikers), T. Ravitija (Medak Falcons), Tanay Thyagarajan (Pranava Ranga Reddy Ris-

ers), Rahul Buddhi (Anurag Nalgonda Knights), Tanmay Agarwal (Karimnagar Diamonds) and Rohit Rayudu (Palamuru Strikers).
A+ Category Highlights
Aman Rao (Warangal Warriors), Pragay Reddy (Palamuru Strikers), Ajay Dev Goud (Hyderabad e-Champions), Nitin Sai Yadav, Aaron George and Rakshann Readdi were among the marquee acquisitions as franchises strengthened their core squads.
A Category Highlights
Emerging talents also attracted strong bidding, with Arfaz Ahmed and Abhirath Reddy becoming the joint-highest buys in

the category at Rs.11 Lakhs each. Chandan Sahani (Karimnagar Diamonds), Pranav Varma (Hyderabad e-Champions) and Hima Teja (Anvita Khammam Aces) were among the other prominent signings. The auction proceedings were conducted by renowned sports presenter and auctioneer Charu Sharma, in the presence of franchise owners, team representatives and league officials. The inaugural edition of TG20 will commence on June 21, 2026, at the Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium, Uppal, featuring 8 franchises competing in 32 matches over 21 action-packed days.

Harish Rao accuses Congress of betraying Telangana over water rights

From Our Staff Reporter Hyderabad, June, 7 : Former minister and BRS deputy floor leader T. Harish Rao accused the Congress government of compromising Telangana's water rights by linking the proposed Godavari-Nallamala Sagar project with the Palamuru-Rangareddy Lift Irrigation scheme. Addressing the media at Telangana Bhavan here on Sunday, Harish Rao said any attempt to link the two projects amounts to surrendering Telangana's legally entitled water rights and betraying the interests of the state. He alleged that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy was acting in the interests of his political mentor rather than safeguarding

Telangana's interests. Harish Rao said BRS has always prioritised the state's interests over political gains and would continue to lead the fight to protect Telangana's water rights.
He recalled that Telangana had suffered injustice in Krishna water allocations during the undivided Andhra Pradesh era and alleged that a similar injustice was now being repeated in the case of Godavari waters. Harish Rao said BRS strongly opposed the Banakacherla project from the beginning and fought to protect Telangana's rightful share under the Godavari Water Disputes Tribunal award. He said BRS repeatedly

warned that Telangana was entitled to 45 TMC of water if Godavari waters were diverted to the Krishna basin. According to him, after facing strong opposition from BRS, the Andhra Pradesh government changed the project's name from Banakacherla to Nallamala Sagar and attempted to divert Godavari waters without formally linking them to the Krishna basin. He stated that BRS consistently argued that there were no surplus waters available in the Godavari and opposed the project itself. Harish Rao said that after the Banakacherla and Nallamala Sagar proposals failed to gain acceptance, a new attempt was being made under the Godavari-Cauvery River Linking Project. He recalled that Telangana had participated in several meetings of the National Water Development Agency (NWDA) and consistently maintained three conditions, including Telangana's pending projects based on its allocated 968 TMC of Godavari water must receive all statutory clearances first.
Similarly, Telangana must receive 50 percent of the water diverted through any river-linking project and any river-linking proposal should pass through Telangana territory, particularly through Ichampalli or Sammakka Sagar to Nagarjuna Sagar.



Harish Rao alleged that the present proposal bypasses Telangana entirely by seeking to transfer water from Polavaram towards Nallamala Sagar and further south, depriving Telangana of any benefit.
He said the original concept envisioned water flowing from Ichampalli or Sammakka Sagar to Nagarjuna Sagar and then onwards towards the Cauvery basin. Instead, Andhra Pradesh was now attempting to divert Godavari waters without involving Telangana.
He argued that under the present proposal Andhra Pradesh would receive the benefits of a National Project while Telangana would lose substantial future water allocations.
Demanding immediate action, Harish Rao called upon the Telangana government to oppose the Polavaram-Cauvery river linking proposal, convene an all-party meeting, organise protests in Delhi, and pass a resolution in the State Assembly to protect Telangana's water rights.
He warned that if the government failed to act, BRS would launch a statewide people's movement to safeguard Telangana's interests.

MEGA JOB MELA FOR MINORITY YOUTH ON JUNE 9 IN HYD

From Our Staff Reporter Hyderabad, June, 7 : In a major initiative to enhance employment opportunities for minority youth, the Telangana Minorities Finance Corporation (TGMFC) will organize a Mega Job Mela on June 9, 2026, at Red Rose Palace in Nampally, Hyderabad. The recruitment drive will be inaugurated by Minister for minorities and public enterprises Mohammed Azharuddin. About 40 to 50 reputed companies from sectors such as IT, banking, finance, healthcare, manufacturing, logistics, hospitality and customer services are expected to participate. The initiative aims to connect unemployed minority youth with leading employers and create meaningful career opportunities across Telangana. Eligible candidates have been encouraged to attend and take advantage of the recruitment drive. TGMFC Chairman Mohd. Obedulla Kothwal said the Job Mela would serve as an important platform for bridging the gap between job seekers and industry recruiters. Senior officials of the Minority Welfare Department and representatives of participating companies were present during the announcement of the event.

Union Minister inaugurates Samriddhi Kendra



Guntur: June 7
Union Minister of State for Rural Development and Communications Dr Pema Sani Chandrasekhar said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is working to create employment opportunities within India so that young people need not go abroad in search of jobs. He emphasised that rural development can be achieved only when opportunities are created within villages. National Politics Updates He inaugurated Samriddhi Kendra at Narakoduru of Guntur district under BharatNet Udyami Scheme and Samriddhi Gram Project with support from the Central government on Saturday. He explained that Samriddhi

Kendra has been designed as a single-window service center where citizens can access multiple services under one roof. He said the center provides services such as passport applications, Aadhaar updates, electricity bill payments, property tax payments, mobile recharges, and many other public services. Medical tests and medicines are available at significantly lower costs compared to private facilities. He said the initiative aims to benefit students, women's self-help groups, farmers, and rural youth. Farmers will have access to soil testing, drone-based spraying services, and guidance from agricultural scientists. He encouraged stu-

dents to make use of Skill Development Centre to improve their knowledge and career prospects. He said that the government plans to expand similar centers to other regions based on public response and the success of this pilot project. He said that PM-WANI Wi-Fi facility would provide uninterrupted internet access to students and youth and that the center would help farmers adopt modern agricultural practices. Later, he distributed certificates to 15 students, who completed AI training through the Samriddhi Kendra. ZP chairperson Henry Christina, MLA Dhulipalla Narendra, Telecom department officials were present.

Jai Raj Ispat launches mega green drive with month-long plantation

Kurnool: June 7 (Skyline daily):
Marking the World Environment Day, Jai Raj Ispat Limited organised a series of environmental initiatives in Kurnool, reaffirming its commitment to sustainable development and ecological conservation. Observing this year's theme, "Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future," the company participated in awareness activities aimed at promoting environmental responsibility and climate action. As part of the celebrations, employees and representatives of Jai Raj Ispat Limited joined the World Environment Day rally organised by the Government of Andhra Pradesh in Kurnool. The rally witnessed the participation of various stakeholders who highlighted the importance of collective efforts in protecting the environment and encouraging sustainable practices across society. The company also undertook a tree plantation drive at its Kurnool factory premises, planting 210 saplings on the day. Further expanding the initiative, Jai Raj Ispat Limited announced that it would observe the entire month as "Environment Month" and plant an additional 1,227



saplings over the next two to three weeks, reinforcing its commitment to creating a greener and healthier ecosystem. Speaking to The Hans India on Saturday, Executive Director Siddharth Jain said environmental protection is a shared responsibility and that the plantation drive reflects the company's determination to translate awareness into meaningful action. Director Rajshree Jain noted that every small step towards sustainability contributes to a larger impact and stressed the importance of community participation in building a greener future. National Politics Updates The company stated that such initiatives form an integral part of its long-term commitment to sustainable growth and environmental stewardship.

Kesineni Chinni launches cadre outreach meetings to strengthen party connect

Vijayawada: June 7
Drawing inspiration from the cadre engagement initiatives of Minister Nara Lokesh, Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath (Chinni) has launched a series of interactive meetings with TDP leaders and workers from across his parliamentary constituency. The first meeting in the series was held at the MP's residence in Vijayawada on Saturday with leaders and party workers from Vatsavai mandal in Jaggaiahpet Assembly constituency. Around 72 party leaders and activists participated in the programme, which was also attended by Jaggaiahpet MLA Sriram Rajagopal (Tataiah). The initiative coincides with the completion of two years of Chinni's tenure as Member of Parliament. During the interaction, he met party workers individually, listened to their views, suggestions and grievances, and discussed issues concerning the



constituency and the party organisation. The meeting also reviewed development works undertaken during the past two years, ongoing projects, future development plans, implementation of welfare schemes and preparations for upcoming local body elections. Chinni urged party leaders to ensure that government welfare benefits reach every eligible beneficiary. Emphasising the importance of unity, he said the

TDP was a family built on the dedication of lakhs of workers and called upon leaders to work together by setting aside personal differences. He stressed that inclusiveness and collective efforts would further strengthen the party at the grassroots level. MLA Rajagopal appreciated Chinni's efforts to remain accessible to party workers and said such interactions would strengthen the party and boost the morale of the cadre.

Yogandhra 2026: 200 master trainers equipped to promote yoga across Krishna

Machilipatnam: June 7
A two-day Master Trainers training programme under Yogandhra 2026 initiative commenced in Machilipatnam, Krishna district, on Saturday, to prepare trainers to promote yoga at mandal level. District Collector DK Balaji inaugurated the programme by lighting the ceremonial lamp at ZP Convention Hall in Machilipatnam. The programme, scheduled for June 6 and 7, focuses on Common Yoga Protocol (CYP) and seeks to enhance implementation of yoga activities across the district. On the first day, a total of 200 Master Trainers participated in the training sessions. In his address to the participants, Collector Balaji emphasised the significance of yoga in promoting physical and mental well-being, preventing disease, and encouraging healthy aging. He urged the trainees to actively contribute to Yogandhra 2026 campaign and to promote awareness about yoga benefits within the community. He noted the



training sessions were designed to ensure the effective delivery of Common Yoga Protocol and to equip Master Trainers with necessary skills to successfully conduct training programmes at mandal level. The programme was attended by Joint Collector M Naveen Kumar, in-charge DRO Pothuraju, Yogandhra Nodal Officer Sai Babu, District Medical and Health Officer Dr Yugandhar, along with yoga gurus, AYUSH medical officers, Mid-Level Health Providers (MLHPs), Physical Education Teachers (PETs), and yoga instructors from across the district.

Minister inspects ongoing Rs 20-crore DSR high school upgrades

Nellore: June 7
Driving a comprehensive transformation of public educational infrastructure, Minister for Municipal Administration and Urban Development Dr Ponguru Narayana inspected the multi-phase reconstruction works at DSR High School in Moolapeta on Saturday. The government has introduced specialized institutional drives to upgrade aging, dilapidated state schools into state-of-the-art learning hubs. Pointing to the successful transformation of the historic VR High School in Nellore through Social Responsibility (CSR) funding, Dr Narayana expressed great satisfaction that corporate groups and philanthropists are actively supporting public schools. The ongoing project at Moolapeta, backed entirely by the DSR Group, is estimated to cost around Rs 20 crore.



It is progressing rapidly, with the initial phase almost complete and ready for its grand inauguration. The campus is uniquely engineered to feature 14 different types of specialized classrooms, modern furniture, and advanced laboratories covering Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, English, Computers, and cutting-edge Robotics. During the review, DSR Group Chairman Sudhakar Reddy stated that the campus satisfies the Minister's vision by adding high-grade stu-

dent utilities. These include a modern playground, continuous mineral water facilities, an emergency first-aid station, and separate residential quarters built for teachers and administrative staff. Commending the corporate management's speedy execution, the Minister voiced firm confidence that DSR High School will serve as a premier model institution for the entire state. Nellore Mayor Sujatha and District Educational Officer R Balaji Rao accompanied the Minister.

RDO demands fast-track justice for SC/ST atrocity cases

Kalyandurg: June 7
Calling for systemic social reform and structural vigilance, Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) G Vasantha Babu has urged all sections of society to work collectively to eradicate bonded labor and ensure timely justice for Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs). Chairing a joint meeting of the Bonded Labour Vigilance and Monitoring Committee alongside the SC/ST Sub-Divisional Vigilance Committee at the RDO Office on Saturday, the official reviewed unresolved local grievances and pending legal cases. The RDO reminded the assembly that forcing citizens into labor under the pretext of outstanding debts constitutes a punishable crime under the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976. He noted that the Revenue, Police, and Labour Departments are tracking field-level infractions together, promising full protection and strict confidentiality to victims who come forward. Turning his attention to the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, Vasantha Babu instruct-



ed police and revenue authorities to execute unbiased, swift investigations. He ordered that financial compensation be disbursed to victims immediately following the registration of First Information Reports (FIRs). Furthermore, he directed officials to organize Civil Rights Day programs every month across all mandals to protect vulnerable communities. DSP Ravi Babu added that impartial investigations are being prioritised, while committee member Mohan confirmed that nine atrocity cases were recorded over the last three months, with Rs 12.55 lakh in state compensation already credited directly to the victims' accounts.

Venezuelan leader visits Prasanthi Nilayam

Puttaparthi: Jun 7
Venezuelan dignitary Delcy Rodríguez arrived at the Sri Sathya Sai Airport in Puttaparthi on Saturday via a special flight, receiving a warm ceremonial welcome from district administrative heads and representatives of the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust. A high-profile reception committee—including District Collector A Shyam Prasad, Joint Collector M Mourya B h a r a d w a j ,

Superintendent of Police Sathya Sai Baba in Sai Kulwant Hall. Sources noted that the leader deeply appreciated Baba's enduring spiritual influence, stating that his message of peace continues to guide millions worldwide. During the visit, Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust Managing Trustee RJ Ratnakar and MLA Palle Sindhura Reddy presented her with a traditional memento, alongside a famous Dharmavaram silk saree.

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Ex MLA slams alliance government over minority safety



Tirupati: June 5
Kurnool: Former MLA and YSRCP Minority Wing Working President Hafeez Khan has alleged that the current coalition government has failed to deliver justice for the party's slain minority youth leader, Rasheed. Pointing out that the murder took place in broad daylight, Khan criticized the lack of progress in the investigation and urged party cadres to stand firmly with Rasheed's family while demanding swift, strict action against the culprits. Addressing a party meeting on Saturday, Khan stated that the previous YSRCP government, under former chief minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy, prioritized minority welfare and political representation. He highlighted that the past administration passed an Assembly resolution opposing the Central Government's proposed National Register of

Citizens (NRC) and implemented G.O. No. 40 to shield Waqf properties. Politics He alleged that these protective and welfare measures have been heavily compromised under the current regime. To counter this, Khan called on party cadres to step up public outreach, expose the administrative shortcomings of the coalition, and highlight past YSRCP achievements. He placed heavy emphasis on the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. He instructed workers to rigorously cross-verify voter names against the 2002 and 2025 electoral lists. Cadres were urged to assist eligible citizens with documentation and photographs to secure missing registrations, while helping completely unregistered individuals file for self-enumeration as new voters before the revision window closes.

Royalaseema enters new era of industrial boom: Minister Bharath



Kurnool: June 7
Minister for Industries, Commerce and Food Processing, TG Bharath, asserted that Royalaseema is witnessing a new era of industrial growth and economic development under the coalition government. Addressing the "Rising Royalaseema - Industry, Innovation and Investment" programme held at the Zilla Parishad Hall in Kadapa on Saturday, he said the government is committed to ensuring balanced development across all regions of the state through large-scale investments and infrastructure expansion. The programme was attended by Health Minister Satya Kumar Yadav, BJP Andhra Pradesh president PVN Madhav, Government Whip and Jammalamadugu MLA Adinarayana Reddy, MLC Ram Gopal Reddy, District Collector Cherukuri Sridhar, and other public representatives and officials. Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said the state government has succeeded in attracting investment proposals worth nearly Rs.20 lakh crore over the past two years and is regularly reviewing every Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to ensure that projects are implemented without delay. Highlighting the industrial prospects of Royalaseema, TG Bharath said the JSW Steel plant in Kadapa is expected to commence operations soon, while the Kia automobile manufacturing unit in Anantapur continues to strengthen the region's industrial base. He also noted that the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) project has been secured for the state, further enhancing Andhra Pradesh's position in the defence and aerospace manufacturing sector. The Minister stated that Orvakal in Kurnool district is being developed as a Drone City and that the world's second-largest Reliance Consumers project there has been completed and will be inaugurated shortly. He added that several industries are expected to be established in the Koppurthi Industrial Park, expressing confidence that Andhra Pradesh will emerge as one of the country's leading investment destinations over the next decade. The government, he said, has introduced faster approval mechanisms for industrial projects, reinforcing investor confidence and promoting a business-friendly environment.

Mass yoga drive at Swarnala Tank today

Nellore: Jun 7
Fina arrangements have been made for a massive yoga program at Swarnala Tank, near the Irukulala Parameswari Ammavari temple, scheduled for Sunday morning. Part of the state government's "Yogandhra-2026" initiative, the event aims to promote physical fitness and mental well-being ahead of International Day of Yoga on June 21. To protect participants from the prevailing intense heatwave, the administration will start the event exactly at 6:00 AM, wrapping it up as early as possible. Large numbers of students, walkers' associations, voluntary organizations, officials, and political leaders are expected to attend. Politics Reviewing the arrangements during a teleconference on Saturday, Joint Collector Mogili Venkateswarlu directed MPDOs and Tahsildars to organize similar yoga demonstrations and competitions at the village and mandal levels. He emphasized that the Nellore Municipal Corporation has finalized all logistics for the lakeside venue. The Joint Collector instructed Swarna Gram and Swarna Ward field staff to boost citizen registrations on the official Yoga Andhra website. He also advised all government

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Beyond Hormuz

The geopolitical shock created by the Iran conflict is forcing countries far beyond West Asia to confront an uncomfortable reality: energy security can no longer be built around a single region, a single route or a single set of political assumptions. For India, the renewed importance of Venezuela is less a story about one oil supplier and more a reflection of a changing global energy map.

For decades, India's economic growth has depended on a steady flow of imported crude. That dependence has become increasingly vulnerable to events beyond its control. The Strait of Hormuz, through which a substantial portion of India's oil imports pass, has long been recognised as a strategic chokepoint. Yet policymakers and markets alike often treated disruption there as a theoretical risk. The present crisis has transformed that risk into a practical concern. Against this backdrop, Venezuela's acting President Delcy Rodríguez arrived in India at a moment when energy security is reshaping global diplomacy. This is why India's engagement with Venezuela deserves attention.

The relationship is not driven by ideology, nor by any sudden diplomatic realignment. It is rooted in a basic principle of statecraft: diversification. A country that imports the overwhelming majority of its energy needs cannot afford excessive dependence on any one geography, regardless of how reliable that geography may appear during normal times. Venezuela offers India certain advantages. It possesses some of the world's largest hydrocarbon reserves, and Indian refiners have the technical capability to process the country's heavy crude.

Equally important, Venezuelan supplies provide an alternative source of energy that is geographically distant from the conflicts and tensions that periodically destabilise the Gulf. However, expectations should remain realistic. Venezuela is not about to replace Russia, Saudi Arabia or the United Arab Emirates as a leading supplier to India. Years of underinvestment, sanctions and economic turmoil have reduced its production capacity. The country's potential remains enormous, but potential is not the same as output. Energy partnerships ultimately depend on reliable production and predictable delivery. The larger lesson lies elsewhere. India's energy strategy is entering a phase where flexibility may matter more than long-term dependence on any single supplier.

The country has already demonstrated an ability to source crude from a wide range of producers, including Russia after the Ukraine war reshaped global oil flows. The growing interest in Venezuelan crude fits the same pattern. In the coming years, New Delhi will likely pursue a broader portfolio of suppliers while simultaneously expanding strategic reserves, renewable energy capacity and domestic energy infrastructure. Such an approach will not eliminate vulnerability, but it can reduce it. The significance of India's renewed engagement with Venezuela, therefore, extends beyond trade figures and oil cargoes. It signals the emergence of a more pragmatic energy doctrine ~ one shaped not by traditional alliances but by the imperative of resilience in an increasingly fragmented and unpredictable world.

The present trend in examinations reflects a shift toward digital platforms and computerised evaluation. Online tests are increasingly preferred for their speed, scalability, and transparency. Automated systems allow instant scoring, reduce human bias, and make re-evaluation easier. Yet, this very convenient method introduces several vulnerabilities for question paper leakages. Online delivery of question papers, if not encrypted and randomised, can be intercepted or leaked. Similarly, centralised servers storing answer scripts become attractive targets for hacking. There are other sources of leakage. Question Bank Security: The most vulnerable stage is not the exam hall but the storage of question banks.

Secure servers, restricted access, and last-minute randomisation of questions are critical. Logistics and Human Factor: Many leaks occur due to insider collusion - printing staff, transport handlers, or evaluators. Strong background checks, rotation of duties, and strict accountability reduce this risk.

Regional Distribution: Simultaneous nationwide exams should avoid staggered timings, as early leaks can spread rapidly through digital channels. Synchronisation across centres is essential. Candidate Devices: Even if papers are secure, unauthorised gadgets (smartwatches, hidden earpieces) can compromise fairness. Strict frisking and digital jammers in exam halls help. Computerised evaluation raises concerns about fairness.

Algorithms may misinterpret unconventional but valid answers, requiring human oversight. While re-evaluation is facilitated by digital records, it can also be misused if access protocols to them are weak. The challenge lies in balancing efficiency with integrity. Both NEET-UG 2026 and CBSE exams recently faced paper leak controversies, leading to cancellation, re-tests, and a CBI probe. The NEET exam held on May 3 was scrapped after evi-

dence of a leaked "guess paper," while CBSE faced criticism over evaluation irregularities. Lakhs of students have suffered very badly. Stronger safeguards - such as multi-layer encryption, biometric authentication, unalterable activity records and independent oversight boards - are essential to prevent leaks and manipulation.

Multi-layer encryption protects question papers and answer scripts by several layers of cryptographic coding. Even if one layer is breached, others remain intact, making unauthorised access extremely difficult. Access to exam systems or storage areas through Biometric Authentication requires fingerprint, iris, or facial recognition, ensuring only authorised personnel have access to handle sensitive material. Tamper-proof audit trails or unalterable activity records are secure digital records that capture every action taken with exam materials - such as printing, uploading, downloading, or evaluation - and store them in a way that cannot be altered or erased.

They work like a digital CCTV system, continuously monitoring and documenting each step in the process. This creates a transparent chain of custody and helps trace if irregularities occur. Independent oversight boards (external committees) monitor the entire process, from paper generation to evaluation. Their independence ensures accountability and reduces the chance of collusion or manipulation. Together, these measures strengthen examination integrity by combining technology with strict accountability, making leaks and misuse far less likely. Ultimately, technology should not replace trust but reinforce it. Examinations must combine digital innovation with strict accountability measures. Only then can online testing and computerised evaluation deliver both speed and credibility, ensuring that merit remains the cornerstone of academic selection.

Reverting to a manual examination

process followed for decades, is a way to restore integrity and reduce risks of leaks or manipulation. Unlike online systems, manual methods keep question papers, answer scripts, and evaluation records physically controlled, limiting exposure to hacking or unauthorised digital access. Printing, transporting, and storing papers under strict supervision, with sealed packets and layered audits, can make leakages difficult. Manual evaluation also ensures that human judgment, not algorithms, decides ambiguous answers, reducing disputes over fairness. However, manual systems demand enormous logistics: secure printing presses, guarded transport, and thousands of evaluators. While slower, they create a tangible chain of custody that is easier to monitor.

Re-evaluation, though time-consuming, is transparent when done by independent examiners. In essence, reverting to manual processes prioritises security over speed, reinforcing public trust in examinations. A hybrid model may be ideal - manual handling for sensitive examinations, digital tools for efficiency where risks are lower - ensuring both credibility and practicality. When considering exam formats, objective (tick-mark/MCQ) and long-form descriptive answers have different implications for leakage risks. The former are easier to store digitally and can be auto-evaluated quickly. However, because the entire paper is a fixed set of questions with predetermined answers, a leak of even a portion can compromise the whole exam. Their standardised nature makes them more vulnerable if question banks are not adequately randomised or encrypted. Randomisation makes papers unpredictable; encryption makes them unreadable to outsiders. Long-form descriptive questions require manual or semi-automated evaluation. Even if leaked, they demand deeper understanding and articulation, so rote memorisation of leaked answers is



less effective. The subjective nature of evaluation also reduces the impact of partial leaks, though it introduces challenges of consistency and bias. The best practice would use a hybrid model combining objective questions for wide coverage with descriptive ones for detailed assessment.

Maintain large, randomised pools of questions, with final papers generated close to exam time. Employ secure printing or encrypted online delivery with tamper-proof audit trails. For high-stakes exams, emphasise on analytical/descriptive questions, as they are less vulnerable to leaks and assess genuine understanding effectively. In short, while objective formats are efficient, descriptive questions provide stronger resilience against leakage and uphold exam credibility. Combining manual custody (sealed packets, physical invigilation) with digital checks (audit trails, encryption) creates layered protection.

Neither system alone is foolproof. Clear laws and swift penalties for those involved in leaks - whether insiders or candidates - act as a deterrent. A multi-layered approach - technical, logistical, and legal - offers the strongest shield to leakages. The duration of an examination itself does not directly cause paper leaks. Leakage usually occurs much earlier - during paper setting, printing, storage, or digital transmission - before candidates even sit for the test. However, exam dura-

tion can indirectly influence the impact of a leak. In short-duration exams (like MCQ tests), if the paper is leaked even briefly before the exam, candidates can quickly memorise answers, making the leak highly damaging. In long-duration descriptive exams, even if leaked, candidates must still write detailed answers.

This reduces the advantage of having prior access, though it still undermines fairness. What matters most is when and how the paper is exposed. If question papers are generated close to exam time, securely transmitted, and monitored with tamper-proof protocols, duration becomes irrelevant to leakage. In practice, exam security depends on safeguards, not length. Multi-layer encryption, biometric access, audit trails, and independent oversight are far more decisive in preventing leaks than whether an exam lasts two hours or three. Paper leakage is not simply a technological flaw but a failure of custody, oversight, and accountability. Whether examinations are conducted online or manually, integrity depends on secure handling, transparent monitoring, and strict deterrents against malpractice. A layered approach - combining technical safeguards, logistical discipline, and legal enforcement - remains the most effective way to protect merit and restore public trust in the examination system.

The most dangerous thing about Vaibhav Sooryavamshi isn't really his age

The ball leaves the bowler's hand at the same speed it does for everyone else, yet Sooryavamshi appears to inhabit a different zone. There is an extra fraction of a second before the bat comes down - an extra layer of information being processed.

Some batters have great technique; others have extraordinary power. Vaibhav Sooryavamshi sits in the intersection of technique and power because he seems to have more time than everyone else to play a ball.

By the time the ball leaves the bowler's hand, it almost feels like he already knows what he's going to do. While everyone else is still reacting, he's locked onto the ball, perfectly balanced, and his hands seem to find the right position without any hesitation. Every movement unfolds with the natural progression of Beethoven's symphony.

The best batters in the world are often defined by this tiny ability to pick up tiny clues before anyone else does, process information faster and turn them into a decisive advantage. It's a rare combination of vision, anticipation, timing, and instinct-traits that defy simple explanation. Beyond all the runs, records, and accolades, what separates him is an almost uncanny understanding of the game as it unfolds. The kind of instinct that suggests he is not merely playing the game, but reading the bowler like a mentalist.

His efforts and his approach have earned him a ticket to UK this summer for T20s against England, Ireland, as well as in the Asian Games Team. Sooryavamshi thereby becomes the youngest Indian, even younger than Sachin Tendulkar, to be inducted into the Indian Cricket Team.

The USP Of IPL Is No More King Khan

In 2008, somewhere in the middle of the first season of IPL, Shah Rukh Khan, the celebrated owner of Kolkata Knight Riders and Bollywood Badshah, had told NDTV, "I am the USP of IPL." Enter the next-generation software-instilled humanoid called Vaibhav Sooryavamshi, the Bollywood superstar would perhaps agree that the USP of IPL has now shifted. Jos Buttler, in fact, said, "Sooryavamshi was the IPL this year". Nineteen seasons later the baton changed hands and now it is well and truly with the Bihar boy.

Sooryavamshi is perhaps the single biggest brand to emerge out of Bihar. The most revealing thing about him is his unhurried approach.

The Boy Who Has Extra Time

The ball leaves the bowler's hand at the same speed it does for everyone else, yet Sooryavamshi often appears to inhabit a different zone. There is an extra beat before he commits. An extra fraction of a second before the bat comes down. An extra layer of information being processed.

Remember when he took down Pat Cummins for three successive sixes? The best batters do not simply react, they read the situation. And Vaibhav Sooryavamshi appears to read cricket in a language few others can speak.

His father, Sanjeev Sooryavamshi, says, "Whenever he played, older boys would call him a kid. If I told him a particular bowler was the opposition's biggest bowler, he would target that bowler. Vaibhav would say, 'Papa, if I hit him for a six, the other bowlers won't dominate me.'" That has always been his strategy. He wants people to know him for his cricket, not judge him by his age.

That is why many international coaches who have watched him closely rarely begin with his age - they begin with perception. One international coach who observed him during his developmental years described elite batting as existing at the intersection of vision, timing, balance and instinct. Great players, he argued, seem to receive information from the ball that others do not. In that framework, Sooryavamshi is not merely a talented batter. He is the point of intersection.

The easiest mistake to make with a player this young is to focus entirely on the extraordinary acceleration of his career. A Ranji Trophy debut at 12. India Under-19 selection at 13. A hundred against Australia Under-19 in Chennai that left franchise scouts scrambling for reports and phone numbers. An IPL auction became a bidding war.

The chronology of events that had unfolded up until this point made experienced coaches, scouts and talent evaluators speak about him with unusual conviction.

That Boy From Tajpur

Former Bihar cricketer and Rajasthan Royals scout Samar Qadri remembers hearing whispers about a boy from Tajpur in Samastipur long before the wider cricketing world discovered him. In a local match in Patna, Qadri, who is a leg spinner bowled to him and watched the teenager dismantle attacks with a confidence that felt entirely disproportionate to his age.

"He told me I don't play bowlers, I



play balls," Qadri recalled while speaking to NDTV. The clue to understanding this teenager is embedded in that sentence. Most young players become overwhelmed by reputation. They see international bowlers, senior professionals, established names and historical achievements.

Sooryavamshi sees a cricket ball and nothing else.

Pressure in elite sport is often created by narrative. And the narrative is created by the crowd, the television, social media. Players frequently spend energy battling stories rather than solving cricketing problems. Sooryavamshi's mental framework appears remarkably resistant to that noise. 'His thinking is task-oriented rather than personality-oriented', points out Qadri a ball in his zone remains a ball in his zone, whether it is delivered by an Under-19 seamer or an international fast bowler. The mechanics of decision-making do not change. This is much like Virender Sehwag.

Simplicity As A Skill

That psychological simplicity is one reason those around him consistently describe him as unusually mature. There are stories about his memory that sound almost exaggerated until enough people repeat them. A coach recalls how he remembers dismissals in forensic detail. He remembers practice sessions, sequences, what a bowler attempted against him months earlier. This talent scout-cum-coach described his recall as "elephantine". And this is where comparisons with the like of Sachin and McGrath begin.

Memory, in cricket, is not merely recollection. It is pattern recognition. The sport rewards players who can identify trends before others notice them. The great ones like Sachin, McGrath, Ashwin built internal databases. Sooryavamshi seems to be con-

structing one at remarkable speed. That ability becomes even more fascinating when viewed through the lens of his batting. Because what appears instinctive on television is actually underpinned by highly sophisticated mechanics.

The Geometry Behind His Hits

Perhaps the most misunderstood aspect of modern batting is power. Spectators often assume power originates in strength, but it originates in positioning. Sooryavamshi's power is not created through brute force. It is generated through geometry. A coach who worked closely with him in the Franchise described a batting setup unlike most conventional models. At the top of his movement, his upper body coils deeply. His torso bends significantly. His head moves outside the line of the ball. The effect is profound. Deliveries outside off stump enter his visual corridor differently from how they appear to most batters. His weight, meanwhile, remains heavily loaded onto the back leg.

Traditional batting instruction has spent generations teaching players to transfer weight forward. Sooryavamshi frequently resists that instinct. By keeping the hips from sliding aggressively toward the ball, he preserves optionality. He delays commitment. And in elite batting, delayed commitment is a sure sign of a matured player. They remain adaptable deeper into the ball's journey. And this is what makes Sooryavamshi so disruptive. He is not simply attacking length balls. Bowlers say that is redefining what length means. Data from his second IPL season revealed a startling trend. While most batters operated at strike rates around the 140 range against conventional lengths, Sooryavamshi was scoring at over 240. His setup allows him to convert deliveries traditionally considered "safe" for bowlers into scoring opportunities.

Perhaps the most impressive aspect of his technique is not its uniqueness but its adaptability. The exaggerated backlift that has become one of his visual signatures today. As bowling quality improved, so did his method. At one developmental trial, he did not even possess the fastest bat speed among his peers. Coaches identified the limitation and worked relentlessly to improve it. Within months, significant gains had been made.

That willingness to evolve may ultimately matter more than any technical detail. Vaibhav has revealed how it is easy to satisfy his mother by just wearing the India shirt but father always sets stan-

dards very high. Sanjeev Sooryavamshi tells NDTV, "No matter how well a son does, a father always feels he can achieve a little more. If he scores runs, we think he could score a few more. The most important thing is that the team wins. If the team wins, the runs will come anyway."

Cricket history is littered with gifted youngsters whose methods remained static while the game moved forward. Those who know Sooryavamshi say he belongs to the opposite category. They talk about awareness, empathy, curiosity. About a player who constantly observes. All signs of a good leader.

The comparison is not limited to his batting alone but also about cricketing understanding. His father says that the comparisons are too soon and may not be accurate. India has produced batting prodigies before. What it has produced less frequently are batting prodigies who eventually become architects of teams. The qualities associated with leadership - memory, emotional intelligence, tactical awareness, communication and learning velocity - already seem embedded within his profile.

But great careers are not defined by one 700 plus season in IPL. Every great career is ultimately defined by the quality of its second and third adaptations. Something is compelling about the foundation beneath the hype around Sooryavamshi. The mind appears unusually advanced. The technique appears unusually original. The leadership instincts appear unusually natural. Most importantly, all three seem connected.

The future of Indian batting will not be shaped solely by power or numbers or highlight reels. It will belong to players capable of processing the game faster, seeing it more clearly and understanding it more deeply than everyone else around them. Vaibhav Sooryavamshi is just beginning his journey. But watching him already feels less like observing the dawn of a new batting era. He has great ambitions - not just to shine in white ball cricket but red ball too. Mastery in red ball will determine his stature in the coming days.

His father put him in cricket at the age of four, his coaches found him at 10, BCCI at 13. At 15 after becoming the MVP of IPL, Sooryavamshi is ready to show the world the true picture of Gen Z in Indian cricket. England, beware, the Bihar blaster is on the way.

US shoots down Iranian drones over Strait of Hormuz, cites threat to maritime traffic

New Delhi, June 7 : Tensions in the Gulf escalated once again after the United States announced that its forces intercepted two Iranian attack drones over the Strait of Hormuz, one of the world's most critical maritime chokepoints. According to the US Central Command, the drones were destroyed after they were assessed as a threat to international shipping moving through the narrow waterway that carries a significant share of global energy supplies. The development adds another layer of uncertainty to an already volatile regional security environment.

In an official statement, the US Central Command said American forces operating in the Middle East acted after identifying two Iranian one-way attack drones that posed a risk to vessels transiting the Strait of Hormuz. The military command said the US forces remain deployed and prepared to respond to any future threats directed at maritime activity or regional stability. The incident comes amid heightened military activity across the Gulf region, where concerns over navigation safety have intensified in recent weeks.

Recent strikes deepen standoff
The latest drone interception has once again drawn attention to the Strait of Hormuz, a strategically



vital corridor connecting the Persian Gulf with international waters. Any disruption in this passage has the potential to affect global trade flows, particularly energy shipments, making security developments in the region closely watched by governments and markets worldwide. American military officials have repeatedly described the protection of commercial shipping routes as a key operational priority in the area. Just days earlier, US forces reported intercepting multiple missiles and drones allegedly launched by Iran towards the Strait of Hormuz and neighbouring Gulf states. The current episode follows another major military action announced by

the United States earlier this week. US Central Command had stated that American forces intercepted four Iranian attack drones heading towards the Strait of Hormuz before carrying out strikes on coastal surveillance radar installations located along Iran's southern shoreline. Those operations targeted radar facilities in Goruk and on Qeshm Island, which US officials said were linked to monitoring and supporting drone activity in the region. With repeated military encounters unfolding around one of the world's busiest maritime corridors, the Strait of Hormuz remains at the centre of growing geopolitical tensions that continue to shape security calculations across the Middle East.

China deploys largest patrol ship east of Taiwan in response to Japan-Philippine talks



New Delhi, June 7: A flotilla, featuring China's largest patrol vessel, has been sent to waters east of Taiwan amid Japanese-Philippine maritime boundary negotiations. The ships, under the Ministry of Transport, are scheduled to conduct joint patrols with a coast-guard formation that was recently dispatched to the same region, South China Morning Post (SCMP) reported. People's Daily, the Communist Party mouthpiece, on Sunday came out with a commentary wherein it accused Japan and the Philippines of

becoming "a source of trouble" and a risk to regional peace. Notably, the two sides have long-running territorial disputes with China. Last month, the two nations stated that they will begin formal negotiations to map out the maritime boundaries of their exclusive economic zones and continental shelves that potentially overlap with Taiwan's. However, China has denounced the boundary talks as "illegal and invalid". According to Xinhua, the patrol was a "necessary action in response to Japan and the

Philippines unilaterally announcing the start of maritime boundary negotiations in the waters east of China's Taiwan island, gravely infringing upon China's territorial sovereignty and maritime rights and interests". Further, the agency described it as a "special maritime traffic law enforcement operation... to fully exercise the country's maritime administrative enforcement jurisdiction and strengthen deep-sea patrol enforcement and traffic control capabilities in key waters". Notably, the patrol includes the

Haixun 09, which is China's first 10,000-tonne maritime patrol vessel, according to Marine Equipment & Government Vessel Information, a social media platform closely monitoring Chinese coastguard activity. Moreover, it features the 7,500-tonne hydrographic survey vessel Haixun 08 as well as two 5,000-tonne ships, including the ocean rescue vessel Haixun 06 and the salvage ship Donghaijui 113, South China Morning Post reported. In a recent post, the social media platform said the patrol would "for the first time," see China's coastguard and maritime authorities conduct a "joint patrol in the exclusive economic zone waters east of Taiwan island - further reinforcing our side's control over this sea area". Several nations, such as Japan and the Philippines, do not recognise Taiwan as an independent state. Chinese coastguards informed that they would begin patrolling the waters east of Taiwan last Monday in response to the Japanese-Philippine talks.

'Absolutely non-negotiable': Kim Jong Un's sister draws a red line on North Korea's nuclear programme as Xi Jinping arrives



Kim Yo Jong, the sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, declared that North Korea's status as a nuclear power is "absolutely non-negotiable." The statement was carried by North Korea's official Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) on Thursday. "Our status as a nuclear power is absolutely non-negotiable. We will not tolerate any threats," she said. Kim Yo Jong also said that US claims that Chinese President Xi Jinping and US President Donald Trump confirmed a goal to denuclearise North Korea during a May summit were "false," adding that Pyongyang "has the most accurate information" regarding those claims.

She further stated that "the policy of continuously strengthening self-defensive nuclear war deterrence, as declared by the head of state, is an irreversible and final conclusion that must be executed unconditionally."

Timing of the statement

The statement was issued on the eve of Chinese President Xi Jinping's scheduled visit to Pyongyang, his first to the country in nearly seven years. China remains North Korea's only formal treaty ally.

Xi is set to meet Kim Jong Un and exchange views on bilateral relations and issues of common concern, China's foreign ministry confirmed.

The announcement of Xi's trip came a day after North Korea unveiled a new facility to produce the material for nuclear bombs, which is believed to be a uranium enrichment plant, though North Korea has not confirmed that.

Who is Kim Yo Jong?

Kim Yo Jong was born on 26 September 1987 in Pyongyang. As of February 2026, she is the Director of the General Affairs Department of the Workers' Party of Korea, a high-level appointment made during the first plenary meeting of the 9th Central Committee. Since March 2026, she has also served as an alternate member of the Politburo of the Workers' Party of Korea.

She is one of the most powerful figures in North Korea and plays key role in shaping the country's messaging and foreign policy.

The new nuclear facility North Korea unveiled a new facility to produce nuclear bomb fuels earlier this week. During his visit to the plant, Kim Jong Un announced plans to bolster the country's nuclear forces "at an exponential rate."

The official Korean Central News Agency said the facility used "more sophisticated technology" but did not provide further details, including where it is located or when it began operations. State media photos showed what appeared to be a large centrifuge hall, indicating the plant is likely used to enrich weapons-grade uranium. South Korea's Joint Chiefs of Staff assessed the site as a uranium enrichment plant and confirmed they were closely coordinating with the United States to monitor North Korean nuclear activities. KCNA photos showed Kim walking through narrow aisles lined with dense rows of silver tubes and pipes, in what appeared to be a centrifuge hall.

This is the third time North Korea has publicly disclosed a uranium enrichment site. In 2010, it showed one at its main Yongbyon nuclear complex to visiting American scholars. In 2024, it released photos of another covert uranium enrichment plant, which experts believe was at its Kangsong complex.

Ankit Panda, an expert with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, said: "Based on a preliminary analysis, it appears that this facility is likely the newly added Yongbyon enrichment facility. It appears to have two levels and represents a substantial expansion of enrichment capability. North Korea's ongoing nuclear expansion does not have a near-term end in sight."

Missile production orders

Kim Yo Jong also visited a major munitions factory and ordered the country's missile production capacity to be increased 2.5 times over the next five years, according to South Korea's Yonhap News Agency, citing North Korea's state newspaper, the Rodong Sinmun.

In a separate statement earlier this year, Kim Jong Un called for developing new weapons systems to bolster his nuclear-armed military,

including intercontinental ballistic missiles that could be launched from underwater and an expanded arsenal of tactical nuclear weapons, such as artillery and short-range missiles, targeting South Korea.

North Korea's nuclear policy history In 2023, North Korea formally enshrined its nuclear power status in its constitution, codifying a policy first announced by Kim Jong Un a year earlier.

North Korea has long insisted on its right to nuclear weapons and ballistic missile programmes, even though both are forbidden under the terms of UN Security Council sanctions.

US President Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un met three times during Trump's first term, but their diplomacy quickly collapsed over disagreements about ending US-led sanctions in return for North Korea taking steps to wind down its nuclear and missile programmes.

North Korea's goals for nuclear weapons expansion are enshrined in its constitution. Kim Yo Jong has previously insisted that any external discussions of denuclearization constitute "the most hostile act" and amount to a denial of her country's sovereignty.

China's position

China remains Pyongyang's most important political and economic partner, despite Beijing's previous support for multiple United Nations Security Council sanctions targeting North Korea. In recent years, however, China's approach toward North Korea's nuclear ambitions has appeared to soften, as tensions between Beijing and Western countries have intensified.

Experts say Kim wants international recognition as a nuclear state so he can demand the lifting of sanctions. They say Kim would ultimately push for arms reduction talks with the US to win concessions in return for a partial surrender of his country's nuclear capability.

Kim has been focusing on expanding his nuclear arsenal since his high-stakes diplomacy with Trump collapsed in 2019. North Korea's alignment with Russia has also grown, with Kim sending troops and conventional weapons to support the war in Ukraine.

Warhead estimates

North Korea is believed to possess dozens of nuclear warheads alongside an increasingly sophisticated ballistic missile programme. Independent verification of these figures remains impossible, as North Korea does not permit international inspectors inside its borders.

The International Atomic Energy Agency expelled its inspectors from North Korea in 2009 and has had no access since.

SEBI findings on Rajesh Exports: Congress calls it 'one of India's biggest financial misrepresentation scandals

The Congress party on Friday launched a sharp attack on the Narendra Modi government over interim findings of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) against Rajesh Exports, alleging that the case exposed what it described as the BJP's "crony capitalist model" and raised serious questions about regulatory oversight in the country.

Addressing a press conference, Congress leader and AICC Chairman of the Media and Publicity Department Pawan Khera cited SEBI's interim order and claimed that the findings pointed towards "one of the largest financial misrepresentation scandals in India's corporate history."

Khera said that according to SEBI's interim observations, approximately Rs 15.15 lakh crore of "misrepresented consolidated revenues" were reported by Rajesh Exports between FY21 and FY25, raising concerns about the integrity of disclosures made to investors, regulators and the public. "If these findings are sustained, this is not merely a corporate governance failure—it is a damning indictment of the Modi government's regulatory architecture, which has repeatedly prioritised the interests of a few favoured corporates over the protection of ordinary investors," Khera said. "We have seen this script to dupe ordinary investors in past cases."

The Congress leader linked the issue to broader concerns repeatedly raised by the opposition regarding the functioning of regulatory institutions. Referring to Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi's past remarks, Khera said Gandhi had warned that an "economic tsunami" was building beneath what he described as the BJP's narrative of economic success.

"He has cautioned that institutions meant to protect citizens and investors are being hollowed out, accountability mechanisms are being weakened, and crony capitalism is replacing transparent market governance. The Rajesh

Exports episode appears to be yet another example of the dangerous consequences of this model," Khera said, adding that the BJP had made India's "long-standing integrity in economic matters a laughing stock for the world."

SEBI's interim order, Khera said the regulator's investigation began after complaints were received regarding unusually large receivables that remained unpaid for extended periods. According to the Congress leader, SEBI found that between FY21 and FY25, around 97-99 per cent of the group's reported revenues originated from overseas subsidiaries and step-down subsidiaries.

He said that Valcambi SA, the Swiss gold refinery acquired by Rajesh Exports and often described as the group's principal operating business, became a central focus of the investigation. Khera alleged that SEBI had identified a significant mismatch between revenues reported by Valcambi and those reflected in the consolidated financial statements of Rajesh Exports.

Citing the regulator's observations, he said that in one period Valcambi reportedly recorded revenues of about Rs 543 crore while the consolidated group reported revenues close to Rs 2.9 lakh crore. He further claimed that SEBI had stated that nearly Rs 15.15 lakh crore of revenues reported over five years could not be adequately verified through supporting records and documentation.

Khera alleged that investigators and forensic auditors were repeatedly denied complete access to transaction-level records, enterprise resource planning systems, customer-wise sales data, supplier records, inventory movement details, debtor information and creditor records. He also referred to SEBI's rejection of the company's argument that Swiss confidentiality laws restricted disclosure, saying the regulator had maintained that such provisions could not override obligations under Indian securities regulations.

The Congress leader further highlighted questions raised by SEBI regarding



approximately Rs 1,035 crore allegedly invested in African mining assets, as well as transactions worth Rs 11,488 crore involving Affluence Shares and Stocks Pvt Ltd, where the regulator reportedly found inconsistencies regarding the authenticity of the transactions.

Khera also pointed to observations concerning the alleged routing of company-related funds through promoter Rajesh Mehta's personal bank accounts and said these raised serious concerns about transparency, governance and transaction traceability. He noted that SEBI had estimated a potential shareholder wealth erosion of approximately Rs 12,726 crore and had ordered a fresh forensic audit while imposing interim restrictions on the promoter.

The Congress leader argued that the case carried wider implications because the government has frequently projected India's regulatory ecosystem as robust and globally respected. He drew parallels with controversies raised by the opposition in recent years, including allegations surrounding the Adani-Hindenburg episode and questions over regulatory independence during the tenure of former SEBI Chairperson Madhabi Puri Buch.

"Parliament and the Opposition's demands for a transparent Joint Parliamentary Committee investigation into corporate-regulatory relationships were consistently stonewalled," Khera said. "The BJP cannot selectively invoke SEBI when it suits its political interests and discredit concerns whenever influential corporate entities come under scrutiny."

Rs 661 crore IDFC First Bank-AU Finance fraud case: CBI conducts raids across Chandigarh, Delhi-NCR

The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has intensified its probe into the alleged misappropriation of Rs 661 crore linked to IDFC First Bank and AU Finance Bank, carrying out searches at six locations across Chandigarh, Panchkula, and the Delhi-NCR region.

The action forms part of an expanding investigation into the alleged diversion of government funds belonging to multiple departments in Haryana and Chandigarh. The case centres on accusations of criminal conspiracy, financial misconduct, and the siphoning of public money through a network involving bank officials, government functionaries, and private entities. Senior public servants among those searched

According to officials, the searches targeted premises linked to senior Haryana cadre public servants as well as M/s. Vipam Consultancy Pvt. Ltd. and its director. The operation was aimed at gathering evidence connected to alleged irregularities in the handling of government funds and tracing the movement of suspected proceeds generated through the fraud. During the searches, officials seized documents, digital devices, property-related records and other materials considered relevant to the investigation.

Alleged collusion under scrutiny
The agency's findings so far indicate that certain public servants allegedly worked in coordination with bank officials to facilitate the

opening of accounts, movement of funds and their subsequent diversion.

The probe has also focused on allegations that these officials received undue benefits in return for enabling transactions or failing to act despite apparent irregularities. Officials further claimed that M/s. Vipam Consultancy Pvt. Ltd. received funds allegedly linked to the fraud, which were later transferred into the personal account of the company's director.

Rs 661 crore fraud spread across 10 departments

The alleged scam affected eight departments of the Haryana government, along with two Chandigarh institutions: the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh and CREST Chandigarh.

According to the CBI, the fraud involved the unauthorised diversion of government money parked in accounts maintained with IDFC First Bank and AU Finance Bank. The agency is examining the entire chain of transactions to determine how the funds were moved and who benefited from the alleged scheme. Cases taken over from Haryana, Chandigarh agencies

The CBI entered the investigation after taking over one case from the Haryana State Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau and two cases originally registered by the Economic Offences Police Station in Chandigarh.

Following the takeover, the central



agency began a detailed examination of financial records, departmental transactions and the role of individuals linked to the movement of public funds.

Chargesheet already filed
The agency has already submitted its first chargesheet before the CBI Court in Panchkula.

The chargesheet reportedly details the alleged role of officials associated with Haryana Power Generation Corporation Ltd. and Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojna Parishad, while also outlining the methods allegedly used to siphon off government funds.

Officials indicated that investigations in all three linked cases remain active and additional action is expected against others found connected to the alleged fraud. The agency is continuing to analyse financial trails, electronic evidence and transaction records, with another chargesheet expected to be filed as the probe progresses.

Mollywood Times review

Cast - Naslen, Sharaf U Dheen, Sangeeth Prathap, Gopika Ramesh, Mohammed Saalim KM, Roshan Shanavas, Vineeth Sreenivasan, Alexander Prasanth, Appunni Sasi, Chandu Salim Kumar, Althaf Salim, Jagadish, Biju Sopanam and Basil Joseph

Director - Abhinav Sunder Nayak

Producer - Ashiq Usman

Banner - Ashiq Usman Productions

Music - Jakes Bejoy

With Premalu (2024),

Alappuzha Gymkhana

(2025) & Lokah Chapter

1: Chandra (2025),

Malayalam actor Naslen

established himself as a

young talent to watch.

With three out of his last

four movies, he gained a

good reputation and fol-

lowing among the youth

audience, not just in

Kerala but in Tamilnadu,

Andhra Pradesh &

Telangana, as well. After

being part of a Malayalam

industry hit film, Lokah

Chapter 1: Chandra, he

teamed with the director,

Abhinav Sunder Nayak,

Mukundan Unni

Associates(2022) fame,

for a dark comedy film,

Mollywood Times. After

creating enough curiosity

with the trailer, the mak-

ers released the film in

theatres today. Did,

Naslen, continue his suc-

cess streak? Did the direc-

tor, Abhinav Sunder

Nayak, come up with an

engaging film? How did

the music director, Jakes

Bejoy, score music for the

film? Let's figure it out

with a detailed analysis.

What is it about?

Vineeth Madhavan(Naslen),

aims to become the great-

est & youngest Malayalam

film director by making a

horror film with a first-of-

its-kind backdrop. Being

an outsider, he faces chal-

lenges at every step he

takes in becoming the

director. What challenges

did Vineeth Madhavan,

face while trying to

achieve his dream? Did

he control his destiny and

achieve greatness? Why

did so many people try to

stop him from becoming

a director? Did he eventu-

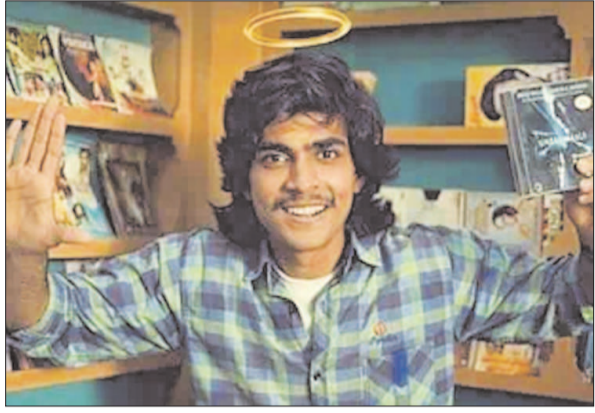
ally become a director

and make the film of his

choice? Forms the rest of

the story.

Performances:



Naslen in the role of

Vineeth Madhavan, deliv-

ered a superb perform-

ance. He emoted the

struggles & frustrations of

an aspiring filmmaker,

very well without going

overboard. We can see

the finesse in his perform-

ance throughout the

film. Sangeeth Prathap

in the role of Arjun Hariraj,

came up with a good

performance. As a person

who achieves his goals

by hook or crook, he deliv-

ered a splendid perform-

ance. Alexander Prasanth

in the role of Vineeth's

father was first-rate. He

generated a few laughs

with his dialogue delivery

and subtle expressions.

Sharaf U Dheen in the

role of Sachin Vaikom

David, did a good job. His

performance and body

language, in the final

sequence were very good.

The film had at least ten

other actors in crucial

roles and almost all of

them did their parts well.

Technicalities:

Like most Malayalam

movies, Mollywood

Times, too have a very

superior technical values.

Cinematography by

Viswajith Odukkathil,

music by Jakes Bejoy,

editing by Nidhin Raj

Arol & Abhinav Sunder

Nayak and the production

design, complemented the

director's vision and

delivered a first-rate

output. The only minor

complaint is the runtime.

A bit of chopping in the

second half and the child-

hood episodes in the

first half, could have

made the film even more

engaging.

Positives:

1.?Original & Authentic

Storyline

2.?Subtle Humour

3.?Direction

4.?Naslen's

Performance

Negatives:

1.?Overly Stretched At

Times

2.?Not So Engaging

Initial Portions

Analysis:

In 2011, Ram Gopal

Varma made a film, Katha

Screenplay Darsakatvam

Appalaraju, which

explored the harsh real-

ity of the film industry.

Though the film talked

about the struggles of an

upcoming filmmaker, it

was made in a satirical

tone and RGV took a dig

at multiple people in the

industry by making indi-

rect references to those

people he was targeting.

Cut to 2026, Malayalam

director, Abhinav Sunder

Nayak, who seemed to

have been heavily

inspired by RGV's finest

works, came up with the

film, Mollywood Times.

This film too talks about

the harsh realities that

an aspiring filmmaker

has to face to achieve

his dreams. But, Abhinav,

chose not to make it a

satirical comedy film. He

instead chose to make

it as realistic as possible

with utmost sincerity. It

is a very difficult task

to make an entertaining

and engaging film that

deals with the struggles

of the people in the

film industry, especially

the upcoming

artists & technicians.

But the director, Abhinav,

succeeded to a major

extent in making

'Mollywood Times', an

enjoyable film.

In an industry with

just around five percent

success rate, thousands,

if not lakhs, of people

every year, step in to

make their dreams

come true in the

world of cinema. But,

how many of them

succeed eventually? Is

talent alone enough to

become a great

filmmaker? Or is

luck enough to become

a great filmmaker? Is

it possible to control

your destiny in the

film industry? Is

success a random

thing in the

film industry? Is

it

possible to manifest

greatness? Is it

difficult to make

it big in the film

industry if you are

honest and truth-

ful to your self-

imposed rules? Do

people in the film

industry really

value relationships?

Is achieving great-

ness important or

achieving stardom

by hook or crook?

How far will the

bigwigs in the

industry go to

destroy you if you

act against their

whims and fantas-

ies? Why do corpo-

rate giants make

movies? Do these

corporate compa-

nies really make

movies for the

love of 'cinema &

art' or is there

any hidden agenda?

The director, Abhinav

Sunder Nayak,

addressed all the

above questions,

through the charac-

ter of an aspiring

filmmaker, who

dreams of becoming

the greatest debutant

filmmaker the

Malayalam

film industry has

ever produced, with

a first-of-its-kind

horror movie. The

good thing about

'Mollywood Times',

at no point does it

try to preach or

take a dig at

people. It has an

original storyline,

original screenplay,

and original

humour. The

director should be

appreciated for

staying true to

his plot without

deviating and yet

making the film

entertaining for

most parts.

Barring a very few,

most of the aspiring

film directors

have to go

through years of

struggle before

they get the oppor-

tunity to direct a

film. In the process

of getting the

chance, they have

to narrate their

stories to multi-

ple people. When

you narrate your

stories to so

many people for

years, there's

always a chance

of the film with

the conclu-

sion 'You can't

control your

destiny in the

film industry.

Everything is

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Vaishali lifts WR Women's Chess Tour crown in Tokyo as brother

Praggnanandhaa scripts history in Norway

New Delhi, June 7 : It turned into a memorable day for Indian chess as Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa and his sister R. Vaishali scripted twin title-winning moments within hours of each other. After Praggnanandhaa became the first Indian to lift the Norway Chess crown, Vaishali clinched the opening event of the WR Women's Chess Tour in Tokyo, Japan. The 24-year-old Grandmaster produced a series of commanding performances in the eight-player rapid tournament, reinforcing India's growing dominance on the global chess stage. The victory also adds another major achievement to the career of the reigning Women's World Championship challenger. Vaishali dominates the rapid event. Competing in the rapid format with a 15-minute time control and a 10-second increment, Vaishali outplayed a strong international field featuring former Women's World Champion Alexandra Kosteniuk, Katerina Lagno, Antoaneta Stefanova, Anna Sargysyan, Irine Sukandar, Alua Nurman, and Azumi Sakai. She defeated IM Alua

Nurman of Kazakhstan 1.5-0.5 in the final after winning the opening game and drawing the second to seal the title. Vaishali's road to the championship was equally impressive. She beat former Women's World Champion Alexandra Kosteniuk 1.5-0.5 in the semifinals after overcoming IM Irine Sukandar by the same margin in the quarterfinals, winning one game and drawing the other in both matches. Having secured the rapid crown, Vaishali will now aim to complete a double when the blitz competition begins on Sunday. A landmark day for the Praggnanandhaa family. Earlier in the day, Praggnanandhaa created history by becoming the first Indian to win the Norway Chess title, defeating Germany's Vincent Keymer in the 10th and



final round of the classical tournament. Playing with the white pieces, the 20-year-old capitalised on Keymer's middle-game inaccuracies before converting his advantage into victory on the 45th move. The win took him to 18 points, enough to finish one point ahead of overnight leader Wesley So of the United States and claim the \$100,000 top prize. The remarkable double triumph by the Chennai siblings marked one of the biggest days for Indian chess, with both brother and sister lifting prestigious international titles within hours of each other.

India's U-18 men strike gold, women win bronze; President Murmu, Amit Shah hail young hockey stars



New Delhi, June 7: India's triumph at the Men's U-18 Asia Cup 2026 and the women's team's bronze-medal finish drew praise from the country's top leaders, with President Droupadi Murmu, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, former Union Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju, and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath congratulating the young hockey stars for making the nation proud. The celebrations came after the Indian U-18 men's team defeated hosts Japan 4-1 in the final, powered by a stunning hat-trick from Ashish Tani Purti, while the women's side President Murmu hails young athletes President Droupadi Murmu congratulated both teams for their performances and said they had become an inspiration for the country's youth. "Hearty congratulations to our U18 Hockey Teams for their commendable performance at the U18 Asia Cup 2026! The men's team has secured the championship title,

while the women's team has earned the Bronze Medal, making the nation proud. These results reflect the dedication, discipline, and determination of our young athletes. They are a source of inspiration for youth of the country. I wish them continued success in their future endeavours." Amit Shah: "Triumph inspires the nation" Union Home Minister Amit Shah praised the men's team for showcasing India's fighting spirit under pressure while also congratulating the women's team for their bronze-medal finish. "Bravo to Indian Men's U18 Hockey Team for lifting the Men's U18 Asia Cup 2026. You have displayed the indomitable power of Indian mettle even in the face of pressure and challenges and scripted a golden episode of pride for India. Your triumph sends wave of inspiration across nation." On the women's team, he added: "Congratulations to the Women's U18 Hockey

Team on winning the Bronze Medal at the U18 Asia Cup 2026. Your feat will certainly boost the sport and its enthusiasts. Keep the winning streak going." Kiren Rijiju lauds team's fighting spirit Union Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju called it a proud day for Indian hockey and credited the team's teamwork and determination throughout the tournament. "A proud day for Indian hockey! Congratulations to our Men's U18 Hockey Team for clinching the Men's U18 Asia Cup 2026 title. Their exceptional teamwork, talent & fighting spirit throughout the tournament culminated in a memorable victory in the final, where they defeated the defending champions & hosts, Japan. This achievement also highlights the growing enthusiasm for hockey among the youth of Bharat. My best wishes to the team for many more successes ahead." Yogi Adityanath highlights Uttar Pradesh players' contribution Uttar Pradesh Chief

Minister Yogi Adityanath congratulated the entire team while specially acknowledging players from the state, including captain Ketan Kushwaha, Shaharukh Ali, Prahlad Rajbhar, Rahul Yadav, and Romit Pal. He said the players had brought glory to Mother India through their skill, dedication and discipline, and wished that Indian hockey would continue to achieve new milestones on the global stage. Purti's hat-trick powers India to title On the field, Ashish Tani Purti delivered a Player of the Match performance by scoring in the 2nd, 28th and 34th minutes, while captain Ketan Kushwaha added another goal in the 30th minute as India defeated Japan 4-1. Numada Gaku scored the hosts' lone goal in the 52nd minute. Purti also finished as the tournament's top scorer with 13 goals, while goalkeeper Ayush Rajak was named the Best Goalkeeper. In the women's competition, Nausheen Naz emerged as the top scorer with 12 goals. Hockey India announces cash rewards Following the twin achievements, Hockey India announced Rs 3 lakh for each member of the gold medal-winning men's U-18 team and Rs 1.5 lakh for every member of the support staff. The federation also rewarded the women's U-18 team, which won bronze, with Rs 1 lakh for each player and Rs 50,000 for each member of the support staff, capping a memorable campaign for Indian hockey.

India's new T20I captain Shreyas Iyer stars with 61 as SOBO Mumbai Falcons beat Triumph Knights

New Delhi, June 7: Fresh off being named India's new T20I captain, Shreyas Iyer celebrated the milestone with the bat, smashing a scintillating 61 off just 36 deliveries to power SOBO Mumbai Falcons to a commanding five-wicket victory over Triumph Knights Mumbai North East in a marquee Nuvama Private T20 Mumbai League 2026 clash at the Wankhede Stadium. The high-profile contest brought together three of Mumbai cricket's biggest stars on one stage—World Cup-winning captains Rohit Sharma and Suryakumar Yadav, along with India's newly-appointed T20I skipper Iyer. Rohit, the face of the league, was present for the toss and watched the action unfold before a packed crowd. With 21,708 spectators filling the iconic Wankhede, the encounter showcased the depth of Mumbai's cricketing talent and the growing stature of the franchise-based domestic T20 competition. The crowd was treated to an entertaining contest featuring some

of India's biggest names. Chasing 148, the Falcons were rocked early after losing both openers with 41 runs on the board. Introduced as an Impact Player, Iyer immediately seized control of the chase, counterattacking with effortless strokeplay and stitching together a crucial partnership that shifted the momentum firmly in his side's favour. The right-hander stitched together a 33-run stand with Gautam Waghela for the third wicket before unleashing an array of elegant strokes against the Knights' attack. He brought up his half-century in style with a towering six over deep midwicket and continued to dominate the bowling, putting the Falcons firmly on course for victory. Parikshit Valsangkar eventually ended Shreyas' enterprising knock, which featured five fours and four sixes, but by then the result was all but sealed. Akash Parkar applied the finishing touch with a six as the Falcons completed the chase with 20 balls to spare.



Earlier, Suryakumar starred with the willow, scoring a fluent 48 off 24 deliveries, laced with three fours and four sixes. The T20 World Cup-winning captain helped the Knights recover from the early setbacks with a 56-run partnership with the in-form Nutan Goel (34). However, the Falcons' bowlers tightened the screws after the stand was broken, preventing the Knights from building further momentum. Prathamesh Dake starred with the ball, claiming four wickets as Triumph Knights MNE were restricted to 147/8 in their allotted 20 overs.

How Maja Chwalinska became the story of Roland Garros 2026

New Delhi, June 7: Amid the upsets and surprises that unfolded throughout the men's and women's draws, the tournament produced its own fairy-tale story in 24-year-old Polish tennis player Maja Chwalinska. Arriving with the modest goal of simply reaching the main draw, she defied expectations to reach her maiden Grand Slam final against world no. 8 Maria Andreeva.



Although she fell 6-3, 6-2 to the world no. 8 in the title clash, her fearless performances and remarkable underdog run won the admiration of tennis fans around the world. Chwalinska, who ranks 114 in the world, won her three qualifiers to make it into the main draw at Roland Garros for the first time and then won nine straight matches and reached the women's singles final on Court Philippe-Chatrier. She is already a history maker, the first qualifier to ever reach a French Open championship match and only the second in Grand Slam Open Era history to do so.

The Maja's Story Maja Chwalinska was born in Dabrowa Gornicza, an industrial city in southern Poland. Her tennis journey began at the age of seven when she was spotted during a school recruitment program. She picked up a racket and soon started training at a local sports and recreation center as part of their "Tennis Talent" campaign, where she honed her skills for the next 12 years. Known for her tricky, varied, and intelligent left-handed playing style, Chwalinska quickly emerged as one of Poland's brightest junior prospects. She formed a close bond and a highly successful doubles partnership with her childhood friend, Iga Swiatek. The Pole has been open about her off-court struggles, revealing that she battled depression for two years before retiring from tennis after losing in Wimbledon qualifying in 2021. She later returned to make her Grand Slam debut at Wimbledon in

2022, and she has now achieved her most significant career milestone at Roland-Garros. Maja, a self-confessed tennis addict, studies opponents and deepens her understanding of the game through watching matches. "When I was younger, I would watch tennis all day every day. I feel like it helps me read the game better," she said, adding that she is grateful for the opportunity to grow up watching Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, and Novak Djokovic. "I occasionally return to these old matches and watch them play. "It feels like poetry." The story beyond the Clay Court The French Open finalist was asked about her changing kits with different logos for each round. "There is no story, really," she said with a laugh when asked about the outfit rotation. "I'm not sponsored, so I guess that's the story." Chwalinska was ranked outside of the world's top players and entered the French Open without a sponsor. She revealed a concern that few Grand Slam hopefuls ever have to consider after battling through qualification and unexpectedly making it to the fourth round. "I hope there are still some rooms available out there... or that I have enough money," Maja admitted. Even though the Pole won more money than she had ever earned, at least €1.4 million (USD \$1.6 million) for reaching the final at a single tournament, the prize money in tennis does not often arrive right away, so she still had expenses to pay in one of the most expensive cities in the world.

The tennis community took note of the remark immediately. Soon after, Oshee, a Polish sports nutrition company, stepped in to sponsor her and pay for her stay in Paris, ensuring that a player who had emerged as one of the tournament's stars did not have to spend her evenings worrying about hotel fees. The battle on Clay After beating 25th seed Diana Shnaider in the semifinal, Maja Chwalinska said, "I feel like I'm in a bubble; I don't know what's going on; I'm just very happy to be here." However, the bubble was burst by world number eight Mirra Andreeva, who prevented Chwalinska from becoming only the second qualifier to win a Grand Slam singles title in the Open Era. Chwalinska lost 6-3, 6-2 to Andreeva on Saturday, but finishing second will have a significant impact on her life and professional career. For Maja to earn a spot in the main tournament, she had to win three qualifying matches against tough competition. She won dominantly against Alice Rame and Carole Monnet, but her last match against Suzan Lamens was a tight two-setter to qualify. Once she entered the main draw, she had a historic run to the final by taking down a gauntlet of formidable opponents, which included dominant straight-set victories over Qinwen Zheng, Elise Mertens, and Diane Parry and a resilient comeback against Maria Sakkari. The quarterfinals against 22nd seed Anna Kalinskaya showcased

Chwalinska's composure by navigating a high-stakes first-set tiebreak and then dominating the second set to reach the semifinals. She then punched her historic ticket to the final with a grueling semifinal victory over 25th seed Diana Shnaider, once again demonstrating elite mental toughness to edge out a crucial opening tiebreak.

What's next for Maja? After the finals, Maja Chwalinska will climb from 114th in the world to a new high of 21st on Monday, while her Roland Garros prize money of 1.4 million euros (£1.21m) is almost double what she had previously earned in her entire career. When asked about her French Open journey, she said, "It is definitely an unforgettable three weeks for me. I'll never forget it." It's been 18 years of hard work, patience, and perseverance," said 24-year-old Chwalinska, who took up tennis as a young girl. "I had to go through so much to be in this position. Life is weird sometimes, and you've just got to do your thing and believe it will click someday, and I'm happy that it did. Chwalinska's next target would be Wimbledon, as she has climbed to the fringes of the world's top 20 with her Roland Garros run, but she is not guaranteed to make the main draw at Wimbledon, as she was outside the top 100 at the cut-off time for entries. It means she will again have to go through qualifying, unless she is awarded a main-draw wildcard for the tournament, which begins on 29 June. On the possibility of receiving a SW19 wildcard, Chwalinska said: "I don't expect it, but I'll see. I will treat it as a challenge." Wildcards are usually reserved for British players, those who have performed well previously on grass and notable high-profile players. But showing a positive attitude, she said, "It's a new surface. I don't have much time, but I'll give my all and we'll see. But I'm excited. Grass is always a nice kind of change."

Gill's 126 and Pant's 81 power India to 475/6 against Afghanistan at lunch on Day 2

New Delhi, June 7: India tightened their grip on the one-off Test against Afghanistan as skipper Shubman Gill converted his overnight century into a commanding 126, while Rishabh Pant played a fluent knock of 81 to steer the hosts to 475/6 at lunch on day two. Although Afghanistan enjoyed a better session by claiming three wickets with the second new ball, the visitors were left to rue two costly missed review opportunities that could have removed both Gill and Pant much earlier. Their inability to use DRS effectively allowed India to build on an already dominant position. Gill, who resumed unbeaten on 103, looked in complete control as he extended his innings to 126 from 177 deliveries before pacer Mohammad Saleem Safi finally ended his stay with a fiery spell that extracted pace and movement. Pant, meanwhile, blended caution with aggression in his 81 off

121 balls before becoming Hashmatullah Shahidi's maiden Test wicket. At the lunch break, Washington Sundar (14 not out) and debutant Manav Suthar (9 not out) were at the crease after ensuring India suffered no further setbacks. The hosts added 107 runs in the morning session and remain well placed to post a massive first-innings total. Keeper Afsar Zazai endured a difficult time, unable to convince Shahidi to take the crucial DRS calls that might have changed the complexion of the innings. Safi was the standout bowler, claiming Gill and Dhruv Jurel in quick succession. Jurel, who looked positive with four boundaries in his 19 off 20 balls, misjudged a nib-backer and was castled. Shahidi then joined the wicket-taking act when he lured Pant into a mistimed lofted stroke and mid-off easily took the catch. Despite going off the steam in the later



half, India remain firmly ahead as Sundar and Suthar held firm till lunch by hitting two boundaries each and ensuring no further damage was caused. With the ball seaming and turning as well, India can make merry with the new ball once their batting innings is over. Brief Scores: India 475/6 in 110 overs (Shubman Gill 126, KL Rahul 100; Mohammad Saleem Safi 4-109; Hashmatullah Shahidi 1-70) against Afghanistan

Neymar drops retirement hint, calls 2026 World Cup his 'last dance'



Brazil superstar Neymar has dropped his strongest hint yet that the 2026 FIFA World Cup could mark the end of his international career, describing the tournament as "the last dance" while continuing his recovery from a series of injury setbacks. The 34-year-old forward

made the remark in the comments section of a FIFA social media post that celebrated his journey with the Brazilian team. The post featured images from different stages of Neymar's career alongside the caption, "We've watched him grow up."

Responding to it, the Santos attacker wrote simply: "The last dance," a phrase famously associated with NBA legend Michael Jordan's final season with the Chicago Bulls in 1997-98, according to Xinhua. Brazil will make a record-extending 23rd FIFA World Cup appearance next year, remaining the only nation to have qualified for every edition of football's biggest tournament. The 2026 competition, beginning next year, will be hosted jointly by Canada, Mexico and the

United States, the first World Cup to be staged across three countries. Neymar is currently undergoing intensive rehabilitation as he aims to be fit for the tournament after a difficult period plagued by injuries. Brazil's all-time leading scorer has netted 79 goals in 128 international appearances, but he has not represented the Selecao since suffering a ruptured anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) during a World Cup qualifier against Uruguay in October 2023.

Who is Saji Valasheril? PM Modi lauds Kerala swimming coach for training over 15,000 people

During the 134th episode of 'Mann Ki Baat', Prime Minister Narendra Modi highlighted the remarkable efforts of Saji Valasheril, who runs a swimming club in Aluva, Kerala, and has trained thousands of people, which includes specially-abled children.



In the latest episode of his popular monthly radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat', Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday, May 31, praised a unique community-driven swimming initiative in Kerala. He mentioned how Saji Valasheril's commitment to public service helped thousands of people acquire a life-saving skill, besides inspiring positive social change.

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"During these summer days, while schools are usually on vacation, I will talk about a class you all want to enrol in. Imagine a school where children, both young and old, attend, where there are no fees, no large

buildings, no classrooms, and, most interestingly, classes are held in a river," Prime Minister Modi said. He emphasised that the initiative was not fictional and rather a real example of social commitment. "This isn't a story. This is a true effort. In Aluva, Kerala, Saji Valasheril runs one such swimming club. More than 15,000 people have learned to swim here. Saji ji has also taught swimming to Divyang children. Lying behind this effort, there's a hidden pain too," PM Modi said.

He added, "A few years ago, several students had died in a boat accident. That incident shook Saji ji deeply. He thought, if the children knew how

to swim, perhaps many lives could have been saved, and that's where his campaign began".

Who is Saji Valasheril? Valasseril is into furniture business and learned swimming at a very young age, The Hindu reported. His father was an expert swimmer and a soldier attached to the Madras Regiment.

For more than 15 years now, Valasseril has been running a swimming camp at an expansive bathing ghat at Desham near Aluva Manappuram in Ernakulam district. At this camp, Valasseril gives swimming lessons for a nominal fee to people across all age groups. The

motto behind this initiative is to ensure that drowning should never cut short a precious life. Usually, the camp reportedly runs between November and May every year. As part of the training, participants are required to undergo a five-point syllabus, which includes floating, kicking, swimming with the head immersed in water, mastering breathing as well as swimming with the head lifting off the water at regular intervals to breath in, reports said.

For the safety of people, a rescue boat and ambulance always remain on standby. To take part, participants are voluntarily required to contribute a one-time fee of ₹100 for the safety arrangements. Emphasising on the broader message behind the initiative, Prime Minister Modi said Valasheril's journey demonstrates how determination and a genuine desire to help people can create a major long-lasting impact on society.

"Saji Valasheril's life teaches us a great lesson. Service doesn't require vast resources; what's needed is a good intent and consistent effort. On the strength of these alone, the lives of thousands can be transformed," he said.

Objections received on draft list of polling stations

By Skyline Staff Reporter Visakhapatnam, June 7 District Election Officer and District Collector M. Abhishikth Kishore said that a draft list for the reorganization of the existing 1,980 polling stations in the 7 assembly constituencies of Visakhapatnam district has been published as per the orders of the Election Commission of India.



He stated that this draft list was prepared taking into account the establishment of new polling stations where necessary, changes in the details of existing polling stations, changes in the location of polling stations, etc., as per the Election Commission guidelines, so that each polling station can accommodate a maximum of 1,200 voters. He said that the draft lists have been made available

for public inspection in the offices of all Electoral Registration Officers, Assistant Electoral Registration Officers and the District Collector's office. Similarly, he said that copies of the lists have also been provided to representatives of recognized political parties, sitting MLAs (MLDs) and Members of Parliament (MPs). District Collector M. Abhishikth Kishore

asked that if there are any objections, suggestions or proposals for changes in the draft lists, they should submit them in writing to the concerned Electoral Registration Officer or the District Collector's office by the 15th of this month. He clarified that the final decision will be taken as per the Election Commission rules after examining the objections and suggestions received.

Public Grievance Redressal System (PGRS) Programme at GVMC on Monday

PGRS programme to be conducted across the reorganized 10 zones GVMC Commissioner Ketan Garg

By Skyline Staff Reporter Visakhapatnam, June 07 : The Public Grievance Redressal System (PGRS) programme will be conducted on Monday, June 08, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) Head Office as well as in all the reorganized zonal offices including Bheemili, Madhurawada, East, West, South, North, Pendurthi, Gajuwaka, Aganampudi, and Anakapalli, informed GVMC Commissioner Ketan Garg through a press release on Sunday.



The Commissioner stated that citizens can submit their grievances related to various GVMC departments such as sanitation, town

planning, water supply, street lighting, horticulture, revenue, UCD, engineering, etc., during the PGRS programme by submit-

ting applications between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM on June 08, 2026. Note :

The GVMC West Zone office has been arranged at the Constituency Office located at NAD Kotha Road, Gowri Nagar, Ward No. 52. The North Zone office has been arranged at the Constituency Office located at Madhavadhara UDA Layout, RTA Office Road, behind the Pump House, Ward No. 51.

The Aganampudi Zone office has been arranged at Rajiv Gandhi Kalyana Mandapam, near Vinayaka Temple, Pedamadaka, Shivalaayam Road, Ward No. 85. Citizens are requested to take note of the above zonal locations. All other zonal offices will function at their respective existing locations.

Cheepurupalli TDP to Hold Special Meeting on Voter List Revision Drive

Vizianagaram (Cheepurupalli), June 8 (Skyline): Following the directions of Telugu Desam Party National President and Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, party cadres have been asked to remain vigilant during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls being conducted by the Election Commission from June

15. A constituency-level special meeting will be held at 4:30 PM on June 8 at the Cheepurupalli camp office under the leadership of former minister and Cheepurupalli MLA Kimidi Kala Venkata Rao. The meeting will focus on precautions and measures to be taken during the voter list revision process. Cluster, unit, booth con-

veners and co-conveners will be given detailed guidelines on ensuring accuracy in voter enrolment and verification. Party presidents from all four mandals, along with senior leaders and party workers, have been requested to attend the meeting and actively participate in the voter awareness and verification programme.

58 teams participate as Modi Ji Cricket Tournament concludes in Gurla

-Bondapalli crowned champions; Rajesh Varma highlights importance of promoting rural sporting talent



Vizianagaram (Gurla), June 8 (Skyline): The Modi Ji Cricket Tournament organized in Gurla Mandal under the leadership of BJP District President Uppalapati Rajesh Varma concluded on a grand note, drawing participation from 58 cricket teams across the region.

Addressing the gathering at the valedictory function, Rajesh Varma said sports tournaments play a crucial role in identifying and nurturing talent among rural youth. He

stressed the need for more such events to encourage young players and promote sportsmanship at the grassroots level. Bondapalli team clinched the championship title and received a cash prize of Rs.25,000 along with a trophy and gold medals. Regati secured second place, earning Rs.15,000, a trophy, and silver medals, while Gudem finished third and was awarded Rs.10,000, a trophy, and bronze medals. The event witnessed the presence of BJP district

secretaries Kondapalli Srinivas and Chintapalli Apparao, Yuva Morcha District President Rajana Ramana, Mandal President Polipalli Kanakaraju, Mandal General Secretaries Akula Mahesh and K.V. Naidu, Mahila Morcha Mandal President Majji Ramulamma, and several youth and party functionaries. The tournament concluded with a prize distribution ceremony and appreciation for the participating teams.

Gastrointestinal and Liver Disorders Are Increasing: Dr. Chalapathi Rao Achanta

Visakhapatnam, June 7, 2026: Gastrointestinal and liver diseases are increasing as part of changing lifestyles, said Dr. Chalapathi Rao Achanta, Senior Consultant Gastroenterologist and Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Conference. The national-level medical education conference, 'Gastro Update - 4th Edition,' organized jointly by the Institute of Liver and Gastro Sciences at KIMS Hospitals, Seethammadhara, the Association of Physicians of India (API), the Indian Medical Association (IMA), and the Vizag Gut Club, was held successfully on Sunday. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Chalapathi Rao said that



leading gastroenterologists, physicians, postgraduate students, and healthcare professionals from across the country attended the conference to discuss complex clinical scenarios encountered in the diagnosis and treatment of gastrointestinal and liver dis-

orders. He further noted that such conferences are highly important for young doctors. Through the discussion of complex cases, young doctors can learn valuable clinical insights. They also get exposure to emerging technologies and treatment modalities in the field. The conference witnessed participation from eminent medical experts from New Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bhubaneswar, and Ahmedabad. Experts deliberated on several challenging topics, including dysphagia (difficulty in swallowing), treatment-resistant indigestion, recurrent jaundice, chronic diarrhea, liver cancers, complex gastroe-

sophageal reflux disease, recurrent perianal fistula, severe pancreatitis, and recurrent gastrointestinal bleeding. Interactive case-based sessions centered on real patient cases emerged as a major highlight of the conference. National and regional experts jointly analyzed the cases and provided valuable insights into modern diagnostic approaches and treatment strategies. Dr. Abhinay, CEO of KIMS Group of Hospitals, and Dr. Nagesh, Regional CEO, expressed their gratitude to the faculty members, delegates, and partner organizations for their contribution to the success of the conference.

Superstitions should be dispelled

Awareness programs should be organized in the respective villages Atheist Society of India to the government

By Skyline Staff Reporter Visakhapatnam, June 7 The Atheist Society of India has appealed to organize awareness programs in villages where superstitions are rampant. Representatives of the society have issued a statement to this effect. The brutal beating and burning of a man named Tadangi Ramesh in Velagalavasa village of Parvathipuram district by women leaders of the Atheist Society of India, J. Shyamala, J. Sunitha, and Vizianagaram District General Secretary Bankuru Joginaidu said that they strongly condemn the incident. They said that the way the police responded immediately after the incident and the immediate arrest of those involved in this atrocity is commendable. On the one hand, the world is moving forward with scientific knowledge by sending rock-



ets to other planets, using robotic knowledge, and artificial intelligence, while on the other hand, people are killing people through black magic and witchcraft with superstition and ignorant thoughts, he said. He said that all this is being done by some people for their own selfish purposes, especially by exploiting the innocence of tribal people, their lack of proper education, needs, and financial status. He chal-



lenged anyone who practices black magic to do it on them first. The Bharatiya Atheist Society visited the village where the incident took place and made people aware of the black magic, witchcraft, and various superstitions prevalent in the villages. On this occasion, they met the local police officers, the District Revenue Officer, and the Additional District Magistrate and submitted a petition to enact an anti-

superstition law. He said that the ignorance, lack of scientific attitude, lack of understanding and superstitions among the people are the reasons for such atrocities, such incidents are happening every day in the state, and it is the responsibility of the government to eradicate these superstitions among the people, and Article 51 AH of the Constitution of India calls upon every citizen to develop a scientific attitude, humanism, exploration and the spir-

Food distribution program for the poor under the auspices of Ramji Abhyudaya Seva Sangam

By Skyline Staff Reporter Visakhapatnam, June 7 A food distribution program was organized for the poor under the auspices of Ramji Abhyudaya Seva Sangam. In this program held at Kancharapalem in the city, sarees were distributed to the poor with the financial help of Pedamata Yesu Prasad. Speaking on this occasion, the organizers said that they are distributing food to the poor every Saturday as part of the service programs being carried out by their association. Honorary President of the association Gollamala Apparao, talkalika president Botsa Apparao, Golla Ganesh, K. Somil, Yella Rao, K. Nageswara Rao and others participated in this program.



Cockroach Protest Exposes A Youth Challenge Modi Cannot Brush Away



Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government may have done itself a favour by allowing the Cockroach Janta Party protest led by Abhijit Dipke to proceed without turning it into another confrontation between the state and restless young citizens. For a government that has often preferred firmness over accommodation, the decision to let anger over examination irregularities spill from social media timelines into a public square was politically sensible. It denied the protest instant martyrdom, lowered the temperature on the streets, and allowed the ruling establishment to signal that it was not afraid of noisy dissent. But it would

be a mistake for the government to read the modest crowd strength as proof that the movement is electorally harmless or socially shallow.

Numbers matter in politics, but they do not always tell the whole story. The cockroach protest did not have the machinery of a trade union, the district-level network of a national party, or the mobilisation capacity of caste and communal organisations. It lacked buses, convenors, local committees, booth workers and the invisible logistics that turn outrage into a disciplined mass gathering. Yet young men and women still came from different parts of the country

to join a protest around a cause that has touched nearly every middle-class, lower-middle-class and aspirational household: the credibility of examinations. That is what should worry the government. A protest without an organisation is not always a weak protest. Sometimes it is a warning that the organisation may come later.

The issue at the heart of the agitation is unusually combustible. Examination irregularities are not viewed by students as a routine administrative failure. They are seen as theft: of years of preparation, family savings, emotional stamina and the promise of social mobility. Parents mortgage com-

fort and sometimes assets to fund coaching, hostel stays, application fees and travel. Students spend their teenage years under brutal pressure, often measuring their self-worth against cut-off marks and answer keys. When papers leak, marking systems fail, or exam bodies appear casual about accountability, the damage is not merely procedural. It strikes at the moral bargain that keeps millions invested in the system: work hard, compete fairly, and the state will protect the sanctity of the contest.

That bargain has been under strain for some time. The explosion of competitive examinations has created a vast economy of hope, anxiety and exploitation. Coaching centres, online platforms, private hostels, test series providers and application portals have grown around a state-driven scarcity of seats and jobs. For young Indians, exams are not episodic events; they are life-defining gateways. Any perception that these gateways are compromised carries a political charge far beyond education policy. It feeds directly into discontent over unemployment, uneven opportunity and the

belief that merit is being mocked by incompetence or collusion.

By permitting the protest, the government chose containment over provocation. That was a prudent move. A crackdown could have transformed a loosely structured movement into a national cause overnight. Detentions, barricades, lathi-charges or visible humiliation of young protesters would have supplied the movement with images more powerful than speeches. The decision to let the anger find physical expression allowed the state to avoid that trap. It also created a controlled release valve for frustration that had been building in the digital space, where rage often grows faster because it is not tested against the discipline of public mobilisation.

Yet the same strategy carries a risk. Once a movement moves from social media to the street, it acquires a different kind of legitimacy. Online followings can be dismissed as algorithmic storms, performative outrage or influencer politics. Bodies in a public protest are harder to wave away. They show sacrifice, however limited. They show

that people were willing to travel, stand, shout, expose themselves to scrutiny and associate their names with a cause. For a movement like the CJP, that transition matters. It tells the government that the cockroach label, whether mocking, self-deprecating or defiant, has begun to carry emotional meaning among a section of youth.

Abhijit Dipke's real achievement is not that he has built a conventional political organisation. He has not. His challenge will now be to convert attention into structure, emotion into strategy and anger into a programme. Indian politics is littered with examples of movements that captured the public mood but failed to survive the grind of organisation. The street can produce visibility, but politics and sustained pressure require cadres, discipline, internal democracy, funding transparency, local leadership and clarity of purpose.

For the government, however, the immediate question is simpler: what does it do with Dharmendra Pradhan? Modi's decision to include the education minister in his Paris delegation was clearly meant to convey steadiness and defiance.

Workers And Farmers Preparing To Intensify United Protests

Workers and farmers of India are again preparing to



intensify their united protests against the policy of BJP led NDA government under PM Narendra Modi, what they perceive to be anti-worker, anti-farmer and anti-people. Future course joint struggle of workers and farmers will be decided in the National Convention of workers and farmers to be held on July 29, 2026 at Talkatora Stadium in New Delhi. In a significant show of solidarity, the Joint Platform of Central Trade Unions (CTUs) and the Samyukt Kisan Morcha (SKM) had announced it on May 30, and thereafter, they have immediately started their preparation for the occasion. Their statement read, "The convention will declare the future course of joint and coordinated struggles. ... the action plan for intensifying independent, issue-based and united struggles ... until all demands are achieved."

The convention is expected to draw thousands of representatives from across the country and is being projected as a major step toward building a coordinated nationwide movement against what the organisations describe as the Centre's "anti-worker, anti-farmer and anti-people" policies. Apart from workers and farmers, agricultural labourers will also participate in the convention in large numbers. CTUs and SKM also intend to organise even all India general strikes, such as they have done on February 12, which was largest ever strike of workers in the country. It is most likely that they may decide for multi-days general strike of workers and farmers. Their chief demand was withdrawal of the four controversial labour codes. However, within a week after the state election results on May 4, the government notified rules to implement Labour Codes. The government have also notified the Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB G RAM G) 2025 on May 11 which will be implemented from July 1 when it will replacing the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) 2005. Farmers are chiefly concerned about the rising input cost for agriculture. SKM has criticised the government policy that works against the farmers and they said that trade agreements with the foreign countries especially USA and European countries will reduce the Indian farmers only subservient to the global trade structure. Farmers demand for legal guarantee for MSP is yet unmet and also the implementation of the Swaminathan Formula C2+50 per cent for ascertaining the MSP for agriculture produce. The last National Convention of workers was held on January 2026 that had decided the nationwide workers and farmers strike on February 12. Since the July 29 National Convention will be the first national convention after the notification of final rules under all the four labour codes on May 8-9, and notification of VB G RAM G on May 11. Only two days after the notifications, the Joint Platform of CTUs and SKM had taken a decision in a joint meeting on May 13 in New Delhi to organise the National Convention of workers and farmers. The announcement of the date of convention on May 30 is therefore significant since it will decide and declare the future joint struggles against Modi government policies, including labour codes and economic policies. Their demands include a legal guarantee for Minimum Support Price (MSP) at C2+50 per cent with assured procurement, a statutory minimum wage, the right to employment, a comprehensive farm loan waiver, and withdrawal of the four labour codes. They have also been opposing electricity sector privatisation, the proposed Seed Bill, implementation of the Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (LARR) Act, 2013, and free trade agreements which they believe will harm both agriculture and industry.

Their joint statement alleged that the government has been pursuing policies that favour large corporate interests at the expense of workers, farmers and ordinary citizens. They also alleged that the Centre's economic approach has weakened federalism, democratic institutions, secular values and the country's economic sovereignty.

The Joint Platform of CTUs said that the government failed to respond to the concerns raised during the February 12 general strike and remained indifferent to the growing economic hardships faced by large sections of the population. They said in their statement that fertiliser shortages could affect agricultural output and food security, while higher fuel prices are adding to inflation and increasing household expenses. They accused the government of imposing austerity measures rather than increasing taxation on the wealthiest sections of society. They criticised the handling of the consequences of Iran war on Indian economy, workers, farmers, and common people. The CTUs and SKM supported the recent protests of workers in the Nation Capital Territory region and criticized the government action against them. The National Convention will discuss the concerns over restrictions on the right to protest in the light of increasing police action against workers, trade union leaders and activists. They demanded withdrawal of the "false cases" filed against labour leaders and social activists. They also alleged that democratic dissent was increasingly being criminalized.

Today's Horoscope



Aries

Tooth ache or stomach upset may create some problems for you. Take a physician's advice to get relief immediately. Any of your chronic diseases may bother you today, due to which you may have to go to the hospital and spend a lot of money. Spending time with children will be important. Those who stay away from their lover can miss them deeply today. Because of this, you can talk to your beloved on the phone for hours during the night. Tact will be required while handling colleagues. Someone from your past is likely to contact you and make it a memorable day. Today, you will experience that the love of your partner forgets you about the pains of life. Remedy :- Keep water in a Copper vessel near bedside at night, and next morning, pour this water at the root of a nearest tree, for excellent health benefits.



Taurus

Your energy level will be high. There is a possibility of money loss today, hence you are required to remain alert while making transactions or signing any document. Enjoy a peaceful and quiet day with family members-If people approach you with problems-Ignore them and don't let this bother your mind. Some difference may crop up with your darling-You will have difficulty trying to make your mate understand your position. Your partner will be hard to deal with. While spending free time with your spouse tonight, you will realize how important it is to give them more time. Work pressure had been hampering your married life since long. But today, all the grievances will be vanished. Remedy :- For enhanced financial condition, plant a banana tree, tend to it and worship it.



Gemini

A beneficial day and you may be able to find relief from a prolong illness. An old friend can ask you for financial help today. However, your assistance can weaken your financial conditions. Children need to concentrate on studies and plan for the future. You are likely to be dazzled by some natural beauty today. You will make beneficial career changes if you present yourself in a professional manner. You should try to understand the things in the right manner, otherwise you'll waste your free time just thinking about such scenarios continuously. Today, you will realize that all the vows taken on your marriage were true. Your spouse is your soulmate. Remedy :- Financial life will become better by using green vehicles.



Cancer

Misusing personal relations to fulfil your expectations would annoy your wife. You will possess a considerable amount of money today, and with it there will be peace of mind. You will also make important contacts through friends. The ecstasy of entire universe is held between the two who are in love. Yes, you are the lucky one. You need to focus on your way of working to get good results at the workplace, otherwise your negative image can get created in the eyes of your boss. Today, you will be able to spend time with your lover and put forward your feelings in front of him/her. Today, your partner might take you in the realm of a different world of love and sensations. Remedy :- Wear Green Coloured clothes



Leo

Your mind will be disturbed with recent events. Meditation and yoga will prove to be beneficial for spiritual as well as physical gains. At the beginning of the day, you may suffer from any financial loss, which can spoil the whole day. Try to be reasonable especially with people who love and care for you. Exciting day of romance- Plan something special for the evening and try to make it as romantic as possible. Great day to implement new projects and plans. You have spare time today for socializing and follow up with things that you love doing the most. Your partner might do something fabulous unintentionally, which will be really unforgettable. Remedy :- For a good financial life, keep green stones in flower pots, keep plants in green bottles, and also have green tiles in bathroom.



Virgo

If possible try to avoid long journey as you are too weak to travel and this could put further weaken you. Today, you are likely to attain benefits from the help of your brother or sister. Think before sharing your confidential information with your spouse. If possible, try to avoid as she might reveal it to someone else. Be careful your romantic partner may flatter you- don't leave me alone in this lonely world. Bold steps and decisions would bring favourable rewards. The natives of this zodiac sign would like to spend more time alone than meeting people today. Today, your free time can be spent by cleaning the house. Your spouse will be full of energy and love today. Remedy :- Include use of white clothes in your daily wear for good health.



Libra

Work pressure might bring some stress and tension today. It should be well understood that in the hour of grief, your accumulated wealth will only help you tackle the situation. Hence, start saving from today and avoid excessive spending. A better understanding with your spouse brings in happiness-peace and prosperity at home. Your work will take a backseat-as you find comfort-pleasure and extreme ecstasy in the arms of your beloved. You will be in a strong position to put together a team and work toward a collective goal. Today, you would like to do all the things that you used to love during your childhood. Romantic songs, aromatic candles, good food, and some drinks; the day is all about this with your spouse. Remedy :- Distribute sweets and savouries made of ground yellow chana dal to needy people for amazing health benefits.



Scorpio

Astrological guidance by a friend will encourage you to improve your health. Try to control your spending- and buy only the essential items today. Good time to get involved into activities that include youngsters. Erratic behaviour of your darling might make your mood upset. This is an excellent time for developing professional contacts in other countries. Good day for some recreation and entertainment. Rude behavior of your spouse might take a toll on you today. Remedy :- Offer seven almonds and seven grains of black grams in Shani temple and build a strong love life.



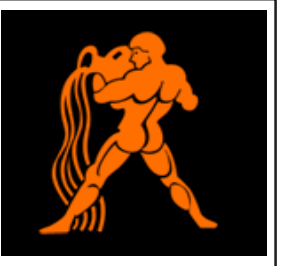
Sagittarius

Outings-parties and pleasure jaunts will keep you in good mood today. Money can be required anytime, so plan your finances and start saving now as much as possible. Let family tension not divert your attention. Bad times give us much more. You will be in a loving mood- so be sure to make special plans for you and your beloved. New assignments undertaken would fall short of expectations. Travel and educational pursuits will enhance your awareness. Those who say that marriage is all about sex, they lie. Because today, you will know what true love is. Remedy :- For enhanced career/work life/business, brush your teeth with herbal-based toothpaste such as neem and babool.



Capricorn

Your frank and fearless views could hurt the vanity of your friend. It's another high-energy day and unexpected gains are foreseen. You will upset your spouse if you spend money on things that you don't immediately require. Beloved will be in a romantic mood. Daydreaming will bring your downfall-Do not count on others to do your work. You need to remember that god helps those who help themselves. Today, you will fall in love with your spouse again. Remedy :- Maintain harmony and balance in the family by switching on a white-light zero watt bulb in the Northwest direction.



Aquarius

Health will be perfect today. If you were about to take a loan and had been engaged in this work for a long time, then today is your lucky day. Domestic work keeps you busy most of the time. Love will show positive vibes Good day for businessmen. A sudden trip undertaken for business purpose will yield positive results. Today, you can think of spending your free time carrying out religious work. During this time, do not get into unnecessary conflicts. Today, you will forget all the hardships of your life with the love of your spouse. Remedy :- For enhancing positive experiences in the family, offer 28 drops of mustard oil near Peepal or banyan tree or in a pot filled with mud at home.



Pisces

Cheer up as good time ahead and you will have additional energy. You may get into a fight with your spouse today over money-related matters. However, you will fix everything with your calm attitude. A wonderful day to enjoy the company of guests. Plan something special with your relatives. They would also appreciate it. A good communication or a message from your beloved or spouse will enhance your morale today. Added knowledge that you acquire today would give you an edge when dealing with peers. Amidst your busy life, you will get enough time for yourself today and be able to do your favorite things. Marriage had never been so wonderful before than today. Remedy :- Accept rice and silver from your mother and keep it in your home to improve your financial condition.

Chamber of Commerce Demands Action Against Food Controller; Submits Petition to MLA Payal Shankar

Skyline Correspondent Adilabad : JUNE - 07: Members of the Chamber of Commerce and Trades Association, led by President Dinesh Matolia, submitted a petition to MLA Payal Shankar demanding strict action against Assistant Food Safety Controller Nayak Taryaji. According to the association, the official has allegedly been collecting money illegally from traders through middlemen and creating fear among representatives of business and commercial establishments. The Chamber members requested that the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) conduct a thorough investigation into the allegations, seize any illegally acquired assets, and immediately dismiss him from government service if found guilty. Responding positively to the petition, MLA Payal Shankar assured the delegation that he would bring the matter to the attention of higher authorities and seek appropriate action. Those present during the submission of the petition included Chamber of Commerce President Dinesh Matolia, General Secretaries



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Congress Leaders Stage 'Vanta Varpu' Protest at Ambedkar Chowrasta Against LPG Price Hike

Skyline Correspondent Husnabad : JUNE - 07: Husnabad Municipal Chairperson Dandi Lakshmi strongly criticized Prime Minister Narendra Modi, alleging that the continuous increase in cooking gas, petrol, and diesel prices is placing a heavy burden on poor and middle-class families. On Sunday, Congress party leaders and workers organized a "Vanta Varpu" (community cooking protest) at Ambedkar Chowrasta in Husnabad, demanding an immediate rollback of the recently increased LPG cylinder prices. Protesters cooked food on traditional wood-fired stoves as a symbolic demonstration against the rising fuel costs. She pointed out that during the tenure of former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, when crude oil prices



in the international market were around \$110 per barrel, petrol cost ₹67 per litre and diesel ₹53 per litre. However, she alleged that despite crude oil prices currently being around \$106 per barrel, petrol prices have crossed Rs.110 per litre, which she termed a failure of the Modi govern-

ment. Lakshmi demanded that Prime Minister Modi take responsibility for failing to control prices and resign from his post. The protest was attended by Municipal Vice-Chairperson Chittari Padma, former MPP Akula Venkanna, Vaddepalli Ramana, municipal councillors Burgu

Latha, Poodari Varaprasad, Savula Manjula, Vaidyam Kiran, Bolishetty Raju, Pilli Tirupati, Bhukya Sampath, Battula Swaroopa, Keshaveni Ramesh, and party leaders Gattu Ramulu, Poodari Srinivas, Punna Ranjith, Sagar, Anil, along with several others.

Free Skill Development Training for Unemployed Youth: Collector K. Haritha

Skyline Correspondent Kumuram Bheem Asifabad : JUNE - 07: District Collector K. Haritha has announced that special free skill development training programs are being organized to provide employment opportunities for unemployed youth in the district. With the support of the GMR Varalakshmi Foundation, a voluntary organization, eligible unemployed youth from the district will be provided with three months of free skill training in Hyderabad, along with free accommodation and food facilities. The training programs are designed to meet current market demands. The courses offered include:



Drywall & False Ceiling Technician
Welding & Fabrication Technician
Automobile & Two-Wheeler Technician
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Technician
Assistant Electrician
Excavator Operator

Guest Service Associate (F&B)
Front Office Executive (For Women Only)
Applicants should submit:
Three copies of Aadhaar Card
Ration Card
Passport-size Photograph
Educational Qualification Certificates
Applications will be received as follows:
Jainoor, Sirpur-U, and Lingapur Mandals:
Venue: KRK Function Hall, Jainoor Mandal Headquarters
Date: June 9
Time: 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM
Kerameri Mandal:
Venue: Mandal Parishad Development Officer (MPDO) Office, Kerameri
Date: June 9
Time: 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Tiryani Mandal:
Venue: Mandal Parishad Development Officer (MPDO) Office, Tiryani
Date: June 10
Time: 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM
The Collector stated that the program has been designed to provide employment opportunities after successful completion of the training. She urged unemployed youth in the district to make the best use of this opportunity.

State-Level Ghazal Awards for Jagtial District Poets

Skyline Correspondent Jagtial : JUNE - 07: Two eminent poetesses from Jagtial district — Maddela Sarojana and Siripuram Vanishree — have been conferred with the prestigious State-level Ghazal Awards. Maddela Sarojana, who serves as the Principal Admin of Kalaashree Eeshwaramma Sahitya Peetham, Jagtial, along with Siripuram Vanishree, received this honour. The awards were presented by renowned national Ghazal artist Ghazal Srinivas. The ceremony was held on Sunday at the Ravindra Bharathi Conference Hall

during the 6th Annual Festival of Ghazal Sahitya Vedika, titled "60 Vasantala Telugu Ghazal Vajrotsavam", organised under the aegis of the Telangana Department of Language and Culture. During the Ghazal Poets' Symposium held as part of the event, Maddela Sarojana — recognised as the first Ghazal poetess from Jagtial district — and Siripuram Vanishree enthralled the audience with their soulful Ghazal renditions. Prominent personalities including Kalaashree leader Gundeti Raju, Ayita Anitha, Lakkaraju



Shreelakshmi, Katukam Kavitha, Mulastham Lavanya, Madishetti Srinivas, Odel Gangadhar, Rudrangi Kamal, Dr. Shyam Sundar, and others expressed their joy and extended congratulations on this occasion.

Walking again with knee replacement

(By Our Reporter / Skyline)

Patancheru, June.7 : Medcover Hospitals, Chandanagar doctors successfully performed a double knee replacement surgery on 75-year-old Raghavendra, who was unable to walk due to severe knee pain, and allowed him to walk independently again. Speaking at a media conference organized by the hospital on this occasion, Orthopedic Surgeon Dr. Shashivardhan said that although Raghavendra was suffering from severe osteoarthritis, he successfully performed a double knee replacement surgery after a comprehensive medical ex-



amination. He said that after special physiotherapy and rehabilitation treatment after the surgery, he was able to walk independently without

any assistive device within a month. Dr. Shashivardhan said that there is no need to live with knee pain just because of old age, and good

results are possible even in old age with modern joint replacement technology. Center Head Mallesh participated in the program.

Free education and healthcare is TRS goal : Kalvakuntla Kavitha

(District Correspondent / Skyline)

Sangareddy, June.7 : Kalvakuntla Kavitha, the TRS state president has promised that once TRS government comes to power in the upcoming elections, free education and healthcare will be made a right of the people. The 'Flag Festival' program was held with great pomp under the aegis of the Telangana Rakshana Sena (TRS) party in Sangareddy district headquarters. Party ranks and people gathered in large numbers for this program, which was held under the aegis of Sangareddy constituency in-charge Kalabgoor Dayakar Reddy. Kalvakuntla Kavitha attended the meeting as the chief guest and unfurled the party flag. Speaking on the occasion, Kavitha said that Sangareddy district has a glorious history. The 1969 Telangana movement was sparked and gained momentum on this land, and she called on today's youth to know the history of that movement. She made it clear that despite the presence of many parties in the



state, they had to form a new party for the welfare of poor and middle class people. She lamented that the three main parties that have been ruling the state for the last 30 years have completely failed to provide basic education to the people. She threw an emotional challenge saying, "If my government breaks my promise after coming to power, tie me up near the Tellapur shasanam and beat me with stones." She announced on this occasion that the 'Panchajanyam' ideology is the ideology of her

TRS party. She expressed concern that the landmark project 'Singur' in the Sangareddy area has now collapsed and is in danger due to the complete neglect of the rulers. Criticizing local leaders, she said, "There are many leaders like Jaggareddy, Damodar, Raghunandan Rao here, but there is a situation where no one knows what they are doing. Raghunandan Rao is not talking about the bullet train to Zaheerabad." Similarly, she said that though the minister's brother-in-law in Andole encroaches

upon 200 acres of land, there is no one to ask, and that the people do not even know which party the Patancheru MLA actually belongs to. She said that development is possible only through a regional party that loves our region, and she urged the people to support the TRS party as their 'home party'. The program was attended by party district in-charge Balaiah, constituency in-charge Srinivas Reddy, key leaders Karunakar, Nithin, Srikanth, KDR Yuva Sena president Gopal Reddy and activists in large numbers.

Karimnagar Mayor Kolagani Srinivas Lays Foundation Stone for CC Road Works in Ramachandrapur Colony

Skyline Correspondent Karimnagar : JUNE - 07:

Karimnagar City Mayor Kolagani Srinivas laid the foundation stone for the construction of a CC road in Ramachandrapur Colony of the 12th Division under the Karimnagar Municipal Corporation limits. The project will be undertaken with an estimated cost of ₹17 lakh from municipal general funds. Speaking on the occasion, the Mayor stated that the Municipal Corporation is giving top priority to the development of basic infrastructure across all divisions of the city and is implementing development works at a rapid pace. He said that CC roads, drainage systems, and other civic amenities are being developed to provide better facilities to the public. The Mayor noted that the construction of the long-pending CC road in Ramachandrapur Colony would greatly benefit local residents by improving transportation and easing daily commuting once completed. Deputy Mayor Y. Sunil Rao, Corporator Choppari Jayasri Venu, public representatives, municipal officials, local leaders, and colony residents participated in the programme.



1,000 Cusecs of Water Released into Nizamsagar Main Canal for Drinking Water Supply

Skyline Correspondent Kamareddy : JUNE - 07:

The Irrigation Department, Nizamsagar Project, Kamareddy District, issued a statement informing that 1,000 cusecs of water is being released into the Nizamsagar Main Canal today at 4:00 PM to meet the drinking water requirements of Bodhan town and the surrounding villages. Therefore, farmers, cattle herders, residents, and others living within the canal command area are advised to remain alert. People should not enter the canal or walk along its embankments. Necessary precau-



tions should be taken to prevent livestock from approaching the canal. Parents are also advised not to allow children to go near the canal area. Furthermore, the water being released is intended solely for the drinking water needs of Bodhan town and nearby villages. Farmers are informed that this water should not be utilized for irrigation purposes.

Be Alert to Godavari Floods: District Collector Ankit



should remain operational at the mandal and district levels. Special attention must be given to pregnant women, elderly persons, children, and persons with disabilities, and they should be shifted to safe locations in advance if required. Health officials were instructed to keep 108 ambulance services, emergency medicines, and anti-venom supplies for snake and scorpion bites readily available.

The Collector also directed officials to focus on sanitation measures in low-lying areas, maintain drainage systems, and ensure safe drinking water supply. Warning boards and barricades should be installed at streams and rivulets to prevent people from crossing during periods of flooding. Officials were further instructed to take adequate measures for the protection of livestock and ensure the

availability of veterinary services. Collector Ankit said all departments should prepare action plans capable of handling Godavari flood levels of up to 73 feet. He warned that strict action would be taken against any official found negligent in performing their duties and stressed the importance of continuous field-level monitoring. Speaking on the occasion, Bhadrachalam Sub-Collector Mrinal Shrestha said that special attention is being given to flood-prone villages and that advance preparedness measures are already underway. Rehabilitation centers, rescue teams, and necessary equipment have been kept ready, and all departments are working in coordination to ensure that the public faces no inconvenience. Officials from various district departments attended the meeting.

Skyline Correspondent Bhadradi Kothagudem : JUNE - 07: In view of the possibility of flooding in the Godavari River, District Collector Ankit has directed all departments to work in coordination and take proactive measures to prevent any loss of life or property. On Saturday, the Collector chaired a review meeting on

flood preparedness at the IDOC office, along with Bhadrachalam Sub-Collector Mrinal Shrestha, Additional Collector Venugopal, and other officials. The Collector ordered the establishment of a 24-hour Flood Control Room at the Bhadrachalam Sub-Collector's office, while similar control rooms

Be Vigilant Against Seasonal Diseases : District Additional Medical Officer Dr. Musku Jaipal Reddy



Speaking as the chief guest at a free medical camp organized by Teja Hospital, Jagtial, in Kalleda village of Jagtial Rural Mandal, Dr. Reddy highlighted the increased risk of seasonal diseases during the monsoon season. He noted that diseases such as Dengue, Malaria, Viral fevers, and Diarrhoea are more likely to spread during the rainy season. These can be effectively prevented by maintaining cleanliness in surroundings, eliminating stagnant water, and consuming only safe, clean drinking

water. Dr. Reddy advised that individuals affected by such illnesses should consume light, nutritious food and increase intake of fluids, coconut water, and fresh fruit juices. He stressed the importance of seeking immediate medical attention from qualified doctors at the first sign of fever or any other health concerns. During the camp, Dr. Venu from Teja Hospital conducted health screenings and provided medical consultations to the local residents. Village Sarpanch Parashuram also addressed the gathering.

Skyline Correspondent Jagtial : JUNE - 07: District Additional Medical Officer Dr. Musku Jaipal

Reddy has urged the public to remain vigilant and take preventive measures against seasonal illnesses.

Jaggareddy participates in Kalki Bhagwan Kalyanotsavam

(District Correspondent / Skyline)

Sangareddy, June.7 : A Kalki Bhagwan devotee group organized a Kalyana Mahotsavam for the idols of Kalki Bhagwan at PSR Garden in Sangareddy town. TPCC Working President Jaggareddy attended the program. Garlands were offered to the idols of Kalki Bhagwan couple. Speaking on the occasion, Jaggareddy wished that the grace of Kalki Bhagwan should be on all the people and that all the people should live in happiness and peace. He congratulated the Kalki Bhagwan devotee group who regularly organize Kalyanam every year. The organizers brought to Jaggareddy's attention that they had ac-



quired land for the Kalki Bhagwan temple and were making arrangements for the construction of the temple. They asked him to cooperate in the construc-

tion of the temple. On this occasion, Jaggareddy assured the Kalki devotee group that he would provide his full cooperation for the construction of the

temple. The Program was attended by TPCC General Secretary Topaji Ananthakishan, Kalki Bhakta Band member Satyanarayana and others.

Fit India Cycling Rally for a Greener Future Held in Kamareddy

Skyline Correspondent Kamareddy : JUNE - 07:

On the occasion of World Bicycle Day, a Fit India Movement cycling rally themed "Cycling for a Greener Future" was organized in Kamareddy town on Sunday. The rally was flagged off by District Collector Ashish Sangwan. The programme was conducted under the Fit India Movement with the support of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. The primary objective of the event was to promote cycling among the public as a means of adopting a healthy lifestyle, improving physical fitness, and contributing to environmental protection.



Speaking on the occasion, the Collector said that cycling is highly beneficial for health and also helps in reducing pollution. He encouraged everyone to give importance to cycling in their daily lives and become partners in building a healthier society and a greener environment. He stated that similar

programmes are being organized across the country to mark World Bicycle Day. Youth, students, sportspersons, government officials, and people from various sections of society enthusiastically participated in the cycling

rally. Additional Collector N. V. Giri, DSO Venkateshwarlu, DRDO Damodar Reddy, officials from various departments, members of sports associations, and youth also participated in the programme.

Jagtial MLA Dr. Sanjay Kumar Lays Foundation Stone for Mahila Samakhya Bhavans

Skyline Correspondent Jagtial : JUNE - 07:

Jagtial: Dr. Sanjay Kumar, MLA of Jagtial, performed the Bhumi Puja (foundation stone laying ceremony) for the construction of Mahila Samakhya Bhavan in Lakshmedevi Palli village, Pochampet Gram Panchayat, Sarangapur Mandal. Each building is being constructed at a cost of ₹20 lakh.

The event was attended by several dignitaries and local representatives, including:

Sarpanchs: Shekhar, Jagadeesh
Deputy Sarpanchs: Upendar, Sujatha, Naresh, Prabhakar
MPO: Salim
Atma Chairman: Katipelli Gangareddy
PACS Chairmen: Mallareddy, Narasimha Reddy
Sarpanch Forum President: Sollu Surender
Sarpanchs: Bas Mahesh, Ramesh, Radha, Raju, Shankar Reddy, Bhaskar, Shekhar, Gangareddy, Srinivas

Mandal Leaders: Kola Srinivas, Rajender Reddy, Shekhar Goud, Marripelli Rajesham, Lakshmi Rajam, Rajanna, Mallesh, Thota Lakshman, Naresh, Ramanna, Mallesh, Ramesh, Shankar, Komurayya

Women, farmers, local leaders, and other prominent citizens also participated in large numbers.



Congress Constituency-Level Booth Agent Training and Review Meeting Held Grandly in Kamareddy

Skyline Correspondent Kamareddy : JUNE - 07:

A special constituency-level training and review meeting for Booth Level Agents (BLAs) and Congress party workers was held grandly on Sunday at the Congress Party Constituency Office in Kamareddy town. The program was attended by Government

Advisor Mohammed Ali Shabbir, Suresh Kumar Shetkar, TPCC Official Spokesperson and BLA Master Trainer Meneni Rohith Rao, and DCC President Ele Mallikarjun as chief guests, who guided party workers on their responsibilities. TPCC Spokesperson and BLA Master Trainer Meneni Rohith Rao said the Congress Party is providing comprehensive training on BLA duties and responsibilities to help safeguard democratic values and constitutional principles. The training covered election regulations, voter list revision procedures, digital tools, and other key aspects of election management. He urged BLAs to maintain



contact with every family in their booth area, identify and register new voters, and ensure that all eligible citizens are included in the electoral rolls. He explained that the responsibility of a BLA extends beyond election periods and includes maintaining year-round engagement with the public. BLAs play a vital role in voter list protection, voter outreach, party program promotion, identification of public issues, and effective election

management. **Participants:** The meeting was attended by DCC President Mallikarjun, former DCC President Kailas Srinivas, District Library Chairman Maddi Chandrakant Reddy, Town President Sandeep, Councillors Amjad, Laddu, Akhila, Feroz Sultana, Kalleem Savitri, Yunus, senior leaders Ippa Srinivas, Block Congress Presidents Gone Srinivas and Sudarshan, Mandal Presidents Krishna Rao,

Narendra Reddy, Raja Goud, Nausilal, Srinivas, and Ramesh Goud, former Mandal Presidents Bhem Reddy and Gudem Srinivas, BC Cell District President Putnala Srinivas, SC Cell District President Balaraju, ST Cell District President Reddy Naik, Youth Congress Constituency President Gudugula Srinivas, along with sarpanchs, former councillors, Congress leaders, booth-level representatives, and party workers in large numbers.

Public Urged to Utilize National Lok Adalat on June 20 - Mahabubnagar District SP D. Janaki, IPS

Skyline Correspondent Mahabubnagar : JUNE - 07:

People Should Make Use of the National Lok Adalat to be Held on June 20 - District SP Mrs. D. Janaki, IPS Lok Adalat is the Best Platform for Speedy Justice District SP Mrs. D. Janaki, IPS, has appealed to the people of Mahabubnagar district to make effective use of the National Lok Adalat being conducted to provide justice in a shorter time and at a lower cost.

Speaking on the occasion, the SP stated that the National Lok Adalat scheduled for June 20 will provide an opportunity to resolve various types of pending cases, traffic challans, com-

poundable criminal cases, family disputes, civil disputes, and other matters through mutual consent and amicable settlement. She said that resolving cases through Lok Adalat helps people avoid lengthy legal procedures, saving both time and money. It also offers an excellent opportunity to settle pending disputes in courts in a peaceful and harmonious manner. The SP advised citizens to contact the concerned courts, advocates, or police officials for details regarding their cases and take the necessary steps to have them resolved through the Lok Adalat. She further urged people from all sections of society in the dis-



trict to utilize this opportunity and settle their disputes through mutual understanding and cooperation.