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*Minister for Roads and Buildings Komatireddy Venkat Reddy has fulfilled his assurance to the family of late journalist Dattu Reddy by facilitating a job for his wife, Priyanka.*

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## Telangana sends specialised teams to restore power in AP

**Hyderabad, October 29:** In a gesture of inter-state solidarity, the Telangana government has exten ded immediate humanitarian and technical assistance to Andhra Pradesh following severe power infrastructure damage caused by Cyclone Arnab.

The development follows a telephonic conversation on Thursday where Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu and Energy Minister Gottipati Ravi requested support from Telangana Deputy Chief Mini ster and Energy Minister Bhatti Vikramarka. Chandrababu Naidu detailed widespread disruption across nine affected districts including Visakhapatnam, Anaka palli, and Srikakulam where over 16,000 electricity poles were uprooted, leaving hundreds of villages without power. Following consultations with Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka directed power utilities to deploy assistance teams immediately.

Acting on these orders, TGSPDCL CMD Jitesh V. Patil dispatc hed specialised SPDCL crews and heavy equipment to Andhra Pradesh to expedite emergency grid repairs and restore power to affected communities.

# Revanth invites global investors to partner in Telangana Rising

**Hyderabad, Oct. 29:** Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has invited international industrialists to partner in the Telangana Rising initiative, assuring them of the state government's full support for their investments and pledging personal responsibility for addressing their requirements.

A preparatory event for the Invest Telangana Global Summit 2026, scheduled to be held at Bharat Future City in Hyderabad on December 7, 8 and 9, was organised in New Delhi on Thursday night. Union Minister for Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal attended the event as the chief guest. Telangana Ministers Duddilla Sridhar Babu, Vakiti Srihari and Vivek Venkataswamy, along with international industrialists, policymakers and officials, participated in the programme.

Addressing the gathering, Revanth Reddy said he would personally ensure that the government took the necessary policy decisions and extended the support required to accelerate industrial development.

He called upon international investors to become partners in Telangana's growth and development. The Chief Minister said he had come not to deliver a lengthy speech but to listen to the views and suggestions of international industrialists. Acknowledging their extensive experience in business and commerce, he said the government was willing to learn from them, understand their suggestions and implement them.

Revanth Reddy urged prospective investors to aim at doubling their investments, business growth and profit expectations in Telangana.

He assured them that he would personally take responsibility for addressing their requirements, including policy changes and other forms of government support, to help them achieve their business objectives.

The Chief Minister said the vision of Telangana Rising–2047 was aligned




with that of Viksit Bharat–2047. Telangana aimed to increase its contribution to India's GDP from 5 per cent to 10 per cent by 2047, by which time the Indian economy is projected to reach $30 trillion, he said




# KTR accuses Revanth of misgovernance



**Hyderabad, Oct 29:** BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) launched a sharp attack on Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Thursday, alleging that Telangana is being run under an autocratic rule rather than the framework established by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's Constitution.

Addressing the media at Telangana Bhavan on Thursday, KTR asserted that the state's prevailing drought-like conditions and severe water shortages in Hyderabad are not natural disasters, but the direct result of government incompetence. Questioning the Congress administration's financial priorities, KT Rama Rao challenged the government's claim of empty exchequers.

"If there are no funds to honour election guarantees and support suffering farmers, where is the government mobilising thousands of crores for the Musi River beautification project?" he asked. Demanding an immediate end to publicity-driven governance, the BRS working president assured families along the Musi river basin that his party will fight against unvetted spending and continue advocating for public relief.

# HMWSSB unveils 'PAANI' app to enlist public in water conservation drive



**Hyderabad, Oct 29:** Seeking to build a community-driven framework for urban resource management, the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) on Thursday rolled out a new mobile platform, 'PAANI'. The mobile app offers citizens a direct channel to report water leakages and wastage in their respective neighborhoods.

Launching the digital initiative, District In-Charge Minister Ponnam Prabhakar urged residents to enroll as 'Save Water Volunteers' to assist the municipal administration. Emphasizing that civic monitoring cannot rely solely on board personnel, the Minister highlighted the need for collective social responsibility.

Addressing long-term sustainability, Ponnam Prabhakar expressed concern over the lack of structural groundwater recharge, noting that conservation measures are frequently neglected even during monsoon seasons. He called for mandatory installation of rainwater harvesting structures across residential houses and multi-story apartment complexes.

Refuting concerns regarding regulatory overreach, the Minister affirmed that the government's priority remains public education and voluntary compliance, explicitly stating there is no immediate intent to impose monetary penalties on households.

# BJP won't even hit 100 seats in next LS polls: TPCC chief



**Hyderabad, October 29 :** Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President B. Mahesh Kumar Goud predicted on Thursday that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) would struggle to cross the 100-seat mark nationwide in the next Lok Sabha elections.

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## Konda Surekha withdraws remarks against KTR, expresses regret

**Hyderabad, October 29:** For mer Minister and MLA Konda Surekha has expressed regret over her earlier personal remarks against BRS working president and former Minister K.T. Rama Rao (KTR), stating that they were not made with any deliberate intention to hurt him. In a post on 'X' on Thursday, Surekha said the remarks were made in the context of the political circumstances prevailing at the time, while criticising the Opposition. She acknowledged that the comments were baseless and should not have been made.

Surekha clarified that she had no intention of hurting KTR or his family members or damaging their reputation. She expressed regret if her remarks had caused them any hurt and announced that she was withdrawing her earlier comments.

# SC/ST funds must reach every eligible family: Bhatti

**Hyderabad, Oct 29:** Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka has directed officials to ensure the effective utilisation of SC/ST Sub-Plan funds to accelerate the economic and social development of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

He stressed the need to maximise the benefits of government welfare schemes for these communities and expedite fund utilisation to improve their living standards. He called for coordinated efforts to ensure that every eligible family receives the benefits of government schemes, with priority given to agriculture, power, housing, healthcare and social infrastructure. Bhatti Vikramarka held a review meeting with senior officials at the Secretariat on Thursday to assess the utilisation of SC/ST Sub-Plan funds by the Agriculture, Energy, Medical and Health, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, and Municipal Administration departments. Minister for Social Welfare Adluri Laxman was also present.

During the meeting, the Deputy Chief Minister reviewed expenditure during the first two quarters of the current financial year, the implementation of welfare schemes and the benefits extended to beneficiaries.

He offered suggestions to improve fund utilisation in line with the needs of the people.

Reviewing schemes such as Rythu Bharosa, subsidised seed distribution and agricultural mechanisation, Bhatti Vikramarka directed officials to undertake a comprehensive assessment of the benefits reaching SC/ST farmers who own agricultural land.

He also asked officials to identify discrepancies in the utilisation of Special




Development Funds arising from landownership criteria prescribed under various schemes.

The Deputy Chief Minister suggested exploring alternative approaches wherever existing guidelines were hindering the full utilisation of Special Development Funds. He directed officials to prepare proposals for special schemes, wherever necessary, to extend greater benefits to eligible SC farmers.

# Harish senses conspiracy to undermine Mallanna Sagar project



**Hyderabad, Oct 29:** Senior BRS leader and former Minister T. Harish Rao has alleged a political conspiracy to damage the Mallanna Sagar reservoir bund, claiming attempts are being made to undermine the project similar to the political narrative surrounding the Medigadda barrage.

Accompanied by Dubbak MLA Kotha Prabhakar Reddy and other BRS leaders, Harish Rao inspected a site near Tipparam village in Kukunoorpally mandal on Thursday.

He claimed that a contractor working on water drawal infrastructure for the Musi River Development Project had been conducting high-intensity blasting dangerously close to the bund for the past two months.

Observing operations less than 200 metres from the structure, Harish Rao challenged the contractor to produce valid permits from the Irrigation, Police, and Panchayat departments, alleging that the work was being carried out without regulatory approvals. Citing engineering guidelines, the former minister noted that blasting is restricted to a distance at least 10 times the height of a bund structure.

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# Mandaviya calls for grand conduct of Khelo India Youth Games

**Hyderabad, Oct 29:** Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Mansukh Mandaviya held a high-level review meeting in New Delhi on Thursday to evaluate Telangana's preparation and action plan for the upcoming Khelo India Youth Games. Telangana Minister for Youth Services and Sports Vakiti Srihari attended the meeting to outline the state's logistical and infrastructural roadmap.

Emphasising the national importance of the event, Union Minister Mandaviya called for hosting the games on a grand scale to highlight Telangana's organisational strength and sporting infrastructure.

He directed state officials to maintain seamless inter-departmental coordination to execute all arrangements within stipulated timelines.

Key areas highlighted during the review included venue readiness, accommodation, medical facilities, security, transportation, and technical setup for thousands of participating athletes, coaches, and officials.

During the meeting, Vakiti Srihari formally requested the Union Minister to invite Prime Minister Narendra Modi as the Chief Guest for the inaugural ceremony, noting that the Prime Minister's presence would inspire young athletes and elevate the national profile of the games.

# BJP won't even hit 100 seats in next LS polls: TPCC chief

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Addressing media personnel at Gandhi Bhavan, Mahesh Kumar Goud argued that recent Council election defeats—particularly in key strongholds like Varanasi and Nagpur—reflected widespread public dissatisfaction with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's governance, despite the BJP holding power at the Centre and across key states including Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Bihar.

The TPCC president attributed this shift to growing public awareness generated by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi regarding the need to safeguard democracy and the Constitution. Expressing confidence that Rahul Gandhi would become the next Prime Minister, the TPCC chief described recent electoral trends as clear signals of an impending defeat for the ruling party.

Announcing upcoming political action, Mahesh Kumar Goud stated that the Congress, alongside INDIA bloc partners, will hold a massive protest rally in New Delhi on November 1 under Rahul Gandhi's leadership. The demonstration aims to protest alleged "vote theft" and demand the immediate restoration of 13.3 crore votes allegedly deleted via the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process, he said.

Mahesh Kumar Goud further accused the BJP-led administration of attempting to obstruct the rally by misusing official machinery and withholding train allocations for participants. However, he maintained that thousands from Telangana and lakhs from across the country would make their way to the national capital despite these hurdles.

# Harish senses conspiracy to undermine Mallanna Sagar project

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"With the Mallanna Sagar bund standing at 40 metres, blasting must occur at least 400 metres away. Instead, operations are taking place at distances between 50 and 200 metres," Rao stated. Emphasising the strategic importance of the reservoir, built under the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme (KLIS) to irrigate 16.23 lakh acres and meet drinking water demands across 10 districts and Hyderabad, Harish Rao criticised the state government and officials for negligence.

Harish Rao warned that the BRS would launch widespread public protests if the government fails to halt the operations and take prompt corrective action.

# Ex-minister Konda Surekha 'regrets' personal remarks against K.T. Rama Rao



Former minister and Congress MLA, Konda Surekha, has expressed regret for the personal remarks she had made against Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) Working President, K.T. Rama Rao, two years ago. Surekha, who was sacked from the Telangana Cabinet last month over certain remarks made by her daughter against Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, took to 'X' on Thursday to issue a clarification regarding personal remarks she had made about Rama Rao in 2024. She stated that those comments were made in the context of the political situation at the time while criticising the Opposition. She said the comments were not intentional. "I should not have made those baseless remarks. I had absolutely no malicious intent to cause pain to KTR or his family members, nor did I intend to damage their reputation," she said. "If my comments caused any hurt to him or his family, I express my regret and hereby withdraw those remarks," added Surekha.

The minister had made the alleged defamatory statement on October 2, 2024 about K.T. Rama Rao also known as KTR, blaming him for the divorce between actors Naga Chaitanya and Samantha. Naga Chaitanya's father and popular actor Nagarjuna had filed a defamation case against the then minister, saying her remarks harmed the dignity and reputation of his family.

In November 2025, Nagarjuna withdrew the defamation case after the minister expressed regret over her statement. The actor withdrew the case after Surekha took to 'X' to clarify that the statement she made was not intended to hurt Nagarjuna or his family members.

Though K.T. Rama Rao had issued a legal notice asking Surekha to retract her statement and apologise, she said she was standing by her comments about the BRS leader. Following this, K.T. Rama Rao had initiated defamation proceedings against the then minister. A city court in December last year had filed a Non-Bailable Warrant against Surekha.

After reviewing preliminary evidence submitted by the complainant, the court had observed that there is prima facie material to proceed under Section 356 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and corresponding procedural provisions under the BNS Sections 222, read with 223.



# Kharge: INDIA Bloc Rally Aims to Awaken People

New Delhi, Oct 29 : Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge on Thursday said the mega INDIA bloc protest, slated for November 1 at Delhi's Ramlila Maidan, was very much on track, adding that the Opposition parties have taken up the task to "awaken the people" against the autocratic regime.

Kharge's remarks came after multiple trade associations requested Rahul Gandhi to reschedule the Opposition's 'Chalo Delhi march'. The march is being organised by the Congress-led INDIA bloc to protest the alleged vote theft and irregularities in the SIR exercise being conducted by the Election Commission.

Kharge, speaking to reporters, said, "Our protest is continuing because of the vote theft and the mischief that Gyanesh Kumar has done in the Election Commission. We are protesting against that and will continue to do so. All parties are supporting us."

He said that the fight was to awaken the people against the government's misdeeds and its alleged attempts to deprive many voters of their genuine rights.

"Even tomorrow, there is a mock parliament, and on 1st November, we are organising this, which will see people converging from across the country. We will fight because in a democracy, unless you fight, people will not be awakened. So, that's why we are doing all that," he said. Notably, traders in the national capital have in the past few days raised apprehensions about the fallout of such a big rally on business during the festive season and pleaded for its postponement, explaining how it would ruin the business climate and adversely impact their livelihood.

Early this morning, the Lok Sabha Leader of Opposition, Rahul Gandhi, urged people to participate in the protest march at Delhi's Ramlila Maidan, describing it as a "movement to save democracy, stop alleged vote theft and protect the Constitution". In a video message posted in Hindi on his X handle, Rahul Gandhi said the march was not for any particular party but for protecting the soul of India. The Congress MP also appealed to student groups across political affiliations to come forward and participate, claiming that democratic freedoms and individual expression were under threat.

# JEE (Main) 2027: NTA advises applicants to keep DigiLocker credentials handy



The National Testing Agency (NTA) on Thursday issued an advisory for JEE (Main) 2027 aspirants to keep DigiLocker credentials and other documents ready before starting the process of filling the online application form. The NTA had opened the online application process for JEE (Main) 2027 on October 24.

The application submission window will remain open till November 22. The first session of JEE (Main) 2027 will be conducted over multiple shifts spread over January 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 28, 2027. In a post on X, the NTA said on Thursday, "Dear JEE (Main) 2027 Aspirants, ensure a seamless start to your journey! Keep these three steps handy before filling out your application: Use your own DigiLocker/JanParichay credentials; Complete DigiLocker Re-KYC in advance; and match your Name & DOB exactly with your Class 10 certificate details.

Apply with care and give your best!" The NTA said in a statement that the JEE (Main) comprises two papers.

Paper 1 is conducted for admission to Undergraduate Engineering Programs (B.E/B.Tech) at NITs, IIITS, other Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs), Institutions/Universities funded/recognised by participating State Governments. It is also an eligibility test for JEE (Advanced), which is conducted for admission to IITs.

Paper 2 of JEE (Main) is conducted for admission to B. Arch and B. Planning courses in the country, it said. For Academic Session 2027-28, it has been decided that the JEE (Main) 2027 will be conducted in two sessions, i.e. Session 1 (January 2027) and Session 2 (April 2027), said the NTA.

According to the NTA's schedule, the last date for successful exam fee transaction with late fee through credit/debit cards/net banking/UPI for JEE (Main) 2027 is November 26. The NTA plans to announce the city of examination for applicants on December 30, and the aspirants will be allowed to download admit cards from the NTA website till January 13, 2027.

# Heavy rain triggers floods in Andhra's Srikakulam district



Visakhapatnam, Oct 29 : Heavy rains under the impact of Cyclone Arnab flooded several villages in Srikakulam district of Andhra Pradesh, snapping road and rail connectivity and causing widespread damage to crops.

Vamsadhara, Nagavali, Mahendrathanaya, and Bahuda Rivers were in spate on Thursday due to heavy rains and massive flood inflows from neighbouring Odisha.With authorities opening the floodgates of Baghalati Dam in neighbouring Odisha, Bahuda took a fierce form at Itchapuram due to massive inflows from upstream. Huge inflows led to an unprecedented rise in the water level in the river in Srikakulam district. As a result of the heavy rains in the last three days and floods in the Bahuda River, National Highway 16 (Kolkata-Chennai Highway) was inundated. The traffic on the highway came to a total halt.

Authorities have issued the third danger warning for the Bahuda River. Several villages in the region were cut off due to the floods.

Teams of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) were engaged in rescue and relief operations.Heavy rains and floods have caused extensive damage to crops in the district.

The railway track was also flooded at Tallabhadra in Sompeta mandal, disrupting train traffic in the region. The track was also flooded at Jadupudi in Kanchili mandal of Srikakulam district, affecting the train movements.South Coast Railway has cancelled or diverted some trains due to flooding of tracks at a few places in Srikakulam and Visakhapatnam districts. Roads at several places in the north coastal Andhra turned into lakes due to heavy rains under the impact of a very severe cyclone 'Arnab' which crossed the coast in the early hours of Wednesday.

After crossing the coast, it weakened into a depression. According to India Meteorological Department (IMD) the depression over south Chhattisgarh and adjoining south Odisha lay centered at 0830 hours IST, over the same region, about 40 km north-northwest of Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh), 180 km southwest of Titlagarh (Odisha), 150 km west-southwest of Bhawanipatna (Odisha), 200 km south of Raipur (Odisha), and 310 km southwest of Sambalpur (Odisha). It is very likely to continue moving nearly northwards and weaken into a well-marked low-pressure area over North Chhattisgarh and adjoining Northwest Odisha around the evening of October 29.

# To Conquer Your Tomorrow - Save Today

"world Thrift Day" or "World Savings Day" was established in 1925 as annual observance on 31 October to promote savings and financial security of individual and nation as a whole. It's to inform people all around the globe about the idea of saving their income in the bank rather than at residence. In India due to the death anniversary of Indira Gandhi on 31 Oct, this day is being celebrated one day prior ie., on 30 October since 1984.

**AI Advises, Hunan Decides :**

This day launched an awareness raising campaigns and the subsequent increase in savings to build resilient generations world over. We believe that individual savings makes the society advance, as it is a collective movement. Encouraging the youth generations to plan their finances for freedom and security to build strong society aware of the importance of savings. The theme of World Thrift Day-2026 is "AI Advises, Human Decides", aims to shift the perception of savings beyond a simple deposit account to a tool for building financial resistance through savings.

**Savings Initiatives in India:**

The GoI is dedicated to fostering a culture of savings, with the Minister of Finance offering a diverse tapestry of savings products tailored to meet the varied needs of society. Each scheme serves as a steppingstone towards a more secure future. The National Savings Institute, post office savings, saving accounts in banks, public provident funds are offering many saving schemes to build a safety net for unexpected moments of crisis. On this day, people all over learn about the importance of savings in schools, offices, and associations. Over the years, it has evolved into a global movement advocating for financial literacy, responsible spending, and the benefits of regular saving habit.

In an era of economic uncertainty and rising living costs, cultivating a habit of saving is more crucial than ever. Savings provide a safety net during emergencies, enable investments in education or property, and contribute to long-term financial goals like retirement.

World Thrift Day serves as a reminder of the power of saving to enhance individual well-being and foster economic stability. On this day, the programs like opening a savings account, setting financial goals, educate yourself, teach children about savings, and sharing your savings journey.

# Periyar's visit... South Janata Party National President

## A group of journalists with Gali Vinod Kumar

Mahabubabad October 29 : A group of senior Telangana journalists visited the EV Ramaswamy Memorial Center to pay tribute to the great warrior... the builder of the Dravidian movement... the great man who worked tirelessly for the special status of South Telangana. South Janata Party National President Prof. Dr. Gali Vinod Kumar led a group of senior journalists from Telangana to visit the Periyar Centre, including the museum, digital library, samadhi, Dravida Cultural Centre and the standing statue of Periyar. 1963: A group of senior journalists from Telangana visited the Periyar Memorial Centre Study on the rise of the Dravidian movement and Periyar's aspirations

A visit to the museum, digital library and samadhi led by Dr. Gali Vinod Kumar

A group of senior journalists from Telangana visited the Periyar Memorial Centre of the great Dravidian movement builder, social reformer and social equality E.V. Rama swamy. The group, which reached the Periyar Centre in Chennai under the leadership of South Janata Party National President Prof. Dr. Gali Vinod Kumar, visited the museum, digital library, Periyar's samadhi, Dravida Cultural Centre and the standing statue of Periyar and paid tribute to him. On this occasion, the group eagerly examined the historical features related to Periyar's life journey, social movements he carried out, eradication of caste discrimination, promotion of rational ideology, women's equality, self-respect movement etc. During this visit, they recalled that Periyar's efforts aimed at establishing equality,



freedom and self-respect in the society are inspiring for today's generations as well. The visiting group included senior journalists Achyuta Raghunath Mullangi Mohan Reddy Takkellapalli Ravinder Rao Pulluru Sridhar G Surya Kiran




# Gudur Holds Cycle Rally to Honour Police Martyrs

Mahabubabad District October 29 : A cycle rally was organized by Gudur Police to commemorate the Police Flag Day Week. The main purpose of this program is to commemorate the sacrifices of the police and to inform the public about the services of the martyrs who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty.

It was informed on this occasion that the police play a key role in maintaining law and order in the country, protecting people's lives and property, and providing continuous services to the people in controlling crime. It was stated that the sacrifices of the police martyrs who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty will never be forgotten.

The program was organized with the aim of creating awareness among the people about the services, responsibilities and sacrifices of the police and to further enhance public cooperation and support for the police department.

He said that the main objective of the police department is public safety, and called on everyone to be a partner in crime control, road accident prevention, drug eradication and maintenance of law and order.

He advised the youth to adopt a healthy lifestyle, act with social responsibility, and cooperate with the police to maintain peace and security in the society. He said that the programs organized during the Police Flag Day Week will commemorate the sacrifices of the police and help strengthen good relations between the police and the public.

# Graduate voter registration should be taken up as a movement

**Everyone who is eligible should register as a voter: MLC Takkellapalli Ravinder Rao**

Mahabubabad, October 29: Keeping in mind the upcoming Graduate MLC elections, MLC Takkellapalli Ravinder Rao called for a coordinated process to register every eligible graduate as a voter. He said that the right to vote is very important in the protection of democracy and every eligible graduate should apply immediately to get his/her voting right.

In the context of the upcoming MLC elections in Mahabubabad district, MLC Takkellapalli Ravinder Rao participated in a special meeting organized on the process of registering graduates as voters and gave directions to the leaders and activists.

On this occasion, he explained the importance of voter registration and suggested that extensive efforts should be made at the field level to ensure that all eligible graduates register their names in the voter list.

Speaking on this occasion, MLC Takkellapalli Ravinder Rao said that everyone's participation is necessary to strengthen the democratic system. He said that in order to exercise the right to vote in the MLC elections for graduates, it is necessary to register their names in the voter list first. He asked that everyone who is eligible should apply within the stipulated time without any laxity in this process.

He suggested that local leaders and activists should work in coordination to identify graduates in villages and towns and provide them with the necessary information for voter registration. He called for taking special initiatives so that even a single eligible graduate does not shy away from voter registration. He made it



clear that everyone should act responsibly to make the voter registration process a success.

Former Mahabubabad Municipal Vice Chairman Marneni Venkanna, Raghu and other leaders participated in this meeting. On this occasion, leaders and activists were advised to work hard to complete the voter registration process of graduates within the stipulated time.

**Note:** For details of Form-18, qualifications and certificates required for voter registration of graduates, MLCs should contact the concerned election officials. MLC Ravinder Rao said

# Foundation stone laid for development works worth Rs. 1.50 crore in Ganapuram mandal.

Jayashankar Bhupalapally, October 29: MLA Gandra Satyanarayana Rao on Thursday laid the foundation stone for the construction of Anganwadi and Mahila Samakhya buildings to be undertaken in several villages under Ganapuram mandal of Jayashankar Bhupalapally district at an estimated cost of Rs. 1.50 crore.

In Chelpur village, the foundation stone was laid for the construction of Anganwadi buildings worth Rs. 20 lakhs and for Mahila Samakhya buildings worth Rs. 10 lakhs each at two places. The construction work of Mahila Samakhya buildings worth Rs. 10 lakhs was started in Laxmareddypalli and Rs. 10 lakhs in Karakapalli.



The MLA laid the foundation stone for the construction of an Anganwadi building in Gandhinagar with a cost of Rs. 20 lakh, three Anganwadi centers in Ganapuram mandal center with a cost of Rs. 60 lakh, and a women's association building in Burakayalagudem with a cost of Rs. 10 lakh.

Speaking on the occasion, MLA Gandra Satyanarayana Rao said that the government's goal is to improve infrastructure in rural areas and provide better facilities to women and children.

He instructed the officials to complete the development works with quality standards and within the stipulated time.

# National ST Commission focuses on protection of tribal farmers' lands

**- Inquiry on Munneru-Paleru canal dispute in the presence of Jatoth Hussain Nayak**

**- Farmers appeal to examine PESA gram sabhas, alternative routes**

Mahabubabad October 29 : The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) has focused on the possibility of damage to the agricultural lands of tribal farmers due to the construction of the Munneru-Paleru link canal. A hearing on this dispute was held at the Dilkush Guest House in Hyderabad in the presence of Commission member Jatoth Hussain Nayak. On this occasion, the farmer representatives requested that gram sabhas be held in Mulkanur, Chandragiri, Garla and Budharam villages in accordance with the PESA Act and the views of the affected tribals be recorded. They appealed to examine alternative ways to construct the canal so that the tribals' farmlands are not damaged. They said that they have brought their objections to the attention of the commission on issues related to G.O. Nos. 98 and 7.

The affected farmers said that their farmlands are their main source of livelihood and requested the authorities to take steps to prevent them from losing their jobs due to land acquisition. They expressed hope that their problems would be resolved in the hearing. Participants in the hearing: High Court advocate Nallamasa Krishna, District advocate Jampala Vishwa, former MPTC Seelamsetty Ramesh and several farmer leaders participated on behalf of the affected farmers. TJS state leaders Ginnarapu Murali, Taraka Rama Rao, Mohin, Talluri Anil, Lakshmi Setty Srinath, Talluri Sunil and others expressed support for the tribal farmers.

# Our Future is in Our Hands and Right Actions

We are the reason of our bright future and we will achieve the goals we set with our disciplined proper actions, said renowned writer, columnist and motivational speaker Lion Capt Dr. Burra Madhusudhan Reddy. Speaking as the chief guest at the career guidance program organized at PM Sri Government High School, Chennur today, he said that listening attentively to the lessons taught by the teachers and reading and understanding the lessons that were taught on the same day can help us achieve excellent results in exams. He opined that if our daily routine is regular, half of the success is achieved. He said that listening to lessons with concentration in the classroom increases subject knowledge, and reading or writing for 4 hours every day should be an important part of our daily routine. He said that along with education, it is essential to develop wisdom and culture along with education. He said that every student should show their potential by scoring higher marks in their exams compared to the past. Chennur and Satavahana Lions Clubs members, school teachers and high school students participated in this program organized under the chairmanship of the school HM Phani Raj. Later, the chief guest Dr. Burra Madhusudhan Reddy was felicitated by the school management. Books written by Dr. Burra Madhusudhan Reddy were presented to the school library by the author himself.

# Youth should stay away from intoxicants.. and become life donors by donating blood

**SP Dr. Shabarish appeals to youth**




Mahabubabad October 29: In a blood donation camp organized by the Thorrur Subdivision Police in collaboration with the Lions Club on the occasion of Martyrs' Week, Mahabubabad District SP Dr. Shabarish gave several suggestions to the youth on health and social responsibility. He called on the youth to stay away from intoxicants and adopt a healthy lifestyle, and those who are eligible should voluntarily donate blood and save the lives of those in danger. Speaking on the occasion, SP Dr. Shabarish said that blood donation is a great service that saves many lives in times of emergency. He said that blood is very important during accidents, emergency surgeries and other medical needs. Everyone should raise awareness about blood donation, and those with favorable health conditions should donate blood as per the instructions of doctors.

The SP suggested that the youth are the foundation of the future of the country, and they should not be addicted to bad habits and move forward towards achieving their goals. He said that the use of intoxicants has a negative impact not only on personal health but also on family and social lives. He urged the youth to focus on sports, education and service programs and become role models for the society. He said that this blood donation camp, organized in memory of the sacrifices of the martyrs, showed the spirit of service and through such programs, awareness about blood donation among the people would increase. He called for taking the message of "Donate blood.. Be a donor of life" widely among the youth. District SP Dr. Shabarish presented a blood donation certificate to Sarpanch Naganayak, who donated blood in this program. This program, organized by the Police Department and the Lions Club, instilled a sense of service among the youth and emphasized the importance of blood donation.

# Autopsy center building inaugurated at Gudur Government Hospital....

**Government medical services should be provided on par with private hospitals: MLA Dr. Bhukya Murali Nayak....**



Mahabubabad October 29 : Mahabubabad MLA Dr. Bhukya Murali Nayak inaugurated the newly constructed autopsy center building at Gudur Government Hospital in Mahabubabad district. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA said that it is a matter of happiness that Gudur Government Hospital has been recognized as the best hospital, which is a testament to the services provided by the hospital's doctors and medical staff. He suggested that quality medical services should be provided to the people with the same spirit in the future as well. He said that doctors and staff should be available to the people in times of emergency, and that everyone who comes to the government hospital should be provided with better medical care. He asked them to compete in providing medical services on par with private hospitals, and to maintain their trust by providing quality medical care to the poor and common people.

The MLA said that efforts will be made to improve infrastructure in government hospitals and provide better medical services to the people.

The MLA was accompanied by Gudur Gram Panchayat Sarpanch Vankudot Sunitha Kommalu Nayak, Upasarpanch Chanti Swamy, local Gram Panchayat ward members, Gudur Mandal Party President Balaji Nayak, former Mandal Party President Chitte Venkanna, DCHS Chinta Ramesh, Medical Board Advisory Committee members Sangepu Swamy, Gopisetty Soujanya, Gudur Hospital Superintendent Dr. Veeranna Nayak, along with mandal leaders, village sarpanches from various villages in Gudur Mandal Center, village party presidents, Congress party leaders, activists, hospital doctors, medical staff, local public representatives and others.

# New Aadhaar Seva Kendra Launched in Kamareddy District

**Better Aadhaar Services Now Available at District Headquarters: District Collector Ashish Sangwan**





Kamareddy, Oct 29 : District Collector Ashish Sangwan inaugurated a new Aadhaar Seva Kendra at the Kamareddy district headquarters on Thursday. He said that this centre will function as an extension of the Regional Office in Hyderabad and will help in providing Aadhaar enrolment, Aadhaar details correction and other Aadhaar-related services easily to the public. Speaking on the occasion, District Collector Ashish Sangwan said that Aadhaar Seva Kendras are being set up in 14 districts of Telangana state and as part of it, it is happy to inaugurate this centre in Kamareddy district. He informed that Kamareddy stands as the 12th district among the 14 districts where this centre is being set up in the state. The Collector revealed that more special services will be available in this centre compared to normal Aadhaar centres.

He explained that services like redressal of Aadhaar-related complaints, resolution process related to suspended Aadhaar numbers will be available here. He said that earlier people had to go to Hyderabad to avail some special services related to Aadhaar, but now as these services are available at the district headquarters itself, time and travel expenses will be saved for the public. He suggested that people should make use of this facility. The Collector said that a special officer on behalf of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) will also be available in this centre to provide uninterrupted Aadhaar services to the public. He said that this centre will be very useful to the public in resolving Aadhaar-related issues. Mandal Special Officer Sridhar Reddy, MPDO Hebsiba Rani, EDIM Praveen and others participated in the programme.

# DTWO Nagasagar visits tribal girls' ashram school





Jayashankar Bhupalapally, October 29: DTWO Nagasagar has ordered to provide quality education as well as better accommodation and nutritious food to the students. District Tribal Welfare Officer Nagasagar visited the Tribal Girls' Ashram High School run by the Tribal Welfare Department in Jayashankar Bhupalapally town on Thursday and inspected the educational and accommodation facilities in the school.

On this occasion, he inquired about the education provided to the students in the school, teacher attendance, student attendance percentage, classroom management, teaching and learning programs. He spoke to the students himself and learned about their progress in their studies, understanding of the subjects, and the problems they are facing.

Later, they visited the girls' hostel and inspected the accommodation facilities provided to the students, drinking water, sanitation, toilets, cleanliness of the surroundings, dining hall, kitchen, etc. They suggested that the students should be provided with quality and nutritious food according to the prescribed menu.

Speaking on this occasion, District Tribal Welfare Officer Nagasagar said that the government is giving special priority to the educational development of tribal students and suggested that teachers should take special care so that students excel in education. He said that teaching should be conducted in a planned manner with special focus on class 10 students to achieve better results.

He suggested that along with education, the students should be made aware of issues like discipline, hygiene, health, and personality development. He advised the relevant staff to make all necessary facilities available in the school and hostel so that students do not face any difficulties and not to neglect the welfare of the students. Keeping in mind the future of the students, the teachers and hostel staff should perform their duties responsibly in coordination, said District Tribal Welfare Officer Nagasagar. Principal Sammaiya, teachers and others participated in this program.

# Nationwide campaign for child protection

**- Awareness programs in various government schools.**
**- Judges participating as guests**
**- It is necessary to make a habit of using mobile phones carefully.**







Jayashankar Bhupalapalli, October 29: The Surakshit Bachpan Abhiyan, launched by the National and Telangana State Legal Services Authority, is a nationwide campaign aimed at protecting children. Awareness programs were held under the auspices of Jayashankar Bhupalapalli District Legal Services Authority. A meeting was held at Gorlaveedu Government School in Bhupalapalli Mandal. Senior Civil Judge and Secretary of the Legal Services Authority, Tadur Mahati Vaishnavi, who was present, said that the golden future of the country is possible with the protection of today's children. He said that preventing POCSO crimes and protecting children from cyber frauds is our first duty. He advised students to be aware from the school level. He said that they should make a habit of using mobile phones carefully.

In another program held at Kothapalli Government High School, Principal Junior Civil Judge S.R. Dilip Kumar Nayak, who was the guest, said that students should study with discipline in life and climb to the top lakhs. Additional Junior Civil Judge G. Akhila, who participated in the program held at Peddapur Government School, said that the childhood of every child is the responsibility of all of us. Many children do not know their rights and do not know how to get help. This campaign aims to change this, he said. District Child Protection Officer Venkataswamy, students, teachers, Superintendent Raghuram, Legal Services Authority staff Ambala Devender, Gopal, Raj Kumar and others participated in this program.

# Chalo Delhi on December 14... BCs' lion roar at Ramlila Maidan..

**- Demand to include OBC column in census.**



Jayashankar Bhupalapalli, October 29: The Chalo Delhi program was taken up on December 14 under the leadership of BC Welfare Association National President Jajula Srinivas Goud, and lakhs of BCs from all over the country should gather for the lion roar of BCs to be held on December 14 at Ramlila Maidan in Delhi and increase pressure on the central government to include the OBC column in the census, said Vemula Mahender Goud, District President of BC Welfare Association Jayashankar Bhupalapalli. He spoke at a press conference organized by him on Thursday. He said that some political parties that should have stood by the BCs and fought against the BJP government at the center, which had blatantly deceived them by promising them that it would conduct a BC census, are keeping silent, and that the BC community is observing the attitude of political parties that did not speak out on the caste census in the census. He warned that political parties and their leaders who did not mobilize on the just demands of the BCs would be politically grounded. He questioned Prime Minister Narendra Modi about the reason why the central government, which is counting dogs, foxes and cats in the country, is not counting the OBCs who are living like human beings. Mahender Goud revealed that the BCs' rebellion against the BJP over the caste census has already begun, and the entire BC community has taken up protest rallies, dharnas and agitation programs in 29 states of the country in a democratic manner, and as a last resort, they are organizing a BC lion's roar at Ramlila Maidan on December 14 with lakhs of BCs, and will take up a siege of Parliament on December 15. He accused Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who claims to be an OBC, of implementing the RSS constitution to bury the BCs politically over time instead of taking up the caste census in the census. If the BJP government at the Center continues its stance on the BCs, the BCs in the BJP party will revolt against the party, and if they do not abandon their anti-BC activities, this will be the last rule of the Bharatiya Janata Party in the country, Mahender Goud warned.

# Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's services in building a united India are immortal!

**- Patel's life is inspiring for national unity: District SP Dr. P. Shabarish**
**- Essay writing competitions during National Unity Day celebrations.. Prizes and certificates to be awarded to the winners on October 31**




Mahabubabad, October 29: Mahabubabad District SP Dr. P. Shabarish said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's services in building a united India are immortal. He stated that the administrative efficiency, realistic perspective and political acumen displayed by Patel in the building of independent India will continuously inspire today's generation.

He explained that in the history of modern India, Mahatma Gandhi symbolized the ideals, Jawaharlal Nehru was a hero, and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was a practical expert. The SP participated in a program organized under the auspices of the National Unity Campaign at the Mahabubabad District Police Office on Thursday. In honor of the National Unity Day to be held on October 31, posters and pamphlets related to the programs to be undertaken under the auspices of the National Unity Campaign Convener and Child Welfare Committee member Dr. Parikipandla Ashok were unveiled as part of the Unity Week.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Parikipandla Ashok said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was a great leader who put the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi into action.

He said that Patel played a key role in promoting nationalism among the then princely states and merging many princely states into India. He explained that the political acumen and determination he showed in maintaining the unity and integrity of India after the partition of the country have gone down in history.

He said that Patel freed the people from the tyrannical rule by merging the princely states of the country and laid a strong foundation for the construction of a united India. He said that his role in the freedom struggle and in bringing the country together after independence was unparalleled. He said that it is very necessary in today's society to convey the values of national unity, integrity and patriotism to the youth.

**The aim is to develop a sense of national unity among students**

Dr. Parikipandla Ashok said that discussions and seminars on the importance of national unity will be organized for students, youth, women and the elderly in various parts of the district under the auspices of the National Unity Campaign. He said that through these programs, awareness will be created among the people on the integrity of the country, unity, brotherhood and national responsibilities. He announced that essay writing competitions on the topic of National Unity Day will be organized for students as part of the week-long celebrations. He said that the winners of the competitions will be given prizes and certificates by the concerned district officials on the occasion of National Unity Day on October 31. A representative of the Arogya Mitra NGO, Sahaja, and others participated in this program.

# Two MPs inspect development works in Kesamudram

**Inauguration of a power substation built at a cost of Rs. 3.5 crore. Review of the progress of various development works**

Mahabubabad October 29: The MPs visited the field with the aim of accelerating development works in the Mahabubabad Parliament area. Mahbubabad Parliament Member Porika Balaram Nayak and Rajya Sabha Member Vem Narender Reddy inspected various development works in Kesamudram mandal on Thursday and inaugurated some of them. They focused on issues such as providing better infrastructure to the people, strengthening power supply, and improving facilities in the education and medical sectors.

**Inauguration of a substation built at a cost of Rs. 3.5 crore**

The MPs inaugurated a 33/11 KV power substation built at a cost of Rs. 3.5 crore in Upparapalli, Kesamudram mandal. The availability of this substation will improve power supply in the surrounding areas and will help provide quality electricity to agriculture and household needs.

**CM Breakfast Scheme Kitchen Inspection**

The MPs inspected the kitchen shed being constructed for the CM Breakfast Scheme in Kesamudram Market. They reviewed the progress of the construction work and the creation of infrastructure required for the implementation of the scheme.

After conducting a review of the school, hospital and municipal buildings, they visited the ZP High School in Kesamudram village and inspected aspects related to the Telangana Public School. They also reviewed the progress of the construction work of the new municipal building and government hospital. Once the respective structures are completed, administrative services and medical services will be closer to the people.



During this visit, the public representatives and concerned officials who got to know the status of the development works firsthand focused on the progress of the works. Government Whip, Dornakal MLA Dr. Jatoth Ramchander Nayak, Mahabubabad MLA Dr. Bhukya Murali Nayak, District Collector Sneha Shabarish, District SP Dr. P. Shabarish, DCC President Dr. Uma Murali Nayak, Kesamudram Market Committee Chairman Ganta Sanjeeva Reddy, Kesamudram Municipal Chairman, Vice Chairman Banoth Sunitha Venkanna, Allam Rama Nageswara Rao, councilors, local sarpanchs, other public representatives and officials participated in the program.

# Konda Surekha apologizes to KTR

**Regrets personal comments made in the past.. Reveals that baseless comments should not have been made**

Mahabubabad, Oct 29 : Former Minister Konda Surekha apologized for the personal comments made in the past against BRS Working President KTR and his family members. Expressing regret for the comments he made in the past, he clarified that he is withdrawing them. This development has become a topic of discussion in political circles. Konda Surekha's comments made against KTR and his family members in the past have led to a serious controversy. There was a large-scale political discussion on this issue at that time. Responding to her comments recently, Konda Surekha explained that she spoke that way in order to criticize the opposition and did not make such comments intentionally. She opined that she should not have made some of the baseless comments she made that day. He stated that he had no intention of hurting KTR or his family members, nor did he have any ill will to tarnish their reputation. He said that if KTR or his family members were offended by his comments, he was sorry.

He apologized, announcing that he was withdrawing his previous comments. Konda Surekha's recent apology for comments that had caused a lot of controversy in the past has gained political significance. It will be interesting to see what kind of reactions the BRS and Congress political circles will get on this development.

# Kaleshwaram temple construction work should be completed by March

**- Pushkara work should be completed quickly.**
**- Endowments Department Principal Secretary Shailaja Ramaiah**

Jayashankar Bhupalapally, Oct 29: Endowments Department Principal Secretary Shailaja Ramaiah has instructed the officials to complete the reconstruction work of Kaleshwara Mukteswara Swamy temple by March next year, keeping in mind the Godavari Pushkarams. He advised that the construction of the Ashtatirtha ghats along with the temple development work should be expedited and all the work should be completed within the stipulated time. On Thursday, she visited Kaleshwaram along with Endowments Department Commissioner Hanumantha Rao, District Collector Rahul Sharma and other senior officials. On this occasion, the construction work of Kaleshwara Mukteshwara Swamy Main Temple, Ramalayam, Gyanvapi Bavi, and Subhanandini Ammavari Temple was inspected and the progress was reviewed. The Vijaya Ganapathi Temple was built by breaking coconuts and performing pujas.

Later, he visited Saraswati Ghat and inquired about the development of Ashtatirthas, construction of ghats, land acquisition, establishment of a boat jetty under the auspices of the Tourism Department and other issues. Later, a review meeting was held with officials of various departments at the temple executive officer's office on the arrangements for Godavari Pushkaram, temple reconstruction, and the progress of ghat development work. Speaking on this occasion, the Principal Secretary said that the temple reconstruction work in Kaleshwaram is going on as planned and the progress of the work is satisfactory in the field inspection. He said that the construction work of sub-temple and mandapam along with the main temple is also progressing.

He congratulated the religious advisor, the endowment department commissioner, contractors, architects, engineering officers and staff who are working hard to make the work progress.

However, he made it clear that the pace of work should not be slowed down by being satisfied






with the current progress. He said that it is very important to complete the main temple construction work by March in order to provide better facilities to the devotees by the time of Godavari Pushkara. He ordered the officials to conduct continuous reviews and strictly follow the specified deadline without compromising on the quality of the work.

Shailaja Ramaiyar suggested that the construction work of the Ashtatirtha Ghats should be started immediately and accelerated. He ordered that the foundation drawings related to the Ghats should be provided quickly and the designs related to drainage and electrical systems should be finalized immediately. He advised the contractors to make the necessary machinery available and increase the number of workers so that the civil works are completed within the stipulated time.

He said that a review should be held every week on the temple construction work and there should be continuous supervision at the district collector level. He revealed that he would visit the field every month and monitor the progress of the work. He suggested that if coordination issues arise between various departments, they should be resolved immediately and the work should not be hampered.

The Principal Secretary stated that development works should be undertaken with the aim of making Kaleshwaram a prominent spiritual and tourist center.

He suggested that the designs and plans related to the works to be undertaken under the auspices of the Tourism Department should be finalized quickly. He instructed the officials of the R&B and Panchayat Raj departments to undertake road repairs and other infrastructure development works in a planned manner according to the needs of the Pushkaras.

He suggested that the temple trust board members should identify donors and collect donations to get the temple doors, flagpoles, and Kalashalas plated with gold or silver. He asked all the departments to work in coordination to provide better facilities along with a spiritual experience to the devotees who come to the Pushkaras.

Endowment Department Commissioner Hanumantha Rao said that Rs. 195 crore has been sanctioned for the reconstruction of Kaleshwara Mukteshwara Swamy Temple. Funds have also been allocated for the development works of Ashtatirtha ghats, roads and other things, he revealed that the work will be completed in coordination with various departments and the necessary arrangements will be made by the time of Godavari Pushkara. District Collector Rahul Sharma said that the district administration is constantly monitoring the arrangements for Godavari Pushkara. He explained that 13 acres of land has already been acquired for the construction of ghats, and that they will discuss with the people of the concerned villages for the acquisition of another 18 acres of land and take steps to provide compensation as per the rules.

He said that the construction work of the ghats will start as soon as the necessary drawings are received, and steps will be taken to ensure that the work of all departments is completed within the stipulated time. Religious Advisor Govinda Hari, Sub-Collector Saurav Sharma, engineering officers from various departments, representatives of the Tourism Department, temple trust board members, contractors, representatives of construction companies and others participated in the program.

## *Uniforms Distributed to Students at Madnoor Government Junior College*



Kamareddy, Oct 29 : Uniforms were distributed to students at Seth Ram Prasad Inani Government Junior College in Madnoor on Thursday by Sarpanch Usha Santosh Mestri, Up-Sarpanch Vatnal Ramesh and Mandal Congress Party President Daras Sailu, Congress Party District Voice President Santhosh patel.

Principal Pandurang said that as part of the Rising Telangana programme, uniforms were distributed to a total of 296 students under the auspices of the Intermediate Board of Education. Faculty members were present.

## *Key Step Towards Expansion of Oil Palm Cultivation in Jukkal Constituency*



Kamareddy, Oct 29 : Mrs. Vijaya Ramaswamy, Head of Oil Palm, Hindustan Unilever and Mr. Ravi Jagadish Chandrababu, General Manager, Kamareddy called on Jukkal MLA Thota Laxmikantha Rao as a courtesy. On this occasion, they discussed the opportunities for expansion of oil palm cultivation in Jukkal constituency, creating awareness among farmers, increasing the cultivation area and the action plan to be taken for the development of oil palm in future. MLA Thota Laxmikantha Rao assured that he would extend his full cooperation for the expansion of oil palm cultivation in the constituency. Senior Manager Vanoj Reddy, Sampath Kumar, Area Manager Jadhav Mohan, Field Executive Raju Desai, Former Sarpanch Ramulu Savkar and Madnoor Market Committee Former Chairman Sayagoud participated in the programme.

# Kamareddy Hosts Child Safety Awareness Drive on POCSO, Internet Safety

Kamareddy, Oct 29 : The District Legal Services Authority, Kamareddy organized a legal awareness programme on Surakshit Bachpan Abhiyan, POCSO Act and Safe Internet usage for children. Smt. B. Deeksha, 1st Additional Junior Civil Judge, Kamareddy graced the occasion as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Guest Smt. B. Deeksha said that it is the responsibility of everyone in the society to provide a fearless and safe childhood to every child. She suggested that everyone should be aware to prevent crimes like sexual harassment, exploitation and trafficking against children. She explained that the POCSO Act (Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012) is in force to provide protection to children from sexual offences and legal action can be taken against those who commit sexual harassment against children under this Act. She also said that in the present digital age, it is very important for children to use the Internet safely. She advised not to share personal information with strangers online and not to disclose




details like photos, address, phone number, passwords to others. She said to be alert about cyber harassment, fraud or suspicious contacts faced on social media, online games and other digital platforms. She advised students to inform parents, teachers or concerned authorities without fear if any uncomfortable or suspicious incident occurs. She said that it is the duty of everyone to respect children's rights, give priority to their safety and provide protection to them in a friendly environment. She called upon parents, teachers, educational institutions and society to work in coordination to prevent crimes against children. Later, the Chief Guest unveiled an awareness poster prepared on Surakshit Bachpan, POCSO Act and Safe Internet usage for children. On this occasion, students were administered a pledge on child protection, protection of rights and safe internet usage. Headmaster Ramana Rao, Court Staff Sai Praneeth, teachers and students participated in the programme.

# BJP Holds Preparatory Meeting Ahead of Amit Shah's Visit



LB Nagar, Hyderabad, October 29: A preparatory meeting was held on Thursday under the leadership of BJP Telangana State Co-Incharge Abhay Patil and State Joint General Secretary Dasarath Ji, organized by Rangareddy District Urban President Vanapalli Srinivas Reddy, ahead of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit. BJP OBC Morcha leader Lakshmi Devi said that the meeting discussed arrangements for the visit, the successful conduct of scheduled programmes, coordination among party leaders and workers, and the action plan to be implemented at the grassroots level. The participants deliberated comprehensively on various measures to ensure the smooth and successful execution of the visit and its related programmes.

## Solution to Drinking Water Problem in Pedda Tadduru Village



Kamareddy, October 29 : In a major relief to the residents of Pedda Tadduru village, the long-standing drinking water problem has been resolved with the installation and commissioning of a new motor pump. The new motor pump was started to meet the drinking water needs of the village people. The programme was attended by Gram Sarpanch Smt. B. Shanthavva Eranna, Upa Sarpanch Smt. Sravani Hannagoud, Ward Members and village elders.

The initiative was taken up with the objective of ensuring uninterrupted drinking water supply and providing required drinking water to every household without any inconvenience to the villagers.



***Ahead of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit A review meeting was held on Thursday at the BJP Urban District Office. Telangana BJP in-charge Abhay Patil, State Joint Organising Secretary Dasarath Ji, and district president Vanapalli Srinivasa Reddy attended the meeting. Moddu Lacchi Reddy, former corporator of BN Reddy Nagar Division, was also present at the programme. – Telangana Essence LB Nagar.***

## Review of Rice Millers' Outstanding Dues

**Final Opportunity for Defaulters to Clear Dues Within a Week: Additional Collector K. Chandra Reddy**

LB Nagar, Hyderabad, Oct 29: Ranga Reddy District Additional Collector (Revenue) K. Chandra Reddy on Tuesday held a meeting with rice millers who had outstanding dues related to Custom Milling Rice (CMR) at his chamber in the Collectorate. He reviewed the pending dues in the district and discussed measures to expedite their recovery. Speaking on the occasion, the Additional Collector stated that outstanding dues from rice millers must be recovered in accordance with Government Order No. 17 issued in connection with paddy procurement from the Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2014–15 to KMS 2024–25. He directed the concerned officials to take necessary steps to ensure that payments were made in compliance with government regulations.

The Additional Collector interacted with each rice miller who had failed to clear the dues and reviewed the details of their pending payments. He examined the miller-wise status of outstanding amounts and discussed the reasons for delays in payment.

He stressed that the recovery of dues must be treated as a priority and instructed officials to take appropriate measures to collect all pending amounts. K. Chandra Reddy said that a final opportunity was being given to rice millers to clear their outstanding dues. He directed them to pay the entire pending amount within one week from the date of the meeting, without any further delay. He warned that further action would be initiated against rice millers who failed to clear their dues within the stipulated deadline, in accordance with government regulations. He also made it clear that the recovery process would continue strictly as per government rules, with no scope for negligence.

## PM Rahat Scheme for Road Accident Victims – Cashless Medical Treatment Up to Rs. 1.5 Lakh

Mahabubabad Oct 29 : Mahabubabad District SP Dr. Shabarish, IPS, advised people to take advantage of the PM RAHAT scheme introduced by the Central Government for road accident victims. He said that the main objective of this scheme is to provide timely emergency medical treatment to those injured in road accidents and save precious lives.

The SP said that road accident victims will have the opportunity to get cashless medical treatment up to a maximum of Rs. 1.5 lakh for seven days in accordance with the terms and conditions of the scheme. T

he eligible victims were advised to use the medical services available in the empaneled hospitals under the scheme.

**Information on 112 immediately after the accident**

The SP advised that for emergency help, one should call 112 immediately after the road accident. He asked people to cooperate in shifting the injured to the nearest hospital under the scheme as soon as possible.

He said that the hospital staff should provide necessary details and cooperate in providing medical services to the victims.

**It is everyone's responsibility to help the injured**

The SP appealed to the people to act with a humanitarian attitude in helping the road accident victims. He said that loss of life can be prevented by providing timely medical assistance to the accident victims. He suggested that in addition to helping the injured in the event of an accident, they should cooperate with the police and medical staff.

**Awareness should be raised about the PM Rahat Scheme**



SP Dr. Shabarish, IPS asked people to raise awareness about the eligibility criteria for the PM Rahat Scheme, the procedure for obtaining medical services, and the details of the hospitals under the scheme. He said that everyone should act responsibly to ensure that road accident victims get timely medical treatment and cooperate to save precious lives.



**- 'LEAF' program to improve English language skills among students**
**- Collector sitting among students and observing the teaching style**

## Collector Sneha Shabarish Prioritises Education, Health, Nutrition

Mahabubabad Oct 29 : Along with the development of the district, Mahabubabad District Collector Sneha Shabarish is taking governance forward in her own unique style, giving priority to the education, medicine, nutrition and sanitation sectors. She is taking steps to ensure that government schemes are implemented effectively at the field level and is paying special attention to providing better services to the people.

The 'LEAF' (Learning English Through Active Practice) program has been introduced to help students in the district master the English language and speak English with confidence. The main objective of this program is to enhance the English language skills of the students and provide them with opportunities to learn in practical ways. In this process, the teachers are sitting among the students and observing the teaching methods followed in teaching.

In addition to providing quality education to the students, the Collector is also paying special attention to issues related to their health, nutrition and hygiene. He is conducting surprise visits to hostels, educational institutions and government offices and observing the conditions there.

He is reviewing the facilities provided to the students, sanitation management and implementation of related services at the field level. He is making his mark in the district administration by visiting the field level and not only visiting the offices but also getting to know the problems firsthand and focusing on the necessary changes. The performance of Collector Sneha Shabarish, who is identifying the needs of the people and taking steps to ensure that government services are provided more efficiently, is becoming a topic of discussion in the district.

It is hoped that these field trips, which aim to pave the way for the future of students, create a healthy environment, and enhance accountability in government systems, will contribute to the development of the district.

## Learn to say 'no' loudly to things you don't like

**- Swati Murari, Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority, created awareness on child safety**

Mahabubabad, October 29: District Legal Services Authority Secretary and Senior Civil Judge Swati Murari called on children to say 'no' loudly if anyone tries to behave in an indecent or objectionable manner towards them.

She advised that every student should be aware of child safety, rights and laws.

On Thursday, under the auspices of the District Legal Services Authority, awareness programs were organized for students at Telangana Model School, Gade Rukma Reddy School and Takshashila schools on the POCSO Act and various laws related to child protection. Speaking on the occasion, Judge Swati Murari advised that if someone misbehaves with them or tries to touch them inappropriately, they should shout loudly and immediately go to a safe place.

They should inform their parents and teachers about the incident without delay.

He said that it is the right of every boy and girl to live safely and grow up freely in society. He explained that the 'Surakshit Bachpan Abhiyan' is a program aimed at creating awareness about the rights and protection of children. The students were informed about the harm caused by social evils such as child marriage, child labor, and dowry. He explained about the punishments and legal actions imposed by the courts on those who violate the respective laws. The judge said that all children are entitled to free legal aid. He advised that if children face any problem, have doubts about their rights, or need legal assistance, they can call the Legal Aid toll-free number 15100 and get help.




The managements, teachers, and students of the respective schools participated in the program.

## *Personal Fodder Development Program should be utilized*

**- Green fodder for cattle..Financial benefit for cattle keepers**
**- District Animal Husbandry Dept Joint Director Vasantha Kumari**

Sangareddy Dist : The government is implementing the Personal Fodder Development Program with the aim of providing quality green fodder to cattle throughout the year and providing financial benefit to cattle keepers, said District Animal Husbandry Department Joint Director Vasantha Kumari. She said that through this program, eligible farmers can cultivate fodder crops on their lands and provide the necessary fodder for cattle on their own. providing balanced nutrition to cattle, there is an opportunity to improve their health and increase milk production. she said that farmers will get additional financial benefit. farmers who have land suitable for fodder cultivation and necessary water facilities can apply under this program in accordance with the eligibility criteria.VBG Ramji assistance will be provided as per the govt guidelines regarding seeds, fertilizers and other inputs required for fodder cultivation. Farmers were advised to cultivate suitable fodder crops according to the nature of their land and availability of water. JD Vasanthakumari requested that the nearest veterinary hospital or the concerned animal husbandry department officials be contacted for details of the eligibility, application procedure and govt subsidy related to this program.



## Quality Healthcare Services Should Be Accessible to the Public

***Former Hayathnagar BJP Corporator Kallem Navajeevan Reddy at Praja Care Multi-Speciality Hospital Inauguration***

LB Nagar, Hyderabad, October 29: Former Hayathnagar BJP corporator Kallem Navajeevan Reddy attended the inauguration of the newly established Praja Care Multi-Speciality Hospital at Banjara Colony in Hayathnagar division. On the occasion, he extended his special congratulations and best wishes to the hospital management. He expressed hope that the newly established hospital would greatly benefit the residents of Banjara Colony and the surrounding areas of Hayathnagar by providing improved medical services. He stated that access to quality healthcare and advanced medical facilities was essential for the public. He added that the availability of multi-speciality medical services within local areas would provide considerable convenience to residents. Navajeevan Reddy expressed his wish that the hospital would play a key role in protecting public health by delivering essential medical services. He also urged the management of Praja Care Multi-Speciality Hospital to expand its services, achieve further growth and earn a good reputation by providing quality healthcare to the public. The programme was attended by members of Navajeevan Reddy's circle, including Pandala Sridhar and Baddam Ravinder Reddy, BJP leader Janjya Nayak, Balu Nayak, colony residents and others.




## Chinna Eklara, Madnoor Mandal, Kamareddy District..



Kamareddy, October, 29: Mrs. Vijaya Ramaswamy, Head of Oil Palm Division, Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL) and General Manager Mr. Ravi Jagadish Chandrababu visited Chinna Eklara village in Madnoor mandal. On this occasion, they met Village Sarpanch Mr. Gajanan Kore and local oil palm farmers and elicited their opinions. As part of this visit, they discussed increasing the area under oil palm cultivation in Madnoor mandal, creating awareness among new farmers, encouraging farmers towards oil palm cultivation and measures to be taken for future cultivation development. The representatives explained that on behalf of HUL company, an additional financial assistance of Rs. 5,000 per acre is being provided for the purchase of drip equipment to the farmers undertaking oil palm cultivation. They suggested that farmers should make use of this opportunity and expand oil palm cultivation.

In this programme, HUL Senior Manager Vanoj Reddy, Sampath Kumar, Area Manager Jadhav Mohan, Field Officers Sai Prasad, Raju, . Umakanth, Village Sarpanch madhav Rao and local farmers participated.

# BUSINESS

## Direct Mutual Fund Plans Default from Nov1



Direct plans may suit investors who understand mutual funds, can assess their risk appetite and financial goals, and are comfortable selecting and monitoring schemes independently. SEBI will make direct mutual fund plans the default option on asset management companies' (AMCs) digital platforms from November 1, 2026.

**What are direct mutual fund plans?**

Direct plans allow investors to purchase mutual fund units directly from an asset management company without going through a mutual fund distributor. Since there is no distributor commission, these plans have lower total expense ratios (TERs) than regular plans of the same scheme. According to an ICICI Bank blog, both direct and regular plans invest in the same underlying portfolio and are managed by the same fund manager. Their investment objectives, asset allocation and risk profiles are also the same. The primary difference is the cost of distribution.

Direct plans are available through AMC websites and other permitted direct-investment channels. Investors can choose schemes, start SIPs or make lump-sum investments and monitor their portfolios independently.

Direct vs regular mutual fund plans: How do costs differ?

Regular plans are purchased through intermediaries such as mutual fund distributors, banks or financial advisers. These intermediaries may assist investors with scheme selection, transactions and other investment-related services. The commissions paid to distributors are incorporated into the expense ratio of regular plans. Consequently, their TER is generally higher than that of the direct plan of the same scheme.

## Manufacturing Boom Boosts Jobs, Wages



India's manufacturing sector is showing signs of a broad-based expansion, with industrial output, factory investment and employment rising, according to the October 2026 Monthly Economic Review. The latest data point to an expansion that is extending beyond production to job creation and worker earnings.

The Index of Industrial Production (IIP) grew 8% year-on-year in August 2026, led by 9% growth in manufacturing. The Index of Core Industries expanded 7.9% in September, while the HSBC India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index rose to 55.1 from 52.8 in August, signalling a faster pace of expansion.

The Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) for 2024-25 also points to growth across registered manufacturing. Gross value added increased 9.59% over the previous year, fixed capital rose 10.54% and total persons engaged grew 7.19%.

Employment gains are more pronounced over a longer period. Organised manufacturing employment increased 30% from 1.6 crore in FY21 to 2.1 crore in FY25, the review said. Wages paid to workers rose 71% during the same period, while total emoluments increased 66%.

Worker productivity improved as well. Net value added per worker grew 30% between FY21 and FY25, while wages per worker rose 29%, indicating that wage growth broadly kept pace with productivity gains.

The gains, however, have not been evenly distributed across the country. Five states accounted for around 56% of manufacturing employment in FY25, with Tamil Nadu leading at approximately 15%. These states also accounted for nearly 64% of the increase in manufacturing employment since FY21. Maharashtra added 7.9 lakh jobs, while Uttar Pradesh added 6.9 lakh, according to the review.

The expansion is being supported by financing and policy initiatives aimed at helping businesses scale up.

Bank credit to industry grew 18.2% year-on-year. The government has also approved a ₹10,000-crore commitment to establish an SME Growth Fund, with a majority of its allocation intended for manufacturing-focused small and medium enterprises. The fund is designed to provide equity capital for capacity expansion, technology adoption and entry into global value chains. Private investment intentions offer another indication of momentum. The review estimates private corporate capital expenditure at ₹3.2 lakh crore in FY27, up from ₹2.6 lakh crore in FY26.



## Ambuja Cements Shares Rise 2% Despite 90% Profit Plunge

Ambuja Cements shares closed at Rs 355.90 on Thursday, up 1.45% from the previous close of Rs 350.80. Ambuja Cements Ltd shares rose 2% on Thursday after the company reported a net profit of Rs 114 crore for the second quarter of FY27, marking a sharp 90% decline from Rs 1,158 crore reported in the same period last year. Ambuja Cements said net profit was lower due to the reversal of an income tax provision worth Rs 1,697 crore in the same quarter last year. The company's share closed at Rs 355.90 on Thursday, up 1.45% from the previous close of Rs 350.80. The stock opened at Rs 352.30, touched a high of Rs 361.90 and a low of Rs 349.10 during the session.

The company's revenue from operations came in at Rs 6,113 crore for the September-ended quarter, up 10% from Rs 5,579 crore reported in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year. Vinod Bahety, Whole-time Director and CEO of Ambuja Cements Ltd, said, "Our Q2 and H1 FY27 performance underscores Ambuja's focus on quality growth despite seasonal and external headwinds. Strengthening trade and premium product mix improved revenue quality, while disciplined execution and cost management supported profitability. We continue to strengthen the structural drivers of earnings through manufacturing excellence, energy efficiency, logistics optimisation and digitalisation, supported by a debt-free balance sheet. Our growth journey continues, with 4.6 MTPA commissioned in Q2 and another 5.6 MTPA ramping up in H2 FY27." Bahety added, "We are on track achieving our cost target of Rs 4,250 per tonne by FY27. Our growth remains trade-led, in line with our strategy, while we continue to strengthen the institutional business through a comprehensive solutions approach with a focus on value and profitability. Volumes are expected to grow ahead of the industry in H2 FY27, supported by accelerated trade volumes and calibrated institutional sales.

## Bharatiya Antariksh Station to Feature Two Robotic Arms

India's planned Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS) is being designed with robotic capabilities that could help astronauts handle operations outside the station, inspect its structure and support future expansion. New technical details presented by K Kalpana, BAS Project Director at ISRO, during the Space Science and Technologies session of ESTIC 2026 in New Delhi on October 29, point to a station equipped with internal and external robotic arms, alongside free-flying systems and humanoid robots.

The presentation also outlines a five-module station in low Earth orbit, with provisions for docking across all modules. The station is planned to support long-duration human stays and microgravity research, marking a major step in India's ambition to build an independent human spaceflight infrastructure.

**The five modules have distinct roles.**

BAS-01, the Base Module, is designed as a test bed for technologies and will support station servicing, crew habitat requirements and payload racks.

BAS-02 will serve as the Core Module, featuring docking infrastructure, payload racks and exercise equipment to counter the effects of living in microgravity.

BAS-03, the Science Module, will support spacewalks, payload racks and regenerative environmental control and life-support systems.

BAS-04, the Lab Module, will include a cupola for Earth observation, additional crew quarters and payload facilities.

BAS-05 will serve as the Berthing Module, providing a common berthing mechanism to enable future expansion and cargo-module docking. The station's planned robotic systems are intended to expand its operational capabilities. The presentation lists internal and external robotic arms, free-flying systems and humanoid robots among the planned features. However, it does not specify the exact configuration or operational roles of each arm.

Other features include docking provisions across all modules, regenerative environmental control and life-support systems, and protection against radiation, extreme temperatures and micrometeoroids and orbital debris.



The station is also expected to provide a platform for microgravity experiments, potentially supporting research in areas such as life sciences, pharmaceuticals, materials science and advanced manufacturing. These are among the research priorities identified for the BAS programme by the government.

India has set a target of launching its first station module, BAS-01, by 2028 and making the complete five-module station operational by 2035. The first module has received an approved development and launch budget of Rs 1,763 crore for 2025-2028.

The robotic systems will be an important part of building and maintaining the orbital outpost, as India moves from demonstrating human spaceflight through Gaganyaan towards sustained human presence in low Earth orbit.

# Science & Technology

## Moto G47 Power 5G: 7,000mAh Battery, 108MP Camera Tipped



Motorola is gearing up to add another budget 5G smartphone to its G-series, and this time, they are going big, as claimed. The Moto G47 Power 5G is already making waves thanks to a fresh leak that spills almost everything, from price and design to features and colours. It is expected to hit the European market at around EUR 270 (that is roughly Rs. 28,700) for the version with 4GB RAM and 128GB storage, according to tipster Sudhanshu Ambhore. Motorola has notg officially confirmed anything yet, so do not jump to conclusions.

**Leaked images show that there will be two colour choices :** Cyan . Dark grey

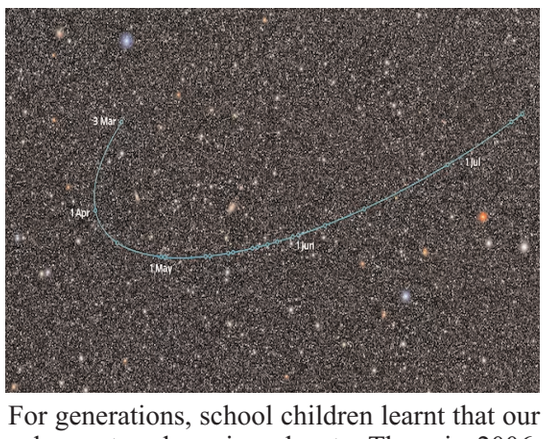
No fancy names for those finishes yet (seem to be clean, simple and straight).

**Features of the upcoming G47 Power 5G**

The upcoming Moto G47 Power 5G will come with a 6.67-inch LCD with HD+ resolution (720 x 1,604 pixels) and a snappy 120Hz refresh rate. It has the usual Moto design, with a big rectangular camera bump tucked into the top left corner. The handset will be powered by a MediaTek Dimensity 6300 chip (built on a 6nm process), clocking up to 2.4GHz. This setup aims squarely at folks who want reliable 5G without breaking the bank. The high-refresh-rate screen and enormous battery help sweeten the deal.

For photography, leaks suggest that the device will feature a dual rear camera system: a whopping 108-megapixel main sensor and a 2-megapixel macro shooter. On the front, it will have an 8-megapixel camera for selfies and video calls. That giant 108MP shooter is a headline feature, although Motorola has kept things under the hood. Battery life is where the G47 Power 5G truly shines. The rumour is a massive 7,000mAh battery with support for 30W fast charging, which is said to be perfect if someone is tired of plugging in their charger again and again. It is also tipped to launch with Android 16, plus an IP64 rating for dust and water resistance. The leak mentions dimensions of 166 x 77 x 9mm, so it will have some heft.

## New Discovery Reignites Pluto Planet Debate




For generations, school children learnt that our solar system has nine planets. Then, in 2006, Pluto lost its place on that list and became a dwarf planet, a new category created by the International Astronomical Union (IAU). Nearly two decades later, the discovery of a distant icy world has brought the question of what makes a planet a planet back into focus. The object, provisionally known as 2026 ED138, has been discovered by the Vera C Rubin observatory in Chile, a country in South America.

Scientists estimate that it could be between 600 and 1,500 km wide and orbits the Sun at a distance roughly 46 times that between the Earth and the Sun. It is the strongest candidate for a dwarf planet.

**Why Did Pluto Stop Being A Planet?**

Pluto was discovered in 1930 by American astronomer Clyde Tombaugh and was long recognised as the solar system's ninth planet.

That status came under pressure as advances in telescopes allowed astronomers to detect more distant objects beyond Neptune. Scientists began finding icy worlds in a region known as the Kuiper Belt, where Pluto also resides.

**What Makes A Planet A Planet?**

Under the IAU's definition, a celestial body must meet three conditions to qualify as a planet in the solar system: It must orbit the Sun, have enough mass for its own gravity to make it nearly round, and have cleared the neighbourhood around its orbit of other objects of comparable size.

**Pluto meets the first two conditions but not the third.**

This does not mean its orbit is empty of every other object. Rather, a planet must be gravitationally dominant in its orbital neighbourhood, unlike Pluto, which shares the distant outer solar system with a population of other icy bodies. A dwarf planet, by contrast, orbits the Sun and is nearly round but has not cleared its orbital neighbourhood. It must also not be a satellite of another body. The distinction is based on the IAU's classification system, not simply on whether an object is large, round or interesting. The discovery of 2026 ED138 does not alter the official definition of a planet or change Pluto's classification. Instead, it adds to the growing body of evidence that the outer solar system contains many worlds that are difficult to detect from Earth.

**Pluto Is Not Less Significant Scientifically**

NASA's New Horizons spacecraft flew past Pluto in July 2015, providing the first close-up views of its surface. The images revealed mountains, plains, glaciers and a thin atmosphere, showing that this distant, frozen world is far more complex than astronomers had once imagined. Pluto also has five known moons, including Charon, which is unusually large relative to Pluto itself.

The spacecraft's observations helped transform scientists' understanding of Pluto and the distant region it inhabits. The new discovery offers another opportunity to explore that region. As telescopes become more powerful and surveys gather more data, astronomers may identify additional objects that help explain how the solar system formed and evolved.





# Indian Women Make History with World Wrestling Silvers



Astana, Oct 28 : Indian wrestlers Kajal Dhochak and Neelam Sirohi concluded their historic run at the Senior World Championships, returning with two silver medals after their respective final bouts in Astana, Kazakhstan, on Wednesday.

In the 76kg title clash, the 18-year-old Kajal went up against Ukraine's Anastasiya Alpyeyeva. Making her senior World Championships debut after securing two U20 world titles, Kajal put up a fierce fight but lost the closely contested bout 6-8 to finish with a silver medal.

Taking the mat in the 50kg final, 26-year-old Neelam faced a formidable challenge against Japan's four-time world champion Yui Susaki. She lost by fall after trailing 0-5.

The podium finishes marked a new milestone for Indian wrestling, as it was the first time two Indian women competed in the finals at the same edition of the World Championships.

Their medals add to the breakthrough made by Anshu Malik, who became the first Indian woman to reach a World Championships final in 2021. Kajal had earlier shown tremendous resilience in her path to the final, notably recovering from a 1-7 deficit to defeat Kyrgyzstan's Aiperi Medet Kyzy 10-7 in the semifinals. Neelam similarly displayed great composure throughout the tournament, securing her final berth with a comfortable 7-3 win over Kazakhstan's Zeinep Bayanova. Elsewhere, Rajnita's campaign in the 65kg category came to an end in the repechage round. She went down 2-6 to Japan's Nana Ikehata, missing out on the opportunity to progress to the bronze medal match.

The concluding matches for Women's Wrestling will be conducted on Thursday, with the final two weight classes, 55kg and 59kg, remaining.

Earlier on Tuesday, Kajal Dhochak and Neelam Sirohi earned places in their respective finals, giving the country two women competing for gold at the same edition for the first time. For 18-year-old Kajal, the result marked an impressive transition to the senior stage after two U20 world titles. Making her senior World Championships debut, she recovered from 1-7 down to defeat Kyrgyzstan's Aiperi Medet Kyzy 10-7 in the semifinals.

# Tilak's Cheeky Reply on Pakistan Showdowns

India T20I vice-captain Tilak Varma spoke on his performances against Pakistan, highlighting that he has done well against the arch-rivals on multiple occasions. Speaking ahead of India's fourth T20I against New Zealand at the Eden Park in Auckland, Tilak was asked what confidence he would have got batting in the middle-order after his match-changing 51 not out from 22 balls against Pakistan in the Asian Games final earlier this month.

The Indian vice-captain gave a cheeky reply, stating that he had performed well against Pakistan before too, as he referenced the Asia Cup 2025 final clutch knock where he scored an unbeaten 69 to help India register a famous win in the 147-run chase. "I try to finish the game. So, after the Pakistan game, I have the same confidence. There is no change. It's not like I was not scoring for 10 matches and then I scored against Pakistan straightaway.

"It didn't happen like that. As it is said, I keep scoring. I remain focused on scoring runs for the team. I always want to help the team win. It's simple. And there is such a good atmosphere in the team. There is such good backing. So, in my mind, it remains: how can I win every match for the team?" he added.

Tilak also boasts of a record that he has not lost a match when he is unbeaten in a T20 chase. The Southpaw also spoke on the magical stat, highlighting that pressure remains on him, but he finds his way to score runs.

"I can't say stress. There is always pressure and nerves. Till the last day of your cricket career, pressure will always be on you. So, it is the same feeling.

"But it has become a habit to manage it. Every individual has a different way. Some people breathe. Some talk a little more in between to settle those nerves. So, every individual is different. I also have my own way," he added.

In the second T20I against New Zealand, Tilak smashed a match-changing and unbeaten 51 from 26 balls to guide India to a much-impressive four-wicket win with a successful chase of a strong 181 in Christchurch with one ball remaining.

"In the end overs, as a batter, the bowler is under far more pressure than I am. That positive thought is constantly running in my head, that the bowler is under more pressure, so they are bound to leak runs," he added.





# Mumbai Indians Part Ways with Malinga, Mhambrey, Hopkinson

New Delhi, Oct 29 : Five-time IPL champions Mumbai Indians (MI) on Thursday announced that bowling coaches Lasith Malinga, Paras Mhambrey and fielding coach Carl Hopkinson will be leaving the men's team set-up. The announcement comes days after Kieron Pollard took over as the side's new head coach after Mahela Jayawardene departed.

"Mumbai Indians extend their heartfelt gratitude to Lasith, Paras and Carl for their contributions to the team and the wider MI family. Their commitment, the relationships they have built and the memories they have helped create will always be part of our journey. We wish each of them the very best in their future endeavours," the franchise said in a statement on Thursday.

The departures mark the end of a long association for Malinga, regarded as one of the most iconic figures in MI's history. The Sri Lankan fast bowling great led the franchise's bowling attack during four of its IPL title wins and the 2011 Champions League T20 triumph before returning as a mentor and coach. Malinga had returned to Mumbai Indians as a fast-bowling coach ahead of IPL 2024 and took over from Shane Bond, who had held the role for nine seasons. After retiring in 2021, he spent two seasons as Rajasthan Royals' fast-bowling coach.

It was Malinga's second stint in MI's support staff – having served as mentor in 2018 before returning to the field the following year to share the new ball with Jasprit Bumrah as the side won their fourth IPL title.

Mhambrey, the former India pacer, served the franchise across two spells, first from 2010 to 2017 and again ahead of the 2025 season. Mhambrey was India's bowling coach from November 2021 to July 2024, a stint that included the T20 World Cup triumph in the West Indies.

In his first spell as a coach with MI, Mhambrey was part of the side that won the IPL in 2013 and the Champions League T20 in 2011 and 2013, apart from being the bowling coach of MI Emirates in the UAE's ILT20 tournament. Former England fielding coach Hopkinson joined MI ahead of the 2025 season and was tasked with raising the team's fielding standards.

# Do Celebrity Feuds Make Talk Shows More Interesting?



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# Wow! Vishwambhara Jumps Into Fauzi Slot?



The release date of "Vishwambhara", featuring Megastar Chiranjeevi and Tamil heroine Trisha in the lead, is the most talked about these days. Many thought that this film would clash with Sankranthi releasing the other mega film "Kaaka", but that was avoided. However, though it has come out that the film might hit cinemas in March 2027, here is the latest buzz. According to the grapevine, Megastar Chiranjeevi and the film's producer UV Creations are said to be weighing all the options to bring the movie on December 3rd or 4th. After Fauzi vacated that slot, the likes of Naga Chaitanya's Vrushakarma, Nithin's Alias Rukmini and Viswaksen's Legacy have locked that date. But that's the only big date that even Vishwambhara is also said to be considering now. Though the buzz is strong, there is no official announcement about the same. Some insiders are saying that as a Diwali treat, the makers of Vishwambhara might come up with a special video teaser and will announce the release date accordingly. Usually Tollywood has no culture of announcing news on Diwali, which falls on Amavasya, but this time, the fireworks might come louder from the industry.

Vishwambhara is directed by Vassishta Mallidi, who has carved a name for himself with Bimbisara movie, and later he will be directing Bala krishna's acting heir, Nandamuri Mokshagna's debut film.

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But this raises an important question: Do talk shows really need comments about other actors to become popular. Bollywood has many talented actors and actresses with interesting stories to share. Their journeys, struggles, career choices and experiences could make for meaningful conversations. Instead, discussions about relationships, breakups and personal controversies often become the main attraction. A little humour can make a show entertaining. However repeatedly bringing other celebrities into conversations can create unnecessary speculation and misunderstandings. Viewers may enjoy such moments for a short time, but talk shows can offer much more than gossip. Talking about other actresses may generate attention but it should not become the only way to keep viewers interested.

