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Congress high command gives nod

Expansion likely on Sunday; 3-4 new ministers to take oath

Internal discussions on portfolios and social representation underway TPN Correspondent | Telangana

The Congress high command has given its approval for the much-anticipated expansion of the Telangana state cabinet. With this, Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is preparing to induct three to four new faces into his council of ministers. Sources indicate that the cabinet expansion is likely to take place on Sunday, marking a significant step in balancing regional and social representations within the government.

Intense internal deliberations are underway on the allocation of portfolios and the

selection of ministers. Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, who also holds the PCC presidency, has been holding key discussions with senior leaders and Telangana Congress affairs in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan over the last few days. The party leadership is reportedly considering multiple factors, including performance, social representation, and regional balance in finalizing the names.

With the high-level clearance, CM Revanth Reddy is expected to make the final decision and submit the list of new ministers to the Governor. Party sources say aspirants have intensified lobbying ever

since the green signal was received from the Congress high command.

Currently, Telangana's cabinet consists of a limited number of ministers, and several districts and communities have been demanding representation. The upcoming expansion is expected to address some of these demands and strengthen the Congress government's base across the state.

The political buzz suggests that the exercise may also serve as a precursor to a larger administrative and developmental push by the Revanth Reddy government as it completes six months in office.



Decision on Kaleshwaram Project was taken by the **KCR Govt**

BJP MP Etela appears before Commission, says cabinet led by KCR approved project

TPN | SRIKANTH GURRAM

Irrigation Project has once again Etela's remarks indirectly support come under sharp political scrutiny as BJP MP Etela Rajender made crucial remarks after appearing before the Justice Pinaki Chandra Ghose Commission on Friday. Etela clarified that the decision to construct the barrages in the project was taken by the then Telangana cabinet under the leadership of Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), triggering political ripples across party lines.

Etela's statement has become a what he had stated in public earlitopic of heated debate. His assertion that the cabinet led by KCR took the final call on the project is being seen as a significant Revanth Reddy government has development in the ongoing inquiry into allegations of massive irregularities in the project. The Congress party, however, reacted strongly, questioning the silence also emphasized that Etela did not of the BJP over corruption allegations related to Kaleshwaram.

Congress leaders have pointed out cause he had nothing to hide. that instead of confronting the al- However, Congress leaders have leged misuse of public funds, the expressed dissatisfaction over BJP appears to be backing away. They recalled that BRS MLC K. Kavitha had once remarked that BRS ity and appear was on the verge of merging with evasive.

the BJP—an allegation now being Hyderabad: The Kaleshwaram Lift cited by Congress to suggest that that narrative. They argue that his statements have only strengthened suspicions of a tacit understanding between BJP and BRS, at a time when public money to the tune of thousands of crores is at stake.

Adding to the controversy, Telangana BJP president G. Kishan Reddy responded to the developments, stating that Etela had repeated in front of the commission exactly er. Kishan Reddy questioned why, even after one and a half years of coming to power, the Congress-led not taken action against BRS leaders. "If Etela Rajender has done something wrong, take action. Are we saying no?" he asked. He postpone the commission appearance and attended it promptly be-

Kishan Reddy's remarks, saying they lack clar-



The Future Belongs to **Green Power: Deputy CM Bhatti**



- MoUs worth ₹1 lakh crore ernment's New Energy Policy 2025 signed for green power in Telangana
- Target to generate 20,000 MW green power by 2030
- Telangana promotes solar, wind, pumped storage, hydrogen power
- Deputy CM visits Greenko Integrated Power Project in Kurnool

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka said the future belongs to green power as Telangana moves forward with strategic planning focused on renewable energy. Speaking to the media after visiting the Greenko Integrated Power Project at Pinnapuram village in Orvakal Mandal, Kurnool The Deputy CM pointed out that district, the Deputy CM emphasized Telangana's vision for green renewable energy sources such power generation.

He highlighted that MoUs worth storage, floating solar, and hydro-₹1 lakh crore have already been signed for green power projects in the state. The Telangana gov-

aims to generate 20,000 MW of green power by 2029–30, aligning with rising electricity demand.

Bhatti Vikramarka explained that as power demand increases nationwide, the government is exploring ways to boost power generation to move towards surplus electricity. He noted, "Every product in the world requires electricity. To increase production, electricity supply must be abundant. If production increases, employment and the state's GDP will grow. It's a continuous cycle."

He stressed that relying solely on coal-based power increases costs and environmental pollution, which is why the world is shifting rapidly towards green power. countries are promoting diverse as solar, wind, thermal, pumped gen power.

Congress-BJP Nexus Attacks Kaleshwaram Project

- · KTR slams Congress-BJP for misleading Telangana public
- Harish Rao's presentation counters false propaganda with facts
- KTR highlights KCR's vision and developmental achievements
- Calls out Congress corruption and BJP's fabricated reports

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) strongly condemned the Congress-BJP alliance for their campaign to discredit the Kaleshwaram Project, a crucial irrigation lifeline for Telangana's farmers. KTR



to clarify misconceptions.

KTR praised the visionary leadership of former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), who designed the Kaleshwaram Project to utida with Facts," which aimed lize every drop of Godavari water, transforming Telan-

gana into fertile and prosperous farmland. He highlighted the near-completion of other projects such as Palamuru-Ranga Reddy and Sitarama, crediting KCR for ensuring water security for farmers after decades of struggle.

He accused the Congress-BJP alliance of spreading falsehoods about the project for over a year and a half, distorting facts to mislead the public. KTR criticized the Congress government's alleged misrule that erases the state's aspirations for water, funds, and jobs. He also exposed the party's corrupt practices, including



Chhattisgarh Maoist Encounter

7 bodies recovered, 2 AK-47 rifles and explosives, were recovered

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

In an intensified combing operation inside the Indravati National Park of Bijapur district in Chhattisgarh, security forces recovered the bodies of seven Maoists on Saturday, June 7. The recovery follows continuous encounters in the region, marking a significant blow to Maoist forces operating along the Telangana-Chhattisgarh border.

The gunfight comes days after top Maoist leaders were killed in similar operations. On June 5, Communist Party of India (Maoist) central committee member Narasimha Chalam alias Sudhakar was gunned down. A day later, Mylarapu Adelu alias Bhaskar, a special zonal committee mem-



ber of the Telangana state committee and another high-ranking leader, was killed. Bhaskar carried a bounty of ₹45 lakh in both Chhattisgarh and Telan-

According to Bastar Range Inspector General P. Sundarraj, the forces also seized arms including two AK-47 rifles and explosives from the site. He added that some security personnel involved in the operation suffered snake bites, honey bee stings, and dehydration, but are currently safe and under medical treatment.

This operation is part of a wider effort to dismantle Maoist networks in the region.



TELANGANA

Exhibition grounds ready for fish prasadam distribution

- Arrangements made for lakhs of people arriving for fish prasadam
- Special police force of 2,000 personnel deployed for crowd management
- Ten additional special counters set up to ease distribution
- Visitors from across India and abroad
- Distribution to start from 10 am on Sunday at Nampally Exhibition Ground

V. Krishna Kumar | TPN: Special

As the auspicious day of Mrigasira Karte approaches, the famous fish

prasadam prepared by the Bathini Brothers draws lakhs of devotees to Hyderabad. The Nampally Exhibition Ground is fully prepared to handle the massive influx of people arriving from across Telangana, other Indian states, and even abroad to receive the prasadam.

This year, government officials from Fisheries, Electricity, and Water Works departments are actively involved in preparations, alongside voluntary organizations ready to assist. Large numbers of visitors from Punjab, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Patna, Kolkata, and beyond have already started arriving, some even a week or ten days earlier than usual. Last year, around two lakh people came for the prasadam, and this year, officials expect an even greater turnout. To manage the crowds efficiently, the government has set up

The police department has deployed about 2,000 personnel from city police and other districts of Telangana. A special control room with CCTV coverage on three main roads around the ground has been established for enhanced vigilance. Special attention is being paid to prevent middlemen from exploiting visitors coming from far away.

VIP stalls have been arranged separately, and RTC officials are operating special buses to ferry visitors from various areas to the Nampally Exhibition Ground. The Fisheries Department has also prepared lakhs of fish to meet the expected demand. Prasadam distribution will begin at 10 am on Sunday, with all arrangements in place to ensure smooth and safe handling of the massive crowd, including asthma patients and others who come seeking the medicinal benefits of the Bathi-



ten additional counters beyond those available last year to ni Brothers' preparation. reduce waiting times. **Farmers Commission team visits** Nagireddy Palli

"Dharani is gone, Bhu Bharati has come to solve land issues," says Commission Chairman Kodanda Reddy

TPN Correspondent | Siddipet

A team from the Telangana State Farmers Commission visited Nagireddy Palli village in Kondapaka mandal of Gajwel constituency on Saturday to interact with local farmers and assess the impact of government initiatives on the agricultural community.

The delegation, led by Farmers Commission Chairman Kodanda Reddy along with members K.V.N. Reddy and Bhavani Reddy, held a direct interaction with farmers at the Rachabanda platform. During the visit, the farmers expressed satisfaction with the pro-farmer

policies of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and hailed the government's focus on their welfare.

Chairman Kodanda Reddy initiated the conversation by asking the farmers about their views on the functioning of the Revanth Reddy-led government. The farmers responded positively, stating



that the Chief Minister is working with genuine concern for their well-being. "He has introduced several schemes dedicated to the agricultural sector. It is evident that he thinks deeply about the welfare of farmers," said one of the

The Farmers Commission chairman

also informed the villagers about the state's progress in addressing long-pending land disputes. "The Dharani portal is gone, and now Bhu Bharati has come. With this new system, land-related issues that have been unresolved for years will finally be cleared," said Kodanda Reddy, assuring them of a transparent and farmer-friendly approach.

The farmers also praised the establishment of the Farmers Commission itself, calling it a vital support system. They noted that the Commission has been responsive and has served as a bridge

between them and the government. The visit by the Commission is part of a broader outreach programme to gather grassroots feedback and ensure ef-

fective implementation of reforms and schemes under the Revanth Reddy government.

MLA Gopinath's health Still critical; under ventilator care

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

The health of Jubilee Hills BRS MLA Maganti Gopinath has taken a serious turn, with doctors currently treating him in the intensive care unit (ICU) of AIG Hospital, Gachibowli. He was admitted on Thursday evening after experiencing severe chest pain, and his condition is now critical as he is on ventilator support.

Sources at the hospital said the 61-year-old MLA is suffering from acute heart-related complications and a team of doctors is continuously monitoring his condition. Medical experts suggest that recovery could take some time due to the severity of his illness.

Maganti Gopinath has a history of health issues, having suffered from kidney-related ailments earlier this year. Reports indicate he has been battling multiple organ problems over the last five months, which have now compounded with this latest critical heart condition.

Known as a prominent political figure in Telangana, Maganti Gopinath has been elected three



times consecutively from Jubilee Hills. Initially a TDP MLA in 2014, he switched allegiance to the BRS (formerly TRS) and won the subsequent 2018 and 2023 assembly elections representing the party. Key leaders of the BRS, including senior party members and activists, have visited the hospital to inquire about his health and offer support. Bharasa Executive President KTR, who is currently in the United States, has cut short his tour and returned to Hyderabad to closely oversee Maganti's treatment and encourage his family. Party workers and well-wishers are praying for the speedy recovery of the senior leader during this difficult time.

Police cannot interfere with court's injunctions, says **Telangana HC**

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

In a strong message to law enforcement, the Telangana High Court has made it clear that police authorities cannot override or interfere with injunctions issued by civil courts. The observation came during the hearing of a petition filed by a landowner who alleged illegal action by the Shadnagar police.

The petitioner informed the court that despite obtaining a civil workers were detained and an ters. earthmover was seized by Shadnagar police. The police claimed their investigation suggested the disputed land belonged to another party and thus justified their in-

However, Justice T. Vinod Kumar

ruled that once a civil court grants an injunction, especially when it is upheld by a higher court, police cannot independently overrule it based on their own findings. The court said the Shadnagar police had overstepped their jurisdiction, and their actions amounted to contempt of court.

"The police are not above judicial orders. Any non-compliance with a valid injunction is a violation of the law," the High Court observed, warning against overreach by incourt injunction in his favour, his vestigating officers in civil mat-

> The writ petition was disposed of, with the court directing the Shadnagar police to act strictly in accordance with the law and to refrain from interfering in civil disputes where injunctions are in

Congress-BJP Nexus Attacks Kaleshwaram Project baseless allegations against repairs for over a year and a

BRS, collusion with contractors, and siphoning funds for Congress leaders in Del-

KTR questioned the silence office to malign the project. of Congress and BJP leaders on unauthorized construction projects in Andhra Pradesh, contrasting it with their relentless attacks on Telangana's developmental progress under BRS over the last decade. He criticized the selective scrutiny by the National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA), pointing to their failure to investigate major structural collapses in Gujarat, Bihar, and Andhra Pradesh, including the Morbi bridge disaster in Gujarat that killed 140 people, repeated bridge failures in Bihar, the SLBC tunnel collapse that claimed eight lives, and flooding at the Vattem pump

Despite these ignored incidents, KTR said Congress obsessively fixated on minor damage to two pillars out of the Kaleshwaram Project's 100 components, exaggerating the issue and stalling

KTR exposed the BJP's fabricated NDSA report, which he said was created in its party He noted that Larsen & Toubro (L&T), the engineering firm behind the Medigadda Barrage and India's new Parliament building, dismissed the report as baseless. He further highlighted the irony that Congress entrusted L&T with building its Delhi headquarters, allegedly funded by siphoned Telangana resources, questioning Congress's distrust of L&T.

Demanding accountability, KTR called on the Congress government to stop stalling essential repairs to the two damaged pillars and restore irrigation for uninterrupted water supply. He stated that the BRS party would expose the Congress-BJP agenda to undermine Telangana's

"The Congress must answer to Telangana's farmers for their deliberate inaction and deceptive tactics," KTR concluded.

farmers at every district.

The Future Belongs to Green Power: **Deputy CM Bhatti** Explaining the technol- future.

generated during the day is stored through pumped storage systems and used later during peak night hours. He visited the Pinnapuram site at the invitation of Greenko's management to observe their integrated green power production, which also exports electricity internationally.

Bhatti Vikramarka praised Greenko Power for starting production on schedule and being the first company in the world to generate electricity from solar, wind, and pumped storage at a single 4,000-acre location. He highlighted the company's production capacity of 4,000 MW from solar, 1,000 MW from wind and 1,680 MW from pumped storage totaling 6,680 MW of green power from one site.

He stated India needs more such large-scale integrated green power projects in the

ogy, he said solar power As part of his visit, the Deputy CM conducted an aerial survey of the project site via helicopter. He inspected major infrastructure including the upper and lower reservoirs of the closed-loop pumped storage system, powerhouse complex, and advanced substation.

Alongside Greenko engineers and management, Bhatti Vikramarka reviewed the integration of solar, wind, and 1,680 MW of hydro pumped storage with a four-hour storage cycle twice daily. He was accompanied by senior officials including Principal Secretary for Energy Sandeep Kumar Sultania, TRANSCO CMD Krishna Bhaskar, GENCO CMD Harish, Devarakadra MLA Madhusudhan Reddy, and Wanaparthy MLA Megha

Decision on Kaleshwaram Project was taken by the **KCR Govt**

Despite Etela stating that he did not endorse BRS, his comments are seen as providing a momentary shield to the former chief minister and his party.

Critics argue that while the BJP projects itself as a party fighting corruption, it is yet to take a firm stand against those responsible for the alleged irregularities in the Kaleshwaram project. The larger questions remain unanswered—was public money used

judiciously and transparently by the then BRS government, or did it merely pile up debt in the name of infrastructure? These are questions that both the public and opposition parties believe can no longer be ignored.

As political blame games intensify, pressure is mounting for an impartial and thorough investigation to establish accountability in what is one of India's most expensive irrigation projects.

Chhattisgarh Maoist Encounter

On May 21, a major encounter claimed the life of Maoist party general secretary Nambala Keshav Rao alias Basavaraju, 70, along with 26 others — one of the most significant successes for the forces in recent times.

Meanwhile, alleged photos of Maoist central committee member and People's Guerrilla Liberation Army (PGLA) Battalion Number 1 commander, Hidma Madvi, have surfaced online. The 'then and now' images are being

widely circulated on social media. Hidma, a notorious guerrilla warfare expert, is accused of orchestrating multiple attacks on security forces and remains one of the most wanted Maoists in the country.

Security forces had recently launched 'Operation Karreguttalu' based on intelligence about Hidma's presence in the area. However, officials confirmed that no breakthrough has been achieved in tracking him so far.





That's why we shifted Kaleshwaram project to Medigadda: Harish Rao

- · Defends design shift from Tammidihatti to Medigadda
- · Congress lacks technical understanding, spreading panic
- · Project continues to benefit Telangana farmers

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

Former Minister and senior BJP leader T. Harish Rao strongly defended the decision to shift the starting point of the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project from Tammidihatti to Medigadda, citing technical and water availability reasons. Speaking at Telangana Bhavan, he gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the project and dismissed Congress claims that the entire project would collapse due to damage to a couple of piers at Medigadda barrage.

"Congress leaders are saying that if two pillars of Medigadda barrage collapse, the entire Kaleshwaram project will collapse. That is completely untrue," Harish Rao said. He explained that the shift to Medigadda was necessary because Tammidihatti lacked sufficient water. He pointed out that Medigadda barrage was constructed with seven blocks and 85 piers, and remains a vital part of a massive infrastructure network that includes 3 barrages, 15



tunnels, and over 1,500 km of canals. Harish Rao stated that a total of 20.33 lakh acres have been provided irrigation water under the project. He also emphasized that during bifurcation, Telangana was allotted 940 TMC of Godavari waters, but the state has never utilized more than 400 TMC. "Through this project, not just Kharif, even Yasangi crops are now flourishing. This is due to water availability from three sources and capacity to fill thousands of tanks," he added.

He also criticized the Congress for failreservoirs, 21 pump houses, 203 km of ing to secure even basic permissions for

the earlier Pranahita-Chevella project. "Between 2007 and 2011, the estimated cost of that project increased from ₹17,000 crore to ₹40,000 crore without laying a single foundation stone. The Congress government couldn't even secure clearances in four years," Rao said. He reiterated that every component of the Kaleshwaram project from Medigadda to Mallanna Sagar is operational and serving its purpose. He accused Congress leaders of spreading fear and misinformation about the barrage damage without understanding the technical aspects.

Is Etala opposing Modi and Amit Shah's remarks?: Adi Srinivas

Says BJP leaders making U-turn on earlier allegations

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

Telangana State Government Whip Adi Srinivas launched a sharp attack on BJP leader Etala Rajender, questioning whether he is now opposing Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah's earlier allegations about the Kaleshwaram project. Speaking at a media conference in Hyderabad, Srinivas reminded that top BJP leaders had frequently accused the Kalvakuntla family of using the Kaleshwaram project as an "ATM".

"Modi and his cabinet colleagues clearly stated in the past that there was massive corruption in the Kaleshwaram opments, Srinivas alleged that the project. Now, Etala Rajender seems to meeting between Harish Rao and Etabe contradicting them. Is he opposing la Rajender hints at a growing undertheir comments?" Adi Srinivas asked. standing between the BRS and BJP. "It He also raised questions about the appears that preparations are under- what he termed a "strategic and opporshifting of the Medigadda project by 5 way for a merger of Bharat (BRS) into tunistic alliance in the making." kilometers, allegedly against the origithe BJP," he said. He cited MLC Kavitha's



nal Detailed Project Report (DPR). Referring to recent political develown comments questioning if such a merger is in the pipeline.

"Why is the BJP suddenly softening its tone on Kaleshwaram? They earlier accused the KCR family of inflating the project cost from ₹30,000 crore to ₹1 lakh crore. Now they seem to be shielding them," Srinivas alleged. He also reminded that Etala Rajender himself had once said the entire construction of the project was carried out under KCR's direction and had even demanded the former Chief Minister's resignation. "Why is he now claiming it was a collective cabinet decision?" he asked. Srinivas concluded by accusing both BRS and BJP of conspiring to corner the Congress in Telangana politics and called upon the people to recognize

I am being dragged into Kaleshwaram controversy: Minister Tummala

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao has strongly denied involvement in the ongoing Kaleshwaram controversy, saying he is being deliberately dragged into the issue. Speaking to the media in Hyderabad, he accused former Minister Etala Rajender of making false statements before the Kaleshwaram Commission.

Tummala clarified that the sub-committee, which Etala referred to, has no connection with the Kaleshwaram project. "The commission was constituted only after the Medigadda projmade by Etala on the Kaleshwaram issue are completely untrue," he assert-



He questioned the motive behind Etaect received approval. The statements la's allegations and urged people not to be misled by false claims. "What was the need to lie before the commission? Did Etala make these statements with-

out thinking? Falsehoods cannot deceive people for long," Tummala said. The Minister further stated that the sub-committee has never submitted any report on the Kaleshwaram project. "I will bring all the relevant details to the attention of the commission and will appear before it on my own accord. So far, we have only submitted a status report on the Pranahita project. The Telangana government formed the commission solely to review pending projects," he explained.

Tummala's remarks come amid heightened political tension surrounding the Kaleshwaram project, which has been at the center of accusations and counter-accusations involving corruption and project mismanagement.

Project design was entirely KCR's personal decision: KVR

- · Etala Rajender, Harish Rao had no role in Kaleshwaram planning
- Claims Etala was expelled from BRS for speaking the truth

TPN Correspondent | Telan-

BJP MP from Chevella, Konda Vishweshwar Reddy, has made strong remarks regarding the controversial Kaleshwaram project, placing full responsibility for its design on former Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar

Rao (KCR). Speaking to the media on Saturday, Reddy clarified that neither Etala Rajender nor Harish Rao were involved in the design decisions for the massive irrigation initiative.

He stated clearly that his intention was not to defend Etala Rajender but to reveal the facts. He dismissed as "100 percent false" the allegations circulating that Etala supported KCR during the project's planning. "Etala is someone who always speaks the truth without fear," he said, adding that Etala was ousted from the BRS party simply for saying, "The pink flag belongs to everyone, not to any one person."

Reddy further alleged that during the construction phase of the Kaleshwaram project, KCR used only those engineers who followed his directions without question. Despite widespread allegations of



corruption, the government has taken no action till date, he said, questioning the silence on such a large-scale scandal.

Turning his attention to the Congress government, Konda Vishweshwar Reddy criticized the party for failing to keep its pre-election promises. He reminded the public that the Congress had vowed to complete the Pranahita-Chevella project and bring irrigation to the Chevella region. "Even after 18 months of coming to power, not a single drop of water has reached Chevella," he said, accusing the Congress of misleading the electorate with false assurances.

Reddy's comments have stirred political discussions, particularly as debates over the Kaleshwaram project's financial and engineering viability continue to gain momentum.

KTR visits ailing MLA Maganti Gopinath



TPN Correspondent | Telangana Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) Working President K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) cut short his visit to the United States and rushed to Hyderabad on Saturday morning following the sudden deterioration in the health of Jubilee Hills MLA Maganti Gopinath. Upon arrival, KTR went straight to AIG Hospital in Gachibowli to personally inquire about Gopinath's condition.

Gopinath, who has been battling multiple health complications in recent months, suffered a heart attack and was immediately admitted to the critical care unit at AIG Hospital. He had earlier undergone treatment for kidney-related issues and was later diagnosed with cancer. Following the cardiac episode, his condition reportedly



turned serious.

KTR, who had been closely monitoring the situation from abroad through his wife, rushed to the hospital immediately after receiving updates of concern. At the hospital, he spoke to the attending doctors and sought details of the MLA's treatment and prognosis. He also offered support and encouragement to Gopinath's family members during this difficult time.

Party sources said that KTR was deeply disturbed by the news and decided to return immediately, showing his close bond with the Jubilee Hills MLA. As of now, doctors are continuing intensive care treatment, and further updates on Gopinath's condition are awaited.

That sin will affect every MP and CM of the country: Raja Singh

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

BJP Goshamahal MLA Raja Singh has launched a scathing attack over the slaughter of cows during the Bakrid festival, alleging that the act is not just a religious or cultural issue but a national moral crisis. He said that the sin of killing cows and bulls animals he described as essential to Indian agriculture—will not only fall upon those directly involved but will also impact every Member of Parliament and Chief Minister in the coun-

Speaking to the media, Raja Singh said, "Killing lakhs of cows during Bakrid is not just a crime but a great



sin that will haunt those responsible tral government bring a law banning and their families for generations. Even those MPs and Chief Ministers who are staying silent will not be spared from this sin."

He strongly questioned why the Parliament has failed to pass legislation banning cow slaughter, despite repeated appeals and the introduction of private member bills in the past. "Why hasn't Parliament passed a bill to completely ban cow slaughter? Why didn't you support it when it was introduced? Are you afraid to stand for Gau Mata?" he asked. Raja Singh demanded that the cen-

cow slaughter in the upcoming session of Parliament. He also urged the government to officially declare the cow as the national animal of India. The BJP MLA alleged that he has been under house arrest for the past two to three days due to his efforts to stop cow slaughter during the festival. "They are silencing those who are trying to protect cows. Is this justice?" he said.

His remarks have triggered debate across political and social circles, with calls for the government to clarify its stand on the matter.



HYDERABAD

Hyderabad allows 65,000 new eco-friendly autos

- · Government permits electric, CNG, LPG autos under GO No. 263
- · Limits on new petrol/diesel autos relaxed for green transport Initiative supports pollution reduction and urban growth

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

needs

In a significant move aimed at addressing Hyderabad's growing population and environmental concerns, the government has issued orders permitting 65,000 new three-wheeler auto-rickshaws powered by electric, CNG, and LPG under the initiative of Transport Minister Ponnam Prabhakar. This

comes after a long-standing restriction on new auto per-

According to Government Order No. 263, the previous limit on new autos has been relaxed within Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) limits and Outer Ring Road (ORR) areas. This step aligns with Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's vision to reduce pollution and improve public transport in the rapidly urbanizing city.

The urban expansion within ORR, driven by population growth and new residential layouts, has increased demand for auto-rickshaw permits. To address this, the government has approved 20,000 new electric autos,



10,000 LPG autos, and 10,000 CNG autos. Additionally, 25,000 existing petrol and diesel vehicles are allowed to be retrofitted and converted to cleaner fuel technologies. However, the transfer of existing petrol and diesel autos or their replacement with new petrol/diesel autos will not be permitted within ORR to maintain the environmental benefits. This initiative aims to improve public transport facilities and curb air and noise pollution in Hyderabad.

The government estimates that this order will benefit about 65,000 families by creating new employment opportunities while contributing to a greener city.

TGCSB registers 5 child porn cases, launches statewide crackdown

 Five more cases under review as investigators act on NCRB intelligence

TPN Correspondent | Telanga-

The Telangana Cyber Security Bureau (TGCSB) has registered five cases related to the circulation of child sexual abuse material (CSAM), launching a statewide crackdown on the offenders. The cases were booked on Friday, June 6, following actionable intelligence shared by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).

According to officials, the NCRB had flagged specific online links containing CSAM and passed them on to TGCSB, prompting immediate action. Investigators have since begun tracing and identifying individuals who uploaded or shared the illegal content. These suspects are believed to be spread across various regions of Telangana.

All five cases have been registered under relevant sections of the Information Technology Act that deal with the possession, distribution, and transmission of child pornographic material. TGCSB officials further confirmed that five more cases are currently under detailed

Efforts are underway to track the digital footprint of the accused and ensure that those involved are held accountable. The TGCSB has reiterated its commitment to combating online crimes, especially those involving child exploitation, and urged citizens to report any such content or suspicious activity online through the official cybercrime channels.

MLA Mahipal Reddy inaugurates new shop complex in Rudraram



TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

MLA Gudem Mahipal Reddy today inaugurated a newly constructed shop complex in Rudraram village of Patancheru mandal, Sangareddy district. The shop complex was built under the aegis of Rudraram Primary Agricultural Cooperative Credit Society (PACS) and supervised by PACS Chairman Gayatri Pandu. Constructed at a cost of Rs 40 lakhs within the premises of the Agricultural Cooperative Society, the new complex is expected to boost the rural economy and benefit the local residents. Speaking at the inauguration, MLA Mahipal Reddy emphasized the usefulness of these shops for the community. The event saw the participation of officials Harishankar Goud, Raj Kumar, former MPP Yadagiri Yadav, former village sarpanch Sudheer Reddy, former MPTCs Hariprasad Reddy and Manne Raju, senior leaders Dasharath Reddy, Venkat Reddy, Narasimha Reddy, directors of the governing board of the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society, village elders, and a large gathering of the public.

Major fire in Hyderabad, 27-year-old man burnt alive

- Cops suspect mobile phone explosion triggered blaze

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

Tragedy struck in Jagadgirigutta, Hyderabad, as a massive fire engulfed a house in Ringbasti, killing a 27-yearold man named Sai. The incident oc-

parents were away at a tem-

According to police, Sai was alone at home when the fire broke out. Upon their return, his parents were shocked to find their house engulfed in other possibilities. flames with thick black smoke billowing out. In a panic, they alerted the local authorities.

Fire and police personnel rushed to the spot, but Sai had already succumbed to the blaze. His body, severely charred, was recovered and shifted to Gandhi Hospital for postmortem. The incident has left the neighborhood in shock, with Sai's grieving parents inconsolable at the scene.



sibly triggered by an exploding mobile phone that was found charging near Sai. However, officials have not ruled out Jagadgirigutta police have reg-

istered a case and launched an investigation to determine the exact cause of the fire. Forensic teams are expected to examine the scene further.

The tragic death has once again raised concerns over the safety of charging electronic devices unsupervised, especially during power fluctuations or using low-quality chargers.

Kachiguda Railway Station facade lighting to be dedicated to nation on June 9

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

The façade lighting of Kacheguda Railway Station will be dedicated to the nation by Union Minister of Coal and Mines G Kishan Reddy on June 9.

Kacheguda Railway Station, one of the major terminals in Hyderabad, has

been serving rail users for over 100 years. The station has five platforms with modern passenger amenities and handles an average of 103 trains and 45,000 passengers daily.

tives, the station's façade has been tional events. Tourism Ministry and executed by Central Railway.



The lighting aims to beautify the station's Indo-Saracenic/Indo-Gothic architecture, showcasing its rich heritage with vibrant illumination. The colour themes change to reflect As part of tourism-friendly initia- various local, national, and interna-

illuminated at a cost of Rs 2.23 crore. The lighting system is environmen-The project was approved by the tally safe, free from light pollution, and all electrical components are the Hyderabad Division of South securely mounted, a press release stated.

Groundwater: Hyderabad identified as over-exploited City in India TPN Correspondent | Hyexploita-

derabad

Hyderabad district has been declared an over-exploited (OE) district in terms of groundwater resources by the Ministry of Jal Shakti for the year 2023-24.

Out of 16 mandals in Hyderabad, 11 are categorised as 'overexploited', four as 'critical', and one as 'semi-critical'. The eastern part of Hyderabad shows the highest levels of groundwater exploitation, with Charminar mandal topping at 117.1%, while Tirumalagiri mandal in Secunderabad recorded the lowest at 75.5%.

The Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) guided

the survey, which revealed rampant groundwater extraction by private rigs violating the Water, Land and Trees Act (WALTA). Additionally, ongoing construction across the district contributes to excessive groundwater withdrawal.

The Ministry has directed a special action plan for groundwater pres-



ervation and augmentation in Hyderabad. Strict implementation of groundwater extraction rules, including cess and charges on users, is also advised.

Hyderabad received 828.4 mm rainfall till May 2025, 24.6% below the normal 1099.6 mm, aggravating the groundwater stress.

tion in several mandals of Hyderabad has reached alarming levels, with Golconda leading at 135%, followed by Ameerpet at 126.7%, Asifnagar at 127.8%, and Saidabad at 129.7%. Other mandals such as Amberpet (106.8%), Himayatnagar (116.6%), Khairatabad (106.9%), Musheerabad (100.6%),Secunderabad and Shaikpet (101%) have also crossed the 100% mark, indicating over-extraction beyond the replenishment capacity. Mandals like Marredpally and Nampally are close to full exploitation at 99.7%, while Bandlaguda and Ba-

hadurpura report slightly lower but still concerning figures of 97.1% and 96%, respectively. In response to this critical depletion of groundwater, authorities are actively working to implement sustainable water management practices to ensure longterm water security for the region.

Anti Narcotic Bureau nabs 3 involved in laundering money to Nigerian drug traffickers

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad The Telangana Anti Narcotics Bu-

reau (TGANB) has arrested three individuals involved in money laundering and facilitating Nigerian drug traffickers. The accused-Uttam Singh, Raju Singh, and Mahendar Prajapathy—were caught in Goa with Rs 49.65 lakh in cash.

Acting on a tip-off, the TGANB kept surveillance at two locations in Goa and successfully apprehended the trio along with the seized amount. An official stated, "The trio was helping Nigerian traffickers and their local agents transfer money from India to African countries via

the hawala route. Hawala operators had reportedly moved crores of rupees as drug proceeds."

Earlier, TGANB arrested a Nigerian national, Emanuel, allegedly involved in drug trafficking and found he had transferred significant sums to Nigeria through hawala channels.

Further investigations revealed nearly 50 Nigerians operating from Goa were using hawala and other illegal means to funnel drug money to foreign cartels. The TGANB continues to intensify efforts to crack down on these networks.

Man dies while boarding moving train at Secunderabad before honeymoon

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

A 28-year-old man, identified as Urakonda Sai from Warangal, tragically died at Secunderabad Railway Station while trying to board a moving train just before starting his honeymoon.

Sai was travelling with his wife, relatives, and friends to Goa on the Vasco-da-Gama Express. The group had reached the station when the train's departure was delayed. Sai stepped down from the coach to buy

a water bottle but couldn't get back on before the train started moving. With his wife and brother-in-law still on board, Sai attempted to catch the train but slipped while running alongside it. He fell between the train and the platform, sustaining critical injuries. He was taken to a nearby private hospital but succumbed to his injuries during treatment.

No official statement has yet been issued by the Railway authorities.

Congress leader assaults female SI on duty...

- · Incident triggers outrage in Kallur
- Six arrested for attacking police officer Haritha
- · Video of the assault goes viral on-

TPN Correspondent | Khammam

A shocking incident unfolded in Kallur town of Khammam district on Friday night, where a Congress leader, identified as Ramu from Tallada mandal, allegedly assaulted a female Sub-Inspector who was on duty. The officer, SI Haritha, was reportedly attacked while trying to intervene in a brawl involving the leader and his followers at a hotel.

The confrontation began around midnight at the Chaudhary Hotel located near the Kallur NSP Center, where Ramu got into a heated argument with hotel staff. As tensions escalated, Ramu called in six of his associates, and together they reportedly assaulted the staff. The hotel owner, alarmed by the situation, informed

Responding promptly, SI Haritha arrived at the scene to control the disturbance. She attempted to mediate



and calm the group, urging them to stop the guarrel. However, the Congress leader and his followers reportedly ignored the officer's instructions and turned hostile towards her. Eyewitnesses say Ramu shoved SI Haritha by the shoulder during the confrontation, disregarding her position and the fact that she was on duty.

The police later arrested Ramu and his six associates for their aggressive and inappropriate behavior towards the female officer. The incident has

sparked widespread criticism, especially over the disrespect shown to a woman police officer performing her

The video footage of the assault, which is now circulating widely on social media platforms, has drawn public outrage and demands for strict action. Many are questioning how such an act could be committed openly and are calling for exemplary punishment to deter similar incidents in the future.

Seven youths drown in separate river accidents in AP and Telangana

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

A tragic day unfolded with two separate drowning incidents in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, resulting in the loss of seven young lives while swimming in rivers.

In Andhra Pradesh's Alluri Sitarama Raju district, five youths went for a recreational bath in the Sileru River near Motu Gudem, Chintur mandal. Strong river currents swept them away. While four managed to reach the shore safely, one youth named Abhilash was carried off by the currents and drowned. Local residents attempted a rescue, and the police have launched an intensive search operation to locate Abhilash.

Simultaneously, in Telangana's Jayashankar Bhupalapally district, six youths went missing while bathing in the Godavari River near the upper part of the Medigadda barrage, part of the Kaleshwaram project. Seven youths had entered the river, but only one managed to escape unharmed. Of the missing, four belong to Ambatipalli village and two to Korlakunta village, with all four from Ambatipalli reportedly from the

Upon receiving information about the incident, police officers and local fishermen promptly began search and rescue operations. Investigations are ongoing, with authorities collecting detailed information to understand the circumstances surrounding the accidents.

The incidents have caused widespread grief and shock in both communities as families await news of their missing loved ones.

Panchayat Secretary found murdered in Kamareddy

Police suspect foul play; injuries found on victim's head



TPN Correspondent | Telangana

A gruesome murder has rocked the Pitlam mandal of Kamareddy district after the body of a Gram Pan-scene and launched an investigachayat Secretary was discovered in tion. The body has been shifted to a a local pond under suspicious cir- government hospital for postmorcumstances. The deceased, identified as Krishna (37), was found floating in Reddy pond on the outskirts of Chinna Kodapgal village in the Jukkal constituency on Saturday morning.

Krishna, a resident of Jagadamba Thanda under Pothireddypalle limits, had been missing for the last two days. His family, growing increasingly anxious, had been searching for him when the tragic news came. Locals spotted his body in the pond and alerted authorities. Police teams arrived swiftly at the scene and recovered the body. Upon examination, they found visible head injuries, ruling out accidental death. Officials suspect that Krishna may have been murdered and his body dumped in the pond

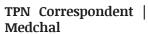
to conceal the crime.

Senior police officers, including the DSP, CI, and SI, have visited the tem, which is expected to provide more clarity.

Preliminary police suspicion revolves around motives like illicit relationships, personal rivalry, or longstanding enmity. "We are exploring all angles. It appears to be a premeditated act. The injuries on the head clearly indicate foul play," one official said.

Krishna's murder has left villagers and relatives devastated, with many demanding a speedy investigation and strict punishment for those involved. The incident has triggered palpable tension across Pitlam mandal, as shocked residents gathered at the site demanding justice. The police have assured that no stone will be left unturned in cracking the case.

SOT police catch tanker Municipal officials raid illegally transporting chicken, fast food centers for rotten food chemical waste



Medchal SOT police caught a tanker illegally transporting hazardous chemical waste within the limits of Medchal police station. Acting on reliable information, the police intercepted the tanker in a parking lot at Sutariguda.

The tanker, with registration number TS31 T1119, was being trans-

ported by Suresh, a resident of Dundigal Thanda 2. Surveillance led to its seizure, and a case has been registered against Suresh at the Medchal



police station. Following the seizure, the tanker was handed over to officials of the Pollution Control Board for further action.

TPN Correspondent | Med-

chal Municipal officials conducted raids on chicken centers and fast food centers in Medchal town following complaints about rotten chicken being sold. The inspections took place in the presence of Medchal Municipal Commissioner Nagi Reddy.

During the raids, Suguna Chicken Center and Akbar Chicken Center, both located on Railway Station Road, along with SFC Fast Food Center on Bus Stand Road, were found storing rotten chicken and food items and were consequently closed. Commissioner Nagi Reddy

warned that strict action will be taken against any centers found storing rotten chicken or food items, emphasizing the importance of food safety and hygiene for public health.

Electricity facility to transform Podu Patta lands in Bhadrachalam tribal areas

TPN Correspondent Bhadrachalam

A pioneering initiative by Bhadrachalam ITDA is set to bring a new lease of life to the traditional Podu Patta lands cultivated by tribal farmers in the hilly regions of Aswaraopet and Dammapeta mandals. Under the leadership of ITDA Project Officer B. Rahul IAS, efforts are underway to provide electricity facilities to these lands, enabling the transformation of fallow forest lands into fertile croplands.

For generations, tribal communities in these forested hills have relied on Podu cultivation,

growing only rain-dependent "sky crops." However, irregular and insufficient rainfall has resulted in repeated crop failures, impacting the livelihood of these farmers. Recognizing this challenge, PO Rahul initiated discussions with the agriculture and electricity departments to explore electrification of these lands, enabling irrigation through electric motors.

This initiative is unprecedented in Telangana, as no other ITDA has taken such steps to provide electricity to Podu Patta lands. PO Rahul's proactive efforts, carried out without any hindrance from the Forest Department, have secured government approvals and forest permissions to implement the plan.

Currently, the electricity department is conducting surveys to facilitate the installation of power connections on about 5.975 hectares of Podu lands in Vinayakapuram Kondaredla village of Aswaraopet mandal, benefiting 37 Kondaredla farmers. Additionally, 0.375 hectares in Guruvayugundam village of Dammapeta mandal, aiding 8 farmers, will also receive electricity facilities.

The tribal farmers have warmly welcomed this development, seeing it as a vital step towards sustainable agriculture and improved livelihoods. With this support, the Podu Patta lands, traditionally fallow due to lack of irrigation, are expected to flourish, securing the future of farming communities in these forested regions.

This transformative project is yet another testament to PO Rahul's commitment as a "tribal friend," following his previous successes in tribal education, healthcare, and cultural development.

Gang war in Kothagudem Man hacked to death in front of family

- Clash between rival gangs ends in murder; victim's brother injured

TPN Correspondent Telangana

Tension Bhadradri Kothagudem district after a violent gang war culminated in the brutal murder of a young man inside his home early Saturday. The deceased, identified as Satish alias Rash Bhai of ASR Colony, was hacked to death by members of a rival gang allegedly led by Ajay from Jagadish Colony.

According to police and local sources, Satish and Ajay were known rivals involved in several prior clashes. The ongoing feud between the two gangs intensified last night when a violent confrontation erupted at Ambedkar Center. But what began as a street fight turned into a targeted attack

by the next morning. While Satish was sleeping at his residence, Ajay's gang allegedly stormed into the house and launched a ruthless assault using knives, rods, and sticks. The The incident has created a wave attackers reportedly showed no restraint even in front of Satish's family members. Bleeding profusely and critically injured, Satish was rushed to the government hospital, where doctors declared him brought dead.

The violence did not end with Satish. His brother, who attempted to intervene during the assault, was also attacked and sustained serious injuries. He is currently



undergoing treatment at a hospi-

Local police have registered a murder case and begun a thorough investigation. Special teams have been deployed to track down the attackers using CCTV footage and eyewitness accounts. "We have formed teams to nab the accused involved in this premeditated murder. We are analyzing surveillance footage and have intensified our search operations," said a police official.

of panic in the region, especially among residents of ASR and Jagadish colonies. The victim's family is demanding a swift and impartial investigation and strict action against the killers.

This latest escalation in the ongoing rivalry has left the community shaken and raised serious questions about public safety in gang-affected localities.

Scapegoating the Commissioner: Ignoring the Real Accountability in the Chinnaswamy Tragedy

The recent stampede at Bengaluru's Chinnaswamy Stadium was a tragedy of unimaginable proportions—one that left 11 young lives lost and over 40 injured. As someone who was present that day, I witnessed the euphoria turn into chaos. What began as a festive gathering of thousands of fans morphed into a nightmare of overcrowding, confusion, and eventual disaster.

The immediate aftermath saw swift action: suspension orders issued to the city's Police Commissioner, two IPS officers, and two lower-ranking personnel. But as the dust settles, a deeper question looms—was this a justified step or a convenient act of scapegoating to shield those truly responsible?

From early afternoon, the crowds swelled uncontrollably. Police presence was thin, and what little was there appeared overwhelmed. Stadium gates buckled under the surge, while some people climbed walls to gain entry. By late afternoon, it was clear the situation was spiraling out of control. Yet, this wasn't the doing of one individual or even one



department.

What transpired was a collective failure involving multiple stakeholders: the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), the Royal Challengers dia spectacle driven by frenzy,

and crucially, the state government. The celebratory event itself was hastily organized following RCB's entry into the playoffs—a political and me-

Bangalore (RCB), the police, not planning. Who greenlit it ry report sends a damaging at short notice? Were police objections overruled? These questions remain unanswered.

> Suspending the Commissioner without a complete inqui- one else take initiative?" This not deflected.

message. Serving officers are demoralized. One young IPS officer asked pointedly, "If the Commissioner can be thrown under the bus, why would any-

sentiment is echoed across the force, with both current and retired officers, including those affiliated with political parties, calling the suspension

The government argues the event was private and poorly briefed to ministers. But in truth, this was a public function backed by political will and media support. If accountability is to be sincere, it must include ministers who posed for celebratory photos but now retreat into silence.

Ultimately, penal action is needed—but it must be fair and based on evidence. The tragedy at Chinnaswamy is not the fault of one man. Until the full inquiry report is made public, suspensions this severe risk appearing more like political theatre than justice.

As one officer aptly said, "If the Commissioner is suspended, let the Chief Minister, Deputy Chief Minister, and Home Minister also step aside—at least symbolically—until the full truth is known." True accountability must be shared,

Trump vs Musk ———

Two Narcissists Walk Into a Democracy: On The Trump-Musk Saga



In what feels like a season finale of a dark political satire, the very public fallout between Elon Musk and Donald Trump has become more than a media spectacle—it's a warning sign. Their feud isn't about ideology, governance, or even wealth. At its core, it's about ego: the most powerful fuel of 21st-century politics.

Once allies of convenience, the tech tycoon and the ex-president forged their bond over mutual disdain for institutions and a shared love for deregulation, disruption, and attention. Musk briefly served on Trump's advisory councils during his presidency, only to exit after the U.S. withdrew from the Paris Climate Accord. But ties remained, with Trump lauding Musk as a "genius," and Musk later aligning with conservative narratives and rebranding Twitter into X, becoming a self-proclaimed champion of "free speech."

Their fragile alliance shattered with Trump's push for the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act," a sweeping \$2.5 trillion package that cuts taxes, slashes healthcare

and environmental programs, and most notably, eliminates subsidies for electric vehicles directly threatening Tesla's bottom line. Musk lashed out, calling the bill a "disgusting abomination." Trump retaliated with characteristic venom, branding Musk a hypocrite living off government contracts while publicly criticizing handouts.

This spiraled quickly into digital warfare. Musk endorsed tweets calling for Trump's impeachment and floated Vice President JD Vance as a replacement. He even hinted that the Trump administration suppressed Epstein-related files. Trump, from his social media platform Truth Social, portrayed Musk as an ungrateful billionaire sabotaging American interests for personal gain.

Tesla stock plummeted, wiping out over \$150 billion in market value in days. This feud, once confined to Twitter threads and cable news soundbites, now reverberates across markets and political structures. What began as an ego-driven

squabble is now destabilizing real institutions and investor confidence.

At the heart of this chaos is a broader issue: Musk and Trump aren't just individuals—they're avatars of power. Each represents a different strain of dominance. Trump weaponizes grievance and populist rhetoric. Musk, the tech visionary, leans into intellectual superiority and the allure of innovation. Yet, both depend on constant attention and narrative control.

In this clash, governance takes a backseat. Laws and institutions are no longer the bedrock democracy—personality and digital performance are. When governance becomes spectacle, policy becomes a prop, and democracy becomes dangerously fragile.

In ancient empires, power struggled between rulers and lawgivers. In today's America, power plays out between a tech baron and a reality TV politician. The question isn't just who wins—but what remains of democracy when they're done fighting.



Ukraine's 'Operation Spiderweb' and India's Strategic Echo

On June 1, Ukraine carried lives. out an extraordinary drone strike deep inside Russian territory, targeting two strategic air bases in an operation codenamed 'Spiderweb'. The audacity and precision of the attack stunned observers and exposed a crucial lesson in modern warfare: that emerging technologies and ingenuity can disrupt even the most formidable military powers. This marks a defining moment not just in the ongoing Ukraine-Russia conflict, but also in the evolving global doctrine of asymmetric warfare—one that carries striking parallels to India's own strategic playbook.

While Russian President Vladimir Putin has threatened retaliation and flagged the issue with U.S. President Donald Trump, Ukraine's strike was far from a reckless escalation. It was targeted, calculated, and timed ahead of ceasefire talks in Istanbul. By damaging Russia's Tu-95 and Tu-22 strategic bombers—aircraft capable of launching nuclear and cruise missile strikes— Kyiv sent a clear message without endangering civilian that dictates success.

This deliberate and focused action mirrors India's own approach to deterrence, particularly in the aftermath military superiority has been of terror attacks. Take for chipped away. This operation instance India's air strikes across the Line of Control following the Pahalgam terror attack. The emphasis was on "measured response"—targeting terror infrastructure, not civilian populations. Both nations, though facing very different theatres of conflict, demonstrate how strategic discipline and moral restraint can coexist with the capacity to strike decisively.

Ukraine's technological improvisation also disrupts conventional thinking about power. A country under siege, with limited resources, used affordable drones to pierce the myth of Russian invincibility. This mirrors India's belief in innovation and precision over brute force, especially in a region where asymmetric threats abound. The battlefield is changing: it's not the size of the arsenal, but the smartness of its use

Putin now faces a psychological dilemma. While his nuclear arsenal remains untouched, the aura of Russia's underscores a deeper truth that the weapon alone doesn't guarantee dominance; the will and mind behind it do.

Globally, the implications are profound. Western nations now face a critical moment. Ukraine's daring operation has created diplomatic leverage that Washington and its allies can use to push for a genuine ceasefire. Failing to do so would squander a moment of strategic clarity.

For India, the lesson is equally sharp. In our volatile neighbourhood, peace cannot rest on diplomacy alone. It must be underpinned by credible deterrence, technological adaptability, and strategic autonomy. Ukraine's 'Operation Spiderweb' is a bold reminder that even the embattled can rewrite the rules—provided they think clearly, act precisely, and strike only when it matters most.



PM Modi to Attend G7 Summit in Canada, Thanks Mark Carney for the Invitation



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has confirmed his participation in the upcoming G7 Summit in Canada, signaling a positive shift in India-Canada relations. Modi will attend the summit, set to take place from June 15 to 17, following an invitation from Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney.

The news puts an end to weeks of speculation about whether Modi would attend the summit, marking the first time since 2019 that India will be represented at the G7, despite not being a formal member. India is often invited due to its status as one of the world's largest and fastest-growing economies.

Modi took to social media to announce his visit, revealing that he had spoken with Carney on the phone to thank him for the invitation. He also congratulated Carney on his recent election victory, reinforcing the

growing warmth between the two countries. "As vibrant democracies bound by deep people-to-people ties, India and Canada will work together with renewed vigour, guided by mutual respect and shared interests," Modi posted.

This marks a departure from the era under Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, during which tensions between India and Canada escalated due to various diplomatic and political disagreements. Modi's message of mutual respect signals a new chapter in the bilateral relationship, with both nations poised to collaborate on shared global chal-

Modi's visit to Canada for the G7 Summit is seen as a sign of India's growing influence on the world stage, further cementing its role as a key global player. The summit, which will bring together leaders from the world's major economies, is expected to discuss a wide range of pressing global issues.

"Evasion Won't Protect...": Rahul Gandhi vs Poll Body **Over Maharashtra Polls**

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

The Election Commission of India (ECI) has strongly refuted Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's latest allegations of "match-fixing" in the 2024 Maharashtra Assembly elections, calling them "completely absurd." In response, Gandhi doubled down, accusing the poll body of evasion and demanded transparency, including the release of CCTV footage from polling booths.

The row began after Gandhi penned an op-ed in The Indian Express on Saturday, raising concerns about the conduct of the Maharashtra elections. Despite a stronger showing in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, the Congress, along with allies NCP (Sharad Pawar faction) and Shiv Sena (Uddhav Thackeray faction), suffered a major defeat in the Assembly polls, winning just 46 out of 288 seats. The BJP-led coalition swept the polls with 230 seats.

Gandhi alleged irregularities such as fake voter additions, inflated turnout, targeted bogus voting, and rigging in the appointment of Election Commission officials. He also warned of similar issues in the upcoming Bihar Assembly elections.

The Election Commission coun-



2025 clarification and said no substantial complaints were filed during or after polling. "At every booth, polling took place in the presence of agents formally appointed by political parties. No formal objections or complaints were raised by Congress candidates or their representatives during vote scrutiny," the EC

It further pointed out that out of nearly 98 million voters, only 89 appeals were filed regarding voter rolls, showing no significant grievance from any political par-

tered by re-releasing its April The Commission emphasized

that such baseless accusations undermine the credibility of India's electoral process and demoralize election staff. "Any misinformation being spread is not only disrespectful to the law but also discredits the tireless work of lakhs of election officials," it said.

Rahul Gandhi hit back on X, calling the EC's response "unsigned and evasive," and urged the Commission to release the digital voter rolls and CCTV footage from booths after 5 p.m. on election day. "Evasion won't protect your credibility," he posted, demanding direct answers from the constitutional body.

Confident in PM's wisdom on delimitation: Andhra **Pradesh CM Naidu**



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has expressed full confidence in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's handling of the upcoming delimitation exercise, asserting that the national interest will guide the process and that southern states' concerns will be addressed.

In an interview with The Hindu, Mr. Naidu, whose Telugu Desam Party (TDP) is a key ally in the BJP-led NDA government, revisited the 2001 Constitutional amendment—one he was instrumental in shaping—that delayed inter-state redistribution of parliamentary seats until after the 2026 Census. "I am 100% confident in the Prime Minister's wisdom. He will work with everybody," Naidu said, recalling how the Vajpayee government had accommodated the sentiments of southern states that had successfully implemented population control.

The Chief Minister acknowledged demographic shifts, noting that north India's growing population is now viewed as an asset. "Now, we have to keep our sentiment intact," he said, suggesting that a balanced policy would emerge when the time is right. He also indicated that he hasn't yet raised the issue directly with Mr. Modi but plans to do so "at an appropriate time." Naidu downplayed the current push by southern states for a fair delimitation process, saying it was premature. "Let the Centre announce a policy. If there's a problem, we can raise it then. Until then, making it a political slogan won't help," he said.

Highlighting demographic concerns in southern states, Naidu emphasized the need to reverse declining population trends. "We have to promote population growth in a big way. It's a difficult task," he noted, while admitting that incentives for childbirth have largely failed elsewhere. He urged a new approach to population management, recognizing the region's aging population and declining birth rates.



India Set to Become World's Third-Largest Economy: Consul General in Shanghai

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

India is on track to become the world's third-largest economy, potentially surpassing Germany, driven by its demographic strengths and ambitious economic reforms, according to Pratik Mathur, India's Consul General in Shanghai.

Speaking at the Consul Generals and CEOs Business Forum in Shanghai on Friday, Mathur emphasized India's readiness to capitalize on the next wave of industrial growth and technological advancements. "It's a great time to be in Asia, especially in India," he told an audience of business leaders and diplomats, highlighting the country's strong democratic foundation and a large, aspirational middle-class population.

Mathur projected that India's current GDP of around USD 4 trillion could rise to USD 30 trillion by 2047. He attributed this potential to structural reforms, a youthful workforce, and initiatives such as the 'Make in India' campaign. Launched in 2014, the program aims to transform India into a global manufacturing powerhouse through measures like tax incentives, concessional loans, and the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme.

He noted that India is already seeing tangible results. The country is now the second-largest mobile phone manufacturer in the world, trailing only China, with over two billion devices shipped between 2014 and 2022 at a CAGR of 23%.

India's manufacturing prowess is also expanding in sectors such as automotive, steel, pharmaceuticals, and food processing. These developments, Mathur said, are positioning the country as a reliable player in global supply chains.

Further highlighting India's improved business climate, Mathur pointed to the country's significant rise in the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business index, where it has moved up 80 ranks in recent years.

India Reiterates Zero-Tolerance on Terrorism During UK Foreign **Secretary's Visit**



TPN Correspondent | Chandigarh

India reaffirmed its uncompromising stance on terrorism during talks with visiting UK Foreign Secretary David Lammy in New Delhi on June 7, 2025. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar emphasized that India expects its international partners to respect its "zero tolerance" policy and reject any attempts to equate terrorists with their victims.

"We will never countenance perpetrators of evil being put on par with their victims," Mr. Jaishankar told Mr. Lammy during their meeting. He appreciated the UK's condemnation of the recent terror attack in Pahalgam and its support for India's counterterrorism efforts. The talks, held during Lammy's one-day visit to India, followed his controversial remarks during a visit to Pakistan three weeks earlier.

During his May 17 visit to Islamabad, Mr. Lammy had stated that the U.S. and U.K. were working with both India and Pakistan to "ensure an enduring ceasefire, dialogue, and Confidence-Building Measures." His comments, referencing the brief conflict that followed the Pahalgam attack, were not well-received in New Delhi, which has consistently opposed third-party involvement in bilateral matters with Pakistan.

India maintains that peace with Pakistan can only be built through bilateral dialogue, provided there is a complete cessation of cross-border terrorism. Mr. Jaishankar's statement was a direct response to any suggestion of parity being drawn between India and Pakistan or international mediation in regional tensions.

Ahead of the visit, the UK High Commission in India had said that Lammy's agenda would include discussions on how to support long-term peace and stability in South Asia in light of recent tensions.

The firm tone from India underscores its resolve to ensure that terrorism remains a red line in all diplomatic engagements, especially when dealing with sensitive issues involving Pakistan.



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"People Have Spoken": Elon Musk Floats **New Political Party Amid Feud With Trump**

TPN Correspondent | Washington

Tech billionaire Elon Musk has stirred fresh political debate by proposing the formation of a new political party in the United States. Amid his escalating feud with President Donald Trump, Musk launched a poll on his social media platform, X (formerly Twitter), asking users if it was time to create a party that better represents the political center.

The poll, which asked, "Is it time to create a new political party in America that actually represents the 80% in the middle?" received overwhelming support, with 80.4% of respondents voting "Yes." Responding to the results, Musk posted, "The people have spoken. A new political party is needed in America to represent the 80% in the middle! And exactly 80% of people agree. This is fate." He later proposed the



name "The America Party" for the potential new movement.

Musk's move comes amid a growing rift with President Trump, whom he once advised informally. Tensions flared when Musk claimed personal credit for Trump's victory in the 2024 presidential election, asserting, "Without me, Trump would have lost the election." The bold claim drew a sharp response from Trump, who fired back on Truth Social, saying the government should cut all financial ties with Musk's companies, including Tesla and SpaceX.

"The easiest way to save money

in our Budget, Billions and Billions of Dollars, is to terminate Elon's Governmental Subsidies and Contracts," Trump posted.

The clash intensified following Musk's criticism of a government spending proposal dubbed the "Big, Beautiful Bill," which continued to support fossil fuel companies while reducing benefits for clean energy initiatives — a direct blow to Musk's ventures in electric vehicles and renewable energy.

With his massive online following and growing political influence, Musk's suggestion of launching a centrist party could significantly alter the American political landscape. Whether "The America Party" becomes a formal reality remains to be seen, but the billionaire's latest move signals a deeper involvement in U.S. politics beyond business and technology.

Japan's Ispace Loses Contact With Moon Lander 'Resilience' **After Touchdown Attempt**

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Japanese space startup Ispace has announced it was unable to re-establish communication with its uncrewed lunar lander Resilience following a touchdown attempt on the Moon early Friday morning. The mission, dubbed Hakuto-R Mission 2, was Ispace's second bid to achieve a successful lunar landing after a failed attempt in 2023.

Resilience was aiming to make Ispace the first private company outside the United States to land a spacecraft on the Moon. The planned touchdown was scheduled for 4:17 a.m. JST (1917 GMT, Thursday), following a meticulously planned hour-long descent from lunar orbit.

According to a live data feed provided by Ispace, the lander's altitude abruptly dropped to zero just before the expected landing time. However, no confirmation of a successful landing or subsequent data transmission was received. The company stated that it is currently analyzing telemetry data to determine what went wrong during the critical final moments of the descent. "We have not been able to establish communication with the lander after the expected touchdown time," Ispace said in a statement. "We are continuing to investigate the situation and will provide updates as soon as we have more information."

This marks the second unsuccessful attempt by Ispace to land on the Moon. Its first mission in April 2023 ended in failure when the lander crashed during the final descent phase due to a navigation error. Despite the setback, Ispace remains one of the leading contenders in the private lunar exploration sector, aiming to provide commercial transport services to the Moon in partnership with international space agencies and commercial partners. Industry analysts say while the mission may not have ended in success, it reflects the growing ambition and capabilities of private aerospace firms in ad-



Thailand and Cambodia Reinforce Troops Along Disputed Border After Fatal Skirmish

TPN Correspondent | Brussels

Tensions between Thailand and Cambodia have escalated following a deadly border clash in late May, prompting both countries to reinforce military presence along their disputed frontier. Thailand's Deputy Prime Minister and Defence Minister, Phumtham Wechayachai, confirmed on Saturday that additional Thai troops had been deployed in response to increased Cambodian military activity in the contested

The move follows a skirmish on May 28 in an undemarcated border zone, which resulted in the death of a Cambodian soldier. Although both governments have issued statements supporting dialogue, their military actions suggest otherwise. During bilateral talks held last Thursday, Cambodia reportedly rejected Thai proposals aimed at de-escalating the situation. "In light of continued military reinforcements by Cambodia, which have intensified tensions, the Royal Thai Government has found it necessary to strengthen our military posture," Mr. Phumtham said in an official statement, though without specifying the scale of troop deployments.

The Thai Army also issued a separate statement accusing Cambodian troops and civilians of repeatedly encroaching on Thai territory. "These provocations, and the build-up of military forces, indicate a clear intent to use force," it said, adding that Thailand would assume full control of all checkpoints along the Cambodian border.

Despite mediation efforts by Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim—who chairs ASEAN—and diplomatic engagement from China, the border standoff remains unresolved. Thailand and Cambodia share an 817-kilometre (508-mile) border that was first mapped by colonial France in 1907. The two nations have a long history of territorial disputes, most notably around the 11th-century Preah Vihear Hindu temple. A flare-up in 2008 led to artillery exchanges and multiple casualties over the following years.

India Key to Global Supply Chains, Must Join G7 Talks: Canadian PM Mark Carney

TPN Correspondent | Peshawar

Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney has strongly defended his decision to invite Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the upcoming G7 summit, emphasizing India's vital role in global supply chains and its position as the world's fifth-largest economy. Carney's remarks come in the wake of criticism from domestic political opponents over the invitation, given ongoing tensions between the two countries stemming from the 2023 killing of pro-Khalistan separatist Hardeep Singh Nijjar.

Speaking to reporters in Ottawa, Carney clarified that India's ecofrom June 15 to 17. "India is cenemerging economies. tral to a number of those [criti-



makes sense to have countries like India at the table."

Carney confirmed that Prime Minister Modi accepted the invitation during a phone call on nomic influence and strategic Friday. The G7 summit will foimportance made it essential to cus on key global issues such as include the country in discus- energy security, digital transforsions at the G7 summit, which mation, critical minerals, and Canada is set to host in Alberta infrastructure development in His remarks aimed to reassure

cal] supply chains," he said. "It When asked about the Nijjar which labelled the invitation to

case and opposition concerns, Carney declined to comment directly, citing an ongoing legal process. However, he acknowledged bilateral progress, saying, "We have now agreed importantly to continue law enforcement dialogue... recognizing issues of accountability.'

critics, particularly from the New Democratic Party (NDP),

Carney's April election victory raised hopes for a reset in India-Canada ties. In recent months, both countries have resumed high-level security contacts and discussed appointing new high commissioners. India has long criticized Canada for allowing pro-Khalistan activities on its soil, while New Delhi has expressed interest in rebuilding trust under Carney's

Modi as "profoundly troubling."

The controversy is rooted in

former Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's 2023 accusation of

Indian involvement in Nijjar's

killing, which led to diplomatic

expulsions and a sharp decline

in bilateral relations.

With India's inclusion, the G7 summit signals a broader vision of cooperation among key global players in shaping future economic and geopolitical dy-

leadership.

US Army Develops 3D-Printed Skin to Heal Soldiers' Battle Wounds

The US Army is advancing cutting-edge bioprinting technology to produce 3D-printed skin and tissues that could revolutionize battlefield medicine. In collaboration with the University of Hawaii, the US Army Combat Capabilities Development Command Chemical Biological Center (DEVCOM CBC) has launched a research initiative aimed at treating soldiers' injuries more effectively particularly severe burns and wounds.

Bioprinting uses bio-inks made from living cells, proteins, and nutrients to create three-dimensional, functional replicas of human tissues and organs. The technology holds immense potential for military medicine, enabling rapid tissue repair and even organ regeneration on the battlefield or in remote areas.

Under a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA), DEVCOM CBC and the University of Hawaii are executing two joint work statements (JWS). One of these focuses on developing advanced organ models using bioprinting. Dr.



research professor at the John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM), is partnering with DEVCOM CBC's bioengineering expert Priscilla Lee to create tools for evaluating chemical compounds and responses in human tissue.

Dean Sam Shomaker of JABSOM highlighted the global impact of the project, saying, "These Jason Barnhill, an associate efforts have the potential to

save the lives of frontline soldiers and civilians. Introducing innovative biofabrication technologies to remote regions supports not only USINDOPACOM's mission but global humanitarian efforts."

Lee is specifically researching immune responses using bioprinted cell culture models, which could lead to new biomaterials for treating wounds

from burns, toxic gas exposure, and antibiotic-resistant infec-

Bioprinting stands as a beacon of innovation in medicine, with its ultimate goal being the ability to print entire organs using a patient's own cells. If successful, this technology may redefine how we treat injuries — both in combat zones and in hospitals worldwide.





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Banco Products – A Hidden Gem in the Auto Components Space



This week we are discussing Banco a company with strong fundamentals. The Company is engaged in the manufac
1. Return of Equity (ROE) or Return on Investment is 30% - One ture of engine cooling modules and systems

for automotive and industrial applications in both the domestic and international markets.

STRONG FUNDAMENTALS:

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Capital: Rs.28.61 Crores Market Cap: Rs.7992 Crores EPS: Rs.27.39 52 Week High Rs.1188 Price on 6-6-25 - Rs.558.75

Now it is available at PE of 20.40 against industry PE of 37.65. It is also available at a steep discount to the 52 Week High of **FINAL WORDS**:

LATEST FINANCIALS: (Consolidated Results)

2024	2025	% of Growth
Rs.2742 Crores	Rs.3187 Crores	16
Rs.271 Crores	Rs.391 Crores	44
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This is a stupendous growth by any standard.

of the best in the industry.

2.Debt Equity Ratio ia very conservative at 0.24 against the benckmark of 1.

3.The Company is investory friendly and very liberal in payment of Dividends. In 2024, it declared a Dividend of Rs.20 per

In 2025, it declared a Dividend of Rs.11 per share.

4. The holding of the Promoters is 67.88%. 5.Its investment in Fixed Assets went up from Rs.190 Crores to Rs.516 Crores from 2021 to 2025 indicating a robust growth

6.Cash Flow from Operating Activies has been positive in three years out of five years from 2021 to 2025.

I do not see any minus points which can derail the growth of the Company. The only minus point is that the share price

fast in too short a period from Rs.400 to Rs.558 from 20th May. But still it is cheap at a PE of about 21. Just have patience and

it for one year.

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GST Returns to Become Time-Barred Starting July 2025

and annual GST returns if they miss the ance and ensuring timely filing of returns. deadline by more than three years. This become time-barred and barred from filing on the GST portal after the three-year window expires.

The Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) issued an advisory on June 7, 2025, clarifying that taxpayers must file their returns within three years of the original due date. Returns such as GSTR-1, GSTR-3B, GSTR-4, GSTR-5, GSTR-5A, GSTR-6, GSTR-7, GSTR-8, and GSTR-9 will not be accepted be-

Ctarting from the July 2025 tax period, yound this time frame. The change follows Goods and Services Tax (GST) taxpayers amendments made through the Finance will no longer be able to file their monthly Act, 2023, aimed at strengthening compli-

means that returns related to outward The July 2025 tax period corresponds to supplies, payment of tax liabilities, annu- returns filed in August 2025, marking the al returns, and tax collected at source will start of this new rule. Taxpayers are urged to reconcile their records and complete any pending filings before this deadline to avoid losing the opportunity to file and claim Input Tax Credit (ITC).

> While this measure is expected to enhance system discipline and reduce prolonged non-compliance, experts have expressed concerns over its potential impact. Rajat Mohan, Senior Partner at AMRG & Associates, pointed out that taxpayers facing



litigation, technical glitches, or genuine oversight might be severely affected. He warned that the absence of a redressal mechanism for exceptional cases could result in permanent denial of ITC and significant financial losses.

This new rule emphasizes the importance of timely GST compliance and urges taxpayers to ensure their filings are up to date to avoid complications after the three-year period lapses.

RBI Raises Loan-to-Value **Ratio for Gold** Loans, Effective **April 2026**



The Reserve Bank of In-**I** dia (RBI) has announced a hike in the loan-to-value (LTV) ratio for gold loans, revising the limits to provide greater borrowing power for individuals pledging gold. The new norms, which will come into effect from April 1, 2026, aim to boost credit availability while managing risk prudently.

Under the updated guidelines, gold loans up to Rs 2.5 lakh will now have an LTV ratio of 85 percent, increased from the initially proposed 75 percent in the draft norms released in April 2025. This means borrowers can now avail loans amounting to 85 percent of the value of their pledged gold for loans under Rs 2.5 credit flow is enhanced, the lakh, enhancing access to safety and soundness of the credit for small-ticket bor- banking system are mainrowers.

For gold loans exceeding Rs 2.5 lakh and up to Rs 5 lakh, the LTV ratio has been fixed at 80 percent. Meanwhile, for loans above Rs 5 lakh, the RBI has set the LTV ratio at 75 percent. These tiered limits ensure that higher loan amounts correspond

with slightly lower LTV ratios, balancing borrower credit needs with prudent risk management.

The revision reflects the RBI's ongoing efforts to support financial inclusion and ease credit availability in a secure manner. By increasing the LTV on smaller gold loans, the central bank aims to make it easier for borrowers, especially those in rural and semi-urban areas, to access affordable financing using their gold assets.

This change comes amid growing demand for goldbacked loans as a quick and convenient source of funds. The RBI's calibrated approach ensures that while tained.

Financial institutions and borrowers are advised to prepare for the implementation of these new norms starting April 2026, which could significantly impact gold loan offerings across the country.

IndiGrid to Acquire Solar and Transmission **Assets for ₹2,108 Crore**

TndiGrid, a leading power sector in-**■**frastructure investment trust (InvIT), has announced the execution of definitive agreements to acquire one solar and one transmission asset, together valued at an Enterprise Value (EV) of approximately ₹2,108 crore, excluding net working capital and cash adjustments. Including these adjustments, the total EV is not expected to exceed ₹2,175 crore, the company stated.

acquisition targets two high-quality operational assets: Renew Solar Aayan Private Ltd (RSAPL), a 300 MW (AC) solar project situated in Barmer, Rajasthan, and Koppal Narendra Transmission Ltd (KNTL), Build-Own-Operate-Maintain (BOOM) Inter-State Transmission System (ISTS) located in Karnataka. IndiGrid plans to acquire 100% shareholding and management control of both assets, pending regulatory and contractual approvals, consistent with the terms of the definitive and concession agreements as well as



the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), including any lock-in obligations.

IndiGrid, highlighted that these acquisitions align with the company's long-term strategy of participating Harsh Shah, Managing Director of in India's energy transformation by

owning and operating critical infrastructure that ensures grid stability and broader energy access. "RSAPL and KNTL deepen our presence in

key geographies, enhance portfolio diversification, and are accretive to distribution per unit (DPU)," he said.

Shah added, "As the power sector continues to evolve, IndiGrid remains committed to building a future-ready platform that supports India's ambitious energy goals while delivering sustainable value to our unitholders."

The acquisition will be financed through a combination of equity, internal accruals, and debt. Following this transaction, IndiGrid's net debt to assets under management (AUM) ratio will stand at 62%, maintaining sufficient headroom for future expansion and growth opportunities.

This strategic move strengthens IndiGrid's position as a key player in India's renewable energy and transmission infrastructure landscape, reinforcing its commitment to sustainable and reliable energy solutions.





Tourists Discover 598 Gold Coins in Czech Forest - Here's **What Happened Next**



What Degan as a rhike in the Krkonoše Mountains of northern Czech Republic turned into a real-life treasure hunt for two anonymous tourists. While walking through the lush forest, they stumbled upon a partially buried aluminium box among the stones. Curiosity led them to open it—and what they found inside has since captured global attention.

The box contained a breathtaking treasure trove: 598 gold coins 10 gold bracelets 17 sealed cigar boxes A vintage powder compact An ornate comb

Weighing about 3.7 kilograms (8 pounds), the gold coins alone are estimated to be worth over 80 lakh Czech Koruna (approximately ₹3 crore or USD 340,000). Even more intriguing are the 17 sealed cigar boxes, whose contents are yet to be examined, deepening the mystery surrounding the find.

Instead of keeping the treasure, the tourists acted responsibly and handed it over to the East Bohemia Museum in Hradec Králové. According to Miroslav Novák, the head of the museum's archae-

7hat began as a peaceful ological department, the pair arrived without notice and presented the discovery, prompting an immediate investigation by experts.

> Initial analysis reveals that the coins date back as far as 1921, with origins split between France and the Balkan region, including coins from the former Yugoslavia. Historians believe the treasure might have been hidden during the interwar period or near the end of World War II, possibly as an act of protection during political unrest.

> Speculation is rife in the region. Some locals suggest the hoard could have belonged to the aristocratic Svirts-Shpork family of the Kuks Estate. Others believe it may have been stashed by Czechoslovak soldiers during wartime. Under Czech law, the treasure now belongs to the local administration, but the tourists are entitled to a reward based on the treasure's value.

> As archaeologists continue their investigation—especially into the mysterious sealed cigar boxes this remarkable find serves as a reminder that history often lies just beneath our feet, waiting to be uncovered.

Is Al Overhyped? New Study Shows Little Impact on Jobs and Wages

Despite the global hype surrounding artificial intelligence (AI), a new study suggests its real-world impact on jobs and wages may be far more modest than expected. As fears grow over AI replacing human workers and reshaping entire industries, early research now paints a different picture.

A working paper from the National Bureau of Economic Research in Denmark has found that AI's effect on the labour market is minimal so far. The study analyzed data from 25,000 workers

across 7,000 workplaces—primari- The authors argue that while comly in occupations considered highly vulnerable to AI disruption, such as accountants, customer service representatives, financial advisors, HR professionals, software developers, and teachers.

The researchers, economists Anders Humlum and Emilie Vestergaard, reported that AI usage led to only a three percent reduction in work hours, with productivity gains translating into just a three to seven percent increase in pay. "AI chatbots have had no significant impact on earnings or recorded hours in any occupation," they wrote.

This evidence runs counter to the dominant narrative of AI driving massive workplace transformation or triggering job losses on a wide scale. "While adoption has been rapid, with firms heavily invested in unlocking technological potential, the economic impacts remain small," the paper notes.



panies may be eager to embrace AI for cost-cutting and efficiency, the actual benefits in terms of productivity and wage growth have been underwhelming. "Modest productivity gains, combined with weak wage pass-through, help explain the limited labor market effects," they added.

The findings challenge corporate strategies currently underway. For instance, cybersecurity firm Crowd-Strike recently laid off five percent of its staff, citing AI integration as the reason. Similarly, Duolingo announced it would phase out contractors in favor of AI tools, echoing a shift it made in 2012 when it transitioned fully to mobile.

As businesses bet big on AI, this study serves as a sobering reminder that the technology's economic impact—at least for now—might not be as revolutionary as many expected.

Airport Scanner Refused To Recognise This Make-Up Lover Forced to Remove Makeup

Acently found herself in an awkward and unexpected situation at an airport when her heavy makeup caused a facial recognition scanner to reject her identity. The incident, which took place at Shanghai Airport, has resurfaced online, drawing attention and sparking debate across social media.

The video, which has now gone viral, shows airport officials instructing the woman to remove all her makeup using wet wipes. She had reportedly arrived wearing bridal-style makeup, complete with contouring, false lashes, and a full glam look, which failed to match her passport photo. As a result, the airport's biometric verification system flagged her, causing a delay and prompting immediate intervention by the staff.

In the clip, one of the officials is heard sternly telling the woman, "Clean all the makeup until you look like your passport photo. Why did you wear such heavy makeup? You've invited trouble."

The tone and the situation sparked a mix of reactions online, with some sympathizing with the woman and others agreeing with the security pro-

The incident initially occurred in September of last year, but the footage resurfaced only recently, gaining fresh traction across Chinese platforms and being reported by global outlets such as Oddity Central.

Facial recognition systems are increasingly being used in airports around the world to speed up identity verification. However, the technology still faces limitations—especially when it comes to drastic changes in facial appearance due to makeup, cosmetic procedures, or aging.

While many viewers found the video amusing, others highlighted concerns about privacy, over-reliance on facial recognition, and the need for better manual backup options at critical security points like airports.

The incident also touched on broader cultural topics—such as beauty standards, the societal pressure on women to maintain a certain appearance, and the fine line between personal expression and practical inconvenience in public systems.

Though embarrassing, the woman complied with the request, eventually boarding her flight after matching her face with her official ID. The story serves as a reminder that in the age of biometric security, your digital twin needs to look just like you—makeup or

MrBeast Joins Billionaire Club at 27, Becomes 8th-Youngest Billionaire in the World

Jimmy Donaldson, better known as MrBeast, has officially become one of the world's youngest billionaires. At just 27 years old, the YouTube sensation has reached a net worth of \$1 billion, according to Celebrity Net Worth, making him the eighth-youngest billionaire globally.

MrBeast's journey to the top began humbly, recording videos from his home in North Carolina. Over the years, his content-known for massive

philanthropic stunts—has catapult- collaborations with major brands. tinue to set him apart in the influed him to internet stardom. As of His business acumen, paired with encer world. ing 396 million subscribers across his various YouTube channels, solidifying his place as one of the most influential creators in digital history.

With estimated monthly earnings of \$50 million, MrBeast has built a financial empire not just through You-Tube ads and sponsorships, but also through his ventures like Feastables



giveaways, wild challenges, and (his snack brand), Beast Burger, and trees, his philanthropic efforts con-May 2025, MrBeast boasts a stagger- viral content, has redefined how creators can scale and monetize influ- As MrBeast enters the elite ranks of ence on a global level.

> recently posted a playful photo series on Instagram. The pictures show him holding massive stacks of cash while mimicking his viral meme alter ego, "Mr Lean". This internet persona, created by fans, is a satirical,

exaggerated version of Mr-Beast flaunting wealth in flashy attire. It's meant to humorously contrast with Jimmy's typically humble, laid-back image. The meme moment gave fans yet another reason to celebrate his success and poke fun at the trappings of fame.

Despite reaching billionaire status, MrBeast remains known for his generosity. From funding eve surgeries to planting millions of

billionaires, his rise is not just a testament to viral content—but also a To celebrate his milestone, MrBeast blueprint for creators blending entertainment with impact. Whether he's giving away islands or building sustainable businesses, one thing is clear: MrBeast isn't just playing the game—he's changing it.

In War-Torn Goma, Parents Pay School Fees With Palm Oil as Cash Crisis Deepens

Tn the besieged city of **L**Goma, located in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, survival has taken on new forms as a crippling cash shortage disrupts daily life. Seized by the Rwanda-backed M23 rebel group in January, the city is now grappling with a financial vacuum that has shuttered banks, emptied ATMs, and forced residents to turn to barter to meet essential needs.

Among the most telling examples of the crisis is how parents are now paying school fees—with cans of palm oil. At the Majengo school, teachers like Richard Mbueki accept oil and food items instead of cash. "The priority at the moment is to have something to eat," he says, lifting a donated can left by a parent. It's an informal, yet functional system: parents offer goods,



the school assesses their rates, then issues a receipt and credits the amount as school fees.

Authorities in Kinshasa of East Africa. stopped cash shipments to M23-held areas after the Meanwhile, civil servants group's occupation, effecfinancial lifelines. In response, the new de facto authorities and local insti-

tutions are urging residents value based on local market to adopt mobile payments, though the infrastructure for digital transactions remains underdeveloped in Goma, unlike in other parts

and NGO workers, who are tively cutting off Goma's still paid via bank transfers, cannot access their funds. Some, like teacher Mbueki, cross the border into Rwan-

da to withdraw money, incurring high fees. Others, like former public service employee Godel Kahamby, have lost their jobs entirely. "Now I'm just a housewife. We've stopped spending on clothes, outings, even food variety. It's about survival now," she says.

Markets are suffering as demand collapses. "We have the goods, but not the buyers," says Innocent, a local merchant. Food prices are surging due to limited supply and wartime taxation, while security deteriorates, with street crime soaring across Goma and Bukavu after dark.

With peace talks stalled and mistrust high, the city's residents face a grim reality—an economy running on bartered oil and fear, as they wait for a semblance of normalcy to return.



Carlsen Clinches 7th Norway Chess Title as Gukesh Blunders in Final Round

Magnus Carlsen secured his seventh Norway Chess title in Stavanger after a dramatic final round saw Indian Grandmaster D Gukesh suffer a heartbreaking loss to Fabiano Caruana. The five-time world champion Carlsen finished with 16 points, edging out Caruana, who ended with 15.5 points. Gukesh, despite a strong tournament, had to settle for third place with 14.5 points.

The final round proved particularly bitter for Gukesh. Facing the 2018 Norway Chess champion Caruana, the Indian prodigy found himself in a disadvantageous position but mounted a valiant comeback attempt. However, with only seconds left on the clock, he faltered under time pres-



ing, Gukesh extended a handshake in point each, with Vaishali securing an resignation, then covered his face in additional half point by winning the visible frustration, knowing the title had slipped through his fingers.

Meanwhile, Carlsen drew his final classical game against Arjun Erigaisi from a slightly unfavourable position, but his consistent performance throughout the tournament ensured another title to his name. Erigaisi finished fifth with 12.5 points.

In the women's section, Ukraine's Anna Muzychuk held on to her overnight lead to win the title with 16.5 points, despite losing the Armageddon tie-break to India's R. Vaishali in the final round. Both players drew

sure. With just two seconds remain- the classical game and earned one Armageddon.

> India's Koneru Humpy had a chance at the title but could only manage a draw in the classical game against Chinese world champion Ju Wenjun. Humpy did win the Armageddon, finishing with 15 points—just behind Muzychuk.

> Norway Chess's unique scoring format awards three points for a classical win, and one point each for a draw, followed by a decisive Armageddon for an extra half point, ensuring high-stakes action until the very



Djokovic Uncertain About Future at French Open After Semifinal Loss to Sinner

Novak Djokovic, the 24- was." time Grand Slam champisemifinal defeat to World No. lost in straight sets—6-4, 7-5, 7-6(3)—on Friday, marking a at Roland-Garros.

Djokovic lingered on Court Philippe-Chatrier, soaking in the atmosphere. He placed his bag down, applauded the crowd, kissed his hand and touched the clay—a quiet, emotional gesture that felt like a possible farewell.

"I mean, this could have been the last match ever I played Jannik Sinner, who endhere, so I don't know," Djokovic said. "That's why I was a bit more emotional at the end."

While Djokovic didn't definitively confirm retirement acknowledged the uncertainmy last match, I didn't say it from over.

on, has cast doubt on whether At 38, Djokovic remains comhe will ever play again at the petitive but realistic about French Open following his the physical demands of continuing on tour. He confirmed 1 Jannik Sinner. The Serbian plans to compete at Wimbledon, which begins June 30, and the US Open in August, significant moment in what but left his post-Grand Slam could be his final appearance schedule open-ended. "Wimbledon is next, which is my childhood favorite tourna-Moments after the loss, ment. I'm going to do everything I can to be ready."

> Despite having won his 100th career title recently, Djokovic hasn't lifted a Grand Slam trophy since the 2023 US Open. Still, he remains driven by the possibility of reaching an unprecedented 25th major title.

ed Djokovic's run, expressed admiration and hoped the legend stays active: "Tennis needs him... He's a true role model."

from the French Open, he For now, Djokovic's future at Roland-Garros remains unty. "I said it could have been certain—but his legacy is far

French Open: Sinner Defeats Djokovic in Semis, Sets Historic Final Against Alcaraz

World No. 1 Jannik Sinner delivered a commanding performance to defeat tennis legend Novak Djokovic in the French Open semifinal, earning a spot in the final against Carlos Alcaraz. Sinner beat the three-time French Open champion and 100-time tour-level winner Djokovic 6-4, 7-5, 7-6(3) in a match that highlighted Sinner's precision, power, and strong serving.

This victory marks a historic moment as it sets up the first Grand Slam final between two players born in the 2000s. Although the scoreline appears one-sided, the 38-year-old Djokovic showed flashes of brilliance with some incredible shots. However, he missed three set points at 5-4 in the third set, allowing Sinner's relentless consistency to prevail.

After the match, Sinner praised Djokovic's influence on the sport. "It was such a



special occasion playing Novak in a Grand Slam semifinal. He's a true role model for us young players. What he's doing is incredible, and I wish him the best for the rest of the season," Sinner said.

On the other side of the draw, defending

champion Carlos Alcaraz advanced to the final after Italy's Lorenzo Musetti retired during their semifinal match due to an upper left leg injury. Alcaraz was leading 4-6, 7-6(3), 6-0, 2-0 when Musetti called for medical assistance and eventually withdrew after more than two hours of play.

Alcaraz expressed sympathy for Musetti's situation, noting his impressive claycourt season and wishing him a speedy recovery.

With this win, Alcaraz became the fifth-youngest player in the Open Era to reach five Grand Slam finals, joining Djokovic and Daniil Medvedev as active players with multiple major final appear-

The final between Sinner and Alcaraz promises to be a thrilling contest between two of tennis's brightest young stars.

India Eye Direct World Cup Qualification as Euro Leg of FIH Pro League Begins The Indian men's hockey Tteam has set its sights on Fulton also acknowled eas needing improvements in the control of Fulton also acknowledged ar-

securing direct qualification for the 2026 World Cup, jointly hosted by Belgium and the Netherlands, as they begin the crucial European leg of the FIH Pro League. Currently third in the standings with 15 points from eight matches, India trails Belgium and England, both on 16 points. Strong performances in the upcoming eight matches could see India leap to the top, guaranteeing a direct World Cup berth.

India kicked off the season's home leg in Bhubaneswar, where they won five out of eight matches. The European leg starts against host nation Netherlands on Saturday, with a return match scheduled for June 9. Following Hardik Singh, the team boasts gust as a fallback."



that, India will face Argentina on June 11 and 12, Australia on June 14 and 15, and Belgium on June 21 and 22. After competing in Amstelveen, the team will move to Antwerp for further matches.

Led by star drag-flicker Harmanpreet Singh and deputy an experienced 24-member squad, reflecting coach Craig Fulton's preference for seasoned players over newcomers. "Securing World Cup qualification through the Pro League is our priority," Fulton said. "If that doesn't work out, we have the Asia Cup in Au-

especially penalty corner conversions. "We've improved our field goals but need to focus on penalty corners and defense," he said. "Our aim is to draw games instead of losing them."

The team's preparation included a recent camp in Bengaluru and three matches against Ireland, which Harmanpreet called valuable. "The conditions and pitches in Ireland and here are similar, so it was good preparation," he said.

With a game-by-game focus, India is determined to maximize points and finish high on the leaderboard in this decisive phase of the Pro League.

Indian Junior Women's Hockey Team Embarks on 5-Match **European Tour Ahead of Junior World Cup**

The Indian Junior Women's Hockey Team is continuing its international campaign with a five-match European tour scheduled from June 8 to 17. The tour includes matches against Belgium, Australia, and the Netherlands, providing crucial international exposure as the team prepares for the upcoming FIH Hockey Women's Junior World Cup 2025 in Santiago, Chile.

India will kick off the tour with three matches against Belgium at the Hockey Center of Excellence in Antwerp.

the Beerschot Tennis Hockey Padel Club in Kontich. The tour concludes with a match against the Netherlands at Hockey Club Kampong in Utrecht.

This European leg follows a promising outing at the Four Nations Tournament in Rosario, Argentina, where the Indian side showed strong performances against Indian Junior Women's Hockey Team championship later this year.



and a narrow shootout loss (2-3) against Chile, drew and won shootouts against hosts Argentina, and recorded two wins against Uruguay. The Argentine tour helped the team gain valuable experience in handling pressure and adapting to diverse playing styles.

coach Tushar Khandker emphasized the importance of this European tour in the team's development. "This extended tour is a fantastic opportunity for our players to build on the momentum from Argentina. Playing against high-caliber teams like Belgium, Australia, and the Netherlands will test our tactical and technical depth as well as consistency," he said.

Khandker added that these matches are critical for the team's preparation for the Junior World Cup. "Each match brings us closer to being fully prepared for the world stage. For many players, this exposure is invaluable and cannot be replicated in training alone."

The tour aims to sharpen the squad's combinations, improve match temperament, and boost confidence ahead of the world



Deepika Padukone Joins Allu Arjun in Atlee's Sci-Fi Epic AA22xA6

tion film, tentatively titled AA22xA6. The projwith the official announcement of Deepika's involvement, released by Sun Pictures through a striking promo video that's already setting social being shot on expansive blue-mat sets. media abuzz.

This marks Deepika's first-ever collaboration tion spectacle, blending sci-fi aesthetics with with Allu Arjun and her second with director Atlee, following their previous venture that earned praise for pushing cinematic boundaries. In AA22xA6, Deepika steps into a bold new avatar—a fierce warrior in a futuristic fantasy setting. The promo offers a glimpse of her commanding screen presence, dressed in a custom-designed battle suit and wielding a sword, hinting at a physically demanding role rich in already being touted as one of the most ambistylized action.

The promo reveals Deepika riding a CGI horse, ment has officially gone next-level.

 $\mathbf{D}_{power}^{eepika}$ Padukone is set to bring her star with motion capture sensors embedded in her costume—a clear indication that the film is leaning heavily on cutting-edge visual effects. ect, headlined by Allu Arjun, just got even bigger Sources close to the production suggest that Atlee is experimenting with multiple looks for the ensemble cast, with the majority of sequences

> The film is shaping up to be a high-concept acfantasy storytelling—territory that's relatively new for Indian cinema at this scale. With Deepika on board, expectations are soaring even higher. Her presence not only adds star wattage but also promises a layered performance in a genre rarely explored in mainstream Indian films.

> As fans eagerly await more updates, AA22xA6 is tious projects of 2025. And with Deepika Padukone stepping into warrior mode, the excite-

Aadi Saikumar Unleashes Mystery and Mayhem in Shambhala Teaser

The teaser for Shambhala: A Mystical World, supernatural thriller starring Aadi Saikumar, has just dropped—and it promises a gripping cinematic experience. Directed by Ugandhar Muni and produced by Rajasekhar nabhimoju and Mahidhar Reddy under the Shining Pictures banner, the film blends mystery, suspense, and high-stakes drama in a visually rich package.



The teaser opens with a compelling voiceover that sets the tone for the film's philosophical undercurrent: "There are countless unfathomable mysteries in this universe. When science cannot explain them, it calls them superstition. But the moment it finds an explanation; it calls it a breakthrough." A mysterious object crashes from space into a quiet village, marking the beginning of inexplicable chaos.

Following the impact, the village descends into madness. Unnatural deaths, eerie behavior, and an unseen force manipulating the five elements wreak havoc. The teaser shows the villagers acting in bizarre, almost possessed ways, intensifying the eerie mood.

Enter Aadi Saikumar, who plays the central hero determined to confront this dark force. His powerful screen presence and action-packed moments make a strong im-

pression. But as the villagers, under the fragment's sinister influence, turn against him, the stakes rise dramatically.

Director Ugandhar Muni appears to have crafted a unique supernatural narrative that moves beyond conventional horror, with layered characters and an unpredictable plot. Supporting performances from Archana Iyer, Swasika, Ravi Varma, Madhunandan, Shivakarthik, and Shailaja Priya add depth to the ensemble.

Technically, the teaser shines. Praveen K Bangari's atmospheric cinematography and Sricharan Pakala's intense background score build a chilling, immersive world. The production quality is sleek and polished, amplifying the film's tension.

With a gripping teaser that has sparked curiosity, Shambhala is shaping up to be a must-watch thriller. The release date is expected to be announced soon.

Controversy Erupts Around Kannappa Ahead of Release, **Brahmin Groups Threaten to Block Film**

Manchu Vish-nu's ambitious mythological film Kannappa is facing serious challenges weeks before its scheduled release on June 27. While the film has genmassive erated buzz with its star-studded cast and epic narrative, it is now under fire from Brahmin community groups, who have raised objections over a specific character portrayal.

The controversy stems from the character "Pila-

ka Gilaka," introduced in a comic segment last year featuring Brahmanandam and Saptagiri. A promotional poster and dialogue — "The teachers who taught the fish to swim, the tiger to hunt, the cuckoo to sing... come to teach lessons to the forest" — have drawn sharp criticism from Brahmin groups, who allege the lines are offensive and mock their community.

The Brahmana Chaitanya Vedika, led by its president Sridhar, has issued a warning that they will block the film's release and disrupt promotional events if their concerns are not addressed. He accused the Manchu family — particularly Mohan Babu — of repeatedly insulting Brahmins in their films and demanded that the filmmakers clarify the role of Pilaka Gilaka during the pre-re-



lease event scheduled for today in Guntur. If not resolved, the group has threatened to take the matter to

Despite the rising controversy, the Kannappa team is moving forward confidently. Reports indicate that Manchu Mohan Babu and Vishnu recently viewed the final cut at Prasad Labs and are satisfied with the outcome. The film, directed by Mukesh Kumar Singh, features major stars including Prabhas, Mohanlal, Akshay Kumar, and Kajal Aggarwal.

A grand trailer launch is expected soon, with speculation that Prabhas may attend. A major pre-release event is also rumored to be planned in Bhimavaram. However, with tensions rising, all eyes are now on the Guntur event and how the filmmakers will address the controversy.

Vishnu Manchu's Kannappa Locks a **Grand Runtime of 3 Hours 10 Minutes**

Vishnu Manchu's highly anticipated mythological drama Kannappa continues to make headlines and the make headlines, and the latest update is sure to excite fans of epic cinema. The film has officially locked a hefty runtime of 3 hours and 10 minutes, hinting at an expansive narrative filled with grandeur, emotion, and visual splendor.

Following the recent trend of lengthy Pan-India blockbusters like RRR (3 hrs 2 mins), Animal (3 hrs 21 mins), and Pushpa

format that seems to resonate with audiences—provided the storytelling is compelling and emotionally engaging. In fact, recent hits like Leo, Devara, and Salaar have all flirted with similar runtimes, reaffirming the appetite for immersive cinematic experiences.

Set against a rich mythological back-

(3 hrs), Kannappa is embracing the drop, Kannappa aims to be more titular role but has also written the than just a spectacle. With a story rooted in devotion and valor, the filmmakers are confident that the extended runtime is justified. Early reports suggest the narrative is packed with emotional depth and powerful character arcs, which will keep viewers invested throughout its ambition, Kannappa is shaping up to 190-minute duration.

The film boasts a stellar ensemble cast that includes industry heavyweights like Mohan Babu, Akshay Kumar, Mohanlal, Prabhas, Sarathkumar, Kajal Aggarwal, and newcomer Preity Mukhundhan. Their presence has significantly boosted the film's buzz across regional and national audiences.

Directed by Mukesh Kumar Singh, Kannappa is a true passion project for Vishnu Manchu, who not only plays the

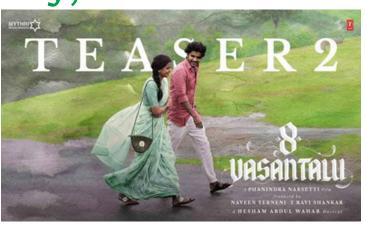
script. The film is being produced by Mohan Babu under the 24 Frames Factory banner, with music composed by Stephen Devassy, promising a soul-stirring score to match the film's emotional weight.

With its massive scale and mythic be a Pan-India epic to watch out for.

'8 Vasantalu' Second Teaser Promises a Breezy, Heartfelt Romance

 $T^{\text{he second teaser of 8}}_{\text{Vasantalu, a refreshing}}$ romantic entertainer from Mythri Movie Makers, has been released—and it's winning hearts with its simplicity and emotional warmth. Starring Ananthika Sanilkumar in the lead and directed by Phanindra Narsetti, the film captures a breezy love story set against the picturesque backdrop of Ooty.

The teaser introduces viewers to a tender connection layered with meaningful dibetween a young, free-spirited girl from Ooty and a Telugu writer visiting the hill station. As their worlds collide, the visuals highlight not just their differences but also the gradual journey that draws trayal of a girl discovering them closer. The storytelling is subtle yet profound,



alogues that reflect director Phanindra Narsetti's signature emotional depth.

Ananthika Sanilkumar looks effortlessly charming and relatable in her role. Her porlove is natural and emotionally resonant. The chemistry between the leads feels organic, making their evolving bond feel both real and engaging.

Visually, 8 Vasantalu is a treat. Vishwanath Reddy delivers charming leads, and scenic stunning visuals that perfectly capture the serenity of the hill town, enhanc-

ing the overall mood of the film. Complementing the visuals is a soul-soothing score by Hesham Abdul Wahab, which adds emotional weight without overwhelming the narrative.

The production design, supported by Mythri Movie Makers, is tasteful and elegant—matching the tone of the romantic drama genre. Every frame feels curated to evoke a sense of nostalgia

and longing. Overall, the second teaser of 8 Vasantalu positions the film as a poetic love story ideal for the monsoon season. With Cinematographer its emotional storytelling, visuals, the film is all set to tug at heartstrings when it hits theatres on June 20.