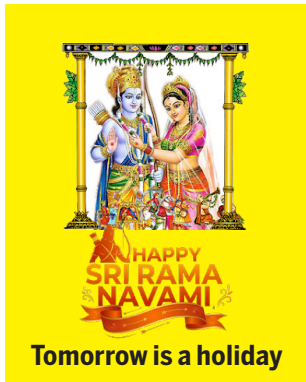




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Jeevan Reddy's Exit Sparks Power Struggle in Telangana Congress

By Srikanth Gurram | March 26, 2026 | Hyderabad | TPN Bureau

A major political storm has erupted in Telangana following the dramatic resignation of senior Congress leader and former minister T Jeevan Reddy. Known for his decades-long loyalty to the Congress, Jeevan Reddy has now broken his silence, launching a direct and sharp attack on the party leadership, triggering intense speculation over his next political move.

In a series of strong remarks, Jeevan Reddy openly questioned the leadership of Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, accusing the party of sidelining loyal seniors while rewarding those who "fall in line." His pointed criticism and rhetorical questions have sent shockwaves through Gandhi Bhavan, escalating internal tensions within the party.

The veteran leader also targeted key figures close to the Chief Minister, including Vem Narender Reddy, widely seen



as influential in government affairs. By doing so, Jeevan Reddy has effectively thrown an open challenge to the leadership, exposing a widening rift between the party's old guard and the new leadership.

Jeevan Reddy's resignation reflects deep-rooted frustration. Having served the Congress for over four decades—as MLA, MLC, and minister—he expressed anguish over what he perceives as declining respect for senior leaders. The induction of political rivals

like Sanjay Kumar into the party has further intensified his dissatisfaction, particularly in his stronghold of Jagityal.

Political analysts view this as more than an individual rebellion. It signals a broader internal conflict between long-time congress loyalists and the emerging leadership under Revanth Reddy. The development has raised serious questions about internal democracy and leadership dynamics within the party.

Speculation is now rife over

Jeevan Reddy's next move. He may be persuaded by the Congress high command to stay, possibly with assurances of a key role. Alternatively, he could remain politically independent, relying on his personal support base. A third possibility—joining another party—has added further intrigue.

There is growing buzz about a potential shift towards the BJP or even the BRS led by K Chandrashekar Rao. However, sources close to him suggest that self-respect and political principles will be the deciding factors. His resignation has put the Congress on the defensive, especially in the Karimnagar region where he holds significant influence. Party insiders fear that if the issue is not resolved, it could encourage more senior leaders to openly express dissent. For now, all eyes remain on Jeevan Reddy. Whether the party leadership manages to pacify him or he charts a new political path, this episode has set the stage for a high-stakes political showdown in Telangana.



Revanth Expresses Shock and Grief Over Markapuram Bus Tragedy

Andhra Pradesh / Telangana, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Minister Anumula Revanth Reddy has expressed deep shock and profound grief over the tragic bus accident near Markapuram in Andhra Pradesh that claimed the lives of several passengers and left many critically injured. The accident, which occurred early Thursday when a private travel bus collided with a tipper truck, resulted in a massive fire that engulfed both vehicles.

In his statement, CM Revanth conveyed heartfelt condolences to the families of the deceased and wished a speedy recovery to those injured in the devastating crash. He described the incident as deeply distressing and said that the loss of lives in such circumstances is a matter of great sorrow for people across the region.

Revanth Reddy took immediate action by instructing Chief Secretary Ramakrishna Rao to gather complete information on the victims and injuries. He emphasized the need for swift coordination with Andhra Pradesh officials to obtain accurate details about the casualties and the condition of the survivors. The Chief Minister also stressed that the injured should receive the best possible medical treatment without

any delay.

To ensure effective relief measures, the Chief Minister directed senior officials to remain in constant communication with their Andhra Pradesh counterparts. He underscored the importance of providing all necessary support to affected families and facilitating information flow to help them during this difficult time. The ill-fated bus was reported to be traveling from Nirmal in Telangana to Nellore in Andhra Pradesh when the collision occurred near Rayavarani in the Markapuram area. Local authorities and rescue teams responded swiftly, pulling survivors from the wreckage and transporting injured passengers to nearby medical facilities.

The tragic accident has drawn widespread attention, with leaders across states expressing sympathy and urging coordinated efforts for relief and support. CM Revanth Reddy's prompt response highlights the gravity of the situation and the commitment of the Telangana government to stand in solidarity with affected families.

As investigations continue and rescue operations proceed, the focus remains on ensuring aid to the injured and providing comfort to the grieving families who have lost loved ones in this catastrophic road accident.

Revanth Reviews MMTS Services, Calls for Improved Passenger Facilities

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Minister Anumula Revanth Reddy has emphasized that MMTS services must cater effectively to passenger needs in Hyderabad's core urban areas. During a detailed review held at the Legislative Council Hall, the Chief Minister stressed that the frequency of MMTS trains should be increased during office hours and services must strictly adhere to schedules to ensure timely travel for commuters.

CM Revanth examined the declining passenger numbers in the MMTS system and directed officials to take immediate measures to improve ridership. He highlighted the lack of last-mile connectivity as a significant barrier, noting that many MMTS stations are located away from main roads and do not have direct RTC bus access. He suggested exploring mini-bus or feeder services to facilitate smooth movement of



passengers to and from stations. In addition, the Chief Minister instructed that all essential passenger amenities be provided at MMTS stations, including clean waiting areas, proper seating, shelter, and lighting. He underlined that improved facilities would encourage commuters to choose MMTS over other modes of transport.

CM Revanth also advised authorities to enhance self-generated revenue for the MMTS system and conduct a detailed study on opportunities to increase ridership, improve station amenities, and strengthen

last-mile connectivity. A report on these measures has been requested from the concerned departments.

The review was attended by Transport Minister Ponnampallam Prabhakar, Chief Secretary Ramakrishna Rao, senior government officials, and representatives from South Central Railway. Discussions focused on operational efficiency, passenger comfort, and integrating MMTS services into the broader urban transport network. The Chief Minister's directives are part of the state government's broader urban mobility strategy, which aims

to reduce congestion, enhance commuter convenience, and provide safe and timely public transport across Hyderabad. Officials have been tasked with implementing the recommendations promptly, ensuring that MMTS services are modernized and equipped to meet the growing demands of the city's population. CM Revanth concluded that with better service frequency, improved facilities, and stronger connectivity, MMTS can become a preferred and reliable mode of urban transport, supporting sustainable mobility and commuter satisfaction in Hyderabad.

Revanth Focuses on Nutrition and Quality Education for Children

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Minister Anumula Revanth Reddy has reaffirmed the state government's commitment to providing quality education and proper nutrition to every child in the state. He held a detailed meeting with renowned economist Karthik Muralidharan at the Telangana Legislative Council Hall to discuss strategies to address malnutrition and gaps in early education among children aged 0-10 years.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Women and Child Welfare Minister Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka, Chief Secretary Ramakrishna Rao, and senior officials from relevant departments.

During the discussion, Karthik Muralidharan presented several reports highlighting nutritional deficiencies and learning gaps among young children in the state. He explained how malnutrition in early years can lead to long-term health complications,



while insufficient foundational teaching may result in cognitive and emotional challenges later in life. He also suggested targeted interventions to address these issues effectively.

In response, CM Revanth said that the government is already taking special measures to tackle these challenges. He highlighted budgetary allocations

made to provide mid-day meals as well as supplementary breakfast in schools to ensure children receive adequate nutrition. Muralidharan recommended the appointment of additional personnel in Anganwadi centers to support nutrition delivery. Officials explained that under the proposed "Poshana Sakhi"

scheme, another staff member could be designated specifically to manage and provide nutritious meals to children. The Chief Minister instructed officials to explore the pilot implementation of these measures in 29 school complexes under the Core Urban Region Economy (CURE) project, ensuring experimental evaluation before broader rollout. He emphasized close coordination with Karthik Muralidharan to prepare a comprehensive report detailing strategies and outcomes, which should be submitted promptly.

CM Revanth reiterated that a holistic approach combining proper nutrition, quality teaching, and structured interventions is key to ensuring the long-term health, learning, and well-being of children. The government aims to build a framework that guarantees early childhood development and educational equity across Telangana.

Officials have been tasked with implementing these recommendations and reporting on their progress, with the goal of establishing scalable models for the entire state.

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana has attracted investment proposals worth 2.19 lakh crore following the state government's participation in the World Economic Forum (WEF) meetings at Davos in 2024 and 2025. Industries Minister D. Sridhar Babu informed the Telangana Assembly on Thursday.

During the session, Mr. Sridhar Babu highlighted that the government has signed 44 memorandums of understanding (MoUs) with various domestic and international companies during the two Davos visits. These proposals are at different stages of implementation, with efforts underway to convert commitments on paper into actual investments on the ground.

The minister emphasized the employment potential of these investments, noting that the projects are expected to generate approximately 68,150 direct jobs across multiple sectors once operational. He also mentioned that Telangana has already generated 1,540 crore in revenue through land allocations made to companies that



signed MoUs.

Land has been allocated to six firms committing investments worth around 81,800 crore, while additional land has been identified for three more companies with proposed investments of about 30,000 crore. The government is closely monitoring these projects to ensure timely implementation and maximize economic benefits.

Addressing concerns from opposition lawmakers regarding the significance of Davos agreements, the minister defended the government's efforts, stating that such global

engagements position Telangana as an investment-friendly destination and help attract long-term, sustainable economic growth.

The state government is also preparing detailed reports outlining the progress of these MoUs, with a focus on tracking investments, employment generation, and sectoral impact. The proposed investments span several industries and are expected to contribute significantly to Telangana's development agenda, infrastructure expansion, and job creation objectives.

Mr. Sridhar Babu emphasized that these engagements are part of Telangana's broader strategy to strengthen domestic and international investment inflows, enhance the business environment, and provide new opportunities for the state's workforce.

If successfully implemented, the 2.19 lakh crore investment pipeline could provide a substantial boost to Telangana's economic growth, reinforce its position as a leading investment hub in India, and enhance overall employment and industrial development in the state.

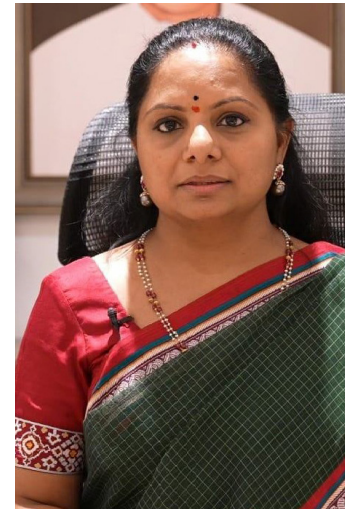
Kalvakuntla Kavitha to Make Key Announcement on Sri Rama Navami

Nizamabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Jagruthi President Kalvakuntla Kavitha is set to make a key announcement tomorrow, coinciding with the Sri Rama Navami celebrations in Nizamabad. The announcement will be made during a press meet at the Telangana Jagruthi office at 3 PM, drawing widespread attention from supporters and the media.

Prior to the press meet, Kavitha and her husband Devanapalli Anil will participate in the Sri Rama Navami festivities at the Sri Raghunath Swamy Temple (Khilla Rammandir). As part of the celebrations, the couple will present silk garments (pattu vastrams) to Lord Sita Ram, a tradition they have upheld for several years. Kavitha expressed her wishes that the blessings of Lord Rama continue to guide Telangana and bring peace and prosperity to the lives of all citizens.

The tradition of offering silk garments to temples across the Nizamabad parliamentary constituency is an an-



nual feature of the couple's involvement. This year, Kavitha and Anil will personally present silk garments at the Raghunath Swamy Temple. In addition, their representatives will present similar offerings at temples in Dichpally, Bodhan, Armour Siddul Gutta, Po-champadu, Jagityal Dharur Camp, Vidyvanagar, and Mallapur in Korutla constituency.

The Sri Rama Navami celebrations are expected to see large participation from Telangana Jagruthi cadres, along

with devotees from the local community. Kavitha, along with senior members of the organization, will take part in the religious rituals and events, reinforcing the cultural and spiritual significance of the festival. Observers are particularly keen to learn the details of Kavitha's key announcement during the press meet, which is expected to outline future initiatives and engagements by Telangana Jagruthi in the Nizamabad region. Through these annual rituals and community engagements, Kavitha and her husband have maintained a visible presence in the constituency, blending religious devotion with civic participation. Their active involvement in Sri Rama Navami celebrations reflects a commitment to cultural traditions while fostering public engagement across Nizamabad. The celebrations, marked by devotion, community gatherings, and ceremonial offerings, promise to be a grand occasion, combining spiritual observances with civic engagement and signaling Kavitha's continued leadership in Telangana Jagruthi activities.

Telangana CM Directs New Policy for Effective CSR Fund Utilization

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Minister E. Revanth Reddy has instructed officials to formulate a dedicated policy for the integration and effective utilization of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds in the state. During a high-level review at the Assembly hall, he emphasized the need for proper coordination between the government and corporate entities to ensure that CSR contributions directly benefit Telangana's development and public welfare programs.

The Chief Minister suggested that the state should appreciate corporate companies undertaking development and community-centric initiatives through CSR funding. He proposed organizing a special event annually to recognize and honor representatives of companies that have shown exemplary partnership with the state. This recognition program, he noted, should be included as part of the state formation day celebrations. To streamline these efforts, CM Revanth Reddy directed the establishment of a state-level CSR cell. The cell will be responsible for

coordinating details of CSR activities undertaken by companies across the state, identifying government projects where CSR contributions can be applied, and facilitating the smooth implementation of such initiatives. In addition, the CM called for the creation of a dedicated Telangana CSR portal, which will serve as a comprehensive platform for corporate entities to access project details and submit their CSR contributions. The portal is expected to help companies select suitable projects and engage with the government effectively,

while also making the process attractive and user-friendly. Officials informed the CM that Telangana currently receives only 3% of the national CSR fund allocation, far below the state's potential. Expressing concern, the Chief Minister questioned why CSR funds from companies operating in Telangana are sometimes utilized outside the state, stressing the need to channel more CSR investments locally. CM Revanth Reddy also called for a study of CSR integration policies followed in other states to identify best practices. He emphasized that Telangana needs a new policy framework to attract more CSR participation and ensure maximum contribution towards the state's welfare programs.

The meeting was attended by senior officials, including the Government Chief Secretary Ramakrishna Rao, and other top bureaucrats. The Chief Minister's directions are expected to strengthen the synergy between corporate contributions and government development initiatives, ensuring that CSR funds are utilized efficiently and create a measurable impact across Telangana.



Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy Announces Pilot Launch of Integrated Bhubharathi Portal in Five Telangana Mandals

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana is set to usher in a new era of transparent and streamlined land administration with the launch of the Integrated Bhubharathi Portal, a digital platform that consolidates all land-related services under a single umbrella. The portal will be piloted from April 2 in five mandals to provide farmers and citizens easier access to land records, surveys, and registration services.

Revenue, Housing, and Information & Public Relations Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy announced that the portal is designed to eliminate complexities and improve efficiency, building on lessons from previous governance initiatives like the Dharani platform. "The portal will allow citizens to access complete land information at the click of a button, from survey details to registration," the minister said. Each survey number will now be assigned a unique Bhoomi Dhar number, similar to the Aadhaar system, enhancing transparency and traceability.

The pilot program will cover the mandals of Kosgi in Naranampet district, Amangal in Ranga Reddy district, Watpalli in Sangareddy district, Kusumanchi in Khammam district, and Ashwaraupeta in



Bhadradi Kothagudem district. Authorities have conducted re-surveys in select villages and assigned Bhoomi Dhar numbers in preparation for the rollout. Following the pilot, the system will be refined based on feedback and expanded statewide.

Minister Srinivas Reddy highlighted that the portal integrates services including survey, correction, registration, appeal services, and a citizen dashboard, along with access to village maps, AROR records, mutation details, market values, and other essential

land data. By linking the portal to a mobile number registered with Aadhaar, citizens can log in and access all information instantly. The system also ensures real-time updates via SMS at each stage of land registration or service requests, providing complete visibility from application to completion. By merging 36 modules from the previous Dharani portal into a single chapter, the Integrated Bhubharathi Portal aims to simplify operations for both citizens and officials.

The initiative was reviewed

at a meeting with officials from the Revenue, Survey, Stamps & Registration departments, and NIC, including Revenue Secretary D.S. Lokesh Kumar and IG of Stamps & Registration Rajiv Gandhi Hanumanth, to ensure smooth implementation.

Minister Srinivas Reddy emphasized that under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, the government remains committed to citizen-centric governance, ensuring that land services are accessible, efficient, and transparent across the state.

Telangana Government Adds Fish Curry to School Midday Meals

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

In a major boost to student nutrition, the Telangana government has announced that fish curry will now be included in the midday meal menu of government schools across the state. The decision was revealed in the Assembly by Minister for Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, and Sports, V. Srinivas Hari, who emphasized the government's commitment to providing students with more nutritious food options.

Responding to questions raised by legislators, Minister Hari explained that the inclusion of fish is aimed at enhancing the quality of the meals served under the state's midday meal program. "We are introducing fish curry in the school meal menu. This decision has already been discussed in the Cabinet," he said, adding that the move aligns with the government's broader objective of promoting child health and nutrition.

Highlighting safety concerns and convenience for children, the minister specified that a special breed of fish called 'Tilapia' will be raised specifically for the school program. "This species has only one central bone, making it easy for children to eat without any risk. These fish will be special-



ly cultivated and supplied to schools across the state," Minister Hari noted.

The announcement also underscores Telangana's strengths in animal husbandry and fisheries. Minister Hari pointed out that the state has a robust livestock population and ranks among the top states in egg production. "We are committed not only to advancing nutrition in schools but also to leveraging our agricultural and livestock potential for broader developmental goals," he added. Beyond nutrition, the government plans to strengthen sports initiatives at the village level, complementing its educational and nutritional programs. Special schemes are being designed to promote grassroots sports and overall physical development among students. The inclusion of fish in school meals is expected to provide children with

essential proteins and micronutrients, supporting their growth and cognitive development. Nutritionists have welcomed the move, saying that such interventions can significantly improve health outcomes in young students, especially in rural and semi-urban areas where access to protein-rich food is limited. This decision also reflects the government's proactive approach to child welfare, combining food security with health and education initiatives. With the rollout planned in phases, government schools across Telangana will soon see students enjoying the newly added fish curry alongside their regular rice and vegetable meals. The initiative is part of the state's ongoing efforts to make Telangana a leading example in student nutrition, agricultural development, and grassroots sports promotion.

Hanumanth Reddy Wins Third Term as Bar President

Medchal, March 26 | TPN Bureau

In a notable development in the legal community, advocate Hanumanth Reddy has been elected as the President of the Medchal Bar Association for the third consecutive term. The election results were announced on Thursday following the completion of polling for various posts.

Hanumanth Reddy secured victory in the presidential race, once again earning the trust and support of the members of the Bar Association. His third consecutive win reflects his strong presence and continued influence within the legal fraternity in Medchal.

In other key positions, Linga Reddy was elected as the Vice President, while Mahesh Babu won the post of General Secretary. The newly elected team will be responsible for managing the association's activities and addressing issues faced by advocates in the region.

Soon after the results were



declared, members of the Bar Association gathered at the court premises to congratulate the newly elected office-bearers. The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm as fellow advocates felicitated the winners and extended their best wishes.

Celebrations were held within the court premises, where members appreciated the leadership of Hanumanth Reddy and expressed confidence in his ability to continue serving the association effectively. Supporters highlighted his previous contributions and hoped for further development under

his leadership. Members also stressed the need for collective efforts to strengthen the association and address professional challenges faced by advocates. Issues such as infrastructure, coordination with judicial authorities, and welfare of lawyers are expected to be key focus areas for the new committee.

With this victory, Hanumanth Reddy begins his third term as President, taking on the responsibility of leading the Medchal Bar Association and working towards the growth and welfare of its members.

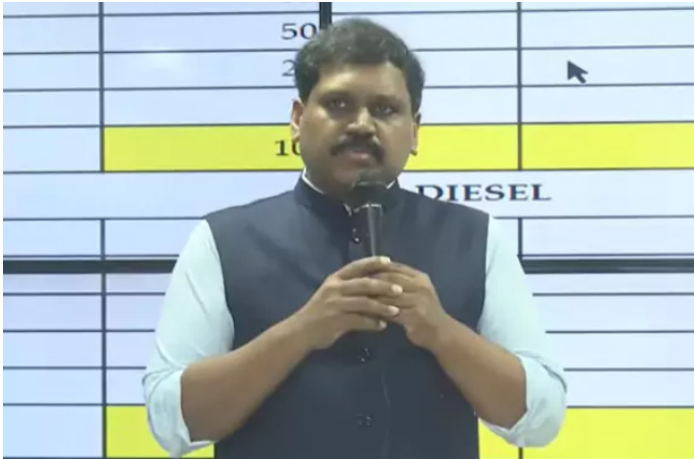
No Shortage of Petrol, Diesel or LPG in Telangana, Says Stephen Raveendra

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana's Civil Supplies Commissioner Stephen Raveendra has assured the public that there is no shortage of petrol, diesel, or LPG in the state. Speaking to the media, he clarified that fuel supplies are adequate and there is no reason for panic.

Raveendra emphasized that recent rumours and social media posts suggesting fuel scarcity are false and misleading. He urged citizens to remain calm and avoid panic buying, which can unnecessarily crowd petrol stations and create artificial shortages.

According to the Commis-



sioner, the state's fuel and LPG distribution networks are functioning normally, and deliveries are being made as sched-

uled. He highlighted that temporary rushes at some outlets are the result of public anxiety rather than an actual

lack of supply.

Authorities are monitoring stock levels in real time and are prepared to address any issues proactively. The Commissioner also encouraged residents to purchase fuel and LPG cylinders according to their regular needs and to rely on official updates rather than unverified information. Local administrations and fuel dealers have confirmed that supply infrastructure remains intact and citizens can access essential energy resources without concern. Stephen Raveendra reiterated the government's commitment to ensuring a smooth and uninterrupted supply of petrol, diesel, and cooking gas across Telangana.

Education Can Transform Families, Says Komatireddy Venkat Reddy

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

Education is the most powerful tool to transform families and uplift society, Telangana Roads and Buildings Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy said while addressing a public gathering on Thursday.

The minister emphasized that access to quality education can significantly improve the socio-economic conditions of families, particularly those from economically weaker sections. He noted that education not only empowers individuals

with knowledge and skills but also creates opportunities for stable employment, thereby ensuring financial security and overall development.

"An educated individual can change the future of an entire family," he said, adding that when one person in a household is well-educated, it positively influences others by increasing awareness about health, financial management, and social responsibilities. He highlighted that education plays a crucial role in breaking the cycle of poverty and enabling upward social mobility.

The minister underlined the



state government's commitment to strengthening the edu-

cation system, especially in government-run schools. He

said that efforts are being made to improve infrastructure, including better classrooms, sanitation facilities, and access to digital learning tools. The government is also focusing on enhancing the quality of teaching by training educators and adopting modern teaching methods.

He pointed out that equal access to education is essential for inclusive growth. The government, he said, is taking steps to ensure that students from rural and underprivileged backgrounds are not left behind. Various initiatives are being implemented to encourage enrollment and reduce

dropout rates among school children.

Komatireddy Venkat Reddy also stressed the importance of parental involvement in a child's education. He urged parents to prioritize schooling and support their children in pursuing their academic goals. "Education is not just the responsibility of schools and the government; it is a shared responsibility of families and society," he said.

Addressing students, the minister encouraged them to stay focused on their studies and make the best use of available opportunities. He said that education builds confi-

dence, discipline, and critical thinking, which are essential for success in life.

He further stated that the government aims to create a strong foundation for future generations by investing in education and skill development. By doing so, Telangana hopes to build a knowledgeable and skilled workforce capable of contributing to the state's progress.

Reiterating his message, the minister said that education has the power to transform not just individuals but entire families, paving the way for a more equitable and prosperous society.

Online Betting Apps Linked to Rising Suicides in Telangana

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

Illegal online betting has emerged as a growing concern in Telangana, with Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy revealing alarming figures in the State Assembly. Over the past three years, as many as 1,456 cases related to online betting have been registered, with 51 suicides reportedly linked to financial losses incurred through these platforms.

According to the Chief Minister, a majority of the victims were young individuals who were drawn into betting apps by the lure of quick and easy money. What often begins as a casual attempt to earn small amounts gradually turns into a dangerous cycle of addiction, leading to severe financial distress and emotional breakdown.

Officials stated that victims collectively lost several crores



of rupees during this period. Many users initially placed small bets but soon increased their stakes in an attempt to recover losses, ultimately falling into deeper debt. The psychological pressure caused by mounting losses has, in several cases, led to extreme steps such as suicide.

The Telangana government has taken note of the serious-

ness of the issue and initiated measures to curb the spread of illegal betting networks. A Special Investigation Team (SIT) has been constituted to investigate such cases and identify those operating or promoting these apps. Authorities have also registered multiple cases against individuals involved in the promotion and facilitation of online betting platforms.

However, enforcement remains a significant challenge. Many of these apps operate through servers located outside India, making it difficult for law enforcement agencies to track and shut them down. Their widespread promotion through social media and messaging platforms further complicates efforts to control their reach. The Chief Minister stressed the urgent need for public awareness, particularly among youth, about the risks associated with online betting. He urged people to stay away from such illegal platforms and called for stronger coordination between state and central agencies to tackle the issue effectively. The rising number of cases has also highlighted concerns around mental health and financial literacy. Experts warn that without timely intervention and awareness, the problem could escalate further, posing a serious threat to society.

Bandi Sanjay Records Songs for RSS Centenary Celebrations

Karimnagar, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar has taken on a new role by recording a series of songs to mark the centenary celebrations of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS). The initiative highlights a unique cultural contribution by the senior BJP leader, who is widely known for his political activities and oratory skills.

According to sources, the songs are part of a special effort to commemorate 100 years of the RSS and to inspire its members and supporters. A promotional video featuring Bandi Sanjay singing these songs has already been released on social media platforms and is gaining significant attention. The visuals show the minister passionately rendering songs associated with the organisation, reflecting his long-standing association with the RSS.

The full versions of these songs are scheduled to be officially released during a programme in Karimnagar on the occasion of Sri Rama Navami. The event is expected to attract party leaders, RSS members, and supporters, making it a significant highlight of the centenary celebrations in the region.



Bandi Sanjay, who has been associated with the RSS since his early years, is known for his active involvement in its activities. His decision to record songs is seen as an attempt to connect with the cadre on a more emotional and cultural level, beyond conventional political engagement.

Political observers note that leaders often use cultural mediums such as music and art to strengthen their bond with supporters and convey ideological messages in a more relatable manner. In this context, Bandi Sanjay's musical initiative is being viewed as a creative outreach effort aligned with the broader celebrations of the organisation's historic milestone.

The RSS, founded in 1925, is completing 100 years of its journey, and various programmes, events, and campaigns are being organized across the country to mark the occasion. The centenary celebrations aim to showcase the organisation's legacy, values, and contributions over the decades.

With the upcoming release of these songs, anticipation is building among supporters and followers, who are eager to witness this different facet of the Union Minister. The initiative is expected to add a cultural dimension to the centenary events and further energize the cadre ahead of major celebrations.

Telangana HC Issues Notices in MLA Disqualification Row

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

The Telangana High Court has issued notices to senior leaders including Kadiyam Srihari and Dr M Sanjay Kumar, along with Assembly Speaker Gaddam Prasad Kumar, in connection with petitions challenging the dismissal of disqualification pleas.

The development comes amid an ongoing political and legal battle over alleged defections of several Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) legislators to the ruling Congress party. Petitioners have approached the High Court questioning the Speaker's decision to dismiss disqualification petitions filed against certain MLAs.

According to available information, the Speaker had earlier rejected the petitions on the grounds that there was insufficient evidence to prove that the legislators had voluntarily given up membership of their original party. The decision effectively gave relief to the MLAs facing disqualification proceedings under the anti-defection law.

However, the petitioners argued before the High Court that contesting elections or openly associating with another political party amounts to defection, and therefore attracts disqualification under the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution. They contended that the Speaker failed to properly examine the evidence

and sought judicial intervention to set aside the orders.

Taking up the matter, the High Court issued notices to the respondents, directing them to file their responses. The court is expected to examine whether the Speaker's decision adhered to constitutional provisions and legal standards governing defections.

The case is part of a larger controversy involving multiple MLAs who were elected on BRS tickets but were later seen aligning with the Congress after the change in power in Telangana. Opposition leaders have repeatedly accused these legislators of switching loyalties, while the MLAs concerned have denied formally joining another party.

The issue has triggered intense political debate in the state, with questions being raised over the implementation of the anti-defection law and the role of the Speaker in adjudicating such matters. Legal experts note that the High Court's intervention could have significant implications, as it may set a precedent on how defection cases are handled in the state. The outcome of the case could also impact the political balance in the Assembly if any disqualifications are eventually upheld.

The matter has been posted for further hearing, and all eyes are now on the court's next course of action in this high-profile political case.



Integrated Bhoobharathi Pilot from April 2 in Telangana

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

The Telangana government is set to roll out the Integrated Bhoobharathi portal on a pilot basis from April 2, marking a major step towards reforming land administration in the state.

Announcing the decision, Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy said the new digital platform will initially be implemented in five selected mandals before being expanded across the state. The pilot project aims to streamline land-related services and address long-standing issues faced by farmers and landowners.

The Bhoobharathi portal has been designed as a comprehensive system by integrating multiple departments such as revenue, survey, registration, and stamps under a single platform. The move is intended to replace the earlier Dharani system and provide a more transparent, efficient, and user-friendly mechanism for land transactions and records management.

Under the pilot phase, the portal will be introduced in Kotsi (Narayanpet district), Amangal (Ranga Reddy), Vattapally (Sangareddy), Kusumanchi (Khammam), and Aswarao-peta (Bhadrachalam district). Officials said these mandals were selected to test the system's effectiveness across different regions before statewide implementation.

One of the key features of

the Bhoobharathi system is the introduction of a unique "Bhudhar" number for every land parcel, similar to an Aadhaar number for individuals. This is expected to ensure accurate identification of land records and reduce disputes. Additionally, survey maps will be made mandatory during land registrations in the pilot areas to enhance transparency and minimize errors.

The portal will also provide a wide range of services, including access to land ownership records, mutation details, encumbrance certificates, and market values. Citizens will be able to track their applications and receive updates at every stage through SMS notifications, making the process more accessible and accountable.

Officials stated that the new system has been developed with a focus on simplicity and ease of use, allowing users to access complete land information with a single login. By consolidating various services into one platform, the government aims to eliminate delays and improve service delivery.

The pilot project will be closely monitored, and necessary modifications will be made based on feedback and performance. Once successfully tested, the government plans to extend the Bhoobharathi system across Telangana.

The initiative is expected to bring greater transparency, reduce land-related disputes, and provide relief to farmers by simplifying procedures and ensuring faster resolution of issues.

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) working president K. T. Rama Rao criticised the Congress government for organising sports events for MLAs during the ongoing Assembly session, calling it a sign of lack of seriousness towards legislative responsibilities.

Speaking informally in the Assembly lobbies on Thursday evening, Rama Rao took a sharp swipe at the ruling party's decision to conduct sports competitions on March 28 and 29. He alleged that the move reflects misplaced priorities at a time when crucial budget discussions are underway.

"They cannot run the House, but want to run sports meets," he remarked, questioning the government's approach to han-

dling legislative business. He accused the Congress of diverting attention from important debates and avoiding accountability on key issues raised by the Opposition.

Rama Rao further alleged that the government was rushing through budget discussions without allowing detailed deliberations on critical sectors such as irrigation. He said such an approach undermines the purpose of Assembly sessions, where lawmakers are expected to engage in meaningful discussions on public issues.

Raising concerns over the timing of the sports events, he questioned the message being sent to the public. "What does the government want to convey? At a time when serious discussions are needed, organising sports activities for legislators sends the wrong signal,"

he said. The BRS leader also accused the government of using the events as a tactic to evade uncomfortable questions from the Opposition. He claimed that the scheduling of such activities during the session was intended to cut short debates and limit scrutiny of government decisions.

Rama Rao said he had raised the issue with Legislative Affairs Minister D. Sridhar Babu but received no response. He expressed disappointment over what he described as the government's indifferent attitude towards concerns raised by Opposition members.

The remarks have added to the ongoing political exchanges between the BRS and the Congress, with tensions rising over the conduct of Assembly proceedings and the handling of key policy discussions.



Bhadrachalam Temple Gears Up for Sri Rama Navami Celebrations

Bhadrachalam, March 26 | TPN Bureau

The renowned Sri Sita Ramachandra Swamy Temple is all set to host grand celebrations for Sri Rama Navami, with extensive arrangements underway to welcome thousands of devotees expected to throng the temple town.

Temple authorities and district officials have intensified preparations for the annual Brahmotsavams, which are currently in progress. The highlight of the festivities will be the celestial wedding ceremony of Lord Rama and Goddess Sita, scheduled to take place on March 27, followed by the Pat-

tabhishekam ritual on March 28. These rituals hold deep spiritual significance and attract devotees from across Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, and other parts of the country.

To ensure smooth conduct of the celebrations, elaborate arrangements have been made for crowd management and security. Special queues and barricades have been set up to regulate the flow of devotees, while additional personnel have been deployed to maintain order and safety. Authorities are expecting a massive turnout, particularly for the Kalyanam ceremony, which is considered the most sacred event of the festival.

Basic amenities such as drinking water, sanitation fa-

cilities, and temporary shelters have been arranged to provide comfort to visiting pilgrims. Medical camps and emergency services are also being set up to handle any health-related issues during the busy festival period. The temple administration is working in coordination with various government departments to ensure uninterrupted power supply, smooth traffic management, and adequate transport facilities. Special buses are likely to be operated to cater to the increased number of visitors traveling to Bhadrachalam during the festival days.

In addition, arrangements have been made for both online and offline ticketing to facilitate

participation in key rituals in an organized manner. Officials have urged devotees to follow guidelines and cooperate with authorities to ensure a safe and hassle-free experience.

The temple town is already witnessing a festive atmosphere, with decorations, lighting, and devotional activities adding to the spiritual fervor. Local businesses and vendors are also preparing for the influx of pilgrims, making it a significant occasion for the region.

With all preparations in place, Bhadrachalam is set to come alive with devotion and celebration, as thousands gather to mark one of the most important festivals dedicated to Lord Rama.



Massive Public Response at Voter Registration Drive in LB Nagar

LB Nagar, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

A major voter registration campaign was successfully conducted at Rajiv Gandhi Nagar in the Newpeta Division under the leadership of BRS Party General Secretary Mohammad Yasin, following directives from LB Nagar MLA, Mr. Devireddy Sudheer Reddy. The campaign involved a door-to-door initiative, reaching residents in every lane and household, and witnessed overwhelming public participation.

The event saw the presence of several notable figures, including former Corporator Sagar Reddy and Division BRS Party President Lingala Rahul Goud, who highlighted the significant public response during the program. Speaking to the attendees, they emphasized that citizens are eager for the return of a BRS-led government, reflecting the strong local support for the party.

The program was further



strengthened by the active participation of community leaders and volunteers such as Uday Goud, Mahesh Reddy, Vishweshwara Rao, Mamidi Ramachander, Deep Lal, Jogunagesh, Battu Anjayya, Itikala Yadagiri, Mallepaka Yadagiri, Pasha Boy, Rafik Boy, and Rafik. Their collective efforts

ensured that the voter registration drive reached every household efficiently, generating widespread engagement among residents.

Organizers reported that the door-to-door approach helped in identifying unregistered voters and educating citizens about the registration process,

making it easier for people to exercise their democratic rights. The campaign also emphasized the importance of participation in strengthening local governance and civic responsibility.

Speaking at the event, Mohammad Yasin remarked, "This program aims to ensure

that every eligible voter is registered. We are seeing an exceptional response from the public, and it reflects the community's enthusiasm and confidence in the leadership of MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy and the BRS Party."

Former Corporator Sagar Reddy and Division President Lingala Rahul Goud added that such initiatives are crucial in reinforcing democracy at the grassroots level. They also reiterated the need for citizens to actively participate in upcoming elections to ensure effective governance and development in the division.

The voter registration drive at Rajiv Gandhi Nagar is being hailed as a model for community engagement, combining outreach, awareness, and accessibility. The success of the program has inspired other divisions to adopt similar door-to-door registration campaigns to boost voter participation in the region.



Police Arrest Student Unemployment Leaders During "Chalo Assembly" Rally

OU, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Police detained several student and youth leaders as they attempted to march from the OU Main Library to the state assembly as part of the "Chalo Assembly" program organized by the Unemployed JAC and DYFI State Committees. The rally aimed to highlight the growing concerns of unemployed youth and demand immediate government action.

Addressing the media during the incident, State Convener of Unemployed JAC and OU research scholar R.L. Murthy emphasized the urgency of discussing unemployment in the assembly. "During previous elections, Rahul Gandhi had promised to resolve unemployment issues once the Congress government came to power. Nearly two and a half years into the administration, these promises remain unfulfilled," he said.

Murthy criticized the government for only issuing appointment letters against previous notifications but failing to release any new job notifications. He demanded the immediate publication of the job calendar, issuance of notifications for all vacant posts, and the implementation of youth welfare commitments. He also called for filling vacant teaching and non-teaching posts in

universities, providing a monthly stipend of 4,000 to unemployed youth, releasing Rajiv Yuva Vikas loans, expanding free coaching centers, offering stipends, and conducting student elections to strengthen democratic participation.

"The administration's inaction is tantamount to depriving citizens of their rights," Murthy added, urging the government to release funds for OU's development without delay.

The rally saw participation from several prominent youth leaders, including JAC leaders Kranti, Haroon Raju, Anjaneyulu, and Venu, Convener of the 42% BC Reservation Coordination Committee. Despite the arrests, participants vowed to continue raising their demands and highlighted the critical need for employment and youth development initiatives. Authorities intervened to prevent the march from reaching the assembly, citing law and order concerns. However, student leaders maintained that peaceful protests are necessary to draw attention to the challenges faced by unemployed graduates in the state.

The incident underscores growing frustration among youth and students regarding employment, education, and welfare policies, highlighting an urgent need for government responsiveness.

Residents Protest Notices on "Sealed" Lands in Bachupalli

Quthbullapur, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Decades after the land-sealing controversy first arose, the issue has resurfaced in Bachupalli, triggering widespread unrest among local residents. Notices issued by the Collector's office labeling several survey numbers in Pragati Nagar as "sealed lands" have left homeowners alarmed and confused.

The notices affect properties across survey numbers 15, 41, 83, 132, 133, 135, 136, 336, 337, and 511, which already host apartments and plotted developments constructed with approvals from the Gram Panchayat, Municipality, and HMDA. Homeowners expressed frustration, questioning why they are being penalized now when official permissions were previously granted. Uncertainty over whether these lands truly fall under the sealed category has intensified local anxiety.

According to the 1975 Land



Sealing Act, approximately 116 acres in the area were classified as sealed lands. However, for decades, revenue authorities did not exercise control over these plots, raising questions about the sudden issuance of notices. Residents argue that the timing and approach of the administration appear arbitrary and

unfair.

Adding to the tension, a pending writ petition in the High Court (WP 7833/2025, CC 3116/2025) has brought attention to allegations regarding the allotment of land under survey number 83/A. Locals contend that lapses in implementing court orders have contributed significantly to the

current crisis.

Community leaders and residents are demanding the immediate withdrawal of Notice No. D1/2562/2024 issued by the Collector's office. They warned that failure to provide prompt clarification could lead to large-scale public protests. Local activist Akula Satish stated, "We expect authorities to

act fairly and transparently. Ignoring these concerns will only escalate public unrest."

A formal representation has been submitted to the Deputy MARO and RDOs, urging a just resolution of the matter. Prominent participants in the protest and petition submission included Muralikrishna, Prasad, Arun Rao, Kavita Reddy, Hanumayya, Ranganayakulu, Srinivas, Ramu, Rahul, Akhil, Ravindra, Srikant, and Rajesh.

Residents emphasized that fair implementation of laws and prior approvals should be respected to prevent unnecessary conflicts. They also appealed to authorities to engage in dialogue with the affected parties and clarify the status of the disputed lands, aiming to restore peace and trust in local governance.

The Bachupalli sealing land issue highlights the long-standing tensions between government regulations and citizen rights, and the current notices have once again brought the decades-old controversy into sharp focus.

Cleanup Drive in Quthbullapur Targets Abandoned Vehicles and Waste

Quthbullapur, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

As part of the ongoing 99-day public governance action plan, Quthbullapur authorities intensified their cleanup operations in the Gudemetla Circle-55 area on the 21st day of the initiative. The drive focused on removing abandoned vehicles and accumulated dirt from key localities, including Mahendra Nagar, Dwarkanagar, and Quthbullapur Village, with the aim of improving public spaces and road safety.

Officials conducted a thorough survey to identify old and unused vehicles that had been left on roadsides and other public areas. These vehicles were then removed systematically, while piles of sand and debris were also cleared to ensure the surroundings remained clean. Authorities noted that removing such obstructions not only enhanced traffic flow but also significantly improved the overall cleanliness and hygiene of the area.



As part of the campaign, officials engaged with residents to raise awareness about maintaining public spaces and the importance of not leaving vehicles or waste in common areas. Citizens were urged to cooperate with municipal authorities and actively participate in keeping their neighborhoods tidy.

Additionally, a meeting was held with members of local Residential Welfare Associations to encourage joint efforts for sustained cleanliness in their colonies. Collaborative measures between residents

and officials are expected to ensure that cleanliness efforts are maintained beyond the scope of the temporary drive.

The Deputy Commissioner of Gudemetla Circle, along with other senior officials, participated in the operation, overseeing the removal of vehicles and supervising sanitation teams. Authorities emphasized that community participation is key to achieving the goal of a clean and safe Quthbullapur. The initiative, part of a broader public governance and civic responsibility plan, demonstrates a concerted effort to address both traffic hazards and environmental cleanliness. Officials plan to continue similar drives in other localities over the coming days, with a focus on improving public infrastructure and promoting civic awareness among residents.

Through these actions, Quthbullapur authorities aim to foster a sense of community ownership over public spaces, ensuring that the town remains safe, orderly, and hygienic for all residents.

Five Arrested for Bolero Theft in Quthbullapur

Quthbullapur, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Police in Dundigal have arrested five suspects in connection with the theft of a Bolero vehicle, solving the case within just two days. The incident was first reported on March 23, when the victim, Mahesh, reported that his vehicle had been stolen under deceptive circumstances.

According to Dundigal CI Satish, the unidentified suspects lured the victim by claiming to be scrap metal buyers. They convinced Mahesh to accompany them to an interior location near ORR Mallampet, where they hijacked his Bolero vehicle. The suspects then fled the scene with the vehicle, leaving the victim stranded.

Taking the case seriously, the CCS Quthbullapur team and Dundigal police crime unit conducted a swift investigation over two days using technical evidence and intelligence-led tracking. Their efforts led to the arrest of five individuals identified as A1 Narasimha, A2 Karthik, A3 Vignesh, A4 Sai, and A5 Pashwan. During the operation,



the stolen Bolero and a scooter used in committing the crime were recovered. Preliminary police investigations revealed that the theft was motivated by a pending debt of approximately 2 lakh owed to A1 Narasimha by the victim Mahesh. To recover the money, Narasimha devised a plan and enlisted the assistance of Karthik, providing him with 15,000 to involve the remaining suspects in the crime. Officials stated that the arrested individuals have been sent for police re-

mand, and further investigations are ongoing to uncover additional details about the conspiracy and any other potential accomplices. The rapid resolution of the case highlights the effectiveness of coordinated efforts by local police teams in handling criminal activity in the area.

Authorities have urged residents to remain vigilant and exercise caution when dealing with unknown individuals offering services or purchases, par-

ticularly in secluded or interior locations. They also emphasized that prompt reporting of suspicious activity significantly aids in the speedy resolution of cases. The successful recovery of the Bolero and apprehension of the suspects has been welcomed by local residents, who praised the police for their quick and efficient action. Police continue to investigate to ensure all aspects of the case are thoroughly addressed and to prevent similar incidents in the future.

Congress Organizes Cool Drink Distribution Drive in Nacharam

Nacharam, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

In a bid to provide relief from rising summer temperatures, the Congress Party organized a widespread "Chalivendram" (cool drink distribution) campaign across several areas of Nacharam. The initiative was led by senior Congress leader V.S. Prakash Reddy, Vice President of the TPCC Labor Cell and President of Medchal District INTUC, with active participation from local party members.

The inaugural ceremony of the campaign saw the presence

of Uppal Constituency Congress Party In-Charge, Mandamula Parameshwar Reddy, as the chief guest, who formally launched the distribution drive. Residents and local supporters lauded Prakash Reddy for coordinating the initiative and reaching multiple neighborhoods to ensure maximum benefit.

Speaking on the occasion, Prakash Reddy emphasized that the program was designed to provide clean drinking water and buttermilk to passers-by and workers exposed to the heat. "With summer temperatures rising, many people are at risk of dehydration," he

said. "This initiative is our way of contributing to public welfare, and we encourage everyone to come forward and help those in need."

The campaign aims to reach as many residents as possible, particularly laborers, daily wage workers, and pedestrians who are most affected by the scorching heat. Volunteers have set up multiple stalls distributing chilled drinks and buttermilk, ensuring accessibility and hygiene standards.

Local Congress leaders and party workers actively participated in organizing the event, coordinating logistics, and spreading awareness about the

importance of hydration during peak summer months. The effort is also being viewed as a demonstration of the party's commitment to community service and public well-being.

Residents expressed appreciation for the initiative, noting that such programs not only provide immediate relief but also strengthen community engagement and trust in local leadership. The drive is expected to continue across Nacharam in the coming days, with similar stalls being set up in different neighborhoods to reach a wider population.

Through this summer campaign, the Congress Party rein-



forces its focus on citizen welfare, combining public service

with outreach to ensure that vulnerable sections of the com-

munity receive timely assistance.

Hyderabad Implements Traffic Curbs Ahead of Sri Ramanavami Procession

Hyderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Hyderabad city authorities have announced extensive traffic restrictions and diversions in anticipation of the Sri Ramanavami Shobha Yatra, scheduled to take place on March 27. The procession, which is expected to attract thousands of devotees, will commence at 9 a.m. and pass through major thoroughfares in the city, prompting the traffic police to issue comprehensive guidelines for commuters.

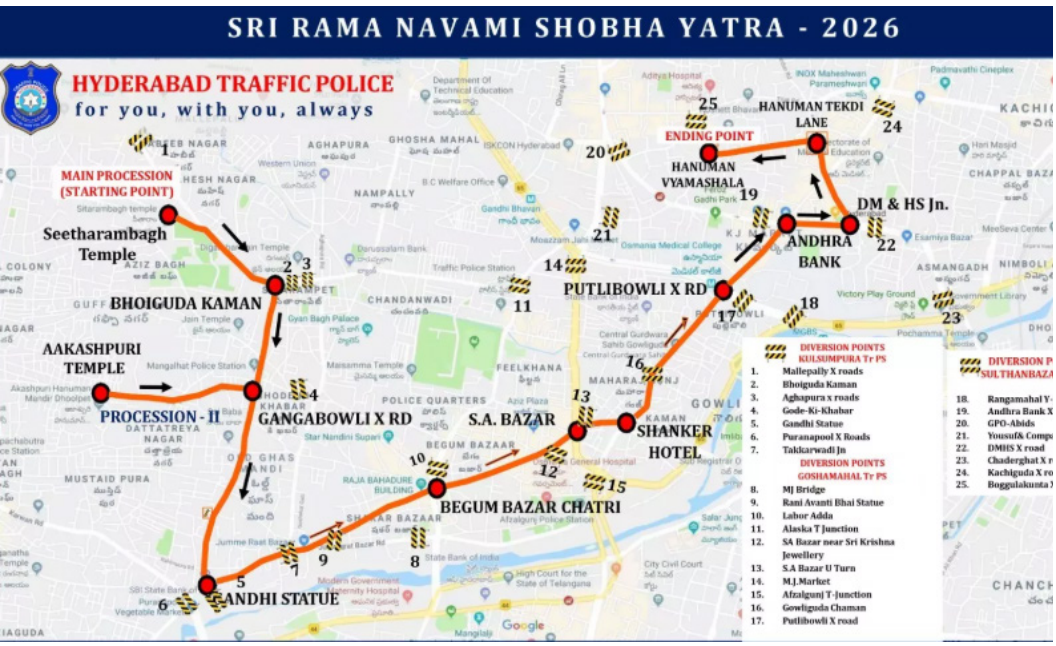
The procession will start from Seetarambagh Temple and conclude at Hanuman Vyayamshala School, covering several busy localities along the route, including Bhoiguda Kaman, Mangalhat, Jali Hanu-

man, Puranapul, Gandhi Statue, Jummerath Bazar, Begum Bazar, Gowliguda Chaman, Putlibowli, and Sultan Bazar. Authorities have stated that traffic will be diverted in phases as the procession moves, with roads reopened only after the tail end of the yatra has passed to ensure the safety of both participants and commuters. Traffic management will involve key diversion points, including Mallepally X Roads, Aghapura X Roads, Ghode-ki-Khabar, Puranapool X Roads, Takkarwadi Junction, Rani Avanti Bai Statue, Alaska T Junction, SA Bazar, MJ Market, Putlibowli X Road, Andhra Bank X Road, DMHS X Road, and Sultan Bazar X Road. Officers have also highlighted congestion-prone areas such as Begum Bazar Chatri, Afzal-

gunj T-Junction, Shivaji Bridge, Central Bus Station, Rangmahal Y Junction, Koti, GPO Abids, Chaderghat, Kachiguda X Road, and Nimbo-liadda, advising commuters to plan their travel accordingly.

The Hyderabad Traffic Police have urged residents to use alternative routes and follow instructions from officers on duty. A dedicated traffic helpline has been made available to assist citizens during the day. Authorities emphasized that the traffic restrictions are temporary and necessary to ensure a smooth and safe procession, as well as to maintain order across the city during the festivities. The Sri Ramanavami Shobha Yatra is one of the city's largest religious events, drawing devotees from across Hyderabad and nearby

regions. The procession is a celebration of Lord Rama's birth and is marked by colorful decorations, devotional songs, and cultural displays along the route. City officials have called for public cooperation, urging citizens to remain patient and vigilant, particularly in areas along the procession path. With the detailed traffic plan and deployment of personnel, authorities are confident that the event will proceed safely and that commuters can minimize inconvenience while participating in or observing the festivities. The city's proactive traffic measures reflect a commitment to balancing public celebration with commuter safety, ensuring that the Sri Ramanavami celebrations continue smoothly and harmoniously across Hyderabad.



Preparations Underway for Lord Mahavir Jayanti Celebrations in Hyderabad

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

Preparations are in full swing for the annual Lord Mahavir Jayanti celebrations, scheduled to be held on March 31 at the Nampally Exhibition Society Grounds in Hyderabad. Members of the Jain Community Sangh are organizing the event, which is expected to be grand and attended by devotees from across the city.

The celebrations will mark the birth anniversary of Lord Mahavir, who introduced the world to the principle of Ahimsa (non-violence). The event aims to highlight his teachings and inspire the community to uphold values of peace, harmony, and compassion.

The chief guest for the event, Cantonment MLA Sri Ganesh, visited the exhibition grounds on Thursday to review the preparations. He participated in the Bhoomi Pooja (ground-breaking ceremony) alongside members of the Jain Community, officially inaugurating the arrangements for the festival.

Speaking at the event, MLA



Ganesh lauded the efforts of the Jain Community in organizing the celebrations on a large scale. He highlighted the significance of Lord Mahavir's teachings and expressed appre-

ciation for the community's dedication in promoting cultural and spiritual awareness in Hyderabad. "The Jain Community's initiatives to celebrate Mahavir Jayanti in such

a grand manner are commendable. Hyderabad, known as 'Mini India,' exemplifies unity, where people from all religions and communities live together in harmony," he said.

The MLA also assured the community that he would take their request to the government to declare Mahavir Jayanti as an official public holiday. He emphasized that the Congress government remains committed to supporting the Jain community in all possible ways and will extend cooperation for the successful organization of the festival.

Members of the Jain Community Sangh actively participated in the Bhoomi Pooja and preparations, ensuring that the event would be organized with precision and devotion. The festival will include religious rituals, cultural programs, and community gatherings aimed at spreading the message of peace and non-violence. With meticulous planning already underway, the organizers are confident that the Mahavir Jayanti celebrations will be conducted smoothly and attract a large number of devotees. The event is expected to strengthen communal harmony and provide an opportunity for citizens to engage with the teachings of Lord Mahavir, celebrating his enduring legacy in Hyderabad.

Grand Sri Seeta Ramula Kalyanam to be Celebrated in Mallampet

Quthbullapur, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Devotees in Mallampet village, Quthbullapur, are gearing up for a grand celebration of Sri Seeta Ramula Kalyanam, with the community atmosphere already filled with devotion and festivity. The event, organized by the Veeranjaneeya Swami Seva, has created a spiritual environment in the village, with special programs dedicated to Lord Anjaneya being conducted in the Hanuman Fields for the benefit of local devotees.

The highlight of the celebrations will be the Kalyana Mahotsavam of Sri Seeta Ramula, scheduled to take place tomorrow. The festivities will begin with a ceremonial procession, carrying the idols of Seeta Ramula from Hanuman Fields to the Hanuman Temple, where the wedding rituals and cultural programs will be conducted. Villagers have been requested to participate in the sacred event from 7 a.m. onwards, ensuring that the celebration is marked by active involvement from the community.

Organizers, including local BJP leaders, have extended a special appeal to residents to attend in large numbers. Invitations have been sent to former sarpanches, vice-sarpanches, ex-councillors, former ward members, and village elders, urging participation beyond



political affiliations. The message emphasizes unity, encouraging all brothers, sisters, and community members to take part in making the event a grand success.

The celebration is expected to draw not only Mallampet residents but also devotees from surrounding areas, making it a major religious and social gathering in Quthbullapur. Preparations for the event include traditional rituals, decorations, and arrangements for seating and food for attendees.

The organizers aim to foster a sense of community bonding while honoring religious traditions. Devotees and organizers alike hope that the event will be carried out smoothly, providing spiritual fulfillment to participants and reinforcing cultural values in the village.

Safety, crowd management, and hygiene measures have also been arranged, ensuring that the event is not only spiritually enriching but also safe and well-organized for everyone attending.

Warangal Congress Leaders Intensify Lobbying for Posts

Warangal, March 26 | TPN Bureau

Internal competition within the Congress party in Telangana has intensified in the Warangal region, with several leaders stepping up efforts to secure key nominated and organisational posts. The growing lobbying reflects rising political ambitions and increasing pressure on the party leadership to accommodate both senior and emerging leaders.

According to party sources, leaders from the erstwhile Warangal district have been actively reaching out to the state leadership and the party high command, seeking positions in various boards, corporations, and party committees. The demand for these posts has increased in recent weeks, with many aspirants highlighting their loyalty and contributions to the party's success in recent elections.

The development comes at a time when several important posts remain vacant, leading to heightened expectations



among party workers. Aspirants are reportedly engaging in intense lobbying in Hyderabad and New Delhi, hoping to secure favorable consideration when appointments are finalized.

Senior leaders, former legislators, and second-level leaders are all competing for these positions, creating a highly competitive environment within the party. Many believe that adequate representation for

Warangal is essential, given the region's political significance and its role in strengthening the party in Telangana.

At the same time, internal differences and factional dynamics are becoming visible,

with different groups supporting different candidates for the same posts. Political observers warn that if not handled carefully, such competition could lead to dissatisfaction among party cadres. Party insiders say the leadership is carefully evaluating the claims of various aspirants, taking into account factors such as seniority, social representation, and past political performance. The high command is expected to strike a balance to ensure fair representation across different sections of the party. The delay in announcing appointments has further fueled speculation and intensified lobbying. Many leaders have expressed hope that decisions will be made soon and have stressed the importance of transparency in the selection process.

As the Congress government continues in Telangana, the allocation of posts is likely to play a key role in maintaining unity within the party and strengthening its organisational structure at the grassroots level.

Man Held in Hyderabad for Using Expired Products in Ice Cream

Hyderabad, March 26 | TPN Bureau

In a shocking case of food adulteration, Hyderabad police have arrested a man for allegedly manufacturing and selling ice cream using expired ingredients. The incident has raised serious concerns over food safety and public health in the city.

According to officials, the accused was running an illegal ice cream manufacturing unit without proper licenses or regulatory approvals. Acting on specific information, police along with food safety authorities conducted a raid at the premises and uncovered the use of expired raw materials in the production

process.

Authorities revealed that the unit was operating in highly unhygienic conditions, posing a significant risk to consumers. Large quantities of expired ingredients, along with prepared ice cream products, were seized during the operation. Officials noted that the products were being supplied to local markets, potentially endangering the health of unsuspecting customers, including children.

A case has been registered against the accused under relevant laws related to food safety violations and public health. Police officials stated that strict action will be taken against those involved in such illegal activities.



Preliminary investigation suggests that the accused had been running the unit for some time, distributing the products in nearby areas without proper quality checks

or compliance with safety standards. Authorities are now working to trace the supply chain and identify any other individuals connected to the operation.

Food safety officials have stressed the importance of regular inspections and strict enforcement to prevent such incidents. They have also urged the public to remain cautious while purchasing food products and to report any suspicious or substandard items to the authorities.

The incident highlights the ongoing challenges faced by enforcement agencies in curbing illegal food businesses. It also underscores the need for greater awareness among consumers about food safety and hygiene.

Further investigation is underway to determine the full extent of the operation and ensure that all those responsible are brought to justice.

Successful Kidney Transplant Gives New Life to Young Man at Gandhi Hospital

Secunderabad, March 26, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Gandhi Hospital in Hyderabad has once again demonstrated its medical expertise by successfully performing a kidney transplant for a young man, giving him a new lease of life. P. Sai Mohan, a 22-year-old from Addagutta, had been suffering from kidney-related health issues for the past eight months. Despite seeking treatment at multiple private hospitals, he was unable to achieve complete relief. As his condition worsened, he required regular dialysis.

During this critical period, Sai Mohan's family approached the Nephrology Department at Gandhi Hospital. After conducting thorough medical examinations, doctors concluded that a kidney transplant was essential for his survival. In a remarkable act of familial support, Sai Mohan's father, P. Narasimha Rao, volunteered to donate his kidney to his son. All necessary tests were completed under the Arogyasri scheme, and the transplant surgery was successfully conducted on March 17, 2026.

Post-surgery, Sai Mohan is reported to be in good health, with his kidney functioning normally. He no longer requires dialysis and is able to resume a normal, healthy life. Donor Narasimha Rao is also doing well and has recovered successfully from the procedure.

The complex surgery was carried out by a team of dedicated professionals. From the Nephrology Department, Dr.



Manjusha Yadla, Dr. Srikant, and Dr. Srinivas, along with postgraduate doctors, played a vital role. The Urology Department team, led by Dr. Ravichandra and Dr. Vinay, provided crucial support, while the Anesthesia team, including Dr. Muralidhar and Dr. Chandravati, ensured a safe procedure. Gandhi Hospital's Superintendent Dr. Shobha, Deputy Superintendent and Arogyasri Coordinator Dr. K. Sunil Kumar, and Civil Surgeon RMO Dr. Seshadri, along with their teams, meticulously oversaw the surgery and post-operative care to guarantee a successful outcome. This successful transplant underscores the capability and reliability of government hospitals in India, proving that high-quality medical treatment is accessible and available to the public.

The procedure not only restored the health of a young patient but also reinforced public confidence in government healthcare services. Gandhi Hospital continues to be a leading institution in providing critical, life-saving treatments, demonstrating that expert medical care is within reach for patients from all backgrounds.

Kerala Elections 2026: Minority-Dominated Seats Could Hold the Key to Power

Kerala is once again heading toward a high-stakes assembly election, where the contest between the ruling Left Democratic Front (LDF) and the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF) is expected to be intense and closely fought. While leadership, governance, and campaign strategies will play important roles, the final outcome may depend largely on a specific group of constituencies — those dominated by minority communities. These seats, spread across different regions of the state, have historically played a decisive role in determining who forms the government.

A State Known for Alternating Governments

Kerala's political history is marked by a distinctive pattern. For decades, voters in the state alternated between the LDF and the UDF every five years. This tradition created a strong anti-incumbency culture, making it difficult for any government to retain power. However, this pattern was broken in 2021 when the LDF secured a second consecutive term under Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan. The victory marked a significant shift in Kerala's political landscape and suggested that governance and welfare policies could sometimes outweigh anti-incumbency sentiment.

As Kerala approaches another election, the question remains whether voters will return to the traditional cycle or continue with the ruling coalition. The UDF is hopeful of regaining power after spending nearly a decade in opposition, while the LDF is confident that its governance record and welfare initiatives will help it retain public support.



The Importance of Minority Votes

Kerala's social composition makes minority communities an influential electoral force. Muslims and Christians together account for a substantial portion of the state's population. Their voting patterns often determine outcomes in tightly contested constituencies.

Traditionally, the UDF has enjoyed stronger support among minority voters. The alliance includes parties and regional groups that have deep roots in Muslim and Christian communities. On the other hand, the LDF has historically relied more on support from Hindu voters, along with sections of minorities attracted by its welfare policies and governance approach.

There are dozens of constituencies across Kerala where minorities form a significant

or majority portion of the electorate. In many of these seats, even a small shift in voting patterns can dramatically change the election outcome. Because the overall margin between the two major alliances is often narrow, performance in these constituencies becomes critical.

Regional Dynamics Shape the Contest

Kerala's political map can broadly be divided into three regions — North, Central, and South — each with distinct demographic characteristics and political trends.

North Kerala has a significant Muslim population, particularly in districts such as Malappuram, Kozhikode, and Kasaragod. These areas have traditionally leaned toward the UDF, although the LDF has made gains in recent years.

Central Kerala has a notable Christian presence, especially

in districts like Kottayam, Idukki, and parts of Ernakulam. These constituencies often become battlegrounds where both alliances compete intensely.

South Kerala, including districts such as Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam, has a more diverse demographic mix with a relatively higher proportion of Hindu voters. This region also offers opportunities for the BJP, which has been trying to expand its base in the state.

These regional variations create multiple battlegrounds, but minority-dominated seats in North and Central Kerala often become the deciding factor in close elections.

Lessons from Previous Elections

Past election results highlight the importance of minority-dominated constituencies. In several elections, the

alliance that performed better in these seats went on to form the government. Even a small swing in minority votes has historically translated into significant gains in terms of seats. In earlier elections, the UDF benefited from strong minority support and secured a narrow victory. However, in 2021, the LDF managed to make inroads into these constituencies, improving its performance and breaking the long-standing tradition of alternating governments. This shift demonstrated that minority voters in Kerala are not permanently aligned with any single alliance. Instead, they respond to governance, local issues, and candidate selection. As a result, both alliances are focusing heavily on these constituencies in the upcoming election.

BJP's Growing Influence

Although Kerala remains

largely a two-front contest between the LDF and UDF, the BJP's presence is gradually increasing. While the party has struggled to win many seats, it has steadily improved its vote share and expanded its organizational strength.

The BJP's rise adds complexity to the electoral equation. Even if the party does not win a large number of seats, it can influence outcomes by splitting votes in closely contested constituencies. This factor is particularly important in minority-dominated seats, where margins are often narrow.

The BJP has also been attempting to reach out to Christian voters, especially in Central Kerala. Its efforts to build support among different communities could reshape traditional voting patterns and affect the final outcome.

Anti-Incumbency Versus Governance

Another key factor shaping the election is the balance between anti-incumbency sentiment and satisfaction with governance. The UDF hopes to capitalize on fatigue after two terms of LDF rule, highlighting issues such as unemployment, economic challenges, and governance concerns.

The LDF, meanwhile, is emphasizing its welfare programs, infrastructure development, and crisis management efforts. The ruling alliance argues that its policies have benefited large sections of the population and deserve continued support.

Kerala voters are known for evaluating performance carefully rather than voting solely along traditional lines. This makes the contest more unpredictable, especially in

constituencies where minority voters play a decisive role.

The Final Battleground

As the election approaches, attention is increasingly focused on minority-dominated constituencies. These seats are spread across multiple districts and often become the tipping point in close contests. If the UDF regains its traditional advantage among minority voters, it could return to power. However, if the LDF retains its gains from the previous election, it may once again secure a consecutive term. The BJP's performance, even if limited in terms of seats, could influence the outcome by affecting vote margins in key constituencies. In a tightly contested election, even minor shifts in voter preferences can produce major political consequences.

Conclusion

Kerala's upcoming assembly election is shaping up to be a closely fought battle between two major alliances, with the BJP acting as a potential disruptor. While leadership and governance will influence voter decisions, the real contest may ultimately be decided in minority-dominated constituencies.

These seats have historically played a decisive role in determining who forms the government, and this election is unlikely to be different. As campaigning intensifies, both the LDF and UDF are expected to focus heavily on these crucial battlegrounds.

In the end, the choices made by minority voters across these constituencies could determine Kerala's political future. With margins expected to be narrow, these seats may once again hold the key to power in one of India's most politically dynamic states.

Tamil Nadu 2026: Nainar vs Annamalai – BJP's Strategy at a Crossroads

As Tamil Nadu heads toward the 2026 Assembly elections, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) faces a crucial strategic question: should it pursue aggressive expansion under charismatic leadership, or adopt a pragmatic alliance-driven approach? The answer to this question appears to revolve around two leaders — Nainar Nagendran and K. Annamalai. The direction chosen by the BJP could determine not only its performance in 2026 but also its long-term future in Tamil Nadu.

From Annamalai's Aggression to Nainar's Pragmatism

During the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, K. Annamalai was the most visible face of the BJP in Tamil Nadu. A former IPS officer, he cultivated the image of an energetic and confrontational leader determined to challenge the Dravidian political establishment. His aggressive speeches, sharp criticism of the ruling DMK, and frequent media presence gave the BJP unprecedented visibility in a state where the party has historically struggled.

However, by 2026, the political landscape has changed significantly. Annamalai is no longer at the forefront of state politics after being replaced by Nainar Nagendran as the Tamil Nadu BJP president. The transition reflects not just a leadership change but a shift in strategy. Unlike Annamalai's aggressive style, Nagendran represents a more moderate and pragmatic approach focused on alliances and gradual growth.

This change highlights a deeper debate within the BJP: whether to build an independent political base or rely on alliances with regional players to gain power.



The Annamalai Experiment

Annamalai's tenure marked a bold attempt to transform the BJP into a major force in Tamil Nadu. He sought to challenge the dominance of the Dravidian parties by directly attacking their leadership and policies. His campaign strategy focused on corruption allegations, governance issues, and cultural identity politics.

While this approach brought attention and energised party workers, it also created friction with potential allies, particularly the AIADMK. The relationship between the BJP and AIADMK became strained during this period, complicating alliance prospects — an essential factor in Tamil Nadu politics, where coalitions often de-

termine outcomes.

Despite the increased visibility, electoral success remained limited. The BJP struggled to convert popularity into seats, highlighting the difficulty of breaking into Tamil Nadu's entrenched political structure.

Nevertheless, Annamalai succeeded in one key area: he built a narrative of the BJP as a rising alternative. His leadership energised younger voters and expanded the party's grassroots presence.

The Nainar Nagendran Strategy

With Nainar Nagendran's appointment as state president, the BJP appears to have shifted toward a more cautious and alliance-driven strategy. Nagendran is seen as a seasoned



politician with experience in regional politics and a more conciliatory approach toward allies.

His leadership style contrasts sharply with Annamalai's. Rather than confrontation, Nagendran emphasises coalition-building and coordination with partners like the AIADMK. This approach reflects the BJP's recognition that alliances are crucial in Tamil Nadu, where regional parties dominate electoral politics.

The leadership change also signaled an attempt to rebuild relations with potential allies. A more cooperative tone could improve the BJP's chances of being part of a broader coalition capable of challenging the

ruling DMK.

However, this shift also carries risks. A softer approach may reduce the party's independent identity and limit its long-term growth. The BJP must balance immediate electoral gains with its ambition to become a major player in the state.

The Tamil Nadu Challenge

Tamil Nadu remains one of the most difficult states for the BJP. The political space has long been dominated by the DMK and AIADMK, both rooted in Dravidian ideology. National parties have historically struggled to gain traction.

The BJP's vote share has grown gradually in recent years, but it still faces struc-

Two Competing Models
The contrast between Annamalai and Nagendran represents two different political models:
Annamalai Model
• Aggressive campaigning
• Independent party growth
• Strong ideological positioning
• High media visibility
• Limited alliance flexibility
Nagendran Model
• Alliance-driven politics
• Gradual expansion
• Pragmatic decision-making
• Lower confrontation
• Focus on coalition success

The BJP's decision between these models will shape its electoral strategy for 2026 and beyond.

tural challenges. Language politics, regional identity, and entrenched party networks create barriers for national parties.

To overcome these challenges, the BJP must decide whether to prioritise rapid expansion or long-term coalition-building.

The Role of Alliances

Alliances will likely play a crucial role in the 2026 election. A strong coalition could improve the BJP's chances of winning seats, even if it cannot form the government independently.

Under Nagendran's leadership, the BJP appears more open to alliance negotiations. This approach could strength-

en its position in a coalition and help it secure a foothold in the state assembly.

However, reliance on alliances may also limit the party's independence and long-term ambitions. The BJP must carefully balance cooperation with self-growth.

2026: A Defining Moment

The 2026 Tamil Nadu Assembly election could become a turning point for the BJP. The party's performance will reveal whether the shift from Annamalai to Nagendran was the right move.

If the BJP gains seats through alliances, Nagendran's pragmatic approach may be validated. However, if the party fails to make significant gains, questions may arise about abandoning the aggressive expansion strategy.

The election will also determine whether the BJP can emerge as a credible third force in Tamil Nadu politics.

Conclusion

The leadership contrast between Nainar Nagendran and K. Annamalai reflects a broader strategic dilemma within the BJP. Should the party build an independent base through aggressive politics, or pursue alliances for immediate electoral gains?

The 2026 Tamil Nadu Assembly elections will likely answer this question. Whether the BJP chooses confrontation or cooperation, the outcome will shape its future in one of India's most politically complex states.

Ultimately, the contest between two leadership styles — Annamalai's bold expansion and Nagendran's pragmatic coalition-building — may define not just the BJP's strategy, but also its political destiny in Tamil Nadu.

PM Modi to Meet Chief Ministers on West Asia Crisis, Fuel Supply Preparedness in Focus

Narendra Modi is set to hold a crucial meeting with chief ministers to review preparedness across states amid the ongoing tensions in West Asia. The meeting will focus primarily on fuel supply, logistics, and coordination between the Centre and states in case the conflict disrupts global energy flows.

The interaction, expected to be conducted via video conferencing, comes as the situation in West Asia continues to create uncertainty in global oil markets. With India heavily dependent on imported crude oil, the government is taking proactive steps to ensure that domestic fuel supply remains stable and uninterrupted.

Officials indicated that the meeting will adopt a “Team India” approach, stressing collaboration between the Centre and states to manage any potential fallout. The Prime Minister is expected to discuss contingency planning, including maintaining adequate fuel reserves, ensuring transportation readiness, and monitoring supply chains.

The Centre is also likely to ask states to review their emergency response mechanisms. This may include assessing stock levels of fuel and essential commodities, preparing alternate supply routes, and ensuring seamless coordination among departments such as transport, power, and food distribution.

Some states heading into elections may not participate in the meeting due to the Model Code of Conduct. However, the Centre is expected to hold separate consultations with senior officials from those states to ensure that preparedness measures remain uniform across the country.

The ongoing geopolitical tensions have already caused volatility in global energy prices and shipping routes. Any prolonged disruption could impact fuel availability, transportation costs, and inflation. As a result, the government is working to minimize potential risks and maintain stability in domestic markets. The Centre has already conducted several high-level reviews in recent days, examining petroleum supply, power availability, fertiliser stocks, and overall economic implications. The upcoming meeting with chief ministers is expected to further strengthen coordination and preparedness. With uncertainty continuing in West Asia, the government's proactive outreach to states highlights the importance of coordinated planning. The meeting aims to ensure that India remains prepared for any disruption while safeguarding fuel supplies and essential services across the country.



“Snake Threat”, Mercedes And Crores: Fresh Charges Against Nashik ‘Godman’ Ashok Kharat

Fresh allegations have surfaced against self-styled godman Ashok Kharat, with a Pune-based builder accusing him of extorting nearly 5 crore using fear tactics, including threats involving a snake and supernatural consequences.

According to the complaint, Kharat allegedly convinced the businessman that he was under a serious spiritual threat and claimed that only expensive rituals could save him. The builder alleged that the astrologer created fear by invoking the “wrath of a snake” and warning of severe consequences if he did not comply with instructions.

The complainant further claimed that Kharat forced him to spend large sums on rituals and spiritual remedies. As part of the alleged extortion, the builder said he was made to buy a luxury Mercedes-Benz car for the astrologer. The total amount allegedly extracted from him is close to 5 crore, according to the complaint.

The new allegations come as the 67-year-old astrologer is already under arrest in connection with multiple serious charges. These include allegations of rape, extortion, human sacrifice, and violations of anti-superstition laws. Investigators say the case has widened as more complaints continue to emerge.

Police have also been examining claims that Kharat targeted wealthy clients, including businesspersons and influential individuals. He allegedly used elaborate rituals,



fear tactics, and claims of supernatural powers to manipulate victims into paying large amounts of money.

Earlier investigations revealed that Kharat, a retired Merchant Navy officer who referred to himself as “Captain,” had built a network of followers and high-profile clients. Authorities are now probing his finances, properties, and possible accomplices as part of the expanding investigation.

The latest complaint has added to the growing list of allegations against the Nashik-based astrologer. Police are continuing to question witnesses and review evidence as they investigate the full scale of the alleged fraud and exploitation.

With multiple accusations emerging, authorities say further charges could be filed as the investigation progresses.

Devendra Fadnavis Shayari, Uddhav Thackeray Reply Spark Buzz Over Changing Political Equations

A poetic exchange between Devendra Fadnavis and Uddhav Thackeray during a farewell event has triggered fresh speculation about shifting political equations in Maharashtra.

The exchange took place in the Legislative Council as Uddhav Thackeray's tenure as a member neared its end. During his speech, Fadnavis praised Thackeray's leadership, administrative experience, and calm approach to politics. He recalled Thackeray's role during the COVID-19 pandemic and said he was not a typical politician, adding that once Thackeray makes a decision, he sticks to it.

Fadnavis also referred to their past political partnership and recited a shayari that many interpreted as a reference to the 2019 split between the Bharatiya Janata Party and the Shiv Sena.

“Jinkomerahaathpakadkar chalnatha, hairathai wo baat pakadkar baith gaye,” he said, suggesting that those who were expected to walk together chose to part ways over differences.

Responding to the remarks, Thackeray acknowledged the praise but also posed a pointed question, asking what circumstances led to holding someone else's hand instead. His response was widely seen as a subtle reference to political realignments and past alliances in the state.

The exchange has gained significance amid recent political developments in Maharashtra. Though leaders described the interaction as courteous, the public tone and timing have fuelled speculation about possible political shifts. Observers noted that such exchanges between leaders from rival camps are rare, making the interaction noteworthy.

Eknath Shinde, who was also present during the session, has previously been at the centre of the political split that led to the fall of Thackeray's government. The political backdrop has added further interest to the exchange between Fadnavis and Thackeray. While it remains unclear whether the remarks signal any change in alliances, the poetic interaction has sparked discussions in political circles. For now, leaders have maintained that the exchange was part of a farewell event, but the timing and tone have kept speculation alive about evolving political dynamics in Maharashtra.



Puri Jagannath Temple Opens Treasure Trove After 48 Years With 3D Mapping and Secrecy Oath

The centuries-old treasure trove of the Jagannath Temple was opened for inventory after nearly 48 years, marking a historic moment that combined modern technology with traditional practices. Officials began documenting valuables stored in the temple's Ratna Bhandar, or treasury, using advanced digital tools while maintaining strict secrecy.

A 15-member team carried out the first phase of the inventory, which lasted around six hours. The process began at an auspicious time and included temple officials, servitors, bank representatives, gemmologists, and members of a high-level committee. The exercise focused on documenting valuables used for daily rituals at the 12th-century shrine.

Authorities used 3D mapping and computerised records to digitally document the jewellery and precious items. The digital mapping will create detailed references of each object, helping ensure transparency and better preservation of the temple's heritage. Officials said the valuables were also matched with records from 1978, when the last inventory was conducted.

Participants in the process took an oath not to disclose details of the valuables, maintaining the temple's long-standing tradition of secrecy. Officials said the exercise was conducted in a transparent yet confidential manner to protect the religious significance of the items.

The Ratna Bhandar is believed to contain gold ornaments, diamonds, pearls, gemstones, and other precious items donated by devotees and royal families over centuries. Historical records suggest that large quantities of gold and ornaments were donated to the temple in the 15th century, many of which are still preserved.

Officials said the inventory will be carried out in phases. After the first stage, authorities will document valuables stored in the outer chamber, followed by the inner chamber, which is believed to hold the most precious items.

The reopening of the Ratna Bhandar has drawn attention from devotees, historians, and researchers. Experts say the use of modern technology will help dispel myths surrounding the temple's treasure and ensure proper documentation for future generations.

The inventory marks a major step in preserving the cultural and religious heritage of one of India's most revered temples, blending centuries-old traditions with modern technological safeguards.



Sonia Gandhi Responding Well To Treatment, Under Observation At Delhi Hospital

Senior Congress leader Sonia Gandhi is responding well to treatment and remains under observation at a hospital in New Delhi, doctors said. She was admitted after being diagnosed with a systemic infection and is currently receiving antibiotics and supportive care.

According to hospital officials, Gandhi was admitted late on March 24 and has since been monitored closely by a team of senior doctors. Dr. Ajay Swaroop said her condition is stable and she is showing a positive response to treatment. Medical teams are continuing to observe her recovery as a precautionary measure.

Gandhi is undergoing treatment at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, where doctors are carefully tracking her progress. Hospital authorities stated that while her condition is stable, she will remain under observation until doctors are satisfied with her recovery.

Sources indicated that the veteran leader had been feeling unwell before being admitted.

Following her arrival at the hospital, doctors conducted a series of medical tests and initiated treatment immediately. Officials have not reported any major complications, and her health is said to be improving steadily. The development prompted wishes for her speedy recovery from political leaders across the country. Congress leaders have also been closely monitoring updates about her health. Family members, including Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, are understood to be in touch with doctors and hospital authorities regarding her condition. Sonia Gandhi, one of India's most prominent political figures, has faced occasional health concerns in recent years and has undergone periodic medical check-ups. Doctors said her discharge will depend on how quickly she continues to respond to treatment. For now, hospital officials have assured that she is improving and remains under close supervision. Further updates are expected after doctors complete additional assessments over the next few days.



Pinarayi Vijayan Hits Back at Rahul Gandhi Over ‘Secret Deal’ Charge

Pinarayi Vijayan on Thursday strongly criticised Rahul Gandhi after the Congress leader alleged a secret understanding between the Communist Party of India (Marxist) and the Bharatiya Janata Party ahead of the Kerala Assembly Elections.

Responding to the allegations, Vijayan said Rahul Gandhi lacked “even the basic understanding of an ordinary worker” and accused him of making baseless claims. He added that such remarks were unexpected from a national-level leader and suggested that Gandhi was ignoring Kerala's political realities.

The political exchange began after Rahul Gandhi, addressing a rally in Kozhikode, claimed that there were only two forces in Kerala — the United Democratic Front and what he described as a partnership between the Left Democratic Front and the BJP. He also alleged that the policies of the Left and BJP appeared similar and claimed the two parties were indirectly helping each other in several constituencies.

Congress leaders further argued that certain electoral developments suggested a tacit understanding between the Left and BJP. They pointed to candidate selections and electoral contests, claiming these decisions benefited the ruling alliance.

Rejecting the allegations, Vijayan hit back by accusing the Congress of acting as a “B-team” of the BJP in various parts of the country. He cited past political developments and argued that decisions taken by the Congress in several elections had indirectly helped the BJP. Vijayan also criticised Rahul Gandhi's remarks on multiple political issues, saying they reflected poor understanding and inconsistent positions.

The war of words comes as campaigning intensifies ahead of the Kerala Assembly elections. The ruling Left Democratic Front is seeking another term, while the Congress-led United Democratic Front is aiming to return to power.

With elections approaching, political rhetoric between the two sides has sharpened, and accusations of covert alliances are expected to remain a key theme in the campaign. The developments highlight the increasingly fierce contest between the Left and Congress in Kerala.



Iran Says Strait of Hormuz Open for ‘Friendly’ Nations Including India Amid Oil Crisis

Iran has announced that the strategically important Strait of Hormuz will remain open for “friendly” countries, including India, despite escalating tensions in the Middle East and concerns over global oil supply disruptions.

Iran’s Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi stated that vessels from friendly nations such as China, Russia, Pakistan, Iraq, and Bangladesh would continue to receive safe passage through the crucial waterway. He added that some ships from these countries have already crossed the strait after coordination with Iranian authorities.

However, Iran indicated that vessels linked to countries it considers adversaries, including the United States and Israel, may face restrictions. Iranian authorities described the region as a conflict zone and suggested that passage would depend on geopolitical alignments during the ongoing tensions.

The Strait of Hormuz remains one of the world’s most critical oil transit routes, handling a significant portion of

global crude oil and liquefied natural gas shipments. Any disruption in this narrow waterway can quickly impact global energy markets, pushing oil prices higher and increasing inflation concerns worldwide.

Shipping activity in the region has already declined sharply due to the conflict, raising fears of supply shortages and higher fuel costs. Countries that rely heavily on imported oil, including India, are closely monitoring the situation, as disruptions could affect domestic fuel prices and economic stability.

Iran’s decision to allow passage for friendly nations may help ease some supply concerns, particularly for major energy-importing countries. However, analysts believe the geopolitical situation remains fluid, and further escalation could still affect shipping routes and oil availability.

With global energy markets already under pressure, developments around the Strait of Hormuz are expected to remain a key factor influencing oil prices and investor sentiment in the coming weeks.



Iran Prepares for Island Warfare Amid Reports of Possible US Ground Offensive on Kharg

Iran is strengthening its military presence on Kharg Island amid growing speculation that the United States may consider a ground offensive to seize the strategically important island. The development comes as tensions continue to escalate in the ongoing Middle East conflict.

Kharg Island is considered Iran’s economic lifeline, handling nearly 90 percent of the country’s oil exports. The island houses critical oil storage facilities and military infrastructure, making it a key strategic target in any potential military confrontation. Reports indicate that Iran has begun reinforcing the island by moving additional troops, deploying weapons, and setting up defensive traps to counter a possible invasion.

The increased defensive preparations follow recent US

airstrikes on military installations on the island. The strikes reportedly targeted military assets while avoiding oil infrastructure, a move seen as an attempt to limit economic damage while maintaining pressure on Tehran.

Iranian officials have warned that any attempt to capture Kharg Island would trigger a strong response. Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf said that Iran’s adversaries were preparing to occupy one of its islands and warned that Iranian forces were closely monitoring developments. He also cautioned that Iran would retaliate against any country assisting such an operation.

Meanwhile, reports suggest the US has increased troop deployments in the Middle East and is maintaining surveillance over Kharg Island. Military planners are reportedly

evaluating the risks of a ground offensive, which experts warn could lead to heavy casualties due to Iran’s layered defensive systems and difficult terrain.

Analysts also warn that any attack on Kharg Island could significantly escalate the conflict. Such a move may prompt Iran to intensify attacks on regional targets and disrupt global oil supplies further. Several Gulf countries are reportedly urging Washington to avoid launching a ground operation, fearing wider regional instability.

With Kharg Island playing a crucial role in global oil markets, developments around the island are being closely watched. Any escalation could have far-reaching consequences for energy prices, regional stability, and global financial markets.

Pakistan’s Khawaja Asif Mocks US Over Strait of Hormuz “War Goal”

Khawaja Asif criticised the United States, saying the objective of reopening the Strait of Hormuz was unnecessary because the waterway was “already open” before tensions escalated.

In a social media post, Asif questioned what he described as shifting war goals, suggesting that the focus of the US-led campaign appeared to have moved toward reopening the Strait of Hormuz. He mocked the idea, stating that the route had not been formally closed prior to the conflict.

The Strait of Hormuz is one of the world’s most critical energy routes, with a significant portion of global crude oil and liquefied natural gas shipments passing through the narrow waterway. Any disruption to traffic in the region can have immediate consequences for global oil prices and energy supply.

Shipping activity in the area has declined sharply since the conflict began, reflecting heightened risks and uncertainty. Reduced vessel movement has raised concerns about supply disruptions and increased shipping costs, contributing to volatility in global energy markets.

The tensions escalated following military exchanges involving Iran, the United States, and Israel. The conflict has intensified concerns over regional stability and global trade routes.

Diplomatic efforts to de-escalate the situation remain uncertain, with competing proposals reportedly being discussed. Meanwhile, the Strait of Hormuz continues to remain central to the conflict, as developments in the region are closely watched by global markets and policymakers.

With geopolitical tensions still elevated, any further disruption in the Strait of Hormuz could significantly impact global energy markets, inflation trends, and economic stability worldwide.



US Troops Move to Hotels After Bases Attacked in Middle East: Report

United States troops in the Middle East have reportedly relocated to hotels and office spaces after multiple military bases were targeted in attacks linked to the ongoing conflict with Iran.

According to reports citing US officials and military personnel, Iranian strikes on American bases forced troops to disperse to alternative locations across the region. Many land-based personnel are now operating remotely from temporary sites, while fighter pilots and aviation crews remain at operational airbases to continue military missions.

The attacks were part of Iran’s retaliation following joint US-Israel strikes earlier in the conflict. Several US military installations across the region reportedly sustained significant damage, making them difficult to operate from. Some bases, particularly in nearby countries, were described as nearly uninhabitable after the strikes.

The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps has reportedly urged local residents to identify and report locations where American troops are staying. Iranian officials also accused the US of placing soldiers in civilian areas, warning that such locations could become targets.

Despite the relocation, US military officials indicated that operations against Iran are continuing. Pentagon officials acknowledged that Iran still retains military capabilities despite ongoing airstrikes and pressure from US forces.

Iranian military spokesperson Ebrahim Zolfaghari claimed that American bases in the region had been neutralised and alleged that US troops had moved to hidden locations. He also urged people in the region to report troop movements and called for the removal of American forces.

Meanwhile, tensions remain high as both sides continue military operations. Iran has launched drones and missiles targeting US bases, diplomatic facilities, and energy infrastructure across the region, escalating the conflict further.

The situation has raised concerns about a broader regional escalation, as the United States continues to deploy additional forces. Reports indicate that elements of the 82nd Airborne Division may also be sent to the region, potentially expanding ground operations.

As the conflict intensifies, the relocation of US troops highlights growing security risks across the Middle East, with military installations increasingly becoming targets amid escalating hostilities.

Iran Claims It Shot Down US F-18 Jet, America Rejects Assertion

Iran claimed it had shot down a Boeing F/A-18 Super Hornet belonging to the United States amid the ongoing Middle East conflict, releasing a video that allegedly showed the aircraft being struck mid-air.

According to Iranian authorities, the aircraft was targeted by air defence systems during military operations. The video circulated by Iranian media appeared to show a jet losing altitude after a flash in the sky. However, officials did not provide details about the location of the incident, the pilot’s condition, or additional evidence supporting the claim. Independent verification of the footage has also not been possible.

The claim was reportedly made by Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, which said the strike demonstrated the effectiveness of its defence



systems. The announcement came as tensions continue to escalate across the region, with ongoing military exchanges and heightened geopolitical uncertainty.

However, the United States Central Command rejected the

claim, stating that no American fighter jet had been shot down. US officials described the report as misinformation and said all aircraft involved in operations remained accounted for.

American authorities also

noted that similar claims have surfaced earlier during the conflict. Previous reports from Iranian media had suggested that US fighter jets were shot down, but those assertions were also denied by US officials.

“I Said No Thanks”: Trump Claims Iran Wanted Him as Supreme Leader

Donald Trump claimed that Iran had informally suggested making him the country’s Supreme Leader, but he said he rejected the idea, stating he had no interest in taking on such a role.

Speaking at a Republican fundraising event, Trump said he was told that Iranian leaders were considering him for the position following reports surrounding the death of Ali Khamenei amid the ongoing conflict. Trump said he declined the suggestion, adding that he preferred to focus on his own political priorities.

Trump also claimed that Iranian officials were interested in negotiating with the United States to end the conflict but were hesitant to publicly acknowledge their willingness for talks. According to him, Iran’s leadership was concerned about potential domestic backlash if negotiations became public. He further suggested that recent developments and instability within



Iran had created pressure on the country’s leadership. Trump indicated that this situation may have prompted Iranian officials to seek alternative leadership arrangements and explore diplomatic options. Following the reported developments, leadership changes in Iran have

drawn global attention, with Mojtaba Khamenei reportedly emerging as a key figure in the country’s leadership structure. However, Iranian authorities have not publicly supported Trump’s claims and have continued to deny any negotiations with Washington.

Tensions in the Middle East remain elevated, with ongoing military activity involving Israel and Iran. The conflict has raised concerns over regional stability, energy supply disruptions, and broader geopolitical risks.

Despite Trump’s remarks, there has been no official confirmation from Iran regarding any proposal to appoint him as Supreme Leader. Analysts view the comments as part of broader political rhetoric, while global markets and policymakers continue to closely monitor developments in the region.

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The Bab-al-Mandeb Strait is a crucial maritime route connecting the Red Sea to the Gulf of Aden and providing access to the Suez Canal. A significant portion of global oil shipments and trade passes through this narrow waterway, making it vital for global energy markets. Any disruption could worsen the ongoing oil supply concerns.

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Reports also indicate that the Houthi movement, which is aligned with Iran, could play a role in targeting vessels passing through the Bab-al-Mandeb Strait. The group’s presence near the southern entrance of the waterway has raised concerns about potential disruptions to shipping activity. The threat comes after Iran increased control over the Strait of Hormuz, another critical oil shipping route through which a large share of global

oil supply flows. Blocking both chokepoints could significantly impact global trade and energy markets.

Analysts warn that disruptions at both routes could lead to rising oil prices, higher shipping costs, and increased inflationary pressures worldwide. Countries heavily dependent on oil imports, including India, are closely monitoring the situation as geopolitical tensions continue to escalate.

ONGC May Rally Up to 65% as Rising Crude Prices Weigh on OMCs: CLSA

Shares of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) could surge by as much as 65 per cent, while oil marketing companies (OMCs) may avoid increasing petrol and diesel prices in the near term despite rising crude oil prices, according to global brokerage CLSA. The outlook comes amid escalating geopolitical tensions in West Asia that have pushed crude oil prices close to the \$100 per barrel mark.

CLSA expects oil marketing companies such as Indian Oil Corporation, Bharat Petroleum Corporation, and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation to face margin pressures as crude prices remain elevated. The brokerage believes these companies may refrain from raising retail fuel prices immediately, choosing instead to absorb part of the cost increase. This could impact profitability, especially after a period of strong marketing margins over the past few years.

The brokerage noted that earlier break-even levels for auto fuels were estimated at around \$75-80 per barrel. With crude oil prices now trading above these levels, marketing margins are expected to shrink. Despite this, OMCs may hold back from passing on higher costs to consumers, particularly given the sensitivity of fuel prices and the broader economic environment.

In contrast, ONGC is likely



to benefit from higher crude oil prices. As an upstream oil producer, the company's earnings typically rise when oil prices increase.

CLSA highlighted that even if Brent crude averages around \$90 per barrel, ONGC shares could still see a substantial upside of up to 65 per cent from current levels. This makes ONGC one of the brokerage's preferred picks within the oil and gas sector.

OMC stocks have already come under pressure following the recent surge in crude prices.

Shares of major OMCs have declined significantly, reflecting investor concerns over narrowing margins and uncertainty around pricing policies. Analysts believe rising crude prices, currency fluctuations, and limited government support may continue to weigh on the sector.

Although OMCs recently increased prices for premium petrol and industrial diesel, the impact is expected to be limited. Premium petrol contributes only a small portion of total fuel consumption, while

industrial diesel accounts for a relatively modest share of overall diesel demand. As a result, these price adjustments may not be enough to offset rising crude costs.

Looking ahead, analysts expect crude oil prices to remain elevated due to ongoing geopolitical uncertainties and supply concerns. Higher oil prices are likely to benefit upstream producers like ONGC, while downstream oil marketing companies may continue to face profitability challenges in the coming months.

Planned RCB Sale May Unlock Special Dividend for United Spirits Shareholders

Shareholders of United Spirits Ltd (USL) could receive a sizeable one-time payout following the company's planned sale of the Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) franchise, according to brokerage firm Nomura. Analysts believe the potential divestment could unlock significant value, with estimates suggesting a special dividend of up to 196 per share.

The expected payout is linked to USL's proposal to sell its stake in Royal Challengers Sports Private Limited, the entity that owns and operates RCB in the Indian Premier League. The deal is reportedly valued at around 16,660 crore (approximately \$1.78 billion), which would make it one of the highest valuations for an IPL franchise to date. Such a transaction could generate substantial cash proceeds for the company.

Nomura highlighted that the final dividend payout will depend on how much of the sale proceeds the company decides to distribute to shareholders. If the entire amount is returned, investors could receive a dividend close to 196 per share. However, if United Spirits retains part of the funds for future investments or operational needs, the dividend may be lower, potentially around 98 per share.

The brokerage also noted



that United Spirits already maintains a strong balance sheet and is currently in a net cash position. This financial strength increases the likelihood of capital returns to shareholders. However, the company has not yet announced a formal capital allocation strategy or confirmed how it plans to utilise the proceeds from the proposed transaction.

The potential buyers for the RCB franchise reportedly include a consortium featuring major investors such as Aditya Birla Group, Times Group, Blackstone, and Bolt Ventures. The sale is seen as a monetisation of a non-core asset, allowing United Spirits to sharpen its focus on its core alcoholic beverages business.

Although RCB has been a

high-profile brand within the IPL, its financial contribution to United Spirits has been relatively modest. Analysts estimate that the franchise accounted for roughly 2 per cent of the company's revenue and about 9 per cent of its earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortisation (EBITDA) in the previous financial year.

Nomura continues to maintain a positive outlook on United Spirits, citing growth potential in its premium portfolio, regulatory easing in key markets, and improving pricing flexibility. The brokerage believes the potential RCB sale, combined with strong core business fundamentals, could act as a major catalyst for the stock in the coming months.

Wall Street Futures Decline as Middle East Tensions Weigh on Investor Sentiment

Wall Street futures moved lower on Thursday as investors remained cautious amid escalating tensions in the Middle East and uncertainty around ceasefire negotiations. The geopolitical developments dampened global risk appetite and prompted investors to shift toward safer assets, leading to weakness in equity futures.

Futures linked to major US indices traded in the red, with S&P 500 Futures falling around 0.37 percent and Nasdaq 100 Futures declining about 0.41 percent. Market participants remained cautious as conflicting signals emerged regarding diplomatic efforts and the potential for further escalation in the region.

The ongoing tensions have also pushed crude oil prices higher, raising concerns about inflationary pressures and global economic growth. Investors worry that sustained increases in oil prices could delay interest rate cuts by major central banks and impact corporate earnings across sectors. Energy supply disruptions remain a key risk if the geopolitical situation worsens.

Asian markets mirrored the cautious mood, with several regional indices declining as investors reacted to the heightened uncertainty. The broader sell-off highlighted growing concerns over global growth prospects, especially if geopolitical



tensions continue to intensify. Market participants are closely monitoring developments in the Middle East for further cues.

Higher oil prices remain one of the biggest concerns for global markets. Rising energy costs can increase inflation, reduce consumer spending, and affect business profitability. This uncertainty has led investors to adopt a wait-and-watch approach, limiting fresh risk-taking in equity markets.

Meanwhile, traders are also keeping an eye on upcoming economic data and central bank commentary for clues on interest rate direction. Any signs of persistent inflation could further weigh on market sentiment and add to volatility.

Despite the cautious global backdrop, analysts note that markets could remain volatile in the near term as geopolitical developments continue to unfold. Investors are expected to

remain focused on oil price movements, diplomatic developments, and macroeconomic indicators.

Overall, uncertainty surrounding the Middle East situation, coupled with rising crude oil prices and inflation concerns, has led to a decline in Wall Street futures. Until there is greater clarity, global markets are likely to experience continued fluctuations and cautious trading behavior.



SEBI Proposes IT Resilience Index Framework for Market Infrastructure Institutions

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has proposed a new IT Resilience Index framework aimed at strengthening the technological robustness of market infrastructure institutions (MIIs), including stock exchanges, clearing corporations, and depositories. The move is intended to enhance system reliability and reduce risks arising from technology disruptions in India's capital markets.

Under the proposal, SEBI plans to introduce an IT Resilience Index (ITRI) that will measure the health and resilience of critical IT systems used by these institutions. The index will evaluate key systems identified in existing regulatory guidelines, along with supporting infrastructure that feeds into core operations. The initiative seeks to

create a structured and measurable approach to monitoring technological stability across market institutions.

The regulator has suggested a uniform framework with standardized parameters and weightages to allow comparisons across different MIIs. This would help identify vulnerabilities, strengthen governance, and improve risk monitoring capabilities. The index is expected to generate periodic, system-driven insights that can assist institutions in addressing weaknesses and enhancing operational resilience.

SEBI has also proposed that market infrastructure institutions compute the index on a half-yearly basis. The results would need to be calculated within 60 days from the end of each half-year, ensuring timely assessment and corrective action where necessary. This

periodic monitoring is expected to enhance accountability and transparency across the market ecosystem.

The proposal comes amid increasing reliance on technology-driven trading systems and growing concerns over potential disruptions caused by technical failures or cyber risks. By introducing a standardized resilience index, SEBI aims to strengthen the stability of India's financial markets and improve investor confidence.

SEBI has released the proposal as a consultation paper and invited feedback from stakeholders before finalising the framework. Once implemented, the IT Resilience Index is expected to play a key role in enhancing operational efficiency and safeguarding the functioning of market infrastructure institutions in India.

Bharat PET Files Draft Papers for 760-Crore IPO; Offer for Sale to Dominate Issue

Bharat PET has filed draft red herring prospectus papers with Securities and Exchange Board of India to raise 760 crore through an initial public offering (IPO). The proposed issue will largely consist of an offer for sale (OFS) by existing promoters, while a smaller portion will come from a fresh issue of shares.

According to the draft documents, the IPO includes a fresh issue of equity shares worth 120 crore, alongside an offer for sale component of 640 crore by existing shareholders. The company may also consider raising up to 24 crore through a pre-IPO placement. If such a placement is completed,

the size of the fresh issue could be reduced accordingly.

Bharat PET operates in the packaging solutions segment, manufacturing a wide range of products including PET bottles and jars, preforms, caps and closures, multilayer co-extruded bottles, and tin containers. These packaging solutions cater to diverse industries such as food and beverages, agrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, paints, industrial chemicals, and liquor manufacturers. The company's diversified product portfolio and sector exposure have supported its business growth in recent years.

The proceeds from the fresh issue are expected to be utilised primarily for strengthening

the company's balance sheet and expanding operational capacity. Around 50 crore will be used for repayment or prepayment of borrowings, while approximately 35.8 crore has been earmarked for capital expenditure, including the purchase of machinery and equipment. The remaining funds will be allocated for general corporate purposes.

Bharat PET has reported steady financial performance over the past few years. For the financial year ended March 2025, the company recorded revenue of 332.9 crore, reflecting strong growth compared to the previous year. Net profit during the same period stood at 36.7 crore. For the six

months ended September 2025, the company reported revenue of 226.8 crore and profit of 33.3 crore, indicating continued business momentum.

The company operates multiple manufacturing facilities across India, allowing it to serve customers across different regions efficiently. Its customer base includes companies from agrochemical, food, and industrial sectors, providing stability through diversified demand. Equirus Capital and Ambit have been appointed as the book-running lead managers for the IPO. The company is expected to announce further details, including the price band and listing timeline, at a later stage.



PohelaBoishakh 2026: Bengali New Year To Be Celebrated On April 14

PohelaBoishakh, also known as PoilaBoishakh or Noboborsho, is one of the most important cultural festivals celebrated by Bengalis across India and abroad. In 2026, the Bengali New Year will be observed on April 14, marking the beginning of a new year in the Bengali calendar. The day symbolizes fresh beginnings, prosperity, and cultural pride, and is celebrated with great enthusiasm in regions such as West Bengal, Tripura, Assam, and across Bangladesh, along with Bengali communities worldwide.

Significance of PohelaBoishakh

The term “Pohela” means “first,” while “Boishakh” refers to the first month of the Bengali calendar. The festival marks the start of the Bengali New Year and is seen as a

time for renewal and optimism. It is celebrated as a secular cultural occasion that brings together people from all communities, reflecting the rich heritage and traditions of Bengali society.

The festival also coincides with the solar transition known as Mesha Sankranti, when the Sun enters the zodiac sign Aries. This astronomical event marks the beginning of a new agricultural and solar cycle, making PohelaBoishakh a symbol of growth and new opportunities.

Historical Background

The origins of PohelaBoishakh can be traced back to the Mughal period during the reign of Akbar. The Bengali calendar was introduced to align tax collection with the harvest season. Farmers would settle their



dues at the end of the agricultural year and begin the new year with celebrations. Over time, the practice evolved

into a broader cultural festival that highlights Bengali traditions and community spirit.

Today, PohelaBoishakh is celebrated not only as a New Year festival but also as a reflection of Bengali identity

and cultural pride.

Traditions and Celebrations

PohelaBoishakh is marked by colorful festivities, cultural performances, and family gatherings. People wear traditional attire, often in red and white, which are considered symbolic of celebration and prosperity. Homes are cleaned and decorated to welcome the new year, while families prepare special dishes and sweets.

One of the popular traditions associated with the festival is “HaalKhata,” where businesses open new account books to mark a fresh financial beginning. Shop owners invite customers, offer sweets, and exchange greetings, strengthening social and business relationships.

Community fairs, music, dance performances, and cul-

tural events are also common during the celebrations. Traditional foods, sweets, and festive meals play a major role, bringing families and communities together.

A Celebration of Hope and Unity

PohelaBoishakh represents unity, joy, and hope for the future. People greet each other with “ShubhoNoboborsho,” meaning Happy New Year, and celebrate with loved ones. The festival offers an opportunity to reconnect with cultural roots and begin the year with positivity.

As April 14, 2026 approaches, Bengalis around the world are preparing to welcome the new year with enthusiasm, tradition, and optimism for prosperity and happiness in the year ahead.

11-Year-Old Aviation Enthusiast Nails “Touch-And-Go” Landing, Wins Internet’s Praise

An 11-year-old aspiring pilot has taken social media by storm after a video of him performing a “touch-and-go” maneuver during a training session went viral. The young aviation enthusiast, Rishi Sharma, impressed viewers with his calmness and control while handling an aircraft under expert supervision — a moment that quickly captured the admiration of aviation fans and internet users alike.

The viral clip shows Rishi seated in the cockpit of a small vaircraft at Oxnard Airport in California. As the aircraft approaches the runway, the young trainee carefully follows instructions and smoothly lands the plane. Without bringing the aircraft to a complete stop, he then accelerates again, lifting off for another takeoff — successfully completing the maneuver.

What Is a “Touch-And-Go” Maneuver?

A touch-and-go maneuver is



a common yet challenging training exercise used in pilot training. It involves landing the aircraft and immediately taking off again without stopping fully. This technique helps pilots practice landing and takeoff procedures repeatedly, improving their coordination, confidence, and control.

In the video, Rishi demon-

strates impressive composure while performing the maneuver. His instructor can be heard praising him after the smooth landing, further highlighting the young trainee's skill and focus. For many viewers, the most remarkable aspect was not just the maneuver itself, but the confidence he displayed throughout the process.

Starting Young, Aiming High

Rishi's journey into aviation reportedly began at the age of seven. Since then, he has been learning the basics of flying under supervision, gradually building experience inside the cockpit. His passion for aviation is evident in the way he handles controls, listens carefully to instructions, and maintains focus throughout the exercise.

Despite his young age, Rishi shows discipline and maturity beyond his years. The video captures him calmly adjusting controls, maintaining direction, and responding to guidance — skills that even adult beginners often find challenging.

Internet Applauds The Young Pilot

After the video surfaced online, social media users flooded the comments section with praise. Many called him “future captain,” while others ad-

mired his confidence and dedication. Some users even joked that he “handles a plane better than many people handle a car.”

The clip also sparked conversations about encouraging children to pursue their passions early. Many viewers appreciated how early exposure and proper guidance can help young minds develop exceptional skills.

Inspiring Future Aviators

While Rishi is still years away from becoming a licensed pilot, his viral moment has already inspired many young dreamers. His determination and passion serve as a reminder that age is no barrier when it comes to learning and pursuing ambitions.

As the video continues to gain attention, the young aviation enthusiast has become a symbol of dedication, discipline, and dreams taking flight — quite literally.

Bengaluru Auto Driver Scrolls Reels While Driving, Narrowly Avoids Crash With Reversing Truck

A video from Bengaluru has gone viral after capturing a dangerous moment involving an auto driver scrolling through social media reels while driving. The clip has sparked widespread concern online about road safety and distracted driving.

Passenger Records Risky Ride

According to the viral post, a woman passenger noticed the auto driver repeatedly scrolling through short videos on his phone instead of paying attention to the road. She began recording the incident, highlighting how the driver remained focused on his screen for most of the journey.

The situation turned alarming when a truck ahead of the auto suddenly began reversing. The distracted driver failed to notice the vehicle in time, forcing the passenger to shout, “Anna, nodimunde” (Brother, look ahead). The driver eventually braked at the last second, narrowly avoiding a collision.

Driver Continued Scrolling Despite Warning

Even after the near-miss and the passenger's repeated warnings, the driver reportedly continued scrolling through reels. The woman later shared her experience on social media, describing how the driver seemed “locked in” and barely attentive to the road. The clip quickly gained traction online, sparking debate about mobile phone use while driving. (

Internet Reacts With Concern

The viral video triggered strong reactions from social

media users. Many expressed shock at the driver's behavior, calling it extremely dangerous and irresponsible. Several users demanded stricter enforcement of traffic rules and harsher penalties for distracted driving.

Others pointed out that such behavior has become increasingly common, especially with the growing popularity of short-form video apps. Some users also urged passengers to report such incidents to authorities to prevent accidents.

Growing Road Safety Concerns

The incident has once again highlighted the dangers of using mobile phones while driving. Distracted driving significantly increases the risk of accidents, especially in crowded urban traffic conditions like those in Bengaluru.

Authorities and road safety experts have repeatedly warned that even a few seconds of distraction can lead to serious accidents. The viral clip serves as a reminder of how quickly situations can escalate when drivers fail to keep their eyes on the road.

A Narrow Escape

Fortunately, no one was injured in this case, but the near-collision has sparked an important conversation about road safety and responsible driving. As the video continues to circulate online, many hope it will encourage drivers to avoid distractions and prioritize safety.

The incident stands as a stark reminder that scrolling through reels can wait — but road safety cannot.



Hired, Relocated, Then Fired After One Day: Pharmacy Assistant’s Story Sparks Outrage

A heartbreaking story of a pharmacy assistant who relocated for a new job only to be fired after just one day has gone viral, sparking widespread debate about workplace ethics and job security.

A Fresh Start Turns Into A Nightmare

According to the viral post, the pharmacy assistant accepted a new job opportunity in Port Alberni after being encouraged by the hiring manager. Motivated by the opportunity, the employee left their previous job and relocated to the new city, expecting a stable career move.

However, things took a shocking turn. Just one day after starting the new position, the assistant was reportedly fired without any clear explanation. The sudden termination left the individual in a difficult situation, having already resigned from their previous role and moved to a new location.

No Warning, No Explanation

The post revealed that the pharmacy assistant had been

assured about the role before relocating. But after joining, the employment ended abruptly, leaving the individual confused and distressed.

The unexpected dismissal created immediate financial and personal challenges. The employee now faced the stress of finding a new job, arranging accommodation, and dealing with relocation expenses — all within a matter of days.

Internet Reacts With Shock

The story quickly gained traction online, with many users expressing outrage over the situation. Several people questioned whether it was fair or even legal to fire someone after encouraging them to relocate.

Many commenters suggested that the individual seek legal advice, especially because the decision to move cities was based on the employer's assurances. Some users mentioned the concept of “promissory estoppel,” where an employer may be held accountable if an employee suffers losses after relying on job promises.

Others shared similar experiences, highlighting how sud-



den job cancellations or layoffs can create serious personal and financial consequences.

A Wider Conversation About Job Security

The incident has sparked broader discussions about job security, employer responsibility, and the risks involved in relocating for work. Many users advised job seekers to ensure written agreements, relocation support, or probation

clarity before making major life decisions. The viral story also highlights the uncertainty many workers face today, especially when changing jobs or moving cities. While new opportunities often promise growth, they can sometimes come with unexpected risks.

A Cautionary Tale

The pharmacy assistant's experience serves as a cautionary tale for job seekers consid-

ering relocation. Experts often recommend confirming employment terms, probation periods, and relocation benefits before making significant commitments.

Although the outcome of this case remains unclear, the viral story has sparked an important conversation about fairness, transparency, and accountability in hiring practices.

Teen Says NEET Aspirant Sister Spends 10 Hours Daily With AI Chatbots, Sparks Online Debate

A teenager's viral social media post about his sister's growing dependence on AI chatbots has triggered widespread discussion about technology use, mental health, and academic pressure among students. The post described how his elder sister, a 21-year-old preparing for NEET, spends nearly 9 to 10 hours every day interacting with AI chatbots — a situation he believes is becoming increasingly concerning.

Heavy Chatbot Use Raises Concerns

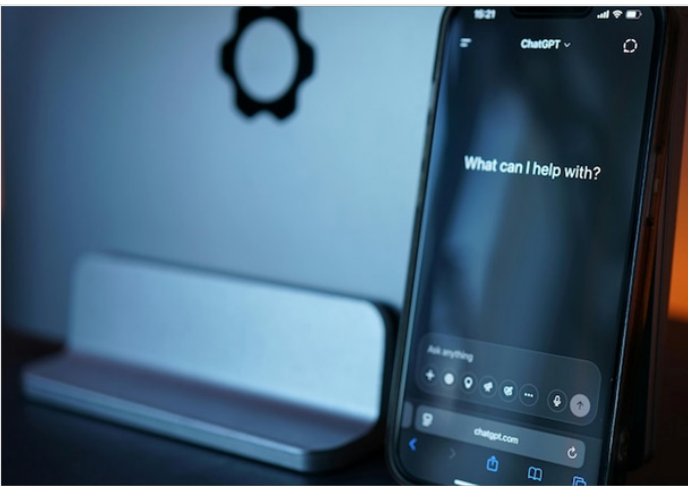
According to the teenager, the habit has continued for the past seven to eight months. He explained that his sister spends most of her time at home with minimal social interaction, which has led her to rely heavily on AI chatbots for compan-

ionship. Even during online classes and study sessions, she reportedly remains engaged in conversations with chatbot apps instead of focusing on her lessons.

The brother also noted that her daily screen time has significantly increased, with the majority of it devoted to chatting with AI systems. He shared that she has become deeply involved in role-play conversations, often centered around a singer she admires, which has further heightened his worries about her emotional attachment.

Changes InBehavior At Home

The teenager also described noticeable changes in his sister's behavior. He said she had only recently returned to preparing for the exam after



months of heavy chatbot use. Alongside this, he observed mood swings, irritability, and the occasional arguments over minor issues.

He admitted feeling helpless and unsure how to address the situation, especially since the conversations she engages in are personal and emotionally

driven. In his post, he expressed concern that the situation had reached a point where it seemed “beyond repair,” highlighting his anxiety about her well-being and academic future.

Internet Users Offer Suggestions

The post quickly gained traction online, prompting a wave of responses from concerned users. Many suggested that the teenager try having a calm, supportive conversation with his sister instead of confronting her directly. Others recommended encouraging her to gradually reduce screen time and reconnect with real-world activities.

Some users speculated that academic pressure and isolation might be contributing to her behavior. They advised in-

roducing hobbies, exercise, and social interactions to help her regain balance. A few suggested seeking professional guidance if the situation continued to worsen.

Others recommended setting boundaries around device usage, though some warned that abruptly restricting access could lead to further frustration and conflict. The general consensus was to approach the situation with patience and empathy.

A Growing Concern About AI Dependence

The incident has sparked a broader conversation about the growing role of AI chatbots in people's lives, especially among students dealing with stress and loneliness. While AI tools can be helpful for learning, productivity, and emotion-

al support, excessive reliance may lead to reduced social interaction and unhealthy habits.

As artificial intelligence becomes more accessible, many users emphasized the importance of balanced usage. The discussion also highlighted the pressures faced by students preparing for competitive exams and how technology can sometimes become both a support system and a distraction.

Although the teenager's story reflects a personal situation, it has resonated with many people facing similar challenges. The viral post has opened up an important conversation about responsible technology use, emotional well-being, and maintaining balance in an increasingly digital world.

SouravGanguly Picks MS DhoniAs India’s Greatest Captain, Ends Long-Standing Debate

Former India captain SouravGanguly has settled one of Indian cricket’s most debated questions by naming MS Dhoni as the country’s greatest-ever captain. Speaking at a recent summit, Ganguly was asked to choose between himself and Dhoni as India’s best captain. Without hesitation, the former BCCI president picked Dhoni, citing his achievements and impact on Indian cricket. “Mahendra Singh Dhoni,” Ganguly said when asked about India’s greatest captain. He explained that Dhoni’s success at the highest level gives him the edge in the debate. Ganguly pointed out that while he led India to the final of the 2003 World Cup, Dhoni went a step further and won the trophy in 2011. He also praised Dhoni’s leadership in limited-overs cricket, calling him an outstanding white-ball captain.



Ganguly further highlighted Dhoni’s journey from a small cricketing centre like Ranchi in Jharkhand. He noted that Dhoni’s rise from a relatively unknown region to becoming one of India’s most successful captains was inspirational and helped expand cricket’s reach across the country. Dhoni remains one of the

most decorated captains in Indian cricket history. Under his leadership, India won the ICC T20 World Cup in 2007, the ODI World Cup in 2011, and the Champions Trophy in 2013. His calm approach and tactical decisions earned him widespread respect from teammates and opponents alike. While Ganguly acknowl-

edged Dhoni’s achievements, his own contribution to Indian cricket remains significant. Ganguly is widely credited with building a fearless Indian team in the early 2000s and nurturing several young talents who later became match-winners for the country. His aggressive leadership style helped transform India into a competitive force overseas. The debate over India’s greatest captain has often included other names such as Kapil Dev, ViratKohli, and Rohit Sharma. However, Ganguly’s endorsement of Dhoni adds significant weight to the argument, given his own stature in Indian cricket. Ganguly’s remarks have reignited discussions among fans but also brought clarity to the debate. By choosing Dhoni over himself, the former India captain acknowledged the legacy and achievements of one of cricket’s most successful leaders.

CSK Set for Major Opening Change After Sanju Samson’s Arrival, Ruturaj Gaikwad Hints

Chennai Super Kings captain Ruturaj Gaikwad has hinted at a significant batting change for the Indian Premier League 2026 season following the inclusion of Sanju Samson in the squad. Gaikwad suggested that Samson is likely to open the innings alongside him, marking a major shift in the team’s strategy. The move indicates that Chennai Super Kings may opt for a more aggressive and experienced opening combination as they look to improve their performance in the upcoming season. The decision comes after CSK struggled with inconsistent starts in the previous season. The franchise experimented with multiple opening pairs, but failed to find a stable com-



bination. With Samson now in the squad, the team appears ready to settle on a more dependable top-order partnership. Sanju Samson’s arrival adds flexibility and firepower to the batting lineup. Known for his attacking style, Samson is ex-

pected to provide quick starts, while Gaikwad’s consistency could help anchor the innings. The combination is seen as a balanced approach that could strengthen CSK’s batting depth. The potential opening partnership also clarifies Samson’s

role in the team. While there had been speculation about him batting in the middle order, Gaikwad’s comments suggest that CSK management is considering using him at the top of the order. Despite Samson’s leadership experience, Gaikwad is expected to continue as captain for the upcoming season. The franchise appears focused on maintaining stability in leadership while reshaping its batting strategy. Chennai Super Kings are aiming for a strong comeback in IPL 2026 after undergoing changes to their squad. With a new opening pair likely to take shape, the team hopes to build early momentum in matches and strengthen its chances of competing for another title.

BCCI Announces India’s 2026-27 Home Season; International Cricket Returns to Bengaluru

The Board of Control for Cricket in India has announced India’s men’s international home schedule for the 2026-27 season, featuring a packed calendar with 22 matches across multiple formats. The upcoming home season will see four visiting teams — West Indies, Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, and Australia — touring India. The schedule spans 17 cities, giving fans across the country an opportunity to witness international cricket. One of the major highlights of the announcement is the return of international cricket to Bengaluru, which will once again host matches during the season. The move is expected to excite cricket fans in the city, which has historically been one of India’s most passionate cricket centres. India will begin the home season with limited-overs fixtures before moving into longer formats. The visiting teams will compete in Tests, One Day



Internationals, and T20 Internationals, ensuring a diverse and competitive calendar. The mix of formats is expected to help India prepare for upcoming global tournaments, including future ICC events and the 2027 World Cup. The tour by West Indies is expected to feature white-ball matches, while Sri Lanka’s visit will also include limited-overs games. Zimbabwe’s tour

will mark an important bilateral engagement, providing opportunities for squad rotation and player development. The season will culminate with a high-profile series against Australia, including the prestigious Border-Gavaskar Trophy. The Australia series is likely to be the biggest attraction of the season, with strong rivalry and competitive cricket expected. The matches will be held at

multiple venues across India, ensuring wide geographical coverage and fan engagement. The BCCI’s venue rotation policy continues to play a key role in spreading international cricket across different regions. By allocating matches to a variety of cities, the board aims to promote the game beyond traditional centres and encourage cricket development nationwide. With 22 matches scheduled across formats and cities, the 2026-27 home season promises to be one of India’s busiest and most exciting calendars. The return of international cricket to Bengaluru, along with marquee clashes against top teams, is expected to generate significant interest among fans. The announcement also highlights India’s preparation phase ahead of major international tournaments, with the packed home season offering players valuable match practice and team combinations.

RCB Name Change After 16,700 Crore Sale? Ananya Birla Drops Big Hint Ahead of IPL 2026



Speculation around a possible name change for Royal Challengers Bengaluru has intensified after the franchise was sold for a record 16,700 crore to a consortium led by the Aditya Birla Group. However, Ananya Birla may have provided clarity on the issue. The acquisition, one of the biggest in sports franchise history, saw the new consortium acquire a 100 percent stake in the IPL team. The group includes the Aditya Birla Group along with investors such as Blackstone, Times of India Group, and Bolt Ventures. The deal also includes both the men’s IPL team and the women’s franchise in the Women’s Pre-

mier League. Following the sale, fans began speculating whether the team would undergo a re-branding under the new ownership. The discussion gained momentum on social media, with many expecting a possible name change ahead of Indian Premier League 2026. However, Ananya Birla appeared to hint that the franchise could retain its existing identity. She reshared a social media post suggesting that the team would continue to be known as Royal Challengers Bengaluru, indicating that a name change may not be on the cards. The development has been welcomed by fans, as RCB has built a strong brand over

the years with global recognition. The franchise, which has featured stars like Virat Kohli, remains one of the most popular teams in the league. The record-breaking sale reflects the growing commercial value of IPL franchises. With new ownership and strong financial backing, RCB is expected to expand its global footprint, strengthen its squad, and invest in infrastructure ahead of future seasons. While no official announcement has been made yet, Ananya Birla’s social media activity has eased speculation, suggesting that Royal Challengers Bengaluru may continue with its iconic name despite the ownership change.



“Most People Laughed At Me”: Vijay Mallya Reacts To RCB’s Record-Breaking Sale

Vijay Mallya has reacted to the record-breaking sale of Royal Challengers Bengaluru, saying critics once mocked his investment when he bought the franchise in 2008. Taking to social media, the former owner recalled that he had purchased the team for around 450 crore at the launch of the Indian Premier League. According to Mallya, many people criticised the move at the time, calling it a vanity project and questioning the financial logic behind the investment. However, he said the massive jump in valuation over the years proved the decision right. Reacting to the latest deal, Mallya said it was immensely satisfying to see the franchise’s

value surge to over 16,000 crore. He also congratulated the new owners and wished them success, describing the team as one of the most valuable franchises in the IPL. Mallya also reflected on his memories with the franchise, highlighting key moments from the early years. He mentioned picking a young Virat Kohli as one of the decisions he was most proud of, noting that the player went on to become one of the best in world cricket. He added that the team would always remain a part of his “DNA” because of the emotional connection built over the years. The franchise was recently sold to a consortium led by the Aditya Birla Group along with other investors in one of the

biggest deals in sports franchise history. The transaction valued the team at around 16,700 crore, marking a significant rise from its original purchase price. The sale highlights the rapid growth of IPL franchises over the past decade, driven by rising media rights, sponsorship revenue, and global fan engagement. Mallya’s comments have since gained traction on social media, with many fans acknowledging the early vision behind the franchise. With new ownership in place ahead of IPL 2026, Royal Challengers Bengaluru is expected to enter a new phase while continuing to build on its strong brand value and global fan base.

BCCI Clarifies Catch Rules Ahead of IPL 2026, All 10 Captains Briefed

The Board of Control for Cricket in India has issued a key clarification on catch rules ahead of the Indian Premier League 2026 season, with all ten team captains briefed during a special meeting. The move comes after several controversial catches in recent seasons sparked debates over what qualifies as a clean catch. During the captains’ meeting, BCCI officials presented multiple video clips highlighting both valid and invalid catches. The aim was to ensure that players clearly understand the interpretation of the law before the tournament begins. The session reportedly lasted nearly 90 minutes and

focused on situations where fielders lose balance, touch boundary ropes, or fail to maintain control of the ball. The clarification centred around the requirement that a fielder must have complete control of both the ball and their body for a catch to be considered valid. If a player catches the ball but loses balance, steps outside the boundary, or drops the ball while attempting to regain control, the catch will be ruled invalid. Officials also warned players against celebrating prematurely before completing the catch. Senior umpire Nitin Menon and match referee JavagalSrinath were among those who

explained the rule and answered questions from captains. They emphasised that the rule is based on existing laws but will now be applied more strictly to avoid confusion and disputes during matches. The clarification comes after several high-profile incidents in recent IPL seasons, where catches near the boundary rope or while diving forward led to conflicting decisions. In many cases, replays showed players losing control of the ball after initially appearing to complete the catch. These incidents sparked discussions among players, commentators, and fans, prompting the BCCI to issue a clearer

interpretation. Under the clarified rule, a catch will only be valid if the fielder demonstrates complete control and stability before releasing the ball or celebrating. Even minor lapses, such as the ball touching the ground or the player stepping on the boundary cushion, could result in the batter being declared not out. With IPL 2026 set to begin soon, the BCCI hopes the clarification will reduce controversies and ensure consistent decision-making. The move is also expected to encourage cleaner fielding standards and improve the overall quality of officiating during the tournament.





“Suyodhana” Pre-Release Event Held Grandly; Film Set for Worldwide Release on March 27

The pre-release press meet of the upcoming film Suyodhana, starring Priyadarshi and Sai Kumar, was held grandly in Hyderabad ahead of its worldwide release on March 27. The film, produced under the Prajwala Line Creations banner, features Priyadarshi and DrishikaChander in lead roles, with Sai Kumar and senior actress Prema playing key characters. Directed by Y.S. Madhav Reddy and produced by BosuBabuNidumolu, the film will be released by Sri Lakshmi Pictures.

Art director Brahma Kadali said editor Chota K. Prasad played a key role in bringing him on board. He added that extensive set work was done for the film, which would appear on a large scale on screen. Kadali expressed confidence that Suyodhana would become a special film in the careers of both Sai Kumar and Priyadarshi.

Music director Jai Krish said he was excited to work on the film after learning about its unique sound-based theme. He noted that the performances of Priyadarshi and Sai Kumar inspired him to enhance the background score, adding that the film would offer audiences a fresh cinematic experience.

Editor Chota K. Prasad described Suyodhana as a different and rare kind of film. He praised producer BosuBabu for his passion and said every technical department contributed high-quality work. He expressed hope that audiences

would support the film releasing on the occasion of Sri Rama Navami.

Producer BosuBabuNidumolu credited the technical team as the film's biggest strength. He praised the contributions of Brahma Kadali, cinematographer Karthik, composer Jai Krish, and editor Chota K. Prasad. He also appreciated director Madhav Reddy for extracting the best performances despite this being his debut film.

Actress DrishikaChander, who plays the character Sumitha, said she was happy to share screen space with talented actors like Sai Kumar and Priyadarshi. She expressed confidence that audiences would enjoy the film.

Director Y.S. Madhav Reddy revealed that sound plays a crucial role in the film, with Priyadarshi appearing as a Foley artist. He also mentioned being inspired by director Sukumar and said Sai Kumar was the first choice for the Suyodhana character.

Sai Kumar said he first played Duryodhana in a stage play at age 11 and felt nostalgic portraying a similar role now. He described the film as suspenseful and engaging.

Priyadarshi expressed confidence in the film, saying its story and title felt unique. He added that the team worked passionately to deliver a high-quality cinematic experience and requested audiences to support the film in theatres.

KayaduLohar Finds Success in Telugu, Struggles to Secure Tamil Opportunities

Young actress KayaduLohar is currently enjoying growing popularity in Telugu and Malayalam films, but she is reportedly finding it difficult to secure opportunities in Tamil cinema despite gaining recognition there earlier.KayaduLohar first gained attention among Tamil audiences with the film Dragon. The movie introduced her to a wider audience and helped her build a fan base. However, despite the film's success, several opportunities that came her way in Tamil cinema reportedly did not materialize later.

Interestingly, while Tamil offers have slowed down, the actress has been receiving consecutive opportunities in Telugu and Malayalam films. Her growing popularity in these industries has kept her busy with multiple projects and strengthened her career prospects. At the same time, she continues to aim for a strong foothold in Tamil cinema, which she reportedly considers important for her long-term career growth.

Reports also suggest that certain rumours and online trolling surrounding the actress affected her chances in Tamil films. Some projects that were initially discussed did not move forward, adding to her struggle in securing roles. Despite these challenges, KayaduLohar has remained determined and continues to pursue opportunities actively.

In the meantime, the actress has been making public appearances at shopping mall openings and promotional events. Industry buzz suggests she is earning significantly through such appearances, sometimes even more than her film remuneration. Alongside these engagements, she continues to focus on securing strong roles in films across languages.

There are also reports that discussions are underway for her to star alongside Silambarasan in a Tamil film. If finalized, this project could become a major turning point in her Tamil career and help her regain momentum in the industry.Despite facing challenges in Tamil cinema, KayaduLohar remains optimistic and continues to work hard. With steady opportunities in Telugu and Malayalam films, she is gradually strengthening her position as a promising young actress in South Indian cinema.



Director SrinuVaitla Falls Victim to 7.2 Crore Land Fraud

Popular Tollywood director SrinuVaitla has reportedly fallen victim to a major land fraud, suffering losses of around 7.2 crore. The filmmaker recently approached police after discovering that land he purchased in Vikarabad was allegedly sold using forged documents.

According to reports, the incident dates back nearly seven years when SrinuVaitla, along with his niece, purchased agricultural land in Vikarabad. A group of individuals claimed ownership of the property and presented documents that appeared genuine. Trusting the paperwork, the director went ahead with the deal and completed the transaction through registered sale deeds after making payments via cheque.

The issue surfaced later when authorities issued notices regarding ownership of the land. During verification, officials found that the individuals who sold the property allegedly did not possess legal rights over it. Investigations further revealed that land records were reportedly manipulated, and other parties had approached the court claiming ownership of the same property.

Following detailed verification of documents and ownership claims, the land was eventually allotted to the rightful claimants. This development left SrinuVaitla and his niece without ownership of the property they had purchased years earlier. Based on current market estimates, the director is believed to have incurred losses of approximately 7.2 crore.

After the fraud came to light,



SrinuVaitla filed a complaint with the Central Crime Station in Hyderabad. Acting on the complaint, police registered a case against around 12 individuals suspected to be involved in the fraud. Authorities have launched an investigation to identify all those responsible and determine the full extent of the alleged conspiracy.

The incident has shocked members of the Telugu film industry, as SrinuVaitla is known for directing several popular films over the years. The case has also raised concerns about rising real estate frauds involving disputed land ownership and forged documents.

Police officials stated that the investigation is ongoing and more details are expected to emerge as the probe progresses.

Good News and One Bad News for Ram Charan’sPeddi Fans

There is both good news and a setback for fans eagerly waiting for Peddi, the upcoming film starring Ram Charan and directed by BuchiBabu Sana. The movie has generated massive expectations ever since the project was announced, especially as it marks a powerful mass and emotional drama from the actor following recent box-office disappointments.

The bad news for fans is that the film's release has been delayed. Initially, the makers planned to release Peddi grandly on March 27. However, due to unexpected delays in shooting and post-production work, the team decided to postpone the release to April 30. The makers reportedly chose not to compromise on quality, with the director focusing on delivering a visually rich cinematic experience.

Adding to the delay, Ram Charan recently sustained a minor eye injury during the shoot, which further slowed down the production process. As a result, shooting schedules



were temporarily halted, and post-production timelines were pushed back by nearly two weeks. Reports suggest that around ten days of shooting is still pending. If the remaining work is not completed on time, the team is also considering moving the release further to the third week of May to fully capitalize on the summer holiday season.

Despite the delay, there is ex-

citing news for fans. The makers are planning to release a new teaser of Peddi on Ram Charan's birthday. The teaser is scheduled to be released on March 27 at 11:07 AM, according to the official announcement. The team believes this teaser will make up for the disappointment caused by the release postponement and further boost excitement around the film. The film features Janhvi Kapoor as the female lead opposite Ram Charan. The project also includes key roles played by JagapathiBabu and Shiva Rajkumar, adding further strength to the cast. Early buzz suggests that the chemistry between the lead pair and the film's scale will be major highlights.

Even though the release date has shifted, trade analysts remain confident that Peddi will make a strong impact at the box office. Fans are now eagerly waiting for the teaser release, which is expected to offer the first major glimpse into the much-anticipated film.

Chiranjeevi Thanks Doctors After Ram Charan Undergoes Minor Eye Surgery

Megastar Chiranjeevi expressed gratitude to doctors after his son, actor Ram Charan, successfully underwent a minor eye surgery. The development created concern among fans, but sources confirmed that the procedure went smoothly and Ram Charan is recovering well.

According to reports, Ram Charan recently experienced discomfort in his eye, prompting doctors to advise a minor surgical procedure. The actor underwent treatment at a private hospital in Hyderabad. Medical experts performed the surgery successfully and recommended a short period of rest before he resumes work commitments.

Following the procedure, Chiranjeevi took to social media to thank the doctors and medical staff for their care and professionalism. He reassured fans that Ram Charan is doing well and recovering steadily. The message quickly went viral, with fans and well-wishers expressing relief and wishing the actor a speedy recovery.



Ram Charan has been busy with multiple projects, including his much-anticipated film Peddi. The actor was actively participating in shooting schedules before the eye discomfort surfaced. With doctors advising rest, the film's shooting schedule may see slight adjustments, though no major delays have been officially confirmed.

The news initially worried fans, especially given Ram Charan's packed schedule and upcoming releases. However, sources close to the actor confirmed that the surgery was minor and precautionary, and there is no cause for concern. The actor is expected to return

to sets soon after completing the recommended recovery period.Ram Charan continues to enjoy massive popularity following the global success of RRR. Fans across social media platforms extended their support and sent messages wishing him a quick recovery. Many also appreciated Chiranjeevi for updating fans and keeping them informed about his son's health.

With recovery progressing smoothly, Ram Charan is expected to resume shooting soon and continue work on his upcoming projects. Fans are now eagerly waiting for his return to the sets and further updates about his films.

Nagabandham Release Date Locked; Grand Pan-India Release on July 3

The makers of Nagabandham have officially announced the film's release date, creating excitement among movie lovers. Starring ViratKarna in the lead role, the film is scheduled for a grand worldwide release on July 3 in multiple languages. The announcement has significantly increased expectations around the ambitious pan-India project.

Nagabandham marks the second film of ViratKarna, who made his debut with PedhaKapu. The movie is being directed by Abhishek Nama, who is also producing it along with Kishore Annapureddy. The film is presented by Lakshmi Ira and Devansh Nama. The promotional content released so far has already generated strong buzz and heightened anticipation among audiences.

According to the makers, ViratKarna will be seen in a completely different and powerful role. He is expected to appear in multiple looks, including a Lord Shiva-inspired avatar and a wild, intense transformation. These elements are said to be among the film's major highlights. The team believes the movie will offer visuals never seen before on Indian screens, with a strong spiritual and mythological backdrop.

One of the biggest attractions of the film is a grand set inspired by the AnanthaPadmanabhaSwamy Temple, which is expected to play a key role in the story. The makers revealed that the scale of production and visual grandeur will stand out as key highlights of the film.

The film also features NabhaNatesh and Iswarya Menon as the female leads. The supporting cast includes JagapathiBabu, Jayaprakash, Murali Sharma and B. S. Avinash in important roles, further strengthening the project.

Additionally, a massive songfeaturing nearly 5,000 dancers, choreographed by Ganesh Acharya, is ex-



pected to be another major highlight. The makers are reportedly planning the sequence on a grand scale to enhance the film's visual appeal. With its mythological theme, large-scale production, and strong

cast, Nagabandham is shaping up to be one of the most anticipated releases of the year. Fans are now eagerly waiting for more updates as the film gears up for its worldwide theatrical release on July 3.