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Revanth Reddy Calls for Unity at Ramadan Iftar



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Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy called for unity among people of all religions and emphasized the importance of communal harmony while attending a Ramadan Iftar dinner organized by the Minority Welfare Department at the L.B. Stadium on Saturday evening.

Addressing a large gathering, the Chief Minister said the holy month of Ramadan symbolizes values such as self-discipline, compassion, and mutual respect. He noted that fasting during Ramadan encourages spiritual reflection and promotes empathy toward others, strengthening social bonds within society.

Revanth Reddy said that festivals like Ramadan serve as reminders that people from different communities must live together in harmony and work collectively for the progress of the state. He emphasized that unity among citizens is essential for building a peaceful and

prosperous society.

During his address, the Chief Minister also assured that the government remains committed to the welfare and development of minority communities. He stated that the administration is working to ensure inclusive development so that all sections of society benefit from welfare programs and development initiatives.

Reiterating his commitment to people-centric governance, Revanth Reddy told the gathering that the government belongs to the people. "This government is yours. I am your brother," he said, assuring that the administration would remain accessible and responsive to public concerns. He encouraged citizens to approach the government with their issues and assured them that efforts would be made to address their problems promptly.

The Chief Minister further highlighted the government's focus on strengthening welfare schemes, improving opportunities in education and employment, and promoting social justice. He noted that various initiatives are being implemented to support minority communities, including skill develop-

ment and economic empowerment of youth.

Several prominent leaders and public representatives attended the Iftar gathering. Among those present were ministers Mohammad Azharuddin, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, and Ponnam Prabhakar. Government advisor Mohammed Ali Shabbir and Hyderabad Member of Parliament Asaduddin Owaisi also participated in the event. Religious leaders, community representatives, and members of the minority community attended the gathering in large numbers.

Revanth Reddy said that the government aims to maintain continuous engagement with citizens and ensure that development reaches every section of society. He stressed that public participation and cooperation are vital for the success of welfare programs and the overall progress of the state.

Concluding his speech, the Chief Minister urged people to preserve communal harmony and support development initiatives. He expressed confidence that with unity and cooperation among all communities, Telangana will continue to move forward on the path of growth, stability, and inclusive development.

Harish Rao Seeks Clarity on Musi Rejuvenation Project



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Senior BRS leader and former minister T. Harish Rao has called upon the Telangana government to provide clear information regarding the proposed Musi River rejuvenation and beautification project. He urged the authorities to spell out the exact objectives of the initiative and ensure transparency in its implementation.

Addressing the media, Harish Rao said that the government should release a detailed project report and clarify the financial structure, rehabilitation plan, and timeline of the project. He expressed concern over the ongoing demolition drives being carried out in several areas in the name of river restoration. According to him, any development initiative must balance environmental goals with the welfare of affected families.

He stated that the BRS party is not against the rejuvenation of the Musi River. However, he emphasized that large-scale demolitions without proper consultation and rehabilitation would create hardship for thousands of residents. He insisted that the government should prioritize measures such as preventing sewage discharge into the river, strengthening drainage systems, and constructing adequate sewage treatment facilities before undertaking displacement activities.

Harish Rao also questioned the clarity of the government's announcements regarding the project's funding and technical approvals. He said that consistent and transparent communication is essential to avoid confusion among the public. Development projects of this scale, he added, should be carried out with proper planning and stakeholder involvement.

The BRS leader further alleged that different terms are being used to describe the same project, which is causing uncertainty about its real purpose. He demanded that the government present a comprehensive roadmap explaining how the project will improve environmental conditions while safeguarding the interests of local communities.

Reiterating his party's stand, Harish Rao said that development should be inclusive and sustainable. He called for discussions in the Assembly and among all political parties to ensure accountability and clarity. He added that constructive dialogue would help strengthen public confidence in the project.

The Musi River rejuvenation proposal has become a significant political issue in the state, with debates continuing over its scope, execution, and impact. Harish Rao concluded by urging the government to adopt a transparent and people-friendly approach while moving forward with the initiative.

Six Test Positive in Moinabad Farmhouse Drug Case – EAGLE SP

Moinabad, March 15, 2026 | TPN Bureau

In a significant development in the Moinabad farmhouse drug case, authorities have confirmed that six individuals, including a Member of Parliament and a former MLA, have tested positive for drug consumption following tests conducted after a police raid at a farmhouse in Aziz Nagar, Moinabad.

According to the Special Enforcement Team (EAGLE) officials, the raid was carried out late Saturday night at around 11 p.m. based on credible information about a gathering at the farmhouse. The team identified 11 individuals, including one woman, who were present at the party. Following the op-



eration, drug tests were conducted on those involved.

EAGLE SP Giridhar confirmed that six people tested positive during the investigation. Those who reportedly tested positive include former MLA Pilot Rohith Reddy, Eluru MP Putha Mahesh Yadav, along with Ritesh Reddy, Namit, Kausik Ravi, and Arjun Reddy. Of-

ficials stated that while the MP initially tested negative in a rapid test, subsequent blood tests confirmed a positive result.

Authorities indicated that scientific evidence collected from the location supported the suspicion of drug usage at the premises. Based on these findings, police have intensified the investigation to determine the source of the substances and the extent of involvement of those present at the event. Officials added that further legal procedures will follow as per established norms.

The incident has drawn considerable public and political attention, given the presence of prominent figures. Law enforcement authorities reiter-

ated that the case is being handled strictly according to legal guidelines and that no individual will be exempt from scrutiny if found involved in unlawful activities.

Investigators are reviewing statements, forensic reports, and other material evidence to ensure a comprehensive probe. Police have emphasized that the investigation aims to establish facts transparently and take appropriate action based on confirmed evidence.

Further details are expected as the inquiry progresses. Officials assured that the process will continue with due diligence and that updates will be provided as per legal requirements. The case remains under active investigation by the concerned authorities.

Telangana to Release First Installment of Rythu Bharosa on March 22

Hyderabad, March 15, 2026 | TPN Bureau

The Telangana government has announced that the first installment of the Rythu Bharosa scheme will be released on March 22, marking the beginning of the state's financial support programme for farmers this season. The initiative is aimed at providing direct investment assistance to eligible cultivators across the state.

According to official information, the funds will be transferred directly into the bank accounts of beneficiaries to ensure transparency and quick disbursement. The government has structured the scheme in phases to streamline the distribution process and cover a large number of farmers in a systematic manner.

In the first phase, a signifi-

cant amount will be credited to the accounts of farmers who meet the eligibility criteria. The scheme primarily focuses on small and marginal farmers, offering them financial assistance to support agricultural activities such as purchasing seeds, fertilizers, and other essential inputs. Officials said the programme is designed to reduce the financial burden on farmers and strengthen rural livelihoods.

The government has reiterated that Rythu Bharosa is one of its key welfare commitments. By implementing direct benefit transfer, the administration aims to minimize delays and avoid intermediaries. Authorities have also advised farmers to ensure their bank account details are updated and linked properly to avoid any inconvenience in receiving the funds.

The phased release plan will continue in the coming weeks, with subsequent installments scheduled as per the announced timeline. Officials stated that this structured approach will help maintain financial discipline while ensuring that all eligible beneficiaries receive support within the stipulated period.

The announcement has brought relief and expectations among the farming community, especially ahead of the upcoming agricultural season. Many farmers have expressed hope that the timely financial assistance will help them prepare for crop activities without additional stress.

The state government has emphasized its continued focus on agriculture and rural development. Along with financial support, authorities are also working on improving irrigation



facilities, strengthening market linkages, and promoting sustainable farming practices.

With the release scheduled for March 22, preparations are underway to ensure smooth implementation of the scheme. Officials have assured that the distribution process will be monitored carefully so that the benefits reach farmers efficiently and transparently across Telangana.

Sridhar Babu Confirms ₹300 Crore Joint Investment by Global Firms

Hyderabad, March 15 | TPN Bureau:

Telangana has secured a fresh investment of ₹300 crore in the life sciences sector, further strengthening its position as a leading hub for advanced research and manufacturing. The investment will be made jointly by US-based Cambridge Isotope Laboratories (CIL) and Hyderabad-based Chemtatva Chiral Solutions, according to Minister for IT, Industries and Commerce D. Sridhar Babu.

The two companies will establish an advanced manufacturing facility at Genome Valley Phase-4 in Hyderabad. The project is expected to be developed over the next three years and will generate employment opportunities for around 250 professionals, the Minister stated.

Speaking after meeting the CEOs of the two companies at the Secretariat, Sridhar Babu said Telangana continues to attract significant global investments, particularly in high-value sectors such as life sciences and specialty chemicals. He noted that the state's progressive industrial policies, robust infrastructure, and skilled talent pool are major factors driving investor confidence.

According to the Minister, the proposed facility will manufacture isotope-labelled compounds, which are currently largely imported into India. The establishment of this unit will help reduce the country's dependence on imports and strengthen domestic capabilities in advanced chemical production.

These isotope-labelled compounds have wide applications in pharmaceutical research, metabolic studies, diagnostic testing, advanced electronics, organic electroluminescent materials (OLEDs), and the semiconductor industry. The Minister emphasized that the project will contribute to strengthening Telangana's research ecosystem and enhance



its global competitiveness in scientific manufacturing.

He further stated that Genome Valley was selected for the project due to its industry-friendly environment, availability of highly skilled scientists, world-class research infrastructure, and supportive government policies. The collaboration between the two companies reflects strong international confidence in Telangana's business climate, he added.

Dr. Vishal Rajput, CEO of Chemtatva Chiral Solutions, expressed confidence that the partnership with Cambridge Isotope Laboratories will help develop world-class manufacturing capabilities in Telangana and create new opportunities in the advanced chemistry sector.

The meeting was attended by Cliff Caldwell, CEO of Cambridge Isotope Laboratories, Shakti Nagappa, Director of Telangana Life Sciences, along with other senior officials. The government reiterated its commitment to promoting innovation, attracting investments, and positioning Telangana as a global leader in life sciences and advanced materials research.

Vakiti Srihari Inaugurates 33/11 KV Substation in Jadcherla

Jadcherla, March 15, 2026 | TPN Bureau:

State Sports, Dairy Development, and Animal Husbandry Minister Vakiti Srihari reaffirmed the government's commitment to providing quality electricity supply to farmers and rural communities. He inaugurated a newly constructed 33/11 kV electricity substation at Boyinapally village in Midjil mandal, Jadcherla constituency.

Addressing a public meeting on the occasion, the minister said that the government is dedicated to ensuring uninterrupted and reliable power supply, particularly for agricultural needs. He noted that in the past, even basic electrical infrastructure requests such as installing a power pole would take years to be fulfilled. However, he said the present government has changed that scenario by responding swiftly to issues raised in villages.

Srihari appreciated the efforts of Jadcherla MLA Anirudh Reddy, stating that the legislator has been actively working to ensure three-phase quality power supply to farmers. He described Anirudh Reddy as a committed leader who strongly raises constituency issues in the Assembly. The minister urged citizens to recognize the difference between previous administrations and the current public-focused governance model.

He informed that each substation in the constituency was constructed with a budget of ₹3.05 crore, and in the last two years, 21 substations have been established to strengthen the power infrastructure network. He said these developments would significantly benefit farmers, households, and small industries by improving voltage stability and reducing interruptions.

During the programme, the minister also reviewed civic and educational concerns in the region. He directed the district collector to take immediate, war-footing measures to construct toilets in govern-



ment schools where facilities are lacking, particularly to ensure that girl students do not face difficulties. He emphasized the importance of improving basic amenities in educational institutions.

Srihari announced that an integrated school will soon be established in Jadcherla. He added that, with the initiative of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, a Triple IT (IIT) institution has already been brought to the region, contributing

to educational development. He reiterated that development should not be limited to election periods but must continue as a sustained process under a people-centric government.

The minister also highlighted that the government is implementing the Indiramma housing scheme, ensuring that eligible poor beneficiaries receive houses irrespective of political affiliations. He urged public representatives and

officials to work responsibly and maintain the trust placed in them by the electorate.

The event was attended by Jadcherla MLA Anirudh Reddy, Mahabubnagar District Collector Kushboo Gupta, Boyinapally Sarpanch Shashikala, and other officials and local leaders. The inauguration marked another step toward strengthening infrastructure and improving public services in the constituency.

Mahesh Kumar Goud Challenges KTR Over Moinabad Drug Case



Hyderabad, March 15, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president Mahesh Kumar Goud has made strong remarks regarding the Moinabad farmhouse drug case and challenged BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao to undergo a drug test. His comments come amid heightened political tensions following the recent police raid at a private farmhouse in Moinabad.

Addressing the issue, Mahesh Kumar Goud stated that public representatives must maintain transparency and accountability, especially in matters involving serious allegations such as drug consumption. He said that if there are any doubts or accusations, leaders from all political parties should come forward voluntarily for drug testing to clear public concerns. According to him, such steps would help restore confidence among citizens and demonstrate commitment to ethical governance.

The TPCC chief emphasized that the investigation should proceed in a fair and impartial manner without political interference. He urged authorities to examine all aspects of the case thoroughly and take action strictly based on evidence. He also said that the law should apply equally to everyone, regardless of their political status or influence.

The Moinabad incident has sparked intense political debate

across Telangana, with leaders exchanging sharp statements. The controversy escalated after reports surfaced regarding drug tests conducted on individuals who were present at the farmhouse gathering. The case has since become a focal point of discussions in political circles and among the public.

Mahesh Kumar Goud alleged that attempts are being made to divert attention from the seriousness of the issue. He maintained that the focus should remain on uncovering the truth rather than engaging in political blame games. He reiterated that the Congress party stands for strict enforcement of laws related to drug prevention and public safety.

Meanwhile, political reactions continue to pour in from different quarters, with both ruling and opposition parties presenting their views. Some leaders have supported calls for transparency, while others have criticized the remarks as politically motivated. The matter has led to increased scrutiny and public interest due to the involvement of prominent figures.

Authorities have stated that the investigation is ongoing and that further steps will be taken based on verified findings. The case remains under close observation as officials continue their probe to determine the full facts surrounding the incident. Further developments are expected in the coming days.

Dasoju Sravan Challenges All Parties to Undergo Drug Tests

Hyderabad, March 15, 2026:

BRS MLC Dasoju Sravan has demanded a comprehensive and transparent investigation into the alleged drug-related incident at a farmhouse in Moinabad. He stated that the matter should be examined in detail and that anyone involved, irrespective of their political affiliation or position, must face strict action under the law.

Addressing the media, Sravan strongly objected to what he termed false propaganda being spread against BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao. He alleged that the ruling party was attempting to divert attention from governance issues by linking KTR to the incident without solid evidence. He insisted that investigations should proceed based on facts and not political assumptions.

Sravan also raised concerns over the handling of drug-related issues in the state. Referring to reported statistics, he said that a significant number of drug cases have been registered in recent times and expressed worry over the increasing usage of narcotics. He questioned the effectiveness of enforcement agencies and urged the government to focus on strengthening anti-drug measures instead of engaging in political criticism.



In a strong statement, Sravan challenged all political representatives to undergo drug testing to clear any doubts. He suggested that after the Governor's

address, special counters could be arranged in the Assembly premises where members from all parties—MLAs and MLCs—could voluntarily take drug tests. He asked Chief

Minister Revanth Reddy whether he is prepared to accept this challenge. He asserted that all BRS public representatives are ready to take drug tests to demonstrate transparency.

He further criticized the Congress leadership, alleging that unnecessary remarks were being made against KTR. According to him, baseless accusations would not be tolerated, and legal action would be initiated against those spreading misinformation. He also cited previous court observations in related matters and stated that irresponsible statements would face legal scrutiny.

Sravan accused the Congress government of failing to fulfill its election promises made to farmers, women, youth, and other sections of society. He stated that the government should concentrate on implementing its assurances rather than shifting focus to political controversies.

Concluding his remarks, Sravan emphasized that drug control is a serious issue that should not be politicized. He said that if the government takes genuine steps to curb drug abuse, the BRS party is ready to extend cooperation in the interest of public welfare and maintaining law and order in the state.

KTR Reaffirms Anti-Drug Stance, Welcomes Public Test Challenge



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BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) reiterated his strong opposition to drug usage, stating that drugs "create monsters out of human beings" and emphasizing that even individuals in responsible positions must avoid illicit substances. He clarified that he has always been strictly against drugs and any form of illegal activities.

In a public statement, KTR said that the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) condemns the use and sale of drugs and supports strict legal action against anyone involved in such activities, regardless of political affiliation. He stressed that the law should take its own course and that those found guilty must face appropriate punishment under legal provisions.

At the same time, KTR strongly objected to what he described as attempts to politically link his party to the recent drug-related developments. He stated that dragging BRS into the controversy is unfair and reflects what he termed "political motives." According to him, the issue should be handled based on evidence rather than political narratives.

Responding to calls made by TPCC chief Mahesh Kumar Goud

regarding drug testing for public representatives, KTR welcomed the suggestion and reiterated that he is ready to undergo any test. He said he has already expressed multiple times his willingness to cooperate and added that leaders from all political parties should come forward to set an example for the public.

KTR further stated that transparency among elected representatives would help strengthen public confidence. He supported the idea that political leaders must demonstrate accountability and lead by example in matters concerning public health and safety.

However, he also issued a strong warning that repeatedly linking his name to drug-related cases without evidence would not be tolerated. He said that such attempts would be addressed through legal channels and that appropriate legal notices would be issued if necessary.

KTR concluded by reaffirming his commitment to maintaining a drug-free society and urged authorities to continue enforcing laws strictly and impartially. He emphasized that the focus should remain on combating drug abuse effectively rather than engaging in political disputes.

Sangareddy Iftar Hosted by Jaggareddy, Ministers Attend

Sangareddy, March 15, 2026 | TPN Bureau

A grand Iftar gathering was organized in Sangareddy under the leadership of local leader T. Jaggareddy as part of the Ramadan observances. The event witnessed the participation of several prominent leaders and attracted a large number of attendees from the Muslim community and other sections of society.

State Ministers Uttam Kumar Reddy, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, and Damodar Raja Narasimha attended the program along with Member of Parliament Suresh Shetkar. The leaders extended their greetings to the Muslim community on the occasion of the holy month of Ramadan and emphasized the importance of harmony and brotherhood.

Speaking at the event, the leaders conveyed their best wishes to Muslim brothers and sisters, highlighting the significance of Ramadan as a month of spiritual reflection, discipline, and community service. They noted that such gatherings strengthen social unity and promote mutual respect among different communities.



Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy praised Jaggareddy, describing him as a leader who enjoys the affection and support of the people.

He appreciated the initiative taken to organize the Iftar and commended the efforts in bringing together leaders and citizens in a spirit of

togetherness.

Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy referred to Jaggareddy as a person with strong humanitarian values and said that his efforts reflect commitment to social harmony. He added that events like these help reinforce bonds between communities and promote peaceful coexistence.

Minister Damodar Raja Narasimha also conveyed his Ramadan greetings to the Muslim community and reiterated the government's commitment to inclusive development and welfare programs benefiting all sections of society.

The event was marked by cordial interactions, community participation, and a shared message of unity. Religious leaders and local representatives were also present, contributing to the inclusive atmosphere of the gathering. Participants expressed appreciation for the initiative, stating that such programs help strengthen interfaith relationships and social cohesion.

The Iftar concluded with prayers and fellowship, reflecting the spirit of Ramadan and the message of peace, compassion, and solidarity among all communities.

Chanagani Dayakar Demands Clarification From KTR Over Drug Party Allegations

Hyderabad, March 15 | TPN Bureau:

TPCC General Secretary Chanagani Dayakar has demanded that BRS leader K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) provide a clear explanation regarding allegations linked to a recent drug party case involving a former MLA. He urged the BRS leadership to respond responsibly and address concerns raised by the public.

Speaking on the issue, Dayakar stated that if any party member is connected to activities promoting drugs, it is the responsibility of the party leadership to clarify its stand. He alleged that such incidents send the wrong message to the youth and society. He questioned what message opposition leaders are conveying to young people through their statements and actions.

Dayakar praised Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for taking steps to make the city drug-free and said the government is committed to maintaining law and order strictly. He emphasized that combating drug-related activities requires strong enforcement and collective social responsibility.

The TPCC leader further demanded that the BRS party clarify its position on the Mohinabad drug party case and respond transparently to allegations. He said political leaders should not attempt to divert attention from serious issues by making provocative remarks. According to him, accountability and clarity are essential in maintaining public trust.

Dayakar also criticized recent comments made by BRS leaders, stating that repeated political rhetoric does not address the core concerns of the public. He urged senior leaders within the BRS, including KTR and Harish Rao, to speak on the matter and provide explanations rather than remaining silent.

He added that if any wrongdoing is proven, appropriate legal action should follow as per the rule of law. At the same time, he cautioned against political misuse of sensitive issues and stressed the need for



responsible debate.

Concluding his remarks, Dayakar called upon all political parties to focus on constructive politics and prioritize the welfare of youth and society. He reiterated that drug-related activities must be condemned across party lines and that strict action should be supported to ensure a safe and healthy environment for citizens.

Youth Congress Stages Protest Over Drug Party Allegations



Hyderabad, 15 March 2026 | TPN Bureau:

Youth Congress State President Jakkidi Shiva Charan Reddy strongly criticized BRS leaders over alleged involvement in a drug party case related to the Mohinabad farmhouse incident. A protest was organized today at Gandhi Bhavan under his leadership, drawing participation from state, district, and constituency-level leaders of the party.

During the protest, Youth Congress leaders burnt the effigies of BRS leaders K. T. Rama Rao and Pilot Rohith Reddy, expressing their anger over the allegations. The leaders raised slogans demanding accountability and strict action in connection with the case. They stated that such incidents, if proven true, would damage the reputation of the state and create concern among the public.

Speaking to the media, Jakkidi Shiva Charan Reddy alleged that the reported drug party incident has become a matter of serious concern for Telangana society. He claimed that political leaders should set an example for youth, but instead, such controversies send the wrong message. He further stated that opposition leaders must act responsibly and work for public welfare rather than being involved in activities that attract negative attention.

He emphasized that the Youth Congress is committed to strengthening efforts toward a drug-free Telangana under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy. According to him, the government should take firm steps to curb drug-related activities and ensure strict enforcement of laws to protect the younger generation. They expressed solidarity with the demand for transparency and a thorough investigation into the matter. The leaders stated that they will continue to raise their voice on public issues and stand against any activities that harm the state's image.

The protest concluded peacefully with party members reiterating their commitment to social responsibility and public awareness. Youth Congress leaders called upon authorities to act impartially and ensure that justice is delivered, while maintaining peace and order in the state.

Errabelli Swarna Assumes Charge as TPCC Women's Congress President

Hyderabad, March 15:

Errabelli Swarna formally assumed charge as the TPCC Women's Congress President at a grand ceremony held at Gandhi Bhavan's Prakasham Hall on Sunday. The event witnessed the participation of senior Congress leaders and women representatives from across the state.

TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud attended as the chief guest, along with All India Mahila Congress President Alka Lamba, Women Congress leaders, and the State Women's Congress in-charge. Several prominent leaders including Protocol In-charge Harkar Venu Gopal Rao, MP Kadiyam Kavya, Congress leaders Gundu Sudharani, Kota Neelima, and Nerella Sharda were also present at the programme.

Speaking on the occasion, party leaders extended their heartfelt congratulations to Errabelli Swarna and expressed confidence that she would strengthen the Women's Congress wing in Telangana. They highlighted the party's commitment to empowering women and increasing their participation in governance and decision-making roles.

TPCC leadership emphasized that women are being given significant responsibilities within the organization, including several district-level positions. Leaders stated that six women have been appointed to DCC posts, reflecting the party's focus on leadership opportunities for women at different levels.

The speakers also highlighted welfare initiatives such as the Mahalakshmi scheme, under



which free bus travel has been provided to women, describing it as a major step toward women-centric governance. They noted that women are being encouraged to contest in Assembly and Parliamentary elections, creating greater representation in legislative bodies.

Party leaders recalled that the Congress has a long-standing history of promoting women to high constitutional positions, including President, Governors, Speakers, and Chief Ministers. They expressed confidence that in the upcoming elections, a significant

number of women representatives would be elected to the Assembly.

They further stated that the state government is considering allocating 20 percent of chairperson positions in various bodies to women, as part of its broader empowerment agenda.

On governance issues, leaders claimed that the state is focusing on controlling drug-related activities under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, and the ministerial team. They stressed that public

welfare and development initiatives are being implemented in line with the vision of national leadership.

Concluding the programme, leaders urged party workers to take development initiatives to every household and strengthen grassroots engagement. They called upon the Women's Congress wing, under Errabelli Swarna's leadership, to actively communicate government welfare schemes and development programmes to the public and ensure wider outreach across Telangana.

Vakiti Srihari Reviews Vaccination Drive and Dairy Facilities in Jadcherla

Jadcherla, March 15, 2026:

State Animal Husbandry Minister Vakiti Srihari participated in the eighth phase of the free Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) vaccination programme held in Jadcherla constituency. The minister administered vaccines to livestock at Boyinapally village in Midjil mandal and appealed to farmers to ensure that their animals receive the free preventive vaccination to protect them from disease outbreaks.

Speaking on the occasion, the minister emphasized the importance of safeguarding livestock health, stating that animal husbandry plays a vital role in strengthening rural livelihoods and the agricultural economy. He urged farmers to cooperate with veterinary officials and make use of the government's free vaccination initiative to prevent losses caused by contagious diseases.

Before participating in the programme, Minister Srihari paid floral tributes to the statues of Mahatma Jyotiba Phule and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in the village, honoring their contributions to social reform and equality. Local



leaders and officials accompanied the minister during the visit.

The event was attended by Jadcherla MLA Anirudh Reddy, District Collector Kushboo Gupta, Boyinapally Sarpanch Shashikala, and other public representatives and officials.

As part of his visit, the minister also inspected the Vijaya Dairy milk chilling center in Boy-

inapally. During the inspection, officials briefed him about the ongoing milk procurement and production activities at the facility. He reviewed operational aspects and interacted with staff members to understand the functioning of the dairy center.

Minister Srihari stated that significant reforms and transformative changes are expected in the dairy sector in the coming

years. He indicated that the state government is planning substantial budget allocations for the dairy and animal husbandry sectors in the upcoming financial plan. According to him, these investments aim to strengthen milk production, improve infrastructure, and support dairy farmers across the state.

He reiterated the government's commitment to enhancing rural income through better veterinary services, improved dairy support systems, and regular health monitoring of livestock. The minister said that initiatives such as vaccination drives and infrastructure development in the dairy sector will contribute to increased productivity and economic stability for farmers.

Officials informed the minister about milk collection volumes, storage processes, and quality control measures at the chilling center. The visit concluded with discussions on further strengthening dairy development activities in the region, ensuring better services and sustainable growth for farmers engaged in livestock and dairy production.

Kavitha Raises Concerns Over Musi Project and Demolition Issues

Hyderabad, March 15 | TPN Bureau:

Telangana Jagruthi President and BRS leader Kalvakuntla Kavitha held a press conference at the Telangana Jagruthi office in Banjara Hills, where she strongly criticized the state government and certain officials over alleged misinformation, demolition drives, and the Musi River rejuvenation project.

Kavitha warned that she would file a defamation case against an official named Ranganath, accusing him of spreading misleading information and circulating videos on social media. She alleged that the content was politically motivated and questioned why false narratives were being created. She demanded that the concerned social media posts be removed immediately, failing which legal action would be initiated.

She stated that Telangana Jagruthi had earlier submitted multiple complaints with supporting evidence regarding alleged encroachments and irregularities. According to her, despite providing documents, no proper action was taken. Kavitha claimed that selective enforcement was being



carried out, where poor families were facing demolitions while influential individuals were not being acted upon equally.

Speaking about the Musi River project, Kavitha emphasized that development initiatives must focus on public welfare and environmental protection. She questioned the transparency of the project, stating that the government had not clearly explained

the full Detailed Project Report (DPR) or the long-term benefits to citizens. She also raised concerns about funding details and alleged inconsistencies in cost estimates presented in different stages of the project.

Kavitha asked why affected families were not adequately consulted before meetings related to the project were conducted. She argued that those likely to

lose properties should be involved in discussions and rehabilitation planning. According to her, development should not displace vulnerable communities without proper safeguards and compensation.

She further said that river rejuvenation efforts must ensure that sewage inflow is controlled and environmental standards are strictly followed. She called for practical measures such as preventing encroachments, improving waste management, and strengthening monitoring systems around the river.

Announcing further action, Kavitha said a fact-finding committee would be formed on March 17 to review issues in Velugumtla and surrounding areas. She assured that Telangana Jagruthi would support affected families and continue to raise concerns until justice is delivered.

Concluding her remarks, Kavitha urged the government to maintain transparency, avoid misinformation, and ensure that development projects are implemented responsibly for the benefit of all citizens.

Illegal Shed Construction Sparks Debate Over Town Planning Inaction



Quthbullapur, March 15 | TPN Bureau

The issue of a large shed reportedly being constructed without permission opposite Tech Mahindra in the Bahadurpally area under Dundigal Circle has once again come into the spotlight, as it has appeared in the media for the third time. Despite repeated reports, concerns are being raised over the alleged lack of action by the concerned Town Planning officials.

According to local sources, earlier news stories had highlighted the construction, describing it as a "zero-permission" structure. However, allegations suggest that officials have only stated that action would be taken, without implementing any concrete measures so far. Meanwhile, the construction work is said to be progressing rapidly and nearing completion, further intensifying criticism of the authorities.

Residents and observers are questioning whether the concerned Town Planning Assistant Commissioner (ACP) is aware of the ongoing construction or has chosen not to act. The situation has sparked discussions within the locality about the responsibility of the department in preventing unauthorized developments.

Questions are also being raised regarding whether any official notices have been issued to the parties involved. If notices were served, residents are asking why the details have not been made

public. Transparency in enforcement actions, they argue, is essential to maintain public trust and ensure accountability.

The alleged delay in taking firm action has led to speculation about possible negligence or other undisclosed reasons behind the inaction. Critics say that when illegal constructions continue despite being widely reported, it undermines the credibility of regulatory systems meant to control unauthorized developments.

Town planning regulations are designed to ensure orderly development, adherence to approved plans, and compliance with municipal norms. However, when alleged violations are not addressed promptly, it raises concerns among citizens about enforcement efficiency.

Local voices are urging authorities to intervene immediately, conduct a thorough inspection, and take appropriate action in accordance with the law. They emphasize that consistent enforcement against unauthorized constructions is necessary to prevent further violations and maintain planned urban growth.

As public attention continues to grow around the issue, residents are awaiting a clear response from the Town Planning department regarding the status of the construction and any steps taken so far. Whether officials will initiate action in the coming days remains to be seen.

20 CCTV Cameras Donated to Boost Security in Dundigal



Quthbullapur, March 15 | TPN Bureau

In an effort to strengthen security measures under the Dundigal Police Station limits, Sneha Farms Private Limited has donated 20 CCTV cameras to the police department. The surveillance equipment, valued at around ₹1.5 lakh, was formally handed over to Dundigal Circle Inspector (CI) Satish.

The donated cameras will be installed at important locations within the police station jurisdiction. Officials stated that the new units will replace several existing cameras that are either non-functional or damaged. In addition, the cameras will also be set up in newly identified areas that require enhanced monitoring.

Police authorities said the initiative will significantly improve surveillance in the region and help in preventing criminal activities. They emphasized that CCTV cameras play a vital role in maintaining law and order, assisting investigations, and ensuring continuous monitoring of public spaces. The upgraded surveillance system is expected to support the police in tracking

suspicious movements and responding quickly to incidents.

Speaking on the occasion, CI Satish appreciated the contribution made by Sneha Farms Private Limited and thanked the organization for its support towards community safety. He highlighted that cooperation between private institutions and the police department is essential for building a safer society.

He also encouraged residents to install CCTV cameras in their homes, residential colonies, and community areas. According to him, widespread installation of surveillance systems can help reduce crime and improve overall security. Community participation, along with police vigilance, would further strengthen preventive measures.

Local officials noted that such donations help improve infrastructure and enhance public safety without additional financial burden on the government. The newly donated cameras are expected to be installed soon, further reinforcing security arrangements in the Dundigal area.

Sanitation Works Inspected in Kompally Circle

Quthbullapur, March 15 | TPN Bureau

As part of the Telangana government's "Praja Palana - Pragathi Pranalika" 99-day programme, sanitation works being carried out in Kompally Circle-56 were inspected by Cyberabad Municipal Corporation Sanitation Assistant Commissioner Yadagiri on Saturday.

During the inspection, the official reviewed the special sanitation drives being conducted in various localities under the circle. He interacted with sanitation workers and closely examined the ongoing cleanliness activities, including waste collection, road sweeping, and maintenance of public spaces.

Yadagiri directed sanitation staff to ensure that cleanliness works are carried out effectively and without interruption. He emphasized that maintaining hygiene and proper sanitation is essential for providing a healthy and clean environment for residents.

The Assistant Commissioner also instructed officials to streamline sanitation operations and ensure that waste management activities are conducted in a systematic manner. He said that regular monitoring and coordinated efforts by the municipal staff are necessary to maintain



cleanliness standards across the area.

Officials were asked to focus on timely collection and disposal of solid waste, clearing of garbage points, and maintaining cleanliness in residential colonies and public areas. The inspection was conducted as part of the broader initiative under the state government's 99-day programme aimed at improving civic services and public infrastructure.

Municipal authorities stated that special sanitation drives are being carried out across various divisions to enhance urban cleanliness and promote better public health conditions. These drives include intensified cleaning operations, waste management measures, and increased supervision of sanitation activities.

Solid Waste Management Deputy Engineer M. Tirupati and Assistant Executive Engineer Ku-

mari Krupa were also present during the inspection. Other municipal staff members participated in the programme and assisted in reviewing the sanitation work in different parts of the circle.

Officials expressed confidence that with regular inspections and strict monitoring, sanitation standards in the Kompally Circle will continue to improve, ensuring a cleaner and healthier environment for residents.

CPI Expresses Anger Over HYDRA Demolitions in Praneeth Antilia

Hyderabad, March 15 | TPN Bureau

Residents of Praneeth Antilia in Bachupally have raised serious concerns over demolition activities carried out by HYDRA in the area. The issue has sparked political debate after the Communist Party of India (CPI) expressed strong objections to the action, alleging irregularities and possible political pressure behind the operations.

On Sunday, CPI National Control Commission Chairman Narayana visited the locality to review the situation firsthand. During his visit, he interacted with residents and gathered details about the difficulties they have been facing following the demolitions. Local citizens reportedly explained the damage caused to infrastructure and the challenges arising in their daily lives.

Narayana stated that although HYDRA was established with the objective of protecting lakes and government lands, such actions should strictly follow legal procedures. He questioned the timing of the demolitions, particularly when



a stay order is said to be in place from the court. According to him, proceeding with demolitions despite legal restraints raises serious concerns and could undermine public confidence in the institution.

Residents informed the CPI leader that the demolition drive had resulted in damage to street lights,

drainage lines, and electrical cables in the colony. For the past week, many families have been experiencing inconvenience due to the disruption of basic civic amenities. They urged authorities to take prior precautions to prevent such hardships in the future.

Narayana emphasized that devel-

opment and enforcement actions must not come at the cost of public welfare. He suggested that authorities coordinate better with local bodies and ensure that essential services are protected during such operations. He also advised that disputes related to land or structures should be resolved through proper legal channels without causing distress to residents.

Reassuring the colony residents, Narayana stated that the CPI would stand by them in addressing their grievances. He added that the party would extend necessary support to help resolve the matter legally and peacefully. He also called for an expedited resolution in court to bring clarity and relief to the affected families.

Several CPI leaders accompanied Narayana during the visit, along with local colony representatives and residents who participated in the discussion. The visit has drawn attention to the ongoing debate surrounding demolition activities in the area and their impact on local communities.

Industries Pay Crores in Taxes, But Roads Remain in Potholes



Quthbullapur, March 15 | TPN Bureau

A delegation led by JK Shekhar Yadav submitted a representation to MP Etela Rajender, urging immediate repair and development of the Dhooolapally-Jeedimetla industrial main road. The team met the MP at his residence and highlighted the poor condition of the road stretching from NTR Statue in Dhooolapally to Phase-V in Jeedimetla.

The delegation stated that the road has been severely damaged with large potholes over the past year, making it unsafe for commuters. They said hundreds of vehicles, including heavy industrial transport vehicles, use this route daily, but the deteriorating condition has caused significant inconvenience to the public and industrial workers.

They further pointed out that frequent accidents are occurring due to the damaged road surface. The representatives emphasized that the industrial corridor is a crucial link connecting various factories and commercial establishments in the region. Despite generating substantial revenue for the government through house tax and GST contributions from industries, the area is allegedly lacking basic infrastructure facilities.

The delegation also requested development of the link roads connected to the Dhooolapally-Jeedimetla route, particularly the in-

dustrial road leading towards Prashanth Nagar. They urged authorities to take up comprehensive repairs, including road resurfacing and drainage improvements, to prevent waterlogging and further deterioration.

The representatives appealed to the MP to instruct the concerned zonal commissioner to sanction necessary approvals for road repair works and drainage systems at the earliest. They stressed that timely intervention would help reduce accidents and improve traffic flow in the industrial zone.

During the meeting, the delegation expressed concern that the poor road conditions are affecting industrial operations and daily commuting. They stated that immediate action would not only ensure public safety but also support industrial growth in the region.

Several leaders participated in the programme, including State Municipal Cell Co-Convenor Ravula Sheshagiri, District General Secretary Giri Vardhan Reddy, District Vice President Garige Shekhar Mudiraj, Division Presidents Katta Kumar, Srihari, and Nagaraju.

The delegation hoped that authorities would prioritize the long-pending road issues and initiate development works without further delay, ensuring safer and smoother transportation in the industrial corridor.

Confusion Over LPG Supply; Vigilance Probe Sought

Medchal, March 15 | TPN Bureau

Concerns have been raised over the LPG gas supply situation in certain regions, with allegations that irregularities and misinformation are creating confusion among the public. Telangana Forum for RTI and Human Rights Welfare Association State President T. Ramesh Gupta expressed concern over reports suggesting disruption in LPG cylinder availability despite official claims of adequate supply.

Ramesh Gupta stated that while governments have repeatedly clarified that there is no shortage of LPG cylinders and that sufficient stock is available, consumers in some areas continue to report difficulties in obtaining cylinders. He said delays in supply by certain LPG dealers and claims of shortages at the local level are causing inconvenience to ordinary households.

He further pointed out that misleading messages circulating on social media regarding LPG shortages are spreading unnecessary fear and anxiety among people. According to him, such unverified information is contributing to confusion, especially when official statements confirm that supply levels are stable.

Ramesh Gupta questioned why inconsistencies are being observed at the ground level if the supply system is functioning smoothly at the national and state levels. He urged concerned authorities to conduct a detailed review to determine whether any irregularities are occurring within the distribution network.

He also demanded that vigilance officials immediately investigate the matter to identify whether any attempts are being made to create artificial shortages. He said that if any malpractice or misconduct is found in the supply chain, strict action



should be taken against those responsible.

Additionally, he called for measures to prevent false propaganda that may mislead citizens and create panic. According to him, transparent monitoring of the LPG distribution system is essential to ensure that consumers receive cylinders on time without facing difficulties.

Ramesh Gupta suggested that the government and relevant departments strengthen supervision mechanisms and improve communication with the public to address concerns. He emphasized the need for clear and timely information to eliminate doubts among consumers.

He concluded by urging authorities to ensure uninterrupted LPG supply, maintain transparency in distribution, and safeguard public interest by taking immediate corrective steps wherever necessary.

Vakiti Srihari Calls for Participation in State Development Drive

Jadcherla, March 15, 2026:

State Sports, Dairy Development, and Animal Husbandry Minister Vakiti Srihari called upon every citizen to actively participate in the state's progress. He participated in a cleanliness drive at the Jadcherla Government Hospital as part of the government's "Praja Palana-Pragati Pranalika" initiative.

The minister cleaned the general ward using a mop, symbolizing the government's focus on sanitation and public hygiene. Upon his arrival at the hospital, police personnel presented a guard of honour. Later, addressing a press conference, he detailed the objectives of the 99-day action plan launched under the Praja Palana-Pragati Pranalika programme.

Srihari stated that the government has identified 10 key focus areas under the initiative. Training and awareness programmes have already been conducted for municipal chairpersons, sarpanches, councillors, and ward members to ensure effective implementation. He expressed confidence that long-pending issues that remained unresolved for years would find solutions through this structured programme. He described the campaign as a comprehensive effort to improve cleanliness in government offices and public institutions, urging officials and citizens to actively cooperate.

The minister emphasized that welfare schemes being implemented by the government should reach every household. He highlighted the "Arrive-Alive" road safety campaign, which aims to create awareness about traffic rules. He warned that minor mistakes on roads can lead to serious accidents affecting entire families. He stressed the mandatory use of seat belts and helmets while driving cars and two-wheelers.

He also directed officials to identify black spots on roads and in-



stall speed control measures to prevent accidents. Additionally, he stated that reflective radium stickers must be affixed to the rear of vehicles to enhance visibility and improve safety standards.

Referring to the state's financial situation, Srihari said that despite economic challenges, welfare programmes are being implemented without interruption. He remarked that the government has transformed the agricultural outlook by ensuring support prices and bonuses for paddy farmers. He noted that eligible beneficiaries

receive six kilograms of fine rice per month through ration shops.

The minister reiterated the government's commitment to women's empowerment, stating that initiatives such as interest-free loans for self-help groups, petrol pump management opportunities, and RTC bus rental schemes reflect the administration's dedication. He said the government is working with sincerity and responsibility to serve the people.

He added that land acquisition for projects will proceed only after compensation is provided to dis-

placed persons, as directed by the Chief Minister. He expressed optimism that the Palamuru-Rangareddy project will soon move forward after receiving necessary approvals.

The event was attended by Jadcherla MLA Anirudh Reddy, Mahabubnagar Collector Khushboo Gupta, Municipal Chairperson Pushpalatha, DMHO Krishna, and other officials. The minister concluded by stating that with public support, the region will witness rapid development in the coming days.

GHMC Collects 15,000 Kg E-Waste in Mega Drive

Hyderabad, March 15, 2026:

The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) successfully conducted a two-day E-Waste Mega Collection Drive on March 14-15, 2026, as part of the 99-Day Action Plan under the Praja Palana-Pragati Pranalika programme. The initiative witnessed overwhelming public participation, with more than 15,000 kilograms of electronic waste collected across all 30 circles of the city.

The mega drive was organized at 110 collection points throughout Hyderabad, encouraging citizens to responsibly dispose of unused and defunct electronic items. The campaign received active support from residents, recyclers, NGOs, Self-Help Groups (SHGs), and sanitation volunteers, marking a significant step toward scientific e-waste management.

Among the key collection centers, Jalagam Vengal Rao Park in Jubilee Hills Circle emerged as one of the leading points, where 450 kg of e-waste was collected. Citizens who participated received reward points as part of the incentive scheme. Similarly, Indira Park in Kavayitriguda Circle recorded the collection of 510 kg of e-waste, with participants receiving cash rewards totaling



₹20,874. Officials said the reward and cashback mechanism significantly boosted participation.

Across the city, the drive achieved the collection of 15,000 kg of e-waste, along with 100 large electronic appliances. The initiative covered all GHMC limits and was executed with the support of authorized recyclers who ensured proper segregation and scientific handling of the collected materials.

The reward system, which includ-

ed points and cash incentives, played a major role in encouraging citizens to contribute. Authorized recyclers were present at collection sites to provide instant rewards based on the type and quantity of waste submitted. Officials stated that the approach helped raise awareness about responsible disposal and value recovery from electronic items.

Swachh Saathi volunteers were deployed at all kiosks to guide citi-

zens, while GHMC officials including Deputy Commissioners, sanitation department engineers, and assistant engineers monitored the smooth conduct of the programme. Prior to the weekend drive, Swachh Auto Tippers conducted door-to-door awareness campaigns to inform residents about the initiative and encourage maximum participation.

GHMC officials emphasized that e-waste contains hazardous materials that can harm the environment if not disposed of properly. At the same time, it includes valuable components that can be recycled scientifically. The corporation aims to channel all collected waste to authorized recycling units for environmentally safe processing.

As part of the 99-Day Action Plan, similar mega collection drives are scheduled for April 11-12 and May 9-10, 2026. GHMC has appealed to citizens to actively participate in the upcoming drives and make use of the reward and cashback benefits.

Residents seeking more information about collection points, accepted e-waste categories, and drive schedules can contact the GHMC helpline or visit their nearest ward office.

Jupally Inaugurates Chana Procurement Centre in Kollapur

Kollapur, March 15:

Tourism, Culture, and Excise Minister Jupally Krishna Rao inaugurated a chickpea (chana) procurement centre at Koppunur village in Kollapur mandal on Sunday, reaffirming the state government's commitment to ensuring fair and remunerative prices for farmers.

Speaking at the event, the minister said that protecting the interests of farmers remains a top priority for the government. He stated that the newly established procurement centre, operated under the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society (PACS), will help farmers sell their produce directly without facing difficulties or relying on intermediaries. The initiative is expected to streamline the procurement process and ensure timely payments.

Jupally Krishna Rao announced that chickpeas will be purchased at the government-declared Minimum Support Price (MSP) of ₹5,875 per quintal. He emphasized that this step will provide financial security to farmers who have worked hard to cultivate the crop. The minister urged farmers to make use of the



procurement facility and benefit from the support extended by the government.

Highlighting quality standards, the minister advised farmers to ensure that the moisture content in the chickpeas does not exceed 14 percent. He explained that maintaining proper quality parameters is essential to avoid rejection dur-

ing the procurement process. He encouraged farmers to dry and store their produce carefully before bringing it to the centre for sale.

He instructed officials to carry out the procurement process in a transparent, efficient, and hassle-free manner. The minister directed agriculture department staff and MARKFED authorities to ensure

that farmers do not face any inconvenience at the centre. He also said that the government will closely monitor the operations to maintain accountability and smooth functioning.

Officials present at the programme informed that the centre has been set up to strengthen agricultural marketing in the region and provide better access to MSP benefits. Local public representatives welcomed the initiative and expressed confidence that it would support farmers during the ongoing procurement season.

A large number of farmers attended the inauguration and appreciated the government's efforts. They expressed hope that the centre would help them secure fair returns for their crops without delays.

The programme was attended by agriculture department officials, MARKFED representatives, public leaders, and farmers from nearby villages. The minister concluded by reiterating the government's dedication to agricultural development and rural welfare initiatives across the state.

Chamala Defends Musi River Rejuvenation Plan



Bhongir, March 15 | TPN Bureau:

Bhongir Lok Sabha Member Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy has strongly responded to BRS leader K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) over the ongoing debate on the Musi River rejuvenation project, stating that the state government is committed to the comprehensive development of Hyderabad through environmental restoration and infrastructure improvement.

Addressing the issue, the MP said Chief Minister Revanth Reddy recently presented detailed facts through a PowerPoint presentation on the Musi river revival plan. He explained that the government's objective is not only to treat and clean sewage water before discharge but also to explore the possibility of bringing Godavari water into the Musi to ensure long-term sustainability.

Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy compared the Musi initiative with successful river development models such as the Sabarmati Riverfront project and river rejuvenation efforts on the Ganga. He said similar transformation can be achieved in Telangana with coordinated planning and political will.

The MP mentioned that he personally visited the Sabarmati Riverfront and observed large-scale development in the area. He stated that thousands of families were relocated as part of the project to ensure proper riverfront development over a stretch of 21 kilometres. He also noted that leaders from different political parties had worked together for the Sabarmati development, emphasizing that cooperation is essential for public welfare projects.

Chamala criticized KTR's remarks on the Musi presentation, alleging that counter-statements were made within 24 hours of the Chief Minister's briefing. He said the state requires constructive opposition rather than misinformation and claimed that development projects should not be politicized.

Referring to the previous decade of governance, the MP alleged that certain large-scale promises remained unfulfilled. He questioned why the Musi river was not developed during the earlier regime and demanded clarity on long-standing infrastructure concerns. He further asserted that the present government has initiated housing support schemes and development measures across constituencies.

The MP also dismissed claims regarding the cost of the Musi project, stating that exaggerated figures are being circulated to mislead the public. He said transparent planning and realistic budgeting are being followed for the river rejuvenation effort.

Chamala urged leaders across parties to visit successful riverfront projects such as Sabarmati to understand the potential outcomes of well-executed environmental development. He appealed to political leaders to focus on constructive suggestions rather than spreading false narratives.

Reiterating the government's commitment, he said the Musi River rejuvenation project aims to enhance urban infrastructure, improve environmental conditions, and contribute to Hyderabad's economic growth while safeguarding the interests of residents.

Ponguleti Walks to Srinivasagiri, Pledges Eco-Tourism Development



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The sacred hill shrine of Srinivasagiri was filled with devotion and festive spirit on Sunday as the annual Brahmotsavam celebrations of Lord Sri Venkateswara were held with great grandeur. The highlight of the day was the Tirukalyana Mahotsavam, conducted amid Vedic chants and traditional musical performances, drawing hundreds of devotees who participated in the celebrations.

Telangana Revenue, Housing, and Information Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy attended the event along with his wife, Madhuri. The minister and his family offered prayers and presented silk clothes (pattu vastralu) to the presiding deity as part of the traditional ritual. Temple authorities welcomed the dignitaries and facilitated their participation in the ceremonies.

What attracted special attention was the minister's decision to climb the 1,600 steps to the hill shrine on foot, along with devotees. Choosing to walk like a common pilgrim, he set aside official protocol and ascended the hill chanting "Govinda" along the way. Throughout the journey, he greeted devotees with a smile and interacted warmly with them, earning appreciation from the gathering.

Temple priests conducted the wedding ceremony with elaborate rituals, chanting sacred hymns in the presence of thousands of devotees. The atmos-

phere was filled with spiritual fervor as the celebrations concluded successfully. After the rituals, the minister and his wife received blessings and sacred offerings from the priests.

Speaking to the media after the darshan, Minister Ponguleti said that visiting the serene and natural surroundings of Srinivasagiri was a matter of privilege. He expressed gratitude for being part of the sacred occasion and prayed for the well-being and prosperity of the people of the state.

He further announced that the government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, would develop Srinivasagiri into a prominent eco-tourism destination in coordination with forest department officials. The minister assured that necessary infrastructure and facilities would be provided for devotees to ensure a comfortable pilgrimage experience while preserving the ecological balance of the region.

He emphasized that the development plan would focus on sustainable tourism, environmental protection, and improved amenities for visitors. The initiative aims to promote both spiritual tourism and nature conservation, benefiting local communities as well.

The grand celebrations concluded on a positive note, with devotees expressing satisfaction over the smooth arrangements and the spiritual ambience that marked the Tirukalyana festivities at Srinivasagiri.

Trump, Netanyahu and the Iran War: A Strategic Gamble Turning Risky

The ongoing confrontation involving Iran, Israel, and the United States has sparked a crucial debate in global politics: is former U.S. President Donald Trump beginning to question the wisdom of supporting Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's aggressive strategy against Iran? What initially appeared to be a swift and decisive military campaign is increasingly turning into a complicated and potentially costly conflict with uncertain consequences.

A War Born from Strategic Calculations

The roots of the conflict lie in a series of political and strategic calculations made by leaders in Washington and Tel Aviv. In recent months, internal protests and political unrest within Iran created an impression among some international observers that the Iranian government was vulnerable. Israeli leadership believed that this moment provided a rare opportunity to significantly weaken Iran's political and military establishment.

Prime Minister Netanyahu has long regarded Iran as Israel's most serious security threat. Concerns over Iran's nuclear ambitions, missile capabilities, and its support for militant groups across the Middle East have shaped Israel's security doctrine for decades. From Israel's perspective, confronting Iran directly could potentially eliminate or significantly weaken this long-standing threat.

Donald Trump, who has often favored bold and direct approaches in foreign policy, appeared willing to support Israel's position. The belief among supporters of the strategy was that strong military pressure could weaken Iran's leadership, encourage internal unrest, and possibly trigger political change within the country.

With these assumptions in mind, the United States and Israel launched a series of coordinated military strikes targeting Iran's military installations, missile systems,

and strategic infrastructure. The campaign was presented as a limited but powerful operation intended to dismantle Iran's military capabilities and force its leadership into submission.

Iran's Unexpected Resilience

However, the conflict did not unfold exactly as expected. Instead of collapsing under the pressure of military strikes, Iran responded with force. Iranian missile and drone attacks targeted various strategic locations in the region, including military installations and shipping routes. These retaliatory strikes demonstrated that Iran still possessed significant military capabilities despite the initial attacks.

More importantly, the expectation that Iranian society would quickly turn against its leadership has not materialized in the way some strategists predicted. While many Iranians have expressed dissatisfaction with their government over economic and political issues, foreign military attacks often produce a different reaction. External threats can create a sense of national unity, strengthening support for the country's leadership rather than weakening it.

As a result, the Iranian government has managed to maintain its authority and project defiance in the face of military pressure. Instead of showing signs of immediate collapse, the leadership has vowed to continue resisting external intervention and defend the country's sovereignty.

Different Political Incentives

The war also reflects different political calculations in Israel and the United States. For Netanyahu, confrontation with Iran aligns with long-standing national security priorities. Israeli leaders have consistently warned about Iran's growing regional influence and potential nuclear capabilities. A conflict with Iran reinforces Israel's

argument that it faces a major existential threat that requires decisive action.

Domestic politics may also play a role in shaping Israel's approach. During times of war or national security crises, political leaders often gain greater public support as the country rallies behind its government. In such circumstances, internal political disputes can temporarily fade into the background.

The situation is somewhat different for the United States. While Washington initially presented the operation as swift and decisive, the financial and strategic costs of the conflict are becoming increasingly evident. Military campaigns involving advanced weapons systems, logistics, and regional deployments are extremely expensive. If the conflict continues for an extended period, the financial burden on the United States could grow significantly.

The Problem of an Unclear Endgame

One of the most significant challenges facing the U.S.-Israel strategy is the lack of a clearly defined long-term objective. Military strikes can damage infrastructure and weaken an opponent's capabilities, but they do not automatically produce political change.

If the ultimate goal of the campaign is to force regime change in Iran, that objective raises difficult questions. Removing or weakening a government is only the first step in a much larger and more complicated process. Without a detailed plan for what comes afterward, such strategies can create instability rather than lasting solutions.

History has shown that military victories do not always translate into political success. Even if Iran's military infrastructure suffers heavy damage, the country's leadership could survive and eventually rebuild its capabilities. In that case, the conflict might achieve only temporary gains while creating



long-term tensions.

Economic and Global Consequences

The conflict also has broader implications for the global economy. The Middle East remains one of the world's most important energy-producing regions, and any large-scale military confrontation there can disrupt global oil markets. Even the possibility of escalation can cause sharp fluctuations in energy prices.

Higher oil prices affect economies across the world, increasing transportation costs, raising inflation, and slowing economic growth. For the United States and its allies, these economic consequences could become a major concern if the conflict drags on.

Additionally, prolonged instability in the region can affect international trade routes and create uncertainty in global financial markets.

Trump's Public Confidence

Despite these growing complications, Donald Trump has publicly maintained a tone of confidence regarding the military cam-

paign. He has suggested that the operation has significantly weakened Iran's strategic capabilities and that the conflict may not last long.

Trump has also emphasized the close coordination between the United States and Israel, highlighting the strong relationship between his administration and Netanyahu's government. Public statements from both sides stress unity and determination to achieve their objectives.

However, political observers note that leaders often express confidence during military conflicts even when uncertainties remain behind the scenes. Governments typically seek to project strength and stability in order to maintain domestic and international support.

The Risk of Regional Escalation

Another major concern is the possibility that the conflict could expand beyond the immediate confrontation between Iran and Israel. Iran maintains relationships with various political groups and militias across the Middle East. These net-

works could potentially become involved in the conflict, widening the scope of the war.

If additional actors enter the conflict, the situation could become far more complex and difficult to control. Regional escalation might draw in other countries, disrupt shipping lanes, and create long-term instability throughout the Middle East.

Such a scenario would significantly increase the strategic and economic costs of the war for all parties involved.

A Strategic Gamble

Ultimately, the confrontation between Iran, Israel, and the United States represents a high-stakes strategic gamble. Supporters of the military campaign argue that decisive action is necessary to prevent Iran from expanding its influence and developing stronger military capabilities.

Critics, however, warn that military solutions alone rarely resolve deep political conflicts. Without a clear diplomatic pathway or long-term strategy, the war could evolve into a prolonged struggle with unpredictable

consequences.

For Netanyahu, maintaining pressure on Iran may reinforce Israel's security priorities and political narrative. For Trump, however, the calculation may be more complicated. American leaders must consider not only military outcomes but also economic costs, public opinion, and global stability.

Conclusion

The unfolding conflict demonstrates how quickly strategic assumptions can be tested in real-world situations. What began as a military campaign intended to weaken Iran rapidly has instead developed into a complex geopolitical struggle with uncertain outcomes.

While both Trump and Netanyahu continue to project confidence in their strategy, the long-term consequences of the conflict remain unclear. If the war continues or expands, the initial decision to pursue aggressive military action could ultimately be judged either as a bold strategic move—or as a risky miscalculation with far-reaching consequences.

LPG Crisis Amid the Iran War: Will Your Piped Gas Supply Be Affected?

The ongoing conflict involving the United States, Israel, and Iran has triggered a global energy shock that is being felt far beyond the battlefield. One of the most immediate consequences has been disruptions in the supply of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), a fuel used by millions of households and businesses for cooking and heating. In India, the emerging LPG shortage has raised an important question for consumers: will the crisis also affect piped natural gas (PNG) supplies used in many urban homes?

How the War Disrupted Energy Supplies

The root of the current LPG crisis lies in disruptions to global energy trade routes in the Middle East. One of the most critical routes is the Strait of Hormuz, a narrow waterway through which a large share of the world's oil and gas shipments pass. When tensions rise in this region, shipping becomes risky and energy supplies can slow down.

The conflict has created uncertainty for shipping companies transporting fuel across the Gulf. Some vessels have avoided the area due to security risks, while others have faced delays. This disruption has reduced the flow of LPG shipments and pushed global energy prices higher.

Countries that depend heavily on imported fuel, including India, are particularly sensitive to such changes. When global shipments slow down, the effects quickly spread through domestic markets, leading to shortages and higher prices.

The Growing LPG Shortage India relies heavily on LPG

cylinders for household cooking. Hundreds of millions of homes use LPG as their primary cooking fuel, making it one of the most important energy sources for daily life.

As global supplies tighten due to the conflict, the availability of LPG cylinders has started to decline in several regions. Commercial users such as restaurants, hotels, and catering services have reported difficulty obtaining enough cylinders to run their operations.

In some cities, eateries have even been forced to return temporarily to traditional cooking fuels like firewood or coal in order to keep their kitchens running. Such developments highlight how quickly international geopolitical tensions can affect everyday life in distant countries.

To manage the situation, authorities have begun prioritizing household LPG consumption over commercial demand. The aim is to ensure that families continue to have access to cooking fuel even if supplies remain limited.

Why Piped Gas Is Less Vulnerable

Despite the pressure on LPG supplies, piped natural gas (PNG) networks in many Indian cities have remained relatively stable so far. The reason lies in the fundamental differences between how LPG and PNG are delivered to consumers.

LPG is typically supplied through cylinders that must be transported through a long distribution chain involving international imports, shipping routes, storage facilities, and road transport. If any part of this chain is disrupted, deliveries can be delayed or reduced.



PNG works differently. It is delivered directly to homes through underground pipeline networks that distribute gas continuously from supply points to households. Once the pipeline infrastructure is established, gas flows steadily without the need for cylinder deliveries.

This makes piped gas systems less vulnerable to short-term disruptions in international shipping or transportation.

India's Natural Gas Supply System

India meets its natural gas demand through a combination of domestic production and imports. A portion of the gas used in the country is produced within India, while the rest is imported from international suppliers.

The imported gas typically

arrives as liquefied natural gas (LNG) at specialized terminals, where it is converted back into gas and distributed through pipelines. These pipelines connect to city gas networks that supply homes, industries, and businesses.

Because the gas already flows through established infrastructure within the country, consumers using PNG may not immediately feel the effects of international shipping disruptions.

Potential Risks to Piped Gas

Although piped gas supplies are currently more stable than LPG cylinders, they are not completely immune to global events. If the conflict continues for a long time or escalates further, broader disruptions in the natural gas market could eventually occur.

One possible risk is damage

or disruption to energy infrastructure in the Middle East. If gas production facilities or export terminals are affected by the conflict, global supply could decline.

Another concern involves shipping routes used to transport liquefied natural gas to importing countries. If tanker movement becomes unsafe or heavily restricted, imports could be delayed.

Finally, even if supplies remain stable, global price increases may eventually raise the cost of natural gas for consumers.

A Possible Shift Toward Piped Gas

Ironically, the current LPG shortage could encourage more households to shift toward piped natural gas where it is available. Many energy experts have long argued that

PNG is a cleaner, safer, and more reliable alternative to cylinder-based cooking fuel.

One major advantage is convenience. With piped gas, households no longer need to wait for cylinder deliveries or worry about running out of fuel unexpectedly. The gas flows continuously through pipelines, ensuring a steady supply.

PNG is also considered environmentally friendlier compared to traditional fuels. It produces fewer emissions and burns more efficiently, making it an attractive option in cities trying to reduce pollution.

As the LPG crisis highlights the vulnerability of cylinder-based supply chains, urban households may increasingly consider switching to piped gas connections.

Government Response and Long-Term Planning

The Indian government has been taking steps to manage the current situation and reduce future risks. Authorities are encouraging energy companies to increase domestic production and ensure that household LPG demand is met.

At the same time, long-term plans are focusing on expanding the city gas distribution network to more cities and towns across the country. By increasing the reach of pipeline infrastructure, policymakers aim to create a more reliable and resilient energy system.

Expanding PNG networks can also reduce dependence on imported LPG, which is more vulnerable to geopolitical tensions and global market disruptions.

Lessons From the Crisis

The current LPG shortage

demonstrates how closely connected global energy systems have become. A conflict taking place thousands of kilometers away can quickly influence fuel supplies and prices in countries across the world.

It also shows the importance of energy diversification. Countries that rely on a single type of fuel or a limited number of supply routes are more exposed to international crises.

By investing in multiple energy sources and expanding domestic infrastructure, governments can reduce the risk of similar disruptions in the future.

Conclusion

The ongoing conflict in the Middle East has created a ripple effect across global energy markets, leading to disruptions in LPG supplies in several countries, including India. While the availability of LPG cylinders has tightened due to shipping disruptions and rising prices, piped natural gas systems have remained relatively stable for now.

However, the situation is still evolving. If the conflict continues or expands, even natural gas markets could eventually feel the impact. For the moment, households connected to piped gas networks appear better protected from the immediate effects of the LPG shortage.

In the long run, the crisis may strengthen the case for expanding piped gas infrastructure and reducing dependence on cylinder-based fuel systems. Such changes could make India's energy supply more secure and resilient in an increasingly uncertain global environment.

Election Commission Announces Assembly Poll Schedule for Five Regions

The Election Commission of India has announced the schedule for the upcoming Assembly elections in West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, and the Union Territory of Puducherry, setting the stage for major political contests across the country.

According to the official announcement, voting will be held in April 2026, with counting of votes scheduled for May 4, 2026 for all five regions. The elections will decide the formation of new state governments and legislative assemblies.

Polling Dates

- Kerala, Assam, and Puducherry will vote on April 9, 2026.
- Tamil Nadu will go to polls on April 23, 2026.
- West Bengal will hold elections in two phases on April 23 and April 29, 2026.
- Vote counting for all states and the Union Territory will take place on May 4, 2026.

The Commission also announced that the Model Code



of Conduct has come into effect in all the poll-bound regions following the declaration of the schedule.

Key Details

Around 17.4 crore voters are expected to participate in the elections across these states and the Union Territory. West Bengal will see multi-phase polling due to its size and administrative require-

ments, while the other regions will conduct single-phase elections.

The announcement marks the beginning of intensified campaign activities by political parties, with major contests expected in all five regions. Security arrangements and election preparations have already been set in motion to ensure free and fair polling.

The schedule provides clar-

ity to political parties, candidates, and voters, allowing sufficient time for campaign planning and administrative arrangements ahead of the elections.

With the dates now officially declared, attention will shift toward campaign strategies, alliances, and voter outreach efforts as the states prepare for one of the most significant electoral exercises of 2026.

Not Targeted at Any Community': BJP Leader Baijayant Panda on Assam Evictions Ahead of 2026 Polls

BJP's Assam election in-charge Baijayant Jay Panda has clarified that the ongoing eviction drives in the state are not targeted at any particular community. His remarks come as political discussions intensify ahead of the Assam Assembly elections scheduled for 2026.

Addressing concerns raised by opposition parties and civil society groups, Panda stated that the eviction operations are being carried out strictly in accordance with the law. He emphasized that the government's actions are aimed at removing illegal encroachments and protecting government and forest land, rather than focusing on any specific group.

Eviction drives have been a major policy initiative of the Assam government over the past few years. Authorities have conducted several large-scale operations to clear alleged encroachments from public lands, citing environmental protection, administrative requirements, and legal



compliance as the primary reasons. The issue has frequently sparked political debate within the state.

Panda reiterated that such measures are administrative decisions and should not be interpreted as community-based actions. He stressed that the government's objective is to ensure proper land management and uphold the rule of law. According to him, the fo-

cus remains on development, governance, and long-term stability in the state.

With the Assembly elections approaching, political parties have begun intensifying their campaign preparations. The eviction issue is expected to feature prominently in public debates, alongside discussions on employment, infrastructure, border security, welfare schemes, and economic

development.

The Assam Assembly elections will determine the formation of the next state government. As per the election schedule, voting will take place in a single phase, followed by vote counting in early May. With the announcement of dates, the Model Code of Conduct has come into effect, placing restrictions on government announcements and political activities.

The BJP has appointed senior leaders to oversee election strategy in Assam, reflecting the party's focus on retaining power in the state. Other political parties are also finalizing their campaign plans and strengthening grassroots outreach.

As campaigning gains momentum, the eviction drives and governance policies are likely to remain key topics of discussion. The upcoming election is expected to be closely contested, with parties preparing for a significant political battle in the state.

AIADMK Rules Out Alliance With Vijay-Led TVK Ahead of Tamil Nadu Polls



The AIADMK has ruled out any possibility of an alliance with actor-politician Vijay's Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) for the upcoming Tamil Nadu Assembly elections, putting an end to ongoing speculation about a potential partnership.

AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K. Palaniswami clarified that there have been no discussions or contact with the TVK regarding an electoral tie-up. He described reports suggesting a possible alliance as mere media speculation and dismissed claims that talks were underway between the two parties.

Palaniswami also stated that there is no rift within the AIADMK leadership concerning alliance decisions. Addressing rumours about differences with BJP leaders, he said the media was unnecessarily creating confusion. He emphasized that the party remains focused on its campaign preparations and organisational work ahead of the elections.

The clarification comes amid growing political activity in Tamil Nadu, with parties positioning themselves for the 2026 Assembly polls. Vijay's TVK, which has been actively expanding its political presence, has also faced speculation about possible alliances. However, both AIADMK and

TVK have independently indicated that they will chart their own paths for the election.

With the Election Commission announcing the poll schedule, political developments in the state have intensified. Campaign strategies, alliance formations, and candidate selections are expected to dominate the political landscape in the coming months.

The AIADMK has already begun its statewide outreach programs as part of its preparation for the elections. Party leaders have been conducting meetings and mobilising cadres across districts to strengthen organisational structure and voter engagement.

Political observers believe that the ruling party in Tamil Nadu will face strong competition in the upcoming polls, with multiple parties aiming to consolidate their voter base. The absence of an alliance between AIADMK and TVK signals a potentially multi-cornered contest in the state.

As election preparations gain momentum, parties are expected to make further announcements regarding candidates and campaign plans. For now, AIADMK has made its position clear that it will not enter into any alliance with Vijay-led TVK for the upcoming Assembly elections, putting speculation to rest.

TVK Chief Vijay Appears for Third Round of Questioning in Karur Stampede Case



TVK chief and actor-politician Vijay appeared before the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for a third round of questioning in connection with the ongoing probe into the Karur stampede case. The incident, which occurred during a political rally organised by his party, led to multiple casualties and injuries, prompting a detailed investigation.

According to officials, Vijay was summoned as part of the agency's continued inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the tragedy. The investigation is examining issues such as crowd management, event arrangements, safety measures, and administrative permissions related to the rally. Authorities are seeking to determine whether adequate precautions were taken to prevent the incident.

This marks the third time Vijay has been questioned in the case. Earlier, he had received notices from the investigating agency and had requested that the questioning be rescheduled due to prior commitments. Reports also suggest that he sought to have the interrogation conducted within Tamil Nadu. However, he eventually complied with the summons and appeared for questioning as directed.

The Karur stampede, which

took place during a public gathering, led to widespread concern and triggered calls for a thorough investigation. Following legal proceedings and higher judicial directions, the case was handed over to the central agency for a comprehensive probe. Since then, investigators have been collecting statements from individuals linked to the event.

The incident has also become a topic of political discussion in Tamil Nadu, especially as the state prepares for upcoming Assembly elections. Vijay, who founded the Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK), has been actively expanding the party's organisational presence across the state. His appearance before the agency has attracted significant public and media attention.

Officials have stated that the investigation is ongoing and that further questioning may be conducted if required. The agency continues to review evidence and gather information to establish accountability and understand the sequence of events that led to the tragedy.

As the legal process moves forward, authorities have reiterated that the inquiry will follow due procedure. Updates on the case are expected as the investigation progresses.

Why West Bengal Will Vote in Two Phases in 2026 Instead of Eight



The Election Commission of India has announced that the West Bengal Assembly elections in 2026 will be conducted in two phases, a major change from the eight-phase polling held in the previous election. The decision has drawn attention as it significantly shortens the voting schedule for one of India's largest and most politically important states.

According to the announced schedule, polling in West Bengal will take place on April 23 and April 29, 2026, while the counting of votes will be conducted on May 4, 2026. With the release of the election timetable, the Model Code of Conduct has come into effect in the state, placing restrictions on government announcements and political activities that could influence voters.

In the earlier Assembly elections, West Bengal was divided into eight phases due to security considerations, logistical planning, and the size of the electorate. The state has a large

number of constituencies, and phased polling was used to ensure adequate deployment of security forces and smooth management of the electoral process.

For the upcoming election, the Commission has decided to complete voting in just two phases, covering all constituencies within a shorter timeframe. Officials have indicated that the revised plan is based on administrative assessments, security preparedness, and overall operational efficiency. The aim is to balance effective security arrangements with a streamlined election process.

Political parties had also expressed views on the number of phases during consultations. Several parties reportedly preferred fewer phases to reduce prolonged campaigning and ensure quicker completion of the electoral exercise. A shorter schedule is expected to help maintain momentum while still ensuring free and fair polling.

West Bengal remains a key political battleground, and the upcoming election is expected to witness intense competition among major parties. Campaign activities are likely to intensify following the announcement of dates, with parties preparing candidate lists, public meetings, and outreach programs across the state.

Election authorities have assured that necessary arrangements are being made to ensure peaceful voting, including security deployment, monitoring systems, and voter awareness initiatives. The Commission emphasized that maintaining transparency and safeguarding democratic processes remain top priorities.

With the schedule now confirmed, West Bengal is preparing for an important electoral contest that will determine the formation of its next government. The two-phase polling marks a notable shift in the state's election planning compared to previous years.

Odisha Rajya Sabha Polls Heat Up Amid Cross-Voting Concerns and Resort Politics



The political atmosphere in Odisha has intensified ahead of the Rajya Sabha elections, with parties stepping up efforts to secure their numbers and prevent cross-voting. The contest, particularly for the closely watched fourth seat, has triggered strategic meetings, internal consultations, and precautionary measures across party lines.

The Biju Janata Dal (BJD) has initiated discussions with its legislators to ensure unity and discipline during the voting process. Party leaders have been closely monitoring the situation to avoid any possibility of defection or cross-voting that could affect the final outcome. Senior leadership has urged MLAs to remain committed to the party's official position and to participate in the election process responsibly.

Meanwhile, opposition parties have also taken steps to safeguard their legislators. Several members have been shifted to secure locations as part of what is

commonly described as "resort politics," a strategy used to prevent alleged poaching attempts and maintain cohesion within the party ranks. Party leaders have stated that these measures are precautionary and aimed at ensuring a smooth and transparent voting process.

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has also intensified its preparations for the Rajya Sabha polls. Meetings have been held with party legislators to discuss strategy and voting alignment. Political observers note that the competition for seats has made coordination within party ranks extremely important, especially given the limited number of votes required to influence the result.

The fourth Rajya Sabha seat has become the focal point of the election, drawing attention from political parties and analysts alike. While some outcomes appear predictable based on current numerical strength, uncertainty remains due to the possibility of cross-vot-

ing, which can alter calculations in closely contested scenarios.

Allegations and counter-allegations between parties have further raised tensions in the state's political environment. Leaders have accused rivals of attempting to influence legislators, while opposing parties have denied such claims and reaffirmed confidence in their members.

With voting expected soon, all parties are focused on maintaining discipline and ensuring that their legislators adhere to party decisions. Internal monitoring mechanisms have been strengthened to prevent surprises during the polling process.

As the Rajya Sabha election approaches, Odisha's political scene remains highly active, reflecting the importance of upper house representation and the competitive dynamics between major political forces in the state. The outcome will be closely watched for its impact on both state and national politics.

Kim Jong Un Oversees Rocket Test With Daughter Ju Ae, Signals Military Strength



North Korean leader Kim Jong Un recently supervised a major rocket launcher test while accompanied by his daughter Kim Ju Ae, highlighting the country's continued focus on strengthening its military and nuclear capabilities. The test, which involved powerful multiple rocket launch systems, was conducted as part of a large-scale military drill aimed at demonstrating North Korea's strike capabilities.

According to North Korean state media, the exercise involved the firing of large 600mm-calibre multiple rocket launchers near the country's east coast. The rockets were launched toward the sea during the drill, which was designed to showcase the range, accuracy, and destructive power of the weapon system.

South Korea's military reported detecting several projectiles fired from the Pyongyang area toward the eastern waters. Officials in Seoul strongly condemned the launch, describing it as a serious provocation and a violation of United Nations resolutions that prohibit North Korea from carrying out ballistic missile tests.

The rocket system tested during the drill is believed to have a striking range of about 420 kilometres. North Korean officials claimed that such weapons could effectively target and destroy enemy military bases and strategic infrastructure within that range if used in a conflict. The exercise was also described as a demonstration of the country's ability to deploy tactical nuclear weapons if necessary.

The test comes at a time of

heightened tensions on the Korean Peninsula, as the United States and South Korea continue to conduct their annual joint military exercises. North Korea has repeatedly criticised these drills, calling them hostile actions and preparations for invasion. In response, Pyongyang often conducts missile tests and military demonstrations to display its defence capabilities.

Images released by North Korean media showed Kim Jong Un closely observing the rocket launches and giving instructions to military officials. His daughter Ju Ae was seen standing beside him during the drill, watching the tests and interacting with senior military personnel.

Ju Ae has made several public appearances alongside her father at major military events in recent years, including missile

launches and defence exhibitions. Her growing presence at such important occasions has attracted global attention, with analysts suggesting that she may be gradually introduced to the public as a potential future leader.

North Korea has continued to accelerate its weapons development programme despite international sanctions and global pressure. The latest rocket test highlights the country's determination to strengthen its military deterrence and send a clear message to its regional rivals.

The appearance of Kim's daughter during the high-profile military drill also reflects the leadership's effort to project stability and continuity within the ruling family while reinforcing North Korea's image of military power.

Trump Warns of More Strikes on Iran's Key Oil Hub Kharg Island



US President Donald Trump has warned that the United States could launch additional strikes on Iran's key oil export hub, Kharg Island, as tensions continue to escalate in the ongoing conflict involving the United States, Israel, and Iran.

Speaking during a recent interaction with reporters, Trump claimed that US forces had already carried out powerful airstrikes on the island, causing significant damage to military installations. He said the strikes had "totally demolished" several targeted areas and suggested that more attacks could be conducted if necessary. Trump also remarked that the United States might hit the site again "a few more times just for fun," a statement that drew widespread attention amid the already tense situation.

Kharg Island is considered one of the most strategically important locations for Iran's economy because it serves as the country's primary oil export terminal. A large

portion of Iran's crude oil shipments pass through facilities located on the island, making it a vital energy hub in the Persian Gulf. Any disruption to operations there could significantly affect Iran's oil exports and potentially influence global energy markets.

Reports indicate that the recent US strikes mainly targeted military infrastructure on the island, including missile storage sites and naval facilities. Officials suggested that oil production facilities were largely avoided during the operation to prevent long-term damage to energy infrastructure that could take years to rebuild.

The ongoing conflict has already begun to affect regional stability and global trade. Tensions around the Strait of Hormuz, one of the world's most important shipping routes for oil, have raised concerns among international observers. A significant share of the world's crude oil supply passes through this narrow wa-

terway, and any disruption could lead to increased oil prices and economic uncertainty.

Trump also urged countries that rely heavily on energy shipments through the Strait of Hormuz to contribute to efforts aimed at securing the crucial maritime route. He argued that protecting the passage should be a shared responsibility among nations that benefit from oil transported through the region.

Iran has strongly condemned the US strikes and warned that it would respond firmly to any further attacks on its territory or infrastructure. Iranian officials have stated that targeting their strategic facilities would provoke serious retaliation.

As both sides continue to exchange threats and military actions intensify, analysts warn that the situation could escalate further, increasing the risk of a broader regional conflict and raising concerns about global security and energy supplies.

Iran's Revolutionary Guards Threaten to 'Pursue and Kill' Netanyahu Amid Rising Tensions

Tensions in the Middle East have escalated sharply after Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) issued a strong warning against Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, stating that they would "pursue and kill" him as the conflict involving Iran, Israel, and the United States intensifies.

The threat came amid a rapidly deteriorating security situation in the region, with both sides exchanging military strikes and harsh rhetoric. Iranian authorities accused Netanyahu of being responsible for Israel's attacks on Iranian targets and for the deaths of civilians during the ongoing conflict. The IRGC declared that the Israeli leader would be held accountable for his actions and warned that he would be relentlessly pursued.

The statement from Iran followed remarks by Netanyahu in which he said that Israel, along with the United States, was working to weaken Iran's regime and military capabilities. Netan-



yahu defended Israel's military campaign, arguing that the operations were necessary to counter Iran's influence in the region and prevent potential threats to Israel's security.

In recent weeks, the conflict has intensified with several military operations and retaliatory strikes reported from both sides. Israel and the United States have reportedly targeted key Iranian military and strategic installations. In response, Iran has

launched retaliatory attacks against Israeli-linked targets and American interests in the region.

Amid the escalating confrontation, rumors about Netanyahu's alleged death began circulating widely on social media. These claims quickly spread online, creating confusion and speculation. However, Israeli officials strongly denied the reports and confirmed that the prime minister was safe. Authorities dis-

missed the rumors as false information intended to mislead the public and create panic.

The exchange of direct threats and military actions has raised concerns among international observers about the possibility of a broader regional conflict. Analysts warn that the increasingly aggressive language and continued attacks could further destabilize the already volatile Middle East.

Diplomatic efforts to reduce tensions have so far shown little progress. Several countries and international organizations have called for restraint and urged both sides to avoid further escalation that could lead to a wider war.

As the situation remains tense, the latest warning from Iran's Revolutionary Guards reflects the deepening hostility between Tehran and Tel Aviv. With ongoing military operations and political confrontations, the conflict continues to pose serious challenges for regional stability and global security.

Tucker Carlson Alleges CIA Spying Over His Contacts With Iran



American political commentator Tucker Carlson has claimed that the US Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) monitored his private communications and may be preparing a case accusing him of acting as a foreign agent because of his contacts with individuals in Iran.

Carlson made the allegation in a recent video statement, saying intelligence officials had access to his text messages and private conversations. According to him, the information could potentially be used to refer a case to the US Department of Justice under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA). The law requires individuals working on behalf of foreign governments or entities to register with the US government and disclose their activities.

The former television host said the alleged surveillance was related to discussions he had with Iranian sources before the escalation of tensions between the United States, Israel, and Iran. Carlson argued that communicating with foreign

officials or sources is a common and legitimate part of journalism and political analysis.

He strongly denied acting as a representative of any foreign government and said the idea of labeling him a foreign agent was baseless. Carlson also stated that he had never received money or support from any foreign entity and insisted that his conversations were part of efforts to understand international developments.

In his remarks, Carlson suggested that the alleged monitoring could be politically motivated. He claimed that some officials may be unhappy with his outspoken views on foreign policy, particularly his criticism of US involvement in Middle Eastern conflicts. According to him, attempts to portray him as a foreign agent are intended to damage his credibility and silence his opinions.

Carlson emphasized that as an American citizen and commentator, he has the right to communicate with people around the world while

researching global issues. He described the situation as troubling and said it raised concerns about government surveillance and the limits of free speech in the United States.

So far, neither the CIA nor the US Department of Justice has publicly confirmed the existence of any investigation or surveillance involving Carlson. Intelligence agencies typically do not comment on matters related to potential investigations or intelligence activities.

The controversy has sparked debate among observers and commentators about the balance between national security and press freedom. Some analysts say the issue highlights the challenges faced by journalists and public figures who interact with foreign sources while discussing sensitive geopolitical topics.

Carlson said he does not expect the situation to result in a criminal prosecution but believes the public should be aware of what he described as potential government overreach.

Russia Using Middle East Crisis to Intensify Ukraine Attacks: Zelensky

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky has accused Russia of taking advantage of the ongoing conflict in the Middle East to escalate its military offensive against Ukraine. His remarks came after Russia launched a fresh wave of missile and drone attacks targeting several Ukrainian regions, causing casualties and widespread damage to infrastructure.

According to Ukrainian authorities, the latest overnight assault involved hundreds of drones and dozens of missiles. Zelensky said that Russia launched around 430 drones and 68 missiles during the attack. Ukrainian air defence systems managed to intercept many of the incoming projectiles, preventing even greater destruction. However, several strikes still reached their targets, hitting residential areas and critical infrastructure facilities.

The attacks affected multiple regions across Ukraine, including Kyiv, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, and Dnipro. In the Kyiv region, several civilians were reportedly killed and many others injured after missiles struck homes, schools, and commercial



buildings. Emergency services rushed to affected locations to rescue trapped residents and provide medical assistance to the wounded.

Energy infrastructure was also among the main targets of the Russian barrage. Damage to power facilities caused electricity disruptions in several areas, leaving thousands of residents temporarily without power. Ukrainian officials said repair

teams were working quickly to restore electricity and stabilize the affected regions.

Zelensky warned that Russia may be attempting to exploit the global focus on the Middle East crisis to intensify its attacks while international attention is diverted elsewhere. He urged the international community not to lose focus on the war in Ukraine and stressed the need for continued support to defend

the country from Russian aggression.

The Ukrainian president also renewed his appeal to Western allies for additional air defence systems. He emphasized that stronger air defence capabilities are essential to protect Ukrainian cities, civilian populations, and critical infrastructure from ongoing missile and drone strikes.

Meanwhile, the escalation has raised concerns among neighboring countries. During the attack, Poland reportedly scrambled fighter jets to monitor the situation near its borders, highlighting the potential regional risks posed by the conflict.

Despite continued diplomatic efforts, prospects for peace talks remain uncertain. Negotiations aimed at ending the war have largely stalled amid ongoing hostilities and broader geopolitical tensions.

As the conflict continues, Ukraine remains heavily reliant on international military and financial support while facing persistent Russian attacks targeting cities, infrastructure, and essential services across the country.

Smallcap Index Defies Weakness in Individual Stocks

India's smallcap segment has shown notable resilience, outperforming key benchmark indices even as many individual stocks recorded sharp declines of 10-22 percent. This contrast highlights how an index can remain stable—or even advance—despite significant losses across a large portion of its constituents.

During the period, broader market sentiment remained uncertain, with large-cap benchmarks weighed down by global concerns, profit-taking, and sector-specific pressures. In comparison, the smallcap index held up relatively well. Strong gains in a limited number of stocks helped offset steep corrections in others, allowing the overall index to stay buoyant.

Market experts explain that this divergence is typical of the smallcap universe. Unlike large-cap indices, which are heavily influenced by a few dominant companies, smallcap indices consist of numerous smaller firms spread across diverse sectors. Because of this structure, strong rallies in select stocks can compensate for widespread declines, masking underlying weakness in market breadth.

Sectoral performance played a crucial role in shaping outcomes. Companies in industries with strong growth prospects or earnings visibility attracted investor interest, pushing some stocks sharply



higher. At the same time, firms facing operational challenges, valuation concerns, or cyclical headwinds experienced heavy selling. Profit-taking after earlier rallies also contributed to sudden corrections in several counters.

Domestic institutional participation provided additional support to the segment. Long-term investors often view smallcap companies as future growth leaders, maintaining exposure even during volatile phases. This sustained interest helped prevent a deeper fall in the index despite turbulence at

the stock level.

However, analysts warn that index resilience should not be mistaken for uniform strength across the sector. Performance dispersion within smallcaps remains extremely high, meaning investors may face significant gains or losses depending on stock selection. Factors such as limited liquidity, higher volatility, and sensitivity to economic cycles can amplify both upside and downside moves.

Valuation concerns also linger after the strong run-up seen in previous periods. When expectations are high, even minor

disappointments in earnings or guidance can trigger sharp sell-offs. As a result, corrections in individual stocks can be swift and severe.

In essence, the smallcap index's ability to outperform broader benchmarks despite steep declines in many stocks underscores the dual nature of this segment. While it offers substantial growth potential, it also carries elevated risk. Careful research, diversification, and a long-term perspective remain essential for investors navigating the unpredictable smallcap space.

SEBI Chief Warns of Growing Tension Between Market Speed and Stability

SEBI Chairman Tuhin Kanta Pandey has highlighted a key challenge facing regulators today: balancing the lightning-fast pace of modern financial markets with the need to maintain long-term stability. Speaking at a major financial summit, he noted that technological advances and the instant spread of information have dramatically transformed market behavior.

According to Pandey, news now travels within seconds, opinions circulate rapidly through digital platforms, and markets react almost immediately. This compressed reaction time can intensify volatility, making it harder for regulators to ensure orderly functioning while allowing markets to remain efficient and competitive.

He pointed out that India's capital markets have expanded significantly in size, depth, and participation over recent years. Greater retail involvement, stronger institutional presence, and broader sector representation have contributed to this growth. However, increased scale also means greater exposure to global developments. Economic shocks, geopolitical tensions, or policy changes in other countries



can quickly influence domestic markets due to growing financial interconnectedness.

Pandey also emphasized the impact of new technologies such as algorithmic trading, artificial intelligence, and advanced analytics. These tools enable high-frequency decision-making and large-volume transactions, accelerating market movements. While such innovations improve efficiency and liquidity, they can

also amplify sudden price swings, especially during uncertain periods.

Despite these risks, he expressed confidence in the resilience of India's financial system. Strong regulatory frameworks, improved market infrastructure, and diversified participation have helped markets withstand episodes of global volatility. Nonetheless, he stressed that maintaining investor confidence

requires continuous vigilance and adaptive policymaking.

The SEBI chief also cautioned investors against reacting impulsively to short-term market fluctuations. Volatility, he said, is an inherent feature of dynamic markets and often increases during periods of global uncertainty. History shows that markets typically stabilize over time, rewarding those who remain patient and focused on long-term fundamentals rather than short-term noise.

Looking ahead, Pandey underscored the need for further strengthening of financial markets, including the development of deeper bond markets and expanded institutional participation. Sustainable growth, he suggested, will depend not only on speed and innovation but also on safeguards that protect stability and transparency.

In summary, his remarks reflect a central dilemma of modern finance: as markets become faster, more complex, and more interconnected, regulators must ensure that efficiency does not undermine stability. Achieving this balance will be crucial for preserving trust and supporting the continued evolution of India's capital markets.

Indian Markets Post Sharpest Weekly Drop in Nearly Four Years as Rupee Slides to Record Low

Indian equity markets recorded their steepest weekly decline in almost four years, shaken by intense global uncertainty, rising crude oil prices, and heavy selling pressure. Benchmark indices tumbled throughout the week, reflecting a sharp shift in investor sentiment toward caution and risk aversion.

The downturn was broad-based, with losses seen across most sectors. Investors reduced exposure amid concerns over inflation, slowing global growth, and persistent foreign fund outflows. The correction wiped out substantial market value, highlighting the scale of the sell-off and the fragile mood prevailing on Dalal Street.

A major trigger behind the decline was escalating geopolitical tensions in West Asia, which pushed crude oil prices sharply higher. For an oil-import-dependent economy like India, rising energy costs raise fears of higher inflation, increased fiscal strain, and pressure on corporate profitability. These concerns weighed heavily on equities and prompted sustained selling throughout the week.

At the same time, the Indian



rupee weakened dramatically, hitting a new all-time low against the US dollar. The currency's fall reflected strong demand for dollars, capital outflows, and worries about the country's external balance as import bills rise with costlier oil. The depreciation added another layer of stress to financial markets.

A weaker rupee can have wide-

ranging economic consequences. It increases the cost of imports, fuels inflation, and can squeeze corporate margins, particularly for companies dependent on foreign inputs. Currency weakness may also deter foreign investors, further amplifying market volatility and creating a negative cycle for equities.

Sector-wise, energy-sensitive industries, financial stocks, and

other cyclical sectors faced the brunt of selling pressure. Defensive segments offered limited support, but overall market breadth remained weak, indicating that declines were widespread rather than confined to a few large companies.

Market participants noted that such sharp corrections often occur during periods of global instability. Sudden movements in oil prices, exchange rates, and geopolitical developments can rapidly alter risk perceptions and trigger large capital shifts across markets.

Despite the severity of the fall, analysts believe volatility could persist in the near term as investors closely monitor global developments, commodity trends, and currency movements. Stability in these areas will be crucial for restoring confidence.

In essence, the week represented one of the toughest phases for Indian markets in recent years. A combination of geopolitical risks, soaring crude prices, foreign outflows, and a sharply depreciating rupee created a perfect storm that drove equities lower and heightened uncertainty about the near-term outlook.

Wall Street Falls, Records Weekly Loss as Iran Conflict Fuels Inflation Concerns



U.S. stock markets ended lower and posted a weekly decline as escalating fears of rising inflation and slower economic growth. Investors remained cautious throughout the week, closely monitoring developments that could disrupt global energy supplies and push oil prices higher.

All three major indices—the Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500, and Nasdaq—finished in negative territory. The technology-heavy Nasdaq saw the steepest drop, dragged down by losses in major tech stocks, while overall market sentiment stayed fragile amid uncertainty about the conflict's potential economic impact.

Surging crude oil prices were a central driver of the sell-off. The conflict has raised concerns about disruptions to supply routes in the Middle East, particularly through key shipping channels vital to global oil distribution. As prices climbed sharply, investors worried that higher energy costs would feed

into broader inflation, squeezing consumers and businesses alike.

Rising inflation fears also complicated expectations around interest rates. If price pressures intensify, central banks may delay or scale back potential rate cuts, keeping borrowing costs elevated for longer. This prospect dampened risk appetite and prompted investors to shift toward safer assets, leading to widespread selling in equities.

Market movements were closely tied to fluctuations in oil prices, with stocks swinging as news about the conflict evolved. Analysts noted that uncertainty over the duration and outcome of the war has amplified volatility, making investors reluctant to take aggressive positions.

Sector-wise, losses were widespread across the market. Technology and financial stocks faced significant pressure, contributing heavily to the decline, while smaller companies also struggled amid risk-off sentiment. In contrast, energy stocks

showed relative resilience, benefiting from higher crude prices.

Beyond equities, the broader economic implications of the conflict added to market anxiety. Sustained increases in oil prices can raise transportation and production costs worldwide, potentially triggering a chain reaction of higher prices across goods and services. Such conditions could weaken consumer spending, compress corporate margins, and slow economic momentum.

Despite the downturn, some market participants believe conditions could stabilize if geopolitical tensions ease or energy prices retreat. However, until there is greater clarity, volatility is expected to remain elevated.

In essence, Wall Street's weekly loss underscores how geopolitical shocks—especially those affecting energy markets—can quickly unsettle global financial systems. With inflation risks rising and uncertainty surrounding the conflict, investors are likely to remain cautious in the near term.

Geopolitical Tensions Rise — But Why Gold Prices Aren't Soaring



Gold is widely regarded as the ultimate safe-haven asset, typically rising sharply during wars, crises, or periods of global uncertainty. Yet despite escalating geopolitical tensions in West Asia, gold prices have not surged as strongly as many investors anticipated. Instead, they have remained relatively range-bound, reflecting a complex mix of opposing forces in the global economy.

A key factor limiting gold's rise is the strength of the U.S. dollar. Because gold is priced globally in dollars, a stronger greenback makes the metal more expensive for buyers using other currencies, reducing international demand. In times of crisis, investors often rush into dollar-denominated assets such as U.S. government bonds, boosting the currency and dampening gold's appeal.

Rising crude oil prices have also influenced the outlook. Higher oil costs increase inflation risks worldwide, which would

normally support gold. However, they also raise expectations that central banks—especially in major economies—will keep interest rates elevated for longer to control inflation. Since gold does not generate interest or dividends, higher rates make yield-bearing investments more attractive, drawing funds away from bullion.

This inverse relationship between interest rates and gold prices has played a major role in keeping gains subdued. As borrowing costs remain high and returns on financial instruments improve, investors are less inclined to hold non-yielding assets, even during uncertain times.

Another reason for gold's muted performance is that it had already delivered a strong rally in the preceding period, touching record levels. After such gains, markets often enter a consolidation phase as traders lock in profits rather than initiate fresh positions. This profit-taking can offset safe-haven buying during

crises. Investor preference for liquidity has also shifted behavior. In highly uncertain environments, market participants may prioritize cash and easily tradable financial assets over commodities. This trend has recently favored the dollar and government securities rather than physical gold.

Looking ahead, gold's direction will depend on how competing factors evolve. A major escalation in conflict, a sharp economic slowdown, or weakening of the dollar could trigger a strong rally. Conversely, persistent inflation combined with high interest rates and a firm dollar may continue to cap gains.

In essence, gold is caught in a tug-of-war between geopolitical risk pushing prices upward and macroeconomic forces pulling them down. Until one side clearly dominates, the metal is likely to remain volatile but not dramatically higher, despite the uncertain global environment.

“Soggy Paper Straw” Memes Go Viral as Global Tensions Dominate Social Media



As global tensions and war-related headlines dominate conversations online, social media users have turned to humour to express their frustration and disbelief. In a surprising trend, the humble paper straw has become the internet's latest symbol of irony, with memes about “soggy paper straws” spreading rapidly across platforms like X, Instagram and Reddit.

The viral meme trend highlights what many users see as a contrast between individual environmental efforts and large-scale geopolitical conflicts happening around the world. In many of these memes, people joke about being encouraged to adopt eco-friendly habits—such as using paper straws instead of plastic—while world leaders simultaneously escalate political and military tensions.

One widely shared meme shows a person struggling to drink through a soft, collapsing paper straw while news headlines about global conflicts appear in the background. The humour lies in the apparent contradiction: individuals are asked to make small lifestyle changes to protect the planet, while major powers appear to engage in actions that could cause far greater damage on a global scale.

Another popular meme jokes that while global leaders talk about serious geopolitical confrontations, ordinary people are trying to “save the planet” with paper straws that quickly become soggy and difficult to use. The relatable frustration has struck a chord with

many internet users, leading to thousands of shares and reposts.

The trend also taps into a long-running complaint about paper straws themselves. Introduced by many restaurants and cafes as an alternative to plastic in order to reduce environmental pollution, paper straws have often been criticised by customers for becoming soft and unusable after only a few minutes. Some social media users humorously claim that the straws start dissolving before they can even finish their drinks.

While the jokes may seem lighthearted, they also reflect how people use humour to deal with serious world events. During periods of political tension, economic uncertainty or conflict, the internet often becomes a place where satire and memes help people process overwhelming news.

Memes have long served as a form of social commentary, allowing users to express opinions and frustrations in a humorous way. In this case, the soggy paper straw has become an unexpected symbol representing the gap many people feel between small individual actions and much larger global issues.

Ultimately, the viral trend shows how quickly everyday objects can turn into powerful internet symbols. What began as a simple joke about paper straws has evolved into a broader reflection on modern life, responsibility and the way people react to major events in the digital age.

Indian Woman Celebrates Holi With Japanese Landlord In US, Viral Video Warms Hearts



A heartwarming video of an Indian woman celebrating Holi with her Japanese landlord in the United States has gone viral on social media, drawing praise for its message of friendship and cultural connection. The clip captures a joyful moment between the two women as they celebrate the festival of colours together, despite being far away from home.

The video was shared on Instagram by the Indian woman, who revealed that she currently lives alone in the US. With no friends or family nearby to celebrate the festival, she expected to spend Holi quietly. However, her elderly Japanese landlord stepped in to make the day special by joining her in the celebration.

In the short clip, the two women can be seen smiling and laughing as they gently apply organic yellow colour to each other's cheeks. The simple yet meaningful celebration reflects a warm bond between the tenant and her landlord. At one point in the video, the Indian woman affectionately refers to her landlord as “pookie,” highlighting the close and friendly relationship they share.

While sharing the video online, the woman explained that her landlord joined her for the festival because she knew she was living alone in the country. She also described the elderly woman as “the sweetest,” expressing gratitude for the thoughtful gesture that made her Holi celebration memorable.

The video quickly gained attention online, with thousands of viewers praising the landlord's kindness and willingness to embrace another culture. Many social media users said the clip was a beautiful reminder that festivals have the power to bring people together regardless of nationality, language or background.

Several commenters admired the warm relationship between the two women. Many described the moment as wholesome and heartwarming, saying it perfectly reflected the true spirit of Holi—a festival that celebrates joy, togetherness and friendship.

Others said the video highlighted how small acts of kindness can have a big impact, especially for people living far away from their families. Some viewers even joked that the landlord should one day visit India to experience a grand Holi celebration in its full spirit.

Holi, often known as the festival of colours, is one of the most widely celebrated festivals in India. It marks the arrival of spring and symbolises the triumph of good over evil. Traditionally, people celebrate by throwing coloured powders, sharing sweets and spending time with loved ones.

For those living abroad, festivals can sometimes feel lonely. However, this touching moment between an Indian tenant and her Japanese landlord shows how compassion and companionship can turn even a simple celebration into a truly special memory.

“Activa Uncle” Helps Stranded Biker in Bengaluru Traffic, Wins Hearts Online

In a heartwarming incident that has captured the attention of social media users, a stranger in Bengaluru came to the rescue of a biker whose motorcycle broke down in the middle of heavy traffic. The simple yet thoughtful gesture has been widely praised online, with many calling it a “true Bengaluru moment.”

The story was shared by a Reddit user who described the stressful experience he faced while returning from a site visit. The man, an architecture student, said his motorcycle suddenly displayed an “Engine Temp High” warning before shutting down completely on a busy road between KR Puram and Kasturinar. With traffic building up around him, he had no choice but to push the bike along the crowded street.

The situation quickly turned exhausting. Surrounded by impatient vehicles and constant honking, the biker struggled to move the heavy motorcycle through the congested road. The challenge became even tougher when he had to push the bike uphill on a bridge while trying to navigate through slow-moving traffic.

Just when the situation seemed overwhelming,



help arrived unexpectedly. An elderly man riding a Honda Activa scooter noticed the struggling biker and stopped to check on him. After learning about the problem, the stranger immediately offered to help push the motorcycle to the nearest service centre.

The two then worked together to move the stalled bike through the busy Kasturinar-Ramamurthy Nagar stretch. The older man carefully assist-

ed the rider as they made their way through the traffic, helping guide the bike around obstacles and vehicles on the road. At one point, they even had to maneuver around a stalled bus blocking part of the route.

During the journey, the pair also had a brief conversation about modern motorcycles and how their sensors can sometimes cause the engine to shut down when certain issues are detected. Despite the

difficulty of the situation, the unexpected help made the experience much less stressful for the stranded rider.

After some effort, they eventually reached a service centre in Banaswadi. However, before the biker could properly thank the man or offer him something in appreciation, the stranger quietly left the spot without waiting for recognition.

Reflecting on the moment later, the rider said

the act of kindness left a strong impression on him. In the midst of chaotic city traffic, the stranger's willingness to stop and help reminded him that compassion still exists in everyday life.

The story has since resonated with many people online, who praised the anonymous “Activa uncle” for his generosity and shared similar experiences of strangers stepping forward to help when it mattered most.

Google Techie's Rs 1.43 Lakh Monthly Expense Breakdown In Bengaluru Sparks Online Discussion

A young professional working at Google has gone viral on social media after sharing a detailed breakdown of her monthly expenses while living in Bengaluru. The video, posted by 24-year-old techie Pooja Narula, revealed that she spent about Rs 1.43 lakh in February, sparking discussions about the rising cost of living in India's technology hub.

In the video, Narula explained that her spending included both regular living costs and several one-time expenses that pushed the total higher than usual. She began by listing her fixed monthly costs, which make up the basic portion of her budget while staying in the city.

According to her breakdown, her rent for a room in Bengaluru came to Rs 22,400 per month. She also spends about Rs 2,800 on services such as hiring a maid and a cook. Utility bills, including electricity and other basic services, add another Rs 2,000 to her monthly expenses.



Apart from essential costs, Narula also shared details about her lifestyle spending. She revealed that she usually spends around Rs 2,000 every weekend on social activities, which totals about Rs 8,000 a month. These outings include meeting friends, dining out and other leisure activities.

However, she clarified that February was not a

typical month for her financially because it included several additional expenses. During the month, she travelled home, which resulted in Rs 16,000 spent on flight tickets and another Rs 2,000 on airport cab rides.

The tech professional also had to move to a new house during the same period. The relocation process cost Rs 3,000 for mov-

ers and packers, and she paid a security deposit of Rs 66,600, which significantly increased her total spending for the month.

In addition to these costs, Narula mentioned that she spent around Rs 20,000 on dining plans and gifts for friends, further adding to the overall amount. After calculating all these expenses, she concluded that her total

spending for February reached approximately Rs 1.43 lakh.

While acknowledging that the figure may appear high, she explained that many of the expenses were temporary and not part of her regular monthly budget. Once those one-time payments are cleared, she expects her future monthly spending to be much lower.

The video quickly attracted attention online, with many viewers sharing their thoughts about the high cost of living in Bengaluru. Some people were surprised by the total amount, while others pointed out that relocation costs and housing deposits can significantly increase expenses in a single month.

The post has since sparked wider conversations on social media about budgeting, lifestyle spending and the financial realities faced by young professionals living in major metropolitan cities.

Man Rescued After Getting Trapped in Manchester Phone Box While Trying to Order Kebab



him tried to help by pulling on the door and attempting to force it open from outside, but their efforts were unsuccessful. The door appeared to be locked with a mechanism that could only be opened using special keys typically held by maintenance workers or telecom engi-

neers. As a result, the man remained trapped while his friends continued trying to free him.

The incident reportedly lasted for more than an hour. During that time, passersby began to notice the strange situation, and some gathered nearby to watch. A few even record-

ed videos of the unusual scene on their phones as the man waited inside the phone box.

At one point, the trapped man attempted to remove a glass panel from the lower part of the booth in an effort to escape. Although he managed to loosen the panel, it

still did not provide enough space for him to climb out safely.

With no other option left, his friends eventually called the fire brigade for assistance. Firefighters soon arrived at the scene and assessed the situation before working to open the stuck door. After a brief effort, they successfully forced the door open and freed the man from the booth.

Once he stepped out, the man appeared both relieved and slightly embarrassed by the ordeal. He reportedly thanked the firefighters who had come to help him and shook hands with them before leaving the area.

The unusual incident has since amused many people online. Social media users have joked about the situation, with some wondering whether the man ever managed to get the kebab he had originally tried to order. Others simply found the story a humorous reminder that even simple plans can sometimes lead to unexpected situations.

Sanju Samson Says Indian Teammates Were 'Jealous' of Abhishek Sharma

Indian wicketkeeper-batter Sanju Samson recently shared a humorous incident from the dressing room, revealing that some Indian players used to feel a little "jealous" of fellow cricketer Abhishek Sharma because of the massive support he received from fans.

Speaking during a public interaction, Samson said that Abhishek quickly became extremely popular among spectators due to his explosive batting style and energetic presence on the field. According to Samson, whenever the team played, crowds in the stadium would loudly chant Abhishek's name, creating an atmosphere where the young batter received a great deal of attention.

Samson recalled that the chants of "Abhishek, Abhishek" often echoed throughout the stadium during matches. Because of this, teammates sometimes joked that fans seemed to be focused only on him. The Kerala cricketer said the dressing room conversations were light-hearted, and players would tease each other about the overwhelming fan support Abhishek enjoyed.

Despite the playful remarks, Samson had high praise for the young left-hander. He described Abhishek as a "superstar" in the making and credited him for bringing excitement and aggression to the team's batting lineup. According to Samson, Abhishek's fearless approach helps the team start strongly, especially in limited-overs formats where quick runs at the top are crucial.

Samson also spoke about their opening partnership and the chemistry they share on the field. He explained that both of them prefer attacking cricket and like to dominate bowlers from the beginning. Because they have a similar mindset



while batting, it becomes easier for them to coordinate and maintain a high scoring rate during the early overs.

The wicketkeeper-batter described their partnership as "fire and fire," meaning both players look to play aggressively rather than balancing aggression with caution. This attacking combination, he said,

often puts pressure on opposition bowlers and gives the team strong momentum early in the innings.

Samson clarified that the "jealousy" he mentioned was purely in a humorous sense and reflected the friendly atmosphere within the team. He emphasized that the players share a strong bond and always support

each other's success.

He added that Abhishek's growing popularity is simply a reflection of his performances and the excitement he brings to the game. With his fearless batting and confident style, Abhishek Sharma has quickly emerged as one of the most promising young talents in Indian cricket.

'Once a Dilliwala, Always a Dilliwala': Delhi Capitals After Pietersen Steps Down as Mentor

The Delhi Capitals bid an emotional farewell to former England star Kevin Pietersen after he stepped down from his role as mentor ahead of the Indian Premier League 2026 season.

Pietersen announced his decision through a social media message, explaining that he would not be able to continue in the mentorship role because he could not commit the time required for the position. The former England captain wished the team and players success for the upcoming season and said he would still be involved with the tournament as a commentator.

The Delhi franchise responded warmly to his departure, posting a heartfelt message that read: "Once a Dilliwala, always a Dilliwala." The statement reflected the strong bond between Pietersen and the team, as he had previously represented the franchise during his playing career when it was known as Delhi Daredevils.

Pietersen had joined the Capitals as a mentor ahead of the



2025 season and worked closely with several players in the squad. During his time with the team, he played an important role in guiding young cricketers and sharing his experience from international and franchise cricket. His presence in the dressing room was seen as valuable, especially for develop-

ing players who benefited from his insights and leadership.

The Delhi Capitals had a competitive campaign in the previous season but narrowly missed out on a place in the playoffs. Under captain Axar Patel, the team finished fifth in the standings with 15 points. Despite showing strong performances

in several matches, they fell short of securing a top-four finish.

Pietersen's association with the Delhi franchise goes back more than a decade. He played for the team in the IPL between 2012 and 2014 and even captained the side for a period. Because of that long connection, many fans and team members consider him an integral part of the franchise's history.

Although he has stepped away from the mentorship role, Pietersen confirmed that he will still be part of the upcoming IPL season as a television commentator. His continued involvement with the league ensures that fans will still see and hear him during matches.

As the new season approaches, Delhi Capitals will now focus on preparing their squad and coaching setup while continuing their quest to win their first IPL title. Pietersen's departure marks a change in the support staff, but his connection with the franchise remains strong.

West Indies Squad Safely Returns Home After T20 World Cup Travel Disruption

Cricket West Indies has confirmed that members of the West Indies national cricket team have safely returned home after facing travel disruptions following the conclusion of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026.

According to the cricket board, all players and support staff who had been stranded due to unexpected travel issues have now reached their destinations safely. The team had remained in India for several days after the tournament because of complications involving their planned return flight.

Initially, a charter flight arranged for teams participating in the tournament was expected to transport the West Indies squad back home. However, the flight was cancelled due to logistical challenges, forcing the players and officials to wait while alternative travel plans were arranged.

To resolve the situation, officials organised commercial flight options for the team. Players and members of the support staff travelled in different



batches through various international routes before finally reaching home safely. The process took several days as the board worked to ensure smooth travel arrangements for everyone involved.

The travel disruption was reportedly linked to broader aviation challenges affecting international routes. Restrictions and operational difficulties in

certain regions made it difficult to immediately arrange replacement flights, which led to delays in the team's departure from India.

The West Indies team had already been eliminated from the tournament earlier and was preparing to return home when the travel issues occurred. Although the team's campaign ended sooner than expected, the unexpect-

ed delay created additional concerns for players and staff who were eager to return to their families after the competition.

During the waiting period, some members of the cricket community expressed concern about the uncertainty surrounding travel arrangements. However, officials from Cricket West Indies worked with relevant authorities and organisers to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

In a statement, the board thanked tournament organisers and other stakeholders for their assistance in ensuring the safe return of the squad. It also emphasised that the welfare and safety of players and staff remained the top priority throughout the situation.

With the team now back home, the focus will shift toward upcoming international fixtures and future preparations. Despite the unexpected travel complications, the safe return of the West Indies squad has brought relief to the players, officials, and supporters.

Sarfraz Ahmed Reportedly Retires After Historic Champions Trophy Triumph



Former Pakistan captain Sarfraz Ahmed has reportedly decided to retire from international cricket, marking the end of a distinguished career that spanned many years at the highest level.

Sarfraz is best remembered for leading the Pakistan national cricket team to a historic victory in the ICC Champions Trophy 2017. Under his captaincy, Pakistan defeated India in the final to claim their first Champions Trophy title, a triumph that remains one of the most celebrated moments in the country's cricket history.

Throughout his international career, Sarfraz represented Pakistan across all formats of the game. As a wicketkeeper-batter, he contributed both with the gloves and with the bat. His leadership was widely appreciated, particularly during the period when Pakistan rose to the top rankings in T20 cricket. He was known for his aggressive captaincy style, strong team spirit, and ability to motivate younger players.

Reports suggest that Sarfraz last featured in international cricket in recent years but remained involved in domestic competitions and team activities. His experience and understanding of the game have made him a respected figure within Pakistan's cricketing circles. Many believe that his contribution

to the team goes beyond statistics, especially due to the confidence and unity he brought to the squad during major tournaments.

During his time as captain, Pakistan achieved several important victories and developed a strong reputation in limited-overs cricket. The Champions Trophy success in 2017 is often highlighted as the defining achievement of his leadership career. That tournament not only boosted Pakistan's global standing but also strengthened the team's belief in its ability to compete at the highest level.

With retirement reportedly on the horizon, discussions have emerged about Sarfraz's possible future role in cricket. There is speculation that he could take up coaching or mentoring responsibilities, allowing him to share his vast experience with the next generation of players. His knowledge of international competition and leadership skills could make him a valuable asset in a development or support role.

Fans and former teammates have expressed appreciation for his dedication and service to Pakistan cricket. As Sarfraz prepares to step away from playing, his legacy remains strongly associated with one of the most memorable championship victories in the nation's sporting history.

MotoGP Postpones Qatar Grand Prix to November Amid Middle East Conflict



MotoGP has officially postponed the Qatar Grand Prix, originally scheduled for April, and rescheduled the race for November due to the ongoing geopolitical situation in the Middle East. The decision was announced on Sunday after extensive review and calendar adjustments.

According to organisers, the race at the Lusail International Circuit, which was set to host the fourth round of the 2026 championship from April 10-12, will now take place on November 8. The change was made to minimize disruption to the overall season schedule while prioritizing safety and operational considerations.

MotoGP stated that the postponement followed detailed scenario planning and calendar analysis. The revised date was selected to ensure the smooth continuation of the championship without major impact on other planned races. The organisation confirmed that the Portuguese Grand Prix in Portimão has also been rescheduled to November 22, while the season finale in Valencia will move to November 29.

The decision comes amid escalating tensions in the region, which have affected travel routes and led to the cancellation or adjustment of several international sporting events. The conflict has disrupted air traffic in parts of the Gulf, creating logistical challenges for teams, staff, and freight movement required to stage global mo-

torSPORT events.

MotoGP emphasized that the safety of riders, teams, officials, and fans remains the top priority. After reviewing the situation and consulting relevant stakeholders, the governing body concluded that postponement was the most appropriate course of action.

The Qatar Grand Prix is traditionally one of the key races in the early part of the MotoGP calendar and has often been held under floodlights at night. With the updated schedule, the championship will continue with upcoming rounds in Brazil and the United States before returning to Europe later in the season.

The calendar adjustments also reflect broader changes across international motorsport, as organisers across different series respond to regional instability. By moving the Qatar event to November, MotoGP aims to preserve the integrity of the championship while reducing uncertainty for teams and broadcasters.

Fans holding tickets for the original April date are expected to receive further information regarding arrangements in line with the updated schedule. MotoGP has assured supporters that preparations for the revised date are underway.

With the rescheduling confirmed, attention now shifts to the next races on the calendar as the 2026 season continues under revised conditions.

CM Chandrababu Naidu Visits Allu Aravind's Residence, Extends Wedding Wishes to Allu Sirish and Nayanika



Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu visited the residence of noted film producer Allu Aravind to personally extend his greetings and blessings to actor Allu Sirish and his fiancée Nayanika ahead of their wedding. The visit drew attention from both political and film circles, highlighting the close ties between public figures in the state.

During the visit, the Chief Minister conveyed his best wishes to the couple and interacted warmly with the family members. The meeting was described as a cordial and friendly gesture, reflecting goodwill and personal rapport. Chandrababu Naidu congratulated the family on the upcoming wedding and wished the couple a happy and successful married life.

Allu Aravind, a prominent figure in the Telugu film industry and a respected producer, welcomed the Chief Minister at his residence. Members of the family were present during the interaction, and the atmosphere was reportedly pleasant and celebratory. The gathering symbolised a blend of political leadership and film industry camaraderie.

Allu Sirish, who has been active in Telugu cinema, is preparing for his wedding with Nayanika. The announcement of their engagement earlier had already created excitement among fans and well-wishers. With

the wedding approaching, several prominent personalities have been extending their greetings to the couple.

The Chief Minister's visit is seen as a gesture of goodwill rather than a formal political engagement. Such interactions between leaders and members of the film industry are not uncommon in Telugu-speaking states, where cinema and public life often share strong connections. The meeting also reflects the tradition of leaders personally attending significant family events of well-known personalities.

Family members expressed gratitude for the Chief Minister's presence and blessings. The visit added to the celebratory mood surrounding the upcoming wedding, which has attracted attention from fans and media alike.

As preparations continue for the ceremony, wishes have been pouring in from various quarters. The interaction between Chandrababu Naidu and the family highlights the cordial relationship maintained across different sectors of society.

With the wedding scheduled soon, the occasion is expected to be a grand celebration attended by close relatives, friends, and several dignitaries. The Chief Minister's visit has further enhanced the significance of the event, making it a memorable moment for the family.

Dhanush Praises 'The Youth' Team, Appreciates Actor-Director Ken Karunas and Producer



Actor Dhanush has extended his appreciation to the team of the upcoming film 'The Youth', praising the efforts of its young cast and crew. In a recent message, Dhanush specifically congratulated Ken Karunas, who has taken on the dual responsibility of actor and director for the project, along with the film's producer.

Dhanush lauded Ken Karunas for his creative vision and commitment to storytelling. He appreciated the confidence shown by the young filmmaker in handling both acting and direction, noting that such efforts reflect passion and dedication toward cinema. The actor also wished the team great success, expressing hope that the film would connect strongly with audiences.

The praise from Dhanush has generated excitement around the project, as encouragement from established industry personalities often boosts visibility for upcoming films. Fans and film enthusiasts have welcomed the gesture, viewing it as recognition of new talent entering the industry.

'The Youth' is being developed as a contemporary film aimed at engaging younger audiences, with themes that resonate with present-day aspirations and challenges. The project highlights fresh talent both in front of and behind the camera, showcasing a new genera-

tion of filmmakers and performers.

Ken Karunas, known for his earlier acting performances, has now stepped into the director's role, marking an important milestone in his career. Taking charge of direction while also playing a lead role demonstrates his confidence in handling multiple responsibilities within a single project.

The producer of the film has also been acknowledged for supporting the creative vision and backing the team throughout the production process. The collaboration between the cast and crew is expected to bring a strong cinematic experience to the audience.

Industry observers believe that such encouragement from senior actors like Dhanush helps motivate emerging artists and strengthens the overall creative environment in the film industry. His appreciation adds positive momentum to the film's promotional activities.

As 'The Youth' moves closer to its release, expectations are building around the project. With support from established stars and the involvement of young talent, the film is gaining attention in film circles and among fans.

The team is continuing promotional efforts, and more updates about the film's release and features are expected soon.

Chiranjeevi and Ram Charan Praise 'Ustaad Bhagat Singh' Trailer

Megastar Chiranjeevi and global star Ram Charan have expressed their appreciation for the trailer of the much-anticipated film 'Ustaad Bhagat Singh', starring Pawan Kalyan. The father-son duo praised the team for delivering a powerful and energetic trailer that has already generated strong buzz among fans and industry circles.

The trailer, which was released recently, showcases Pawan Kalyan in a mass-action avatar, highlighting intense dialogues, stylish presentation, and high-octane sequences. The visuals, background score, and overall production quality have received positive responses from audiences on social media platforms. Fans have been celebrating the trailer's impact, calling it one of the most exciting releases of the season.

Chiranjeevi reportedly appreciated the effort put in by the director and technical team, noting the scale and presentation of the film. He congratulated the



cast and crew for their hard work and wished them great success. His comments added further excitement to the film's growing anticipation.

Ram Charan also shared his admiration for the trailer, praising the energy and screen presence of the lead actor. He highlighted the film's strong technical aspects, including action choreography and cinematography, which

appear to elevate the overall viewing experience. Ram Charan's support has further strengthened the positive momentum surrounding the project.

'Ustaad Bhagat Singh' is directed by Harish Shankar, who is known for his commercial entertainers. The film is expected to blend action, emotion, and mass appeal, catering to a wide audience. The trailer suggests a sto-

ryline filled with powerful dialogues, dynamic action scenes, and a strong character portrayal by Pawan Kalyan.

The film has already become one of the most awaited releases in Telugu cinema. With the backing of celebrated personalities and growing audience interest, expectations are high for its theatrical performance. Industry observers believe the combination of star power, direction, and technical excellence could make the film a major box-office attraction.

As promotional activities continue, the team is focusing on maintaining the excitement generated by the trailer. Fans across regions have been sharing clips, posters, and reactions online, contributing to the film's widespread visibility.

With appreciation from top members of the film fraternity and strong public response, 'Ustaad Bhagat Singh' is moving closer to becoming one of the most talked-about projects in recent times.

Netizens Express Anger Over Missing Names in Allu Cinemas 'Hall of Fame' List

A recent controversy has erupted on social media after several key directors and prominent actresses were reportedly not included in the "Hall of Fame" list announced by Allu Cinemas. The omission has triggered strong reactions from netizens, who expressed disappointment and questioned the selection criteria.

The Hall of Fame initiative was introduced to honour individuals who have made significant contributions to the film industry. However, after the list was made public, many users pointed out that some well-known filmmakers and actresses who have played a crucial role in shaping cinema were left out. This led to widespread discussions across social media platforms.

Critics argued that recognition programs should be inclusive and transparent. Several users commented that contributions from senior directors, actors, and technicians deserve equal acknowledgment, regardless of personal affiliations or industry dynamics. Some also claimed



that the omission might create unnecessary misunderstandings within the film fraternity.

Supporters of the initiative, however, stated that such lists are often curated based on specific themes, criteria, or timeframes. They suggested that it may not be practical to include every influential personality in a single edition and that future

updates could address the gaps. Despite this explanation, dissatisfaction continued to grow online.

The issue quickly gained traction, with hashtags related to the controversy trending temporarily. Film enthusiasts and industry observers joined the debate, sharing their opinions on how recognition programs should

balance fairness and representation. Many emphasized that cinema is a collaborative industry and that honoring diverse contributors strengthens unity.

While the organizers have not issued an extensive clarification, the discussion highlights the sensitivity surrounding public acknowledgments in the entertainment world. Industry watchers believe that transparency in selection processes can help avoid such controversies in the future.

The debate also reflects the strong engagement of audiences with cinema-related developments. Fans closely follow announcements from major production houses and platforms, often responding immediately when they feel certain individuals have been overlooked.

As conversations continue online, many are hopeful that the matter will be addressed constructively. The controversy serves as a reminder that recognition initiatives must carefully consider inclusivity to maintain goodwill and credibility within the industry and among audiences.

Sreeleela Talks About Adopting Special Children and Speaks Against Deepfake Misuse



Actress Sreeleela has shared details about her personal decision to adopt and support special children, describing it as a meaningful and fulfilling part of her life. She explained that she has taken responsibility for three children, including differently-abled kids, and ensures that their education, healthcare, food, and overall needs are taken care of. According to her, the decision was made out of compassion and personal satisfaction rather than for publicity.

Sreeleela mentioned that she prefers to keep such matters private, as she believes acts of kindness do not require public recognition. She said the emotional bond with the children brings her immense happiness and inner peace. For her, supporting their growth and development is more important than seeking attention for charitable work. She emphasized that helping children in need is something she deeply values.

Along with speaking about her social commitment, the actress also addressed the growing issue of deepfake technology being misused against public figures. She expressed concern over the circulation of manipulated images and

videos on social media platforms. According to her, such content can damage reputations and create unnecessary misunderstandings.

She strongly urged people to use technology responsibly and ethically. While acknowledging that artificial intelligence and digital tools can be beneficial, she warned that misuse can lead to serious consequences. She called for greater awareness among users and stressed the importance of respecting personal dignity online.

Sreeleela's remarks have drawn positive responses from fans and supporters, who appreciated her honesty and social awareness. Many praised her for balancing her professional career in the film industry with meaningful personal initiatives. Her statements highlight both her humanitarian values and her concern about the impact of digital misinformation.

As she continues working on new film projects, Sreeleela's message serves as a reminder of the importance of compassion and responsible technology use in today's fast-changing digital world. Her openness about adoption and her stand against deepfakes reflect a commitment to positive social change and ethical responsibility.

N. T. Rama Rao's 'Pathala Bhairavi' Completes 75 Glorious Years

The legendary Telugu classic 'Pathala Bhairavi', starring iconic actor N. T. Rama Rao, has completed 75 years, marking a remarkable milestone in Indian cinema history. Released on March 15, the film continues to be celebrated as one of the most influential and successful movies of its era.

Directed by K. V. Reddy, 'Pathala Bhairavi' is widely regarded as a landmark film in Telugu cinema. It combined elements of fantasy, adventure, romance, and drama, captivating audiences across generations. The film's engaging storyline, memorable performances, and technical brilliance made it a massive commercial success at the time of its release.

N. T. Rama Rao's performance in the film played a crucial role in shaping his career. His portrayal of the heroic lead character won widespread appreciation and established him as one of the leading stars of Telugu cinema. The movie's success helped elevate his popularity not only in the Telugu states but also in other parts of India, contributing significantly to his rise as a cultural icon.

The film was notable for its strong screenplay, impressive visual effects for that period, and engaging musical score. It set new standards in storytelling and production quality during the early years of Indian cinema. Many film enthusiasts and critics still consider it one of the greatest fantasy films ever made in the country.

Over the decades, 'Pathala Bhairavi' has been re-



leased and screened multiple times, continuing to attract audiences even in the modern era. Its dialogues, songs, and scenes remain popular among classic cinema lovers. The film's influence can still be seen in several later productions that drew inspiration from its narrative style and cinematic techniques.

As the film completes 75 years, it stands as a symbol of timeless storytelling and artistic excellence. The milestone is a tribute to the vision of its makers and the unforgettable performance of N. T. Rama Rao, whose contribution to Indian cinema remains unmatched. The celebration of this anniversary highlights the enduring legacy of a film that continues to hold a special place in cinematic history.