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Revanth Reddy Pays Tributes to Former Speaker Sripadaravu on 27th Death Anniversary

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Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy paid floral tributes to the portrait of former united Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly Speaker Duddilla Sripadaravu on his 27th death anniversary at his Jubilee Hills residence on Sunday. The Chief Minister recalled Sripadaravu’s distinguished public life and said he was a leader who earned a special place for himself in Telugu states.

Revanth Reddy noted that Sripadaravu rose from the position of Sarpanch to the highest office of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, bringing dignity and respect to every post he held. He praised his conduct in the Assembly, stating that he maintained decorum and enhanced the prestige of the House through his disciplined leadership.

The Chief Minister described Sripadaravu’s life journey as an inspiration for the present generation, highlight-



ing his commitment to democratic values and public service. He said leaders like him set high standards in legisla-

tive functioning.

The event was attended by Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, MP Vem Narender Red-

dy, MLA Sanjay, and other dignitaries, who also paid their respects.

Bhatti Vikramarka Assures Justice to Displaced Residents in Musi Project

Hyderabad, April 14, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Residents displaced from Madhu Park Ridge A Block have appealed to the Telangana government to recognize them as stakeholders in the ambitious Musi River rejuvenation project, while also seeking fair rehabilitation and long-term support.

A delegation of affected residents met Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu at Praja Bhavan on Monday and submitted a detailed representation highlighting their concerns. The residents made it clear that they are not opposing the Musi River development works. Instead, they expressed support for the project and urged the government to include them as partners in the development process.

They submitted three key pro-



posals, requesting the government to consider them on humanitarian grounds. The residents stated that displacement has significantly impacted

their lives and livelihoods, and therefore they deserve justice, proper rehabilitation, and an opportunity to benefit from the project they have been affected

by.

Speaking during the meeting, members of the delegation emphasized that development should not come at the cost of vulnerable communities. They urged the government to adopt an inclusive approach that balances infrastructure growth with social justice. They also pointed out that involving displaced residents as stakeholders would set a positive precedent for future development projects in the state.

Responding to their concerns, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka assured the delegation that their proposals would be examined thoroughly and sympathetically. He reiterated that the government is committed to ensuring justice to all affected families and would take decisions with a humanitarian

perspective.

He directed Musi Riverfront Development Corporation Managing Director E.V. Narasimha Reddy and Rangareddy District Collector Narayana Reddy to review the proposals in detail and submit a comprehensive report to the Musi Cabinet Sub-Committee for further consideration. The delegation included Madhu Park Ridge A Block President Dr. K. Srisaillam, Secretary Dr. Kareemulla, Advisor Sanjay Shukla, Legal Advisor Pratap Reddy, JAC member B.N. Reddy, Vice President Rambabu, and other representatives. The residents expressed hope that the government would respond positively and ensure that those displaced are not left behind but are made equal partners in the development journey of the Musi River project.

Revanth Reddy Vows Priority for Tribal Development

Hyderabad, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has reiterated his government’s firm commitment to prioritising the development of tribal and agency areas across the state, assuring focused efforts to address long-standing issues faced by tribal communities.

During a review meeting with tribal representatives and public officials, the Chief Minister stressed the need for inclusive growth and equitable distribution of resources. He acknowledged that tribal regions have historically faced challenges such as inadequate infrastructure, limited access to drinking water, poor road connectivity, and delays in implementation of development works. Revanth Reddy directed officials to take immediate steps to improve basic amenities in remote areas. He emphasised the importance of constructing check dams and minor irrigation projects to ensure water availability for both agriculture and drinking purposes. He also instructed departments to speed up pending development works and remove administrative bottlenecks that have slowed progress in tribal regions.

Highlighting the issue of forest clearances, the Chief Minister assured that the government would coordinate with relevant authorities to expedite approvals for projects in agency areas. He noted that delays in permissions have often hindered road construction, irrigation works, and other essential infrastructure projects, affecting the livelihoods of tribal populations. The Chief Minister also assured that the government would consider granting permissions for borewells in lands cultivated by tribal farmers, aiming to support agricultural activities and improve income levels. He stated that empowering tribal farmers is key to strengthening rural economies in these regions.



Revanth Reddy further emphasised the need for coordinated efforts among various departments to ensure timely implementation of welfare schemes. He directed officials to closely monitor ongoing projects and ensure that benefits reach the intended beneficiaries without delays or leakages. Stating that tribal welfare is a top priority, the Chief Minister assured that all proposals submitted by tribal representatives would be reviewed on priority. He said the government is committed to bridging development gaps and ensuring that tribal communities receive equal opportunities and improved living standards.

The Chief Minister concluded by affirming that the administration will continue to work towards sustainable and inclusive development, ensuring that no community is left behind in Telangana’s growth journey.

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KTR Appoints In-Charges for KCR’s Jagtial Public Meeting

Jagtial, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

The Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) has stepped up preparations for a massive public meeting scheduled on April 20 in Jagtial. Acting on the directions of party chief K. Chandrashekar Rao, the party’s Working President K. T. Rama Rao has appointed constituency-wise in-charges to ensure the grand success of the event.

Considering the meeting as highly prestigious, the party leadership has assigned responsibilities to senior leaders across five constituencies in Jagtial district. Palla Rajeshwar Reddy has been named in-charge for Jagtial constituency, while Prashanth Reddy will oversee arrangements in Korutla. MLC L. Ravinder Rao has been assigned Dharmapuri, former MLA Balka Suman will manage Vemulawada, and former MLA Peddhi Sudarshan Reddy will take charge of Choppadandi.

The BRS leadership is focusing on detailed planning to ensure large-scale participation. Special efforts

are being made to mobilize party cadres and supporters from across the district and nearby regions. The party aims to demonstrate its strength and public support through this major gathering.

Senior leaders Gadari Balamallu and Mareddy Srinivas Reddy have been entrusted with overseeing crowd mobilization, venue arrangements, and overall coordination. They will supervise all logistical aspects on the ground until the meeting concludes. KTR has instructed party workers to maintain coordination and ensure smooth execution of all arrangements.

The meeting is expected to be a significant political event amid the evolving political scenario in Telangana. Party leaders believe the gathering will highlight the party’s strength and reconnect with the public.

KTR has urged all party cadres to work collectively to make the Jagtial meeting a grand success. The event is likely to attract a huge turnout and generate considerable political attention across the state.



Massive Rehabilitation Needed to Restore Medigadda Barrage

Hyderabad, April 14 | TPN Bureau

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initiated steps to expedite the process by engaging technical experts and forming committees to oversee the restoration works. Engineers have been instructed to prepare revised plans and ensure that all safety standards are strictly followed during execution.

Sources indicated that the restoration may take multiple working seasons, given the scale of the damage and the complexity of the structure. Initially, efforts may focus on making the barrage partially functional before achieving full operational capacity.

Officials emphasised that restoring the Medigadda barrage is crucial for maintaining irrigation supply and protecting the significant investment made in the project. Once rehabilitation is completed, the barrage is expected to play a vital role in supporting agriculture and water management across Telangana.

Despite the challenges, authorities remain confident that with proper planning and expert supervision, the barrage can be successfully restored and continue to serve farmers in the long term.

Bandi Sanjay Launches Sharp Attack on CM Revanth Reddy Over Delimitation Issue

Hyderabad, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau:

Union Minister Bandi Sanjay Kumar launched a strong criticism against Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy over his remarks on the proposed 50% increase in parliamentary seats, questioning the logic and implications of the delimitation debate.

In a detailed media statement with multiple pointed remarks, Bandi Sanjay accused the Chief Minister of creating “unnecessary fear and confusion among the public” and asked whether scientific rationale was being followed in the proposed seat restructuring. He questioned whether economic strength, population, or other criteria were being used as the basis for representation.

He further alleged that linking money power with voting strength would undermine democratic principles and questioned whether such an approach would weaken representation for poorer sections of society. He argued that states like Telangana and other southern regions should not be



disadvantaged under any re-distribution formula.

Bandi Sanjay also raised concerns about whether underdeveloped regions would lose representation while major urban and wealthy areas

gain advantage. He stressed that constitutional principles laid down by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar must remain the foundation of any delimitation exercise. He alleged that the Congress party was engaging

in contradictory statements and questioned the government's intentions behind the proposed changes. He also criticized what he described as inconsistent policy positions on reservation, representation,

and federal structure.

The Union Minister challenged the Chief Minister to clearly explain what “loss” the southern states would face if seat numbers were increased proportionately. He demanded transparency on whether population-based representation or economic indicators would be the deciding factor.

Bandi Sanjay further alleged that the Congress leadership was diverting attention from governance issues through political rhetoric. He also referred to previous election promises made by the ruling party, accusing it of failing to deliver key assurances. He urged the Chief Minister to speak truthfully in the upcoming press briefing and clarify the government's stand on delimitation. He concluded by stating that Telangana people had already begun recognizing “political similarities” between the current and previous regimes, signaling growing public dissatisfaction. The remarks come amid intensified political debate over delimitation and representation policies at the national level.



Bhoobharati Sets New Direction for Land Governance: Minister Ponguleti

Hyderabad, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Revenue, Housing and Information Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said the Bhoobharati Act has emerged as a landmark reform in land administration, ensuring transparency, accountability, and easy access to services for citizens. Marking one year of the Act's implementation, the Minister reviewed its progress with officials at the Secretariat on Monday. He stated that under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the state has been rebuilding the revenue system that had weakened in previous years. Bhoobharati, launched on April 14, 2025, on the occasion of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti, has significantly improved land governance and reduced disputes. According to official data, the Bhoobharati portal has recorded over 5.2 crore visits within a year, with nearly 67 lakh users logging in. Around

3.80 lakh passbooks have been issued to landowners, reflecting improved service delivery. The integrated portal, developed in collaboration with NIC, brings revenue, survey, and registration services under one platform and is currently being piloted in select mandals. The Minister highlighted that modern survey technologies such as rovers are replacing outdated methods, ensuring accuracy in land records. So far, 411 rovers have been procured, with plans to add 400 more. Licensed surveyors have been appointed across mandals to accelerate re-surveys.

He added that each survey number will be assigned a unique “Bhoodhar” ID to ensure permanent land record clarity. The government aims to resolve long-pending disputes and provide secure land rights to farmers, making Bhoobharati a strong pillar of Telangana's governance reforms.



Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha Reviews Singur Dam Safety, Tourism & Development Works

Singur Project (Andole Constituency), April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

State Health Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha conducted an extensive review of dam safety, irrigation, tourism, and infrastructure development works at the Singur Project in Andole constituency on Monday. The visit focused on ensuring long-term safety of the dam while exploring opportunities for integrated development in the region.

The Minister inspected the ongoing dam safety works being carried out by irrigation officials and directed them to strictly adhere to the guidelines of the National Dam Safety Authority. He emphasized that all strengthening and repair works should be executed in such a manner that the Singur dam remains stable and functional for at least the next 50 years. Officials were instructed to maintain high construction standards and ensure timely completion of all safety-related works.

During the visit, the Minister also reviewed the lining works of the Singur main canal (Silarapu Rajanarsimha Canal), which plays a crucial role in irrigation. He stressed the importance of improving water flow efficiency and minimizing losses through proper canal maintenance and modernization. In addition to irrigation and safety measures, Damodar Rajanarsimha held detailed discussions with irrigation and tourism department officials on the beautification and development of the



Singur reservoir area. Special focus was given to the island located within the project. Plans were discussed to transform it into a major tourist attraction by introducing facilities such as boating, parks, landscaped gardens, cottages, restaurants, and water sports activities. The Minister directed officials to prepare comprehensive proposals and expedite works that can enhance tourism potential while maintaining ecological balance. He also emphasized resolving any issues that may hinder the pace of development and called for better coordination among departments. A high-level review meeting on Singur dam safety and tourism development will be convened soon to assess progress. Further, the Minister re-

viewed Pedda Reddy Pet Lift Irrigation works and examined proposals for beautification of the Andole Pedda Cheruvu tank bund, aiming to develop it as a local tourist spot.

Later, he inspected the construction of an integrated school in the constituency and instructed officials to speed up the works to ensure early completion. He also visited a Telangana Social Welfare Gurukul School near the Singur project, interacted with students, and inquired about their facilities and concerns. The Minister directed officials to improve infrastructure, provide better sports facilities, and ensure quality education for students, reaffirming the government's commitment to both development and welfare.

Telangana Seeks Central Support for Maize Procurement Under PSS

Hyderabad, April 13 | TPN Bureau:

Telangana Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao has urged Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan to include maize under the Price Support Scheme (PSS) and enable procurement by central agencies to protect farmers from falling prices.

In a letter to the Union Minister, Tummala highlighted that maize is a major crop in Telangana during both Kharif and Rabi seasons. In the current Rabi season, maize has been cultivated in over 11.21 lakh acres, with an estimated production of nearly 29.79 lakh metric tonnes due to favorable conditions.

However, he pointed out that market prices have dropped significantly, with maize currently selling at around 1,759 per quintal—far below the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of 2,400. This price gap of 641

is causing heavy losses to farmers.

To mitigate the situation, the state government has set up 92 procurement centers and has already procured 65,000 metric tonnes of maize. Tummala recalled that during the previous Kharif season, the Telangana government alone procured 3.76 lakh metric tonnes at MSP, spending about 902.80 crore.

With higher production this season and continued price volatility, the Minister stressed the need for immediate central intervention. He requested the Centre to procure at least 50 percent of the total produce—around 14.89 lakh metric tonnes—under PSS, which would cost approximately 4,000 crore.

Tummala emphasized that the financial burden is too large for the state alone and called on the Centre to act swiftly to safeguard farmers' interests by ensuring effective MSP implementation.

Uttam Kumar Reddy Launches Campaign in Tamil Nadu, Targets BJP-AIADMK Alliance

Chennai, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Senior Congress leader Uttam Kumar Reddy has launched his party's campaign in Tamil Nadu ahead of the upcoming Assembly elections, intensifying political activity in the state. Addressing party workers and supporters, Uttam came down heavily on the BJP-AIADMK alliance, accusing both parties of undermining the secular fabric of the country.

He alleged that the alliance partners were competing with each other in promoting divisive politics and misleading voters. Emphasizing the Con-



gress party's commitment to inclusive governance, Uttam said the party would work towards protecting democratic

values and ensuring social harmony.

The Congress leader expressed confidence that the

party, along with its allies, would perform strongly in the elections. He said there is growing public dissatisfaction against the ruling establishment and that people are looking for an alternative that prioritizes welfare, development, and equality. Uttam also highlighted the importance of unity among opposition parties to counter what he described as “anti-people policies.” He called upon party cadres to strengthen grassroots outreach and connect with voters at the booth level. According to him, direct interaction with the public and addressing their concerns would be key to electoral success. The campaign launch marks a significant step in the Congress party's efforts to regain political ground in Tamil Nadu. Party leaders are expected to conduct extensive tours across constituencies, focusing on local issues and mobilizing support.

With election momentum building, Tamil Nadu is witnessing heightened political activity, with major parties stepping up their campaigns. Uttam's entry into the campaign trail is seen as part of a broader strategy to energize the cadre and consolidate support for the Congress and its allies in the state.



Alcohol Test on Advocate Sparks Drama at Panjagutta PS

Hyderabad, April 14 | TPN Bureau

Tension prevailed at the Panjagutta Police Station in Hyderabad after police conducted an alcohol breath analyser test on an advocate linked to the ongoing dispute involving folk singer Mangli, leading to heated arguments and a brief commotion.

Advocate Singapogu Subbarao had arrived at the police station along with victims to lodge a complaint alleging a 10 crore fraud in the name of a microfinance scheme. The complaint reportedly accused Mangli and her associates of cheating investors by promising high returns.

Police officials, however, grew suspicious of the advocate's behaviour and allegedly detected the smell of alcohol. Before allowing him inside the station, they insisted on conducting a breath analyser test. This led to a verbal altercation, with the advocate questioning the necessity of the test.

Despite initial resistance, the test was carried out and reportedly showed a reading of 27 mg of alcohol content. While officials maintained that the level was within permissible limits for driving, they stated that conducting such tests is within their authority, especially in public places like police stations.

The incident triggered a tense situation inside the station, with the advocate accusing police of deliberately targeting him and attempting to divert attention from the main case. He argued that he had not consumed alcohol on the day and claimed that any trace could be from the previous night.

Police, on the other hand, clarified that the test was conducted purely as a precautionary measure and not as part of a criminal case. They also stated that no case was registered against the advocate in connection with the alcohol test.

Meanwhile, the dispute between the advocate and singer Mangli has taken a complicated turn, with both sides filing complaints against each other. While the advocate has accused the singer of fraud and intimidation, Mangli has reportedly alleged harassment and attempts to extort money from her.

Authorities confirmed that investigations are ongoing into the allegations made by both parties. The incident at the police station has further intensified the controversy, drawing attention to the unfolding legal battle.

The situation was later brought under control, but the episode has added another layer of tension to the already high-profile case.

Minister Seethakka Sends Legal Notice to BRS Chief KCR Over Allegations

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In a major political development, Telangana Minister Seethakka has issued a legal notice to BRS president and former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), alleging that defamatory and baseless allegations were made against her regarding the purchase of mobile phones for Anganwadi workers.

The notice, sent through registered post by her advocate Naguluri Krishna Kumar, stated that false propaganda was being spread on social media platforms affiliated with the BRS party, damaging her reputation. The minister clarified that the procurement process was entirely handled by the Telangana Technology Services Limited (TTSL), and the contract was awarded based on the decisions of the tender evaluation committee. She emphasized that she has no personal involvement in

the process. Seethakka further stated that although the total tender value was around 44 crore, allegations of irregularities worth 30 crore were completely baseless and lacked any supporting evidence.

The legal notice also held KCR responsible for allowing defamatory content to circulate on the party's official social media handles. She demanded that the objectionable posts be removed within 48 hours and an unconditional apology be issued.

The minister warned that if the demand is not met, she would initiate both civil and criminal proceedings against those responsible for the defamation. She asserted that the campaign was a deliberate attempt to tarnish her image and mislead the public.

This development has intensified the political confrontation between the ruling Congress party and the opposition BRS in Telangana. Further reactions from BRS leaders are awaited.



R. Ramchander Rao Holds Women's Meet in Khanapur on Nari Shakti Vandan Act

Khanapur, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau:

Telangana BJP State President N. Ramchander Rao held a special interaction with women in Khanapur on the occasion of discussions around the "Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam," which aims to implement 33% reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and State Assemblies starting from the 2029 elections.

The programme was organised ahead of the upcoming Parliamentary session scheduled between April 16 and 18, during which the bill is expected to be discussed. Women participants in Khanapur expressed strong enthusiasm over the proposed legislation, calling it a landmark step towards women's empowerment. They also conveyed gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for introducing what they described as a historic initiative to strengthen women's participation in governance.

Speaking on the occasion, Ramchander Rao said the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam is a transformative decision that will significantly enhance women's representation in democratic institutions. He stated that increasing women's participation in legislative bodies will ensure that their voices, which have long been underrepresented in policy-making, are more effectively heard and reflected.

He further noted that empowering women in politics is not merely a reform but a crucial milestone in strengthening the country's democratic framework. According to him,



greater representation of women will contribute to more inclusive governance and balanced decision-making processes.

The BJP leader emphasized that since women constitute nearly half of the population, providing them adequate representation in legislative bodies is essential for true democratic equity. He added that the legislation will help unlock the potential of women leaders at various levels.

Ramchander Rao described the proposed law as a significant step towards national development, stating that it will accelerate India's progress towards becoming a developed nation by ensuring inclusive participation in governance.

The meeting witnessed active participation from local women leaders and party cadres, reflecting growing interest in the proposed reservation framework ahead of its parliamentary deliberation.

'BRS may revert to TRS': KTR makes key remarks

Mancherial, April 13, 2026:

BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) on Sunday indicated that the party may consider changing its name back to Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS), stating that the proposal would be examined internally.

Speaking to the media during an informal interaction at Kyathanapally in Mancherial district, KTR clarified that any decision on renaming the party would be taken after due deliberations within the organisation. He also made it clear that alliances or electoral tie-ups would not suit the party, ruling out any possibility of coalitions.

Admitting internal introspection, KTR said the party

had made certain mistakes in the past and would take corrective steps to address organisational and political shortcomings. He reiterated that BRS remains committed to Telangana's interests and would rebuild public trust through renewed efforts.

Launching a sharp attack on the ruling Congress government, KTR alleged that it had failed in implementing welfare and development schemes effectively. He claimed that the government had not met public expectations and accused it of administrative inefficiency across multiple sectors.

Expressing confidence about the party's future, KTR asserted that BRS would return to power in the state. He further

stated that party founder and former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) would once again assume the chief minister's office, reflecting strong confidence in the party's comeback.

He also appealed to party cadres to strengthen grassroots-level organisation and focus on public issues, emphasizing that the party would correct its course and move forward with renewed strategy.

The remarks come at a time when Telangana politics is witnessing intensified competition between the ruling Congress and the opposition BRS, with both parties trading sharp political criticisms ahead of future electoral battles.



CPI MLC Nellikanti Satyam Writes Open Letter to CM Over Electricity Artizan Workers' Strike

Hyderabad, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau:

CPI MLC Nellikanti Satyam has written an open letter to the Chief Minister demanding immediate resolution of the long-pending issues of electricity Artizan workers across Telangana. He extended his full support to the ongoing indefinite strike launched by workers from April 8, 2026, urging the government to intervene without delay. In his letter dated April 13, 2026, Satyam strongly criticized the government's "adamant attitude" towards employees working in TSTRANSCO, TSGENCO, TGSPDCL, and TGNPDCL. He



said that workers who have been serving for the past 25-30 years under challenging conditions are still denied fair recognition and basic rights.

He alleged that previous assurances regarding regularisation of workers made in 2017

were not fulfilled. He also objected to the introduction of separate service rules in 2020 for Artizan employees, stating that it created discrimination compared to regular staff governed by APSEB rules. The CPI leader pointed out that many

workers continue to operate in sub-stations without proper facilities such as drinking water and lighting, despite severe manpower shortages and high-risk working conditions. Satyam placed several key demands before the government, including conversion of eligible Artizan workers into regular posts based on educational qualifications, and uniform implementation of APSEB rules across all categories of employees. He also demanded the merger of un-manned workers in TGNPDCL and absorption of workers sidelined since 2016 due to minor objections.

He further sought implementa-

tion of minimum wage standards for piece-rate workers such as bill readers, bill collectors, and hamalis, along with timely implementation of the PRC-2026 pay revision for all employees.

Warning of the impact of the ongoing strike on power supply, he urged the Chief Minister to personally intervene, hold talks with workers' unions, and resolve the crisis to protect nearly 20,000 worker families. Satyam concluded that immediate action is necessary to prevent inconvenience to the public and ensure justice to long-serving electricity workers across the state.



BRS Leader Gattu Ramchander Rao Launches Strong Attack on Minister Ponguleti at Telangana Bhavan Press Meet

Hyderabad, April 13, 2026:

BRS leader Gattu Ramchander Rao made sharp political remarks against Telangana Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy during a press meet held at Telangana Bhavan on Monday, intensifying the ongoing political war of words between the ruling Congress and the opposition BRS.

Addressing the media, Gattu Ramchander Rao alleged that Ponguleti, during his earlier association with the BRS, had reportedly spent long hours waiting outside the residences of then Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao and senior leader K.T. Rama Rao, questioning his current political stance and credibility. He further criticized Ponguleti's recent statements against the BRS leadership, calling them "contradictory and politically motivated."

Rao used strong language, describing Ponguleti's remarks as politically theatrical and accused him of attempting to mislead the public. He raised questions over the minister's financial background and business dealings, demanding clarification on alleged wealth accumulation. He also referred to past allegations and pending cases, asking what happened to earlier investigations, including those related to enforcement agencies.

The BRS leader further accused the Congress government of engaging in political vendetta and alleged that governance in the state had turned into a system of "demolition and destruction policies." He demanded accountability from Ponguleti regarding revenue and housing-related decisions, particularly in connection with housing schemes and land administration reforms.

Rao also questioned the renaming of the Dharani land portal to Bhu Bharathi, asking what substantial reforms had been achieved beyond the name change. He claimed that the government had failed in delivering promised housing benefits and misled the Assembly with false statements.

Targeting Congress leaders, he also criticized Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee president Mahesh Goud for his comments against BRS leadership. He asserted that such statements reflected "overconfidence" and reminded that BRS had repeatedly won elections in the past. He challenged Congress to dissolve the Assembly and face fresh elections if they were confident about public support.

Rao further alleged irregularities in Singareni operations and demanded an independent inquiry, urging the government to stop targeting opposition leaders and instead focus on governance issues.

Other BRS leaders, including former corporation chairman Nagender Goud, also participated in the press meet and echoed similar criticisms against Congress leadership.

The press conference highlighted the continuing political confrontation in Telangana, with both parties escalating accusations ahead of upcoming political developments.



Controversy Over Access to 125-Ft Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Statue on Equality Day

Hyderabad, April 14, 2026 | TPN Bureau

A political controversy has erupted on the eve of "Equality Day" marking Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's birth anniversary, with allegations raised that access to the 125-foot Ambedkar statue in Hyderabad has been restricted, drawing sharp criticism from opposition voices.

In a strongly worded statement shared on social media, critics questioned whether it is appropriate for a monument dedicated to the architect of the Indian Constitution to remain enclosed and allegedly inaccessible to the public during Ambedkar Jayanti celebrations. They termed the situation an "insult to democracy" and "an affront to social equality values."

The criticism was directed at the Telangana government and Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, with opposition voices accusing the administration of maintaining restrictions at the site due to political differences and administrative decisions. They alleged that placing barricades around the statue amounted to "denying public access to a symbol of social

justice."

The statement further claimed that restricting entry to the memorial undermines the ideals of equality and social empowerment associated with Dr. Ambedkar. It also accused the government of acting with political bias, calling for immediate removal of restrictions and unrestricted public access to the statue.

Critics demanded that the government "unlock" the premises and allow citizens to pay tribute freely on Ambedkar Jayanti, warning that continued restrictions would invite strong public backlash and historical condemnation.

Meanwhile, no official response has yet been issued by the state government regarding the allegations or the status of public access to the statue. Authorities are expected to clarify the situation amid growing political debate and public attention surrounding the commemorative events.

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti, observed annually on April 14, is celebrated across India as a tribute to the chief architect of the Constitution and a symbol of social justice and equality.

Fire Service Week Poster Released at Osmania University

Hyderabad, April 13 | TPN Bureau

The poster for the upcoming Fire Service Week, observed annually from April 14 to April 20, was formally released at Osmania University by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Kumar on Sunday. The event highlighted the significance of fire safety awareness and the importance of preventive measures to avoid fire accidents in both urban and rural settings.

Speaking on the occasion, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Kumar explained the objective behind observing Fire Service Week every year. He emphasized that the week is dedicated to honoring the sacrifices of fire service personnel and spreading awareness

among the public about fire safety practices. He also underlined the need for educational institutions to actively participate in such awareness programmes to build a responsible and safety-conscious society.

During the programme, District Fire Officer A. Sreedhar elaborated on the schedule of activities planned from April 14 to April 20 across Hyderabad district. He stated that various awareness drives, mock drills, community outreach programmes, and safety demonstrations would be conducted during the week. These initiatives aim to educate citizens on how to respond during fire emergencies and how to prevent fire hazards in homes, workplaces, and public

spaces.

He further explained essential fire safety precautions, including proper handling of electrical appliances, safe usage of cooking gas, regular maintenance of fire extinguishers, and ensuring emergency exits are always accessible. He stressed that timely awareness and preparedness can significantly reduce loss of life and property during fire incidents. The event was attended by Station Fire Officer Moula Ali K. Ramakrishna Reddy and Secunderabad Station Fire Officer S. Shankar. Leading Fire Fighters P. Govindu and A. Sai Kiran, along with other fire department staff members, also participated in the programme. Their presence highlighted the active involvement of

frontline fire service personnel in awareness and training activities. Officials noted that Fire Service Week serves as an important platform to strengthen coordination between fire departments, educational institutions, and the general public. They urged citizens to actively take part in the scheduled programmes and adopt fire safety practices in their daily lives. The programme concluded with a call for collective responsibility in preventing fire accidents and ensuring safer communities. The university administration and fire department jointly reaffirmed their commitment to spreading awareness and enhancing public safety through continued outreach efforts during the Fire Service Week.



BP Mandal Remembered as Beacon of Social Justice: Lingam Goud

Hyderabad, April 13 | TPN Bureau

BC JAC State Convener Jajula Lingam Goud has described B.P. Mandal as a guiding force for social justice and the “father of BC reservations,” calling for the full implementation of Mandal Commission recommendations to ensure equitable development of backward classes. Speaking on the occasion of the 44th death anniversary of B.P. Mandal at Osmania University, Lingam Goud paid rich tributes to his contributions for the upliftment of backward communities in India. He said Mandal’s vision and struggle for the rights of socially and educationally backward classes laid a strong foundation for reservation policies in education and employment across the country.

Lingam Goud stressed that the complete implementation of the Mandal Commission recommendations by the Central Government would bring significant positive changes in the lives of BC communities. He asserted that such imple-



mentation would ensure social justice, equal opportunities, and economic empowerment for backward sections, thereby lighting up the future of millions. He further stated that Mandal’s efforts in recognizing the need for reservation were historic and continue to remain relevant even today. According to him, true tribute to B.P. Mandal would be achieved only when his recommendations are fully implemented and social equality is established in practice rather than remaining limited to policy discussions.

The leaders present at the event also echoed similar views, emphasizing the importance of strengthening reservation policies to bridge social

and economic gaps in society. They highlighted that B.P. Mandal’s contribution remains a milestone in India’s social justice movement and continues to inspire ongoing struggles for equality.

Participants including Jangili Venkaiah Yadav, Alampally Satish, and Potuganti Ravi took part in the commemorative programme. They joined in paying homage and reiterated their commitment to continuing the fight for the rights of backward communities.

The event concluded with calls for renewed efforts to ensure that the ideals of B.P. Mandal are translated into action, with a focus on achieving true social justice and inclusive development in society.

Hyderabad, April 13 | TPN Bureau

A free cancer screening camp was successfully conducted on Monday at the Health Centre of Osmania University, Hyderabad, receiving an overwhelming response from students, faculty members, and non-teaching staff.

The camp was organized with the support of Basavarakam Indo-American Cancer Hospital, under the coordination of Janga Sridhar. The initiative was held under the leadership of OU JAC leaders Thoomu Naveen Yadav, Gaddam Srinivas, DBSA State Coordinator Jangili Darshan, and TSP JAC Founder President Dr. Valigonda Narasimha, with supervision from OU Health Centre Chief Medical Officer Dr. Srinivas.

The programme was formally attended by Telangana State SC Corporation Chairman Nagarigari Preetham, Rachakonda DCP SOT Manohar, TPCC Media and Communication Chairman Sama Ram Mohan Reddy, Tolivelugu Raghu, and Kaloji Srinivas as chief guests.



Speaking on the occasion, the dignitaries emphasized the importance of early detection of cancer and urged people to undergo regular health screenings. They noted that awareness and preventive healthcare play a crucial role in reducing mortality rates and improving treatment outcomes. They also called for more such health camps to be conducted widely to promote public health awareness.

Medical experts present at

the camp highlighted that early diagnosis significantly increases the chances of successful treatment. They explained that screening is the first and most important step toward saving lives by identifying risks at an initial stage. Participants were also educated on lifestyle factors that contribute to cancer, including tobacco use, alcohol consumption, and genetic predisposition.

A large number of partici-

pants, including women above 30 years of age, individuals with a family history of cancer, and those experiencing suspicious symptoms, underwent detailed medical examinations. Necessary advice and guidance were provided by specialist doctors.

Students, teaching and non-teaching staff of Osmania University, along with residents from nearby areas, actively participated in the camp. Several student leaders also contributed to the successful organization of the event.

Organizers stated that such initiatives play a vital role in strengthening preventive healthcare and urged the public not to neglect regular health check-ups. They reiterated that awareness-driven health camps can help save lives and contribute significantly to building a healthier society.

Overall, the free cancer screening camp was hailed as a meaningful and impactful step toward public health awareness and early disease detection.

Road Safety “Arrive-Alive” Campaign Launched in Hyderabad

Khairatabad, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau:

Transport Minister Ponnam Prabhakar on Monday launched the poster of the “Arrive-Alive” road safety programme as part of the Praja Palana Pragathi Plan at the Transport Department office in Khairatabad. The initiative aims to reduce road accidents and promote strict adherence to traffic rules across the state.

Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that the Road Safety campaign will be conducted from April 13 to 18 in coordination with the police and transport departments. He stated that the programme will focus on identifying causes of road accidents and implementing effective measures to reduce fatalities.



He emphasized that environmental protection measures will also be integrated into transport policies and that

strict enforcement of traffic regulations will be ensured across all districts. He added that within six days, depart-

mental reviews will be conducted at the district level to strengthen road safety implementation.

The Minister highlighted that saving lives and preventing road accidents is the primary objective of the initiative. He said that under the “Golden Hour” concept, those injured in accidents and shifted to hospitals within one hour will be eligible for the “Ravi Veer Award” recognition scheme. He also stated that reforms have been introduced by removing check posts and modernizing transport administration. Awareness programmes will be conducted in all schools to educate students about traffic rules and road safety practices. As part of incentives, RTC employees with 30 years

of service without causing any accidents will be felicitated, he said. Regular road safety meetings will be conducted in all districts, he added. On the RTC strike issue, the Minister said discussions are ongoing regarding merger demands and assured that employee-related issues will be addressed. He urged employees not to go on motivated strikes and confirmed that Dearness Allowance (DA) has already been released, while PRC-related matters are under consideration. Special Chief Secretary Vikas Raj, Transport Commissioner Ilambarithi, RTC MD Nagar Reddy, JTCs Chandrasekhar Goud, Ramesh, Shivalingayya and other senior officials participated in the programme.

56 Grievances Received at GHMC Prajavani Programme

Hyderabad, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

The Prajavani grievance redressal programme was conducted at the GHMC Head Office on Monday, with senior officials reviewing public complaints and directing prompt action. A total of 56 grievances were received from across various zones, reflecting active public participation in the civic redressal system.

The programme was attended by key officials including Additional Commissioner (Admin) K. Sathyanarayan, Chief Engineer Sahadev Ratnakar, Chief City Planner K. Srinivas, Chief Valuation Officer Abdul Wakil, Director (UBD) V. Venkateshwar Rao, Joint Commissioner (Admin) S. Jayanth,

along with Additional Chief City Planners.

According to zone-wise data, the Head Office recorded the highest number of complaints with 37 grievances, followed by Secunderabad Zone with 8. Shamshabad Zone reported 5 complaints, Rajendranagar Zone 3, Golconda Zone 2, and Khairatabad Zone 1, while Charminar Zone reported no grievances.

Officials carefully reviewed each complaint and instructed concerned departments to address issues on priority. The Prajavani platform continues to serve as an important interface between citizens and civic authorities, enabling direct communication and faster resolution of public issues.

Massive Food Adulteration Racket Busted Hyderabad, April 14 | TPN Bureau

In a major crackdown on food adulteration, Hyderabad police have seized nearly 129 tonnes of counterfeit and substandard food products in a large-scale operation across the city, exposing a widespread illegal network that posed serious health risks to the public.

Special task force teams, in coordination with food safety officials, carried out simultaneous raids on multiple manufacturing units, warehouses, and distribution centres suspected of producing and supplying fake food items. The seized materials included adulterated edible products, counterfeit branded goods, and raw ingredients used in the prepa-



ration of spurious consumables.

Police officials revealed that the accused were operating organised units where low-quality ingredients and harmful substances were used to manu-

facture food products under unhygienic conditions. These items were then packaged to closely resemble popular brands and circulated in local markets, retail outlets, and eateries, deceiving consumers.

The investigation uncovered a well-established supply chain with operations spread across various parts of the city. The accused allegedly procured cheap raw materials in bulk, processed them in illegal facilities, and distributed the finished products through a network of agents and vendors. The seizure of such a massive quantity of goods highlights the scale of the racket and its potential threat to public health. Authorities expressed concern over the rising cases of food adulteration, emphasizing that such illegal practices not only violate safety regulations but also pose serious health hazards. Continuous consumption of adulterated

food can lead to long-term health complications, officials warned.

Several individuals have been detained in connection with the case, and criminal proceedings have been initiated under relevant laws. Police stated that efforts are underway to trace the masterminds behind the racket and dismantle the entire network involved in the illegal trade. Officials urged citizens to exercise caution while purchasing food products and advised them to check packaging details, expiry dates, and authenticity before consumption. People have also been encouraged to report any suspicious activities or fake products to authorities.

Nizamabad Welfare Drive: Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak Cheques Distributed

Nizamabad, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau: Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud participated in the distribution of Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak cheques in Nizamabad on Monday, reiterating the state government's commitment to transparent and welfare-oriented governance.

Addressing the beneficiaries and officials, Mahesh Kumar Goud stated that the Telangana government is implementing welfare schemes with complete transparency, ensuring that no middlemen or intermediaries are involved in the process.

He said that the distribution of financial assistance under marriage assistance schemes is being carried out directly to eligible beneficiaries to avoid delays and corruption.

He acknowledged that the government is operating under financial constraints, but stressed that it is still moving forward with a "people-first approach" and maintaining strong focus on social welfare. He said that despite challenges, the administration is committed to continuing development and welfare activities without interruption.

Mahesh Kumar Goud highlighted that there is a clear difference between the

present governance model and earlier administrations, particularly in the implementation of welfare schemes. He said that the current government is working with greater accountability and transparency, ensuring that benefits reach the intended beneficiaries.

He also outlined several ongoing welfare initiatives, including the distribution of fine rice to eligible families, which he said is aimed at improving food security among the poor. He further mentioned that 3,500 Indiramma houses have been sanctioned in the constituency to provide housing support to eligible homeless

families.

The TPCC president added that ration cards are being issued to all eligible families without any discrimination or delay, ensuring that essential public distribution services reach every household in need. He assured that the government is taking all necessary steps to strengthen welfare delivery mechanisms at the grassroots level.

He emphasized that constituency development is being carried out without compromise, and the government is focused on balanced development across all sectors including housing, food security, and social welfare.

Government Advisor Shabbir Ali, local MLA Dhanpal Suryanarayana, Mayor Uma Rani, Farmers Commission member Gadugu Gangadhar, corporators, and several other public representatives participated in the programme. Officials from the revenue and welfare departments were also present to supervise the distribution process. The event witnessed participation from a large number of beneficiaries, who received financial assistance under the scheme, marking another step in the government's ongoing welfare outreach programme aimed at supporting economically weaker sections of society.



Road Safety Awareness Drive 'Arrive Alive' Launched in Nalgonda

Nalgonda, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

District Collector B. Chandrasekhar on Monday emphasized strict adherence to road safety norms while inaugurating the "Arrive Alive" awareness programme at the Transport Department office in Nalgonda. The initiative is part of the State government's 99-day Public Administration-Progress Plan aimed at reducing road accidents through mass awareness.

The Collector urged citizens to mandatorily follow traffic rules, wear helmets while riding two-wheelers, use seat belts in cars, and ensure proper vehicle documentation. He also stressed the importance of educating children on road safety practices to build a responsible future generation.

Speaking to the media, he



said road safety committees have already been formed in villages and municipalities to conduct continuous awareness programmes. Special measures are being taken at accident-prone zones identified across five national highways and two state highways in the district, including installation of zebra crossings, speed breakers, and warning signals.

Officials from multiple departments including police, transport, health, education, and revenue participated in the programme, where a road safety pledge was administered to attendees. The Collector expressed confidence that the week-long drive would significantly reduce accidents and improve public awareness across the district.

Warangal, April 13 | TPN Bureau:

A Sub-Registrar in Warangal has been suspended after the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) conducted raids that allegedly uncovered serious irregularities in the office.

During the inspections, ACB officials reportedly found evidence of corruption, including the involvement of unauthorized agents and irregular processing of registration documents. The presence of middlemen and suspected manipulation in property transactions raised concerns over transparency in the functioning of the department.

Officials also detected unaccounted cash and suspicious financial dealings during the raids, indicating possible violations of official procedures. The findings prompted immediate action from higher authorities, leading to the suspension of the concerned Sub-Registrar pending further investigation.

Authorities stated that a detailed inquiry is underway to assess the full extent of the irregularities and identify all those involved. Strict action will be taken against anyone found guilty, officials added.

The incident has once again brought attention to alleged malpractice in registration offices, where complaints of corruption and involvement of intermediaries have been reported in the past.

The government is expected to take further measures to strengthen monitoring systems and ensure accountability, aiming to restore public trust in the registration process.



Warangal Launches 'Arrive-Alive' Road Safety Week

Warangal, April 14 | TPN Bureau

The Warangal Police Commissionerate has launched the 'Arrive-Alive' Road Safety Awareness Week under the Praja Palana-Pragathi Pranali programme, aiming to promote responsible driving habits and reduce road accidents in the region.

The week-long initiative, scheduled from April 12 to 18, is being conducted across Warangal, Hanamkonda and Jangaon districts with active participation from police, transport officials and other departments. The campaign was inaugurated at Kaloji Kalakshetram in Hanamkonda in the presence of senior officials and public representatives.

As part of the programme, authorities have set up awareness stalls and organised interactive sessions to educate citizens about traffic rules, road discipline and safety precautions. Officials stressed that road safety should be treated as a collective responsibility and encouraged people to actively participate in the campaign.

A key focus of the initiative is identifying accident-prone areas, commonly referred to as black spots, and taking corrective measures to improve road

conditions and signage. Special drives are also being conducted to promote helmet usage, discourage overspeeding and prevent drunk driving.

To make the campaign more engaging, cultural programmes, rallies and student-led activities are being organised to spread awareness among the public, particularly the youth. These efforts aim to create a lasting impact by instilling safe driving habits at an early stage.

Officials highlighted that the campaign is part of a broader government action plan focused on public safety and welfare. They emphasized the importance of coordination between various departments to achieve tangible results in reducing road accidents.

Citizens have been urged to strictly follow traffic regulations and act responsibly while on the roads. The police also appealed to the public to support the initiative by spreading awareness within their communities.

With increasing concerns over road safety, the 'Arrive-Alive' campaign is expected to play a crucial role in promoting safer roads and saving lives through awareness, education and enforcement.

Minister Moves to Defuse Jagtial Congress Rift

Hyderabad, April 14 | TPN Bureau

A senior Telangana minister has stepped in to resolve internal differences within the Congress party in Jagtial district, as factional tensions threatened to weaken the party's grassroots structure.

The move comes amid growing discord between rival groups aligned with different local leaders, which had intensified in recent weeks due to organisational issues and leadership disputes. The situation had sparked concern among party leadership, particularly as visible divisions began affecting local political activities.

Sources said the minister held a series of meetings with key leaders and party workers from the district, urging them to put aside personal differences and work in unison. Emphasising party discipline, the minister called for coordinated efforts to strengthen the Congress at the grassroots level and maintain its political relevance in the region.

The rift is believed to have deepened following recent changes in local leadership dynamics, which left sections of party workers dissatisfied. Differences over representation, decision-making, and future political strategies further

aggravated the situation, leading to group rivalries within the district unit.

During the discussions, the minister reportedly listened to the concerns of both factions and assured them that their grievances would be addressed. Leaders were advised to avoid public displays of dissent and instead focus on rebuilding unity and trust among cadres.

Party insiders indicated that the leadership is keen to prevent the situation from escalating further, especially in view of upcoming political challenges. The intervention is seen as an effort to consolidate support and avoid any damage to the party's prospects in the district.

The minister also stressed the importance of collective leadership and urged senior members to guide younger cadres in maintaining harmony within the party. Efforts are underway to bring all groups onto a common platform and ensure smoother coordination in future activities.

With Jagtial considered politically significant, the Congress leadership is expected to continue engaging with local leaders to stabilise the situation. The focus remains on restoring organisational strength and presenting a united front to voters.

Telangana HC Orders Warning Notices at Fatima Owaisi Campus

Hyderabad, April 14 | TPN Bureau

The Telangana High Court has directed the management of the Fatima Owaisi Educational Campus to display prominent notices informing students and parents about a pending legal dispute related to alleged encroachment within a water body's Full Tank Level (FTL).

The court made it clear that admissions to all institutions within the campus, from KG to PG, will be subject to the final outcome of the ongoing case. It observed that students choosing to continue their education at the campus would do so at their own risk, given the uncertainty surrounding the matter.

Justice N.V. Shraavan Kumar instructed the institution to ensure that details of the pending case are clearly displayed on notice boards so that

parents and students can make informed decisions before seeking admission. The court also stated that no future claims can be made by students or parents regarding any inconvenience arising from the case.

The dispute pertains to allegations that parts of the campus have been constructed within the Full Tank Level and buffer zone of a notified water body in the city. The petitioner has alleged that despite complaints, authorities failed to take timely action against the alleged encroachment.

During the hearing, the High Court raised concerns over delays in finalising the notification of the lake's Full Tank Level and sought clarity from authorities on whether construction permissions were granted despite knowledge of the limits. It directed officials to complete the necessary

notification process within a specified timeframe.

The court also issued notices to multiple departments, including urban development and municipal authorities, seeking their response on the issue. As an interim measure, it directed that no further construction activity should be carried out in the disputed area until the matter is resolved. The order has caused concern among students and parents, especially with the new academic year approaching. The court noted that the outcome of the case could have implications for admissions and academic continuity. The case forms part of a wider focus on protecting water bodies in Hyderabad, with authorities under increasing pressure to act against encroachments while balancing the interests of students and educational institutions.

Mega Food Safety Awareness Meet Held at Begum Bazar

Hyderabad, April 14 | TPN Bureau

A mega awareness programme on food safety and regulatory compliance was held at Begum Bazar, one of Hyderabad's commercial centres, with the aim of educating traders and promoting safe food practices.

The initiative was organised by the Hyderabad Kirana Merchants' Association in coordination with Telangana State Police, the Hyderabad Food Adulteration Surveillance Team (H-FAST), and the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI). The event saw active participation from officials and a large number of



traders dealing in food products and groceries.

During the programme, authorities stressed the importance of maintaining hygiene, proper storage and adherence to food safety standards. Traders were sensitised about the risks associated with food

adulteration and the need to ensure that products sold to consumers meet prescribed quality norms.

Officials highlighted that Begum Bazar, being a major distribution hub, plays a crucial role in the food supply chain, and maintaining high

standards in such markets is essential to safeguard public health. They urged traders to strictly follow regulations, obtain necessary licenses and avoid any practices that could compromise food quality.

The session also focused on educating participants about identifying adulterated products and understanding compliance requirements. Traders were encouraged to maintain transparency in their business operations and to cooperate with authorities in preventing illegal activities.

Authorities warned that strict action would be taken against those found violating food safety laws. At the same

time, they emphasised that awareness and cooperation from traders are key to achieving long-term improvements in food safety. The programme provided an interactive platform where traders could clarify their doubts and gain better understanding of regulations. Officials assured continued support and guidance to help businesses comply with safety standards. The awareness meet is part of ongoing efforts to curb food adulteration and ensure safe consumption practices. More such initiatives are expected to be conducted to strengthen food safety systems and protect consumer health across the city.



Collector Reviews Public Grievances at Tikkana Hall

Collectorate, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Collector Himanshu Shukla conducted the Praja Samasyala Parishkara Vedika at Tikkana Pranganam in the Collectorate on Monday, along with Vijay Kumar (DRO), Harishchandra Reddy (Telugu Ganga Special Collector), Vamsi Krishna (LA), Vasumathi (DPO), and Naga Shekhar (Survey & Land Records Deputy Director). He instructed officials to resolve grievances transparently with-

in the stipulated time. Most petitions relate to land, revenue and pensions, he said, stressing priority disposal and clear explanations for unresolved cases. He reviewed KPI uploads and warned departments over delays. From April 15, morning field inspections will begin across mandals. Officials ensured smooth arrangements, grievance counters and accessibility facilities for citizens. RTI online compliance was also emphasized in the district today public drive.



Rs 1.10 Crore Ex-Gratia Paid to Deceased Employee's Family

Nellore, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Collector Himanshu Shukla handed over a cheque of Rs 1.10 crore to the family of late Bhaskar Rao, a Panchayat Secretary, under the State Government Salary Package Scheme at Tikkana Hall in the Collectorate on Monday. He stated that the SBI salary package scheme is highly useful for government employees and urged all staff to be aware of its ben-

efits. He said accidental insurance claims provide strong financial security to families during difficult times. Officials from the Revenue Department and State Bank of India participated in the programme. SBI Regional Manager Murali Naik and other bank officials were present. The Collector emphasized that all employees should enroll in such welfare schemes for future protection.

Nari Shakti Vandan Sammelan Highlights Women Empowerment

Kurnool, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Collector Dr A. Siri said the Nari Shakti Vandan Sammelan aims to promote women empowerment and development. She stated that the live telecast from Delhi, featuring Prime Minister Narendra Modi, was viewed at the Collectorate by officials and SHG women. She emphasized strengthening women leadership in Viksit Bharat through coordinated efforts of central and state gov-

ernments. The Collector issued appointment orders to 12 selected candidates for the Adoni One Stop Centre. Officials including Vijay, Sharada and others attended the programme. The staff must provide medical, legal and psychological support to survivors. She stressed effective implementation of One Stop Centre services for women safety and rehabilitation across the district she added today Kurnool.



Bhagavannama Vaibhavam Discourse by Chaganti on April 15 in Tirupati

Tirupati, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

The Tirupati Film Society has announced a spiritual discourse titled "Bhagavannama Vaibhavam" to be delivered by Brahmarshi Chaganti Koteswara Rao on April 15 at 5 p.m. at the TTD Mahathi Kalakshetram in Tirupati. Members of the Tirupati Film Society, including Venugopal Reddy and CRK Sheshagiri Rao, addressed the media at the Tirupati Press Club and ap-

pealed to the public to participate in large numbers. They said the program aims to promote devotional values and spiritual awareness among citizens.

The organizers highlighted that the discourse will focus on the importance of chanting the divine name and its positive impact on life. Devotees, spiritual seekers, and city residents are invited to attend the event and make it a grand success.

Fire Service Week to be Observed from April 14-20

Anantapur, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Joint Collector C. Vish-nucharan announced that Fire Service Week will be observed from April 14 to 20 across the district. He unveiled posters and brochures at the Revenue Building in the Collectorate, organized by the Disaster Response and Fire Services Department. Speaking on the occasion, he said the theme "Safe Schools, Safe Hospitals and a Fire-Safety Aware Society" highlights the importance of collective responsibility in preventing fire accidents. He emphasized creating awareness on fire safety measures in households, kitchens, schools, hostels, shopping malls, warehouses, temporary structures, rural areas, industries, petrol



bunks, and gas godowns. He stressed the need to educate citizens about emergency response during fire incidents and the role of the public in minimizing damage and saving lives. District officials, in-

cluding DRO A. Malola, District Fire Officer Srinivas Reddy, Special Deputy Collectors Ram Mohan, Padmavathi, Anand, and other departmental officers participated in the programme.

Timely Rice Supply to Anganwadi

Kurnool April 13 | TPN Bureau

Joint Collector Nurul Khmar instructed officials to ensure timely quality rice supply to all Anganwadi centres in district. He inspected Civil Supplies buffer godown in Kurnool city Monday and reviewed packing of 3 kg and 25 kg rice packets under agency system. He directed packing for 1886 Anganwadi centres be completed between 15th and 20th of every month without delay. He emphasized quality weight accuracy and transparency in distribution. He said timely supply ensures nutrition for pregnant women lactating



mothers and children. Officials and agency staff participated

in inspection today

Somireddy Reassures Fishermen, Vows to Protect Coastal Interests in Sarvepalli

Nellore, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Sarvepalli MLA Somireddy Chandramohan Reddy assured fishermen that he would strongly raise his voice if any injustice is done to them, stating that he would not hesitate to set aside political considerations for their welfare. Speaking at a fishermen's meeting in Nellore, he reiterated that the Juvaladinne harbour will not be privatised under any circumstances. He said completion of the Nelaturu jetty remains his responsibility and accused the previous YSRCP regime of neglecting coastal development. Referring to past decisions, he alleged that restrictions imposed during the YS Rajasekhara Reddy government had affected port development along the coast. Somireddy highlighted that



the Juvaladinne fishing harbour, sanctioned at 288 crore in 2019 during the TDP government, had faced delays during the previous administration. He promised to complete the harbour within three months for the benefit of fishermen. He also said steps are being

taken to provide high-powered boats to curb illegal fishing and to increase subsidy support from 40% to 60%. He added that Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has been briefed on fishermen's issues and directed officials to resolve them promptly.

Helmet Awareness Drive Conducted on NH-167(A)

Chirala Rural, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Chirala Rural DSP Moin conducted a road safety awareness programme titled "Shiro Raksha - Prana Raksha" on National Highway 167(A) at Vadaravu Zero Point. The initiative aimed at reducing road accidents and promoting compulsory helmet

usage among two-wheeler riders. Officials stopped motorists without helmets and explained the importance of head protection, stating that most fatalities in road accidents occur due to head injuries. DSP Moin urged riders to wear helmets as a responsibility towards their families and to strictly follow traffic rules. Rural CI Sheshagiri Rao

also participated in the programme and warned that strict legal action would be taken against traffic violators. He advised riders to carry driving licences and insurance documents along with helmets. The campaign stressed road discipline and safety awareness among highway commuters.

Sri Kalahasti Constituency to Host Mega Service Programs on April 15

Sri Kalahasti, April 13, 2026 | TPN Bureau
On the occasion of former minister late Bojjala Gopala Krishna Reddy birth anniversary, MLA Bojjala Sudheer Reddy announced a series of large-scale service programs for the people of Sri Kalahasti constituency on April 15. The events aim to promote welfare, employment, and healthcare services.

A mega job fair will be held at SKHT Engineering College from 8:30 a.m. to support unemployed youth with job opportunities. TIDCO housing beneficiaries will participate in a housewarming ceremony at Rajiv Nagar at 11:15 a.m., marking the realization of their dream homes. Free medical camps include a pain relief treatment camp at the Government Area Hospital from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and an eye care camp at the Renigunta MPDO office. Community annadanam programs will also be organized across the constituency. MLA Bojjala Sudheer Reddy urged public participation in the tribute events.



Jethro Technologies Enters Indian Market with New Entity Launch

East Godavari, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Jethro Technologies has officially marked its entry into the Indian market with the incorporation of its new entity, Jethro Technologies Pvt. Ltd., signaling a major step in its global expansion strategy.

The company's growth initiative is being led by Managing Director Anthony David Raj Pothula, whose strategic vision has focused on expanding operations into high-growth international markets. Operations Director Hananiah Joy Gollapalli played a key role in establishing and streamlining operations for the Indian entry. Company officials stated that the expansion aims to strengthen global service delivery, enhance client support in the South Asian region, and create opportunities for local talent and innovation within India's fast-growing technology sector.



Management expressed confidence that India's dynamic tech ecosystem will support the company's next phase of growth. They noted that the expansion is not only a geographical milestone but also a strategic move to align with India's rapidly evolving digital and innovation landscape.

With this development, Jethro Technologies has formally positioned itself to expand its footprint in one of the world's most competitive technology markets.



Women's Empowerment Focused Under Nari Shakti Vandan

Battalapalli, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Minister Satyakumar Yadav participated in the live viewing of the Nari Shakti Vandan Sammelan at the MPDO office, Battalapalli, and said women's empowerment is the foundation of a developed India. He highlighted the 33 percent women's reservation bill passed under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership in 2023. He said its imple-

mentation in upcoming elections is crucial. The Minister noted various central schemes including Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Ujjwala Yojana, Sukanya Samridhi Yojana, MUDRA loans, and Stand Up India are strengthening women socially and economically. He called upon citizens to support women's empowerment through a missed call initiative campaign nationwide appeal.



Helmet Awareness Rally Held in Repalle

Repalle, April 13 | TPN Bureau

Bapatla District SP Umamaheswar led a massive helmet awareness rally under the 'Sirorekha Pranareksha' campaign in Repalle with 120 police personnel wearing helmets. The rally aimed to promote road safety and reduce fatalities among two-wheeler riders, who account for nearly 30 to 35 percent of road accident deaths in the district, the SP said. He emphasized that helmet use is

about saving lives and protecting families. Awareness programmes will continue across the district until April 15, after which strict enforcement, including penalties and a 'No Helmet No Fuel' policy, will be implemented. The SP urged citizens, especially youth, to wear helmets even for short distances and follow traffic rules responsibly. Senior police officials and staff also participated in the rally covering major routes in Repalle town today.

DR. B.R.AMBEDKAR: THE ARCHITECT OF MODERN INDIA AND THE FATHER OF THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION

EARLY LIFE: BORN INTO CHAINS, DESTINED FOR GREATNESS

Dr.BhimraoRamjiAmbedkar was born on April 14, 1891, in Mhow (now known as Dr. Ambedkar Nagar), a small military cantonment town in Central India, present-day Madhya Pradesh. He was thefourteenth and last child of RamjiMaloji-Sakpal, a Subedar in the Indian Army, and BhimabaiSakpal. His family belonged to the Mahar caste, which was classified as an "untouchable" caste in the deeply hierarchical Hindu social order of the time.

From his very childhood, Ambedkar faced the brutal realities of caste discrimination. In school, he and other children from lower castes were forced to sit outside the classroom. They were not allowed to touch the water pot in school — if they needed water, an upper-caste peon had to pour it from a height into their cupped hands, ensuring the pot was never "polluted." These were not isolated incidents but the daily, routine humiliations of an entire community.

Despite these crushing conditions, young Bhimrao was exceptionally intelligent and hungry to learn. His father Ramji was himself an educated man who believed deeply in the power of education. He pushed all his children to study, and Bhimrao stood out as the most gifted among them. He passed his matriculation examination in 1907 — a rare achievement for a boy from the Mahar community at the time — and this success was celebrated as a community milestone.

ACADEMIC BRILLIANCE: A SCHOLAR WITHOUT EQUAL

What truly sets Ambedkar apart from almost every leader of his era is the sheer scale and depth of his academic achievements. His educational journey reads like a list that most people would consider impossible for one lifetime — let alone for a man fighting poverty and caste discrimination at every step.

After completing his intermediate education, Ambedkar received a scholarship from the Maharaja of Baroda, SayajiraoGaekwad III, which enabled him to pursue higher education. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Elphin-

INTRODUCTION

Every year on April 14, the nation pauses to remember a man who refused to accept the world as it was — and instead, dedicated his entire life to building the world as it ought to be. Dr.

BhimraoRamjiAmbedkar, popularly known as Babasaheb, was not merely a political leader or a legal scholar. He was a revolutionary thinker, a relentless social reformer, an economist of national stature, and the chief architect of the Constitution of India. His birth anniversary, celebrated as AmbedkarJayanti, is observed across India and around the world as a day of justice, equality, and social awakening. In 2026, as we mark his 135th birth anniversary, TPN — True Point Network — brings you a comprehensive profile of a man whose legacy grows larger with every passing decade.

stone College, Bombay (now Mumbai), affiliated with the University of Bombay in 1912, with Economics and Political Science as his main subjects.

He then traveled to the United States to attend Columbia University in New York — one of the finest universities in the world. There, he was profoundly influenced by his professor John Dewey, the great American philosopher of democracy and education. Ambedkar earned his Master of Arts degree from Columbia University in 1915, with a thesis titled "Ancient Indian Commerce." He went on to earn his PhD from Columbia University in 1917, with his doctoral dissertation titled "The Evolution of Provincial Finance in British India." This work was a path-breaking piece of economic research and was later published as a book.

His thirst for knowledge was not satisfied. He then went to London to study at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), one of the world's most prestigious institutions for social sciences. He also enrolled at Gray's Inn to study law. However, due to financial constraints, he had to return to India in 1917 to fulfill his service obligation to the Baroda State. He returned to London in the early 1920s and completed his MSc in Economics from the LSE in 1921. In 1923, he earned his DSc (Doctor of Science) in Economics from LSE — an extraordinarily rare

degree even today. He also completed his bar-at-law from Gray's Inn in 1923, qualifying as a barrister.

But Ambedkar did not stop there. He earned yet another PhD, from the University of Bonn in Germany. In total, he held multiple master's degrees, multiple doctoral degrees, and a law degree. He could speak and read several languages fluently, including English, Marathi, Hindi, Pali, German, and French. He is widely regarded as one of the most educated individuals in modern world history. His personal library at his home "Rajgruha" in Mumbai housed more than 50,000 books — at one point, it was reputedly among the largest private libraries in the world.

THE SOCIAL REFORMER: FIGHTING THE MONSTER OF UNTOUCHABILITY

When Ambedkar returned to India, he brought with him not just degrees and diplomas but a burning resolve to dismantle the caste system that had tormented millions of people for centuries. He understood with crystal clarity that untouchability was not a personal failing of individuals — it was a systemic, institutionalized form of oppression embedded in religion, culture, economy, and law.

He launched his first major social movement in 1927 through the Mahad Satyagraha in Maharashtra. The movement was organized to assert



the right of untouchables to draw water from the Chavadar Tank — a public water tank in the town of Mahad — which the upper-caste communities had refused to share with them. Ambedkar led thousands of followers to drink water from the tank in a powerful, symbolic act of defiance. He also publicly burned a copy of Manusmriti, the ancient Hindu text that codified caste hierarchy and the subjugation of lower castes and women. This act sent shockwaves across India.

In 1930, he led the Kalam Temple Entry Movement in Nashik, where untouchables were barred from entering the famous Kalam temple. For years, Ambedkar organized marches and protests demanding equal access to public spaces — temples, schools, wells, roads, and courts — that were denied to his people.

He founded several organizations and publications to spread awareness and build a movement. He established the BahishkritHitakarini Sabha in 1924, aimed at promoting education and the welfare of depressed classes. He launched newspapers including Mooknayak (Voice of the Dumb) in 1920, Bahishkrit Bharat (Excluded India) in 1927, and Janata (The People) in 1930, using the press as a weapon against social injustice.

One of his most significant literary contributions to the cause of social justice was his seminal text "Annihilation of

Caste," written in 1936. Originally prepared as a presidential address for a social reform conference — which was ultimately cancelled because the organizers found his views too radical — Ambedkar published it independently. The text remains one of the most devastating intellectual critiques of the caste system ever written and continues to be widely read, debated, and discussed around the world even today.

THE PULLQUOTE

"I measure the progress of a community by the degree of progress which women have achieved." — Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

THE POLITICAL LEADER: VOICE OF THE VOICELESS

Ambedkar was not just a reformer — he was a shrewd, principled, and independent political leader who refused to be anyone's pawn. His political career was marked by an unwavering commitment to the rights of the marginalized, even when it placed him in direct conflict with the most powerful personalities of his age.

One of the most dramatic moments of his political life came in 1932 during the negotiations over what was called the Communal Award. The British government had granted separate electorates to untouchables — meaning they would have their own reserved voting constituencies, separate from the Hindu general elec-

torate. This was a significant political protection for the community. However, Mahatma Gandhi went on an indefinite fast unto death, opposing separate electorates for untouchables on the grounds that it would divide Hindu society. Ambedkar found himself in an impossible position: if he held firm, Gandhi might die — and the blame would fall on him and his community. After intense negotiations, Ambedkar reached the Poona Pact of 1932 with Gandhi. Under this agreement, separate electorates were given up in exchange for a significantly increased number of reserved seats for untouchables within the general Hindu electorate.

While Ambedkar accepted the pact reluctantly — he believed separate electorates were a stronger safeguard — it demonstrated his pragmatism and his deep concern for the lives of his people. He was appointed to the Viceroy's Executive Council in 1942 as Labour Member, where he worked vigorously for the rights of workers, particularly contract laborers. He also played a crucial role in the establishment of the Employment Exchange system in India.

THE CONSTITUTION MAKER: ARCHITECT OF A NEW REPUBLIC

Without question, Ambedkar's greatest contribution to India was his role as the Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Constitution of In-

dia. When India became independent in 1947, Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru appointed Ambedkar as the country's first Law Minister. Subsequently, he was appointed Chairman of the Constitutional Drafting Committee — the most critical committee responsible for writing the document that would govern the world's largest democracy.

Ambedkar threw himself into this work with extraordinary dedication. Despite suffering from serious health problems including diabetes and severe eye trouble, he spent countless hours drafting, revising, and debating every article of the Constitution. He drew from the constitutions of many nations — the United States, Ireland, Canada, Australia, Germany, Japan — weaving together the best elements of global democratic thought with the specific needs and challenges of Indian society.

The Constitution he helped draft enshrined several revolutionary principles. It abolished untouchability under Article 17 — making its practice a punishable offense. It guaranteed fundamental rights to every citizen regardless of caste, religion, gender, or place of birth. It provided for affirmative action through reservations in educational institutions, government jobs, and legislative bodies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. It established a sovereign, socialist, secular, democratic republic where every citizen — from the most powerful industrialist to the most impoverished daily wage laborer — held equal value before the law. On November 25, 1949, while presenting the Constitution to the Constituent Assembly, Ambedkar delivered what is widely considered one of the greatest speeches in Indian parliamentary history. He warned the nation that while political equality had been achieved through the Constitution, social and economic inequality remained grave threats to democracy. He urged the Indian people to dedicate themselves not just to political freedom but to building a society of genuine social justice.

The Constitution was adopted on November 26, 1949, and came into effect on January 26, 1950 — a date now celebrated as India's Republic Day.

CONVERSION TO BUDDHISM: A SPIRITUAL REVOLUTION

By the 1950s, after decades of fighting for reform from within Hinduism, Ambedkar concluded that the Hindu caste system was too deeply embedded in religious sanction to be fully dismantled from within. He spent years studying comparative religion, including Buddhism, Christianity, Islam, and Sikhism. He ultimately chose Buddhism — not out of blind faith, but after deep intellectual and spiritual reflection. He saw in the Buddha's teachings of compassion, rationality, equality, and the rejection of ritual hierarchy a philosophy fully compatible with his vision for a just society. He wrote his monumental work "The Buddha and His Dhamma," which remains the foundational text of the Navayana (new vehicle) Buddhist movement he founded. On October 14, 1956, at Nagpur, in the largest religious conversion ceremony in history, Dr. Ambedkar — along with approximately 600,000 of his followers — formally converted to Buddhism. He administered the conversion ceremony himself, leading his followers in taking the Three Jewels and Five Precepts of Buddhism, and also reading out 22 vows he had personally composed — vows that explicitly rejected caste hierarchy, idol worship of Hindu gods, and untouchability. This event is celebrated every year as DhammachakraPravartan Din.

Tragically, just two months after this historic conversion, on December 6, 1956, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar passed away in his sleep at his home in Delhi. He was 65 years old. The nation and the world mourned the loss of a titan.

LEGACY: GROWING LARGER WITH TIME

Dr. Ambedkar was awarded the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honor,



posthumously in 1990. His image was added to the Indian currency note. His statue stands in Parliament House and in public squares across the country. Universities, airports, roads, stadiums, and institutions bear his name. His birthday, April 14, is a national holiday observed with marches, cultural programs, and readings of his works. But beyond all official recognition, his real legacy lives in the hearts of millions. The Dalit rights movement in India draws deeply from his philosophy and his writing. Scholars across the world — in the United States, Europe, Africa, and Southeast Asia — study his works as foundational texts on race, caste, democracy, and human rights. His debates with Gandhi, his economic analyses, his legal frameworks, and his social critiques continue to provoke fresh thinking in the 21st century. In 2015, Columbia University — his alma mater — honored him by naming a center for study on South Asia after him. His portrait hangs in the library of the London School of Economics alongside those of the institution's most celebrated

alumni.

CONCLUSION

Dr. BhimraoRamjiAmbedkar was a man who had every reason to give up and every excuse to surrender. He was born at the very bottom of a society that treated him as less than human. He was denied water, education, dignity, and rights from his earliest years. Yet he rose to become the most educated Indian of his generation, one of the finest legal and constitutional minds the world has seen, and the moral conscience of a civilization. On this AmbedkarJayanti, TPN — True Point Network — salutes Babasaheb not merely as a historical figure to be remembered, but as a living force whose ideas must be actively practiced. His Constitution is not just a legal document — it is a covenant of human dignity. His call for liberty, equality, and fraternity is not a slogan — it is a roadmap for the India that still must be built. As Babasaheb himself said: "Life should be great rather than long." He lived by that truth — and he left behind a legacy that will endure for centuries.



Parliament Set To Create History: Modi Calls Women’s Reservation Act Most Significant Reform of 21st Century

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday described the Women’s Reservation Act, also known as the Nari Shakti VandanAdhiniyam, as one of the most significant reforms of the 21st century, saying that Parliament is on the verge of creating history through enhanced political representation for women. **“Parliament Close To Creating New History”** Speaking at the ‘Nari Shakti VandanSammelan’ in New Delhi, Modi emphasized that the proposed reforms would fulfil long-standing aspirations for greater participation of women in governance. He said Parliament was “close to creating new history” that would realise the vision of past leaders while shaping India’s future. The Prime Minister also

highlighted that the Women’s Reservation Act was passed with broad consensus when it was first introduced in 2023. He credited cooperation among political parties and described the legislation as a collective achievement aimed at strengthening democracy and empowering women across the country. **Importance Of Women’s Participation** Modi underlined the role of women in leadership and governance, citing examples from grassroots institutions. He praised the contributions of women in Panchayati Raj institutions and noted that initiatives like the Jal Jeevan Mission have benefited from women’s involvement at the local level. According to him, greater participation of women in decision-making leads to improved sensitivity and

responsiveness in governance systems. (He further stressed that empowering women politically would strengthen democratic institutions and help accelerate national development. The Prime Minister said India’s “Nari Shakti” has consistently demonstrated leadership and capability across sectors. **Government Push For Implementation** A day before the event, Modi wrote to floor leaders of all political parties in both Houses of Parliament, urging them to support the implementation of the Women’s Reservation Act. He emphasised that the moment transcends political differences and called for unity to ensure successful rollout of the legislation. The government is also con-

sidering amendments to operationalise the women’s quota. The 2023 law had linked the implementation to a fresh census and delimitation exercise. However, due to delays in the census process, the government is reportedly planning to proceed using available data to move the process forward. A Landmark Political Reform The Women’s Reservation Act proposes reserving one-third of seats for women in the Lok Sabha and state legislative assemblies. The measure has been viewed as a landmark reform that could significantly increase women’s participation in politics and policymaking. If implemented successfully, the reform is expected to reshape India’s political landscape by bringing more wom-



en into leadership roles and strengthening democratic representation. Calling it a defining moment for India’s future, Prime Minister Modi reiterated that the initiative would mark a historic milestone in the country’s democratic journey and pave the way for women-led development in the decades ahead.

Sonia Gandhi Says Delimitation, Not Women’s Quota, Is Real Issue Behind Special Parliament Session

Congress leader Sonia Gandhi has criticised the Centre over the proposed special session of Parliament, arguing that delimitation — and not the Women’s Reservation Bill — is the real issue being pushed by the government. She warned that the proposed move could have far-reaching political and constitutional implications. **“Women’s Reservation Not The Issue”** In an article published in a national newspaper, Sonia Gandhi said the women’s reservation proposal itself is not controversial and has already been widely supported. Instead, she claimed that the Centre is focusing on delimitation, which she described as “extremely dangerous” and even an “assault on the Constitution.” She argued that the government’s move to call a special session is linked more to re-drawing parliamentary constituencies than to advancing women’s political representation. According to her, the urgency shown by the government raises concerns about political motives. **Criticism Over Timing Of Special Session** Sonia Gandhi also questioned the timing of the special session, noting that it is being called when election campaigns in states such as Tamil Nadu and West Bengal are at their peak. She alleged that the Centre is trying to “bulldoze”



key legislation and put the opposition on the defensive during a politically sensitive period. She further suggested that the sudden push for amendments indicates political calculations rather than a genuine effort to implement women’s reservation. **Census Delay Raises Concerns** Another key concern raised by Sonia Gandhi was the delay in conducting the national census. She argued that without updated population data, any delimitation exercise could distort representation and lead to unfair political outcomes. She stressed that census data is crucial for policy planning, food security schemes, and fair representation in Parliament. The absence of updated figures, she warned, could weak-

en democratic institutions and create imbalance among states. **What Is Delimitation And Why It Matters** Delimitation refers to the re-drawing of parliamentary and assembly constituencies based on population changes. It determines how many MPs each state sends to Parliament. Any major delimitation exercise can significantly shift political power between states, making it a sensitive and politically charged issue. Opposition parties have expressed concern that a fresh delimitation could alter representation in favour of certain regions, especially given population growth differences across states. **Debate Likely In Parliament** The issue is expected to trigger intense debate during the special Parliament session. While most parties support women’s reservation, disagreements over delimitation and implementation details are likely to dominate discussions. Recent reports suggest that the upcoming session could witness heated political exchanges on both issues. **A Political Flashpoint** Sonia Gandhi’s remarks have added to the growing political tension surrounding the Women’s Reservation Bill and delimitation plans. As the special session approaches, the debate is expected to intensify, with both the government and opposition preparing for a high-stakes political confrontation

“Hope You Don’t Return”: Delhi Court’s Remark To Arvind Kejriwal During Liquor Policy Hearing

In a significant development in the Delhi liquor policy case, former Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal appeared personally before the Delhi High Court to argue his plea seeking the recusal of Justice SwaranaKanta Sharma. During the hearing, a notable moment occurred when the judge remarked, “May God grant that you never have to return,” after Kejriwal said it was his first appearance in court. **Kejriwal Seeks Judge’s Recusal** Arvind Kejriwal approached the Delhi High Court seeking that Justice SwaranaKanta Sharma step aside from hearing a petition filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) challenging a trial court order that had discharged him and others in the Delhi excise policy case. The High Court accepted Kejriwal’s application for recusal consideration, marking an important turn in the legal battle. Appearing in court for the first time to argue personally, Kejriwal told the judge he feared he might not receive a fair hearing and expressed apprehension about possible bias. He cited several reasons for his concerns and attempted to present arguments directly before the court. **“This Is My First Appearance”** During the proceedings, Kejriwal reportedly took a few wrong turns while presenting his arguments and was guided by the judge. He then mentioned that it was his first time appearing in court personally. In response, Justice Sharma remarked, “May God grant



that you never have to return,” a comment that stood out during the hearing. The exchange continued with Kejriwal telling the judge that he held her in high regard. Justice Sharma responded by saying the respect was mutual, emphasizing that nothing personal was involved in the proceedings. Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, representing the CBI, also clarified that the matter was purely legal. **Kejriwal Lists Concerns Over Fair Hearing** Kejriwal presented multiple arguments to justify his request for recusal. He pointed out that the High Court had allegedly dismissed a lengthy lower court judgment within minutes, which he said raised concerns. He also claimed that relief was granted to the En-

forcement Directorate even before a formal application was filed, which he argued reflected possible bias. Additionally, he raised objections to the language used in earlier court orders, saying it created apprehension about fairness. He further attempted to read from the trial court’s judgment and cite Supreme Court rulings to support his case, though the judge expressed disapproval at times. **Background Of The Liquor Policy Case** The controversy stems from the Delhi excise policy case, in which a trial court had discharged Kejriwal, former Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, and several others. The trial court had criticized the CBI’s case, saying it could not survive judicial scrutiny.

The CBI subsequently challenged the decision in the High Court, leading to the ongoing legal proceedings. The CBI opposed Kejriwal’s recusal plea, arguing that allegations of bias were unfounded. It also stated that attending legal seminars or events cannot be used as grounds to question judicial impartiality. **A Key Moment In Ongoing Legal Battle** The hearing marked a rare moment where a senior political leader personally argued before the court. The judge’s “hope you don’t return” remark added a human touch to otherwise tense proceedings, while the broader legal battle over the Delhi liquor policy case continues to unfold.

TamilisaiSoundararajan Pushes Heritage Revival In High-Stakes Mylapore Contest

Senior BJP leader Tamilisai-Soundararajan has positioned her campaign in the high-profile Mylapore constituency around heritage preservation and improved civic infrastructure, as the battle for the 2026 Tamil Nadu Assembly elections intensifies. The contest is being closely watched as a key test for the BJP-AIADMK alliance in urban Tamil Nadu. **“Restore Mylapore’s Legacy”** Campaigning in the temple-lined streets of Mylapore, Tamilisai-Soundararajan described the constituency as the “cultural centre of Chennai” and emphasized the need to restore its historic character. She highlighted that the area, known for its temples, traditional sabhas and old residential neighbourhoods, represents Tamil Nadu’s civilisational heritage. “This is the heart of Chennai. It defines our heritage and culture. Every temple here has a history. We want to regain the heritage of this constituency,” she said during her campaign. However, she also acknowledged that while heritage remains important, residents are grappling with everyday civic problems such as traffic congestion, drainage issues, and infrastructure stress.



Civic Issues Dominate Local Concerns Residents in Mylapore pointed to flooding, traffic congestion, and poor infrastructure as major concerns. Many voters stressed that development must preserve the area’s identity rather than erase its historic character. Some locals called for accountability and concrete development plans, noting that the constituency requires both heritage conservation and modern civic solutions. These local concerns have become central to the campaign narrative. **Sharp Attack On DMK**

Government TamilisaiSoundararajan also targeted the ruling DravidaMunnetraKazhagam government, alleging a decline in civic standards. She referred to Chief Minister M. K. Stalin’s earlier vision of transforming Chennai into “Singapore,” claiming that Mylapore had instead “lost its legacy.”She alleged that infrastructure issues such as blocked drains and flooding reflected governance failures and argued that residents were seeking better administration. **BJP-AIADMK Alliance Strategy** The Bharatiya Janata Party is

contesting the Mylapore seat in alliance with the All India Anna DravidaMunnetraKazhagam, aiming to consolidate anti-DMK votes in what has traditionally been a Dravidian stronghold. For the BJP, the constituency represents a strategic opportunity to expand its footprint in urban Tamil Nadu. **Focus On Women’s Safety And Local Governance** TamilisaiSoundararajan also framed the contest around women’s safety and empowerment, arguing that the election reflects broader concerns among women in the state. She pledged hyper-local governance, promising to focus on street-level issues and maintain accessibility to residents. **High-Stakes Political Test** The Mylapore contest is shaping up as a symbolic battle between heritage revival and governance continuity. While the ruling DMK has defended its development record and welfare initiatives, voters in the constituency are expected to weigh competing narratives carefully. For TamilisaiSoundararajan, the election represents both a political comeback and a major test for the BJP-AIADMK alliance in Tamil Nadu’s evolving political landscape.

Tejashwi Yadav Says Bihar Government Will Be “Run From Gujarat” After Nitish Kumar’s Exit

Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader Tejashwi Yadav on Monday launched a sharp attack on the ruling alliance, claiming that the Bihar government would be “run from Gujarat” after Nitish Kumar steps down as Chief Minister. His remarks come amid fast-moving political developments in Bihar following reports of Nitish Kumar’s resignation. **“CM Will Not Be Chosen By People”** Speaking to reporters in Patna, Tejashwi Yadav alleged that whoever becomes the next Chief Minister will not reflect the people’s mandate. He argued that voters had supported the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) based on Nitish Kumar’s leadership, and replacing him would amount to ignoring the public’s choice. Yadav claimed that after Nitish Kumar’s exit, the real control of the Bihar government would shift outside the state. “Whoever becomes the Chief Minister will not be one chosen by the people,” he said, adding that the administration would effectively be “run from Gujarat.” **Remarks During Party Restructuring Announcement** Tejashwi Yadav made these



comments while announcing a major restructuring of the RJD’s student wing. The party dissolved the existing Chhatra RJD and renamed it the Socialist Student Association of India. According to Yadav, the move was aimed at strengthening the organisation and aligning it with Supreme Court guidelines and the Lyngdoh Committee recommendations related to student bodies. He said the restructuring would help the party expand its youth outreach and organisational base. **Political Tensions Rise In Bihar** The remarks come amid intense political speculation in Bihar, with reports indicating that Nitish Kumar is expected to resign following his transi-

tion to the Rajya Sabha. The development is likely to trigger the formation of a new government led by the NDA. Tejashwi Yadav has repeatedly criticised the move, describing it as “preplanned” and accusing the ruling alliance of misleading voters. His “run from Gujarat” remark appears to target the Bharatiya Janata Party’s leadership, suggesting that decision-making could shift away from Bihar after Nitish Kumar’s departure. **Opposition Sharpens Attack** The RJD leader further alleged that Bihar’s political direction would now be decided outside the state, intensifying the political battle between the opposition and the ruling alliance. He also questioned the timing of leadership change, saying that removing Nitish Kumar soon after elections undermines democratic principles. With Bihar politics entering a crucial phase, Tejashwi Yadav’s remarks have added to the growing war of words between opposition parties and the NDA. As Nitish Kumar’s resignation appears imminent, the focus now shifts to who will lead the next government and how the political equations in the state will evolve.

Reopening Strait of Hormuz Won’t Immediately End Global Oil and LNG Crisis

The possible reopening of the Strait of Hormuz may appear to be a major breakthrough in easing the global oil and liquefied natural gas (LNG) crisis. However, experts warn that even if the critical shipping route resumes operations immediately, global energy markets will not recover overnight. Instead, it may take months—possibly until July—for oil flows and supply chains to return to normal levels.

A Critical Energy Lifeline Disrupted

The Strait of Hormuz is one of the world’s most vital energy corridors, with roughly one-fifth of global crude oil and LNG shipments passing through it daily. The ongoing conflict in the Middle East, particularly tensions involving Iran, has disrupted this key route since late February. As a result, global oil prices surged and fears of inflation increased



across major economies. Under normal conditions, around 150 vessels pass through the strait every day. However, during March, only about 150 tankers managed to transit the waterway for the entire month, reflecting the

dramatic slowdown in shipping activity. This sharp drop has caused a major backlog of oil tankers and delayed supply

deliveries worldwide.

Tanker Backlog and Shipping Hesitation

One of the biggest obstacles to recovery is the imbalance between loaded and empty vessels. According to shipping analytics firm Kpler, nearly 400 loaded oil tankers are currently waiting in the Gulf to exit, while only around 100 empty tankers are ready to enter and pick up new cargo. This imbalance means that even if ships begin leaving the region, the next wave of shipments will take time to organize. Additionally, tanker owners and insurance companies remain cautious. Many shipping operators are reluctant to send vessels back into the Gulf unless they are confident the situation is stable. Analysts suggest that a short or fragile ceasefire may not provide enough reassurance for companies to resume normal operations.

Without new vessels entering the Gulf, oil producers cannot quickly restart shipments of crude oil, refined fuels, fertilisers, and other essential goods. As a result, supply shortages could continue even after the waterway reopens.

Production Challenges Add to Delays

Another major hurdle is reduced production across Gulf countries. Over the past several weeks, oil output has declined due to infrastructure damage, logistical challenges, and limited storage capacity. Producers typically load oil directly onto tankers for export, but the current shortage of vessels has disrupted this process. Experts say that rebuilding production capacity will take time. Even when shipping resumes, producers must gradually increase output while ensuring enough tankers are available to transport supplies.

This slow recovery process is expected to extend the global energy crunch.

Political Pressure and Strategic Moves

The geopolitical situation remains uncertain, further complicating recovery efforts. The United States has announced plans to impose a blockade on Iranian maritime traffic as part of pressure tactics against Tehran. Such moves could destabilise a fragile ceasefire and prolong uncertainty in global energy markets.

While reopening the Strait of Hormuz is an important step, experts stress that restoring global oil and LNG supplies depends on rebuilding confidence, restoring production, and resolving geopolitical tensions. Until then, energy markets are likely to remain volatile, with elevated prices and supply shortages continuing for weeks or even months.

Why Donald Trump Wants To Block Strait Of Hormuz — Already In Iran’s Grip | Explained

The United States’ decision to blockade the Strait of Hormuz has added a new layer of tension to the ongoing US-Iran conflict. The move appears contradictory at first — Washington is trying to block a waterway that is already partly controlled by Iran. However, experts say the strategy is aimed at weakening Tehran’s economic leverage and restoring global shipping stability.

Strait Of Hormuz Already Under Iran’s Control

The Strait of Hormuz, one of the world’s most critical oil transit routes, has been partially restricted since the conflict began in the Middle East. Iran has allowed only limited shipping through the waterway — sometimes charging fees and primarily allowing its own oil exports to pass. This selective access has effectively given Tehran control over the flow of energy supplies.

Around 20% of global seaborne oil and natural gas passes through this narrow channel, making it vital for global energy markets. Iran’s actions have disrupted supply chains and caused oil prices to surge worldwide, affecting both developed and emerging economies.

Why Trump Wants To Block

The Strait

US President Donald Trump’s proposed blockade is designed to cut off Iran’s oil exports — a key source of revenue for the country. Analysts believe that if Iran cannot sell oil, its ability to sustain military operations and maintain economic stability would weaken significantly.

Iran has reportedly been allowing only selected vessels to pass, sometimes charging as much as \$2 million per ship. At the same time, Tehran has managed to export about 1.85 million barrels of oil per day, even during the conflict. By blocking these exports, Washington hopes to pressure Iran into reopening the waterway fully and reducing tensions.

However, the US has hesitated to take this step earlier because blocking oil flows could push global prices even higher. Until now, Washington allowed some Iranian tankers to move through the strait to help stabilise markets.

How The Blockade Would Work

According to US Central Command, the blockade would target ships travelling to and from Iranian ports. Vessels heading between non-Iranian destinations would still be allowed to pass through the

strait. This is a more limited approach than Trump’s initial threat to block all shipping.

Under international maritime law, military forces can stop and inspect ships in conflict zones. This means US naval forces could search vessels and decide whether they should be allowed to continue their journey.

Potential Global Impact

Normally, about 150 ships pass through the Strait of Hormuz daily. But during March, only around 150 tankers passed through for the entire month — showing how severely traffic has slowed.

The announcement of a US blockade has already triggered market reactions. US crude prices jumped 8% to \$104.24 per barrel, while Brent crude rose 7% to \$102.29, compared to around \$70 before the conflict began in late February.

Rising Tensions Ahead

Iran has warned that any blockade could escalate tensions further. Meanwhile, global markets remain nervous about potential supply disruptions and rising fuel prices. With both sides taking aggressive positions, the Strait of Hormuz remains at the centre of a conflict that could reshape global energy markets in the coming weeks.

“No Port In Middle East Safe”: Iran Issues Stark Warning After US Hormuz Threat

Tensions between the United States and Iran have escalated sharply after Tehran warned that no port in the Middle East would remain safe if Washington proceeds with its threat to blockade Iranian maritime routes. The warning comes amid growing fears of a wider regional conflict and further disruption to global energy supplies.

Iran’s Strong Warning

Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) issued a statement after US President Donald Trump threatened to impose a blockade on ships entering and leaving Iranian ports through the Strait of Hormuz. According to the statement, “no port in the Gulf and the Sea of Oman will be safe” if Iran’s own maritime security is threatened.

The IRGC stressed that the security of regional ports should either be guaranteed for everyone or for no one. It added that defending Iran’s sovereignty and territorial waters is a “natural and legal duty” of the Iranian armed forces. The statement also warned that vessels linked to adversaries would be denied passage through key water-



ways, while other ships may be allowed to transit under Iranian regulations.

Escalation After US Blockade Threat

The warning followed Washington’s decision to impose a naval blockade targeting maritime traffic connected to Iranian ports. The United States announced that the move would block ships entering or exiting Iranian ports, while still allowing transit through the Strait of Hormuz for vessels not bound for Iran.

This decision came after diplomatic negotiations between the two countries failed to produce an agreement. US officials said the blockade would

begin immediately, marking a significant escalation in the conflict and raising fears of wider instability in the Middle East. Iran has strongly criticized the move, calling it illegal and warning that continued pressure could lead to broader retaliation across the region. The Iranian military also indicated it would implement a “permanent mechanism” to control the Strait of Hormuz, even after the conflict ends.

Strategic Importance of Strait of Hormuz

The Strait of Hormuz remains one of the world’s most critical shipping lanes, handling a significant portion of global oil and liquefied natural

gas shipments. Any disruption in this region has immediate consequences for global energy markets and trade flows. Recent tensions have already caused shipping delays and increased insurance costs, with several vessels avoiding the region due to security concerns. Analysts warn that further escalation could push oil prices higher and deepen the global energy crisis.

Risk of Wider Regional Conflict

Iran’s warning that all Middle Eastern ports could be targeted has raised concerns that the conflict may expand beyond Iran and the United States. Gulf countries, shipping companies, and global markets are closely watching developments, fearing that attacks on ports or shipping routes could disrupt trade across the region. With both sides maintaining firm positions, the situation remains volatile. While diplomatic efforts continue behind the scenes, analysts warn that any miscalculation could trigger a broader confrontation affecting global energy supplies, shipping routes, and economic stability.

Trump Threatens China With 50% Tariffs, Offers US & Venezuela Oil Amid Iran Tensions

Amid rising tensions in the Middle East and stalled US-Iran talks, US President Donald Trump has issued a strong warning to China, threatening steep tariffs if Beijing supports Iran militarily. At the same time, Trump proposed that China buy crude oil from the United States and Venezuela instead of Iran — a move seen as both economic pressure and strategic diplomacy.

Trump Warns China Over Military Support To Iran

The warning came after reports suggested that China could be preparing to supply air-defence systems to Iran. During an interview, Trump said China would face 50% tariffs if it was found providing military assistance to Tehran. He dismissed the reports as possibly inaccurate but made clear that Washington would

act if the claims proved true.

Trump said he had heard reports that China might be supplying shoulder-fired missile systems to Iran, but added that he doubted Beijing would continue such actions. However, he emphasised that if the United States caught China aiding Iran militarily, heavy tariffs would be imposed. The warning reflects growing geopolitical tension as the United States attempts to limit foreign support for Iran amid the ongoing conflict. The tariff threat also signals Washington’s readiness to expand the confrontation beyond the Middle East into global trade relations.

Trump’s Oil Offer To China

Soon after issuing the tariff warning, Trump suggested that China could buy oil from the United States or Venezuela

instead of Iran. He said both countries have surplus production capacity and could offer crude at competitive prices. According to Trump, China could redirect its ships to American and Venezuelan ports, where oil could be sold at lower prices. The move appears designed to reduce China’s dependence on Iranian crude and weaken Iran’s oil revenue during the conflict.

China’s Role In Ceasefire Efforts

China has also played a diplomatic role in the conflict. Reports suggest Beijing helped broker a two-week ceasefire between the US and Iran on April 7, working through intermediaries such as Pakistan, Turkey, and Egypt.

Trump acknowledged China’s involvement in bringing Iran to negotiations, though

Beijing has not publicly confirmed its role. Analysts say China has a strong interest in stabilising the region because it depends heavily on Middle Eastern oil imports.

Rising Global Stakes

The developments come as US-Iran peace talks have struggled to produce lasting results. The conflict has already disrupted oil supply routes, increased geopolitical tensions, and created uncertainty in global energy markets.

Trump’s dual strategy — threatening tariffs while offering alternative oil supplies — highlights Washington’s attempt to isolate Iran economically while maintaining global energy stability. However, the situation remains volatile, with diplomatic efforts ongoing and tensions continuing to rise.

Iran’s “Nostalgia” Warning On Oil Prices After Trump’s Hormuz Blockade Threat

Iran has issued a sharp warning to the United States after former US President Donald Trump threatened to impose a naval blockade on Iranian shipping in the Strait of Hormuz. In a striking response, Iran’s Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf cautioned that Americans could soon become “nostalgic” about current fuel prices, suggesting that the move could trigger a major surge in global oil costs.

Iran’s Unusual ‘Mathematical’ Warning

Ghalibaf mocked the proposed US blockade by posting a cryptic mathematical formula on social media: $\Delta_{BSOH} > 0$



$f(f(O)) > f(O)$. Alongside the equation, he shared a screenshot showing petrol prices near the White House and warned Americans to “enjoy the current pump figures.” He added that if the blockade proceeds, people would soon miss gasoline priced at \$4–\$5 per gallon. Observers interpreted the for-

mula as a symbolic message. The equation suggested that any disruption in the Strait of Hormuz would not simply raise oil prices once, but cause a compounding effect — where initial price increases trigger further spikes, leading to much higher fuel costs globally. This warning highlighted Iran’s belief that the US blockade could backfire economically on American consumers.

Trump’s Blockade Threat

The warning came after Donald Trump announced that the US Navy would begin blocking ships entering or leaving Iranian ports following the collapse of US-Iran ceasefire talks in Pa-

kistan. The blockade is expected to apply to maritime traffic across Iranian ports in the Arabian Gulf and Gulf of Oman. The move represents a major escalation in tensions between Washington and Tehran. The Strait of Hormuz is one of the world’s most crucial energy corridors, through which a large portion of global oil and liquefied natural gas shipments pass daily. Any disruption to this route has immediate consequences for global energy markets and fuel prices.

Markets React To Rising Tensions

Oil markets reacted quickly to the escalating tensions. After

the blockade announcement, US benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude rose about 8% to around \$104.50 per barrel, while Brent crude increased around 7% to about \$102. Stock markets in Asia also dipped, reflecting investor concerns about supply disruptions and economic instability. Analysts warn that prolonged disruption in the Strait of Hormuz could push oil prices even higher, potentially affecting global inflation, transport costs, and economic growth. Some forecasts suggest crude prices could rise significantly if tensions continue to escalate.

Failed Talks Add To Uncertainty

The situation worsened after talks in Islamabad between US and Iranian officials failed to produce a long-term agreement. Both sides described the negotiations as intense but inconclusive, raising fears that diplomatic solutions remain distant. With both countries maintaining aggressive positions, the risk of further escalation remains high. Iran’s “nostalgia” warning reflects growing concerns that geopolitical tensions around the Strait of Hormuz could trigger a new global oil shock, affecting economies worldwide.

Stock Market Falls On Geopolitical Jitters; Sensex Drops 703 Points, Nifty Below 23,900

Indian equity markets ended sharply lower on Monday as rising geopolitical tensions and surging crude oil prices triggering broad-based selling across sectors. The benchmark indices — BSE Sensex and Nifty 50 — closed in the red, reflecting cautious investor sentiment amid global uncertainty.

Markets End In Red
The Sensex fell 703 points to close lower, while the Nifty slipped below the crucial 23,900 mark, extending losses after a volatile trading session. Selling pressure dominated most sectors, though a few pockets such as power, defence and telecom managed to stay resilient. More than 120 stocks on the BSE, however, touched their 52-week highs despite the broader market weakness, indicating selective buying at lower levels. The decline came after global markets turned cautious following escalating tensions in the Middle East, which pushed crude oil prices higher and dampened investor confidence. **Geopolitical Tensions Weigh On Sentiment**
The major trigger behind the



market fall was rising geopolitical uncertainty, particularly developments related to the US-Iran conflict. Investors remained cautious as fears of supply disruptions in oil markets intensified, leading to a surge in crude prices. Higher oil prices typically hurt India's economy because the country imports a large portion of its energy requirements. Rising crude costs increase inflation risks, weaken

the rupee, and put pressure on corporate earnings — all of which negatively impact stock markets. These concerns led to widespread selling across sectors such as banking, auto, and financials, which are sensitive to global economic conditions. **Sector-Wise Performance**
Most sectoral indices ended in negative territory. Banking, financial, and auto stocks were among the biggest losers as in-

vestors shifted to safer assets. Mid-cap and small-cap stocks also witnessed selling pressure, reflecting risk-off sentiment across the market. However, power, defence and telecom stocks showed relative strength and managed to close in positive territory, offering limited support to the broader market. **Volatility Remains High**
Market volatility remained elevated throughout the session,

with investors reacting to global developments and oil price fluctuations. Analysts noted that markets may continue to remain volatile in the near term depending on geopolitical developments and global cues. Experts also pointed out that profit-booking after recent gains and foreign investor outflows contributed to the decline. **What Investors Should Watch**
Going forward, market participants will closely monitor:
• Developments in the Middle East conflict
• Movement in crude oil prices
• Global market trends
• Foreign institutional investor flows
• Rupee movement
These factors are expected to determine the market's direction in the coming sessions. **Outlook**
Despite the fall, analysts believe that selective buying at lower levels indicates underlying strength in the market. However, continued geopolitical uncertainty could keep investors cautious in the short term. With global tensions still evolving, Dalal Street is likely to remain volatile, and investors may adopt a wait-and-watch approach before making fresh bets.



SpiceJet Stock Hits Upper Circuit For Fourth Straight Session, Surges Over 21% In 4 Days

Shares of SpiceJet continued their strong rally on Monday, hitting the upper circuit for the fourth consecutive trading session. The sharp surge comes despite the airline facing ongoing financial challenges and recent legal setbacks, highlighting renewed investor interest in the stock. **Stock Locked In Upper Circuit**
SpiceJet shares were locked in the 5% upper circuit at around 12.88 during afternoon trade, extending the stock's four-day rally to about 21.4%. The sustained buying interest has driven the airline's shares sharply higher after a prolonged period of weakness. The stock has witnessed strong demand across sessions, with investors showing interest despite concerns surrounding the airline's financial health. This steady rise has made SpiceJet one of the most actively watched stocks in recent trading sessions. **Strong Volumes Signal Buying Interest**
Trading volumes remained high during the rally, indicating strong participation from investors. On Monday, traded volumes were close to the stock's 20-day average of about 21.2 crore shares, reflecting heightened activity and bullish sentiment. Market experts note that rising volumes alongside price gains often indicate sustained buying momentum, though caution is still advised due to underlying risks. **Rally Despite Legal And Financial Challenges**

The recent surge is notable because it comes even as SpiceJet continues to face operational and financial hurdles. The airline recently suffered a legal setback after a UK court ordered the company to pay approximately \$8 million related to aircraft engine lease dues. Despite this, the stock has moved higher, suggesting that investors may be betting on a potential turnaround or improved operational outlook. **Long-Term Performance Still Weak**
While the short-term rally has grabbed attention, the broader trend remains under pressure. The stock has declined sharply over the past year, falling more than 70% and losing over 60% in the last six months. This indicates that the recent surge may be a recovery from oversold levels rather than a full-fledged turnaround. **Investor Outlook**
Market analysts suggest that investors should remain cautious, as airline stocks tend to be volatile due to factors such as fuel costs, debt levels, and operational challenges. For now, SpiceJet's four-day rally has sparked fresh interest in the stock, but its future trajectory will likely depend on improvements in financial stability, operational performance, and broader market sentiment. With strong buying momentum and rising volumes, SpiceJet remains a stock to watch in the coming sessions.



ACME Solar Shares Jump Up To 6% After HSBC Initiates Coverage With 'Buy' Rating

Shares of ACME Solar Holdings rose sharply on Monday after global brokerage HSBC initiated coverage on the renewable energy company with a 'Buy' rating, boosting investor sentiment despite weakness in the broader market. The stock climbed nearly 6% during intraday trade, reflecting optimism around the company's growth prospects and expanding renewable energy portfolio. **Stock Rises Despite Weak Market**
ACME Solar shares surged as much as 6% and touched an intraday high of 289.15 on the NSE. The rally came after four consecutive sessions of decline, indicating renewed buying interest following HSBC's bullish outlook. The brokerage assigned a target price of 350, implying strong upside potential from current levels. The positive call from HSBC helped the stock outperform the broader market, which remained under pressure due to global uncertainties. **Strong Growth Outlook**
HSBC highlighted ACME Solar as one of the fastest-growing renewable energy independent power producers in India. The brokerage expects the company's earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 72% between FY26 and FY28. The strong growth outlook is driven by:
• Expansion of renewable energy capacity
• Diversification into hybrid energy projects
• Increasing demand for clean energy
• Long-term power purchase agreements

able energy provider. This involves combining solar, wind, and battery storage technologies to deliver stable power supply, making the company more competitive in the evolving energy market. Such hybrid renewable projects are increasingly gaining traction as they help overcome intermittency issues associated with solar and wind energy. **Strong Revenue Visibility**
The brokerage also pointed out that around 84% of ACME Solar's contracted portfolio is backed by long-term 25-year fixed tariff agreements with central government agencies. This provides stable revenue visibility and reduces risk for investors. In addition, the company has improved its working capital cycle significantly, with working capital days falling to 23 days from 93 days in FY24, strengthening its financial position. **Risks To Watch**
Despite the bullish outlook, HSBC highlighted several risks:
• High leverage due to debt-heavy funding structure
• Potential rise in equipment costs
• Increase in borrowing costs
• Delays in project commissioning
• Lower-than-expected power generation

These factors could impact earnings growth if not managed effectively. **Renewable Sector Tailwinds**
HSBC believes India's renewable energy sector is entering a new growth phase, supported by falling costs and increasing demand for clean power. ACME Solar is expected to benefit from early adoption of battery storage systems and hybrid renewable energy projects. The brokerage's positive stance signals growing investor confidence in renewable energy companies, particularly those with strong execution capabilities and diversified project pipelines. The sharp rise in ACME Solar shares reflects this optimism, with investors betting on the company's long-term growth story in India's rapidly expanding clean energy sector. **Transition To Hybrid Renewable Model**
HSBC also noted that ACME Solar is transitioning from a pure solar energy player to a firm and dispatchable renewable

Adani Enterprises Shares Rise Over 2% After NCLAT Adjourns Vedanta Plea



Shares of Adani Enterprises gained more than 2% on Monday after the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) adjourned the hearing on petitions filed by Vedanta Ltd related to the acquisition of Jaiprakash Associates (JAL). The development lifted investor sentiment and supported the stock during the trading session. **Stock Gains Following Legal Development**
Adani Enterprises shares rose about 2.07% to 2,130 on the NSE after the tribunal deferred the hearing. The adjournment came due to a change in bench composition following the unavailability of one of the members. The next hearing date is expected to be announced soon. The market reacted positively as the delay reduces near-term uncertainty around the legal dispute involving the acquisition of Jaiprakash Associates. **What Is The Legal Dispute About?**
The legal battle stems from Vedanta's challenge to a March 17 order by the Allahabad bench of the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), which approved Adani Enterprises' 14,535-crore resolution plan to acquire debt-ridden Jaiprakash Associates through the insolvency process. Vedanta has argued that its bid was higher and should have been considered. The company filed appeals before NCLAT questioning the approval of Adani Enterprises' proposal. Earlier, NCLAT had refused to grant an interim stay on the acquisition but clarified that the final outcome would depend on the decision in Vedanta's

appeals. **Supreme Court Also Declined To Stay Deal**
The matter had earlier reached the Supreme Court, which declined to stay the acquisition process. However, the court directed that any major policy decisions by the monitoring committee would require prior approval from the tribunal until the dispute is resolved. This effectively allowed Adani Enterprises' resolution plan to move forward while legal proceedings continue. **Market Sentiment Improves**
Investors viewed the adjournment as a positive development because it reduces immediate risks to the acquisition process. The potential takeover of Jaiprakash Associates is seen

as strategically important for Adani Enterprises, as it would expand the company's footprint across infrastructure, cement, and real estate sectors. **What Investors Should Watch**
Market participants will now monitor:
• Next NCLAT hearing date
• Final verdict on Vedanta's appeals
• Progress of Jaiprakash Associates acquisition
• Broader market sentiment
The outcome of the legal battle is expected to play a key role in determining the future direction of Adani Enterprises shares. Despite ongoing litigation, the stock's rise reflects investor confidence in the company's long-term strategy and growth prospects.

Auto Stocks Fall Up To 5% After Delhi's Draft EV Policy; Here's What Spooked Investors

Shares of automobile companies came under pressure on Monday, with several stocks falling up to 5% after the Delhi government released its draft Electric Vehicle (EV) Policy. The proposed policy, which aims to accelerate the transition to electric mobility, triggered concerns among investors about the long-term demand for petrol and diesel vehicles. **Why Auto Stocks Fell**
The decline in auto stocks followed key proposals in Delhi's draft EV policy that strongly favour electric vehicles while restricting traditional fuel-powered vehicles. The policy includes 100% exemption from road tax and registration fees for electric vehicles during the policy period, making EVs significantly more attractive for buyers. Additionally, the draft policy

outlines an aggressive roadmap to phase out fossil-fuel vehicles in the coming years. This includes restricting registration of petrol-powered two-wheelers starting 2028 and promoting electric alternatives across segments. Such measures raised concerns about future demand for internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles, dragging auto stocks lower. **Stocks That Declined**
Following the announcement, shares of traditional automobile manufacturers — particularly those with large exposure to petrol and diesel vehicles — witnessed selling pressure. Two-wheeler manufacturers and companies heavily dependent on conventional engines were among the worst hit. Market participants fear that stricter EV adoption policies in Delhi could eventually be repli-

cated across other states, which may further impact demand for ICE vehicles. **What The Draft EV Policy Proposes**
The Delhi government's draft EV Policy 2026-2030 proposes several major initiatives:
• 100% road tax exemption for electric vehicles
• Incentives for electric two-wheelers and cars
• Gradual phase-out of petrol vehicles
• Expansion of charging infrastructure
• Strong push toward clean mobility
The policy aims to accelerate EV adoption and reduce pollution in the national capital, where vehicular emissions are a major contributor to air quality issues. **EV Companies Gain**
While traditional auto stocks

declined, companies focused on electric vehicles saw buying interest. Investors expect EV-focused firms to benefit from increased demand as policy support strengthens the shift toward electric mobility. Market reaction highlighted the sharp divide between legacy automobile makers and EV-focused companies. In some cases, EV players gained as traditional manufacturers declined following the policy announcement. **Industry Concerns**
Automakers have also expressed concerns about the feasibility of such an aggressive transition. Industry players pointed to:
• Limited availability of electric motorcycles
• High EV costs
• Charging infrastructure gaps
• Consumer adoption

challenges. These issues could make implementation difficult, according to industry executives. **What It Means For Investors**
The market reaction indicates that policy changes can significantly impact sector sentiment. While the long-term shift toward EVs appears inevitable, traditional auto companies may face near-term challenges if more states adopt similar measures. At the same time, EV-focused companies could benefit from policy support, subsidies, and increasing consumer adoption. The Delhi draft EV policy has therefore created a clear shift in investor preference — away from traditional fuel-based automobile companies and toward electric mobility players — triggering volatility across the auto sector.

SRH Crush RR by 57 Runs in Dominant Display

Sunrisers Hyderabad delivered a commanding all-round performance to defeat Rajasthan Royals by 57 runs in their IPL 2026 clash at the Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium, marking a significant turnaround in their campaign.

Batting first, SRH posted a formidable total of 216/6, riding on a blistering knock from captain Ishan Kishan, who anchored the innings with an aggressive 91 off just 44 balls. His innings, studded with boundaries and sixes, provided the backbone for a strong total despite early setbacks. Valuable contributions from Heinrich Klaasen and Nitish Kumar Reddy further strengthened the score.

In response, Rajasthan Royals suffered a disastrous start, losing multiple wickets in the opening overs and failing to recover from the early collapse. Debutant pacer Praful Hinge stunned the opposition with a

sensational opening spell, picking up three wickets in his very first over and dismantling the top order. Sakib Hussain complemented the effort with an impressive spell, as both debutants shared eight wickets between them to put SRH firmly in control of the match. Rajasthan Royals were eventually bowled out for 159, despite a fighting partnership between Donovan Ferreira and Ravindra Jadeja, which briefly revived hopes. The comprehensive victory not only halted Rajasthan's winning momentum but also boosted Sunrisers Hyderabad's position in the points table. The match was particularly notable for the impact of young debutants, whose fearless performances turned the contest into a one-sided affair. With both batting firepower and disciplined bowling on display, SRH signaled their intent to remain strong contenders in the tournament.



BCCI Sends Notice To Rajasthan Royals Official Over Anti-Corruption Protocol Breach

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has issued a notice to a Rajasthan Royals official after an alleged breach of anti-corruption protocols during Indian Premier League 2026. The development comes after team manager Romi Bhinder was seen using a mobile phone in the dugout during a match against Royal Challengers Bengaluru.

What Triggered The Controversy

According to reports, Bhinder was spotted using his phone while sitting in the team dugout alongside young player Vaibhav Sooryavanshi during the match last Friday. The incident was captured on camera and quickly went viral on social media, prompting scrutiny from cricket authorities.

The use of mobile phones in the dugout is restricted under IPL anti-corruption and Players and Match Officials Area (PMOA) rules. These regulations are designed to prevent any unauthorized communication that could compromise the integrity of matches. Phones are generally allowed only in dressing rooms and designated areas, not during live match situations in dugouts.

BCCI Takes Action

Following the incident, the BCCI's Anti-Corruption and Security Unit (ACSU) issued a formal notice to Bhinder. He has reportedly been given 48 hours to respond and explain why he was using a mobile phone during the match.

Confirming the development, IPL Governing Council chairman Arun Dhimal stated that the ACSU has been asked to investigate the matter and submit a report. The findings of this report will determine whether any disciplinary action is required.

Possible Consequences

If Bhinder is found guilty of violating anti-corruption guidelines, he could face disciplinary action ranging from warnings to suspension. Officials are expected to carefully review the circumstances before making a final decision.

The incident has also sparked wider debate around maintaining strict anti-corruption protocols in the IPL. Given the tournament's global popularity and high financial stakes, authorities maintain strict regulations to ensure transparency and prevent any misconduct.

Investigation Underway

The BCCI's investigation is currently ongoing, and the final outcome will depend on Bhinder's explanation and the ACSU's findings. Until then, the incident remains under scrutiny, with officials emphasizing the importance of maintaining integrity and discipline in the league.

The controversy has once again highlighted how even minor rule violations in high-profile tournaments like the IPL can draw serious attention and trigger formal investigations.

R Ashwin Slams Hardik Pandya's Captaincy, Highlights Blunder Against Rajat Patidar

Former India spinner Ravichandran Ashwin strongly criticised Hardik Pandya's captaincy following Mumbai Indians' defeat to Royal Challengers Bengaluru in IPL 2026, pointing out key tactical mistakes that allowed Rajat Patidar to dominate the match. Ashwin did not hold back in his assessment, calling some of the captaincy decisions "very average" and suggesting they played a major role in Mumbai Indians' loss.

MI vs RCB: Where Mumbai Indians Went Wrong

The clash between Mumbai Indians and Royal Challengers Bengaluru is often one of the most competitive fixtures in the Indian Premier League. However, the IPL 2026 encounter saw RCB dominate, with Patidar leading from the front and dismantling Mumbai's bowling attack.

Ashwin specifically questioned Pandya's bowling decisions, particularly his move to bring spinner Mayank Markande against Patidar. According to Ashwin, this was a major tactical error since Patidar is widely known as a strong player of spin bowling. The decision allowed the RCB skipper to accelerate and pile pressure on Mumbai Indians.

Ashwin Points Out Tactical Errors

Ashwin analysed the match in detail and highlighted how Pandya failed to adjust his strategy when Patidar began attacking. Instead of changing bowlers or altering field placements, Mumbai continued with spin, which played directly into Patidar's strengths.

The former Indian spinner stressed that such decisions at crucial moments can shift momentum in T20 matches. He



suggested that Mumbai Indians lacked proactive captaincy and failed to counter Patidar's aggressive batting approach.

Rajat Patidar's Match-Winning Knock

Patidar capitalised on Mumbai's tactical errors and delivered an explosive innings that helped RCB post a strong total. His aggressive batting proved to be the turning point of the match, leaving Mumbai Indians struggling to catch up during the chase.

Mumbai Indians eventually fell short despite a fighting effort, as RCB secured an 18-run victory in the high-scoring contest.

Growing Pressure On Hardik Pandya

The defeat added to Mumbai Indians' struggles in IPL 2026, increasing pressure on Hardik Pandya's leadership. Ashwin's remarks also sparked debate among fans and analysts regarding Mumbai's tactical approach and decision-making.

With the tournament still ongoing, Mumbai Indians will now look to regroup and address the tactical issues highlighted during the match. Ashwin's criticism has once again emphasised how captaincy decisions can significantly influence outcomes in the fast-paced IPL format.

Brett Lee Pays Emotional Tribute To Asha Bhosle: "Fortunate To Have Shared A Small Moment"

Former Australian fast bowler Brett Lee paid an emotional tribute to legendary Indian singer Asha Bhosle following her death at the age of 92, recalling their memorable collaboration and calling himself fortunate to have worked with her.

A Heartfelt Message From Brett Lee

Brett Lee took to social media to remember Asha Bhosle, describing her as an iconic figure whose influence extended far beyond music. He expressed gratitude for the opportunity to share a special moment with the legendary singer, saying he felt "fortunate" to have collaborated with her.

Lee remains one of the very few international cricketers who worked directly with Asha Bhosle. Their unexpected partnership produced the song "You're the One For Me" in 2007, which became widely popular among cricket and music fans alike.

Their Unlikely Musical Collaboration

The collaboration between Brett Lee and Asha Bhosle surprised many at the time. The song blended English and Hindi lyrics and showcased Lee's singing abilities alongside the legendary playback singer. The crossover was rare and quickly became a memorable pop-culture moment in India. The track continues to remain nostalgic for fans, as such a collaboration between a global cricketer and a Bollywood legend has rarely been seen since.

Lee's Admiration For The

Legend
Brett Lee had earlier de-

alities remembering her extraordinary contribution to



scribed Asha Bhosle as a "gentle" and "humorous" personality, recalling how special the experience of working with her was. Their meeting happened during the 2007 period when Lee agreed to participate in a music project featuring international artists and Bollywood stars.

Tributes Pour In Worldwide

Asha Bhosle's death triggered an outpouring of tributes from across the globe, with musicians, actors, and sports person-

music. Her decades-long career and timeless songs made her one of the most influential voices in Indian music history. Brett Lee's tribute stood out for its personal touch, as he reflected not only on her musical greatness but also on the brief yet meaningful interaction they shared. His message highlighted how Asha Bhosle's legacy reached beyond industries, touching people from different fields—including international cricket.

Rohit Sharma Suffers Hamstring Injury, Mumbai Indians Star Faces Race Against Time

Mumbai Indians suffered a major setback during their IPL 2026 clash against Royal Challengers Bengaluru after star batter Rohit Sharma sustained a hamstring injury, raising concerns about his availability for upcoming matches. The injury has now put the experienced opener in a race against time to regain full fitness as the tournament enters a crucial phase.

Injury Scare During MI vs RCB Clash

The incident occurred during the high-intensity match between Mumbai Indians and Royal Challengers Bengaluru when Rohit appeared uncomfortable while fielding. The veteran batter was seen clutching his hamstring and struggling to move freely on the field. Soon after, the team's medical staff rushed in to assess the situation. Rohit eventually walked off the field, sparking concern among fans and the Mumbai Indians camp. The experienced opener did not return to the field, indicating that the injury could be more serious than initially expected. The moment quickly became a talking point among fans and commentators, given Rohit's importance to Mumbai's batting lineup.

Race Against Time For Recovery

Following the match, early reports suggested that Rohit Sharma is dealing with a hamstring strain, though the extent of the injury is yet to be confirmed. The team management is expected to monitor his condition closely and take a call on his availability for upcoming fixtures. Hamstring injuries are particularly tricky in cricket, especially in the fast-paced IPL format, where players are required to sprint frequently while fielding and running between wickets. Even a minor strain can sideline a player for several matches if not handled



carefully.

Mumbai Indians, currently battling for consistency in IPL 2026, would be hoping their senior batter returns quickly. Rohit's experience at the top of the order has been crucial for the team, and his absence could force the management to reshuffle the batting lineup.

Big Blow For Mumbai Indians

Rohit Sharma's potential absence could significantly impact Mumbai Indians' campaign. The former MI captain remains one of the most dependable batters in the tournament and plays a key leadership role despite not captaining the side. With the league stage intensifying, Mumbai Indians cannot afford to lose a player of Rohit's calibre. The team will now rely on other senior players to step up if Rohit is ruled out of upcoming matches.

Fans Await Official Update

Fans are now eagerly waiting for an official medical update from Mumbai Indians regarding Rohit Sharma's fitness. Social media was flooded with messages wishing the star batter a speedy recovery shortly after he walked off the field. As the IPL 2026 season progresses, all eyes will remain on Rohit Sharma's recovery timeline. Mumbai Indians will hope their star opener returns soon, as his presence could play a decisive role in their push for the playoffs.

Virat Kohli-Rohit Sharma's On-Field Moment Leaves Internet In Awe

A heartwarming moment between Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma during the IPL 2026 clash between Royal Challengers Bengaluru and Mumbai Indians has taken social media by storm, with fans celebrating the camaraderie between two of India's biggest cricket icons.

The Viral Moment That Won Hearts

The incident occurred at the Wankhede Stadium just before RCB began their innings. As Kohli walked out to bat, he noticed Rohit Sharma standing nearby. Kohli walked up to him, whispered something, and the two shared a laugh before play began.

The brief but warm exchange was captured on camera and quickly went viral across social media platforms. Fans praised the mutual respect and friendship between the two players, especially given their intense rivalry in the



IPL.

Fans React To Kohli-Rohit Camaraderie

The moment delighted cricket fans worldwide, many call-

ing it the "moment of the match." Despite representing rival teams, the interaction highlighted the strong bond between the two senior Indian cricketers.

Such moments are rare during high-pressure IPL clashes, especially when both players are central figures for their teams. The friendly interaction offered a refreshing glimpse of sportsmanship and mutual admiration.

High-Scoring Thriller At Wankhede

The match itself turned into a high-scoring contest, with RCB posting a massive total before restricting Mumbai Indians to seal an 18-run win.

While the game featured explosive batting performances, it was the Kohli-Rohit interac-

tion that captured fans' attention and dominated online discussions.

Why This Moment Matters

Both Kohli and Rohit are among India's most celebrated cricketers and former captains. Over the years, speculation around rivalry between them has often surfaced, making this friendly exchange even more meaningful for fans.

The viral clip served as a reminder that beyond team rivalries and competitive cricket, respect and friendship continue to define the spirit of the game.

The internet may have been divided during the match—but when Kohli and Rohit shared that smile, fans across teams found a moment to celebrate together.

Gopichand 33 Titled "BharataVarsha"; Powerful Glimpse Promises Grand Historical Action

The makers of actor Gopichand's 33rd film have officially revealed the title "BharataVarsha" along with an impressive glimpse, creating strong buzz among fans and film circles. Directed by Sankalp Reddy, the movie is shaping up to be a grand historical action drama set in an ancient era, and the newly released teaser suggests that the film will be mounted on a massive scale.

Powerful Title Announcement Creates Buzz

For the past few days, the film's title had been circulating on social media, and now the makers have confirmed it by releasing a glimpse. The film, being produced by Srinivasachitturi under the Srinivasaa Silver Screen banner, is considered one of the most ambitious projects

in Gopichand's career. The teaser not only reveals the title "BharataVarsha" but also hints at a grand cinematic experience filled with action, drama, and historical depth.

The title "BharataVarsha" itself carries a powerful meaning, symbolizing ancient India and reflecting the film's historical setting. The reveal of the title in the glimpse has been designed in a dramatic and impactful manner, adding to the film's grandeur and raising expectations among audiences.

Glimpse Set in 642 AD

The glimpse begins in the year 642 AD, in a place called Shula Bhoomi. It showcases intense battle sequences, fierce warriors, and large-scale war visuals. Scenes featuring swords, axes, fire-lit battlefields, and rugged war-

riors create a strong historical atmosphere. These visuals give the impression that the film will be a large-scale historical action drama similar in tone to other epic period films.

The teaser also highlights stunning production design, with the makers recreating the ancient era with remarkable detail. The visual effects, cinematography, and scale indicate that the film is being made with high production values and a strong cinematic vision.

Gopichand in a Never-Before Avatar

One of the biggest highlights of the film is Gopichand's transformation. The actor appears in a warrior role, something he has never attempted before. His physical transformation, intense look, and powerful

screen presence stand out in the glimpse, suggesting a challenging and performance-driven role.

Director Sankalp Reddy is reportedly bringing an unexplored chapter of Indian history to the big screen. The film promises emotional storytelling combined with intense action and historical drama. The director, known for handling unique concepts, is expected to deliver a visually rich cinematic experience with this project.

Cast and Production Details

Actress Ritu Varma plays the female lead opposite Gopichand. The film is currently in the final stages of shooting, while post-production work is progressing simultaneously. The makers aim to deliver a memorable historical drama that stands out in



Indian cinema.

With its powerful title, grand visuals, and strong historical backdrop, "Bharat-

aVarsha" has already generated significant excitement. The glimpse has gone viral on social media, and fans are

eagerly waiting for more updates about what could become one of Gopichand's biggest films.

Vishwak Sen Announces Another Film Amid Busy Line-Up

Actor Vishwak Sen has announced yet another new project even as he remains busy with multiple films currently under production. The actor, who has been actively selecting diverse scripts following a series of setbacks, is now focusing on strengthening his comeback with back-to-back releases.

Busy With Multiple Projects

At present, Vishwak Sen already has two films on sets. One of them is the sequel to Ee NagaraniKEmaindi, directed by TharunBhascker. The project has generated strong interest among fans as the original film gained cult status over the years. Apart from that, Vishwak Sen is also directing and acting in an action-packed film titled Cult. Actress GayathriBharadwaj is playing the female lead, while Sandeep Kakarala is producing the movie. The film is expected to be an out-and-out action entertainer and marks another ambitious project for the actor.

New Film Officially Launched

Despite his packed schedule, Vishwak Sen has now launched another new film. The movie is being produced by Sudhakarmikkilineni and directed by Tamil filmmaker Rajak. Interestingly, Vishwak Sen will not only act in the film but will also serve as presenter, showing his growing involvement in filmmaking beyond acting.



The film's formal launch ceremony took place recently. Director Koratala Siva gave the inaugural clap, while noted producer Shyam Prasad Reddy switched on the camera and handed over the script during the muhurat event.

Technical Team and Genre

The upcoming film is said to be a new-age romantic entertainer. Tejas Krishna will compose the music, while Arvind Vishwanathan will handle cinematography. Dialogues will be written by BhanuBhogavarapu and NanduSavirigana.

A Crucial Phase ForVishwak Sen

Vishwak Sen has been aiming for a strong comeback after some recent disappointments, including the film Funky directed by K. V. Anudeep. With multiple films across different genres — from romantic entertainers to action dramas — the actor is hoping to regain momentum at the box office.

With three projects now lined up simultaneously, industry observers believe this phase could be crucial in shaping Vishwak Sen's career. Fans are eagerly waiting to see whether this busy slate will deliver the much-needed blockbuster success for the actor.

Payal Rajput's Funny Shooting Break Video Goes Viral

Actress Payal Rajput is once again grabbing attention on social media, this time for a funny behind-the-scenes moment from a film shoot. The actress recently shared a light-hearted video from her shooting break, and it quickly went viral, leaving fans amused.

Funny Incident During Shooting Break

During a break on the film set, Payal Rajput faced an unexpected situation when her costume developed wrinkles. Since the team had very little time before the next shot, the crew came up with a quick and unusual solution — they ironed the dress while she was still wearing it. The actress was initially surprised by the unusual situation but soon burst into laughter. She shared the moment on social media, turning the behind-the-scenes incident into a fun clip that fans thoroughly enjoyed.

Video Goes Viral On Social Media

As soon as the video surfaced online, fans reacted with humorous and supportive comments. Many netizens appreciated her dedication, while others joked about the struggles actors face during long shooting schedules.

Some fans commented:

- "Heroine struggles are real!"
- "Your dedication is amazing"
- "This is what happens behind the camera"

The light-hearted video quickly gained traction and became a

trending topic among Tollywood fans.

Payal Rajput Stays Active With Fans

Payal Rajput, who rose to fame with the blockbuster film RX 100, has remained active on social media, often sharing glimpses from film sets and personal moments. Her candid and fun personality has helped her maintain a strong fan base online.

Busy With Multiple Projects

The actress is currently busy with several projects across Telugu and other South Indian languages. Along with glamorous roles, she has also been experimenting with performance-oriented characters in recent films, expanding her acting range.

Fans Love Her Fun Side

This latest viral video once again shows Payal Rajput's fun-loving nature and dedication to her work. While the moment was unexpected, it turned into a humorous highlight from the shooting set — giving fans a peek into the real-life challenges and funny incidents behind filmmaking.



Emotional Farewell To Legendary Singer Asha Bhosle

India bid an emotional farewell to legendary playback singer Asha Bhosle, whose passing marked the end of a golden era in Indian music. The iconic singer, known for her versatile voice and extraordinary career spanning several decades, left behind a rich musical legacy that influenced generations of listeners and artists alike.

Nation Mourns the Loss of a Musical Icon

The news of Asha Bhosle's demise triggered an outpouring of grief across the country. Fans, musicians, film personalities, and political leaders expressed their condolences and paid heartfelt tributes to the legendary singer. Many described her as one of the most influential voices in Indian cinema and a pioneer who reshaped playback singing with her unique style and adaptability.

Several celebrities took to social media and public platforms to remember her contributions, recalling how her songs defined different eras of Indian cinema. From soulful melodies to energetic dance numbers, Asha Bhosle's voice touched millions and became an integral part of Indian cul-



tural history.

A Career That Spanned Generations

Born into a musical family, Asha Bhosle began her singing career at a young age. Over time, she established herself as one of the most versatile playback singers in the industry. She recorded thousands of songs in multiple languages including Hindi, Marathi, Bengali, Tamil, and Gujarati.

Her ability to adapt to various musical styles set her apart. Whether it was classical-based compositions, romantic duets, peppy cabaret songs, or

ghazals, she excelled in every genre. Her collaborations with leading composers and singers resulted in countless timeless hits that continue to remain popular even today.

Throughout her career, she lent her voice to several leading actresses across generations. Her energetic singing style, emotional depth, and experimental approach made her one of the most celebrated voices in Indian cinema.

Awards and Achievements

Asha Bhosle's remarkable contribution to Indian music earned her numerous prestig-

ious awards and recognitions. She received the Dadasaheb-Phalke Award, one of India's highest honours in cinema. She was also honoured with the Padma Vibhushan for her exceptional contribution to the arts.

In addition to national recognition, she received multiple film awards and international honours, further cementing her status as one of the greatest playback singers in the world. Her concerts across various countries also earned her global appreciation and a loyal fan base.

A Legacy That Lives On

Thousands of admirers paid their last respects, remembering her not only for her music but also for her vibrant personality and dedication to her craft. Her songs continue to inspire musicians and entertain audiences even today.

Asha Bhosle's voice became the soundtrack of countless lives, and her contribution to Indian music remains unmatched. Though she is no longer with us, her timeless melodies will continue to live on for generations, ensuring that her legacy remains immortal in the hearts of music lovers.

TriptiiDimri Becomes Victoria's Secret Brand Ambassador

Bollywood actress TriptiiDimri has achieved a major milestone in her career by becoming the brand ambassador for Victoria's Secret. The announcement has generated significant buzz in the fashion and entertainment industries, marking a new phase in the actress's rapidly rising career.

Competing With Top Bollywood Glam Icons

Bollywood actresses are increasingly competing for global brand endorsements. While DishaPatani has been associated with global fashion brand Calvin Klein, TriptiiDimri has now secured a deal with Victoria's Secret, one of the world's most recognised fashion and lingerie brands. This move places her among the top Bollywood celebrities gaining international recognition in the fashion world.

Major Boost After 'Animal' Success

TriptiiDimri gained nationwide popularity following her performance in the movie Animal. After the film's success, she quickly became one of the most sought-after actresses for endorsements and brand collaborations. Her association with Victoria's Secret is being seen as another big step for-



ward in her career.

The global brand is looking to strengthen its presence in the Indian market and has chosen TriptiiDimri as the face of its campaign to connect with younger audiences. The partnership also reflects the growing influence of Indian celebrities in international fashion and lifestyle brands.

First Indian Ambassador For The Brand

TriptiiDimri has reportedly become one of the first Indian actresses to officially represent Victoria's Secret as a brand ambassador. The collaboration marks a significant moment, highlighting the

brand's focus on expanding into India's fast-growing fashion market. The actress also shared a promotional video wearing stylish outfits from the brand, which quickly gained attention on social media. Fans praised her glamorous look and welcomed her entry into global fashion endorsements.

Busy With Big Projects

Apart from endorsements, TriptiiDimri is currently working on major film projects. She is expected to appear in Spirit directed by Sandeep Reddy Vanga alongside Prabhas. These big-budget projects, combined with international endorsements, are strengthening her position in the industry.

Rising Global Presence

With this collaboration, TriptiiDimri joins the growing list of Indian celebrities representing international brands. Her appointment reflects changing trends in the global fashion industry, where Indian talent is gaining increasing recognition. The Victoria's Secret association is expected to further boost her global appeal, making TriptiiDimri one of the fastest-rising stars in Bollywood today.

