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Revanth Reddy Calls for Renewed Commitment to Telangana Development on Formation Day

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy called upon the people of the state to renew their commitment to development and realise the dream of transforming Telangana into a global gateway...

Speaking at the Telangana Formation Day celebrations held at the Parade Grounds in Secunderabad, the Chief Minister received the ceremonial guard of honour from security forces and addressed the gathering...

Revanth Reddy said his government has been working with a focus on eradication of poverty and inclusive development since assuming office on December 7, 2023. He recalled the words of poet Kaloji Narayana Rao, "Birth is yours, death is yours, life is for the nation," as a guiding inspiration.

He thanked former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh and former UPA Chairperson Sonia Gandhi for fulfilling the dream of Telangana statehood. The Chief Minister said the government has been implementing welfare schemes unmatched in the country, focusing on farmers, youth, women, and marginalised



communities. Highlighting the "Telangana Rising 2047" vision, he said the state is being developed with a structured three-tier strategy by classifying regions as CURE, PURE, and RARE, backed by a comprehensive master plan.

He said agriculture remains the backbone of Telangana,

with significant increase in cultivation of paddy, maize, and cotton. Crop loan waivers up to 2 lakh and 1.56 lakh crore spent on agriculture and farmer welfare were cited as major achievements. He also reiterated the government's commitment to purchase every grain from farmers at minimum support price.



3 Trillion Dollar Economy Target by 2047 Says Bhatti Vikramarka

Khammam, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day celebrations were held with grandeur and festive spirit at the Khammam Police Parade Grounds on Tuesday, where Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister Bhatti Vikramarka unfurled the national flag and addressed the gathering as the chief guest.

After receiving the ceremonial guard of honour from the armed forces, the Deputy Chief Minister highlighted the government's commitment to ensuring social, economic, and political justice for every citizen, inspired by the ideals of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. He outlined the state's ambitious vision and welfare-driven governance model aimed at inclusive growth.

Bhatti Vikramarka announced that the Telangana government has set a long-term economic goal of transforming the state into a 3 trillion US dollar economy by 2047. He stated that the current \$200 billion economy is targeted to grow to \$1 trillion by 2034. The government has devised a structured growth model categorised as "CURE, PURE, and RARE" to drive sustainable development.

In a major welfare initiative, he revealed the launch of the "Indiramma Family Life Insurance Scheme," which will provide Rs 5 lakh insurance coverage to 1.15 crore families across the state, irrespective of economic status. The scheme aims to offer financial security to families in case of the loss of

an earning member. Highlighting housing initiatives, the Deputy CM said that under the Indiramma housing scheme, 16,243 houses were sanctioned in the first phase in Khammam district, with Rs 441 crore already credited to beneficiaries. So far, 8,291 houses have been completed and housewarming ceremonies conducted. In the upcoming phase, 2,000 houses will be allotted per Assembly constituency.

He also detailed various welfare schemes, including subsidised gas cylinders under the Mahalakshmi scheme, free bus travel for women, and free electricity up to 200 units under Gruha Jyothi. Additionally, new ration cards have been issued to thousands of families to ensure food security.

In the education sector, Bhatti Vikramarka announced the introduction of a free breakfast scheme from the 2026-27 academic year for students from pre-primary to intermediate level, ensuring no child attends school on an empty stomach. He further highlighted progress in renewable energy, infrastructure, agriculture, and women empowerment, along with ongoing irrigation, road, and drinking water projects in Khammam district.

The Deputy Chief Minister concluded by extending greetings on Telangana Formation Day and thanked public representatives, officials, police personnel, and media for their contributions to the state's progress.

Governor Hoists National Flag at Lok Bhavan, Pays Tribute to Telangana Martyrs

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day celebrations were held at Lok Bhavan on Monday with grandeur and solemnity, where Governor of Telangana Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla unfurled the National Flag and led the official commemorations.

The Governor paid rich tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana statehood movement, acknowledging their sacrifices and the decades-long democratic struggle that led to the formation of the state. He observed a moment of remembrance for those who laid down their lives during the agitation and expressed gratitude for their contribution to the creation of modern Telangana.

Extending his heartfelt greetings to the people of Telangana, as well as to the Telangana diaspora across the world, the Governor said that the formation of the state



stands as a testament to democratic aspirations, perseverance, and collective resolve. He called upon citizens to remember the visionaries, leaders, and countless contributors who played a crucial role in shaping the identity and future of Telangana.

The Governor highlighted Telangana's cultural richness and its strong agricultural foundation, noting that the state continues to preserve its traditions while moving ahead

on the path of rapid modernization. He also appreciated Telangana's growing global recognition in sectors such as Information Technology, pharmaceuticals, and startups, stating that the state has emerged as one of India's leading growth engines.

Emphasizing the importance of inclusive and sustainable development, Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla said that Telangana's progress must continue in alignment with constitutional

values and social equity. He underlined the need for collective efforts from all sections of society to ensure that the benefits of development reach every citizen.

Quoting the ancient Sanskrit verse "Janani Janmabhoomishcha Swargadapi Gariyasi," the Governor described the motherland as greater than heaven and urged people to uphold the spirit of unity, responsibility, and service towards the nation and the state.

The Governor concluded his address by calling for continued cooperation among citizens, administration, and institutions to build a stronger, more prosperous, and progressive Telangana that contributes significantly to India's overall development journey.

The event at Lok Bhavan concluded with tributes to martyrs and a reaffirmation of commitment to the ideals on which Telangana was formed.

KTR Pays Tribute to Martyrs at Telangana Bhavan on Formation Day

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) on Monday participated in Telangana Formation Day celebrations held at Telangana Bhavan, where he paid tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana movement.

As part of the programme, KTR offered floral tributes to the Telangana 'Talli' statue and remembered the sacrifices of those who laid down their lives for the formation of the state. He also hoisted the national flag at Telangana Bhavan in the presence of senior BRS leaders and party workers.

Several senior leaders of the BRS attended the event, marking the occasion with patriotic fervour and remembrance of the statehood struggle. Party leaders and cadre took part in the celebrations held at the party headquarters.

KTR is also scheduled to fe-



licitate several Telangana artists during the event as a mark of recognition for their contribution to Telangana culture, literature, and arts. The programme includes honouring folk artists and cultural performers who have played a key role in preserving and promoting Telangana identity.

During the celebrations, KTR also unveiled several newly composed songs dedicated to former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) and the Telangana statehood movement. The songs highlight the struggles, sacrifices, and achievements associated with the formation

of Telangana.

Party leaders said the Telangana Formation Day is not just a ceremonial occasion but a reminder of the long struggle and sacrifices made by countless individuals. They reiterated that the BRS continues to uphold the ideals of the Telangana movement and remains committed to the development and identity of the state.

The event concluded with cultural performances and tributes, reflecting the spirit of Telangana's formation and the contribution of artists and activists to the state's journey.

Janasena Announces Political Entry into Telangana, Pawan Kalyan Vows Aggressive Fight

Hyderabad, June 2 | TPN Bureau

Janasena Party President and Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan has officially announced the party's political entry into Telangana, declaring that it will contest both the upcoming Hyderabad municipal elections and the Telangana Assembly polls. Addressing a press conference at his residence in Jubilee Hills on Tuesday evening, he stated that the party would now actively engage in Telangana politics and fight for public issues.

The announcement came after the Telangana government denied permission for the "Telangana Nava Nirmana Sankalpa Samavesham," a planned gathering of party workers in Hyderabad. Despite the setback, a large number of Janasena leaders, Veera Mahilas, and party workers gathered at his residence, where he addressed the media.

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"We will speak out on every issue and confront every injustice. Telangana is an integral part of India," Pawan Kalyan asserted. He emphasized that the decision to expand into Telangana was based on requests from local party leaders and the prevailing political situation, which he described as harmful to national integrity.

He clarified that Janasena has never opposed the formation of Telangana but objected to the manner in which the bifurcation was carried out. "The state was not granted dignity. The sacrifices of nearly 1,200 martyrs were not respected," he said, recalling his 11-day fast protesting the process.

Pawan Kalyan strongly criticized leaders who, he alleged, incite regional hatred between Telangana and Andhra



Pradesh for political gains. "Even after 12 years of bifurcation, blaming Andhra people for unemployment and lack of development in Telangana is unjust," he remarked. He warned that regional animosity could pose a greater threat than terrorism, as it undermines national unity.

Responding to criticism over remarks related to Union Home Minister Amit Shah, he questioned whether he was not entitled to counter false statements. "If inaccurate claims are made, we will respond. That does not mean we are promoting regional conflict," he said.

On political strategy, he maintained that the party's approach—whether alliances or solo contests—would be decided in due course. "Time will decide whether we move forward alone or with alliances.

But we will counter every move with a stronger strategy," he added.

Addressing allegations of land encroachment related to Koda Chervu, Pawan Kalyan challenged the Telangana government to conduct a full survey. "If it is proven that I have encroached, I will voluntarily hand over the land. I have nothing to hide," he stated, clarifying that the land is used for a goshala housing around 50 to 60 cows. He also highlighted his long-standing connection with Telangana, recalling his visits to remote tribal areas like Adilabad and his efforts to support local communities. He said the Janasena ideology was deeply influenced by the struggles of Telangana society. Taking a dig at political opponents, he questioned restrictions on his movement. "Is Telangana anyone's personal estate? Leaders from here expand into other

states, so why should we be stopped?" he asked, referring to political expansions by other parties. Pawan Kalyan also proposed naming the highway connecting Andhra Pradesh and Telangana after Burgula Ramakrishna Rao, recognizing his role in uniting Telugu people. Additionally, he announced plans to install a statue of revolutionary balladeer Gaddar in Andhra Pradesh. Calling for national unity, he urged the central government to act against forces that promote regional hatred. "Those who divide people in the name of region weaken the country. Such forces must be checked," he said. Concluding his address, Pawan Kalyan reaffirmed that Janasena would build its base in Telangana with sincerity. "We will not mislead people. We will fight for their issues and earn their trust," he declared.

PawanKalyan's Telangana Outreach Sparks Political Buzz Ahead of Hyderabad Meeting

Ravi Podili

Vijayawada :PawanKalyan, who recently assumed office as Deputy Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh after a decisive electoral mandate, has begun shifting his political focus towards Telangana, triggering significant debate in political circles. His planned interaction with Jana Sena Party cadres in Hyderabad on the occasion of Telangana State Formation Day has drawn wide attention across party lines and is being viewed as a strategic step to expand the party's footprint beyond Andhra Pradesh.

According to party sources, the meeting is expected to focus on organisational expansion in Telangana and strengthening support bases among key social groups, including settlers in Greater Hyderabad, youth voters, and members of the MunnuruKapu community. The move is being closely watched by major political parties such as the Congress, Bharat RashtrSamithi, and Bharatiya Janata Party, with analysts suggesting that even a modest 4 to



5 percent vote share shift could influence tightly contested constituencies in the region.

Political observers note that the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation elections and the 2029 Telangana Assembly elections are emerging as key targets in Jana Sena's expansion roadmap. The party is reportedly planning to build a structured organisational network in urban and semi-urban

pockets, with emphasis on strengthening booth-level presence and cadre mobilisation.

Sources also indicate that Jana Sena leadership is working in coordination with alliance partner Telugu Desam Party to revive organisational strength in Telangana, particularly in areas where united Andhra Pradesh-era networks still exist. The proposed strategy is expected to combine

grassroots outreach with issue-based campaigns focusing on governance, employment, and youth aspirations.

Within party circles, the upcoming Hyderabad meeting is being described as the beginning of a broader "Trishul Strategy" aimed at positioning Jana Sena as a decisive force in a multi-cornered political contest. Leaders believe that even if the party contests selectively or independently, it could emerge as a potential kingmaker in closely fought constituencies. Party insiders further state that organisational restructuring, formation of district committees, and structured public engagement programmes will form the core of the Telangana plan. While maintaining its existing alliance equations, Jana Sena is also expected to explore independent political space to expand its influence. With political equations in Telangana already witnessing shifts, PawanKalyan's move is being seen as a development that could reshape emerging electoral dynamics in the state.

Narayanpet, June 02, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm in Narayanpet district on Tuesday, with State Minister for Sports, Dairy Development, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, and Youth Services Vakiti Srihari participating in the official celebrations and addressing the gathering.

Extending his heartfelt greetings to the people of Telangana, the Minister paid rich tributes to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of the state. He stated that under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, the government is moving forward with the ambitious "Telangana Rising 2047" vision to position the state at the national and global level.

Srihari said the vision document focuses on welfare, inclusive policy-making, world-class infrastructure, and transparent governance. The government has already introduced key policies in welfare and social justice, green energy, industrial development, and tourism to ensure holistic progress.

Highlighting women empowerment, he said several initiatives have been launched to strengthen women economically. These include free travel in RTC buses, subsidised LPG cylinders at Rs 500, free electricity up to 200 units, and housing under the Indiramma



scheme. He added that women's groups are being encouraged to manage petrol pumps, canteens, and other enterprises, and that buses are being procured through women self-help groups and leased to RTC.

On agriculture, the Minister said that over 2.53 million farmers were provided loan waiver benefits amounting to Rs 20,617 crore within eight months of the government assuming office. Financial assistance of Rs 12,000 per acre is being provided under Rythu Bharosa, and paddy procurement payments are being credited within 24 hours. A bonus of Rs 500 per quintal is also being given for fine variety paddy.

In Narayanpet district, around two lakh farmers received Rs 421 crore under Rythu Bharosa. A total of 6,526

Indiramma houses were sanctioned, with 1,151 houses already completed. Development works worth Rs 517 crore are currently in progress across the district.

The Minister also highlighted progress in irrigation, renewable energy, drinking water supply, healthcare, and education. A free breakfast scheme for students from pre-primary to intermediate level will be launched from June 12 to ensure no child attends school on an empty stomach.

Srihari called upon people to contribute to the overall development of Narayanpet and reaffirmed the government's commitment to inclusive growth. He concluded by extending Telangana Formation Day greetings to all citizens.

Martyrs' Sacrifices Will Be Forever Remembered Says Minister Jupally Krishna Rao

Mahabubnagar, June 02 | TPN Bureau

On the occasion of Telangana State Formation Day, State Tourism, Culture, Archaeology, Prohibition and Excise Minister Jupally Krishna Rao paid floral tributes at the Martyrs' Stupa in Mahabubnagar district headquarters on Monday and offered his respects to those who sacrificed their lives for the statehood movement.

Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that the sacrifices of the martyrs who laid down their lives for the formation of a separate Telangana state are invaluable and will remain etched in history forever. He stated that the benefits being enjoyed by the people today are the result of their relentless struggle and ultimate sacrifice.



Jupally Krishna Rao observed that the true tribute to the martyrs lies in developing Telangana into a prosperous and welfare-oriented state in

line with their aspirations. He emphasized that the government is committed to fulfilling the ideals for which the martyrs fought.

He further stated that the role of martyrs in achieving

statehood will always be remembered as a turning point in Telangana's history. Their sacrifice, he said, continues to work with sincerity and dedication for the development of all sections of society.

The Minister reaffirmed that the state government remains fully committed to achieving the vision of a strong and developed Telangana, ensuring that the dreams of the martyrs are honoured through continuous progress and inclusive governance.

The event concluded with solemn remembrance of the martyrs and renewed commitment to uphold their ideals.

Indiramma Insurance and Welfare Focus Says Minister Ponnam Prabhakar

Siddipet, June 02 | TPN Bureau

State Minister Ponnam Prabhakar extended Telangana Formation Day greetings and outlined key welfare and development initiatives during a media conference held at the Siddipet District Collectorate on Tuesday.

The Minister stated that after the formation of the Praja Palana government, three major programmes were introduced to strengthen social security and governance in the state. He highlighted the launch of the Indiramma Life Insurance Scheme, aimed at providing financial support to every family in Telangana. The scheme ensures that each household has a safety net in times of crisis.

He also announced the formal launch of the distribution of two lakh pensions, benefitting vulnerable sections of society. In addition, the government has initiated steps to honour Telangana movement activists, poets, and artists by constituting a recognition committee to identify and felicitate them.

Ponnam Prabhakar noted that Telangana was formed under Article 3 of the Constitution drafted by Dr B.R. Ambedkar. He said the government is committed to recognising those who participated in the Telangana movement and suffered losses, including cases and hardships during the agitation.

On housing, the Minister said that in the first phase, 3,500 Indiramma houses were constructed in each constitu-



ency. The second phase of the housing programme was recently launched by the Chief Minister in Asifabad.

Addressing agriculture, he assured that measures are being taken to ensure smooth paddy procurement without inconvenience to farmers. Meetings with agricultural officials and farmers will be held soon to improve coordination. He pointed out that while Siddipet requires around 1.5 lakh metric tonnes of fine rice annually, only about 50,000 metric tonnes are currently produced, and steps will be taken to encourage farmers to cultivate fine paddy varieties.

The Minister also spoke about promoting oil palm cultivation and noted that an oil palm factory has already been established in Narmetta. He added that large-scale plantation drives are being planned across villages, with committees to oversee the initiative. Around three lakh palm saplings are ready for planting

along canals and government lands.

In the education sector, he said efforts are underway to increase enrolment in government schools. Schools will reopen on June 12, and students will be provided with necessary kits on the same day. Integrated residential schools are also being developed.

He further mentioned the "Arrive Alive" programme to prevent road accidents by creating awareness in accident-prone areas.

Highlighting welfare measures, the Minister said the government is providing fine rice to the poor, free electricity up to 200 units, and free bus travel for women. He added that RTC has been brought back into profitability, with around 65 lakh passengers using bus services daily.

He concluded by stating that job recruitment is ongoing and more notifications will be released soon.

Telangana Formation Day Celebrations Held Grandly in Sangareddy

Sangareddy, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana State Formation Day celebrations were held with grandeur at the Police Parade Grounds in Sangareddy district headquarters on Monday, reflecting a festive atmosphere and widespread public participation.

State Health Minister Damodar Rajanarasimha attended the programme as the chief guest, unfurled the National Flag, and received the ceremonial guard of honour from the police. He later addressed the gathering and highlighted the progress achieved by Telangana in various sectors since its formation.

The Minister stated that the state government is functioning with a focus on welfare, development, and social justice, ensuring inclusive growth across all sections of society. He called upon everyone to actively participate in the state's development journey and contribute to its progress.



As part of the programme, the Minister paid rich tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana movement at the Martyrs' Memorial Stupa earlier in the day, along with public representatives, the District Collector Prateek Jain, and the Superintendent of Police Paritosh Pankaj.

Damodar Rajanarasimha honoured the families of martyrs and recalled their sacrifices as the foundation of Telangana's statehood. He stated

that true tribute to the martyrs lies in building a stronger and more developed Telangana in line with their aspirations.

On the occasion, cultural programmes presented by students attracted the audience. The Minister appreciated the performers and distributed appreciation certificates. He also visited exhibition stalls set up by various government departments and reviewed their welfare and development initiatives.

In a significant welfare initiative, the Minister distributed laptops to four visually impaired students and handed over bank linkage loan cheques worth 69.19 crore to 768 Self-Help Groups (SHGs), strengthening women's economic empowerment in the district.

He also distributed identity cards to transgender persons and felicitated headmasters who rendered exceptional services during summer camps conducted in PM SHRI schools. District officials informed that the event also focused on showcasing government welfare schemes and development activities through exhibitions, drawing strong participation from students, officials, and the public.

The programme concluded with renewed commitment from officials and public representatives to accelerate welfare and development initiatives across Sangareddy district.

CM Revanth Reddy and Minister Uttam's Palamuru Tour a Historic Milestone, Says Uttam Kumar Reddy

Hyderabad, June 02, | TPN Bureau

State Irrigation Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy has described the upcoming two-day visit of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy to the erstwhile Mahabubnagar district as a "historic milestone" that will define the future of irrigation development in the Palamuru region.

Chairing a high-level preparatory meeting at Jala Soudha on Tuesday, the Minister said the proposed field-level review of ongoing and proposed irri-

gation projects would provide crucial direction for accelerating long-pending works and unlocking fresh funding for their completion.

He stated that the Chief Minister's visit will focus on assessing the status of ongoing projects, identifying bottlenecks, and formulating strategies for their speedy execution. The inspection is expected to result in key policy decisions and financial approvals aimed at strengthening irrigation infrastructure in the drought-prone region.

Uttam Kumar Reddy said the



government is committed to transforming the irrigation landscape of the erstwhile Mahabubnagar district and ensur-

ing maximum benefits to farmers through efficient water management systems. He termed the visit a rare and sig-

nificant administrative exercise reflecting the government's priority for the Palamuru region.

The Chief Minister, along with Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka and senior ministers, is expected to participate in the tour. Senior officials from the irrigation and allied departments attended the preparatory meeting both physically and virtually.

Detailed discussions were held on the itinerary, project-wise presentations, field inspections, and logistical arrangements. Ministers Jupally

Krishna Rao and Vakiti Srihari also participated in the review meeting.

Officials have been directed to prepare updated progress reports on key irrigation projects including the Palamuru-Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Scheme, Kalwakurthy Lift Irrigation Scheme, Koilsagar, Bheema, Nettampadu, and other major water infrastructure works in the region.

A major presentation session is scheduled at Somasila on June 4 evening, where senior engineers will brief the Chief Minister on project sta-

tus, challenges, and future action plans.

The review also covered security arrangements, transportation, accommodation, and aerial survey logistics. Two helicopters will be used during the tour to enable extensive aerial inspections of irrigation sites and infrastructure across the region.

The Minister said the visit would help the government take on-the-spot decisions regarding fund allocation, project timelines, and necessary interventions to accelerate irrigation development.



June 2 Marks Telangana's Liberation and Pride: KTR

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) on Monday said June 2 represents a historic day of liberation for the people of Telangana, marking their freedom from decades of discrimination, humiliation, and oppression.

In a statement issued on the occasion of Telangana Formation Day, KTR said the day symbolizes the realization of a 60-year-long dream, achieved through the sacrifices of martyrs and the collective self-respect movement of all sections of society in the region.

Highlighting the role of BRS president and former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), KTR said the separate statehood movement reached its successful culmination due to KCR's determined leadership and unwavering resolve. He recalled the powerful slogan raised during the agitation—"Telangana or KCR's life"—which reflected the intensity and commitment of the movement.

KTR described June 2 as a historic milestone that laid the foundation for Telangana's progress under KCR's leadership. He noted that the party

and its leadership had consistently worked with the singular goal of 'Telangana's development, both during the 14-year-long statehood struggle and the subsequent years of governance.

He further stated that the BRS continues to play a crucial role in safeguarding Telangana's identity, raising public issues, and acting as a strong voice for the people. The party, he asserted, remains committed to continuing its efforts in the future as well.

Calling upon party leaders and cadre, KTR urged them to rededicate themselves to public service on the occasion of Telangana Formation Day. He appealed for unity in protecting the state from forces that could undermine its progress and interests.

Paying tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana movement, KTR expressed gratitude for their sacrifices, which made the formation of the state possible. He concluded his message with slogans praising KCR and reaffirming pride in Telangana, urging people to uphold the spirit of the movement and continue striving for the state's growth and prosperity.

Pawan Kalyan Remarks Are Objectionable Says PCC Spokesperson Gauri Satish

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) official spokesperson Gauri Satish has strongly objected to the remarks made by Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and actor-politician Pawan Kalyan on Telangana and the sentiments of its people.

In a statement, Gauri Satish said that Pawan Kalyan's comments on Telangana state and its public emotions were highly objectionable and insensitive. He stated that the sacrifices made by thousands of students, youth, and Telangana activists during the statehood movement are permanently etched in history.

He said that it was painful that such a movement, built on immense sacrifice, was being spoken about in a manner that could hurt the sentiments of those who fought for Telangana's formation.

The Congress leader questioned why Pawan Kalyan did not respond during the Telangana movement when youths were sacrificing their lives, and also raised concerns about his silence during incidents in-

volving RTC workers in previous regimes.

He emphasized that Telangana was formed as a result of the aspirations and sacrifices of four crore people, and said that any attempt to create tension or controversy during Telangana Formation Day celebrations was inappropriate.

Gauri Satish warned that no one should make statements that hurt the sentiments of Telangana people or damage the dignity of the state. He said that political activity should be carried out in a democratic manner, but attempts to provoke the public would not be tolerated.

He further stated that any move to disturb the peaceful atmosphere in Telangana would face strong opposition from the people. He advised that anyone speaking about Telangana should first respect its history, the spirit of the movement, and the sacrifices made by its people.

Reiterating the party's stance, he said there would be no compromise when it comes to the self-respect and interests of Telangana.

Congress Leaders Hail CM Revanth Reddy for Job Recruitment Drive

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Congress leaders led by TPCC General Secretary Changanani Dayakar organised a milk abhishekam for Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy at Gandhi Bhavan on Monday, expressing gratitude for the on-going recruitment of jobs in the state.

The programme witnessed participation from party leaders, youth representatives, and activists who lauded the government's efforts to address unemployment through its Praja Palana governance model. Speaking on the occasion, Dayakar said the Chief Minister had demonstrated that only a people-centric government could effectively generate employment opportunities for the youth.

He alleged that opposition parties, including the BRS and BJP, had attempted to create divisions and unrest among unemployed youth for political gains. However, he said, the youth of Telangana had rejected such attempts and were placing their trust in the present government's initiatives.

Dayakar further stated that the Chief Minister's vision was to empower every young person in Telangana to grow



into an entrepreneur capable of generating employment rather than merely seeking jobs. He said this forward-looking approach would strengthen the state's economic foundation in the long run.

Library Chairman Riyaz also addressed the gathering, stating that the government was committed to expanding educational and employment opportunities for youth across Telangana. He credited the Chief Minister's leadership for the recent recruitment drive and noted that around 60,000 job positions had been filled as part of the initiative.

He added that the govern-

ment was determined to fill all existing vacancies in various departments and ensure transparency and efficiency in the recruitment process.

Women leaders Errabelli Swarna and Varalakshmi, along with unemployed youth leader Saleem, and party members Parashuram and Bhargav, among others, participated in the programme.

The event concluded with party leaders reaffirming their support for the government's employment initiatives and expressing confidence that more opportunities would be created for the youth in the coming months.

Kavitha Calls for Massive Land Protest, Demands Jayashankar Statue

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS) leader Kalvakuntla Kavitha hoisted the national flag at the Telangana Rakshana Sena office in Banjara Hills on the occasion of Telangana Formation Day and made a strong call for renewed public mobilisation on key issues concerning the state.

Extending greetings to the people of Telangana, Kavitha paid heartfelt tributes to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of the state. She described the Telangana movement as a historic struggle akin to a second freedom movement, where countless individuals endured hardships, lost livelihoods, and fought relentlessly for self-respect and identity.

Kavitha emphasised that June 2 should not be viewed merely as a holiday but as a day of liberation from discrimination and a moment to celebrate the dignity and freedom achieved by the people of Telangana. She urged the younger generation to understand the history of the movement and the sacrifices behind statehood.

Raising key demands, Kavitha criticised the state government for failing to make a clear announcement on promises



given to Telangana movement activists. She termed the silence on the issue as unfortunate and unacceptable. She also expressed disappointment over the lack of clarity on the committee meant to address the concerns of activists.

Kavitha demanded that a statue of Professor K. Jayashankar, regarded as the ideological force behind the Telangana movement, be installed at Tank Bund in Hyderabad before August 6, his birth anniversary. She noted that despite repeated efforts since 2014, the installation had not materialised. She said her organisation had already installed statues in four districts and was ready to bear the full cost and maintenance if permitted.

Warning of intensified agitation, Kavitha announced a

large-scale land protest on July 2 at Uppal Bhagayat, stating that it would resemble the historic Million March. She called upon people from all sections of society, including intellectuals, employees, students, lawyers, and journalists to participate, irrespective of political affiliations.

She further stated that honouring Telangana martyrs and supporting their families remains a collective responsibility. Kavitha assured that if given an opportunity, her organisation would provide financial assistance of 1 crore to families of martyrs and ensure that activists are made partners in the state's development.

The event saw participation from party members and supporters, marking the day with patriotic fervour and renewed political resolve.

CM's Remarks on KCR Legacy Are Unacceptable Says Former Minister Talasani Srinivas Yadav

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Former minister and BRS leader Talasani Srinivas Yadav launched a sharp attack on the Chief Minister, alleging that the state government was attempting to erase the legacy and contributions of former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR).

Speaking after participating in Telangana Formation Day celebrations and hoisting the national flag at several locations, Talasani questioned the intent behind remarks made by the Chief Minister regarding KCR's legacy. He said the achievements of the previous government could not be dismissed or removed from public memory.

He cited major infrastructure and landmark projects such as the new Secretariat complex, the Martyrs' Memorial Stupa, the 125-foot Dr. B.R. Ambedkar statue, the Command Control Centre, and the



of focusing on governance.

The former minister also strongly objected to the language used by the Chief Minister in public speeches, stating that such remarks undermine the dignity of the constitutional office. He said no Chief Minister in the country should use inappropriate or disrespectful language in public discourse.

Talasani further alleged that the prestige of the Chief Minister's office was being diminished due to such statements and stressed the need for responsible communication from those in power.

He reiterated that Telangana's development and identity were built over years of effort and sacrifice, and cautioned against attempts to politicize or distort the state's achievements for short-term gains.

The leader urged the government to focus on fulfilling promises rather than engaging in rhetoric, and called for restoring dignity and decorum in political discourse.



Congress Misrule Has Turned Telangana Into a "Broken State" Says Bandi Sanjay

Hyderabad, June 02, 2026 | TPN Bureau

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar launched a sharp attack on the Telangana government during the Telangana Formation Day celebrations held at the BJP state office, making a series of strong political remarks against the ruling Congress.

Addressing the gathering, Bandi Sanjay alleged that the state government was attempting to divert public attention from key issues such as the "six guarantees" and paddy procurement by creating unnecessary political controversies. He claimed that raising issues related to the Maharashtra Chief Minister's appointment was part of a political strategy to mislead the public.

"If the Chief Minister is unable to secure an appointment, he should admit it. We, along with Kishan Reddy, can help arrange it," he remarked, adding that maintaining healthy relations with neighbouring states was essential instead of engaging in political confrontations.

He further alleged that Congress governance in Telangana was marked by "corruption, collection and commission," terming it a "Triple C administration." He said the state had been pushed into a state of administrative and financial disorder and described the situation as "a broken system."

Bandi Sanjay asserted that Telangana could develop only with strong support from the Centre and said that the BJP would ensure increased central funds if given an opportunity to govern the state. He urged voters to give BJP a chance, claiming that development under a "double engine government" would accelerate progress similar to other states.

He also accused the Congress government of failing to implement its promises and mishandling welfare schemes and procurement processes. He said the Centre was already supporting Telangana with funds and accused the state government of not effectively utilizing them.

The Minister also referred to the formation of Telangana, claiming that the BJP had played a key role in the state's creation and criticizing previous Congress and BRS governments over their governance records.

Senior BJP leaders, including former Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, MPs, MLAs, MLCs, and other party leaders, participated in the programme held at the BJP state office to mark Telangana Formation Day.

The event concluded with renewed political criticism of the state government and calls for stronger Centre-State cooperation for development.

Congress Govt Accuses BJP of Dividing Telugu States Politics Over Pawan Kalyan Issue

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Government Whip and MLC Addanki Dayakar launched a strong attack on the BJP, alleging that the party is attempting to create political tensions between Telangana and Andhra Pradesh by using Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan as a "political tool."

Speaking to the media, Dayakar said that the Telangana government had not given permission for a proposed public meeting during the state formation day, claiming that maintaining law and order and respecting the significance of the day was the reason behind the decision. He dismissed allegations that the decision was politically motivated.

He alleged that the BJP was trying to provoke regional sentiments and create unnecessary divisions between Telugu states for political gain. "They are trying to ignite sentiments in the name of Telangana Formation Day and use leaders like Pawan Kalyan for their political agenda," he said.

Dayakar further alleged that Pawan Kalyan was being misused by the BJP for electoral advantage, calling him a "political pawn," while asserting that the actor-turned-politician was being drawn into issues

beyond his understanding of politics. He claimed that such strategies would not succeed among the people of Telangana.

He also accused the BJP of attempting to revive sentiment-based politics and strengthen the opposition Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) indirectly by creating political unrest. He alleged that the BJP was deliberately trying to disturb peace and harmony in the state.

Referring to the relationship between the Centre and the state, Dayakar said the Telangana government was maintaining cordial relations with the Central government for the sake of development. He added that cooperation with the Centre was essential for the overall progress of the state.

He criticized the BJP for what he called "double standards," alleging that while the party speaks about development, it fails to support key issues like paddy procurement and central funding effectively.

Dayakar questioned the need for political confrontations on Telangana Formation Day and urged all parties to respect the sentiments associated with the state's formation. He said Telangana was achieved through sacrifices and should not be

Telangana State Formed Through People's Sacrifices: Varala Vinod Kumar

Quthbullapur, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with enthusiasm by BRS cadres in the Saibaba Nagar Division limits on Tuesday. The programme was organised under the leadership of BRS senior leader Varala Vinod Kumar, following the guidance of Medchal district president and MLC Shambhipur Raju and Quthbullapur MLA K.P. Vivekanand.

Party leaders, activists, and women leaders participated in large numbers and hoisted the national flag along with the BRS party flag, marking the occasion with patriotic fervour.

Addressing the gathering, Varala Vinod Kumar said the formation of Telangana was the result of decades of struggles, sacrifices, and sustained movements by the people. He stated that the movement, which began as a fight against

injustice faced by the people of Telangana, ultimately shook the national capital and led to the creation of a separate state.

He highlighted the role of BRS president and former Chief Minister Kalvakuntla Chandrasekhara Rao (KCR), stating that his indefinite fast played a crucial role in achieving statehood. He said KCR's leadership would remain etched in the history of Telangana.

Vinod Kumar recalled that after the formation of the state, the BRS government implemented several welfare and development programmes aimed at rural development, farmer welfare, and improving the livelihoods of the poor. He praised KCR for upholding Telangana's self-respect and bringing recognition to the state at the global level.

Later, at a special programme held at the Telugu Thalli Nagar Community Hall,



nutrition kits were distributed to around 200 pregnant women. Leaders emphasised the importance of ensuring proper healthcare and nutrition for expectant mothers and called upon society to take collective responsibility in safeguarding maternal health.

They stated that social service activities remain a key objective of the BRS party, and such initiatives reflect its commitment to public welfare.

Several leaders including Raj Kumar, Chinna Venkataswamy, Tara Singh, Narayana,

Gattu Ashok, Mysa Goud, Baresh Goud, Venu, Anil, Kishore, Ganesh, Bhaskar, Vali Bhai, Janumula Prabhakar, Kavali Ravi, Gajjala Ramesh, Lakshman, Shyam, Pastor Ramesh, Ramakrishna, Raju Yadav, Kishan Chari, Srinivas, Balraj, Rahul, Zaheer, Munir, Maksud Pasha, Kaiser Pasha, and women leaders Swaroop Reddy, Vidya, Lakshmi Lavanya, Saraswati, Suryakumari, and Sarita participated in the programme along with a large number of party workers and supporters.

Grand Telangana Formation Day Celebrations Held at Suchitra Circle

Quthbullapur, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Suchitra Circle under the leadership of BRS senior leader and Telangana activist Veerareddy Narendra Reddy. The national flag and BRS party flag were ceremonially hoisted as part of the celebrations, reflecting the spirit of the Telangana movement.

A large number of party leaders, activists, supporters, and local residents participated in the event, making it a vibrant and spirited gathering. The programme paid tribute to the sacrifices and struggles that led to the formation of Telangana state.

Addressing the gathering, Veerareddy Narendra Reddy said Telangana was achieved after decades of struggle, sacrifices, and the martyrdom of countless individuals. He urged people to remember the

sacrifices of the martyrs and emphasised that it is the collective responsibility of society to carry forward their aspirations.

He called upon citizens to work together for the development of the state while safeguarding the self-respect of Telangana. Referring to the historic slogan "Water, Funds, Jobs," he said the Telangana movement represented the aspirations of millions and continues to inspire future generations.

Narendra Reddy stressed the importance of passing on the spirit of the movement to the youth and reiterated the need to remain committed to the progress of the state. He also paid homage to the activists who played a key role in achieving statehood.

Several senior leaders including Kishan Rao, Kunta Siddhiramulu, Sudhakar Goud, Gnaneshwar, Sammaiah, Govardhan Reddy, Kumar, Ra-



machandra Reddy, Madhukrishna, Kunta Venu, Chandrasekhara Reddy, Veeramsetti, Shankar, Ramana Rao, and women leaders Padma and Indira Reddy were present at the event.

The programme concluded with a strong message of unity and commitment towards building a progressive Telangana, with participants reaffirming their dedication to the ideals of the movement.

Flag Hoisting Marks Telangana Formation Day Celebrations in Suraram

Quthbullapur, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with enthusiasm in Shivalayam Nagar under the 129 Suraram Division of Quthbullapur constituency, where a grand flag hoisting programme was organised on the occasion.

The event was conducted under the leadership of Maheshwar Reddy. Former Division Corporator Mantri Satyanarayana and BRS Division President Puppala Bhaskar participated in the programme and hoisted the national tricolour along with the BRS party flag.

Leaders and participants paid tribute to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the formation of Telangana and recalled their contributions to the statehood movement. They expressed hope that Telangana would continue to progress further on the path of development.

Several local leaders including Srikanth Mudiraj, Pawan, Ravi Kumar, Prasad, and Lakshman were present at the programme.

The event witnessed participation from party workers and local residents, reflecting the spirit of Telangana Formation Day and reaffirming commitment towards the state's growth and development.



Neglect of Martyrs' Memorial on Telangana Formation Day Triggers Row in Dundigal

Quthbullapur, June 02 | TPN Bureau



A controversy broke out in Dundigal Circle on Telangana Formation Day after officials allegedly neglected the martyrs' memorial located in the premises of the MRO office.

The absence of basic arrangements and failure to offer floral tributes to the martyrs drew sharp criticism from leaders and local residents.

On a day meant to honour the sacrifices of those who laid down their lives for the formation of Telangana, the memorial was reportedly left unattended, without garlands or proper maintenance. The incident sparked outrage among political leaders.

MLC Shambhipur Raju expressed strong displeasure over the negligence and im-

mediately rushed to the spot along with BRS leaders. He personally supervised the cleaning of the martyrs' memorial by pouring water and later paid floral tributes to honour the martyrs.

Speaking on the occasion, Shambhipur Raju termed the incident unfortunate and said it was painful to see such disregard towards martyrs on a historic day like Telangana Formation Day. He remarked that the state itself was formed due to their sacrifices, and neglecting their memory reflects poorly on the administration.

He recalled that during the previous BRS government, martyrs' memorials were decorated and commemorative programmes were organised to keep the spirit of the Telangana movement alive. He em-

phasised that it is the responsibility of officials to continue such traditions.

The MLC said he had lodged a complaint with the District Collector regarding the issue and warned that such lapses would be taken seriously if repeated in the future. He also visited the circle office and reviewed the functioning of the concerned officials.

The incident has become a topic of local discussion, with residents demanding that authorities act more responsibly in honouring the sacrifices of Telangana martyrs.

Dundigal Circle BJP president Pesari Krishna Reddy, along with BJP leaders, former corporators, former councillors, and BRS leaders, were present during the programme

Telangana Achieved Through Martyrs' Sacrifices Leaders Call for Development with Movement Spirit Formation Day Celebrated in Dundigal

Quthbullapur, June 02 | TPN Bureau



They also stated that welfare schemes implemented by the Central government for marginalised communities, women, farmers, and the elderly are contributing to the overall development of Telangana. Calling upon the youth to carry forward the spirit of the movement, the speakers urged them to actively participate in the state's progress.

Leaders at the Telangana Formation Day celebrations held in Dundigal Circle said the creation of Telangana was not merely a political struggle but a historic achievement made possible by the sacrifices of thousands of youth.

Speaking at the event, they noted that the state was realised through the martyrdom of those who laid down their lives for the cause. They said it is because of these sacrifices that people today are able to celebrate the formation of their own state with freedom and dignity.

The leaders emphasised that governments must work in line with the aspirations of the martyrs by ensuring public welfare and inclusive development. They underlined the need to focus on balanced growth and social justice to honour the ideals of the Telangana movement.



District General Secretary Vighneshwar Chari, senior leaders Akula Mallesha, Bhanu Goud, BJP Municipality General Secretary Kummari Sadanandam, Akula Vijay, Talari Raj Kumar, Eluri Sridhar, Akula Yashwanth, Eluri Vishnu, Ch. Kiran, Nagendra Babu, Mahesh, and Srikanth were among those present at the programme.

The event concluded with a message of unity and a renewed commitment to work towards the development of Telangana while upholding the values of the statehood movement.

Doctors Must Lead Social Awareness, Says Mahesh Kumar Goud

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud praised the effective formation of the party's Doctors Cell, describing it as a well-structured and meaningful initiative. Speaking at a meeting held in Hyderabad, he said constituting such a committee requires serious effort and commitment, and appreciated the doctors who have dedicated their time to the party.

He thanked the medical professionals for their involvement and noted that their expertise would strengthen the party's connection with society. On a personal note, Goud shared that he had once aspired to become a doctor but could not achieve it due to unforeseen circumstances.

He observed that the number of highly qualified doctors is steadily increasing and pointed out that Hyderabad has grown into a major medical hub. He credited Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's leadership for giving priority to healthcare, education, and agriculture. "Despite a debt burden of nearly Rs 6 lakh



crore, the government is continuing welfare and development programmes," he said.

Stressing the need for accessible healthcare, Goud said that medical services must reach the poor. He recalled that flagship schemes like Aarogyasri and fee reimbursement remind people of former Chief Minister Y.S. Rajasekhara Reddy.

Calling upon intellectuals and educated citizens to play a proactive role, he urged them to spread awareness against caste- and religion-based politics. "There is a need to educate people about secular values and social harmony," he said.

Taking a critical stance on political narratives, Goud alleged that some leaders be-

lieve that invoking slogans like 'Jai Shri Ram' can justify any action. He appealed to citizens to remain aware and uphold democratic principles.

Several doctors and party leaders attended the meeting and discussed ways to further strengthen the Doctors Cell and expand its role in public service and awareness initiatives.

War of Words Between Congress and Jana Sena Leaders at Gun Park



Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Tension prevailed at Gun Park in Hyderabad as leaders of the Congress and Jana Sena Party engaged in a heated argument on Tuesday. The confrontation took place between BC Commission Chairman and Congress leader Niranjan and leaders of the Jana Sena Party, leading to a brief but intense exchange of words.

The incident occurred when media representatives were taking a statement from Telangana Jana Sena Party president Shankar Goud regarding the denial of permission by Telangana police for Jana Sena chief Pawan Kalyan's scheduled

programme in the city.

While the media was interviewing Shankar Goud, Niranjan intervened and objected to the media giving him a platform to speak. This led to Jana Sena leaders stepping forward and raising slogans against the Congress government. In response, Congress leaders also raised counter-slogans, escalating the situation into a verbal confrontation.

Both sides accused each other of politicising the issue, resulting in a charged atmosphere at the venue. However, the situation did not turn violent, and police personnel present at the spot ensured that the situation remained under control.

Leaders from both Con-

gress and Jana Sena had gathered at Gun Park to pay tributes to the martyrs of Telangana when the incident unfolded.

Meanwhile, it may be recalled that Telangana police had denied permission for the 'Telangana Nava Nirmana Sankalpa Sabha' proposed to be held by Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Jana Sena chief Pawan Kalyan. Following the denial, the Telangana Jana Sena unit approached the High Court seeking permission to conduct the meeting.

The incident highlights the growing political friction between the two parties in Telangana over public meetings and political activities.

Congress Celebrates Telangana Formation Day in Sangareddy

Sangareddy, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Formation Day was celebrated with enthusiasm at the Sangareddy District Congress Committee office on Monday, as party leaders and cadres gathered to mark the occasion and remember the sacrifices that led to the creation of the state.

Telangana State Industrial Infrastructure Corporation (TGIIIC) Chairperson and Sangareddy District Congress Committee (DCC) President Nirmala Jaggareddy led the celebrations. She hoisted the national flag at the district Congress office in the presence of senior leaders,

party workers, and supporters.

During the programme, leaders paid floral tributes to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the Telangana statehood movement. A moment of silence was observed in their memory, acknowledging their role in achieving the long-standing demand for a separate state.

Addressing the gathering, Nirmala Jaggareddy stated that the Congress party fulfilled the decades-long dream of the people of Telangana by granting statehood, honoring the promise made by former Congress president Sonia Gandhi. She described the formation of Telangana as a historic milestone that re-

flected the party's commitment to democratic values and people's aspirations.

She further noted that the current Congress government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, is working in line with the ideals of the martyrs. The government, she said, is prioritizing welfare and development, with a focus on uplifting the underprivileged sections of society.

Jaggareddy emphasized that the Congress party remains dedicated to protecting the interests of Telangana and ensuring inclusive growth. She called upon party workers to strengthen the organization at the grassroots level and continue the

legacy of the Telangana movement.

Several leaders attended the event, including TPCC General Secretary Topaji Ananth Kishan, Block Congress Committee President George, Town Congress President Kiran Goud, and leaders Koon Santhosh and Mahesh Mudiraj. Councillors Ramesh, Vamshi, and Ravi Naik, along with other party members and activists, also participated in the celebrations.

The event concluded with slogans in support of the Congress leadership and a renewed commitment to the development of Telangana.



BRS Slams Congress at Telangana Formation Day Event in Bhadrachalam

Bhadrachalam, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Leaders of the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) launched a sharp attack on the ruling Congress government during Telangana Formation Day celebrations held at Ambedkar Centre in Bhadrachalam on Monday.

The event, organised by the BRS, was marked by floral tributes to Dr B.R. Ambedkar's statue and a milk abhishekam to portraits of Telangana martyrs. Party leaders and cadre later cut a cake, hoisted the party flag, and paid homage to those who sacrificed their lives for the formation of the state.

Addressing the gathering, BRS leaders Ravulapalli Ramprasad and Mane Ramakrishna strongly criticised the Congress government, alleging that it had failed to deliver on its election promises. They said the Congress had come to power by announcing "six guarantees" in its manifesto, which they described as unrealistic and misleading.



The leaders claimed that despite being in office for a considerable period, the government had not effectively implemented these schemes at the grassroots level. They accused the Congress of betraying public trust and misleading people with false assurances during the elections.

Drawing a comparison with the previous BRS regime, the speakers said Telangana had witnessed significant growth and prosperity under the lead-

ership of former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao. They alleged that the present Congress leadership had weakened the state due to what they termed as administrative inefficiency.

The BRS leaders further said that people across Telangana were closely observing the functioning of the current government and would respond decisively in the coming days. They expressed confidence that the electorate would hold the Congress accountable for what they described as "deceptive governance."

A large number of local party leaders, activists, and residents participated in the programme, turning it into a significant political gathering in the temple town.

The event concluded with BRS leaders reiterating their commitment to safeguarding the interests of Telangana and upholding the aspirations of the statehood movement.

Makthal, June 02 | TPN Bureau

State Minister for Sports, Dairy Development and Animal Husbandry Vakiti Srihari on Monday said his primary goal is to transform Makthal constituency into a fertile and prosperous region. He was speaking at a review meeting held at his camp office in Makthal with local leaders and farmers ahead of the Chief Minister's proposed visit on June 4.

The Minister stated that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is firmly committed to the development of Narayanpet district. As part of this effort, the Chief Minister will undertake an aerial survey of key irrigation projects in the Makthal region. Srihari explained that the proposed projects include bridge-cum-barrages across the Krishna River at Kolpur-Korthikonda with a capacity of 1.8 TMC, as well as at Murari Doddi-Ganjipalli and Devasuguru. Similar

Minister Vows to Transform Makthal into Green Belt Ahead of CM Visit



structures are also planned across the Bhima River at Sukur Lingampalli and Kusumurthi.

He noted that constructing barrages along the Telangana-Karnataka border would significantly address both irrigation and drinking water needs in the district. The Minister added that since 51% of the project area falls within Telangana and 49% in Karnataka,

the plans have been designed to ensure equitable benefits to both states. He emphasised that the government is preparing a comprehensive strategy to fully utilise Telangana's share of river waters.

Srihari further revealed that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, along with Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy and representatives from Karnataka, will hold detailed review meet-

ings on June 4 and 5 regarding major irrigation projects in the undivided Palamuru region.

Highlighting ongoing initiatives, the Minister said that the Makthal-Narayanpet-Kodangal lift irrigation scheme is being taken up at a cost of 5,000 crore. Additionally, the government has sanctioned 175 crore for the Jangamreddypalli Lift Irrigation Scheme in Narva mandal, which is expected to provide irrigation facilities to around 7,500 acres across 13 villages. Calling for public participation, Srihari urged farmers and residents from the concerned mandals to turn out in large numbers during the Chief Minister's aerial survey. He appealed to people to welcome the Chief Minister with enthusiasm and make the visit a grand success, expressing confidence that these initiatives would bring long-term benefits to the farming community and ensure sustainable agricultural growth in the region.

Enumamula Market Committee Gets New Governing Body on Telangana Formation Day

Warangal, June 02 | TPN Bureau

On the occasion of Telangana State Formation Day, the state government on Tuesday issued orders appointing a new governing body for the Warangal (Enumamula) Agricultural Market Committee, marking a key administrative development in the agricultural marketing sector. The government appointed Errapriyanka as the Chairperson and Bandi Janardhan as the Vice Chairperson of the committee. The announcement was made by Agriculture, Marketing, Co-operation, Handlooms and Textiles Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao, who said the move is aimed at strengthening market operations and improving services for farmers. Minister Tummala stated that the government remains committed to making the agricultural marketing system more efficient, transparent, and farmer-friendly. He emphasized that the objective is to ensure better price realization for farmers, streamline procurement processes, and improve infrastructure in market yards across the state.

He further informed that the government has been expediting the formation of governing bodies in agricultural market committees without delay. So far, 191 market committees have received new governing councils, reflecting a large-scale administrative restructuring effort in the state's agricultural ecosystem. The Warangal (Enumamula) Agricultural Market Yard is considered one of the most important trading hubs in Telangana, handling

large volumes of agricultural produce from across the region. The newly constituted governing body is expected to play a crucial role in resolving farmers' issues, ensuring smooth operations, and improving transparency in key processes such as weighing, storage, and auctioning of agricultural commodities.

The minister expressed confidence that the new committee will work closely with farmers, traders, and officials to address local challenges effectively. He noted that strengthening agricultural infrastructure remains a top priority for the state government, along with ensuring sustainable growth in the rural economy. Tummala also highlighted ongoing efforts to modernize market yards by improving storage facilities, transportation connectivity, and introducing digital systems for auctions to enhance transparency and efficiency in transactions. He extended his best wishes to the newly appointed Chairperson Errapriyanka, Vice Chairperson Bandi Janardhan, and all committee members, urging them to work with dedication and a strong sense of responsibility towards the welfare of farmers. The government's decision to constitute the new governing body on Telangana Formation Day was described as a symbolic step, reflecting its continued focus on agricultural development and institutional strengthening across the state. Officials said the move aligns with broader efforts to support farmers and boost agricultural productivity in Telangana.

Differently-Abled Artist Presents Toe-Painted Portrait to Governor on Telangana Formation Day

Hyderabad, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana State Formation Day celebrations were held at Lok Bhavan Sanskriti Community Hall on Monday with great enthusiasm, bringing together officials, artists, and dignitaries to mark the occasion.

A key highlight of the event was a unique artistic presentation by Kumari Vaishnavi, a Junior Assistant in the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) and a differently-abled artist. She presented a portrait of Telangana Governor Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla,



which was remarkably painted using her toes, showcasing her

exceptional talent and determination.

The Governor received the artwork with appreciation and personally interacted with Vaishnavi during the event. In recognition of her artistic achievement and inspiring effort, Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla presented her with a memento and extended his congratulations and blessings.

GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan also appreciated Vaishnavi's talent and felicitated her on the occasion, praising her dedication and creativity despite physical challenges. He stated that her achievement stands as an in-

spiration to many and reflects the spirit of perseverance.

Officials present at the event lauded the celebration as a meaningful tribute to Telangana Formation Day, highlighting not only the state's progress but also the talents of its citizens. They noted that such platforms encourage inclusive recognition of artists from all backgrounds.

The event concluded with appreciation for cultural contributions and reaffirmation of support for differently-abled individuals in government service and creative fields.

Telangana Formation Day is a Symbol of People's Sacrifice and Democratic Struggle Says Ramchander Rao

New Delhi, June 02 | TPN Bureau

Telangana BJP President Shri N. Ramchander Rao on Tuesday addressed the Telangana Formation Day celebrations held at Telangana Bhavan in New Delhi, extending warm greetings to the people of Telangana on the occasion of the State Formation Day.

Welcoming BJP National President Shri Nitin Nabin to the programme, Shri Ramchander Rao said his presence had made the celebrations more significant and meaningful.

Paying rich tributes to the martyrs of the Telangana statehood movement, he said the formation of Telangana was the result of a historic people's movement driven by the aspirations of students, youth, and citizens from all sections of society. He noted that the statehood struggle witnessed immense sacrifices, with over 1,200 youth reportedly laying



down their lives for the cause. "Telangana is not just another state. It represents the aspirations, self-respect, and sacrifices of its people," he said, adding that the dream of statehood became a reality only because of a sustained democratic movement.

Shri Ramchander Rao further stated that Telangana was achieved through a constitutional and parliamentary process, highlighting the role

played by various political leaders in the formation of the state. He specially recalled the contribution of former Leader of Opposition Smt. Sushma Swaraj, stating that her strong and consistent support for Telangana in Parliament ensured that the voice of the movement was heard at the national level. "If Sushma Swaraj had not stood firmly for Telangana, the demand might not have received such strong recognition

in Parliament. Her contribution will always be remembered with gratitude," he said. Emphasizing the need to move beyond the struggle phase, he said Telangana must now focus on development and long-term progress. He stated that the Central Government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi remains fully committed to the growth and development of Telangana. Calling for collective effort,

he urged people to work towards building a "Viksit Telangana" as part of the broader vision of "Viksit Bharat," where all states progress together in harmony and development.

He also stressed the importance of maintaining cordial relations between Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, saying both Telugu-speaking states should move forward with friendship and healthy competition in development.

"There should be no hatred between the two states. Instead, both Telangana and Andhra Pradesh should progress together, contributing to a stronger and developed India," he said.

The leader concluded by thanking all dignitaries, including Union Minister Shri G. Kishan Reddy, MP Shri Raghunandan Rao, and BJP National President Shri Nitin Nabin, for attending the programme and making the occasion memorable.

Waste to Wealth A New Energy Future

There was a time when waste was considered a major obstacle to urban development. Due to rapid population growth, urbanization, and a consumer-driven lifestyle, millions of tons of waste are generated every day across the world. Managing this waste—where to dispose of it and how to handle it—has become a significant challenge for governments and municipalities.

However, several countries have transformed this challenge into an opportunity. Instead of treating waste merely as garbage, they regard it as a valuable energy resource and generate electricity from it. In other words, they are producing energy from waste.

Today, countries such as Japan, China, Singapore, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, and the Netherlands are among the global leaders in waste-to-energy generation. Particularly in nations where land is scarce, waste is incinerated and converted into electricity rather than being dumped in landfills.

In Singapore, approximately 2.8 percent of the country's electricity generation capacity comes from waste-to-energy plants. These facilities reduce waste volume by nearly 90 percent while simultaneously generating electricity. As a result, the need for large dumping yards has been drastically reduced.

Sweden presents an even more interesting example. The country imports waste from other nations because its domestic waste supply is insufficient to meet the requirements of its waste-to-energy plants. Japan operates hundreds of such facilities, while China has emerged as the world's largest waste-to-energy market.

The experience of these countries conveys a clear message: with proper tech-



nology, environmental safeguards, public participation, and long-term planning, waste can be transformed from a problem into an energy opportunity.

India is also moving in this direction. The country generates millions of tons of municipal solid waste every day, yet a significant portion still ends up in dumping yards. In recent years, however, both the Central and State Governments have actively promoted waste-to-energy projects.

Cities such as Delhi, Hyderabad, Guntur, Indore, and Lucknow already have operational waste-to-energy plants. Various studies indicate that India currently has more than two dozen operational waste-to-energy facilities.

Among the projects in the Telugu States, the Jindal

Waste-to-Energy Plant in Guntur district deserves special mention. It is recognized as the largest waste-to-energy facility in Andhra Pradesh. The plant processes approximately 1,200 tons of waste per day and generates about 15 megawatts of electricity. Waste collected from Guntur, Vijayawada, and several other municipalities is utilized here.

Commercial operations at the plant commenced in 2022, providing a new direction for waste management in the state. Encouraged by its success, the Andhra Pradesh Government has decided to expand this model further.

The government has already invited tenders for a new 15-megawatt waste-to-energy plant in Vijayawada. At present, much of the city's

waste is transported to the Guntur Jindal facility. Establishing a local plant would reduce transportation costs and improve the efficiency of waste management.

Similarly, another 15-megawatt project is being developed by a Jindal Group subsidiary in the Kakinada-Rajamahendravaram cluster. The project is estimated to cost around 430 crore. It is expected to address waste management challenges in the Godavari districts while simultaneously increasing electricity generation.

Findings from inspections conducted by Pollution Control Board officials reveal the severity of the region's environmental challenges. Approximately 104 million liters of sewage from municipali-

ties and 8.38 million liters from rural areas in six coastal districts are being discharged into the Godavari River every day.

The Andhra Paper Mills alone reportedly releases about 32 million liters of waste daily, while aquaculture activities in Konaseema and West Godavari districts contribute nearly 13.24 million liters of pollution into the river each day.

Major urban centers such as Rajamahendravaram (which generates about 75 million liters of sewage daily, of which nearly 50 million liters flows directly into the river), Tanuku (11.1 million liters), Bhimavaram (14 million liters), Narasapuram (8.5 million liters), and Kovvur (6 million liters) discharge wastewater into the Godavari

through drains such as Yanamaduru and Gosthani.

Recognizing the urgency of the issue, Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan has directed that urban wastewater must be fully treated before being discharged into rivers. Minister Kandula Durgesh has also reiterated the importance of this objective.

The Andhra Pradesh Government plans to establish additional waste-to-energy plants in Kurnool, Nellore, Kadapa, and Rajamahendravaram in the future. As part of the Swachh Andhra initiative, efforts are underway to eliminate dumping yards wherever possible and convert waste into a valuable energy resource. If district collectors in high-waste-generating regions prioritize these initia-

tives, implementation can be accelerated significantly.

Nevertheless, waste-to-energy projects also present certain challenges. The incineration process can lead to air pollution if not properly managed. Therefore, advanced filtration systems and modern pollution-control equipment are essential components of such facilities.

In Delhi, for instance, some waste-to-energy plants have faced criticism from local residents and environmental groups. Consequently, equal importance must be given to environmental protection alongside electricity generation.

Another crucial factor is waste segregation. If households fail to separate wet and dry waste at the source, the efficiency of waste-to-energy plants declines considerably. In countries such as Singapore and Japan, citizens segregate their waste before disposal, enabling plants to operate much more effectively.

If the goal of converting waste into wealth is pursued successfully, problems associated with dumping yards—including groundwater contamination, foul odors, and public health risks—can be substantially reduced. Cities will become cleaner and more sustainable.

Ultimately, the future lies in viewing waste not as a problem but as a resource. Many countries have already demonstrated the success of this approach. With proper planning, advanced technology, and active public participation, the concept of "electricity from waste" can play a vital role in the development and sustainability of Andhra Pradesh and India in the years ahead.

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Women Dairy Project that Transformed Lives in Drought-Hit Prakasam

The then Governor Dr. C. Rangarajan releasing the audio cassettes on Women rights. The then Collector of Prakasam Sunil Sharma distributing breeding bulls to the WDCS members.

Development initiatives succeed when they reach the poorest families and create lasting change. One such remarkable experience in my life was implementing the Women Dairy Project in the drought-prone Markapur division of erstwhile Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh between 1997 and 2001.

Prakasam district was among the most backward regions of Andhra Pradesh during the 1990s. Markapur division, predominantly rain-fed and drought-prone, faced severe socio-economic challenges. Agricultural labourers struggled to find work for several months every year due to scanty rainfall and recurring droughts. As a result, thousands of families migrated seasonally to distant districts in search of livelihood.

Migration brought immense hardship, especially for women and children. Children dropped out of schools, child labour increased, and women faced exploitation and humiliation in unfamiliar places. Malnutrition was widespread, healthcare facilities were almost non-existent, and infant and maternal mortality rates remained alarmingly high. Literacy among weaker sections was barely 6 to 7 percent.

At this critical juncture, the Government of India sanctioned the Women Dairy Project under the STEP program through APDDCF. Our NGO, Good India, was entrusted with implementing the project in Prakasam district. I had the opportunity to lead this initiative

during its formative years.

The project aimed not merely at dairy development, but at empowering rural women socially and economically while reducing distress migration. From the beginning, we adopted a participatory and integrated approach. District authorities extended strong support, and review meetings were regularly conducted under the chairmanship of the District Collector. Coordination among various government departments became a key strength of the program.

The first step was conducting a socio-economic survey in selected villages of Markapur division. We found several dormant thrift and DWACRA groups that lacked direction and support. These groups became the foundation for the project. Priority was given to widows, women-headed households, and migrant labour families.

A total of 793 women from 15 villages were organized into Women Dairy Cooperative Societies (WDCS). Each society consisted of 40 to 60 women. Democratic leadership was encouraged, and educated women were selected and trained as secretaries, milk testers, voluntary veterinary workers, and adult education instructors.

Extensive training programs were organized in collaboration with Ongole Dairy and various government departments. Women received practical training in cattle management, fodder cultivation, milk testing, bookkeeping, and cooperative management. Improved fodder seed varieties were distributed free of cost. Although attempts were made to develop community fodder plots on government land, poor soil conditions limited



success.

Every society was equipped with milk testing equipment, registers, milk cans, veterinary first-aid kits, furniture, and transport support. The enthusiasm displayed by rural women deeply impressed the district administration.

Recognizing the project's potential, the District Collector sanctioned 793 dairy units under the Integrated Rural Development Program with 50 percent subsidy. Additional financial support came from SC, ST, and BC corporations in the form of margin money assistance. Ongole Dairy provided short-term loans and also agreed to procure milk from all societies. Ultimately, the beneficiary women had to bear only a small portion of the total dairy unit cost.

Importantly, the women themselves were given the freedom to select and purchase bul-

faloos suitable to their local conditions. This built confidence and ownership among beneficiaries. Soon, all societies began collecting milk twice daily and supplying it to Ongole Dairy. The societies were registered under the Mutually Aided Cooperative Societies Act and affiliated with Ongole Dairy.

The project soon evolved into a vibrant women's movement. To encourage healthy competition, awards were introduced for best milk producers and suppliers, including income-generating "Giriraja" poultry birds.

One of the most inspiring aspects was financial discipline. Although there was a one-year moratorium for loan repayment, most women began repaying immediately after receiving dairy animals. The village of Y. Kothapalli repaid the entire loan within one year,

becoming a model for other villages. Animal healthcare was another important intervention. Ongole Dairy appointed a full-time veterinary doctor for the project villages. Additionally, six women were trained as voluntary veterinary workers by the Animal Husbandry Department, enabling them to provide first-level services within their communities.

Exposure visits were organized under farmer induction programs to successful dairy projects and milk chilling centers. Women also visited Kalva village in Kurnool district, which had earned international appreciation under a UNDP program. These visits expanded their horizons and confidence.

Understanding that development required community trust, we undertook several entry-point activities such as



medical camps, eye camps, and drinking water facilities. Nutrition awareness became another major focus area. Experts from Home Science College, Bapatla conducted training programs on balanced diets, child nutrition, and weaning foods prepared from locally available grains. Educational booklets on nutrition and childcare were distributed widely.

Women's empowerment was not confined to economic activity alone. Legal literacy programs were conducted to educate women about their rights and provide legal assistance wherever needed. Books and audio cassettes on women's rights were prepared and distributed.

Adult education centers were also established with the aim of achieving functional literacy. Women who once used thumb impressions gradually learned to sign their names and maintain society records confidently.

The impact of the Women Dairy Project was visible within a few years. Seasonal migration reduced significantly. Child labour declined, and school dropout rates came down. Women gained sustainable income and greater deci-

sion-making power within families. Nutrition levels improved, and awareness about maternal and child healthcare contributed to reductions in infant and maternal mortality. Artificial insemination programs also helped improve cattle breeds and milk productivity.

Perhaps the greatest achievement was the transformation in women's confidence and social status. Witnessing the success of these women, many more thrift and DWACRA groups emerged across the region.

The efforts of the project received recognition at the highest level. On September 2, 1998, His Excellency Dr. C. Rangarajan, the then Governor of Andhra Pradesh, appreciated the initiative at a function held at Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad, where books and audio cassettes on women's legal rights were released.

Even today, the memories of the Women Dairy Project remain deeply satisfying. It demonstrated that when rural women are provided opportunity, training, institutional support, and dignity, they can transform not only their own lives but entire communities.



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Indian Railways Records Growth in Freight and Passenger Traffic in May 2026



Indian Railways continued its growth trajectory in May 2026, registering higher freight loading and increased passenger traffic despite challenges posed by global geopolitical developments and their impact on supply chains.

According to official data, Indian Railways loaded 145 million tonnes of freight during May 2026, marking a 1.3 percent increase compared to the corresponding month last year. The growth was driven by strong performance across key commodity segments, including iron ore, steel, fertilizers, and other miscellaneous goods.

Among the major freight categories, the Balance Other Goods segment emerged as the

top performer, recording a robust 16 percent growth over May 2025. Iron ore loading increased by 4.8 percent, while Pig Iron and Finished Steel registered a growth of 3.5 percent. Fertilizer transportation also witnessed a healthy rise of 6.2 percent, highlighting the Railways' crucial role in supporting agriculture and industrial sectors across the country.

Coal remained the largest contributor to railway freight traffic, with loading growing by nearly 1 percent year-on-year. To ensure uninterrupted power generation and national energy security, Indian Railways continued to prioritize coal transportation to thermal power plants, closely monitor-

ing movements across its network.

The national transporter achieved these gains despite logistical challenges arising from the ongoing geopolitical situation in West Asia. Through continuous operational monitoring, efficient asset utilization, and enhanced coordination, Indian Railways ensured the smooth movement of essential commodities nationwide.

The Railways also intensified oversight of domestic and export-import (EXIM) container traffic, helping maintain supply chain efficiency and support economic activity across regions.

On the passenger front, Indian Railways carried more

than 61 crore passengers during May 2026, compared to around 59 crore passengers in May 2025. The increase was largely driven by the Non-Suburban segment, where passenger numbers rose from 28 crore to 30 crore, reflecting a growth of 7.4 percent.

The strong passenger growth underscores the continued popularity of rail travel for both short-distance and long-distance journeys. To accommodate the seasonal rush, Indian Railways operated numerous Summer Special Trains across key routes, ensuring greater connectivity and convenience for travelers.

Passenger services were further strengthened through the expansion of modern train networks. Indian Railways is currently operating 164 Vande Bharat services across the country, including the recently launched Sleeper Vande Bharat service connecting Howrah and Kamakhya. Additionally, the number of Amrit Bharat services has reached 68, with three new trains introduced during May. With rising freight volumes, growing passenger patronage, and ongoing modernization efforts, Indian Railways continues to reinforce its position as the backbone of India's transportation system, playing a vital role in economic growth, connectivity, and national development.

PM Narendra Modi Extends Telangana Statehood Day Greetings, Reaffirms Support for State's Growth

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday extended his warm greetings to the people of Telangana on the occasion of Telangana Statehood Day, praising the state's spirit of innovation, rich cultural heritage, and remarkable journey of progress.

In a message shared on social media platform X, the Prime Minister lauded the people of Telangana for their enterprise and determination, describing the state as a land known for its courage, resilience, and vibrant traditions. He highlighted Telangana's significant contribution to India's development and acknowledged the achievements made by its people across various sectors.

"Greetings to the people of Telangana on the special occasion of Telangana Statehood Day. The people of Telangana are known for their spirit of innovation and enterprise. The State is known for its glorious culture and history—one of courage and determination," Prime Minister Modi said in his message.

The Prime Minister also reiterated the Central Government's commitment to support-

ing Telangana's continued development and economic growth. He stated that the Centre would continue to work closely with the state in advancing the vision of a developed India, or 'Viksit Bharat'.

Emphasizing the importance of cooperative federalism, Modi noted that Telangana plays a vital role in India's growth story, particularly in sectors such as information technology, innovation, industry, agriculture, and infrastructure development. He expressed confidence that the state would continue to make significant contributions to the nation's progress in the years ahead.

Telangana, which was officially formed on June 2, 2014, became India's 29th state after being carved out of the erstwhile united Andhra Pradesh. Since its formation, the state has emerged as a major economic and technological hub, with Hyderabad gaining global recognition for its thriving IT ecosystem, startup culture, and investment-friendly environment.

Marking the occasion, celebrations were held across Telangana, with government insti-



tutions, educational establishments, and various organizations commemorating the state's formation and achievements over the past decade. Leaders from different political parties also extended their greetings to the people of the state. Concluding his message, the Prime Minister prayed for the good health, happiness, and success of the people of Telangana and expressed hope for the state's continued prosperity and development.

The Telangana Statehood Day celebrations serve as a reminder of the state's unique identity, cultural heritage, and aspirations as it continues its journey of growth and progress within the framework of a developed and self-reliant India.

Mehbooba Mufti Urges United J&K Outreach to Centre, Cites Progress in Ladakh Talks

Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) chief and former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti has called for a united political effort to engage with the Centre, drawing inspiration from the recent progress made in talks between the Central Government and representatives from Ladakh.

In letters addressed to Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah and Leader of Opposition Sunil Sharma of the BJP, Mufti stressed that political parties in the Union Territory should set aside their differences and collectively seek dialogue with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

Referring to the ongoing discussions between the Centre and the Leh Apex Body (LAB) and Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA), which have been advocating for statehood and

Sixth Schedule protections for Ladakh, Mufti said the developments offer an important lesson for Jammu and Kashmir. She argued that meaningful outcomes can only be achieved through sustained dialogue and engagement.

In her letter, Mufti expressed concern over what she described as growing despair and disillusionment among the people of Jammu and Kashmir. She said the region is once again at a critical juncture and requires a broad political consensus that transcends party lines to address pressing issues and restore public confidence.

The PDP leader urged Omar Abdullah to convene an all-party meeting involving political stakeholders from across Jammu and Kashmir. According to her, such a platform would help initiate a coordinated outreach to the Central Gov-

ernment and create a unified voice on issues affecting the region.

Mufti's appeal is significant because it extends beyond traditional political allies and includes the BJP, a party with which her PDP has often been at odds since the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019. In her message to BJP leader Sunil Sharma, she emphasized the need to rise above ideological differences in the larger interest of the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

She also noted that previous political divisions and rivalries had weakened collective efforts to address Jammu and Kashmir's concerns. Drawing a parallel with Ladakh's united approach, Mufti argued that a similar consensus-driven strategy could help advance the region's aspirations and strengthen its



engagement with New Delhi.

The call comes amid renewed political discussions in Jammu and Kashmir over issues such as restoration of statehood and broader democratic rights. Mufti's latest initiative highlights an emerging push for greater political cooperation as regional parties seek to shape the future course of the Union Territory.

Nepal's RSP Delegation Meets BJP Leaders, Discusses Cultural Ties and Youth Engagement

A delegation from Nepal's Rastriya Swatantra Party (RSP) held discussions with senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaders in New Delhi, focusing on strengthening India-Nepal relations through cultural exchanges, youth engagement, and political cooperation.

The meeting was led by RSP Vice-Chairperson Swarnim Wagle and included interactions with BJP leader and Bihar Minister Nitin Nabin. The discussions covered a wide range of topics, including people-to-people connections, cross-border cultural ties, and the evolving role of young voters in shaping democratic politics in both countries.

According to participants, the talks highlighted the deep historical, cultural, and civilizational links shared by India and Nepal. Both sides emphasized the importance of preserving these ties while exploring new avenues for collaboration in education, tourism, entrepreneurship, and youth development.

A significant part of the discussion centered on the growing influence of Generation Z and young voters in the political landscape of South Asia. The leaders exchanged views on how political parties can better engage with younger generations through transparent governance, digital communication, and policies that address employment, innova-



tion, and economic opportunities.

The RSP delegation also sought to understand the BJP's organizational structure, election management strategies, and outreach initiatives. The interaction formed part of the Nepalese party's broader effort to study political systems and governance models in neighboring countries.

Nitin Nabin reaffirmed India's commitment to maintaining strong and friendly relations with Nepal, stressing that the relationship goes beyond diplomacy and is rooted in shared culture, traditions, and familial bonds. He noted that regular exchanges between political leaders and institutions help strengthen mutual understanding and cooperation.

The meeting comes at a time when India and Nepal continue to expand cooperation across multiple sectors, including connectivity, trade, energy, infrastructure, and tourism. Both nations have witnessed growing collaboration in recent years through several bi-

lateral projects aimed at boosting regional development and economic integration.

Political observers view such interactions as important confidence-building measures that contribute to stronger ties between democratic institutions in the two neighboring countries. The exchange of ideas on governance, public policy, and youth participation reflects the changing dynamics of politics in the region.

The RSP, one of Nepal's emerging political forces, has gained prominence by advocating governance reforms, transparency, and greater accountability in public life. Its engagement with Indian political leaders is seen as part of efforts to build international understanding and foster regional cooperation.

The meeting concluded with both sides expressing optimism about future interactions and reaffirming the importance of maintaining close people-to-people and cultural connections that have historically defined India-Nepal relations.

Centre Revises Registration Rules for Foreigners Staying in India Beyond 180 Days

The Central Government has revised regulations governing the registration of foreign nationals staying in India for extended periods, aiming to simplify compliance and improve monitoring of long-term visitors.

Under the updated rules, foreign nationals holding long-term visas and staying in India for more than 180 days will be required to register with the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) or the Foreigners Registration Office (FRO), depending on their place of residence. The revised framework seeks to streamline procedures and align registration requirements with evolving immigration and security needs.

The changes are part of the government's broader efforts to modernize foreigner registration processes through digital platforms and improved administrative mechanisms. Authorities said the updated rules will make it easier for eligible foreign nationals to complete registration formalities while ensuring accurate records of their stay in the country.

Officials emphasized that registration remains an important requirement for foreigners residing in India for extended durations, including



those visiting for employment, education, research, medical treatment, business, or other long-term purposes. The move is expected to enhance transparency and facilitate better coordination among immigration authorities.

The revised provisions also clarify timelines and documentation requirements, helping reduce confusion among visa holders. Foreign nationals covered under the rules are ad-

vised to complete registration within the prescribed period to avoid penalties or complications related to their visa status.

The government noted that the changes are intended to balance ease of compliance with national security considerations. By maintaining updated records of foreign residents, authorities can ensure more efficient immigration management and provide bet-

ter support services where required.

The revised registration rules come as India continues to witness growing international mobility for education, business, tourism, and professional engagements. Officials believe the updated framework will contribute to a more efficient and user-friendly system while strengthening oversight of long-term foreign residents in the country.

Southwest Monsoon Likely to Reach Kerala by June 4 Amid El Niño Concerns

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast that the southwest monsoon is likely to arrive in Kerala around June 4, a few days later than its normal onset date of June 1. The delay has raised concerns, particularly as weather experts warn that the 2026 monsoon season could be affected by the developing El Niño phenomenon.

According to the IMD, conditions are becoming favorable for the monsoon's advance over Kerala, Lakshadweep, parts of Tamil Nadu, and adjoining regions of the Arabian Sea and Bay of Bengal. The department had initially predicted an earlier onset, but essential meteorological parameters such as sustained rainfall, cloud formation, and wind patterns were not sufficiently established.

While the expected arrival of the monsoon offers relief to farmers and water resource managers, concerns remain about the overall rainfall outlook. The IMD has projected that India may receive around 90 percent of its Long Period



Average (LPA) rainfall during the June-September season. Rainfall below this threshold is categorized as deficient.

Meteorologists attribute the weaker forecast to the gradual emergence of El Niño conditions in the Pacific Ocean. Historically, El Niño has been associated with reduced monsoon rainfall in India, often affecting agriculture, water availability, and rural incomes.

Experts caution that a below-normal monsoon could impact crop production, reservoir levels, and food prices.

There are also concerns about uneven rainfall distribution, with heavy showers in some regions and prolonged dry spells in others.

The southwest monsoon is vital to India's economy, providing nearly 70 percent of the country's annual rainfall and supporting agriculture, drinking water supplies, and power generation. As the monsoon season begins, farmers, policymakers, and businesses will closely monitor rainfall patterns and the influence of El Niño in the months ahead.

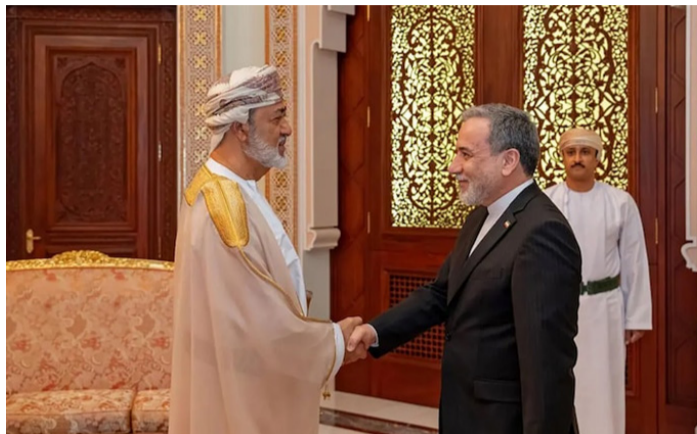
US Pressures Neutral Oman to Distance Itself From Iran Amid Rising Gulf Tensions

Oman, long regarded as one of the Middle East's most neutral diplomatic players, is facing increasing pressure from the Trump administration to reduce its ties with Iran as tensions in the Gulf region continue to escalate.

According to recent reports, Washington has grown increasingly frustrated with Muscat's decision to maintain its traditional policy of neutrality during the ongoing US-Iran crisis. The Trump administration reportedly believes Oman's balanced approach has, at times, benefited Tehran, leading US officials to urge the Gulf nation to align more closely with American interests.

The strain in relations stems largely from Oman's longstanding role as a mediator between Iran and the West. For years, Muscat has facilitated back-channel diplomacy and hosted negotiations aimed at reducing regional tensions. However, US officials are said to view Oman's continued engagement with Tehran with increasing suspicion amid the current geopolitical climate.

A major point of contention is the strategically vital Strait of Hormuz, through which a significant portion of the world's oil shipments pass. Reports suggest that Washington became alarmed by concerns that Iran could seek greater influence over maritime traffic in the region. The Trump administration has repeatedly



insisted that the waterway must remain open and free from any form of control or tolling arrangement that could affect international shipping.

US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent has reportedly warned Oman of potential sanctions if it were to support any effort to impose charges on vessels passing through the strait. Omani officials, however, have firmly denied any plans to participate in such measures and have reiterated their commitment to maintaining stability in the region.

The diplomatic friction intensified after President Donald Trump publicly criticized Oman's stance and issued sharp warnings regarding any move that could threaten freedom of navigation through the Strait of Hormuz. The remarks drew international attention and underscored the growing pressure being placed on Muscat to choose between main-

taining neutrality and aligning more closely with Washington.

Despite the pressure, Oman has continued to emphasize its role as a mediator and peace broker. The country argues that maintaining open channels with all parties—including Iran—is essential for regional stability and conflict resolution. Analysts note that Oman's diplomatic balancing act has historically helped defuse crises in the Gulf, though sustaining that position may become increasingly difficult as regional rivalries intensify.

As tensions between the United States and Iran remain high, Oman finds itself in a delicate position. Whether Muscat can preserve its traditional neutrality while managing growing pressure from Washington could have significant implications for diplomacy and security across the Middle East in the months ahead.

Trump Urges Restraint After Israel Strikes Beirut, Netanyahu Agrees to Scale Back Response

A tense escalation between Israel and Lebanon appeared to ease after a phone conversation between US President Donald Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reportedly led to a reduction in planned Israeli military action against Beirut.

The diplomatic intervention came after Israeli forces carried out strikes in Beirut following allegations that rockets had been launched from Lebanese territory. The developments raised fears of a broader conflict in the region, prompting urgent international efforts to prevent further escalation.

According to reports, Trump spoke directly with Netanyahu and expressed concerns about the potential consequences of a wider military confrontation. During the conversation, the US President reportedly urged Israel to exercise restraint and avoid actions that could further destabilize the region. Following the call, Netanyahu agreed to scale back the scope of Israel's planned response.

The strikes had initially fueled concerns that Israel might launch a more extensive military operation in and around Beirut. However, after diplomatic engagement from Washington, the Israeli government reportedly decided against carrying out a larger wave of attacks, reducing the immediate risk of a major



escalation.

The incident comes amid heightened tensions along the Israel-Lebanon border, where sporadic exchanges of fire and security incidents have repeatedly threatened to trigger a wider conflict. International observers have warned that any significant escalation could have serious implications for regional stability.

The United States has continued to play a key role in diplomatic efforts aimed at preventing further deterioration of the security situation. Washington has consistently emphasized the need for all parties to avoid actions that could expand hostilities and

undermine ongoing efforts to maintain regional peace.

Lebanese officials, meanwhile, have called for restraint and urged the international community to help prevent further military action. Concerns remain high among civilians in affected areas, with fears that renewed violence could lead to humanitarian and security challenges.

Analysts note that the reported intervention highlights the importance of diplomatic communication during periods of heightened tension. While the immediate crisis may have been defused, the underlying issues between Israel and armed groups operating

from Lebanese territory remain unresolved.

The latest developments underscore the fragile nature of security conditions in the region. Although the decision to scale back military action has reduced immediate fears of a broader conflict, observers believe continued diplomatic engagement will be essential to preventing future escalations.

For now, the phone call between Trump and Netanyahu appears to have helped ease tensions at a critical moment, offering a temporary reprieve as regional and international stakeholders continue efforts to maintain stability and prevent further violence.

Iran-Linked Cyber Campaign Targets Top US Officials, Military Accounts

Iran-linked hackers have reportedly intensified their cyber operations against senior US officials and military personnel, highlighting a growing digital front in the ongoing tensions between Washington and Tehran.

According to a CNN investigation cited by The Indian Express, several prominent American figures and institutions have become targets of coordinated cyberattacks and online influence operations. The campaign has reportedly affected individuals ranging from FBI Director Kash Patel to senior members of the US Space Force, underscoring the

expanding scope of Iran-linked cyber activities.

One of the most notable incidents involved the personal email account of FBI Director Kash Patel. Earlier this year, a pro-Iranian hacking group known as Handala claimed responsibility for breaching Patel's account and releasing personal emails, photographs, and other documents online. US authorities stated that the compromised material was historical in nature and did not contain government information, but the incident demonstrated the willingness of Iran-linked actors to target high-profile American

officials.

The latest campaign has also reportedly targeted military personnel through social media and online accounts. A particularly striking example involved the Facebook account of Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force John Bentivegna, which was allegedly compromised and used to distribute propaganda content. The hackers posted videos featuring anti-US messaging and attempted to influence military personnel through psychological and information warfare tactics.

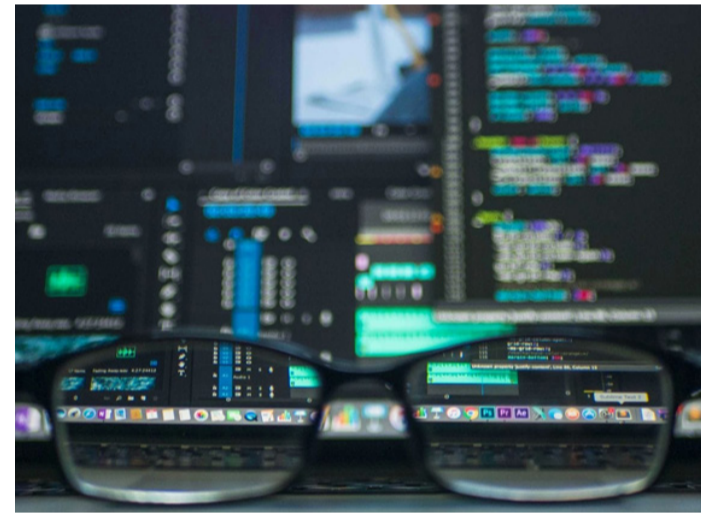
US military leadership has repeatedly warned service

members that their phones, email accounts, and social media profiles could be vulnerable to cyber intrusions during the current period of heightened tensions. Officials have urged personnel to avoid suspicious links, strengthen account security, and remain vigilant against phishing attempts and online manipulation campaigns.

Cybersecurity experts view these attacks as part of a broader strategy by Iran and its affiliated groups to retaliate against US actions in the Middle East. Rather than relying solely on conventional military responses, Tehran-linked

actors have increasingly turned to cyber operations, information warfare, and digital disruption to pressure adversaries and shape public narratives.

The incidents underscore the evolving nature of modern conflict, where cyberattacks and information operations have become critical tools alongside traditional military capabilities. Analysts warn that such campaigns are likely to continue as geopolitical tensions persist, making cybersecurity a growing priority for governments, military organizations, and public officials alike.



Kenya Rejects Claims of US Ebola Quarantine Facility After Deadly Protests

The Kenyan government has strongly denied reports suggesting that the United States plans to establish an Ebola quarantine facility at the Laikipia Air Base, following protests that turned violent and resulted in multiple deaths.

The controversy erupted after claims circulated on social media and local platforms alleging that a US-funded Ebola treatment or quarantine center was being planned at the military facility in central Kenya. The reports triggered widespread public concern, leading to demonstrations in parts of the country and sparking heated political debate.

Kenyan authorities, including officials from the Ministry

of Health and the Ministry of Defence, dismissed the allegations as misinformation. They clarified that no agreement exists between Kenya and the United States to establish an Ebola quarantine facility at Laikipia Air Base or anywhere else in the country. Officials urged citizens to rely on verified information and avoid spreading unconfirmed reports.

President William Ruto's administration stated that the claims were false and designed to create panic among the public. Government representatives emphasized that any international health-related cooperation involving Kenya would be conducted transpar-

ently and in accordance with national laws and public health protocols.

Despite official denials, the rumours fueled protests in several areas. Demonstrators expressed fears that Kenya could be used as a destination for handling infectious disease cases from abroad. The unrest escalated into clashes between protesters and security personnel, resulting in fatalities and injuries. Authorities have launched investigations into the incidents and appealed for calm.

The United States Embassy in Nairobi also rejected the allegations, stating that no such Ebola facility was being planned. American officials re-

iterated their commitment to supporting Kenya through health partnerships focused on disease surveillance, emergency preparedness, and medical research rather than the relocation of foreign patients.

Health experts noted that misinformation surrounding disease outbreaks can spread rapidly, particularly through social media, often leading to public anxiety and distrust. They stressed the importance of fact-checking health-related claims, especially those involving highly infectious diseases such as Ebola.

Kenya has previously worked with international partners, including the United States, on public health initiatives aimed at strengthening disease detection and response systems. However, officials insist that these collaborations do not involve establishing quarantine facilities for foreign patients on Kenyan soil.

Political observers believe the episode highlights the challenges governments face in combating misinformation during periods of heightened public sensitivity. The rapid spread of unverified claims not only created confusion but also contributed to unrest that had tragic consequences. As investigations continue into the violence, Kenyan authorities are focusing on restoring public confidence and ensuring that accurate information reaches citizens. The government has urged the public to remain calm and rely on official sources for updates regarding health and security matters.

Secret Tunnel Linking Mexico and US Uncovered; Over 1,000 Kg Cocaine Seized



A sophisticated underground tunnel believed to have been used for large-scale drug smuggling between Mexico and the United States has been uncovered by authorities, leading to the seizure of more than 1,000 kilograms of cocaine worth an estimated \$45 million.

The tunnel was discovered during a joint investigation involving Mexican and US law enforcement agencies near the Tijuana-San Diego border region. Officials believe the passage was part of an extensive trafficking network used to move narcotics, weapons, and other illegal goods across the border while avoiding security checkpoints.

According to investigators, the tunnel stretched approximately 265 metres (870 feet) and reached a depth of more than six metres underground. It was equipped with advanced infrastructure, including lighting systems, ventilation facilities, reinforced walls, and a mechanical transport system

designed to move contraband efficiently between the two countries.

Federal investigators traced the tunnel to a concealed exit hidden beneath the floor of a storage room inside a commercial property in Otay Mesa, San Diego. Authorities said the sophisticated design indicates significant financial investment and engineering expertise, suggesting the involvement of an organized criminal syndicate.

During raids connected to the investigation, officials recovered large quantities of cocaine, along with suspected methamphetamine, marijuana, ammunition, mobile phones, and documents that could help identify members of the trafficking network. Several individuals have reportedly been detained as authorities continue to examine the operation's full scope.

California Governor Gavin Newsom stated that the state's Counter Drug Task Force assisted in uncovering the tunnel

and helped seize approximately 1,000 kilograms of cocaine. Authorities described the discovery as a major blow to organized crime groups operating along the US-Mexico border.

Law enforcement officials noted that cross-border tunnels remain one of the most effective methods used by drug cartels to smuggle narcotics into the United States. Since the early 1990s, dozens of such tunnels have been discovered in Southern California, many featuring sophisticated engineering and concealment techniques.

Investigators are now working to determine how long the tunnel was operational, the volume of narcotics that may have passed through it, and which criminal organizations were responsible for its construction and use. Authorities on both sides of the border have pledged to continue efforts to dismantle similar smuggling networks and strengthen border security.



Sensex Rises 383 Points, Nifty Reclaims 23,400 as IT Stocks Power Market Recovery

Indian benchmark indices snapped a four-session losing streak on Tuesday, with the BSE Sensex gaining 383 points and the NSE Nifty reclaiming the 23,400 mark, driven primarily by a strong rally in information technology (IT) stocks.

After opening on a weak note amid lingering concerns over geopolitical tensions and foreign fund outflows, the market staged a remarkable recovery during the latter half of the session. The Sensex closed at 74,649.84, up 382.50 points or 0.52 percent, while the Nifty50 settled at 23,483.55, registering a gain of 100.95 points or 0.43 percent.

The IT sector emerged as the biggest contributor to the rally,

with heavyweight stocks such as Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Infosys, HCL Technologies, and Tech Mahindra witnessing strong buying interest. The Nifty IT index surged more than 4 percent during the session, extending its recent gains as investors turned optimistic about technology spending and artificial intelligence-driven growth opportunities.

Market sentiment also improved after crude oil prices eased following indications that diplomatic discussions between the United States and Iran were still underway. The decline in oil prices provided some relief to investors concerned about the impact of rising energy costs on inflation and India's import bill.

Broader markets participated in the recovery as well, with mid-cap and small-cap indices ending in positive territory. Buying interest was visible across several sectors, including metals, real estate, and consumer-focused stocks, while financial shares remained relatively subdued.

The rebound comes after a turbulent period for Indian equities. In the previous four sessions, benchmark indices had fallen nearly 3 percent due to escalating concerns over US-Iran tensions, rising crude oil prices, and persistent foreign institutional investor (FII) selling. Those factors had weighed heavily on market sentiment and triggered broad-based selling across sectors.

Analysts believe the latest recovery reflects value buying in beaten-down sectors, particularly IT, which had underperformed for much of the year. They caution, however, that markets may continue to remain volatile as investors closely monitor geopolitical developments, crude oil movements, monsoon progress, and global economic indicators.

With technology stocks leading the charge, Dalal Street managed to end the session on a positive note, offering investors some respite after days of sustained pressure. Market participants will now look for further cues from global markets and domestic economic developments to determine the next direction for equities.



Groww Shares Gain 3% After SEBI Clears State Street's Stake Acquisition in Groww AMC



Shares of Groww's parent company, Billionbrains Garage Ventures, rose nearly 3 percent after the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) approved State Street Global Advisors' proposed investment in Groww Asset Management Company (AMC), marking a significant milestone for the fintech firm's asset management business.

The regulatory approval clears a key hurdle in the transaction under which US-based State Street Global Advisors (SSGA), one of the world's largest asset managers, will acquire an economic interest of approximately 22.94 percent in Groww AMC while holding voting rights of 4.85 percent upon completion of the deal. The transaction had already received approvals from the Competition Commission of India (CCI) and the company's board earlier this year.

The partnership was first announced in January 2026, when Groww revealed that State Street would invest 580 crore in its asset

management arm. The deal values Groww AMC at around 2,500-2,600 crore and represents one of the most significant strategic investments in India's rapidly growing wealth management sector.

Under the agreement, Groww will continue to retain a majority 77 percent stake and maintain operational control of the asset management company. The transaction is structured through a combination of secondary share purchases and fresh capital infusion into Groww AMC, providing additional resources to support future growth initiatives.

Market participants welcomed the development, viewing it as a strong endorsement of Groww's expanding presence in the mutual fund industry. State Street, which manages trillions of dollars in assets globally and is regarded as a leader in passive investing and exchange-traded funds (ETFs), is expected to bring global expertise and product capabilities to the partnership.

The investment also highlights

the remarkable growth of Groww AMC since its acquisition of Indiabulls Asset Management in 2023 for 175 crore. In less than three years, the asset management business has witnessed a substantial increase in valuation, reflecting the rapid expansion of Groww's financial services ecosystem.

Industry experts believe the collaboration could accelerate the development of passive investment products, index funds, and ETFs in India, areas where State Street has extensive global experience. The strategic partnership is also expected to strengthen Groww's position in the increasingly competitive asset management market.

With SEBI's approval now secured, investors will be closely watching the completion of the transaction and the potential benefits arising from the collaboration between one of India's fastest-growing fintech platforms and a global asset management giant.

TCS, Infosys Rally Up to 9% in Three Days as IT Stocks Stage Strong Comeback

India's information technology (IT) sector has witnessed a sharp revival, with heavyweight stocks such as Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) and Infosys surging as much as 9 percent over the past three trading sessions. The rally has emerged as one of the strongest sectoral recoveries in recent weeks, helping lift overall market sentiment and supporting gains in benchmark indices.

The recent uptrend comes after months of cautious investor sentiment toward IT stocks due to concerns over global economic growth, delayed technology spending, and uncertainty in key overseas markets. However, improving risk appetite and growing optimism surrounding artificial intelligence (AI)-driven business opportunities have triggered renewed buying interest in the sector.

Apart from TCS and Infosys, other major technology companies including HCL Technologies, Tech Mahindra, Wipro, and LTIMindtree have also recorded significant gains. The Nifty IT index has outperformed most sectoral indices during this period, reflecting the strong return of investor confidence in technology counters.

Market experts believe the rally is being driven by a combination of technical factors and improving fundamentals. Easing concerns over global geopolitical tensions, particu-



larly developments related to the United States and Iran, have supported broader market sentiment. Additionally, expectations of stable demand for digital transformation, cloud services, and AI-based solutions have strengthened the outlook for Indian IT companies.

Analysts note that several frontline IT stocks have successfully crossed important resistance levels, attracting fresh participation from both institutional and retail investors. However, they advise traders to remain disciplined and maintain appropriate stop-loss levels, as sharp rallies are often followed by bouts of profit booking.

The sector's rebound has also played a key role in helping Indian benchmark indices recover from recent losses. Strong gains in IT stocks contributed significantly to the Sensex's 383-point rise and the Nifty's move back above the 23,400 mark during Tuesday's trading session.

Despite the positive momentum, market participants remain watchful of global economic indicators, US technology spending trends, and future earnings guidance from major IT firms. These factors are expected to influence the sustainability of the current rally.

For long-term investors, analysts continue to view quality

IT stocks as attractive opportunities due to their strong balance sheets, robust cash flows, and leadership positions in global technology services. Meanwhile, short-term traders are advised to monitor key technical levels closely and protect gains through prudent risk management strategies.

With technology stocks once again leading the market recovery, the IT sector has reaffirmed its position as one of the most influential segments of the Indian equity market. Investors will now be watching whether the momentum can be sustained in the coming sessions as global and domestic market conditions continue to evolve.

AI-Led Revival Sparks Rally in IT Stocks; Nifty IT Soars 8% in Three Days

Indian information technology (IT) stocks have staged a strong comeback, with the Nifty IT index surging nearly 8 percent over the last three trading sessions amid renewed optimism around artificial intelligence (AI)-driven demand and easing concerns about a slowdown in global technology spending.

Leading the rally were heavyweight stocks such as Infosys, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), HCL Technologies, Tech Mahindra, and Wipro. Infosys emerged as one of the top gainers, climbing around 10 percent during the period, while several other frontline IT companies registered significant advances. The sharp upmove helped the Nifty IT index outperform all major sectoral indices on Dalal Street.

The rebound follows months of cautious sentiment surrounding the technology sector. Investors had remained concerned about weaker discretionary spending by global clients, particularly in the United States and Europe, which account for a substantial share of revenues for Indian IT companies. However, recent developments have helped improve confidence in the sector's growth outlook.

A key driver behind the rally has been growing optimism surrounding artificial intelligence and generative AI technologies. Market participants believe that enterprises world-



wide are increasingly investing in AI-powered solutions, digital transformation initiatives, cloud migration, and automation services. Indian IT firms are expected to benefit significantly from this trend due to their strong expertise in technology consulting and digital services.

Analysts note that commentary from global technology companies and improving sentiment in international markets have also contributed to the sector's recovery. Expectations that AI-related spending could offset concerns over slower traditional IT budgets have encouraged fresh buying from institutional and retail investors alike.

The strong performance of IT stocks played a major role in helping benchmark indices recover from recent losses. Gains in technology heavyweights contributed significantly to the Sensex's rise of nearly 400 points and the Nifty's move back above the 23,400 mark during Tuesday's trading session.

Market experts, however, caution that while sentiment has improved considerably, investors should remain selective. The sustainability of the rally will depend on future earnings growth, deal wins, management commentary, and the pace at which AI-related opportunities translate into revenue for Indian technology

firms.

Despite these caveats, the latest surge reflects a marked shift in investor perception. Companies that were previously viewed as vulnerable to a global slowdown are now increasingly being seen as potential beneficiaries of the next wave of technological innovation.

With AI emerging as a powerful growth catalyst and demand concerns showing signs of easing, Indian IT stocks have once again captured the attention of investors. The sector's recent rally suggests that technology companies may continue to play a pivotal role in driving market sentiment in the weeks ahead.

Coforge Shares Climb 4% After Launch of AI-Powered Insurance Platform 'Nexa'

Shares of Coforge gained nearly 4 percent on Tuesday after the IT services company announced the launch of Nexa, an artificial intelligence-powered platform designed to transform operations in the insurance sector. The development was well received by investors, who viewed the move as another step in the company's strategy to capitalize on the growing demand for AI-driven enterprise solutions.

The newly launched platform aims to help insurance companies streamline processes, improve customer engagement, and enhance operational efficiency through the use of advanced artificial intelligence technologies. According to the company, Nexa is designed to address several critical functions within the insurance value chain, enabling organizations to automate workflows, accelerate decision-making, and deliver more personalized customer experiences.

Investor sentiment toward technology stocks has improved significantly in recent sessions, driven by optimism surrounding artificial intelligence and digital transformation opportunities. Against this backdrop, Coforge's AI-focused initiative further strengthened confidence in the company's ability to tap into emerging technology trends and create new growth avenues.

Industry experts believe the insurance sector is increasingly adopting AI-powered solutions to improve claims processing, underwriting, fraud detection, customer service, and risk assessment. By introducing Nexa,



Coforge aims to position itself as a key technology partner for insurers seeking to modernize their operations and enhance productivity.

The announcement comes at a time when enterprises across industries are accelerating investments in generative AI, automation, and data-driven decision-making tools. Indian IT companies, including Coforge, have been actively expanding their AI capabilities to meet rising demand from global clients looking to integrate advanced technologies into their business processes.

The positive market reaction also reflects broader optimism in the IT sector, which has witnessed a strong rally over the past few trading sessions. Technology stocks have benefited from easing concerns about global demand and increasing expectations that AI-led projects could generate substantial business opportunities in the coming years.

Analysts note that Coforge has built a strong reputation in niche

verticals such as banking, financial services, travel, and insurance. The introduction of Nexa is expected to strengthen the company's position in the insurance technology segment while potentially creating additional revenue streams from AI-related services and solutions.

While the long-term success of the platform will depend on client adoption and execution, investors appear encouraged by the company's proactive approach toward innovation and emerging technologies. The launch reinforces the growing importance of AI as a strategic growth driver for the IT industry.

With enterprises worldwide exploring ways to leverage artificial intelligence for competitive advantage, Coforge's Nexa platform could play a significant role in helping insurers navigate the next phase of digital transformation. The stock's strong performance following the announcement underscores market confidence in the company's AI-focused growth strategy.

Green Gold Animation Launches FAST Channel 'Green Gold TV' on Samsung TV Plus in India

Green Gold Animation, one of India's leading creators of original animated entertainment, has expanded its reach in the connected television space with the launch of its dedicated Free Ad-Supported Streaming Television (FAST) channel, Green Gold TV, on Samsung TV Plus. The new 24x7 channel is now available to Samsung TV users across India, offering free access to a wide range of popular children's and family content without any subscription or login requirements.

Positioned within the Kids category on Samsung TV Plus, Green Gold TV aims to

provide an uninterrupted and family-friendly viewing experience. The channel features a curated lineup of Green Gold Animation's well-known titles, including Mighty Raju, Super Bheem, Krishna Balam, Krishna, Chorr Police, and Luv Kushh. Programming will follow a structured format, with weekday schedules primarily focused on episodic content and weekends dedicated to movie premieres. The channel will be available in Hindi, catering to young viewers and family audiences across the country.

The launch comes as the

FAST model gains momentum in India, supported by the growing adoption of connected TVs and increasing consumer preference for high-quality, ad-supported content. By partnering with Samsung TV Plus, which has surpassed 100 million active users globally across 30 countries, Green Gold Animation is tapping into a rapidly expanding audience base that increasingly prefers streaming content on large-screen devices.

Commenting on the partnership, Rajiv Chilaka, Founder and CEO of Green Gold Animation, said the collaboration aligns with

changing viewing habits among Indian families. He noted that platforms like Samsung TV Plus combine the simplicity of traditional television with the flexibility and scale of digital media, creating a more seamless and shared entertainment experience. Chilaka also emphasized that FAST platforms are likely to become a key component of the future entertainment ecosystem.

Kunal Mehta, General Manager and Head of Business Development at Samsung TV Plus India, said the partnership strengthens the platform's Kids content portfolio while enhancing

access to trusted and engaging family entertainment. He added that Samsung TV Plus remains focused on delivering curated, always-on content that offers viewers greater choice and convenience.

The launch of Green Gold TV reflects a broader shift in Green Gold Animation's distribution strategy. By offering a dedicated, long-form linear channel tailored for connected TV audiences, the company is positioning itself among the early adopters shaping the future of children's and family entertainment in India's evolving FAST ecosystem.



Job Offer Withdrawn Just an Hour Before Joining, Candidate Left Shocked After 45-Day Hiring Process

A job seeker has triggered widespread discussion on social media after revealing that a company rescinded a job offer just one hour before the scheduled joining time, despite putting the candidate through a rigorous recruitment process that lasted nearly one and a half months.

According to the candidate's post, the hiring journey involved multiple rounds of interviews, assessments, and discussions over a period of 45 days. After successfully clearing all stages and receiving an official offer, the applicant prepared to join the organization and begin the new role.



However, the situation took an unexpected turn when the company reportedly contacted the candidate only an hour before the scheduled joining time to inform them that the offer had been withdrawn. The abrupt decision left the individual stunned and struggling to understand the reason behind the move.

Sharing the experience online, the candidate described being "in shock" after investing considerable time, effort, and emotional energy into securing the position. The post quickly gained attention, drawing reactions from professionals who expressed sympathy and recounted similar experiences in the job market.

Many social media users criticized the company's handling of the situation, arguing that can-

didates often make important career and financial decisions based on confirmed job offers. Some pointed out that applicants may resign from their current jobs, relocate, or decline other employment opportunities once an offer is accepted.

The incident has reignited conversations about recruitment ethics and employer accountability. Experts note that while organizations may occasionally face unforeseen business circumstances, transparent communication and responsible hiring practices are essential to maintaining trust with prospective employees.

The case also highlights the growing challenges faced by job seekers in an increasingly competitive employment market. Lengthy hiring processes in-

volving multiple interview rounds have become common, making last-minute offer withdrawals particularly frustrating and disruptive.

As the story continues to circulate online, it has sparked calls for companies to adopt fairer and more transparent recruitment policies. For many professionals, the candidate's experience serves as a reminder of the uncertainty that can accompany job searches and the importance of treating applicants with respect throughout the hiring process.

The incident has once again brought attention to the need for greater accountability in recruitment, ensuring that candidates are not left bearing the consequences of sudden and unexpected hiring decisions.

From Mumbai Slum to Germany: Tech Professional's Inspiring Journey Wins Hearts Online

A software engineer's remarkable journey from growing up in a Mumbai slum to building a successful technology career in Germany is inspiring thousands across social media.

Santosh Yadav, currently serving as Principal Developer Advocate at CodeRabbit in Germany, recently shared his life story online, detailing the challenges, setbacks, and determination that shaped his path to global success. His story gained widespread attention after he posted a comparison of photos taken in 2012 and 2026, prompting many to ask about the transformation behind the images.



Born and raised in a Mumbai slum, Yadav spent nearly three decades in difficult circumstances. Academically, he struggled during school and performed poorly in his Class 10 examinations, making it impossible to secure admission to a science programme. A suggestion from one of his father's friends introduced him to a diploma course in computer science, a decision that would eventually change his life.

The transition was not easy. Coming from a non-English-speaking background, he found it difficult to understand lessons and often faced ridicule because of his accent. Rather than

allowing those challenges to define him, Yadav focused intensely on improving his skills and academic performance. Over time, his grades improved significantly, reinforcing his belief in perseverance and self-improvement.

Another major hurdle came during his college years when his father lost his job and could no longer afford tuition fees. Faced with the possibility of dropping out, Yadav found support from his mother and

uncle, who ensured that he could continue pursuing his computer science degree. Their encouragement became a turning point in his educational journey.

After graduating during the global financial crisis of 2008, finding employment proved challenging. He eventually secured his first job with a monthly salary of just 5,000. Through continuous learning, hard work, and strategic career moves, he steadily advanced in the technology industry.

Yadav later became an active contributor to open-source projects, earned recognition as a Google Developer Expert, and was named India's first GitHub Star. Today, with more than 17 years of experience, he is a respected international speaker, mentor, and technology leader working in Germany. His journey stands as a powerful reminder that determination, education, and persistence can overcome even the most difficult beginnings.

Foreigner's Praise for Muzaffarpur Goes Viral, Calls Bihar City a Must-Visit Destination in 2026



A foreign traveller has won hearts online after sharing his experience in Bihar's Muzaffarpur, urging fellow tourists to add the city to their 2026 travel plans. His enthusiastic endorsement of the city and its culture has sparked widespread interest on social media.

In a viral video, the traveller described Muzaffarpur as offering "real cheddar vibes," a phrase that quickly caught the attention of viewers. Throughout the video, he highlighted the city's unique charm, warm hospitality, and vibrant cultural experiences, presenting a side of Bihar that many travellers rarely get to see.

During his visit, the content creator explored local attractions, interacted with residents, and immersed himself in the region's traditions. He visited temples, sought blessings, and participated in community activities that provided him with a deeper understanding of the local way

of life. The traveller also attended a traditional wedding ceremony, expressing admiration for the colourful celebrations and cultural richness associated with Bihar weddings. He remarked on the beauty and warmth of the occasion, saying it offered an authentic glimpse into the region's heritage.

The video has resonated strongly with social media users, many of whom appreciated the positive portrayal of Bihar. Several viewers noted that destinations such as Muzaffarpur are often overlooked in mainstream travel discussions despite their rich history, traditions, and welcoming communities. Others praised the traveller for venturing beyond popular tourist hotspots and showcasing lesser-known aspects of India.

Travel enthusiasts also welcomed the video's message, pointing out that India's smaller cities and towns often provide some of the most authen-

tic cultural experiences. The traveller's appreciation for local customs, religious sites, and family celebrations has encouraged many viewers to consider exploring destinations beyond conventional travel itineraries.

The viral clip arrives at a time when social media influencers are increasingly helping spotlight hidden gems across India. By sharing his positive experiences, the foreign visitor has helped draw attention to Muzaffarpur's cultural appeal and tourism potential.

As the video continues to gain traction online, it has become a source of pride for many residents of Bihar. The traveller's glowing review serves as a reminder that meaningful travel experiences often come from engaging with local communities, traditions, and everyday life rather than simply visiting famous landmarks.

Man's Adorable Dance With Baby Wins Hearts Online, Viral Video Delights Internet

A heartwarming video of a father dancing with his baby has taken social media by storm, leaving viewers smiling and flooding the comments section with praise for the adorable duo.

The clip, which recently went viral across social media platforms, captures a joyful moment between a man and his young child as they sway and dance together. The father's playful moves and the baby's cheerful reactions have struck a chord with viewers, who described the video as one of the cutest things on the internet.

The short video showcases the special bond between the father and child, with the baby

appearing completely engaged in the fun-filled moment. As the father dances enthusiastically, the child responds with expressions and movements that have melted hearts online. The genuine happiness shared between the two has made the clip widely relatable to parents and families.

Social media users were quick to react, praising the father for creating such a memorable and loving moment with his child. Many commenters described the video as wholesome and uplifting, while others said it brightened their day amid the constant stream of news and online content. Several users noted that the clip perfectly captured the joy

and innocence of childhood. The video has garnered thousands of views, likes, and shares, demonstrating the internet's enduring love for simple yet meaningful moments. In an era when social media is often dominated by debates and controversies, heartwarming family content continues to resonate strongly with audiences around the world.

Experts often point out that videos featuring authentic emotional connections tend to perform well online because they evoke positive feelings and encourage sharing. The father-and-baby dance video appears to be a perfect example of this phenomenon, as viewers connected with the af-

fection and happiness displayed on screen. The clip also highlights how everyday moments can become viral sensations when they capture genuine emotions. While there may be no elaborate production or dramatic storyline, the video's charm lies in its simplicity and authenticity.

As the video continues to circulate online, it serves as a reminder that some of the most memorable content on social media comes from ordinary moments shared between loved ones. For many viewers, the dancing father and baby have become a symbol of joy, warmth, and the special bond that exists between parents and their children.



Vaibhav Sooryavanshi's India Call-Up Buzz Draws Reality Check From Experts



Teenage batting sensation Vaibhav Sooryavanshi has become one of the most talked-about names in Indian cricket following his impressive performances, but calls for an immediate national team selection have been met with caution from experts and former cricketers.

The young batter's rapid rise has sparked widespread excitement among fans, with many urging selectors to fast-track him into the Indian senior team. However, cricket observers believe that while Sooryavanshi possesses immense talent, his development should be managed carefully to ensure long-term success rather than immediate rewards.

Speaking on the growing debate, former India cricketer Aakash Chopra emphasized that national team selection is not solely the responsibility of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI). He pointed out that players must continue to prove themselves consistently across various levels of cricket before earning a place in the senior side.

Chopra noted that the teenager's performances have undoubtedly attracted attention, but selectors also consider factors such as experience, consistency, domestic performances, and the overall balance of the team. According to him, rushing a young player into international cricket could place unnecessary pressure on someone who is still in the early stages of his career.

Sooryavanshi has earned praise for his fearless batting approach and maturity beyond his years. His ability to take on ex-

perienced bowlers and perform under pressure has led many to view him as one of the brightest prospects in Indian cricket. The youngster's achievements have naturally fueled speculation about when he might receive his first India call-up.

Despite the excitement, experts believe that a structured progression through domestic cricket and age-group competitions remains the ideal pathway. They argue that India's strong cricketing system has consistently produced world-class players by allowing young talents to develop gradually before making the jump to the international stage.

The discussion surrounding Sooryavanshi also highlights the growing expectations placed on emerging cricketers in the age of social media, where standout performances can instantly generate demands for national selection. While public enthusiasm reflects the player's potential, selectors are expected to focus on long-term planning rather than short-term hype.

For now, cricket experts agree that Sooryavanshi's future looks exceptionally bright. However, they stress that patience and continued development will be key factors in helping the young star fulfill his enormous potential and eventually establish himself at the highest level of the game.

As the buzz around his future continues to grow, all eyes will remain on Vaibhav Sooryavanshi's performances in the coming months as he continues his journey toward representing India on the international stage.

Ireland Edge West Indies by One Run to Register Historic First-Ever Women's T20I Victory

Ireland created history by defeating West Indies by just one run in a thrilling Women's T20 International, securing their first-ever victory over the Caribbean side in the format. The dramatic contest showcased Ireland's resilience and composure under pressure as they held their nerve to clinch a memorable win.

Batting first, Ireland posted a competitive total after contributions from both their top and middle order. The hosts managed to build partnerships at crucial stages, ensuring they had enough runs on the board to challenge the West Indies batting lineup. While the Caribbean bowlers struck at regular intervals, Ireland's batters capitalized on scoring opportunities to set up an intriguing contest.

In reply, West Indies appeared to be in control for significant portions of the chase, with their experienced batters keeping the required run rate within reach. However, Ireland's bowlers responded brilliantly in the latter stages of the innings, picking up timely wickets and tightening the scoring rate when it mattered most.

The match went down to the wire, with West Indies needing a handful of runs in the final over. Ireland's bowlers and fielders displayed remarkable composure under immense pressure, prevent-



ing the opposition from crossing the finish line. In the end, West Indies fell agonizingly short by a single run, handing Ireland a landmark victory.

The result marked a significant milestone for Irish women's cricket, as it was their first-ever T20I win against West Indies. The achievement underlined the progress Ireland has made in recent years and highlighted the growing competitiveness of emerging teams in international women's cricket.

Players and support staff celebrated enthusiastically after the final ball, recognizing the importance of the victory against a team with a rich history in white-ball cricket. The win is expected to provide a major confidence boost for Ireland as they continue to build towards future interna-

Virat Kohli's 'Kikli' Dance With Bhuvneshwar Kumar Goes Viral After RCB's IPL 2026 Triumph

Royal Challengers Bengaluru's IPL 2026 title celebrations continue to create buzz online, with a light-hearted dance video featuring Virat Kohli and Bhuvneshwar Kumar becoming the latest viral sensation among cricket fans.

The video, shared by Kohli on his Instagram story, shows the star batter and veteran pacer performing the traditional Punjabi folk dance move known as "Kikli" during RCB's post-victory celebrations. The clip quickly spread across social media platforms, delighting fans with the duo's energetic and playful performance.

RCB recently defended their IPL crown in style, defeating Gujarat Titans by five wickets in the IPL 2026 final at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad. The victory marked the franchise's second consecutive IPL title and capped off another memorable season for the Bengaluru-based side.

The viral video highlights the strong camaraderie between Kohli and Bhuvneshwar, who have shared the Indian dressing room for more than a decade. In the clip, the two cricketers can be seen holding hands and spinning around in circles, recreating the traditional Kikli dance that is popular in Punjab. Fans praised the pair for their care-free celebration and the joyful atmosphere within the RCB camp.

This is not the first celebratory dance involving Kohli to grab attention following RCB's title-winning campaign. Several videos of the former captain dancing with teammates and wife Anushka Sharma have also gone viral in recent days, reflecting the jubilant mood surrounding the franchise's historic achievement.

Social media users flooded the comments section with reactions, describing the moment as wholesome and en-



tertaining. Many fans appreciated seeing two experienced Indian cricketers enjoying the success together after playing key roles in RCB's championship-winning season.

Bhuvneshwar Kumar was one of RCB's standout performers during the tourna-

ment, while Kohli once again played a crucial role with the bat throughout the campaign. Their on-field contributions, combined with their off-field friendship, have made the viral dance clip even more special for supporters.

As RCB fans continue

celebrating another IPL title, Kohli and Bhuvneshwar's cheerful "Kikli" dance has emerged as one of the most memorable moments from the franchise's post-match festivities, further cementing the joyous spirit of the team's successful campaign.

Anjum Chopra Backs India for Women's T20 World Cup Glory, Says England Conditions Won't Be a Challenge

Former India captain Anjum Chopra has expressed confidence in the Indian women's cricket team's chances of winning the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026, stating that the conditions in England will not be unfamiliar territory for the players.

With the prestigious tournament scheduled to be held in England, discussions have already begun about the leading contenders for the title. Chopra believes India possesses the experience, talent, and adaptability required to mount a serious challenge and potentially lift their maiden Women's T20 World Cup trophy.

According to Chopra, many members of the current Indian squad have extensive experience playing in English conditions through international tours, domestic competitions, and franchise cricket. As a result, she does not view the weather or playing surfaces as significant obstacles for the team.

The former skipper pointed out that Indian players are



now far more exposed to different cricketing environments than previous generations. Regular participation in global tournaments and overseas leagues has helped them develop the skills needed to adjust quickly to varying conditions.

India has consistently emerged as one of the strongest teams in women's cricket over the past decade. The team

has reached the knockout stages of several ICC tournaments and finished runners-up in the Women's T20 World Cup in 2020. Despite coming close on multiple occasions, the coveted ICC title has remained elusive.

Chopra believes the current squad has the right blend of experienced campaigners and emerging talent to make a strong impact in the tourna-

ment. She emphasized that success in major competitions often depends on handling pressure in crucial moments rather than merely adapting to conditions.

The Indian women's team has shown significant progress in recent years, with players delivering strong performances across formats. The growing popularity of women's cricket and the success of

domestic competitions such as the Women's Premier League have further strengthened the talent pool available for national selection.

As preparations for the World Cup gather pace, expectations among fans continue to rise. The team's recent performances and improved depth have fueled hopes that India can finally end its wait for a global T20 title.

While acknowledging the strength of traditional powerhouses such as Australia and England, Chopra maintained that India has every reason to believe it can compete with the best. With a well-balanced squad and increasing experience in overseas conditions, she feels the team is capable of producing a memorable campaign.

As the countdown to the Women's T20 World Cup 2026 continues, Chopra's endorsement adds to the growing optimism surrounding India's prospects of achieving a historic breakthrough on English soil.

PV Sindhu Advances at Indonesia Open, Srikanth and Malvika Bow Out Early

India's two-time Olympic medallist PV Sindhu made a positive start to her Indonesia Open 2026 campaign by progressing to the second round, while compatriots Kidambi Srikanth and Malvika Bansod suffered early exits from the prestigious BWF Super 1000 tournament.

Sindhu delivered a composed performance in her opening-round encounter, showcasing her experience and control to secure a straight-games victory. The former world champion looked confident on court as she overcame her opponent with a blend of aggressive shot-making and solid defense, keeping India's hopes alive in the women's singles competition.

The victory will come as a welcome boost for Sindhu, who has been striving to regain consistency on the international circuit. With several major tournaments lined up this season, a strong run at the Indonesia Open could provide valuable momentum ahead of upcoming challenges.

In contrast, it was a disappointing day for Kidambi Srikanth. The former world No. 1 and World Championship silver medallist was unable to advance beyond the opening round after suffering a defeat against a higher-ranked opponent. Despite showing glimps-



es of his trademark attacking game, Srikanth struggled to maintain momentum during crucial stages of the match and eventually bowed out of the tournament.

Malvika Bansod also saw her campaign come to an early end. The young Indian shuttler fought hard in her first-round match but was unable to overcome a tough opponent. While she displayed determination and resilience throughout the contest, the result highlighted the challenges posed by the high level of competition at one of badminton's most prestigious events.

The Indonesia Open attracts many of the world's top-ranked players and is considered one of the toughest tournaments on the BWF calendar. Strong performances at the event often serve as important indicators of form ahead of major international championships.

Sindhu's advancement ensures continued Indian representation in the women's singles draw, and fans will be hoping she can build on her opening-round success. The Hyderabad-based star remains one of India's most accomplished badminton players

and has repeatedly demonstrated her ability to perform on the biggest stages.

Meanwhile, Srikanth and Malvika will shift their focus to upcoming tournaments as they look to improve their rankings and regain momentum. Both players have shown potential in recent competitions and will aim to bounce back stronger in future events.

As the tournament progresses, all eyes will be on Sindhu as she seeks to make a deep run in Jakarta and add another significant achievement to her illustrious badminton career.

Janhvi Kapoor's Elegant Saree Look at Peddi Event Steals the Spotlight

Bollywood actress Janhvi Kapoor once again proved why she is considered one of the most stylish stars of her generation, turning heads with her stunning saree appearance at the grand pre-release event of Peddi in Vijayawada.

The actress joined co-star Ram Charan and the film's team for the highly anticipated promotional event ahead of the movie's release on June 4. While the event generated excitement among fans for its trailer launch and star-studded presence, Janhvi's traditional look emerged as one of the biggest talking points on social media.

Draped in a beautifully designed saree, Janhvi blended grace and glamour effortlessly. Her elegant styling, minimal yet striking accessories, and confident stage presence drew praise from fans and fashion enthusiasts alike. Photos and videos from the event quickly went viral, with many admirers applauding her ability to carry traditional Indian attire with contemporary charm.

Janhvi has been making headlines throughout the promotional campaign of Peddi for her impressive fashion choices. From designer sarees to ethnic ensembles, the actress has consistently embraced traditional wear while adding modern elements to her looks. Fashion observers have noted that her promotional appearances have



become a source of style inspiration for many young fans.

At the Vijayawada event, Janhvi also won appreciation for addressing the audience in Telugu and expressing her excitement about the film. She conveyed her gratitude to fans and shared her confidence that audiences would connect with her character in Peddi more strongly than before.

Directed by Buchi Babu Sana, Peddi stars Ram Charan and Janhvi Kapoor in lead roles and is one of the most awaited Telugu releases of the year. The film has generated significant buzz across India, with advance bookings and promotional events receiving encouraging responses.

As the countdown to the film's release continues, Janhvi Kapoor's graceful saree look has added to the excitement surrounding Peddi. Her appearance not only enhanced the glamour quotient of the event but also reaffirmed her growing status as a fashion icon capable of effortlessly blending tradition with modern elegance.

Peddi Opens Hindi Advance Bookings, North India Response Under Spotlight Ahead of Release

The countdown has begun for the release of Peddi, one of the most anticipated pan-Indian films of the year, starring Ram Charan and Janhvi Kapoor in lead roles. Directed by Buchi Babu Sana, the rural sports drama is set for a grand worldwide release on June 4, with expectations running high across multiple markets.

In a significant development, the makers have officially opened advance bookings for the Hindi version of the film. The move has intensified industry interest in the movie's performance in North India, where the team has conducted extensive promotional activities in recent weeks. Trade analysts and exhibitors are closely monitoring the initial booking trends, as the Hindi market is expected to play a crucial role in determining the film's overall box-office success.

The film has generated considerable buzz through its promotional campaign, with Ram Charan actively participating in events across major cities. The makers' focus on the Hindi-speaking audience reflects



their confidence in the film's pan-India appeal and their ambition to replicate the success enjoyed by several recent South Indian releases in northern markets.

While all eyes are on the Hindi belt, Peddi has already shown encouraging signs overseas. Reports indicate strong advance sales in North America ahead of its premiere shows, highlighting the excitement surrounding the project

among international audiences.

Apart from Ram Charan and Janhvi Kapoor, the film features an impressive ensemble cast that includes Shiva Rajkumar, Jagapathi Babu, Divyenndu Sharma, and Boman Irani. Adding to the film's appeal is an original soundtrack composed by Academy Award-winning music director A.R. Rahman.

With premiere shows sched-

uled ahead of the official release and advance bookings gradually picking up momentum, the coming days are expected to provide a clearer picture of the film's theatrical prospects. The response from North Indian audiences, in particular, could emerge as a key factor in shaping the box-office journey of Peddi, which is already being viewed as one of the biggest Telugu releases of 2026.

Rajasekhar Set to Turn Antagonist in Vijay Deverakonda's Upcoming Film

Veteran actor Rajasekhar is reportedly set to play the main antagonist in Vijay Deverakonda's upcoming film Rowdy Janardhana, directed by Ravi Kiran Kola. The development has generated considerable excitement among movie enthusiasts, as it could mark one of the actor's most significant career shifts in recent years.

Vijay Deverakonda is currently juggling multiple projects, including Ranabaali and Rowdy Janardhana. The latter, being produced by Dil Raju, has already garnered attention for its rural backdrop and strong cast. Actress Keerthy Suresh has been roped in as the female lead, while the latest reports suggest that Rajasekhar will essay a powerful villainous role that is central to the story.

According to industry buzz, the filmmakers were looking for a strong performer to match Vijay Deverakonda's screen presence, and Rajasekhar emerged as the ideal choice. The actor is said to have been impressed by the character's depth and significance, leading him to give his nod to the project. Reports indicate that the role has been designed with a strong emo-



tional and dramatic arc, making it far more than a conventional villain character.

Rajasekhar, who built his reputation as one of Telugu cinema's leading action heroes, has recently explored character-driven roles. A full-fledged negative role in a major commercial entertainer would mark a fresh phase in his career. Industry observers believe that his transition could mirror the successful reinventions of senior actors who have found renewed popularity through antagonist roles.

Rowdy Janardhana is expected to be a rustic action drama with political undertones, and the confrontation between

Vijay Deverakonda and Rajasekhar is likely to be one of the film's biggest highlights. Sources suggest that the veteran actor's character has been crafted to be powerful enough to challenge the protagonist throughout the narrative.

While an official confirmation from the makers is still awaited, the reports have already created significant buzz among fans. If finalized, the Vijay Deverakonda-Rajasekhar face-off could become one of the most anticipated on-screen clashes in Telugu cinema, adding further excitement to a project that is already generating strong expectations ahead of its release.

However, recent reports indi-

A major development has emerged regarding Superstar Rajinikanth's highly anticipated project Thalaivar 173, with reports suggesting that filmmaker Ashwath Marimuthu, best known for directing the blockbuster Dragon, is set to take charge of the film. The news has generated significant excitement among fans, who are eager to learn more about the actor's next big venture after Jailer 2.

The project, which is being produced by Kamal Haasan's Raaj Kamal Films International, has witnessed several twists and turns since its announcement. Initially, director Sundar C was attached to the film before exiting the project. Earlier this year, the makers officially announced Cibi Chakravarthi of Don fame as the director, with a Pongal 2027 release planned.

cate that another change may be on the cards. Industry buzz suggests that Cibi Chakravarthi could be stepping away from the project, paving the way for Ashwath Marimuthu to take over the directorial responsibilities. While an official confirmation is still awaited, speculation intensified after the production house shared a special birthday post for Ashwath, prompting fans to believe that he is now closely associated with the film.

Ashwath Marimuthu has earned widespread recognition for his fresh storytelling style and commercial sensibilities. His recent success with Dragon significantly boosted his profile, making him one of the most sought-after young directors in South Indian cinema. Fans believe his energetic filmmaking approach could bring a fresh perspective to a Rajinikanth entertainer.

Preity Mukhundhan Caught in Tollywood-Kollywood Fan Debate, Actress Chooses to Stay Focused on Work

Rising actress Preity Mukhundhan has found herself at the center of an unexpected social media debate as fans from the Telugu and Tamil film industries engage in discussions over where the young star truly belongs. While the online chatter continues to gain momentum, the actress appears determined to keep her attention firmly on her growing career rather than fan rivalries.

Preity, who gained widespread popularity through the chartbuster music video Aasa Kooda, has quickly emerged as one of the most promising young talents in South Indian cinema. Her successful debut ventures in both Telugu and Tamil films have helped her build a strong fan base across states, making her a favorite among audiences in multiple industries.

The discussion reportedly began after fans on social media started debating whether Preity should focus primarily on Tollywood or Kollywood. Supporters from both industries have been highlighting her performances and screen presence, each claiming that their respective film industry offers the best platform for her future growth.

Industry observers, however, view the debate as a positive sign of the actress's rising popularity. In an era where language barriers in Indian cinema are rapidly disappearing, several actors and actresses are successfully balancing careers across multiple film industries. Preity appears to be following a similar path by accepting projects in different languages and expanding her reach among diverse audiences.

The actress has already established a presence in Telugu and Tamil cinema and is gradually ex-



panding her portfolio with projects in other languages as well. Her growing popularity, combined with a strong social media following and successful appearances in music videos, has positioned her as one of the most sought-after young performers in the South Indian film industry.

Rather than getting involved in fan wars, Preity's focus remains on selecting meaningful roles and delivering strong performances. Those close to the industry believe that maintaining a pan-Indian approach could benefit her career in the long run, allowing her to connect with wider audiences and explore diverse storytelling opportunities.

As her popularity continues to soar, the ongoing Tollywood-Kollywood debate serves as yet another indicator of her growing influence in the entertainment world. For now, fans from both industries can agree on one thing: Preity Mukhundhan is steadily emerging as one of the most exciting young stars to watch in Indian cinema.



Despite the ongoing speculation, the makers have not yet issued an official statement regarding the directorial change. The project remains one of the most eagerly awaited films in Tamil cinema, particularly because it marks a prestigious collaboration between Rajinikanth and Kamal Haasan's production banner. Music for the film is expected

to be composed by Anirudh Ravichander.

As fans await a formal announcement, all eyes are now on Raaj Kamal Films International to clarify who will ultimately direct Thalaivar 173. Whether it is Ashwath Marimuthu or another filmmaker, expectations surrounding the project continue to remain exceptionally high.

Shalini Kondepudi Says Sing Geetham Features a Never-Before-Seen Concept in Indian Cinema

Actress Shalini Kondepudi, known for her performances in films such as Jayamma Panchayathi, My Dear Donga, and Shubham, has expressed confidence that her upcoming film Sing Geetham will offer audiences a completely new cinematic experience. The actress plays a pivotal role in the musical fantasy directed by legendary filmmaker Singeetam Srinivasa Rao and produced by Nag Ashwin under the banners of Vyjayanthi Movies and Swapna Cinema. The film is scheduled for release on June 11.

Speaking about the project, Shalini revealed that she portrays a strong character with negative shades and multiple layers. According to her, the role is one of the most challenging and exciting characters she has played so far. She described her character as determined, opinionated, and central to the film's narrative, adding that it offers both depth and entertainment.

One of the film's biggest highlights is its unique storytelling format. Set in the fictional village of Kuberapuram, Sing

Geetham unfolds in a world where conversations themselves flow like songs. Shalini explained that every dialogue in the film is presented in a musical format, making it a rare and unconventional cinematic experiment. She noted that audiences will discover the reason behind this unusual style only when they watch the film on the big screen.

The actress emphasized that the movie is an entirely original creation with no direct references from existing films. She credited director Singeetam Srinivasa Rao's visionary storytelling and producer Nag Ashwin's creative sensibilities for shaping the project into something distinctive. Shalini believes the film has the potential to encourage more filmmakers to explore innovative and experimental storytelling if it succeeds at the box office.

Shalini also praised music director Devi Sri Prasad for his contribution, stating that the film's ambitious concept works largely because of the way music seamlessly blends with dialogue



and narrative. She described the soundtrack as one of the key strengths of the film and said it elevates the overall viewing experience. Apart from acting, Shalini revealed that she is preparing to step into direction. Having previously written My Dear Donga, she said her next project will be a comedy film that she plans to write and direct herself, reflecting her passion for creating entertaining stories that make audiences laugh.