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CM Orders Speedy Completion of Education Hub Works

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Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has directed officials to accelerate the construction works of the Young India Integrated Residential School and other institutions at the Hakimpet Education Hub in Vikarabad district, expressing strong dissatisfaction over the slow progress of the prestigious project.

During his inspection of the Education Hub, the Chief Minister reviewed the ongoing construction of engineering, medical, nursing, veterinary, physiotherapy, and paramedical colleges along with hostel buildings and other supporting infrastructure. He also examined the development plans and master plan for the education campus and issued several instructions to improve the pace and quality of works.

Revanth Reddy said delays in projects of such importance would not be tolerated and instructed officials to deploy adequate manpower and resources to complete the works within the stipulated timeline. He directed departments concerned to submit monthly progress reports on every project being executed at the Education Hub to ensure continuous monitoring and accountability.

Expressing displeasure over the slow pace of construction, the Chief Minister warned officials against negligence and lack of commitment. He made it clear that strict action would be taken against those responsible for unnecessary delays and said officials found negligent in their duties would face suspension. The Chief Minister stated that he would personally review the progress of



the Education Hub every month and announced that he would even stay overnight at the site to closely monitor the development works. He emphasized that all departments must work in coordination to ensure timely completion of infrastructure projects aimed at providing quality education facilities.

Revanth Reddy also expressed anger over the delay in allotting plots to farmers who had surrendered their lands for the project. He directed officials to complete the pending rehabilitation process immediately and hand over plot title deeds to eligible beneficiaries by the following week. He instructed district officials to personally monitor the process and remove all administrative hurdles. Later, the Chief Minister reviewed the progress of the Malkajgiri Narayanpet-Kodangal Lift Irrigation Project. Officials briefed him on land acquisition, surveys, and implementation plans. He directed officials to complete land acquisition at the earliest and assured that the government would provide necessary funds and additional surveyors to speed up the process. He ordered that the tender process should begin immediately after completion of land acquisition so

that project execution could proceed without delay. Reviewing development works in the Kodangal Assembly constituency, the Chief Minister instructed officials to ensure proper road connectivity for all villages and tribal hamlets. He emphasized that no thanda should remain without road facilities and directed that every village should have a BT road connection to the mandal headquarters. He also ordered the construction of Gram Panchayat buildings for newly formed Gram Panchayats and suggested appointing an Executive Engineer-level officer to continuously supervise development works.

In view of the prevailing El Niño conditions and the possibility of reduced rainfall, Revanth Reddy directed officials to prepare advance plans to prevent drinking water shortages. He asked departments to assess water availability, identify vulnerable areas, and take preventive measures to ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply. The Chief Minister reiterated that the government would closely monitor all major projects and ensure transparency, accountability, and timely completion for public benefit.

Bandi Sanjay Calls for Social Media Regulation

New Delhi, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar on Tuesday called for strict measures to prevent the misuse of social media platforms in the Telugu states, stating that clear boundaries must be established to curb malicious campaigns and personal attacks.

Speaking after a meeting with Janasena Rajya Sabha MP Lingamaneni

Ramesh in New Delhi, Bandi Sanjay expressed concern over the misuse of YouTube channels and social media platforms in the name of journalism to spread propaganda and damage reputations. He stressed the need for governments to take firm action against individuals and platforms involved in such activities. Lingamaneni Ramesh, who recently entered the Rajya Sabha



NEET Paper Leak Row Escalates

Protesters Demand Minister's Resignation, Opposition Slams Police Action

CJP Demands Accountability Over NEET Leak

The agitation over the alleged NEET paper leak intensified in the national capital as protesters led by the *CJP* demanded that the Union Government take responsibility for the controversy. The protesters sought the immediate resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, holding the Centre accountable for the alleged failure to protect the integrity of the national medical entrance examination.

The CJP also demanded financial compensation for the families of NEET aspirants who allegedly died by suicide following the paper leak controversy. Protesters maintained that the incident had shattered the confidence of lakhs of students and their families.

Violence at Jantar Mantar, Talks Held With Government
Tensions flared at Jantar Mantar on Monday when police attempted to disperse



demonstrators. Students were reportedly subjected to lathi-charge and tear gas, leading to violent clashes. Several protesters sustained injuries, while some Delhi Police personnel were also hurt during the confrontation.

Later in the day, the Centre held its first round of discussions with representatives of the CJP. A delegation met Union Minister J. P. Nadda submitted a memorandum



detailing their demands, including accountability for the paper leak, the



resignation of the Education Minister, and compensation for affected families.

Congress Leaders Visit Injured Students
Senior Congress leaders

Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, and K. C. Venugopal visited students injured during the police crackdown. The Congress accused the government of using excessive force against peaceful protesters and demanded that Prime Minister Narendra Modi apologise for what it described as "brutality" against the country's youth. In a post on X, the Congress alleged that the future of students was being crushed and criticised the police action against those raising their voices. Speaking to reporters in Parliament, Rahul Gandhi said the issue concerned the future of India's youth and described the police action as "completely un-Indian." He also criticised the Prime Minister for not apologising over the incident.

Several Opposition leaders, including Pawan Khera, Shashi Tharoor, Sanjay Raut, Bhupesh Baghel, and Arvind Kejriwal, also condemned the police action.

Rahul, Priyanka and Akhilesh Arrested; Political War Intensifies

As the protest gained momentum, Rahul Gandhi was detained by the Delhi Police during his sit-in protest. Later, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra was also arrested after reportedly resisting police action. Samajwadi Party leader Akhilesh Yadav was also taken into custody.

The Congress has called for nationwide protests against Rahul Gandhi's arrest and reiterated its demand for the resignation of Dharmendra Pradhan.

The BJP, however, accused Rahul Gandhi of changing his stand after the government agreed to a discussion on the issue in Parliament. Union Minister Jitendra Singh criticised Rahul Gandhi's statements, while the Congress maintained that discussions alone were insufficient without fixing accountability for the NEET paper leak.



TG Mineral Corporation Under Fire Over Delayed Sand Booking Refunds, Customers Cry Neglect

Hyderabad: Several customers who booked sand through the Telangana Mineral Development Corporation (TGMDC) portal are facing severe hardships due to prolonged delays in receiving refunds for canceled or incomplete bookings. Aggrieved consumers allege that despite repeated complaints and visits to TGMDC offices, their refund requests have remained pending for months, with some cases stretching beyond a year. Customers who paid online for sand bookings through the official portal claim that when orders were canceled or could not be fulfilled, the money deducted from

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PM Modi Vows Strict Action Over NEET Paper Leak

New Delhi, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday addressed the controversy surrounding the NEET paper leak issue, stating that the matter should not be viewed through a political lens as it concerns the future of the nation's youth. He assured that the government would take strict action against those responsible for compromising the examination system. Speaking at the NDA Parliamentary Party meeting, Prime Minister Modi said paper leaks were a serious offence and emphasized that protecting the interests of students and maintaining the credibility of competitive examinations were among the government's top priorities.

Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju, while briefing the media about the meeting, said the Prime Minister made it clear that the NEET issue was not limited to any particular state or government but was a national concern affecting lakhs of students across the country. Modi reportedly



stated that those involved in the irregularities would face stringent punishment. The Prime Minister highlighted that the government acted immediately after the NEET controversy emerged and that several accused persons had already been arrested. He said strict legal action against those guilty would send a strong message and prevent such incidents in the future. He also mentioned that measures were taken to protect the interests of genuine candidates and ensure transparency in the examination process.

Modi stressed that creating a secure and transparent examination system without scope for leaks is a collective national responsibility. He called for cooperation from all institutions and stakeholders to safeguard the aspirations of students. Meanwhile, protests over the NEET issue intensified in Delhi, with student groups organizing a 'Chalo Sansad' rally demanding accountability over the alleged paper leak and irregularities. The protesters sought the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra

Pradhan, release of activist Sonam Wangchuk, and financial assistance for families of students who died by suicide allegedly due to exam-related distress.

The protest reportedly turned tense following clashes between demonstrators and Delhi Police. Police used force, including lathi-charge and tear gas, to disperse the crowd. Several protesters and police personnel were injured during the confrontation, with many receiving treatment at government hospitals. Addressing the opposition's role in Parliament, Prime Minister Modi urged all parties to cooperate in ensuring smooth proceedings and constructive discussions. He said political differences should not prevent elected representatives from working together on issues concerning national interest and the welfare of young people. The Prime Minister reiterated that the government would continue taking firm steps to protect the future of students and restore public confidence in the examination system.

Bhatti Orders Push for Thermal Power Output

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka has directed officials to maximize electricity generation at Telangana State Power Generation Corporation (GENCO) thermal power stations to ensure uninterrupted power supply in view of the nationwide impact of the El Niño weather phenomenon. Chairing a high-level review meeting of the Energy Department at Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Praja Bhavan on Tuesday, the Deputy Chief Minister said the expected decline in hydroelectric generation due to changing weather conditions makes it essential to strengthen thermal power production. He instructed officials to take all necessary measures to meet the state's electricity demand without causing inconvenience to consumers.

Bhatti Vikramarka also announced that he would undertake an immediate field inspection of Singareni coal mines to review coal production, transportation, and quality. He said the objective is to ensure uninterrupted availability of adequate, high-quality coal for all thermal



power stations in Telangana. During the meeting, officials reviewed GENCO's installed generation capacity, coal supply challenges, and long-term strategies to strengthen the state's power sector. The Deputy Chief Minister emphasized that timely coal supply is critical for maintaining continuous thermal power generation, particularly during periods of high electricity demand.

Reviewing the progress of the Yadadri Thermal Power Station (YTSPS), Bhatti Vikramarka said significant progress had been achieved only after the formation of the present government. He alleged that although the project was launched during

the previous administration in 2016-17, construction progressed slowly despite approvals for sourcing 14,000 tonnes of G9-grade coal annually from Singareni. He further alleged that inadequate planning regarding coal quantity, quality, logistics, and project execution under the previous government resulted in several operational challenges. According to the Deputy Chief Minister, environmental clearances required for the project were secured only after the present government assumed office, allowing construction work to be accelerated.

Bhatti Vikramarka said the first 800 MW unit of YTSPS began power generation in

2025, while three additional 800 MW units were commissioned during the 2025-26 and 2026-27 financial years. As a result, GENCO's thermal power generation capacity has increased to 7,180 MW. Despite coal supply constraints, Telangana GENCO generated 27,908 million units of electricity during 2025-26, meeting around 31 percent of the state's total electricity requirement, compared to 25.14 percent in the previous year. He expressed confidence that improved coal availability could enable GENCO to meet nearly 40 percent of Telangana's electricity demand. He also said efforts were underway to commission the fifth unit of the Yadadri Thermal Power Station in September 2026. The Deputy Chief Minister alleged that the previous government had failed to facilitate Singareni's expansion by not securing additional coal mines and preventing the company from participating in coal block auctions. He said these decisions adversely affected coal production and contributed to the present supply challenges. Bhatti Vikramarka said the proposed field visit

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Balkampet Yellamma Kalyanotsavam Draws Thousands

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The annual Kalyana Mahotsavam of Goddess Balkampet Yellamma was celebrated with religious fervour and grandeur in Hyderabad on Tuesday, with thousands of devotees thronging the historic temple to witness the celestial wedding ceremony. Telangana ministers, public representatives, senior officials, and devotees from across the state participated in the celebrations organized by the Endowments Department.

On behalf of the Telangana government, Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar and Forest, Environment, and Endowments Minister Konda Surekha offered traditional silk robes to Goddess Yellamma before participating in the Kalyanotsavam. Konda Surekha was accompanied by her daughter, Susmitha Patel, during the special rituals.

Temple priests welcomed the ministers and other dignitaries with traditional honours, performed Vedic rituals, and presented Teertha-Prasadam. The ministers later witnessed the celestial wedding of the presiding deity amid devotional chants and elaborate temple ceremonies.

During the event, Konda Surekha also met Geetha Reddy, wife of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, and extended Bonalu festival greetings. Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy's wife Kavya Reddy, Government Whip Addanki Dayakar, MLAs Danam Nagender, Talasani Srinivas Yadav, Naveen Yadav, and several other dignitaries were also present. Addressing devotees, Konda Surekha said participating in the annual Kalyanotsavam was a spiritually fulfilling experience. She described it as a privilege to offer silk garments to the Goddess



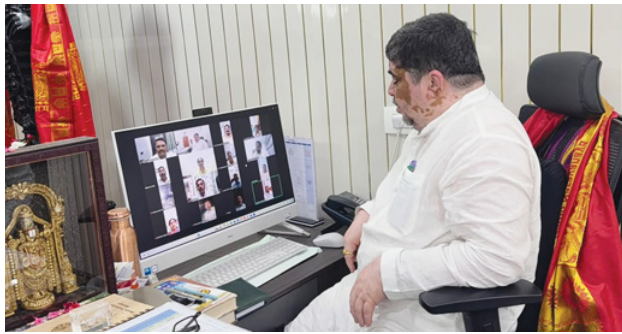
alongside her daughter and prayed for the health, happiness, peace, and prosperity of the people of Telangana. She also sought divine blessings for abundant rainfall, bumper agricultural production, and the state's continued

development across all sectors. The Minister noted that the Varuna Yagams and special prayers conducted by the Endowments Department across Telangana reflected the government's commitment to seeking divine blessings for timely rainfall. She expressed happiness over the recent rains and hoped they would contribute to a prosperous agricultural season. Highlighting the arrangements made for the festival, Konda Surekha said the government had ensured comprehensive facilities for devotees, including special provisions for senior citizens, children, persons with disabilities, and Shiva Sathus to facilitate smooth darshan. She reaffirmed the Endowments Department's commitment to preserving Telangana's rich spiritual heritage while enhancing infrastructure and amenities at major temples.

The Endowments Department, under the supervision of Commissioner Hanumantha Rao and Temple Chairman Saibaba, made extensive arrangements for the event, including uninterrupted drinking water, power supply, medical services, sanitation, and crowd management. Officials from GHMC, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Electricity, Police, Medical, Revenue, and other departments coordinated to ensure the festival concluded peacefully.

District Collector Dr. Priyanka Ala, DCP (Traffic) Kajal Singh, Joint Commissioner Ramakrishna Rao, Executive Officer Vinod Reddy, and senior officials from various departments attended the celebrations. Even after the Kalyanotsavam concluded, devotees continued to visit the temple in large numbers to seek the blessings of Goddess Yellamma.

Residential Schools Face August 30 Inspection Deadline



Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Telangana BC Welfare Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar has directed officials to complete comprehensive inspections of all residential educational institutions under the Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Telangana Backward Classes Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society (MJPT-BCWREIS) by August 30. Stressing the government's commitment to providing quality education in a safe and well-equipped environment, the Minister issued the instructions during a video conference with Regional Coordinating Officers (RCOs) to review academic standards, infrastructure, administration, and student welfare.

The Minister instructed officials to maintain continuous monitoring of the institutions and ensure that students receive a high-quality educational experience. He ordered every Regional Coordinating Officer to spend at least three days each week conducting field visits and inspecting a minimum of six residential institutions. He said RCOs should not confine themselves to routine supervision but should function as a vital link between the society's headquarters, district administrations, and the institutions to ensure swift resolution of issues. Ponnamp Prabhakar also directed officials to accelerate the land acquisition process for institutions operating without permanent campuses by coordinating closely with District Collectors. He emphasized that approved institutions must be established within their respective constituencies and instructed officials to ensure timely implementation. He further mandated that six percent of the funds allocated for rented buildings be utilized exclusively for repair and maintenance works to improve living conditions for students. Highlighting the importance of sustainable infrastructure, the Minister instructed all residential institutions to install and effectively maintain rainwater harvesting systems to address potential water shortages. He also directed officials to immediately report and act upon complaints, suggestions, and feedback received from parents. The Minister stressed that education should extend beyond academics, encouraging institutions to nurture students' talents in sports, arts, and personality development. He assured that the government would provide additional support to exceptionally talented students once their achievements are identified and documented. Recognizing the importance of mental health, he recommended organizing regular awareness sessions with psychologists to help students cope with stress and maintain emotional well-being. He also instructed officials to ensure strict monitoring of kitchens, food quality, and hygiene standards to prevent any incidents of food poisoning during the academic year. Warning against negligence, Ponnamp Prabhakar announced that he, along with the BC Welfare Commissioner and the Society Secretary, would conduct surprise inspections of at least 15 residential educational institutions every month. He also revealed plans to construct a dedicated building for the Moosi Residential Educational Institution and encouraged schools to actively involve students in plantation drives, making them responsible for nurturing the saplings as part of environmental awareness initiatives. BC Welfare Commissioner Balamaya Devi, MJPTBCWREIS Secretary Badugu Saidulu, Deputy Secretaries, and Regional Coordinating Officers participated in the review meeting.

Ponnamp Urges Shift to Water-Saving Crops

Hanumakonda, July 21 | TPN Bureau

State Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar has directed officials to prepare farmers for cultivating alternative crops that require less water than paddy in view of the anticipated impact of El Nino and the possibility of below-normal rainfall during the current monsoon season.

The Minister issued the directions while addressing a review meeting held at the Hanumakonda Collectorate on Tuesday to assess the district's preparedness for rainfall-deficit conditions and discuss measures to safeguard agriculture, livestock, and drinking water supplies. Ponnamp Prabhakar said the Agriculture Department should launch extensive awareness campaigns to educate farmers about crops that consume less water while

offering sustainable incomes. He specifically encouraged the promotion of commercially viable crops such as lemongrass, stating that diversification would help farmers minimize losses if rainfall remains inadequate. Emphasizing the need for advance planning, the Minister instructed officials to prepare farmers well before the situation worsens. He said timely guidance on crop selection would help reduce risks and improve resilience in the agricultural sector.

The Minister also directed officials to accord special priority to the Animal Husbandry Department by ensuring adequate drinking water and fodder for livestock during periods of water scarcity. He stressed that preventive measures should be taken immediately to avoid shortages affecting



cattle and other domestic animals. Officials were instructed to prepare comprehensive reports on the availability of water resources, groundwater

conditions, reservoir storage, and drinking water requirements across the district. These reports, he said, would help the government formulate timely interventions and ensure effective resource management. Ponnamp Prabhakar emphasized that coordinated efforts from senior officials to field-level staff are essential for effectively tackling the challenges posed by changing weather conditions. He said proper planning, efficient utilization of available resources, and close coordination among departments would ensure that people do not face unnecessary hardship.

The Minister called upon farmers, government officials, and public representatives to work together with a sense of social responsibility to overcome the challenges arising from deficient rain-

fall. He expressed confidence that collective efforts and proactive planning would help the state successfully manage the prevailing monsoon conditions.

The review meeting was attended by State Finance Commission Chairman Sirisilla Rajaiah, Telangana Legislative Assembly Deputy Speaker Ramchandra Naik, MLC Baswaraju Saraiah, MLAs Revuri Prakash Reddy, Naini Rajender Reddy, Gandra Satyanarayana Rao, Donthi Madhava Reddy, Kadiam Srihari, K.R. Nagaraju, Dr. Murali Naik, District Library Corporation Chairman Meesala Prakash, Joint Warangal District Special Officer and Commissioner of Collegiate Education Devasena, Collectors of the erstwhile Warangal district, and senior officials from various departments.

Uttam Announces Round-the-Clock Pump Operations

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy on Tuesday announced that nine pumping units of the Devadula Lift Irrigation Scheme would begin operating round the clock from Tuesday night to maximize the lifting of Godavari waters and strengthen water security across Telangana.

Responding to criticism from BRS leader and former Irrigation Minister T. Harish Rao during an informal interaction with reporters at the Secretariat, Uttam Kumar Reddy said the state government's priority was ensuring water availability for farmers and drinking water needs, not engaging in political exchanges.

The Minister said the decision was in line with assurances given during the recent Group of Ministers' review of



the Devadula project. He stated that engineers had been instructed to operate the nine pumping units at full capacity to lift maximum water from the Godavari and fill all 22 reservoirs under the

scheme, which serve nine districts. He said every operational decision was being taken based on technical requirements and the need to address water scarcity

caused by deficient rainfall. "Our responsibility is to safeguard farmers' interests and ensure drinking water security," he said.

Uttam Kumar Reddy accused Harish Rao of attempting to divert attention from issues relating to the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme. He said the former minister should explain the engineering and administrative decisions taken during the previous BRS government, particularly the change in the foundation design at the Medigadda barrage.

Referring to proceedings before the Judicial Commission, Uttam Kumar Reddy alleged that the original Detailed Project Report (DPR) had proposed a sheet-pile foundation, which was later replaced with a secant-pile foundation during the BRS regime. He said those responsible for the decision should explain the circum-

stances that led to the structural problems at Medigadda. The Minister also called on Harish Rao to respond to allegations made publicly by BRS MLC K. Kavitha that Kaleshwaram contractors had paid ₹1,400 crore to the BRS. He said the people deserved answers to the allegations instead of what he termed attempts to mislead farmers on the Devadula project.

Reaffirming the government's commitment to completing the Devadula Lift Irrigation Scheme, Uttam Kumar Reddy said pending land acquisition, statutory clearances, and construction works were being expedited. He expressed confidence that the project would be completed by December 2027, providing irrigation to nearly 5.6 lakh acres while significantly strengthening drinking water security across northern Telangana.

Govt Unveils El Nino Mitigation Plan

Warangal, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Revenue, Housing, and Information & Public Relations Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy on Tuesday said the state government has launched a comprehensive action plan to tackle the anticipated impact of El Nino, which is expected to result in below-normal rainfall across southern India, including Telangana. Chairing a review meeting at the Hanumakonda IDOC Collectorate, the Minister said rainfall is likely to remain significantly below normal this year, with the Telugu states expected to face a greater impact than many other parts of the country. He reviewed the preparedness of various departments and discussed contingency measures to safeguard agriculture, drinking water supplies, and public welfare. Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said the issue was extensively discussed during the recent State Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. As part of the preparedness strategy, the government has decided to appoint a senior IAS officer as a special officer for each erstwhile district to monitor the evolving situation and coordinate relief measures. The special officers will regularly assess rainfall patterns, groundwater levels, drinking water availability, and agricultural conditions, and submit detailed reports to the Chief Minister and the State Cabinet. Senior IAS officer Devasena has been appointed as the special officer for the combined Warangal district. The Minister said the government has prepared a special mitigation plan to help districts manage rainfall deficits, reassure farmers, and prevent drinking water shortages. He added that a comprehensive report on the prevailing conditions would be sent to the Central Government seeking financial assistance and other necessary support. Appealing to the public and farming community not to panic, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy assured that the government is closely monitoring the situation and will take timely measures to address any challenges arising from deficient rainfall. The review meeting was attended by State Finance Commission Chairman Sirisilla Rajaiah, Government Whip Dr. Ramchandra Naik, MLC Baswaraju Saraiah, MLAs Nayini Rajender Reddy, Revuri Prakash Reddy, Gandra Satyanarayana Rao, Kadiyam Srihari, Donthi Madhava Reddy, and Murali Naik. Also present were Special Officer Devasena, Collectors of the erstwhile Warangal districts, Additional Collectors, senior officials from various departments, and scientists from KVK-ICAR.



Seethakka Urges Tourists to Follow Safety Rules

Mulugu, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Minister for Panchayat Raj, Rural Development, and Women & Child Welfare Dr. Danasari Anasuya Seethakka has appealed to tourists visiting Mulugu district to strictly follow safety guidelines issued by the district administration, police, and forest officials to prevent accidents at tourist destinations.

In a video message released during her ongoing visit to the United States, the Minister welcomed visitors to Mulugu on behalf of the Telangana Government and urged them to enjoy the district's natural beauty responsibly. Seethakka described Mulugu as a major tourism destination, known for its dense forests, the Godavari river basin, Bogatha Water falls, picturesque streams, and renowned heritage and



spiritual sites, including the Sammakka-Saralamma temple at Medaram, the Ramappa Temple, and the Mallur Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple. She expressed hope that visitors would have a safe and memorable experience. The Minister also expressed grief over the recent deaths of two youths who reportedly entered restricted areas. She noted that warning boards and barricades have already

been installed at vulnerable locations by the police and forest departments but said some visitors continue to ignore safety instructions. Emphasizing that tourist safety is the government's highest priority, Seethakka urged visitors not to cross barricades or venture into deep forests, dangerous waterfalls, fast-flowing streams, or cliff edges. She also advised people against risking their lives for selfies or videos in hazardous locations.

She appealed to tourists to cooperate with officials, follow all safety instructions, and act responsibly to ensure the well-being of themselves, their families, and fellow visitors. The Minister said respecting safety guidelines would help visitors enjoy Mulugu's natural attractions while avoiding preventable tragedies.

Farmers Urged to Prepare for El Nino

Medaram, July 21 | TPN Bureau

State Minister for SC and ST Welfare Adhuri Laxman Kumar on Tuesday urged farmers to prepare for the challenges posed by El Nino conditions by shifting towards crops that require less water and adopting climate-resilient farming practices. The Minister participated in the SUR programme, inaugurated Indiramma houses, distributed Kalyana Lakshmi cheques, and attended an El Nino awareness programme at the Medaram Rythu Vedika along with District Collector Koya Sriharsha.

Addressing farmers, Adhuri Laxman Kumar said the current rainfall deficit demands careful planning and efficient use of available water resources. He advised cultivators to opt for semi-dry crops and other high-yield, low-water-consuming varieties recommended by Agriculture Department offi-



cials to minimize risks during the season.

The Minister also took part in SUR programmes held in Paidichintalapalli, Dongaturthi, and Rachapalli villages, where he reviewed local development activities and interacted with residents. He later inaugurated three newly constructed Indiramma houses in Medaram village, reaffirming the government's commitment to providing housing for eligible beneficiaries.

BJP Slams CURE Act, Housing Policy

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

BJP Telangana State President N. Ramchander Rao on Tuesday accused the Congress government of imposing an excessive financial burden on Hyderabad's residents through the proposed Core Urban Region Economy (CURE) Act and the implementation of the Indiramma Housing Scheme. He made the remarks while addressing a press conference at the BJP state office in Hyderabad. Ramchander Rao alleged that the proposed amendments to municipal laws would lead to higher taxes and additional financial obligations for the poor and middle-class families. While acknowledging the need to modernize the Municipal Act of 1955, he claimed that several provisions in the CURE Act were designed to increase the financial bur-



den on citizens. He objected to the proposal for annual property tax revisions linked to registration values and criticized the plan to levy separate charges for water supply and sewerage services. According to him, the legislation also lacks clarity regarding the powers and responsibilities of corporators, ward mem-

bers, and other elected representatives. He further alleged that the government introduced the legislation without consulting Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs) or other stakeholders and announced that the BJP would strongly oppose the Bill in the State Assembly. The BJP leader also criti-

cized the Indiramma Housing Scheme, alleging that the application process places an unnecessary financial burden on economically weaker sections. He questioned the decision to invite applications for only 7,680 housing units while requiring applicants to pay an application fee and an earnest money deposit. He alleged that the exercise would result in substantial collections from applicants and urged the government to reconsider the policy. Ramchander Rao further claimed that several housing projects developed during previous governments, including Rajiv Swagruha, Jawaharnagar, Pocharam, Chandanagar, Bolakpur, and other residential projects, remain unoccupied despite a large number of eligible beneficiaries awaiting housing. He demanded that these completed houses be allotted

free of cost to deserving families after necessary repairs and called for an inquiry into the delay in their allocation. He also alleged that the Congress government was taking credit for housing assistance supported by the Central Government under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana and accused it of using the housing programme for political purposes ahead of local body elections. Earlier, several prominent personalities, including social worker Joy Michael D'Souza, businessman Dinesh Kumar, and businessman Shrawan Kumar Samala, formally joined the BJP in the presence of Ramchander Rao at the party's state office. The BJP chief welcomed the new entrants and urged them to work towards strengthening the party across Telangana.

BJP Slams Congress Protest Outside PM's Residence

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy on Tuesday strongly criticized the Congress party over its protest outside the Prime Minister's residence, describing it as "politics of drama and disruption" rather than responsible democratic opposition. In a press statement, the Union Minister said the protest reflected what he termed the Congress party's "predictable politics" of creating disturbances both inside and outside Parliament. He asserted that while Parliament is in session, the Opposition has a constitutional responsibility to participate in debates, question the government, and contribute constructively to

nation-building instead of resorting to protests. Kishan Reddy alleged that Congress has repeatedly chosen to disrupt parliamentary proceedings, forcing adjournments before staging demonstrations outside Parliament. He said the Constitution guarantees every Member of Parliament the right to speak and debate but does not permit repeated obstruction of legislative business. "Every hour of forced paralysis results in a significant loss to the nation and weakens democratic values," he said. According to the Minister, Congress has adopted a pattern of preventing debates in Parliament, creating disruptions, and later claiming that democracy is under threat.



He maintained that such actions amount to an attempt to undermine democratic institutions rather than strengthen them. The Union Minister also referred to the Emergency imposed by the Congress

government in 1975, alleging that the party had itself curtailed democratic freedoms during its tenure in power. He said the Congress cannot now claim to be a defender of democracy while engaging in what he described as disruptive political tactics. Kishan Reddy further stated that the Congress has repeatedly failed to win the confidence of voters in several states, citing electoral setbacks in states such as Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Assam, and Puducherry. He claimed that the electorate had rejected the party because it was driven by political opportunism rather than public service. Commenting on Congress leaders staging the protest while wearing symbolic

handcuffs, the Minister remarked that the gesture reflected political theatrics rather than genuine democratic expression. He alleged that the people had already "handcuffed" the party's political ambitions through successive electoral verdicts. Calling on the Congress to utilize constitutional forums, Kishan Reddy said Parliament provides ample opportunity to raise issues through debates, discussions, and established rules of procedure. "If the Congress believes it has facts on its side, it should present them in Parliament. India deserves a responsible Opposition that contributes to democratic discourse instead of remaining in a constant state of agitation," he said.

Harish Rao Accuses Govt of Neglecting Project

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

BRS Deputy Floor Leader and former Irrigation Minister T. Harish Rao on Monday accused the Congress government of pushing farmers in the erstwhile Warangal district into a severe irrigation crisis by failing to operate the Devadula Lift Irrigation Scheme despite adequate water availability in the Godavari River. Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Harish Rao recalled that the BRS had demanded the operation of the Devadula pumps during a press meet on July 12. He said that following the demand, Ministers N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, Bhatti Vikramarka, and Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy visited the project site on July 13 and assured farmers that all 22 reservoirs would be filled by



lifting 38 TMC of water. Trusting these assurances, farmers went ahead with nursery cultivation, he alleged. However, Harish Rao claimed that the promised water supply never materialized, leading to protests by

farmers in Shayampet, Bheemadevarapalli, Elkathurthy, and other parts of Warangal district. He questioned why water was not being lifted when the Sammakka Barrage, constructed during the previous BRS government, currently holds around 3 TMC of water with an inflow of nearly 22,000 cusecs. The former minister alleged that while the government promised to operate all ten pumps, only a few were functioning. According to him, more motors were switched on only during ministers' visits, while fewer remained operational afterward. He dismissed any technical hurdles, stating that there was no National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA) issue affecting Devadula. Harish Rao further alleged that nearly 105 TMC of Godavari water had flowed down-

stream towards Andhra Pradesh, while only about 1.9 TMC had been lifted, despite the system's capacity to lift 12 TMC. He claimed the combined storage capacity of the 22 reservoirs could have been filled within the past 50 days but remained largely empty due to administrative negligence. Accusing the Congress government of creating a "man-made drought," Harish Rao said the Meteorological Department had already warned of drought-like conditions in Jangaon, Hanamkonda, Mahabubabad, and Warangal districts. He alleged that farmers were being forced to irrigate fields using tankers and pots while waiting for irrigation water. The BRS leader also questioned conflicting statements made by ministers, who promised irrigation for

over three lakh acres, and the Warangal Collector, who reportedly advised farmers not to undertake cultivation due to the lack of water. He demanded that the government clarify its position and apologize to farmers who had suffered losses after relying on official assurances. Harish Rao urged the government to immediately operate all ten Devadula pumps, fill the 22 reservoirs, and ensure irrigation and drinking water for the 3.17 lakh-acre ayacut. Warning of intensified protests, he said the BRS would stand with farmers in Warangal, Karimnagar, and Nalgonda if the government failed to act promptly. Former ministers Satyavathi Rathod, Rajaiah, and Laxma Reddy, MLC Ravinder Rao, and several senior BRS leaders attended the press conference.

KTR Targets Congress Over Youth, Farmer Issues

Mancherial, July 21 | TPN Bureau

BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) launched a sharp attack on the Congress government in Telangana, alleging that it had betrayed both the youth and farmers and warning that growing public discontent could lead to widespread protests across the state. Addressing a public meeting in Mancherial, KTR claimed that the Congress government would face strong opposition from unemployed youth for allegedly failing to fulfil promises made before the Assembly elections. He said the BRS had highlighted these issues through its "Yuva Sangrama" programme, which, according to him, exposed the government's failure to deliver on commitments such as providing two lakh jobs and implementing its Youth Declaration.



The BRS leader alleged that the Congress had deceived several sections of society by failing to implement election promises, including those made under the Rythu Declaration and the Mahalakshmi scheme. He claimed that dissatisfaction

among young people and farmers was increasing due to the government's performance. KTR also accused the state government of mishandling the agriculture sector and creating what he described as a "man-made drought." He alleged that

farmers were facing severe hardship because irrigation water was not being supplied despite adequate availability and criticized the government's handling of crop procurement. Referring to the deaths of four farmers at procurement centres, he alleged that the affected families had not received financial assistance from the state government. He said the BRS had extended financial support of ₹5 lakh each to the families of the deceased farmers on the instructions of former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), in addition to benefits received under the Rythu Bima insurance scheme introduced during the previous BRS government. On irrigation, KTR accused the Congress government of neglecting the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project and failing to utilize available Godavari waters for irrigation. He alleged

that the government had delayed repairs and was allowing valuable water resources to go unused despite having the infrastructure to lift water. The former minister also criticized the government's decision to regulate urea distribution through a mobile application, alleging that it had caused inconvenience to farmers. He further claimed that multiple installments of financial assistance promised to farmers had not been released. Calling on party workers to remain active, KTR urged them to document instances of alleged harassment of BRS leaders and supporters. He asserted that the BRS would continue to campaign on issues concerning youth, farmers, and public welfare, while expressing confidence that the party would return to power under KCR's leadership in the future.

TG Mineral Corporation Under Fire Over Delayed Sand Booking Refunds, Customers Cry Neglect

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their accounts was not returned within a reasonable timeframe. Many consumers say they have been forced to wait endlessly without any clear explanation from the authorities regarding the status of their refunds. Several affected customers have alleged that the negligence of TGMDC staff has added to their frustration. Those who approached the corporation's offices directly reportedly faced delays, with officials allegedly asking them to return another day without providing a proper solution. "We reach the office by 9 AM and are made to wait until 5 PM, only to be told to come back the next day. How long are we expected to tolerate this?" a frustrated customer said, highlighting the difficulties faced by ordinary citizens. Consumers further claimed that their repeated attempts to seek help through phone calls, office visits, and online grievance platforms have failed to bring any response. They criticized the lack of transparency over why refunds are being delayed and when the pending amounts would actually be credited. The affected customers stated that the issue is causing both financial and mental distress, especially for those who depend on timely refunds. They questioned how a government-backed organization could fail to provide basic customer service after collecting payments through a digital booking system. Experts pointed out that while online platforms have made payment collection faster and more convenient, refund mechanisms must also operate with the same efficiency and accountability. They stressed the need for a fixed timeline for processing refunds and stronger monitoring systems to prevent such delays. Customers have urged senior officials to intervene immediately and clear all pending refund cases within a specific deadline. They also demanded greater transparency in the refund process and accountability from officials responsible for handling customer grievances. Despite several reports highlighting the issue, critics allege that there has been little action from TGMDC authorities, including senior officials and policymakers concerned with the department. The continued delay has raised questions over the corporation's commitment towards consumer welfare and administrative efficiency. Now, all eyes are on whether TGMDC officials will finally wake up to the growing complaints and take corrective measures to resolve the long-pending refund crisis. For thousands of affected customers, the wait for justice continues.

Bhatti Orders Push for Thermal Power Output

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to Singareni would focus on identifying bottlenecks in coal production and transportation while ensuring quality standards are maintained. He said the government is committed to strengthening the entire supply chain so that thermal power stations receive uninterrupted fuel supplies. Energy Department Special Chief Secretary Naveen Mittal, GENCO Chairman and Managing Director Dr. S. Harish, senior directors, and departmental officials attended the review meeting.

Bandi Sanjay Calls for Social Media Regulation

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representing the Janasena party, met Bandi Sanjay as part of a courtesy visit. The Union Minister felicitated him with a shawl and enquired about the health condition of Janasena chief and Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan, who is recovering after undergoing minor surgery. During the meeting, discussions were held on social media conduct in the Telugu states and the growing trend of personal attacks through online platforms. Bandi Sanjay stated that some groups were allegedly targeting Sanatana Dharma and Hindu culture through social media under the guise of journalism and intellectual discourse. He said governments should act against content that promotes hatred, character assassination, and vulgar campaigns. Appreciating steps taken by the Andhra Pradesh government to address social media misuse, he alleged that the Telangana government was not paying adequate attention to the issue. Bandi Sanjay emphasized that social media should be used responsibly and announced that he would discuss the matter with the governments of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana to explore measures for controlling online abuse while maintaining democratic values.

Minister Seenanna Condemns Lathi-Charge on Students

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Minister Seenanna strongly condemned the alleged lathi-charge on students protesting against the BJP-led Central government's handling of examination paper leaks and other issues, accusing the Centre of suppressing peaceful demonstrations. In a statement issued on Monday, the Minister alleged that students protesting against what he described as the BJP government's "incompetent administration" were subjected to excessive police action. He termed the incident unacceptable and said the use of force against young protesters reflected an "arrogant and authoritarian" approach. Seenanna said students and youth are the architects of the nation's future and should be heard rather than confronted with police action. Referring to the BJP's slogan of "Achehe Din," he questioned whether such treatment of students demanding transparency and accountability was consistent with the government's promises. The Minister alleged that repeated examination paper leak incidents had left students frustrated and uncertain about their future. He said the concerns of the youth deserved a fair hearing instead of what he described as harsh action against peaceful protesters. Warning of political consequences, Seenanna said the BJP would have to answer before the people for every instance of alleged police excesses against students. He asserted that public opinion would hold the ruling party accountable for its response to youth protests. Reaffirming the Congress party's support for students, the Minister said the party stands firmly with young people who are peacefully fighting for their legitimate rights and a secure future. He added that the Congress would continue to raise issues affecting students and advocate for measures to protect their interests.



Dasoju Seeks Action on El Nino Crisis

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

BRS MLC Dr. Dasoju Sravan Kumar has written an open letter to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, alleging that the Telangana government has failed to adequately prepare for the impact of the 2026 El Nino phenomenon and demanding immediate corrective measures to address what he described as an escalating agricultural, water, and urban governance crisis. In the letter released on Monday, Sravan Kumar claimed that the state government ignored repeated warnings issued by national and international weather agencies regarding the likelihood of prolonged El Nino conditions. Citing reports from the India Meteorological Department (IMD), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the Central Water Commission (CWC), Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB), CARE Ratings, and government departments, he alleged that Telangana was facing severe rainfall deficits, shrinking reservoir levels, declining agricultural activity, and mounting pressure on drinking water supplies. The BRS leader alleged that Telangana had recorded a rainfall deficit of around 35 percent and claimed that 27 of the state's 33 districts were experiencing drought-like conditions.

High Court Quashes Case Against Seethakka

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The Telangana High Court has quashed the criminal case registered against State Minister and Mulugu MLA Danasari Anasuya, popularly known as Seethakka, in connection with a 2021 hunger strike demanding the inclusion of COVID-19 treatment under the Arogyasri health scheme. Justice Sujana delivered the order on Tuesday, setting aside the proceedings initiated by the Special Judicial First Class Magistrate Court for Excise Cases in Case No. CC 308/2024. With the ruling, the criminal proceedings against the minister have come to an end. The case stemmed from a hunger



strike held on April 26, 2021, at Indira Park Dharna Chowk in Hyderabad, where Seethakka, along with

Congress leaders and activists, demanded that COVID-19 treatment be covered under the Arogyasri

scheme. Gandhinagar police had registered a case under Sections 188, 269, and 270 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 51(b) of the Disaster Management Act, alleging that the protest was conducted without permission and violated COVID-19 safety protocols. After the police filed a charge sheet, the trial court took cognizance of the matter, prompting Seethakka to approach the High Court seeking to quash the proceedings. Her counsel argued that the prosecution was legally unsustainable because Section 188 of the IPC requires a written complaint from the concerned public servant or an authorized superior, whereas the trial court had proceeded

solely on the basis of the police FIR and charge sheet. It was also contended that the mandatory procedure under Sections 51(b) and 60 of the Disaster Management Act had not been followed. The defence further submitted that Sections 269 and 270 of the IPC require prima facie evidence of acts likely to spread an infectious disease, which was absent in the present case. They argued that peaceful participation in a protest could not, by itself, attract those provisions. After considering the submissions, the High Court found no legal basis to continue the prosecution and quashed the case, setting aside the lower court's orders.

Ganesh Utsav Samiti to Inaugurate Office

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The Bhagyanagar Ganesh Utsav Samiti will inaugurate its office on Thursday as preparations gather momentum for the 47th Samuhik Ganesh Utsav in the city. The inauguration will coincide with the birth anniversary of Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak and will begin with a special puja at Baheti Bhavan in Siddiambur Bazaar. Ganesh festival organizers, prominent citizens, and representatives from Hindutva, spiritual, religious, and social organizations are expected to attend the event. The Samiti stated that it has begun coordinating with organizers to ensure the smooth and successful conduct of the Ganesh festival, which is scheduled to be held from September 14 to 25 across Bhagyanagar (Hyderabad). Organizers expressed confidence that the celebrations would be conducted in a peaceful and well-organized manner with active participation from devotees and community groups.



MP Seeks Debate on Defections



New Delhi, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Bhongir Member of Parliament Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy has submitted an adjournment motion to the Speaker of the Lok Sabha, seeking a discussion on the issue of defections of Members of Parliament to other political parties. In his notice, the Congress MP alleged that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has been encouraging defections by inducing MPs from opposition parties, including the Trinamool Congress (TMC), the Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray faction), and the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP). Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy claimed that central government investigative agencies are being used as instruments to exert pressure on opposition leaders, leading to defections and weakening rival political parties. He argued that such developments raise serious concerns about the functioning of India's democratic institutions and the integrity of the parliamentary system. The MP urged the Speaker to allow a detailed discussion in Parliament on what he described as BJP-orchestrated defections, saying the matter is of significant public importance. He maintained that Parliament should deliberate on the issue to ensure transparency, accountability, and the protection of democratic values.

TPCC OBC Wing Burns Pradhan's Effigy

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The TPCC OBC Wing on Tuesday staged a protest by burning an effigy of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, demanding his resignation over the alleged lathi-charge on students and youth during a protest in New Delhi. Addressing the gathering, TPCC OBC Convener Dr. Kethuri Venkatesh condemned the police action against students and urged young people not to lose hope. He alleged that repeated question paper leaks in competitive examinations under the BJP-led Central Government had adversely affected unemployed youth and aspirants from OBC, SC, ST, minority, and other communities. Dr. Venkatesh claimed that numerous examination paper leaks over the past 12 years had undermined the future of lakhs of job seekers. He said the Congress party would continue to fight for students' rights and work to defeat what he described as the BJP's "dictatorial rule." Several Congress leaders and party workers, including Mekala Veeranna Yadav, Rajesh, Aloknath, and Varikuppala Sudhakar, participated in the protest.

Debt Burden Claims B.Tech Student



Quthbullapur, July 21 | TPN Bureau

A final-year B.Tech student allegedly died by suicide after reportedly struggling with mounting debts in Kompally under the limits of the Petbasheerabad Police Station on Tuesday. According to the police, the deceased was identified as Mekala Shivakumar (21), a native of Karimnagar district. He was pursuing his final year of B.Tech at Narasimha Reddy Engineering College in Maisammaguda and was staying in a rented room at Devender Nagar Colony in Kompally. Preliminary investigations indicate that Shivakumar had reportedly borrowed money from friends and acquaintances to support an expensive lifestyle. Over time, the debts accumulated, and he allegedly came under increasing pressure from lenders demanding repayment. Police said Shivakumar was deeply distressed by the financial burden and was reluctant to seek help from his parents, fearing they would reprimand him for the loans. Unable to cope with the pressure, he is believed to have hanged himself from the ceiling fan in his room. After receiving information about the incident, Petbasheerabad police rushed to the spot and shifted the body to a government hospital for post-mortem examination. A case has been registered, and an investigation has been launched to ascertain the exact circumstances that led to the student's death. Police officials said all angles are being examined as part of the investigation, including his financial transactions and personal circumstances. Statements from family members, friends, and acquaintances are also expected to be recorded to establish the sequence of events.

Man Dies by Suicide Amid Family Dispute

Quthbullapur, July 21 | TPN Bureau

A 34-year-old man allegedly died by suicide at his residence in Jeedimetla after reportedly experiencing emotional distress linked to ongoing family disputes, police said. The incident has shocked residents of the locality. According to the Jeedimetla police, the deceased was identified as Ramoju Chandu, son of Ramoju Dakshina murthy. Chandu married



Sandhya in 2017, and the couple lived in Gandhinagar with their two daughters. Police said marital differences had developed between the couple in recent months, following which Sandhya had returned to her parental home. Family members told investigators that Chandu had been under severe emotional stress after his wife left and had reportedly been struggling with

depression. On the evening of July 20, at around 5:20 p.m., he was found hanging from a ceiling fan inside his house. After being alerted by family members, police rushed to the scene and shifted the body to a government hospital for a post-mortem examination. A case has been registered based on a complaint filed by the deceased's father, Ramoju Dakshinamurthy. Police said they are investi-

gating the circumstances surrounding the death and examining all possible angles to determine the exact cause behind the incident. Authorities urged people facing emotional distress or personal crises to seek support from family members, trusted friends, or mental health professionals. They emphasized that timely help and counselling can make a significant difference during difficult times.

25 Tonnes of Wheat Flour Seized in Raid

Quthbullapur, July 19 | TPN Bureau

A joint raid by GST officials and the Quthbullapur Special Operations Team (SOT) led to the seizure of nearly 25 tonnes of wheat flour allegedly marked "Not for Sale in Telangana" from a warehouse in Shapur Nagar, raising suspicions of tax evasion and illegal distribution. Acting on specific information, officials conducted a surprise inspection at the warehouse of Kamal Sales Corporation in the



Shapur Nagar market. During the operation, they reportedly found large quantities of Aashirvaad Atta bearing labels indicating that the product was not authorized for sale in Telangana. Officials suspect the stock was brought into the state and sold in violation of regulations to earn higher profits. Preliminary findings also indicate the possibility of GST evasion, potentially causing revenue losses to the state government. The entire stock, weighing

around 25 tonnes, was seized and taken into official custody. Authorities have begun scrutinizing transport records, invoices, and other documents to trace the origin of the consignment, identify the suppliers, and determine whether tax violations were committed. A case has been registered by the Jeedimetla police, and a detailed investigation is underway. Officials said further action will be taken based on the outcome of the inquiry and examination of the seized records.

Yoga Instructor Found Dead

Quthbullapur, July 19 | TPN Bureau

A 31-year-old yoga instructor was found dead in his rented apartment in Kompally under the limits of the Petbasheerabad Police Station, with police suspecting that prolonged mental distress may have led to the tragedy. According to the police, the deceased was identified as Gujjula Naresh, who lived at Swetha Aryan Apartments in Kompally and worked as a

yoga instructor. Concern grew among his family members after he failed to answer phone calls for nearly a week. Following a complaint lodged by his mother, Gujjula Lalitha, on July 20, police visited the apartment to verify his whereabouts. During the inspection, Naresh was found hanging from the ceiling fan inside the flat. Local residents immediately alerted the police.



Police personnel reached the spot, conducted a preliminary inspection, and shifted the body to a government hospital for post-mortem examination. Initial inquiries suggest that Naresh had been battling severe mental stress and depression for some time. Investigators believe the emotional impact of his father's death last year may

have contributed to his deteriorating mental health, although the exact reason behind the incident is yet to be established. The Petbasheerabad police have registered a case and launched an investigation into all aspects of the incident. Officials said statements from family members and other relevant persons will be recorded as part of the inquiry to determine the circumstances leading to his death.

Fast-Track Court Convicts Two in POCSO Case

LB Nagar, July 19 | TPN Bureau

The LB Nagar Fast Track Special Court has convicted two persons in a Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act case registered in 2022 under the Balapur Police Station limits, awarding prison terms and directing compensation for the victims. According to the court's verdict, the prime accused, Sampangi Chandrasekhar, was sentenced to 10 years of rigorous imprisonment and fined ₹10,000. The second accused, Bollipaka Madhu, was awarded five years of rigorous imprisonment along with a fine of ₹7,000. In addition to the prison sentences, the court ordered that ₹1.50 lakh be paid as compensation to the victims in accordance with legal provisions aimed at providing relief and rehabilitation. The case was registered by the Balapur Police in 2022 following a complaint under the provisions of the POCSO Act. After a detailed investigation,



police filed a charge sheet, leading to the trial before the Fast Track Special Court. Following the conviction, senior police officials appreciated the Balapur Police for conducting a thorough investigation and presenting strong evidence that resulted in the successful prosecution of the accused. They commended the investigating officers for ensuring that the case was pursued diligently and justice was delivered. Officials stated that the judgment reflects the commitment of the police and judiciary to ensuring speedy trials in cases involving crimes against children. They reiterated that strict legal action would continue to be taken against offenders under the POCSO Act to protect children and ensure justice for victims.

Open Gym Inaugurated

Kondapur, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Chairman Arekapudi Gandhi inaugurated a newly constructed open gym at Golden Tulip Colony in Kondapur division on Saturday. The facility was developed at a cost of ₹15 lakh to promote fitness and encourage a healthy lifestyle among residents. Speaking on the occasion, Gandhi said the open gym was established as part of his vision to improve public health and create better recreational facilities across the Serilingampally constituency. He noted that the gym is equipped with modern exercise equipment and will benefit people of all age groups. The PAC Chairman announced that similar open gyms would be set up in parks and residential colonies throughout the constituency. He said the initiative would encourage residents to adopt regular fit-



ness routines while also providing a pleasant space for senior citizens, children, and families. Reaffirming his commitment to the constituency's development, Gandhi said he would continue working to improve civic infrastructure and ensure better amenities for the public. He pledged to remain accessible to residents and address their concerns on a priority basis. He also expressed con-

fidence that sustained efforts toward infrastructure development and public welfare would help transform Kondapur division and the Serilingampally constituency into a model region. Local leaders, including Erragudla Srinivas Yadav, and residents of Golden Tulip Colony, including Vidyasagar Reddy, Raju, Satyanarayana, and others, attended the inauguration ceremony.

Mahesh Kumar Goud Reviews Development

Nizamabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud undertook a series of official and public engagements in Nizamabad, focusing on spiritual activities, urban development, electoral awareness, and civic infrastructure. The TPCC chief began his visit by offering special prayers at the Hanuman Temple in Vinayak Nagar. Temple priests performed Vedic rituals and presented him with Teertha-Prasadam. Mahesh Kumar Goud prayed for the peace, prosperity, good health, and overall development of the people of Telangana. MLAs Bhupathi Reddy and Dhanpal Suryanarayana, Mayor Umarani, District Congress Committee (DCC) President Nagesh Reddy, Congress leaders, and devotees partici-

pated in the temple visit. Later, he attended a high-level review meeting at the District Collectorate to assess the progress of development initiatives across Nizamabad. Along with District Collector Ila Tripathi, he reviewed urban infrastructure, traffic management, sanitation, drinking water supply, road development, and civic services. Additional Collector Bhujanga Rao, Municipal Commissioner Dileep, District Revenue Officer Geetha, Traffic ACP Mohammad Ali, Mayor Umarani, Farmers' Commission member Gadugu Gangadhar, Corporation Chairpersons Keshu Venu, Taher Bin, Shekhar Goud, and other officials attended the meeting. Mahesh Kumar Goud also chaired a review on the Special Intensive Revision



(SIR) of electoral rolls, organized by the Nizamabad District Congress Committee. Addressing party leaders, corporators, and Booth Level Agents (BLAs), he emphasized that voting is a fundamental democratic right and urged Congress workers to spread awareness about the SIR

process. He called on BLAs to verify voter details carefully and encouraged party cadres to remove misconceptions, particularly among economically weaker sections. He stressed that safeguarding democratic values and protecting every eligible vote should remain a priority.

In another review meeting on city development, Mahesh Kumar Goud reiterated the government's commitment to the planned expansion of Nizamabad. He discussed proposals for a new outer ring road, implementation of the city's Master Plan, and the construction of four additional water storage tanks to meet future drinking water needs. He directed officials to repair damaged roads before the monsoon, widen key junctions such as Rajiv Chowk, Pulang Crossroads, LIC Crossroads, and Old Collector's Ground Crossroads to ease traffic congestion, and expedite the allocation of pending Indiramma houses to eligible beneficiaries. He also instructed all departments to work in close coordination to accelerate development works and improve civic services across the city.

Three Killed as Car Overturns While Avoiding Motorcycle



Sangareddy, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Three members of a family were killed after their car overturned while attempting to avoid a motorcycle near Bachepalli village in Kalher Mandal of Sangareddy district on Tuesday morning. Police have registered a case and launched an investigation into the accident. According to police, the family was travelling from Hyderabad to Nanded in Maharashtra when the mishap occurred. As the car reached Bachepalli, a motorcycle reportedly came into its path. In an attempt to avoid a collision, the driver swerved suddenly, causing the vehicle to lose control and overturn. The impact of the crash was severe, and three occupants of the car died on the spot. The deceased have been identified as members of the same family from Nanded district, including a husband, wife and their daughter. Police said a young child was among the victims. Local residents who witnessed the accident immediately informed the police. A police team rushed to the spot, recovered the bodies and shifted them to a nearby hospital for post-mortem examinations.

The severely damaged car was later removed from the road with the help of a crane, following which traffic movement on the route was restored. The accident caused temporary congestion in the area before normal traffic resumed.

Police have registered a case and are investigating the exact sequence of events that led to the accident, including the circumstances in which the motorcycle came into the vehicle's path. Further details are awaited.

The latest tragedy adds to the growing number of fatal road accidents reported across Telangana, highlighting continued concerns over road safety and the need for greater caution among motorists. Authorities have urged drivers to maintain safe speeds and remain vigilant, particularly on highways and rural roads where sudden obstacles can lead to serious accidents.

Congress Leader Demands NEET Reforms

Adilabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Congress Party Adilabad District Official Spokesperson Pasula Chanti on Monday demanded that the Central Government apologise to students across the country over the handling of the NEET examination controversy and the alleged police action against protesters in New Delhi.



In a statement, Chanti condemned the alleged lathi-charge and use of tear gas by Delhi Police against students who were protesting over the NEET paper leak issue and demanding action against those responsible. He said the incident would remain a "blot on democracy" and urged the Centre to address the concerns of students without delay.

He called for the immediate dismissal of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and sought a comprehensive review of the functioning of the National Testing Agency (NTA), along with reforms to strengthen the examination system and prevent future paper leaks. Chanti also demanded financial assistance of ₹1 crore for the families of students who

allegedly died by suicide in connection with the NEET examination crisis. He urged the Centre to hold talks with student representatives, ensure transparency and accountability in examinations, implement stringent anti-paper leak laws, and release activist Sonam Wangchuk from police custody.

Leaders Join BRS in Vikarabad



Vikarabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Several leaders and workers from the BJP and Congress joined the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) at Dornala village in Dharur Mandal of the Vikarabad Assembly constituency on Tuesday. Former Vikarabad MLA Dr. Methuku Anand welcomed the new entrants into the party by draping BRS scarves over their shoulders. He expressed confidence that the induction of leaders from different political parties would strengthen the BRS at the grassroots level in the constituency. The leaders who joined the BRS included Konkali Kishappa, Srinivas, Jagadish, Anil, Mahipal, Nagesh, Sailu, Venkatayya, Narsimlu, Kajamiya, Shafi, and several others. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Methuku Anand said the party continues to attract support from people across various sections of society. He welcomed the new members and urged them to work collectively to strengthen the organization and expand the party's presence in the Vikarabad constituency ahead of future political activities.

CMRF Cheques Distributed to Medical Beneficiaries



Bodhan, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Mandal Congress Party President Mandarna Ravi distributed Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) cheques to beneficiaries from various villages in Salura Mandal under the Bodhan constituency. The cheques were handed over to financially disadvantaged individuals from villages including Khajapur, Hunsu, Salura, and Thaggeli. Speaking on the occasion, Mandarna Ravi stated that Government Advisor and Bodhan MLA Sudarshan Reddy had taken steps to secure financial assistance from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for poor families unable to bear the cost of expensive medical treatments. He said that a total financial assistance of ₹4 lakh was sanctioned to ten beneficiaries to support their medical expenses. Following the instructions of the Government Advisor, the cheques were directly handed over to the beneficiaries to ensure timely assistance. Mandarna Ravi said the government was committed to extending support to economically weaker sections, especially those facing difficulties in accessing healthcare. He appreciated the efforts of MLA Sudarshan Reddy in helping needy families receive financial aid through the CMRF scheme. Congress Party Youth Wing Constituency President Chidrapu Ashok, Sokkam Ravi, Chidrapu Anil, and other party leaders participated in the cheque distribution programme.

SI Suspended Over Corruption Allegations

Warangal, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The Warangal Police Commissionerate has suspended Nekkonda Sub-Inspector M. Mahender following a preliminary departmental inquiry into allegations of corruption and misconduct. The suspension orders were issued on Tuesday by Warangal Police Commissioner N. Swetha after the inquiry reportedly found prima facie evidence warranting disciplinary action. According to police officials, the departmental inquiry was initiated after complaints were received alleging misconduct and corruption against the officer. During the preliminary investigation, officials found sufficient material to proceed with disciplinary proceedings under the applicable service rules. Based on the findings, the Commissioner ordered the immediate suspension of the sub-inspector pending the completion of a detailed departmental inquiry. Officials said the decision was taken to ensure a fair, impartial, and transparent investigation without any interference. Police, however, did not disclose the exact nature of the allegations or specify whether they involved financial irregularities or other forms of misconduct. They stated that further details would emerge as the departmental inquiry progresses. Officials emphasized that



the suspension should be viewed as an administrative measure pending the outcome of the investigation and not as a final determination of guilt. Appropriate action will be taken after the inquiry is completed and all relevant evidence is examined. Reiterating the department's commitment to integrity and accountability, the Warangal Police Commissionerate stated that complaints against police personnel are taken seriously and investigated in accordance with the law and departmental procedures. It affirmed that strict action would be initiated against any officer found guilty of misconduct, while ensuring that due process is followed throughout the inquiry. The suspension underscores the department's stated policy of maintaining transparency and public confidence in the police force through prompt action on complaints of corruption or indiscipline.

RDO Conducts Surprise Hostel Inspections

Bodhan, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Bodhan Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) Vijaya Kumari conducted surprise inspections at the Government Girls' College Hostel and the SC and BC welfare hostels in Bodhan town on Tuesday night to assess the quality of facilities and services provided to students. During the visit, the RDO interacted with hostel inmates and reviewed the food being served. She verified whether meals were being prepared and supplied according to the prescribed menu and sought feedback from students regarding the facilities available in their hostels. Vijaya Kumari also enquired about the problems faced by



students, including issues related to accommodation, food quality, and other basic amenities. She instructed hostel wardens to ensure that meals are served strictly as per government guidelines and emphasized that they should remain

available to students at all times. She directed the wardens to promptly report any difficulties or infrastructure-related issues to higher authorities so that timely action could be taken to resolve them. Stressing the importance of student welfare, the RDO said hostel management should remain vigilant in maintaining quality standards and ensuring a safe and comfortable environment for all residents. Bodhan Tahsildar Vittal accompanied the RDO during the inspection. Officials said such surprise visits would continue to ensure better monitoring of government-run hostels and improve the overall welfare of students.

Eagle Team Conducts Drug Prevention Inspections

Pitlam, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The Kamareddy district Eagle Team conducted extensive inspections in Pitlam mandal headquarters on Tuesday to prevent the illegal sale of narcotic and intoxicating substances, particularly around educational institutions. The inspections were carried out at paan shops and grocery stores located near government schools in the area. A dog squad was also deployed as part of the intensive search operation to identify any suspicious activities or prohibited substances. Pitlam Sub-Inspector (SI)



Anjaneyulu said the inspections were aimed at curbing the sale of harmful substances to students and youth by shopkeepers who attempt to attract them. He warned that strict legal action would be initiated against individuals involved in selling narcotics or other intoxicants that pose a threat to soci-

ety. The SI appealed to the public to remain alert and immediately inform the police if they notice any illegal activities related to drug sales. He said public cooperation is essential for effectively controlling the spread of substance abuse. Eagle Team officials stated that creating a drug-free society requires collective efforts from police departments, educational institutions, and citizens. They assured that regular inspections would continue across the district to prevent the availability of banned substances.

BVRIT Wins MathWorks Credentialing Award

Narsapur, July 21 | TPN Bureau

B.V. Raju Institute of Technology (BVRIT), Narsapur, has added another feather to its cap by receiving the prestigious MathWorks Credentialing Award - 2026 in recognition of its effective use of advanced technologies to deliver quality technical education. The award was presented during a ceremony held at the MathWorks office in Hyderabad on Tuesday. BVRIT earned the recognition for its extensive use of MATLAB and Simulink software in classroom teaching, research activities, and student projects, enabling learners to gain practical exposure to industry-relevant technologies. The award was received by Ravichandran Rajagopal, Vice Chairman of Sri Vishnu Educational Society; Dr. Sanjay Dubey, Principal of BVRIT; Dr. Rayudu, Head of the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE); Dr. Sanjeeva Reddy, Head of the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE); and Dr. Bhupal, Professor in the EEE Department. Speaking at the event, Vijju Ravichandran, Technical Manager of the MathWorks Education Team, and Ramana Reddy, Principal Engineer, highlighted the growing importance of MATLAB across industries such as manufacturing, defence and aerospace, automotive electronics, semiconductors, biotechnology, and pharmaceuticals. They also noted that projects developed by students using Generative AI and Agentic AI technologies are opening new avenues in engineering education. According to the speakers, project-based learning has significantly strengthened students' creativity, innovation, and problem-solving abilities while enhancing their technical skills. The meeting also featured discussions on expanding collaboration through industry Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs), faculty skill development programmes, MathWorks challenge projects, credit-based courses, the establishment of an advanced skill development centre, and engineering exploration programmes for first-year students. The management of BVRIT described the award as another significant milestone in the institution's academic journey. It reaffirmed the college's commitment to introducing more innovative initiatives aimed at equipping students with cutting-edge technical expertise and industry-ready skills to meet evolving technological demands.

BRS Criticizes Housing Scheme Implementation

Hyderabad, July 21 | TPN Bureau

BRS leader Manne Krishank on Tuesday criticized the Congress government over the implementation of the 'Indiramma' housing scheme, alleging that the government had failed to fulfill its election promise of providing free houses to poor families. Krishank alleged that while the Congress had promised free housing during the elections, beneficiaries are now being asked to contribute ₹6 lakh per house and pay up to ₹10,000 during the application process. He questioned whether the scheme was a welfare initiative or a real estate venture being operated by the government. He stated that collecting money from poor families after promising free houses amounts to deceiving the public. He also remarked that implementing a scheme named after former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in such a manner damages its credibility. The BRS leader demanded that the government immediately fulfill its promise of constructing 6,000 'Indiramma' houses announced during the Cantonment Assembly by-election. He questioned the timeline for completing the houses, stating that the Congress government has already presented three budgets and has limited time left before the next elections. Krishank said people across Telangana are expressing dissatisfaction over the government's performance and warned that if not even a single 'Indiramma' house is completed before the municipal corporation elections, the Congress would lose the moral right to seek votes from the public.

13-Hour Journey to Help Flood Victims

While many students celebrate the end of their school examinations with vacations and leisure trips, an 18-year-old student from Shanghai chose a completely different path—one defined by compassion, courage, and selfless service.

Wu Yulun had just completed China's highly competitive Gaokao, the national college entrance examination, and was looking forward to a graduation holiday. However, everything changed when he came across an online appeal seeking volunteers to help flood victims in China's Guangxi region, which

had been devastated by torrential rains and severe flooding.

Instead of heading to a tourist destination, Wu contacted the volunteer organisation to understand how he could help. Learning that relief centres urgently needed volunteers to unload and distribute emergency supplies, he immediately decided to travel to the disaster-hit region. His classmate, Xin Ziyu, joined him on the mission.

The two teenagers packed relief materials, spent their own pocket money on essential items, and boarded a high-speed train for a 13-hour journey to

Hengzhou, one of the worst-affected areas in Guangxi. To avoid worrying their families, they simply told their parents they were going on a graduation trip to the nearby city of Wuxi instead.

Upon arriving late at night, the pair wasted no time. They immediately began unloading truckloads of relief materials arriving from across China. Over the next several days, they worked tirelessly at multiple relief centres, carrying heavy supplies, sorting donations, and helping ensure food and other essentials reached families af-

fectured by the floods.

The teenagers had carefully chosen the supplies they brought based on lists of urgently needed items. Their donations included emergency food, instant noodles, canned meals, drinking water, and hygiene products for women—items that were in short supply in the affected communities.

The floods, triggered by days of intense rainfall and severe weather, caused widespread destruction across Guangxi. Homes were submerged, roads were damaged, and thousands of families were displaced as

rescue teams and volunteers worked around the clock to provide relief and support to those in need.

When photographs of the mud-covered teenagers began circulating on social media, their families finally learned where they had actually gone. The story quickly went viral, with people across China praising the students for their extraordinary sense of responsibility, kindness, and willingness to help strangers during a time of crisis.

Despite the widespread admiration, Wu and Xin remained



humble. They said they had done nothing extraordinary and believed they were simply fulfilling their responsibility as citizens. According to them, their contribution was only a small part of the much larger relief effort carried out by rescue workers, volunteers, and lo-

cal authorities.

Their inspiring decision to give up a holiday and travel 13 hours to help flood victims has touched millions, proving that compassion, courage, and humanity can make a lasting impact even through the simplest acts of service.

Luxury Flat Flooding Video Triggers Outrage

A shocking incident from a high-rise residential apartment in Delhi has gone viral on social media after a luxury flat was flooded by water gushing through its ceiling like an indoor waterfall. The dramatic video has triggered widespread criticism of builders, raising fresh concerns about construction quality and maintenance standards in premium housing projects.

The incident reportedly took place in a residential society in Delhi's IP Extension. Residents were left stunned when water suddenly began pouring from the ceiling of a flat on the 13th floor. The viral video shows water cascading into the living room with such force that it resembles a waterfall, soaking furniture, electronic appliances, and other household belongings within minutes.

According to reports, the flooding was caused by a burst fire sprinkler pipeline inside the building. The sudden pipe failure led to a continuous flow of water into the apartment, causing significant damage to the ceiling, walls, flooring, and expensive interiors. Residents alleged that poor-quality construction materials and inadequate plumbing work may have contributed to the incident.

The homeowners claimed they had invested between Rs 1.5 crore and Rs 2 crore to purchase the luxury apartment,



making the incident even more frustrating. They expressed disappointment that a premium property marketed with high standards could suffer such a major structural failure.

The affected family also alleged that neither the builder nor the apartment maintenance agency accepted responsibility for the damage immediately after the incident. As a result, they reportedly approached the police and filed an FIR against the maintenance agency, seeking accountability for the losses caused by the flooding.

The viral video has sparked a massive debate online, with thousands of users questioning the quality of construction in expensive residential projects. Many pointed out that homebuyers spend their lifetime savings on such proper-

ties with the expectation of safety and durability, only to face serious maintenance issues soon after moving in.

Several social media users called for stricter regulations and more rigorous quality checks for residential buildings. Others urged authorities to hold builders accountable for structural defects and ensure better protection for homebuyers through stronger consumer rights and enforcement.

The incident has once again highlighted the importance of construction quality, timely maintenance, and accountability in India's rapidly growing real estate sector. As the video continues to circulate widely, it has become a reminder that even luxury homes are not immune to serious infrastructure failures when quality standards are compromised.

Viral Sensation Joins NEET Protest

Gautam Singh, the social media personality who became an internet sensation with his viral catchphrase "America Kya Kehta Tha?", has now stepped away from memes to support a public cause. The content creator joined the ongoing NEET-UG protest at Delhi's Jantar Mantar, expressing solidarity with students demanding greater transparency and accountability in the medical entrance examination process.

Sharing videos from the protest site on social media, Singh informed his followers that he had reached Jantar Mantar to stand with the students. He appealed to people across the country to participate in the movement and support the demands of NEET aspirants who have been protesting over alleged irregularities in the examination.

In his videos, Gautam Singh said the issue was not just about an examination but about the future of lakhs of students who dedicate years of hard work preparing for one of India's toughest entrance tests. He urged citizens to raise their voices in support of fairness and justice for the affected candidates.

The protest at Jantar Mantar has witnessed growing participation from students, activists, and several public figures over the past few days. Demonstrators have been demanding greater transparency in the examination process and call-



ing for action over alleged irregularities related to the NEET-UG exam. The movement has gained significant traction on social media, with hashtags supporting the students continuing to trend.

Gautam Singh rose to nationwide fame after his humorous videos featuring the now-famous dialogue, "America Kya Kehta Tha?", became a viral meme across social media platforms. His unique style and comic timing earned him millions of views and made the phrase a part of internet culture. However, his appearance at the protest showcased a different side of the influencer, as he chose to use his popularity to amplify an issue affecting students across the country. His participation quickly attracted widespread attention online, with many social media users praising him for standing alongside stu-

dents instead of restricting his public presence to entertainment content. Several users shared videos and photographs from the protest, helping the movement reach an even larger audience.

The incident also reflects a growing trend in which digital creators and influencers are increasingly using their platforms to engage with social issues and public movements. With millions of young followers, their participation often brings additional visibility to causes that may otherwise receive limited public attention.

As the NEET-UG protests continue, Gautam Singh's presence has added another prominent voice to the campaign, highlighting the growing role of social media personalities in shaping public conversations and supporting issues that impact the lives and futures of young Indians.

Australian Mum Welcomes Rare Quadruplets

An Australian family has captured hearts around the world after welcoming an exceptionally rare set of naturally conceived identical quadruplet girls. While the joyful arrival has doubled the size of their family overnight, it has also brought significant financial and logistical challenges, prompting the parents to seek public support for a larger family vehicle.

Brisbane resident Jenitar Na'amoana, 34, and her husband were already raising four children when they received the surprise of their lives. What they initially believed was a routine pregnancy turned out to be one of the rarest medical events ever recorded—a single fertilized egg split into four, resulting in identical quadruplets.

Doctors say the chances of such a naturally conceived pregnancy are estimated to be one in 15 million. The pregnancy was considered even more extraordinary because all four babies shared a single placenta, making it one of the rarest and most medically complex pregnancies.



The babies—Emily, Harriet, Alexa, and Catherine—were delivered by caesarean section at 28 weeks and four days. Although they were born prematurely, all four girls are reported to be stable and are receiving specialized care in the hospital's neonatal intensive care unit (NICU), where doctors continue to monitor their progress closely. The birth has transformed the couple into parents of eight children, creating new challenges that go far beyond sleepless nights and feeding schedules. Their existing family car is no longer large enough to accom-

modate everyone, making transportation one of their biggest concerns.

To help cope with the growing expenses, the family has launched a public fundraising campaign. Their immediate priority is purchasing a 10-seater or 12-seater van so they can safely travel together as a family. They are also seeking support to cover baby essentials, medical expenses, travel costs, and day-to-day household needs while the newborns remain in hospital.

Medical experts praised the mother's strength throughout what was considered a high-risk

pregnancy. Carrying identical quadruplets involves significant risks for both the mother and babies, requiring constant monitoring and specialized medical care. Despite these challenges, doctors say both the mother and the newborns are making encouraging progress.

The family's remarkable story has received widespread attention on social media, where thousands of people have congratulated the parents and admired their courage. Many have also stepped forward to contribute to the fundraising campaign, hoping to ease the financial burden of raising four newborn daughters alongside four older children.

What began as an unexpected pregnancy has become an inspiring story of resilience, hope, and community support. As the four baby girls continue to grow stronger each day, their parents are preparing for a new chapter filled with love, challenges, and unforgettable moments—one that will require not only endless care but also a much bigger vehicle to keep their extraordinary family together.

Truth Behind Pakistan's Viral Cycle Ambulance

A unique cycle ambulance introduced in Pakistan has become the latest topic of discussion on social media. While many users initially mocked the initiative, calling it outdated and inadequate, the project has a practical purpose that addresses a serious healthcare challenge in one of the country's busiest cities.

The cycle ambulance service has been launched in Karachi, a city known for its massive population, congested roads, and frequent traffic jams. In many parts of the city, conventional ambulances often struggle to reach patients quickly due to narrow streets and heavy traffic. The bicycle-based emergency response system is designed to overcome these obstacles by providing rapid first aid before a regular ambulance arrives.

Unlike ordinary bicycles, these specially designed cycle ambulances are equipped with essential medical supplies, including first-aid kits, oxygen cylinders, and other emergency equipment. Trained emergency responders use them to navigate crowded neighborhoods and reach patients in areas where



larger ambulances cannot easily travel. Their compact size enables them to move swiftly through traffic and narrow lanes, helping save valuable time during medical emergencies.

The initiative gained nationwide attention after videos and photographs of the cycle ambulances began circulating on social media. Many users ridiculed the concept, questioning why a major city would rely on bicycles for emergency medical services. Memes and sarcastic comments quickly spread across various online platforms, with some calling it a sign of poor infrastructure. However, healthcare profes-

sionals and supporters of the programme defended the initiative, arguing that it should be evaluated based on its effectiveness rather than its appearance. They explained that in congested urban environments, every minute can make a critical difference. A bicycle can often reach a patient much faster than a conventional ambulance trapped in traffic, allowing responders to provide life-saving first aid while a fully equipped ambulance is on its way.

Officials also clarified that the cycle ambulance is not intended to replace traditional ambulances. Instead, it serves as a comple-

mentary emergency response system designed to improve access to immediate medical care in densely populated areas where road conditions often delay larger emergency vehicles.

Another notable feature of the programme is the involvement of women emergency responders, who are playing an important role in delivering medical assistance and improving access to emergency care for female patients in communities where cultural sensitivities may exist.

The viral debate surrounding Pakistan's cycle ambulance highlights an important lesson about innovation. Effective public service solutions are not always expensive or technologically advanced. Sometimes, simple, affordable, and locally adapted ideas can make a significant difference in saving lives.

As discussions continue online, the initiative has sparked broader conversations about urban healthcare, emergency preparedness, and the importance of practical solutions that prioritize speed, accessibility, and patient care over public perception.

Bengaluru Auto Driver's Tribute Goes Viral

A touching story from Bengaluru has captured the hearts of millions after a video showed an elderly auto-rickshaw driver continuing a heartfelt ritual for his late wife—even eight years after her passing. His unwavering love and devotion have moved social media users, with many calling it one of the most emotional stories to emerge online this year.

The video was shared by a content creator who met the driver at a traffic signal in Bengaluru. Curious about the fresh flowers placed inside the auto every day, he struck up a conversation with the elderly man. What followed was a deeply emotional story of love, loss, and remembrance.

The driver revealed that his wife passed away eight years ago, but he continues to buy fresh flowers for her every single day. Inside his auto, several neatly arranged photographs of his late wife serve as a constant reminder of the woman he still loves dearly. For him, decorating



her pictures with flowers is a simple yet meaningful way of keeping her memory alive.

Despite the heartbreaking loss, the driver is not alone. He has a son, a daughter-in-law, and six grandchildren who care for him. His family has repeatedly encouraged him to retire and spend more time at home. However, he chooses to continue driving his auto because staying active and interacting with people helps him cope with the grief of losing his life partner. He believes work gives him purpose

and keeps his mind occupied.

The emotional video quickly went viral across social media platforms, attracting millions of views and thousands of heartfelt comments. Many users praised the driver's unwavering devotion and described his daily gesture as a beautiful example of unconditional love. Others said his story proves that genuine love does not end with death but continues through memories, traditions, and simple acts of remembrance.

Several viewers admitted that

the video brought tears to their eyes, while others said it served as a reminder to value loved ones while they are still with us. Many described the elderly man as an inspiration, saying that in an age where relationships often seem short-lived, his lifelong commitment reflects the true meaning of companionship and loyalty. The story has resonated with people across generations, reminding everyone that love is not measured by grand gestures but by the consistency of small acts performed with sincerity and affection. Buying a handful of flowers each day may seem simple, but for this Bengaluru auto driver, it is his way of honoring a bond that time has not diminished.

His daily routine has now become much more than a personal ritual—it has become a powerful symbol of enduring love, lasting memories, and the emotional connections that continue to live on long after a loved one is gone.

NEET Row Intensifies As Congress Protests At PM’s Residence; Modi Calls For Strict Action Against Leak

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The political confrontation over the NEET paper leak issue intensified on Tuesday, with senior Congress leaders staging a protest near Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s residence and demanding the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan. Meanwhile, Prime Minister Narendra Modi assured that those responsible for examination irregularities would face strict punishment and urged political parties not to mislead students.

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, K.C. Venugopal and other senior leaders staged a sit-in protest, pressing for accountability over the NEET controversy and seeking a discussion on



the issue in Parliament. The protest continued for over three hours, following which Delhi Police detained Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Kharge, K.C. Venugopal, Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav, Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, Kerala Congress leader V.D. Satheesan and other leaders. Police shifted the detained leaders to different

locations. Union Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister’s Office Jitendra Singh and Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan reached the protest site and held discussions with Rahul Gandhi. Rahul reportedly demanded the resignation of Dharmendra Pradhan and sought a response from the gov-

ernment in Parliament on the alleged police action against protesting students. Rahul Gandhi said the opposition would continue its agitation until a satisfactory response was received from the government. Congress leaders also alleged that Rahul suffered minor injuries during detention, with visuals circulating on social media. Sonia Gandhi later reached Mandir Marg Police Station to meet Priyanka Gandhi Vadra.



Meanwhile, Congress leaders said Rahul Gandhi was shifted to Chhatrasal Stadium in Model Town. Reacting to the protest, Jiten-dra Singh accused Rahul Gandhi of changing his demands. He said Rahul initially sought a parliamentary discussion on NEET and agreed to end the protest after an assurance was given, but later demanded the resignation of the Education Minister. Singh alleged that Ra-hul’s actions were politically



motivated and assured that the government would protect the interests of students. Addressing the NDA Parli-amentary Party meeting, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said examination paper leaks were a serious offence and those in-volved would not be spared. He said preventing such incidents was a national responsibility. Modi urged opposition parties to cooperate for construc-

tive discussions in Parliament and appealed to leaders not to misguide students. He said po-litical differences should not af-fect the collective responsibility of working for the country’s fu-ture and the welfare of youth. The NEET examination, con-ducted in May, faced controver-sy following allegations of pa-per leaks and irregularities, leading to widespread protests across the country.

Rahul, Priyanka Lead Congress NEET Protest

Congress leaders Rahul Gan-dhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra led a protest over the on-going NEET paper leak contro-versy, escalating the political confrontation between the op-position and the government. The demonstration was aimed at highlighting concerns raised by students and demanding ac-countability over alleged irreg-ularities in competitive examinations.

The Congress leaders, along with party workers, raised questions over the handling of the NEET issue and demanded strict action against those re-sponsible for compromising the examination process. They accused the government of fail-ing to protect the interests of lakhs of students who prepare for entrance exams with years of hard work and dedication.

Rahul Gandhi said that stu-dents and their families de-serve answers and that those involved in examination-relat-ed malpractice must face strong punishment. He empha-sized the need to restore con-fidence among young aspirants who depend on fair and trans-parent examinations for their future.

The protest comes amid widespread concerns over al-legations of question paper leaks and irregularities in the NEET examination process. Opposi-tion parties have been demand-ing a detailed investigation, ac-countability from authorities, and stronger safeguards to pre-vent such incidents in the future.

The Congress has argued that repeated controversies surrounding competitive ex-ams have damaged the trust of



students. Party leaders have called for reforms in the exami-nation system and urged the government to take measures to ensure transparency and fairness.

The government, meanwhile, has maintained that strict ac-tion is being taken against those involved in examination-related crimes. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that preventing paper leaks is a na-tional responsibility and as-sured that the government is committed to protecting the in-terests of students.

The NEET controversy has also become a major issue in-side Parliament, with opposi-tion parties raising the matter during the Monsoon Session and demanding discussions on the floor of the House.

The latest protest by Con-gress leaders has intensified the political debate over exami-nation security and student concerns. While the opposition continues to demand account-ability, the government has re-iterated its commitment to strengthening the examination system and ensuring a fair en-vironment for aspirants.

The focus now remains on the steps taken by authorities to address the allegations and restore confidence among mil-lions of students preparing for competitive examinations across the country.

CJP Student Protest Intensifies in Delhi; Clashes Erupt During Parliament March

New Delhi, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The student agitation led by the Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) against alleged irregularities in competitive examinations and the NEET paper leak issue intensified in the national capital, with clashes breaking out between protest-ers and security personnel during the party’s “Chalo Sansad” march on Monday. Thousands of students and sup-porters gathered at Jantar Mantar and attempted to march towards Parliament, demanding the resig-nation of Union Education Minis-ter Dharmendra Pradhan and ac-countability over alleged failures in the examination system. The situation turned tense after pro- testers tried to move beyond the permitted protest zone, following which Delhi Police used tear gas shells and resorted to baton charges to disperse the crowd. Several protesters were injured during the clashes and were taken to hospitals, with reports indicat-ing injuries including fractures, head injuries, and effects of tear gas exposure. CJP leaders alleged excessive use of force by police, while Delhi Police claimed that



some protesters attempted to breach barricades, damaged pub-lic property, and attacked security personnel. CJP founder Abhijeet Dipke and other leaders later returned to the Jantar Mantar area and continued their protest after po-lice dismantled the original pro- test stage. The party said it would continue the agitation until its demands were addressed. CJP spokespersons Saurav Das and Ashutosh Ranka met Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda and submitted a letter highlighting their demands, including the res-ignation of Dharmendra Pradhan and action on examination-relat-ed issues. Nadda said discussions were held in a cordial atmosphere and assured that the concerns would be conveyed at the ap-pro- priate level. Meanwhile, activist Sonam

Wangchuk announced that he would continue his hunger strike, stating that he would end it only after youth representatives were allowed to meet parliamentarians or he was permitted to join the discussions from the hospital. Political reactions also emerged over the police action. Opposition leaders criticised the handling of the protests, alleging that the gov-ernment was suppressing the voice of students and youth. The government, however, maintained that it was committed to protect- ing the interests of students and ensuring strict action against those responsible for examination irregularities. The agitation has brought re-newed focus on examination re-forms, student concerns, and the need for greater transparency in the country’s competitive exami-nation system.

PM Modi Calls Paper Leak Prevention a National Duty



Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that preventing examination paper leaks is a national responsibility and as-sured that the government is taking strict measures to en-sure transparency and fairness in competitive examinations. His remarks came amid the on-going controversy surrounding alleged irregularities in the NEET-UG examination. Addressing concerns raised over the medical entrance exam, PM Modi emphasized that the future of lakhs of stu-dents depends on the integrity of the examination system. He said any attempt to compromise the hard work of students through unfair practices cannot be accepted. The Prime Minister high-lighted that the government is committed to strengthening the examination process and tak-ing action against those in-volved in paper leaks and mal-practices. He said authorities are working to ensure that stu-dents get equal opportunities

and that the credibility of ma-jor entrance examinations re-mains protected. The NEET controversy had triggered protests by students and opposition parties, who de-manded accountability and a thorough investigation into al-legations of question paper leaks and irregularities. The is-sue led to widespread debate over the functioning of exami-nation agencies and the need for stronger safeguards. PM Modi said the govern-ment understands the concerns of students and their families and is focused on finding solu-tions that protect the interests

of genuine candidates. He stressed that strict action will be taken against individuals in-volved in activities that damage the education system. The government has also been working on introducing stronger security measures, im-proved monitoring systems, and stricter rules to prevent fu-ture examination-related fraud. The Prime Minister’s com-ments come at a time when public confidence in competitive examinations has become a ma-jor issue. With millions of stu-dents appearing for exams like NEET every year, ensuring a transparent and reliable pro-cess remains a key challenge. Reiterating the government’s commitment, PM Modi said that safeguarding the future of students and maintaining the credibility of India’s examina-tion system is a collective re-sponsibility. He assured that every possible step would be taken to prevent such incidents and provide a fair environment for aspirants.

Sonam Wangchuk Shifted to Medanta Amid Protest



The Delhi High Court has al-lowed climate activist Sonam Wangchuk to be shifted from Safdarjung Hospital to Medanta Hospital for further medical care, following concerns over his health condition during his ongoing protest. The court’s decision came af-ter a plea seeking better medical facilities for Wangchuk, who was admitted to Safdarjung Hospital after his health report-edly deteriorated. The court ex- amined the situation and em-phasized that his health and safety should remain the top priority. During the hearing, the court considered medical reports and discussions with doctors moni-toring Wangchuk’s condition. It observed that continuous medi-cal supervision was necessary and allowed his transfer to a hospital where he could receive the required treatment.

Wangchuk’s family had ex-pressed concerns over his medi-cal care and requested permis-sion for shifting him to a private facility. Following the court’s approval, arrangements were made for his treatment at Me-danta Hospital, ensuring that his medical records and reports would be transferred for unin-terrupted care. The government did not ob-ject to the transfer and main-tained that Wangchuk’s health must be given the highest im-portance. Authorities empha-sized that medical advice should

be followed and proper moni-toring should continue. The development comes amid the ongoing debate surrounding Wangchuk’s protest and the is-sues raised by his supporters. The protest has drawn attention over demands related to govern-ance, public concerns, and the rights of citizens to raise their voices through peaceful demonstrations. The case has also highlighted broader questions about balanc-ing the right to protest with the responsibility of ensuring the health and safety of individuals undertaking prolonged hunger strikes. With the court allowing the hospital transfer, the immediate focus has shifted to Wangchuk’s recovery and medical condition. Supporters and authorities are closely watching further devel-opments related to his protest and the issues surrounding it.

Monsoon Session Begins Amid Opposition Protests

The Monsoon Session of Par-liament began amid strong po-litical exchanges, with opposi-tion parties raising concerns over several issues, including the alleged NEET paper leak controversy. Proceedings in both the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha witnessed disruptions as opposi-tion leaders demanded discus-sions and answers from the government. Opposition parties sought an immediate debate on alleged ir-regularities in competitive ex-aminations, especially the NEET issue. Leaders questioned the government’s response and de-manded accountability over con-cerns raised by students and their families. The government defended its actions and said strict measures are being taken against those in-volved in examination-related irregularities. It maintained that steps are being implement-ed to strengthen the examina-tion system and prevent such incidents in the future. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also addressed the issue, stating that preventing paper leaks is a responsibility. He em-phasized that the interests of students must be protected and that the credibility of India’s ex-amination system should re-main intact. The NEET controversy has be-come a major political issue, with student groups and opposi-tion parties demanding trans-parency and a detailed investiga-tion into allegations of malpractice. The issue has trig-gered nationwide debates over



the need for stronger safeguards in major entrance examinations. The Monsoon Session is ex-pected to witness heated discus-sions on several important na-tional issues. Apart from the NEET controversy, opposition parties are likely to raise con-cerns related to governance, public welfare, and other policy matters. The opening day reflected the sharp differences between the ruling party and opposition benches. While the opposition accused the government of fail-ing to adequately address stu-dent concerns, the ruling side urged lawmakers to allow Parli-ament to function smoothly and focus on legislative work. The government has indicated that it is ready for discussions on im-portant issues, while opposition parties have insisted that their concerns must be addressed on the floor of the House. With several key debates and legislative matters scheduled during the session, the coming days are expected to witness in-tense political arguments and negotiations. The focus will re-main on whether both sides can move beyond disruptions and ensure productive parliamenta-ry proceedings.

Rahul Seeks Debate on Police Action

Congress leader and Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi has demanded a discussion in Parli-ament over the alleged police ac-tion against protesters during demonstrations in Delhi. He ac-cused authorities of using exces-sive force against students and young protesters who were rais-ing concerns over issues related to the examination system. Rahul Gandhi raised the mat-ter with Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, seeking a detailed debate on the handling of protests and the treatment of demonstrators. He said Parliament should dis-cuss the concerns of students and examine the actions taken during the protests. The controversy erupted af-ter clashes between police and pro- testers during a march in Delhi. Demonstrators were demanding action over alleged irregularities in competitive examina-tions, while security personnel intervened to control the situation. Reacting to the incident, Ra-hul Gandhi criticized the police response and alleged that stu-dents who were peacefully rais-ing their concerns were met with force instead of receiving answers. He said the right to peaceful protest is an important part of democracy and that the voices of young people should not be ignored. The Congress leader also tar-geted the government over its handling of examination-related controversies. He said repeated issues affecting students have



created uncertainty and de-manded accountability from those responsible. The government, however, has maintained that security agen-cies acted according to estab-lished procedures to maintain law and order. Officials have stat-ed that authorities have the re-sponsibility to manage large gatherings and ensure public safety. The issue has further intensi-fied political tensions during the Monsoon Session of Parliament, with opposition parties pushing for discussions on student con-cerns, examination reforms, and government accountability. The demand for a parliamentary de-bate has added another dimen-sion to the ongoing political bat-tle between the opposition and the ruling party. While Congress leaders continue to seek answers over the police response, the gov-ernment has reiterated its com-mitment to addressing student-related concerns and maintaining order. The coming days are expected to witness further debate over the handling of protests and the larger issue of ensuring trans-parency and fairness in the ex-amination system.



Trump Slaps 50% Tariff on Canada

US President Donald Trump has announced a 50% tariff on several Canadian imports, significantly escalating trade tensions between the two neighboring countries. The move is expected to impact billions of dollars worth of trade and has raised concerns about the future of economic relations between the United States and Canada.

The new tariff has been introduced under Section 338 of the US Trade Act, a provision that allows the US government to impose trade restrictions on countries it believes are engaging in discriminatory or unfair trade practices. The decision marks one of the toughest trade actions taken by the Trump administration against Canada.

Trump defended the move by claiming that Canada has adopted policies that unfairly disadvantage American businesses and workers. He argued that the tariffs are intended to protect US industries, promote domestic manufacturing, and reduce the trade imbalance between the two countries.

The announcement has sparked strong criticism from Canadian officials, who described the tariffs as unjustified and warned that they could negatively affect businesses, workers, and consumers on both sides of the border. Canada is expected to examine possible countermeasures if the tariffs are implemented.

Trade experts believe the decision could place additional strain on the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), the free trade pact that governs economic relations among the three North American countries. Although the agreement remains in force, the latest dispute has created fresh uncertainty over regional trade cooperation.



Vietnam Bus Fire Kills 7, Injures 5

A tragic bus accident in Vietnam has claimed the lives of seven people, while five others were injured after a passenger bus caught fire during its journey towards Ho Chi Minh City. The accident left several passengers trapped inside the vehicle as flames quickly engulfed the bus.

The incident occurred when the sleeper bus, carrying passengers on an overnight trip, reportedly lost control and crashed. Soon after the collision, the vehicle caught fire, causing panic among passengers and making rescue efforts extremely challenging.

According to officials, the fire spread rapidly through the passenger compartment, leaving little time for many travellers to escape. Emergency teams rushed to the spot after receiving information about the accident and launched rescue operations.

Firefighters battled the intense blaze and managed to bring the situation under control. However, seven passengers died in the accident, while five injured people were taken to nearby hospitals for treatment.

The badly damaged bus was removed from the accident site as authorities began collecting evidence to determine the exact cause of the tragedy. Investigators

Businesses that depend on cross-border supply chains are closely monitoring the developments, as higher tariffs could increase production costs, disrupt manufacturing operations, and lead to higher prices for consumers. Industries such as automobiles, steel, aluminum, agriculture, and manufacturing could be among the most affected.

Financial markets also reacted cautiously to the announcement, with investors expressing concern that an escalating trade dispute between two of the world's largest trading partners could slow economic growth and affect global supply chains.

Economists have warned that prolonged trade tensions could reduce investment, weaken business confidence, and impact employment in sectors heavily dependent on cross-border commerce. They have urged both governments to resolve their differences through dialogue rather than punitive trade measures.

Despite the sharp rhetoric, analysts believe negotiations between Washington and Ottawa are likely to continue in an effort to avoid a full-scale trade conflict. Diplomatic discussions are expected to focus on addressing trade concerns while preserving the broader economic partnership between the two countries.

The latest tariff announcement signals a tougher US trade stance and has once again highlighted the challenges facing international trade relations. The coming weeks will be crucial in determining whether both countries can reach a negotiated solution or whether the dispute will escalate further, affecting businesses and consumers across North America.

tors are examining several possibilities, including vehicle malfunction, road conditions, and possible driver-related factors.

The accident has raised fresh concerns over passenger safety, particularly in long-distance sleeper buses that operate during night hours. Such vehicles are widely used in Vietnam for inter-city travel, but experts have repeatedly highlighted the need for stronger safety measures and emergency preparedness.

Authorities have expressed condolences to the families of the victims and assured that a detailed investigation will be carried out. Officials said strict action would be taken if any safety violations or negligence are found.

The tragedy has once again highlighted the risks faced by passengers travelling on long-distance routes and the importance of maintaining strict safety standards in public transport systems.

As the investigation continues, authorities are focusing on identifying the reasons behind the crash and fire to prevent similar accidents in the future. The incident has left the country mourning the loss of innocent lives and renewed calls for improved road safety measures.

India Summons Russia Over Black Sea Attack

India has lodged a strong diplomatic protest with Russia after four Indian seafarers were killed in a missile attack on a commercial cargo vessel near Ukraine's Black Sea coast. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) summoned Russia's Chargé d'Affaires in New Delhi to convey India's deep concern over the incident.

The attack took place when the Guinea-Bissau-flagged cargo ship MV Golden Leo was departing from Ukraine's port of Odesa. According to Indian authorities, the vessel had 17 crew members, including five Indian nationals. Four Indians lost their lives in the strike, while another Indian sailor sustained serious injuries and is currently receiving medical treatment. During the meeting with the Russian diplomat, India described the attack on a civilian merchant vessel as unacceptable and stressed that commercial ships and innocent crew members should never become targets during armed conflicts. The government said such incidents pose a serious threat to international maritime trade and the safety of seafarers.

The Ministry of External Affairs reiterated India's long-standing position that civilian shipping routes must remain



protected even during times of war. It also emphasized the importance of respecting international maritime law and ensuring the security of merchant vessels operating in conflict zones. India's Embassy in Ukraine is closely monitoring the situation and coordinating with local authorities to provide all possible assistance to the injured sailor and the families of those who lost their lives. The government has expressed its deepest condolences to the bereaved families and assured them of every possible support.

The tragedy comes amid continuing hostilities between Russia and Ukraine, where commercial vessels operating in the Black Sea have increasingly faced security risks. The latest attack has once again highlighted the dangers faced by civilian

crews navigating through conflict-affected waters.

This is not the first time India has expressed concern over the safety of its citizens working aboard merchant ships in regions affected by armed conflict. The government has repeatedly urged all parties involved in such conflicts to ensure the protection of civilian vessels and maritime personnel.

India has made it clear that the loss of innocent civilian lives is unacceptable and expects all countries to uphold international norms governing maritime security. The diplomatic protest reflects New Delhi's commitment to protecting Indian citizens working across the world and ensuring greater safety for commercial shipping routes during times of conflict.

US Urges Students to Return Before Sept 15

International students studying in the United States on F-1 and J-1 visas have been advised to return to the country before September 15, 2026, as the US government prepares to introduce major changes to its student visa regulations.

The new rules will bring changes to the way international students maintain their legal stay in the United States. The existing "Duration of Status" (D/S) system, which allowed students to remain in the country as long as they maintained their academic requirements, will be replaced with a fixed period of admission.

The revised system is expected to apply to F-1 student visa holders, J-1 exchange visitors, and certain other categories. Under the new framework, students will receive a specific period of authorized stay instead of being allowed to remain until the completion of their academic programs.

Students currently outside the United States have been advised to plan their return before the September deadline. Those who enter after the new rules come into effect may have to follow the updated admission guidelines and could face additional requirements.

Under the new policy, most international students may receive admission periods of up to four years. Students enrolled in long-



er programs, including doctoral courses or extended research programs, may need to apply for additional time before their authorized stay expires.

The new regulations are also expected to introduce stricter procedures for changing universities, switching academic programs, and extending stay periods. Students may have to complete additional formalities to maintain their immigration status during their studies.

Universities across the US have started informing international students about the upcoming changes and advising them to carefully review their visa documents, travel plans, and academic timelines. Students have been encouraged to stay connected with their institution's international student offices for guidance. The US government has stated that the changes are aimed at improving monitoring of international students, strengthening compliance with immigra-

tion regulations, and enhancing national security measures.

However, education experts and universities have expressed concerns that the new rules could create uncertainty for foreign students. They warn that additional restrictions may affect the decision-making process of students planning to pursue higher education in the United States.

The US remains one of the most popular destinations for international students, including a large number of students from India. With the new rules approaching, students are being urged to understand the changes, complete necessary formalities on time, and avoid travel-related complications.

As the September 15 deadline nears, international students are closely watching further updates from immigration authorities to understand how the new visa system will impact their education and future plans in the United States.

Tate Brothers Fight UK Extradition Bid

Social media personalities Andrew Tate and Tristan Tate are challenging their possible extradition to the United Kingdom, where they face serious criminal allegations, including rape, sexual assault, and human trafficking-related charges. The brothers are fighting the legal process that could send them back to the UK to face trial.

The extradition proceedings began after British authorities issued a request seeking their transfer. The Tate brothers appeared before a US court, where their legal team confirmed that they would contest the extradition process.

UK authorities are seeking their extradition over allegations connected to incidents that reportedly took place between 2010 and 2017. The accusations include rape, trafficking, assault, and other offences. The allegations involve multiple complainants, while Andrew and Tristan Tate have repeatedly denied all claims against them.

The brothers' lawyers have argued that the case against them is unfair and politically motivated. Their legal team has maintained that both men are innocent and will use every available legal option to defend themselves.



The extradition process could become a lengthy legal battle. Under the legal framework between the United States and the UK, a court must first examine whether the extradition request meets the required conditions. If approved, the final decision on surrendering the accused would involve government authorities.

The case has attracted international attention due to Andrew Tate's controversial public image and large online following. Known for his outspoken statements and debates on social issues, Tate has built a significant digital audience while also facing criticism over his views and legal controversies.

The latest developments come after the brothers were involved in previous legal proceedings in Romania over separate allega-

tions. They have consistently rejected accusations of wrongdoing and have maintained that they will continue to fight the charges through legal channels.

Legal experts say extradition hearings generally focus on whether the legal requirements for transferring a person to another country are satisfied, rather than determining guilt or innocence. If extradition is approved, the actual trial over the allegations would take place in the UK.

The case is expected to continue attracting global attention as the court considers the extradition request. The Tate brothers remain focused on challenging the process while prosecutors seek to move forward with the case in the United Kingdom.



US-Iran Tensions Rise After Gulf Clashes

Tensions between the United States and Iran have intensified following a fresh round of military exchanges in the Gulf region, raising fears of a broader regional conflict. The latest developments have put American forces on high alert and prompted renewed diplomatic efforts to prevent the situation from spiraling further.

According to military officials, Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) launched missile strikes targeting US military installations in the region, including bases in Kuwait. The attacks came after the United States carried out operations against Iranian-linked military assets, further escalating hostilities between the two countries.

US Central Command (CENTCOM) confirmed that its air defense systems intercepted several incoming missiles, while security measures were immediately strengthened across American military facilities in the Middle East. Authorities are continuing to assess the extent of the damage and monitor the evolving security situation.

The latest confrontation marks another dangerous phase in the long-standing rivalry between Washington and Tehran. Military experts warn that continued retaliatory actions from both sides could increase instability across the Middle East and threaten vital shipping routes in the Gulf.

Several regional governments have urged both countries to exercise restraint and

avoid further military escalation. Diplomatic channels remain active as international leaders attempt to prevent the conflict from expanding into a wider regional crisis.

The Gulf region remains strategically important because it hosts several US military bases and serves as a critical corridor for global energy supplies. Any prolonged conflict could disrupt oil exports, affect international trade, and trigger volatility in global financial and energy markets.

The United States has reiterated its commitment to protecting its military personnel and regional allies while maintaining that it is prepared to respond to any future threats. Iran, meanwhile, has defended its actions, claiming they were carried out in response to what it described as hostile military operations against its interests.

Global markets are closely monitoring the situation, with investors concerned that any further escalation could push crude oil prices higher and increase geopolitical uncertainty. Analysts believe the coming days will be crucial in determining whether diplomatic efforts can reduce tensions or whether the confrontation will continue to intensify.

As the situation develops, governments across the world are urging restraint and dialogue, emphasizing that a military conflict in the Gulf would have far-reaching consequences not only for the Middle East but also for the global economy and international security.



Indian Man Jailed in Singapore Fake Diamond Plot

An Indian national has been sentenced to jail in Singapore for his involvement in a unique diamond theft case involving a counterfeit gemstone swap at a jewellery store. The accused was part of a plan to replace a valuable diamond with a fake one and escape with the original stone.

The incident took place at a jewellery store in Singapore's Chinatown area, where two Indian men allegedly targeted a high-value diamond. Investigators found that the accused had prepared a counterfeit diamond that closely resembled the original gemstone before carrying out the theft attempt.

According to court proceedings, one of the accused allegedly distracted the jewellery store staff while the other carried out the diamond exchange. The genuine diamond was reportedly replaced with a fake stone in an attempt to avoid immediate detection.

However, the plan failed after the suspicious activity came to the attention of the store staff. The stolen diamond was later recovered after authorities arrested the suspects while they were attempting to leave Singapore through Changi Airport.

The stolen gemstone was a 4.95-carat diamond valued at nearly S\$200,000. Investigators said the operation appeared to have been carefully planned, with the accused arranging a counterfeit diamond designed to look similar to the original.

One of the accused, Mangroliya Manojkumar Kurjibhai, was sentenced to more than two years in prison after pleading guilty to the theft charge. Legal proceedings against the second accused, Serasiya Milan Ramnikbhai, are continuing.

The case attracted attention because of the unusual method used in the attempted theft. Instead of stealing the diamond directly, the accused allegedly relied on a quick substitution technique, hoping the fake stone would go unnoticed until they had left the country.

The incident has prompted renewed warnings for jewellery businesses and luxury retailers to remain cautious while handling expensive items. Authorities have stressed the importance of strict security checks, surveillance systems, and proper verification procedures to prevent such crimes.

The case also highlights how criminals are increasingly using sophisticated methods to target valuable assets. However, quick action by store employees and law enforcement helped recover the diamond and ensure that those involved faced legal consequences.

The court's decision serves as a reminder that organised theft involving high-value goods can lead to severe punishment, especially in countries like Singapore, where authorities maintain strict laws against financial and property-related crimes.

Sensex Falls 238 Points, Nifty Below 24,200

Indian benchmark equity indices ended Tuesday's trading session in the red as weak global cues, continued foreign investor selling, and caution ahead of key corporate earnings weighed on market sentiment.

The BSE Sensex fell 238 points to close at around 77,470, while the NSE Nifty 50 slipped below the 24,200 mark after a volatile session. The indices swung between gains and losses throughout the day before settling lower.

Investor sentiment remained

subdued due to mixed global market trends and uncertainty over international geopolitical developments. Although crude oil prices eased slightly, they continued to remain at elevated levels, keeping inflation concerns alive and prompting investors to adopt a cautious approach.

Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) continued their selling spree in the domestic equity market, putting additional pressure on benchmark indices. At the same time, investors remained on the sidelines ahead

of a busy corporate earnings season, with several major companies set to announce their quarterly results in the coming days.

Among sectoral indices, PSU banks, banking, and metal stocks witnessed selective buying during the session. However, weakness in information technology, pharmaceutical, and several heavyweight stocks prevented the market from making a meaningful recovery.

Despite the overall weakness in the benchmark indices, stock-specific activity remained

strong. Several companies witnessed sharp movements following earnings announcements, corporate developments, and sector-specific news, providing trading opportunities in select counters.

The Indian rupee also showed slight strength against the US dollar during the trading session, offering limited support to investor sentiment. However, concerns over foreign fund outflows and global uncertainties continued to dominate market direction. Market experts believe that the near-term trend

will largely depend on quarterly corporate earnings, global market performance, crude oil prices, foreign investment flows, and geopolitical developments. Investors are expected to remain cautious until greater clarity emerges on these fronts.

Analysts also noted that volatility is likely to persist over the coming weeks as markets react to company results and global economic developments. While short-term fluctuations may continue, India's strong domestic economic fundamentals are expected to provide long-term



support to equity markets.

Overall, Tuesday's session reflected the cautious mood prevailing among investors, with profit booking, global uncertainty, and institutional selling outweighing positive domestic

factors. Market participants will now closely monitor upcoming earnings reports and international developments for fresh cues that could determine the next direction for Indian equities.

SBI MF CEO Shares Post-Listing Growth Vision

Following its successful stock market listing, SBI Funds Management is setting its sights on long-term growth and expansion. Managing Director and CEO Debasish Mishra said the company's listing is not the culmination of its journey but the beginning of an exciting new phase, expressing confidence that its biggest achievements are still ahead.

Calling the listing a significant milestone, Mishra said it provides the company with a stronger platform to accelerate growth, enhance its market presence, and create lasting value for investors. He emphasized that the company remains committed to strengthening its leadership position in India's rapidly growing mutual fund industry.

One of the company's key priorities is expanding its investor base across the country. While SBI Funds Management already serves millions of customers, it sees enormous opportunities in smaller cities and rural areas, where awareness of mutual funds and financial investments continues to rise.



The company also plans to strengthen its digital capabilities by making its investment platforms more user-friendly, efficient, and accessible. According to Mishra, technology will play a crucial role in improving customer experience, reaching new investors, and supporting the next phase of growth.

Another major focus will be maintaining consistent investment performance. Mishra stressed that attracting investors is only the first step, and long-term success depends on helping customers achieve their financial goals through disciplined fund management, trans-

parency, and quality service.

SBI Funds Management also intends to leverage the extensive reach and trusted brand of the State Bank of India to expand mutual fund penetration across the country. With one of the largest banking networks in India, the company believes it can introduce investment products to millions of first-time investors.

The CEO highlighted that India's mutual fund industry still has tremendous growth potential. Rising financial literacy, increasing participation from retail investors, and a growing preference for market-linked investment products are expected

to drive the industry's expansion in the coming years.

He reaffirmed the company's commitment to innovation, customer-centric services, and financial inclusion. Rather than focusing solely on maintaining its position as a leading asset manager, SBI Funds Management aims to become the preferred investment partner for households across India.

Market experts believe the company is well positioned to benefit from India's expanding investment ecosystem, supported by favorable demographics, growing disposable incomes, and increased awareness about long-term wealth creation through mutual funds.

Summing up the company's future outlook, Mishra said the listing marks the start of a new journey filled with opportunities. With ambitious expansion plans, a strong distribution network, and a clear focus on innovation and customer trust, he believes that the best chapters in SBI Funds Management's growth story are yet to be written.

Adani Energy Q1 Profit More Than Doubles

Adani Energy Solutions Ltd (AESL) reported a strong financial performance for the first quarter of the financial year, with its consolidated net profit more than doubling on the back of robust operational growth and higher revenues.

The company posted a consolidated net profit of 1,149 crore, compared with 566 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year, reflecting a sharp year-on-year increase. Revenue from operations also witnessed significant growth, rising 42% to 7,219 crore from 5,099 crore a year earlier.

The strong quarterly performance was driven by healthy growth across the company's transmission, distribution, and smart metering businesses. Increased project execution, higher energy demand, and expanding infrastructure contributed to the impressive rise in revenue and profitability.

During the quarter, Adani Energy Solutions continued to strengthen its position in the power transmission sector by expanding its network and improving operational efficiency. The company also made steady progress in implementing smart metering projects, which remain a key focus area for its long-term growth strategy.



The distribution business also delivered stable performance, supported by improved operational efficiencies and sustained electricity demand. The company said its diversified business model has enabled it to maintain consistent growth across multiple segments.

Management highlighted that continued investments in transmission infrastructure and digital energy solutions are expected to support future growth. The company remains focused on enhancing grid reliability, expanding its transmission footprint, and accelerating the rollout of advanced energy management technologies. Adani Energy Solutions also reiterated its commitment to supporting India's growing power requirements through large-scale infrastructure development and technology-

driven solutions. The company believes rising electricity demand, urbanisation, and government initiatives to modernise the power sector will create significant long-term opportunities.

The strong quarterly results were well received by market participants, with investors viewing the performance as a reflection of the company's improving operational strength and execution capabilities.

Looking ahead, Adani Energy Solutions remains optimistic about sustaining its growth momentum through ongoing infrastructure expansion, increased project execution, and continued investments in next-generation energy solutions. The company expects its diversified business portfolio and strong project pipeline to support long-term value creation for shareholders.

TVS Motor Q1 Profit Jumps 51%; Shares Rise 4%

TVS Motor Company reported a strong performance for the first quarter of FY27, with its net profit rising 51% year-on-year to 1,174 crore, driven by robust demand for premium motorcycles, scooters, and electric vehicles. The impressive financial results boosted investor confidence, leading to a sharp rise in the company's share price.

The company posted revenue from operations of 13,896 crore, marking a 38% increase compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year. Strong domestic demand, healthy export growth, and record vehicle sales played a key role in driving the revenue growth.

TVS Motor also reported significant improvement in its operating performance. The company's EBITDA rose to 1,780 crore, while the EBITDA margin improved to 12.8%, reflecting better operational efficiency despite higher input costs.

The company achieved its highest-ever quarterly sales, with total two- and three-



wheeler sales increasing 28% year-on-year to 1.63 million units. Domestic sales remained strong, while exports also registered healthy growth. The electric vehicle business continued its impressive momentum, contributing significantly to the company's overall performance.

Management said rising commodity prices during the quarter led to an increase in raw material costs. However, the impact was effectively managed through calibrated price hikes, cost optimization

measures, improved product mix, and higher production volumes.

Premium motorcycles and electric scooters emerged as the biggest growth drivers during the quarter. Higher sales of these products helped improve profitability and offset the impact of increased manufacturing costs.

Following the announcement of the quarterly results, TVS Motor shares gained around 4%, reflecting positive investor sentiment. Market participants welcomed the

company's strong revenue growth, improved margins, and record sales performance.

The company remains optimistic about maintaining its growth momentum in the coming quarters through continued product innovation, expansion in domestic and international markets, and a stronger focus on electric mobility.

TVS Motor believes the growing demand for premium two-wheelers and electric vehicles, combined with its diversified product portfolio and strong brand presence, will continue to support long-term growth. The company also plans to strengthen its market position by introducing new products, enhancing customer experience, and expanding its global footprint.

With record quarterly sales, improving profitability, and a rapidly growing EV business, TVS Motor has delivered one of its strongest quarterly performances, reinforcing its position as one of India's leading two-wheeler manufacturers.

E2E Networks Hits Upper Circuit on Q1 Profit



Shares of E2E Networks Ltd hit the upper circuit after the company reported a strong turnaround in its financial performance for the June quarter. The AI cloud and cloud computing solutions provider returned to profit after posting a loss in the same period last year, boosting investor confidence.

The company's impressive quarterly performance was driven by strong demand for its artificial intelligence (AI) cloud infrastructure, GPU-powered cloud services, and high-performance computing solutions. The rapid adoption of AI technologies across industries has significantly strengthened the company's growth momentum.

Revenue also recorded healthy growth during the quarter, reflecting increasing demand from enterprises, startups, and technology firms for AI-driven cloud services. Improved operational efficiency and better cost management further supported the company's return to

profitability.

Following the announcement of the results, investors rushed to buy the stock, pushing it to the maximum permissible daily gain. The sharp rally reflected growing optimism about the company's future prospects as demand for AI infrastructure continues to expand.

E2E Networks has been steadily investing in advanced GPU infrastructure and cloud platforms designed to support machine learning, generative AI, and other compute-intensive applications. The company believes these investments will help it capitalize on the rapidly growing demand for AI-powered computing services in India.

The management remains focused on expanding its cloud infrastructure, enhancing technology capabilities, and serving a larger customer base. Continued investment in innovation and AI infrastructure is expected to drive future revenue growth and improve profitability.

Market experts believe the company's turnaround demonstrates improving business fundamentals and highlights the significant opportunities emerging in the AI and cloud computing sector. As businesses accelerate their digital transformation efforts, demand for high-performance cloud services is expected to remain strong.

The broader technology companies also remains positive, supported by increasing investments in artificial intelligence, automation, and data-driven solutions across multiple industries.

With its renewed profitability, expanding AI infrastructure, and growing customer demand, E2E Networks has strengthened its position in India's rapidly evolving cloud computing market. The strong quarterly results have reinforced investor confidence and positioned the company as one of the standout performers in the technology sector during the trading session.

C2C Advanced Systems Slumps 40% in Two Days

Shares of C2C Advanced Systems, an SME company backed by noted investor Ashish Kacholia, came under intense selling pressure, plunging nearly 40% over two consecutive trading sessions. The sharp correction has brought the stock close to its initial public offering (IPO) price, erasing a significant portion of the gains it had delivered after listing.

The stock hit the lower circuit during the latest trading session as investors continued to offload their holdings. Heavy selling pressure and profit booking contributed to the steep decline, resulting in a sharp fall in the company's market valuation.

C2C Advanced Systems had attracted considerable investor interest during its IPO and made a strong stock market debut by listing at a healthy premium. However, the recent correction has highlighted the volatility that is often associated with SME-listed companies.

The company operates in the aerospace and defence technology sector, providing advanced



engineering and software solutions. Its presence in a high-growth industry, along with the backing of a well-known investor, had made it one of the closely watched SME stocks in the market.

Market experts believe that SME stocks are generally more volatile than large-cap companies because of relatively lower liquidity, limited public shareholding, and higher speculative activity. As a result, these stocks can witness sharp gains as well as steep declines within a short period.

The recent sell-off also reflects the cautious sentiment prevailing in the broader

small-cap and SME segments. Investors have become increasingly selective due to concerns over high valuations and a preference for booking profits after strong rallies.

Analysts advise investors not to make decisions based solely on short-term price movements. Instead, they recommend focusing on a company's business fundamentals, financial performance, order book, and long-term growth prospects before taking investment decisions.

Market observers also note that stocks backed by prominent investors are not immune to market corrections. Even

fundamentally sound companies can experience sharp price fluctuations during periods of weak sentiment or profit booking.

Going forward, investors will closely monitor C2C Advanced Systems' quarterly earnings, business expansion plans, and order inflows to assess its long-term growth potential. While the recent correction has significantly reduced the stock's premium over its IPO price, the company's future performance will ultimately depend on its ability to deliver consistent business growth and execute its strategic plans effectively.



Minister Distributes Essentials to Hostel Students

Dharmavaram, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Minister for Medical, Health, Family Welfare and Medical Education, and Dharmavaram MLA Satyakumar Yadav distributed trunk boxes, steel plates, glasses, bedsheets, carpets, towels, sweaters and nightwear to students at the Social Welfare Girls' Hostel in Dharmavaram on Tuesday.

Addressing the students, Satyakumar Yadav said student welfare remains the government's top priority. He highlighted the importance of the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK), under which health screenings help identify 46 types of health conditions, including congenital defects, diseases, nutritional deficiencies and developmental disorders at an early stage.

The Minister announced that digital health records are being introduced for every student, enabling lifelong access to medical information through mobile devices. He said the initiative would improve continuity of healthcare from school through higher education and employment.

Satyakumar Yadav said that under the leadership of Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu, with the support of Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan and Education Minister Nara Lokesh, the government is strengthening student welfare, education, healthcare and hostel facilities. He urged students to make full use of the facilities provided and pay equal attention to their health and education.

National Insurance Urges Greater Insurance Awareness

Kurnool, July 21 | TPN Bureau

R. Lalitha Kala, Deputy General Manager of National Insurance Company, stressed the importance of creating greater public awareness about insurance during her visit to Kurnool district. She was welcomed by local officials of the company and interacted with policyholders to educate them about various insurance products.

Addressing the media at the company's Gandhinagar office, R. Lalitha Kala said National Insurance Company settles a higher percentage of claims compared to many other insurance providers. She explained that health, property and vehicle insurance policies provide vital financial protection during unexpected incidents.



She said medical emergencies often force families to sell their assets, but insurance helps them manage such situations at a much lower cost. Urging people to secure their future, she appealed to everyone to purchase suitable insurance policies.

Regional Manager Manoj, Kurnool Chief Business Manager Suresh Sere, Motor Claims In-charge Vijay Jadhav and other officials participated in the programme along with Deputy General Manager R. Lalitha Kala.

MLA Reviews El Niño Preparedness

Anantapur Rural, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Raptadu MLA Paritala Sunitha directed officials to take proactive measures to prevent any drinking water crisis in villages likely to be affected by El Niño conditions. She reviewed the situation with MPDOs, Rural Water Supply (RWS) officials, mandal party conveners and cluster in-charges from Atmakur, Anantapur Rural and Raptadu mandals at her camp office on Tuesday.

The MLA reviewed groundwater levels, rainfall forecasts and villages vulnerable to drinking water shortages. Officials identified Papampet, Kakkalapalli, Akkampalli, Chillyedu and Krishnamireddypalli in Anantapur Rural mandal, P. Siddharampuram and BC Colo-



ny in Atmakur mandal, and Gangalakunta and Raptadu villages as areas requiring close monitoring.

Paritala Sunitha instructed officials to prepare contingency plans, including deepening existing borewells, drilling new borewells where necessary and arranging adequate funds to tackle any shortage. She also directed party leaders to immediately report village-level issues and asked officials to respond without delay to prevent hardship to the public.

TDP Leaders Review Organisation, Public Issues

Tirupati, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Tirupati District Parliamentary General Secretary, TUDA Chairman and Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) ex-officio member Dr. Dollars Diwakar Reddy participated in the TDP general body meeting held at the party's parliamentary office in Tirupati on Tuesday. Tirupati District TDP President Panabaka Lakshmi also attended the meeting.

The leaders discussed strengthening the party organisation, expanding grassroots activities, addressing public grievances and ensuring effective implementation of government welfare schemes.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Dollars Diwakar Reddy called upon party workers to work with dedication to further strengthen the organisation. He urged the



cadre to remain closely connected with the public, understand their problems and strive to resolve them promptly.

He also appealed to party leaders and workers to actively take the state government's development and welfare programmes to every household and ensure eligible beneficiaries receive their benefits.

District committee members, party leaders and representatives of various affiliated wings participated in the meeting and discussed organisational strategies and future programmes.

AIF Boosts Agricultural Infrastructure in State

New Delhi/Chittoor, July 21 | TPN Bureau

TDP Politburo member and Chittoor MP Daggumalla Prasada Rao said the NDA Government is extending strong support to farmers through the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF), enabling them to create long-term agricultural assets with financial assistance.

Raising the issue in the Lok Sabha, Daggumalla Prasada Rao sought details from the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare on loans provided for farm machinery, irrigation facilities and post-harvest infrastructure. He also sought information on the number of beneficiaries, loan sanctions over the past three years and measures taken to improve credit access for small, marginal and tenant farmers.

Responding to the query, Union Minister Ram Nath Thakur said the AIF provides a 3 per cent annual interest subvention, subject to a maximum interest rate of 9 per cent, for up to seven years, along with credit guarantee coverage of up to 2 crore for eligible borrowers.

Daggumalla Prasada Rao said



the scheme benefits farmers, Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs), cooperative societies, Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), Self-Help Groups (SHGs), agri-entrepreneurs and startups. Financial assistance is available for warehouses, cold storage units, silos, irrigation structures, pack-houses, sorting and grading units, solar pumps, custom hiring centres and primary processing facilities.

According to the Union Ministry, 1,27,931 beneficiaries across the country received loans worth 46,480.10 crore under the AIF during the past three financial years.

In Andhra Pradesh, 4,015 beneficiaries received loans totalling 1,759.08 crore.

The Ministry also informed Parliament that the scheme has been expanded to include integrated processing units, mushroom cultivation, hydroponics, vertical farming and PM-KUSUM Component-A projects. A digital single-window AIF portal has also been introduced to facilitate online applications, project monitoring and coordination with financial institutions and other government schemes.

CPR Training Promotes Life-Saving Skills

Tirupati, July 21 | TPN Bureau

A CPR Day awareness and training programme was organised at the Tirupati Press Club on Tuesday to educate the public about Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), a life-saving technique used during heart attacks and sudden cardiac arrest. The programme was jointly organised by the Rotary Club, Tirupati Press Club and the Pediatrics Department of SVRR Government Hospital.

Medical experts explained the



importance of administering CPR during emergencies and conducted hands-on training sessions. Participants were taught the correct method of performing chest compressions and the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to im-

prove survival chances during cardiac emergencies.

Dr. Kireeti's team led the training programme. Tirupati Press Club President Murali, the Secretary and Press Club members participated in the event. Rotary Club President Srikanth Reddy, former Presidents Hemachander Magam, Somu Ravikumar and Purushotham Patel also attended the programme and encouraged people to learn CPR, describing it as a vital skill that can help save lives.

₹17.5-Crore Waste Plant Planned, Officials Set Oct 2 Deadline for Dump Clearance

Anantapur, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Swachh Andhra Corporation Chairman K Pattabhiram and Anantapur Urban MLA Daggupati Prasad announced that a new waste management plant costing 17.5 crore will be established at the Anantapur dumping yard to strengthen solid waste management.

The two leaders inspected the dumping yard on Tuesday along with officials and TDP leaders and reviewed waste processing, the quantity of garbage cleared, disposal methods and project progress.



gress. Expressing dissatisfaction over delays, they directed contractors to complete the clearance of accumulated waste by October 2, warning that continued negligence would lead to contract cancellation and blacklisting.

Pattabhiram said the present government is clearing waste ac-

cumulated during the YSRCP regime. Of the 3.78 lakh tonnes of garbage at the Anantapur dumping yard, 2.41 lakh tonnes have already been cleared. He said special machinery has been deployed to process 4,000 tonnes of waste daily and weekly targets have been fixed.

MLA Daggupati Prasad alleged that the YSRCP government left behind massive garbage dumps despite collecting garbage tax. He said the site for the new plant, which will process 170 metric tonnes of waste daily, will be ready by August 15, with operations targeted to begin by October 2.

Hostel Infrastructure Gets Priority: Somireddy

Podalukur, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Sarvepalli MLA Somireddy Chandramohan Reddy said the co-ligation government is giving top priority to strengthening infrastructure in government schools and welfare hostels to provide quality education and a better future for students.

Participating in a distribution programme at the Social Welfare Department hostel in Podalukur on Tuesday, the MLA distributed trunk boxes, plates, glasses, bedsheets, carpets, towels and sweat-



ers to hostel students.

Somireddy Chandramohan Reddy said CSR funds are being utilised along with government grants to improve hostel facilities. He noted that central lighting has

been installed through SEIL CSR funds, Kisan Craft constructed 14 toilets for the girls' hostel, and 78 lakh has been allocated for hostel renovations. Another 9 lakh has been sanctioned for security fencing through the District Mineral Fund.

He said 4.60 crore has already been sanctioned for hostel development, while proposals worth 7 crore, including 3 crore for the Podalukur SC hostel, have been submitted. He urged students to make the best use of the improved facilities and excel in their studies.

Collector Reviews Key Infrastructure Projects

Tirupati, July 21 | TPN Bureau:

Tirupati District Collector Dr. S. Venkateswar directed officials to expedite railway projects, land acquisition, national highway works, and other major infrastructure projects across Tirupati district. Along with Joint Collector R. Govinda Rao, he reviewed the progress of railway projects, the Vizag-Chennai corridor pipeline, ADB roads, Dug-garajapatnam projects, Krishnapatnam Port works, APIIC projects, and industrial developments at Sri City involving LG and Royal Enfield during a virtual review meeting at the Collectorate on Tuesday.

The Collector instructed officials to complete pending land acquisition for Sri City Phase-2, LG Phases 1-3, Naidupeta Phase-2, Vanelluru,



Pagali, and Royal Enfield projects within the stipulated timeline. He also directed officials to resolve pending court cases and Webland issues without delay.

Dr. Venkateswar stressed the need to accelerate railway projects, including Nadikudi-Srikalahasti, Yerpedu-Pudi, Gummadipoondi-Gudur, Gudur-Renigunta, Pakala-Tirupati, Tirupati-Katpadi, and

Arakkonam-Renigunta, besides six-lane highway works on the Naidupeta-Renigunta, Renigunta-Kadapa, and Renigunta-Chennai routes.

He instructed Revenue Divisional Officers to coordinate with National Highways authorities for timely completion of Sagarmala Packages 2, 3, and 4 and directed officials from R&B, Panchayat Raj Engineering, Irrigation, Forest, and Water Resources departments to work in coordination. RDOs Ram-mohan, Bhanuprakash Reddy, Devendra Reddy, Special Deputy Collectors Bharat Naik and Ramprasad, APIIC Tirupati Zonal Manager Vijay Bharat Reddy, Sri City General Manager Bhagavan, National Highways PD Ravinder Rao, Tahsildars, and other officials attended the meeting.

Collector Urges Public to Share PGRS Feedback via QR Code

Chittoor, July 21 | TPN Bureau
Chittoor District Collector Sumit Kumar has appealed to the public to use the newly introduced QR code facility to share feedback on the Public Grievance Redressal System (PGRS). He said the Initia-

tive has been launched by the State Government to strengthen the grievance redressal mechanism by improving transparency, accountability, and citizen satisfaction.

The Collector directed officials

to prominently display the QR code at the entry and exit points of all district and mandal-level PGRS centres. He instructed that the code also be placed at notice boards, help desks, and grievance counters to encourage maximum

Centre Highlights Nellore Products Under ODOP

New Delhi, July 21 | TPN Bureau

Union Minister of State for Commerce and Industry Jitin Prasada informed Parliament that Udayagiri woodenware and Paturu cotton-silk sarees have been identified under the One District One Product (ODOP) scheme for Nellore district. The clarification came in a written reply to questions raised by Nellore MP Vemireddy Prabhakar Reddy.

The Minister said 99 products from 26 districts of Andhra Pradesh have been identified under the ODOP scheme. He stated that exhibitions, training programmes and domestic and international trade events are being organised to promote these products. A GeM-ODOP Bazaar has also been established on the Government e-Marketplace to support digital marketing and online sales.



Jitin Prasada said export promotion is being strengthened through Indian embassies, the Handloom Export Promotion Council and the National Handloom Development Programme. He also highlighted support for fisheries under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana and SHAPHARI certification for quality aquaculture products.

The Minister added that no fresh proposals have been received from the Andhra Pradesh government for including additional products under the ODOP scheme.

Offline Prasadam Sales Approved at Srikalahasti Temple

Srikalahasti, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The Endowments Department has permitted offline sale of prasadam at the Sri Kalahasteswara Swamy Temple, providing relief to thousands of devotees visiting the famous shrine, popularly known as Dakshina Kasi.

The Commissioner's office of the Endowments Department has issued orders allowing prasadam sales through offline counters while continuing the existing online booking system. Earlier, devotees had to depend solely on online bookings, which often led to technical glitches and inconvenience in obtaining prasadam during temple visits. With the new decision, devo-



tees can now purchase prasadam directly from temple counters by paying cash, ensuring easier access and a smoother pilgrimage experience. The move is expected to benefit a large number of pilgrims, especially those unfamiliar with on-line booking or facing technical issues, while maintaining the convenience of online services for those who prefer digital transactions.

Collector Reviews Voter Verification Progress

Kurnool, July 21 | TPN Bureau

District Collector Dr. A. Siri directed Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) to complete the pending verification of ASD (Absent, Shifted, Dead) and DSE cases under the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls without delay.

During a teleconference on Tuesday with EROs and Assistant Electoral Registration Officers (AEROs), the Collector reviewed constituency-wise and mandal-wise progress of EF digitisation, uncollectible data entries and ASDD (Absent, Shifted, Dead, Duplicate) records. She noted that a large number of ASD and DSE verifications remained pending in the Mantralayam and Panyam constituencies and instructed officials to complete them by the end of the day.



Dr. A. Siri also directed officials to reduce data anomalies in Alur, Panyam and Adoni constituencies through a special action plan and ensure daily monitoring of Booth Level Officers (BLOs). She also ordered speedy disposal of complaints received through the 'Book a Call' facility.

Joint Collector Nurul Khamar, Kurnool Municipal Commissioner Obulesu, Pattikonda RDO Obulesu, Adoni ERO Aruna Devi, Special Deputy Collector Anuradha, Kurnool RDO Sandeep Kumar and other officials participated in the review.

Central Ticket Complex Lies Idle After Online Shift

Srikalahasti, July 21 | TPN Bureau

The Central Arjitha Seva Complex, built to facilitate ticket booking for devotees visiting the Sri Kalahasteswara Swamy Temple, has become largely unused following the Endowments Department's decision to shift ticket sales entirely to the online mode.

The complex, inaugurated on January 16 this year at a cost of 1.81 crore, has reportedly remained idle within five months of its opening. The ticket counters and queue lines constructed for devotees are no longer being used after the implementation of the online-only ticketing system across temples.

Sources said modifications



were carried out to the queue lines after construction, resulting in additional expenditure. Devotees have expressed concern over the underutilisation of the facility and urged authorities to make effective use of the infrastructure instead of allowing it to remain idle.

They also appealed to the Endowments Department to re-purpose the counters and queue lines for other services that would benefit pilgrims visiting the temple.

Central Ticket Complex Lies Idle After Online Shift

Sources said modifications

public participation. Sumit Kumar said the QR code should be printed in a clear and easily visible size and installed at locations accessible to visitors. Citizens can scan the QR code using their mobile phones immedi-

ately after availing PGRS services and submit their feedback. He said public feedback will help the administration improve grievance redressal services and ensure more efficient delivery of citizen-centric governance.

Rohit Sharma's Ton Wins Ex-India Star's Praise

India captain Rohit Sharma has earned widespread praise after his brilliant century against England, with former India cricketer Mohammad Kaif saying the veteran opener answered all his critics in the best possible manner—with the bat.

Rohit had been under pressure following a string of inconsistent performances, leading to questions about his form and future. However, the Indian skipper responded in trademark style by producing a composed and commanding century when the team needed it the most.

Speaking about Rohit's innings, Kaif said the opener "shut everybody up" with his performance. He noted that there had been plenty of criticism surrounding Rohit's recent form, but the experienced batter once again proved why he remains one of India's most dependable match-winners.

Kaif praised Rohit's calm approach at the crease, saying he never appeared rushed despite the pressure. Instead of trying to silence critics with aggressive stroke play, Rohit trusted his natural game, built his innings patiently, and gradually took control of the match.

The former cricketer also highlighted Rohit's vast experience, stating that players of his stature know how to handle criticism and bounce back when it matters most. According to Kaif, champions respond through performances rather than words, and Rohit's century was the perfect example of that mindset.



Rohit's knock not only helped India gain the upper hand in the contest but also boosted the team's confidence at a crucial stage of the series. His partnership with the middle order laid a solid foundation, allowing India to post a competitive total against a strong England bowling attack.

Cricket experts and fans also praised Rohit's innings on social media, describing it as a timely reminder of his class and ability to perform under pressure. Many pointed out that the century showcased his trademark elegance, impeccable timing, and excellent shot selection.

With this memorable hundred, Rohit has once again reinforced his importance to the Indian team. The innings has eased concerns over his form and demonstrated that he remains a vital pillar of India's batting line-up in big matches.

As India continues its campaign against England, Rohit's return to form is expected to provide a major boost to the team's confidence. His century has not only strengthened India's position in the series but has also sent a strong message that experienced players should never be judged solely on a brief lean patch.

Sanju Reveals Rohit's T20 World Cup Backing



India wicketkeeper-batter Sanju Samson has revealed how captain Rohit Sharma's encouragement during the T20 World Cup played a crucial role in boosting his confidence at a time when he was struggling to find opportunities in the playing XI.

Speaking in a recent interaction, Samson recalled that Rohit had assured him to stay mentally prepared because his chance would eventually come. At first, Samson admitted that he found it difficult to believe the captain's words, considering the intense competition for places in the Indian team.

"I didn't believe him initially," Samson said, explaining that he wasn't sure whether he would get an opportunity during such a high-pressure tournament. However, Rohit repeatedly told him to remain ready and continue working hard, assuring him that every player in the squad had an important role to play.

Samson said Rohit's confidence in him made a significant difference. Instead of feeling disappointed about being on the sidelines, he focused on staying match-ready and maintaining a positive mindset throughout the tournament.

The Kerala batter praised Rohit's leadership qualities, saying the Indian captain ensured that every member of the squad felt valued, irrespective of whether they were part of the playing XI. According to Samson, Rohit constantly communicated with players, motivating them to stay prepared and contribute whenever called upon.

He also highlighted the strong team environment during the tournament, stating that the support from the captain and coaching staff helped players remain confident even when they were not getting regular opportunities.

Samson noted that managing a large squad in a global tournament is never easy, but Rohit handled the responsibility exceptionally well by making every player feel included. He believes this positive atmosphere played an important role in India's successful campaign. The wicketkeeper-batter's comments have been widely appreciated by cricket fans, with many praising Rohit's leadership and his ability to keep the squad united. Several former cricketers have also spoken about Rohit's calm and reassuring approach, describing it as one of his biggest strengths as captain.

As India continues to build for future international tournaments, Samson's remarks offer a glimpse into the dressing-room culture under Rohit Sharma's leadership. His story highlights how simple words of encouragement from a captain can inspire confidence, strengthen team spirit, and prepare players to deliver whenever an opportunity arises.

I Sat Quietly and Clapped': Sanju on T20 World Cup

India wicketkeeper-batter Sanju Samson has opened up about the emotional challenges he faced during the early stages of the T20 World Cup, revealing how he had to remain patient while waiting for an opportunity to represent the country.

Speaking about his experience, Samson admitted that he realized his chances of making the playing XI had become limited after another wicketkeeper-batter established himself in the team. Instead of allowing disappointment to affect his mindset, Samson chose to support his teammates from the sidelines.

"I just sat quietly and clapped," Samson said, describing how he watched every match with a positive attitude. Although it was difficult to stay out of the playing XI during such an important tournament, he accepted the team's decision and focused on encouraging his teammates.

Samson explained that every cricketer dreams of playing in a World Cup, making it emotionally challenging to spend matches on the bench. However, he believed that staying mentally strong and continuing to work hard was the only way to be ready whenever an opportunity arrived. Rather than feeling frustrated, the Kerala batter continued to train with full dedication and maintained his match readiness throughout the tournament.

He said he reminded himself that in international cricket, opportunities can come unexpectedly, and it is important to be prepared at all times.

When the opportunity finally came, Samson made the most of it with impressive performances, proving that his patience and perseverance had paid off. His contributions helped strengthen the Indian team during crucial stages of the competition and showcased his ability to perform under pressure.

Looking back, Samson described the tournament as one of the biggest learning experiences of his career. He said the journey taught him valuable lessons about resilience, self-belief, and the importance of putting the team's success ahead of individual ambitions.

The wicketkeeper-batter also



praised the positive atmosphere within the Indian dressing room, saying the support from teammates and the coaching staff helped him remain motivated even when he was not part of the playing XI.

His honest remarks have earned appreciation from cricket fans, many of whom praised his professionalism, maturity, and team-first attitude. Several former players have also highlighted his patience as an example for young cricketers facing similar situations.

Sanju Samson's journey serves as an inspiring reminder that success often comes to those who remain patient, stay prepared, and continue believing in themselves. His willingness to support the team from the sidelines before making a strong impact when called upon reflects the true spirit of teamwork and perseverance.

Mary Kom Warns of Stiff Asian Games Challenge

Indian boxing legend M.C. Mary Kom believes the country's boxers have the potential to perform well at the upcoming Commonwealth Games, but says the Asian Games will be a much tougher challenge because of the high level of competition from the continent's strongest boxing nations.

Speaking about India's medal prospects, the six-time world champion expressed confidence that the Indian contingent can win several medals at the Commonwealth Games. However, she admitted that securing gold medals will not be easy, as many participating countries have significantly improved their standards in recent years.

Mary Kom pointed out that the Asian Games feature some of the world's strongest boxing nations, including Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, China, Japan, and other countries that consistently produce Olympic and World Championship medalists. According to her, the depth of talent at the Asian Games makes it



one of the most difficult competitions in international boxing.

Despite her cautious outlook, the Olympic bronze medallist remains optimistic about India's chances. She believes the current generation of Indian boxers has the talent, determination, and experience to deliver strong performances if they maintain their focus and execute their plans effectively.

The boxing icon urged athletes to stay disciplined and avoid unnecessary pressure. She emphasized that success at major international tournaments depends not only on skill but also on mental strength, preparation, and the ability to perform under pressure.

Mary Kom also said she continues to support every Indian boxer and prefers not to single out individual medal contenders. In her view, every athlete representing the country deserves equal encouragement and has the potential to make India proud on the international stage.

India is heading into the Commonwealth Games with a balanced squad that includes experienced campaigners as well as talented young boxers. Expectations are particularly high from the women's boxing team, which has consistently delivered impressive performances at major international events in recent years.

The legendary boxer highlighted the tremendous progress Indian boxing has made over the past decade. She credited improved training facilities, better coaching systems, and increased support for athletes as key reasons behind the country's growing success on the global stage.

As India prepares for two of the biggest sporting events on the international calendar, Mary Kom's message is one of confidence mixed with realism. She believes the Commonwealth Games present a strong opportunity for India to win medals, but insists that the Asian Games will require an even greater level of preparation, determination, and consistency to achieve success against Asia's elite boxers.

Six Runners Lead India's CWG Medal Hopes

India's athletics has witnessed a remarkable transformation over the past few years, with a new generation of runners consistently delivering impressive performances on the international stage. As the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow approach, six Indian track stars are expected to shoulder the country's medal hopes and continue the nation's rise in middle- and long-distance running.

Leading the charge is Avinash Sable, India's premier steeplechase runner and national record holder. Having established himself among the world's best in the 3000m steeplechase, Sable enters the Games as one of India's strongest medal contenders. His consistency and experience make him a key figure in the athletics contingent.

Another athlete to watch is Parul Chaudhary, who has become one of India's brightest distance runners. With outstanding performances in both the 3000m steeplechase and the



5000m, she has emerged as a serious challenger for a podium finish and continues to inspire young athletes across the country.

India's hopes also rest on Gulveer Singh, whose rapid rise in long-distance running has attracted widespread attention. Known for breaking national records and delivering consistent performances, Gulveer is expected to play a crucial role in India's medal campaign.

Sprinter Animesh Kujur has emerged as one of the country's fastest athletes and is expected to make a strong impact in the sprint events. His explosive speed and recent performances have established him as one of India's most promising track talents.

In the women's sprint category, Jyothi Yarraji remains one of India's biggest stars. The national record holder has consistently excelled in hurdles and sprint events, and her ability to perform under pressure makes her a strong medal prospect for the Indian team.

Completing the list is Priyanka Goswami, one of India's most accomplished race walkers. A two-time Olympian, Priyanka has consistently represented the country at the highest level and is expected to be among India's leading contenders in race walking.

The success of these athletes reflects the remarkable progress Indian athletics has made through improved coaching, scientific training methods, better infrastructure, and increased international exposure. Their achievements have also inspired a new generation of runners to pursue excellence on the global stage.

With the Commonwealth Games providing another major platform, these six athletes carry not only India's medal aspirations but also the hopes of millions of fans eager to witness the country's continued rise in international athletics. As they prepare to compete in Glasgow, they symbolize the growing strength, confidence, and ambition of Indian track and field.

Virat Kohli's Advice Revived Sindhu's Career

Indian badminton star PV Sindhu has credited a simple yet powerful piece of advice from cricket icon Virat Kohli for helping her overcome one of the most challenging phases of her career. After ending a long title drought by winning the Japan Open Super 750, Sindhu's husband, Venkata Datta Sai, revealed how Kohli's words played a key role in her remarkable comeback.

According to Datta Sai, Sindhu had been going through a difficult period marked by injuries, inconsistent performances, and increasing pressure from expectations. During this phase, Kohli shared a piece of advice that completely changed her mindset.

The cricketer encouraged Sindhu to rediscover the joy of playing the sport. Instead of focusing only on winning titles, rankings, or outside criticism, he advised her to enjoy badminton the way she did when she first started playing. This simple shift in perspective helped Sindhu approach the game with greater confidence and freedom.

Inspired by the advice, Sindhu gradually rebuilt her confidence. She stopped worrying



about external expectations and concentrated on her preparation, fitness, and performance on the court. The positive change in her mindset reflected in her game as she began producing consistent performances once again. Her hard work eventually paid off with a memorable triumph at the Japan Open Super 750, where she ended her longest title drought. The victory marked a significant milestone in her career and reaffirmed her place among the world's top badminton players.

Datta Sai praised Virat Kohli for motivating athletes beyond the sport of cricket. He said Kohli's encouraging words came at the perfect time and gave Sindhu the confidence she needed to overcome self-doubt. He also acknowledged the continuous support of her coaches, family members, and training team, who stood by her throughout the challenging phase.

Sindhu has often spoken about the importance of believing in herself despite setbacks. Even when critics questioned her form and future, she remained determined to work hard and trusted that success would eventually return through persistence and dedication.

The story highlights the mutual respect and support shared among India's elite athletes across different sports. Kohli's advice, combined with Sindhu's resilience and relentless effort, proved to be a turning point in her comeback journey.

Sindhu's latest title is more than just another trophy—it represents perseverance, mental strength, and the importance of maintaining a positive outlook during difficult times. Her inspiring comeback serves as a reminder that success is often built not only on talent and hard work but also on the right mindset and timely encouragement.



Balakrishna Injured on NBK111 Sets

Tollywood star Nandamuri Balakrishna sustained a minor injury while shooting for his upcoming film NBK111, directed by Gopichand Malineni. The incident reportedly took place during the filming of a high-intensity action sequence in Kakinada, where the latest schedule of the movie is currently underway.

According to reports, Balakrishna suffered a minor muscle tear while performing the action scene. After undergoing a medical examination, doctors advised the actor to undergo a minor surgical procedure to ensure a complete and speedy recovery. Sources close to the production have clarified that the injury is not serious and there is no reason for fans to panic.

The surgery is expected to be a routine procedure, after which Balakrishna will take a brief break from filming to recover. The production team is likely to make minor adjustments to the shooting schedule to accommodate the actor's recovery before resuming work.

As news of the injury spread, fans across social media expressed concern and wished the veteran actor a speedy recovery.



Yash-Tara Sutaria Shine in 'Toxic' Song

The makers of Toxic: A Fairy Tale for Grown-Ups have released the film's latest romantic song, "Manasaagadhe", offering fans a fresh glimpse of the on-screen chemistry between Yash and Tara Sutaria. Soon after its release, the song began trending on social media, with audiences praising its visuals, soulful music, and the captivating performances of the lead pair.

Unlike the film's first single, which focused on a different relationship, "Manasaagadhe" highlights the romantic bond between the characters played by Yash and Tara Sutaria. The song features emotional moments, charming interactions, and visually stunning sequences that showcase a softer and more romantic side of Yash's character.

The beautifully shot track has impressed viewers with its grand visuals and rich production values. Yash's charismatic screen presence, combined with Tara Sutaria's graceful performance, has created a refreshing on-screen pairing that has been widely appreciated by fans across languages.

The music has received an overwhelmingly positive response for its soothing melody and emotional depth. The song blends romance with the film's mysterious atmosphere, giving audiences a glimpse into the emotional journey of the lead characters while maintaining the intrigue surrounding the

storyline.

Fans have flooded social media with praise, calling the song one of the best promotional releases from the film so far. Many have highlighted the natural chemistry between Yash and Tara, while others appreciated the cinematography, choreography, and overall visual appeal of the track.

Directed by Geetu Mohandas, Toxic: A Fairy Tale for Grown-Ups features an impressive ensemble cast including Yash, Kiara Advani, Nayanthara, Tara Sutaria, Huma Qureshi, Rukmini Vasanth, and Tovino Thomas in pivotal roles. The film is being mounted on a grand scale and promises a unique blend of action, romance, emotion, and drama.

With each new promotional update, the excitement surrounding Toxic continues to grow. The release of "Manasaagadhe" has further strengthened the film's buzz and raised expectations among fans eagerly waiting to see Yash in another powerful and stylish role.

As anticipation builds for the film's release, the latest song has added a new emotional dimension to the promotional campaign. Featuring memorable visuals, heartfelt music, and impressive chemistry between the lead actors, "Manasaagadhe" has become another major highlight in the journey of one of the year's most awaited pan-Indian films.

People Media Factory Bags 'Spirit' Karnataka Rights

Prabhas' highly anticipated pan-India film Spirit has taken another major step ahead of its release. People Media Factory, the production house behind The Raja Saab, has officially acquired the Karnataka theatrical distribution rights for the action entertainer in association with Asian Suresh Entertainment.

The acquisition has generated significant excitement in trade circles, reflecting the immense confidence distributors have in the film's box-office potential. With Prabhas enjoying a massive fan following in Karnataka, the theatrical rights are expected to play a key role in the film's overall business across South India.

Directed by Sandeep Reddy Vanga, Spirit is one of the most awaited films in Indian cinema. The movie features Prabhas in the role of a powerful police officer, a character that has already



ready created tremendous buzz among fans. Actress Triptii Dimri plays the female lead, marking her first on-screen collaboration with the pan-India star.

Recently, director Sandeep Reddy Vanga shared a major production update, revealing that

more than 40% of the film's shooting has already been completed. The announcement reassured fans that the project is progressing as planned and remains on schedule.

The film is being produced jointly by T-Series Films and

Bhadrakali Pictures on a grand scale. Known for delivering intense action dramas with strong emotional narratives, Sandeep Reddy Vanga is expected to present Prabhas in a never-before-seen avatar.

The Karnataka distribution

deal is seen as an important milestone in the film's business journey. Securing theatrical rights well ahead of release indicates the strong confidence the trade has in Spirit, which is already regarded as one of the biggest pan-India releases in the making.

Prabhas, meanwhile, has an exciting lineup of big-budget films, making Spirit one of the most eagerly awaited projects of his career. The combination of the star's screen presence and Sandeep Reddy Vanga's directorial style has significantly raised expectations among audiences.

According to the makers, Spirit is scheduled for a grand worldwide theatrical release on March 5, 2027. As production progresses steadily and distribution deals continue to fall into place, the film is already creating strong momentum long before its arrival in cinemas.

Rajamouli's Boldest Creative Choice Revealed

SS Rajamouli is widely regarded as one of India's greatest filmmakers, but one of the biggest reasons behind his success is his willingness to put the story above everything else—even if it means going against conventional commercial cinema.

During an interaction, Rajamouli recalled a crucial creative decision that surprised many people while making one of his films. He revealed that several people around him advised against a particular scene, saying, "The hero can't do that." According to them, such a moment would damage the hero's image and disappoint audiences who expect larger-than-life portrayals.

However, Rajamouli refused to change the scene simply to protect the hero's image. In-

stead, he focused on what the story demanded. He believed that if a character's actions were honest and emotionally justified, audiences would eventually accept them, regardless of traditional cinematic formulas.

The filmmaker explained that he has never believed in making decisions solely to preserve a hero's larger-than-life status. For him, the emotional journey of the character and the overall narrative are always more important than maintaining an unrealistic image.

Rajamouli pointed out that when filmmakers become too concerned about protecting a star's image, they often end up compromising the story. He believes that audiences connect more deeply with characters who feel genuine, vulnerable,

and emotionally relatable rather than those who appear flawless throughout the film.

This storytelling philosophy has been evident throughout Rajamouli's career. Whether it's Magadheera, Eega, the Baahubali franchise, or RRR, his films consistently place strong narratives and character arcs above conventional hero worship. Even his biggest stars are shown facing setbacks, making sacrifices, or displaying emotional vulnerability whenever the story requires it.

According to Rajamouli, audiences are intelligent enough to understand the difference between a well-written character and an artificially glorified hero. If the emotional payoff is convincing, viewers embrace the journey regardless of whether the hero appears invin-



cible in every scene.

His approach has become one of the defining characteristics of his filmmaking style and is often cited as a major reason for his global success. By prioritizing storytelling over formula, Rajamouli has consistently delivered films that resonate with audiences across languages and cultures.

Today, his comments serve as an important reminder for filmmakers that a compelling story will always outshine exaggerated heroism. For Rajamouli, cinema is not about creating perfect heroes—it is about creating unforgettable characters whose actions feel authentic, meaningful, and emotionally powerful.

Ravi Teja to Romance Dimple Hayathi Once Again?

Mass Maharaja Ravi Teja is gearing up for an exciting new project with acclaimed director Vivek Athreya, and the film has already become one of the most talked-about ventures in Tollywood. The latest buzz suggests that actress Dimple Hayathi is being considered as the female lead, setting the stage for another on-screen reunion between the popular pair.

According to industry reports, the makers are keen on casting Dimple Hayathi opposite Ravi Teja. If finalized, this will mark yet another collaboration between the duo, whose previous pairing received a positive response from audiences. Their energetic screen presence and chemistry have made them a favorite among fans, adding to the anticipation surrounding the project.

Although the production house has not made an official announcement, the casting speculation has generated considerable excitement across social media and film circles. Fans are eagerly waiting to see whether Dimple Hayathi will officially come on board for the film.

Director Vivek Athreya, known for his fresh storytelling and unique filmmaking style, is expected to present Ravi Teja in a completely new avatar. The upcoming film is reportedly being designed as a commercial entertainer with a blend of action, comedy, and emotional

drama, while retaining the director's signature narrative style.

Ravi Teja, who continues to enjoy a massive fan following, is looking to deliver another entertaining performance with this project. His collaboration with Vivek Athreya has already raised expectations, as it brings together the actor's trademark energy and the director's innovative approach to storytelling.

Meanwhile, Dimple Hayathi has been steadily building her career in Telugu cinema with a series of notable performances. A reunion with Ravi Teja in a big-ticket project could further strengthen her position in the industry and offer audiences another entertaining on-screen pairing.

While the film's storyline and the rest of the cast are still being kept under wraps, industry insiders believe that the project will go on floors soon. The makers are expected to reveal more details, including the official cast, technical crew, and shooting schedule, in the coming weeks.

With Ravi Teja's charisma, Vivek Athreya's creative vision, and the possibility of Dimple Hayathi joining the cast, the film is already generating strong curiosity among movie lovers. Fans are now eagerly awaiting an official confirmation that could make this exciting collaboration a reality.



Suriya-Nayanthara Eye Independence Day Clash

Tamil cinema is gearing up for an exciting Independence Day weekend box office battle as two highly anticipated films starring Suriya and Nayanthara are set to hit theatres on the same day. The clash has already created a buzz among fans and trade circles, with both films expected to draw strong audiences.

Suriya's upcoming film Vishwanath & Sons had already announced August 14, 2026, as its theatrical release date. Now, the makers of Hi, starring Nayanthara and Kavin, have also confirmed the same release date, setting the stage for a direct box office face-off.

Interestingly, Suriya and Nayanthara have previously worked together in hit films such as Ghajini, Aadhavan, and Massu Engira Masilamani. This time, however, instead of sharing screen space, they will compete against each other at the box office.

Directed by Venky Atluri, Vishwanath & Sons is said to be an emotional family drama featuring Mamitha Baiju as the female lead alongside Suriya. The film has generated high expectations



ever since its announcement, with fans eager to see Suriya in a powerful new role.

On the other hand, Hi is a romantic comedy directed by Vishnu Edavan, a former associate of filmmaker Lokesh Kanagaraj. Along with Nayanthara and Kavin, the film features an impressive supporting cast including K. Bhagyaraj, Radikaa Sarathkumar, Prabhu, VTV Ganesh, Sathyan, and Amrutha Srinivasan.

The two films cater to different audience segments. While Vishwanath & Sons is expected to appeal to family audiences with its emotional storytelling, Hi aims to entertain viewers with its light-hearted romance and comedy.

This genre difference could work in favor of both films during the holiday weekend.

Trade experts believe the extended Independence Day holiday could provide enough opportunity for both releases to perform well at the box office. However, the competition for theatre screens, show timings, and opening weekend collections is expected to be intense.

As the release date draws closer, excitement continues to build among fans of both stars. With strong casts, promising directors, and festive holiday support, the clash between Vishwanath & Sons and Hi is shaping up to be one of the biggest Tamil box office battles of the year.

Vijay Directed Key 'Jana Nayagan' Sequence

As excitement continues to build for Jana Nayagan, director H. Vinoth has shared an interesting behind-the-scenes revelation that has delighted Vijay fans. The filmmaker disclosed that Vijay himself directed one of the film's most important sequences, making the project even more special.

Speaking about the film, Vinoth revealed that the post-climax sequence was directed by Vijay. According to him, the actor took complete charge of the scene and executed it exactly as he had envisioned. The director praised Vijay's creativity and understanding of filmmaking, saying the sequence turned out exactly as planned.

The special scene reportedly features well-known filmmakers Lokesh Kanagaraj, Atlee, and Nelson Dilipkumar making cameo appearances. In the sequence, the three directors interact with Vijay's character by asking him a series of thought-provoking questions, making it one of the film's most unique moments.

Vinoth said Vijay handled the responsibility with remarkable confidence and clarity, demonstrating his deep knowledge of filmmaking. He added that the actor's directorial involvement enhanced the emotional



impact of the scene and made it even more memorable.

Jana Nayagan has been one of the most eagerly awaited films ever since its announcement. Every update related to the project has generated immense curiosity among fans, and this latest revelation has further increased expectations for the movie.

The film stars Pooja Hegde as the female lead, while Bobby Deol, Prakash Raj, Priyamani, and several other prominent actors play key roles. The music has been composed by Anirudh Ravichander, whose work is expected to be one of the film's major highlights.

The film has already created tremendous pre-release buzz, with fans eagerly awaiting Vijay's return to the

big screen. Trade experts believe the movie is poised for a massive opening, driven by the actor's huge fan following and the strong anticipation surrounding the project.

Vijay's involvement behind the camera has become one of the biggest talking points among movie lovers. His ability to contribute not only as an actor but also as a creative force has impressed fans and industry insiders alike.

With this unexpected revelation from H. Vinoth, Jana Nayagan has become even more intriguing. Audiences are now eagerly waiting to witness the special sequence directed by Vijay, adding another memorable chapter to what is expected to be one of the biggest releases of the year.