



Supreme Court seeks Centre's stand on pleas seeking restoration of J&K statehood

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Thursday sought the Union government's stand on a batch of applications demanding the time-bound restoration of statehood to Jammu and Kashmir. A Bench of CJI B.R. Gavai and K. Vinod Chandran was hearing pleas contending that the continued delay in restoring statehood is "gravely affecting the rights of the citizens of Jammu and Kashmir and also violating the idea of federalism". The applications argued that the failure to restore statehood within a time-bound framework amounts to a violation of federalism, which forms part of the Basic Structure of the Constitution. "It has been 21 months since the Article 370 judgment. There has been no movement towards the restoration of statehood," submitted senior advocate Gopal Sankaranarayanan, adding that the Constitution Bench had trusted the Union government when the Solicitor General



assured it that statehood would be restored. Statehood Restoration Plea On the other hand, Solicitor General (SG) Tushar Mehta, questioning the maintainability of the applications, urged the apex court to consider the "peculiar position" in Jammu and Kashmir and sought that the pleas be listed after eight weeks, saying this was not the "correct stage" to

consider the matter. "The MAs (miscellaneous applications) are not maintainable. We had assured two things: the election would be held, and thereafter, the statehood. Your lordships are aware of the peculiar position emerging from this part of our country. There are several considerations," said SG Mehta. "I don't know why, at this stage, this issue is agitated, but list it

after 8 weeks. I will take instructions. My prayer is for eight weeks because this particular stage is not the correct stage to muddy the water," Mehta added. After hearing the submissions, the CJI Gavai-led Bench listed the matter after eight weeks. In 're: Article 370 of the Constitution' verdict, a 5-judge Constitution Bench, headed by then CJI D.Y. Chandrachud, had left open the question of whether the Parliament can extinguish the character of statehood by converting a state into one or more Union Territories, relying on an oral statement made on Centre's behalf that statehood would be restored to Jammu and Kashmir. In the course of the oral hearing, the Solicitor General, the second-highest law officer of the Centre, had submitted that the Union Home Ministry cannot give any exact timeframe and it would take "some time" for the restoration of statehood in Jammu and

Kashmir. Nimisha Priya Advertisment However, the Constitution Bench, also comprising Justices S.K. Kaul, Sanjiv Khanna, Gavai and Surya Kant, had ordered the Election Commission of India (ECI) to take steps to conduct elections to the Legislative Assembly of Jammu and Kashmir, constituted under Section 14 of the Reorganisation Act, by September 30, 2024, and said that "restoration of statehood shall take place at the earliest and as soon as possible". It had upheld the status of Ladakh as a Union Territory under Article 3(a) read with Explanation I of the Constitution, which permits the formation of a Union Territory by separating a territory from any state. In May 2024, the Supreme Court dismissed review petitions challenging its verdict, stating there was "no error apparent on the face of the record" and refused to list the matter in open court.

TDP Triumphs in Ontimitta ZPTC by-elections

The Telugu Desam Party (TDP) has secured a significant victory in the Ontimitta ZPTC by-election in Andhra Pradesh, with TDP candidate Muddukrishna Reddy winning 12,780 votes against YCP candidate Subba Reddy, who received 6,513 votes. Reddy's victory margin stood at 6,267 votes, prompting celebrations among TDP leaders, who marked the occasion with fireworks and sweets. In a notable trend, the TDP has also emerged victorious in Pulivendula, with Latha Reddy defeating her YCP rival Hemanth Reddy by a staggering majority of 6,052 votes. Latha Reddy garnered 6,735 votes, while Hemanth Reddy managed a mere 683 votes, resulting in the YCP losing its deposit. This election saw only 7,814 of the total 1,000,601 votes cast. The TDP's success in Pulivendula marks a remarkable turnaround, as it is the first time in 30 years the party has captured the ZP seat in this constituency. Prior to 2016, candidates from the YS family had been elected uncontested on five occasions. In the 2016 ZPTC elections, a TDP candidate defected to the YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) post-nomination, yet still managed to secure 2,500 votes due to the party's bicycle symbol on the ballot.



Hyderabad's DEC Infra gets Central government housing contract worth Rs 2,000 crore in New Delhi

Hyderabad: In a significant achievement, the Hyderabad-based DEC Infrastructure and Projects (India) Private Limited has secured a major contract for constructing modern residential facilities for the Central government employees in New Delhi. The company received a Letter of Acceptance from the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) of the Government of India after accepting the tender for carrying out works at a cost of Rs.2,000 crore. The company got the contract for the redevelopment of the general pool residential colony at Srinivasapuri in New Delhi. Extending gratitude to the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) for awarding the contract, DEC Infrastructure Chairman and Managing Director Anirudh Gupta said the project aims to provide modern residential facilities for the Central government employees. "It's a proud moment for us to get the contract, reflecting our hard work in ensuring excellent infrastructure facilities both in the private and government sectors," he explained. The company would construct as many as 3,112 2BHK flats each with 1,100 sq ft in 16 blocks in 20.86 acres. The high-



rise residential units include single basement, stilt and three-level podium parking, a multi-level car parking, a community centre and Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) dispensary. The redevelopment works also include all development works and services on EPC (Mode-I) basis including comprehensive maintenance and operation of service for five years after completion of construction work. Commenting on the achievement, DEC Infrastructure Whole Time Director Ravinder Gupta said, "The company's expertise was recognized with an esteemed agreement to lead the high-profile project in the national

capital for the benefit of Central government employees." The company recently bagged Rs 317.32 crore contract for taking up phase-I comprehensive conservation, retrofitting and setting up of service building in North Block in New Delhi. DEC Infrastructure and Projects (India) Private Limited is actively involved in numerous projects worth over Rs.10,000 crore across various sectors in the country. It is presently executing seven projects including Telangana Institute of Medical Sciences (TIMS) in Alwal, Government Medical College in Ramagundam, Medical College and Hospital in Mancherla, Prisons complex in Siddipet, Railway Station at Egmore near Chennai. Two more new projects taken up by the company are the High Court of Telangana and the Railway Station in New Delhi. The Delhi railway is being constructed at a cost of Rs.2,200 crore, while Central Cabinet Minister Chambers in New Delhi at a cost of Rs.295 crore and another contract awarded by NBCC India Limited for constructing a residential colony at Noida at a cost of Rs.2,500 crore.

TDP wrests Pulivendula ZPTC, makes dent in Jagan's fortress

Amaravati: In a huge setback to the YSR Congress Party, the Telugu Desam Party on Thursday wrested the Pulivendula ZPTC seat in the home constituency of former Chief Minister Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy. The TDP won the by-election to Pulivendula Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency (ZPTC) by a huge margin to make big inroads in Pulivendula, seen as the fortress of the YSR family. The Telugu Desam Party (TDP) was also leading in Ontimitta ZPTC as the counting of votes was underway amid the boycott by YSR Congress Party (YSRCP), which alleged rigging in the polling held on Tuesday and demanded a re-poll in both the constituencies. In Pulivendula, TDP candidate Latha Reddy defeated Hemanth Reddy of YSRCP by a margin of 6,035 votes. Latha Reddy, wife of former MLC and the ruling party's Pulivendula constituency in-charge,



Mareddy Ravindra Reddy (B Tech Ravi), polled 6,716 votes while the YSRCP candidate secured only 683 votes. The candidate of Congress and eight independents secured fewer than 100 votes. About 74 per cent polling was recorded in Pulivendula ZPTC, which has 10,600 voters. The bypoll for Pulivendula ZPTC was necessitated by the death of ZPTC member T. Maheshwar Reddy of YSRCP. The opposition party had

fielded his son, Hemanth Reddy. Polling was conducted for the first time in three decades as candidates backed by the YSR family have been winning the seat unanimously. The TDP-led NDA described the conduct of polling as "restoration of democracy". Minister for Backward Classes Welfare S. Savitha termed the TDP's win as a victory of democracy in Pulivendula. She said, "Pulivendula would celebrate Independence, just a day before Independence Day." She exuded confidence that the TDP would capture Jagan's fortress in the next Assembly elections. Pulivendula Assembly seat has been the pocket borough of the YSR family for nearly five decades. The family has never lost an election here since 1978, when Jagan's father and former Chief Minister Y. Rajasekhara Reddy (YSR) scored his first victory from here.

In Ontimitta ZPTC, TDP was leading by a huge margin of over 3,000 votes. TDP's Muddu Krishna Reddy had polled 6,270 votes while YSRCP's Iragamreddy Subbareddy secured 3,165 votes. The constituency, which has 24,000 voters, witnessed 86 per cent polling. The bypoll for Ontimitta was necessitated as its member, Akepati Amarnath Reddy of YSRCP, resigned after winning the Rajampet Assembly election last year. Counting of votes began at 8 a.m. at Maulana Azad National Urdu University polytechnic in Kadapa town. As many as 100 officials, including 30 supervisors, 60 counting assistants and three assistant statistical officers, were deployed for counting. Alleging large-scale irregularities in the polling, YSRCP boycotted the counting. The YSRCP accused TDP of booth capturing, rigging and other electoral malpractices.

Tungaturthi Ravi, inspected the SNDP works

If SNDP work is completed, a permanent solution from floods



Medipally August:14 (Metro udayam)

Tungaturthi Ravi on Thursday inspected the SNDP work under the Peerzadiguda Municipal Corporation.

.Speaking on the occasion, he said that floods and water reserves are causing serious problems for the people during the Mansoon season every year in the Peerzadiguda area. He said that the SNDP works to be solve the problem permanently should be completed and the quality standards should be maintained.

He said that the people would be free from the flood problems as soon as the work was completed.



Hyderabad August:14 (Metro udayam)

The Sanitary Pads Extension Program was held at the Government Girls School in Hyderabad under the auspices of the Agarwal Samaj Ashok Nagar branch. Himayat Nagar Division Corporator Mahalakshmi Raman Goud was the chief guest of the event. Telangana Agarwal Samaj president Anirudh Gupta and Ashok Nagar branch president Sanjeev Kumar Agarwal and Secretary Satyanarayana Gupta and their team were present at the event. The school principal thanked them on this occasion



Heavy rains predicted in parts of AP amid low pressure area in Bay of Bengal



Heavy rains predicted in parts of AP amid low pressure area in Bay of Bengal. Officials from the Meteorological Department have announced that a low pressure area in the Bay of Bengal is persisting and is forecasted to strengthen further by Friday, becoming a distinct low pressure system. Jagannadha Kumar, speaking to reporters in Visakhapatnam on Thursday, stated that the system is currently situated in the west-central north-west Bay of Bengal and is expected to move west-northwestwards towards North Andhra and Odisha. The department predicts that scattered rain is likely across the state over the next week, with heavy to very heavy rainfall possible at one or two locations in the state within the next 24 hours. Strong winds of 50 to 60 km/h are also anticipated along the coast. As a precaution, fishermen have been advised to refrain from venturing out to sea. A warning of danger level three has been issued for Kalingapatnam, Bhimuniapatnam, Visakhapatnam, Machilipatnam, Gangavaram, and Kakinada ports.

TPA appeals Government to establish Telangana State Psychologists Council

Jangaon, August 14, Metro udayam:

The Telangana Psychologists Association-TPA district President Renukuntla Murali and the general secretary Likhitha Rani submitted the memorandum to the district collector Rizwan Bhash Shaik, Jangaon district to forward to the honourable Chief Minister to establish Telangana State Psychologists Council in the state. TPA representing over 2500 dedicated members across the state respectfully submit this appeal through all the district collectors. Under the visionary leadership of the honourable Chief Minister, we trust the government recognizes the rising mental health challenges such as stress, suicide, addiction and crime. Psychologists play a vital role in address-



ing these issues across education, health care, and law enforcement. To strengthen and regulate the profession, we humbly request the establishment of a State Level Psychologists Council in Telangana.

Just as there are statutory

bodies governing Allopathy and other medical professions, a dedicated council is essential for the recognition, regulation and safety of psychological services in Telangana. We propose the establishment of the Telangana state psychologists council

with the two objectives firstly, Regulation and Accreditation-to implement clear licensing standards for psychologists and counseling centers to ensure ethical, qualified care and build trust, Secondly Professional Development and Support-to promote learning and innovation through programs that keep psychologists updated on best practices in mental health care. We request the district collector to forward this proposal to the honourable Chief Minister and concerned departments for necessary action. Establishing the Telangana State Psychologists Council will strengthen the states mental health framework and enhance the impact of psychological services.

Playing County Cricket for Hampshire taught me lessons I will carry for life, says Tilak Varma

Worcester (United Kingdom): India's left-handed batter Tilak Varma said his short spell of playing county cricket for Hampshire has given him lessons he will 'carry for life'. Varma's time at the club ended with him being dismissed for a duck as Hampshire suffered a five-wicket defeat to Worcestershire in Group A of the One-Day Cup. "Growing up, I dreamt of playing county cricket. This year, that dream came true with Hampshire – my first red ball experience here, along with the ODI games, taught me lessons I will carry for life, not just as a cricketer but as a person. Thank you, Hampshire," Varma wrote on his Instagram account on Thursday.



Varma, 22, joined Hampshire last month on a four-game County Championship deal, having already made 29 appearances for India across both white-ball formats. He featured in seven matches across formats for Hampshire, scoring 412 runs with two centuries and two fifties, and a

highest score of 112. He also claimed one wicket in his three List A outings. Hampshire also said in the same post that Varma gave the club so much more than they ever imagined. "From his maiden red-ball century to those sublime innings in Hampshire colours, he's shown exactly why he's

one of cricket's brightest talents."

"Beyond the statistics, it's been Tilak's character and warmth that have truly impressed everyone at Utilita Bowl. He's embraced Hampshire cricket with open arms. Thank you for the magic, Tilak. Once a Hampshire player, always part of the family," said the club.

On return to India, Varma is slated to lead South Zone in the 2025/26 Duleep Trophy, starting on August 28 in Bengaluru. The zonal tournament will mark the start of the domestic season in India. But Varma might miss the competition if he's picked in India's squad for the Men's T20 Asia Cup, to be played in the UAE from September 9-28.

Coolie 2 Update: No Sequel Clues in Rajinikanth's Film, Fans Say

Earlier, there was talk about Coolie 2, and many fans were excited. But those who watched the movie on release day, August 14, said there was no hint of a sequel in the film. Coolie stars Rajinikanth in the lead role. The film is running houseful in Hyderabad. Coolie has



received mixed reviews. Some critics gave it low ratings and said it doesn't feel like a typical Lokesh Kanagaraj movie. However, many Rajinikanth fans say it's worth watching simply because it's his film, and they don't care much about the reviews. Similarly, War 2 also released in theatres across India. The movie features Jr. NTR and Hrithik Roshan

Flood flow to Prakasam barrage in Vijayawada increases amid rains

Vijayawada: Following two days of heavy rainfall, the flood flow at Prakasam Barrage has surged alarmingly, with a staggering 468,720 cusecs of water reported from the upper reaches. In response to this unprecedented situation, authorities have fully raised 70 gates for the first time this year, releasing water downstream.

The current water level at Prakasam Barrage stands at 13.5 feet, prompting officials to issue the first danger warning. Residents in low-lying areas have been advised to exercise extreme caution. Additionally, travel and swimming in the Krishna River have been prohibited to ensure public safety.



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UNSUNG WOMEN OF FREEDOM FIGHT.

Freedom is not free but it comes at a price. Be it the freedom of a person or the freedom of a nation from the fetters of a foreign rule. Our history shows that the freedom of a country asks for struggle, suffering, and sacrifice on the part of the people who want it. We had a long, gory, costly, selfless fight for freedom since the year 1857 till it eventually dawned in 1947. According to one estimation, about 8 lakhs of people had lost lives in the 1857 rebellion and in its fallout against the Raj and in the 90 year fight thereafter many thousands of men, women, and children were killed.

Every town big or small in our country produced leaders and freedom fighters. Women also contributed a lot in the struggle and also in the post-Independence era. Among the women freedom fighters, the Rani of Jhansi (1828-1858) comes first to our mind.

Born in 1828 in the district of Varanasi, she was given the name of Manikarnika and was affectionately called Manu by all. Unfortunately she lost her mother at the age of four and Manus father used to take her to the court of Bajirao Peshwar 2 where Manu joined the royal kids in learning horse riding and the art of handling weapons.

At the age of thirteen, Manus marriage with Gangadhar Rao, the Maharaja of Jhansi, made her Rani Laxmibai of Jhansi. Later when the Maharaja died without children, Jhansi Rani adopted a child called Damodar Rao but the British Government refused to recognize the adoption and decided to occupy Jhansi. When Dalhousie was hell bent, Laxmi fought a war with the British with an army of about 14,000 which included not only men and women but also Hindus and Muslims. After a prolonged and ferocious fight, Jhansi Rani lost the fort and fled to Kalpi where Tatya Tope gave her shelter. After some time when she was escaping to Gwalior, Jhansi Rani was fatally hit by the British army and she ran into a temple, and handed over the child to her supporters before breathing her last at the young age of thirty! Even the British historians eulogized Jhansi Rani for her love for freedom and courage in the fight which sowed the seeds of our Freedom struggle.

One can see many similarities between Jhansi Rani and her contemporary Begum Hazrat Mahal of Awadh (1820-1879). Like Jhansi Rani, Begum also, after the death of her husband Nawab, fought ferociously with the British for her son. Begum was supported and backed by all the Hindu and Muslim kings in opposing the mighty British. From this war the British decided to divide Hindus and Muslims. Like Jhansi Rani, Begum also lost her fight and launched guerilla wars before running away to Nepal where the then Hindu king granted her asylum. Thereafter her every attempt to enter India was thwarted by the British till her death in Nepal in 1879. A park in Lucknow is named after her.



Forgoing her rich and comfortable life, Madam Cama (1861-1936) plunged into the Freedom Movement and she used all her heart, mind, and wealth in the service of revolutionaries, braving the deadly 1896 plague. But when she fell a victim to the disease, Cama went to London for better treatment. From there she sent weapons for our fighters back home. Our tricolor flag was a brain child of Cama and in fact she was the first person to hoist it in Germany in 1907.

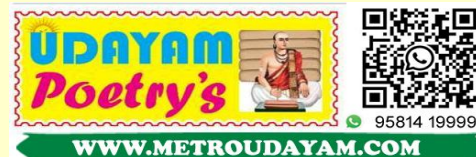
Dr. Lakshmi Sehgal (1914-2012) belonged to a wealthy Tamil family, did her medicine and treated all poor people free in India and Singapore. Inspired by Netaji, she joined the Azad Hindu Fauj. Netaji made her head of the women wing of his army and thus she became Captain Lakshmi. She inspired as many as 500 women to join her army and led them successfully in the Movement.

Durga Bhabhi (1907-1999) was called The Iron Lady of India because she threw bombs many times at English officers and as a result her entire property was confiscated. She worked very closely with Bhaghat Singh and with his comrades. She gave Chandra Sekhar Azad a pistol with which he shot himself and paved the way for the hanging of Bhaghat Singh and his



friends, Durga sneaked into the official bungalow of police commissioner in Mumbai at night and fired at some other English men coming out of the bungalow.

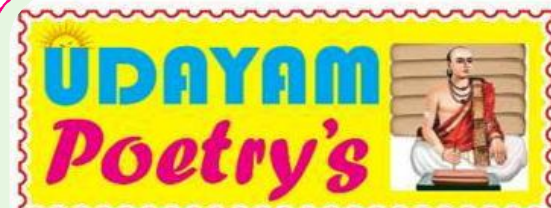
Bina Das (1911-1986) The daughter of Madhav Das, a famous scholar and teacher of Brahmo Samaj, Bina was one of the many college students inspired by her father to work for the Independence. Netaji was also a student of her father and during Netaji's visits to her house, Bina interacted with him and drew inspiration to work selflessly for the freedom. When the Bengal Governor Stanley Jackson was there in the Calcutta University for a convocation in 1932, Bina was also



there to receive her BA degree. But all of a sudden she stood up and starting firing at the Chief Guest. As she narrowly missed the target, police overpowered and sentenced her for nine years after a quick trial.

Sarojini Naidu (1879-1949) One of the many Telugu women in the Freedom Movement, Sarojini Naidu, a gifted poet, and powerful speaker, was born in Hyderabad. She worked in close quarters with the Mahatma. During the Dandi March in 1930 when Gandhi was arrested, he asked her to lead the Movement. Again for participating in the Quit India Movement, Naidu was jailed for twenty one months along with Gandhiji. She is known for scores of powerful and inspiring speeches and her speech in the Constituent Assembly in 1946 is still lauded as the best by all. She became the first Governor of the United Provinces (now U P) in 1949 where she died of cardiac arrest on March 2. Some fortunate women freedom fighters like Sarojini Naidu got recognition, rewarded and honoured fittingly. But, alas, many courageous and selfless women fighters, whose lives continue to inspire and guide us for generations, are forgotten, ignored, and left unsung.

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हम जब इतिहास पर नजर डालते हैं तो हमें स्पष्ट रूप से नजर आता है कि जो कोई भी व्यक्ति स्त्री जाती की अपमान करता है उसे दण्ड मिलकर रहेगा। केवल स्त्री जाती का अपमान करना ही नहीं बल्कि अपने सामने स्त्री जाती का अपमान होते हुए देखकर, उसे रोकने का अधिकार और बल रखते हुए भी जो व्यक्ति उसका विरोध नहीं करता उसे भी अपने कर्मानुसार दण्ड भोगना पड़ता है।

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पितृभक्ति, त्याग और बलिदान के लिए पहचाने जाने वाले गंगापुत्र भीष्माचार्य माहन ज्ञानी ही नहीं बल्कि बहुत बड़े पराक्रमी, योद्धा थे। महाभारत में एक ऐसा प्रसंग भी आता है कि, कौरवों की सभा में सभी के सामने सामने माता द्रौपदी का अपमान किया जा रहा था। माता द्रौपदी रो रही थी, चीख रही थी और मदद के लिए गुहार लगा रही थी लेकिन भीष्म पितामह सर नहीं उठाया। दुर्योधन को इस काम से रोकने की हिम्मत तक नहीं दिखाई। इसका असर क्या हुआ? इसका फल क्या मिला?

भीष्मपितामह को ऐच्छिक मरण पाने का वर था। इच्छा मरण के वर का अर्थ वह जब चाहे तब तक अपने प्राणों को रोके रखने और जब चाहे तब अपने प्राण त्याग करने के अधिकारी थे। फिर भी तुरंत प्राण त्याग नहीं कर सके। कारण जिस समय वह घायल हुए थे सूर्य दक्षिणायण में था। अपने अंतिम दिनों में भीष्मपितामह उत्तरायण के प्रतीक्षा में मृत्यु को रोक रखे हैं। भीष्मपितामह का अपने मृत्यु को रोक रखना भी खुद के स्वार्थ के लिए ही था।

भीष्मपितामह चुनने वाले बाणों के शय्या पर लेटे हुए हैं। और अपने कर्मों को याद करके पश्चात्ताप में रो रोकर, बिलख बिलख कर मौत की प्रतीक्षा कर रहे हैं। भीष्म पितामह रो रहे हैं और पास ही खड़े श्रीकृष्ण जी मुस्कुरा रहे हैं। ऐच्छिक मरण पाने का वर होते हुए भी भीष्मपितामह 58 दिन तक मृत्यु को प्राप्त कर नहीं सके। चुनते हुए तीरों के बिस्तर (अपशय्या) पर लेटे रहे।

हम कहेंगे यह भीष्म पितामह का मुकद्दर होगा शायद? लेकिन जागरूक होकर देखेंगे तो पाएंगे कि यह कोई मुकद्दर की बात नहीं थी। यह सच कहा जाए तो कर्मों का फल था। अपना फल दिए बगैर कर्म किसी को भी नहीं छोड़ते। यहां माता द्रौपदी के अपमान को सहने वाले भीष्मपितामह को बाणों की वृष्टि मिली है। स्त्री की रक्षा करने की ताकत रखते हुए भी रक्षा न करने वाले भीष्मपितामह को रोते देखा गया।

यह है कर्मों का सिद्धांत।

यह स्त्री के अपमान को सहन करने का दण्ड है। पैगंबर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व.) कहते हैं कि, "इस्लाम की बात कही भी हो उसे ले लिया करो।" कर्म सिद्धांत को समझने के लिए और स्त्री जाती के गौरव को बचाने की अहमियत जानने के लिए क्या महाभारत का यह पाठ हमें मार्गदर्शन नहीं करता? स्त्री जाती के गौरव के लिए मैं एक हिन्दुस्तानी मुस्लिम होने के नाते इससे बेहतर और कोई उदाहरण नहीं दे सकता।

-डॉ. मोहम्मद शकील ताज मोहम्मद जाफरी
(शकील मंवर), मंवर, पुणे (महाराष्ट्र) भारत



स्वतंत्रता दिवस है आज

पंद्रह अगस्त का दिन है आज,
आजादी का जश्न मनाने का समय है।

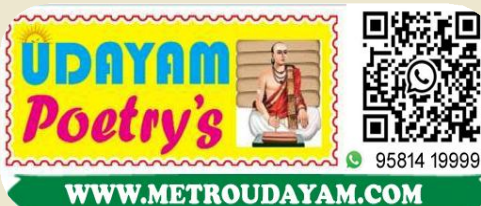
लाल किले पर तिरंगा लहराता है,
देश की आजादी की कहानी कहता है।

गुलामी की जंजीरों को तोड़ दिया,
आजादी की सांसें लेने लगे हम।
महापुरुषों ने संघर्ष किया,
देश को आजाद कराने के लिए जूझे।

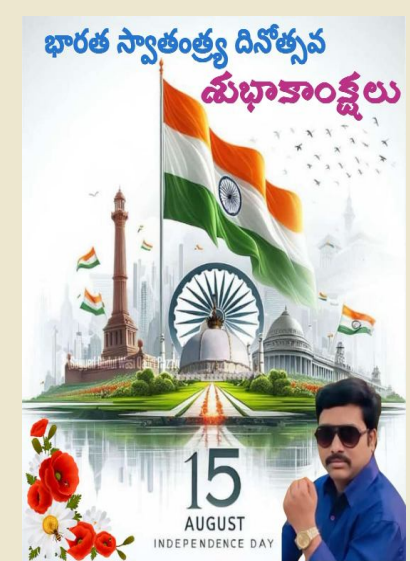
गांधी, नेहरू, भगत सिंह, आजाद,
सुभाष चंद्र बोस जैसे वीरों की कहानी।
उन्होंने देश के लिए बलिदान दिया,
आजादी की लड़ाई में अपना सब कुछ न्योछावर किया।

आज हम आजाद हैं,
खुली हवा में सांस लेते हैं,
लेकिन हमें नहीं भूलना चाहिए उनको,
जिन्होंने हमारे लिए लड़ाई लड़ी,
और देश को आजाद कराया।

तो आओ हम सब मिलकर
इस दिन को मनाएं,
देशभक्ति के गीत गाएं।
तिरंगे को सलामी दें,
और देश की आजादी की खुशी मनाएं।



देश की एकता और अखंडता की
सौगंध खाएं,
देश के लिए कुछ करने का संकल्प
लें।
आओ हम सब मिलकर
देश को आगे बढ़ाएं,
और देश की तरक्की के लिए काम करें।
वीथी दुर्गावर एम. ए.



Ode to the Unseen Flames

It was not born in a day
this dawn of saffron, white and green,
with Ashoka Chakra representing time,
it rose like the slow breaking of the horizon,
when night finally surrenders to light.

It was not the voice of one man,
nor the march of one leader
it was the pulse of millions,
beating in unison beneath torn clothes and bare feet,
in the rustle of cotton spun on silent charkhas,
in the echo of secret slogans whispered in the dark.

Some names we carry in the pages of our books
Subhash Chandra Bose,
Bhagat Singh,
their courage sharp as a drawn sword.
But countless others
farmers, poets, mothers, students
remain unnamed, their stories



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scattered like seeds in the wind,
taking root in the soil they freed.

Blood turned into rivers,
sweat became the monsoon that washed away chains,
and every pyre that burned was a lamp in the temple of our tomorrow.

Today, we gather beneath the Sky they once dreamt of,
our flag rising like a bird in the morning wind,
its wings beating with the promise they left us.

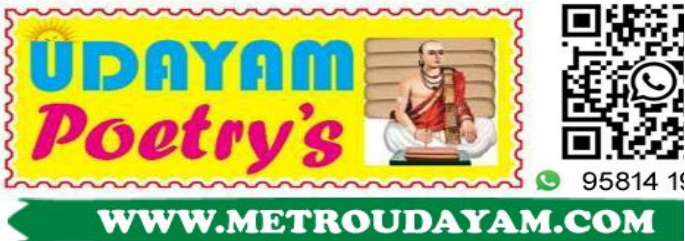
Let us not just remember let us vow.
That in every choice, every breath,
Country comes first.
That we will lift her name

until it stands unshaken on the Worlds highest peak,
until the word India is spoken with reverence across the globe.

Because freedom is not a relic to be stored,
it is a flame and we are the keepers.

Smt. Latha Murthy





WHERE IS IT... THE RAY OF THE HOPE

THE RAY OF HOPE AT THE DAWN OF DARK
THE BUNDLE OF LIGHT PACK BINDED AT THE THRESHOLD
BY SWIMMING IN THE SHIP OF WORDS
SEARCHING THROUGH THE PEDDLE OF USEFUL MEANINGS
CROSSING THE PRESENT BY PEEPING INTO THE PAST & FUTURE
THE FORMS OF CREATIVITY ARE ALL NURTURED YOU

Oh! MY CREATION OF CREAM OF CREAMS
THE POWERFUL KNIGHT
I AM BREAKING AND CRACKING THE PARTICLES OF

DARK
ALAS

IN THE MIDST OF STORMY DESERTS IN THE INCONSISTANT
SOCIAL CONFLICTS BRIDGING GENERATION TO GENERATION
CREATING ERAS AND LITERARY WORLDS
Oh MY UNTYRING KNIGHT
HOW MANY WARRIORS ARE CREATED BY YOU
HOW MANY CONFLICTS ARE CROSSED BY YOU !!?

Dr.Kasarla Ranga Rao
Hanamakonda



Zareen Khan calls micro-dramas the future of content

Mumbai: Actress Zareen Khan, who is known for 'Veer', 'Housefull 2', 'Hate Story 3' and others, has spoken up on the concept of micro-dramas, and how they mark a definitive moment in the content industry. After making a memorable mark in Bollywood and carving a niche for herself with a string of notable performances, Zareen Khan is now stepping into a brand-new storytelling space, the world of microdramas. Her latest project, 'Phir Se Restart' marks her foray into this rapidly growing format. Sharing her excitement about the format and the story she's exploring for the first time, the actress said, "Microdramas are such a fresh concept that's taking over the content scene right now. I'm thrilled to be



part of this project because it's not just a good story, it's one that resonates". She further mentioned, "And the fact that it's available right on people's phones means it has the power to reach the maximum audience directly". The actress sees microdramas as the future

of bite-sized yet impactful entertainment, quick to watch, emotionally engaging, and always accessible. With 'Phir Se Restart', she once again proves she's unafraid to experiment and connect with audiences in new ways. 'Phir Se Restart' is available to stream on Pocket

TV. Earlier, the actress took a walk down memory lane as she recalled her fangirl moment with Katrina Kaif. Posting a nostalgic video on social media, the 'Veer' actress revealed that it was from the premiere of 'Race', long before she entered the film industry. Advertisement She posted a video of herself in which she is seen taking an autograph from Katrina. She wrote in the caption, "Oh my Goddd! Came across this video, and the memory is still so fresh. I clearly remember this moment ... it's from the premiere of the movie Race. Thanks to a friend who got us passes, we were able to experience the magic firsthand. At that point, I was just a wide-eyed fan, never imagining I'd one day be a part of the film industry".

Stoinis backs private investment in BBL, keeps focus firm on playing 2026 T20 WC

New Delhi: Australia's seam-bowling all-rounder Marcus Stoinis has backed private investment to happen in the eight Big Bash League (BBL) teams, saying the model brought in by Indian Premier League (IPL) franchises could benefit Australian cricket. At the same time, he added that his focus is firm on playing in next year's T20 World Cup.

This year, owners of IPL franchises Mumbai Indians, Lucknow Super Giants, Sunrisers Hyderabad and Delhi Capitals bought investment stakes in The Hundred teams' Oval Invincibles, Manchester Originals, Northern Superchargers and Southern Brave. Recently, Cricket Australia said it is open to the introduction of private ownership of teams in the BBL leagues and is currently studying recommendations sent in by the Boston Consulting Group (BCG).

"Thinking about the IPL owners and what they've done with the IPL, you want people that have got a track record of building something that's very good. If they do that, it's great



for them, but it's also great for English cricket or for Australian cricket... It's a pretty clear path to me as to where most of cricket's going," Stoinis was quoted as saying by ESPNcricinfo on Thursday. Stoinis is currently playing for Trent Rockets in The Hundred. The all-rounder has retired from ODIs but remains available for T20I selection. His absence from Australia's squad for the ongoing series against South Africa stems from talks he initiated earlier this year with Australia coach

Andrew McDonald and chief selector George Bailey.

"The nature of it is that you can't select yourself in an Australian jersey, but you can sign a contract to come and play in the Hundred. When this opportunity came up, I spoke to Cricket Australia, I spoke to Ron (McDonald) and we made a plan around that, really... When you're planning it in advance, that makes it easier," he added.

With Bailey confirming last week that Stoinis will be 'firmly in the mix' for the T20 World Cup, Stoinis stated, "We are very lucky. We do it very well in Australia. The relationships that I've got with both Ron and Bails means you just have those conversations pretty openly."

Stoinis signed off by admitting it felt 'weird' watching Australia play in the T20Is from afar but insisted he is content with his choices. "You share a few messages after the games and have a laugh... They say playing for your country should be the best time of your life, and for me it has been. But I don't feel like it's done yet."

A New dawn of freedom

Oh! My dear son
Learn the greatness of our nation
We walked with one voice
We bore the struggle with a great silence
Our freedom fight showed the path to many to face with the might

Many dearest sons of our mother nation
Sacrificed their lives expecting a new dawn
Thousands of heroic sons
Showed their prowess
To remove the bonds of slavery of our mother India

We were subjected for hundreds of years
But their strategies were belittled before our mental strengths
The space created with deep gloom
But our weapon of courage pierced with bright bloom
The mighty powers stepped back with a great fear

Now were free and in the lap of liberty
There is a lot of scope for creativity
Our thoughts have to fly with a great speed
Searching the all aspects of need
We the sons of India strive hard for prosperity

Myriad cultures, tradi-

tions, music are the ornaments of our nation
Peace and civilization are the concepts of progression
Spirituality is our divine possession
Understanding the immortality is a unique boon
God has given us an excellent opportunity to live in this heaven

Our soul directs the unity of thought
Our soil teaches the humanity as an ideal concept
Our rivers carry the contents of divinity
Our epics tell the truth of lives serenity
Ever aspect of our land radiates the power for human progress

Oh! My dear son
Concentrate your energies to meet your vision
Mould your ideology to become a good humanitarian
Be strong in your thinking to stand always as libertarian
Be aware of the negative forces in protecting the sovereignty.

Paidi kailasa Rao



War 2 Box Office Collection: Strong Response from Telugu Audience

War 2 earned about ₹19.49 crore net in India on its first day for all languages, says Sacnilk. The movie had mixed crowd numbers in different languages.

Hindi shows had about 16% seats filled. Tamil shows did better with 28% seats full. Telugu shows were the most popular, with 75% of seats filled, especially in cities like Hyderabad and Chennai. In special formats, Hindi IMAX had about 25% occupancy, and Hindi 4DX had about 35%, with Hyderabad showing very high numbers. War 2 is directed by Ayan



Mukerji and stars Hrithik Roshan, NTR Jr., Kiara Advani, Ashutosh Rana, and Anil Kapoor. The num-



bers are early and will be updated later. War 2 Review in Simple English: Fans Love Hrithik

& Jr. NTR, Not the Story

The new movie War 2 is now in the cinema. Big stars are in it - Hrithik Roshan, Jr. NTR, and Kiara Advani. Many people were happy and waiting to see it.

After watching, some people said, "Hrithik and Jr. NTR is very good! They act strong and look super!" But other people said, "The story is not new. We can guess it. And the special effects are not so good."

So, some people are happy with the heroes. But others are not happy with the story and pictures.