



CM Chandrababu meets Union Finance Minister in Delhi, seeks support for state



Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu is currently in Delhi for a series of important meetings aimed at discussing the developmental needs of Andhra Pradesh. As part of his busy schedule, he met with Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman to seek financial support for various state projects. During the meeting, which lasted approximately 50 minutes, CM Naidu elaborated on the development initiatives underway in Andhra Pradesh and requested financial assistance through central government schemes, specifically referencing the Saski and Purvodaya programmes. In attendance were AP Finance Minister Payyavula Keshav, along with Union Ministers Rammohan Naidu and Pemmasani Chandrasekhar, alongside Telugu Desam MPs, all of whom participated in the discussions aimed at bolstering financial allocations for the state.

Krishnamma rivers overflows at Prakasam Barrage, 69 gates lifted



Krishnamma is grappling with severe flooding in the upper states, as the Prakasam Barrage reaches full capacity due to the inflow from the Pulichintala project. All 69 gates of the Barrage have been fully lifted to release water downstream, leading to the issuance of a first danger warning on Tuesday. Officials reported that the floodwater level has seen a decrease of 80,000 cusecs as of today, compared to last Thursday. Continuous assessments of the flood situation are being conducted, with local residents along the riverbanks receiving timely alerts. As a precautionary measure, tourist boat services to Bhavani Island have been completely suspended due to the ongoing flood conditions.

CM Chandrababu Reviews Flood Preparedness, instructs officials to be vigilant



In a timely response to the ongoing flood situations in the Krishna and Godavari rivers, Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has instructed officials to remain vigilant. Currently visiting Delhi, the Chief Minister conducted a video conference with the Chief Secretary, the Director General of Police, and other senior officials to assess the situation. During the meeting, he reviewed the availability, supply, and field conditions of fertilisers, ensuring that agricultural needs are met in the wake of the adverse weather conditions. Additionally, Naidu expressed concern regarding a recent gas leak incident near Kakinada, directing officials to implement necessary arrangements for the residents of the affected Lankan villages.

PM Modi on two-day Gujarat visit from August 25, to launch Rs 307-crore road projects

Gandhinagar: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate and lay the foundation stone of road projects worth Rs 307 crore during his two-day Gujarat visit on August 25-26, covering Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar and Mehsana districts. The projects, under the state's Roads and Buildings Department, are aimed at strengthening connectivity, easing traffic, and boosting industrial growth in North Gujarat. Among the highlights, the Prime Minister will inaugurate the widening of the Viramgam-Khuda-Rampura road -- a 21-km stretch expanded to seven metres at a cost of Rs 33 crore -- expected to accelerate development in surrounding industrial clusters and create new job opportunities. Foundation stones will also be laid for projects worth Rs 274 crore, including three six-lane vehicle underpasses on the



Ahmedabad-Mehsana-Palanpur road (Rs 126 crore), a railway overbridge at Viramgam (Rs 70 crore), the renewal of the Kadi-Thol-Sanand road (Rs 45 crore), and the expansion of the Bapasi Tararam junction to GIFT City into an eight-lane road (Rs 33 crore). Officials said the upgraded infrastructure will reduce travel time and fuel costs while enhancing road safety. Improved connectivity is also expected to ben-

efit industrial zones, boost logistics, and provide easier access to hubs such as GIFT City and tourist spots like Thol Sanctuary. Gujarat has emerged as one of India's leaders in road infrastructure, with over 1.15 lakh km of road network connecting industrial hubs, ports, and rural areas. The state's expressways, six-lane and eight-lane highways, and upgraded district and village roads have significantly boosted connec-

tivity, cutting travel time and logistics costs. Key projects like the Ahmedabad-Vadodara Expressway, Delhi-Mumbai Expressway stretch, and Ahmedabad-Mehsana-Palanpur corridor have strengthened Gujarat's role as a manufacturing and trade hub. Ongoing investments in underpasses, overbridges, and rural road widening aim to enhance safety, ease congestion, and improve last-mile access, aligning with the state's focus on industrial growth and urban-rural integration. The state has approximately 74,500 km of roads, comprising both core (national highways, about 6,000 km of state highways) and non-core roads (district, rural, and village roads). It has around 6,635 km of national highways. There are over 300 state highways, totalling approximately 19,761 km.

Telangana High Court adjourns hearing on Kaleshwaram project report for five weeks



The High Court has adjourned the hearing concerning petitions filed by former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) and former minister Harish Rao, regarding the report from the Justice P.C. Ghosh Committee on the Kaleshwaram project. The petitioners are seeking to quash the committee's findings. During the proceedings on Friday, Advocate General Sudarshan Reddy presented the government's stance on the commission's report. The Chief Justice noted that the matter would progress only after it had been discussed in the Assembly. The court expressed concern over the commission's report being publicly accessible online, declaring it inappropriate and ordering its immediate removal. Both the government and the commission have been given three weeks to submit a counter, with respondents allowed one week to reply. The High Court stated that no interim orders were necessary at this stage, especially following the Advocate General's assurance that actions would be taken based on the commission's findings post-Assembly discussion. The hearing has been adjourned for five weeks.

Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar announced significant progress in the Gouravelli project

Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar announced significant progress in the Gouravelli project during a visit to Mallaram, situated in Bhimadevarapalli mandal of Hanumakonda district. While laying the foundation stone for a new anganwadi building, he also inaugurated a panchayat building in Veerlagadda Thanda. During his

address, the minister revealed that the government has allocated Rs. 25 crores for land acquisition in Hanumakonda district. He confirmed that Rs. 10 crores have already been disbursed in relation to the NTT case and assured that the Gouravelli project would be completed, ultimately providing water resources to local farmers.

Prabhakar took a dig at Bharatiya Rashtra Samithi, accusing them of attempts to provoke farmers. He stated that his party aims to enter the upcoming local body elections with a 42 percent reservation and expressed a determination to pressure the central government to secure this reservation.





Hyderabad August:22 (Metro udayam)

Since Vinayaka Chavithi Navratri will begin in four days, Himayat Nagar Division Corporator Mahalakshmi Raman goud spoke to the officers of all the departments concerned in the division and ordered that tree branches be removed and road tax works be done to ensure that those installing Vinayaka idols do not face any inconvenience, especially since there are many idols on this road.



Marwadi Go Back Movement Turns Violent..

- Protest Program Under the Leadership of Mobile Shop Union...
- Voluntary Closure of Mobile Shops



Medipally August:22 (Metro udayam)

As part of the Telangana State Bandh, the presidents of Uppal, Ramanthapur, Medipally, Boduppal Mobile Shop Unions held a large-scale protest in Boduppal on Friday, raising slogans like Go Back Marwadi Culture, Golmaal Marwadi. Speaking on this occasion, many people expressed their concern that in every district and mandal of Telangana state, Marwadis, Rajasthanis, Gujaratis, and Golmaal are causing problems to other businessmen and causing losses to local businessmen. In protest against the exploitation and atrocities of Marwadis, mobile shops voluntarily closed down under the leadership of the Mobile Shop Association. They accused the Marwaris of selling inferior goods at low prices, causing losses to customers and local traders. They warned that if the government does not curb the Marwaris, they will intensify the movement in the future.



60TH ALL INDIA RAILWAY BALL BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP CONCLUDES AT WALTAIR RAILWAY SPORTS ARENA



The 60th All India Railway Ball Badminton Championship concluded today at the Waltair Railway Sports Arena, marking an exciting chapter in Visakhapatnam. The prestigious event was graced by Shri B.S.K. Raj Kumar, Additional General Manager of East Coast Railway, as Chief Guest. Seven teams from various railway zones participated with tremendous zeal, making the event a grand success under the capable conduct of the East Coast Railway Sports Association (ECoRSA) Waltair.

Shri Lalit Bohra, Divisional Railway Manager, served as the Guest of Honour for the occasion. The closing ceremony was attended by a distinguished gathering, including Shri Ajaya Samal, General Secretary & Chief Engineer (Construction)-II, ECoRSA; Shri Manoj Kumar

Sahoo, ADRM (Operations); Shri E. Santharam, ADRM (Infrastructure); Shri M. Haranath, Sports Officer & Sr. DFM; Treasurer & Sr DPO Shri Jusuf Kabir Ansari; Shri Vikas Choudhary, Sports Coordinator, Railway Sports Promotion Board; Shri R. Venkata Rao, Chairman of the AP State Ball Badminton Association; Assistant Sports Officers Shri Sh. Patil and Shri Sahu; General Secretary Smt. N. Usha; and representatives of recognized unions, among other dignitaries. sports Officer of EcoRSA Waltair, Shri Haranath, delivered a warm welcome address and outlined the details of the sporting event.

Congratulating the participants, Shri A.K. Samal, General Secretary/ ECoRSA/Bhubaneswar, highlighted Waltair

Divisions immense potential for nurturing sports talent and developing infrastructure that supports sporting excellence. He announced that more sporting events are planned for the near future at Waltair Railway Stadium.

In his remarks, DRM Shri Lalit Bohra commended ECoRSA Waltair for organizing the championship efficiently within a limited timeframe despite challenging weather conditions. He appreciated the commitment of all officers and sportspersons, whose collective efforts ensured the success of the event.

Chief Guest Shri B.S.K. Raj Kumar, AGM, ECoR, congratulated all teams, especially the winners, for their dedication and sportsmanship. He praised Waltair Divisions robust sports resources and high standards, describing the venue as a

hub for sporting excellence in Visakhapatnam. He encouraged participants to uphold sportsmanship and nurture young talent for future achievements.

Participating Teams

1. East Coast Railway
2. Southern Railway
3. Integral Coach Factory
4. South Central Railway
5. South Western Railway
6. Western Railway
7. South Eastern Railway

Results:

Winners: Integral Coach Factory

Runners-up: Southern Railway

Bronze Medalists: Western Railway

The Chief Guest Shri BSK Raj Kumar presented the trophies to the winners and Runner and Bronze medalists.

Uppal MLA Bandari Laxma Reddy inaugurated the Golden Mutton and Chicken Center



Uppal August:22 (Metro udayam)

The newly established Golden Mutton & Chicken Center by Ibrahim Zakiria and Ghouse, next to Prashanth Nagar Reliance Mart in Chilkanaagar Division, was formally inaugurated by Uppal MLA Bandari Laxma Reddy along with Chilkanaagar Division Corporator Bannala Geetha Praveen

Mudiraj.Later, MLA Bandari Laxma Reddy said that it is a great thing for the youth to set up their own business without depending on government jobs and to provide quality mutton and chicken to the people at better and affordable prices, and that their business should grow exponentially and they should develop well. BRS party state lead-



ers Bannala Praveen Mudiraj, Eddula Kondal Reddy, Kokonda Jagan, Balakrishna Goud, Bazaar Jagannath Goud, Ramanjaneyulu, Shyam MD Asad Mark Seenu, Farooq, Ubed, Rakesh, Tirupati Saikiran Praveen, Vasu, etc. participated in the program.

CM Chandrababu extends birthday wishes to actor Chiranjeevi

In a heartfelt message posted on 'X', Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu extended warm birthday wishes to Megastar Chiranjeevi, praising his remarkable journey in both cinema and philanthropy.

Naidu noted that Chiranjeevi has inspired millions through his work and expressed a desire for him to continue making a positive impact on many more lives with his unwavering dedication and service. The Chief Minister also wished Chiranjeevi to enjoy a long and fulfilling life, wishing him good health and happiness for a full hundred years ahead.



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रक्षा कवच

कदम बढ़ाओ संतोष का समुंदर मिलता है।
तेरे इर्द-गिर्द बातें मत सुनलो, वे बवंडर हैं।
जिंदगी में सुख दुख, तेरे सोच पर निर्भर हैं।
बाहरी दुनिया में केवल संतोष उपलब्ध है।

कष्ट कोई देता नहीं, यह केवल तेरा वहम है।
दुख कोई नहीं देता यह केवल तेरा खलल है।
शरीर का कष्ट तुझे वज्र शरीर का बना देगा।
मानसिक कमजोरी तुझे मंद बुद्धि बना देगा।

कौन कहता है तेरी जिंदगी औरों पर निर्भर है।
ये कहने वाला कोई स्वार्थी आलसी आदमी है।
आंख सबका बंद है खोलने की अब जरूरत है।
सच के लिए प्रकृति को जानने की जरूरत है।

कोई शास्त्र पढ़ो या ना पढ़ो प्रकृति ही ज्ञान है।
उसे छोड़ कर सारे लोग दुनिया में गुमनाम है।
प्रकृति की मां संग हो तब कभी क्यों खलती है।
ममता से ज्यादा दुनिया में कुछ नहीं खिलती है।

प्रकृति की खोज करो परमात्मा प्राप्त होगा।
खुद को उसका हिस्सा मानो तेरा ज्ञात होगा।
परोपकार में रक्षा कवच तेज तेरा साथ होगा।
तब तू जो भी कहेगा उसमें अच्छा बात होगा।

लेखक बित्तम श्रीमन्नायण एलुकुर्ति हवेली तंरंगला

Emily in Paris Season 5 Release Date: Netflix Premiere on Dec 18, 2025



The popular Netflix show "Emily in Paris" is coming back with Season 5. Emily, played by Lily Collins, will travel to Venice, Italy. She will face new challenges at work and in her personal life. The season will be full of drama, fun, and surprises. Release Details: Date: December 18, 2025 Platform: Netflix Fans can get ready to watch Emily explore a new city and enjoy her exciting journey.

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सुखमय जीवन जीने के लिए इस हृदय का स्वास्थ्यवर्धक होना जरूरी है। जो व्यक्ति अधर्म, अज्ञान और अहंकार से ग्रस्त हो उसका हृदय कभी स्वास्थ्यवर्धक नहीं हो सकता ... (शकील उवाचा -४९३)

हमारे जिसम (शरीर) में एक मांस का टुकड़ा है जो हमारे मुट्ठी भर से ज्यादा नहीं होता। अगर इतना सा टुकड़ा अच्छा हो तो हमारा पूरा जीवन धन्य है। अगर इतना सा टुकड़ा खराब हो जाए तो हमारा पूरा जीवन खराब हो जाता है। इस मांस के टुकड़े को हम हृदय, दिल कहते हैं।

यह हृदय के अच्छा या बुरा होना हमारे इस दुनिया के जीवन को ही नहीं बल्कि हमारे मरणोत्तर जीवन को भी प्रभावित करता है। भौतिक रूप से देखा जाए तो हमारा हृदय ऐसे तो एक मांस का टुकड़ा है जो अपने रक्त को शुद्ध करता है लेकिन आध्यात्मिक जगत में इस हृदय को बहुत महत्व दिया गया।

आध्यात्मिक जगत में भाव भावनाओं को नियंत्रित करने हमारी आत्मिक गतिविधियों को नियंत्रित करने वाले केंद्र को हृदय कहा जाता है। भौतिक और अमौलिक दोनों ही अर्थों में हृदय को अरबी में "कल्ब" कहा जाता है। "कल्ब" का अर्थ होता है घूमना। "कल्ब" का यह अर्थ विभिन्न परिस्थितियों और अलग अलग समय में हृदय के बदलते हालात को दर्शाता है।

सुखमय जीवन जीने के लिए इस हृदय का स्वास्थ्यवर्धक होना बहुत ही जरूरी है। जो व्यक्ति अधर्म, अज्ञान और अहंकार से ग्रस्त हो उसका हृदय कभी स्वास्थ्यवर्धक नहीं हो सकता, वह यकीनन बीमार हृदय होगा। स्वस्थ हृदय हमेशा ईश्वर के द्वारा भेजे गए धार्मिक आदेशों के आचरण के माध्यम से ईश्वर को प्रसन्न करने का प्रयास में रहता है। लेकिन बीमार हृदय केवल अपनी इच्छा, वासनाओं के वश में आकर सत्य और धर्म का विरोध करे हुए मानव जीवन को हानी पहुंचाता है।

जो भी लोग किसी ठोस आधार और सबूत के बगैर, केवल अपने अज्ञान के आधार पर धर्म की और ईश्वरीय वाणी का विरोध करते हैं। सीधे कहें तो जो भी लोग व्यर्थ ही खुदा के आयतों (ईश्वर के प्रमाण, शिक्षाएं और निशानियों) को लेकर व्यर्थ का विरोध करते हैं ऐसे लोग धार्मिक और ज्ञानी नहीं हो सकते। ऐसे अहंकारी अज्ञानी लोगों को ईश्वर कभी पसंद नहीं करता। इनके हृदय पर ईश्वर भी मुहर (ताला, सील) लगा देता है। ऐसे अहंकारी लोग सत्य को कभी समझ ही नहीं सकते।

पवित्र कुरआन में आया है कि, "जो लोग बिना किसी प्रमाण के, जो उनके पास आए हुए (सत्य को झुठलाते हैं और जो) खुदा (ईश्वर) की आयतों (दलीलों) के बारे में झगड़े किया करते हैं वह खुदा (ईश्वर) के निकट तथा ईमान (ईश्वर पर विश्वास) लाए हुए (धार्मिक) लोगों के निकट बड़े निंदनीय हैं। ऐसे प्रत्येक अहंकारी अत्याचारी के दिल पर खुदा (ईश्वर) मुहर (ताला, सील) लगा देता है।" (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 40, सुराह अल मोमिन, आयत क्रमांक 35)।

मुहर (ताला) लगाने का मतलब उस हृदय को ईश्वर बंद कर देता है जिसके कारण उन्हें सत्य समझ में ही नहीं आता। कुछ लोग इस आयत का अर्थ अपने अज्ञान के कारण गलत लेते हुए कहते हैं कि अगर स्वयं ईश्वर ही ने हृदय को ताला लगा दिया तो इसमें आदमी क्या कर सकता है भला? लेकिन सत्य यह नहीं है, कोई भी सरकार जब किसी कार्यालय को मुहर (ताला,सील) लगाकर बंद करती है तो उसका कारण यह होता है जिस प्रयोजन के लिए कार्यालय को अधिकार पत्र (लायसेंस) दिया गया था उसका दुरुपयोग किया गया है।

यही उपरोक्त नियम यहां भी लागू होता है। ईश्वर ने हमें हृदय, आंख, कान और मुंह एक खास प्रयोजन के लिए दिया है। हृदय में सत्य को स्थान देने, कान को सत्य को सुनने, आंख को सत्य को देखने और मुंह को सत्य को कहने दिया गया था लेकिन जब इन सब का आदमी असत्य और अधर्म के लिए उपयोग में लाता है तब ईश्वर हृदय, आंख कान और मुंह पर मुहर (ताला, सील) लगा देता है। इसमें ईश्वर की नहीं बल्कि मानव की ही गलती है।

—डॉ. मोहम्मदशकील ताजमोहम्मद जाफरी (शकील मंचरी), मंचर, पुणे (महाराष्ट्र) भारत

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I am not a Fabulist

I am no poet
With words so bold
My alphabet%µ's limited
My emotions untold
I rarely put feelings on
Paper so fine
Yet, my heart
Screams
Stories, in a language
Divine

I chose ink over
Spitting out
Because
I love to write
My forgettable
Past and agony
Which comforts
Me to harmony

I write sometime
In pain
I write sometime
When I am
In gain
I write when its
Just about to rain
I write with all my
Heart to remain

If writing poetry is

An art
I want to be
Its a part
I feel elated writing
Poetry
Because
Its all her idolatry

They say an apple a day
Keeps the doctor away
I would prefer
Pen a poem a day
It brings great
Satisfaction to
Your way

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Protect the folk arts- Jangama jilla Kavulu kalakaarula aikya vedika

Jangaon, August 22, Metroudayam:



Protect art forms

The August 22

Jangaon District Poets and Artists Aikyavedi President G Krishna said that there is a need to preserve folk arts and cultural traditions.

He was the chief guest at the World Folklore Day programme held at Janagama Ganeshwada on Friday. Abhinandan Cultural Society president Ayila Somanarasimhachari presided over the function. Speaking on the occasion, Krishna said that it is the responsibility of the government to preserve folk art for the life of the nation. He described folk arts as the wealth of the nation. Among others present on the occasion were SDO Sukhwinder Singh, Inderjit Singh Dhillion, Ashok Kumar, Manoj Makar, Anil Anand, Hardev Singh Rana, Harpreet Singh, Ajit Singh president Gurdwara Sahib, Hardev Singh Rana, Sekhon Ji and other dignitaries.

Hyderabad, Get Ready for Dhol, Punjabi Beats and Swag with Parmish Verma Live Concert

Hyderabad, the vibrant City of Pearls, is getting ready with a new kind of energy as Punjabi sensation Parmish Verma gears up to perform live. Known for his power-packed songs, electrifying stage presence, charm and signature swag, Parmish Verma is bringing the true flavor of Punjabi music to the heart of Telangana. Fans can expect an unforgettable night filled with dhol, beats, and endless dance vibes at the much-awaited Hyderabad concert this month.

From foot-tapping bhangra numbers like Gaal di Kadni and Sab Fade Jange to heartfelt tracks like Shada, Chal Oye and Ja Ve Ja, his songs resonate with music lovers of all ages. His live performance in Hyderabad, is sure to deliver a musical roller-coaster that will keep fans grooving all night. That's not it. The evening promises to be even more exciting with the power-packed performance by SMOKE – India's most loved Hip Hop voice. SMOKE rose to fame

with his debut album Veni Vidi Vici in 2022 which crossed a million streams. His latest project Khel Kood has also made heads turn. From hip-hop to pure Punjabi beats, the night is going to be filled with energetic performances and vibrant vibes. Telangana travel guide Hyderabad real estate Event Details: Venue – Quake Arena, Hyderabad Date – Friday, 29 August, 2025 Hyderabad real estate Time – 7:00 PM Duration – 3 Hours Age Limit – 21yrs+



Suniel Shetty wishes wife Mana on her 60th birthday with a beautiful video

Mumbai: Actor Suniel Shetty took to Instagram today to pen an emotional note for his wife, Mana Shetty, on her 60th birthday. Sharing a picture with her, he wrote, "No words just hugs... 16 to 60 with you... both believing they're the lucky one ... happy 60th birthday wifey @withlove.mana." The post, which quickly garnered thousands of likes and comments, reflects the bond the couple has shared for over three decades. Suniel Shetty and Mana Shetty's love story has often been spoken about in the industry. Mana, who was born as Monisha Qadri, comes from a Muslim background. She is the daughter of a Gujarati Muslim architect and a Punjabi social



activist. Despite cultural differences, their love stood strong. Initially, Suniel Shetty's parents were hesitant about the marriage, but the actor had made up his mind to marry Mana. The couple eventually tied the knot in 1991, after years of courtship. Mana Shetty has

built her own identity as well, beyond being Suniel Shetty's wife. She has been involved in several philanthropic initiatives and also manages her real estate business. The couple are proud parents to two children, son Ahaan Shetty and daughter Athiya Shetty. While Ahaan made

his Bollywood debut with Tadap in 2021, Athiya has acted in films like Hero and Motichoor Chaknacho. Athiya is married to cricketer KL Rahul, making Mana Shetty his mother-in-law. Suniel Shetty, who often describes his wife as his biggest strength, continues to share glimpses of their life together on social media. His latest birthday wish for her not only highlighted their journey from teenage years to senior milestones, but also showcased the enduring companionship between the two. Fans and celebrities alike flooded the comment section with love and wishes for Mana Shetty, praising the couple for setting an example of commitment togetherness in the industry.

AP Mega DSC merit list to be released today

The Merit List for the Mega Direct Recruitment for School Teachers (DSC) will be published this Friday, announced Education and IT Minister Nara Lokesh. In his statement, he confirmed that preparations are underway for the release of the merit list, now that the sports quota merit list has been finalised. Minister Lokesh emphasised the importance of candidates obtaining information solely from the official DSC websites. As part of the recruitment process for various posts, call letters will be issued to candidates who have qualified for the 'zone of consideration' via their personal login. Candidates are required to attend document verification with their original certificates, a recently issued caste certificate, three sets of photocopies certified by a gazetted officer, and five passport-sized photographs. Furthermore, all relevant certificates must be uploaded on the website prior to the verification process. A checklist detailing the required documents will also be made available online. The Minister warned that failure to attend the verification or submit the correct certificates would result in disqualification, allowing for the next candidate in line to be considered.

Chiranjeevi's Vishwambhara Movie Glimpse Released



The upcoming Telugu movie Vishwambhara, starring Megastar Chiranjeevi, Trisha Krishnan, Kunal Kapoor, and Ashika Ranganath, is creating excitement among fans. Directed by Vassishtha, with music by MM Keeravani and produced by UV Creations, the makers released an official glimpse on YouTube today. The short video quickly went viral, crossing 70 lakh views within hours. The glimpse was released ahead of Chiranjeevi's birthday on August 22, adding to the celebrations of the Megastar's fans.

Box Office Clash Day 8: Rajinikanth's Coolie Overtakes Hrithik Roshan's War 2, Joins 200 Crore Club

The major Coolie vs War 2 box office battle of the season has been between Rajinikanth's Coolie and Hrithik Roshan-Jr NTR's War 2 – and both the movies have crossed the ₹200 crore mark in a week. Both of them have become humongous blockbusters in their own rights, but it is the Rajinikanth beats Hrithik Roshan in the battle with a mammoth ₹229.75 crore. The two movies released on August 14, and turned the theatres into a place of celebration with full houses, cheering crowds, and non-stop action. Fans are describing this as one of the biggest War 2 box office clash in recent times – South superstar Rajinikanth against Bollywood's action star



Hrithik Roshan in YRF's spy franchise. Both the movies are being talked about – but Coolie has clearly taken a massive lead over War 2, yet again establishing Thalaivar's box office might at the theatres. Coolie Day 8 collection demurred off with record-breaking figures, earning ₹65 crore on

opening day and another ₹54 crore the following day. The collections continued to remain buoyant with ₹39.5 crore on Day 3 and ₹35.25 crore on Day 4. Although collections eased during weekdays – ₹12 crore on Day 5, ₹9.5 crore on Day 6, and ₹6.5 crore on Day 7 the film maintained a steady run.

Reports suggest that the film added another ₹6.25 crore on Day 8 morning, to take its overall Coolie Rs 200 crore club crore. War 2 box office collection– Day 8 Hrithik Roshan Jr NTR War 2 and Kiara Advani too opened with a bang, collecting ₹52 crore on Day 1 and even hitting its peak with a good ₹57.35 crore on Day 2. The film still started to lose brume later, with collections of ₹33.25 crore on Day 3, ₹32.15 crore on Day 4, and dropping acutely to ₹8.75 crore on Day 5. The collections remained steady at ₹9 crore on Day 6, but again took a dip to ₹5.75 crore on Day 7 and ₹5 crore on Day 8. It presently has an aggregate of ₹204.25 crore.

Shankar Mahadevan & sons release festive anthem 'Jai Shree Ganesha'

Padma Shri awardee Shankar Mahadevan, along with his sons Siddharth Mahadevan and Shivam Mahadevan, has released a devotional track titled 'Jai Shree Ganesha' ahead of the Ganesh Chaturthi festivities. The powerful anthem, composed by Kedar Pandit with lyrics penned by Nachiket Jog, brings together high-energy rhythms and soulful vocals, aiming to capture the grandeur and devotion associated with the festival. The track celebrates the vibrant spirit of Ganesh Chaturthi by blending the sounds of prayers, processions, and the joyous atmosphere that fills households during the celebrations. Talking about the release, Shankar Mahadevan shared, "Jai Shree Ganesha" is filled with the festive spirit and energy that Lord Ganesha inspires. It's a track that celebrates devotion and joy in equal measure, and I'm excited for listeners to welcome Bappa with this music." Siddharth Mahadevan expressed that the vibe of the track is "pure celebration", adding that it will instantly make listeners feel like joining the aarti or dancing with the procession. Shivam Mahadevan echoed the sentiment, calling it a special experience to sing alongside his father and



brother, aiming to spread positivity and celebration through the song. The devotional anthem 'Jai Shree Ganesha' is now streaming worldwide on Times Music and all major digital platforms. Meanwhile, beyond music, Shankar Mahadevan recently announced plans to open a chain of restaurants in Mumbai inspired by R.K. Narayan's fictional town Malgudi. On a lighter note, choreographer-director Farah Khan also visited his Navi Mumbai home for her YouTube channel, where the singer showcased his culinary skills by preparing potli prawns and thecha.

When Chai Met Toast and Job Kurian create a soulful ode to home with 'Dreamland'

Indie-folk band When Chai Met Toast (WCMT) has released their latest single Dreamland, in collaboration with acclaimed Malayalam singer-songwriter Job Kurian. The track beautifully explores how the essence of "home" is built through simple, everyday moments, shared spaces, and stories rooted in belonging. Written in English, Hindi, and Malayalam, Dreamland draws from the band's memories of growing up in Kerala—a place they fondly call their "dreamland." With lyrics inspired by daily life, familiar sounds, and cultural touchpoints, the song resonates with anyone who has found comfort in small yet defining moments of their hometown. The track was initially conceptualized during WCMT's songwriting sessions in the hills of Kerala and later shaped into a studio recording. It also features traditional instruments like the Chenda and Kombu, infusing Kerala's folk essence into a modern soundscape. The multilingual layering adds depth, making the song both accessible and rooted. Sharing their thoughts on the release, WCMT said: "Travelling the world made us realize there's no place like home. Dreamland is an ode to our families, friends, and the chaos and laughter that define Kerala. Job Kurian's divine voice gave the track a timeless texture." Job Kurian echoed the sentiment, calling the collaboration special: "As someone deeply rooted in Kerala, I instantly connected with the lyrics. The song felt like an extension of my own emotions for my land." Part of the band's upcoming album Small Town, Big Love, Little Homes, Dreamland celebrates the warmth of Kerala while offering a universal reflection on identity and belonging.

