

Cognizant to boost digital capacity and AP's innovation ecosystem

Visakhapatnam: In a significant moment that is set to change the IT landscape of Visakhapatnam, Cognizant, a global leader in technology and professional services, marched ahead with a ground-breaking ceremony for a state-of-the-art 20,000-seat facility in Visakhapatnam.

Following timelines, the proposed new campus is slated to be completed by 2033 in three phases with an investment of Rs.1,600 crore.

Unveiling an Interim Techfin Centre in Visakhapatnam, Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu said, "We are delighted to welcome Cognizant to Visakhapatnam. This facility is a landmark step in advancing our vision of transforming Andhra Pradesh into a world-class destination where global enterprises can build, innovate, and grow."

Highlighting the advantages, the Chief Minister mentioned that



the investment will generate high-quality jobs, enhance the region's digital capabilities, and contribute significantly to the state's innovation-driven and technology-enabled growth.

Along with the CM, the centre was unveiled in the presence of Minister for IT, Electronics and

Communication, HRD and RTG Nara Lokesh.

The first phase of the construction will commence in 2026 and accommodate 3,000 associates upon its completion in early 2029. The subsequent phases will sum up to a total seating capacity of 20,000.

Speaking about the development that is taking place in an accelerated mode in Andhra Pradesh, Lokesh remarked, "Cognizant's presence marks a pivotal milestone in Visakhapatnam's emergence as a thriving hub for technology. This development centre will unlock new opportunities for our youth and further strengthen the city's position as the economic and financial hub of the state."

The Techfin Centre will serve as an interim office until the completion of the first phase of the proposed 22-acre campus. It will focus on advanced technologies including artificial intelligence, machine learning, digital engineering, and cloud solutions. Sharing his views, CEO of Cognizant S Ravi Kumar commented, "Today marks a defining step in Cognizant's growth journey in India. The groundbreaking of our new campus and the opening of an Interim Techfin

Centre in Visakhapatnam reflect our confidence in the city's talent and future potential."

Ravi Kumar expressed his gratitude to the state government for the partnership and added that he looks forward to unlocking the full potential of Visakhapatnam's talent and innovation spirit.

The centre features a dedicated client experience zone and collaborative spaces designed to foster teamwork and accommodate more than 1,000 associates based in and around Visakhapatnam.

Since 2024, Cognizant has established new delivery centres in Bhubaneswar, Indore, and a Techfin Centre in GIFT City, Gujarat. These centres are designed to support the future of work, promote agility, skilling, collaboration, and innovation, while providing a best-in-class employee experience.

IndiGo Appoints Independent Experts To Review Causes Of Major Flight Disruptions

IndiGo announced on Friday that its board has approved the appointment of Chief Aviation Advisors LLC to conduct an independent review of the recent operational disruptions that led to a week of widespread flight cancellations. The consulting firm, headed by aviation veteran Captain John Illson, will carry out a detailed root cause analysis and recommend corrective measures. Beginning December 2, India's largest airline faced significant operational challenges, resulting in hundreds of cancelled flights and major inconvenience for travellers across the country. IndiGo noted that Captain Illson brings over 40 years of global aviation experience, having worked with organisations such as the FAA, ICAO, IATA and various international carriers. His expertise spans aviation strategy, safety leadership, and new aircraft technologies. The airline stated that the review aims to uncover the exact causes of the disruptions and identify opportunities to improve operations.



This decision comes amid ongoing investigations by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and the Ministry of Civil Aviation into the large-scale cancellations and their impact on passengers. IndiGo confirmed that the evaluation will begin soon, and a comprehensive report will be presented to the board once the review is complete.

Cold Snap Hits Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, temperatures drop

The cold snap continues to spread across the Telugu states, prompting the Meteorological Department to issue severe warnings for residents in Telangana. With temperatures plummeting, officials expect the cold winds to persist for at least another two days. Travellers, particularly in the mornings and evenings, are advised to exercise caution, with special attention urged for the elderly and children. Adilabad, Nirmal, and Asifabad districts are experiencing record low temperatures, with Adilabad registering a chilling 6.2 degrees Celsius. Other notable temperatures include 7.2 degrees in Medak, 8.6 degrees in Hanumakonda, 11.4 degrees in Nizamabad, and 12.2 degrees in Hyderabad. Authorities indicate that similar conditions will prevail over the weekend, leading to an orange alert being issued for 32 districts. Many areas within and around Hyderabad are reporting single-digit temperatures, heightening concerns. In neighbouring Andhra Pradesh, the cold has particularly affected the Manyam dis-



tricts, where low temperatures have deterred residents from venturing outdoors. In Paderu and Araku, water has begun to freeze, with temperatures recorded at 4 degrees Celsius. Agricultural activities have been disrupted, as fields are also frozen, preventing farmers from attending to their lands in the early hours. The minimum temperatures recorded include 4 degrees in Minumuluru and 5.5 degrees in Chintapalli, with the cold spell showing no signs of abating even after 9 am.

PM Modi's three-nation visit to help boost India's exports in West Asia, Africa: FIEO

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's upcoming three-nation visit to Jordan, Ethiopia, and Oman from December 15-18 comes at a pivotal moment for India's international trade expansion and presents far-reaching opportunities to enhance the country's economic footprint across West Asia and Africa, the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) said on Friday.

"The Prime Minister's visit to Jordan, Ethiopia and Oman sends a strong signal of India's commitment to strengthening economic and strategic relations with key partners in West Asia and Africa. At a time when global supply chains are undergoing transformation, deepening these partnerships will greatly support Indian exporters in accessing new markets, diversifying trade routes, and fostering long-term commercial collaborations," FIEO President S.C. Ralhan said.

Ralhan noted that Jordan is an important gateway to West Asia and the larger Middle East region. India's total bilateral trade with Jordan during April-August 2025-26, touched 1.2 billion, with exports of about \$461 million in just five months. Therefore, enhanced economic dialogue with Jordan will further boost opportunities for Indian exporters in sectors such as pharmaceuticals, engineering goods, textiles, IT services and food and agri-products, with a potential to increase exports to \$5 billion by 2030.

The Prime Minister, during the second leg of his visit on December 16-17, will travel to Ethiopia, a rapidly growing economy and one of the most important partners for India in Africa. The FIEO chief said that



Ethiopia is a key member of the African region and a vital partner in India's South-South cooperation. The visit will play a crucial role in deepening trade, investment and developmental partnerships. Indian exporters, particularly in automobiles, machinery, pharmaceuticals and education services, see immense potential in Ethiopia's expanding market, when the bilateral trade between both nations touched \$550 million, he added.

Ralhan also emphasised that Oman has consistently been one of India's most reliable economic partners in the Gulf. PM Modi's visit provides an excellent opportunity to explore new avenues in trade, investment, energy, logistics, technology, food security and MSME cooperation. Strengthening the bilateral framework with Oman will have a direct positive impact on India's export sector, which has grown to well over \$4 billion of exports. "As we are in the final stages of signing a trade agreement with Oman, it will provide a much-needed boost in doubling the bilateral trade and investment between the countries," he added.

The welfare of the people is possible only through the Congress party: Banuka Shivaraj Yadav AMC Chairman, Jangaon



Jangaon, December 12, Metroodayam:

A massive bike rally and door-to-door campaign were held in Shamirpet village as part of the election campaign of sarpanch candidate Tandra Shyamala Praveen supported by the Congress party. Speaking on the occasion, the leaders said that after the Congress party comes to power in the village, we will work so that many people in the village get the welfare benefits of the government, similarly we will provide houses to the homeless in the future and after the Congress party came in to the power, 200 units of electricity free, 500 subsidized gas, free RTC bus travel for women, farmer loan waiver, farmer assurance, job opportunities for students and unemployed, construction of CC roads, school development, interest-free loans for women, etc. In the meeting AMC Jangaon chairman, congress party mandal President chadagonda Krishna reddy, senior leaders Dr. Karunakar Raju, Balne Sudhakar, bathula Bixapathy, bathula Laxminarayana, kansani bhasker reddy, chatla Ravinder reddy, Gadda Laxman, Saadam Jampanna, Saadam Madhu sudhan, Banuka Siddiraj Yadav, pathi Narender, thandra Praveen, Saadam Chinna, Babu, Kumar, Thogaru Prudviraj, Kaalva Nagaraj, Raju, Vikram, SK Pasha, women congress leaders Kousalya, Swarupa, Laavanya, Rekha, Youth Congress leaders Nagaraj, Prudviraj, Naveen, Prakash, Raju and others participated.

If an S.P. Balasubrahmanyam statue is Erected, we will demolish it

TUJAC State President
Tummala Prapul Ram Reddy



Hyderabad, December 12, Metroodayam

TUJAC State President Tummala Prapul Ram Reddy warned the government that they would demolish the statue if one of Andhra film singer Balasubrahmanyam is Erected at Ravindra Bharathi. A protest was held at the Nampally Martyrs Memorial in Hyderabad under the auspices of the Telangana Movement Joint Action State Committee. Speaking on the occasion, Prapul Ram Reddy said that erecting a statue of Balasubrahmanyam at Ravindra Bharathi, which was the platform for Telangana's aspirations, is unforgivable. He made it clear that Telangana activists would definitely obstruct such actions by Andhras. He criticized Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for erecting a statue of Roshaiya instead of NTR, and alleged that Andhra film personalities and political leaders are taking advantage of this situation and secretly trying to undermine identity. He expressed his anguish that in the 12-year-old Telangana state, the local film artists, poets, and great personalities who worked for the people have not received due recognition. He said that there is a great need for the construction of memorials for many people like Dasharathi, Chukka Sattayya, Paidij Raju, Kathula Kantharao, Prabhakar Reddy, C. Narayana Reddy, Chakri, Venu Madhav, and Pratyusha. He demanded that the Revanth Reddy government immediately take action in this regard. Otherwise, he warned the Chief Minister to remember that the days will come when the people of Telangana will revolt. They stated that they would not tolerate Andhra political trends in the separate Telangana state that the Telangana activists fought for and achieved. They warned that they would definitely obstruct the installation of a Balasubrahmanyam statue at Ravindra Bharathi and would even demolish it. The event was attended by Telangana activist Sultan Yadagiri, Prithvi of Telangana Kranti Dal, Mohan Bairagi of Telangana Cinema Vedita, Lara, Kallepu Chandranna Prasad, Vemula Yadagiri, Sujji, Bakaram Lavanya, Lakshmi, Lalitha, Janaki Reddy, Rajesh, Sarala, Pramila, Swaroopa, Bala Lakshmi, Aruna,

Release the 9 Fishermen Stranded Immediately!



This is a clear example of Chandrababu's ineffective governance.

Even after two months, the coalition government has shown no concern. Where is Pawan Kalyan, who won with the support of the Vadabalija community? As a fellow fisherman, I will personally support the nine families with ₹45,000.

- Former MLA & South Visakhapatnam YSRCP Coordinator Vasupalli Ganesh Kumar
Former MLA Vasupalli Ganesh Kumar demanded that the coalition government take urgent action to secure the immediate release of the nine fishermen stranded in Bangladesh since October 9. On Friday, he held a press conference at the Asilmetta office along with State Official Spokesperson Konda Rajeev Gandhi and other YSRCP leaders. Speaking on the occasion, Ganesh Kumar expressed anger over the oppressive governance of the coalition government. He criticized the government for neglecting the welfare of the fishermen who voted them into power. He stated that it is shameful that although nine fishermen from Bhogapuram and Nellimarla were stuck in a friendly

nation like Bangladesh for two months, the government made no attempt to bring them back and also failed to provide even minimum support to their families who lost their income. Ganesh Kumar announced that as a fellow fisherman, he would extend financial assistance of ₹5,000 to each of the nine families—amounting to a total of ₹45,000.

He questioned why Pawan Kalyan remained silent even when injustice occurred to fishermen in the area he represents as a Janasena MLA. He criticized Pawan for speaking one way before elections and behaving completely differently after coming to power. He asserted that if the YSRCP government were still in power, the fishermen would not have been subjected to such hardship. He further said this situation reflects Chandrababu Naidu's long-standing careless attitude toward fishermen.

He condemned the statement that it may take six months for those detained by the Bangladesh Navy to return. He stressed that the families of the fishermen are facing severe distress and demanded that the government immediately



secure their release and support their families. Ganesh Kumar insisted that the coalition government provide ₹5 lakh compensation to each affected family. He remarked that the irresponsible comments made by the Nellimarla MLA were an embarrassment to the Janasena Party. Citing past incidents, he said that when Srikakulam fishermen were trapped in Pakistan, former Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy acted swiftly to secure their release and support them. He highlighted that Jagan made remarkable efforts for fishermen's welfare, including allocating ₹152 crore for the development of Visakhapatnam Fishing Harbour. He stated that after the fire accident at the harbour, Jagan provided compensation of ₹40 lakh per boat even before the flames were fully extinguished. In contrast, he recalled that during the Hudhud cyclone, Chandrababu Naidu had announced only ₹5 lakh compensation per damaged boat and did not even deliver that amount. Ganesh Kumar said he had tirelessly worked for fishermen's causes but received no support under Chandrababu's

rule. After Jagan came to power, ₹1.30 crore was immediately released to support the affected fishermen. He accused Chandrababu, Lokesh and Pawan Kalyan of betraying fishermen by promising a double-engine government before elections and neglecting them afterward. State Official Spokesperson Konda Rajeev Gandhi criticized Chandrababu, saying that while Jagan governed with compassion, Chandrababu is ruling with arrogance. He alleged that while Jagan delivered real development, the coalition government focuses only on showmanship. Rajeev Gandhi said the coalition rule has derailed completely and expressed outrage over its negligence toward fishermen who risk their lives every day at sea.

He criticized Pawan Kalyan's lack of influence within the coalition and demanded the immediate release of the stranded fishermen along with ₹5 lakh compensation to each family. Corporator Chenna Janakiram, ward presidents, leaders of affiliated associations, and senior YSRCP leaders participated in the program.

Taekwondo National Level 2025 Competitions

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The 41st National Senior Kyorugi and 14th National Senior Poomsae Taekwondo Championships, organized by the Telangana Taekwondo Association, were held on Friday, December 12, 13, and 14, 2025, at the Gachibowli Indoor Stadium. The aim of the event was to boost the self-confidence of the athletes and instill in them the belief that they can protect themselves.

BJP Telangana State President Ramachandra Rao, former MP Boora Narsaiah Goud, and Telangana Olympic Associations Jitender Reddy participated as chief



guests in the program. They inaugurated the competitions and addressed the gathering. They advised that everyone should necessarily learn martial arts in the current circumstances. They stated that it helps in self-defense and also improves physical fitness. Later, Telangana State President

Ramachandra Rao spoke, emphasizing the need to nurture children into excellent athletes. He advised that victory and defeat are common in every competition, and one should not be discouraged by defeat.

He said that success will surely come with another attempt. 10,000 people participated in these competitions. Prizes and certificates were presented to the winners. Telangana Organizer President D. Satish Goud, General Secretary A. Praveen Kumar, Vice President Babulal, and others participated in this program.

More efforts to provide quality medical services to the public,

Gandhi Hospital Superintendent Dr. Vani

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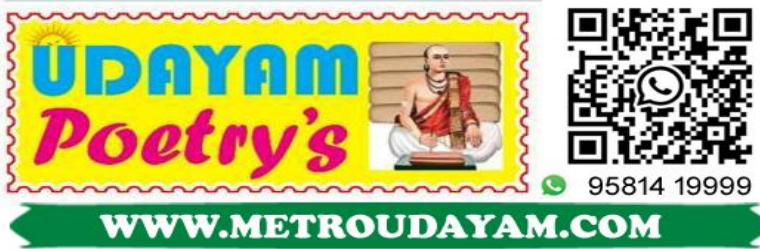
On the occasion of Universal Health Coverage Day, December 12th, and in response to the call by the World Health Organization, free assistance and service programs were conducted on Friday at Gandhi Hospital under the auspices of the Legal Cell Services Authority. Gandhi Hospital Superintendent Dr. Vani attended the program as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, she stated that they will always strive to provide various suggestions regarding people's health needs and that proper medical treatment is the right of every patient. She said that health check-ups would be conducted for every-



one under the supervision of their team of doctors. She suggested that people should be educated about the treatment necessary to protect the patient's health. She instructed the staff to provide quality medical services to the public. Later, Legal Cell lawyer Jagadamba praised the efforts of the doctors. She said that every patient has the right to treatment. She suggested that details of every medical test and blood test



should be provided by the concerned medical staff. She suggested that all health services should be provided free of charge to everyone. Later, suggestions were given to pregnant women in the outpatient department. RMO Dr. Seshadri, Dr. Kalyan Chakravarthi, Dr. Yogi, Dr. Naveen, paralegal volunteer Eeswaramma, Nursing Officer Mani, staff member Kiran, and others participated in this program.



आत्मानंद आत्मा का स्वयं के साथ जुड़े होने का अद्भुत अनुभव है, जो किसी बाहरी वस्तु के बिना अपने स्वयं से प्राप्त होता है।... (शकील उवाचा -५५८)

आदमी हमेशा दुनियावी चकाचौंध से बचकर, खुद से मात्र खुद से जुड़कर मिलने वाली हमेशा की सच्ची खुशी याने स्थायी आनंद पर जोर देना चाहिए। उपरोक्त यही बात पवित्र कुरआन अध्याय क्रमांक 13, सुराह अर राअद, आयत क्रमांक 26 में कही गई है। इसके व्याप्ति, रिक्त स्थाई जीवन की बात और भी कई जगहों पर पवित्र कुरआन में आती है। और कोई भी व्यक्ति अपने आपको, अपने जीवन को और अपने सृष्टिकर्ता पालनहार परमात्मा को जाने बगैर परलोक के लिए शुभकर्म करके आनंद को प्राप्त नहीं कर सकता। और हमेशा की ज़िंदगी को पा ही नहीं सकता।



जब कभी हम आनंद की बात करते हैं तो हमें यह भी पता होना चाहिए के हम किस आनंद की बात करते हैं? क्यों के लज्जतें (स्वाद) भी कई तरह के होते हैं। आनंद को भौतिक आनंद (लज्जते दुनिया) सामाजिक आनंद, मानसिक आनंद और आध्यात्मिक आनंद (जिसे परमानंद भी कहा जाता है) के श्रेणियों में बांटा जा सकता है जो विभिन्न स्रोतों से हमें प्राप्त होते रहता है। भौतिक आनंद यह इंद्रियों से संबंधित सुख है। भौतिक आनंद यह इंद्रियों से संबंधित है जो मुख्य रूप से आँख, कान, नाक, जीभ, त्वचा यह पाँच ज्ञानेंद्रियों के माध्यम से देखना, सुनना, सूँघना, चखना और छूना जैसी बातों से प्राप्त होता है। और यह पाँच ज्ञानेंद्रियों के व्यतिरिक्त पाँच कर्मेंद्रियों (पाणि याने हात, पाद याने पैर, पायु याने गुदा, उपस्थ याने जननेन्द्रिय और वाक् याने मुख) से भी सुख प्राप्त होता है। और मन के द्वारा भी हमें आनंद प्राप्त होता है। एक ओर आनंद है जिसे हम सामाजिक आनंद कहते हैं। सामाजिक आनंद यह दूसरों के माध्यम से मिलता है, जैसे के परिवार और समाज। और एक आनंद मानसिक आनंद कहलाता है। यह आनंद हमें मानसिक और बौद्धिक गतिविधियों से प्राप्त होता है। आध्यात्मिक आनंद या परमानंद यह एक उच्च, दिव्य सुख है जो आध्यात्मिक अनुभवों, आत्मा और परमात्मा से जुड़ने से प्राप्त होता है। इस आध्यात्मिक आनंद को बड़ी महत्वता है।

आनंद को हम मुख्य रूप से बाहरी दुनिया से या इंद्रियों के माध्यम से मिलने वाला आनंद और अपने अंतः से मिलने वाला पारमार्थिक आनंद इस तरह से दो भागों में बांट सकते हैं। हमें जो भौतिक सुख या भौतिक आनंद मिलता है वह लज्जते दुनिया (विषयानंद) कहलाता है। यह विषयानंद बाहर से प्राप्त सुखों से मिलती है, इसलिए यह जल्द नष्ट भी होने वाला क्षणिकानंद है। लज्जते दुनिया (विषयानंद) को संसुअल प्लेजर या मेटेरियल प्लेजर कहते हैं। यह निम्नस्तर की इच्छाओं से, वासनाओं से भी मिलता है इसलिए इसे परमात्मा से दूरी माना जाता है। इस आनंद को पाने के लिये हमें दूसरों पर निर्भर होना पड़ता है, चाहे वह माता, पिता, पुत्र, पौत्र, पत्नी, मित्र, परिवार समाज, अपने, पराये जैसे सजीव हो या फिर सोना, चांदी, धन, दौलत, जमीन जयादात, और पद प्रतिष्ठा जैसे निर्जीव हो।

आत्मा से जुड़ा आनंद आत्मानंद कहलाता है। यह आत्मानंद आत्मा का स्वयं के साथ जुड़े होने का अद्भुत अनुभव है, जो किसी बाहरी वस्तु के बिना अपने स्वयं से प्राप्त होता है। जो ध्यान के गहराई से, स्वप्न रहित नींद से, ईश्वर की भक्ती से, या मुक्त अवस्था में आत्मा के अनुभव में यह आता है। आत्मानंद को ब्लिस ऑफ सेल्फ कहते हैं। सूफी भाषा में यह सिर्फ खुशी नहीं, सुकून (शांति और और आनंद) है। ईश्वर से जुड़कर मिलने वाला वह गहरा आत्मिक आनंद है, जिसे दर्शाने के लिए फना (मिट जाना) कहा जाता है। फना यह आनुभविक आध्यात्मिक अवस्था है। यह आनंद जब व्यक्ति अपनी व्यक्तिगत पहचान मिटाकर पूरी तरह ईश्वर में लीन हो जाता है, याने ईश्वर के इच्छानुसार जीवन बिताता है तब मिलता है। एक शब्द आता है "वस्ल"। सूफी प्रिय (भक्त) का प्रियतम (ईश्वर) से मिलन की अवस्था को वस्ल कहते हैं। जिसे फनाह फिल्लाह (ईश्वर में लीन होना) भी कहते हैं। और इश्क-ए हकिकी (सच्चा प्रेम, ईश्वर से प्रेम) सच्चा, दिव्य प्रेम, जो आत्मानंद का स्रोत है।

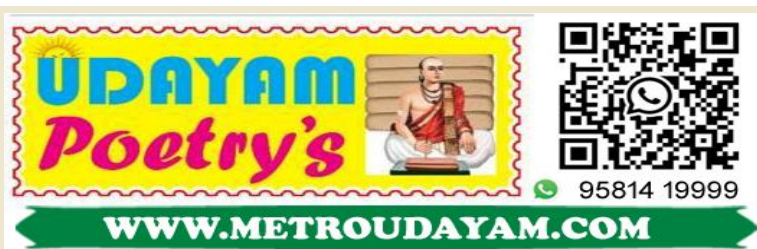
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PM Modi announces ex-gratia to Alluri bus accident victims

Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed his profound sadness over the loss of life in the bus accident in Alluri Sitaramaraju district where bus plunges into a valley. He extended his heartfelt condolences to the victims' families



during this exceedingly difficult time and offered prayers for the swift recovery of the injured. Furthermore, Prime Minister Modi announced an immediate ex-gratia payment of Rs. 200,000 to the families of the deceased and Rs. 50,000 to those injured, sourced from the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund (PMNRF). He has also urged the Andhra Pradesh government to ensure the injured receive high-quality medical treatment.



Floods

Floods create havoc,
Villages drown and
People lose their homes.

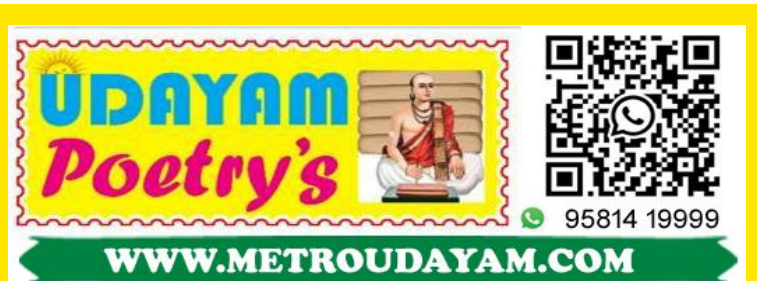
Some still enjoy the
waters,
Testing their swimming
skills,
Yet it is dangerous.

Landslides follow,
Bringing more destruc-
tion.
It is nature's force,
Difficult to control.

The gates of dams are opened,
Warnings echo to the fishermen,
As life struggles against
The mighty surge of floods



—@ Poornima Sivaraman



Kala Bhairav

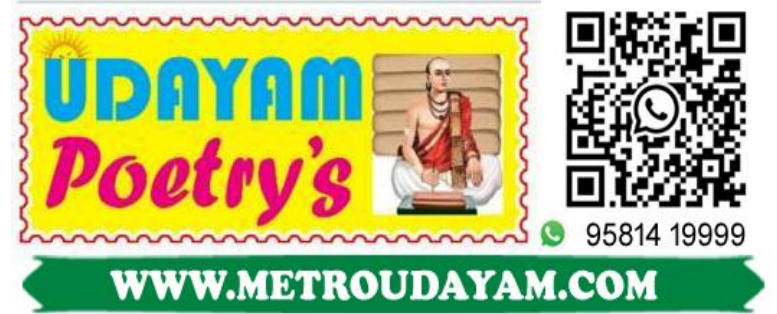
Kala Bhairav Ashtami ?12
th December
hearts aglow,
We celebrate
We worship
Lord Kala Bhairav

Form of Shivas flow.
With lamps burning bright,
And fasting too,?We honour
The Lord
Om Kalabhairavaya Namah
To protect, to guide,
To overcome
obstacles,?And banish negativity from Inside

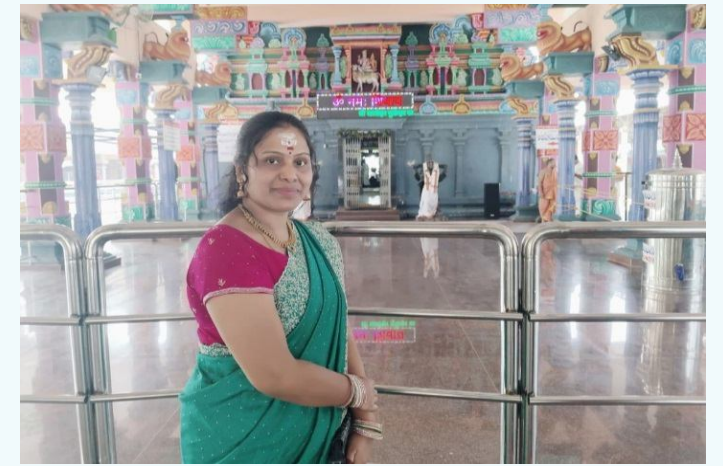
Om Kalabhairavaya Namah
Our prayer, our light, Seeking strength,
courage,?And blessings this holy Night
12:12?December 12, the number is special,?the
date a portal

To harness the positivity
To new beginnings,?to Ketting go,?to new goals.
Connect spiritually,?to the Energetic changes, har-
ness The power of prayer 12:12

—©Dr Seshni Moodliar Rensburg



The Art of Giving and Living with Humility



Giving without expecting anything in return is a virtue that not many possess. It is easy to give with the expectation of receiving something in return, but true giving is when we give without any expectations. This selfless act not only benefits the receiver but also brings a sense of fulfillment and joy to the giver.

Similarly, associating with people without any ulterior motives is a sign of true friendship and character. When we befriend someone with the intention of gaining something, it is not a genuine relationship. True relationships are built on mutual respect, trust, and affection, without any expectations of gain or benefit.

Living life without pretenses is another quality that is hard to come by. In today's world, people often put on a facade to impress others, hiding their true selves. However, living authentically and humbly is the key to true happiness and inner peace.

The quotes also highlight the importance of inner richness and the dangers of spiritual poverty. A person who is wealthy in material possessions but poor in spirit is truly impoverished. On the other hand, a person who is materially poor but rich in spirit is truly wealthy.

As the saying goes, "Darkness prevails where the heart is poor. When our hearts are filled with negativity, greed, and selfishness, it leads to darkness and unhappiness. However, when our hearts are filled with kindness, compassion, and generosity, it radiates light and positivity.

In conclusion, let us strive to cultivate these qualities in our lives. Let us give without expecting anything in return, associate with people without ulterior motives, live life without pretenses, and focus on building our inner richness. By doing so, we can create a more harmonious and compassionate world, one that is filled with light and positivity.

Dr. Chavan Latha (Teacher)
KB Asifabad District.

Pawan Kalyan moves Delhi High Court, seeks protection of personal rights over AI misuse

Pawan Kalyan, the Deputy Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, has turned to the Delhi High Court in a bid to safeguard his personal rights amid concerns regarding the misuse of AI technology. In his petition, Kalyan has expressed alarm over the use of his images and name without his consent, particularly highlighting the damaging effects of AI-generated videos on his reputation.

The politician alleges that these AI videos are being employed for deceptive advertising and marketing purposes across platforms such as Google, Meta, X, and various e-



commerce sites. During the court proceedings, Kalyan's lawyer cited precedence from a previous ruling involving actor Ajay Devgan, asserting that despite the High Court's directives, unauthorized advertisements linked to Kalyan continue to circulate online. In response, the judge instructed social media companies to take immediate action regarding the violations of Kalyan's personal rights and mandated that the URLs of the infringing content be submitted to mediators within a week. The court has scheduled the next hearing for December 22.

How pity it is, only ₹2000-3500 for 10 days of hardship! GP elections duty: Tsutf condemns

Jangaon, December 12, Metroodayam:

Small remuneration for returning officers of Gram Panchayat elections is so pity.

The Panchayat Raj Department has followed the guidelines of the Central Election Commission (ECI) and the Telangana State Election Commission.

Teachers all over the country!

TS UTF demands immediate amendment!

The State Committee of Telangana State United Teachers Federation (TSUTF) strongly condemned the move of the Panchayat Raj Department by fixing a meagre amount of remuneration to thousands of teachers and officials who worked hard day and night in the Telangana Gram Panchayat elections for 10 days (8 days of polling + 2 days of training).

The teachers are angry that the employees who worked as returning and assistant returning officers were given alms for less than two hundred per day without paying remuneration as per the rates set by the Election Commission. Stage-1 Returning Officer - Only ₹3,500 (for 10 days!))

Assistant Returning Officer - Rs.2,200

Stage-2 Returning Officer - Rs.2,000 only

At the same time, regular TA + DA + 1/3 additional DA is to be paid every day by TGSEC (Letter No. 1122 / TGSEC-EM / 2025, dated 29-11 -2025 expressly ordered: However, in a memo dated 10-12-2025, the Principal Secretary of the Panchayati Raj Department violated these guidelines and severely insulted the teachers. There is also a serious difference between stage 1 and 2 returning officers. As a result, teachers in several gram panchayats rejected the remuneration in the first phase of elections that concluded on Thursday. In some districts, it was not even paid. This enraged the workers. The remaining two phases of the election will be held smoothly. The memo given by the Panchayati Raj Department on 10-12-2025 should be cancelled immediately! Full TA & DA and one-third additional DA to be paid as per the rates prescribed by TGSEC!

TSUTF state president and general secretary Chava Ravi and A Venkat demanded immediate release of the difference amount to those who have already completed their duties. A complaint in this regard has been lodged with the State Election Commission and a memorandum has been submitted to the Principal Secretary of Panchayati Raj and the Director of Panchayati Raj. Tsutf state chaava Ravi, State general Secretary A. Venkat condemned seriously

GENERAL MANAGER, ECoR INSPECTS KORAPUT-RAYAGADA LINE



General Manager, East Coast Railway (ECoR), Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal, conducted a comprehensive inspection of the Koraput-Rayagada line today. Accompanied by Divisional Railway Manager, Waltair Division, Shri Lalit Bohra, Principal Departmental Heads, and Branch Officers, he reviewed railway establishments, stations, and ongoing developmental works in the section. The review included a window-trailing inspection of tracks, curves, bridges, points & crossings, Yards etc. Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal began at Koraput railway station, where he assessed passenger amenities and progress on Amrit Bharat Station Scheme developments. He then visited Kakiriguma station to inspect the station building and pending works, followed by Lakshampur Road station. There, he examined the railway colony, health unit, and facilities, while interacting with staff from Overhead Equipment (OHE) Maintenance Car (Electrical-Traction Distribution), Signal & Telecom, Engineering, and Operations departments. Discussions focused on their skills, safety awareness, work culture, and any grievances. General Manager further inspected Major Bridge No. 354 and a critical 5-degree curve between Sikarpai and Keutguda. He verified bridge integrity, curve alignment, safety fastenings, and track parameters, engaging directly with on-site gangmen for firsthand feedback on maintenance challenges, safety practices, and section-specific issues. Further, he continued this inspection at Rayagada station, Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal thoroughly reviewed the new station building, control room and newly constructed railway offices, while monitoring ongoing works. Divisional Railway Manager, Rayagada, Shri Amitabh Singhal, also joined the inspection at the Rayagada station. GM, Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal, felicitated frontline staff, including gangmen, the TRD Team with cash awards during his inspection. The recognition honours their exemplary commitment and seamless execution of duties in typical sections.



Visakhapatnam Economic Region to be developed as Global Economic Hub: CM



Visakhapatnam.....Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu directed the officials to implement a comprehensive strategy to develop Visakhapatnam Economic Region (VER) as a Global Economic Hub. He said that the region must witness progress in across all sectors including industries, IT, tourism, urban development, green energy and infrastructure. The Chief Minister directed officials to transform Visakhapatnam into a slum-free city. He reiterated that the entire state would be developed through three economic regions—Visakhapatnam, Amaravati and Tirupati.

The Chief Minister conducted a review meeting with officials and public representatives here today on VER development. He discussed on 49 major projects related to integrated development, roads, railway lines, ports, logistics, and other sectors under the VER. The Chief Minister stated that the goal is to elevate VER's GDP from 52 billion dollars in 2024 to 125-135 billion dollars by 2032. Using 7 growth drivers and 10 enabling policies, VER is expected to generate 3 million jobs. If the VER Master Plan is effectively implemented, the region could reach

a 750-800 billion-dollar economy by 2047, he noted. He instructed the officials on the actions to be taken in the next three months as per the Master Plan. He emphasized the need to build an international-standard convention center in Visakhapatnam. The Chief Minister said that by utilizing the extensive resources within VER, extraordinary progress can be achieved across sectors like Steel City, Industrial City, Pharma City, and Tourism. He added that Medtech Zone-2 would be launched soon in Anakapalli and that industries investing in the Toys Park would receive incentives. Efforts must be made to attract defense manufacturing companies as well. The CM directed officials to integrate agency areas with the rest of the region and focus on expanding road networks. He said separate action plans should be prepared for each department. The Chief Minister said that if farmers come forward collectively, permissions would be granted to establish private industrial parks. Bringing industries into Uttaraandhra will help eliminate migration completely, he added. The Chief Minister said that the Visakhapatnam region is highly

favorable for cultivating various crops. In addition to promoting oil palm, efforts should be made to encourage inter-crops such as cocoa, banana, and black pepper. Poultry farms would help boost income, he said. The Visakhapatnam Economic Region comprised of nine districts including Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, ASR, Parvathipuram Manyam, Anakapalli, Kakinada, East Godavari and Konaseema. The Economic Region should be developed through 7 Growth Drivers including Global Port, Next-Gen IT, Agriculture, Tourism, Healthcare Hub, Planned Urbanization & Housing and World-class Infrastructure. A Master Plan has been prepared to develop the 40 sq. km coastal stretch from Kailasagiri to Bheemili into a core tourism city of Andhra Pradesh. Ministers Nara Lokesh, K. Atchannaidu, P. Narayana, T.G. Bharat, Kandula Durgesh, Kondapalli Srinivas, Dola Sreebala Veerananjaya Swamy, Kollu Ravindra, Chief Secretary K. Vijayanand, senior officials and collectors of all 9 districts participated.

Manya Pragathi Charitable Trust Services Should Reach Every Tribal Household

— Chetti Vikas, Chairman, Manya Pragathi Charitable Trust Dumbiriguda:

Manya Pragathi Charitable Trust Chairman Sri Chetti Vikas stated that the Trust is committed to ensuring that its services reach every tribal person in the region. The villagers welcomed the Chairman and representatives with garlands, followed by the traditional tribal Dappu music and Dhimsa dance, offering them a grand and culturally rich reception. As Manya Pragathi Charitable Trust completes nine years of service, the Trust members, under the leadership of Baka Simhachalam and Pangi Narasinga Rao, organised a service programme at Sagiri Valasa of Sovva Gram Panchayat. A total of 70 tribal families were provided with blankets, along with essential groceries including 5 kg rice bags, dal, potatoes, onions, cooking oil, salt, and chilli powder. Speaking on the occasion, Chairman Chetti Vikas said: Our intention is to extend our services to remote PVTG tribal villages. To protect them from severe cold, we distributed blankets and weekly essential commodities to each tribal family (He also recalled the various service activities carried out by the Trust during the COVID-19 pandemic. Trust members from Visakhapatnam — Kola Santosh, Charan Vardhini, and



Prabhakar — participated in the programme. Other participants included Guntaseema MPTC Paparao, Arakoloya Mandal Sarpanch Forum President Ramesh, former YSRCP District Youth President Eliki Kiran, former Mandal YSRCP President CH. Mallesh, Sovva Panchayat YSRCP leaders Korra

Donnu, ward members, volunteers Korra Raju, Patnayak Relli Patnayak Mohan, Vantala Govardhan, PISA Secretary, YSRCP youth leaders Baka Sridhar, Pangi John, former MPTC Moddu, constituency booth convener B. Mohan, and Balluguda Panchayat Sarpanch's husband Sri Balaram.